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THE STANDINGS OF THE BALL CLUBS HERE ARE MAKING PHILADELPHIA A GREAT BOXING TOWN

THAT \$250,000 CURVING CROWD WILL HELP ROBINS IN THE RACE, **CHIRPS CHARLES HOLIDAY EBBETS**

By ROBERT W. MAXWELL Sports Editor Evening Public Ledger

"CONNIE MACK once had an infield worth \$100.000." said Charles Holiday Ebbets last night after his Brooklyn ball club had walloped and calcimined the Phils, "but I desire to state, with becoming modesty, that I am the proud and happy possessor of a pitching staff valued at one-quarter of a million dollars, which is another way of saying \$250,000.

"Nine of the best pitchers in either league and every man a star. You can't get away from class like that. The pitching staff is the strongest part of my ball club. and I shall hold on to each and every one of them. There will be no trades or sales or anything like that. Those flingers will stay on the job, and watch us go when the double-headers start ! Just watch us go !!

Charles Holiday was in a jovial mood, for his pitching nce, entitled Jeff Pfeffer, had twirled a wonderful game and re-entered the ranks of the winners. Jeff had dropped his last five battles and thought yesterday was the proper time to put over a victory. He did, and that's that.

Our Phils were unable to do any consistent slamming during the afternoon. Once they got a couple of blokes on bases and, with two out, Gavvy went in to bat, After Gavvy had taken three swings there were three out.

Brooklyn booked better yesterday and showed some great class. This club must be considered seriously for pennant honors, for it has every appearance of a championship aggregation. Even with Zach Wheat, Konetchy and Chuck Ward on the hospital list, the team is sliding along beautifully. Clarence Mitchell at first base has been a big surprise.

He not only is fielding his position well, but also is slamming the ball. Clarence has had a lot to do with the present standing of his ball club.

PETE KILDI FF has proved to be an ideal utility infielder. He plays well at either second, third or short, his hitting is clean and timely and his table manners perfect.

Crazy Colonels Not So Crazy

WHEN the once battling Colonels-meaning Ruppert in with \$137,500 for the privilege of paying Babe Ruth's salary, the once battling Colonels-still referring to Rupto a few weeks ago the wise persons giggled excessively every time the Babe's name was mentioned, and the Colonels-you know who they are-had the same social standing as a pair of simps.

Funny how a flock-of home runs will cause the criticizing customers to put on a new record and join the hip, hip, hooray chorus. Ruth, who has been busting the bulb with amazing frequency, now has a lot of circuit clouts to his credit, the ball club is going good, thousands are out at the park every day to see the slugger slug and you can hear in New York now is ; "Ruppert and Ain't they the smart guys? Huston !

The Babe is causing lots of joy in some spots and deep gloom in others. Before the season opened many wagers were made that he wouldn't connect with a dozen homers this season. Others raised it to fifteen, and those bets also have been paid off. Now the fans are confident that at least fifty homers will bounce off his bat, and there's no chance to make a bet

But how does he do it? How does it happen that Ruth comes along after years and years and makes Ed Delehanty look like a shoddy, to say nothing of a spurious article in Woolworth's? Never before have we had such a fence-buster, and perhaps we never will see another like him. Three homers in one day ! Will that guy ever get out of high gear?

The Babe takes a healthy swing virtually starting it from the ground. He uses a long bat, much heavier than

the others in existence, and he handles it like a toothpick. He meets the ball fairly, and when it's hit it stays hit. Sometimes he gets under the ball-gives it a golf rideand on other occasions biffs it on the nose and almost kills an infielder. He is a big, strapping, powerful hitter, and that's that.

DUTH has an unusually keen eye. He can follow R the ball up to the plate and knows when it is time to sock it. True, he is fooled occasionally, but not often. He outguesses the opposing pitchers. and that is some job.

