

CRITICAL GAME BEING STAGED

Boston And New York Meeting This Afternoon In Closing Contest

BEDETT IS GROOMED TO OPPOSE MATHEWSON

Manager Stahl Says His Team Broke Under the Strain, But Will Play the Same Old Game Today, While McGraw Does Not Appear to Be Shaky as to the Outcome of the Final and Eclipsing Struggle of Them All.

BOSTON, Oct. 16.—The climax of the 1912 baseball season came today in the eighth game of the world's series between the New York Giants and the Boston Red Sox. Premier baseball honors and a major share of the players' profits, which are the greatest in baseball history, were at stake.

The Giants, having won two games in succession and tied the series when the Red Sox needed only one victory to nail the tie, predicted freely that they would be champions of the world after today's game. The Red Sox were in fighting mood, but planned more carefully than in any previous games their side of the battle.

Bedient is Groomed. Hugh Bedient, the Red Sox recruit of only a season's standing in the major leagues, and who last Saturday bested New York with the old master, Christy Mathewson pitching, was groomed to take up the mound work for the Red Sox.

Mathewson, it was expected by the New York supporters, would be asked by McGraw to assume again the same position for New York, making another pitchers' duel a prospect. After Saturday's game Mathewson declared he was done for as a world series pitcher. "I can never win a world's series game again. My arm is lame and I am tired all through. I threw the old arm out twice today and I am afraid it will fall me," he declared. But he warmed up during the afternoon game and all indications were the veteran of many baseball campaigns would work for the Giants today.

Pitchers in Reserve. With so much depending upon the result of today's game, neither manager was willing to put all his hopes on one man and McGraw kept in reserve Marquard, who has pitched New York to two victories in the series, while Stahl had Joe Wood workout in the belief that should occasion require, Wood could go into the box and better his performance of yesterday when New York made 7 hits and forced him to the bench.

The rival managers were not expected to make any changes in their batting order today, the probable line-up of each being:

of the series. We all expect to win the series." McGraw said: "We have won two straight games; we will make it three and the championship today." New York was favored in the betting-odds generally of 10 to 8. The fact that Mathewson was to pitch, together with New York's two victories and the Red Sox reversal of form, made the odds switch to New York for the first time since the series started. Some money bets were made yesterday but up to that time New Yorkers sought a short end when looking for wagers.

Cold Weather at Boston. BOSTON, Oct. 16.—Cold weather was in prospect for the eighth game of the world's series at Fenway Park today. Although the sun shone brightly, the mercury had little progress above the 40-degree mark at 8 a. m.

With Boston and New York both having credit for three victories, and a tie in the seven games so far played in the world's series, the Giants take the edge for this afternoon's closing and eclipsing chapter in this remarkable and dramatic succession of ball games. The odds have all along been decidedly on Boston, only quivering once when the Giants came glimmering back into the third game with a victory following their hard-luck attempt in the tied game on the preceding afternoon. This was the only time that Boston odds have had a chance to become tremulous. On all others, the superiority of the Red Sox was popularly interpreted as deserving the big end of the betting. It is otherwise, now.

Giants Look Different. The Giants have displayed a fighting temper which has never been paralleled in the career of these contests. With such barriers to overcome as a two-game lead in a series of only seven, they have flashed back upon the stage with a couple of straight getaways, simply murdering Boston pitchers and shattering that steady, consistent, clock-like and conservative line of defense which the American League champions have exhibited. It is a wonderful achievement for the Giants. They deserve the title for their gameness and even though the Red Sox do manage to emerge from their depression with a concluding victory today, McGraw's men will have in the meantime acquired a fame for fighting that puts this quality in the Boston make-up to flight. There has never been anything like it, such a complete overturning of prophecies in the great gambling game of baseball.

