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BASEBALL'S PLACE IN BUSINESS LIFE

ENORMOUS SUMS SPENT EVERY SEASON

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Washington, Oct. 10.—As a business, baseball has reached tremendous proportions. It has been estimated that $17,000,0000 are spent on professional baseball in this country every year. Millions more are spent on amateur ball. There are 10,000 recognized professional ball players belonging to regularly organized leagues, in addition to thousands of others who accept money for occasional games and in the main depend upon other sources of income.

Baseball parks in large cities are usually the last remnants of what were once large open areas. An angle of the business is to head off attempts made from time to time to have right of way through the park condemned in order that streets may be completed. In this manner baseball has been injected into politics in many cities, and many politicians have gained an interest in clubs. One of the threats held over the heads of the American league promoters when they first attempted to enter New York and start a club in opposition to the National league club, was that if the ambitious Americans did find a suitable site, the principal owner of the National league franchise, who was a power in Tammany hall, would have streets cut through the property before it could be completed.

Get a Bigger Man.

This effectually balked the Americans until they evolved the scheme of financially interesting in their project a man as strong, if not stronger, in Tammany hall than the National league element. The big politician became the principal stockholder of the new club, used his influence to nullify the frantic attacks of the opposition, and the American league park was built without further delay.

In a somewhat different manner the politicians of another large city took a hand in the game and nearly caused the ruin of an immensely profitable ball park. They became disgruntled because of what they considered the paucity of passes issued them, and suddenly discovered that the only hope for the city's future lay in cutting streets through this owner's grounds. The owner did not call in any potent counter influence to become a principal shareholder. He entered the political arena himself and soon became dangerous enough not to be harried.

Baseball as an advertising medium is making astonishing progress. Nothing will so keep a town "on the map," and make the public at large familiar with its name, as the fact that it has a winning team. All the world reads the baseball news. The name of the place that flies, or nearly flies, a pennant, is bruited abroad, and thousands become familiar with the name, its approximate location and the fact that it is enterprising.

College Men in Games.

Resort and hotel teams are another development of the advertising possibilities of baseball. A hotel will put up the money to engage the best players it can find to play two or three times a week and bear the name of the hotel or resort, so keeping that before the public.

These "summer" teams are not only advertisements, but furnish amusement and conversation for the guests. The players receive from $10 to $25 a week and their board for the season. Many of them are college students. In contradistinction to the "summer" teams are the "winter" leagues. Warm weather and bright sunshine bring to the visitor at southern resorts an intense desire to see baseball games. The astute proprietors have grasped the situation, and now there are several winter leagues in existence. The principal one is that composed of nine representing the big hotels at Palm Beach and nearby points along the Florida coast, and some of the very best players in the major leagues are engaged at good salaries.

Baseball has been an important factor in the growth of many American cities. Street railway companies have appreciated the importance of the traffic to and from baseball grounds, and are frequently large purchasers of club stock in order to get their enterprise started. It has sometimes happened that the only available site was beyond the terminals already established, but the company has laid new tracks or extended old ones, knowing the baseball crowds would make the investment profitable.

As a result of increased transportation facilities settlements multiply and land

Baseball has always been a public institution to the extent that every loyal supporter of the home team takes its affairs as a matter of personal concern and discusses them accordingly, but the time seems not far distant when it will actually and legally be considered a quasi-public corporation subject to special obligations and privileges of various kinds.

Public Necessity in Detroit.

The defense of the Detroit ball players arrested in Detroit August 30 of this year for playing a Sunday game with the Clevelands, was that they were in the midst of an unusually grueling race for the American league pennant, that the enforced lay-off on Sunday would have been detrimental to their physical condition, and therefore since the Detroit public had their success so much at heart, their playing was a matter of public necessity, and not a breach of law. The Detroit jury solemnly accepted this view and acquitted the prisoners.

The real value of a winning baseball team is but now beginning to be seriously studied. It is a matter of common observation that a series of triumphs by the home club spreads an air of good nature and lightness far and wide. Those who see the game are pleased with the club and with themselves, while thousands of unfortunates who had not the money or the time to attend personally are put in a high good humor when they learn the glad tidings. It has always been an axiom with politicians and social philosophers that an amused or delighted crowd is not likely to get into serious mischief, and there is nothing amuses the American populace so much as a victory by the home club.

