

TEAMS PEPPED UP FOR SERIES

Weather Conditions Favorable For First Game Of World's Series

Bulletin

By Henry L. Farrell
Pittsburgh, Pa., Oct. 7. — (United Press) — All pepped up and primed to battle for the honor—and gold—that goes to the winner, the champion Washington Senators and Pittsburgh Pirates lined up today for the first game of the world series.

Weather conditions were favorable and there were more spectators than there were tickets. Crowds swarmed around the streets early in the morning looking for ticket speculators who wouldn't get out of bed even to handle the best business in 16 years.

Very Little Betting

Major League managers and players, minor leaguers of importance and fans from all degrees of the lodge, stood in the hotel lobbies, congregated around the street corners and gathered in any place where they could talk baseball.

There was plenty of conversation released, but money was short and there was very little betting. The odds of 7 to 5, that the Pirates would win, which was established weeks ago in the New York financial district, still held good.

Doubts about the physical condition of the Senators no doubt brought caution to those who liked the chances of the American league champions.

Bucky Harris, the young manager of the 1924 champions, insisted that he was ready to play, that Roger Peckinpaugh was in good shape and that Stanley Coveleskie had recovered from a kink in his back.

Johnson vs. Meadows

Harris said that Walter Johnson would pitch the first game today and there was no surprise in that.

Bill McKechnie, manager of the Pirates, announced that Lee Meadows, the only pitcher in baseball who works behind spectacles, would be sent out after the first game for the National leaguers.

McKechnie also said that Vic Aldridge would pitch the second game and that Emil Yde, the southpaw sensation of 1924, would be sent in the third game.

Although Coveleskie said he would be ready to work by Thursday, it was understood from a reliable source that the veteran spitballer was not in good shape to start a game and that Harris would use in the second game Alex Ferguson, the New York-Boston cast-

Hits First Homer



JOE HARRIS

Joe Harris, Senators' outfielder, slammed out the first home run of the 1925 world's series when he hit the ball into the bleachers in the second inning of today's game at Pittsburgh.

off.

Alex Ferguson, in the opinion of many smart baseball men, is destined to become the hero of the series. He is a great pitcher, with a lot of stuff and plenty of heart and he has never started because he was deprived of chance.

Muddy Ruel, the best catcher in the American league, will work behind the bat for Washington today and "Oil" Smith, the New York-Boston castoff, will work with Meadows for the Pirates.

ALONG THE SIDELINES

Evanston, Ill. — The disability hoodoo that has followed Northwestern scored again. Tiny Lewis, fullback and one of the mainstays, is ill with a fever.

Bloomington, Ind. — Indiana's squad will take a light workout tomorrow evening before leaving for Ann Arbor, Mich., where Michigan will be played.

The yearlings' success with Michigan formations in practice is worrying followers.

Minneapolis, Minn. — Although Grinnell and Wabash are next on the Minnesota book, Coach Spears is looking ahead to the Notre Dame game.

Lafayette, Ind. — Purdue's line is being worked over and over in an effort to find a suitable combination. The backfield could be better but it is the forward wall that needs improvement.

Iowa City, Iowa — Iowa's offense is being shaken up for the St. Louis university scrap. Coach Ingerson is keeping quiet and practice was behind closed gates. Ingerson seems satisfied with the lineup that beat Arkansas.

Champaign, Ill. — Suffering from a cold, "Red" Grange sat on the sidelines and saw Coach Zuppke try to bolster the Illinois line. The varsity was sent against the forwards with disastrous results to the latter. Butler comes Saturday.

South Bend. — Light conditioning in the gym was necessary because of inclement weather. A half dozen casualties did not report, but most of them will be able to start the Army game two weeks hence.

Madison, Wis. — The freshmen used original plays, intended to test the weak points of the Wisconsin varsity. After one quarter, the regulars had no difficulty in stopping the yearlings and tearing off good gains.

Chicago — Mud engulfed Chicago in practice while Coach Stagg polished the defense. Greenbaum was used at center to the surprise of the watchers. Greenbaum's strong card is defense which may make him the choice.

Ann Arbor, Mich. — Indiana is expected to unloose an aerial barrage and Michigan worked on defense for it.

Columbus, Ohio — Marek, star Ohio State back, has a dislocated rib, an examination revealed. It was put into place and when Marek went back to practice he was his old self.

SPORT TABS

Brooklyn — Eight of the Brooklyn Robins signed 1926 contracts before they left for their homes, Manager Wilbert Robinson announced.

Baltimore — The Baltimore International league "champions" and the Louisville American association pennant winners will meet here in their fifth game today. The "little world's series" no stands at two-all.

Rochester, N. Y. — George Stallings, half owner of the Rochester International league club, has denied reports that he intends to sign a contract as manager of the Chicago Cubs next year.

Wabash — Thieves are picking on Red Cross nurses. Seven tires have been stolen from Miss Elsie DeLaney, county nurse for Wabash county.

