BEAVERS TROUNCE TIGERS' BIG CHIEF

Johnson Allows Only Four Hits, but They Are Bunched and Net Two Runs.

VERNON GETS ONE TALLY

Portland Is Helped to Victory by Risberg's Wild Heave--Sothoron Is Touched for 8 Bingles, Which Are Scattered.

Pacific Coast League Standings.

	W.	L.	Pct.		W.	L.	Pct.
LosAngeles	91	65	.583	S.Francisco	81	82	.497
Vernon...	91	71	.562	Portland..	72	76	.487
Salt Lake.	80	75	.517	Oakland..	60	106	.361

Yesterday's Results.

At Vernon 1, Portland 2.
At Salt Lake 8, Los Angeles 10.
At San Francisco 8, Oakland 7 (10 in.).

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Sept. 15.—(Special.)—McCredie's Beavers woke up and took more interest in life when it was announced that Chief Johnson was to be their main opponent for the afternoon, and proceeded to show Johnson that the title before his moniker did not make them fear him by downing the Tigers for the second time this week by a 2-to-1 score.

Although the Beavers went after the Chief from the first and got him, he allowed only four hits throughout the proceedings. But as luck would have it, three of these hits came in one frame, the fourth, allowing the Portland squad to ring the bell twice and cinch the game.

While the Chief was having his troubles the Tigers pounded Sothoron for eight bingles, all of which were made in the first five innings. In the four innings that the Vernonites did hit, two in each of these innings were lost through poor base-running, with the exception of the opening frame. In this inning Vernon scored their solitary run by Doane starting with a double to center and scoring on an out and a wild pitch.

After going through three cantos with only an infield hit to their credit, Portland lit into the Chief, riding him for two singles and a double to center field. Southworth opened with a single and went to third on a double by Howard. At this stage of the game Swede Risberg cut loose with a wild heave to third, allowing Southworth to score and sending Howard to third. Williams ended the Chief's misery by singling to center, scoring Howard with the winning run. After that Portland went hitless for the rest of the game. Score:

Portland—	B	H	O	A	E	Vernon—	B	H	O	A	E
Evans,3...	3	0	0	0	0	Doane,r...	4	2	2	1	0
Wills,r...	3	0	0	1	0	G'chm'n,1	3	0	9	1	0
Southw'h,l	4	1	0	0	0	Risberg,2.	3	0	4	6	1
Howard,l.	3	1	1	0	1	Bates,ss...	3	2	1	2	0
Will'ms,m	4	1	3	0	0	Daley,l....	4	1	1	0	0
Roche,c..	4	0	10	3	0	Mattick,m	3	1	3	0	0
Rodgers,2.	4	0	2	6	0	M'G'fig'n,s	4	2	2	3	1
Ward,ss...	3	1	2	1	2	Mitze,c...	2	0	4	0	0
Sothor'n,p	2	0	0	2	0	G.J'nson,p	3	0	1	1	1
						Callahan*.	1	0	0	0	0
						Griggs†...	1	0	0	0	0
Totals..	30	4	27	14	2	Totals...	31	6	27	14	3

*Batted for Mitze in eighth.
†Batted for G. Johnson in ninth.

Portland	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	—2
Hits	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	—4
Vernon	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—1
Hits	2	2	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	—8

Runs, Southworth, Howard, Doane. Stolen bases, Gleichmann, Bate, McGafffgan, Mitze. Two-base hits, Doane, Bates, Howard. Sacrifice hits, Sotheron, Evans, Mattick, Gleichmann. Struck out, by Sotheron 3, by G. Johnson 1. Bases on balls, off G. Johnson 2, off Sotheron 4. Runs responsible for, Sotheron 1, G. Johnson 2. Double plays, Rodgers to Ward to Howard; Doane to McGafffigan. Wild pitches, Sotheron 2. Passed ball, Roche. Time, 1:45. Umpires, Guthrie and Finney.

