WATCH-TOWER OBSERVATIONS

Material and Immaterial Sport Syllogisms by Roscoe Fawcett

"They Say There Is a Reason for Everything in the World, but I'd Like to Know the Idea of Placing a 'G' on the Front End of 'Gnat.'"—Abe's Philosophy.

"RAN Amuck at the Ball Park," laconically charged a San Francisco police officer the other day when James Smith was haled into the bailiwick of justice to answer to a charge of throwing cushions onto the playing field.

"What do you mean, sir?" asked Judge Sullivan.

"Well, he acted like a crazy man. It was a regular snowstorm of cushions. Everybody joined in."

"Can you explain your conduct?" asked the judge.

"I'll try," replied Smith faintly. He was a spare little man with a bungalow brow and luminous eyes, and, having spent the night in jail, his hand was as tremulous as Walt McCredie on the coaching line.

"You see it was this way," squeaked Smith, by way of a beginning as he moistened his parched lips. "Eight innings had passed—eight innings of sad ordeals with crepe tied in bow knots on the bats of the Seals. Far up, about 5000 feet, the Tigers were flapping against the sky with a four-run lead. I could hear their motors.

"Then came the ninth," continued Smith sadly. "Vernon didn't have anything to do. They just whistled ragtime and picked their finger nails. They were four to the good. I began to have a touch of indigestion when suddenly"—Smith's hopes began to bob up like the thermostat on an incubator when the kerosene catches fire—"in the second half McCorry makes a pinch hit. Berry singles, scoring McCorry. Wuffli bangs out a double.

"Then Mohler sends her through second! Berry scores!"

Smith, becoming excited, rose from his chair, as did other habitues from theirs. "Howard singles to right, Wuffli scores!" Smith's rasping tones reverberated like a buzz saw going through a knot. "It was glorious, Whoop-e-e."

At this juncture Smith paused and looked around startled. He had awakened from his dream, but there was no tittering in court. Judge Sullivan, who had been studying the chandelier with a rapt expression, interrupted rudely: "Case dismissed."

Sullivan stands as a convincing argument against the bill for the recall of judges. Smith should never have been arrested; in fact, he should have been rewarded. Any time the Seals make five runs in an inning the fans are entitled to some quiet recreation like throwing pillows and kicking each other in the back.

We don't wish the San Francisci management any hard luck, but really the official responsible for that arrest should be tunked on the skull with a section of cornice, shot at with a howitzer loaded with spiked shoes, swung through 360 degrees of the circle and then rolled out under a 40-ton limousine.

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FROM soft shirts to board bosoms and back to overalls is the brief history of Edward Corrigan, famous American turfman, who has been discovered working in a stone-crushing plant at Kansas City. He is a bankrupt with unsecured liabilities of over $100,000. This "Master of the Hawthorne," bred, raced and owned hundreds of thoroughbreds and won more than $2,000,000 in purses and stakes in his 25 years of luxury. Corrigan's family name should have been Brewster.

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WATERMELON has proved the downfall of many a son of Ethiopia, but Joe Rivers can boast of being the only Mexican to get his ears so wet that he couldn't hear the flapping of the vultures' wings above. Rivers has come forth with the startling alibi that a watermelon party the night before his Mandot battle on Labor day caused his downfall.

The sage who warbled that "nothing new under the old Sol" anagram spake well and wisely. Rivers' plea of lack of condition is a bromide pure and simple. It's the usual stall of a beaten athlete whose business is to get into condition. It's the baggy-kneed composer's manuscript—you don't have to get beyond the headlines to recognize it.

This Mandot fleur-de-lis boxer, if we remember rightly, was given a decisive beating by Willie Ritchie in New Orleans not long ago. Now, we might have a ring around the Maypole dance. Put Ritchie against Rivers and Wolgast against Mandot and let the winners scrap it out. That programme ought to fatten somebody's wallet. Basking in the light of his two defeats—Wolgast and Mandot—Rivers doesn't appear nearly as formidable as Beanie Walker and his Los Angeles boosters predicted a few months ago. But then, cutting "watermelon" from the training menu should put him in the manuscriptic class. Sure he may "come back." Who knows?

