

Phils Wish Rochester Was Baseball Champion of Universe

ONLY ABNORMALITIES MAKE REAL RECORDS

Babe Ruths, Paddocks and Others Don't Crop Up Every Day, and Only Super-Athletes Will Crack Their Marks

By GRANTLAND RICE
My—My! My caddy bag—my caddy bag, I'm filled with my caddy bag. I use fourteen of them. I'm still a Class B dud. W. P. H.

The four-foot putt—the four-foot putt, I get up on my nerves; sometimes it bobbles, twirls or turns. Sometimes it merely surrenders.

Many a cove uses up most of his speed in practicing quick starts for the dining room.

BATTING around .300 and batting around all night are still as far apart as the outposts of a Siberian frontier.

SINCE the time allotted for the average block is only three-score years and ten, we have given up the idea of wasting any part of this brief spell by trying to win an argument. For even if you win—then what?

Abnormalities in sport hardly count out every other day, else they would not be abnormalities.

Upon the wave crest of this inside information we further add that what to a number of people is a long time is to a number of people a pin prick upon time's vast calendar.

Baseball began about sixty years ago. And the course of fifty-eight of those years any man who could hit out twenty-five home runs was a superman.

There are great sluggers as Delahanty, Crawford, etc., came along and vanished with the record unbroken.

And then a "Babe" Ruth arrives with fifty-four homers in his boric mace for one year's output.

Twenty-five years ago Bernie Wefers ran 220 yards in 21 1/5 seconds.

For any and one-half decades the record stood.

Then Paddock, another abnormality, arrived, cutting the mark to 20 4/5 seconds.

Some time ago we suggested that just as "Babe" Ruth came along, so a sprinter will emerge some day fast enough to run 100 yards in 9 seconds.

Bill Tilden plays Washburn today. World's Champion Meets New Yorker in Wanamaker Tennis Tourney; Richards vs. Johnson

William T. Tilden, 24, world's lawn tennis champion, will play against Washington's Washburn today in the feature match this afternoon of the second day in the tournament being staged on the Wanamaker roof courts.

In the other singles match carded for today Wallace Johnson, Cynwyd, meets Vincent Richards, the youthful New York dash.

Both battles are expected to bring out some highly intricate tennis, and preparations have been made for a big crowd.

The three-day tournament was arranged by the Philadelphia District Tennis Association.

Yesterday's summaries:
W. T. Tilden defeated Craig Biddle, 6-2.
Vincent Richards defeated Carl Fischer, 6-1.
DOUBLE—FIRST ROUND
W. T. Tilden and Carl Fischer defeated John Johnson and Craig Biddle, 6-4, 6-1.
Today's schedule follows:

W. T. Tilden and Carl Fischer vs. W. H. Washburn and Vincent Richards, at 4 p. m.
DOUBLE—FINAL
W. T. Tilden and Carl Fischer vs. W. H. Washburn and Vincent Richards, at 4 p. m.

PREPARE FOR POLO GAMES
Grandstands Seating 10,000 Planned for International Matches
London, April 5.—Construction of grandstands having a capacity of about 10,000 is planned by the Hurlingham Polo Club for the polo matches between the United States and Great Britain, which will be played on June 18 and June 22.

Should the American and British teams divide honors in the first two games, a third will be played on June 25 to decide possession of the international cup.

There is much interest in the contests to be played, and the stands to be erected will not accommodate nearly the number wishing to see them.

HONOR "DUTCH" HALDEMAN
Veteran Forward Elected Captain of Penn's Water Polo Team
Lester A. (Dutch) Haldeман was elected captain of the Penn water polo team at a meeting of the members of the team's squad held last night.

Haldeман is a veteran of two years on the Quaker six, by one of the best forwards Penn has had in years. He entered Penn from South Philadelphia High School, his home at the present being in Westville, N. J.

It was expected that the swimming captain to succeed Mifflin Armstrong would be elected at the same time, but owing to the fact that several members of the team could not attend, this election was postponed until April 10, the night of the final meet with Columbia in Vaghtman Hall.

