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SPORT NEWS

Billy Evans Says

THE LIVELY BALL.

Not only is the lively ball now in use in the major leagues making for more home runs, but it is also establishing a high-water mark for injuries as well.

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Never in the history of the major leagues have so many players suffered minor and serious injuries. In a majority of cases the accident can be directly traced to the lively ball.

The manufacturers say the ball is just the same as in past years. They should know. Major league pitchers insist the horsehide is filled with dynamite or some other high explosive.

The other day I saw Ken Williams, slugging outfielder of the St. Louis Browns, practically bunt a ball into the right field stands at the Yankee Stadium in New York.

Only the fact that it was foul by a foot prevented the making of a home run on a ball at which Williams didn't even take a half swing.

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It was a low curve inside. Williams murders such a ball. He started to swing, then realized the ball would be too low. The contact of the ball with the bat was little more than a bunt, yet it carried it into the bleachers.

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INJURIES HANDICAP.

In a recent game at Chicago, Pitcher Johnson of Detroit was struck in the face with a line drive. The ball came back at him so quickly he didn't have time to get his hands up.

Major league pitchers insist it was never more difficult to be a consistent winner. They point to the many high score games of the year and the big innings.

Ten years ago a three-run lead made a pitcher feel pretty secure. Today a three-run lead means nothing. It can be wiped out in a jiffy. The lively ball and short fences are the bane of the major league twirlers.

Incidentally, the lively ball has put fear into the hearts of every infielder. False bounds are not at all unusual and are mighty dangerous.

Already this year I have called time on at least a dozen occasions to give an infielder a chance to recover after being injured through a bad bound of a hard drive.

A score of times I have seen some infielder, the third baseman in particular, more or less pass up trying to handle some terrific drive through fear of injury.

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I understand the major league magnates have the lively ball under discussion and that some action may be taken relative to same in the near future.

GAMES TODAY.

American League.
St. Louis at Washington.
Cleveland at Philadelphia.
Detroit at New York.
Chicago at Boston.

National League.
Brooklyn at Pittsburg.
New York at Cincinnati.
Philadelphia at Chicago.

Pacific Coast League.
Seattle at Los Angeles.
Portland at San Francisco.
Vernon at Sacramento.
Oakland at Salt Lake.

Love is blind. It lost its eyesight overlooking things.

JOHNSON WINS TENTH GAME

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

Clubs—	W.	L.	Pct.
Philadelphia	29	18	.617
Washington	35	19	.648
Chicago	27	26	.509
Cleveland	26	28	.481
St. Louis	28	31	.475
New York	22	31	.426
Detroit	24	33	.421
Boston	21	34	.382

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

Clubs—	W.	L.	Pct.
New York	33	20	.623
Pittsburg	29	21	.580
Brooklyn	28	24	.547
Cincinnati	28	24	.538
St. Louis	26	29	.473
Chicago	25	31	.446
Philadelphia	21	31	.404
Boston	21	32	.396

WASHINGTON (AP) — With Walter Johnson in prime form, Washington shut out the Browns in the second game of the series Monday 2 to 0. The game was a pitchers' battle for six innings. It was Johnson's tenth victory of the season.

	R.	H.	E.
St. Louis	0	9	1
Washington	2	8	2

Batteries: Giard and Dixon; Johnson and Ruel.

BOSTON (AP)—Robertson and Ehmke hooked up in a pitchers' battle which the Red Sox won from Chicago 2 to 1.

	R.	H.	E.
Chicago	1	5	2
Boston	2	5	1

Batteries: Robertson and Krause; Ehmke and Pichnich.

PHILADELPHIA (AP)

	R.	H.	E.
Cleveland	7	11	2
Philadelphia	12	12	0

Batteries; Shaute, Edwards, Roy and L. Sewell, Groves; Rommel and Perkins.

NEW YORK (AP)

	R.	H.	E.
Detroit	5	7	2
New York	3	9	4

Batteries: Whitehill and Hasler; Pennock, Hoyt and Bengough.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

ST. LOUIS (AP)—The Cardinals made a clean sweep of their series with the Phillies winning the fifth and final game Tuesday.

	R.	H.	E.
Philadelphia	4	9	2
St. Louis	6	10	0

Batteries: Ring, Betts, Carlson, Couch and Wilson, Henline; Haines and O'Farrell, Schmidt.