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THE Pacific Coast League is, in the parlance of the players, a "pipe" league for southpaw pitchers. "Any southpaw can walk through this league," said a prominent player a few days ago. And that's what prompted a squint at the comparative batting records of the righthand and the lefthand batsmen, with the interesting discoveries noted below.

Thirteen of the 25 Coast League batting elite are righthanders. This includes only those who have been to bat 100 times. This baker's dozen have it over the lefthanders in every department, save three-base hitting, where a tie exists. Heitmuller, by an odd twist of fate, banged out his first triple a week ago, although he leads the circuit in extra clouting. The Los Angeles Dutchman more than makes up the deficiency, however, by his home run carnage. He has blazed out 15 circuit cleaners, whereas Coy, his nearest rival, has but nine to his credit. Coy, be it mentioned, is a southpaw.

As a unit these 13 righthanders can boast of a batting average of .307, whereas the mauling motto of the southpaws is barely .300 even. Without further comment we submit this table of the Titans:

RIGHT-HAND BATTERS.

Player and Club—	AB.	R.	H.	2B.	3B.	HR.	BA.
Del Howard, San Francisco	210	25	74	9	1	0	.352
Heitmuller, Los Angeles	444	63	156	25	1	15	.351
Metling, Oakland	369	62	163	38	1	1	.320
Kane, Vernon	420	86	134	27	12	5	.312
Krueger, Portland	422	55	130	29	5	1	.308
R. Brashear, Vernon	491	75	150	28	1	6	.305
Sharpe, Oakland	356	29	107	11	1	1	.300
Berger, Los Angeles	499	87	149	22	3	6	.299
Tiedemann, Oakland	235	29	70	12	..	6	.298
Swain, Sacramento	267	41	79	16	3	6	.289
Moore, Los Angeles	206	28	58	11	3	..	.287
Agnew, Vernon	235	24	67	18	1	2	.285
O'Rourke, Sacramento	485	55	138	23	6	3	.285
Totals	4734	657	1473	269	40	53	.307

LEFT-HAND BATTERS.

Player and Club—	AB.	R.	H.	2B.	3B.	HR.	BA.
Daley, Los Angeles	474	72	156	25	5	1	.329
Hayless, Vernon	494	72	158	20	3	5	.320
Van Buren, Sacramento	239	23	82	21	1	1	.317
Lindsay, Portland	316	36	99	11	1	1	.313
Patterson, Oakland	413	66	127	30	3	4	.306
Dolan, Los Angeles	283	41	84	15	..	1	.299
Coy, Oakland	415	95	120	30	5	9	.297
Lewis, Sacramento	431	52	129	20	6	7	.293
Rodgers, Portland	497	47	145	24	7	2	.292
Wuffli, San Francisco	250	27	71	13	2	0	.284
Deane, Portland	339	39	96	13	7	1	.283
Core, Los Angeles	156	22	43	5	..	..	.276
Total	4559	597	1369	227	40	32	.300

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WILL HOGAN, former Oakland star, now with St. Louis, caused quite a commotion on the Browns' bench the other day. The American League tailenders had just won a game when "Buck" O'Brien, the Boston spitball artist, innocently remarked: "I guess the worm has turned."

If Hogan had been permitted to carry out his intentions he would today be defending a charge of mayhem. Somehow or other he got a sudden notion into his head that Irish ears would make good chewing.

"We may lose a lot of games, but no ham-and-egg pitcher is going to call us wormy," snapped Hogan savagely when his team-mates restrained him from pummeling O'Brien. No true sportsman can blame "Happy" for his outburst of Visigothic temperament. It must be awful to play with a team like Stovall's. There is nothing in history to clinch our belief, but somehow we think that Sherman must have been watching a St. Louis game when he wrote his famous observation on war.

