

SHERWOOD MAGEE OBJECTS TO N. Y. FANS THROWING HARD BOTTLES MINUS SOFT CONTENTS

HOD ELLER'S HOMER RUINS PAIR OF GAMES FOR M'GRAW'S GIANTS

Moran Cashes Twice and Nears Pennant on Clout That Decides First Tilt and Breaks Down New York Morale for Second Encounter

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PITCHERS, taken by and large, are peculiar persons. They do their best work when the other side is at bat and only occasionally do they put anything across to help their own club on the attack.

However, the granddaddy occasionally becomes all fussed up, as was the case here yesterday. A person named Hod Eller, who evidently is called Hod because he never carried one, forgot he was a pitcher or anything even resembling a pitcher for one brief instant and what he did to a pair of ball games was a shame.

Barnes grew careless when Eller faced him in that fatal inning. Two aliens had been expunged and the next two reached base safely. Hod swung his bat carelessly, took two strikes and waited patiently for the next one to come over so he could call it a day and go back and pitch.

THAT circuit clout won both ball games. It placed Jess Barnes on the skirts and shook the confidence the New York players had in him. They didn't dream of losing with Jess on the mound.

New York Admits Giants Have Cracked

ALL is quiet and serene in New York today. The faithful fans—faithful when the home club is winning—are reconciled to their fate and will admit that the Giants have cracked, they never will win the pennant, and with that off their minds they have no further interest in the race.

In the second battle, however, the fans lay down and expired. Not a peep was heard out of them, although a few cheered vigorously for Cincinnati when it was a cinch that the Reds would win.

That grand and glorious pair of victories mean a big thing to Pat Moran. The runners-up have been smeared all over the place, trimmed four times out of six, and as a result the players have so much confidence that they could go out and lick four or five teams on the same afternoon.

McGraw hasn't much of a chance. His infield is all shot and it will take time to rebuild it. Hal Chase performed miserably in the series and was taken out twice in favor of a pinch hitter.

Jess Barnes's Streak Ruined

THERE was plenty of excitement in the first game. First, the Reds fell upon Barnes and eased a run over the plate, which was not at all according to the dope. Then the Giants got busy and, aided by Billy Kopf's wild heave to Daubert on Burns's grounder, tied the count.

Eller had a tough time of it in the seventh, but only two runs were scored. Kauff singled and scored on Gonzales's two-base wallop. Burns brought in the Cuban with a hit to left. Pep Young lifted a high fly to Magee and it was then that Sherry received his first bottle shower.

Rube Benton pitched a whole of a game in the final, save for one inning. In the first five frames he did not allow a safe blow and the only man to reach first was on an error by Chase. He seemed all set to hurl a no-hit battle and probably would have done that very thing had the sixth inning been eliminated.

REMEMBERING Hod Eller, Benton considered Ray a dangerous clouter and pitched him four wide balls. That started something, for he next four batters hit safely and three runners were chalked up. Those four hits were the only ones Cincinnati made in the game.

Groh Best Third Baseman in World

THE Reds are hustling these days and should keep up in front until the close. Five members of the pitching staff, Sallee, Reuther, Eller, Fisher and Ring, are going good and they are enough to win the flag. In addition, Eddie Gerner and Luque can turn in a few victories, and Rube Bresler will be a big help when he gets into shape.

Groh is the best third baseman in the world. Kopf is a steady shortstop, Rath is an aggressive, sure-fielding second baseman, and Jake Daubert at first base looks as good as he did five years ago. Hariden and Wingo are high-class, brainy catchers and are a big help to the pitchers.

But where Cincinnati shines is in playing smart baseball. Every man knows what to do on every play and there is no fooling. Three times sacrifice hits failed because the play was made on the runner at second. Another time a force-out was made at third when there didn't seem to be a chance to make the play.

THE Reds will be in Philadelphia a week from today, and Pat Moran will be given another rousing welcome. He will play double-headers with the Phils on Saturday and Monday.

THERE is said to be no truth in the report that Pat Moran intends to sell Eller, Groh and Roush to the Giants.

SEBASTIAN GROVER (CLEVELAND) ALEXANDER has discovered that helping to make the world safe for democracy is no great boast toward helping to make the pennant race safe for the Cubs.

WHICH is another bizarre angle in this frolicsome pastime—the Cubs won a pennant without Alexander and with him they finish third.

IF THE Reds ever win a world series, what other sporting miracles will there be left to happen?

THAT GUILTIEST FEELING



IN THE LOCKER ROOM WHEN A FRIEND INVITES YOU TO "HAVE SOMETHING"—AND YOU ACCEPT POLITENESS WOULD PERMIT.

THORPE THREE POINTS BEHIND GAVVY; COBB WIDENS GAP FOR BATTING LEAD

Indian Is Soaking Ball at .348 Gait—Wheat Scores Highest Number of Hits, With 125 Safeties

Jess Barnes Continues to Set the Pace for N. L. Pitchers, With Reuther Second

Georgian Makes Gain of Six Points, With Sisler Fourteen Behind—Latter Is the Best Base Stealer

WILLIAMS FALLS BACK

Table: Club Batting Averages in the National League. Columns: Club, G, AB, R, H, SR, PC.

