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WASHINGTON CELEBRATES

Triumphant Return of Senators Occasion for Hot Time at Capital

WASHINGTON, Oct. 1.—The wheels of government stopped today for the coronation of King Baseball, a usurper who after 23 years of exile, rode into the national capital at the head of a wildly heralded cabinet—the Washington Senators, pennant winners of the American league.

High-ups in government life turned out to join with street urchins in abouting a hearty welcome to the city's baseball heroes, who were escorted in a colorful welcome home procession up Pennsylvania avenue from the Peace monument to the ellipse south of the White House where President Coolidge extended an official greeting to the players.

The keynote of the welcome home celebration was sounded by the president, who, in presenting Manager Stanley Harris with a loving cup from the citizens of the district assured him that his team had won "the affection of the home town constituency."

Coolidge Welcomes "As the head of an enterprise which transacts some business in this town," Mr. Coolidge said, "I have the double satisfaction in welcoming home the victorious ball team."

Smiling as he spoke, the president said, "when the entire population reached the point of requiring the game to be described by play I began to doubt whether the highest efficiency was being promoted. I contemplated action of a vigorous disciplinary character, but the outcome makes it impossible."

"We are a somewhat demoral-

ized community," he added. "But exceedingly happy over it." The president, by leaving his desk to take part in the ceremonies, set the fashion for the day, for all Washington apparently swarmed to the avenue. It was about the first time in history that the capital city ever staged its own parade for its own heroes, and Washington made the most of it.

Avenue Is Historic For well on to 100 years Pennsylvania avenue has been the highway of processions and pageants—the parade ground on which a presumably representative cross-section of the American people has expressed the national emotions.

And on all these occasions there were displays of the human emotions ranging from positive apathy to mild curiosity, interested approval and Fourth of July enthusiasm. But it remained for a pennant winning baseball club to extract a real hooray from the public. It looked as if tens of thousands of men, women and children were trying to turn themselves inside out.

And as it was Washington's first parade of its own, the city, supposedly a sedate capital, celebrated in the way it liked best, and in a way tinged with the earmarks of Main street.

A squadron of mounted police headed the procession. Next in line came the United States cavalry band from Fort Myers, Va., which was followed by a delegation from the Washington Rutter and Hunt club, attired in scarlet riding coats. Immediately preceding the players' automobiles was an escort of ten of the city's most beautiful young women mounted on horseback. The festivities of the day were closed tonight with an informal banquet to the players. Before the ceremonies of the afternoon the team took a snappy workout behind the closed gates of Griffith stadium, while thousands of fans milled about on the outside trying to obtain seats for the opening game of the world series, with the New York Giants here Saturday. Ten thousand people, it was estimated, were fighting for places in ticket lines when the booths were opened in the morning.

Title Bout Will Be Held At Portland on Monday

PORTLAND, Oct. 1.—Bud Ridley and his manager, Joe Waterman, arrived here today to complete conditioning for the ten round match with Babe Hestman at the armory next Monday night. The Seattle boy, who holds the Pacific coast featherweight championship will be risking his title in the bout.

Matchmaker Haansen is planning to put on five or six round bouts to complete the card. Three of them have already been arranged.

They are as follows: Jack Griffin vs Billy Kelly; Joe Stangal vs Peter Jackson; Ernie Woodard vs Scotty Ingster.

NURMI STILL GOING STRONG

VIBORG, Finland, Oct. 1.—Paavo Nurmi, the Olympic champion distance runner, today in a relay race against four men made what is claimed to be a new world record for five miles. His time was 24 minutes 6 1-10 seconds.

CYCLIST HANGS UP RECORD MONTLEHERY, France, Oct. 1.—The Belgian cyclist, Leon Van deruyt, today broke the world's one-hour motor paced record. He covered 107 kilometers, 710 meters. The record was made on the new autodrome here.

SENATORS LEAN ON OLD HURLER

Washington Club Will Depend on Veteran Pitcher to Win Series

NEW YORK, Oct. 1.—(By the Associated Press).—With Walter Johnson, veteran ace of the Washington sharp shooting corps, as the outstanding figure, pitching may be the decisive factor in the 1924 world's series between the Senators and the New York Giants.

Until recent years twirling was usually the most potent factor in the diamond struggle, but with the advent of the lively ball and the Babe Ruthian home run era, baseball strategy shifted. Pitching, of course, continued to figure largely, but it has been the speed and power of attack that decided the last three world championship battles.

John McGraw won the premier baseball crown in both 1921 and 1922 from the Yankees with the effectiveness of his offensive. His hurling staff both years was rated inferior to the "five star" Yankee corps. Last year, it is true, the utter collapse of the Giant moundsmen hastened the Yankee victory but the mighty bats of the Hugmen were the most potent influence.

