

World's Series Opens In Pittsburgh Wednesday

BASEBALL READY FOR BIG SERIES

Fans And Officials Turn Toward Pittsburgh For Opening Game

By Henry L. Farrell,
(U. P. Staff Correspondent)
New York, Oct. 5.—(United Press)—With all the surprises and disappointments of the 1925 season record in a closed book, baseball today was ready for the first game of the world's series between the champion Washington Senators and the Pittsburgh Pirates, starting Wednesday in Pittsburgh.

New York's delegation of officials scribes and those fans who have enough money to qualify as regulars left to make sure of promised hotel rooms and to get in on all the preliminary conversation without which a series never can be started.

John A. Heyuler, president of the National League, headed the New York delegation, which included John J. McGraw, manager of the former champion Giants, and Hugh Jennings, his first assistant. Others in the party were Colonel Jake Ruppert, owner of the Yankees, and his reformed prodigal, Babe Ruth.

Opinions identified the speakers. Those who picked the Senators were American leaguers and National leaguers picked Pittsburgh.

Pirates Still Favorites.

Pittsburgh was still at 6 to 5 favorite in the little betting that was done in the financial district. There was no Washington money in sight and bets aggregating \$25,000 that were offered on Pittsburgh at 6 to 5 found no takers.

If there is to be any betting, the market may get some life in Pittsburgh tomorrow, where the local pride many encourage the hometown folks to show their loyalty by making the price longer.

Opinion as to the length of the series is just as evenly divided as the guesses on the winner. Some figure that the championship will be decided in five games, while others believe that it will go the limit of seven games.

The Pirates, with more good pitchers to call on, are in a better position to overcome a bad start—granting that there is a heart in the club.

Senators' Outfield Excels On Defense

By Henry L. Farrell, United Press Sports Editor

New York, Oct. 5.—During the Labor Day double-header, when the Washington Senators were embalming the hopes of the Philadelphia Athletics, the Washington outfield threw out four runners at the plate and won both games.

Philadelphia critics roared the Athletic player for stupid base running but if they had known the real reason they would have marvelled at the brains and the daring of the Washington defense.

One of the umpires who worked in the game told the writer what happened on the field and he said it was the smartest and boldest piece of work he had seen in years of experience.

"Play close for this fellow and try to make the out at the plate," he told Goslin, Rice and McNeely. Rice said that the batter was a strong right field hitter and might knock the ball over his head if he came in too close. "We've got to take that chance," Harris said. "We're gambling against that run. If he hits over your head it would be long enough to score that run anyway and if he hits in front of you you're close enough for a quick play at the plate."

Rice came in almost on top of Joe Harris, at first base, and Harris moved in toward the plate. The batter smacked a line drive right in front of Rice who made a beautiful throw to the plate and caught the runner by three feet.