Ruth Has No Weakness, Says Bush

THE Yank clouter started off on a flat tire this year. L He had been advertised so extensively that the natives down South passed up the circus to attend a practice game to see the mighty Ruth. Down there he was terrible. The Brooklyn pitchers had him swinging futilely in the atmosphere and not getting even a foul. This riled the big boy. and one day in Jacksonville he climbed up in the bleachers to argue with a gentleman who called him a piece of cheese and a big bum. Babe didn't like that sort of stuff, and would have knocked somebody's block off if the orator hadn't pulled a freshly sharpened knife. He won that argument.

But in the South he was awful. It was the same when the American League season opened. But now he has his batting eye, and, to use a highly original expression, is the candy kid.

However, the question and answer department must go into session. How does he do it? Joe Bush has a few words to spill on the subject. Joe has been resting here a couple of days at his home, and left last night to join the Red Sox in Washington.

"Ruth has one weakness." chirped Joe. "and that is a base on balls. He is the hardest man in baseball to pitch to. You can fool him completely on a certain ball, and the next time you use it he knocks it a mile. They say he can't hit a slow curve. I'll say he can, and if they ever find the ball I dished up to him it will be all lonsided.

"Pitching has no terrors for the Base. Some of the pitchers have his animal and he can't hit them safely. They have the high sign on him. Walt Kinney, the jumping harler late of the A's, had his number and could strike him out more often than any one else. Another was Bob Bob wasn't good enough to stick in the league. Geary but looked like a million dollars againsf Ruth. These are the only effective pitchers against the big bloke. All of others look the same:

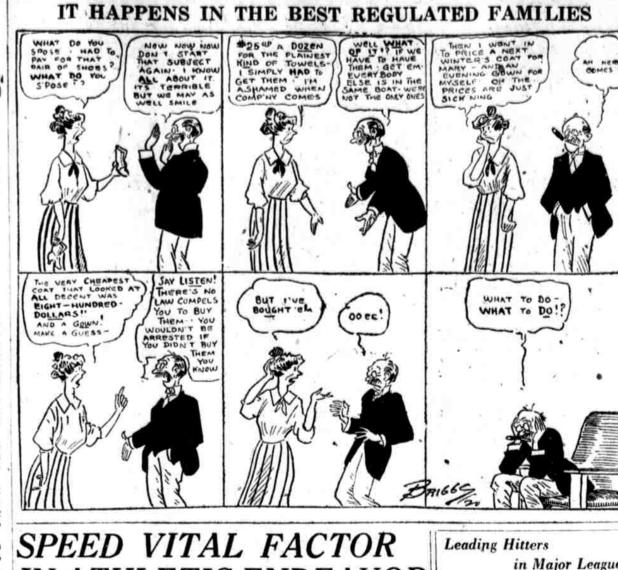
Perhaps the hardest ball for Ruth to htt is about six inches below the shoulders and in close. If he connects, it is with the handle of his bat and the ball doesn't travel But the Babe is watching for that kind of a ball and steps back and clouts it.

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"R^{[TH} hasn't an easy time of it. The pitchers serve him bad balls, they wind them around his neck, shoot at his head and try to make it as uncomfortable as possible when he is at the plate. Still, he hits them high and for, and that proves he is the greatest slugger we ever have had in basehall

TOMORROW is the last day of grace for the big league gentlemen who forsook the carefully manicured diamonds to make fame and fortune in the steel and oil leagues. Presidents Heydler and Johnson have handed out a rough statement, and if the boys do not come back to the fold the official tinware will be hung upon them for life.

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IN ATHLETIC ENDEAVOR Quick Thinking Enters Largely Into Success of Leaders

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Training Hard Combination to Beat

By GRANTLAND RICE

A STUDIOUS bystander desires to the main job will be to overtake Cleves, how just what might be termed home with the Yanks and Red Sox on the most vital factor in sport. home wit "There are several things to con-

"There are several things to con-sider." he writes. "But which one is supreme?" In this connection we would not consider the matter of cour-age, which is a basic element that is common to the average man, and not, as many seem to think, the gift of only a few. of the most sensational since 1908, when a few.

