

# YALE CREW WINS ANNUAL REGATTA FROM OLD RIVAL

NEW LONDON, Conn., June 20.—(AP)—Coached largely by men from Harvard in the four major sports events of the college year just ended, the victory of the Blue varsity eight on the Thames river yesterday in the 58th regatta of the historic series was the climax of tests of supremacy on gridiron, diamond and track.

The pupils of Ed Leader of Washington state again won on the water. It was Ted Jones of Ohio whose powerful football combination beat Harvard last fall. And Kansas contributed Joe Wood to coach a winning nine.

Yesterday was the fifth consecutive time that Yale varsity oars had moved a shell faster than Harvard's and the count in the series is now Yale 31 victories, Harvard 27.

Both crews pulled four miles upstream on the Thames, establishing records. While no official mark had ever been set previously for the distance, the best time made for the distance before yesterday was 20 minutes and 20 seconds.

The Crimson blades trailed Yale by one and one-half lengths in 20:32.2.5. The time was the fastest a Harvard crew had attained since 1916.

## Winners in Annual Yale-Harvard Crew Race, Held on the Thames



Above is the Yale varsity crew, which won from Harvard yesterday. The inset is a photograph of Coach Ed Leader. Below is A. M. Wilson, captain of the Yale crew.

### League Standings

**LEAGUE STANDINGS**

**American.**

CHICAGO, June 20.—(AP)—Following is the official standings of American league including games of June 19:

Team	W	L
Philadelphia	39	18
Washington	37	20
Chicago	29	28
St. Louis	29	28
Cleveland	26	31
Detroit	27	31
New York	24	33
Boston	22	37

**National.**

NEW YORK, June 20.—(AP)—Following is the official standings of the National league, including games of June 19:

Team	W	L
New York	35	21
Pittsburgh	31	25
Cincinnati	30	26
Brooklyn	30	27
St. Louis	28	29
Chicago	26	31
Philadelphia	23	34
Boston	21	34

## COBB, HEILMANN AND WINGO MAKE SAM HALE TRAVEL



### Baseball Briefs

(By The Associated Press)

TULSA—Wayne Munn heavyweight wrestler, defeated Joe "Toots" Moundt, in straight falls.

NEW ORLEANS—Martin Burke, heavyweight pugilist, got the decision over Homer Smith of Michigan in 15 rounds, continuing to fight after he broke his left hand in the second round.

NEW YORK—Babe Herman posted a \$2500 forfeit with the state athletic commission in challenging Louis "Kid" Kaplan to a bout for the featherweight boxing championship.

## KNUCKLE BALL IS LATEST STYLE IN HURLING CIRCLES

By BILLY EVANS

FEW major league pitchers have two good years in succession. It is an accepted truth in baseball that a pitching star slumps after a big season.

In 1922 Ed Rommel of the Philadelphia Athletics was the twirling sensation of the American League. With a seventh-place club he won 27 games, a most remarkable performance.

The following season, with a better club that considerably improved its percentage, Rommel fell one game shy of getting an even break. Last season he won only three more games than he lost.

Two so-so years, after his extraordinary pitching in 1922, were not caused by loss of stuff. Rommel had his usual assortment of speed and curves but just couldn't win consistently. He simply didn't get the breaks.

This season with the Athletics out in front, riding high on the crest of popularity, Rommel appears all set for a year that will outdo his 1922 performance.

**Perfect Pitching Poise**

There is no more interesting pitcher to watch in the twirling league than Ed Rommel. He boasts a pitching repertoire that includes just about everything and, in addition, he has the perfect poise.

Rommel's pitching is almost machine-like. He uses a smooth, easy delivery and throws the fast one, the curve or the slow ball with exactly the same motion. He is grace personified.

Since the advent of the lively ball, pitchers have experimented with all kinds of deliveries in an effort to curtail hitting. Perhaps no style has been more widely exploited in the last five or six years than the knuckle ball. Rommel is a past master in delivering it.

Without a doubt, Rommel boasts the best knuckle ball in either major league. As a matter of fact, it is more a finger-nail ball with Rommel than a "knuckle."

Rommel's "knuckle" is a most difficult ball to catch. It is an extremely hard ball to judge because it seldom takes exactly the same

## HOLDS FOR PITCHING BALLS OF VARIOUS KINDS



break. It has a tendency therefore to make a catcher look badly, because it is not unusual for him to drop about half of the pitches with Rommel working.

**Knuckle Ball Effective**

Cy Perkins of the Athletics, one of the game's greatest catchers, tells me that his main thought is to break the ball down rather than catch it. With runners on the bases in a position to steal, it is almost foolhardy to use the knuckle ball, because of the difficulty experienced by the catcher holding it.

