

WITT HAS HIS SAY, AFTER MANY YEARS, AND GETS THE GATE

Whitely Indignantly Questions Umpire Connelly Regarding Strike, and Only Part of Oration Is Delivered. Put Out of Game First Time in Career

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AWTON W. WITT, ball player and athlete, has achieved a lifelong ambition for many years, but never has been able to gain fame by qualifying himself for a tough job. While with the Athletics he desired many, many times to give his views, say mean things to the umpires and other obnoxious persons, because he was a member of the A's he refrained.

In other words, he always was present but not voting. He made many speeches to himself, but sotto voce monologues never have made a hit in any season.

Yesterday came the big opportunity. Whitely often had said that if given a chance on another ball club and things did not look right to him he would tell the world about it in no uncertain language. He waited and waited, and in the second inning he was rewarded.

There were only three men on base and two out. Some runs were needed and Whitely was there to drive them in with his wicked left arm. Roy Moore stepped up and sent a fast one platoon, which was promptly called a ball by Tommy Connelly. Witt smiled serenely and waited for the next.

"Strike one," shouted Connelly grandly as he waved his good right arm. Witt turned around. He was bursting with indignation, because his ideas regarding that strike did not coincide with those of the umpire. The crowd that used to see him suffer silently was there and it was time to show that he could tell anybody a few things.

"Say, what was the idea of that?" "You big..." "Get out of here!" ordered Connelly, interrupting the oration. "Get out and stay out!"

Before he knew it Whitely was on his way to the bench with the speech unaided. McMillan went in to bat for him and drove in two runs.

"SOME day I gonna tell that guy what's what," said Whitely after he recovered. "Any way, I am a regular guy now. First time I was put out of a game in seven years."

Athletics Lost a Hard-Luck Ball Game

THE Athletics lost a hard-luck ball game yesterday, and one of the contributing factors to the disaster was the one-base whack registered by Norman McMillan in that second frame.

The strike was all set for the walloper, for Rolfe Taylor, who was hurling, put on a Naylor-esque ascension and the boys started a parade around the sacks. All he did was walk three separate and distinct persons, causing much congestion on the sacks. Then Connelly dragged him to the bench to be a spectator the remainder of the afternoon.

It took several innings to catch up to that lead, but it was done. Bing Miller's home run knotted the count, as they say at Senator Bill Denzel's house, but that was as close as the home boys could come.

The next inning a hasty throw spoiled everything. One was down and Ward hit a grounder to Young. Pep threw to Galloway, forcing Pipp at second, but in his haste to get the ball to first and complete a double play Chick threw low and Ward was safe. Then Scott singled and De Vornier hit a curve on the outside to right for two sacks, scoring the pair and winning the ball game.

Jimmy Dykes tried valiantly to assist with a homer in the eighth, but it counted only one run. James soaked the sphere into Somerset street, but Roy Moore, who succeeded Naylor, pitched a whale of a ball game. His left-handed slant and scintillated as they have not smoked or scintillated before, and it was tough luck to waste such hurling. Roy is in shape now, and that means he is one of the best southpaws in the league.

Wheat and Olson to Be Traded, Is Report

SEVERAL important changes are to be made in the Brooklyn ball club. According to rumors which have blown into the United States from Flatbush, but that was a general housecleaning is about to be attempted and two or more stars disposed of.

Whether Wilbert Robinson desires to build up for next year with younger and more agile athletes or has other reasons up his sleeve has not been explained. All that is known is that Whitted has been sent to Kansas City and Sam Crane goes to Seattle. The departure of this pair caused quite a little surprise, but that's only the half of it.

According to the gossip, Zack Wheat and Ivy Olson are about to be disposed of. Olson is considered too ancient to hold down a regular infield job and Wheat is to be used in a trade to get an experienced infielder. The plan is to use Sam Post, a reformed pitcher, on first, Ray Schandt on second, High at short and Jimmy Johnston at third. This infield will not stack up well with others in the league, and Robby desires a star performer.

