VICTORY BY BRAVES IS HELD PROBABLE

Dope Gives Edge to Athletics, but Hunch Is That This Is Boston's Year to Win.

BUMPS SEEN FOR BENDER

Guess Is That Opening Battery Will Be Rudolph Against Plank and Big Surprise in Pitching Will Be Feature.

Pacific Coast League Standings.

	W.	L.	Pct.		W.	L.	Pct.
Portland..	97	75	.563	L. Angeles	101	88	.535
San Fran.	106	85	.555	Missions.	81	110	.424
Venice....	104	85	.548	Oakland..	72	117	.381

Yesterday's Results.

At Venice—No game; Portland failed to arrive.

At San Francisco—San Francisco 12, Missions 5.

At Oakland—Los Angeles 9, Oakland 7.

Pennant Dope.

Portland has a lead of one-half a game.

There are still 21 games on the schedule for Portland.

San Francisco is now one and one-half games ahead of Venice.

Two game and one-half separates Los Angeles from the first division.

BY ROSCOE FAWCETT.

We'll admit there is some slight interest in the pennant fight in the Pacific Coast League. But for the next 10 days this interest will be very much in the eclipse of the world's series. In Portland, as everywhere, the fans are for Boston, and yet, while 90 per cent of Portland fans are pulling for the under dog, the man who hints that Boston really has a show is put down as a dreamer.

No ball club has ever existed that could not be beaten some time, however, and it is our guess that this is Boston's year to humble the great Athletics.

The Boston Red Sox recently demonstrated the truth of the above platitude by running the Mackmen off their feet, and what one ball club has done other teams can do.

Dope Favors Athletics.

On plain dope, of course, there is nothing to the story but Philadelphia. The Athletics have the edge in batting, thanks to the Baker-Collins-McInnis combination, and with fielding and pitching about on a par, the pro-Philadelphia opponent has every argument in his favor.

It's our guess that the big surprise this Fall will come in the pitching.

Southpaw pitchers have annoyed the Braves more than rightwheelers during the 1914 National League race. Plank may prove a thorn in the region of the Boston lower vest pocket, but we have a hunch that the Indian, Bender, is slated to get his bumps at last.

If the Braves get to one of the two veterans, it will be good night, Connie Mack.

Bush pulled the Macks out of a hole last Fall; Adams was a big Pirate star in 1909, yet the chances are extremely heavy that no such phenomenal hurling stunts will feature this campaign.

Opening Battery Guessed At.

James, Rudolph and Tyler have carried the pitching burden for the Braves with remarkable success. If Seattle Bill James were not the youngest of the trio, doubtless he would be Stallings' choice for the opening game. He may be, anyway, but, guessing again, we'll venture the opening day battery as Rudolph versus Plank.

Rudolph is the most experienced of the Boston trio and the smallest. He is built on Gene Krapp proportions. He is a slow ball pitcher by comparison with James.

Tyler is a southpaw and, we believe, Tyler and Rudolph will trouble the Athletics more than our own Bill James. American League southpaws like Ray Collins and Tex Russell invariably have held the Athletics to few hits during the past campaign.

Tyler Wins Seven of Eight.

In one streak last Summer Tyler pitched eight most gruelling games, won seven of them, lost the eighth by one run in 10 innings and shut his opponents out in five of the string. Heinie Zimmerman always could hit Tyler hard, but such southpaw batting stars as Daubert and Good have been even weaker against him than Connolly, of Boston, is against portsiders.

In a long series we do not doubt but that the Athletics would be returned the victors. Hitherto they have been invincible in the short sets, too, but the Boston Braves play different ball than the New York Giants.

The Braves conduct their attacks in sharp, brisk fusillades. They have shown the faculty of coining runs on few opportunities. Their hits come in ripe, juicy clusters, and this snappy, consecutive hitting, supported by dauntless nerve and much paprika, is the only sort of playing that can hope to squelch the present world's titleholders.

Season Fine for "Goats."

This has been a fine open season for the "goats." Al McCoy knocked the daylight out of George Chip; Willie Ritchie got his from Welsh and White; McLoughlin was sandpapered by Williams; Harvard's crew took the Yale wash all the way; Walter Johnson and Rube Marquard have been in the dumps; the American polo team might have been riding merry-go-round plugs for all the effect its members had on the British; the Federal League was going to "blow" July 4; the Giants were scheduled to win the National League pennant.

And, last, but not least, the Kaiser had planned on dinner in Paris about September 2.

If there is anything in hunches, this is Boston's year!