CHICAGO (AP)

	R.	H.	E.
Boston	7	13	3
Chicago	4	12	1

Batteries: Ryan, Cooney and Gibson; Cooper, Bush and Gonzales.

PITTSBURG (AP)

	R.	H.	E.
New York	11	17	3
Pittsburg	13	20	3

Batteries: Huntzinger, Greenfield, McQuillan and Wisner, Nehf and Snyder; Aldridge, Kremer, Meadows and Smith.

CINCINNATI (AP)

	R.	H.	E.
Brooklyn	5	10	3
Cincinnati	6	16	1

Batteries: Petty, Osborne and Taylor; Risey and Ringo.

PLANES TO ARRIVE JULY 1

SALEM, Ore.—Two airplanes assigned for forest fire operations in Oregon during the 1925 season will arrive in Eugene July 1, according to a telegram received at the office of the state forester. The telegram was signed by officials of the war department.

One of the planes will operate north from Eugene, while the other will cover the territory between Eugene and Roseburg.

Indians Drop Second Game Played Here

Athletics 9, Indians 5!

And thus the redmen from over the mountains were turned back again in La Grande. The first time the Hi-Jackers did it and last night, with Hector McInnis pitching, the La Grande Athletic club repeated.

The home team scored first—in the second inning but in the third the Indians, by means of a three-base hit, an error and a single, brought two home. The game stood in their favor then until the sixth inning when, with the score 5 to 2 against them, the Athletics staged a batting rally, which, coupled with two costly errors, permitted three men to cross the rubber. The Indians failed to score another run, although the Athletics increased their total by two in the seventh and one in the eighth.

Simpson, right fielder for the visitors, contributed a beautiful catch in the third inning that drew considerable applause and robbed Hargett of what seemed a sure hit.

Meserve, Thomson, Van Pelt and Craig each smashed out three safeties and the first run for the Athletics was brought home when Jimmy Rosenbaum laid down a pretty bunt for a perfect sacrifice.

Tonight the Athletics play the shops in a Twilight league game.

Score by innings:

Athletics	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Runs	0	1	0	1	1	2	2	1	x	9
Hits	0	2	1	2	1	3	2	3	x	14
Indians:										
Runs	0	0	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	5
Hits	0	1	2	2	1	0	1	2	0	9

Errors: Luton, Simpson, Van Pelt, Alexander, J. Gardy, R. Gardy, Rosenbaum, Carroll, Meserve 2. Sacrifice hits: J. Gardy, Hargett, Rosenbaum. Stolen bases: Luton, Van Pelt, Parr, Thomson, McInnis, Meserve. Struck out: by McInnis 8, by Craig 2. Three base hits: Geertsen, Van Pelt, Williams.

BEVOS SWAT WAY TO WIN

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE.

Clubs—	W.	L.	Pct.
San Francisco	51	19	.729
Salt Lake	39	31	.563
Seattle	36	33	.522
Oakland	34	36	.486
Los Angeles	34	36	.486
Portland	29	37	.440
Sacramento	28	43	.397
Vernon	28	45	.354

YESTERDAY'S GAMES.

Salt Lake 16, Oakland 5.

SALT LAKE (AP)

	R.	H.	E.
Oakland	5	10	5
Salt Lake	16	13	2

Batteries: Delaney, Projetti and Byler; Mulcahey and Cook.

Portland 14, Frisco 10.

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)

	R.	H.	E.
Portland	14	21	0
San Francisco	10	17	0

Batteries: Meeker, Burns, Raebae and Tobin; Williams, Crockett, Geary and Agnew.

Vernon 5, Sacramento 4.

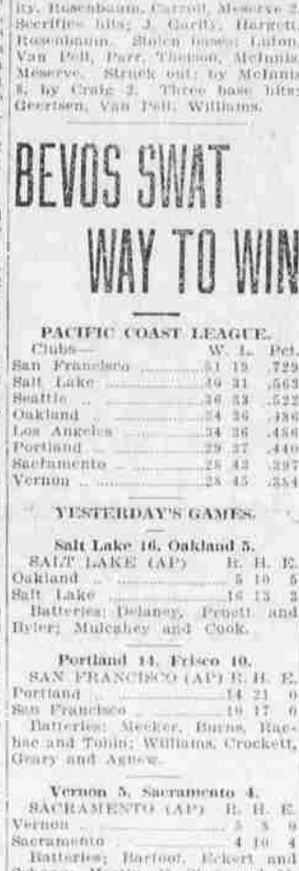
SACRAMENTO (AP)

	R.	H.	E.
Vernon	5	5	0
Sacramento	4	10	4

Batteries; Barfoot, Eckert and Schang; Martin, E. Shea and M. Shea.

