

BROOKLYN IN A CRUCIAL SERIES

Whether Dodgers Have a Chance at Pennant May be Decided in Next Two Games With Pirates.

By JOHN H. FOSTER (Copyright, 1924, by The Advance) New York, Sept. 20.—Brooklyn today faces one of the greatest obstacles that stands between it and the championship of the National League—a three game series, with the Pittsburgh Pirates, the first of which the Dodgers lost yesterday.

As a matter of fact, the Brooklyn right now ought to be in as fast a deadlock with the Giants as the Washington American with the Yankees.

Uncle Robbie essayed to pitch Ruether Thursday, and that came within an ace of costing him another game. He pitched Ruether when that moundman was hit five times in succession for singles and called on Vance, who saved the game.

Pittsburgh yesterday was farther away from the promised land than it had been for seven days. Not only did the Pirates fail to win a double-header, but they have lost one game in the schedule because of rain.

The Yankees and Washingtons are deadlocked. If they would just continue in that state down the rest of the stretch they would set a precedent.

The majors, by the way, are not the only leagues that have hair-raising finishes this season. Out in the Pacific coast circuit the leader is under the .550 mark.

WALTER HAGEN AND JIM BARNES MEET

French Lick, Ind., Sept. 20.—Walter Hagen and Jim Barnes here today for the national professional championship in golf.

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says the ball is down there. It says it depends upon whether the post is so padded that it extends several inches into the field of play.

Question—Reports from college centers where teams are preparing for the season indicate that coaches are beating the rule against kick-off from a tee by placing the ball over a groove in the ground.

Question—On offense may as many as ten men line up on the scrimmage line when the ball is out of play?

Question—Such a tactic has been reported from various college gridirons. But it may not be done in a game since there is a rule that all players must be behind the ball at the kick-off.

Question—Is there any rule preventing the center (snapper-back) from putting the ball in play with his back to the opposing team?

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DEMPSEY WANTS FIGHT IN 1925

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By FAIR PLAY (Copyright, 1924, by The Advance) New York, Sept. 19.—Jack Dempsey is seriously intent upon getting into a big-money battle next summer.

This year he had sufficient money and bright enough prospects to make it unnecessary for him to undergo the hard work of training for a fight.

Anyhow, no matter who Dempsey finally elects to fight, he will have to be prepared, will be foolish to go into the ring with two years of inactivity back of him.

When Doble was coaching out on the Pacific coast, he made a record quite unsurpassed, basing his development of a team on the theory that if eleven men on the attack knew where the play was going and if each man did his job thoroughly and correctly, with mathematical timing and precision, the defense could not possibly prevent gains of ten yards in four downs.

Since he has been at Cornell, Doble has developed some powerful, heavy, striking backs, whose characteristic was that same speed in getting to the opening and ability to take advantage of that opening and keep going.

For the line, Doble is in pretty good shape, having his old ends, Henderson and Kneen; Affeld for center; Morris for left guard and Kearney for left tackle.

George Pfann is to be his assistant, and everyone grants that Pfann knows a lot about back-

GAMES FOR SAKE

Copyright, 1924, by The Advance New York, Sept. 20.—When expert golfers discuss the probable outcome of the twenty-eighth national golf championship which begins on Saturday at the beautiful Marion Cricket Club at Ardmore, Pa., the impression is quickly established that in no game are champions so unstable.

For example Max Marston, defending the title on his home turf, Jess Sweetser, champion in 1922 and runner-up last year, and Bobbie Jones of Atlanta, are named as the trio most likely to ascend to the amateur golfing throne.

Yet you could not get a golfing wiseacre to lay material odds that any of the three will survive the semi-final round. That is the way golf is. One flawed round, and not so badly flawed at that, is most likely to play havoc with the hopes, if not the expectations, of the most formidable golfer.

History is full of surprises, upsets, overturns of the most radical sort. Does anyone remember how Gulmet and Guilford drifted out of the picture at Brookline two years ago? Surely Glenna Colcler's misfortune at Praxidone is clear in mind, just as Marston's surprising victory at Flossmoor is.

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In boxing there is usually the outstanding figure, the champion who knows no real rival. And so it goes. Does this mean that tennis and other sports are better adapted to the ends of that whimsical essence in human life that produces geniuses? Does it mean that golf of all games is susceptible to the development of a comparatively large number of players who will stand pretty much on the same plane? Perhaps so.

For after all, the great element in competitive sport is the uncertainty of the outcome of contests, whether between teams or individuals.

The game thrives chiefly upon the pride of personal opinion and in golf as in no other sport personal opinion is diverse and abundant in qualifying phrases. It is a testimonial to the sanguine hearts of golfers that so many foreigners should be entered in our national amateur.

For the history of amateur golf tests, both in England and America, offers a tradition dead against the invader. American amateurs, as a general rule, have failed to make headway on British links

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David Lawrence is not a partisan and due to his residence in the District of Columbia has voted neither Republican or Democratic tickets and has never been identified with any campaign.

Readers of The Daily Advance are finding the daily dispatches of David Lawrence a comprehensive analysis of the issues of the campaign as they will affect the result and a survey of voter sentiment in both East and West.

Watch this special series which began on September 10 in The Advance and run daily until the Saturday before election when a general forecast of the entire situation will be presented, based upon David Lawrence's investigations.

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