NEW YORK, Oct. 6.—James C. Smith, third baseman of the Boston National League club, broke his leg above the ankle in sliding to second base in the ninth inning of the first game of the double-header with Brooklyn today. Smith will be unable to play in the world's series. Deal, Dugey or Whitted will probably play in Smith's place in the big series.

SEALS DRAW NEARER PENNANT

Missions Are Defeated, 5 to 12, While Beavers Are Idle in South.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 6.—San Francisco drew a half game nearer the lead in the pennant race today by defeating Mission 12 to 5, while Portland remained idle in the south.

Today's game was "Skeeter" Fanning's 11th consecutive victory. He was touched safely 12 times, but the perfect fielding of his teammates and their ability with the willow made the game a walkover. Score:

San Francisco—	B	H	O	A	E	Missions—	B	H	O	A	E
Fitzge'ld,c	6	1	3	0	0	Shinn,r...	5	2	0	0	0
Jones,3...	4	4	1	2	0	Young,2...	5	1	4	5	2
Schaller,1.	3	1	1	0	0	Orr,s.....	5	1	1	3	0
Schmidt,c.	3	1	5	0	0	Coy,m.....	5	1	5	0	0
Corhan,s..	4	2	2	4	0	Fennant,1.	5	2	13	1	1
Cartwr't,l	4	1	10	1	0	Hallinan,3.	4	1	1	4	2
Fobin,m..	5	0	2	0	0	VanHuren,l	4	1	1	0	0
Colligan,2.	5	2	4	3	0	Rohrer,c..	2	2	1	2	1
Fanning,p	4	2	1	3	0	Stanley,p..	2	1	0	1	0
Mundorff,l	1	1	0	0	0	Lynn.....	0	0	3	1	0
						Hannah...	1	0	0	0	0
						Gregory,p.	0	0	0	0	0
Totals.	39	15	27	10	0	Totals..	38	12	27	17	6

San Francisco .....0 2 1 0 2 2 3 0 X—12
Hits .....1 1 2 0 1 3 3 1 3—15
Missions .....0 0 1 0 2 0 0 2 0—5
Hits .....0 1 1 0 3 1 0 4 2—12

Runs, Fitzgerald, Jones 2, Schmidt, Corhan 2, Tobin 2, Colligan 2, Fanning, Mundorff, Young, Orr, Rohrer 2, Stanley. Ten runs, 12 hits off Stanley, 35 at bat in eight innings. Stolen bases, Jones, Corhan, Coy. Hannah batted for Stanley in eighth. Three-base hits, Rohrer 1, Shinn. Two-base hits, Jones, Rohrer. Sacrifice hits, Schaller, Fanning. Sacrifice fly, Stanley. First base on called balls, Fanning 1, Stanley 6, Gregory 1. Struck out, by Fanning 3, by Stanley 3, by Gregory 2. Hit by pitcher, Tobin, Jones, by Stanley; Rohrer. Left on bases, San Francisco 10, Missions 8. Runs responsible for, Fanning 5, Stanley 8, Gregory 2. Umpires, McCarthy and Phyle. Time, 2:04. Charge defeat to Stanley.

LOS ANGELES BEATS OAKLAND

Commuters Make Determined Stand but Lose Game, 7 to 9.

OAKLAND, Oct. 6.—In a game featured by long-distance hitting Los Angeles defeated Oakland, 9 to 7, in the first contest of the series which opened here today. Two triples and 11 two-baggers allowed plenty of exercise for the outfielders. Oakland made a determined stand in the final frame, when four hits were developed into as many runs. Score:

Los Angeles—	B	H	O	A	E	Oakland—	B	H	O	A	E
Wolter,r..	4	0	1	1	0	Danielsr..	3	0	0	0	0
Metzger,2.	5	3	1	0	1	Guest,3....	3	0	2	3	0
Maggert,m	5	1	2	0	0	Middleton,l	4	1	2	1	0
Abstein,1.	5	3	13	1	0	Ness,1....	4	2	9	2	0
Ellis,l....	4	1	0	0	0	Zacher,m.	4	2	1	1	0
Moore,2...	4	1	2	3	0	Menges,s..	3	1	6	1	0
Johnson,s.	4	1	4	7	0	Dowling,2.	3	1	1	2	1
Meek,c....	4	4	3	1	0	Mitze,c....	4	0	6	5	1
Ryan,p...	3	1	1	2	0	Prough,p..	1	0	0	0	0
Harper,r.	1	1	0	0	0	Geyer,p...	2	1	0	4	0
						Gardner,2.	1	1	0	0	0
						Alexander*	1	0	0	0	0
Totals.	38	16	27	16	0	Totals.	35	10	27	18	3

*Batted for Geyer in ninth.

