ew York Is Heaviest Pre-Season Favorite to Cop Pennant in History of the National League

TANTS LOOM BIG AS WINNER IN NATIONAL; PHILLIES PICKED 7TH

Meydler Circuit Stronger This Year, and Before Season Is Over McGraw's Club May Be Pushed Very Hard for the Pennant

By ROBERT W. MAXWELL

Sports Editor Evening Public Ledger THE New York Giants do not win the pennant this year it will not be the fault of John McGraw or his million-dollar infield. The world's champions are all loaded up for the coming campaign, the team has been strengthened the Gothamites are prepared to outdistance the other seven entries in Mr. Heydler's circuit.

However, the champions will be working under difficulties from the start They have been selected to win the flag ever since Heinie Groh was signed the heaviest pre-season favorite in history. The pennant has been handed to them on the cuff by all of the experts and they will find it hard to play the brand of ball expected of them. The other clubs in the League will put up the strongest kind of opposition, and every game will be a hard one,

The Giants will not have an easy time of it. Three other teams are in the running and expect to be up in the front rank battling for that gonfalon. The league appears to be much stronger than last year, and before the sumover, it is likely to be anybody's race,

At present writing, the National Lengue clubs line up as follows; 1-New York 2—Boston 3-St. Louis

4-Pittsburgh

5-Brooklyn 6-Cincinnati 7—Phillies 8-Chicago

The Giants get first call because of Kelly, Frisch, Bancroft and Heinie Groh, who form one of the greatest infields the game ever has known, eatching staff and the outfield also will be high class, and the pitching, while not up to the usual standard, will be good enough to win a lot of ball games, The defense should be so airtight and the attack so strong that a mediocre hurler will gain all of the confidence of a star. This is a case where the team should make a pitcher instead of a pitcher making a team.

MEHF, Jess and Virgil Barnes, Toney and possibly Douglas will be the mainstays this season. Nehf appears to be the best of the lot.

Braves and Cards to Be Dangerous

BOSTON and St. Louis have two mighty good ball clubs and will make things interesting in the league from the start. The Cardinals will have a wonderful attack and a fair defense, but the pitching is doubtful, Up to a week ago Branch Rickey's team appeared to have the edge on the runner-up position, but Bill Donk's arm is said to be sore, and Pertica has not yet recovered from the attack of "flu" which put him on his back this

With good pitching the Caros would be up there because they have a great ball club. Perhaps the hurlers will round into shape before the season gets well under way, but at the start some tough battles confront them. I am placing the Braves above the Cards because of Mitchell's great

pitching staff. To me it looks like one of the best in the league. Last year's hurlers will be on the job, and in addition, Frank Miller, who has been out two years, is back again looking better than ever before. One good pitcher added to a veteran staff will help considerably. Oeschger,

McQuillan. Fillingim, Watson and Rube Marquard should be very effective. They are in great shape and will do good work from the start. Larry Kopf has strengthened the inield and made it possible for Mitchell to use Barbare on first base against left handed pitching. This team is likely to pull the big surprise of 1922.

Pittsburgh also has a chance, but Waiter Schmidt is needed behind the bat. At this writing Walter still is holding out and Gibon is doing the best he be can without him. The Pirates charges will be much better with Schmidt ck in the line-up. Babe Adams, Cooper, Hamilton, Glazner, Morrison. Carison and Yellowhorse are good bur'ers, and Blake and Hollingsworth are the best of the new men.

The infield, with Grimm on first; Traynor, second; Maranville, short, and End. Barnhard or Tierney, at third, compares favorably with the others.

THE scalloping received last year, when the team was seven and one-half games ahead, is likely to affect the boys this season. They might get nervous if they happen to lead the league again.

Toss-up Between Clubs in Second Division

DROOKLYN has not such a bad ball club, but is placed fifth. You never Bean tell what this club will do. The pitching again will be high class, with Grimes, Cadore, Mamaux, Smith and Mitchell to fall back on. Nobody can kick against the outfield, and Sam Crane has strengthened the inner works. The Dodgers should be in the first division for the first couple of months. It is a toss-up between the other three clubs. At present the Cubs appear to be very weak and are not taken seriously by the other managers in the cirait. They say the pitching will not be up to the big-league standard, and it will be difficult to remodel the infield and outfield.

