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Dopesters Pick Pirates And Senators As Winners

Leading Players in Each Major League Circuit Give Pennant Race Opinions

WILL THEY FINISH LIKE THIS?

- American League.
 1. Washington.
 2. Philadelphia.
 3. Detroit.
- National League.
 1. Pittsburgh.
 2. New York.
 3. St. Louis.

(By the NEA Service, Inc.) NEW YORK, Apr. 10.—Can the Pittsburgh Pirates repeat? What are the chances of the New York Giants as the runner-up? Will the St. Louis Cardinals upset the dope by winning the 1926 National league pennant?

A vote of 100 of the leading players of the National league favors the Pirates to repeat with the New York Giants as the runner-up. While admitting the strength of the St. Louis Cardinals at the bat and in the field, the athletes rate the pitching too mediocre to win a pennant.

Only a limited few picked the Cardinals to win, the pennant vote being overwhelmingly in favor of the Pirates and the Giants, with the Pirates enjoying a nine point margin.

Here is how the National league clubs will finish if the star players of that circuit know anything about baseball:

1. Pittsburgh Pirates.
2. New York Giants.
3. St. Louis Cardinals.
4. Cincinnati Reds.
5. Brooklyn Dodgers.
6. Boston Braves.
7. Philadelphia Nationals.
8. Chicago Cubs.

NEW YORK, Apr. 10.—Who will win the American league pennant in 1926?

That question was recently submitted to a vote of 100 veteran stars of the circuit presided over by Jim Johnson.

The consensus of the players is that Washington will repeat with the Athletics and Detroit as the strongest contenders.

The vote was very close, Washington enjoying only a six-vote margin over Connie Mack's club in first-place votes. While the players respect the prowess of the Tygers, the opinion prevails that the club will be a good pitcher.

A majority of the Detroit voters rate the Tygers as certain to finish in third place.

Here is the way the American league clubs will finish if the vote of the 100 star players runs true to form:

1. Washington Nationals.
2. Philadelphia Athletics.
3. Detroit Tygers.
4. St. Louis Browns.
5. Chicago White Sox.
6. New York Yankees.
7. Cleveland Indians.
8. Boston Red Sox.

Portland Wrestler Is Victor in First Match

SPOKANE, APR. 10. (AP)—Desmond Anderson, Portland wrestler, defeated Frank Jurich, Washington State college, at 147 pounds in the feature bout of the first round of the Pacific northwest amateur wrestling championship here. Anderson won a fall in an extra period after the bout has been decided a draw.

In the 112-pound class, Arthur Hall, Multnomah club, Portland, beat R. Dillinger, Spokane Y. M. C. A., by a fall in 4:55.

Coming Over



Tom Fernie, famous English golfer will soon leave for America with Gordon Lockhart, another British celebrity to compete in a series of matches. They will play in Boston, New York and several other large cities in this country. Fernie is shown above getting in shape for the invasion.

Billy Evans Says:

WANER AND HOMERS

Home runs have played an important role in the meteoric career of Paul Waner.

Who is Paul Waner? You ask. He is the young man for whom the Pittsburgh ball club paid a sum estimated to be in the neighborhood of \$100,000. Waner was a member of the Ada, Okla., Independents, last year.

Opportunity came in the form of an exhibition game against a team composed of the big leaguers and played from the Pacific Coast league. It was at the close of the 1925 season. Waner was a member of the Ada, Okla., Independents, last year.

Two were out, the bases filled in the last half of the ninth when Waner stepped to the plate. He had already made three hits in four times up. The score was 3-1 in favor of the big leaguers. On eight other occasions prior to this Dick Merrill stunt, Waner, with a base hit, had won games in the ninth.

Waner worked the count to three balls and two strikes. The pitcher tried to slip over a fast one; Waner took a healthy swing, a home run resulted and Waner was on his way to fame and fortune.

HE GETS CHANCE

A scout from the San Francisco team of the Coast league saw the game. Waner's ability to hit the ball impressed him, particularly the home run in the ninth inning pinch. He signed him.

Waner was just a rookie with the San Francisco club. There were many stars on the team and for weeks he warmed the bench, never getting a chance to prove his real worth. It finally came in a game with Los Angeles.

For nine innings the two teams were deadlocked, each having scored a run. In the eleventh Los Angeles broke the tie, putting over two tallies, apparently clinching the game.

Prisco staged a rally and managed to get runners on first and third with two down. A home run would win the ball game.

Manager Wilson called on Waner. The 19-year-old recruit carefully selected his bat and walked to the plate with the confidence born of a veteran star.

