



## YANKEES STILL BIG FAVORITES

New York, March 31.—(INS)—The New York Yankees may be playing class 90 baseball in the south but if Wall Street is aware of the fact it doesn't attach much, if any, importance to the circumstance. In the odds made public in the Street some months ago, when the Yanks looked like Mrs. Astor's wolfhound on a Sunday morning, they were quoted at 7 to 10 to repeat in the American league. Today, their price has been shortened to 3 to 5 and just what that makes the Buffalo Bisons is something for your multigraph to mull over. The Bisons won only two games from the Yanks because they played only two games with the Yanks.

However, the tendency in the Street seems to be toward shortened prices, the Pittsburgh Pirates having been moved forward to 2 to 1 in the National league. They had been 3 to 1 in the early books. The Giants' odds also have been curtailed to 2 1/2 to 1 in the current odds. Which the Street says are likely to prevail on opening day.

If they do and Wall street has the slightest idea of what it is all about, which may be set down in the idiom of the insurance broker as a doubtful risk, the major league races will result as follows:

American League	
1 New York	5 Cleveland
2 Philadelphia	6 Chicago
3 Washington	7 St. Louis
4 Detroit	8 Boston
National League	
1 Pittsburgh	5 Chicago
2 New York	6 Boston
3 St. Louis	7 Brooklyn
4 Cincinnati	8 Philadelphia

## NEWS FROM THE TRAINING CAMPS

(By International News Service)  
MEMPHIS, March 31.—The New York Giants today are boasting a record that may stand for fifty years. In the fifth inning of yesterday's game with Chattanooga, they scored seventeen runs, more tallies than had been made by any big league team in the last forty-five years. The final score was New York 18, Chattanooga 8.

WEST PALM BEACH—Riding on the crest of a winning streak, the Brooklyn Robins will finish their series with the Boston Braves today. The Robins captured the third game of the series by a score of 3 to 2.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla.—With the team personnel cut to twenty-seven players, the New York Yankees were here today for a game with the Jacksonville Tars.

LOS ANGELES—Winning ball games has become a habit with Joe McCarthy's Cubs. They did it again yesterday, beating Pittsburgh's Pirates 5 to 2. Malone went the route for the Cubs. Pittsburgh used Dawson and Bartholomew.

SHREVEPORT, La.—Five members of the White Sox family, including Manager Ray Schalk, were on the sick or injured list today. Ray turned his ankle when he stepped on a ball. Red Faber is confined to his room with indigestion. Barrett, Thomas and Walsh were the others laid up with minor afflictions.

## "Kokomo," Bum Printer, Known Over Country, Dies At The Age Of 74

Tulsa, Okla.—(INS)—"Kokomo," is dead.

To hundreds of newspaper offices throughout the United States, and a number of foreign countries, "Kokomo" represented R. W. Phillips, a 74-year-old "tramp printer," whose travels took him around the world and from one side of America to the other.

"Kokomo" was respected for his vast personal acquaintance with many distinguished men. He started his wanderings from Kokomo, Indiana, where his father was the owner of a newspaper more than fifty years ago. Several times "Kokomo's" life, his wanderings and philosophy, were made conspicuous in articles appearing in periodicals. He formerly worked in the government printing shop at Washington.

## Mussolini Wipes Out Catholic Boy Scout Clubs

Rome, Mar. 31.—(U.P.)—All surviving Catholic Boy Scout clubs will be merged with the Fascist "Balilla" organization, according to a decree issued today by Premier Mussolini in following up his statement that young men's organizations still existing outside the sphere of Fascist influence would be absorbed.

## Exhibition Games

At Chattanooga: Giants 18, Chattanooga 8.  
At West Palm Beach: Robins 2; Braves 2.  
At Kansas City: Kansas City 3; Browns 2.  
At Birmingham: Birmingham 7; Senators 6.  
At Fort Worth: Tigers 9; Fort Worth 3.  
At Greensboro, N. C. Athletics 22; Greensboro 6.  
At New Orleans: New Orleans 16; Cleveland 13.  
At Jacksonville: Cardinals vs. Jacksonville, cancelled, rain.  
At Los Angeles: Cubs 5; Pirates 2.

## WHITE SOX BANK ON YOUNG STARS

Shreveport, La., Mar. 31.—(U.P.)—Youngsters figure prominently in the plans of Ray Schalk for getting the Chicago White Sox up among the contenders for the American League pennant this season.

"We'll bear watching," the diminutive White Sox leader told the United Press in an exclusive interview today, "for three reasons—1 youth, 2 speed, 3 hustle."

"I believe the White Sox are stronger than last year and if the youngsters stand up, well—"

The pitching staff and the infield, Schalk believes, are the strongest departments of the 1928 White Sox.

