Baseball World Turned Upside Down When Both Philadelphia Clubs Open Season With Victories

SENATOR G.W. PEPPER AND PHILLIES DISPLAY REAL CLASS IN OPENER

Lee Meadows, in Rare Form, Beats the Braves Six Up and Nothing to Go—Local Players Get Cheer Instead of Jeer

By ROBERT W. MAXWELL
Sports Editor Evening Public Ledger

THERE was a startling reversal of form at the Philadelphia Ball Park yesterday afternoon. A crowd of 15,000 took the afternoon off to indulge in hearty giggles, put on some rollicking laughter and have a lot of other fun while the Phils were trying to make it interesting for the Boston Braves in the opening game of the season. They expected to do all of those things before the matinee was over, but the act went flooie. Instead of unloading the raucous rawsberry on the home toilers, the mob imagined it was attending a World Series contest and the Phils were copping the championship. Cheers replaced the jeers, and when it was all over every one was satisfied that the Phils of 1922 are much better than in years.

"CY" WILLIAMS

It was a stunning surprise to beat the Braves six up and nothing to go. It was quite a shock to see the flock of base hits bouncing off the local bats and the procession of tallies trickling over the platter. The unexpected happened, and that's what made the outcome of the battle so interesting.

Every ball club looks good when it is winning. Such was the case with the Phils yesterday. However, the team looked more substantial with Arthur Fletcher back at shortstop, Rapp at third, Parkinson at second and Leslie at first. High-class baseball was played and there was nothing that even resembled the efforts of an eighth-place club. Not an error was made in the field and the players hit the ball when hits were needed.

The hitters must come in for their share of praise. Cy Williams picked on a cripple in the first and slammed it against the newly painted right field wall for the first hit of the season and scored Curtis Walker with the first run. Le Boeveau drove in three runs with a single and a double, and Parkinson, who now is a sophomore in the big league, knocked a homer into Broad street, scoring two men ahead of him. Art Fletcher also had two safe blows—real hefty wallops, which brought much joy to the fans.

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THOSE timely bargles won the ball game, but there was something else which also helped. The Braves were able to connect safely but four times because Lee Meadows had too much stuff.

Meadows Sizzled and Scintillated

MEADOWS was the real hero of the afternoon. The bespectacled pegger was in rare form and kept most of his slants away from alien bats. They say pitching is 65 per cent of the strength of a ball club, and the Phils had that advantage. Lee was in midseason form, his slants and shoots sizzled and scintillated and only once during the afternoon was he in trouble. That was in the fourth inning, when a double and a single netted the only Boston marker.

FRANK PARKINSON

Meadows tried hard to excel in other departments, principally batting. He was deeply chagrined and humiliated in the seventh stanza when Joe Oeschger deliberately passed Henline in order to get the pitcher. Lee was determined to knock the ball out of the lot, but the only thing that prevented it was he swung in the wrong place. The ball always was some place else when his bat swished through the air.

Lee has excellent form at the plate. He steps forward, swings, turns around twice like a guy wearing one loose spike and, after staggering around, manages to keep his feet. He balances himself with his left arm, raising it in a reassuring manner as if to notify the spectators he is in no danger, and keeps a firm grip on the bat with his right hand. This is extremely difficult to do, but Meadows is an expert.

On this occasion two were out, two on base and the Phils leading 2 to 1. That margin is not enough for our taste, and Lee knew it. Therefore he had to do something and get a hit. Twice he swiveled on one foot and only one more strike was needed to retire the side. Oeschger let one go, Meadows turned and got a hit on the hip.

There was no damage done, because hip pockets mean nothing when attached to baseball uniforms. Meadows limped to first, filling the sacks, and made it possible for the next big act.

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BEVO came through in a pinch, copped a double, scored two and gave our folks a commanding lead. All of which shows what can happen after a bit on the hip.

