Veteran George Wiley Is Winner in First of Series of Races for 1921 Motor-Paced Title

WILEY PUSHES BIKE TO VICTORY IN FIRST RACE FOR 1921 TITLE

Syracuse Entry Finishes Ahead of Field in Thirty-five-Mile Motor-Paced Event at Point Breeze Drome. Clocked in 51 Minutes 7 2-5 Seconds

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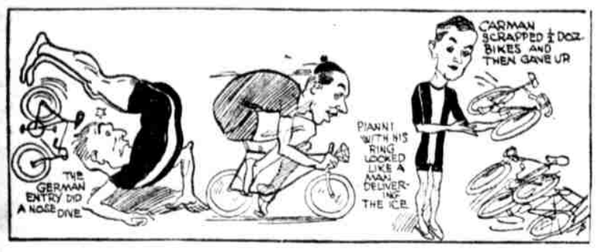
GEORGE WILEY pushed his bike on the track at Point Breeze last night and then pedaled it around the oval 195 times, which is a way of saying thirty-five miles. After doing this he dismounted and, much to his surprise, was informed that he had won the first heat of the American motor-paced championship race. All he has to do from now on is to win a couple of more times and collect a nice gold medal or something like that. George rode the distance last night in 51 minutes 7 2-5 seconds, which was fast enough to trim George Chapman and Percy Lawrence. Clarence Carman was present, but not voting. He had trouble at the start, breaking a chain, suffering a puncture and fracturing the saddle. Outside of that he had a pleasant evening.

The race was the first of a series to decide the American championship for 1921. Last year only one race was held, Chapman winning from Carman, Wiley and Lawrence in a thrilling finish. He was one and a half miles behind Carman, but Clarence had a break-down and couldn't finish. This year twelve races will be held—three in Philadelphia, Worcester, Providence and Boston. The winner will be decided on points.

Despite the early rain and threatening weather, a goodly throng attended the races, some 5000 being present when Jack Roden lifted the barrier. It was a jovial, good-natured crowd and everybody stuck around until the finish. The folks in the southern section of the city are real bike fans. They walk half a mile to get to the park and think nothing of it. They get as excited as baseball bugs at a close game, only more so. In five years they have learned all about motor-paced events and nothing can be put over on them.



Wiley won the big event because he remained on the track and attended to his business. He had no trouble in the thirty-five miles and stuck behind Johnny Schlee, the noted speedster from Newark, N. J. Not once was he headed, although Chapman made a gallant effort to cut down his lead in the final five miles. Chapman's riding, by the way, was the feature of the evening. He was handicapped at the start by riding behind a spurious motor, guided by Joe Kopsky, who performed for the first time on the local track. Chapman soon was way back in the rear and at the end of the tenth mile was five laps to the bad.

In the meantime, Carman was busting all of his wheels and had to withdraw. This left Eddie Root all dressed up with no place to go, so Eddie was asked to pick up Chapman. This was done and a great race resulted. George overtook Lawrence in the next ten miles and then started after Wiley.

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HOWEVER, the Syracuse flier had too big a lead and held it. He was one and one-half laps to the good when the whistle blew. Lawrence finished third and collapsed at the end. He fell off his wheel after crossing the tape, but was not injured.

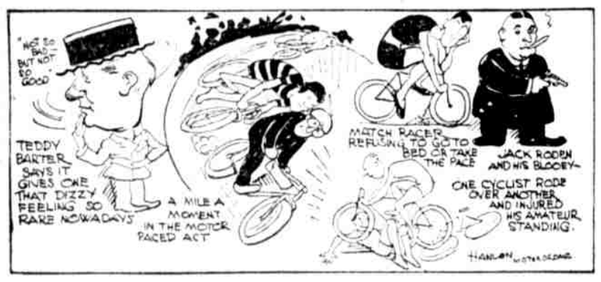
Goullett Wins Special Sprint Race

THERE was a special sprint race on the program, which brought together four of the fastest riders in the country. Orlando Piani, Walter Rutt, Bill Bailey and Alfred Goullett competed for the $1000 prize, and after five strenuous heats Goullett copped the money. He met Piani in a special match and won by a wide margin.

