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MAY LOWER GOLF AGE LIMIT

CHICAGO, Sept. 17 (AP)—So adept are girls under 16 becoming with the driver, niblick and putter that the women's Western Golf Association may allow them to compete in its major championships next year. The association's executive committee has framed an amendment to the constitution whereby any player regardless of age may compete. Heretofore girls under 16 were barred.

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PHILADELPHIA HOT AFTER NEW YORK

Athletics Only Half A Game Behind Leaders; Cards Gain A Point

By Herbert W. Barker
(Associated Press Sports Writer)

Down the home stretch race baseball's battalions and it's short shrift for those that slip, even momentarily, now.

Two months ago a game lost was accompanied by no particularly disastrous after-effects but with only two weeks to go, a defeat for a contender calls for tearing of hair in the home camp and loud and prolonged cheers from pennant rivals.

Both races are as far from being decided as they were on the opening day of the season. Sunday's games left the Yankees a half game ahead of their bitter American league rivals, the Philadelphia Athletics, while the idle St. Louis Cardinals, stretched their National league advantage to two full games when the second place New York Giants bowed to Pittsburg.

Benton Beaten

That Giant defeat, by 1 to 0, was a bitter pill for Larry Benton, right-handed red-head of John McGraw's twirling staff. Larry held the battling Pirates to two hits in the eight innings he worked and walked only two men and yet had only himself to blame for his defeat. Both pirate hits and both of Benton's walks came in the third inning, when the only run of the game was scored.

Dazzy Vance saw a well-pitched game go by the boards as the Cincinnati Reds trimmed the Brooklyn Robins, 4 to 3 in 10 innings.

Gehrig Homes

The Yankees made sure of staying on top of the American league standing for another day when they beat St. Louis, 7 to 5, and evened the series. The Yankees were off to an early lead and saw to it that the Browns never caught up. Lou Gehrig smacked out his 24th homer of the year in the fifth but Babe Ruth went hitless.

Back of Lefty Grove's great pitching the Athletics coasted to victory over the down-trodden Cleveland Indians, 7 to 1. It was Grove's 23rd victory of the season against seven defeats and the Indians' 11th successive reverse.

Goodling pitching by Alphonse Thomas and "Slim" Harriss gave Chicago and Boston an even break in a double-header. Thomas allowed four hits in the first game which went to the Whitesox 7 to 1, while Harriss allowed the same number in twirling Boston to a 2 to 0 shutout in the nightcap.

Senators on Slugfest

Three Tiger pitchers were slugged for 15 hits as Washington took the second game of the series with Detroit, 11 to 7. Bucky Harris had a funny day at second base. He accepted 14 chances, evenly divided between outs and assists, but made three errors, as well.

Major league standings follow:

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W.	L.	Pct.
New York	92	49	.652
Philadelphia	92	50	.648
St. Louis	78	64	.549
Chicago	68	75	.476
Washington	66	76	.465
Detroit	62	79	.444
Cleveland	59	83	.415
Cleveland	59	83	.415
Boston	50	92	.352

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W.	L.	Pct.
St. Louis	86	55	.610
New York	84	57	.596
Chicago	82	59	.585
Pittsburg	76	62	.566
Cincinnati	74	65	.532
Brooklyn	70	72	.493
Boston	45	94	.324
Philadelphia	42	99	.298

MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS
(Including Games of Sept. 16)
By the Associated Press

National

Batting—P. Waner, Pirates, .378.
Runs—P. Waner, Pirates, 132.
Runs Batted In — Bottomley, Cards, 120.
Hits—P. Waner, Pirates, 216.
Doubles—P. Waner, Pirates, 51.
Triples—P. Waner, Pirates, 19.
Homers—Wilson, Cubs, 30.
Stolen Bases—Cuyler, Cubs, 32.
Pitching—Benton, Giants, won 24, lost 7.

