

WALTER JOHNSON HAS KEPT WASHINGTON FROM REJECTING THE AMERICAN LEAGUE, ANYWAY

GRIFFITH FEELS HE HAS REAL CASTE TO SUPPORT W. JOHNSON

Walter and His Washington Playmates Believe They Are Booked for First Division This Year. Depends on Bobby Roth

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WALTER JOHNSON and a lot of other Washington players of various shades of efficiency have finished four weeks of hard work down here among the palm trees and grapefruit, and report themselves in the pink of condition for the approaching free-for-all in the American League.

Who the ball club takes the field in its 1920 scenery the line-up will be slightly different from that of last year. Bobby Roth, that hard-hitting, base-stealing, ground-covering outfielder who has seen service with the White Sox, Cleveland, Boston and the Athletics, will be in right field and the infield will be composed of three strangers and Joe Judge.

Clark Griffith has been scouting around for several years to get together a lot of playmates that Walter Johnson wouldn't be ashamed of. He has been more or less successful with the accent on the less, until this year. Now they say the supporting cast is all that could be desired.

Since Ray Morgan stepped out of the picture, three years ago, Griff has been up against it for a second sacker. He always tried out a number of candidates early in the season and ended with Hank Shanks, the utility athlete, playing by request.

This year Griff has a young gem named Stan Harris keystoning like a regular keystone, and early returns indicate he will carry the bag by a big majority.

Another O'Neill Entry JAMES LEO O'NEILL, a prominent citizen of Minooka, Pa., or something like that, has been assigned to the station in the short field and Griff is elated over the showing of the youngster.

Eddie Foster was traded to Boston in the deal which brought Bobby Roth here, so a new third sacker had to be developed. Frank Ellerbe, the kid from Birmingham, who broke in last fall, has been playing the corner, but Joe Leonard, the veteran utility infielder, probably will be in the regular line-up.

Leonard, however, is a more steady player, and has had lots of experience. Although he is slight for the regular berth, he will have to go some to beat out Ellerbe. Maurice Shannon, who was with the Athletics and Red Sox, will be substitute shortstop, as Griff says he plays that position better than second base.

So the infield should line-up with Judge on first, Harris, second; O'Neill, short, and Ellerbe or Leonard, third. It will be a fast, hitting aggregation, and a big improvement over last year's line-up.

Judge is one of the best first basemen in the league, although he seldom receives the credit he deserves. Last year he hit .288 and drew eighty-one base balls, which meant he got on base 231 times out of 321 trips to the plate.

High Hope for Courtney With Zeb Milan in left, Sam Rice in center, and Bobby Roth in right, Griff has three fast, slugging athletes. They will drive in runs this season, and swipe a large number of bases.

Therefore, the infield and outfield look pretty good, and the catching staff also stands up. Val Picinich and Eddie Garrity are hard-working youngsters who can hit, and Adolpho Torres, the Cuban catcher, who was signed a couple of weeks ago, will be the substitute. Picinich and Garrity, however, will fit in with the other sluggers.

Walter Johnson, of course, is the big noise on the mound. The highly advertised "Smoke King" seems to improve with age, and is burning 'em over as of yore. Jim Shaw, Ole Erickson, Courtney, Zachary, Schacht and Carlson will support him all the season.

Courtney is expected to be a huge success. He joined the club late last season, after toiling all summer in New Haven. He is six feet four inches tall, weighs close to 200 pounds, and throws with his left flapper. He appeared in three games last year and won all of them, making Detroit, St. Louis and Boston bite the dust.

Zachary, another left-hander, also looks like a winning hurler. Zach was stationed near Philadelphia when he was in the army, two years ago, and one day performed for Connie Mack. No one knows whether Connie liked him or not, but Griff signed him, and he reported to the club.

He WAS in poor shape, but the old fox nursed him along, and when the season ended, sent him home with a pocket of baseballs for winter practice. The big redhead came back this year with a lot of new stuff, and Griff put him on the varsity.

Griff May Surprise Schacht, of Jersey City, comes highly recommended. While twirling for that aggregation last year he won nineteen and lost seventeen games. Nine of his victories were shutouts. That's a pretty good pitching on a seventh place club. Carlson, a semipro from Jamestown, N. Y., also has favorably impressed the Washington leader.

