

LATE NEWS AND VIEWS FROM SPORTING WORLD

BASEBALL IN THE BIG LEAGUES

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

Brooklyn and Cincinnati Break Even.
Brooklyn, Sept. 18.—Brooklyn broke even with Cincinnati today, winning the first game by 4 to 1, but losing the second by 2 to 1. The score:
(First game)
Cincinnati 00010000—1 5 1
Brooklyn 10001002—4 11 1
Batteries—Schneider and Wingo; Cheney and Miller.
(Second game)
Cincinnati 01000000—2 7 1
Brooklyn 01000000—1 4 1
Batteries—Khetzer and Hahn; Marquard and Meyers.

Boston, Sept. 18.—Tyler was the big factor in Boston's 2 to 0 victory over St. Louis today. The score:
St. Louis 00000000—0 3 0
Boston 02000000—2 7 1
Batteries—Meadows, Williams and Gonzalez; Tyler and Blackburn.
Philadelphia, Sept. 18.—Errors while McConnell was pitching and bad work by Carter and Clements, Chicago's battery, in the eighth inning, gave Philadelphia an easy victory today, 6 to 1. The score:
Chicago 00000001—1 5 1
Philadelphia 10010044—6 14 1
Batteries—McConnell, Carter and Clements; Rixey and Killifer.
New York Wins First: Second a Tie.
New York, Sept. 18.—New York kept its winning streak intact today, winning the first game of a double-header from Pittsburgh, 2 to 0, for its twelfth straight victory. The second game resulted in a 1 to 1 tie, the game being called in the first half of the ninth on account of rain. The score:
(First game)
Pittsburgh 00000000—0 5 1
New York 00010001—2 8 1
Batteries—Miller and W. Wagner; Schupp and McCarty.
(Second game)
Pittsburgh 00000001—1 7 1
New York 00001000—1 9 1
Batteries—Grimes and Fischer; Peritt and Raliden.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

Boston, Sept. 18.—Chicago forced Boston back into first place today, when they tossed away the final game of the series with the world's champions, while Philadelphia won from Detroit. The score was 4 to 3. The score:
Boston 01002100—4 10 2
Chicago 00010010—3 6 3
Batteries—Shore and Cady; Ciolek, Williams, Russell and Schaak.
Recruit Wins His First Big League Game.
St. Louis, Sept. 18.—Claude Thomas, a recruit from the Des Moines team of the Western League, pitched his first major league game here today and held St. Louis to two hits, Washington winning, 1 to 0. The score:
Washington 10000000—1 7 1
St. Louis 00000000—0 2 1
Batteries—Thomas and Henry; Plank, Koob and Hartley.

American League Standing.

Won	Lost	P.C.	1915
Boston	81	59	.578
Detroit	83	61	.576
Chicago	81	62	.566
New York	73	67	.521
St. Louis	74	70	.514
Cleveland	78	70	.510
Washington	70	69	.504
Philadelphia	31	108	.223

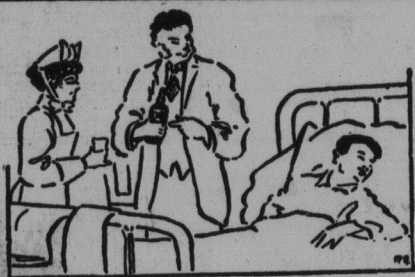
National League Standing.

Won	Lost	P.C.	1915
Brooklyn	82	55	.599
Philadelphia	80	55	.593
Boston	77	55	.584
New York	71	62	.533
Pittsburgh	64	75	.460
Chicago	62	79	.440
St. Louis	60	81	.426
Cincinnati	54	88	.380

THREE FAVORITES
DEFEATED YESTERDAY

All Were from the Murphy
Stables—The Real Lady
Wins Her Race.

Columbus, Ohio, Sept. 18.—Three of the four favorites in this afternoon's opening races of the Columbus Grand Circuit meeting were from the Murphy stables. Only the most pronounced one, The Real Lady, was successful. She took the Horse Review Futurity for two-year-old trotters in straight heats, meeting with no real opposition. Don McDonald, the Indianapolis driver, had in charge the horses that defeated the other Murphy first choices.
Summary:
2:11 Class, Trotting; Three in Five, \$1,200, Three Heats.
McCloskey, br g, by H. Odoles, (McDonald) 1 1 1

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HALIFAX RACES

Halifax, N. S., Sept. 18.—The final heat in Saturday's free-for-all trot took place this afternoon and was won by Lacopia, (Moncton) in 2:14. James K. Newbro finished second; Troas third; Frank Patch fourth. Lacopia wins the race, with Frank Patch second.

