

# SPORTS OF THE WEEK

## EYES OF NATION ARE ON BASEBALL GAMES

### RACE IN THE BIG LEAGUES IS NARROWING

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
New York, Oct. 3.—If Sam Lloyd ever conjured up a more perplexing problem than now confronts American baseball fans, he suppressed it, feigning to care a shortage in the supply of padded cells. For downright nerve-racking, insomniac-producing, skin-of-the-teeth affairs, the baseball season of 1908 is unbeatable.

There are more angles to the fights in both leagues than in a piece of mission furniture. Anyone of three teams can win the pennant in either league and the season is now at the eleventh hour and fifty-ninth minute.

New York, which loomed up like a greyhound beside a dachshund a few days ago, is now having second thoughts. Her only hope lies in the defeat of Pittsburgh tomorrow by Chicago, three victories over Boston next weekend and a favorable decision by the board of directors in the disputed game of September 22 between New York and Chicago. This outcome would give her a record of 98 games won and 55 lost. If Pittsburgh's 55 games won and 56 lost. If a New York victory tomorrow can get any consolation out of this he is eligible to the grand mogulship of the optimistic club. This pipe dream outcome would leave the Cubs a half game short of the Giants.

**What the Figures Are.**  
The situation tonight in the National league is as follows:  
Pittsburgh... 98 55 1 .641 .634  
Chicago... 97 55 1 .641 .634  
New York... 95 55 3 .641 .634

With the disputed game finishing in the complication any sort of outcome is possible, even a three-cornered tie, for if Chicago should beat Pittsburgh in tomorrow's concluding game, New York be awarded the disputed game and then losing a game to Boston, it would leave all three teams with 98 games won and 55 lost.

(Is it any wonder the parents doctors are advertising their wares these days?) Tomorrow's struggle between the Pirates and Cubs in Chicago promises to be one of the most memorable struggles in baseball history, for it means motion in the pennant race and the honor of being awarded the disputed game and then losing a game to Boston, it would leave all three teams with 98 games won and 55 lost.

**American League Chances.**  
In the American league, the situation is desperate but Detroit has a slight leeway of a game and a half over Cleveland and will put three games to play the looks to be a championship repeat. Her remaining games are with the White Sox, whom she has had it on a half game, and as she has had it on the Sox by a nice margin all season, the Tiger followers are figuring on the world championship series and Cleveland is pinning her faith, and with a coupling pin at that, on taking three straight from St. Louis, and Chicago, trimming the Tigers in a couple of games. It is not the most rosy prospect, but it is the best that Cleveland has had in many years.

As for the Sox, they have their hopes and that's about all. They have learned how to be "good" when the game is close, and none of them will jump into the lake if they do not get a whack at the world's money series.

The closeness of the race has enriched all the team-owners in both leagues and the season will be a financial as well as an artistic success.

## CHICAGO FANS ON THE VERY EDGE OF NERVOUS COLLAPSE

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Chicago, Oct. 3.—If the two crucial games between the leaders of the American and National leagues scheduled for Chicago tomorrow fall to decide the pennant races, Chicago baseball fans are apt to succumb to nervous prostration.

With Chicago destined to become the center of the baseball map within the 24 hours, the city is suffering from the worst case of "baseballomania" that it has ever witnessed, not even excepting the days of the historic world's series between the Cubs and White Sox in 1905. Tonight everything else is forgotten in the excitement over the pennant race, and on the streets, in streets and downtown stores nothing is discussed but the chances of the two Chicago teams to "land the rag."

The newspapers are bedeviled by excited fans too nervous to wait until the morning papers can be issued to learn the baseball news of the night before. The attendance at the two games tomorrow promises to break all records in the history of the city. The crowded seats at both parks were all sold out early tonight, and the management of each club has prepared for a tremendous crush when the gates are thrown open, which will be long before noon tomorrow. Chief of Police Shipley has detailed 100 extra police to preserve order at both games.

The Cubs left Cincinnati tonight, and will arrive in the morning. The White Sox will arrive from Cleveland at the same time. The various associations of rooters throughout the city met tonight and arranged to have several thousand fans at each depot to meet both teams, and each crowd of enthusiastic fans will be accompanied by bands of music. The players will be escorted in state to their hotels to give them a chance to rest up before the games.