There were four heats in this event, the first bringing together Piani, Rutt and Bailey. The Italian put on a great sprint in the last lap, beating Rutt by about a foot. The final lap was ridden in 16 3-5 seconds. Piani, Rutt and Goullett were in the second heat, but this was called off when Rutt fell on the third lap. While he was being patched up Bailey was called and another heat run off. Piani won again, with Bailey second and Goullett third. The latter sprinted too soon and was all in at the finish. The last lap also was fast, the Italian making it in 16 4-5 seconds.

After that Goullett got busy. He won from Piani and Rutt in the third heat, and beat Rutt and Bailey in the fourth. Then, after the judges figured up the points, they found that Piani and the American were tied with 11 points. This made it necessary for another race to determine the winner.

Goullett had the pole and set the pace for the first lap. Piani took the second and it seemed as if the speedsters were trying to see how slowly they could ride. They did a lot of jockeying and neither cared to take the lead. With one and one-half laps to go, Goullett suddenly shot forward, took the lead and almost flew around the track. He won by two lengths in a sensational finish.



This is the first big sprint race held at Point Breeze and it was a big success. The riders do not go so fast as those behind the motors, but the races are more exciting and it is hard to discover the winner until the final sprint.

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A FEW more races like last night would be very popular with the fans.

Amateurs Compete in Exciting Event

THERE were some amateurs on the card and they put on a special race of two-thirds of a mile. It was a handicap affair, but the scratch man had all the best of it. Jim Seaman was the winner, with Willie Shaw second.

Seaman won the first heat in easy fashion. He caught up with his field at the end of the second lap and never was headed. Willie Shaw, who wore a funny little hat, barely was able to qualify in the second heat because he lost his hat and couldn't overcome the big handicaps handed to Marie Ciaioni and J. Cosico. However, in the final he stuck close to Seaman and finished second.

Ten former amateurs who grew tired of collecting medals turned professional last night and made their financial debut in a special two-mile race. The race started beautifully and the riders stuck on the track for a mile, when something happened. George Peterson, the elongated Philadelphian, had a flat tire and took a Brodie at the lower turn. Before he could get out of the way Frank Kahlin, of New York, tried to ride over him, and he, too, took a spill. That removed two sterling athletes from the picture and gave Frank Harris, the colored star, a chance to win. Frank would have won, anyway, but the other two might have clogged up the track.

After the accident Peterson had a few more spots on which to hang adhesive tape.

Bike-racing is getting more popular here as the years roll on and is forging to the front as a major sport. There is a lot of interest in the races, especially when the headliners get together.

Two of the stars are Carman and Maddona, the Italian champion. They have met in several races this season and will collide again tomorrow night in a special fifty-mile race, winner take all. Maddona will bring his own pacemaker from Boston and Carman will ride behind Eddie Root.

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Boots and Saddle

Indifferent field contest at Empire City today. In the Triumphant Handicap there are only three horses entered, of which Edwina appears the best. Crack O'Dawn is the probable contender: Horses favorably placed in other races are: First race, Tricks, Swift Grass, Mabel A; second, Penelope, Turnabout, Mavourneen; third, Bantry, Herd Girl, Dark Hill; fifth, Rockport, Frederick the Great, Challenger; sixth, Article X, Sailing Along and Kirtle.

The West is making a strong bid for the championship in the two-year-old division in Miss Joy, the Peter Quinn-Proud Daisy filly belonging to Montfort Jones, of Kentucky. She was given an impressive workout yesterday at the Saratoga track by J. C. Mann, her trainer. Eastern horsemen, who saw her work for the first time, expressed the opinion that she would make things troublesome for all rivals on the Spa track.

