

SCOOP THE CUB REPORTER

The Manager Reserves The Right To Change His Mind

By "HOP"



BERT INGLIS MADE A GREAT CHALLENGE

Bowling Tourney at London Proving Sensational—Brantford Rinks Make Splendid Showing in Great Event—Some Comment.

The semi-finals in the W.O.B.A. tourney were reached last night, the four rinks left being those skipped by Bert Heaman of the London Thistles, A. A. Langford, also of the Thistles, R. Smiley, Paris, and Albert Chambers of Aylmer. The fourth round games were excellent, many of them being in doubt until the last bowl. Large galleries followed the play. The association competition is progressing rapidly, while many games have been played in the consolation.

Spectacular in the extreme was the game between Chambers of Aylmer, and Hawke, Galt. The two rinks seemed during the whole engagement, and in the final end Hawke, by a wonderful draw made the shot which tied the match. In the extra end, Hawke lay two shots, and it looked as if it was impossible to beat him. Chambers tried a runner with the last bowl of the game. It was played perfectly and cut out both Hawke's and gave the Aylmer rink the shot that won the game. Both sides were astounded at the play, as none of the players anticipated that Chambers would get it.

Hardly less exciting was the finish between Bert Inglis of Brantford, and "Longboat" Langford of the Thistles. There was little to choose between the rinks until the thirteenth end, when Langford scored five. Inglis came back with four counters leaving Langford two up and an end to go. The Brantford four were game, and

Inglis lay four shots. They were well guarded, and there was just one opening for second shot. If Langford could make that the game would be his. It required a perfect bowl to make it. Langford tried and by one of the prettiest shots imaginable rolled in for second money, giving Inglis the shot, but as London had two to the good he still had the majority. The defeat of Skip Van Valkenburg, of Balmly Beach, one of the cracks of the tourney, was as decisive as it was unexpected. The Paris rink bowled well. Smiley particularly doing brilliant work, but the "wise" one picked the Toronto trundler. Smiley went right at them, and piled up a big lead in a hurry. Van Valkenburg tried hard but could not match the great draws of Smiley, and lost by a good majority.

Jack Lashbrook's Devons gave Dr. Wiley a scare in the Association. The Brantford four had him down 14 to 0, but the Devons got going and the visitors won out in the last end 17 to 15. It was a smart game, brilliantly played.

SOLDIER'S FATAL SUNSTROKE

An adjourned inquest was held at Aldershot, on Thursday, on Serjt. Howe, of the Queen's West Surrey Regiment, who died from sunstroke after taking part in a march of eleven miles. A verdict of "Death from heatstroke" was returned, the jury adding that everything possible had been done for the deceased.

"BUSHERS" GET IN THE WAY OF MR. TYRUS COBB

He is Not Averse to Giving Expression to His Likes and Dislikes.

DETROIT, Mich., July 23.—Several members of the Detroit baseball team have confirmed the story sent out from Boston that Ty. Cobb desires to get away from the Tigers, and would prefer to join the Boston Red Sox.

Though Cobb is a great favorite in Detroit, his path here has been a thorny one, and he feels that he is gradually outliving his welcome. Also he thinks he has been handicapped by being compelled to play with all sorts of recruits during the past two seasons, and has not been able to do himself justice.

He cannot pull off his "inside work" if some "busher" is on the path with him who does not understand major league ball. Cobb talks of his likes and dislikes freely in the club house, and Hugh Jennings and Navin know he desires a change. He prefers Boston because the fans there are "so fair in their treatment of both home and visiting players," he says.

Nat Ray's Canadian pacing "streak," Grattan Royal, wears more rigging than has been seen on a Grand Circuit wiggler in many years. Besides hobbles, there is a guide stick, nose-roll, blinkers, hoist straps, boots from fetlocks to body, knee pads, and heaven only knows what not! The harness writers have described the rigging as "horse jewelry."

NEW YORK CHECKED PITTSBURG'S RUSH

The Pirates Went Down to Defeat in Both Ends of a Double-Header.

