## **GOOD START MEANS** MUCH, SAYS MATTY

False Opening May Lead to Off Season, but Showing Comes in Streaks.

DOYLE CASE IS INSTANCE

"Larry" Had Bad Year in 1913 but World's Trip This Year Proves Tonic, and He Gets Away in Grand Style With Prospects.

BY CHRISTY MATHEWSON, NEW YORK, May 5.—(Special.)-Few fans realize how big league play-ers worry in the Spring about their ability to hit the pace that has held them in fast company after the layoff of the Winter. This is particularly true of pitchers, and three or four de feats in the beginning of the race often means that a twirler is in for a bad year, since these defeats make him believe he has lost something over the Winter and that he will not be able to come back. On the other hand, the man who gets away to a good start is in for a phenomenal season, as a rule.

As a man wears along through the days of his baseball usefulness, this uncertainty in the Spring becomes more pronounced, since he knows that eventually a season will arrive when his "stuff" is gone for good. Take my own case. Until the Giants

reached Philadelphia on the way north, I felt fine, but, with the colder weather and the days of luieness on account of rain, my condition went bad, and I came up one morning with a heavy cold. I found I had no control of the ball, and in the first game which I started against Brooklyn, Robinson's club hit me all over the field. "Movie" Man Appears.

Shortly after that, a moving picture man came to me with a proposition. "Do you want to take this up?" he asked me,
"Wait until I see whether I ever
win a game, and then I'll talk," I re-

That afternoon I took my first game against Philadelphia and felt better. It did more to cure my cold than all the other treatment which had been

A ball player's showing for the most part runs in streaks and seasons. It is only the unusual man who can keep up his top pace year after year. There have been few of them in the history of the game, and even these stars worry. refer to such performers as Cobb, Wagner, Lajole, et al. Generally, the season following a raise in pay brings and results in the cases of many

Doyle Got Away Badly.

"Larry" Doyle did not have a good season last year. He got away badly, and he worried about it constantly, until he did not know whether he would ever come back. The trip he made around the world acted as a tonic on him, for he was under no pressure and he hit hard all the way. He came to the Spring camp sure of himself. He has been playing great ball, and owing to his good start, I expect to see him enjoy one of the best seasons of his big-league experience.

Al Demarce went through the Spring trip without a hitch, and he broke away into the race with a whirlwind start. He is pitching great ball, the best of any twirler on the Giant staff now, and he will probably have a year that will mark itself up as the banner one of his big-league career so far. He believes himself that he has the goods, which is about half the battle. Marquard got off to a wonderful start in 1912, and he took 19 straight games before cracking. If there had been an eccasional defeat interspersed in his record here and there that season, I believe he would have had a much batter. record here and there that season, I believe he would have had a much better record as a whole, since that long string of victories was a big strain, of when it was finally snapped, the ndency was for him to slough off. ill, the good start was responsible

for all the wins. Look at Joe Wood. In 1912, he had his big season. In Spring practice in 1913, he never looked better, but he got off to a bad start in the champion-ship race, and his work through the run of the Summer was not up to his standard. Chief Bender, of the Athletics, did not get away good in 1912, and he had one of his worst seasons. Veterans worry about winning that first game. Leould go ahead reiterating instances to prove this. A frequent remark of big-league pitchers is: "Well, now I've got the first one perhaps I can show something."

Cobb Now Prophet.

Cobb New Prophet.

Out of a letter from "Ty" Cobb to a friend of mine, I have received permission to take the following quotation on his opinion of the race in the American League, and I don't know any man better fitted to express an opinion:

"We (the Detroit Tigers) have a good club this year, and will be bothering the boys up around stations one, two and three the whole season. The White Sox look dangerous because of their

and three the whole season. The White Sox look dangerous because of their pitchers, and you know the Athletics. They are always dangerous."

Cobb is not a man to be overly optimistic about his club, and his statement that he expects Detroit to bother the leaders comes as a surprise to me. He was not in this state of mind last Summer, so he must believe that "Hughle" mer, so he must believe that "Hughie" Jennings has improved his club by the new blood he has added this Spring.

To me Cobb is the wonder player of baseball. For eight years now he has been the center of baseball interest. and yet he keeps up the pace that he has set for himself. They raise his pay, has set for himself. They raise his pay, and he travels at an even faster clip. He is what is known in baseball as a money player. The more at stake, the stronger he goes. This Summer he is satisfied with the salary that he is receiving, and he is liable to show them some baseball that he never had before if he meets with any luck. Last Summer he was not satisfied with the treatment he received from the club. This

if he meets with any luck. Last Summer he was not satisfied with the treatment he received from the club. This time he has his whole heart in the game all the time. Let me quote again from his letter. He did not see the recipient in the stand one day when the friend yelled at him as Cobb passed close by his box.