The late war, in a test of 50,000,000 Pirates, Giants and Cubs were only a men from twenty odd nations, proved game apart up to the final hour,

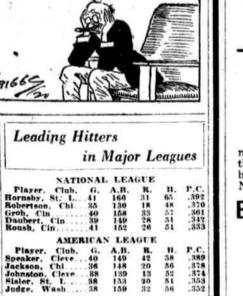
Babe Ruth's bat at the moment of im-pact which is largely responsible for *Copyright*, 1980 All rights reserved.

the tremendous distance that he gets. It is the speed of Johnson's fast one = and Alexander's curve ball that features

It has been the speed of Ty Cobb's brain as well as his speed of foot that lifted him to the top. A man who is without speed of foot

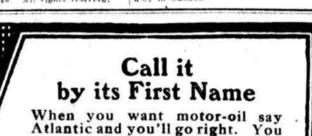
produce a nectarine replete with juice.

or arm might get by, but not unless he had an abnormal amount of brain speed. Such hall players as Cobb. Evers and Collins have been outstanding stars because their speed was both mental and the combination is bound



Hilldale Squashed

Commander Ross Buys Lion d'Or men from twenty odd nations, proved this statement. Aside from this, we should say the vital factor in sport was speed. By SPEED we do not mean alone Babe Ruth's bat at the moment of im-Babe Ruth's bat at the moment of immake good as a long-distance runner. It expected that his purchaser will race L-d'Or in Canada.



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ities. .For master-chemists and

engineers have worked all that out.

You'll only wonder that your car or

ENGLISH HENLEY ENTRIES Penn Varsity Crew Jack Kelly Among Contestants to Loses Ames, Bow

Another blow was dealt Coach Joe Wright and Penn rowing yesterday when W. M. Ames, the veteran bow man, announced that he had retired. Ames, whose home is in Dayton, O., has been in the bow seat for the last two years. He went to Coach Wright yesterday and said that he was through with the sport. J. B. Deaver, Jr., No. 6 in the old junior varsity, was given the vacant The Penn crews leave here sent. June 15 or 16 for the intercollegiate regatta, which has been moved from Poughkeepsie to Ithaca.

Fail to Agree on Chairman

New York, June 4. — John A. Heydler, president of the National League, and B. H Johnson, president of the American League, a choice for chairman of the National Com-mission. It was said unofficially that selec-tion of a successfor to Garry Herrmans may not be made for several months. Consider-able time was devoted to a discussion of the playing rules and the heavy hitting which has developed this season in both which has de major leagues.

are now closed.

Diamond Sculls

London, June 4.—The Union Bea Club, of Boston, has entered crews is the Grand Challenge Cup for eight, the Stewards Challenge Cup for foun and the Thames Challenge Cup for eights in the Henley Result.

and the Thames Challenge Cup for four eights in the Henley Regatta, June 50. July 1 to 3. The foreign entries for the diamona sculls are Dr. Paul Withington, former Harvard carsman, and William Chanle, of the Union Boat Club, Boston; J. B. Kelly, of the Vesper Boat Club, Phila-delphia, holder of the American national single sculls title, and F. E. Eijken, et the Delft University Club, Holland The entries for foreign crews and sculler are now closed.

Glants Subdue Stars

Atlantic City, June 4.-Pittaburgh were helpless before Ryan's pitching, j arach Giants winning 6 to 1. Rain sto the same in the fifth.



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Harvard Harvard Singles, fourth round-1. M. Banks dr ived Laland Wiley, 7-5, 6-4. Doubles third round-James and Banks feated Leighton and Sargent 6.2, 6-4 Pike d Davenport defeated Steele and Swift

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Winner Will Play Either Frankford or Stenton; There's a "Contest" Between Latter as to Which Won Its Division-Other Gossip

By SANDY MCNIBLICK

A RONIMINK and Woodhury will to him. I say, you can't play rour play off tomorrow for the privilege ball ahead of the markers, you know. of entering the semifinals for the sub-urban team golf championship. Just who the opposition will be in the semi-and furiously fannet his ball again finals is also a matter of doubt at the about six inches forward. Present time. It hangs on a matter of a quarter of Put your ball back of the markers, I present time.

a point between Frankford and Sten ton as to which one is the winner of its division to advance into the semifinals.

