

Sam Crawford Nearly Through With Tigers

Surest Sign of Veteran's Finish Given In Fact That He Has Been Left at Home While Detroit Team Goes Around Circuit

When the Tigers left home for their eastern trip, Sam Crawford was not included in the party, and it was the first time since joining the Detroit team that Crawford has been left behind. This announcement brings home the fact that Sam's major league career is nearing its close and probably he will not be a member of the Detroit team next season. It is said he intends to move to California next winter and make his future home in Los Angeles or San Diego, which may be significant in connection with a recent report that he will manage the San Francisco team in the Pacific Coast league next season.

Sam is playing his fifteenth season as a member of the Detroit team. He has been in the big show for 19 years, counting 1899, when he broke into the Cincinnati lineup. He took part in 33 games that year. He started with Chatham, Ont., in the Canadian league, that year, and played 43 games there. Chatham turned him over to Grand Rapids and he played 60 games for the Michigan team. He was with Cincinnati until the end of the 1902 season. Then he signed with Detroit and when the peace agreement was made Garry Herrmann refused to contest the new contract, allowing Crawford to join Detroit.

Crawford is probably the only player who ever hit .300 in three different leagues in one season. It was the year of his debut, 1899,

when he rapped the ball at a .370 clip for Chatham, .344 for Grand Rapids and .308 for Cincinnati. He has hit for .308 or better in eleven years of his major league career and his grand average for 18 seasons is .309. Only two real lean years have darkened his career. In five years that he missed hitting .300 he was within 14 points of the classic figure. Once he led his league in two-base hits, four times in three-baggers and one year in the total of home runs.

Crawford will be 38 years old on his next birthday. In ordinary life the man reaching that age is comparatively in the prime of life, but the ball player who is still of much use after he reaches 35 is an exception. Wagner, Lajoie, Wallace and Crawford all went beyond the allotted time. With the exception of Crawford these men are infielders and the length of Sam's stay is therefore the more remarkable because Sam is an outfielder and a heavyweight, weighing over 200 pounds as a rule. Chasing flies, pounding over the soil and carrying the unusual heavy weight slowed up Crawford's legs. Infielders do not have to do this amount of running and should therefore last longer.

Last season Crawford batted .286 and it was therefore decided to use him as a pinch hitter this year. In that role, however, he has been a failure, not being able to hit in the .200 class. This explains why he is at home while the club is making the eastern swing.



A PATHETIC MEAL—A SCENE TO AROUSE SYMPATHY OF CANADIAN'S
The photograph shows French peasant women at their mid-day meal at a ruined farm-house "somewhere in the captured district of the Somme." A jug and a loaf comprises the whole menu. To the left stands a soldier, no longer fit for service because of his missing leg.

BRAVES AND REDS HAD EVEN BREAK

Each Team Shut Out the Other in one Game of Double Header

GIANTS VICTORIOUS
Cubs Pound Marquard, While Vaughan Holds The Dodgers

Schepner getting three of the four. Fewster's hitting finished. The score:—
R. H. E.
Rochester . . . 000000010—14 0
Baltimore . . . 12000212x—8 15 2
Batteries—Schacht and Sandberg; Hill and Schaufele.

At Newark.
Newark beat Montreal 6 to 0. The Royals fielded miserably, not one of the Newark runs being earned. Enzmann pitched good ball, holding the Royals to six hits. Score:—
R. H. E.
Montreal . . . 00000000—6 4
Newark . . . 11004000x—10 6 4
Batteries—Duffy and Madden; Enzmann and Esan.

At Richmond.
Richmond hit Engel and Jaynes hard yesterday, and despite the fact that Buffalo pounded Donahue for seven runs in the sixth inning, defeated the visitors 9 to 8. The score:—
R. H. E.
Buffalo . . . 010007000—8 15 1
Richmond . . . 12233000x—9 11 2
Batteries—Engel, Jaynes, McCabs and Daley; Donahue and Koehler.

