

GIANTS GONERS IF SLUMP ISN'T

Unless Toboggan Ride of August Is Quickly Checked McGraw Won't Figure in 1924 World Series

By JOHN B. FOSTER
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New York, Sept. 5.—The Giants are the team that stands out clear in the National League race is that if the Giants lose as many points in September as they did in August, their pennant goose is cooked, provided, of course, that the team which gained in August at the Giants' expense continue to force ahead.

The Giants dropped 41 points in August. That is more than a point a day and no team can stand that kind of anti-fat treatment without entirely wasting away. While the Giants were slumping, Pittsburgh gained 26 points and Brooklyn gained 40. Brooklyn is the real sensation of the league. Starting with an outfit that seemed doomed to the dog pen, the combination has been pitched up here and there, especially in the pitching department, until today it is the big thing in the league in pitching talent and one of the best in either league in that respect.

Vance has run wild with victories and Grimes has steadied up a lot. The hit pitchers have caught the infection and the only one who is not coming through is the valetting Ruetheer. From now on, Brooklyn must be reckoned as an honest to goodness contender in the race.

The American League race in August was one of the tightest little old shows that ever broke loose in baseball. On August 1, the percentage of the Yankees was 57.4 and they were in the lead.

The Yanks lost 11 points in August however, and the Washington team gained four. Not such a big change—but enough to punch Senators at the top and the Yanks down into second place. The Yanks were able to drag the Senators down out of the lead one this season. The big question is whether they can do it again. Right now Washington is playing some great baseball.

Detroit lost 21 points during the month, a sad falling off for the Tigers, who had been on the winning side prior to then. The St. Louis Browns who still feel that they are the dark horse in the pasture, gained 15 points. The Browns would be a better dark horse if they showed any signs of stability.

Detroit cannot be counted out of the race for the championship, but as they lost nearly a point a day when they should have been gaining, anybody can see how they handicapped themselves by their inability to take advantage of one of the best opportunities they have had in many years. In the American League race, anything but the extraordinary affair that it has proven to be this season, the Detroit and St. Louis clubs might safely be counted out of the running.

Neither has much more than a score of games to be played, and each is more than a full week behind in the race. Detroit has met with a double fisted wallop in the West, where it should have been strong and the Browns have suffered from their own inconsistency to an extent that would do them in an ordinary year.

However, as the American League this season has shown a marked tendency to win and lose by series—the blue program having apparently become as popular in baseball as in politics—it is out of the question to count Detroit and St. Louis out of the race. Either of them may take a runaway streak in the final games at home while New York and Washington are on the road and entirely change the complexion of the race.

The loss of four games in succession by Washington and the winning of four games in succession by Detroit would bring the teams so close together that another series lost and won would put them in a tie for all championship purposes.

Each of the four first division clubs in the American League has shown this year a tendency to stumble and spill the beans at one time or another. That is why, with even such a short time to go, it is imprudent to say that Washington and New York have the race between them.

Detroit and St. Louis can raise an awful lot of mischief between them if they get going again. If they do not the race will become a dual affair, with both of the contenders playing away from home as the championship is being decided.

It's really tough luck for Washington fans that they must lose the finish of the race in which the Senators are playing so fine a part. New York fans have been through all the thrills of seeing the championship won "on their own grounds," but the Washington fans have not experienced that because they have not experienced the same.

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The Sportsman

By Walter Camp

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New York, Sept. 5.—Winning the national singles title for the fifth time was not the only thing Bill Tilden did at Forest Hills.

His conduct in general—but one incident in particular gave the game another boost as a real sportsman's game. The particular incident referred to occurred in his hard fought match with Vincent Richards. During the course of that match, Richards left after making a return shot instead of making the kill he easily could have made. Tilden sent back a high lob which gave Richards not only a chance to get up and return the ball, but to win the point.

The crowd gave Tilden his reward—if he needed any—by a simultaneous burst of applause.

It was a well deserved recognition of Howard Kinsey's skill that won him a pennant.

Now that one seems to be in the offing the fate of the schedule sends Washington slipping out west where it must meet the hostile tribes of the four cities and where all the excitement of battle must be transported to Washington by wire. As long as it is impossible to shake New York more than a game or two away, every contest in the west will be for Washington a series of heart palpitations.