Goldie Does a "Heinie Groh"

JOE OESCHGER was a trifle wild and issued passes in the first and second innings which caused him considerable trouble. Bevo was first to get on and set the scene for Cy Williams to unpork his double. Parkinson strolled in the second and scored on Le Boeveau's hit. After that there was nothing doing until the seventh, when Joseph exploded and hit Meadows in the half-pint pocket.

GOLDIE RAPP

There were several great fielding plays. Goldie Rapp made a real Heinie Groh stop in the seventh and robbed Oeschger of a hit. Goldie dived to his right, speared the ball with his gloved hand, fell down and arose in time to throw the runner out. Twice Cy Williams raced back to the center field wall to pull down long drives, but the real fielding feat was perpetrated by Cruise, of the Braves.

Fletcher was on first in the fourth frame and Parkinson hit a liner to left. It looked like an extra-base clout, for Cruise was playing close. However, the Boston outfielder turned and ran back when the ball left the bat, and at the bleacher wall turned in time to reach up and grab the sphere.

Fletcher believed it was a safe hit and had rounded second when the ball was speared. He was easily doubled off first.

It was a flawless game from the time Senator George Wharton Pepper threw out the first ball until Meadows tossed out Gowdy in the ninth. Speaking of throwing out baseballs, Mr. Pepper showed more real form than any one we ever have seen doing volunteer duty. His throw was straight and true, and Umpire Charley Rigler appreciated it so much that he allowed Meadows to pitch the ball once and then presented it to the distinguished guest of honor.

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AFTER a good throw like that the Phils couldn't help winning.

Club Standings Look Twisted

IT WAS a strange sight this morning to see both Philadelphia ball clubs leading their respective leagues. The Athletics, using what one might call three second-string heavers, vanquished the hard-hitting Sox 3 to 2 and earned the top notch in all of the local won and lost columns. Seldom, indeed, do our teams both win on the same day, and if we go back into history, this sometimes didn't occur once a week.

But Connie sprang a surprise and the thrilling battle to see who would go in last place first was won by the other side. All of which is gratifying.

Both New York clubs were walloped, the Yanks flopping in Washington and Brooklyn trimming the Giants. Both St. Louis teams triumphed, the Browns taking the White Sox and the Cards overwhelming Pittsburgh. Cleveland beat Detroit and Alexander turned in a victory over the Reds.

There are not many southpaws in the National League, but most of them were in action yesterday. Rixey opposed Nehf in New York, Sherdel and Cooper worked in St. Louis and Eppa Rixey toiled for Cincinnati.

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TODAY is another day. The same clubs will play again, weather permitting, and from now on the won and lost column will tell the tale.

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PHILMONT PLANS NEW GOLF HOLES

Course Will Stay Azziz for Summer, but Radical Changes Plotted for Fall

STRONG TEAMS THIS YEAR

By SANDY McNIBLICK

GOLFERS who have already polished up on the sticks and resumed their camping habitat at Philmont have found the course about the same, thanks.

But, though no changes in the course are in evidence as yet, the plans call for some startling novelties. The links there will be unmolested most of the season, but in the fall it will be the target for a lot of remodeling.

"We are going to make our course more interesting. There'll be a premium on good shots and the bad ones will be punished." Thus says Simon Garlic, architecturalist-in-chief out there. These words sound familiar. They have been said before. But the Philmont Committee on Agrostology means just that.

Modern Course

Instead of carrying out the original plans to create a new eighteen-hole course, it has been decided to improve the present one.

"When these changes are made," Golfer Garli continues, "I believe the Philmont course will be inferior to none. We intend to be progressive. This year it will be a 1922 course, and ten years from now it will be a 1932 course."

In the fall definite work will be commenced on doing away with the first, second and seventeenth holes. New ones will be cut into the woods back of the tenth green.

The present sixteenth will then be No. 1. Thus the starting tee will be nearer the clubhouse. The fifteenth hole, which will eventually become the second, will have a level getaway and a perpendicular slope, with the finished product similar to the second hole at Pine Valley.