TORONTO-WINDSOR RUN IN 7 HOURS

All Previous Records For Trip Are Shattered By Maxwell Car

Ray McNamara shattered the Windsor-to-Toronto record by doing the run in seven hours, forty-four minutes elapsed time in a Maxwell touring car, carrying in addition to himself, two adult observers, Mr. A. Drake of the Windsor Record and Mr. W. Addyman, traffic manager of the Maxwell Corp. of Canada, three suitcases and auxiliary gasoline and oil reservoirs, auxiliary headlights and spare rim and tire. The car was a standard stock Maxwell touring car, with complete equipment, save for the absence of a top. The car was checked in by the contest official, observer of the Ontario Motor League at Sunnyside station, Toronto, at 6:50 in the morning. It checked out of Windsor at 11:06 the previous evening. Two tires were changed en route. Those familiar with the road will realize the gruelling test that little Maxwell's stamina was put to and how truly remarkable was the record made.

NEW G. T. P. MANAGER
Montreal, Aug. 9.—W. P. Hinton, hitherto traffic manager of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, has been appointed vice president and general manager of that railway to succeed Morley Donelson, who has retired on account of ill health. Mr. Hinton was at one time connected with the old Canada-Atlantic railway with headquarters at Ottawa.

CRISIS IN DOMINION

By Courier Leased Wire.
Montreal, Aug. 9.—Archbishop Bruchesi on the occasion of the celebration of the twentieth anniversary of his elevation to Archbishop rank, this morning in St. James Cathedral, said the nation was passing through a crisis that was causing some alarm. They were nearing racial and religious war in Canada, he said. He was not discussing politics, but they could not close their eyes to the grave evils dividing the provinces and individuals had arisen. Incontestable rights had been attacked and there was a danger that some of the troubles may exist after the war. He advised the people to be calm, not to lose hope and to pray sincerely for peace and a settlement on the basis of good understanding of the problems in Canada.

BASEBALL RECORD

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
Providence . . .	62	43	.590
Newark . . .	61	48	.557
Baltimore . . .	64	45	.587
Toronto . . .	64	46	.580
Rochester . . .	50	59	.459
Buffalo . . .	46	64	.420
Richmond . . .	43	64	.402
Montreal . . .	42	68	.382

Yesterday's Scores
Toronto 8, Providence 2.
Baltimore 8, Rochester 1.
Newark 6, Montreal 0.
Richmond 9, Buffalo 2.
To-day's Games.
Toronto at Providence.
Montreal at Newark.
Buffalo at Baltimore.
Rochester at Richmond.

NATIONAL LEAGUE	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
New York . . .	63	31	.670
Philadelphia . . .	50	42	.543
St. Louis . . .	55	48	.534
Cincinnati . . .	56	53	.514
Chicago . . .	52	52	.500
Brooklyn . . .	48	50	.490
Boston . . .	42	54	.438
Pittsburg . . .	31	67	.316

Yesterday's Scores
Boston 2-0, Cincinnati 0-2.
Chicago 2, Brooklyn 0.
New York 4, St. Louis 2.
Pittsburg at Philadelphia, rain.
To-day's Games.
Philadelphia at Pittsburg.
Boston at Cincinnati.
Brooklyn at Chicago.
New York at St. Louis.

AMERICAN LEAGUE	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
Chicago . . .	66	40	.623
Detroit . . .	61	40	.604
Detroit . . .	55	49	.528
Cleveland . . .	57	51	.528
New York . . .	53	49	.520
Washington . . .	46	57	.447
Philadelphia . . .	38	61	.384
St. Louis . . .	38	67	.362

Yesterday's Scores
Washington 2, Chicago 0.
Philadelphia 6, St. Louis 5.
Detroit 6, Boston 2.
New York 8-1, Cleveland 2-2.
To-day's Games.
Chicago at Washington.
Cleveland at New York.
Detroit at Boston.
St. Louis at Philadelphia.

WIN-THE-WAR

By Courier Leased Wire.
Winnipeg, Aug. 9.—Army and navy veterans last night adopted a resolution which they will seek to present to a representative committee from the Liberal convention urging the necessity of a national government "composed of representatives of the two great political parties, representatives of labor, agriculture and other industries, and other important classes of our people, for the purpose of carrying out the proposed policy of conscription and an aggressive Win-the-War program."

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Sporting Comment

No Gain in Sliding to First

Why does a baseball player slide to first base when trying to beat a close play? Because he thinks he can hit the bag quicker that way than by going across standing up. That fallacy was exploded years ago by actual test, but the younger generation of players either has forgotten it or never knew it, and the practice of sliding into first base is growing with each new relay of recruits to the majors. Even some of the older players, who ought to know better, are catching the disease.