Boots and Saddle
The Junior Purse for two-year-olds in the Bowie feature today, at four o'clock, in which five likely youngsters are entered, is the feature of the day. It is believed that the winner will be the colt owned by Mr. Maurice and held by the trainer, Belle Wreck and Red Tom.

The odds on Traylor—that is, the future of the water polo team, have been cut from 10 to 1 to 5 to 1. Harry Payne Whitney is believed to be the owner of the colt. The odds on the second big stake for the night at the Lower California course, the \$100,000 stakes, were 10 to 1.

RITCHIE STOPPED BY YUSIL TIPLITZ

Chaney's Scranton Conqueror Fails to Stay Limit at National

SPONGE THROWN IN SIXTH

By LOUIS H. JAFFE
"Yusil" Tiplitz accomplished a fistic feat at which the terrific hitting George Chaney recently failed when the former scored a knockout victory in six rounds over Willie Ritchie, a tough guy from Scranton, in the windup at the National last night. It will be remembered that Ritchie broke Chaney's K. O. string after the Baltimorean had stowed away eleven opponents in a row, the Scranton boxer being credited with a win over George on a first round knockout.

Tiplitz's knockout of Ritchie was of the technical variety, as the latter's manager hurled a water-logged sponge into the ring near the finish of the sixth round. The Scranton man was standing against the ropes complaining that he had been butted; he was making no effort to protect himself while Tiplitz was unfurling a flog of fists at Willie's head, and Referee Frank McCracken was about to halt the contest when the dripping ring of defeat came hurtling across the ring.

Ritchie was in distress all right, and it looked as if he had suffered a sufficient amount of punishment to have him say the sponge made its appearance in the ring. From the moment Tiplitz kept John Steffen started the bout until it was over Ritchie did not have a chance. Tiplitz was way out in front from the outset and he connected with so many punches that a ringsider yelled, "My, what a catcher." There was a good backstop for Connie Mack—he won't let a thing get by.

Body slashes greatly weakened Ritchie, who was forced several times to turn his back completely on "Tip" and run away. Still, the Scranton man stood his ground at times and on other occasions tried hard to fight back, but he was outclassed.

Whether Ritchie was actually butted over his left eye, which bled somewhat, is unknown. Referee McCracken said he did not notice any collision of heads. Tiplitz weighed 153 1/2 pounds. Ritchie was three pounds heavier.

The most scintillating set to on the program was that between Joe Nelson and Battling Leonard. The former was a winner, but not by so large a margin, even though he did score a nine-second knockdown in the second round. Leonard was in the fourth and fifth rounds, winning these seasons with plenty to spare, but just when he was about to get a knockout or probably a Nelson early lead, the Battler crashed in the final frame. Nelson came through with a spurt that enticed him to the laurels.

Hitlee Cobb hit Danny Morgan so hard in the body in the first round, scoring a knockdown, that the referee stopped the bout. Joey Wallace was a hard hitter. Tommy Boyle and Harry Gordon defeated K. O. Leonard.

Scrap About Scrappers
An international welterweight battle is scheduled for the windup at the Auditorium A. tonight, with Bert Taylor of England and the Red Sox.

McGraw Will File Claim for Damages if Washington Falls to Paddocks
New York, April 5.—Calling off of the exhibition series between the New York Nationals and the Washington American League Club was imminent today, as a result of the Senators' action in quitting the game there yesterday after disputing Empire Brennan's decision.

Manager McGraw, who said he had been informed that the Washington Club would not continue the series if Brennan remained as umpire, is reported to have said that he would not consent to the arbitrator's removal. He added that his club would appear in all the cities where games were scheduled with the Senators, and that if the latter failed to appear he would file claim with Judge Landis for damages.

PHILA. WINS AT CHESS
Local Telephone Team Defeats New Yorkers in Long-Distance Contest
Two teams representing the Philadelphia and New York offices of the American Telephone and Telegraph Co. engaged in a championship chess tournament last night. The Quaker City team office sent the Manhattanite-down to defeat by the score of 3 1/2 to 1 1/2.