Rommel has good speed, though not of the Dazzy Vance type. He has a corking good curve. His slow ball is of the best but his greatest weapon is the knuckle ball. Properly controlled, it is almost unhitatable.

In his great 1922 season Rommel worked the knuckle over time. Realizing its great effectiveness it caused a majority of the pitchers to experiment with it. It is now a part of the pitching repertoire of nearly every big leaguer. However, there is just one Ed Rommel style.

Rommel says he will surely win 20 ball games this year. Connie Mack is inclined to think it will be 25 or more.



Eddie Rommel and four different ways in which he grips the ball to fool the batters.

### Outdoor Life

By MORRIS ACKERMAN

If you are spending your vacation in the Rockies or other high altitudes, be sure and take along wooten underwear. It absorbs perspiration and prevents colds.

If wringing wet when camp is reached, it is well to change to dry suit. Two-piece are better than unions.

Wear heavy-soled street shoes rigged with Hungarian hobs and quarter-inch golfer's caulk for climbing. Avoid high boots.

Put on moccasins to rest your feet around camp at night.

### The Referee

Have Paul Berlenbach and Jack Delaney ever met, if so what was the result?—S. S. S.

Berlenbach and Delaney met in March of last year, Delaney winning via a knock-out in the fourth round.

When did Rogers Hornsby break into the majors?—F. R. S.

In 1915.

Who are the three best shot-peters in college circles today?—W. E. R.

That's a rather broad question, though Hills of Princeton, Houser, Southern California, and Schwarze of Wisconsin no doubt rank with the greatest.

**THE NUT CRACKER**  
BY JOE WILLIAMS

THE New York Boxing Commission gave Jack Kearns the air the other day. "The highly aromatic Mr. Kearns can stand lots of air."

It is predicted that 1300 home runs will be made in the majors this season. . . . And not more than 1200 of them will be referred to by experts as circuit clouts.

It may be true, as Mr. Bryan says, that man did not spring from monkey. . . . It is certainly true that some men didn't spring far enough.

If you are easily moved to tears you are herewith invited to make the most of Clarence Darrow's prediction that Loeb and Leopold will soon go crazy.

Scientists on the Mexican coast report the discovery of a new olive with a peculiar flavor. . . . It may yet turn out to be an old rubber heel.

One of the peculiarities about Branch Rickey was that he would never manage the Cardinals on Sunday. . . . Another of his peculiarities was that he never could manage them on any other day.

The philosopher tells you truth to earth will rise again. . . . Truth and ham and egg fighters evidently are not related in any sense.

Because of a swollen toe Mickey Walker had to postpone his bout with Harry Greb. . . . Your modern prizefighter can't be too careful of his feet.

We see by the papers that this is the age of youth but it appears that fellows like Speaker and Cobb and Johnson do not read the papers.

The average life of a dollar bill the treasury department reports is four years. . . . The average death of one of ours is instantaneous.

For some reason or other a ball player who is a howling success is not very popular with the umpires.

Now that Jim Corbett has finally picked a winner the all-around championship for being consistently wrong goes to Bill Bryan without a murmur.

### Baseball Briefs

(By The Associated Press)

The Cardinals collected only four hits off a pair of Boston twirlers but with the aid of half a dozen bases on ball, and some timely sacrifices, white washed the Braves and registered their seventh consecutive victory.

Little Mike Crenegos pitched great ball against the Yankees for 11 innings yesterday, but was noxed out of a victory when the White Sox lost, Mike did all he could to chalk up a winner, making three of the ten hits his club collected off Herb Pennock.

One of the blunders was a double. A two bagger by Earl Combs with a man on base cost the Chicago southpaw the game.

Max Bishop, star second baseman of the Athletics, was carried off the field with an injured ankle when he slid into the home plate, during the Athletics seventh inning rally. . . . He will be out of the game for some time, Jimmy Dyke probably will hold down the keystone sack for the league leaders.

"Mandy" Brooks had another great day at bat and in the field against the Phillies. He smashed out a double and a homer, scored two runs and made a great running catch of a long drive in deep center near the fence.

Johnny Moman was very much the whole works in giving the Phillies their second straight win over Chicago. Moman had a perfect day at bat, getting four hits in four times up. He collected one home run and three singles and was responsible for practically all the runs. He drove in four and when Adams flunder his last hit, the little Cub second baseman threw wild to third base and Hawks scored the fifth run which beat Chicago.