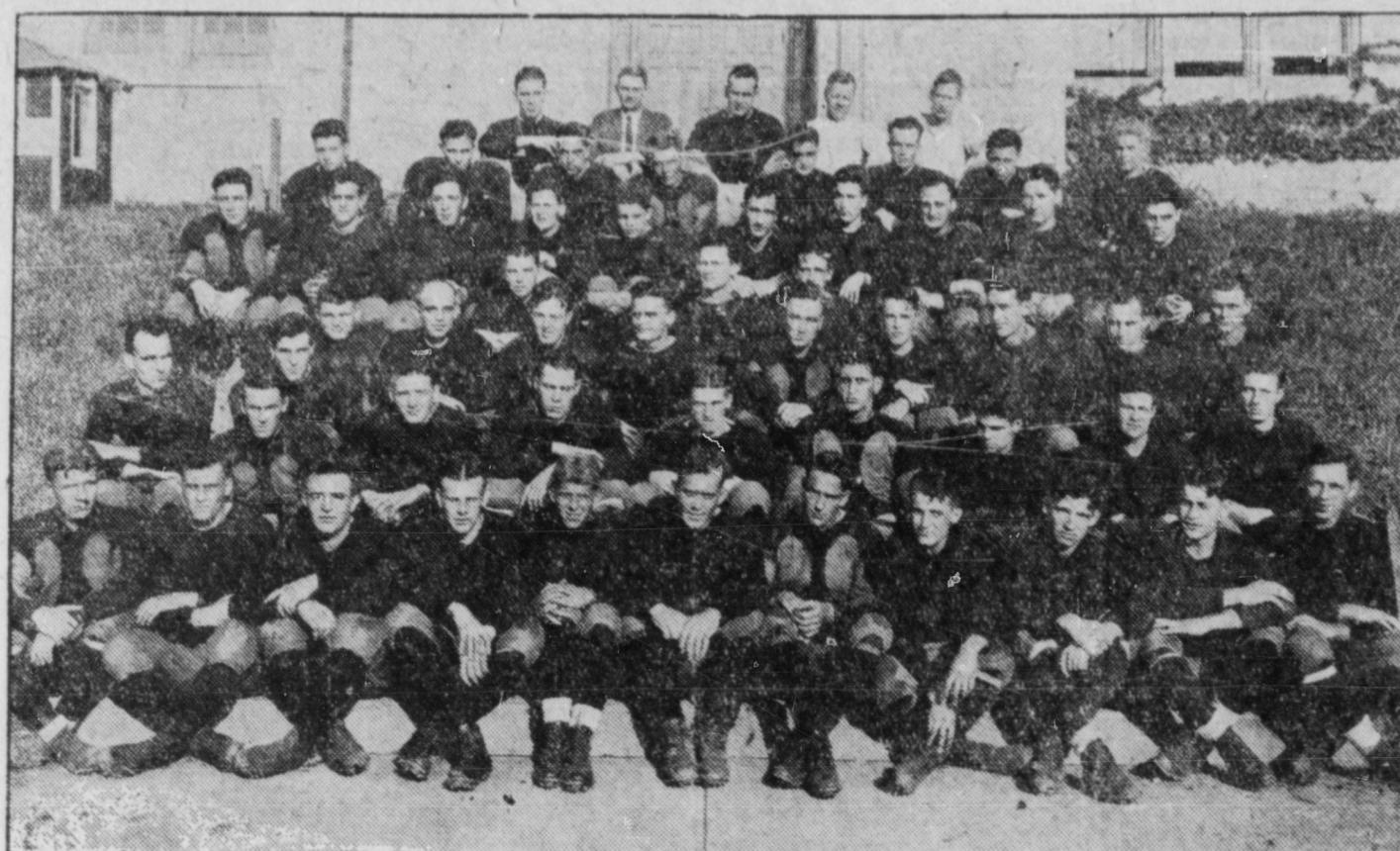
It was pointed out in yesterday's story that the Washington infield was superior to that of the Pirates as an effective working combination and the same holds good with reference to the outfield. The reason is found above.

Individually Barphart, Carey and Cuyler are superior to Goslin, McNeely and Rice, particularly by reason of their speed and hitting but as a combination on the defense that Washington outfield does not suffer by comparison. It is not as brilliant as the infield but it has done its part in winning two pennants.

The Pittsburgh outfield is the fastest in baseball both on the defense and on the offense.

Cuyler is one of the coming stars

INDIANA UNIVERSITY VARSITY FOOTBALL SQUAD



Bloomington, Ind., Oct. 3.—Introducing the "Scrappin' Hoosiers" of Indiana University, including Niles White, of Decatur. White is in the fifth row of the above picture. He stands a chance of getting into the Syracuse game on Oct. 17. The Syracuse-Indiana tilt is one of the outstanding East-West intercollegiate games to be played in the middlewest this season.

First Row—left to right—Harry W. Holbick, Lafayette; William Prucha, Chicago; Daniel Bernoske, Michigan City; William Zaiser, Indianapolis; Robert McConnell, Evansville; Lawrence Marks, Wabash; Frank H. Sibley, Gary; Russell M. Kelso, New Albany; G. H. Byers, Evansville; L. H. Briner, Garrett; F. Havrilla, Hobart;

Second Row—left to right—W. E. Van Pelt, Indianapolis; Frank Lanman, Princeton; George P. Bishop, Muscatine, Kas.; E. W. Jones, Bedford; C. G. Neillman, Chicago; T. S. Burke, Chicago; John Winston, Washington; Cluny, Bucher, Huntington; Donald Stamat, Warsaw; A. G. Reynolds, Converse;

Third Row—left to right—Sidney M. Cleveland, Anderson; Rudolph E. of the game. He is a star now but he should develop into one of the great outfielders of all times. He covers his territory well, he is a strong hitter and the flash of speed on the bases. Some critics say that he is not a good money player.