Los Angeles .....0 3 0 4 0 1 0 0 1— 9
Hits .....0 3 1 4 1 2 1 1 3—16
Oakland .....0 0 0 3 0 0 0 0 4— 7
Hits .....0 0 1 3 1 1 0 0 4—10

Runs, Wolter, Ellis, Moore 2, Johnson, Meek 2, Ryan, Harper, Guest, Middleton, Ness 2, Zacher, Menges, Gardner. Five runs, 7 hits, 17 at bat off Prough in 3 1-3 innings; charge defeat to Prough. Three-base hits, Harper, Maggert. Two-base hits, Meek 2, Abstein 2, Ryan, Ness 2, Metzger, Maggert, Menges, Gardner. Sacrifice hit, Ellis. First base on called balls, off Geyer 1, off Ryan 2. Struck out, by Prough 2, by Geyer 3, by Ryan 3. Double plays, Moore to Johnson to Abstein; Mitze to Menges 2. Left on bases, Los Angeles 6, Oakland 2. Runs responsible for, Prough 3, Ryan 6, Geyer 2. Wild pitch, Ryan. Time of game, 1:45. Umpires, Guthrie and Held.

FEDERAL LEAGUE.

Baltimore 11-1, Pittsburg 1-1.

BALTIMORE, Oct. 6.—Baltimore had a walkover with Pittsburg in the first game today, defeating the visitors, 11 to 1. The second went 10 innings to a tie, 1 to 1, when darkness stopped the game. Score:

First game— R.H.E.
Pittsburg .....0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1— 1 8 6
Baltimore .....0 0 4 4 2 0 0 1 *—11 11 2

Batteries—Walker and Berry, Roberts; Suggs and Jacklitsch.

Second game— R.H.E.
Pittsburg .....0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0—1 6 1
Baltimore .....0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0—1 5 1

Batteries—Leclaire and Berry; Smith and Kerr.

Buffalo 3, Brooklyn 1.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Oct. 6.—Buffalo made it two straight from Brooklyn by winning today's game, 3 to 1. Pitcher Lafitte scored the visitors' only run on his single, followed by an error and an out, a force and another single by Evans. The other four hits off Schultz were well scattered. Score: R.H.E.
Buffalo .....0 0 0 1 1 0 1 0 *—3 10 1
Brooklyn .....0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0—1 6 3

Batteries—Schulz and Allen; Lafitte and Owens.

Kansas City 1-5, Chicago 0-3.

CHICAGO, Oct. 6.—Chicago's chances for winning the Federal League pennant grew dubious today when the locals dropped both games of a double-header to Kansas City, 1 to 0, and 5 to 3, while Indianapolis was beating St. Louis. Indianapolis now is a full game ahead of Chicago, and if it wins one of its two remaining games will retain the championship. For Chicago to win the pennant, Indianapolis must lose both remaining games and Chicago must win its single one. One of the games played today was scheduled for tomorrow and set apart to avoid a conflict with the opening of the Cub-Sox series. The final games will be played here Thursday.

Kansas City won the opening game on Chadbourne's single and Perring's double in the sixth. Visitors routed Fisk and his emery ball in the second contest, which went only seven innings. Scores:

First game— R.H.E.
Kansas City .....0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0—1 7 1
Chicago .....0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0 5 1

Batteries—Packard and Brown; Hendrix and Wilson.

Second game— R.H.E.
Kansas City .....0 0 3 0 2 0 0 —5 9 0
Chicago .....0 0 0 0 0 3 0 —3 8 0

Seven innnigs, darkness.

Batteries—Johnson and Brown; Fisk, Lange, Prendergast and Wilson.

Indianapolis 7, St. Louis 4.

INDIANAPOLIS, Oct. 6.—Indianapolis took the lead in the Federal League race today by defeating St. Louis, 7 to 4, while Chicago was losing a double-header to Kansas City. Score:

R. H. E.
St. Louis... 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 2—4 9 4
Indianapolis 0 0 1 2 0 0 3 1 *—7 12 2

Batteries, Keupp and Chapman; Mosely and Rariden.

PROMPT AGREEMENT NEEDED

Army-Navy Conference With Secretary Fails to Select Site.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 6.—The athletic associations at Annapolis and West Point must reach a prompt agreement if there is to be an Army-Navy football game this year.