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THE world is funny. What do you think of a laundry which advertises as follows: "Why tog up with dirty collars, when we can wear them out for you?" The telegraph is the funniest of all. Louis, head barber at the Heliman building barber shop, was discussing the Wolgast-Rivers fight of several weeks ago with another barber. The argument waxed heated. Louis said he saw the blow plainly, for he was sitting so close he could spit in the ring.

The other linguist wagered $20 he couldn't spit in the ring. They hired a taxicab and journeyed to the Vernon arena. Louis pointed to his seat, 15 feet from the ropes. He sat down and proceeded to spit. He spat 10 feet, all right, but nearly broke his neck and used up all his spittle trying to stretch the cataract. He paid the bet.

Baseball is funny. Tacoma recently sold Pitcher Meikle to the Seattle club, which is contending with Spokane and Vancouver for the pennant, for a reputed price of $1000. Now comes the National Association's official bulletin, containing the recall of Meikle from Tacoma by San Francisco. In other words, title has been vested right along in San Francisco. Which raises the query, Why did Tacoma hand Meikle over to Seattle in the heat of a close pennant race?

But, if Northwestern League integrity is funny, so is legal procedure. A Chicago lawyer had a suit in which his client, Mrs. James Crower, 39 years old, desired a divorce from her husband, whose income was $100,000 per year, and who was a spry young thing of 82. One day recently the barrister dropped around to the courthouse to see about "trying the case," and found that his client had been dead for a month. She died of heart disease, and the huband was dead, too. He died of a broken heart upon hearing of his wife's death.

Connie Mack is funny. The manager of the Philadelphia Americans stated the other day that, with Boston practically sure of the pennant and his worries and strain over, he had gained a pound in weight. That should make a great difference in the great manager's appearance. Duck hunting is funny. Harry Howland opened the season last Sunday at the Athenian preserve, on Sauvie's Island, and is said to have shot a big bag of the tame decoys.

Even the long-faced scientists are sometimes funny. One discovered just the other day the reason a baseball curves. Any baseball fan could have told him that. Parisian scientists are said to be discussing whether there is life without mind. Evidently these Parisians never heard the cigarette fiend discussing how he spent the evening before.

Yes, indeed. "Life's a funny proposition, after all"—except in Sacramento.

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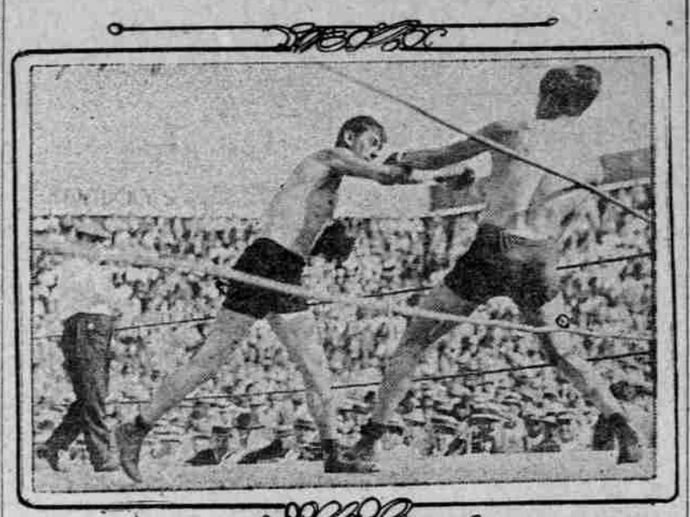
THE candidate he kissed the baby, rubbed the heads of Sam and Sue; then swore the twins were beautiful and wished that he had two—but that doesn't count. He asked about the corn bread that he vainly tried to chaw, and forthwith begged a recipe. Of course that tickled maw—but that doesn't count. But just before he left he winked and then closed up his jaw, and slipping out behind the barn he took a drink with paw—and that's what counts.

The largest railway passenger station in Europe is nearing completion at Leipsic.

PICTORIAL REVIEW OF THE PAST WEEK IN THE FIELD OF THE SPORTSMAN.



First Photograph of Mandot-Rivers Bout at Vernon, Labor Day. Referee Eyton, Mandot, Rivers

"Ping" Bodie, Former Seal.