Indirectly baseball contributes very largely to the success of business enterprises which are not supposed to be dependent upon sport. The total attendance of the two major leagues, the American and National, in 1907 was estimated at 6,127,557 persons. It is probably a low estimate that 80 per cent of these went to the baseball parks and back home on streetcars. At 10 cents per head, $490,927.50 was contributed by these to the cost of baseball in addition to the admission fees at the gates. In many cities it is necessary to employ extra forces of motormen and conductors to handle the rush and to give overtime pay to regulars to keep on duty for the same cause. So the fans are giving employment to a large number of persons entirely out of baseball. These figures are for the major leagues alone, but they apply practically to all cities of 100,000 population, or even less.

Part to Last Century.

The extent to which money is being invested in baseball is startling. One illuminating case is that of the new American league park in Philadelphia, now in course of completion. It will seat 28,000 persons, and arrangements have been made to accommodate 12,000 more on big days. It will be built to last a century. The structure will be entirely of concrete and steel, and the main pavilion will be a pretentious structure of French renaissance architecture, with walls of brick and terra cotta trimmings.

Major league franchises are seldom for sale, and if they were they would be held at figures all the way from $160,000 to $1,000,000.

In addition to this first cost the buyer would have to have on hand fully $50,000 more to guarantee his running expenses, and that would be a low estimate, for the only franchises on the market are those of losing clubs. In order to get a winner and big money maker the new owner would probably have to spend from $20,000 to $30,000 to strengthen his team. A major league club costs about $600 per day, on the average, for hotel bills, salaries, railroad fares, 'bus fares and groundkeepers' expenses. For a season lasting from April 14 to October 8, as is the case this year, that amounts to an estimated average outlay of $160,800 each for every one of the 16 major league clubs. In many instances the cost is much higher, as major league salary lists for players range from $40,000 to $65,000 per club.

One manufacturing company alone makes 1,600 standard baseballs every working day in the year. Tho two big leagues use from 800 to 1,000 dozen balls per year, or 750 balls per club. These balls cost $1 each. Every club is also estimated to average about 62 bats per year, at a cost of $1 each.

NATIONAL'S CHAMPION BATSMAN

Hans Wagner of Pittsburg, who is points and points ahead of the other Nationals at the bat. This season Hans closed with an average around .360, from the unofficial returns. Last year he, like Cobb, batted .350. Hans is far and away the best batter in the world, besides being a marvelous all-round player.

BRISWALTER TOO MUCH FOR LOCALS

"Pop" Dillon Helps Young Pitcher to Smother McCredie's Hirelings.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Los Angeles, Cal., Oct. 10. — Andy Briswalter was too much for the Beavers here yesterday, and he was backed by the most sensational of support. Old "Pop" Dillon was the real star with two triples and a single to his credit, and also some great fielding stunts. Kinsella was hit hard by the Angels, they getting 12 safeties. The score:

LOS ANGELES.

	AB.	R.	H.	PO.	A.	E.
Oakes, cf	4	1	1	1	0	0
Ellis, lf	4	1	2	1	1	0
Dillon, 1b	3	3	3	11	2	0
Brashear, 1b	3	0	2	1	0	0
Howard, 2b	4	0	1	3	4	1
Smith, 3b	4	1	2	2	2	0
Delmas, ss	3	0	0	1	0	0
Hogan, c	4	0	1	5	1	0
Briswalter, p	3	0	0	2	1	0
Total	32	6	12	27	11	2

PORTLAND.

	AB.	R.	H.	PO.	A.	E.
Graney, cf	4	0	0	3	0	0
Cooney, ss	4	0	0	2	4	0
Johnson, 2b	4	0	1	1	2	0
Danzig, 1b	3	0	1	10	0	0
Ryan, 3b	4	1	1	1	1	1
McCredie, rf	4	0	0	0	1	0
Bassey, lf	4	0	1	2	0	0
Frambes, c	3	0	0	5	2	0
Kinsella, p	3	0	1	0	3	0
Total	33	1	5	24	13	1

SCORE BY INNINGS.

Los Angeles	1	0	2	3	0	0	0	0	*	6
Hits	3	0	4	0	1	0	0	4	*	12
Portland	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Hits	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	5

SUMMARY.