A conference today between Secretary Daniels and Lieutenant-Commander Fairfield, of the Naval Academy, failed to bring about an understanding and both the Navy man and Colonel Wilcox, representing West Point, were personally notified that the War and Navy departments had made their last effort to find a solution of the disagreement as to the site of the game.

The rejected plan limited selection to cities lying between New York and Washington. The midshipmen's association rejected it as involving more travel for the Annapolis team and rooters than for the West Point cadets.

Baseball Statistics

STANDINGS OF THE TEAMS.

National League.

	W.	L.	Pct.		W.	L.	Pct.
Boston....	94	59	.614	Brooklyn..	75	79	.487
New York..	84	70	.546	Phil'delp'a	74	80	.481
St. Louis...	81	72	.526	Pittsburg..	69	85	.448
Chicago...	78	76	.507	Cincinnati.	60	94	.390

American League.

Philadelp'a	99	52	.656	St. Louis...	71	82	.464
Boston....	91	61	.598	New York.	69	84	.451
W'shingt'n	80	72	.522	Chicago...	70	84	.454
Detroit....	80	73	.523	Cleveland.	51	102	.334

Federal League.

Ind'napolis	86	65	.570	Brooklyn..	74	75	.497
Chicago....	86	67	.562	Kan. City.	67	82	.447
Baltimore..	80	68	.541	Pittsburg..	62	82	.431
Buffalo....	78	68	.534	St. Louise.	62	87	.416

Where the Teams Play Today.

Pacific Coast League—Missions at San Francisco, Portland at Venice, Los Angeles at Oakland.

How the Series Stands.

Pacific Coast League—San Francisco 1 game, Missions no game; Los Angeles 1 game, Oakland no game.

GAME TODAY FIRST

Columbia - Washington High Battle Opens Local Season.

EARLS' TEAM NEARLY NEW

Last Year's Score of 17 to 0 Not Likely to Be Repeated With University at Disadvantage of 10 Pounds a Man.

The opening game of the 1914 season of the Portland Interscholastic League will be played this afternoon on Multnomah Field, with Coach Callicrate's Columbia University eleven battling against Coach Earl's Washington High squad. The affair is slated to start promptly at 3:15 o'clock, with Roscoe Fawcett as referee and Grover Francis as umpire.

Because this is the first game of the local league season, more interest is being manifested than there would be otherwise. Columbia had an easy time of it last season, winning 17 to 0, but because Washington has all new players, with the exception of two, and an advantage of 10 pounds to the man, the chances for a high school victory seems bright. The eleven will average 170½ pounds to the man.

Coach Earl Busy.

Coach Earl is doing little talking but has been busy getting his team in shape.

Captain Walker and Stanley Anderson are the only players on the high school team who were in that game when Washington was defeated by the varsity by the largest score ever registered against Coach Earl, and as changes have been made, the Columbia University aggregation will have a hard time cut out for them.

Coach Callicrate has two of his stars on the sick list, as well as several second string men.

Lightest Player to Be in Game.

Hughie McKenna, the lightest player who ever played in the local league, will play quarterback. He weighs 112 pounds.

Following are the probable lineups, with the weight of each player:

Washington.	Position.	Columbia.
Casey (170)	C.	(170) Knapp
Gorman (182)	R G L.	(160) Devonshire
C. Johnson (160)	R T L.	(170) Hoch
Brubaker (140)	R E L.	(160) Leonard
Capt. Walker (195)	L G R.	(180) W. O'Brien
Phillips (180)	L T R.	(165) St. Marie
Anderson (150)	L. E R.	(150) Bennett
Normandin (165)	Q.	(112) McKenna
Chas.Johnson (150)	R H L.	(170) Malarkey
Chas. Parsons (158)	L H R.	(145) Capt. Nixon
Strowbridge (165)	F.	(155) Sharp

AGGIES TOO CONFIDENT

COACH SAYS BUNCH THEY'RE GOOD MAY COST SATURDAY GAME.

Announcement Is Made That 24 or 25 Players Will Be Brought to Portland for Multnomah Club Contest.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, Oct. 6.—(Special.)—"Too much alibi" is Dr. Stewart's diagnosis of the case of the Oregon Agricultural College football team, which, he says, is in the throes of a slump. The coaches put the locals through a hard two-hours' practice last night, and punctuated it with many sharp comments, in the hope of speeding up the squad.

"You fellows have got the hunch that you are good, and it is just this attitude that's going to cost you Saturday's game," said "Doc."

The scrimmage between the freshmen and the varsity last night resulted in a couple of touchdowns for the big team, and a place kick from the toe of Art Lutz. Pavey, in charge of the freshmen, lined up a husky bunch of rooks.

