

RAIN HELPS CHANCES OF BOTH TEAMS, MANAGERS DECLARE

ALDRIDGE AND JOHNSON SET FOR FINAL GAME

Weather Man Doubtful About Prospects For Today's Contest

PITTSBURG, Pa., Oct. 15.—Fate has been kind to Bucky Harris—fighting for another world's series baseball championship—for "Old Barney" needed another day of rest.

The youthful Washington manager was confident yesterday that with only two days' rest from toll, the great Walter Johnson, once again would subdue the Pirates of Pittsburgh in the seventh and final contest and carry a second successive battle back to the capital. But when rain came to sweep aside the test for the time being, the smile of the Senator pilot became broader.

At the same time, Manager "Bill" McKeechle of the Pirates, contending that the rain was kind to him, allowing an added rest for his bowmen, before the last decisive struggle.

"The Senators fear Aldridge as much as we fear Johnson," he said, "and the man who has won two games for us will be in fine fettle if called upon. Aldridge is a husky boy, does on mound duty, and is ready and willing all the time."

From all appearances Aldridge and Johnson will be toe to toe, in the final dash before a record throng, for Forbes Field, Johnson, according to reports, scored, has the edge. He has permitted only one in eighteen innings, his second victory at Washington being a shutout. Aldridge won the second game of the series at Pittsburgh, by the margin of three and two, and allowed three runs against six for the Pirates at Washington last Monday.

PIRATES CONFIDENT

McKeechle feels that Johnson, though on the crest of his most brilliant career, so far cannot again check Pittsburgh's rush. The Pirate manager predicted that age finally would have its way, and that the Pirate bats, with their recently recovered power, would have something to do with the decision.

Harris, however, stands confident that the giant Kansan will carry on to three straight triumphs to equal the records of the great pitchers of the past.

"I am ready and I was ready today," Johnson himself declared. "I could have gone through with the program, but another day undoubtedly will help me. My leg which I strained in the last game in Washington, is all right and there will be no trouble about that."

"It will be a great baseball moment," said Manager Harris, "when the two leading pitchers of this series dash. Now is the time to prove which is the better in this series."

McINNIS AT FIRST

McKeechle will go through with the program he had planned, keeping McInnis at first base. The reason for Stuffy's sudden appearance in the lineup probably never will be known but there are solid rumors that the players pleaded with McKeechle to place the veteran at first, not because of any failure on the part of George Grant, but because it was the only position open to a veteran of world's series play.

The move has borne immense fruit. When pitchers have been in trouble, McInnis has been the sleeping man on the back, urging confidence, and as usual cutting down a few bounding balls on his own account. Many baseball men attribute the sensational comeback of the Pirates to McInnis' insertion into the line-up at the psychological moment.

Johnson has not faced the Pirates since they recovered their hitting edge and yesterday, perhaps, would have been the best day imaginable for his speed had the rain held off. Daphne hung over the field, a perfect setting for the arrival of the "Big Train."

THE LINEUP

Today's probable line up:
Washington: Johnson, p.; Rife, c.; S. Harris, 2b.; Goslin, 1b.; J. Harris, r.f.; Judge, 3b.; Traylor, 1b.; Beck, ss.; Smith, c.; Johnson, p.

RAIN STARTS EARLY

Rain started to fall lightly three quarters of an hour before the starting time for the game, while a dense throng sought to fill the park to its 45,000 capacity yesterday.

The downfall was not hard enough to halt fielding practice nor cause any movement of fans away from the occupied sections, regardless of their lack of protection. It was becoming a bit harder steadily, making it doubtful whether the game would be completed even if started.

While this seemed likely to upset all well laid plans, Manager McKeechle announced he would start Johnny Morrison, holding Aldridge in reserve.

As game time approached tarpaulins covered the whole inner part of the field and it was certain that play would not begin at 2 o'clock even if a postponement were held off until that time. The players stayed in their dugouts and the crowd stuck to its seats, with such protection as could be mustered hastily in the form of umbrellas, newspapers, oilcloths and raincoats.

THOUSANDS ATTEND.

Outside the park thousands still were gathered around the gates and the steady flow into the grounds was uninterrupted.

Shortly before two o'clock Commissioner Landis said he would wait another ten minutes before passing final decision on the game. This official utterance had no more than been distributed when the clouds opened a bit wider and sent a fresh downpour. Affairs were at a stand-

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Pirates Give \$100,000 And Three Players For Two Pacific Stars

Along The Sport Trail

By JOHN J. DUNLOP.