Two-base hits—Bassey, Ellis, Smith. Three-base hits—Dillon 2. Sacrifice hit—Brashear. Stolen base—Brashear. Double plays—Ellis to Delmas, Frambes to Johnson. First base on balls—Off Kinsella 2, Briswalter 1. Struck out—By Kinsella 4, by Briswalter 6. Time of game—1 hour 45 minutes. Umpires—Perine and Toman.

This Date in Sport Annals.

1854—The Philadelphia Cricket club perfected its organization, being the first formally formed by native cricketers.

1865—At Fashion Course, L. I., Dexter, in the match against time, $6,000, under saddle, trotted a mile in 2:18 1-5.

1884—Ambrose J. ("Amby") McGarry, pugilist, born at Rooskey, Ireland.

1885—Intercollegiate Football association held its annual meeting and made several changes in the playing rules.

1891—At New York, J. S. Mitchell, in trial against record, threw 16-pound hammer 141 feet 3½ inches, beating all records.

1903—At Vancouver, Aurelia Herrera and Louie Long fought 20 rounds to a draw.

1904—At New York, Boston defeated New York and won the American league championship.

1905—At Thornton, R. I., Dave Deshler defeated Terry Martin in 15 rounds.

1907—At Chicago, Chicago Nationals defeated Detroit Americans, 5 to 1, in third game of world's championship series.

Haymaker Finishes Bradley.

New York, Oct. 10.—Al Kaufman, the Pacific coast heavyweight, knocked Fred Bradley of Boston out in the fourth round last night. Kaufman's heavy blows in the fourth were too much for Bradley and the haymaker sent him to sleep for several hours.

Frank Chance, Captain of the Chicago Team.

RACING DRIVERS CLOSE TO DEATH

Michenor Escapes by Hair-Breadth in Philadelphia Auto Races.

Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 10.—Michener, the daring driver of the Lozier car in the automobile races over the eight-mile course at Fairmount park today, escaped death by a hair's breadth, when his big machine turned turtle while going at a terrific rate of speed. The crowd which had been watching the race thought both Michener and his mechanic undoubtedly had been killed. The machine went over in a great cloud of dust. When the crowd reached the spot and the dust cleared, Michener was seen standing beside the car, calmly lighting a cigarette, though blood was trickling from a gash on his chin. The mechanic was unhurt.

The closing day of Founders' week is being given over mainly to athletic contests and the Knights Templar festivities, in addition to the auto races. The greater number of visitors went to the park to see the automobile races, which proved the most popular attraction of the week.

Thirty-five Cars Entered.

Thirty-five stock racing automobiles of all classes entered the races today preliminary to the great Vanderbilt cup race, which will take place October 24. The contests today were under the auspices of the Vanderbilt cup commission, of which W. K. Vanderbilt is president. The first car to make the course was a small Buick, driven by Easter. It was followed closely by the machine driven by W. Olney. Easter covered the 23.46 miles in 30 minutes and 55 seconds and Olney covered the course in 32 minutes and 58 seconds.

Ray Howard, driving a Palmer-Singer car, in the Garden City sweepstakes, covered 23.46 miles in 23 minutes and 22 seconds.

Sixteen cars were entered in the 200-mile road race, which started at 7 o'clock this morning. The first accident reported was the upsetting of the Stoddard Dayton car, driven by C. W. Wright, at Jericho. Neither Wright nor his mechanic was seriously hurt.

In the big Parkway sweepstakes, Herbert Lyttle, in a large Isotta car, led the second round, having covered 47 miles in 43 minutes and 42 seconds. Lewis Strang, in a Renault, followed in 46 minutes and 26 seconds, and Kirkpatrick, in a Hotchkiss, was third in 47 minutes and 19 seconds.

Machines Drop Out.

The Palmer-Singer car was forced to drop out of the Garden City stakes on account of an accident at Plainview.

The Stoddard Dayton car, driven by Miller, went into the ditch at Plainview and Mechanic Lemonthe was badly hurt. Miller narrowly escaped death, sustaining severe bruises. This is the second Stoddard Dayton wrecked. In the third lap of the Parkway sweepstakes Lyttle, Strang and Kirkpatrick were in the same order, having covered 71.1 miles in 65 minutes and 6 seconds, 69 minutes and 34 seconds and 70 minutes and 65 seconds. When this race was half over Lyttle had covered 117.3 miles in 107 minutes and 49 seconds.