Today's summary:
2:24 Trot, Stake \$400, Mile Heats, Three in Five.
Orwell Belle, blk m, (Purvis) 1 3 1 2 1
Brenton H, g b, (Hooper) 3 2 2 1 3
Addie B, b m, (Carroll) 2 1 3 3 2
Burdmore, ch g, (Acker) 4 4 4 4 4
Cochato Lady, b m, (Wilbur) 5 5 5 ro.
Time—2:19½, 2:19½, 2:21½, 2:22½, 2:21½.

2:35 Trot, Purse \$400, Mile Heats, Three in Five.
Brage, br s, (Boutillier) 1 1 1
Lloyd Achille, b g, (Saunders) 2 2 3
Jennie Tregantle, blk m, (Gammion) 4 4 2
Cap Crescens, b g, (Nicholson) 5 3 4
Upton Prince, b s, (D. Steele) 3 5 ds.
Queen Oakley, b m, (Purvis) ds.
Time—2:20½, 2:21½, 2:21½.

As Omar says:
Some players, since this diamond game began,
Have sought the praises of the fickle fan;
Ah, take the kale, and let the glory go,
Nor heed the rattle of a distant can!

KING EDWARDS WIN.
The King Edward Football League is now made up of four teams, two from the King Edward school and two from the Maples. In a game on the Barrack Square yesterday afternoon a King Edward team defeated one of the Maples by a score of 1 to 0. R. McKee made the only score for his team.

Game licenses, also guns and rifles to hire. Scribner's, 59 King Square.

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Owing to the illness of the author, Mr. and Mrs. Jiggs will be absent from this space for a few days but it is expected the process of Bringing up Father will be resumed shortly.
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ALTRUCK AND THE
HITLESS WONDERS

Fortieth Anniversary of the
Birth of Nicholas Altruck
Once Famous Pitcher.

This is the fortieth anniversary of the birth of Nicholas Altruck, once famous twirler of the White Sox in the Fielder Jones era, and latterly the rival of Germany Schaefer for the honor of being the chief comedian of the diamond.

Nick was born in Cincinnati on Sept. 15, 1876, and played with Grand Rapids, Louisville Nationals, Columbus, Syracuse, Toronto, Los Angeles, Milwaukee and Boston before he broke into the limelight with the Comiskey clan.

Ten years ago, when Nicholas was one of the star hurlers of the Fielder Jones staff and helped to pitch the White Sox to the championship, his battery mates were Frank Owen, "Iron Man" Frank Smith, Ed. Walsh, G. Harris ("Doc") White and Roy Patterson. All have vanished from the great white flame, Walsh being the last survivor of the illustrious coterie.

Altruck was not only a great pitcher in his day, but he was a valuable man in other ways to have upon a team. In the heat and tension of a pennant struggle the players are likely to get frazzled as to nerves, and to "blow up" at the most inopportune time. To prevent such a disaster Nick was always on hand with the funny stuff that relieved the situation and enabled his playmates to "let down."

When a member of the club showed a tendency to be morbid or grouchy because of some miscue, Nick was the Little Sunshine who could be depended on to cheer him up. There isn't any laugh column in the box score, and Nick didn't get official credit for his comedian stunts, but he saved many a game by injecting humor into an otherwise tragic situation.

Artie Latham, King Kelly, Steve Evans, Germany Schaefer and many other ball players have gained fame by spilling the funny stuff, but Altruck, in the opinion of most fans, stands at the head of the list of thereabouts.

A FIELDING RECORD.
Spokane, Wash., Sept. 14.—By handling 239 chances without an error in 114 games, Eddie Mensor, of the Spokane club of the Northwestern league, is believed to have established a new baseball fielding record. According to figures prepared tonight by the league's official statistician, Mensor this season has handled 31 chances in five games at second base, 10 chances at third base in three games and 198 chances as outfielder in 106 games. Mensor, who formerly was an outfielder for Pittsburgh, came here from the International league.

Baseball rowdism should be stopped before it spreads to other sports. Pretty soon a fellow will need a pair of brass knuckles before he ventures to start a checker game.

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BUYING PLAYERS
DURING THE SEASON

Mathewson Says it is a Loser;
and Gives Good Reasons
for His Remarks.

