

The Game of Sports.

MINERS' PLAYING WHILE ON THE TRIP

Scranton Club's Work While in the Enemy's Country.

BETTER THAN THEIR OPPONENTS

A Study of the Runs, Hits and Errors Indicates that the Three Defeats Out of the Four Games Played is No Reflection on Manager Griffin's Management.

Three defeats out of four games played is the record of the Miners on the trip--and there is no discredit upon them either. Buffalo won the first game by the score of 10 to 7, making six more hits and three more errors than did the Miners. The Blisons took the second by a score of 4 to 2 with the hits and errors even at 7 and 3 respectively.

Here's a summary of the runs, hits and errors in the four games:

Table with 2 columns: Team, Runs, Hits, Errors. Rows for Buffalo and Scranton.

One more run, one less hit and three less errors is their record. Of course runs, hits and errors are not the "whole thing," but it is a safe wager that the club which makes the fewest errors and the most hits will at the finish crop out somewhere near the top.

Some of the cranks are wondering why Manager Griffin doesn't put Meany in right field in place of Daly. This change may be made today, but it is a chance as to what the result will be and for just that reason Daly has been kept in the game. Daly wasn't signed at a nice snug salary for nothing. For years he has been one of the best emergency hitters in this or any league and had a percentage of .349 in 115 games.

BASE HITS!

Don't knock Griffin and Gannon today. Egan is back in the game. The Stars are halted, anyhow. It's a long time that has no turn. Beard has begun it; now watch for Massey.

Wait for the results at Rochester and Syracuse.

No reflection on the Miners, but how about Knowles? When the Browns win a game it is said that Von der Ahe always celebrates. Shannon sprung a new catcher Saturday. Frary is his name. He began well. Shortstop Charlie Moss, with Scranton last year, is playing with Pawtucket of the New England league.

The Chicago Tribune says that it is dollars to cents that Keeler, Kelley and Jennings can win for Baltimore, without the assistance of catchers. Jack Fallon pitched his first game for Springfield Saturday. He was hit eleven times, gave four walks, struck out two batters and had two hits-by-pitcher recorded against him.

This is the toughest season Burket has had for years. Singles now are rare and hard to be desired than orphans. At last accounts Burket had an average of .285, and was still slipping the other way.

Tom Brady, the suspended Brown pitcher, has signed with Grand Rapids, Manager Murray and Burns both "approached" him, but found he was under contract to Grand Rapids several weeks ago. In obedience to Manager Jack Rowe's request, the Buffalos have quit cigarette-smoking. They have switched to pipes, which is more English, you know. Next thing they will turn up their trousers--Sporting Life.

The three B's, Baltimore, Boston and Brooklyn, are making things warm for the three C's, Cincinnati, Cleveland and Chicago. These six ought to constitute the first division at the end of the season. Sporting Life.

ROGER CONNO HAS SIGNED TO PLAY WITH THE FALL RIVER CLUB.

Roger Conno has signed to play with the Fall River club, of the New England league. That club has released pitcher Timothy Monahan, first baseman Birmingham and third baseman Joseph Delehanty.

It is said Manager Powell wanted to bring five new players to Wilkes-Barre but the management couldn't see it. The local fans will have it that the syndicate will shortly purchase the Wilkes-Barre franchise. Wilkes-Barre News-Dealer.

Scranton hasn't lost a game with Hughie Jennings' father on the player's bench. Wilkes-Barre Record. Beg pardon, but he was on Scranton's bench, May 25 and Springfield on Springfield Union. Beg pardon, but the score was 3-2 in Springfield's favor when the old gentleman led the bench in the fifth inning. We're not saying that Scranton would have won if he had sat the game out, but he has occupied that bench during six games, including the one with the "Pomies," and has yet to see the Miners defeated. He and the black rabbit make a strong combination and it's a pity they couldn't be taken on the trip.

EASTERN LEAGUE.

Just what caused Hodson to get obnoxious does not appear in the telegraph story but he had a ten-dollar pinaster applied by Keefe in the Providence-Syracuse game and was sent to the bench. Brann pitching out the game the Grays had already won on the Stars' errors. The Stars' defeat ruins their chances of getting first place at once even though they won two games and Buffalo lost as many.

Rain prevented the Miners from getting even with the Canucks for that throw-down by Knowles on Saturday, and the same cause prevented the Wilkes-Barre-Buffalo and Springfield-Rochester entertainments. If Griffin's men had lost and Springfield won, the latter would be in third place today.

which saved a home run. Score: R.H.E. Reading 10 0 1 1 1 0 6-7 11 2 Lancaster 10 0 0 1 0 0 0-1 3 1 0

Batteries--Hernon and Backley; Dolan and Roth. Umpire--Snyder.