In the National League there is a dead sure, three cornered fight on as long as Brooklyn keeps the pace. The Giants and Brooklyn will wind up their fights on the home lots, while Pittsburgh has the far from home of the present American League leaders. If the Pirates have the nerve and courage they may win the championship with what they are carrying in the way of players, but they have got to remember that the ninth inning is just as important as any other. Many a contest is saved by a desperate rally at the finish—and in a race like the National, every game counts.

Of all the teams that are playing, the Brooklyn were the big show in the month of August. They have started September at the same speed and if the big leagues don't land them off, they will win their customary four year championship. They bit it off in 1916 and again in 1920, and they are due again.

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Overthrow of the Yanks



By defeating the New York Yankees in the first game of the year's "strength" "crucial series," the Washington club took the lead in the American League race, which is, incidentally, one of the warmest races in history. This episode shows Catcher Schang of the Yanks being retired at third on a close play.

put the finishing touches on his ideas about how he should train for a big fight. He listens politely to what is said to him in the way of advice, but what is read to him in his own mind but he is never swayed.

"I make short fights," he said to the writer, speaking for the first time—at least so far as the writer is aware—in English in a conversational way. "For Dempsey I trained for four rounds. He to be at me or me to beat him quick. That is the way I fight." Firpo spoke words of truth. He is not the temperament that is willing to undergo a long grueling preparation for a battle, that is willing to undergo the customary dieting and rigorous, punishing work.

It was Jack Johnson who taught Firpo a real lesson. When Luis was training for Ed Brennan the former negro world's champion, not Firpo a number of times in the Madison Square Garden gymnasium and quickly convinced that the big Argentine that there were a hundred things about the science of boxing that he did not know and probably never could learn.

When Luis finally gave up his bouts with Johnson, he said to his closest friends that he had found out what he wanted to know.

"I am a fighter, not a boxer," he said, "and I shall win by fighting." Some of the wise guys about the gym talked him out of this. They kidded him along and told him he had improved greatly and was a wonderful boxer. Then Ed Brennan, Firpo went into the ring and made a boxing match of a fight out of his bout with Brennan. It was not until the twelfth round, when his last science to the world and he looked like the wild bull he is, that Brennan went to the canvas.

Luis has never gotten over feeling sore that he worked as hard as he did for more than 11 rounds—as he believes—he could have ended the battle in the first.

When preparing for Dempsey he just shut his teeth and said the fight would be short. So why work himself to death training?

As a matter of fact two days before the fight he told the referee that either he or Dempsey would be out of the fight within four rounds, and it is now known by insiders that he confessed to his intimates that he would be the man to go out of the fight. He said he had not enough experience and that Tex Rickard should be looked between two willing steers and torn apart for forcing him to go into such a battle before he was ready.

In his training at Saratoga, Firpo has done a lot of his sparring in private—and not much of that. This because he does not expect to box with Wills, but to rush in and make a fight of it from the first clang of the bell, training for the Harry Wills battle and keep an eye on Canon Chase's deportation proceedings at the same time, has his own idea. He does not think Wills will last very long. If he does then Luis realizes clearer than anyone else that the more rounds that he by the better will be Harry's chances of success. But he is not worrying much about this. The

BASEBALL QUESTION BOX

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Question—What is the proper term for the ball commonly thrown by a right handed pitcher which curves in toward the batter? Is it an incurve or an inshoot. What is the same ball thrown by a left hand pitcher which goes out? Is it an out-

curve or an outshoot?
Answer—There is really no incurve. There have been a very few pitchers—right hand pitchers—who could break the ball so that it looked like a curve. Mostly the ball simply borea in. The left hand pitcher throws an outcurve to a left hand batter.

Question—If the batter hits a high foul and the catcher catches the ball but does not pull off his mask is it out?
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NATIONAL LEAGUE			
Thursday's Scores			
Pittsburgh,	5;	St. Louis,	9.
Boston,	1;	Brooklyn,	5.
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Philadelphia,	10;	New York,	6.
Cincinnati,	3;	Chicago,	0.

Standing of Teams.			
W.	L.	Pct.	
New York	78	52	.601
Brooklyn	79	54	.594
Pittsburgh	75	53	.585
Chicago	69	60	.535
Cincinnati	60	63	.482
St. Louis	55	74	.424
Philadelphia	50	81	.382
Boston	47	86	.350

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Thursday's Scores			
New York,	3;	Philadelphia,	8.
Washington,	12;	Boston,	5.

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W.	L.	Pct.	
Washington	77	55	.584
New York	75	57	.568
Detroit	71	62	.534
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