Poor Tactics Displayed. The series has been eventful for the abundance of apparent poor tactics on the part of the managers. Stahl of Boston kept his blunders for the last, his failure to rescue both O'Brien and Wood in the first innings of the last two games being about the most stupid exercise of power that has been displayed in the baseball world in some years. His decision to keep both Collins and Hall, the other two regular and most dependable pitchers, for relief work, does not smack of real intellectuality in running a club toward the world title. Of course, Mr. Stahl may have had reasons which have not been transmitted this far South, but on the surface, these things project themselves as specimens of either a lost or as yet an unacquired art in baseball mentorship.

Doyle's Apparent Blunder. The distinguishing reason New York has not now the title perched away is, as some are seeing it, Manager McGraw's erratic judgment in placing a towering confidence in the ability of Larry Doyle to win the series with his willow alone. The second game which resulted in a tie was undoubtedly lost on account of Fletcher's off day at short, his errors being responsible for five of Boston's six runs. But in this game, in the first and eleventh innings, Snodgrass, batting first, got on. He hit for a double in the first inning and instead of playing his usual sacrifice hit, McGraw gave Doyle instructions to hit it out and he fanned. It happened that had Doyle sacrificed, Snodgrass would have scored from third on Becker's hard-hit grounder to Yerkes. In the eleventh Snodgrass was hit by a pitched ball and again Doyle swung free and struck out. Had he sacrificed, there would have been no need for the attempted steal which resulted in an out for Snodgrass. Becker got a base on balls. Then Murray, who had already hit for a triple, a single and a double, was up to be followed by Merkle, who had previously hit for three bases.

Same Tactics Again. The second game in Boston was won by New York because of poor coaching at third, but in this contest, the Little Napoleon used the same tactics. In the first inning Devore got on base as a starter and Doyle, again trying to hit hard, swung a high and easy fly. Had Devore been sacrificed, he would have been to a scorable position with Murry up. It happened that the latter hit for two bases at his first appearance at the plate in the next inning. In the eighth the same play occurred. Devore hit safely over third base. Doyle raised a fly to left. Snodgrass then hit a long single which could have scored Devore had he been sacrificed by Doyle. In the fifth game, the first and second

TODAY'S NEWS OF CHARLOTTE

Happenings Of The City Sketched In Brief As Seen By The Chronicle Reporters

THINGS INTERESTING TO ALL PEOPLE IN THE CITY

A wrestling match is scheduled at the Auditorium Thursday night between Jim Poulos, the Greek who recently defeated Joe Turner, and Billie Collins, who also enjoys some reputation as a wrestler and athlete.

Mr. A. R. Anders of Gastonia and Miss Carrie Nisbet of Charlotte were married last night at 201 North Caldwell street, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Dr. T. F. Marr, pastor of Trinity Methodist Church, Mr. and Mrs. Anders will live in Gastonia.

Mr. D. B. Paul of the local bar has been named to make the congressional race on the Progressive Republican ticket in the ninth district, this having been decided at a meeting of the congressional committee in Hickory Saturday.

There will be a full rehearsal of "Girls Incog" at the Academy of Music tonight beginning at 8 o'clock. All the speaking parts and all chorus parts will be rehearsed at the rehearsal, the members of the company will be expected.

The Triangle Realty Company, which is developing Central Place beyond Lakewood Park, is waging an active campaign in nearby cities and towns and many investors are being interested. The company is trying to bring a number of prospective purchasers to the city during fall week. Messrs. Vebr Asbury and C. W. Allison are managers of the Triangle Company.

Charlotte and Mecklenburg officials have received information that Luther Farnhardt, the young white man who was convicted here a few months ago for the theft of a considerable sum of money from the Ferguson-Wadsworth Land Company and sentenced to the State penitentiary, has escaped from the Halifax State farm. Farnhardt operated extensively throughout the city for awhile.

As was anticipated when the place was established, the plant of the Charlotte Cold Storage and Commission Company is being used by apple growers of the western section of the State. Mr. J. D. Graves, who owns a farm with about 1,000 trees in Haywood County, has shipped a considerable quantity of apples to the plant for proper storage until they are marketed. Other apple growers will no doubt follow suit.