Hartford-Richmond.

Richmond, Va., June 7.--In the morning game today the local club was defeated by Hartford. There was no official umpire present and the local man who was substituted was severe on Richmond. Score: R.H.E. Richmond 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0-1 3 9 Hartford 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 1-2 6 1 Batteries--Stimmel and Steiman; Gastright and Roach. Umpire--Tate.

Richmond-Hartford.

Richmond defeated Hartford in the afternoon game today, though Hartford put up a stiff fight for a victory. Umpire Biss captured the local man who was the game passed without a kick. Score: R.H.E. Richmond 1 0 3 2 0 0 0 6-6 5 3 Hartford 0 0 0 0 1 1 1 2-0 2 6 Batteries--Lever and Steelman; Rowen and Roach. Umpire--Bets.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

The Giants went into fourth place and the Beaneaters from third to second yesterday. The Boston are now but a few points behind the coveted first place after having made the best record of any club in the league since the second week of the season. The rejuvenated Browns gave the champion Orioles a very close call and Brooklyn was beaten only 3-1 by Louisville. Cincinnati, Pittsburg and Washington were shut out.

Results. Baltimore 4 St. Louis 3 Philadelphia 2 Chicago 0 New York 0 Pittsburgh 0 Boston 4 Cleveland 0 Louisville 3 Brooklyn 1

Percentage Record. Baltimore .375 St. Louis .273 Philadelphia .273 Chicago .000 New York .000 Pittsburgh .000 Boston .273 Cleveland .000 Louisville .375 Brooklyn .136

Today's Games. St. Louis at Baltimore. Pittsburg at Boston. Louisville at Brooklyn. Chicago at New York. Cincinnati at Philadelphia. Cleveland at Washington.

Philadelphia-Cincinnati. Philadelphia, June 7.--The Phillies turned the tables on Cincinnati today and in a game full of excitement and kicking on both sides, they won by a margin of 4-1. The visitors, who played a most excellent game at center for the visitors and Irwin led at the bat. The locals fielding was faultless, the only error being a fumble by Nash, McDermott's impiring gave general dissatisfaction. Attendance, 3,419. Score: Philadelphia 4 Cincinnati 1 Batteries--Brown and Schriver; Orth and Boyle. Umpire--McDermott.

Paterson-Newark. Paterson, N. J., June 7.--The game here today was forfeited to Paterson in the sixth inning, Newark making a protest against the umpire's decision and refusing to play. The score at the time was 8 to 0 in Paterson's favor. In the sixth inning Gettig forced a double and in attempting to throw to first for a double play Gilman dropped the ball. This caused the kick, the Newark claiming the man on second base for being a runner. Attendance, 1,600. Score: Paterson 8 Newark 0 Batteries--Vias and Westlake; Gettig and Hodge. Umpire--O'Loughlin.

Boston-Pittsburg. Boston, June 7.--The pirates could not score today, although they had men on base, but they were unable to get any very effective and the Bean Eaters bunched their hits at the right time. Score: Boston 0 Pittsburg 7 Batteries--Nichols and Bergen; Kullen and Sugden. Umpire Lynch.

Giants Outplayed the Colts. New York, June 7.--Sullivan was hit hard in the fifth inning today. Then Seymour was brought into the game, and Anson's men were never in of the game. Attendance, 1,600. Score: R.H.E. New York 0 Giants 7 Batteries--Nichols and Bergen; Kullen and Sugden. Umpire Lynch.

Champions Win a Well-Played Game. Baltimore, June 7.--The champions won from the Browns in a well-played game. It was a pitcher's battle throughout and the home team won by their ability to hit hard in the first inning. Score: Baltimore 4 Browns 3 Batteries--Empire--McDonald; Hart and Murphy.

Senators Were Whitewashed. Washington, June 7.--The visitors played an errorless game today and shut out the Senators in a well-played game. Wilson, Earl and the Washington players could not get in more than one to an inning. McDermott toward the end of the game hit rather freely. Score: R.H.E. Washington 0 Senators 0 Batteries--McJames and Maguire; Wilson and O'Connor. Umpire--O'Day.

Colonel's Down the Broom. Brooklyn, N. Y., June 7.--The Louisville won a well-played game from Brooklyn this afternoon. Both hits and errors pitched good ball, but the latter was liberal with bases on balls. Score: R.H.E. Brooklyn 0 Louisville 3 Batteries--Payne and Smith; Hill and Wilson. Umpire--Hurst.