ANGELS EASILY DEFEAT BEES

Bert Hall Is Pounded Hard and Visitors Win, 10 to 3.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Sept. 15.—Los Angeles pounded Bert Hall in the fourth and eighth inning for four runs each time today while Zabel had little difficulty in preventing Salt Lake from scoring in the fifth. The score was 10 to 3 in favor of the Angels. Roy Bliss, the recruit, hurled fair ball. Two games will be played here tomorrow. Score:

Los Angeles—	B	H	O	A	E	Salt Lake—	B	H	O	A	E
Magg'rt,m	5	2	3	0	0	Gislason,2	4	1	5	3	0
Ellis,l....	4	2	0	0	0	Rath,ss...	3	1	3	2	0
Wolter,r..	5	1	4	0	0	Brief,1...	3	0	10	3	0
Koerner,1.	5	2	6	1	0	Ryan,l....	4	0	0	0	0
Schulz,b..	6	2	2	0	1	Quinlan,m.	4	2	1	0	0
McLarry,2	5	4	2	2	1	Bayless,r..	4	1	3	1	0
Bassler,c.	4	2	5	2	0	Orr,s.....	3	1	1	3	1
Davis,s...	3	2	4	1	1	Sheely,c..	4	0	5	0	1
Zabel,p...	5	1	1	2	0	Hall,p.....	3	0	1	5	0
						Bliss,p....	0	0	0	0	0
						Hoff*.....	1	0	0	0	0
Totals.	42	18	27	8	3	Totals.	33	7	27	17	2

*Batted for Bliss in ninth.

Los Angeles	0	0	1	4	0	0	1	4	0	1	—10
Hits	0	0	2	4	2	1	3	5	1	1	—18
Salt Lake	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	—3
Hits	0	1	0	2	2	1	0	0	1	0	—7

Runs, Maggert, Ellis, Wolter, Koerner, Schultz, McLarry 2, Bassler, Davis, Zabel, Gislason, Brief, Bayless. Home run, McLarry. Three-base hit, Bayless. Two-base hits, Schultz, McLarry, Wolter, Quinlan, Orr, Gislason. Stolen bases, Bassler, Maggert, Hoff, Rath. Sacrifice hits, Ellis, Rath, Orr. Double plays, Bassler to Davis; Bassler; Gislason to Orr to Brief. Struck out, Zabel 5, Hall 1, Bliss 1. Base on balls, Zabel 4, Hall 5, Bliss 1. Ten runs, 15 hits, 38 at bat off Hall in seven plus innings. Out in eighth; 2 on none out. Runs responsible for, Hall 9; Zabel 3. Charge defeat to Hall. Wild pitch, Bliss. First base on errors, Los Angeles 1, Salt Lake 3. Left on bases, Los Angeles 13, Salt Lake 9. Umpires, Brashear and Held. Time of game, 2:13.

SEALS ANNEX UPHILL GAME

Oaks' 7-to-1 Lead Is Overcome in Eighth, Matinee Ending 8 to 7.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 15.—San Francisco defeated Oakland today, 8 to 7, in a 10-inning game, in which the Seals overcame a 7-to-1 lead which the Oaks held until the eighth. Ping Bodie scored the winning run in the tenth with a home run into the left-field bleachers. Score:

Oakland—	B	H	O	A	E	San Francisco—	B	H	O	A	E
Middle'n,1	5	3	2	0	0	Fitzg'ld,r	5	2	0	1	1
Murphy,3.	4	0	3	2	0	Speas,1...	5	4	9	0	0
Lane,m...	3	2	1	0	0	Bodie,m..	5	1	2	1	0
Kenr'thy,2	3	1	3	7	0	Schaller,l.	4	1	3	1	0
Cunn'm,r	5	3	0	0	0	Downs,2..	3	0	1	2	0
Barry,1...	5	2	14	0	0	Jones,3...	4	1	0	5	0
Berger,ss..	5	2	1	7	0	Corhan,ss..	3	1	6	5	0
Vann,c...	5	3	3	1	0	Hall,c....	4	2	9	2	0
Prough,p.	4	1	0	0	0	Brown,p..	0	0	0	0	0
Boyd,p...	1	0	0	0	0	Couch,p...	3	1	0	1	0
						Erickson,p	0	0	0	0	0
						Wolver'n*	1	0	0	0	0
Totals.	40	17	27	17	0	Totals..	37	13	30	16	1

No outs when winning run scored.
*Batted for Couch in ninth.