Captain Mohler of San Francisco Coast Club, Benched for Keeps after Long Service.

Umpire George McGreevy who Landed Job in American League

SPEAKER IS GAINING

Cobb Falls Slightly in American League Batting.

BOSTONIAN MAY GET AUTO

Zimmerman Leads National Hitters With Sweeney Close Up—Wood's Pitching Record High—Gregg Wins 15 and Loses 13.

Tris Speaker of the Boston Americans gained a little on Ty Cobb in the American League batting race during the week, jumping up to .403, while Cobb and the National leaders, Zimmerman and the old Portland player, Bill Sweeney, fell a few points. Zimmerman of the Cubs is leading the National with a percentage of .389.

American League experts believe that Speaker will eventually lead the American League sluggers because Boston is practically sure of the pennant and that will be in his favor. Speaker's work in the field this season has been more valuable, too, than Cobb's, and it looks like Speaker for the automobile.

Joe Wood, the sensational Boston pitcher, may make a strong bid for the chariot, but the fact that Speaker is in every game will be an important factor in the award. Wood promises to set a new world's record. He has won 28 games and lost four. Marquard leads the National League pitchers above the 20-win point.

The averages show the .300 batters who have played in 50 or more games and the leading pitchers. Gregg's record is now 15 wins and 12 defeats, only a trifle below the famous Ed Walsh. The figures:

National League Batting.

Name, club—	G.	Ab.	H.	Sb.	Pct.
Zimmerman, Chicago	112	445	173	22	.389
Sweeney, Boston	117	454	171	20	.377
Meyers, New York	110	345	121	10	.351
Doyle, New York	108	427	148	34	.347
Konetchy, St. Louis	115	428	147	24	.343
Evers, Chicago	115	392	130	13	.332
Donlin, Pittsburg	55	172	57	7	.331
Kling, Boston	73	223	73	3	.327
Lobert, Philadelphia	65	257	82	13	.319
Huggins, St. Louis	102	372	118	29	.317
Daubert, Brooklyn	111	423	133	22	.315
Kirke, Boston	72	256	80	5	.313
W. Miller, Chicago	51	132	41	6	.311
Wagner, Pittsburg	110	421	131	20	.311
Cutshaw, Brooklyn	65	220	68	9	.309
Hoblitzell, Cinc'nati	113	417	129	16	.309
Marsans, Cincinnati	97	374	115	30	.308
Paskert, Philadelp'ia	108	395	121	23	.306
Merkle, New York	93	353	107	29	.303
Wheat, Brooklyn	88	322	97	13	.301

American League Batting.

Name, club—	G.	Ab.	H.	Sb.	Pct.
Cobb, Detroit	112	455	186	41	.409
Speaker, Boston	123	477	192	47	.403
Jackson, Cleveland	121	466	173	26	.371
Collins, Philadelphia	120	431	145	38	.336
McInnes, Phil'delp'ia	120	440	147	17	.334
Baker, Philadelphia	120	462	153	29	.331
Lajoie, Cleveland	86	328	108	11	.329
Gandil, Washington	86	329	103	18	.313
Griggs, Cleveland	81	268	83	10	.310
Crawford, Detroit	123	480	148	36	.308
Turner, Cleveland	75	274	84	12	.307
Stahl, Boston	76	267	82	14	.307
Gardner, Boston	122	444	135	21	.304
Easterly, Chicago	77	268	63	4	.303
Laporte, Washington	88	285	86	7	.302
Milan, Washington	124	487	147	71	.302

National League Pitching Averages.

Player, club—	W.	L.	Pct.
Richie, Chicago	15	4	.798
Crandall, New York	11	3	.786
Marquard, New York	25	7	.781
Cheney, Chicago	19	8	.704
Hendrix, Pittsburg	18	8	.692
Tesreau, New York	10	5	.667
Lavender, Chicago	15	8	.655
Camnitz, Pittsburg	18	10	.643
Mathewson, New York	18	11	.621
Adams, Pittsburg	9	6	.600
Brennan, Philadelphia	11	8	.579
Alexander, Philadelphia	16	12	.572
Humphries, Cincinnati	10	9	.526
Perdue, Boston	12	11	.522
Benton, Cincinnati	16	15	.516

American League Pitching Averages.