Both have prison records.

WEATHER DAWNS FAIR AND WARM

Cloudless Sky Greets Teams And Fans In Pittsburgh For World's Series

By Frank Getty

(U. P. Staff Correspondent) Forbes Field, Pittsburgh, Pa., Oct. 7. — (United Press) — Pittsburgh's great day, when the Buccaneers hoist the black flag and steer their fighting baseball craft into the battle waters of the city's first world series since 1909, dawned fair and warmer.

One of those rare miracles of Pittsburgh weather, a cloudless blue canopy of sky stretched over Forbes field this morning as haggard faced fans at the bleachers gates stretched their cramped limbs, stamped their feet, and blew their hands that were blue with the cold of the long night vigil.

City Astral At Daybreak

The city was astir at daybreak, hundreds of fans, afoot and in automobiles, hurrying to the lines that stretched away from the new pine barriers behind centerfield. Downtown, from their beds, or from the billiard tables and improvised cots that provided them dubious rest during the night, thousands of other fans arose early to breakfast nervously and discussed excitedly the coming fray.

The Washington Senators, housed in the Morrowfield apartments were advised by their youthful manager, Bucky Harris, to stay in bed as late as they could. But the first rays of the warm morning sun, bringing the tidings of fair weather for the opening game in contrast to the rainy forecasts of yesterday, found the world's champions aroused and fairly pawing the air for battle.

Champions Are Nervous

There was little of the sangfroid of champions displayed by the visiting team. They seemed more like a nervous bunch of boys going into their first big game.

For their part, the Pirates, one of the youngest teams that ever climbed the pinnacles of baseball fame, were displaying even greater nervousness around their headquarters.

Bill McKechnie, the Pittsburgh boy who piloted his home town team to its first National league triumph in 16 years, was early in consultation with the veteran Fred Clarke, who managed the Pirates when they last won a pennant and incidentally a world's championship.

The youngster and veteran confirmed the decision to send the reliable, bespectacled Lee Meadows, a righthander, to the mound for Pittsburgh.

Walter Johnson Hurls Washington To Victory

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Wright. Rice up. Rice out. Wright to Grantham. S. Harris out. Wright to Grantham. No runs, no hits, no errors.

Pittsburgh — Grantham up. Grantham out. Smith singled over second. McGinnis batted for Meadows. Bigbee is running for Smith. McGinnis fanned. Moore up. Moore out. Bluege to Judge. No runs, no hits, no errors.

Ninth Inning.

Washington — Goslin singled. Judge up. Judge out. Grantham to Morris. J. Harris up. J. Harris fanned. Bluege singled to center, scoring Goslin. Bluege to second. Peck out. Morrison to Grantham. One run, two hits, no errors.

Pittsburgh — Carey up. McNeely went to centerfield for Washington and Rice to right, taking place of J. Harris. Carey hit. Cayler out on strikes. Barnhart single in front of Goslin. Carey to second. Traynor up. Flied to McNeely. Wright fouled to Judge. No run, one hit, no errors.

BROADCAST SCHEDULE FOR FOOTBALL SEASON

New York, Oct. 7. — (United Press) — Station WJZ, New York, announces the following schedule of football games which it will broadcast during the 1925 gridiron season:

Oct. 17 — Army vs. Notre Dame. Oct. 24 — Pennsylvania vs. Chicago. October 31 — Pennsylvania vs. Illinois.

Nov. 7 — Harvard vs. Princeton. Nov. 14 — Yale vs. Princeton. Nov. 21 — Yale vs. Harvard. Nov. 26 — Cornell vs. Pennsylvania. Nov. 28 — Army vs. Navy.

Auto Thieves Arrested

Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 7. — (United Press) — Earl Covert, 28, Chicago, and Paul Myler, New Castle, are being held here today under high bond awaiting removal to Muncie, Ind.

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The Fourth Down

BY WILLIE PUNT

Strike two, third down two to go, foul strike two — what is the poor fan to do with the world's series in progress and hundreds of football games to attract his interest.

The Yellow Jackets are going to be "all fed up" this evening. The domestic science girls are going to show their appreciation for the hard work being done by the football boys. Here's hoping their cooking will measure up to their appreciation, and no doubt it will.

Van Wert high school lost to the Lima South Side team at Lima last Saturday by a score of 25-0. In spite of that 190-pound line, which the Van Wert team boasts, the Scarlet and Gray eleven doesn't seem to be going as big this season as usual.

DOMESTIC SCIENCE GIRLS TO ENTERTAIN FOOTBALL SQUAD

The girls of the domestic science classes of the Decatur high school will entertain the members of the high school football squad at a dinner in the high school building this evening.

The meal will be served at 6:15 o'clock, following regular football practice.

Coach Marshall and other high school teachers will be invited guests.

Short speeches will be made by local persons.

Palmer Refuses Lower Post On Shipping Board

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