There are other twirlers on the roster. Snyder, of Akron; Gill, of Holy Cross; Crockett, a nineteen-year-old kid from Oklahoma, and Golden, from the Washington sand lots, have stuck thus far, but will be farmed out for more experience or whatever they need. Griff intends to stand pat on the first seven twirlers.

With the pitchers in good shape and the infield in working order, Washington has a chance to spring a surprise early in the season. The games with the Cuban Giants helped considerably, as the Havana boys were in great shape and the pitchers twirled in mid-season form. The hitters were served with all kinds of hooks and slants, something seldom seen in a training camp.

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STANLEY HINCKLE, of Grays Ferry, has a tough test for tonight. Stanley is a tall fellow, a good boxer, possesses a stinging left jab and packs a terrific punch in his right mitt. Above all, Hinckle is a good defensive boxer. He will go up against Lew Tondler, the Logan lambaster, at the Olympia Club, and if the Grays Ferry youth upsets the dope, he will add greatly to his reputation. Tondler's vicious body bombardment in recent bouts has made him the most popular lightweight in the country.

Law being pitched throughout the United States as the logical contender for Benny Leonard's crown. He has hundreds of sportsmen in Philadelphia who would back him to the limit against the New Yorker. However, if Tondler's terrific punching powers, it now appears that Lew's opponents do not go into the ring to win from the southpaw, but on the other glove, it is their idea to "start the limit," considering themselves victorious in such an event. In tonight's sensational Harry Kid, Brown, Tondler's stablemate and fast blossoming boxer, will take on Frankie McManis, from Boston and clever. Other bouts: Harvey Bright vs. Joey Ritchie, Bobby Burman vs. Mike Ara and Charley Ray vs. Johnny Lewis.

Joe Welling, 242; Patry Gorman, the Port Richmond sportsman, is the main attraction for Lew Tondler. Gorman sets all his bouts in Philadelphia.

Marty Collins, a Syracuse bantam, will meet Abe Friedman in New Bedford, Mass., tonight.

Marcus Williams announces a big advance on his audacious A. A. tomorrow night. In the wind-up of which, Willie McShay, of Port Richmond, will take on Al Brown, of the Twentieth ward. Other bouts: Joe Marley vs. Young Tom Sharkey, Jimmy Davison vs. Joe Rowlands in a negro bout and Young Joe Tuler vs. Young Joe Bradley.

The show at the Germantown Club this night will be held on Wednesday night. In the main mix Marty Kape, the clever bantam, will meet Marty Jule.

Jack Toland is getting himself in the best shape for his expected bout with Lew Tondler. Harry Shannon is working hard to get the best of his opponent. No doubt the managers will be to their credit.

GIRLS' INDUSTRIAL LEAGUE ORGANIZED WHEN A FELLER NEEDS A FRIEND

Teams Which Played Independent Baseball Last Season to Play Schedule Saturdays

An innovation in the ranks of the "little" baseball leagues in Philadelphia is the formation of the Girls' Industrial Baseball League. Every rule and regulation of such organizations, as conducted by their male friends, will be observed with a single exception, and that is the number of innings to be played, which will be confined to five.

The league is the result of missionary work performed last season by A. J. Churchill, of the Frankford Y. M. C. A., who preaches industrial athletics in the northeast. It was agreed that the motto, "Clean sports make clean workmen," was equally applicable to the feminine sex as well as the male.

During last season six teams were in the field, but all confined their efforts to independent games. They were: Hess-Brudge, the pioneers in the movement; Henry Diston, E. G. Budd, David Lupton Sons, Philadelphia Electric and the Bismarck Girls of S. B. and B. W. Fleisher.

All Enter but One When the movement to launch a league was started a few weeks ago all those who played last season answered the call but one. That was Philadelphia, since then two newcomers have been added to the ranks in the teams of L. Walter and Robert H. Feederer. All the firms interested are in the northeastern section of the city, with the exception of Fleisher.

At the meeting held for organization it was decided to limit the teams to eight. At present seven are members, and if one more is not forthcoming, it will be necessary to go along with six. Games will be played every Saturday afternoon and competent umpires selected. The regular big league baseball has been adopted and professional rules.

Play for Trophy A trophy, valued at \$100, has been presented to the league, but the donor will not allow his name to be known until the season is ended. The season will open the first Saturday in May and end in September. A number of cups have also been donated as well as two sets of medals for the club winning the pennant. All the teams must be fully uniformed and carry twenty players.