Ball Is Different This year, however, with a less lively ball, pitching may come into its own again. The "Big Four" of the Washington staff, Johnson, Zachary, Fogridge and Marberry, put the club in front, although it was attacking power that kept it there in the final drive. Supporters of the Senators, figuring they have the edge on the Giants in the box, believe twirling will carry Washington's first pennant winners to the highest heights in the game, but Giant rooters are equally confident that Neff, Bentley, McQuillan and Barnes will offer a potent rebuttal.

Whatever the merits of the rival twirling corps, however, interest will center in the achievements of Johnson, probably the only ball player of all time who rivals in popular esteem the former Giant marvel, Christy Mathewson. Johnson, a public idol, not only because of his brilliant playing record over an 18 year span, but also because of his sterling qualities as a sportsman, will pitch the first game for the Senators. Outside of the most rabid of Giant partisans, fans throughout the country will root for him in unison that day. Even the tense rival struggle for team honors will be lost in the all-vital question of what Johnson will do upon reaching the goal of his great career.

Washington Leans on Johnson The Senators' chief hopes, too, will center around the big westerner whose speedball has fanned more batters than have fallen before any other pitcher in the history of the game.

If Johnson, after one of the most successful seasons he has ever had, can carry his old stamina and form into the series, Washington's chances will be in the ascendancy.

Johnson, in his prime, has twirled and won three games on successive playing days. He performed that feat against New York in 1908. His arm could not stand such a strain now but if he is able to bear the brunt of the Senators' moundwork, the Giants will find it a difficult barrier to break down.

Johnson's major league record over 18 seasons is studded with marvelous achievements. He holds by a wide margin the world's strikeout record. With the completion of this season, he had passed the 3,200 mark and is practically 1,000 ahead of his nearest rival, Mathewson. He led the American league moundsmen in this respect this year for the twelfth time. Old time baseball players say that when Johnson was in his prime his "smoke ball" was virtually unhittable.

Has Won Consistently The "Kansas Cyclone" has won 359 games, only 13 less than Mathewson. With a tall-end club most of the time, Johnson's winning record is all the more remarkable. In 1913, his greatest year, he worked in 51 games, winning 26 and losing 7, putting his club almost singlehanded into second place, the highest position it ever held until this season. He won 16 consecutive games in 1912, an American league record which he shared with Joe Wood.

He also is the shutout king of all time by a wide margin, having run his record up to 107 this year. In 1913 he was not scored on in 55 consecutive innings.

Only "Cy" Young has topped his service record. Cy was in the majors 22 years, 12 in the National and 10 in the American, but Sir Walter holds the record for length of service in any one league, having spent all of his 18 seasons with Washington, Mathew-

CLUB PERCENTAGES

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE

Table with columns: Club, Won, Lost, Pct. San Francisco 98 82 .544, Seattle 96 84 .533, Oakland 94 89 .514, Los Angeles 82 89 .508, Salt Lake 82 90 .505, Vernon 90 92 .495, Portland 84 95 .469, Sacramento 78 103 .431

U. OF O. SHOWS NORMAL GROWTH

Increase of Thirteen and a Half Per Cent Reported By Registrar

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Oct. 1.—(Special).—The number of full time students in the University of Oregon this college year will approximate 2850 or 2900, a record attendance in the life of the institution. The enrollment this fall shows a gain of about 13 1/2 per cent over last year. These figures were announced by Registrar Carlton E. Spencer following a check of the fall registration figures.

The figure for the year includes only those students in residence. It does not include the extension, correspondence study and Portland center students, the total of whom is an additional 4000 or more.

The number of new students making application this fall has been about 1250. There are 300 more students enrolled in the university this year than last. The percentage of increase this year is the greatest since the years of the remarkable post war flood of students into higher educational institutions.

Hitherto the freshman class of the university has always shown a considerable increase, but because of the failure of sophomores, junior and senior students to return, the percentage of growth in the whole institution has been much less than that of the freshman class. This year, however, the remarkable fact of uniform growth is noteworthy, in that the percentage of all university gain is almost exactly the percentage of gain in the freshman class.

TUNNEY IS FINED

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 1.—The Pennsylvania state athletic commission announced today that on recommendation of Commissioner H. J. Boyle of Pittsburgh, Gene Tunney of New York has been suspended for three months and fined \$200 for "boxing a listless contest," in Ebensburg, Penn., September 27, with Ray Newman.

ACCUSED PLAYER IS 24 YEARS OLD

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 1.—Jimmy O'Connell, substitute outfielder of the New York National league baseball club, was born in Sacramento, 24 years ago. He attended University of Santa Clara and was a star member of the university's baseball team.

Leaving college, O'Connell first played semi-pro baseball. He played with San Francisco in the Coast league two seasons until purchased by the New York Giants in 1921. The price paid for O'Connell was \$75,000, said to be the highest price paid for a player up to that time.