The rooters have also planned to take all sorts of noise-making implements to the games and make the day hideous with their clamorous rooting.

## PITTSBURG CAN'T SEE A THING BUT THE BLOOMIN' RAG

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Pittsburg, Pa., Oct. 3.—Three thousand enthusiastic fans are leaving here for Chicago tonight to witness tomorrow's clash between the Pirates and the Cubs. This game will probably decide which team is to fly the banner of supremacy in the National league for 1908. Local rooters can see nothing but the Pirates and are going to Chicago with plenty of good Pittsburg music to back their judgment.

While the fans are en route to the game tonight, Fred Clarke is the "man of the hour." His name is on everybody's lips. Nothing is being discussed but the game, and the fact that the Pirates leader and his crew of plucky players.

Thousands of fans gathered around the newspaper bulletin boards

this afternoon and yelled themselves hoarse when the news of the Giants' defeat by the Quakers was displayed. When the Pirates' victory over St. Louis was received men hugged each other in delight. Hats were thrown in the air and each Pirate was given three cheers and a tiger. The demonstration continued for two hours. The excitement attending the race even the sequi-centennial celebration is being forgotten. The political campaign was forgotten a week ago, when Pittsburg got within striking distance.

### OTHER NATIONAL GAMES.

**Brooklyn 2, Boston 0.**  
(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Brooklyn, N. Y., Oct. 3.—Brooklyn Nationals shut out Boston in the final game of the season between the teams today. Score:  
Boston..... R. H. E. 0 0 0  
Brooklyn..... 2 7 0  
Batteries—Chappelle and Bowerman; Rucker and Dunn. Umpire—Emalle.

**Chicago 16, Cincinnati 2.**  
(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Cincinnati, Ohio, Oct. 3.—The Cubs slaughtered Cincinnati this afternoon making 16 runs in the first five innings. The game was a farce from the start. Score:  
Chicago..... R. H. E. 16 13 2  
Cincinnati..... 2 8 3  
Batteries—Reulbach, Frasier and Kilger; Campbell, Dubec, O'Toole and McLean.

### OTHER AMERICAN GAMES.

**New York 2-3, Washington 1-2.**  
(United Press Leased Wire.)  
New York, Oct. 3.—The New York Americans defeated Washington in both games today. Scores:  
First game: Washington..... R. H. E. 1 2 3  
New York..... 2 6 0  
Batteries—Wetherup, Johnson and street; Warhop and Kleinow.  
Second game: Washington..... R. H. E. 2 6 2  
New York..... 3 1 1  
Batteries—Johnson and street; Wilson and Kleinow. Umpire—Hurat.

**Boston 7-5, Philadelphia 8-0.**  
(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 3.—Boston and Philadelphia Americans split even in today's double header. The second game was called at the end of the sixth inning owing to the darkness. Score:  
Boston..... R. H. E. 7 10 5  
Philadelphia..... 8 10 5  
Batteries—Steele, Burchell, Young and Criger; Kellogg and Powers.  
Second game: Boston..... R. H. E. 7 10 5  
Philadelphia..... 8 10 5  
Batteries—Combs, Pyle and Lapp; Wood and Criger.

**Chicago 3, Cleveland 2.**  
(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Cleveland, O., Oct. 3.—The Naps lost today's game owing to inability to hit Walsh when a long hit would have won. Leibhardt and Smith started the game but both were taken out. With the bases full in the seventh inning and two out, Walsh fanned the mighty LaJole. Score:  
Chicago..... R. H. E. 3 2 0 0 0 1 0 0 0  
Cleveland..... 2 9 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 1 0 2 9 0  
Batteries—Smith, Walsh and Sullivan; Rhoades, Leibhardt and Benias. Umpires O'Loughlin and Connolly.