Oakland	0	3	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	—7
Hits	2	5	0	2	1	1	4	1	1	0	—17
San Francisco	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	1	0	—8
Hits	1	0	1	2	0	1	1	3	3	1	—13

Runs, Murphy, Lane, Kenworthy, Cunningham, Barry 2, Berger, Fitzgerald, Bodie, Downs, Jones, Corhan, Hall 2, Couch. Three runs, six hits off Brown, 7 at bat, in 1-plus innings, out in second, 2 on, 0 out; 7 runs, 11 hits off Prough, 33 at bat, in 8 1-3 innings, out in 9th, 2 on, 1 out; 4 runs, 11 hits off Couch, 23 at bat, in 8 innings. Stolen bases, Middleton, Lane, Speas 2, Home runs, Barry, Bodie. Two-base hits, Vann, Couch, Fitzgerald. Sacrifice hits, Murphy, Kenworthy. Bases on balls, off Prough 2, off Couch 2. Struck out, by Prough 2, Brown 1, Couch 5, Boyd 1, Erickson 1. Double plays, Berger to Kenworthy to Barry, Downs to Corhan to Speas, Murphy to Kenworthy to Barry. Wild pitch, Prough. Runs responsible for, Prough 7, Brown 3. Left on bases, Oakland 8, San Francisco 5. Credit victory to Erickson. Charge defeat to Boyd. Time, 1:45. Umpires, Doyle and Phyle.

RAIN HALTS SYRACUSE RACES

Today's Card Comprises 11 Events, With 61 Starters.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Sept. 15.—Rain compelled the postponement of the grand circuit races at the New York State Fair today. Tomorrow's card includes 11 races, nine for amateur drivers and two class events, a 2:10 pace and a 2:06 trot. A total of 61 horses are carded to start, the largest number at a grand circuit meeting in a single day in several years.

Evelyn W and Annie Bradford, two former world's champion pacers, will meet in the free-for-all pace. Harry K. Devereux, of Cleveland, president of the grand circuit, will drive Annie Bradford.

FOREST WATSON VARSITY MAN

Golf Star Will Take Four-Year Course at Oregon.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Sept. 15.—(Special.)—Golfing at the university received a big boost today, when Forrest Watson, Northwest "phenom" and a member of the Waverley Country Club of Portland, registered for a four-year course. He is 17 years old. He won the Potlatch tournament at Seattle this Summer and was medalist at the Northwest Golf Association championship at Spokane last July.

A meeting of golf enthusiasts will be held in the gymnasium within the next few days and a club organized on the campus. The varsity golf links are overgrown with grass, but, with good weather continuing, the grass will be burned off and the links rounded into good shape.

ELMER HALL BACK AT OREGON

Former Star Lineman to Assist in Coaching Team.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Sept. 15.—(Special.)—Elmer Hall, varsity lineman of three years ago, has re-entered college for post-graduate work. Elmer has had four years of variety football and will be ineligible for the team, but will work out every night with the team and assist Coach Bezdek in rounding the team into shape. Elmer was lineman, playing tackle. He was a member of the famous team of '13 that played the University of Washington team. This was the year the two teams played in Portland and the big scare was given Dobie. The score remained tied until the fourth quarter.

Hall will devote his attention to all the line positions. The squad was busy in formation practice and punting the ball tonight.

CLARKE HUNTING SEASON OPEN

Vancouver Sportsmen Find Game Birds Fairly Plentiful.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Sept. 15.—(Special.)—The season for game birds opened in this county today and a large number of hunters went out bright and early in quest of game.

It is thought that the hard Winter was responsible for the decimation of the birds, especially Chinese pheasants, whose long tails became so heavy with ice they were unable to get out and find food. Several hunters came in tonight with the limit of birds, but reported they had to cover considerable territory to get them.

Women's Swim Is Planned.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 15.—A swimming race for women across the Golden Gate, to be held October 15 under the auspices of the Pacific Athletic Association, was announced today by George James, of the registration committee of the amateur body. Cups will be awarded for first, second and third place and every girl who finishes the swim will be given a medal. Among the probable competitors are Misses "Babe" Wright and Alice Goodwin, who recently swam a race across the Golden Gate, Miss Wright winning.

Rounders to Meet Hotel Team.