American

Batting—Goslin, Senator, .378.
Runs—Ruth, Yanks, 142.
Runs Batted In —Gehrig, Yanks, 131.
Hits—Manush, Browns, 219.
Doubles—Manush, Browns, 45.
Triples—Combs, Yanks, 19.
Homers—Ruth, Yanks, 50.
Stolen Bases—Myer, Red Sox, 25.
Pitching—Crowder, Browns, won 18, lost 5.

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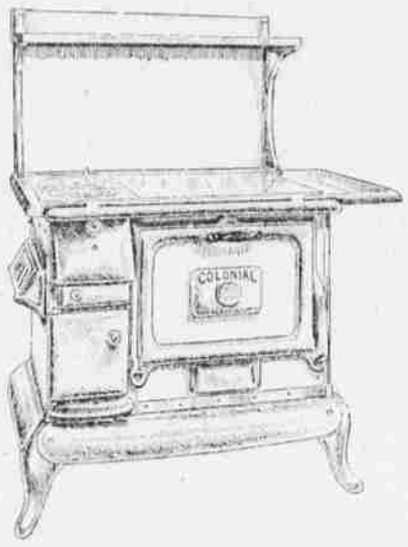

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Portland Takes Double Header; Stars Drop Two

Pacific Coast League Standings

	W.	L.	Pct.
Sacramento	99	59	.634
Hollywood	89	52	.619
San Francisco	87	54	.580
Mission	84	58	.537
Oakland	83	59	.524
Portland	82	68	.400
Los Angeles	72	69	.355
Seattle	56	86	.317

By the Associated Press

Sacramento is again on top of the heap after taking a twin bill and six of the seven games from the late league leading Stars. Hollywood's desperate efforts in the last of the ninth to win, fell short and the Senators won 6 to 5. Nine pitchers, five of them Stocks, were used in the nightcap. Hollywood led 5 to 0 at the fourth but the Solons went rampant and the game ended 12 to 8. Batteries: first game: Keating and Severeid; Vatal, Finch, Murphy and Hasler; second game: Vinci, Kahle, Benge, Gould and Severeid; Rhodes, Murphy, McCabe, Hallstead, Kinney, and Agnew.

Portland was back in sixth place after grabbing the double offering from the Seals, the first in 18 innings, 8 to 7, and the short final 5 to 0. The score was 6 to 4 in the Seals favor in the ninth of the opener when a homer, double and a walk tied things. Each scored once in the twelfth and two singles and a pair of passes gave Portland victory in the 14th. Batteries: first game: Ortman, Ponder and Whitney; Thurston, Jones, Malls and Spring; second game: Ponder and Saunders; Moody, Glywn and Vargas.

The Missions took the series from Oakland by dividing the Sunday games winning in the morning 5 to 4 and losing the nightcap 6 to 2. The Oaks hit Bushler hard in the opening innings of the first tilt to pile up an early lead. The Oaks tied the score in the fifth of the nightcap and added three more in the ninth to win. Batteries: first game: Holling, Sexson and Baldwin; Bushler, Sparks, Kanish and Read, Baker; second game: Sisk, McAvoy and Lansdell; Pillette, Davenport and Brenzel.

Seattle took the two closing games from the Angels although the series was lost. The Indians scored two in the eighth in the morning to win 5 to 4 and a five-run rally in the same inning of the afternoon battle gave them victory 7 to 2. Batteries: first game: Howe, Bryan and Almanah; Pitt and Hannah; second game: Sullivan and Cox, Gabler, J. Jacobs and Morton.

Manager of Late Champion Suicides

KINGSTON, N. Y., Sept. 17 (AP)—Walk Miller, manager of the late Tiger Flowers, at one time middleweight champion, was dead today presumably by his own hand.

His lifeless body was found in his room at his training camp for boxers near here yesterday. There were two bullet wounds in his body, one in the temple, the other through his heart.

Lying in the crook of his arm was a revolver. No one apparently heard the shots. His body was discovered when Jesse McMahon, former matchmaker for Madison Square Garden, called to see him.

