

Slugging Ability of Sox Makes Them Favorites Over Reds in World's Series Contests

CHICAGO PICKED TO ANNEX WORLD TITLE FROM REDS

Eastern Critic Picks White Sox to Defeat Pat Moran's Sensations, With Reservation; American Entry Has Greater Punch; Cincinnati Depending on Twirlers for Victory.

By Jack Veiock

NEW YORK, Sept. 25.—(I. N. S.)—Kid Gleason's hard driving White Sox will defeat the Cincinnati Reds in the world's series if they play true to form.

In the opinion of the writer, the Sox need only a fair share of the "breaks" to emerge from the big classic with another world's title in tow.

There are two outstanding reasons: The Sox have greater punishing power and better balance. As they stand today they are practically the same team that maulled the highly touted Giants in four out of six games two years ago. If anything, they are more formidable. The fact that they triumphed in a finish fight against no less than four high powered clubs in their own league is proof of their class.

In winning the American League pennant they scored a brilliant and well earned victory. And because they were forced to maintain high speed from start to finish they will enter the series against the Moran man next Wednesday in top form.

REDS PLAY CONSISTENTLY
The Sox are a team of "gamblers"—great money players. Yet they will face one of the greatest teams that ever won a National League pennant. There will be little or no advantage either way in this respect.

Moran's newly crowned champions are the sensation of the season in the baseball world and the marvels of the age in Cincinnati. They have displayed a consistent punch. Anyone who thinks they lack gameness need only recall the six-game series at the Polo grounds in which the Reds put McClellan's entry out of the running by taking four games with hostile fans of 20,000 and 40,000 looking on. But the Reds have not been hurried and pressed like the Sox. They had but one team to beat after mid-season. Chicago, on the contrary, had to beat out at least two teams that in the opinion of the writer should have won the American League pennant. They are the Indians and Yankees. And it is also well to remember that this has been a year of wide contrast in the two big leagues.

FAVORS ON PITCHERS
Critics who favor the Reds in the big series are banking on Moran's pitchers. It is true that the Reds have more dependable hurlers to use over a stretch of nine games. But they must look back to the White Sox in the early years to gain much advantage in this line.

Sallee, Reuther, Eller and King are Moran's aces. Fisher, Mitchell and Luque his wheel men. The Reds put McClellan's entry out of the running by taking four games with hostile fans of 20,000 and 40,000 looking on. But the Reds have not been hurried and pressed like the Sox. They had but one team to beat after mid-season. Chicago, on the contrary, had to beat out at least two teams that in the opinion of the writer should have won the American League pennant. They are the Indians and Yankees. And it is also well to remember that this has been a year of wide contrast in the two big leagues.

HAVE WRECKING CREW
The Sox have a wrecking crew of their own. They are no longer hitless wonders. With a consistent team average of .380 for the season, against .270 for the Reds, they have ground out more hits and runs than their rivals. And they did it against stronger pitching than the Reds had to face.

Eddie Collins, Joe Jackson, Buck Weaver and Happy Felsch represent more concentrated T. N. T. than the Reds can muster by grouping any four of their batsmen. And this combination slugs Liebold, Gandill and Krueger, all of whom are hitting consistently. What's more, the Sox slugmen have hammered right and left handers alike. Can Moran's pitchers turn back this hitting tide, even though they are strong in numbers? Sallee tried it in 1917, but that was all.

Comparative figures on the rival teams

'Babe' Ruth Is World's Champ In H. R. Hitting

New York, Sept. 25.—(I. N. S.)—Babe Ruth takes rank today as the greatest home run hitter ever introduced in the history of baseball. The Boston star, having tied all existing records for circuit hitting some days ago, established a new mark when he hammered the ball over the roof of the right field grandstand at the Polo grounds Wednesday off Bob Shawkey for his twenty-eighth home run of the season. Ruth made his first as well as his twenty-eighth home run at the Polo grounds, and registered a total of five there against Yankee pitchers. His record breaking clout was the third off Shawkey this season.

GRANT DUE BACK FROM SUNNY CAL.

Matchmaker of Portland Commission Has Tentative Bouts Lined Up for Next Smoker.

JACK GRANT, matchmaker of the Portland boxing commission, is due to arrive today from San Francisco, where he has been in communication with the various boxers of the Bay City district.

While in the Southland, Grant attended several smokers and lined up several tentative goes for the next commission smoker to be staged October 8, but until he holds a conference with Frank Watkins, chairman of the commission, no matches will be arranged.

The Shade brothers of San Francisco, who are big favorites in California, may be given a chance to appear here.

Local fans are hungry for a return bout between Peter Mitchell and Stanley Mitchell, who up the best go at the initial smoker last week. Willis should have at least been given a draw. Mitchell is willing to go against Willis again and is confident of gaining a victory.

Mitchell, while in good condition for his first bout of the season, was not on edge. He has been training every day, going for long hikes with Joe Gorman early each morning.

Harmon Named as Football Referee in The School League

Columbia university and Franklin high will usher in the 1919 football season of the Portland interscholastic league at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon on Multnomah field. Directors of the league met in the Multnomah Amateur Athletic club Wednesday afternoon and ratified with one exception the schedule drawn up by the coaches last week. James John and Lincoln high were slated to battle Wednesday but it was postponed until a later date.

The selection of Earl A. Harmon to referee the contests was decided on at the gathering. Harmon is said to have considerable experience as a player and coach in the middle west and was honorably discharged from the United States service last December and came to the Pacific coast soon after.