The Rounders will cross bats with the Benson Hotel team at the Vaughn-street grounds tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock. Al Lundberg and "Chef" will form the battery for the hotelmen, while Hermann Politz and Sol Stiller will work on the points for the Rounders. No admission will be charged and, as both teams have many followers, a big crowd is expected. It will be worth the price of admission to see "Silk Shirt" Stiller catch and to watch the windup of "Lefty" Politz.

Baseball Summary.

STANDINGS OF THE TEAMS.

National League.

	W.	L.	P.C.		W.	L.	P.C.
Brooklyn..	80	54	.597	Pittsburg..	64	72	.471
Philadelp'a	77	55	.584	Chicago....	62	76	.449
Boston....	75	55	.577	St. Louis...	60	79	.432
New York..	68	62	.523	Cincinnati..	53	86	.381

American League.

Boston...	79	58	.5661	St. Louis...	73	68	.518
Detroit...	81	60	.57447	Cleveland..	72	69	.511
Chicago..	80	60	.57143	Washing'n.	68	68	.500
New York	72	66	.522	Philadelp'a	50	106	.221

American Association.

Louisville..	87	61	.588	St. Paul....	75	71	.514
Indianapolis	83	63	.561	Toledo.....	71	76	.488
Kansas City	81	67	.548	Columbus...	63	85	.432
Minneapolis	81	71	.533	Milwaukee..	59	97	.340

Western League.

Omaha.....	92	47	.662	Des Moines.	67	71	.486
Lincoln.....	76	61	.555	Topeka.....	64	78	.451
Sioux City.	70	66	.515	St. Joseph..	61	82	.427
Denver.....	72	71	.503	Col. Springs	58	83	.411

Yesterday's Results.

American Association—At Columbus 0, Minneapolis 10; at Louisville 4, Milwaukee 2; at Toledo 9, St. Paul 0; at Indianapolis 5, Kansas City 3.

Western League—At St. Joseph 7, Lincoln 6; at Topeka 4, Des Moines 2; at Denver 13, Sioux City 11; at Colorado Springs 13, Omaha 14.

How the Series Stand.

Pacific Coast League—At Vernon 1 game, Portland 2 games; at San Francisco 2 games, Oakland 2 games; at Salt Lake 1 game, Los Angeles 3 games.

Where the Teams Play Today.

Pacific Coast League—Portland at Vernon, Los Angeles at Salt Lake (two games), Oakland at San Francisco.

Where the Teams Play Next Week.

Pacific Coast League—Portland at Oakland, Vernon at Salt Lake, San Francisco at Los Angeles.

Beaver Batting Averages.

	Ab.	H.	Ave.		Ab.	H.	Ave.
Reuther.	7	3	.429	Rodgers.	400	102	.255
Kelly....	65	20	.308	Evans....	162	40	.247
Wills....	521	155	.298	Ward....	372	88	.237
Williams	81	24	.296	Sothoron.	102	21	.206
Southw'h	448	132	.295	Houck...	91	18	.198
Fisher...	288	83	.289	Noyes....	89	14	.157
Roche...	263	77	.287	Hagerman	31	4	.129
Howard.	86	23	.268	McCredie.	1	0	.000
Vaughn.	455	121	.266	O'Brien..	4	0	.000
Nixon...	373	99	.265	Bigbee...	1	0	.000

74 MINOR LEAGUE PLAYERS DRAFTED

American League Obtains 47 and Nationals Get 27 New Ball Tossers.

WHITE SOX LEAD, WITH 14

Connie Mack Draws 12 Men, Among Whom Is Noyes—"Dutch" Reuther, Now With Beavers, to Go to Chicago Cubs.

CINCINNATI, Sept. 15.—Seventy-four minor league players were drafted by the major leagues at the meeting of the National Baseball Commission and representatives of every major league club here today.

Of this number the American League obtained 47 and the National League 27. These latter figures do not signify that the American League was proportionately more lucky in the draw than the National, but that President Johnson's organization had a large majority of the drafts, the Philadelphia Americans alone making an effort to obtain 26 youngsters through this method of baseball procedure.

Of the 26 that Connie Mack attempted to get, 12 were forthcoming to him when the drawing of lots had been completed.

He was surpassed, however, by the Chicago Americans, who obtained 14 players.

