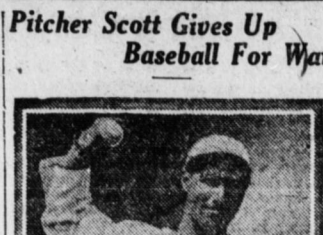


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READING FAIR RACES THRILL Opening Day Program Pleases Large Crowd; Fast Time Recorded



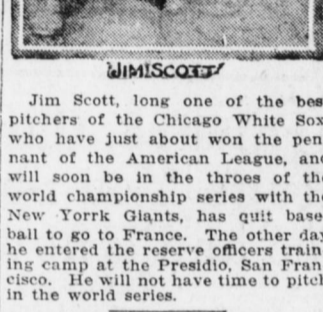
Pitcher Scott Gives Up Baseball For War

Reading, Pa., Sept. 19.—Three light harness races of the split-heat variety, requiring fourteen warmly-contested heats, furnished an excellent opening-day race program here at the Greater Reading Fair to-day. A record crowd of more than 25,000 spectators, who packed the grandstand, overflowed the paddock and lined the outer rail of the track, were treated to some sensational whipping finishes, which marked the various heats.



Jim Scott, long one of the best pitchers of the Chicago White Sox

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Franklin J. Baker Will Quit Unless Recalled

De Ora a Surprise The 2:27 trot, with five starters, looked like an easy thing for Baron Cedar, owned by Dr. Balliett, of Allentown, who romped away with the first two heats. In the third heat the Philadelphia mare De Ora went into the lead at the word and won the next three heats and the race, taking a record of 2:21 1/2. The Allentown entry behaved badly in the fourth heat and despite Driver Opdyke's urging, was shut out.

New York, Sept. 19.—Franklin J. Baker, suspended New York American third baseman, said last night he had been unjustly treated by the New York Americans and that his baseball future is entirely in the hands of President Ruppert of that club. If Ruppert does not revoke the suspension within the next few days, Baker said, he would retire from baseball for good.

This Star Is Fond of Baseball Souvenirs

Ping Bodie, of the Athletics, is an enthusiastic collector of baseball articles which have helped make history for the national game. When the Athletics played in Detroit recently the Tigers made a triple play. When First Base man Burns tossed the ball on the diamond after the three-put killing triple play, Bodie was there to take it.

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READING HIGH ELECTS CAPTAIN Carl Nuebling to Lead Eleven This Season; Financial Report

Reading, Pa., Sept. 19.—At the annual meeting of the Reading High School Athletic Association, Carl Nuebling was elected captain of the football team for the coming season. Nuebling is one of the best players of last season's regulars who is still in school.

Basketball Pays George M. Beggs, treasurer, showed that basketball had been the most popular sport during the past year, clearing \$585, despite \$400 paid for the use of the Army cage. Football showed a profit of \$165, while baseball and tennis showed a deficit. This was the first year Reading High's track team lost money and it was due to the association changing the date of Reading High's annual interscholastic meet from Memorial Day to a later date, owing to patriotic reasons.

Baseball Summary YESTERDAY'S SCORES Cincinnati, 1; Philadelphia, 0. New York, 4; Chicago, 0. Boston, 5; Pittsburgh, 3. (first game).

WHERE THEY PLAY TO-DAY National League New York at Chicago. Boston at Philadelphia (2 games). American League Chicago at Philadelphia. Detroit at Boston. St. Louis at Washington. Cleveland at New York.

WHERE THEY PLAY TOMORROW National League Philadelphia at Chicago. New York at Pittsburgh. Brooklyn at Cincinnati. Other teams not scheduled.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS National League New York 91, 49. Philadelphia 77, 60. St. Louis 78, 66. Cincinnati 73, 71. Chicago 72, 49.7. Brooklyn 63, 73. Boston 61, 75. Pittsburgh 46, 93.331.

P. & R. R. League Port Richmond 14, 1.933. Atlantic City B. R. 13, 2.863. Spring Garden 10, 4.714. Reading 8, 7.533. St. Clair 6, 5.545. Harrisburg 8, 7.533. Shamokin 7, 8.496. Reading E. 6, 8.421. Transportation 3, 10.250. Reading C. 3, 13.188. General Office 1, 11.083.

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FOURTH CITY LEAGUE WILL HOLD FOURTH BIG SHOOT; WEST FAIRVIEW PROMINENT

The fourth tournament of the Pennsylvania Four-City Trapshooters' League will be held at West Fairview Friday afternoon. Shooting will start at 1 o'clock. Harrisburg and West Fairview are strong rivals for final honors. Harrisburg has won two matches, and West Fairview one. These two teams are tied on the total number of targets.

The Giant Average John J. McGraw needs this world series badly—needs to win it badly—or needs badly to win it—by way of obtaining a fairly respectable average. To date, he has indulged in four of these October championships, with only one triumph against defeat.

Left-Handed Values Dear Sir: I understand from the figures that the White Sox have won two-thirds of their starts against left-handed pitchers. This may be important—and then, again, it may not—depending upon the comparative pitching strength of the National and American Leagues.

Back Home For Joe Unless Eddie Collins can bat above .450 for the remainder of the season, he is due for his first year under .300. The handicap now is well beyond reason.

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SCANDAL MIXES IN BIG RACES Three Favorites Fail to Meet Bookmakers' Dope; Winners

Columbus, Ohio, Sept. 19.—Upsetting of three favorites, a little hint at a scandal in the 2:07 pace finally won by Peter G., and the impressive work of The Real Lady in the 3-year-old Horse Race Trotting Futurity, were the big features of the second day's racing at the Columbus Grand Circuit track.

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