Player, club—	W.	L.	Pct.
Wood, Boston	28	4	.875
Plank, Philadelphia	20	4	.833
Johnson, Washington	28	9	.757
Coombs, Philadelphia	21	7	.750
Bedient, Boston	15	6	.714
Dubuc, Detroit	17	7	.708
Hall, Boston	15	7	.682
Bender, Philadelphia	14	7	.667
R. Collins, Boston	10	5	.667
Hughes, Washington	12	8	.632
Lange, Chicago	10	7	.588
Groom, Washington	17	12	.586
Walsh, Chicago	21	16	.568
Gregg, Cleveland	15	12	.556
O'Brien, Boston	13	12	.520

Warehouse to Cost $70,000.

A permit for a reinforced concrete, fireproof warehouse has been issued to the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company. The building will be 82x222 feet in dimensions and will contain two stories. It will be built on East Seventeenth street, between Center and Rhone streets. The cost will be about $70,000. Work on the construction will be started at once.

Bowling Boosters to Meet.

Expansion of the four-team commercial bowling league will likely follow as a result of a meeting of local alley experts at the Saratoga chutes at 2 o'clock this afternoon. Last winter besides the Big Four league there was a Foresters league and a circuit made up of Warren Construction Company enthusiasts.

1912 NATIONAL LEAGUE SCHEDULE; SEASON OPENED APRIL 11, CLOSES OCTOBER 6.

Chicago club at home—With Cincinnati, September 26, 27, 28; with Pittsburg, September 29, 30, October 1; with St. Louis, October 5, 6.

Pittsburg club at home—With St. Louis, September 26, 27, 28.

New York club at home—With Brooklyn, September 9; with St. Louis, September 10, 11, 12, 13; with Chicago, September 14, 16, 17; with Cincinnati, September 18, 19, 20; with Pittsburg, September 21, 23, 24; with Boston, September 26, 27, 28; with Philadelphia, September 30, October 1, 2.

Boston club at home—With Chicago, September 10, 11, 12, 13; with St. Louis, September 14, 16, 17; with Pittsburg, September 18, 19, 20; with Cincinnati, September 21, 23; with Brooklyn, September 30, October 1, 2; with Philadelphia, October 3, 4, 5.

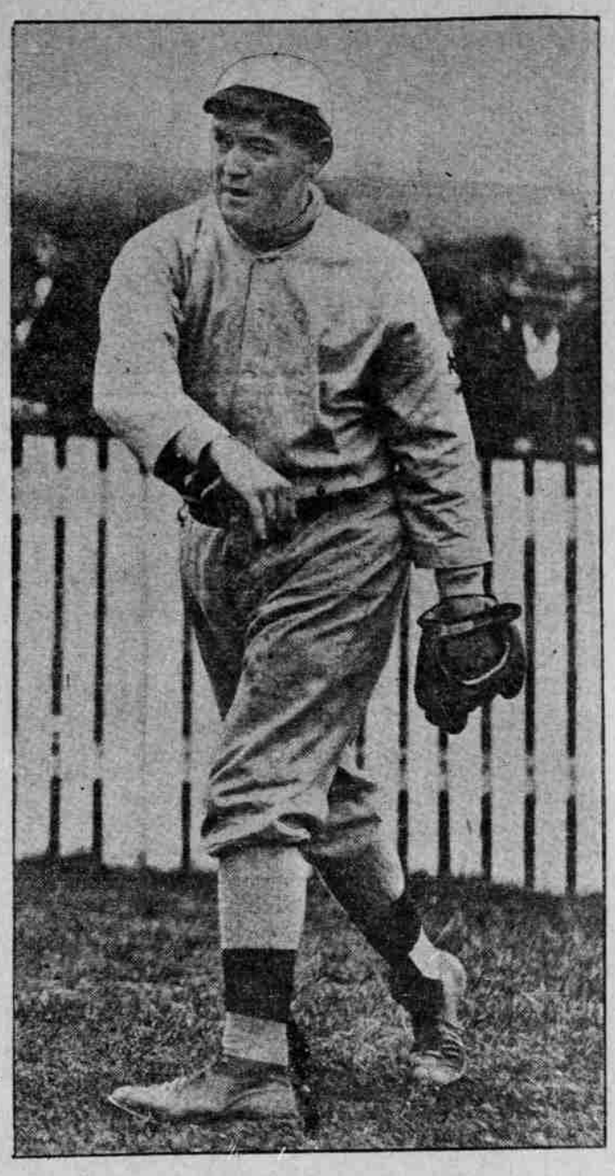
St. Louis club at home—With Pittsburg, September 5, 6, 7, 8; with Cincinnati, September 29, 30, October 1.