Red Sox Fail to Draw Player.

Next in point of numbers came the Cleveland Americans and the Chicago Nationals with seven each, while the New York Americans got five. Cincinnati, Brooklyn and the St. Louis Americans each obtained four, while Detroit, Boston Nationals and Pittsburg came away with three each. The New York Nationals, St. Louis Nationals, Philadelphia Nationals and Washington each received two, while the Boston Americans failed to draw a single player.

That the minor league field has been picked over rather thoroughly for good material through the process of purchase was indicated by the fact that in no individual case was there an exceptionally, keen competition, the majority of the players being drafted by a single club.

It was announced at the opening of the session of the Commission that the rule adopted two years ago whereby the Major League clubs drafting from Class AA Leagues would draft the club, and be given five days in which to select a player was still in force.

It was decided later that the rule applied to class A as well as class AA and three choices were made so that the winning major league club can cancel the draft. The draft in part follows:

Los Angeles—Philadelphia Americans only.

Oakland—St. Louis Americans (Kenworthy was designated).

Portland — Philadelphia Americans first, Chicago Nationals second, Boston Nationals third.

Seals Are Overlooked.

Salt Lake—Philadelphia Nationals first, Philadelphia Americans second, Pittsburg Nationals third.

San Francisco—None.

Vernon — Philadelphia Americans, first; Cleveland, second; Boston Nationals, third.

Other drafts below Class AA and Class A were:

Fitzsimmons, Butte, Mont., Brooklyn only. Reuther, Spokane, Chicago Nationals, first; Cincinnati, second (only two drafts). Teague, of the Rocky Mountains, Chicago Americans, only.

The Philadelphia Americans claimed Noyes from Portland; McGafflgan, from Vernon, and Bassler, from Los Angeles.

Cleveland declared for Miller, of Omaha.

The Chicago Americans selected Gray, of Wichita, and Kirkham, of St. Joseph. They announced they would withdraw from Denver. Detroit was second-choice on Denver and selected Dyer.

Philadelphia Nationals selected Fittery, of Salt Lake.

DRAFT OF NOYES EXPECTED

Several Big League Scouts Known to Be "Sweet" on Pitcher.

The draft against Wynn Noyes, Portland twirler, occasions no surprise hereabouts because several scouts were known to be extremely "sweet" on him. Philadelphia's scout, Ira Thomas, looked him over here for several days along with Billy Sullivan, of Detroit, and T. F. O'Hara, of the Chicago Cubs. Sullivan claimed to like Chuck Ward's work at short, but if Detroit put in any draft at all the Tigers lost in the lottery.

The Philadelphia Athletics were awarded first choice of the Portland club, and, had Connie Mack decided to forfeit this privilege the Chicago Cubs would have had the choice, with the Boston Nationals next in the waiting list.

Only one player can be claimed from each AA league club, so Philadelphia's decision to draft Noyes cancels all the other claims. Portland gets $2500 for the player—about $2000 less than he would bring if sold on the open market.

Noyes came West to join the San Francisco Seals about four years ago and was sent by Danny Long to Spokane. After a phenomenal season in the Northwestern League he was sold to the Boston Nationals and remained there parts of two seasons before being returned to Spokane.

Portland secured him from Spokane last Fall and he has been a consistent winner for the Beavers.

"Dutch" Reuther, drafted by the Chicago Cubs, is at present a member of the Portland pitching corps, but inasmuch as he finished the season with the Spokane club before joining Portland his draft goes against the Spokane club. The majors can draft as many players as they wish from any B league club.

Travers Returns to Form.

NEW YORK, Sept. 15.—Jerome D. Travers, formerly open and amateur golf champion, received many congratulations today upon the return to form shown in a four-ball match at the Wykagyl Club, New Rochelle, yesterday, when the Montclair man eclipsed Charles (Chick) Evans, Jr., with a score of 72, as compared to the present champion's 75. Travers was at his best and easily the star of the match. His partner was T. V. Bermingham, while Evans was paired with John G. Anderson. Travers and Bermingham won the match, two up and one to play.

PORTLAND PITCHER CLAIMED IN THE DRAFT BY PHILADELPHIA AMERICANS.

Wynn Noyes.