The officers chosen are president, Miss Heloyse Levy, of S. B. and B. W. Fleisher; vice president, Mrs. Emily Benz, of Louis Walter Sons; secretary, Mrs. Jean Dugan, of David Lupton Sons, and treasurer, Miss Catherine Hennessy, of Henry Diston Sons. All managers are getting their teams and grounds into shape, and Miss Levy announces that a grandstand to seat 500 and bleachers to accommodate 300 will be erected on the Fleisher grounds.

BIG STAKES OFFERED \$140,000 to Be Distributed at 13 Days' Havre de Grace Meeting

Havre de Grace, March 29.—The program for the Harford Agricultural and Breeders' Association's coming spring meeting at Havre de Grace, which Secretary Joseph McLennan has just announced, provides for the distribution among horsemen of the gross sum of \$140,000.

As the meeting will be of thirteen days' duration, this will be a daily average of a little more than \$10,000. Because of the earliness of the dates allotted by the Jockey Club for the Harford meeting, General Manager Edward Turke and Secretary McLennan decided not to try and open any stakes of great value.

Hugo Bezdek Smiles State College, Pa., March 29.—The balmy spring day of last week brought a smile to the face of Hugo Bezdek, coach of the Penn State baseball team, for it enabled him to put in at least a few days of outdoor practice before the team starts on its annual southern trip. Although the players have been practicing indoors for about three weeks, the coaches' quarters are dark and white coach little opportunity to get a line on his material.

Sal O'Donnell, of this city, will box in leading tomorrow night. Jimmy Jordan, the hard-hitting Pittsburgher, Jimmy Jordan, other bouts arranged by Matchmaker Joe Watson, include George Schump, Mike Trane, Frankie Row, George Wayman and Billy Wade vs. Mickey Douglas.

Marcus Williams says no matter who wins the fight between the American and the Italian, he will have the pleasure of making the first fight in the Pennsylvania State arena. Marcus says he was willing to guarantee Carpentier's victory.

Eddie Moran and Young Malligan will meet at the Cambria Monday night.

Johnny Martin, of New York, met last night at the Cambria Monday night. Johnny Martin, of New York, met last night at the Cambria Monday night.

Johnny Mealy, Southpaw boxer, has a new protégé. Mrs. Johnny Mealy presented the boxer with a baby boy and now there are two kiddies in the Mealy family.

A new bout has been added much to the interest of the Audubonites. Marcus Williams, who has been fighting on a number of colored boxes, will know a lot more about the game of boxing as he will fight with a much class as the best in the country.



ALL-FIVE CAGE DATES

Plays in Jersey This Week and Finishes Up-State Next Week

The Philadelphia All-Scholastic basketball team will play in New Jersey this week, meeting Passaic High, winner of the state high school basketball title; St. Benedict's Prep, of Newark, and Bordentown Military Institute, winner of the state prep school title.

Bordentown will be played Tuesday night, Passaic the following night and the game with St. Benedict's Prep is hanging fire for Thursday night.

Next week will see the end of the All-Scholastics for this season. "Marty" Pollock and his proteges will wind up the season with a trip to the extreme northeastern section of Pennsylvania. Berwick High, Lehigh Valley, Berwick Y. M. C. A., a five with collegiate standing, will be the local team's opponent on the 6th of April.

Pollock will stand pat on the line-up he has used all season for the games in Jersey and up-state. Captain "Tommy" O'Brien and Freeman will be the forwards; Leopold, center, and "Ben" Dessen and "Allie" Goldstein will pair off at the guards' posts. Coach "Chickie" Passon also will make the trips.

Penn Rows Saturday New Haven, Conn., March 29.—Coach Guy Nichols and his crew, the Yale crew, which are being trained for the University of Pennsylvania regatta, will start a final trial in a series of short races on the harbor. The first trial was virtually a tie a week ago, but the make-up of the second boat was not decided till just before the squad leaves here tomorrow.

Rothschild to Lead Green Hanover, N. H., March 29.—Richard J. Rothschild, 21, of St. Paul, Minn., has been chosen to lead the Dartmouth hockey team next season. Rothschild has been a member of the Green sprint for the last two seasons, playing at rover and wing.

