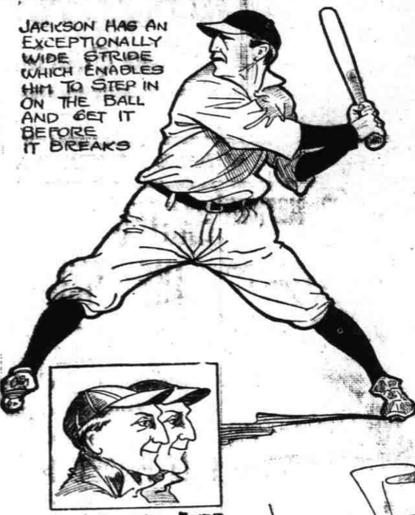


HOW GREAT MEN PLAY THE GAME

By Scar

JACKSON HAS AN EXCEPTIONALLY WIDE STRIDE WHICH ENABLES HIM TO STEP IN ON THE BALL AND GET IT BEFORE IT BREAKS



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In The Spotlight's Glare

News and Reviews of Doings in the World of Sports--Mostly Baseball

That "Next Year" Alibi. The cry of "next year" is with us again in all its harrowing phases. It is, and has been for years, the good old reliable alibi for owners of losing ball teams. "Wait until next year, and we'll have a winner." That's the familiar strain. It sounds good and helps to soothe the faithful, if disappointed, fans.

Naturally, the fellows who regularly contribute their quarters, halves, and in many cities, dollars for exhibition money, their favorite game feel that they are the principal sufferers when their pet team fails to come through with winning baseball. Of course, it is only imagination, still it is difficult to convince a regular fan to the contrary. However, the magnates, the poor boos who sink their good dollars into losing teams, are the real sufferers. The desirability of a winning aggregation is driven home more forcibly to them through the medium of empty treasuries.

We are fortunate that while the Giants and Athletics and two or three other teams in the big leagues are exceeding their usual profits, other teams—for instance, in St. Louis, Cincinnati and Detroit—are losers to date and look to have little chance of getting even financially on the season because the fans have lost interest, and other words the richest part of the season is still to be traveled by a number of unlucky magnates.

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Regardless of the merits or demerits of these suggestions, the official attention will be paid to them before the annual meetings of the two leagues along in the late fall or early winter. And the magnates, as a body probably will turn their heads and proceed along the lines that have prevailed in the past. But it might prove a good thing for the game if they decided to give one of the novel schemes a try-out.

Every team in the majors is within a few games of the hundred mark in total number played to date. Which suggests a little trick of figures. When a team has played exactly a hundred games, all that is necessary to find the percentage is to put down a decimal point, then write the total number of games won, and add one zero. If the Athletics, for example, have played 100 games, won 69 and lost 31, the percentage will be .690.

It looks now as if the winning figures of both Giants and Athletics in the National and American Leagues respectively are likely to be over .700. Including the season of 1910, this mark has been reached only four times in the modern history of the National League and no American League champion ever finished a season with such a high average. In the National League, it was reached in 1887, and 1909. The Cubs had .747 in 1906 and .704 in 1907. The highest percentage in American League history was that of the Red Sox last year. The Athletics scored the next best when they won out in 1910 with .680. One American League team was won with a mark under .600—the Sox of the Detroit club in 1908.

Joe Birmingham's and Clark Griffith's weekly outbursts exclaiming to baseball fans at large just why the Naps and Senators are sure to beat out the Athletics have at last met their match. Mr. McGillicuddy allows "how" Joe and Clark may wind up in the first division, but as for the "thing" in his opinion.

While the Senators, Naps, White Sox and Red Sox all have alibis in the case of Jack Coombs, who pitched only one full game before sickness laid him low. At that, though, there is no doubt that the other teams with more pitching in the deal, the White Sox without Walsh; Naps without Lajoie and Birmingham, and Senators without Cashion, Foster and Gallahue—all or terms—will be in and several for practically all seasons—have been up against it much worse than the leaders.

The Pirates nursed Hans Wagner along by easy stages to fire him full blast at the Giants. Poor old Honus was in the case of Jack Coombs, who pitched only one full game before sickness laid him low. At that, though, there is no doubt that the other teams with more pitching in the deal, the White Sox without Walsh; Naps without Lajoie and Birmingham, and Senators without Cashion, Foster and Gallahue—all or terms—will be in and several for practically all seasons—have been up against it much worse than the leaders.