Coast League Gossip

LOS ANGELES has won more series and lost fewer than any other club in the league, annexing 15, dropping seven and tying one. Vernon has won 12 series, five of them off Oakland, dropped nine and tied two. Vernon's record against the Oaks is 30 wins and eight defeats, Patterson's men not having lost a series to the trans-bay crowd.

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Here are the figures on series won and lost during 23 weeks of play:

	Won.	Lost.	Tie.
Los Angeles	15	7	1
Vernon	12	9	2
Salt Lake	10	10	3
San Francisco	13	10	0
Portland	7	11	5
Oakland	6	16	1

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Schultz and Bobby Davis and the all-around improvement in Polly McLarry's work increase the strength of the Angel infield many points. Phil Koerner also is playing great ball in all departments, coming out of his batting slump with a bang. McLarry's fielding and hitting have been outstanding features the past 10 days. Jim Galloway gives the infield considerable reserve strength, and he probably will continue in the utility role.

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Jess Orendorff, former Angel catcher, is mentioned prominently as a possible successor to Blankenship as Salt Lake manager. However, Bud Ryan seems to stand a good show of being named manager permanently.

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The story of how Bobby Davis became a member of Los Angeles is a long one on the point of time, dating back to last Spring. Chance has had the boy in mind since he first saw him in action with Oakland.

"That kid looks like the best shortstop in the league," Frank remarked on that occasion. The following day Davis went out of the game with a bad leg. It was a recrudescence of the old injury in his knee.

Chance did not see any more of him for a long time, but bore him in mind and the deal for Butler and $750 was the outcome.

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Having gone through a gruelling six games with Vernon, the Angels are now handing the Bees an awful walloping in their own ballwick. The Chancemen defeated Buddy Ryan's clan again yesterday. Salt Lake was going good prior to this week.

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No series in Salt Lake is tapioca for a visiting club, and the Bees have a chance to still clean up on the boys from the sunny South, for there are double-headers scheduled for today and tomorrow. The Bees have been rushing through all opposition leaving a lot of mangled ball teams in their wake.

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Salt Lake started its drive toward second place on August 9 and has passed both Portland and San Francisco. During that time it has beaten every club in the league at least once with the exception of Portland and Los Angeles. It broke even with the Beavers, and this is the first series with Los Angeles since the drive started.

The club formerly led by Cliff Blankenship has taken two series from Oakland since beginning its drive, 5 to 1 and 7 to 1, trimmed San Francisco 5 out of 9, and Vernon 4 out of 7.

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Returning from Salt Lake, the Angels will have two weeks at home, meeting San Francisco and the Bees, while Vernon is taking care of Salt Lake and Portland on the road.

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Some class to Al Sotheron. Wonder what Beaver chucker will do it today?

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Ten more days and the Beavers will be home to start their final stand at Vaughn-street this season.

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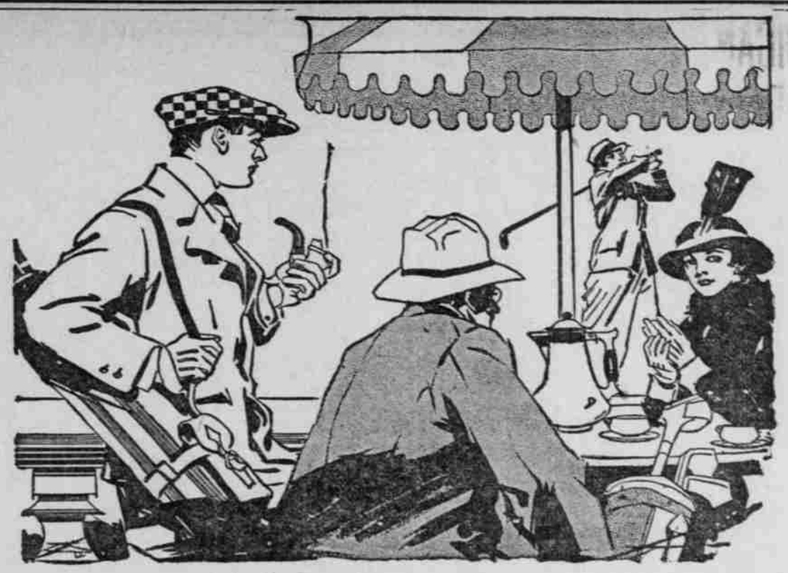
There seems to be an impression around some quarters that Oakland has taken a majority of games from the Angels this season. This idea largely prevails because the Oaks have been tough customers for Chance to deal with. Here's the straight of it. Los Angeles has won 19 and lost 15 games playing Oakland this season.