GUS SCHMELTZ RESIGNS. No Longer the Manager of the Washington Base Ball Club. Washington, June 7.--Gus Schmeltz today resigned the management of the Washington base ball club. The poor work of the Senators this season caused a demand for a change and he retired voluntarily.

J. Earl Wagner will temporarily take charge of the team. A new outfielder will be engaged and other changes will follow unless the team plays winning ball.

THE FIGHTERS WERE HOOTED. Dick O'Brien and Dick Moore Did Not Give Satisfaction. Philadelphia, June 7.--Dick O'Brien, who was recently defeated by Kid McCoy and Dick Moore, of College Point, Pa., put up the worst bout tonight that has ever been seen in the arena of the Quaker City Athletic club. There seemed to be an understanding between the two men as to whose blows should

be the least severe. The men were hooted and jeered almost from the time they entered the ring. Neither was in a fit condition to fight, both being fat. The hugging match was a disgrace.

BICYCLES IN AFRICA.

Missionary Goes Awheel and Cycles Travel Here Lately Few White Men Trod.

Mr. McAllister, the British consul in Uganda, announces the arrival there of a missionary who had mounted his wheels at the Victoria Nile, and rolled all the way to the Victoria Nyanza, about 600 miles, to the astonishment of the natives. They regarded him as a wizard.

The missionary's journey was the pioneer wheeling trip to Central Africa, but as a bicycling feat it was not notable, for pedaling was comparatively easy along the fine wagon road recently completed from the Indian ocean to Victoria Nyanza. The loads of steamboat machinery now passing over the road weigh several tons apiece. It would make the farmers in our Mohawk valley stare to see any one attempt to haul such loads through some of the sandy stretches on the Albany post road. Still the prospects are fair that we shall be able to show a large mileage of good country roads by the time Africa can offer superior inducements to bicycle tourists.

Mr. McAllister says that bicycles are seen every day on the streets of Mengo, the capital of Uganda. The fact speaks well for the condition of the streets in that young center of civilization, and as the bicycle arrived there about the time the streets were laid out, it is safe to say that Mengo has never known the cobblestone variety of street paving.

LIKE A CIRCUS. Along the twenty-five miles of river front on the Congo, where, not so very long ago, the Bangalla ran abreast of Stanley's canoes yelling "meat, meat," as they launched their boats in pursuit of the peaceful wheelmen, the daily carrying the wheelmen of the post to their various places of duty; and it is reaching even more remote parts of Africa. Mr. Hourst, who, last year, made the first complete descent of the Nile river, brought home a curious photograph. In the rear was a long line of natives, many of them Tuaregs of the Sahara, on their horses, and hundreds of the river negroes, all intent upon one of Hourst's men who was riding a bicycle.

The show was repeated all along the river and it drew like a circus. Many things are changing in Africa, and the bicycle is one of the latest products that the dark continent is coming more and more into touch with the outer world. Bicycle manufacturers had better keep an eye on Africa as a field offering to their limitless possibilities. The natives today look upon wheelmen with the feelings that once resided in the savage breast at the sight of the locomotive or iron horse. But some day the knowledge will dawn upon him that the bicycle won't bite and that anybody may learn the secret of its equilibrium in five half hour lessons. A bicycle race in Africa is sure to come, and it will be a continental calamity if wheels cannot be distributed among the 200,000,000 blacks in quantities sufficient to meet their ambition for this great fruit of civilization.--New York Sun.

WILLOW GROVE TRACK. Has Been Opened but It Has Not Enough Seating Capacity.

Philadelphia, June 7.--The track at Willow Grove, where the national Quaker City wheelmen championships will be decided next August, was opened with over 12,000 people in attendance, and demonstrated that the present unfinished seating accommodations must necessarily be enlarged before August next.

An idea of the condition of the track may be had when it is stated that Starbuck won the 25-mile handicap from scratch in the good time of 1:08.26. A velocity northwest wind was blowing throughout the contest and the day was so cool that the spectators were not at all weary. The crowds were handled in double-quick time.

The attention of the executive committee in charge of the national meet, has been called to the prospectuses of several souvenir programmes (each containing a coupon for the only official one) which are being circulated with a view of securing advertisements therefor. None of these publications has been authorized by the executive committee. The "only" souvenir programme that ever has been "opened" is now being compiled under the direction of Chairman Perkenpie. It will be quite a pretentious affair--and will be filled with interesting data, well-executed half-tones and excellently-written descriptive matter.