**Detroit 6, St. Louis 0.**  
(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Detroit, Mich., Oct. 3.—Detroit took another twist in the American league pennant today when they defeated the St. Louis Browns 6 to 0. The Tigers pitched his usual masterly game. The Tigers did not hit Powell more freely than the Browns hit Donovan but their hits were more timely. The Tigers left for Chicago tonight where they will meet the White Sox tomorrow. Score:  
Detroit..... R. H. E. 6 7 1  
St. Louis..... 0 7 2  
Batteries—Donovan and Schmidt; Powell, Bailey and Spencer. Umpire: Sheridan and Egan.



### STANDING OF TEAMS.

Pacific Coast League.			
Team	W.	L.	P. C.
Los Angeles	83	78	.522
Portland	83	78	.522
San Francisco	88	98	.471
Oakland	74	98	.480

National League.			
Team	Won.	Lost.	P. C.
Pittsburg	98	55	.641
Chicago	97	55	.634
New York	95	55	.634
Philadelphia	89	70	.563
Cincinnati	72	83	.464
Boston	68	88	.437
Brooklyn	62	98	.387
St. Louis	49	104	.320

American League.			
Team	Won.	Lost.	P. C.
Detroit	86	61	.582
Cleveland	86	62	.580
Chicago	86	63	.573
St. Louis	82	67	.550
Boston	72	83	.464
Philadelphia	72	82	.464
Washington	62	86	.422
New York	51	98	.342

**Pacific Motor Boat Appears.**  
The Pacific Motor Boat, a Seattle publication devoted to motorboating on the Pacific coast, is just off the press and reflects much credit upon its publisher, Fisher Freeman. The initial number appeared in Portland yesterday and contains an excellent account of the organization, and several regattas of the Willamette Motor Boat club of this city. It is handsomely gotten up and will be of unusual interest to those interested in gasoline launches.

## INTERSCHOLASTIC FOOTBALL SQUADS



WEST SIDE HIGH SCHOOL TEAM



EAST SIDE HIGH SCHOOL TEAM



HILL MILITARY ACADEMY TEAM



PORTLAND ACADEMY TEAM



COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY TEAM.

## SCHOOL ELEVEENS ARE PROMISING

### FIVE TEAMS WILL FIGHT FOR CHAMPIONSHIP

Who will be the football champions of the Portland interscholastic league? The major league pennant races, the college football teams, Multnomah and the Pacific Coast league are all together bringing many people throughout Portland, but ask any young people between the ages of 15 and 21 what is concerning them most and the answer will be "Who is going to be the football champion of the interscholastic league?"

Five teams are entered in the league this year as usual, Columbia university, Hill Military academy, East Side high school, Portland Academy and West Side high school.

The football squads of the different schools present a varied and complex problem. East Side High has an abundance of light, fast men. West Side is overburdened with heavy men and lacks speedy men to complete a good backfield, and is also in need of a good punter. Hill is in much the same condition as West Side High, but has it over the West Side boys in that Ivis Hughes is turning out to be a veritable streak lightning at quarterback. Columbia has a beautifully balanced team with both weight and speed, while Portland Academy has neither weight nor speed. East Side, however, has one advantage over the other schools in that she has a number of complete teams and can be expected to play at a terrific pace with the expectation that as fast as men give out they can be replaced with fresh men fully as strong as their predecessors.

**Columbia Is Confident.**  
Columbia university is probably the most confident of any of the schools, for it has most of last season's team at hand, and has the advantage of having one of the headiest players in the northwest as coach, Gordon Moore. Davis, Aya, Quinn, Doney, Briles, Sefton, Pomeroy, Ennis and Walker make a strong nucleus and with Moore acting as coach expect to make a very favorable showing. In Becker, Davis, Aya, Quinn and Doney they have a heavy and also a fairly fast line, which with O'Brien and Campbell on the ends should be a stone wall on defense, and which should be able to give a good account of itself on offense. Sefton, Seuffer is being tried at quarter, and while still unaccustomed to the position, should make a good man.

The backfield is Columbia's strong point, however, for Moore has three men hard to beat in Captain Dean Walker, Pomeroy and Ennis. All three men are fast, and Walker is one of the best ground gainers in the league. Pomeroy was almost unanimously chosen for the all-star team by the coaches last season. Ennis played quarter last year, but has taken a lot of weight in the last year and is making good at half-back. Keilher and Bildeaux are two men who are trying for line positions, and should they make them, the team will make valuable men to fall back on.