The following is from The Lincoln County News: "A. A. Bales for Charlotte, yesterday, where he has accepted a position as traveling salesman for the Standard Oil Company. His territory will be North and South Carolina. Mr. Bales was in the service of the International Harvester Company for two years and made a fine record in sales. His position with the oil people is in the nature of a promotion and his friends will be glad to know of his good fortune."

"There's where our money goes," feelingly remarked a Charlotte taxpayer yesterday, indicating some street work that was being done by a "squad" consisting of a brickmason, his helper and a white overseer, the latter of whom was also superintending the activities of one other lone negro who, with a double team was digging a crooked ditch along the street and hauling the dirt half a block to fill in around the curb being constructed by the mason and his helper. "The wasted energy and absence of efficient organization in some departments of the city government are things to make a taxpayer shudder, especially when the county is getting half or more than half of the taxes we pay anyhow."

The Law of Averages. Even with Doyle's admitted prowess with the willow, it would have been better to accept chances of Murray and Merkle hitting rather than depend upon one man, even though he be a Cobb or a Wagner. While criticism of an outsider may seem childish when placed against such a general of the diamond as McGraw, it does appear that McGraw took chances on Doyle's hitting ability rather than to accept as many as eight distinct chances upon the combined hitting genius of Murray and Merkle, whose combined average is one hit in 3.53 times at bat against Doyle's one hit in 3.11 times at bat. In other words, on those eight occasions McGraw took a chance of about 2.6, the percentage derived from dividing 327, Doyle's season batting average, by his eight times at bat as against 4.5, the percentage derived from dividing .283, Murray's and Merkle's combined season average, by their 16 times at bat. On this great law of averages McGraw lost and should always lose.

SUPPLY OF COTTON IS 2,110,678 BALES

Government Issues Report Showing Amount Of Crop Now On Hand

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16.—The total supply of cotton in the United States, on September 30 was 2,110,678 ginning bales, counting round bales as half-bales, according to the Census Bureau's first regular supply and distribution report, made today in compliance with the recently enacted law requiring a monthly statement of the quantity of cotton consumed, on hand, imported and exported, and the number of active cotton spindles. Of the cotton on hand the quantity held by manufacturers was 727,781 bales as follows: In cotton-growing States 336,589 and in all other States 391,212. There was held at independent warehouses and elsewhere 1,377,897 bales as follows: In cotton-growing States 1,286,824 and in all other States 91,073. Cotton consumed in the United States during September amounted to 437,322 bales as follows: In cotton-growing States 225,424 and in all other States 211,898. Exports of cotton during September were 239,839 bales as follows: To the United Kingdom, 363,290; to Germany, 34,448; to France, 103,969; to Italy, 30,887; to all other countries, 8,122. The imports of cotton during the month amounted to 10,810 bales as follows: From Egypt, 1,335; from the United Kingdom, 5,841; from all other countries, 2,644. The number of cotton spindles operated during September in the United States were 2,785,792, of which 1,559,912 were in cotton-growing States and 1,225,878 in all other States.

UN SOUNDNESS OF MIND AFFLICTED FAMILY OF SCHRANK

NEW YORK, Oct. 16.—Inspector Joseph Fauro, one of the expert identification men of the New York detective bureau, will spend the next fortnight gathering every available detail regarding John Schrank's life in New York City. The police declare that he came from ancestry in which insanity was frequent, and had probably been slightly unbalanced for several years. The unhinging of his mind is believed to date either from the death of his aunt in 1907 or from the death of a girl friend in the Slocum disaster.

Suffered With Delusions. The information in the hands of the police shows that Schrank was born in Bavaria and came to this country when nine years old with an uncle, Dominick Flammang, whose name the boy bore for many years. His father is said to have suffered from delusions and his grandfather, a wealthy Bavarian brewer, also exhibited unsoundness of mind. The Flammings became saloon keepers on the East Side and prospered. Eight years ago they retired with a comfortable little fortune invested in real estate. Upon their deaths this went to Schrank.

