

EYES OF THE WORLD ON THE BIG LEAGUES

Great Fight at Finish of Season Eclipses Races of Former Years.

FANS PICK OUT WINNERS

Leading Teams of Both Circuits Are Bunched So Closely That Little Advantage Lies With Leaders.

BY W. J. FETRAIN. In the American and National Leagues this season are witnessed struggles for the baseball supremacy of the world...

Never before in the history of the two major organizations has it fell to the lot of American fans to witness such magnificent struggles as are now taking place on the Eastern diamonds...

Phillies Easy for Giants. During the games played thus far with New York, Philadelphia has not shown to advantage for the Giants have the best of the series with a record of nine victories to three defeats.

Chicago plays her remaining games with Brooklyn, Cincinnati and Pittsburgh. The postponements remain to be played with the Brooklyn Club, and commencing Tuesday and until Friday, the Cubs have four days with Cincinnati and Cincinnati.

Aside from the New York-Chicago view of the race, there remains Pittsburgh to be considered. The Pirates have comparatively the easiest snap of the three leading clubs, for they are scheduled all week with John McCloskey's aggregation of misfits representing St. Louis in the National League.

Fight in American League. The splendid four-cornered fight in the American League is equally attractive, and, if anything, more so than the National campaign. Detroit, last season's champion, is threatened with defeat, and there being three clubs, any one of which is likely to overthrow the Tigers, adds all the more interest to the splendid struggle.

One of the most satisfactory incidents in connection with the American fight is the grand struggle being presented by Cleveland and Chicago. The former club has been a contender for pennant honors for eight years, and has succeeded in landing second, which is the best LaJoie and his splendid team could do.

Fielder Jones Best Manager. In Chicago's case, it is generally admitted throughout the East that the White Sox possess the craftiest manager in either league. Fielder Jones, who, by the way, is now a citizen of Oregon, is the eagle-eyed baseball general who has practically through his own coaching, kept a club that is woefully weak in batting within threatening distance of the leaders during the entire season.

BASEBALL PLAYERS ARE FINANCIALLY INTERESTED IN THE PENNANT RACE



DONLIN, N.Y. NATIONALS; MATHEWSON, N.Y. NATIONALS; BRAIN, N.Y. NATIONALS

NEW YORK, Sept. 25.—(Special.)—The splendid fight between the New York Giants, Chicago Cubs and Pittsburgh Pirates is attracting the attention of the sporting world. The winning of the championship pennant means much to the management and players of the winning team...

clubs to be reckoned with in this championship series. St. Louis possesses the endurance, but lacks the speed. McAlister will do well to replace some of his "steam-rollers" with lighter and faster men.

CATTLE DRIVE CONVICTIONS

DUBLIN Castle Officials Issue Return on Symptoms of Disorder. DUBLIN, Sept. 25.—(Special.)—A return from Dublin Castle with regard to cattle-driving and other symptoms of disorder which occurred in Ireland during the first six months of 1908...

SOLDIERS TRY THE FOOD

French Cooking Commission Supplies Meals on Experiment Basis. PARIS, Sept. 25.—(Special.)—The commission appointed to consider the question of army cooking and to draw up menus and recipes has already produced some appetizing results.

BAR MONARCH REFERENCES

Proposed Celebration in French Town Causes Amusing Situation. PARIS, Sept. 25.—(Special.)—An amusing situation has arisen over the proposed celebration in the town of Montauban of the centenary of the Department of Tarn-et-Garonne...

PORTLAND TO BID BEAVERS GOODBYE

Team Will End Local Season and Start South Today. PORTLAND, Sept. 25.—(Special.)—The Portland Beavers will bid good-bye to their fans today as they start their season in the South.

CANNOT HOPE FOR FIRST

Second Place in Pennant Race Is Best Expected for McCredettes, Since Angels Always Beat Oaks and Seals. PORTLAND, Sept. 25.—(Special.)—With the appearance of McCredette's Portland baseball-tossers this afternoon, the fans will witness the last of the season of 1908 at this end of the circuit.

break with the Angels in the championship struggle. Berry will undoubtedly deny that there is anything questionable in the easy manner with which his club has outclassed San Francisco and Oakland.

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MANY PLAYERS MAIMED

Time Some Action Should Be Taken to Do Away With Knife-like Blades—Would Improve Sport. BY C. J. F. ROONEY. The equipment used by baseball players has undergone changes from time to time, which have not kept pace with the changes in the rules of the game.

GOOD RECORD AT HOME

Commencing with San Francisco, the hitherto unbeatable band, McCredette's copped six straight games and came very close to making a clean sweep of a seven-game series with Oakland they have been almost as successful.

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EVOLUTION OF BALLPLAYER'S SHOE

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When the spikes or points of these plates become dulled, the file is frequently brought into use by the player and the original danger increased by carelessness or intention.

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Capitola Cornell, of the East Side High School Team.

According to recent statistics the population of Russia is annually increasing at the rate of 2,500,000. It is now about 150,000,000 and in 1912 it will, at this rate, reach 150,000,000 and in 1920 more than 200,000,000.