The squad at East Side high school is very promising. Dr. Paul Rader is coaching the team, and is doing wonders with the boys. Every man on the squad is a star, and the team is a real team. Rader is working tooth and nail all the time, and whatever the coach says goes. East Side has been handicapped several times through the lack of a good punter, but Dr. Rader and his assistants are getting the results, and that is what counts. Eighteen men all of first team quality, make the selection of a team a difficult one.

**Team Lacked Beef.**  
Last season the East Siders were handicapped through lack of beef in the line and of strong men behind the line. This year, however, things seem to have been made to order, for practically all the weak places have been filled. The leader brothers, two big line men untried last year, took on considerable weight during the summer months, and these two, with Houck, Flaherty and Moreland will probably make up the line. Houck is the likely fellow now, the star pitcher of the baseball league last spring, and his big frame has filled a large hole in the line. Flaherty and Moreland are freshmen, but have shown the required amount of strength, and are also good line men, and will be kept for emergencies.

The brain of this season's work will fall on the backs and ends. Coach Rader has two complete sets of both, and expects to use them to advantage. Kellogg of last season's team and Barneo will probably be the first set of ends, with Ferris and Cook in reserve. One set of backs can be made of Cornell.

**Academy Hard Hit.**  
Portland Academy played its first practice game at Forest Grove yesterday. P. A. is up against it for football material this year, for it has neither a star player nor a good punter.

There is always a spirit of fight in the P. A. boys, which has yet to come out in any other team, and it carries them miles in a real game.

Leonard will be in his old position at center in the new line, and Taggart will probably be the tackle. Sobot, Wilson or Heuser, the tackle, Norris and Bruce ends, Cob and Beuhner center, and McGee and McGee will compose the backfield. This team, while not as heavy or fast as it might be, is well coached, and with the careful coaching which Mackle and Thorne are giving it will hold up its end of the game.

**Rally in Seventh.**  
A rally was started in the seventh with two gone. Groom rapped for two bases to right, and went to third when Truesdale fumbled Casey's grounder. La Longe threw to second on a double steal and Groom easily scored. Casey was trapped and finally touched out.

Duffy Lewis in the seventh tried to get his teammates to going by leading off with a two-bagger to center. None of the others could get the ball outside the diamond, however. McGee, in the eighth looked for a while as though the Oaks would score a run or two, but Groom dashed their hopes by fanning the last two up. Cook walked, Truesdale filed out to left and Lewis singled. Heitmueller walked, filling the bases. Hogan and Miller struck out.

The score:

PORTLAND.						
Player	A. B.	R.	P. O. A. E.			
Casey, 2b	4	1	0	2	5	0
Conroy, ss	4	0	2	0	2	0
Johnson, 3b	4	0	2	0	2	0
Dansig, 1b	4	0	0	0	0	0
Beane, cf	4	0	0	0	0	0
McCredie, rf	4	1	0	0	0	0
Ryan, cf	4	0	1	0	0	0
Graham, p	3	1	1	0	0	0
Totals	34	5	4	27	16	0

OAKLAND.						
Player	A. B.	R.	P. O. A. E.			
Cook, 3b	2	0	2	1	1	0
Truesdale, 2b	4	0	1	1	2	0
Heitmueller, rf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Hogan, ss	4	0	0	0	0	0
Miller, 1b	3	0	0	0	0	0
LaLonge, c	3	0	0	0	0	0
Van Hatten, cf	3	1	1	0	0	0
Christian, p	2	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	30	1	5	27	16	3

**SCORE BY INNINGS.**  
Portland..... 0 0 1 0 0 1 4 6-3  
Oaks..... 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0-4  
Hits..... 0 0 2 0 0 1 1 1 1 3

**SUMMARY.**  
Two-base hits—Ryan, Groom, Lewis Johnson. First base on balls—O'Connell, Groom 4, off Christian 2. Struck out—By Ryan 10, by Christian 4. Wild pitches—Christian 2. Time—1:45. Umpires—Flyn and O'Connell.