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SEATTLE WINS FROM ANGELS

Indians Gain Half Game on Seals Who are Idle at Portland

SEATTLE, Oct. 1.—Seattle stopped Los Angeles' winning streak and gained a half game on the league leading San Francisco club by defeating the Angels 9 to 4 here today. The Indians were tonight but two games from first place due to rain in Portland where the Seals were forced to idle. Los Angeles started the scoring, garnering two in the first inning and one in the second. Seattle won the contest in the third by making five runs on as many hits and knocked Charles Root off the mound.

Score— R. H. E. Los Angeles 4 12 2 Seattle 9 10 0 Root, Myers, Ramsay and Spencer, Jenkins; Sutherland and E. Baldwin.

Vernon 4; Sacramento 0

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 1.—Ed Bryan, youthful Tiger pitcher, hurled shutout ball today and Vernon won its second straight victory over Sacramento, 4 to 0. Carroll Canfield, Soion pitcher, allowed only five hits, but these, aided by walks and sacrifice hits, gave the Tigers their tallies.

Score— R. H. E. Sacramento 0 8 1 Vernon 4 6 0 C. Canfield and Koehler; Bryan and Hannah.

Salt Lake 6; Oakland 5

OAKLAND, Oct. 1.—Oakland lost its second straight game to "Duffy" Lewis' Salt Lake Bees here this afternoon 6 to 5. Three hits and two bases on balls in the

eighth inning won the game for the Bees when they scored two runs. Score— R. H. E. Salt Lake 6 13 2 Oakland 5 7 2 O'Neill, Singleton and Peters, Cook; Boehler and Read.

PORTLAND, Oct. 1.—San Francisco-Portland game postponed; wet grounds.

OAC GETS SET FOR WHITMAN COLLEGE

Large Number of Veterans Will Go Into Game at Pendleton Friday

CORVALLIS, Or., Oct. 1.—The first game of the season of Oregon Agricultural college with Whitman at Pendleton Friday, promises to weed out some of the men now on the squad, according to Coach Schissler.

Most of last year's stars are back in suits this year. Price is back on the job as quarterback.

Bolly Boyken is working with Wes Schulmerich at halfback. Bolly is still bothered with his bad shoulder which goes out of place easily. Speed has been developed by Snyder, who has been working at fullback again this season. Tebb and Carpenter, last year's star wing men, are again in those positions.

Johnson, Dickerson, Longheart, Dixon, Mickelwait and Claude have been good at the line job, but many shifts are being made. Lyman, Ross, Dean and Paine are getting some good practice in scrimmaging. For the job of center, held last year by Herb Rich who is now married, Balcom, Wermark and Dean are in competition.

HUNTINGTON SEEKS GAME NEXT WEEK

Hard Scrimmage Contest Needed Before Battle With Albany October 25

With 38 men turning out for football practice each night this week and a few others yet to don moleskins, Coach Hollis Huntington has a wealth of material from which to develop the high school football team this year. At present his greatest worry is to schedule one or two games with smaller schools before the season is opened with a stiff game with Albany high school on October 25.

Negotiations are now under way for a game with Woodburn high school on October 10 and possibly a game with Oregon City on October 18. McMinnville has refused to consider a contest with the red and black and Hillsboro has already made arrangements for other games, Coach Huntington said last night.

Several of the new junior high school men are showing up good and give promise of being developed into good players before the close of the season. A husky end named Temple, from North Platte, Neb., is showing up in fine shape while John Propp, who has had two years' experience on the line, has picked up some additional weight during the summer and now tips the scales at 172 pounds, and should be heard from a little later.

There will be practically no scrimmage this week, but the time will be devoted to developing the team. The line will be given instructions in light forms of scrimmage and tackling will receive attention. Beginning next week the men will be in shape to get down to work in earnest and it is expected that a light scrimmage

same may be had with the Willamette university's second team.

Chicago Nationals Win In First of City Series

CHICAGO, Oct. 1.—The Cubs of the National league won the first game of their series with the White Sox of the American league, 10 to 7. George Grantham, whose error last fall gave the White Sox the deciding game of the series, was the batting hero of today's contest. He smashed out a homer in the third inning which sent two runs in ahead of him and made it easy for Alexander. Wells also came through with a homer in the fourth inning when the Cubs went on a batting rampage.

Toward the finish Alexander weakened and the White Sox kept pecking away at him. Lyons started for the American leaguers and was driven off the hill in the third inning. Connolly checked the rally but could not stop a renewal of the attack in the fourth. Shelly smashed two homers for the White Sox, the first with nobody on and the second with two mates on base.

Score— R. H. E. White Sox 7 12 1 Cubs 10 13 1 Lyons, Connolly, Cveengros, Lavetterre and Crouse; Alexander and Hartnett.

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