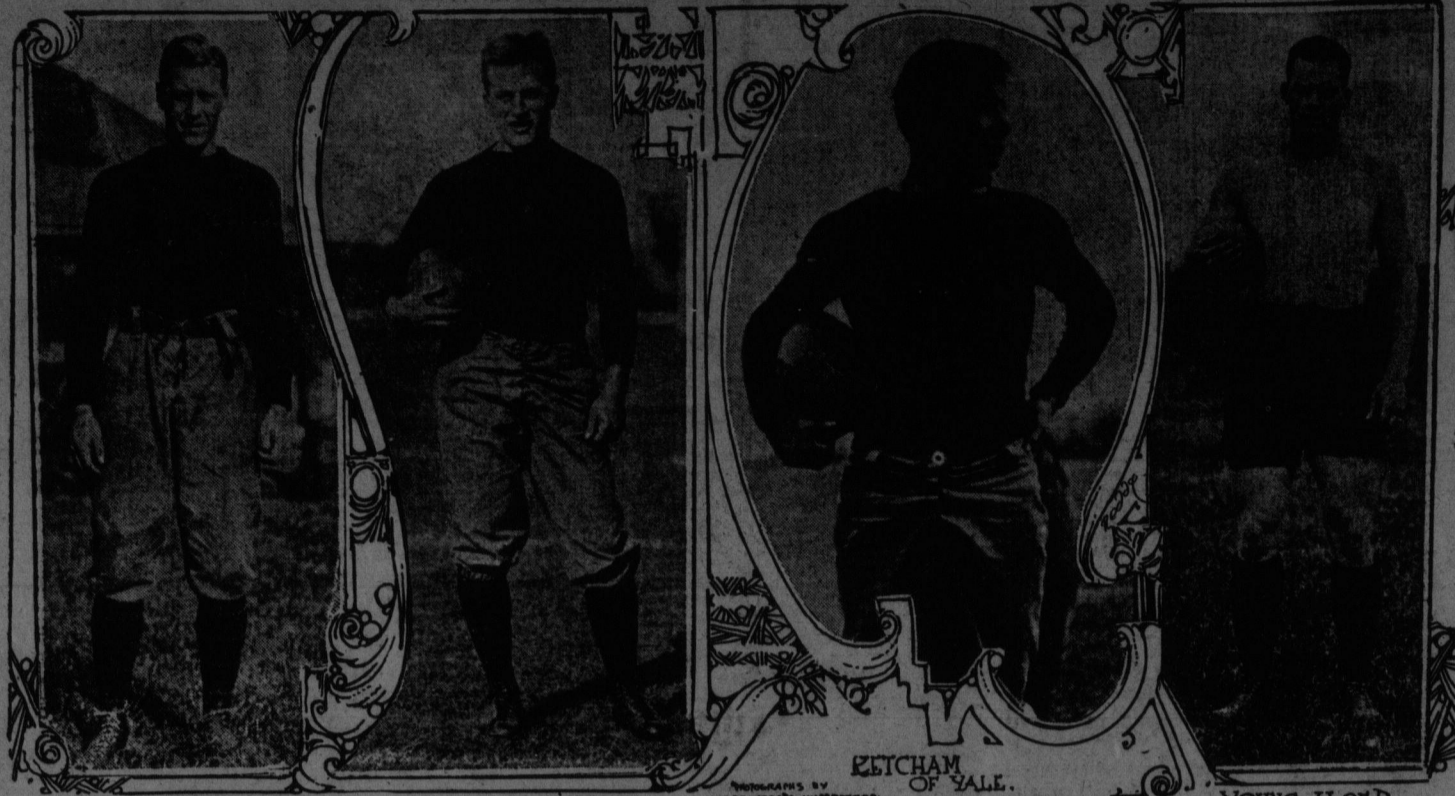


LIVE TOPICS OF SPORT AT HOME AND ABROAD

THE LEADERS OF THE "BIG FOUR" FOOTBALL TEAMS IN THE EAST



BAKER OF PRINCETON STORER OF HARVARD, YOUNG U.O.F.P.

