

BILL TILDEN'S AND JOHNSON'S LOVE AFFAIRS PERTAIN TO TENNIS, NOT TURTLE DOVES

GRIFFS AND DODGERS BETTER THAN IN 1919

Neither Is Picked to Win Pennant This Season, but Grantland Rice Predicts Both Will Finish Higher Up Than Last Year

By GRANTLAND RICE (Copyright, 1920. All rights reserved.) Pot-Hunting the Pennant. No. 6—Washington and Brooklyn. Last season Washington, with Walter Johnson at his best, finished seventh, Brooklyn, with a fine pitching staff, finished fifth.

Now, for a number of choice reasons, neither Washington nor Brooklyn is going to win any pennant this season. But it is our firm and inflexible belief that both are destined to finish higher and make a much better showing than either made last year.

This season Walter Johnson has a fair infield to back him up and a better outfield than he has worked with. Milan, Rice and Itoh are good hitters and fast and they can only give Johnson a run or two to work with. He alone will be good for twenty-five or thirty victories. When Johnson had a fair ball club back of him in 1912 he won something like thirty-six games.

Griff's improved his team sufficiently to make a good, hard fight for the first division, with an even chance of breaking through. The Yankees and Boston stopped already in the hope. And he will have a good running shot at two of the others.

Johnson's Chance. LAST season Johnson allowed fewer runs than to a game than any man in baseball. But the run-making strength back of him was entirely too weak to help. He had no chance to rest or drift.

This season Washington's offensive strength has been improved and this will mean a big boost, not only for Johnson, but the remainder of Griff's staff. The Brooklyn Outlook. LAST season Brooklyn had a weird combination for a second division club. She had a club that tied the champion Reds in team batting, with a fine pitching staff, a mixture that ordinarily is always good for 1, 2, 3, even with a pitcher pronounced as a "left field loopholes permitted many a game to drift through, but this season adds Robby with a better looking club in every way—a stronger outfield, a more settled and accurate batting staff, pitchers to carry two ball clubs through the year.

Brooklyn has a great chance this season if she will only take it. If her entire staff are willing to hustle and make a fight of it. There is no reason for a hard-hitting ball club with a fine pitching staff slipping back to the second division. With the same combination the Reds won a world's championship. The Dodgers, like the Yanks, have generally been a fragile club, but there is enough reserve material around this season for Brooklyn to finish no worse than fourth—and possibly higher.

The St. Louis Outlook. ST. LOUIS last season finished fifth in the American League and seventh in the National League. There has been marked improvement shown by both clubs in their early work, but not enough to prove either club strong enough for the first division yet.

TILDEN WILL PLAY IN TOURNEY HERE

Tennis Meet Begins Wednesday on Wanamaker's Roof—Many Stars Are Entered

Wednesday lawn tennis stars from all parts of the East will gather here for the opening round of the tournament to be held on the roof courts of the Wanamaker store. Philadelphia's two national first ten men, William T. Tilden, 2d, and Wallace F. Johnson, will be among those present. The meeting will be held under the auspices of the Philadelphia and District Tennis Association and the Meadowbrook Tennis Club.

A large field will play, including a score of Philadelphiaans, Samuel Hardy and S. H. Voshell are the most prominent out-of-town entrants, and in addition to those mentioned, Craig Biddle, one of the best of the Philadelphia tennis players, and who has won numerous tournaments in all sections of the country, will play.

In addition to the men mentioned, the following will play in the singles: P. S. Osborne, Bellefield; T. H. Martin, Bellefield; W. P. Rowland, Bellefield; William Campbell, Bellefield; George Caldwell, Overbrook; A. J. Burris, Idle Hour; P. W. Gibbons, Plymouth; George Powell, Cynwyd; E. W. French, Limerick; E. M. Edwards, Merion; Howard Coe, Riverton; Horace Reeve, Moorestown; Walter Robb, Riverton; A. Lindsay Clark, Riverton; Ralph Hatherall, Bellefield; S. J. Hatherall, Bellefield; A. J. Batty, Elthron.

Entered in the doubles are the following pairs: S. H. Voshell and S. Hardy, W. T. Tilden, 2d, and Vincent Richards, national indoor champions; Henry Reeve and Foster Reeve, Brooke Edwards and E. M. Edwards, J. T. Mayer and P. E. Dixon, Craig Biddle and Wallace F. Johnson.