The final second to the seminaria. The final second to this division, as shot, turned on his annover. 'Shut up, shot, turned on his annover. 'Shut up, sou silly ass, and mind your own busipublished in the morning newspapers, was erroneous, evidently, as it was based on matches and not points. The club report sent to Francis B. Warner, secretary of the Golf Association of Philadelphia, puts the final winner of Discision D in doubt and the match of stated the office of the soft association of certification of states the set to mechanic since the wart

Certi Calvert, is also name it up the gold headings from this is ante-bellum days, staged his offensione-back since the war tratectar bins been quite ill and was not blasing the gold he used to more. He's in Division D in doubt, and the match of May 19, as reported, must now be veri fied by Lu Lu. That club's report will settle the matter.

O. K. Here

All is smooth in the upper bracker at least. Bala won its division and plac-North Hills in the semifinals on Wed nesday. In the lower bracket, since Hornes Francine, ex-city champion, has some real band luck in his round that dis-utabled nur. He had played his ball ove her green its the rough, searched, found hai blayed nur, down in a putt, feed u as the less how, and not till then did h really that it was not his ball. I least. there are three teams, one must be eliminated. As stated, Aronimink plays the champion Woodbury team tomorrow winner to play either Stenton in Frankford, according to official decision

next Wednesday. The winner of the match Wednesday will play for the match Wednesday will play for the championship of the Unitle league against the winner of the Bala North Hills dual.

There is going to be a great old golding tussle when Bala meets North Hill-The rivalry is exceptionally keen. North Hills will lead off with J. Wood Plant and Edward Styles: Baln, with George Hoffner and Edward Clarey. These players, the one against the other, will produce about as pretty matches as if. possible to pick up to the small

clubs As for the rest of the matches, North As for the rist of the induces, softh Hills figures it has the edge down the line over Bala, and Bala thinks vice versa. At any rate, many figure the winner of this struggle will win the championship-

Something at the first tee of the 6-8. 7-5, 8-6. North Hills invitation tournameut going North Hills invitation tournament re-minded W. H. Warren Webb, official starter, of this one:

"Happened to see a chap playing in Boston at one of the courses recently," chuckled Webb. "who was baving a serious time trying to get off a drive. Just as he was about to take another crack at the ball an official rushed up

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Inext week in his inimitable humor-outs style. JACKSON AND GIBBONS WIN Iands. Carpentier is another speed marvel. He is fast on his feet, fast with his hands and fast with his brains. How then did Willard, none too fast in either a mental or a physical way. reach the top?

W Republican convention in Chi-

reach the top? Turner and Rolfe Lose at German-

First, through an abaormal physical evelopment. And Willard, for a development. town and Madison Clubs Two boxing shows were held in Phila-elphia tast night. In the star bout t the Germantown A A., Joe Jackson t the Germantown A A., Joe Jackson town and Madison Clubs

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In Other Ways

at the Germantown A. A., Joe Jackson was the winner in eight rounds over Charley Turner, while Jiminy Gibbons fast man be tackled, although the surprised the fans at the Madison A. C. latter was sixty pounds lighter in by defeating Billy Rolfe in a limited weight

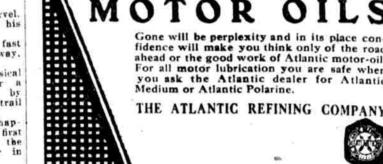
Because Jackson walloped Turner he COUPLED with speed in the betting encounter had to leave the Germantown club by a rear entrance, while his manager, Her-

There was a wild raving mob at that during the show and for some time after it was all over.

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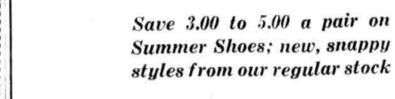
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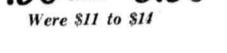
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