As a rule Canada has a stronger appeal for Kentucky horsemen this year than has Saratoga, and the representation from the Blue Grass will be meager at the coming meeting. There is no gainsaying the fact that the arbitrary tactics followed by the New York Jockey Club has had much to do with the falling off of Western entrants at Empire City and other Metropolitan tracks. The Jockey Club's interference with Maryland racing and its tactics of revenge have kindled a feeling of resentment among horsemen.

At a meeting of the New York Jockey Club yesterday the applications of Jockeys Claver and Thomas McTaggart for riding licenses were denied and the suspension of Jockey J. McInerney for striking Kalibang with a whip was continued.

Pirates Release John Mokan

Pittsburgh, July 29.—John Mokan, Pittsburgh Pirates outfielder, has been released to the Minneapolis Club of the American Association under an optional agreement.

PIRATE FANS ARE IRATE OVER DEAL

Victory of Giants With Meusel's Three Safeties Causes Furore in Smoketown

EVEN BREAK FOR MACKS

Pittsburgh is baseball mad this morning for more reasons than one. The principal reason is due to the fact that yesterday the Giants vanquished the Pirates for the third successive time, and right in the backyard of Barney Dreyfus. The other reason is the trade that brought Irish Meusel and prosperity to the Giants.

Since Irish joined the Giants they have played a brilliant sort of pastime. In the two games in which he has played Meusel has seen his new teammates rise up in the last innings with all their might and swat the pesky Buccaneers right where it hurts most. And that swatting hurts the Pittsburgh fans more because Meusel is a member of the team doing the swatting. Yesterday he banged out three rollicking singles.

According to President Baker, of the Phillies, he offered Meusel to the Pirates, Braves and the Giants. The first named did not want him, the second made an effort that could not compare with what the third offered and as a result the trade was made with the Giants.

Since that time the Pirate fans and papers have been wailing loud and long that the Phils have been aiding and abetting the Giants in their struggle for the pennant. These wails led to an energetic statement from President Baker yesterday that closes the matter in so far as the Phillies are concerned. But the Phil leader will never be forgiven by the citizens of Pittsburgh. They are firm in their belief that everybody is against them and more particularly the Phillies.

Late Rally Wins Again

It was the same story yesterday as on Wednesday. Youth Glazner, who has been doing some mighty fine twirling lately, did the same yesterday for eight innings and then flivvered badly, with the result that the Giants scored four runs and copped the game. Barnes had been knocked out of the box in the third and the Pirates held a 4-to-2 advantage going into the ninth. Then came the debacle that sent the Giants back to their hotel a winner.

This morning's averages show an eight-point lead held tenaciously by the Pirates over the Giants, a mighty uncomfortable lead with the Bucs evidently in a slump and the Giants going strong. The last game of the series will decide the fate of the leader. A win and the Pirates will breathe a little easier, a defeat and they will be in a tie for first place.

In the American League the front was quiet, both the Indians and the Yankees scoring victories. The former however, had a very bad scare, winning out in the ninth by a margin of a run after being tied from the fifth inning on. Jim Bagby, the star of the staff last year along with Stanny Coveleskie, was on the mound for the Clevelanders. It was the first game in which Bagby has been the starter for more than a month, and while he was hit viciously throughout, especially in the second and third, when all the Red Sox runs were scored, he tightened at other times and held the Beaneaters at bay.

Graney's Heroic Run

Jack Graney was the real hero of the pastime. He scored all the way from first on Smith's single by using his head and eyes. Menosky threw the ball in from left field and it landed near the pitcher's box. No one being there to receive the pellet and Graney taking cognizance of the fact sprinted home with what proved to be the winning tally.

The Browns were never in the game with the Yanks, being held to four safeties by Waite Hoyt, twirling his best game of the season. Davis, who started hurling for the St. Louisans, was knocked out of the box in the third, while Koip, who succeeded him, was touched rather lively.

After playing the kind of baseball in the first game that used to make the old A's a thing of beauty and a joy forever, Connie Mack's 1921 outfit reversed itself in the second game and split a twin bill with the Tigers. Eddie Rommell, the handsome one, was on the mound in the first game, and he displayed a brand of tight pitching that won him the verdict.