Consider the case of Snodgrass. McGraw is pulling another "Murray" with the big fellow. In the world's series of 1911, the victory of the Athletics was blamed on fozzles of red haired Jack and the New York fans yelled for his scalp. McGraw kept him around and last fall Murray was the Giant hero against the Red Sox, barring the unlucky Mathewson, and "Red" also played splendid ball throughout the regular season. Snodgrass was charged with the defeat of the Giants for the world's cup of 1912, and he, too, was hooted and jeered by sportsmanlike Gothamites in the early stages of the current campaign. But the big boss kept him in there every day, and "Snod" is now leading his team in general all-around work, with a batting average well above the .300 mark.

"Young Boehling lucky," states an exchange. So was Caser, but you'd got to admit the guy had talent along certain lines.

The Yanks pick the Athletics to win the October series. We don't blame 'em. If some one had beaten us 15 out of 16 starts, any shreds or vestige of our pride would be inclined toward the same forecast.

"The quickest way," says a sport writer, "to start an argument with Jack Miller, of Pittsburgh, is to start in by intimating that Hans Wagner is all in. Jack and Hans are old time pals, and the younger player has seen the old veteran kick in with too much state to believe that he will ever finish. 'Honus will be all in,' says Miller, 'when he can't drag his glove into the diamond or when he is unable to push one of his hands in the general direction of the ball. You can play it for a pipe bet that he will be all in. Pittsburgh's stars for 1914 unless he loses both mits in a sawmill'.

As we understand it from gossip here and there, no ball club can hope to win a pennant without luck, and no ball club can have any luck until they start winning. This is true somewhere, but we have no idea in what direction.

TESREAU TAMED THE CUBS

Easy Winning for Giant Twirler—Phils Took Final from Reds—Pirate Crew Annexed Another—Cards Leave Cellar

Big Jeff Tesreau, who until now has shown little form during the season, started in to prime himself for the big series next October by pitching the Giants to a two to one victory over the Chicago Cubs in the final game of the series yesterday afternoon. By winning yesterday's game the Giants made the series an even break, while the Phillies have won three out of four in the same time. Larry Cheney, who won the first game of the series for the Cubs, was again on the firing line, and furnished a hard fight for the McGraw team, leaving a half dozen hits to Tesreau's boys.

The Phillies won the final engagement from the Cincinnati Reds by an eight to one count, Rixey and Suggs engaging in a pitching duel. Suggs issued two lead hits than Rixey, but allowed the Phils to bunch them in three innings.

The Pittsburgh Pirate crew annexed their fourth straight from the Brooklyn Dodgers in the final contest yesterday afternoon, batting Curtis for a total of four runs in the eighth inning after two men were down.

The St. Louis Cardinals left the cellar by winning yesterday's game from the Boston Braves, in a game replete with brilliant fielding and fast base running.

"Big Jeff" on the Job. Chicago, August 2.—Big Jeff Tesreau retrieved himself today, pitching New York to a victory over Chicago 2 to 1. The game was hard fought between Tesreau and Larry Cheney. New York . . . 001 000 100—2 6 5 Chicago . . . 010 000 000—1 4 5

Phils Score Another. Cincinnati, August 2.—Philadelphia by bunching hits won from Cincinnati today 8 to 1. Philadelphia . . . 000 200 105—3 7 0 Cincinnati . . . 000 000 001—1 2 9

Pirates' Fourth Straight. Pittsburgh, August 2.—Pittsburgh made it four straight from Brooklyn this afternoon 7 to 4, getting four runs off Curtis in the eighth inning after two men were out. Brooklyn . . . 000 003 000—4 10 4 Pittsburgh . . . 000 120 04x—7 11 3

Cards Leave Cellar. St. Louis, August 2.—A game replete with fine fielding and brilliant base running, St. Louis defeated Boston today 4 to 2 and incidentally climbed out of last place. St. Louis . . . 001 210 00x—4 6 1 Boston . . . 100 000 001—2 9 0

The Davis cup is all in—the pennant races are all in—and the white hopes have never been out. So those who don't care whether Harry Vardon uses a nibble or a cork are in for quite a yarn before the decision is finally made as to whether Bendor will start against Mathewson or Marquard will open against Plank.

