

C. MACK DISGUSTED AS A'S FAIL TO HIT OR PLAY THE GAME

Athletics Fall Down When Bin-gles Mean Runs Against Atlanta Club

WHITE ELEPHANTS ARE SWINGING TOO HARD

Special Dispatch to Evening Public Ledger—Lake Charles, La., March 24.—Those Athletics are not hitting the ball or playing the game. Last night Connie Mack declared martial law. He was plainly disgusted with the showing of his team yesterday.

It is at present in the worst kind of shape. The players are not hitting when hits mean runs. Even with Frank Brazil at first base and Whitey Witt in left field, the Athletics could not regain their winning stride.

Witt and Brazil played great ball yesterday, but the Athletics could not overthrow the Atlanta team of the Southern Association. Atlanta won the game, 7-4, and it was the sixth defeat in a row suffered by Mack's regulars.

When a club of the class of Atlanta, that has only played one game before meeting the Athletics yesterday, can make the big leaguers look so poorly with the old war club, there must be something radically wrong with the system to round the batsmen to natural form.

Every ordinary method has been tried without success. Therefore, something out of the ordinary will have to be tried.

To any one conversant with baseball one glaring fault developed as the result of yesterday's game. That is that every man on the team is hitting too hard at the ball.

Each of the Athletics is either aiming at the fence or else trying to put the ball over, and the natural result is that they too often fail to meet the ball squarely and either pop up to the infielders or send long flies to the outfielders.

Harry Davis has the correct idea. In season and out of season the former captain of the Athletics is urging the players not to swing too hard at the ball. In practice he cautioned them to choke their bats more and meet the ball without turning themselves inside out in trying to drive out of the lot.

Now that is just the secret of the lack of hitting by the Athletics. They are allowed too much latitude when at the plate and if they were made to understand that they will have to change somewhat their style and that a failure to obey orders will carry some sort of penalty they would find that they might not make as many long hits as they desire, but that they would have better batting averages and their value to the team materially increased.

WINS OPENING CONTEST

Aramingo Terrace Captures Baseball Game From All-Stars, 9 to 2

The baseball season at Cokeskill Playground, Cedar and Ann streets, was ushered in yesterday afternoon with a game between Pat's team, Aramingo Terrace outfit and Youell's All-Stars, the former winning by the score of 9 to 2.

Both pitchers were hit freely, but the support of Youell was decidedly ragged, his teammates contributing eight misc-pays. The feature of the game was a home run by Youell with the bases filled. The line-up:

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Statistics (Runs, Hits, Errors, etc.)

QUAKER CITY CYCLERS WIN

Defeat Germantown Boys' Club in Bicycle Polo Match

The Quaker City Cycling Association won their third straight bicycle polo game last night when they defeated the Germantown Boys' Club five to two in the score of 7 to 2.

Quaker City players: ... Germantown players: ...

BROOKLINE GOLFER WINS

Parker W. Whittemore Carries Off Honors in Tin Whistle Tourney

Pinehurst, N. C., March 24. Parker W. Whittemore of Brookline won the Tin Whistles golf championship yesterday with a score of 137.

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The names of the seven American women entered in the championship match of the Ladies' Golf Union of Great Britain have been announced by the United States Golf Association.

ANOTHER CASE FOR LANDIS

Status of Johnny Bates, Shipyard Player, Sought by Jack Dunn

Baltimore, March 24.—Johnny Bates, former National League outfielder, will not be permitted by the National Association of Minor League Clubs to play for Rocky Mount in the Virginia League.

ALL-SCHOLASTICS PLAY

Two Games Up-State for Local Five This Week

The Philadelphia All-Scholastic five has two games scheduled for this week, playing Mahanoy City High tonight and will stay upstate over night to take on Lansford High tomorrow.

Teamwork has been perfected by the All-Scholastics, as was displayed in Bethlehem, where they defeated the high school team there. An attempt will be made to organize a game with the winner of the Penn tournament now going on.

After a few more games are arranged the schedule, which carries the All-Scholastics through April, will be completed. Managers desiring games should communicate with Emanuel B. Hoff, 2303 South Middle street.

Boots and Saddle

The purse race for three-year-olds at Havana brings together six high-class youngsters today. Gratia leads the distance and seems best with Natural and Perhaps the other contenders.

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NEW ARRIVALS AT PHIL'S CAMP SHOW THEY HAVE SPIRIT

Mack Wheat Gets Out and Trains, Even Though After Practice Hours

PLAY FLORIDA COLLEGE TODAY AND TOMORROW

By SPICK HALL

Gainesville, Fla., March 23.—If the motive of the Phillies hold-outs and late arrivals was to prevent indulging in spring practice, their attitude since arriving here has not indicated it.

Of course, this is what they should do, but it might not be expected that they would do it if they had been deliberately planning to dodge work.