Cincinnati has two new infielders who may or may not come through. The outfield should be strong, for it is almost a cinch bet that Rouseh will be in there when the season starts. I delie is not throwing away \$15,000 per annum. not so you could notice it. Morate, however, will not have the pitching to

Art Fletcher will help the Phillies. Aiready the cellar champions have perked up considerably and are playing good ball. The only worry Manager Withelm now has is first base. Leslie is a good fielder, but it is a question if

Lee Meadows, Ring, Hubbeil, Winters and Betts look good this year, and Taking it all in all, it looks as if the Giants would have to battle Boston

and St. Louis for the pennant, with Pittsburgh also up in the race.

THE Giants have the best chance unless some of the stars are injured. Copyright, 1928, by Public Ledger Company

Penn Managers Take

Psychology Examination

A score of candidates for the honor of being managers of the Uni-

versity of Pennsylvania basketball team next year took a psychology

examination vesterday in the train

ing house. The exam, the first of

its kind ever given to candidates for managerial posts at the Univer-

sity, was under the direction of Assistant Prof. Miller, of the psychology department of the college,

promises to have a secretary appointed

RENEW CAGE RELATIONS

Meet in Basketball Game First Time

opener.
It will mark the second game in the

MacKay to Lead Yale Matmen

April John James Chick Chick

GIRLS' CAGE RULES MAKE GAME SLOW

Miss Kathryn Sheedy, of Daughters of Phillipa, Says Eastern League Style Is Best

"HAVE GREAT TEAM NOW"

The question of the rules under watch girls shall play basketball has been a played about twenty games this seasubject of much discussion during the played about twenty games this seasubject of much discussion during the played about twenty games this seasubject of much discussion during the played about twenty games this seasubject of much discussion with the played acting as capital The question of the rules under which next year."
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The Daughters of Phillips have bated, and if the girls have their way there will be nothing but Eastern League and manager to keep a record. She

there will be nothing but Fastern League rules.

One of the champions of the professional code is Miss Kathryn M. Sheedy, organizer, captain and manager of the Daughters of Phillipa, which is one of the three teams connected with the Knights of Columbus at Thirty-eighth and Market streets.

This is the second season for the Daughters, and they went through the entire 1920-21 campaign with girls rules—but never again! The girls saw to the this year that they played honest-to-

this year that they played honest-tocodness men's rules, and if an order
is issued against Eastern League rules
the Daughters of Phillipa will play

classwhere.

Girls' Rules Too Slow

Miss Sheedy is positive in her views, and says no mere man should decide under what rules girls should play, "The girls' rules are entirely too slow, she said. "There is no action in a game under which they are played.

"There is scarcely a chance of a girl getting hurt, either. I was once severely injured playing under the girls' rules, and the men's code is so popular now that virtually all the teams have adopted it.

"Of course, the schools insist on the look course, the schools insist on the reacting just as much attention as the street in the course of pages."

In Two vears

Nativity and Mount Carme! have buried the hatchet and after a lapse of two years, during which time, no games were played, the uptown and downtown basketball rivals will meet tonight at Nativity's Hall, at Belgrade street and Allegheny avenue.

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Mount Carmel will have a strong line-up and will include among its players "Inkey" Regan and Joe Scrone, of Philadelphia Terminal, champions of the Manufacturers' League. The preliminary clash is attention as the traction of the manufacturers' league.

cix-a-side game, but there is no rough-ness in the Eastern League style, where a competent official is in charge. That

all that is necessary.

"If he keeps his whistle going there will be no rough work as it will break up any scrimmages, and the game is fell of action. We only played one-game this year under girls' and it was so slow that the girls with the girls.