Mrs. Flammang died in a hospital in 1907 and her husband died a few years later. Schrank, who was devoted to his aunt, made a scene in the room where she died, refusing to leave her body until he was forcibly ejected. He again became violent at the funeral and for several days remained at the grave weeping. After the death of his uncle Schrank moved his scanty effects to a little hotel in Brooklyn, a block from the cemetery and for days thereafter he spent hours at his aunt's grave, which he covered with flowers.

Had No Police Record. Police headquarters is holding a bundle of letters and other papers taken from Schrank's room in the Brooklyn hotel. The nature of these documents has not been announced. The man left the Brooklyn address nine months ago and took up his residence at the Canal street lodging house where he lived until about September 20, when his pursuit of Roosevelt began. An effort will be made to find out if Colonel Roosevelt, when police commissioner in New York, ever caused Flammang's saloon to be shut up for excise violation. Friends of the family declare that it was always an orderly place and that Schrank must have been mad if he said his hatred dated from the day the policemen raided the place.

Schrank has no police record in this city. An investigation of the saloon licenses issued on the lower East Side shows that license No. 4655 was issued on April 29, 1905, to John Schrank as proprietor. The location of the saloon is given as 370 East Tenth street. The place is now a grocery store.

New San Juan Race Course. NEW YORK, Oct. 16.—John L. Gay, acting as agent of the Puerto Rico government, is in New York City today for a conference with August Belmont and other members of the Jockey Club, seeking to obtain recognition and assistance from the Jockey Club in behalf of a new race course to be constructed at San Juan. The course will have racing on every Sunday throughout the season.

DISTINGUISHED PARTY COMING

Leading Scientists From Many Nations To Be Visitors Here Saturday.

WILL VISIT PLANTS OF SOUTHERN POWER CO.

Geographers, Chemists, Geologists and Other Experts to the Number of 150 Will Be Guests of Mr. W. S. Lee and Other Officials of the Southern Power Company—Visitors Nearing End of Two-Months Tour of America on Private Train—Personnel of the Party.

From Germany, Austria, Belgium, Holland, France, Great Britain and Many Other European Countries, about 150 in number, a notable assemblage of geographers, chemists, geologists and other men of science, will be the guests of Mr. W. S. Lee and the Southern Power Company next Saturday to visit and inspect the developments along the Catawba River and at Great Falls, where there has been built up one of the largest hydro-electric developments in the country. This eminent body of men has been on a tour of the United States since August 22, leaving New York on that day, and is now completing a tour of the Pacific Coast and Southwest, coming to Charlotte from Atlanta, Knoxville and Asheville. Today the party was due in Ducktown, Tenn., to see the copper mines there located, and tomorrow they are scheduled to reach Asheville, visiting Canton where is located the mammoth plant of the Champion Fiber Company.

The special train leaves at 2:30 Saturday morning for this city, arriving in the early morning. Mr. C. G. Hook, president of the Greater Charlotte Club, has named the following committee to be at the Southern depot to welcome the party upon its arrival in Charlotte: Messrs. J. Frank Wilkes, J. R. Wilkes, J. B. Spence, E. P. Coles, E. W. Thompson, R. L. Hardage, Stuart W. Cramer, W. T. Corwith, J. F. Blythe, J. S. Blake, Dr. I. W. Falson, L. W. Humphrey, W. T. McCoy, F. R. McNinch, C. P. Moody, J. A. Houston, W. R. Foreman, Cameron Morrison, C. G. Creighton, C. O. Kuester, J. A. Jones, E. L. Keeler, F. C. Abbott, A. V. Harrell, E. Guggenheim, T. T. Allison, Leake Carraway, L. C. Burwell, C. M. Carson, T. C. Guthrie and W. D. Adams.

On to Great Falls. After a brief stop here the distinguished guests will leave for Great Falls, conducted by Vice President W. S. Lee of the Southern Power Company and Messrs. C. I. Burkholder, E. C. Marshall, F. D. Sampson, C. V. Palmer, W. H. Martin, Jr., and E. Thomasson, representing the Southern Power Company and its allied corporations.