Each team made their respective moves in their own office, and these were immediately transmitted through the long-distance telephone. The results:

Board 1, Queen's Pawn Opening—S. P. McIntyre, Philadelphia, 1; S. Hoover, New York, 0.
Board 2, Four Knights' Game—C. C. Dreher, Philadelphia, 1; B. White, New York, 0.
Board 3, Bishop's Opening—C. Deter, New York, 1; P. C. Koelle, Philadelphia, 0.
Board 4, Giuoco Piano Game—J. D. Hogarty, Philadelphia, 1; H. Hill, New York, 0.
Board 5, Ruy Lopez—C. C. Wilson, Philadelphia, 1; P. H. Pheasant, New York, 0.

Rule Against Armory Organizations
New York, April 5.—A ruling that armory organizations cannot stage professional boxing bouts and charge admission, unless it is given by the New York state boxing commission, has been made by Attorney General Charles Newton. It was announced in a decision rendered here by Attorney General J. Louis Kincaid. Police men tried to prevent bouts in the Sixth Coast Defense Armory here Saturday night, after a protest by boxing commissioner Walter O'Hourke and state officials, contending that the state had no authority over federal property, went on with the exhibition.

Wambganss Out of Game for One Month

Cleveland, O., April 5.—Harry Lunte, utility infielder, will play second base for the Cleveland Indians during the absence of Bill Wambganss, according to advices from Mobile, where the champions are scheduled to play today. Up to yesterday Wambganss had missed but one game in two years.

Wambganss, who sustained a fractured bone in his right arm by a ball thrown by Catcher Griffith at Houston Sunday, will leave for his home in Cleveland today. He will be out of the line-up for a month, it is said.

Danny had been knocking out his opponents since 1919.

Herman Taylor expects to complete his show some time today for the third round. He has already arranged for his opponent, Joe Bergmann, and Danny Kramer vs. Joe Belmont. Another eight-rounder will show today, Harry Dyer vs. Earl Young.

Kid Lew Marks is prepared for bouts with Whitey Burke, Artie McLean and Whitey Summers.

Frankie Marzette has been a busy battler. The last three weeks he has met Jimmy Wilson, winning in three rounds; O. Vincoli, eight rounds; Ralph Shappert, ten rounds; and Tommie Brown, twelve rounds. Marzette was offered a date with Pat Reed Friday night in Boston, but the latter refused to meet the Pennsylvania.

John O'Neil, a river-front favorite, finds it necessary to go out of town in order to get a fair amount of work. Johnny Ryan in Trenton last week. O'Neil doesn't bar any.

Willie Callahan, of Port Richmond, is prepared for bouts with the best of the 110-pounders.

Buddy Jackson, of South Philly, may be matched with Artie McLean at one of the local clubs. Jackson has been coming along nicely. He is a clever two-handed boxer. He gave Mike an ear-bender.

Charley (Boots) Doyle is looking after the fistic interests of Rocky Elliott, Scotch lad, who the former says packs a kick in both mitts.

Under the Big Tent
Chicago—Manager Evers is on his way east from the Pasadena, Calif., training grounds with news that the deal for Maisei with the Portland club may transfer to the Red Sox. The next stop of the Cubs is a Hutchinson, Kan., where they meet Wichita, of the Western League.

Little Rock, Ark.—The Chicago White Sox here today to play the locals. The feature of the Sox game against the Senators is the hitting of "Tip" Tiplitz. The Sox have a double and home run, sending five rallies across the plate.

Atlanta, Ga.—The New York Americans and Brooklyn are here today for the eleventh game of their exhibition series which now stands 7 to 3 in favor of the Yankees. The game between the two teams at Birmingham yesterday was broken up by the fans in the ninth inning, who were leading 7 to 5.

Baltimore—The grand jury has refused to indict Jack Dunn, manager of the local team, on charges of working on Sunday in a ball game at Oriole Park, on April 3. Efforts are being made by various Sunday observance organizations to secure a halt playing on that day, but without success.

Chicago—President Hickey, of the American Association, has called a conference of winter league managers for the opening of the season for a conference on rules.

Cleveland—All reserved seats for the opening game of the season here on April 21 and the first Sunday game, April 24, have been sold. St. Louis will be the attraction on both days.