"died" laughing. have not heard much about our far, but we have a great bunch a said had this team at the

series for the championship of Nativity Hall. "Dartmouth" and "Harvard" are the opponents. "Dartmouth" won Hall. "Dartmouth" and Harvard are the opponents. "Dartmouth" won the first game and is anxious to end the tonight, but "Harvard" has the first game and is anxious to end the series tonight, but "Harvard" has has been strengthened by the addition of John Collins, who played all year with St. Joseph's Prep second team.

SAM BLACKISTON

Scores Five Knockouts in Six **Bouts in Middle Atlantic** Championships

7 A. A. U. TITLES DECIDED

Middle Atlantic States

Ring Champions for 1922

H. A. Bantamweight—George Halmer, Enter-prise C. C. Feutherweight—Charley Rice, Shana-han. Lightweight-Tommy O'Malley, Meadowbrook. Welterweight—Sam Blackiston, Curtis . C. Midd eweight—Sam Blackiston, Curtis

C.C. Heavyweight—Frank Pickett, Villa-nova.

A DOUBLE knockdown, in which Sam Blackiston, Curtis Club, and William Harkins, Kayouia Catholic Club, each landed with right-hand punches simultaneously, both men going to the floor at the same time in groggy conditions, was the feature of the semi-final and final bouts in which seven champions of the Middle Atlantic States A. A. U. were crowned last night at the Olympia A. A.

After forty-two seconds of the first round, Blackiston and Harkins connected on each other's jaw with terrific crosses, and as they went down their heads struck the floor. Referee Frank Mc-Cracken started to count, but after one stroke of his arm both men, woozy and all but out, staggered to their feet. They began to punch feebly at each

other when, after one minute and seven seconds, Blackiston, who had regained some of his strength, crossed a right flush on Harkins' jaw and he fell tlat on his back. There was no necessity for

This was a welterweight match, the championship of which class Blackiston later won by stopping Paul Reginator, another Kayoula entry, in the second round. In all, Blakiston competed in Second-Team Circuit Probably four matches last night, knocking out Willie Cannon in a semi-final of the middleweight division, and following up in the final for the championship by winning from Sam Hewitt, of West

Five Knockouts

Blackiston's boxing was the outstand-ing feature of the tournament, having secred five knockouts out of a total of half a dozen matches in which he participated.

George Helmer, winner of the 118-

also showed brilliant form in all of his light. But a reserve league, similar to matches. He administered a terrific that in the basketball circuit, may be troopeing to Vincent Grant, a gritty leunched.

The Penn State meet will take place a little too far away for the Speedboys to send an entire team, but at least two or three boys will be sent up to the

Johnny Dever, of Kayenla, injured his feating the former's brother. Joe, that the yearlings do not accompled to compete in the final.

Johnny Scott, of Kayoula, proved a puzzle for Tommy O'Malley, of Meadow of the 135-pound class, but in the second tround the latter won by the knockout route.

The most sensational battle of the tourney occurred in the heavyweight class, the championship of which was won by Frank Pickett, of Villanova won by Erank Pickett at West Philadelphia in a Successive won by Erank Pickett at West Philadelphia in a S

the judges had disagreed following three to making up a league schedule.

The referees who officiated were Wil. start a reserve lengue," said Mr. Delalium H. Rocap, Frank T. McCracken plaine. Spicket Purcell was the timekeeper during the course of the two-day tournament.

derful headway and just wait until

UNCLE DUDLEY







RESERVE LEAGUE FOR SCHOOLS HERE

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Will Take Place of Proposed Freshman Schedule

DELAPLAINE IS ON THE JOB

By PAUL PREP

THE proposed Freshman Baseball League for the Philadelphia public pound title and an Enterprise C. C. lad, bigh schools probably never will see Penn relays.