SCRANTON ATHLETES WON. Took Prizes at Wilkes-Barre Y. M. C. A. Field Sports.

P. J. Quinnan, Harry Dimmick and George Gibbs attended and competed in the 300-yard relay race at the association field sports at Wilkes-Barre on Saturday. They returned home the same evening bringing with them six medals, three of which were first and three second prizes.

P. J. Quinnan took first place in the mile and half-mile run, Harry Dimmick taking second in the same events. George Gibbs took first in the pole vault and second in the high jump.

The Scranton boys will also compete at the Pittston games on June 17.

QUAKER CYCLING ROUTES. Thorough Plans for Tours and Runs at the National Meet.

Philadelphia, Pa., June 4.--Realizing that a thorough knowledge of the best routes, both from a scenic viewpoint and as regards the nature and condition of the roads, is essential to effective work on the tours and runs committee of the coming national meet, it has been decided that it shall be made up of the entire corps of captains of the organizations which collectively form the Associated Cycling clubs of Philadelphia. At the head of the committee has been placed Alfred H. Allen, captain of the Century Wheelmen, the largest League club in the country. A better selection could not have been made, as Captain Allen understands thoroughly what is required of him. Captain Allen's assistants on the committee will be: John A. Mead,

Quaker City wheelmen: J. Hart Rich, Tioga Cycling club; William H. Hart, Wissahickon, wheelmen; William B. Iko, Time wheelmen; Thomas Wheeler, Pennsylvania Bicycle club; Charles Knag, Oxford wheelmen; Harry Longbottom, Columbia cyclists; Harry Hochstadter, American wheelmen; A. W. Gunther, Penn wheelmen; George Owens, Kennilworth wheelmen; George Schabacker, South End wheelmen; Charles Walters, Jr., Keystone wheelmen; J. L. Wetherby, Broad Street Station wheelmen; James Horstberger, Philadelphia Turner cyclists; Carl Shultz, Pilot wheelmen; Charles McNeilly, Fairhill wheelmen; Charles Bidwell, League Cycling club.

AT THE NATIONAL MEET. Two Famous Pleasure Pikes That Will Attract Wheelmen.

A large majority of the thousands of wheelmen from all over the country who will visit Philadelphia on the occasion of the eighteenth annual meet of the League of American Wheelmen, which is scheduled for Aug. 4-7, will doubtless take advantage of the opportunity to indulge in a ride over the famous old Lancaster pike, which was built in 1782, and was the first hard road ever laid down in the United States.

Running almost parallel with the Lancaster pike, and but a short distance to the east of it, is Montgomery avenue, which was in days gone by called the "old road to Lancaster." Located on this much-traveled (by wheelmen) highway is that ancient hostelry known as the General Wayne hotel. Here the thirsty Quaker cyclist often finds a convenient stop and lubricate. There is a famous oil pump on the premises, although the hotel's regular patrons are loud in their praise of the brew that its cool cellars contain.

WHIRLS OF THE WHEEL. Daring Feats by Women Riders are Always Foolish.

No circus performance should be attempted unless the performer is clothed in strictly circus costume. A young milliner of New Zealand recently entertained a crowd of spectators by riding along a very narrow coping of a high sea wall. When half way over she tumbled into the sea and was so thoroughly entangled with her skirts and machine that she was more than half drowned when finally rescued.

President Elliott, of Harvard university, recently addressed a mass meeting of undergraduates, his theme being athletics. He said that his personal preference was for sports which required no great weight or muscle and he believed that the most desirable sports which required supreme exertion would go out of fashion and be superseded by others especially requiring precision, quickness and alertness of the mind. He believed heartily in cycling as a means of recreation, but evidently not in cycle racing, for short distances.

In a recent speech before the British society of arts, Sir David Solomon said that the pneumatic axle was the true solution of the trouble of vibration in vehicles. Inquiry fails to show that any pneumatic hub system ever worked satisfactorily on any kind of carriage. Excursionists put the riders to some trouble, but nevertheless seems to be the only feasible thing. A bicycle requires about five feet by eighteen inches of floor space. Thus, 100 wheels would require 1,800 square feet, which manifestly could not be spared from the first floor of an office building. It is also manifest that hallways cannot be enlarged to accommodate wheels. In many city buildings the bicycles ranged along passage ways to elevators are great annoyance to occupants and those having business with them. Evidently the wheels will have to go "down cellar." If the owners of buildings thought

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