Above are shown the leaders of the "Big Four" football teams in the East—Yale, Harvard, Princeton and Pennsylvania. Just at present it is but natural that the bulk of interest should be centred upon the activities of these teams. The various reports which have emanated from their respective strongholds are neither gratifying nor disappointing to their supporters. Although the time is rapidly approaching when these eleven will be called upon to show something of their real strength, the days that remain before that period are sufficient for the coaches to accomplish great things. Young, of Pennsylvania; Storer, of Harvard; Baker, of Princeton, and Ketcham, of Yale, are counted upon to materially aid the coaches in perfecting their machines. Baker again promises to be a sensation. In practice at Princeton he has been the pivot about which the attack appears to be built. He has proved very efficient in handling the forward pass from both ends, either as the thrower or the receiver.

FOOTBALL GAME THIS AFTERNOON

Today will see the opening of the season for senior football in St. John, and followers of the game are eagerly looking forward to this afternoon's contest. The opposing teams will be the newly formed St. John Athletic Club, on the Marathon grounds.

The teams this year are worthy of commendation for having started the season this early. It has been the custom in other years to let the days slip past, and before it was realized the season was over, or else the cold weather had set in and games were out of the question. This year, however, the teams have got on the ground early, and what is more, they are getting down to business without losing any time as is evidenced by the fact that the first game is to be played today. Both teams have been practising and should be in fairly good shape for this afternoon's contest.

The football teams which are to compete today are deserving of credit also for their enterprise in going into the game this year after the discouraging failures of other years on the part of teams which started the season in hopes of making football a success. It has always been a difficult undertaking to popularize football in St. John. To start a reason for this is another difficult problem. St. John has ever been ready with encouragement and assistance in the case of baseball or hockey, but except for a short time, when the Neptunes were organized for their last year, the game has had a discouragingly small following. It may be that St. John has been wedded to one sport more than another; it may be that there are so few people who understand the game; in either case those who have tried to organize teams here have met with dismal failure.

With the influx of Old Country settlers during the past year or so the game may now receive an impetus. Football is popular with the Englishman or the Scotchman, and these newcomers to the city may lend a hand in encouraging the sport here. Last year a number of good games were played between teams from the winter port steamers and old countrymen resident of the city. Many of the latter are still here and would help provide material for local teams, besides giving the game a boost.

The apathy manifested on the part of local sports has had a depressing effect on those who would take an active part in promoting football, if they had any encouragement at all. Football is a game replete with interest to the educated spectator, just as baseball is full of interest to the fan who understands the game. But to understand the game, or to learn to like it, attendance is necessary. To the uninitiated in the fine points of the game a football match is "a tangle of arms and legs" an occasional spurt from one end of the field to the other, and then another mix-up from which the participants emerge with a generous distribution of clay on their faces or clothes. But there is a whole lot of science in a good game of football; there is a real test of skill and strength, and if the rules of the game are followed out football is a manly sport, and deserves better encouragement than has been shown in past years.

St. John has showed itself a good sporting town in past years, by allowing the game today and for the rest of the season, the young men who are trying to popularize the game in this city will feel that they are not alone

FRIDAY'S GRAND CIRCUIT RACING MACKMEN

Columbus, Ohio, Oct. 3.—Eight heats of the 2.08 trot on today's racing programme did not settle the race, which becomes the longest on the Grand Circuit this season. Derby Boy and Denmore will trot a mile tomorrow to determine the winner. Etawah, the three-year-old colt of the Geers stable, was the favorite. He lost the first two heats, won the next two and made a break near the finish of the fifth one. Prior to the start of the sixth heat he was withdrawn on account of lameness.