Whitey Witt, who has found his batting eye since depositing his luggage at Twenty-first and Lehigh on last Tuesday, was the main squeeze in the first game. He banged out a double in the ninth with Joe Dugan perched on second that scored the winning run. In all Whitey had two safeties out of four trips to the plate. Excellent fielding by Jimmy Dykes and Chick Galloway had much to do with keeping Tiger cleats from the pentagon as ten safeties were made off Rommell. Ten of the visitors were left stranded on the bases.

Ty Cobb Returns to Game

The second contest saw the return of Manager Tyrus Raymond Cobb to the game for the first time since July 1, when he was spiked. He played his old brand of baseball in the outfield and succeeded in getting two scratch hits out of five times at bat. He failed to get the sphere out of the infield during the game, but his old fleetness of foot enabled him to beat out two of his smashes. Keefe was hit hard during his tenure on the mound, and young Freeman, late of the Kalamazoo State Normal School, in his first appearance here, fared little better.

The game was featured by two homers from the bat of Harry Heilmann, the leading hitter in the league, his fourteenth and fifteenth this season. Sargeant, the former Buffalo star third-sacker, in addition to playing brilliantly at the hot corner, also drove out a four-baser.

Whitey Witt's three safeties and Paul Johnson's triple in the ninth, when he acted as a pinch-hitter, were the redeeming features of the Athletics' play.

The White Sox lost another yesterday, the Senators turning the trick, 8 to 5. The defeat gave the A's a half game gain in the race for seventh place.

The Phillies, with Bill Sedgewick on the mound, were easy for the Cardinals yesterday. The former Washington lad was hit hard from the start, and with George Smith, who relieved him in seventh, gave out nine free passes. Cy Williams secured two of the five hits made off Jesse Haines. Goldie Rapp got one of the others, a single that ran his string of hitting in consecutive games up to nineteen.

Scott, of the Braves, won a pitching duel from Eppa Rixey out in Cincy yesterday, the final score reading 2 to 1. The game was won in the ninth. In another pitcher's battle, the Dodgers conquered the Cubs 3 to 2, Cadore having the better of Cheeves.

AIN'T IT A GRAND AND GLORIOUS FEELIN'?

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WICCACO TAKES LEAD

Ousts De Frain From First Place in the Phila. Manufacturers' League

Wiccaco Screw and Machine Works is in sole possession of first place in the Philadelphia Manufacturers' Baseball League, by reason of its 5-to-2 victory over De Frain Sand last evening at Twenty-ninth and Somerset streets.

Wiccaco had its star battery Mroz and Neviolis in the points, and the former was in great shape and held De Frain to four hits and whiffed fifteen. Braddock and Miller were the De Frain battery. From the showing made last night it looks as if Wiccaco is due to cop the second-half championship of the league.

MAX MARSTON IS BEATEN

Local Golfer Loses to Donald Carr in Isham Cup Tournament

Manchester, Vt., July 29.—The feature of the first day of match play for the Isham golf cup at the Ekwanok Country Club was the defeat of Maxwell R. Marston, of Philadelphia, thrice a winner of the trophy in former years, by Donald Carr, of Ardsley.

Marston was not so bad, but Carr was at the top of his game and when Marston missed a few putts late in the match it was just enough to give Carr a victory by 2 up and 1 to play.

Bader Has Open Dates

Edward L. Bader Club, of Atlantic City, has open dates for all first-class teams offering fair guarantee for this fast attraction. The club plays Pleasantville on their home lot tomorrow, and on Sunday they meet the same club on Bader's grounds. Bader wants a few games away from home, either Saturday, Sunday or twilight. Address Bert Newman, 2226 South Sixty-seventh street, West Philadelphia, or Charles Lentz, 26 South Florida avenue, Atlantic City.