At the present time conditions are Charley Rice, of Shanahan, annexed so congested in the high schools that athletes in the Princeton meet will be in 12d-nound title by forfeit, after freshmen attend classes at different classes at different distance runners also may be sent to ght hand so badly in the semi-final dethe 126-nound title by forfeit, after freshmen attend classes at different right hand so badly in the semi-final de. hours. At one school, in particular, feating the former's brother. Joe, that the yearlings do not attend their first

Successful Tourney

Alex Greenberg, of South Philadelphia Hebrew Association, won on points from Mickey Porreen, of Blackwade, in the Company of the Company trom Mickey Porreca, of Blackwade, in the deciding match for the 112-pound laurels.

This was the first successful Middle Atlantic States championship tournament field in Philadelphia in a period of cight years. Harry McGrath was deserving of a lot of credit for arranging so interesting a meet.

School, says he's going to try to get the circuit under way. Northeast High, Germantown High, Frankford High and Central High have formed teams and arranged games between themselves. They use their schools diamonds when the varsity teams are traveling.

liam H. Rocap, Frank T. McCracken and Babe O'Rourke. The judges were Rocap, McCracken, Louis H. Jaffe, Richard Kain and Johnny Scott, while Spicker Purcell was the timekeeper during the course of the two-day tourable to see the boys in actual competition, and will be able to get a line on ber will both season in Jersey City.

Trout Season Opens In New Jersey Today

Today marks the opening of the trout-fishing season in New Jersey. Anglers are privileged to pursue the speckled denizens of the brooks and ponds until July 15. The season in Pennsylvania will not open until April 15, closing July 31, so local rod and reel experts will have to do their fly casting in New Jersey waters for the next two weeks. A non-resident license, costing \$3, is

vitations of Princeton, Penn State, Swarthmore and Lafayette to compete in their interscholastic meets. A fresh-man team also will be entered in the

Center County institution. Most of the

the yearlings do not attend their first class until 12 o'clock, and are dismissed at 5 o'clock.

Therefore, it is impossible for the class until 12 o'clock.

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College. He knocked out Joe Kernan, of Kayouia, in the extra round, after the judges had disagreed following three rounds of action. A hefty right on the jaw dropped Kernan down and cut.

Delaplaine Behind Move

To get back to the reserve league

To get back to the reserve leave to

other results: Johnny Krause won from Frankie Smith, George Hirsch stopped Bert Smith in the third and Joe Mar-

Killinger and Rickard's pile of lum-

Plan of Man Making Foul Toss- phia at Shibe Park. ing Same Makes Game Cleaner

DEFEAT POTTERS

THE new scheme of tossing basketball I fouls whereby the man making the Thirty-eighth and Market streets, between Columbus Council and Parkway. wrinkle.

proved a big success, and the fans 15, and contests of various kinds will feature almost every week-end until mid-

Many persons have rideuled the new

wind-up at the Cambria A. C. last night.

The bout was full of action from the start and after eight torrid sessions Leitz was entitled to the verdict by a slight margin. Pedro Campo, the Filipino boxer, stopped Harry Lou in the second round of the semi. The other results: Johnny Krause won from Provide Swith Gaurge Hirsch stopped Frankie Smith, George Hirsch stopped Bert Smith in the third and Joe Martin outpointed Jimmy McGovern.

Y's Krax

THE traveling A's are using upper berths as training to get up there.

The parking berth should be given a further test and it would be a fine idea if several of the larger clubs would adapt the method for a test. In the final half. The Parkway boys missed eight out of thirteen in both halves. They won by the score of 16 to 12 because they played a clean game and did not make fouls.

Cincinnati, April 1.—Ivy Wingo, mana-ner of the colts' division of the Cincinnati National League team in two games with Columbus at Evanaville, Saturday and Sun-day, has wired Eddie Roush to meet him there Sunday. Wingo said he was not au-thorized by the club to make any sort of a deal with the hold-out center fielder, but wanted to talk things over with him in a general way.