**MISS COLLETT WINS**

VERSAILLES, France, June 20.—(AP)—Miss Glenna Collett, former American champion today won the French women's golf championship. She defeated Miss Simone Thion de la Chaine in the final match three up and one to play.

### Coast League

**League Standings**

Team	W	L	Pct.
San Francisco	51	20	.718
Salt Lake	42	30	.583
Los Angeles	36	35	.507
Seattle	35	35	.500
Oakland	33	38	.465
Portland	30	37	.448
Sacramento	30	42	.417
Vernon	27	47	.365

SAN FRANCISCO, June 20.—Portland made merry at the expense of four San Francisco pitchers yesterday beating the Seals 11 to 6. McWeeny started for the Seals but had to retire in the fourth inning when he threw his arm out of kilter, but after Geary and Williams got through with the game the Seals were definitely out of it.

R. H. E. Portland . . . 11 19 2  
San Francisco . . . 6 8 2  
Batteries: Meeker, Rachac and Hannah; McWeeny, Geary, Williams, Deneuyer and Yelle, Ritchie.

At Sacramento—R. H. E. Vernon . . . 3 9 1  
Sacramento . . . 4 9 1  
Batteries: Bryan and Schang; E. Shea and M. Shea.

At Salt Lake—R. H. E. Oakland . . . 10 14 1  
Salt Lake . . . 6 13 3  
Batteries: Krause and Byler; Ponder, Hulvey and Peters.

At Los Angeles—R. H. E. Seattle . . . 7 14 2  
Los Angeles . . . 8 9 1  
Batteries: Plummer, Hasty and E. Baldwin; Wright, Payne and Kniss.

### Billy Evans Says

By BILLY EVANS

MAJOR LEAGUE twirlers are a unit in the belief that the lively ball must be curtailed or pitching will go to the how-wows.

A scarcity of them are of the opinion that the ball in use this year is 20 per cent livelier than last season. They offer various reasons for so thinking.

Last year it seemed as if the home-run epidemic had reached its highest degree. Yet so far this season nearly twice as many home runs have been made covering the same period last year.

Incidentally, some of the fast ball pitchers, who have been very successful in late years, despite the lively ball, have been experiencing more than their share of trouble this season.

Take Dazzy Vance, for instance. The pitcher voted the most valuable player in the National League in 1924 has been having his ups and downs.

The same goes for many other star pitchers in both major leagues. All of them attribute their misfortune to the super-lively ball.

Big league twirlers insist the magnates have gone crazy on the subject of latching, slugging in particular.

For perhaps five years, all kinds of legislation has been made against the pitcher. The batsman has always been favored in the matter of rules. First, there was the elimination of freak pitching of all kinds, the spitball included. Then followed strict rules relative to rubbing the ball on the turf or in the glove.

Perhaps the worst feature from the pitcher's standpoint, was the use of so many new balls, due to the fact that contact with the concrete stands quickly defaced the cover of the ball. Then came the lively ball.

All these reforms have handicapped pitching and increased batting. The pitchers have come to the conclusion they are worthy of some favorable consideration. They are going after it.

### Puzzle Plays

IT IS the first half of the ninth inning, the score is tied, the bases filled and two men are out.

The manager of the team in the field sends in a relief pitcher. After throwing three balls to the batsman, the pitcher, by a snap throws to first, catches the runner napping, retiring the side.

In the last half of the ninth inning the home team fills the bases with two out and it is the pitcher's turn to bat. The manager of the home team decides to send in a pinch-hitter.

The manager of the team in the field protests against the removal of the pitcher, insisting that he must remain in the game until he has pitched to one batter who is either retired or reaches first base. "This he has not done."

What should the umpire have done in this situation?

### Answer

The rules state that when a relief pitcher is sent into the game he must pitch until one batter has either been retired or reaches first.

In this particular case the pitcher did not do this. After pitching three balls to the batter, he accomplished his purpose, the retiring of the side, by catching the runner napping at first base.

Major league umpires are agreed that if such a ploy should come up in the big leagues, they will permit the substitution of a pinch batter if the team manager desires to make such a change.

While the contention might be raised that rules is rules, the intent was not for a situation like this, but simply to keep a manager from juggling pitchers at random in order to get the one he really intended to use properly warmed up.

Common sense says let the substitution be made, since the pitcher retired the side, the motive of the change.

### AMERICANS WIN

LONDON, June 20.—(AP)—The United States army polo team won its match with the British army team, played at the Hurlingham club today, eight goals to four. The American team in the present series of matches is defending its international polo championship won at Meadowbrook last year.

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