"In regard to happenings on the field and friends in the stand." says Cobb, "I am so darn serious when in a game that I find it hard to see anything but the plays in front of me."

While discussing Cobb there is one more point that I want to clear up. From time to time there have been hints that Cobb was a hard man for Jennings to handle, and that frequently he went against the manager's orders on plays. Hugh is a good friend of mine, and he has often told me that Cobb does not cross him on plays.

"Where this idea came from," remarked Hughie, "is probably because "Ty" thinks so fast when he is on the bases that he will often show up another runner, and this makes it look bad. Cobb is hustling for the team all

Federal League May Get Chance to Testify in Fall Action.

CINCINNATI, May 5.—Judge Sessions, of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals, announced here today that he had granted an appeal in the Federal Baseball League's case

the Federal Baseball League's case relative to Player Killifer, which was decided against it at Grand Rapids several weeks ago.

It was also announced the hearing would probably take place in this city some time in the Fall.

Catcher Killifer, of the Philadelphia National League team, signed a contract with the Chicago Federal League club. Later he reconsidered and jumped back to Philadelphia, and the Federal League brought suit in the United States Court at Grand Rapids in an effort to enjoin him from playing with the Philadelphia club.

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In deciding the case Judge Sessions denied the application for an injunction on the grounds that the Chicago club did not come into court "with clean hands."

Mike Gibbons Shows Class

NEW YORK, May 5 .- Mike Gibbons of St. Paul, outpointed Johnny Howard, of Bayonne, N. J., in every round but the third of a 18-round bout in Brooklyn today. Gibbons gave an exhibition of good boxing and footwork. The weights were: Gibbons 152, Howard 15915.

White Salmon Wins in Tenth. WHITE SALMON, Wash., May 5 .-(Special.)—In a 10-inning game Sunday White Salmon defeated the Spokane, Portland & Seattle team, of Portland, by a score of 7 to 6.

### **BUCKS AND BEARS TIED**

PENDLETON BEATS WALLA WALLA KUBS, TOO, DEFEATED.

Buckaroos Cinch Game in First Inning Before Washington Gets Warmed Up; Leeper Leaps to Rescue.

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Western Tri-State League Standings.
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in the Western Tri-State League yester treday and is tiled for first place with the Bears.
The score was 5 to 2. North Yakima, playing at Baker, got the best of the Kubs, 4 to 0.
At Walla Walla the Buckaroes got to busy before Washington had warmed up and cinched the game in the first ming, getting three runs off two hite, a walk, a sacrifice and a sacrifice fly. The score was added to in the fifth and sixth by one tally each, hits, errors and a squeeze play doing it. Leeper went in in the sixth and held the Bucks. Walla Walla was dangerous only into the sixth, when a triple and two doubles put a man on first in the fourth and again in the sixth. The rest of the it was one, two, three. Of Walla Walla's six hits, three were for extra bases. The score:

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the seventh they got the rest on a two-bagger, walk, single, sacrifice fly and passed bail. Baker got no one past second base. The Kubs played better than at any time against Walla Walla last week, but the Braves were too much for them. The score:

R. H. E. R. H. E.
N. Yakima. 4 9 2 Baker...... 0 6 1
Batteries—Kite and Fuller; Sutherland and King.

C LEVELAND, that is, part of Clevesome days ago. Some parts still cele-

The man living over in Eastern time calls to his friend. "It's now a quarter of eight. I'll be over there at a quarter past seven."

He jumps into a taxi and when he gets to the girl's house, the driver owes him \$4.20 for time lost in coming from Eastern time to Central. ing from Eastern time to Central. Maybe he has a wife. She lives over towards New York. He gets to an hour later if he stays in the w ern end of the city. Great stuff:

Holland, like Germany, is looking for an American trainer to take care of the next Olympic crop. Can't help 'em just now. The trainers all will 'em just now. I be needed when be needed when the United States sends the football teams to conquer fight to Jeanette was received with an outburst of booing from the spec-

That the "dodo" ball of bowling fame That the "dodo ball of bowing table is not yet where the bird of the same name is, is borne out by the findings of the Cleveland Straight Ball Association, which threw out scores because of loaded bowling balls.

## KILLIFER CASE GOES HIGHER BAR OF REDS HOLDS

Pitcher Johnson's Injunction Awaits May 14.

### JUMPER'S CASE IMPORTANT

Twirler Charges -Cincinnati Club With Hiegally and Unjustly Fining Him for Not Being in Condition, but While III.