A deal is said to be on with a Western club and Chicago and Cincinnati have been mentioned. The only thing wrong with this is that neither Chicago nor Cincinnati has any infielders to dispose of. The Reds are not so strong with Finelli, Caveny, Bohn and Daubert, and the reserve strength is very weak. The Cubs had to go out and get Krug from Seattle to fill in at second and Kelleher is more or less of an experiment at third. Hollocher will not be disposed of and Grimes is needed at first.

Therefore, those clubs can be eliminated because they haven't any trading material. Perhaps St. Louis would kick in with Lavan for Wheat or Pittsburgh would dispose of Tierney or Barnhart, but that seems to be the only chance.

Babe Ruth Bumped Crane Out of Big Show

SAM CRANE is out again. This young man has been in and out of the majors for years, but never seemed to be able to make the grade because of his weakness at bat. Sam is one of the best fielders in the business, but that lets him out. Everybody admits he has the class on the defense, is a valuable man and things like that, but when the time comes to let somebody go Sam usually is the first to get the gate.

Perhaps the reason for his weak hitting is that he never has had a regular chance. Never has he been in the line-up regularly unless a regular infielder was hurt, and those times were few and far between. He made the acquaintance of a few big-league pitchers.

This spring down in Jacksonville Wilbert Robinson was elated over the work of Crane. "He is a great shortstop," he said, "and will strengthen our infield. He can't hit very well, but oh, boy, how he can field. He will knock down a lot of base hits during the season."

Sam apparently had the job cinched until one day down South the Dodgers played an exhibition game with the Yankees. Babe Ruth tried to steal second and hurled his ponderous frame at the bag. Crane happened to be in the way and was carried off the field with an injured knee.

That gave Andy Hugh an opportunity to step in, and Andy made such a decided hit with the boss that he has been there ever since.

RUTH has been responsible for pitchers and managers losing their jobs, but this is the first time he has picked up a shortstop. Unintentionally, the Babe now only knocked Crane out of the line-up, but also out of the league.

Scholarship Debate Due at Princeton

WHAT'S wrong with a scholarship given to a college athlete, if a scholar-ship is given to a man who is NOT an athlete is considered perfectly normal. This is the big question which is to be argued at Princeton, N. J., in the near future. On one side will be the alumni, 11,000 strong, and on the other the members of the faculty.

Both sides claim they are right, and perhaps they are. However, it seems as if the action is entirely too rapid and perhaps it would be better to use more care and deliberation in future cases.

A COLLEGE student should not be branded if he is an athlete and his college course. If he is a bona fide student, stands well in his classes and lives up to the rules of the college, he should be given a chance—not a slam.

Battle Between Faculties and Pro Coaches?

TO ONE can tell where this wave of hysteria will end. Perhaps it is the prologue to a battle between the college faculties and the professional coach classes. A good coach can command a salary of \$5,000 to \$10,000 or three months. College professors sometimes have to work a couple of months for that amount.

In some of the minor colleges in New England the pro coach has been ousted. Small beginnings sometimes result in unusually large endings.

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2 HOMERS FAIL TO BRING VICTORY

Dykes and Miller Do Their Best, but Fall One Run Shy of Winning Another

CHARLIE ROBERTSON FLIPS

CAN'T win 'em all. The Mackmen spoiled their record for the week by dropping one to the Yanks, but not without going down with a battle and a keen one at that.

Rolfe Taylor started the going in the second by walking a trio of Yanks. Then came some of the trick that goes with a team that wins pennants. An easy roller that Dykes and Galloway both went after and the result was a hit and a hit that snatched the initial sack a lusty blow and carried off into right field—three runs, when one at the most should have counted.

The luck continued in the eighth when a double play was in the making; Galloway threw a triple wild. Then followed a double by DeVornier that sent the Yanks away to a two-run lead.