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CORBETT PRAISES CARPENTIER'S WORK

Ex-Champion, After Boxing With Frenchman, Says He'll Stay While With Dempsey

New York, March 29.—James J. Corbett is positive that the contemplated fight between Jack Dempsey and Georges Carpentier will not be a one-sided affair. In fact, he believes that the French champion possesses the necessary qualifications to contest in the ring for the heavyweight championship of the world.

This was the opinion expressed by the former heavyweight champion after sparring for a few minutes yesterday afternoon with Carpentier at the home of Jack Curley at Great Neck, L. I., where the French champion spent the day with Mme. Carpentier. It was the first time that Carpentier had been seen the pugilistic sensation of Europe.

"I want it distinctly understood that I am not attempting to pick the winner of the Carpentier-Dempsey fight," said Corbett, when asked regarding his impressions of the Frenchman. "but Carpentier showed such wonderful form during the brief period I was sparring with him that I am convinced he will prove a worthy opponent of Dempsey, and we all know how great a fighter Dempsey is."

The brief sparring I did with the Frenchman demonstrated to my satisfaction that he will not be a ready target for any man's sport, even one who knows how to handle himself, and in less than sixty seconds of our little impromptu exhibition he showed me that he has the art of side-stepping and ducking down to science.

Manager Descamps accompanied the French champion and Mme. Carpentier to the Curley residence. A group of the theatrical and sporting fraternity of Great Neck were guests of Curley and witnessed the sparring exhibition. Corbett is several inches taller than the Frenchman.

\$30,000 OFFER TO GEORGES Promoter of Camden Club Trying to Match Carpentier With Ray Smith

Herman Taylor, manager of the Camden Sportsmen's Club, Camden, N. J., has come out with an offer of \$30,000 to Georges Carpentier, European heavyweight, who is in New York at the present time, for an eight-round bout at the new New Jersey boxing club, Taylor has been in communication with Francois Descamps for a week.

Bethlehem Wins The All-Stars emerged victorious over Somerset, 4 goals to 1, in a game played on the Nativity ground, Somers and Ontario streets, yesterday afternoon.

S. P. H. A. Wins Bordentown, Pa., March 29.—Kreisher's long rainbow shot beyond the center of the foot in the last minutes of play enabled Bordentown to lead the crack South Philadelphia Hebrew Association five to two after a bitterly fought game in the Key stone cage yesterday.

BASKETBALL MEN VOTE FOR HARMONY

Eastern and Penn State Organizations Agree to Have a Working Agreement

The Eastern Basketball League officially brought the 1919-1920 season to a close yesterday afternoon and the most important business of the gathering was the decision of the moguls to enter into a working agreement with the Penn State organization. This was also decided upon several years ago, but fell through.

It is the best thing that ever happened for the game and will assure the fans that they will not be compelled to pay good money to see some makeshift club in an important clash with the majority of the stars elsewhere.

It will also tend to benefit the game financially. Some of the club owners were compelled to pay extravagant and even outrageous salaries in order to secure competent talent and with a working agreement this will be done away with.

New York Team Beats Newburgh New York, March 29.—Resuming their schedule after an idle period of three weeks, the soccer players of the New York football club were successful in eliminating the Newburgh shrovers from the National Challenge Cup competition of the United States Football Association, by defeating the up-state seven by two goals in a footing round at Todd Field, Brooklyn, yesterday.

All-Star Soccer Team in Victory The All-Stars emerged victorious over Somerset, 4 goals to 1, in a game played on the Nativity ground, Somers and Ontario streets, yesterday afternoon.

Advertisement for Tareyton London Cigarettes. Features a cartoon illustration of a man in a top hat and a pipe, with the text 'There's something about them you'll like' and 'Twenty to the package'.

Large advertisement for Lee Union-Alls work garments. Includes the text 'The Most Popular Work Garment in America' and 'DEPENDABLE wearing service is essential in every garment you buy in these days of high costs.' Also features an illustration of a man in a work suit and a woman in a dress.

Advertisement for Newcorn & Green Merchant Tailors. Features the text 'All-Wool Suitings—In a Most Comprehensive Assortment of Patterns Made to Your Measure \$40 up' and 'Greatest Buy of the Year'. Also includes the address '1032 Market Street Open Saturday Evenings'.