CHICAGO, May 5 .- Hearing on the otion to dissolve the injunction restraining George H. Johnson, who jumped to the Kansas City Federals from the Cincinnati National League club, was continued today until Thursday, May 14. The injunction, which was obtained by the Cincinnati club, forbade Johnson from playing with any baseball club.

An affidavit signed by Johnson and An affidavit signed by Johnson and introduced by the Kansas City club told of negotiations the pitcher was carrying on with Joe Tinker and Otto Knabe last January, when a message from Henry Groh, of the Cincinnati club, resulted in his going to Cincinnati to see Garry Hermann. Hermann told him, Johnson alleged, that the Federals had no hall park were not financially reno ball park, were not financially responsible and would not last until the opening of the season. Relying, he said, on the representations, the pitcher signed a contract with the Cincinnati

were inserted in the affidavit — one carrying the clause which permits a club to terminate the contract by giving written notice to the player, should he be incapacitated by injury for a period of 15 days, and the other in-cluding the clause which permits the discharge of a player by giving him ten days' notice, known as the "ten-days clause"

Albany, Corvallis, Eugene, Salem

and Cottage Grove Proposed. EUGENE, Or., May 5.—(Special.)—
Steps are being taken through the Atlas Club, of Eugene, and through A. R.
Robins, representing the Albany baseball team, to form a wider upper
Willamette Valley baseball league than Sport Hits and Misses Willamette Valley baseball league to draw now exists. It is proposed to draw into this league teams from Albany, or the contage.

yesterday, in the opening game of the local baseball season, 2 to 1. Dilley, for Sheridan, held Yamhill County hitless the first six inings. Henry, his suc-The Federal League is considering for Sheridan, held Yamhill County hitters with each ticket. Others may call off games because of rain, but the Feds keep on. St. Louis would like to have called off the game a couple of days ago, but when the Feds play its up to them to follow suit.

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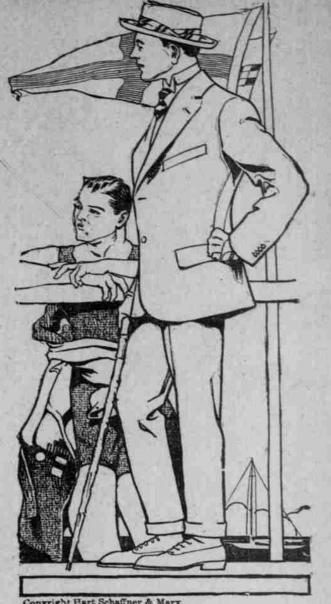
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## O. A. C. HAS FAITH

Dual Meet Friday With U Track Men Causes Fear.

STEWART IS PESSIMISTIC

With Hobgood, Moses and Foster Team Badly Crippled-Sprinters Looked To for Laurels.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, May 5.—(Special.)—Hopes for a defeat of the University of Oregon track squad at the hands of the Ore-NEW VALLEY LEAGUE PLANNED the dual meet to be held in Eugene ext Friday have been blasted in the hearts of Aggle supporters with the realization that some of the best of Dr. Stewart's lads are not eligible for conference meets, and that the University team is far stronger than was at first supposed. Coach Stewart and his assistants are decidedly pessimistic over the probable outcome of the meet.

Willamette Valley baseball league than now exists. It is proposed to draw into this league teams from Albany, Corvallis, Salem, Eugene and Cottage Grove, and play ball possibly twice or three times a week.

It is not determined that this league can be established to play this year, but the plans are being formed for next season at least, and will substitute, so far as Eugene is concerned, the present league composed of Eugene, Cottage Grove, Marcola, Coburg, Creswell and Junction City.

JEANETTE WINS; LONDON BOOS

Colin Bell, Australian, Goes 20

Rounds With Negro.

LONDON, May 5.—Colin Bell, an Australian heavyweight boxer, fought a 20-round match with "Joe" Jeanette, the negro fighter of Hoboken, N. J. at Prei.ierland last night.

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ent chance for, victory in this race,

O. A. C. has been beaten in track by Oregon consistently in recent years, and Aggie fans are praying that the will turn" as it turned in the

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

Chicago 8, St. Louis 1.

ST. LOUIS, May 5.—"Reb" Russell, who was beaten by St. Louis Saturday, returned to the mound for Chicago to-day and turned the tables, Chicago win-

out, by Russell 4, by Hoch 2. Time, hours. Umpires, Chill and Sherldan. Washington 6, New York 0.

WASHINGTON, May 5 .- Johnson shut

Runz, Foster 2, Milno, Gandli, McBride, Johnson, Tow-base hits—Milan, McBride, Shanks, Left on bases, New York 6, Wash-ngton 7, Struck out, by McHaie 2, by John-ion 6, Time, 1:26, Tpriple play, Maisel to Sweeney to Willfams to Malsel. Umpires, Dincen and Connelly.