STANDING OF THE TEAMS

AMERICAN LEAGUE			NATIONAL LEAGUE				
Won.	Lost.	P.C.	Won.	Lost.	P.C.		
Philadelphia	68	30	.693	New York	57	29	.658
Cleveland	65	28	.693	Philadelphia	56	25	.688
Washington	56	42	.571	Chicago	50	47	.515
Chicago	52	51	.505	Pittsburgh	48	46	.511
Boston	45	51	.473	Boston	42	58	.418
Detroit	42	60	.412	Baltimore	42	43	.494
St. Louis	39	63	.380	St. Louis	39	59	.398
New York	31	64	.327	Cincinnati	38	62	.380

RESULTS YESTERDAY

At Washington 3; Detroit 2. At New York 1; Chicago 4. At Philadelphia 4; St. Louis 1. At Boston 4; Cleveland 5. 2nd: Boston 0; Cleveland 7.

WHERE THEY PLAY TODAY

No games scheduled. Brooklyn at Chicago. Boston at Cincinnati. Philadelphia at St. Louis.

IN THE MINORS

South Atlantic League. At Albany 2; Savannah 6. At Columbus 5; Macon 0.

Southern League. At Atlanta 4; Nashville 1. 2nd: Atlanta 4; Nashville 1. At Birmingham 1; Chattanooga 3.

Virginia League. At Norfolk 1; Portsmouth 1. 2nd: Norfolk 1; Portsmouth 5. At Richmond 8; Newport News 3.

Appalachian League. At Bristol 1; Rome 4. 2nd: Bristol 2; Rome 5.

American Association. At Louisville 0; Columbus 1. (11 innings.)

International League. At Toronto 7; Indianapolis 5. At St. Paul 4; Kansas City 6. At Minneapolis 3; Milwaukee 4.

Manchester, Eng., Aug. 2.—Hans Holman, an American long distance runner, won the ten-mile championship race at a professional athletic meet here today. His time was 54 minutes, 11.4 seconds. Vermeulin, of France, was second.

If Tyrus Cobb were an up-to-date young man he would augment his meagre salary by busting into the chautauqua circuit.

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CAROLINA LEAGUE

Results Yesterday. At Durham 1; Greensboro 0. At Asheville 3; Raleigh 8. 2nd: Asheville 1; Raleigh 0.

Standing of the Teams. Club: Winston . . . 41 37 .580 Durham . . . 38 40 .485 Asheville . . . 36 41 .465 Greensboro . . . 30 52 .365 Charlotte . . . 24 52 .315

INDEPENDENT LEAGUE GAMES

Two Interesting Games of Baseball at League Park Yesterday. Two interesting games of ball were played at League Park yesterday afternoon by members of the newly formed Independent League.

The first game of the season for the new league. During the remainder of the Summer the league will have games every Saturday afternoon. The batteries were from the Wilmington Juniors and the Giants was by the former, the score being 4 to 3. There was good playing on both sides, and the game was a tight one.

The second game was between the Immanuel Athletics and Wrightsboro, the score this time being 7 to 3 in favor of Wrightsboro. The Wrightsboro boys played good ball, but the Immanuel were not up to their usual form. Lockamy for the Immanuel, pitched excellent ball, but did not have good support. The batteries were: Immanuel, Lockamy and Todd; Wrightsboro, Setler and Eason.

RACING SEASON OPENS

Ideal Conditions Greet Beginning at the Springs Track. Saratoga, N. Y., Aug. 2.—The Springs racing season opened today under ideal weather and track conditions. Cock of the Walk won the Saratoga handicap without being extended. A few rods before the finish Lohoe attempted to overtake the leader, but it was a futile effort. Rollingsone was a good third.

No arrests for violations of the anti-race gambling laws marked the first day of the Saratoga association race meeting, although a force of deputies patrolled the track. Sheriff Grippen said he had seen no violation of the law. A large force of private detectives employed by the association also was on duty. Private bettors will be protected, but book-making will be prohibited according to a ruling made by District Attorney McKeever.

GRAND CIRCUIT RACES

Get-Away Day Attracts Smallest Crowd of Week's Events. Grand Rapids, Mich., Aug. 2.—Get-away day at the Grand Circuit race meet here today attracted the smallest crowd of the week, to which was offered a programme of races rather different in contrast with those which preceded it.

The 2:06 trot, a new classification, failed to develop the speed looked for. Ross B. favorite, was an easy winner. The 2:12 pace was a race between Auto Zombro and Herman Wenger, the winner.

The 2:16 trot belonged to Lord Dewey from the first turn of the wheel. Directly after the races the horses began moving on for the Kalamazoo meeting next week. Much sickness is prevalent about the stables, the malady being listed by veterinarians as short of typhoid distemper. Eight of Cox's string were reported indisposed.