'Way back before the present century began there was considerable agitation in favor of letting baserunners overrun second as well as first without incurring liability to be put out for it. The object was to increase the baserunning by improving a man's chances of stealing second. It was argued, and actually demonstrated by stopwatch tests, that a runner had to slow up a fraction of a second to make a slide either head first or feet first. The reason was never clearly given, but some asserted it was because the runner had to break his stride to make the slide, and others that he lost some of his bodily momentum.

"Anniehoo!" the tests showed the fastest possible way to get from one base to another was to stand up, run at top speed all the way, and overrun the bag. But it was decided against permitting runners to do that in going to second base because of the different conditions. At first base it is not necessary to touch the runner, but only to best him to that cushion with the ball, while at the other three bases it is necessary to tag the runner, as everyone knows. Under these conditions it really is an advantage for a runner to slide instead of going in standing up. Frequently when the ball beats a runner to second, third or home, he can avoid being touched by sliding away from the guardian of the base and making it necessary to tag his spikes of his shins, whereas if he went in standing up he would present a much larger target for the baseman to touch.

Consequently the movement to permit overrunning second base was sidetracked as a favor to foxy baserunners with the ability to slip around opponents although at the cost of a fraction of a second in their speed.

There is no such advantage in the slide to first base, however, and the player who hits the dirt merely increases the chances of being beaten by the ball. It is quite probable that the players' habit of sliding to other bases on all close plays, so as to make it as hard as possible to tag them, is responsible for the growing practice of handicapping themselves at first base. Instinctively when a runner going to first sees the play will be close he makes up his mind to slide, the same as at any other base.

It has cost many a runner a life which he might have gained by sprinting across the base at top speed. Many decisions at first are by the wink of an eyelash, consequently the loss of a small part of a second is enough to turn the scale. Also the umpire sometimes is confused by the slide and makes the wrong decision because he expects the runner to flash past the bag instead of sliding.

SENATORS HUMBLE LEAGUE LEADERS

White Sox Stopped Yesterday While Tigers Climbed To Third

DEFEATED RED SOX

Yanks and Indians Split, While Athletics Beat The Browns

Boston, Aug. 8.—Detroit defeated Boston 6 to 2 in the opening game of their series to-day and went into third place. Leonard, who started for Boston, was given ragged support, and Detroit piled up an early lead. Daus was hit hard, but he kept the hits scattered. Score:—
R. H. E.
Detroit 3 0 1 0 2 0 0 0—6 7 1
Boston 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0—2 9 5
Batteries—Daus and Spencer; Leonard, Pennock and Thomas.

At New York.
New York broke even in its double-header with Cleveland here to-day, winning the first game 8 to 2 and losing the second 2 to 1. New York won the first game by knocking Bagby out of the box in the fourth inning, scoring six runs on six hits and an error. The second game was a pitchers' battle between Caldwell and Covalski. The three runs scored were home runs. Smith and Graney hitting two for Cleveland and Caldwell one for New York. Scores:—
First game:—R. H. E.
Cleveland 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0—1—2 8 2
N. York 0 0 1 6 0 0 1 0—8 13 0
Batteries—Bagby, Gould and Billings; Fisher and Nunamaker.
Second game:—R. H. E.
Cleveland 0 0 0 1 1 0 0 0—2 5 1
N. York 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0—1 6 0
Batteries—Covalski and O'Neill; Caldwell and Walters.

At Washington.
Washington beat Chicago 2 to 0 in the first game of the series here to-day the visitors getting only three hits off Harper. Rice's hit and errors by Clotte and Weaver gave Washington a run in the second inning. Successive singles by Foster, Morgan and Gharri produced the other in the fifth. Score:—
R. H. E.
Washington 2 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—2 5 0
Chicago 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0 5 0
Batteries—Clotte and Lynn; Harper and Ainsmith.

At Philadelphia.
Philadelphia and St. Louis took turns leading in to-day's game until the tenth inning when McInnes opened with a single and Schang hit for a home run, winning for the home team 6 to 5. Score:—
R. H. E.
St. Louis 0 1 0 1 0 0 2 0—5 12 5
Phila 0 0 0 0 0 2 1 0—6 2 0
Batteries—Sotheron and Seveiroid; Myers and Schang.