Cincinnati club at home—With Chicago, September 5, 6, 7, 8; with Pittsburg, October 3, 4.

Philadelphia club at home—With Boston, September 9; with Pittsburg, September 10, 11, 12, 13; with Cincinnati, September 14, 16, 17; with St. Louis, September 18, 19, 20; with Chicago, September 21, 23, 24.

Brooklyn club at home—With Cincinnati, September 10, 11, 12, 13; with Pittsburg, September 14, 16, 17; with Chicago, September 18, 19, 20; with St. Louis, September 21, 23, 24; with Philadelphia, September 25, 26, 27, 28; with New York, October 3, 4, 5.

FAMOUS NEW YORK NATIONAL PITCHER WHOSE METEORIC CAREER ENDED IN DEATH YESTERDAY.



"BUGS" RAYMOND.

JONES BANE OF BATTERS

SAM CRAWFORD RELATES PROWESS OF EX-SOX IN FIELD.

Four Lusty Swats, All in Different Places in One Game, Gathered in by Mighty Gardener.

"There are a lot of mistakes I've made since I've been in the game that I've forgotten, purposely or otherwise, but the worst one I ever made, according to the way I look at it, was in trying to hit a ball where Fielder Jones wasn't," declared Sam Crawford, the famous Detroit outfielder, in speaking of his diamond troubles.

"That fellow was a robber, a destroyer of batting averages and an enemy of all good hitters. He was the only ball player I ever was glad to see go out of the business. Of course, I hated to see him go personally, but it wasn't fair to batters to have him in the outfield.

"The time I made my big mistake in trying to hit where he wasn't was in the Fall of 1906, when we were all fighting for the pennant and cutting each others' throats just enough to let Chicago slip in and win it after we had figured them out of it.

"I think Frank Smith was pitching for the White Sox that day; at any rate, the pitcher looked pretty easy for me. You know when they are coming where I like them I pull a bit and hit to right or right center. Well, the first time up Smith put up a fast one, just a little bit farther outside than I thought it was, and I cracked it to left center a mile a minute. I thought she was gone to the fence from the way the ball felt when I hit it, and I dug for first. Just as I turned the base to start for second I saw that Jones person out there catching the ball in deep left center—about 200 feet from where he ought to have been playing.

"I was pretty sore, but didn't say anything except to tell him how lucky he was. The second time up I whipped a low drive straight over second. The ball ought to have hit the ground 40 or 50 feet back of the base. Jones was playing so close in that he caught it on the fly.

"The third time up I mauled a high line drive to right center, aimed right at the clubhouse. I thought sure that was a home run, but as I was going for second I saw him going out right under the ball, way over in right, and he jumped up and caught it. I was so mad I couldn't talk.

"The fourth time I came up we needed two runs to win and we had two men on bases. I waited Smith out for a fast one, outside, then just stepped in and poked the ball out over shortstop's head. I tore for first, thinking the laugh was on Jones that time and that I had fooled him.

"I turned the base, and there was Dougherty, who couldn't come in from left and reach the ball, and in front of him, butting in on the short line fly, was Jones. He picked that ball right off his shoetops, shot it to second, made a double play and ended the inning.