ATHLETICS ANNEX ANOTHER

Made Brown Series Even Break—Johnson Back and Senators Won. Naps Took Two More—White Sox Won.

The Athletics, by capturing the final game with the St. Louis Browns yesterday, made the series an even break, after the bunch from Missouri had clearly cited Mack to the fact that the aforementioned Browns undoubtedly possessed the necessary and essential proclivities, capabilities and ability to put the league leaders in Dutch, or in other words "what it took to get Mack's goat, they had it."

President Wilson went out to the Washington ball park yesterday afternoon to welcome Walter Johnson back to the game after a lay-off of eight days, and upholding his record for the season, the President saw Johnson pitch the Senators to a 3 to 2 victory over the Detroit Tigers in the final game of the series. It was the sixth anniversary of Johnson's big league career, and he was presented with a huge loving cup stuffed with ten dollar bills.

The Cleveland Naps made it five straight over the Boston Red Sox by winning the concluding argument yesterday afternoon. The Naps are now only six and a half games below the Athletics, or 69 points, which is less than New York's lead over the Phils.

The White Sox came to life in yesterday's final with the New York Giants, and won the game by a 4 to 1 score.

Athletics Back. Philadelphia, Aug. 2.—By winning today's game from St. Louis 4 to 1, Philadelphia got an even break in the series.

St. Louis . . . 100 000 001—4 0 Philadelphia . . . 100 120 00x—4 11 2 Hamilton and Alexander and McAlister, present with a huge silver loving cup filled with crisp new \$10 bills. Johnson won his game 3 to 2.

The day marked the sixth anniversary of the pitcher's big league career. The cup was presented by the "fans". In it was more than \$500 in bills.

Detroit . . . 000 001 001—2 9 4 Washington . . . 000 120 00x—3 6 3 Daus and McKee; Johnson and Ainsmith; time 1:50; umpires Ferguson and Connolly.

Naps Make Five Straight. Boston, Aug. 2.—Cleveland made it five straight victories over Boston today, winning both games of a double header 5 to 4 and 5 to 0.

Cleveland . . . 030 002 000—5 12 1 Boston . . . 020 020 000—4 10 2 Gregs and O'Neil; Bedient and Carigan; time 2:08; umpires O'Loughlin and Sheridan.

Second game: Cleveland . . . 100 002 031—7 13 0 Boston . . . 000 000 000—0 3 3

White Sox Retrieved. New York, Aug. 2.—Chicago emerged from its long losing streak today and defeated New York 4 to 1.

Chicago . . . 030 100 000—4 6 0 New York . . . 000 001 000—1 6 0

Scott and Kuhn; Warpe, McConeil and Sweeney; time 1:45; umpires Egan and Dineen.

Christy Mathewson, they say, will succeed Dave Fultz as president of the Players' Fraternity. Then doubtless, the frequent letters of complaint over this and that to the National Commission will be of literary merit, written by President Mathewson's authorized agent, Jack Wheeler. Perhaps we may even have them syndicated and their publication restricted under copyright.

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And Comments

Eddie Ainsmith, who always catches Walter Johnson, told an amusing story of how Walter fooled at least one of the American League umpires last year.

Said Ainsmith: "The ump was new to the league and had never worked behind Walter before. We were playing one of the Western clubs, and before the game started the umpire came to me and asked me what Walter pitched and if he worked the corners of the plate to any extent.

"I replied: 'Yes, Johnson works the corners a whole lot. You see, his fast ball has such a jump to it that when I catch it outside the plate it looks like a ball, but in reality it is a strike.'

"That day," continued Ainsmith, "Walter was a trifle wild, and pitched a dozen or more balls a foot or so outside the plate about waist high. I umpire, to my surprise, called them all strikes, and then I remembered what I had told him.

"It would have made little difference, however, for our club scores seven or eight runs and the other fellows never had a chance."

John McCloskey, when he managed the Milwaukee club, had several hobbies. One of these was players with black hair. Any player with a dark thatched roof could get a job on the Milwaukee club by just asking for it.

Garnet Bush, who is now umpiring in the Coast League, had just emerged from the secretive wilds of Michigan, and McCloskey on the lookout for new timber, called Bush aside and asked him if there was any player that looked promising in the league.

"There's a fellow at Saginaw named Salter who looks pretty good," responded Bush.