OVER THE FENCE

Waner looked the first one over, a fast-breaking curve. Strike one! The pitcher tried to sneak over another curve. This time Waner was set. He swung hard.

Wham! As the ball left the bat the crowd rose to its feet and gave the kid a mighty cheer. It was apparent the ball would clear the wall. It did. Prisco won the game, 4-2.

Once more opportunity rapped at the door and Waner greeted it with a home run.

Waner may have his troubles breaking into the Pittsburgh outfield as he did at Frisco. The Pirates have a star outer defense. Will he deliver his usual home run in his debut and immediately make himself solid with fandom?

Like many of the great hitters of the day, Waner is a left-hander and not unlike Babe Ruth, started his career as a pitcher. As a southpaw they couldn't beat him in the six.

Gorman and Klamath Commission at Outs

SALEM, Ore., Apr. (AP)—The state boxing commission yesterday held that it had authority to settle a dispute between Joe Gorman, boxer, and members of the Klamath Falls boxing card held there last February.

Gorman, in a letter to the state boxing commission, requested an order compelling the Klamath Falls commission to pay 20 percent of the receipt of the card which totaled \$200. He alleges that he was fouled by Benny Dotson in the third or fourth round of the bout, and was compelled to retire from the ring because of injuries received. He charged the boxing commission refused to recognize the foul, and later declined to award his 20 percent of the receipts.

The state boxing commission held that its duties were an advisory nature, and that it was powerless to take any action unless advice asked by members of the Klamath Falls commission or the city attorney there.

Governor Pierce is chairman of the body. Secretary of State Koger and Attorney General Van Whitke being the other two members.

Too many cows are allowed to loiter around on public highways. Somebody ought to make a beef about it.

Stribling Winning Over Slattery



Here is the finale of the Stribling-Slattery fight staged in the new Madison Square Garden. Slattery is shown hanging on the ropes—all that saved him from a knockout.

TILDEN FACES HARD SEASON

NEW YORK, APR. 10. (AP)—The perennial problem over "Big Bill" Tilden's ability to maintain his grasp on the national tennis scepter again is agitating the racket ruminators.

"Big Bill," the pessimists point out, had more close calls for tournament in 1925 than in any previous year. To top that off, he suffered straight set defeats during the recent indoor season at the hands of Rene Lacoste and Jean Borotra. France's ace and ambitious contender for world honors, besides losing to Vincent Richards in Florida.

These reverses were something that even the skeptics regarded as beyond the realm of possibility, even with Tilden obviously not at his best. They have given impetus to the talk of a new tennis king.

Lacoste is the figure who looms most menacingly in Tilden's path just now. This sphinx-like young Frenchman, just turned 22, has all the equipment needed to make a world's champion. He came within an ace of beating Tilden in straight sets in the Challenge Round for the Davis Cup last year.

His improvement since then has boosted his stock considerably. Besides this foreign threat, Tilden will have the tried and trusted American Aces, Billie Jean King, Johnston and Richards, to contend with. The main battle seems likely to be among Tilden, Johnston and Lacoste when the national championships are decided at Forest Hills in September.

For neither Richards nor Borotra has shown the ability to maintain the consistent pace of these three.

It will be Tilden's bid for a seventh straight title on grass and his friends are confident that he will make it good, in spite of keen opposition and the possibility that the champion may not be able to maintain his old stride.

A motor gets hotter in the cylinder than it does in the summer.

Pirates' Great Rookie



PAUL WANER

One of the most promising youngsters to come into the major leagues in seasons is Paul Waner, flashy outfielder with the Pittsburgh Pirates. Waner was obtained from San Francisco of the Pacific Coast league, where he started last year. The Pirates paid a hefty sum for the lot, but according to reports issued from the training camp of the Pittsburgh club, Waner is making good with a vengeance. Some critics are opining Waner will start the season in the Pittsburgh outfield. Waner is a great hitter, fast out and covers ground sensationally.

WASHINGTON U. WINS REGATTA

SEATTLE, Apr. 10. (AP)—The University of Washington, winning its fifth consecutive Pacific Coast intercollegiate crew championship, swept everything before it on Lake Washington yesterday in its annual regatta with the University of California.

The purple and gold shell was five lengths to the front when it swept powerfully across the finish line in the varsity after increasing all the way through a lead into which it jumped at the start.

Bears Lack Power. The California oarsmen, worked smoothly perhaps a shade more so than their rivals but seemed to lack the power that sent the northern boats steadily to victory. The time was 16:25.3 for the three miles.

The regatta was completed by a freshman contest in which the Bears after losing the lead, fought their way to even terms with the Huskies and then lost by a boat length, in a two mile race.