Lefty Moore was on the mound in the eighth when the damage was done, and he was erased by the pinch runner who hit. Followed Rommel, the Yank killer, who set them down in the ninth without a bit of trouble. The damage had been done.

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Dykes' Great Wallop

Then the hectic eighth, Jimmy Dykes, sore at the manner in which the Yanks got their tallies, slammed one of Bob Shannon's best over the left field wall. The bases were as barren as the Sahara, and the chances for a tie or even victory were gone.

The Bryn Mawr lad by his hectic effort added his name to the list of those who have decorated the front porches in Somerset street with the order of the hectic clout. Dykes' homer was the ninth made by the A's in four playing days.

Jimmy had a busy afternoon. Three of the Mack's ten hits came from the bat of the Main Line resident, a single and a double in addition to his fourly shot. Bing Miller, cabled in with a pair of singles. Young of Toga, the same thing. Perkins, Welch and Moore each had a one-base wallop.

Rommel twisted last Wednesday and subdued the Huggless Yanks and buried an inning yesterday afternoon. Therefore, he should be able to go in this afternoon and score another victory over the Gothamites. Bryan Harris may get the assignment.

The Phils spot their fourth day in idleness yesterday, the first two because of the schedule makers and the last two because of the poor weather being served out. Whitted is carrying about his club. Away from home for four days without practice is not the best thing in the world for any team.

The quartet of regular hurlers probably will be the most. Ring, Meadows, Hubbell and George Smith, in the order named, probably will be used in the next four games.

Robertson Is Lifted

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Scrap About Scrappers

AL WAGNER has received an offer to meet Danny Frush at Toledo, but business reasons have caused him to Philadelphia to pass up the match.

New York fans are all aflutter over the match between Gene Tunney and Arthur Grisham at the Garden May 26. It is expected that a \$100,000 gate will be attracted.

Eight-round bouts between Pat Bradley and Jack Toland and Young Morfis and Edie Gamble are booked at the Garden at the New National A. C. Tuesday night. Jimmy Hughes and Bobby Murray vs. Eddie Har-

Steve Morfis is back in the boxing game with a couple of bouts. One of his battles is a so-called "catch" fight with Gene Grady, recently discharged from the U. S. Navy. Stary is five feet ten inches tall and weighs 140 pounds.

Two Philadelphia heroes who have been appearing in bouts in New York City have placed themselves under the wing of Joe Wagoner. They are Harry Gordon, tankman, and Buck Fleming, featherweight.

Bobby Robideau has been matched for two bouts by Willie Edwards. He will meet Jimmy Hughes and Bobby Murray vs. Eddie Har-

Jack Toland, who is to make a comeback at the Garden next week, is expected to meet Gene Grady.

The show at Joe Palmer's next week will be a real one. It will feature Earl France will meet in the Wind-up with John Kelly vs. George Ernie, Young Mickey vs. Johnny Krause and Sam Blackford vs. Joe Bush.

The comedy boxing act of Kid Beebe, veteran of more than 600 ring battles, and Joe Bush, who has been operating and will appear in the show at Atlantic City next Friday night.

At Rice, newsboy boxer has recovered from a recent nose operation and will be ready to meet George Russell, Ray Mitchell in two weeks.

Joe Brown has several bouts under his belt. He will meet in the Wind-up with John Kelly vs. George Ernie, Young Mickey vs. Johnny Krause and Sam Blackford vs. Joe Bush.

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IT'S EASY TILL YOU TRY



CLIVEDENS CLINCH BASEBALL TITLE

Germantown High Scores Notable Victory Over West Philadelphia in League Game

KOHN HERO OF THE BATTLE

By PAUL PREP

Germantown High School victoriously won the Interscholastic League baseball championship again this year by defeating West Philadelphia High School at Poncey yesterday afternoon, 7 to 1.

There still stands a mathematical chance of the Clivedens being beaten out for the crown before the season ends. But the Green and White has shown such superiority over the other teams in the league that it is doubtful if they will be beaten.