"Do you recollect what color hair he has?" McCloskey fired at Bush. "Why, he is a blonde," innocently replied the new arbiter.

"In that case," answered McCloskey, "don't bring him near me, I don't want any players around who have light hair. They can't play the game up to my standards."

The player Bush recommended was Vic Salter, now playing a great game at first base for the Chicago Cubs.

Jack Bliss, formerly a catcher for the St. Louis Cardinals and now with Sacramento, has a solid underpinning to his legs and curved somewhat in the modern fashion of the plectanin that walks too soon. He was asked what made him so bow-legged and told this truthful story: One day in St. Louis he came out of a mix-up at the home plate with both legs broken. A doctor was called, a barrel from a nearby brewery furnished splints. He was bandaged and finished out the game—hence the curves.

Edward Finney, Coast League arbiter, was umpiring a game in Portland, Ore., when a batter, who had ped a bat and sliding off struck the official on the side of the head. He became stone deaf in one ear. Recently, while umpiring in Sacramento, Cal., he was struck with another foul tip and to his surprise, found that he could hear, as well as ever. The umpire didn't say anything about his recovery, but waited a few days with interesting results. It seems that the players, knowing which was his deaf side, made it a practice to express their opinion of the umpire in low tones when out of range of his good ear. They don't do it any more.

Tom Bannon tells a funny story on Pat Flaherty. It was in 1901 when both men were playing at Brockton, Fla. Flaherty was at first when Tom hit the ball to deep left. Bannon stuck his head down and made for first. He looked up and was sure he could make three bases. He made third by a nice slide before the ball. The umpire yelled that he was out and Bannon immediately started an argument. "You passed a base runner," said the ump. And sure enough, Flaherty was on second. After the inning Pat told Bannon that he stepped on his foot when he was running second.

Frank Bancroft tells a story on Frank Dwyer, a former pitcher for Cincinnati. Al Orth once hit a line drive back at Dwyer, which laid the pitcher out cold. Dwyer was taken to a hospital, and after the game Bancroft went to see how the pitcher was coming around. As he approached Dwyer's bedside the latter was just coming to. Looking up, he saw Bancroft.

"Where are we, Frank?" he asked. "In a hospital," said Bancroft. "Is it a cheap one?" asked Dwyer.

Clarke Griffith has one pitcher that no one can hit and another one that no one can beat. If there is any other combination that can beat this, begin calling at once.

THE LEADING SWATTERS

The Ten Leading Big Stick Men in Each League for the Week Ending Last Thursday.

Joe Jackson is again in the lead as batting champion of the American League, having succeeded in outstanding Ty Cobb just three points since last week. While Jackson was gaining one point during the week ended last Thursday, Ty was sliding back a couple of points to .398, according to published scores. Murphy, of the Athletics, still holds to third place, while Speaker brings up fourth with .367. The Athletics still claim one-third of the 12 leading averages in the American League, while no other team has more than two in the roll of honor.

AMERICAN LEAGUE					NATIONAL LEAGUE				
Player	G.	A.	R.	Ave.	Player	G.	A.	R.	Ave.
Jackson, Cleve.	65	37	46	.401	Yingling, B'klyn.	62	28	11	.363
Cobb, Bos.	70	23	40	.398	McDonald, Bos.	58	182	22	.49
Murphy, Atl.	22	37	17	.378	Hyatt, Phila.	47	64	5	.371
Speaker, Bos.	95	37	74	.371	Miller, Phila.	47	64	5	.371
Hendricks, Bos.	28	37	13	.351	Zimmerman, Chic.	75	264	40	.350
W. Collins, Atl.	96	216	8	.346	Walsh, Phila.	22	28	3	.346
Lajoie, Cleve.	83	270	30	.337	Cravath, Phila.	30	281	47	.338
Gandil, Wash.	90	381	34	.332	W. Collins, Bos.	17	38	3	.333
McLain, one-third of the 12 leading averages in the American League, while no other team has more than two in the roll of honor.	22	37	17	.328	Barnett, Pittsb.	42	318	54	.312
McDonald, of Boston, comes second, with .371, while Hyatt, of Pittsburg, has moved up from eighth to third place. Philadelphia and Boston have three players each in the roll of honor this week.	30	34	32	.317	Hess, Bos.	17	41	2	.317
	36	34	32	.317	Wick, Pittsb.	42	142	4	.317
	100	282	50	.314	Trinker, Phila.	74	278	31	.314

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