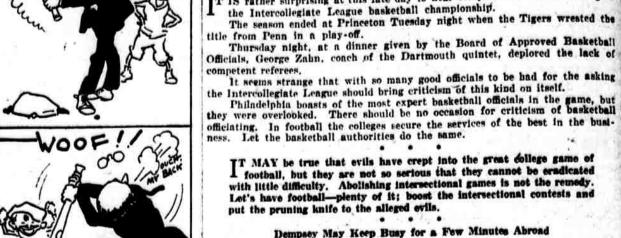
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TT IS rather surprising at this late day to hear complaints of the officiating in

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put the pruning knife to the alleged evils. Dempsey May Keep Busy for a Few Minutes Abroad CARPENTIER, Beckett, Cook! U These three heavyweights are being mentioned as probable opponents for Jack Dempsey when the champion goes abroad. European sportsmen no doubt have heard and read a lot about Dempsey. but they never have seen him in action. Curiosity will go a long way toward inducing foreigners to get a glimpse of the world's champion, no matter who the party of the second part may be.

How Does It Strike You?

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Little Exercise for Dempsey

Play Ball! Phils and A's

The College Oarsman

Carpentier, Beckett, Cook! Well at that, each of this trio would keep Dempsey on the go for a few minutes on different evenings.

But the big questions is: What is Dempsey going to do with the rest of his time while away?

CPEAKING of the rough and tumble boxer-wrestler match, it is I said that Strangler Lewis' first attack would be to dive for Jack Dempsey's legs, and then it would all be over. He might get away with it at that, although Dempsey is known to direct a pretty solid smash to the back of the other fellow's neck, in which event Lewis might become too dizzy to grapple any longer. .

One More Week for the Big "Play Ball!"

ONE week from today the curtain on the big league season here will rise informally when the Phils and A's battle for the championship of Philadel-Fans here want a winning ball club—for a change, and a team that will be out there hustling at either Broad and Huntingdon or Shibe Park will get the support of the baseball enthusiasts.

For six years Philadelphia clubs have been on the floor of their leagues. It's time for a break. There has been something radically wrong, and unless the teams begin showing life the respective managements will find gate receipts

ANY believed yachting was one sport that had been killed by the MANY believed yachting was one sport that had been kind of the Great War. On the contrary, yachting was revived in 1920 and last summer enjoyed a real boom. This year, however, it is said that the great fifty-footers will not be in commission. The fifties are the backbone of yachting, and if they quit it will be a severe blow to the

Big Year in College Rowing

ROWING will be a prominent sport on the intercollegiate athletic calendar this season. In the East, Pennsylvania, Yale, Harvard, Princeton, Cornell and Syracuse will stage a series of regattas and the climax will be reached with the Poughkeepsie races June 26. Penn and Yale will compete in the first dual regatta in this city on April

The college oarsman gets less recognition than he deserves. The training is strenuous and the competition is hearthceaking. He gives his utmost in

Yet you seldom see the undergraduates snake-dancing over a crew victory or carrying the winners on their shoulders in triumph Wonder why.

WILL Babe Ruth's temporary absence from the Yankees' line-up have any effect on the gate? Assuredly. At home the Yanks, being league champions, just naturally will draw the fans with or without Ruth. But on the road, minus the "Big Noise." the attraction will

Pepper Martin Wallops Brandt

New York, April 1.—Vincent Pepper Martin, one of the many aspirants for Johnny Klibane's featherweight crown, handed the veteran Dutch Brandt a severe lacing in the twelve-round feature bout at the Rink Sporting Club, but was unable to knock him

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HOLLAND



The Daughters of Phillips basketball team finds the Eastern League code results in a snappier contest. Left to right, upper row—Misses Frances Slavin, Nan Kennedy, Jane E. Lawlor, Jean Conway, Lower—Helen B. Hamper, Eastern Shaper, sastein; Generally Conway.

FANS APPROVE OF **NEW FOUL SCHEME**

offense tosses for the goal was tried out last evening in the preliminary game at Knights of Columbus Hall. In the big contest which followed between St. Nicks, of Atlantic City, and Tri-Council, the old method was used as the visitors objected to the new

not make fouls.

In the other game of the night St.

Nicks, of Atlantic City, won from TriCouncil, 23 to 16. The local boys
finished the first half in the lead, 10

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