It was a great game for three and a half innings. Came the last half of the fourth, with Germantown, the 1921 undefeated champion, at bat. Carberry, the Clivedens' pitcher, was in the box. Barrett's sacrifice sent him to second, Lungren singled to left, scoring Carberry.

After Carberry crossed the platter the West Philadelphia team seemed lost. The pitcher, Austin, began to get nervous, and the infield was not sure of itself. Germantown had scored, and the Clivedens had a triumph over the confidence of the Orange and Blue team. From then on it was easy.

Austin handed four balls to Whitted, who tried to strike to fielder Lungren moving to second. George Steel hit a one-base ball to right and Lungren centered across the plate. Elliott then threw out Lightcap. Eddie Steel walked. Carberry followed suit. And then Kohn stepped to the pentagon.

Kohn is a new player on the Green and White, but he has the class and the former attended Central High and only recently entered Germantown. When he came out for Clivedens, the captain Gene Barrett was moved to short and he took the second-base post.

Austin sent three balls past little Kohn, who swung and struck and two were pronounced balls. Then he grooved one and Kohn hit it into deep center for a double. G. Steel, E. Steel and Kurback galloped across the plate. Carberry ended the inning by popping to Elliott.

Germantown scored another in the sixth for a total of eight runs. The Clivedens had a lead of six to one at Philadelphia. But the game had been won for the Clivedens and lost for the Speedboys in the fourth.

Whitted pitched a wonderful game for the Clivedens. He struck out seven batters during the afternoon and failed to issue a free pass. He finished his day's work in great style by fanning Dickie Hogan in succession in the ninth. He allowed only three hits.

Austin, the losing twirler, failed to make a Germantown batter hit the air three times of a strikeout. He issued seven free tickets to first.

The most brilliant piece of fielding came in the sixth inning. The Clivedens' center fielder, Kohn, hit a hard bouncer to Elliott. He tossed the ball to Cook, who relayed it to Pasquerella for a double killing, retiring the side.

Bogart made a snatching catch of G. Steel's drive in the fifth and tossed the ball to Elliott, who touched the bag, doubling Barrett off second. It was a great play.

Germantown High's victory can be credited in a way to Captain Gene Barrett. He has instilled a "we-can't-be-defeated" spirit into the boys, and they are firm believers in his slogan.

McDonald Stars for Delaware

Harry McDonald, who is now a resident of this city, has been starting for Delaware. He has been responsible for several victories of the Peach State team in the Eastern League in the last few games and at the end of the season he will be a star of the local teams. He can be reached at 4021 Hazel avenue.

Home-Run Hitters in Games Yesterday

AMERICAN LEAGUE	Yankees	Total
Dykes, Philadelphia	1	1
Miller, Philadelphia	1	2
Young, Philadelphia	1	3
Perkins, Philadelphia	1	4
Moore, Philadelphia	1	5
Walters, Philadelphia	1	6
McMillan, Philadelphia	1	7
Witt, Philadelphia	1	8
McMillan, Philadelphia	1	9
Witt, Philadelphia	1	10
McMillan, Philadelphia	1	11
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Walker and Perkins Top Phils and A's at Bat

Walker Real Leader With .400. Kelly and Sisler Top Respective Leagues

SIX PHILS HITTING ABOVE .300 MARK

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SIX MEMBERS OF THE PHILS AND FIVE OF THE NATIONAL LEAGUE HITTERS, AND IS THE REAL LEADER OF WILHELM'S TRIBE, WITH AN AVERAGE OF .400. LEBOUVEAU, 375; LEE, .313; WILLIAMS, .305, AND PARKINSON, .302, ARE THE OTHER PHILS ABOVE .300.

Slim Harris, with four safe blows out of eleven attempts, tops the A's with .344. Cy Perkins is second, with .319, and Johnston, Galloway and Miller are closely bunched, with .314, .313 and .306 respectively.

George Kelly is blazing the trail in Heydler's circuit. The Giant first-baseman stands at .418. O'Farrell is second, with .423; Hank Gowdy, third, with .423, and Rabbit Marvelli, fourth, with .414.