At Great Falls Saturday the time will be spent in the inspection and going over the grounds of the huge electrical developments that have recently been built up at that point by the Southern Power Company. There will be much to see at Great Falls, and the great plant, under the scrutiny of scientific eyes, will reveal many things invisible to the eye of the ordinary spectator. The visit will be therefore one of the most important of the party in this section of the South.

The presence of so many distinguished scientists and geographers and explorers at this time is explained by the fact that the members of the party have been in New York attending the Eighth International Congress of Applied Chemistry. The occasion is also the sixteenth anniversary of the founding of the American Geographical Society and from a score of foreign countries came leading men in response to the invitation from the Americans that the foreign universities and scientific societies should be represented. As a result about 150 of those attending have remained to take part in this two-months tour of the country, and are now nearing the end of the long journey. The train carrying the party is under the management of the Pennsylvania Railroad and consists of the handomest drawing room an observation cars and state and sleeping cars available, the train being a magnificent appointed affair with every convenience afforded at the most exclusive hotels. In this train the party is making its long tour of America.

EMBOSOMED BY HIS FAMILY COLONEL RESTS IN COMFORT

No Traces Of Discoloration Appear As Result Of Inspection Of Course Of Bullet Through The Muscular Tissues And The Patient Rests Well

NO SYMPTOMS HAVE DEVELOPED THAT WOULD WARRANT ANY APPREHENSION AS TO OUTCOME

Mrs. Roosevelt Found Her Husband in Good Humor When She Arrived at Mercy Hospital and They Exchanged Pleasantries—Miss Ethel Appeared Concerned at First, But Soon Caught the Spirit of Good Cheer and Asked the Colonel to Tell Her All About It—Doctors in Attendance Issued Early Morning Bulletin and Continue Their Consultations—It is Not Believed That Any Serious Operation Will be Necessary.

CHICAGO, Oct. 16.—Theodore Roosevelt, his family with him and satisfied as to his condition, today rests at greater ease than at any time since he became the target for a fanatic's pistol in Milwaukee Monday night.

Physicians today found his pulse, respiration and temperature so nearly normal that concern over his condition had vanished and the extremely conservative conduct gave way to a desire to establish public assurance that no complications now were looked for to stand in the way of rapid recovery.

Mrs. Roosevelt, Miss Ethel and Theodore, Jr., arrived early in the day and went at once to his apartment with Mrs. Alice Longworth and Dr. Alexander Lambert, the family physician in New York.

"Hello," shouted the Colonel gaily when Mrs. Roosevelt appeared in the doorway.

Gay Cheerful Greeting. When the other members of his family appeared the same cheerful greeting met them and he asked them to draw up chairs to his bedside and "gossip with him."

The Colonel ate his usually hearty breakfast and before the arrival of his family appeared anxious that his room be tidied to a point where he felt it would meet the approval of the critical eye of Mrs. Roosevelt, whom he proudly described as a good housekeeper.

"I don't want to be scolded for carelessness," he explained. Mrs. Roosevelt has been provided an apartment adjoining and connected with the patient's room. She was of the opinion that the other members of the family would stay with friends here.

Later Miss Ethel, Theodore, Jr., and Mrs. Longworth left the hospital, declining to say where they were going. Miss Ethel Concerned. Mrs. Longworth, who assured herself last night that her father's condition seemed to be not serious, smilingly patted her sister's hand. Mrs. Longworth had read a copy of the physicians' bulletin which indicated an improved condition over yesterday and she told its contents to Miss Ethel, while Theodore, Jr., listened attentively.

The reassuring words failed to remove the look of anxiety from the younger girl's face, however, and when she went in to meet her father she appeared fearful that she would encounter a condition much different than dispatches indicated.

After a few words with Colonel Roosevelt and after his cheery greeting and invitation to "sit down and gossip" with him, Miss Roosevelt's nervousness fled and she laughed with her father and wanted to have him tell her "just how it happened."

"Not now," he replied. "I want first to hear how you folks rested last night. I hope you did not worry after our message to you."

He told Mrs. Roosevelt of the arrangement whereby she was to have the room adjoining his and asked Miss Ethel whether she wanted to remain with her mother or stop elsewhere. She was undecided.