Olivets Play Here Tomorrow

The Reading Olivets, who have been playing all the leading teams upstate, make their first appearance in this city tomorrow against Strawbridge & Clothier at Sixty-third and Walnut streets. The visitors have a wonderful pitcher in Goas, and Gault will do the receiving. Strawbridge & Clothier will depend upon Collins or Barnshaw with Algie or Bailey behind the bat.

Field's Racing Report Doubted

Chicago, Ill., July 29.—A published report that Marshall Field is to take over the racing establishment of Sir Ernest Cassel at Newmarket, England, at the close of the present racing season brought expressions of doubt from Mr. Field's associates here today.

What May Happen In Baseball Today

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Club	Won	Lost	P.C.	Win	Lose
Pittsburgh	60	34	.638	.642	.632
New York	58	34	.630	.634	.624
Boston	52	38	.578	.582	.571
Brooklyn	49	46	.516	.521	.510
St. Louis	44	47	.484	.489	.478
Chicago	40	51	.440	.446	.435
Cincinnati	38	53	.418	.424	.413
Phillies	26	64	.289	.297	.286

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Club	Won	Lost	P.C.	Win	Lose
Cleveland	60	34	.638	.642	.632
New York	57	34	.626	.630	.620
Washington	51	46	.515	.520	.510
Detroit	47	49	.490	.495	.485
St. Louis	41	50	.466	.474	.463
Boston	42	51	.452	.457	.447
Chicago	40	54	.426	.432	.421
Athletics	36	57	.387	.394	.383

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

NATIONAL LEAGUE

St. Louis, 9; Phillies, 5.
Brooklyn, 3; Chicago, 2.
Boston, 2; Cincinnati, 1.
New York, 6; Pittsburgh, 4.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Athletics, 3; Detroit, 2 (first game).
Detroit, 9; Athletics, 2 (second game).
Cleveland, 5; Boston, 4.
New York, 6; St. Louis, 0.
Washington, 8; Chicago, 5.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION

Milwaukee, 9; Louisville, 7.
Minneapolis, 5; Toledo, 4.
Kansas City-Indianapolis; rain.
Others not scheduled.

EASTERN LEAGUE

New Haven, 10; Worcester, 4.
Albany, 9; Springfield, 4.
Other games, rain.

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Phillies at Chicago.
New York at Cincinnati.
Brooklyn at St. Louis.
Boston at Pittsburgh.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Detroit at Philadelphia.
St. Louis at New York.
Chicago at Washington.
Cleveland at Boston.

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE

RESULTS OF YESTERDAY

Baltimore, 10; Newark, 9.
Rochester, 5; Buffalo, 2.
Other games postponed—Rain.

SCHEDULE FOR TODAY

Rochester at Toronto.
Buffalo at Syracuse.
Jersey City at Reading.
Newark at Baltimore.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS

	W.	L.	P.C.		W.	L.	P.C.
Baltimore	78	24	.765	Jersey C'y	42	55	.433
Buffalo	59	44	.573	Newark	43	58	.426
Rochester	55	43	.561	Syracuse	42	57	.424
Toronto	51	49	.510	Reading	31	71	.304

OFFER KILBANE $25,000 TO MEET PETE HERMAN

Bantam Titleholder Has Already Signified Intention to Meet Featherweight Champion

New Orleans, July 29.—Promoter Al Pillsbury has wired Johnny Kilbane, featherweight champion, an offer of $25,000 to meet Pete Herman, bantamweight champion, in a decision bout here next fall. Herman already has signified his willingness to meet Kilbane.

The promoter hopes to stage the bout here in November, when the races open. Herman declared on his return here yesterday he was also ready to meet Joe Lynch again if the former champion wanted another bout.

"I will be ready to defend my title within thirty days," Herman said. "No legitimate bantamweight is barred. Let it be Joe Lynch or any one. Lynch was sportsmanlike about giving me a return match; he can depend on my being just as sportsmanlike."