Douglass MacGregor, that won the first two heats, was not up to a long struggle but managed to remain in until the seventh, when he was too weary to avoid being distanced. Derby Boy prolonged the race by winning the eighth heat after Denmore had taken two of the three previous ones.

There was no resumption of the Buckeye stake, five heats of which were contested on Thursday. It was discovered that Peter McCormick had no right to start in the fifth heat, as he did not stand as a money winner after the fourth heat. Consequently he was disqualified and the race awarded to Lady Grattan, Fan Patch, Tommy Horn, Vaster, Nta Prime and Harry J. S. Since the other money winners, the stake being divided six ways.

2.08 Trot, 3 in 5; Purses \$1,200 (Unfinished.)

Derby Boy, b.g. by Norval (McCarthy) 2 4 3 3 1 3 1
Denmore, b.h. (Loomis) 3 2 4 3 1 2 1 2
Douglass MacGregor, br.h. (Valentine) 1 1 2 4 4 3 6
Etawah, b. c. (Geers) 5 3 1 1 2 dr
Myrtle Garnett, h.k. m. (Andrews) 4 6 6 ro
Prince Lot, br. g. (Childs) 6 5 5 ro
Time—2:08½; 2:10; 2:09½; 2:13; 2:11½; 2:14; 2:13½.

2.08 Pace, 3 in 5; Purses \$1,200.

Margot Hal, b.m. by Argot Hal (McDonald) 1 1 1
Cinnamon, ch. h. (Osborne) 2 2 4
Michigan Queen, b. m. (Valentine) 3 3 3
The Assessor, ch. g. (Geers) 3 4 3
Possibility, ch. h. (Swain) 4 5 4
View Elder, b.g. (Murphy) 5 8 5
Adeline W, ch.m. (Gordon) 7 6 4
Addition, br. g. (Kinnin) 6 7 7
Roan Hal, ro.h. (Walker) 9 9 3
Time—2:06½; 2:05½; 2:05½.

2.16 Trot, 3 in 5, Purses \$1,200.

Doctor Thorne, b. g. by Arion (Snow) 1 4 3 1 1
Morris, br.m. (Cox) 2 1 1 2 2
Sweep, Spirit, b. m. (Murphy) 3 3 1 1 3 3
Fast Tramp, ro.h. (McDonald) 5 3 4 3 4
Miss Alma Meter, b.m. (Jamieson) 7 10 3 5 ro
Polella, b.m. (Lane) 4 6 10 4 ro
Sadie, Biron, h. m. (Flick) 5 5 3 7 ro
Taylor Sturgeon, b. s. (Phillips) 11 11 5 6 ro
Teddy Brooks, b.h. (Wheeler) 5 3 7 11 ro
Douglas M., b. s. (Heddy) 9 7 4 10 ro
The Kentuckian, b.h. (Conley) 10 dr
Time—2:11½; 2:11½; 2:13; 2:09½; 2:10½.

In their efforts, and a generation of athletes grow out of this effort. The Fairville team will line this afternoon as follows:

Full back—McAndrews
Halves—Morrison, Donnelly, Anglin, Barnet, Clouston
Quarters—B. Mooney, G. Sewell, L. Aron
Forwards—Allen, Jenkins, Kirk, Campbell, J. Gorman, McIntyre, Day.

The Champion Stake—2.03 Pacers; 3 in 5; Purses \$3,000.

Bradley Direct, blk.h. by Baron Direct, (Egan) 1 1 1
Branham, b. h. (Cox) 2 3 3
Plover Direct, b.m. (Hedrick) 3 2 5
Hal B. Jr., br. h. (McEwen) 4 5 2
Lenworth B. b.g. (Murphy) 5 4 4
Time—2:04½; 2:04; 2:03½.

HARVARD LOSES A STAR.

Cambridge, Mass., Oct. 3.—Tudor Gardner, star tackle of the Harvard varsity eleven of 1911, and a leading candidate for end on the present crimson team, probably will never play football again.