Miller and Flowers made fortunes in the ring. When Flowers died last November Miller was named executor of the negro fighter's estate.

Among other fighters managed by Miller were Young Stribling, Manuel Quintero, Tony Herrera, Joe Hall and Tommy White.

Farrell, Hagen All Square In Title Matches

NEW YORK, Sept. 17 (AP)—Johnny Farrell and Walter Hagen were all square today in their series of five matches for the "unofficial world's golf championship," defeated "Sir Walter," the British open titleholder, in the fourth 36-hole encounter at the Siwanoy country club yesterday, 1 up, and thereby evened the series of two victories apiece.

The fifth and deciding match now is to be staged although the date and scene have not yet been selected.

Hagen lost his chance to capture the title without the necessity of another match by running into difficulties on the last five holes.

After taking the 21st to be two up, Hagen took a six on the 22nd and a five on the 23rd while Farrell was down in four on both. That squared the match. A four on the 25th made Farrell dormie one, the first time he had been in the lead. The match ended in the home hole which was halved in four.

Each scored 72's in the morning round, one over par but Hagen took a 77 in the afternoon to 74 for the national open champion.

BEND, SALEM TIED

SALEM, Ore., Sept. 17 (AP)—With a dramatic finish that brought the spectators to their feet the Salem Senators yesterday in a ninth-inning rally overcame Bend's 6 to 3 lead and won 7 to 6. The victory leaves the Eagles and the Senators tied for the Willamette Valley league title. The play-off will be on neutral ground at Oregon next Sunday.

During leap year the girl is privileged to make advances if she can think up any new ones.

Bridge Pointers

By Milton C. Work

Although there are two recognized types of hands with which a partner's uncontested No Trump should be overcalled, it is only in a minority of cases that either of those types secure; in the vast majority of cases, when an initial No Trump has been bid and passed by the next adversary, the partner of the No Trumper should pass also. But there are two types of hands with which partner's uncontested No Trump should be overcalled.

Strength Take-Outs

Supposing that a No Trump has been bid and passed by the adversary next in order, and that the partner of the No Trumper holds

Suit 1	A-K-X-X-X
Suit 2	A-Q-X
Suit 3	X-X-X
Suit 4	X-X

Such a hand of course furnishes very valuable assistance for the partner's No Trump; but if Suit 1 be a Major, it may be that there will be game in the Major and not in the No Trump and that passing the No Trump would result in permitting the adversaries to save the game, whereas bidding the Major would ensure game. On the other hand, supposing Suit 1 to be a Minor, it is possible that there may be game in the combined hands with the Minor trump and not at No Trump; but this possibility is very remote because there are comparatively few hands which will produce ELEVEN tricks with a Minor trump and fail to produce NINE tricks at a No Trump. There are, however, many hands that will produce TEN tricks for a Major-suit contract and fail to produce NINE tricks for a No Trump contract. This is not because it is any more difficult to make the requisite number of tricks with a Minor trump than it is with a Major, but because there is a wide gulf between the ability to make ten tricks and eleven tricks.

Thousands of hands are dealt every day in which it is possible to make ten tricks with the suit that best fits the combined hands, but utterly impossible to make eleven. For this reason expert players, when the score is love, prefer a Major that fits to a No Trump, and a No Trump to a Minor.

The consideration of No Trump take-outs will be continued on Monday next.

Civil War Veterans Guests Of Denver

DENVER, Colo., Sept. 17 (AP)—Trains today are still bringing in delegates and comrades to the 62nd annual encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Hotel lobbies resound to an occasional fife and drum, a war-whoop now and then and the constant hum of voices retelling of experiences from the storming of Fort Sumter to the surrender of Lee—the war of the secession is fought over again.

The encampment opens officially Wednesday and the event of the occasion, the parade of the thinned ranks of the veterans will be held that day.

The president has been shooting birds, according to dispatches from Wisconsin. Hoover and Smith ought to join him for practice; there will be any number of birds in Washington seeking jobs after March 4 and the practice would come in handy.