SAINT JOHN HIGH goes to Fredericton on Saturday bucking tradition and a well-balanced capital city outfit. It is a legend rather hoary with age that Fredericton seldom loses on its home grounds. Back in the halcyon days when "Bill" Donnelly led the High School to the championship without a touchdown being made against his team, we believed Fredericton was numbered among his victims on the Fredericton grounds. Whether it has been done since then is a matter for the records to decide. We doubt if it has been accomplished in the last 10 years. In this respect, Fredericton High has almost as enviable a record as Acadia, which has NEVER been defeated on its home grounds. Tackling Old Man Tradition and stopping him in his tracks is a job for high hearts and courage and from performances in the opening games of the league, it looks as though the old boy will side through to another touchdown. This is not said to discourage the local boys but is purely an opinion that is good—or as bad—as one by One-Eyed Connolly, gate crusher extraordinary.

JOE HARRIS, the hitting sensation of the world series, was a marine in the world war. He sure swings a heavy bat, as the Pirates' pitcher will testify.

THERE have been few more picturesque figures in the history of the world series than "Goose" Goslin. His name alone stamps him as rather out of the ordinary. Goslin was born on a farm in Salem, N. J. and early in life decided to shine as a pitcher. His mistake was soon corrected when he got into the minors and started on a mad rampage of fence-busting that landed him in the American League inside a year. When he joined the Senators, Goslin was one of the most awkward boys who ever broke into the game but he has certainly made good as a slugger extraordinary.

IT'S NOT HALF BAD, boys, to be on a second place team this year. Each of the Giants and Athletics will receive around the \$1,000 mark, the total for them to divide being \$25,473.31.

SPLITTING UP the coin after the world series is one of the pleasant pastimes in the life of ball players fortunate enough to figure on the winning teams. In the first four games this year, the total for the players amounted to \$339,644.19. Seventy per cent. of this amount goes to the series' teams, \$142,650.56 to the winners and \$95,100.37 to the losers. The Senators will divide their's among 25 players, while the Pirates divvy up their share between 27, including Manager McKeechle and Coach Onslow. Fifteen per cent. of the total amount goes to the two second place club players, the Giants and Philadelphia Athletics; ten per cent. will be divided amongst the third place clubs, the Cincinnati Reds and the St. Louis Browns; while the remaining five per cent. goes to players on fourth place clubs, the St. Louis Cardinals and the Detroit Tigers. The record men went to the New York Yankees in 1923 when each of them received \$6,100, the Giants that year getting \$4,112.

Over-Confidence In Result Has Allowed Many Poor Teams To Beat Good Ones

By HENRY L. FARRELL (United Press Sports Editor)

One of the most difficult duties a manager or a coach has is to keep his players from becoming the victims of over-confidence. Good teams have been defeated many times by inferior teams because the good teams knew they were good. The New York Yankees blew the American League pennant last season because the players thought they had a cinch and loafed during the first quarter of the race. The Washington Senators, of course, were a good club, but they wouldn't have won the championship if the Yankees had run out every hit, made an extra step for balls hit in their territory and had played for every game. Jimmy Slatery, one of the most promising young fighters developed in years had his career ruined because he thought he was too good for Dave Shale, a welterweight, and trifled around until he found himself on the floor from a sock on the chin.

The Illinois football team, one of the best on the field in 1924, failed to win the Western Conference championship because they got the notion they were too good for the Red Grange, star back of the Illinois team, discussing the danger of too much confidence in the "American Boy," writes: "When we went into the Minnesota game we thought we were sure winners. We knew Minnesota would be tough, but we had been told by newspapers that we couldn't lose. So when, soon after the game opened, we made a touchdown, we simply relaxed and went to pieces. We lost 19 to 7." Grange's reference to the newspapers explains why so many coaches forbid their players to read the papers during the season, and his general comment gives a good reason why some coaches like down Doherty on the college grounds yesterday afternoon, 19 to 0, while Hampton was administering a beating to Rothesay Collegiate, No. 2, at Hampton, 8 to 0.

From the start, Sussex had little difficulty with their Rothesay opponents, rushing over five touchdowns during the game.

The Hampton goals were made in the first period from a penalty kick by Reid, one touchdown by McMullin, which was converted by James Melick.

The Rothesay boys, accompanied by their coach, Mr. Coester, were entertained by the Hampton team at a banquet in the Domestic Science room of the Hampton Consolidated School.