Two members of the Phils were on hitting streaks during the week which ended Wednesday. They were Walker and Roy Leavelle. The Beville representative hit safely in ten consecutive contests until he was stopped by Harry Striver, of the Dodgers. In his stretch Walker hit eighteen safeties out of thirty-eight tries, quitting on April 30.

The Giants were the first to score 100 runs and sock out 200 hits. They lead in club batting with a percentage of .334. The Cubs are second with .302 and the Phils are fifth with .278.

George Sisler leads the American League with .417. He is second in the league with .424 and Smith, of Boston, third with .397.

Whitely Witt is whaling at the terrible pace of 333. He tops Ken Williams, the St. Louis slugger, who has .388. Williams has ten electric clouts to his credit, which is twice as many as Kelly, the National League leader, has hit up.

AMATEURS TO BOX

American Legion Will Stage Open-Air Bouts at Fox Chase

The Forsythe-Oldham-Griffith Post, No. 497, of the American Legion, will stage amateur boxing bouts at the Fox Chase Park, Philmore street and Huntington park, on Friday night, June 9.

The purpose of the bouts is to raise money to enable the post to establish a building to accommodate the members. Included among the entrants are Alex Greenberg, Sam Harkinson, George Halmar, Tommy O'Malley, the A. A. U. lightweight champion and former Penn star; Judge Rice and Frank Pickett. Practically every winner in the American Legion has won a title at the Olympia, will be represented in the Legion bouts.

Jack Kelly, world's champion sculler, has been secured to referee the millings. The committee in charge of the arrangements includes William C. Wendt, George Lambert, Harry Raff, John Morris, Winfred Roberts and William Aulberger.

TWILIGHT SOCCER GAME

Fleisher and Electric Storage Will Meet Next Wednesday Night

The date of the final contest for the Hillfield trophy has been fixed for next Wednesday night at Fleisher Field, Twenty-sixth and Reed streets. The game will start at 6 P. M. and will be played as a twilight contest. Fleisher is the favorite. A. U. tournament at the Olympia, will be represented in the Legion bouts.

In the Allied League today but one match is scheduled, that between Dugan, Steel and De Paul. The contest will be held at Torresdale avenue and Cottman street.

If De Paul wins or divides the points, they capture the championship of the Third Northeast Division, while if Dugan or Steel wins, they win the pennant. In case the game ends in a tie, Dugan and Sunshine both will have the same number of points for second place.

Today's Scholastic Games And Results of Yesterday

BUX-MONT LEAGUE
Doylstown High vs Quakertown High, Quakertown.

OTHER GAMES
Palmyra High vs. P. D. Mount Airy, High, Wilmington.

Wilmington Trades School vs. Wilmington High School vs. Peddie Institute, Hightstown.

Wenona Military Academy vs. Atlantic City High vs. Reading High, Reading.

West Catholic High vs. Farm School, Quakertown.

TENNIS
Northeast High vs Haverford School, Haverford.
Germantown Academy vs. Lower Merion High, Ardmore.

TRACK
Cheltenham Inter-schools at Elkins Park.
Swarthmore Interscholastics at Swarthmore.

Yesterday's Results
INTER-SCHOLASTIC LEAGUE
Germantown High, 7; West Philadelphia High, 1.

INTER-ACADEMIC LEAGUE
Penn Charter, 6; Germantown Academy, 5.

OTHER GAMES
Chester Hill Academy vs. Temple Prep, 3; Radnor High, 8; Darity High, 3.
Friends' Central, 7; Wilmington Friends' 2.

TWILIGHT LEAGUE TROPHIES
To encourage independent baseball among the Philadelphia area, the Philadelphia Baseball Association, the Philadelphia League offers a number of trophies. The sports pages of valuable Philadelphia papers will award the trophies. Last season every sporter for the official Philadelphia game played. MAKE IT A

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