Sisler to Play Tomorrow

St. Louis, July 29.—The suspension of George Sisler, ace of the St. Louis Browns, will be lifted tomorrow, President Ban Johnson notified team officials yesterday. Sisler was suspended and fined $50 for assaulting Umpire Hildebrand last Saturday.

YANKS HAVE ENOUGH STARS TO COP FLAG

Many Managers Have Failed in Effort to Bring American League Pennant to New York—Golf Regulations Are Overlooked

By GRANTLAND RICE

The Long Lane

"It's a long, long lane that knows no turning,
Some one remarked, who was no fake.
"I'll say that fellow spoke a mouthful,"
Croons Colonel Til and Colonel Jake.
—From Yankee Ballads.

AS WE have no directory at hand, it would be difficult to check up the names of managers who have attempted to carry the New York Yankees to the peak in the last two decades. Griffith, Stallings, Chase, Chance, Wolverton, Donovan and Huggins are a few of them. Griff came closer than any of the others, but couldn't quite make the grade. Whereupon the two highly wrought owners Colonels Jake Ruppert and Til Hunston, decided to round up enough talent to win out, no matter what happened. If the Yankees can't win this season we don't see just what they are going to do about it. They have enough talent scattered around to win a pennant and two additional yards of cheesecloth tossed in. There are times when strategy and tactics fail and it is just as well to fall back on old-fashioned power and raw, untamed force. The Yanks of late have done very well with this ingredient. Perhaps they have discovered that the time for "fighting 'em clever" has passed.

Via the Regulations

IN THE recent open golf championship something like sixty entries were admitted after the final entry day had passed.

At least one prominent golfer had his starting time switched after the draw.

The only procedure in this case that will check all criticism is to have the regulations in the case followed strictly. Last fall in the amateur championship two well-known golfers kept their opponents waiting something like an hour. In the next championship the limit should be fifteen minutes unless the late-arriving contestant can submit a worthy excuse in writing. Keeping an opponent waiting may be shrewd tactics, but it isn't any part of sportsmanship, as those guilty of such acts bally well know.

Club Spirit

WHEN the season opened Pittsburgh's revised and re-edited Pirates were figured strong contenders for second place.

Since that April date they have not only put forward a better display of talent than many thought they owned, but they have also proved again the rare value of club spirit and enthusiasm for the job at hand.

They have been playing ball to win where a number of their rivals have been playing ball to help kill off an afternoon. The addition of Rabbit Maranville was a greater help than even his admirers thought it would be. The Rabbit has been a vital spark in the Pirate machine—perhaps not another Wagner—but as close to the same any one could expect.

Comparing Two Stars

SOME earnest searcher for an unimportant truth has a query to advance. Possibly a bet to settle, he wants to know whether Carpentier as a boxer is as far advanced or as skillful as Mlle. Lenglen is as a tennis player.

There is very little to this debate. Mlle. Lenglen is far more of a sensational product.

Carpentier is merely good. The other is unusually excellent.

Carpentier as a heavyweight has many weak spots. He isn't rugged, he isn't especially powerful, he has only a fair left and he isn't built to take a lot. He is a good long-range boxer, but not a great one, up and down the line. As an infighter he is only fair.

Against which Mlle. Lenglen is the nonpareil of her league, a phenomenal product with hardly a deficit that one could hold against her.

MANY an entry has been called a quitter who merely had the good sense to stop and train again for a better start.

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NEW PLAYERS FOR DELAIR

Jersey Club Signs Trio of Stars; Has Won Fifteen In a Row

The Delair, N. J. baseball team has strengthened its infield this week with the addition of three new players of prominence in Beck, Anderson and Kravatz and they will make their first appearance on Saturday, when Carlisle, of South Philly, plays at Delair.

Owing to the necessity of making some needed improvements to the home field Manager Wright has decided to arrange four games away from home. Delair has a string of fifteen successive victories to its credit.

Charlie Christy will pitch all the Saturday games and with the addition of the new players the team expects to win many more games. Teams wishing to book Delair should communicate with the Secretary S. Lawless, Delair, N. J.

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