A rule to prevent the transfer of players from one major league club to another during the playing season would be a mighty good thing for the game. It was Charles A. Comiskey who set the fashion when he attempted to buy the 1915 American League pennant. It was all well and good for him to purchase Eddie Collins of Connie Mack for \$50,000. That trade was made in the winter time. But the purchase of Eddie Murphy from the Athletics and Joe Jackson from Cleveland in the fall end of the year was different.

Comiskey was not able to buy a pennant. His collection of stars fell

ed him a year ago just as they are falling him now. It is harder to get work out of an all-star cast than from a team of average major caliber bolstered by a great star or two. That lesson was proved clearly by the old Clevelanders that had Stovall, Lajoie, Turner and Bill Bradley in the infield; Flick, Bay and Lush in the outfield; Bemis behind the bat, and a pitching staff that boasted Addie Joss, Cy Young, Bill Bernhardt, Red Donovan and three or four other good pitchers at a time when all these players were in their prime.

Furthermore, Comiskey's policy led to reprisals. Jennings bought Bill James; Carrigan secured Jack Barry. Boston could not have won the pennant last year but for Barry. Disposition of players in the fall end of the season cannot fail to breed general discontent. Also where pennants are concerned it often leads to undesirable side agreements where players involved all have an interest in possible World's Series profits.

The 1916 career of the Quakers goes to show what great benefit lies in having one pitcher of Grover Alexander's worth. But for this fellow the Quakers would have been out of it

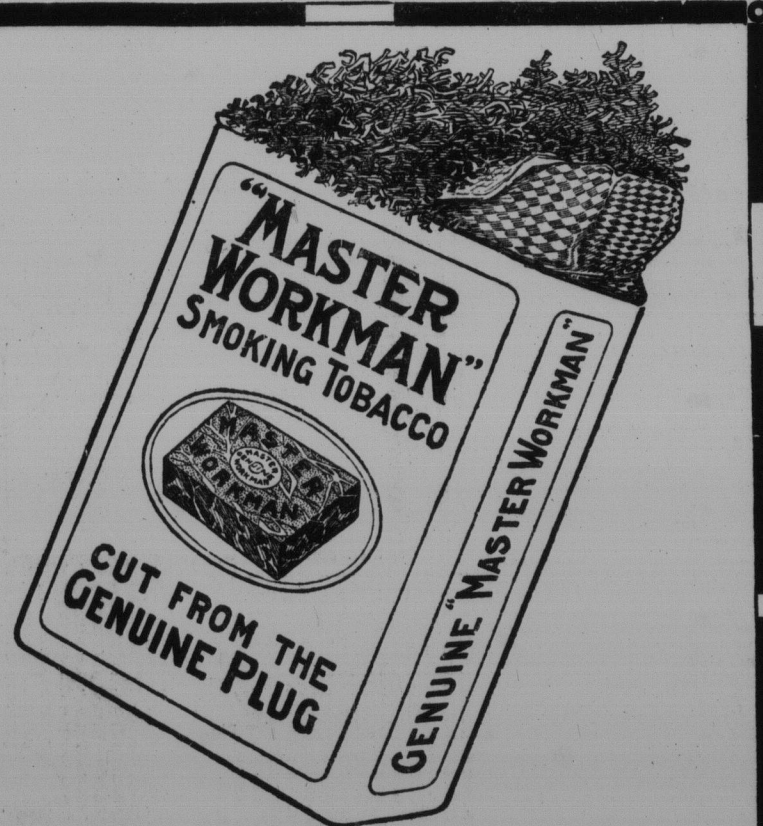
long ago. If Moran wins the pennant he will have Alec to thank.

Alexander turned in 26 of Philadelphia's first 70 victories. And all the while he was piling up that stupendous record he lost only nine times.

Alexander told me recently that he had never felt so well in his life—that, far from being overworked, he felt he hadn't done his full share.

"I have told Pat," said he, "that I would pitch every other day if he so desired. I am sure I could work three times a week without suffering the slightest inconvenience. I'm as strong as Ed Walsh ever was. He used to think nothing of 60 games a season. I could stand up better under pressure for he was a spitball pitcher. I'd be willing to pitch a whole series if a pennant depended on me."

It is mighty hard to beat that kind of spirit. Alexander's attitude reflects the admiration of every member of the team toward Moran. The Phillies cannot be accused of lack of heart. That club is going to stick till the last dog is hung. The National League will have quite as lively a time this month as the American.



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