Keen Interest

Interest at Philmont runs high this season in golf. Charlie Hoffner, the expert pro, is back on the job after a successful tour of the Southern tourney schedule, and a lot of newcomers to the game are on his school list out there.

The men's golf team will be about the same in the suburban, and the ladies plan two teams of five players. The competition for this latter is very keen. Six special dives have been set aside for tryouts.

These teams expect to compete against each other on days when the regular matches are not scheduled.

Mrs. Raymond Slotter, Mrs. Dannenbaum and others will give Philmont a real team. Bob Hoffner, Simon Garlic, Raymond Slotter and the rest are well known in the men's competition.

Philmont promises to turn out some snappy teams and is all set.

North Hills expects to open its regular greens this week. With all the stones it has and intends to expend for improving the course the links out there are going to rank right up there.

Harding trains dog to chase golf balls. Pepper Garlic saw golf at A. and B. McGill after round of golf. Sarazen Hagen says golf brought her back to good health. Just a few headlines this week.

Boots and Saddle

Horses which seem best at Bowie today are:

First race, Jean F., St. Angelina, High Tea; second, Drummond, Charles J. Craigmiles, Armistice; third, Ultra Gold, Mayourneen, Panaman; fourth, Super, War Note, Excuse Me; fifth, Trickster II, Smarty, Hanoee; sixth, Grass Tree, Grace Foster, John Morrill; seventh, Miss Fontaine, Horeb, Chianie Walsh.

When all sources from which entries may be expected shall have been heard from it will be found that more than 500 nominations of thoroughbreds of various ages have been made for the four $5000 stakes to be decided at Havre de Grace. These stakes—the Harford Handicap, six furlongs, for three-year-olds and over; the Philadelphia Handicap, one mile and a sixteenth, for three-year-olds and over; the Aberdeen, four furlongs and a half, for two-year-olds, and the Chesapeake, one mile and a sixteenth, for three-year-olds closed on Saturday. The count of nominations now is 412. General Manager Edward Burke and Clerk of the Course Joseph McLennan, of Havre de Grace track, are confident that another 100 will have come in by Wednesday or Thursday. The first count for the Harford showed 117, for the Philadelphian 99, for the Aberdeen 123, and for the Chesapeake 60.

Sprinters of class named for the Harford, which will be run next Saturday as the opening day feature, are All Fair, Excuse Me, Champlain, Knight of the Heather, Good Times, Runstar, Bighearts, Bunga Buck, Paul Jones, Exodus, The Boy, Reprisal, Routledge, Polly Ann, Exterminator, Our Flag, Lucky Hour, Missionary, On Watch, Dream of Allah, Wellfinder, Brainstorm, Scrapis, Billy Kelly, Oriole, Marble, Careful and others.

POWELL TOP SCORER

"Liz" Leads Railroad Basketeers in Post-Championship Series

"Liz Powell," the former Germantown Eastern League basketball player, led the scorers in the post-championship basketball series just decided to determine the team to represent the East at the national meet of the Pennsylvania Railroad at Columbus, on April 22.

The series was between Auditor of Revenue, Altoona, and Philadelphia Terminal. Revenue won the championship by capturing the deciding game from Terminal 35 to 32. The individual records are appended:

Player, Team	Games	Goals	Fouls	Points	Pct.
Powell, Revenue	4	22	41	86	.35
Kelly, Altoona	3	8	20	36	.46
Gallagher, P. Term.	3	3	30	61	.45
Jarrett, Revenue	3	3	0	6	.33
Regan, Revenue	4	14	6	34	.38
Armstrong, Revenue	4	9	2	7	.50
Cheers, Altoona	3	3	0	1	.16
Furrer, Altoona	3	3	0	6	.14
Green, P. Term.	3	2	0	4	.14
Daley, P. Term.	3	3	0	6	.14
Kirkpatrick, Rev.	4	4	0	8	.14
Keene, P. Term.	3	2	0	4	.14
Wescott, P. Term.	3	1	0	2	.8
Jefferies, P. Term.	3	2	0	4	.8
Vandegrift, Revenue	3	2	0	4	.8
Reynolds, Altoona	3	2	0	4	.8
Stitch, Altoona	3	1	0	2	.8
Yeager, P. Term.	1	0	1	1	.1
Barlow, Revenue	1	0	0	0	.0
Wilkinson, Revenue	2	0	0	0	.0
Brandt, Altoona	1	0	0	0	.0

Silent Puryear Scores K. O.

Silent Puryear, 168, stopped Sailor Kid Nelson, 175, in the third round of their scheduled eight-round bout at the Golden Gate A. A. (National) last night. Henny Jonteau won from Johnny Griffen, Harry Nutter defeated Kid Lubin, Shifty Smith beat Kid Burgess, and Gordy Downs whipped George Parker.

HAGGERTY TO KEEP NATIVITY ON JUMP

Uptown Baseball Team Has Game Scheduled for Every Day in Week

TO REPRESENT MINERSVILLE

THOSE persons who have been shedding tears regarding the prospects of the Nativity 1922 baseball team can turn off the water, judging by the line-up just announced by Phil Haggerty. The manager of the uptown club was a trifle upset when he lost Pitcher Harry Seibold, but the lousting leader is determined to plug up the hole and will soon land another just as good to take his place.

PHIL HAGGERTY

"Come to think of it," says Phil, "I am tickled to death that Seibold is not with the club. I mean to say I did not desire him to pitch for me if he wanted to play elsewhere and if I looked to me as if he really preferred the North Phila.

"We'll have a great club in a few weeks and you know they have to come pretty good to eclipse the mark established by Nativity last season. The boys will be on the jump all the time. We will have a game scheduled every day in the week, as we play three games at home in this city and twice at Minersville.

The majority of the players were in the South working out against Southern League clubs and were accompanied by the new trainer, Michael Flaherty. Last year the Nativity club won 118 out of 138 games played.

Started Twilight Ball

Some years back Phil Haggerty started twilight ball, which has grown to be one of Philadelphia's great institutions. Nativity will play at Ontario and Belgrade streets on Tuesday, Friday and Saturday and will represent the town of Minersville on Thursdays and Sundays. This will allow but two days a week to play elsewhere, and it will not be such an easy matter to schedule Nativity away.

The team plays a practice match with the Old Timers on Saturday, but will open the home season on Saturday, April 22, with Bridesburg and the following Saturday will help Bill Whitman start at Richmond and Orthodox with a return date.

Haggerty at present has a quartet of pitchers, all right handed, Charlie Glock and Marty Devine are the best known. Glock labored for several years for Bridesburg, and Devine was with Nativity last year and earned the sobriquet of "Iron Man." Newcomers include McCarter, from Franklin, Pa., and Vogelman, from Durham, N. C.

O'Donnell Behind Bat

Behind the bat is Harry O'Donnell, a Richmond boy, who also was at Franklin last year. On first is Tom McKnight, also a home product, but who toiled in Danville in '21; Frank O'Brien, who played second and managed the Fleisher club last year is on the keystone sack, while the most widely sought player in the city, Dick Neill, will move from second to shortstop, George Meisler will as usual guard the far away corner.

In the outfield are a trio of pastimers, some of whom were with the team last year. In center is Harry Dorsey, who has speed to burn. Dorsey came from Raleigh and should hit about .500 in the Philadelphia Association. Joe Doyle, of Bridgeport, is left, while Dave Zane, of Newark, will cover right.