Clevgland 4, Detroit 2.

CLEVELAND, May 5.—The fielding of Turner and Cobb, the pitching of Hagerman and the hitting of Lajole were features of today's game, which Cleveland won from Datroit, 4 to 2.

Cleveland-

Burns, Turner, Lajoie and Johnston; Olson and Johnston. Time, 1:50. Umpires, O'Eoughin and Hildebrand.

Philadelphia-Boston game postponed, rain.

FEDERAL LEAGUE.

Buffalo 5, Chicago 2,

CHICAGO, May 5.—Buffalo defeated Chicago 5 to 2, in 12 innings today, in the 12th Allen was safe on Tinker's fumble. Krapp walked. Hanford doubled and Allen and Krapp scored and he himself scored when Watson threw the relay of the ball wild to center. Hanford's batting was a feature. The score:

Buffalo ... 000010000103—5 7 1 Chicago ... 000000001010002 8 5 Batteries—Krapp and Blair, Allen;
Lange, Watson and Wilson.

Kansas City 3, Pittsburg 2.

KANSAS CITY, May 5.—Cullop's effective pitching enabled Kansas City to defeat Pittsburgh today, 3 to 2. The visitors were unable to bit safely unit.

Baltimore 8, St. Louis 6.

ST. LOUIS, May 5.—Willett, after pitching good ball for St. Louis for seven innings, weakened in the eighth and Baltimore scored five runs. giving them the game 3 to 6. The score:

St. Louis!...2 0 0 0 1 0 2 1 0—6 11 1 Baltimore...0 0 0 1 0 2 0 5 0—8 12 2 Batteries — Willett and Herbert, Chapman, Wilhelm and E. Smith, Jacklitsch.

Indianapolis-Brooklyn game post-poned, rain.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

Boston-Philadelphia, no game; rain, Cincinnati-Pittsburg, no game; rain. New York-Brooklyn, no game; rain. Chicago and St. Louis traveling. Invitations Out for Davis Play.

NEW YORK, May 5 .- Invitations to NEW TORK, May 5.—Invitations to compete for places on the Davis cup team were sent out today by the cup committee. This is the first step looking to the playing of the international tennis championship. Those invited include not only the ranking first 10 players, but the class A men and a number of others who were not rated in the 1913 list of players. Naturally the list is headed by Maurico E. McLoughlin, last year's winner, and T. C. Bundy, his partner in the doubles championships.

Vancouver High School Athletes Are Best.

ONE LONE POINT ENOUGH

Relay Race Decides Track Meet or New \$5000 Field-Miller Is Big Feature of Day for Victors, Taking 11 Points.

VANCOUVER, Wash, May 5 .- (Spe cial.)—By taking 21 points out of the last 23, the local High school track and field team defeated the Lincoln High school squad of Portland 61 to 60 on the winner's \$5000 field this afternoon. Lincoln took an early lead in the affair and at one time the contest stood 54 to 36 in favor of the visitors. The relay race decided the match, Vancouver winning the half mile in the fast time of 1 minute, 38 seconds. "Speed" Coulter and Johnny Carr, both of Lincole were the high point winners, each

Lincoln, field judge; Chappelle, Nate Shanedling, Burnett, Manager Celestine, of Lincoln, judges of the finish; An-nouncer Ryan, Scorer Shamway, Timer Earl R. Goodwin.

RULES BROKEN; TWO MEN PAY Northwestern "U" Team Captain

and Coach Lose Places CHICAGO, May 5.—Mac Emerson McCoshos, captain of the Northwestern University baseball team and star of the football team last Fall, was dismissed from the university today by a unanimous vote of the faculty. The action followed the dismissal yesterday of Coach Dennis Grady and

yesterday of Coach Dennis Grady and was taken when an investigation showed that both had knowledge that Roy Kisner and Abraham Smith, two dental school freshmen, were in the lineup under the names of Leo Rank and Eugene Schmitt in the game against the University of Minnesota a week ago. The conference rules prohibited the freshmen participating in the game. the game.
Grady, who was relieved yesterday,
was succeeded by Fred J. Murphy,

Chehallis Moose Defeat Tono. CHEHALIS. Wash, May 5.—(Special.)—The Chehalis Moore baseball team won from Tono in a lively game by a score of 6 to 0. The trip was made by auto truck and the players report a lively time skidding over the rough roads leading to Northern Lewis County and the Thurston coal center.

ymond 7 to 4, Pe Ell defeated Ray-and 12 to 2.

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