"And when he came past me, coming in, he said: 'That's right. Always hit them in the same place.'"

Day's Progress in the Pennant Races

LOS ANGELES went one game and a half ahead of Vernon in the Coast League race by virtue of a six-to-two beating administered to San Francisco, while the Oaks were sinking their fangs in Happy Hogan for a double-header. Apparently Harry Ables has rounded to form again, and if so he is going to cause the leaders a lot of grief. Los Angeles and Vernon each have one more series to play with the Oaks, who are now four games behind Los Angeles and two and a half games behind Vernon. The Angels will need a lead of two or three games to offset Vernon's long stay at home.

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Spokane increased Joe Cohn's slim lead over Seattle, in the Northwestern League, by walloping Victoria. Seattle stood idle as a result of rain. Vancouver remained a game and a half behind Seattle and three games from the lead by splitting a double-header with Portland. Any one of the three is in a good position to win.

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In the National League both leaders lost. Tom Seaton, formerly of Portland, shut out the Giants, the Phillies lambasting three twirlers for five runs, and Cincinnati trimmed the Cubs. Pittsburg is six games behind Chicago and the Cubs are eight games behind New York.

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Bobby Groom, another ex-Portland pitcher, finally broke the Boston Americans' winning streak, in the Ban Johnson circuit, Washington besting the Sox, 5 to 1. Philadelphia walloped New York, so that Washington is still in third place. Boston is so far ahead that the only interest now centers in Stahl's effort to establish a new winning record. The Sox have won 97 games, with 24 yet to play, and the world's record is 102, set by Philadelphia in 1910.

"BUGS" RAYMOND FOUND DEAD

Famous ex-Giant Pitcher Succumbs to Heat in Chicago Hotel.

CHICAGO, Sept. 7.—Arthur, better known in baseball as "Bugs" Raymond, former pitched with the New York National League team, was found dead in a downtown hotel at noon today. A Coroner's physician said Raymond's death was due to heart disease, which had been aggravted by the excessive heat.

Raymond had been at the hotel since Tuesday. Yesterday afternoon about 3 o'clock he went to his room. As he did so he complained of the hot weather.

"I'm about all in with this heat," he said to the manager of the hotel.

He was not seen about the hotel last night and today a maid discovered Raymond's body.

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Cleveland club at home—With Washington, September 10, 11, 12; with Philadelphia, September 13, 14, 15; with Boston, September 17, 18, 19; with New York, September 20, 21, 22; with Detroit, September 26, 27, 28, 29.

Washington club at home—With Boston, September 28, 30, October 1.

New York club at home—With Washington, October 3, 4, 5.

Detroit club at home—With St. Louis, September 5, 7, 8; with Philadelphia, September 10, 11, 12; with Washington, September 13, 14, 15; with New York, September 17, 18, 19; with Boston, September 20, 21, 22; with Chicago, October 2, 3, 5, 6.

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Boston club at home—With New York, September 24, 25, 26.

FAST BALL ASSURED

California Winter Nines After Big League Stars.

EIGHT TEAMS TO BE FAST

Walter Johnson, of Washington, and Cravath, of Phillies, Will Be on Santa Ana Aggregation—San Diego Seeks Chief Myers.

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 7.—(Special.)—Winter baseball will be much faster and classier during the coming season than in former seasons, judging from the material that the respective managers are signing up for the Winter series. The big leaguers will be well represented as well as the Coast League players. The league will comprise eight fast teams, and the fans will not suffer for lack of a fast article of ball, as Walter Johnson, twirler of the Washington American League club, will be on hand, along with Homer Cravath, of the Philadelphia Nationals, to represent the Santa Ana team. The fans of the celery-belt town have already subscribed a large sum to promote Winter ball there.

Under the management of William Palmer, San Diego will use every effort to secure Perdue as a pitcher and Kling as catcher, together with "Big Chief" Myers, of the New York Nationals. Hosp, of the Vernon team, will be on hand to help clinch the pennant for the Southern city. Palmer has written to Tris Speaker and First Baseman Houser, offering them inducements to Winter there.