The utility outfielders will be Rentz, of State College, and Bob Butts, of Bridesburg. Butts may earn a regular berth for his hitting alone. Butts is one of the heaviest hitters playing semi-pro ball. The utility infielder will be Starcinik, of Dartmouth College. Haggerty still has room for a couple of players and expects to land them before long.

Invite Ruth and Meusel to Practice

New York, April 13.—Babe Ruth and Bob Meusel, who will not be able to play for the Yankees until May 20 after have been forbidden Commissioner Landis to appear on the field in the practice before the games, may share morning workouts with the Giants, it is predicted. Charles A. Stoneham invited both players, through the Yankee owners, to practice with the Giants in the morning when the champions are at home.

Camden Dogmen Hold Show Tonight

Camden Canis Kennel club will hold its all breed show tonight in its hall. Thirty-ninth street and Westfield avenue. Camden. Classes have been allotted to every breed known to dogdom. There are also a number of specials donated for the popular breeds. Seldom is competition is assured which should give the exhibitors lots of excitement sending their entries against imported and home-breds.

To Show Boat Race Progress by Signals

Cambridge, Mass., April 13—Proposals for signals intended to make it possible for all spectators of the Yale-Harvard boat race on the Thames River this year to know how the crews stand at each half mile are now under consideration.

Major Fred W. Moore, graduate treasurer of athletics at Harvard, said the suggestions offered by him at a meeting in New Haven earlier this week included the following:

Raise a square red flag on the referee's boat at each half mile if Harvard is ahead, or a triangular blue flag if Yale is leading.

If less than a length separates the contesting crews, raise a large white ball. If more than a length separates the crews, raise one black ball for each length.

LEW TENDLER AND PHIL GLASSMAN ARE SUSPENDED

Unsatisfactory Bout With Pitts Leads to Action in New York

New York, April 13.—As a result of his unsatisfactory bout with Charlie Pitts in the Broadway Exhibition Association Club last Monday night, Lew Tendler, the Philadelphia lightweight, has been suspended by the New York State Athletic Commission, Phil Glassman, Tendler's manager, was also suspended. They are to be given a hearing.

Tendler was disqualified in this bout by the referee in the seventh round because of a foul, which was seen only by the referee.

Tendler will bring a strong array of witnesses to the commission carpet next Tuesday, when the matter will be threshed out.

Tendler at the time was winning easily and he advances the argument that there was no reason why he should foul with the bout well in hand. Pitts received a body punch in the seventh round and immediately went to the floor claiming he had been struck low. The referee, Andy Griffith, declared Pitts the winner on a foul.

Lenny Wallops Russell

Baltimore, April 13.—Eddie Lenny, of Philadelphia, was too fast for Mickey Russell here and the local entry took a sound pasting. The loser's best round was the fourth, in which he floored his opponent with a sharp left hook, but Lenny easily made up for this when he had the Baltimorean groggy from a series of rights and lefts to the head.

Britons Lose at Lacrosse

Baltimore, Md., April 13.—England's cross-Cambridge lacrosse team met defeat for the second time in this city within a few days, when they were beaten by the Mount Washington team of Baltimore. The score was 7 to 2.

UNCLE DUDLEY

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How Does It Strike You?

The Baseball Season
Dempsey's Punch Makes Him King
A Lesson to Golfers

By THE OBSERVER

AMERICA'S sporting blood has started to boil with the beginning of another baseball season. Young America, as well as Old America, has begun to heat up now that the championship for the 1922 national pastime has got under way.

The hitting of home runs already has been started, and also a number of players have felt the sting of striking out.

Before the curtain is rung down next October fans will be fascinated by sensational fielding and quick-thinking plays. Also they will "razz" the unfortunate who makes an error or a "bone-head" play.

"Crucial series" will be played, clubs will spurt and slump, at different times there will be joy and grief for the loyal rooters.

Finally, the season will come to an end and the teams that show greatest skill and ability in the respective major leagues will battle it out for the world's championship. Players come and go, but America's great pastime goes on forever.