Hampton. Forwards. Bell M. Wormuth Sprague F. Wormuth McMullin Mason Kierstead Ganong Crabbe Pipe Beatty Golding Stehelin Wetmore.

Crawford Sprenger R. Patrick Hickman Reid Seaton Halves.

J. Melick Snowball Sherwood Hibbard H. Melick D. Schofield McAvity Guthrie.

Fullback. Fowler Almond Spares. Redstone Jones E. Patrick Shute.

The referee was Rev. Thomas Parker.

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ROY MITCHELL BOOSTED STOCK BEATING LARSEN

Montreal Has Report That Roy Will Meet Kaplan Nov. 4

ROY MITCHELL'S fine win over Wolf Larsen, well-known Boston pugilist, in Halifax the other night has set the Maritime boxing world by the ears. "This boy Mitchell must be a mighty good man," said one veteran here yesterday, "to stop a tough guy like Larsen. Mitchell also has beaten 'Tommy' Robson, and even Young Stripling had trouble with these boys." Concerning the bout, W. J. Foley, in the Morning Chronicle, Halifax, says:

"Wolf Larsen, one of the greatest drawing cards Boston has ever had, was a wreck as a lamb last night at the Arena, while Roy Mitchell, fast rising young colored heavyweight, showing speed and punching power never before seen here, was all over his noted opponent, pounding the Hub man's face to a pulp and slashing his way to a seven-round technical knockout victory. Fully 1,500 spectators watched the local favorite outgeneral, outthrust and outbox his more experienced foe from start to finish."

"The towel, which fluttered from Larsen's corner shortly after the start of the seventh round, beat Referee Allen by seconds. With Larsen helpless on the ropes, swaying groggily and bleeding profusely at the mouth and nose, Allen was ready to step in and stop the contest just as the towel dropped from Larsen's corner."

"Local supporters of Mitchell, who believe in the colored boy who have a future champion, saw a new Mitchell last night, a rushing, tearing fighter, boxing as coolly as a seasoned veteran and punching like a Dempsey. The local boy simply smothered his noted opponent in a flurry of crushing lefts and rights, preventing the Boston man from landing effectively and meeting every rush with rapier lefts which shot Larsen's head back."

MONTREAL, Oct. 15.—Announcement was made in Montreal yesterday that Leo "Kid" Roy, featherweight champion of Canada, who defeated Edouard Mascart, European champion, Tuesday night, would fight Louis "Kid" Kaplan, world's featherweight champion, at the Forum here Wednesday night, November 4.

SEATTLE, Oct. 15.—A six-round bout between Vic King, bantamweight champion of Australia, and Dixie Lahood of Montana, Inter-mountain king, here next Tuesday is announced. Eddie Thompson, King's manager, said that King has been matched to meet Charley Rosenberg in New York, in December, for the world's bantamweight title. Lahood defeated Abe Goldstein, former champion, in Butte, October 9.

NEW YORK, Oct. 15.—Bushy Graham, Utica, bantamweight, was awarded the judges' verdict over Joe Ryder of Brooklyn here last night.

Local Bowling

INTER-ASSOCIATION

In the Inter-Association League last evening on the Imperial alleys the L. O. G. T. defeated the Y. M. H. A. 3 to 1. The details were as follows:

Y. M. H. A.	Ttl. Avg.
Green	72 77 70 219 73
Jacobson	84 116 106 306 102
J. Gilbert	104 89 69 262 87 1-3
Steen	79 67 81 227 72-3
Webster	97 86 97 280 93-3

436 435 423 1294

I. O. G. T.

I. O. G. T.	Ttl. Avg.
Garland	81 89 90 260 86-3
Walton	85 75 79 239 79-3
Rogers	76 112 94 282 84-3
Follett	108 82 100 290 96-3
A. Brown	84 84 90 258 86

404 442 453 1329

Elks and Trojans play tonight on Victoria alleys.

CLERICAL LEAGUE

Last night in the Clerical League on the Imperial alleys the C. N. R. Express took three points from the T. S. Simms team. The individual scores follow:

T. S. Simms Co., Ltd.	Ttl. Avg.
H. Tower	108 91 73 272 89
Rogers	73 86 94 253 84-3
Craft	88 79 92 259 86-3
Sheppard	98 92 102 292 96-2
R. Tower	86 90 91 267 89

433 428 457 1318

COMMERCIAL LEAGUE

Last night on Black's alleys in the Commercial League the Electric won all four points from the C. P. R.