In Gay Conversation. After chatting with the Colonel for a few moments the members of his family removed their wraps and prepared to make a short stay with him. Mrs. Roosevelt was pleased at arrangements which had been made for her and told the Colonel and the attendants so.

The articles the Colonel had ordered for Mrs. Roosevelt's dressing table had arrived, and her spirits rose rapidly. She talked gaily and after the first five minutes there was no air of concern about any of the family. The attitude of his physicians as freely expressed by them was simply to treat the case as one requiring chiefly nursing.

Awoke "Feeling Fine." Mr. Roosevelt awoke at 6:20 o'clock this morning "feeling fine" as he expressed it to his night nurse.

who prepared to take his clinical record. At that time the Colonel had had more than three hours of unbroken rest and his condition showed marked improvement. The clinical record showed Colonel Roosevelt's temperature to be 98.8, his pulse 74 and his respiration 20. This indicates a decrease in his temperature of .2, 19 beats in his pulse and two counts in his respiration since 10 o'clock last night.

During the early hours of the night Colonel Roosevelt's sleep often was broken and for long periods he was awake, whiling away the time with a copy of Macally's essays which he had brought to the hospital with him. Often the volume fell from his hands and at intervals he dozed.

Long Sleep Beneficial. Up to 2 o'clock in the morning his clinical record was regularly taken but shortly after that time he fell into a deep slumber from which he did not awaken until long after daylight. That the long sleep had been beneficial was at once apparent and it scarcely needed his testimony that he was "feeling fine" to confirm his general appearance.

As soon as the Colonel awoke he insisted upon having his breakfast which he had ordered before midnight for 7 o'clock. He was dissuaded, however, from having it at this early hour and was told the first must have his bath and then his breakfast would be prepared for him.

Ordered Good Breakfast. While he was being bathed the Colonel remarked upon the prospect for a nice day.

Then he insisted upon ordering his breakfast which he said must be ready for him from the soon as his bath had been completed. He ordered bacon, soft boiled eggs, buttered toast and a pot of tea "piping hot."

When his breakfast was brought to him Colonel Roosevelt viewed it with a smile and after he had finished declared it to have been "built up."

He then resumed his reading while his nurses made preparations for the consultation.

Following is the statement issued by the physicians at 9:04 a. m.: "The records show that Colonel Roosevelt passed a very good night; his temperature and pulse are normal; that his highest pulse since 9 o'clock last night was 80, temperature 98.8 and that his pulse at 6 o'clock this morning was 74 and his temperature 96.6 and respiration 20; that he is having less irritation of his pleura than he did yesterday; that he did not have an anodyne for the pain. General condition excellent."

(Signed) "DR. J. B. MURPHY, "DR. ARTHUR BEVAN, "DR. CURRY TERRELL."

Family Arrives. CHICAGO, Oct. 16.—Mrs. Roosevelt and her party, which had been joined by Mrs. Alice Longworth, arrived at the hospital at 9:20 o'clock and Mrs. Roosevelt went directly to the Colonel's room. She went in smiling and spoke cheerily to the patient.

Miss Ethel, Mrs. Longworth, and Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., with Dr. Alexander Lambert, their family physician, remained in the corridor. The Roosevelt party left the train from New York at Englewood, a suburb, and motored direct to the hospital.

Schrank a Deserter. MUNICH, Bavaria, Oct. 16.—John Schrank, the assailant of Colonel Roosevelt, is a native of the village of Erding in northern Bavaria, about 20 miles from this city.

Several members of his family still reside there and are in very good repute.

Schrank at the time of his departure for America 16 years ago was regarded as a most eccentric character and was unable to secure employment in that vicinity. He has been carried on the army mobilization lists as a deserter since he left.

Railroad Men Meeting. ROCHESTER, N. Y., Oct. 16.—The Eastern Association of General Committees of Railroad Conductors and Trainmen are in session here today. More than 1,000 are in attendance. They represent 66 or more roads in the United States and Canada east of Chicago and north of the lines of the Chesapeake, Maryland & Ohio road. The meeting will last several days.

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