The second of the campaign will be played Friday afternoon on the High School of Commerce and Jefferson high elevens. Other officials for the year will be selected prior to the match this afternoon, according to preliminary plans. All Portland interscholastic league games was set at 2:30 cents.

Giants Refuse to Play Yankee Team

New York, Sept. 25.—The New York National league baseball club has declined to play the New York American league team in a post-series, it was announced by the Yankee management.

President Stoneham of the Giants, in answer to Colonel Ruppert's letter asking the series be played, stated there was no public demand for a series.

At Philadelphia (1st game): R. H. E. Brooklyn.....000000112-4 8 1 Philadelphia.....000000000-0 0 0 Batteries—Pfeffer and Wheat; Meadows and Tressagor, Clark.

At Philadelphia (2nd game): R. H. E. Brooklyn.....100043023-14 16 0 Philadelphia.....000001000-7 3 3 Batteries—Mamaux and Krueger; Hogg, Weiner and Adams.

At Boston (1st game): R. H. E. Boston.....130200000-8 15 1 Boston.....100000000-1 10 0 Batteries—James and Smith; Rudolph, Demaree and Gowdy.

Second game (10 innings): R. H. E. New York.....000000000-2 3 0 Boston.....000010001-12 1 1 Batteries—Hubbell and Snyder; Filming and Wilson.

TEAM STANDINGS

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE			
Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Los Angeles	87	66	.568
Vernon	101	69	.594
Salt Lake	88	74	.542
Bakersfield	78	59	.569
San Francisco	81	86	.485
Oakland	77	82	.485
Portland	71	83	.453
Seattle	60	100	.375

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Cincinnati	83	43	.654
New York	82	52	.612
Chicago	81	62	.564
Pittsburgh	70	66	.515
St. Louis	68	60	.531
Boston	68	69	.495
Philadelphia	62	82	.433
Philadelphia	46	88	.345

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Chicago	88	48	.647
Cleveland	83	59	.583
New York	75	59	.560
St. Louis	74	68	.520
Boston	66	68	.493
Philadelphia	65	71	.478
Washington	53	87	.387
St. Louis	36	99	.267

Quality Vs. Quantity on Mound Series Will See Great Hurling

By Henry L. Farrell
United Press Staff Correspondent
NEW YORK, Sept. 25.—(U. P.)—Eddie Cicotte and Claude Williams, the Red infield and the stock of the White Sox outfield may have points to argue in advantage over the National league gardeners, but when it comes to pitching staffs, Moran need doff his cap to no one.

Terrific Luque, Reuther, Fisher and Eller has a crew of pitching experts that rank among the six leading hurlers of the National league. It is a combination that has won 80 games for him this year.

PAIR WON 11 GAMES
Gleason may have to concede quality to the Red leader, but when it comes to quantity he does not have to grant an inch of superiority. Eddie Cicotte and Claude Williams will give Moran's best a run for the money. This game pair of "iron men" carried the White Sox through to 61 victories. They came through a terrific season with 10 victories and six losses for an average of .760. Reuther has a better seasonal record than Williams, who has won 23 and lost nine for .719.

ELLER BEST RIGHT HANDER
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Odd's on World's Series Posted in The 'Windy City'

Chicago, Sept. 25.—(U. P.)—With the American league championship safely stowed, Chicago bookies actively began operations today, establishing the Sox team an 8 to 5 favorite over the Cincinnati Reds. Other items posted were 10 to 2 Sox to win series; 11 to 10 Reds to take first game; 7 to 10 Sox to win first game. No even money bets were announced.

RACING

SALEM, Sept. 25.—Halle B added another win to her record by capturing the 2:15 trot of the Oregon State Fair race meeting Wednesday. Swisher drove his mount under the wire in each heat, making the last mile in 2:12 1/2.

Kinney Wave, the lone scratch entrant in the A. H. Lea handicap, outclassed a big field, winning in 2:19 1/2. Results:

Time	2:08 race, purse \$2000
Halle B (Swisher).....1 1 1	
Tillamook (Ball).....2 3 3	
Mildred (Diet).....3 4 4	
Black Fitzsimmons (Brain).....4 5 5	
Lena Patch (Whisher).....5 6 6	
Time.....2:19 1/2	
Time	2:15 trot, purse \$750
Halle B (Swisher).....1 1 1	
Lillian M (McIntire).....2 2 2	
Suylich (Gorman).....3 3 3	
Howard's Comet (Brain).....4 4 4	
Time.....2:12 1/2	
Time	A. H. Lea handicap, purse \$300—Kinney Wave scratch, first May Davis, handicapped
140 yards, second; McAlpin, 90 yards, third; Bonkin, 30 yards, fourth; Ruth Hal, 100 yards, fifth; Bonkin, 70 yards, sixth; Loyal Express, 150 yards, seventh; Hal Harden, 80 yards, eighth, time, 2:19 1/2.	

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Don de Lopez (Steele).....1 1 1	
John J. (Heidrick).....2 2 2	
Abbie Wood, Jr. (Erskine).....3 3 3	
Philly Dillard, Jr. (Palm).....4 4 4	
Cherry Boy, Jr. (Harris).....5 5 5	
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Bonnie Hal, Six Points, Anna Moore, Sheriff, Dumbell, Pinnera, Pepper, started.	
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