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Mission	1	0	1.000
Portland	2	2	.500
Seattle	2	2	.500
San Francisco	0	1	.000
Sacramento	0	1	.000
Los Angeles	0	0	.000
Oakland	0	0	.000

YESTERDAY'S GAMES

Hollywood 4, San Francisco 2. SAN FRANCISCO (AP) R. H. E. Hollywood 4 3 1. San Francisco 2 3 2. Batteries: McCabe and Cook; Griffin, Mitchell, Mundy and Agnew.

Portland 8, Seattle 2. PORTLAND (AP)—R. H. E. Seattle 2 2 2. Portland 8 5 9. Batteries: Hardy, Gillespie and E. Baldwin; Mangrum and Berry.

Mission 8, Sacramento 1. SACRAMENTO (AP)—R. H. E. Mission 8 12 2. Sacramento 1 5 2. Batteries: Christian and Murphy; Walters; Hurlbut, Vinci and M. Silva.

Oregon-Idaho League Is Organized at Vale

VALE, Ore., Apr. 10. (Special)—Vale will play ball this year in a six-team league. Organization of the league was made at a meeting in the city on Tuesday night, with managers from each town represented present. Members are Nyssa, Vale, Pruitland, New Plymouth, Jamison and Brogan. The name decided upon is Idaho-Oregon Baseball League.

C. M. Robinson, of Vale, for the past 10 years a local baseball booster, was elected president of the league, and Mr. McCoy of Nyssa, secretary-treasurer. Other officials are Robert Barney, Vale manager; Fred Hughes, manager of the Benildon team; Marvin Street, Brogan manager; McCoy of Nyssa and Mr. Harris, manager of the Jamison team. New Plymouth will elect a local manager early next week.

A 10-game schedule was favored, which will give each team two chances with each opponent. The schedule will end the last Sunday in June and the opening games will be played on April 18, if present plans mature. A purse of \$150 will go to the team winning the pennant for the season.

NET STARS CLASH TODAY

EUGENE, Ore., Apr. 10. (AP)—Net stars of Reed college, of Portland, are here today to meet the tennis players of the University of Oregon in a match. Rain this morning threatened to postpone the matches, but as the weather brightened the cement courts were drying, and there was every indication that the matches would be played.

Marathoner



FRANK O'DONNELL

Frank O'Donnell, star Montreal marathon runner, who will compete in the famous Boston A. A. race to be held shortly. O'Donnell is 21 years old and while comparatively new at the long distance sport, hopes to make a noteworthy showing. He's a sergeant in No. 3 Company Grenadier Guards.

World's Richest



Geo. F. Baker, dean of American bankers. He is chairman of the First National bank, New York, and one of the little group of men that control America's railroads. Here he is at White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., celebrating his 50th birthday.

FASTER DUPED PUBLIC

LEWIS—Harry Nelson, professional faster, is in the boogoo having been taken from a cage in which, the police found, he had hidden for a month, by receiving soup and mail through a rubber tile.

JURY CONVICTS NEGRO

PHILADELPHIA—A jury which included five women has convicted a negro of first degree murder in an hour and a half.

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La Grande Was Once A University Center

Opinions differ, however, as to the exact date when the Rev. H. K. Hines opened the Blue Mountain University in Old Town. There are also conflicting statements in regard to the number originally enrolled and, indeed, to all subsequent history of this little school of a visionary man. Can you offer definite facts or suggest where they can be found?

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Ralph Hand Defeats Sailor Jack Woods

EUGENE, Ore., Apr. 10. (AP)—Ralph Hand, local grappler, won his match with Sailor Jack Woods, of Grants Pass, here, last night. Hand took the first fall in 18 minutes with a toe hold, and the second three minutes later with a headlock.

Wild Cat Pete, wrestling mate of Hand, took two out of three falls from Cecil Barich, who pairs with Woods.

MORE ABOUT COPS

LOS ANGELES—An Sergeant Sweetman puts it, policemen don't trust their mental faculties while on duty. Asked if he was human, he replied, I am a police officer. "All this in the municipal court when the sergeant was testifying that 'desire under the claus, had a bad effect on the audience but did not corrupt him."

THE HOME EXPANDS

MIAMI—Mrs. Ruth Bryan Owen, who is running for congress, believes the place for women is in the home, but the home is no longer confined to four walls; politics is an enlargement of home activities.

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This is only one of many questions that rises with the effort to gather together and perpetuate authentic stories of Eastern Oregon history. Any information about the early life of our pioneers or the development of our country will be appreciated.

DR. W. T. PHY,

HOT LAKE, OREGON