The individual scores follow:

Electric	Ttl. Avg.
Tuttle	94 79 76 249 83
Marten	74 98 76 248 82-3
Shiffree	92 81 72 245 81-3
Sheppard	86 116 85 287 95-3
Cunningham	107 91 88 286 95-3

433 465 398 1316

C. P. R.

C. P. R.	Ttl. Avg.
J. Galbraith	94 94 79 267 89
Osborne	102 76 90 268 89-3
O'Brien	77 79 76 232 77-3
Snodgrass	85 85 73 243 81-3
C. Galbraith	80 85 77 242 80-3

428 419 397 1254

Stirring Action Photo



Joe Harris, slugging outfielder of the Senators, won the honor of scoring the first run of the series, doing it on a smashing homer to the bleachers. He is shown jogging down the line to the plate after completing the circuit, with Catcher Earl Smith of the Pirates and Umpire Rigler awaiting him.

Billy Evans' Comparisons

The Washington pitching is something of a problem. Walter Johnson, the ace of the world champs' staff, is in a sense a bit of an uncertainty.

Walter, when he has one of his good days, is the Johnson of old. When he has one of his just fair days, he is not so good.

Time and service have taken much out of Johnson's great right arm. Few pitchers can point to 19 years of campaigning and still be as good as he is.

The case of Stanley Coveleskie, veteran spitballer, is not unlike that of Johnson. Almost constant use of the spitball has taken much out of Coveleskie's right arm. Still a great pitcher, he is only the Cove of old in spots. There is also a tendency to weaken late in the game. Despite all these things, Coveleskie has had one of his best years.

"Dutch" Reuther, waived out of the National League to stardom in the American, still has the deceptive curve ball that made him famous, also a keen knowledge of pitching. Reuther is a southpaw.

Tom Zachary, Washington's other southpaw, is also in the veteran class. It will be recalled that Zachary, after being almost useless the final month

N. Y. TEAM WANTS OTTAWA PLAYER

Gotham Moguls Negotiating For Services of Joe Miller, Goaltender.

OTTAWA, Oct. 14.—The New York Hockey Club has opened negotiations for the services of Joe Miller, of Ottawa, to play goal for its team in the National Hockey League during the coming season, a club official announced here this morning.

Miller, who is a star half-back on the Ottawa Senators football team, starred in the nets for the Pittsburgh Hornets last winter. He is on the Pittsburgh reserve list and New York will endeavor to purchase him from Lionel Conacher's club, President Frank Calder is in Ottawa today and has been asked to secure Miller.

The decision of the New York Club to sign Miller is due to the fact that Vernon Forbes, whom they purchased from Hamilton, has decided to quit hockey and engage in business in Toronto.

One of the principal minerals mined on the Isle of Cyprus is asbestos.

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"GOOSE" GOSLIN MAY CAMPAIGN IN HITS NEXT

Report That Peck Will Manage Red Sox In 1926

PITTSBURG, Pa., Oct. 15.—Baseball has unexpected and at times strange ways of shifting its forces; its athletes of changing their colors. There have been a number of queer twists of fate that have brought stars of the rival Pittsburgh and Washington clubs together in a battle that now goes to the limit of seven games to decide the 1925 world's championship. There may be new turns of the wheel to come, for baseball circles have under discussion the prospect that two and perhaps three of the outstanding figures of the current series, may don their present uniforms for the last time in the final game.

The figures in this discussion—for that seems the only definite basis for conclusions now—are Roger Peckinpaugh, assistant manager and shortstop of the Senators and Max Carey, captain and centerfielder of the Pirates. Goose Goslin, left fielder of the Senators, and world's series home run king, is the third individual involved.

Most substantial of the gossip linked with Peck, is that the veteran infielder is to succeed Lee Pohl, as manager of the Red Sox, going to Boston in a trade which would send Peck to the Pirates to Washington, possibly Howard Ehmke. Carey, it is said, has managerial ambitions, too, and may be involved in a transaction which also would help the Pirate pitching staff.

Carey has long been a fixture here, however, and in the end this might outweigh his ambition to take hold of another major league club, even if the opportunity offers.

GOSLIN TO SOX?

Goslin, the rumors have it, may join Peck in his transfer to Boston, but no confirmation of any of these rumors are forthcoming from club officials.

Should any of these prospects materialize they would be no stranger than the shifts that have brought Stuffy

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