Other Favorites Expected.

Oxnard will have such players as Smith and Leifield, pitchers, and Catcher Cotter, of the big leagues, with Bill Temple, the former Vernonite, added to its pitching staff. "Babe" Reams, the former Los Angeles player now with Boise in the Idaho State League, will be another strong addition to the sugar belt team.

Reports from San Bernardino are to the effect that the representative of the Gate City club is trying to land Suggs, pitcher, and McLean, catcher, and Mitchell, all of the Cincinnati Reds.

Redondo will have Pittman, of the South Bend club, in the outfield, with Charley Hall, of the Boston Red Sox club, as mound artist. Art McClain, a local lad, and Brooks, of the Los Angeles team, will do the catching.

Among the local teams will be the Jeffries-Hogan club, which will be made up of Coast League players. Harry Ables, of the Oakland team, with Ferrarris, the former Portland heaver, will be the mound artist, with Mitze and Hoffman at the receiving end.

Harkness and Klawitter Eyed.

Jim McCormick, who for the past five years has been represented in the Winter League ranks, will have as his mainstay on the hill Ben Hunt, of the Sacramento club, with Harmon, of the St. Louis club, another pitcher, and Boles, of the Angels, as catcher.

The East Side Brewery club will be on hand with a strong team and the manager is laying wires for "Speck" Harkness and Klawitter, of the Beavers, for pitchers, and Fisher for backstop.

Immediately after the Coast League closes its regular season, October 27, a meeting will be held in this city and officers will be elected. For president of the league County Clerk Harry Leland is spoken of as a likely candidate, as is Eddie Maier, of brewery fame.

CHANCE FOR BIG FIGHT DIMS

Wolgast Wants Too Much Money to Suit Gotham Promoters.

NEW YORK, Sept. 7.—Although no definite announcement has been made by the management of the Garden Athletic Club that the bout between Packey McFarland and Ad Wolgast, scheduled for this city on September 25, is off, it is generally understood by followers of the sport that the fight will not take place. The demand of Wolgast for more money after his failure to dispose of his share of the moving-picture privileges has not been met by the club and will not be met. Neither is it expected that Wolgast will come here for the $15,000 which the club will give him.

Freddie Welsh, the English lightweight who lost the title of Matt Wells last year, has arrived in New York, and has announced his willingness to take Wolgast's place.

NEW ROAD MARKS EPOCH

Lewis County, Wash., Finds Hard-Surface Construction Success.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Sept. 7.—(Special.)—Albers & Nelson, of Chehalis, have just completed construction of one mile of concrete road leading from the county bridge across the Skookumchuck west of Centralia, on to Ford's Prairie, the cost being slightly over $12,000. The road has been opened to traffic and is bearing a big travel every day, as it is a main thoroughfare from Centralia. The road was built with a four and one-half inch base, with a wearing surface of one inch and one-half of 1-1-1 mixture of concrete.

The road is crowned two inches at the center. This will afford ample drainage and permit the rains to keep the roadway scoured in good shape. As soon as the weather settles so that it can be done properly the contractors will grade the road with an added four feet of dirt fill on each side, making a 24-foot roadway. It is expected shortly also to cover the roadway with tarvia to afford a wearing cushion that will protect the surface. Mr. Ipe, of Ford's Prairie, is to do this work.

Construction of this mile of road marks an epoch in road building in the north end of Lewis County, as it is the first hard-surface road built in the first commissioner district. Inside the City of Centralia the Commissioners have this week let a contract to pave First street with bolarway pavement, which will give connection from the north end of that city with the county's concrete road. It is believed that this latter improvement will tend to force the paving of Main street in the southern portion of Centralia. Some time ago the City Commissioners of that city began proceedings to pave Main street, but owing to decided protest of property-owners the work was abandoned.

Storm Insures Late Fall Feed.

CARSON, Nev., Sept. 7.—The heaviest storm of record in this portion of Nevada cleared away today, after leaving a foot or more of snow on the mountain tops. The fall insures late Fall feed, which had been endangered by the scarcity of water this Summer.