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Eddie Cicotte Is First Major Pitcher to Annex Twenty Games This Season

Table: Games Won by Pitchers from These Clubs. Columns: Club, Pitcher, Club, W, L, P, C, Last.

AMATEUR BASEBALL NOTES

Philadelphia City Club, a traveling team, has August 23 and 30 open for home teams paying guarantees.

WALKER WALLOPS .295

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AMERICAN LEAGUE BATTING

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STEADY PITCHING HAS CARRIED BENGALS TO THICK OF FIGHTING

In March Jennings's Tigers Looked Like Worst Ball Club in League, but Twirling Staff Has Kicked Over Advance Dope

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Back in March when various major league contenders were attempting to iron out various kinks, touring scouts brought in word that probably the worst look ball club in either league was Mr. Jennings's Detroit Tigers.

At which point E. Yeh Hughey began to obtain some steady pitching and this, backed by the run-producing attack of Cobb, Veach, Flagstead and Heilmann, started the Tigers, forward at a pace which has made them serious contenders.

Pitching is about all that Detroit has needed for the last ten years. They got the pitching in 1900 with Mullin, Summers, etc., and romped in. They haven't drawn any since, and so year after year a driving offense has gone to weeds.

Now after a ten-year lapse the fanatic may again obtain the chance to observe Ty Cobb in a world series—and Ty may also obtain the chance to wipe away his world series defeats through 1907, 1908 and 1909.

Chick's Stand

HAVING dropped one prong of his double title at Braeburn, Chick Evans will battle desperately to retain the only remaining prong at Oakmont these next few days.

It is all well enough to have one prong of a title cut away, but to have both chopped off in one summer is sufficient to leave one in a state of chilly mindness against the approaching wintry blinks.

Chick has been at his best this summer, and his battle in defense of the remaining prong should be one of the noteworthy chapters of American golf.

You Can Never Tell

NEWPORT lawn tennis results were more than interesting, but no one can foretell what advance statistics they have developed in regard to the coming championship.

In 1914 McLoughlin defeated both Brookes and Wilding, while both Brookes and Wilding defeated Williams. But a short spell later Williams turned and wrested the crown from the comet, who had seemed invincible.

As Form, in both tennis and golf, is merely "the brief interval between getting ready and going stale," so no one can tell in advance just which of the elect will be at the crest when the psychological moment arrives.

The Pitching Slump

IF THERE is anything in the parabolical statistics, American League pitching this season has come upon rugged wafers.

Either that, or American League batting has reached amazing expertness. The batting averages of all American or National League players for the last ten years has been in the immediate neighborhood of .250.

L. I. H.—McLoughlin won the lawn tennis championship in 1911, 1912 and 1913. Williams won in 1914 and 1916. Murrain won in 1915, and Murrain in 1918. All four will be entered at Forest Hills.

AUSTRALIAN STARS LOSE

Thomas and Lycett Both Lose in Singles to American Youth in Cedarhurst, N. Y., Aug. 16.—R. V. Thomas and Randolph Lycett, members of the Australian tennis team, fell before the fast playing of two American youngsters today.

McCluskey Wins From Gannon in Semifinal at Cambrria Club Although a threatening sky hung over Kensington last evening, it failed to keep 1,500 fans from seeing Tim Dronney, of Lancaster, defeat Tommy Carey in one of the best windups seen this year.

Robert Kinsey, one of the younger California stars, gained the final round by eliminating Lycett. The score was 6-3, 6-2.

Lorimer Shot Champion Ohioan Wins Handicap Title—Pennsylvania Third Best at Traps Chicago, Aug. 16.—G. W. Lorimer, of Troy, O., won the Grand American trapshooting handicap yesterday after a triple tie in which Lorimer, W. E. Gordon, of Mobile, Ala., and "Ed" Hellyer, of Alexandria, Pa., each scored 98.

LORIMER SHOT CHAMPION

Mr. T. A. Randall, Lima, O., won the women's prize, with 87, and the Columbus trophy for high average was won by Frank M. Troch, Vancouver, Wash.

Marine Rifleman is Winner

Calwell, N. J., Aug. 16.—The rapid rifle match was shot here yesterday at the navy rifle range. More than 600 competitors from the army, navy and marine corps, as well as from civilian teams, participated in the contest.

Miss Bjursted Wins in Two Sets

New London, Conn., Aug. 16.—Miss Molla Bjursted defeated Miss Marion Zanderella here yesterday on the Griswold after a score of 6-3, 6-0. Miss Zanderella after winning the first, third and fourth games was unable to take a game thereafter.

Valor is Sold for \$15,000

Saratoga, N. Y., Aug. 16.—Sam C. Hedbreth has purchased the Valor stallion Valor from William Martin for \$15,000.

Belmont Grand Circuit Meeting

No Advance in Prices THE 1919 FEELING Will be the greatest of all the Folliesanna Held in This Country Competitions in the Languages, History, Literature, Music and Dances of Ireland. Irish Customs, Constitution and Religion.

Another Great Day

2:15 Class Yacht, Stake \$5000 Double Team Trip, Stake \$5000 CHAMPION vs. PIRATEON To Heat the Record, \$1000 To Beat Record, \$1000 2:08 Class Yacht, \$1000