The tournament will last about a week and there will be no admission fee. There is a likelihood that a number of the stars who are playing in the Pinehurst championships may come up with Tilden, but even if they do not the field is one of the best ever entered here in a local tournament.

Revive Bike Races Here. After a lapse of many years bicycle racing has been revived in this city. The first event of the year was staged by the Germantown Cycle Club, under the direction of Charles W. Bainbridge.

To Try Out Marathon Runners. NEW YORK, April 12.—The Boston Athletic Association's annual marathon road race is to be recognized as an official, trophy for marathon runners who desire to be candidates for the places on the American Olympic team, according to a statement issued by President Gustavus Kirby of the American Olympic committee.

Kelly May Not Row in Coming Olympics

Jack Kelly may not row in the Olympics. This announcement was made yesterday by the Vesper oarsman, holder of the national singles championship, and one of America's foremost rowing experts, following his usual spin in his single shell over the Henley course on the Schuylkill river. Kelly is booked to row in the Diamond Sculls on the Thames on July 1, and he says that it would be impossible for him to row in both events.

"I would rather row in the Diamond Sculls than in the Olympics," Jack said yesterday. "But before I can row in the Diamond Sculls, approvals of the American and English rowing authorities are necessary. On whether the American authorities approve, but it will be probably two weeks before their charge of the race will reach their decision."

Ralph Morgan Toastmaster and Provost Smith to Speak Tonight. Lou Jourdet and his champion Penn basketball team will be honored by proud alumni and undergrads tonight at the University Club. The celebration of winning both the Intercollegiate League title and the intercollegiate league championship will take the form of a banquet with eats and washed down with speeches.

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RUTGERS ADDED TO PENN'S VICTIMS

Red and Blue Baseball Team Wins Second in Row, Beating New Brunswickites, 8 to 1

Coach Carisa's University of Pennsylvania baseball team has started with the same grand rush that marked the entire season of the basketball five coached by Lon Jourdet. The ball tossers took their second enemy over Saturday afternoon on Franklin Field, beating Rutgers by the slashing count of 8 to 1. The Red and Blue's opening victory was against Lafayette, a 4-to-1 count. Cornell was to have been the first victim more than a week ago, but rain put a stop to Penn's hopes.

Although it was a trifle too chilly for the best baseball Saturday, Penn put up a rattling good exhibition. For a while it appeared that Walter Huntington, the former Bellefonte Academy right-hander, would have to be sent to

the showers early in the afternoon, but some brilliant fielding by Danny McNichol and his co-conspirators pulled the youthful hurler out of the blaze, and after Penn had tied the count at one all in the third, he breezed along in good style until the finish.

Red Ames Out of the League. St. Louis, April 12.—The unconditional release of Pitcher Leon Ames, formerly a member of the New York and Philadelphia National League clubs, was announced by the St. Louis National League. Ames, who had been with Houston, of the Texas League, was released to Kansas City.

Feminine Golf Stars Go to England Next Saturday

Miss Mildred Caverly and Mrs. Clarence H. Vanderbeck, of the Philadelphia Cricket Club, will leave this country next Saturday to play in the British women's championship in May. Miss Caverly was the national runner-up to Miss Alex Skirring in 1916 and Mrs. Vanderbeck won the national championship in 1915. They will be accompanied by Miss Marion Hollins, the metropolitan champion. It will be the first time in history that American women have competed for the British title.

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Murray and Jimmy Wilde are scheduled for an eight-round match at the Camden Sportsman's Club, April 21. In addition to this bout, Matchmaker Herman Taylor has arranged three other eight-rounders between little men, as follows: Little Bear vs. Willie Spencer, Joe Nelson vs. Frankie Conway and Fattling Mack vs. Tommy Murray.

ADMITS INCARNATION

Philadelphia Suburban Baseball Circuit Organizes for the Season. At a meeting of the Philadelphia Suburban League, held at the Hotel Walton, the baseball team representing the Incarnation Catholic Club, of Lindley, was admitted to the league, and will play its games at Third street and the Roosevelt boulevard. This team last year won the championship in the Northwest Church League.

The league now has one vacancy, which will be filled shortly, so as to insure a six-club amateur circuit. The organization as it stands now is composed of Stenton, Glenside, Curtis Country Club, Liggett & Myers and Incarnation.

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