Gardner was lost to the Harvard team today when physicians advised against his playing further. His absence, together with the illness of Millholland and Dana and the ineligibility of Smith, has left Harvard with only three available ends instead of the seven who started the practice session.

WON DAILY PRIZE.

John Hanlon won the prize in the daily competition at the Victoria bowling alleys last evening with a score of 113 points.

MET JINX YESTERDAY

Philadelphia, Oct. 3.—This was an unfortunate day for the Philadelphia champions, unfortunate because the weather was too cold and blustery for their pitchers to get a good tuning up for the world's series and unfortunate because Orr, the first substitute infielder, had his right hand broken. Philadelphia won the first game by 13 to 10, and New York the second, which was called on account of darkness at the end of the sixth inning, by 2 to 1.

Plank and Shawkey, who are believed to be Manager Mack's second and third choices for pitching in the world's series, did not look good in today's game. This, however, was probably largely due to the cold weather and the high wind which swept over the field, thereby preventing the twirlers from getting their arms well warmed up.

New York will again play Philadelphia tomorrow, when it is expected that Bender and Plank will get their final preparation for the world's series.

Washington, Oct. 3.—By breaking even in their double-header here today Washington clinched second place and Boston fourth in the American League race. The Red Sox took the first game, 2 to 0, and lost the second, 11 to 5.

BASEBALL IN THE BIG LEAGUES

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

At New York:

First Game.
Philadelphia . . . 00000210—3 10 1
New York . . . 1102332x—13 15 1
Batteries—Moyer and Burns; Schupp, Schaner and McLean, Hartley, Wilson, Called end ninth, darkness.

Second Game.
Philadelphia . . . 000110020—4 9 0
New York . . . 000100030—4 8 1
Batteries—Moyer and Burns; Schupp, Schaner and McLean, Hartley, Wilson, Called end ninth, darkness.

At Boston:

First Game.
Brooklyn . . . 000000100—1 8 0
Boston . . . 12000000x—3 8 1
Batteries—Rucker, Brown and Fischer; Rudolph and Ralriden.

Second Game.
Brooklyn . . . 01000104—6 11 3
Boston . . . 3002020—7 9 3
Batteries—Reulbach, Peifer, Rago and McCarthy, Miller, Quinn and Ralriden.
Second game called end eighth, darkness.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

At Detroit—Chicago-Detroit, postponed, wet grounds.

At Cleveland—St. Louis-Cleveland, postponed, wet grounds.

At Philadelphia:

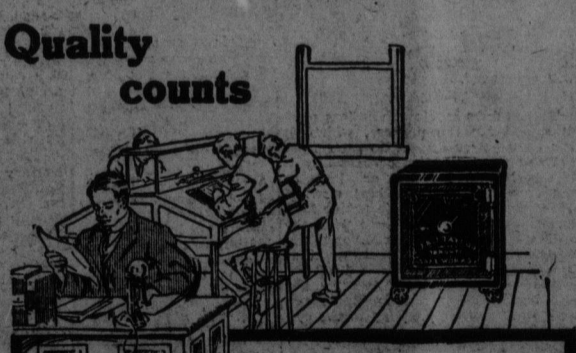
First Game.
New York . . . 030205000—10 12 3
Philadelphia . . . 10342210x—13 15 1
Batteries—Caldwell andweeney; Plank, Shawkey, Bush and Lapp.

Second Game.
New York . . . 100001—2 6 0
Philadelphia . . . 000001—1 6 0
Batteries—Fisher and Sweeney; Wyckoff and McAvoy.
Called end sixth, account darkness.

At Washington:

First Game.
Boston . . . 010001000—2 6 0
Washington . . . 000000000—2 2
Batteries—Leonard and Nunamaker; Shaw and Henry.

Second Game.
Boston . . . 001001010—3 8 2
Washington . . . 30105002x—11 14 4
Batteries—Moseley, Hooper, Lewis and Thomas; Boehling and Hughes.



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