The little Buick won the Nassau sweepstakes, covering 93.84 miles in 2 hours, 7 minutes and 50 seconds. The Cameron car was second in 2 hours, 15 minutes and 53 seconds.

FOOTBALL OPENS THIS AFTERNOON

Three-thirty o'clock this afternoon Multnomah club and Willamette university line up on Multnomah field for the first game of the season on the local grounds. Captain Stott's men are in good condition and the same is true of the youngsters under Coach Kirby.

English After Hayes' Time.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

London, Oct. 10.—In an endeavor to show that the English long distance runners can improve upon the time made by Hayes, the American winner in the recent Olympic games, a second Marathon race began today. The course is the same over which Hayes ran to his celebrated victory. In the present contest Percy Smallwood is the only American entered.

Frenchman Wins Marathon.

London, Oct. 10.—Henri Siret, a Frenchman, won the Marathon race here today, over the identical course traveled by Hayes, the American winner of the Marathon held during the recent Olympic games.

CLASSY MATCHES OFFERED AT CLUB

Best Athletes in "Winged M" Will Meet at Acton Benefit Wednesday.

Edgar Frank and Eddie O'Connell, matchmakers for the Joe Acton smoker benefit of the Multnomah club next Wednesday night, have exercised unusual judgment in getting the "Winged M" athletes together, and the card that is offered the friends of Acton will provide some of the classiest boxing and wrestling seen here since the coast championships last winter.

Joe is immensely popular with Portland sport lovers, and they are going to show their appreciation of his years of mat championship and his unswerving loyalty to Multnomah club during the eight years he turned out its crack wrestlers.

An admission of 50 cents will be charged for the smoker, which will start at 8:30 o'clock sharp Wednesday night. There will be no waits of any character during the evening. The wrestling bouts will be pulled off first. They will be of six minutes' duration, best two out of three falls. While one set of wrestlers are resting another pair will be working on the mat.

The boxing matches will finish up the evening's entertainment:

Following are the boxing matches scheduled:

George Miller vs. Struck, at 125 pounds.

Leon Hughes vs. Pregmore, at 135 pounds.

George Crosby vs. Henry Niecken, at catch weights.

Gene West vs. Ralph, at catch weights.

Ted Rushton vs. Hood Bottler, at 145 pounds.

Hewett vs. Tunney, at 105 pounds.

The wrestling matches are as follows:

E. D. Smith vs. Otto Ott, at 135 pounds.

Bud Hughes vs. Ed Mills, at 115 pounds.

Bill Dennis vs. Milt Meyer, at 145 pounds.

Ed Finnegan vs. Art Bohosky, at 140 pounds.

There will probably be an exhibition between Instructor O'Connell and Ed Johnson.

ALBANY COLLEGE WINS OVER PACIFIC ELEVEN

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Albany, Or., Oct. 10.—In one of the hardest fought contests seen on an Albany field for many years Albany college defeated Pacific university yesterday, 5 to 0, in the first game of the season, before a large crowd. Although outweighing Albany five pounds to the man and having had the experience of a game already played, Albany eleven was much faster.

In the first half Pacific received the ball and by end runs advanced it to Albany's 35-yard line. Here the Orange and Black took a brace and held for downs and receiving the ball punted out of danger. During the entire half a punting game was played with Yates, Albany's big tackle, getting the better of the bargain.

The second half was a repetition of the first. About two minutes before the close of the game Albany had the ball within two yards of a touchdown, and, losing it on downs, Pacific university attempted to kick from behind the goal. The ball struck the post and, falling behind the line, was grabbed by an Albany man and a touchdown was awarded. Score, Albany 5, Pacific university 0. Following is the lineup:

Albany.	Position	P. U.
Gibbons	C	Mills
Yates	R G	Mayfield
Minerd	L G	Bryant
Yates	R T	Brazol
Byers	L T	Waterman
Ward	R E	Abraham
Shoemate	L E	Ward
Wilbur	Q	Ferain
Towns	L H	Roberston
Barry	R H	Roberston
Rogaway	F	Humphreys

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PORTLAND HIGH TEAM PLAYS SEATTLE TODAY

Football Game Hurriedly Arranged and West Siders Not at Best.

West Side High school slipped a surprise package to the athletic world when the football team quietly departed for Seattle yesterday afternoon to meet the crack Lincoln High football team. Thirteen players and Coach Jordan made the trip. The game was arranged late Thursday night by wire.