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FERGUSON MAY SHINE IN SERIES

Yankee Cast-off Likely To Be Hero In Washington Lineup

By Henry L. Farrell
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New York, Oct. 5.—(United Press)—World's series history presents numerous examples of players who became heroes overnight and the glory may go this year to another unsung player who has never had a chance.

"Don't overlook Alec Ferguson when you're fixing up your do," a veteran American League umpire said recently: "A lot of critics have forgotten that he is with the Washington club but if I don't miss my guess he will never be forgotten after the series. All he needs is a chance and Bucky Harris surely will give it to him."

Ferguson is a member of a celebrated group of Yankee cast-offs with the Senators that includes Roger Peckinpaugh, Muddy Ruel and Everett Scott. Miller Huggins sent him up the river to Boston without giving him much of a chance to make good and he didn't have enough behind him with the Red Sox to make good when he got the chance.

Bucky Harris then picked him up, gave him some soft words and a couple of licks on the back and the cast-off made good just as Reuther and Cuyleskie did when they found out that someone wanted them.

If Ferguson lives up to expectations, the Senators may not miss Cuyleskie so badly if the Pole pulls up with a tame back as is reported.

In making the announcement that Johnson would pitch the opening game, it was apparent that Harris has hopes that he can use the big fellow in three games and no doubt he expects him to do better than he did in the first two starts against the New York Giants last year.

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YESTERDAY'S RESULTS
National League
Pittsburgh, 4-1; Cincinnati, 2-4.
St. Louis, 7; Chicago, 5.
Others rain.

American League
Philadelphia-Washington, rain.
Detroit, 10-11; St. Louis, 4-6.
Cleveland, 8; Chicago, 10.
No others.

Little World Series
Baltimore, 7; Louisville, 5.

Marker, Mishawaka; M. E. Easton, Sandborn; Martin A. Adams, Wabash; Fred Dykhuizen, Lafayette; Harold Derr, Huntington; Cecil Fowell, Indianapolis; Harold Haas, Gary; John Taylor, LaFontaine;

Fourth Row—left to right—Ferd Nessel, Marion; Owen Drollinger, LaPorte; C. B. Brown, Logansport;

Fifth Row—left to right—Geneal Prather, Kokomo; W. B. Shattuck, Brazil; W. Crow, Williamsport; Harold Bullard, Chicago; B. Courim, Indianapolis; George Fisher, Medora; A. Catterton, Kenosha, Wis.; Floyd Childs, West Baden; Walter Fisher, Medora; Niles White, Decatur;

Sixth Row—left to right—George Kelso, Gary; Ralph Wilson, Evansville; Ross Sibley, Gary; Victor Salmi, Gary; Don Vance, Washington; Robert Robertson, Morgantown; Richard Ray, Terre Haute; Charlie Courin, Indianapolis;

Seventh Row—left to right—"Rip" Miller, the coach; Ferguson, trainer; W. A. Ingram, head coach; O. E. Hayes, assistant coach; "Stew" Butler assistant line coach.

YELLOW JACKETS LOSE TO CENTRAL

D. H. S. Eleven, Outclassed And Outweighed, Drop Game, Score 31-8

Outclassed but not outfought, the Decatur high school Yellow Jackets started another march toward the goal line, but were stopped on the five-yard line. Central fumbled on the first play after the ball changed hands, and a Tiger back was tackled with the ball by two Decatur players behind his own goal line, giving Decatur a safety and two points. Central scored three touchdowns in the first quarter, one in the third and another in the fourth.

Before the start of the game, an airplane flew over the stadium and dropped a football, decorated in the colors of the two schools. The ball landed in the center of the playing field. This ball was used in the game.

Lineups and summary:

Decatur (8) Central (31)

Bebout, 1e, Jasper

Anderson, 1t, Meeks

Brown, 1g, Bond

LeBrun, 1c, Weber

Dierkes, 1rg, Zink

Myers, 1rt, Ramsey

Streckler, 1re, Hockemeyer

Zwick, 1q, Steiger law.

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