New Orleans Offer Refused.

CHICAGO, Sept. 15.—A guarantee of $15,000 for a 20-round match with Johnny Dundee in New Orleans will not be accepted, Harry Pollok, manager of Freddie Welsh, the lightweight champion, said today. Pollok said he would insist on a percentage as well as a larger guarantee.



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LEAD NOW IS 13 POINTS

Phillies and Braves Unable to Play on Account of Wet Diamonds—Reds-Giants Clash Is Stopped in Fifth.

CHICAGO, Sept. 15.—Rain stopped Philadelphia and Boston today, but allowed Brooklyn to add half a game to its lead in the National League race.

The standing:

Club—	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Brooklyn	80	54	.59702
Philadelphia	77	55	.58333
Boston	75	55	.57616

Brooklyn 8, Pittsburg 1.

BROOKLYN, Sept. 15.—Brooklyn won a race against an imminent rain today and, by beating Pittsburg, 8 to 1, in five innings, increased their lead over Philadelphia to two full games. Eight hits, including a home run drive by Wheat with the bases full, netted Brooklyn eight runs in the second inning. It was the 28th straight game in which Wheat had made one or more hits.

Marquard was in great form after the first inning, in which a single, a sacrifice, and a double gave Pittsburg its run. Mowrey had just flied to Schulte for the second out in the fifth when the rain fell in torrents, and after a wait of 30 minutes, Umpire O'Day called the game because of wet grounds. Score:

Pittsburg—	B	H	O	A	E	Brooklyn—	B	H	O	A	E
Warner,3.	2	2	2	1	0	H.Mey'rs,m	3	1	2	0	0
Bigbee,2..	3	0	0	0	0	Daubert,1.	3	2	4	0	0
Carey,m...	2	1	2	0	0	Stengel,r.	3	1	2	0	0
H'chm'n,l.	2	0	5	0	0	Wheat,l...	3	1	2	0	0
J.W'g'r,1	2	0	8	0	0	Cutshaw,2.	3	1	1	1	0
Schulte,r.	2	0	2	0	0	Mowrey,3.	3	1	0	1	0
M'C'rthy,s	2	0	3	2	0	Olson,s....	3	1	0	1	0
W.W'g'r,c	2	0	0	0	0	J.Meyers,c	2	2	4	0	0
Jacobs,p..	0	0	0	0	0	Marq'rd,p.	2	2	0	1	0
Evans,p...	2	0	0	1	0						
Totals..	17	3*	14	5	0	Totals...	24	12	15	4	0

*Two out when winning game called.

Pittsburg	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	—1
Brooklyn	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	—8

Runs, Warner, H. Meyers, Daubert, Wheat, Cutshaw, Mowrey, Olson, J. Meyer, Marquard. Two-base hit, Carey. Home run, Wheat. Sacrifice hit, Bigbee. Double play, Wagner to McCarthy to J. Wagner. Hits and earned runs, off Jacobs, 6 hits and 3 runs in 1 1-3 innings; off Evans, 6 hits and 3 runs in 3 1-3 innings; off Marquard, 1 run. Struck out, by Marquard 2. Umpires, O'Day and Harrison.

New York 0, Cincinnati 2 (5 inn's.)

NEW YORK, Sept. 15.—The last game of the New York-Cincinnati series was stopped by rain in the fifth inning here today, Cincinnati leading at the time, 2 to 0. Only three putouts prevented the Cincinnati team from breaking New York's winning streak, as Burns was up in the second half of the fifth when the game was called. Perritt pitched for New York, while Schneider, who was knocked out of the box on Wednesday, pitched for Cincinnati. Before the game Christy Mathewson, manager of the Cincinnati team, and former New York pitching idol, was presented with an order for a $1000 painting, a gift of local admirers. Score:

Cincinnati.	1	0	0	1	New York..	0	0	0

(Called at end of fourth on account of rain.)