The day that the Williams arrived he went to the field and, although apparently in excellent physical condition, as long as they continue to show this spirit they may get hold fairly well, at least well enough to hold their own at the take-off until the weak spots in the club can be strengthened.

The games this afternoon and tomorrow with the boys from the University of Florida will give Donovan a chance to watch his men again under fire. Of course, as contests these games will amount to nothing, nevertheless, some kind of a line can be got on Irish Meusel as a first baseman and on the other infielders.

Donovan had Meusel working at first for the Yankees because he believed he would get more chances, but, as it turned out, Jack Miller, who first based for the regulars, had a good deal more to do than Meusel.

The regulars had no trouble in trimming the Yankees 11 to 2, but it was a game in which the youngsters showed more than they had in any previous workouts. This applies particularly to Timmie and David, a couple of the hurlers, who pitched for the regulars.

KENAI STARTS PRACTICE

Germantown Baseball Team Will Open Season With Erie A. A.

The Kenai Club, of Germantown, is taking advantage of the spring weather and has started practice. For a spring at the players turning out for training the squad will be even stronger than last season, when a record of thirty-one victories in thirty-six starts was established.

Games are being arranged with first-class teams in Pennsylvania and New Jersey who were played last year. Manager George Franz can be reached at 5131 Knox street.

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In Philly Uniform

Mack Wheat

Bill Donovan's catcher, who started training diligently today after reporting to Gainesville camp late yesterday afternoon

Amateur Sports

The Indiana Professionals, under the leadership of Joe Meiman, who has managed the team for several seasons, will again place a first-class traveling nine on the diamond.

Having signed Lefty Chapin, who pitched for North Phillies last year, and Catcher Bela, Indiana is well filled with a good battery, which should carry the nine through the thick of the season.

Business Manager Weissman is working hard to fill his schedule for the season. Any first-class home team desiring this attraction should communicate at once with L. H. Weissman, 1533 North Marshall street.

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LOCAL SCHOOLS IN PENN CAGE FINALS

West Catholic Meets Reading High and St. Joseph Prep Opposes George School

TO PLAY THIS AFTERNOON

The eyes of the scholastic world are centered on Weightman Hall, where the prep and high school cage championships will be settled this afternoon.

The semifinals were decided last evening and two local quintets have battled their way into the finals.

It is expected that the first game, to be played at 2:30 p. m., will bring together the high schools and the contestants are West Catholic and Reading High, Central Pennsylvania title-holders. The officials will be Ben Emery, referee, and Nicolai, umpire.

While Philadelphians are rooting for West Catholic to come through with a victory they have a hard task before them and Reading will enter the game a favorite. The upstarters have in Friedman, their center, by far the best player that has appeared in Weightman Hall in the series.

The second game to be staged will be for the prep school title, between St. Joseph's Prep, and George School. This contest promises to be keenly fought from bell to bell. The officials will be Philip G. Lewis, referee, and Jimmy Usilton, umpire. It is scheduled to get under way at 3:30 p. m.

St. Joseph's is considered to have a fine chance to cop the honors from the Newtown athletes in the final contest. The way the locals have been coming through as the tourney progressed makes them strong favorites, their showing last night, when they defeated

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Wenonah Military Academy, 32-17, being very noteworthy. Three other games were played last evening. Reading High eliminated Catholic High by the score of 22 to 16. West Catholic beat Steelton 10-15 and George School eliminated Motavian Prep 25-12.

INVITE ENGLISH RUNNERS

Yale and Harvard May Race Oxford and Cambridge on June 18

Cambridge, Mass., March 24.—At a meeting of the Harvard athletic committee here it was decided to join with Yale in extending an invitation to Oxford and Cambridge Universities for a track meet to be held at the Stadium on June 18.

The project of a meet between the universities of the two countries has been under consideration for some time. The decision to invite the English teams to this country comes as the result of the feeling that since America has been to England three times, it is the turn of the English to come to this country. It is understood that Yale has also voted favorably.

Hall Wins Quaker City Shoot

The midweek target shoot of the Quaker City Gun Club was held yesterday afternoon over the Maple Grove traps and S. P. Hall carried off the high honors of the day, breaking 98 of his 100 targets, missing two in his last twenty-five. Hall had a handicap of three.

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Engle Gets Decision Over Dube

New York, March 24.—Frank Engle, the featherweight champion of Michigan, has awarded the decision over Kid Dube of Seattle, in the feature ten-round bout at the Flatbush A. C. Andy Wolfe knocked out Dube in the sixth round.

Kaufman Defeats Young Sharkey

Young Sharkey, an impressive heavyweight, was defeated by Tom Kaufman in four rounds at the Union Training Club. Spady Lee and Buddy Doolittle boxed and Walter Burke whipped Jon Coster.

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