NEW YORK, July 23.—In timely batting, fielding and pitching, the Giants did so well yesterday afternoon that they took two games from the Pirates. The latter roamed into town after devastating other portside call on the Eastern sea shore, but ran into the Giants on a day when the latter were feeling like doing battle in their most approved style. There were two drubbing for the Pirates. The scores were 7 to 3 for the first game and 2 to 1 for the second, which was eleven innings long and a tense and vivid battle. Scores:

First game— R. H. E.
Pittsburg 000000021—3 7 4
New York 00004040*—8 8 1
Batteries—Camnitz, Robinson, Simon and Gibson; Denaree, Meyers and Wilson.

Second game— R. H. E.
Pittsburg 0000001000—1
New York 00000001001—2

DEFEATED BROOKLYN

Superbas Made Only One Run Off Eleven Safe Hits.

BROOKLYN, July 23.—St. Louis, with "Slim" Sallee in the box, won its first game of the season from Brooklyn yesterday, 3 to 1. Although the Superbas rolled up a total of eleven safe hits, it was not until the ninth inning that they were able to send a runner across. Curtis pitched well, but received poor support at critical times.

Score by innings—
St. Louis 001110000—3
Brooklyn 000000001—1

TWO FOR CINCINNATI.

The Reds Defeated Boston in a Double-Header.

BOSTON, July 23.—Cincinnati took both games of the double-header from the Braves yesterday, the first by a score of 4 to 3 in ten innings, and the second 3 to 2. Boston drove two Cincinnati pitchers from the box in the first game and after the Reds had scored in the tenth, it was only the good pitching of Brown that prevented Boston from tying the score. Again in the second Brown went into the box and when one run was needed to tie the bases full, a home run by Bates won the second contest for the Reds. Score: First game— Cincinnati 000003001—4
Boston 003000000—3
Batteries— Johnston, Brown and Kling; Hess and Rariden.

Second game—
Cincinnati 000100000—3
Boston 001000001—2

CHICAGO WAS BEATEN TWICE

Philadelphia Took the Cubs Into Camp in a Double-Header.

PHILADELPHIA, July 23.—Philadelphia won both games of a double-header here yesterday by the score of 6 to 5 and 8 to 5. In the first game the home team hit Lavender hard in the seventh inning and scored three runs, tying the score. Gravath's home run in the eighth won the game.

In the first inning of the second game, Lobert and Luders both hit home runs off Humphries. Reulbach relieved him in the second and while he pitched good ball, errors permitted the Philadelphians to win. The Cubs came here minus Charley Smith, the veteran twirler, who is dangerously ill in Boston. Smith is suffering from an attack of heart trouble and when the Cubs left late last night his respiration was down to 70 and pulse was only twenty.

First Game— R. H. E.
Chicago 201002000—5 7 2
Philadelphia 01010031x—6 8 1
Batteries—Lavender and Needham; Alexander and Killifer.

Second Game—
Chicago 005000100—6
Philadelphia 40130000x—8

Here's hoping the weather man will be more lenient with Buffalo, than he was last week with Pittsburgh. It was a case of rain, then more rain.

Sells-Floto Circus Is Coming.

The Sells-Floto circus, which comes here on Tuesday, Aug. 26, has for years maintained the reputation of having the best and most comprehensive display of horse flesh ever appearing with any travelling organization, and this year for the benefit of their patrons, they will make a special display of these wonderful animals in a large tent adjoining the Animal Menagerie, so that their patrons and lovers of good horses generally, may feast their eyes on the various breeds and individual champions which go to make up this wonderful collection.

In it will be found specimens of the Percheron, representatives of the thoroughbred, standard bred, Suffolk Punch, coach horses, hackneys, hunters and general purpose horses. It will form an interesting study for those who are either closely connected with the business of horse raising or farming, besides those who love the horse for himself and desire to see him at his best.

That is the how of it, and added to it all, this Mr. W. E. Haines, who is the swift-footed Mercury ahead of the show, making all the contracts for feed, fuel, lots and licenses, walking around the city telling people what to expect and filling the atmosphere full of curious circus metaphor. Haines has been travelling ahead of the show for a good many years now. He always makes a good many promises, but the best part of it is his promises are most always fulfilled, which is more than we can say for the general run of circus agents or common folks, for that matter.

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