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INCOME TAX

Associated Press.
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NOTICE

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A Special Meeting of all subscribers to the Association will be held

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at 8 p. m. in the basement of the

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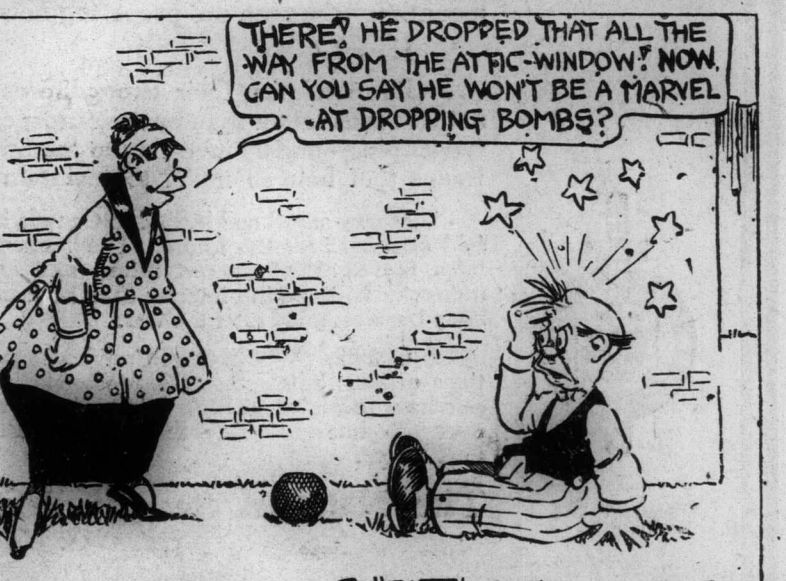
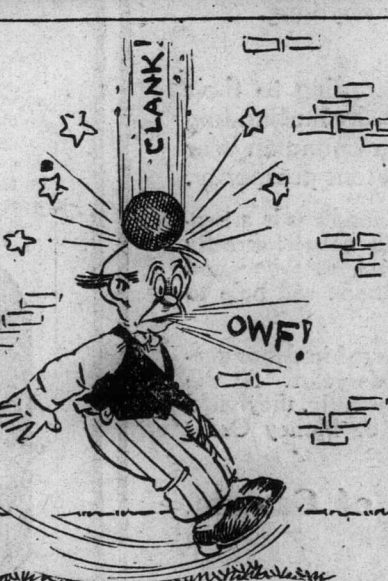
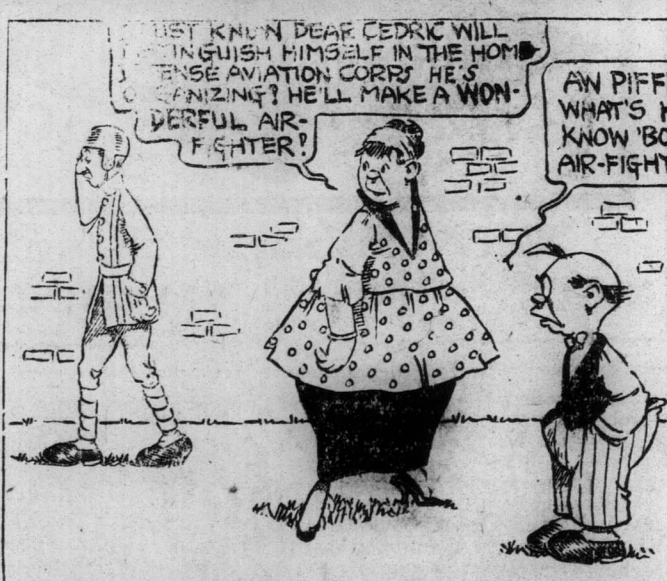
The purpose of the meeting will be to decide what action shall be taken to collect the arrears due by subscribers to the 1916 campaign fund.

According to the constitution of the Association, every person subscribing to the Fund thereby becomes a member

LLOYD HARRIS, President.

H. T. WATT, Sec.-Treasurer.

If he can just fly half as well as he throws



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