Seattle-Los Angeles, postponed; Seattle traveling.

Up in the Air



Speaking of height—this fellow surely has it. He's "Tiny" Grove of William and Mary College, and stands seven feet in his stockings. He lays claim to being the tallest college athlete in the United States, starring in football and track and field athletics.

They Carry U. S. Hopes

Here are the two players who will represent the United States in the international tennis tournament at Wimbledon, England, shortly. Raymond Casey, Pacific coast marvel, is shown on the left with John Hennessey, Indianapolis star. They are expected to carry America's colors in traditional style.

TWO PIRATES ARE DROPPED

At a meeting of the directors of the La Grande baseball club, held last evening, Williams, Pirate shortstop and Holtz, first baseman were officially released. Tom Gossett, third baseman, has been retained and will be field captain as in the past. In him is vested the authority to run the team while on the field.

Williams and Holtz were in reality released last Monday by Harris French, manager of the Pirates, and his action was verified last evening by the directors.

The lineup for the return game with Baker, Sunday, has not been definitely fixed up. A number of men are eligible to play and finding successors for Williams and Holtz is practically a matter of selection. The eligibility rule in the league reads that the team managers are required to turn in a list of players to the secretary six days before the day of the game. This matter has been attended to by the manager of the Pirates and there is sure to be a strong team in the field playing for La Grande next Sunday.

Ep Hoyt of the East Oregonian has figured out the way the teams will stand after next Sunday, taking into account the alternatives in case different teams win. The article follows:

In event Baker and Pendleton win Sunday the percentage column will look like this:

	W.	L.	Pct.
Pendleton	6	4	.600
La Grande	6	4	.600
Baker	6	4	.600
Walla Walla	2	8	.200

However, Baker and Pendleton are no certainties to win and La Grande and Walla Walla may turn the trick. In that event the percentage will still be interesting:

	W.	L.	Pct.
La Grande	7	3	.700
Pendleton	5	5	.500
Baker	5	5	.500
Walla Walla	3	7	.300

Should Baker win and Pendleton lose then La Grande and Baker will be tied for first place in the league standings while Pendleton will back there with .500 or one hundred points to the bad.

Another interesting contingency may develop and that is a victory by Pendleton and a victory by La Grande which would be doubly interesting in view of the fact that Pendleton and La Grande play on Sunday, June 28. In that event the standings would look like this:

	W.	L.	Pct.
La Grande	7	3	.700
Pendleton	6	4	.600
Baker	5	5	.500
Walla Walla	2	8	.200

EXPEDITION ON WAY TO THE ARCTIC

(Continued from Page One.)

assigned to it an active duty and airplanes and other supplies.

Heading the navy contingent is Lieutenant Commander Richard E. Byrd, of Winchester, Va., who has selected the navy personnel and aviation equipment and will be responsible to the secretary of the navy, although working in cooperation with the main expedition. With him are two officers and four enlisted men of the navy, while at their disposal are three airplanes of the amphibian type which can maneuver from the land, ice, and water. Little difficulty in their operation is expected, as MacMillan believes the minimum temperatures encountered will not be excessive.

The expedition after touching at Wiscasset, Me., and then at Sydney N. S. for coal and other supplies, will go direct to Etah, Greenland, where the main base will be established. From there the airplanes will go to Cape Hubbard on the northern point of Axel Heiberg land, to establish an advance flying base.

To Use Two Ships.

Two ships are being used. The Bowdoin, a veteran of other Arctic trips with MacMillan, accommodates MacMillan, scientists and other personnel of the main expedition. The Peary is conveying the three airplanes and the navy section of the expedition. But two of the airplanes will be used actively in exploration, the third being held at Etah with the vessels as a reserve for possible emergency.

The plan calls for two airplanes to scour northwest from Axel Heiberg land in exploring the unknown region and in looking for land which, possibly of continental mass, is believed to lie between Alaska and the North Pole. Unless land is discovered, however, the entire unknown region will not be covered because of the limitation of the aircraft operations. At least 200,000 square miles will be surveyed by having the planes shoot out in three different lines for a distance of about 500 miles. The two will travel together at all times and if land is discovered the advance flying base will be advanced to it and the scouting operations continued from the new point. In such an event it is conceivable that the entire unknown area may be surveyed.