Lincoln High this year expects to have fully as good a team as her big rival Washington High and the Portland boys are going to be up against the real article when they meet the Lincoln team. Portland goes into the game in very poor shape, for they have had the services of Coach Jordan but two weeks and have yet to play in a game together. However, they are all veterans and the experience which they have gained in games last year and in games in other towns will stand them in good stead.

Lincoln High has a very good team and the game should be a hummer from start to finish. In Ohnick and Terry they are reputed to have the best ends in the state of Washington, interscholastically. But if Ohnick and Terry can beat the two sterling performers who are playing the ends for Portland they have no business in a High School. Portland fans believe Ludlam and Dabney to be without an equal in this state and they are also confident that the Seattle pair is not in their class.

Lincoln will not have anything on Portland in the line for Grout, Arnold, Gerspach, Ross and Caufield are a fine combination. West Side will probably play a bucking game, sending Smith, Rader and Gunnell through the line and relying on Ludlam and Dabney to get down on punts when necessary and also to stop up the end runs which Maguire, the Lincoln captain, will probably try. The outcome of the game will be closely watched by local fans.

The line-up of the two teams will be as follows:

Lincoln.	Position.	Portland.
Beck	C	Gerspach
Bruce	R G L	Arnold
Fallis	L G R	Caufield
Bliss	R T L	Grout
Smith	L T R	Ross
Hinton or Terry	R E L	Ludlam
Ohnick	L E R	Dabney
Robinson or Maguire	Q	Vosper
Pike or Holt	R H L	Smith (C)
Ward	L H R	Gunnell
Sparger or Elliott	F	Rader

Cochran and Pattison also made the trip with the Portland team.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION AT O. A. C. MORE RIGID

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Oct. 10.—The rules governing physical education at the O. A. C. are far more stringent than in former years. Each student is required to take up some form of athletic training. Football and track work are engaging the attention of the trainers at present. The track men have been out limbering up during the past week, and they will be kept in training throughout the winter and spring.

Toward the close of the football season the classes in indoor gymnastics will be organized and basketball will be the main attraction. Prospects are bright for a crack quintet of basketball tossers this year, as there is an abundance of material and the men will have an able coach.

FRISCO SLIDES OVER EASY GREEKS AGAIN

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, Oct. 10.—San Francisco had easy going with Oakland again yesterday, winning, 7 to 4. The score:

SAN FRANCISCO.

	AB.	R.	H.	PO.	A.	E.
Curtis, 3b	2	1	0	1	4	0
Hildebrand, lf	4	2	1	3	0	0
Mohler, 2b	3	1	1	5	2	2
Bodie, rf	5	0	0	1	0	0
Williams, 1b	4	1	2	11	0	1
Beck, cf	5	0	1	3	0	0
Killifer, c	4	1	0	2	2	1
McArdle, ss	3	0	0	0	4	1
Griffin, p	2	1	0	1	1	0
Totals	32	7	5	27	13	5

OAKLAND.

	AB.	R.	H.	PO.	A.	E.
Van Haltren, cf	2	1	0	4	0	0
Truesdale, 2b	5	0	1	2	2	0
D. Lewis, lf	4	1	2	2	0	0
Heitmuller, rf	4	1	1	0	1	0
Eagan, ss	4	0	2	0	4	2
Cook, 2b	4	0	0	2	2	1
Hogan, 1b	4	0	0	10	0	0
La Longe, c	4	1	1	6	3	0
Johnson, p	0	0	0	0	0	0
Christian, p	4	0	0	1	5	1
Totals	36	4	7	27	17	7

SCORE BY INNINGS

San Francisco	2	0	1	1	0	0	2	1	0	—7
Hits	0	0	1	0	1	0	2	1	0	—5
Oakland	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	—4
Hits	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	—7

SUMMARY.

Runs—Off Johnson, 1. Two-base hits—D. Lewis, Williams, Beck. Stolen bases—Curtis, Mohler, Bodie, Killifer, Heitmuller, La Longe. Sacrifice hits—McArdle, Mohler, Curtis. First base on balls—Off Johnson, 2; off Christian, 3; off Griffin, 2. Struck out—By Christian, 3; by Griffin, 2. Wild pitches—Christian. Time—One hour and 45 minutes. Umpires—Flynn and O'Connell.