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TEN years in baseball is a pretty long time; still, the following veterans wouldn't look at all bad on the same aggregation: Daubert, McInnis, Johnson, Eddie Collins, Pratt, Cutshaw, Baker, Groh, Foster, Maranville, Peck, Fletcher, Carey, Burns, Wheat, Strunk, Hooper, Speaker, Cobb, Wood, Milan, Veach, Gowdy, Schalk, Adams, Marquard and Quinn.

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It's the Wallop That Makes a Man Big

JACK DEMPSEY is on his way over to "clean up Europe." Al Wagner, local promoter, was among the big crowd to wish the champion "Bon Voyage." So was Luis Firpo, Argentine heavyweight, here from South America for pugilistic prestige.

"Surprised to find Dempsey such a little man," commented the Buenos Aires boxer.

There were two other big men who thought Dempsey was a little fellow, but Willard and Fulton were surprised to see how big Jack was after they had met him.

It's the wallop that makes a big man in boxing.

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HOPE is still held out for the recovery of "Pop" Anson, who is seriously ill in a Chicago hospital following an operation. If the grit of this great ball player of other days counts for anything, Anson, who is seventy years old, will return a victor over his battle with the knife.

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A Sad Lesson

THE death of a Haverford student as the result of being hit with a mid-iron swung by another student practicing his golf swing should prove a lesson, nay—a cure—all to those in the habit of swinging golf clubs promiscuously.

John Edmundson, pro at Llanerch, had a narrow escape when a practice golf swing by somebody pried loose part of his jaw and half his teeth. Many serious accidents have happened in this manner.

The place for a practice swing is far, far away—not among friends.

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WONDER what Babe Ruth was thinking about yesterday as he sat all by himself on the bench like a bad boy in a corner? Probably giving the Jedge a good laugh. Though doing nothing, the Babe isn't doing it for nothing.

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THE suggestion of the British authorities that the setting for the Davis Cup tennis challenge matches be in two sections, Europe and America, deserves consideration. Last year three nations defaulted because unable to send their teams on two ocean voyages to play matches.

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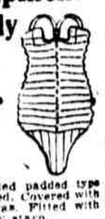
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QUAKER CITY PROS BUSY

Have Many Games Scheduled, but Want Game for Saturday

Quaker City Professionals will again have a fast ball club, and Manager Frank Schaller expects to better last season's record, when thirty-eight victories were turned in against thirteen defeats, and the following clubs, among others, were defeated: Pencoyd, Forty-Eighth Ward, Shanahan, Old Timers, Stenton F. C., also Rockdale, Delaware County League champions, and Doylestown and Conshohocken, of the Montgomery County League.

Several new faces will be seen in the line-up, chief of these being Bobby Mair, southpaw hurler, formerly of Quaker City Rubber and Phoenixville; Walt High, Lafayette College infielder, last season with Easton, Pa.; "Big Ed" Worthington, first sacker, late of Shamokin, Pa., and Harry Schaefer, South Jersey sandlotter, are the other newcomers.

The season will be opened at Souderton, Pa., on April 22, following which Lansdale, Montgomery County League champs, will be played on April 29, and Donovan Armstrong on May 6. Games have also been arranged with Camden City, South Phillies and other clubs.

Quaker City Professionals would like to arrange a practice game for this Saturday with some club having grounds, or will open the season for some good club if desired. Phone Frank C. Schaller at Columbia 0270 during the day or Kensington 4201W in the evening.

Washington Stars in Field

The Washington Stars have organized for the third season, and is again under the management of J. C. Malone. A number of well-known players have been signed, including Sowders, formerly of Wilmington; Newell, last year with Easton; Kobb and Ritchie, of the Eastern League, and Sacks, of Christ Church. The club has played all the leading teams for the last two years and would like to hear from North Phillies, Pencoyd, Fleisher and Millville. Address J. C. Malone, 3712 North Darien street.