Hamburg, S. C.—Boston Americans and the Rochester Internationals clash here this afternoon. The Red Sox have six more games before the opening of the season, three of which are with Rochester.

Tombolosa, Ala.—The Boston Braves will be the opponents of the University of Alabama here this afternoon. Yesterday, at Brewster, the first and second teams played a ten-inning tie at 2-2. The mayor of Brewster, Billy Hines, Ray Dundee and played a knockout.

Cincinnati—The Reds will start the National League season next week with the same line-up used in the exhibition games this season. Manager Moran says he has no idea of what the holdouts trend during but credits the Braves and second team club unfair, and it is going to take them all some time to break the line-up, if they finally succeed in doing so.

Shannon Beats Zill
Detroit, April 5.—Eddie Shannon, of San Francisco beat Tony Zill in ten rounds here.

OLD-TIMERS CAN STILL PLAY BALL

But City's Leading Teams All Give Jack Hines' Club Cold Shoulder

HOOPES & TOWNSEND READY

The Old-Timers' Baseball team is ready to start the 1921 campaign. This is a team composed of veterans organized by Jack Hines toward the close of the 1920 campaign and which met with signal success downtown when victories were scored over Fralinger, 12 to 3, and W. F. Reed, 6 to 4 and 9 to 5.

Manager Hines has this to say: "This year I have a team that will compare favorably with all of the local clubs and I am out to win the city championship. Fletcher, Stetson and Kattley all look alike and the Old-Timers will wallop them just as easy as they did the teams downtown. But I can't get these fellows to listen, so the only thing I am after is just enough space in the paper to wake them up."

"Hilldale? Yes, we want a crack at them. They don't look like world champions to me. The Old-Timers want all the biggest and best clubs around Philly, and they can't come too strong for us."

The Old-Timers open the season on April 21 with the William F. Reed nine. Manager Hines can be reached at 2339 South Clarion street.

To Play Independent Ball
Hoopes & Townsend has made a change in its baseball policy for the season, and will play independent ball. In previous years the Broad street aggregation had been playing league games, but decided to enter the semi-pro ranks on account of its fast club.

Players signed include: Estine, of Manayunk and Scott-Powell; Sickle, Lepperville Club, of the Delaware River League, and Waller, of the Harry Davis team, plus a trio of star players, Manager Jimmy Hunter expects to be able to compete with the best teams hereabouts.

Others signed are: Mick and Tom Gaynor, also of the Harry Davis Club; Fox, last year in the Blue Ridge League; Diviney, of Bethlehem Steel, and Robinson, of the Virginia League. The team will travel during the week, also on Saturdays and Sundays. James Hunter, Hoopes & Townsend Co., 1339 Rittenwood street, Poplar 2238, is manager.

Other Clubs Busy
Jimmy Dykes' old team, Preston Club, of Bryn Mawr, will open the Sunday home season about the middle of April. During the last four years this club has displayed a fine brand of ball and with Manager "Pop" Gavin holding the reins, prospects are encouraging.

"Molly" Devlin, formerly of I. C. B. U., will endeavor to fill Jimmy Dykes' shoes at second. Among others under contract are "Jack" Murray, of Autocar; Bill Rogers and Dilworth, of Bryn Mawr, Main Line League, and Durnell, Durant and Paiste, also Main Line League. Teams desiring to book Sunday games communicate with Michael Gavin, Bryn Mawr, Pa.

Faoli Field Club, Faumont's athletic representative, will place a fast team on the field this season. Several boys connected with the club have turned down offers in the Piedmont, Virginia and Southern Leagues to play for Paoli. In several workouts more than thirty men have responded.

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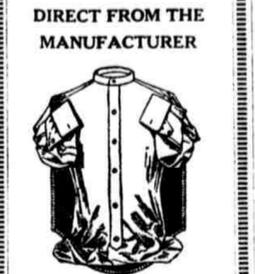
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Caddock Tosses Kotsonaros
Columbus, O., April 5.—Earl Caddock, of Antio, Iowa, claimant of the light-heavyweight wrestling championship, threw George Kotsonaros into Cleveland here after two hours and twenty-four minutes.



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