That Portland fans will see a comprehensive assortment of Aggie players in action against the Multnomah Club eleven, is assured. Dr. Stewart announced this morning that he would carry no less than 24 or 25 men to the big town. It is doped, though, that the Aggie squad Saturday will include the following: Captain Hofer, Huntley, Billie, "Billie" King, Laythe, Moore, Anderson, Dewey, Smyth, Abraham, Allworth, Lutz, Hoerline, Yeager, Cole, Watson, Newman, "Dad" King, Bissett, De Losh, Allen, Groce, Brooks, Wilson and Miller.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

Brooklyn 3-3, Boston 2-7.

BROOKLYN, Oct. 6.—By defeating Boston, 3 to 2, in the opening game of the double-header which closed the National League season here today, Brooklyn finished in fifth place, one full game ahead of Philadelphia. This is the best showing a Brooklyn team has made since 1907, when the Superbas ended the season in fifth place. "Red" Smith, the Boston third baseman, broke a leg in the first game today and will not be able to play in the world's series against the Philadelphia Athletics.

Boston took the second game, 7 to 3, in seven innings. The new champs put a makeshift team into the field and its heavy hitting of Rucker's offerings resulted in an early lead, which Brooklyn could not overcome. Strand, pitching for Boston, made a favorable impression. Scores:

First game— R.H.E.
Boston .....1 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0—2 7 2
Brooklyn .....1 0 1 0 1 0 0 0 *—3 9 1

Batteries—Davis, Cocrehan and F. Tyler, Gowdy; Pfeffer and McCarty.

Second game— R.H.E.
Boston .....3 0 1 0 0 0 3 —7 9 2
Brooklyn .....0 0 1 0 0 0 2 —3 7 0

Batteries—Strand and F. Tyler; Rucker, Enzemann and Miller.

New York 5-0, Philadelphia 1-8.

NEW YORK, Oct. 6.—New York and Philadelphia wound up the National League season today by dividing a double-header. The ex-champions easily won the first game by a score of 5 to 1, while the visitors took the second, 8 to 0. McGraw used all his youngsters in the two games. They held up well behind Ritter's splendid pitching in the first game, but fell to pieces in the second game, when Philadelphia had no trouble piling up runs. Scores:

First game— R.H.E.
Philadelphia .....0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0—1 4 3
New York .....0 0 0 0 0 4 0 1 *—5 10 1

Batteries—Mayer and Dooin, E. Burns; O'Toole, Ritter and Smith.

Second game— R.H.E.
Philadelphia .....0 0 1 4 2 1 0—8 10 1
New York .....0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0 7 6

Batteries—Baumgardner and Killifer; Erickson, Huenke and Johnson.

KANSAS WINS RIFLE SHOOT

Militiaman First in National Competition at Fort Riley.

FORT RILEY, Kan., Oct. 6.—In the individual match of the National rifle contest, held at the Fort Riley target range today, Captain Earle A. Cole, of the First Regiment of Kansas Militia, was winner. He scored 323 out of a possible 350. Sergeant Harry L. Adams, Fifteenth Cavalry, United States Army, was second with 321. Sergeant Charles Meyer, Twenty-third Infantry, and First Sergeant Albert Fless, Third Cavalry, tied for third, each making a score of 319.

Seventy marksmen from the United States Army and the militia of many states were competitors.

Baker to Play Union.

BAKER, Or., Oct. 6.—(Special.)—The Baker High School football eleven will play its first game of the season Saturday against the Union High School team. The game will be played in Baker.

New York 2, Philadelphia 1.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 6. — Manager Mack sent in two of his veteran pitchers and Wyckoff in the game against New York this afternoon, the visitors winning by 2 to 1. Only one hit and a pass were allowed in three innings by Bender, but errors by Barry, Oldring and Bender permitted Maisel to get to third base in the first inning, and the latter stole home. Plank also allowed a single and a pass in three innings. The visitors got the winning run off Wyckoff in the eighth session on Maisel's single and steal of second, Wyckoff's wild throw and Cook's single. Bender struck out five batsmen. Plank two and Wyckoff one. With the exception of Baker and Lapp, who made a single and a double each, the home team did light work with the stick, they securing only six safeties off Cole. Mitchell, Whaling and Rudolph, of the Boston Braves, witnessed the game. Score:

R. H. E.
New York...1 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0—2 4 2
Philadelphia..0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0—1 6 5

Batteries—Cole and Schwerts; Bender, Plank, Wyckoff and Lapp.

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