At least three separate flights will be conducted from Cape Hubbard, and if land is not discovered the expedition will then retrace its steps making side trips over Ellesmere Island, Grant Land concerning whose interiors little is known, and possibly to Cape Columbia at the northeast extremity of Grant Land above Greenland.

To Survey Baffin.

Retracing its steps till further to the south the expedition intends to survey from the air the interior of Baffin Island, that vast mass discovered 349 years ago by Sir Martin Frobisher, the English navigator, and concerning which little is known more than in the days of been, Elizabeth. From there the expedition will visit the old Norse settlement of 1500 years ago near Gothaab, Greenland, and then cross to the northeastern coast of Labordor for a survey of its little known interior and for study of the ruins of an ancient settlement there believed to be of Norse origin. The expedition will then return to Wiscasset and should be back by late fall.

Everything possible has been done to assure the safety of the expedition. The National Geographic Society points to the fact that MacMillan in his many visits to the Arctic never has lost a man, and Secretary Wilbur says he is satisfied the expedition has been planned on sound, safe lines. No effort to reach the North Pole is contemplated, MacMillan being contented with Peary's effort in that respect and the Geographic Society and the navy being interested primarily in the scientific questions awaiting study in the Arctic.

The that end a complete equipment and scientific personnel has been brought together, the airplanes will carry thorough mapping apparatus by which the regions may be photographed and plotted from the air, and an assortment of motion and still cameras. Arrangements have also been made for obtaining color photographs of the regions to be visited as well as their plant, animal and fish life.

30 Men To Go.

All told, including the crews of the two vessels, there are over 30 men in the expedition. MacMillan is assisted by John Reinartz, of South Manchester, Conn., and E. F. McDonald of Chicago, president of the Radio Broadcasters' League of America, as radio experts, while among the scientists are Dr. Walter N. Keels, an ichthyologist, and Lieutenant Benjamin H. Riggs of the Coast and Geodetic Survey, an expert on topography and tides.

The expert in charge of color photography is Jacob J. Gayer, while in general charge of photography is Maynard Owen Williams, both of whom have been assigned by the Geographic Society. Commanding the Peary is Captain George F. Steele of Roxbury, Mass., while assistants to MacMillan in navigating the Bowdoin are Ralph Robinson, of Merriance, Mass., and John Jaynes, of Somerville, Mass.

Marshfield Represented.

The navy section in addition to Commander Byrd consists of Lieutenant M. A. Schur, of Marshfield, Oregon; Chief Boatswain Earle E. Reber, of Chicago; Aviation Pilots Nels P. Sorenson and Andrew C. Nold, of Washington, D. C., and Floyd E. Bennett of Warrensburgh, N. Y., and Chief Aerographer Albert Francis, of San Diego, who will observe meteorological conditions.

The officers will fly the airplanes and the enlisted men will assist in the work and keep the planes in condition. Except for the wings, one of the planes is to be carried assembled on the deck of the Peary to Etah but the other two have been broken down and will not be assembled until Etah is reached.

A complete radio equipment will be carried so that constant communication may be maintained with civilization. Both the Peary and the Bowdoin have high powered standard navy sets, while one of the two active planes will have a standard navy set and the other the short wave apparatus recently developed. The plan is to send in daily reports of the progress of the expedition to both the Navy Department and the Geographic Society for announcement to the press.

Hope To Find Unkown Land

Belief that land exists in the unknown region between the North Pole and Alaska is predicated upon traditions of Eskimo tribes, which tell of some of their people years ago going out to such land, never to return, upon tidal observations which indicate a great obstruction of land or ice in that region, and upon mirages seen from Axel Heiberg land by both Peary and MacMillan.

If such land is found the American flag will be raised and it will be claimed for the United States.

The purely scientific phases of the expedition, however, present an attractive field. There are many species of Arctic fish known to the explorer that have never been studied by scientists, and for that purpose color photography will be of invaluable assistance.

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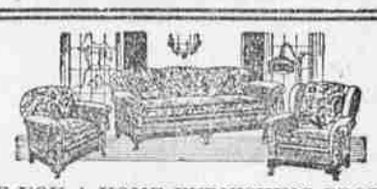

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