Batteries—Schneider and Wingo; Perritt and McCarthy, Kocher.

BOSTON, Sept. 15.—Chicago-Boston game postponed; rain.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 15. — St. Louis-Philadelphia game postponed; rain.

Local Boxing Notes

LOWE SIMS will box Battling Jim Johnson 10 rounds at Boise, Idaho, tonight. There is another 10-round bout on the same programme which will be staged by Nick Collins.

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Joe Benjamin and Joe Flanigan left Wednesday for Seattle, where the former will box Chet Neff, of the Sound city, in the main event of a show to be staged by the Seattle Elks' Club tonight. While in the Sound city Flanigan will endeavor to obtain a broadsword match for Carl Nelson, the champion broadswordsman of the world, who resides in Portland.

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Abie Gordon will leave for his home in Butte, Mont., October 1. His brothers, Sammy and Hymie, will accompany him. Able may hike to Philadelphia to try his luck among the flyweights soon after arriving in Butte. Before leaving Portland the game little Hebrew may get another crack at Danny Edwards.

The Sportlight.

By Grantland Rice.

The Dope.

The dope may be right or the dope may be wrong;
The dope may be short or the dope may be long;
The dope may be weak—or the dope may be strong,
But where would the game be without it?

Where would the game be with no one to slip
The essence and such of a clean, inside tip?
And what does it matter if prophesies rip,
Or if fate should arise up to clout it?

Without the old dope, kindly put me aright,
On what would the fan feed from morning to night?
What other arrangement would look half as bright,
As he reached for the page in his paper?

The box score is something—results are first rate,
But the main essence is, if you gather me straight,
To offer a tip that will start a debate,
Where statistics are ready to caper.

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The Versatile Phils.

THE Phillies have pretty well proved themselves to be the strongest club in the National League. They proved this by the summary punishment they inflicted at the edge of the stretch upon three first-division clubs, Brooklyn, Boston and New York. Last year they won by getting out in front and staying there. To know that variety which is often called the spice of life, they are about to switch tactics this year by winning after a rather rickety start. They were not given a chance to win through the middle of August. It was either Brooklyn or Boston. But by the time their main batteries had been trained upon the two leaders there was very little but debris left. If the Phillies are beaten out, the dope referred to above will be worth about 10 cents a hogshead.

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The Red Sox Stand.

On the last Western invasion the Red Sox won 12 out of 18 games. They gained ground on Detroit and Chicago, but lost ground to St. Louis. On this next trip there are two clubs the Red Sox must beat with fair decisiveness to win. One is Detroit. The other is Chicago. Unless Carrigan can win the series from each of these clubs he will be up against it, for while his lineup is facing four tough machines in succession, his two main rivals will be feeding at odd intervals upon the Athletics, and the National, with a husky nibble ready for the Yanks, who for some reason appear to get depressed and moody when they set foot upon soil.

The Boston-Detroit and the Boston-Chicago series will announce the American League answer.

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The Next Strike.

Last year we had a ballplayers' strike. This year we have almost had a railroad strike. Next year the golfers should be the ones to strike, demanding an eight-inch cup to putt for and perfect turf in all bunkers. Why should a man be forced to play out of loose sand and heel prints when he might just as well play from a fine lie, and not be annoyed?

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Suppose all the umpires struck next year? What would life mean to the Great Zim and the Eminent Trojan? It is too cruel a possibility to even contemplate.

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The Brave Smashup.

Something has gone astray with the Braves since their wild upheaval in 1914. It may be that the feat of coming from last place in July to the top and then crushing the Mackmen four straight took about all they had for some years to come.

They were favored to win last season—but fell by the wayside. They were again favored this campaign, but after holding their own until the stretch arrived where they were supposed to be at their best, they once more landed on the skiddery and began to crumble up.

It may be the vital spark began to flicker when Johnny Evers began to slip after his injury and Bill James went to the discards with a useless arm.

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When One Is Well Off.

"You never know when you are well off in golf," says Walter J. Travis. "And in the same way you should never figure that you are beaten. I saw several holes played during the recent championship where one man would have two fine shots and be on the green and the other would have three bad shots and be off the green, yet able to get his half through a fine chip shot and