"I won't say we'll have the greatest infield in the league," Schalk said, "but I don't believe it will suffer in comparison to any other infield in the league."

The Sox infield will be made up of Johnny Clancy at first, Bill Hummel at second, Chalmers Clegg at short and Willie Kamm at third.

"This boy Clegg has a great career ahead of him," Schalk said. "Kamm is due for his greatest year at third and Chalmers will be an improved player at first. I might decide on a shift at second."

With two of the best pitchers in the league in Teddie Lyon and Tommy (Al) Thomas, Schalk rates his pitching staff as the best the Sox have had in years.

"I look for Ted Blankenship to have a big year," he said. "And we have picked up three promising youngsters in Al Williamson, Bill Goodell and George Cox."

Schalk had little to say about his outfield which may be the weak spot in the team.

Unless Johnny Mostill makes a successful comeback, the outfield again will be composed of Bib Falk, in left, Alex Metzler in center and Bill Barrett in right. Randolph Moore from the Waco Texas league club will be retained.

Schalk expects to take his turn in the catcher's box this season with Harry McCurdy, Clyde Cruse and Moe Begg, the reformed infielder.

The Yankees won't run away with the pennant this season, Schalk said.

## DOES LARGE ROOFING JOB

A. R. Ashbaucher, local Majestic Furnace dealer and roofing contractor has just completed one of the largest roofing jobs ever done by a local contractor.

Mr. Ashbaucher roofed the buildings of the Majestic Furnace company at Huntington with Carey built-up roofing the space covered being more than 41,000 square feet.

J. M. Triggs, president, and D. A. Purviance, secretary of the Majestic Furnace company, selected Mr. Ashbaucher to do the roofing of the buildings, because they knew of his exactness and carefulness in installing Majestic furnace and felt that he would give them the same service and value in a new roof. Mr. Purviance said, "Mr. Ashbaucher is known for high class workmanship and service and we have absolute confidence in the work he does. We wanted a good roof on our buildings and we selected Mr. Ashbaucher to do the work."

The buildings roofed by Mr. Ashbaucher were the foundry, covering a space of 75 feet by 240 feet, and the warehouse room, covering a space of 75 feet by 200 feet. He also roofed the garage building and other small buildings in connection with the Majestic Furnace, one of the largest concerns in Huntington and one of the leading manufacturers in the Midwest. In all, 41,782 square feet of roofing was placed on the buildings.

Mr. Ashbaucher and his force of men completed the big job just recently and the managers of the Majestic company have approved and accepted same. A picture of the big plant roofed by Mr. Ashbaucher is printed on another page in this issue of the Daily Democrat.

## OXFORD BEATEN BY CAMBRIDGE

Putney, England, March 31.—(U.P.)—A well-trained and stout-hearted Cambridge crew today spurted its way into one of the greatest and easiest victories Cambridge ever had scored in the 80th running of Oxford-Cambridge boat races, by finishing ten lengths ahead of their traditional opponents.

The time was well under the record but Cambridge didn't need record speed to defeat the crew that filled the Oxford boat.

The race was rowed in 20 minutes and 25 seconds. The record is 18 minutes and 29 seconds, established by Oxford in 1918.

It was the earliest time in history that the race had been run and many of the thousands of spectators who lined the Thames termed it the "Breakfast Race." Many breakfast parties preceded the start.

Among the distinguished guests was the king of Afghanistan. He watched the finish from a launch moored at Mort Lake.

Never was Cambridge challenged. At the finish they seemed strong. In contrast the Oxford crew was fatigued. Their last mile or two had exhausted them and at the finish they were rowing raggedly and with no semblance of the splendid unison they had shown at the start.

It was the 39th race Cambridge had won since the event was started 99 years ago. Oxford has won 40 and one race ended in a dead heat.

The crowd was not as great as in the past. Intermittent showers had caused many to desert this classic boat race.

## Joe Sekyra Decisively Beaten By Leo Lomski

New York, March 31.—(U.P.)—The championship aspirations of Joe Sekyra of Dayton, whether in the heavyweight or 175 pound division, have been disposed of for the time being by his decisive defeat at the hands of Leo Lomski of Aberdeen, Washington. Sekyra proved himself an awkward, inexperienced boxer who was an easy prey for Lomski's right hand body blows. Which won last night's match in Madison Square Garden.

## DECATUR H. S. NOTES ...by... ROBERT HELLER

**Rev. Fernthiel Speaks**  
The Rev. H. H. Fernthiel, Presbyterian minister, gave the Easter address in the Friday morning chapel program. His subject was "The Spirit of Easter." He defined his subject as meaning new life and the word Easter comes from an Anglo-Saxon word meaning new life. He illustrated his talking by fitting stories about the renewal of life at Easter time. Rev. Fernthiel said Easter should mean a new life to everyone as Christmas should mean a new birth.

**Vote On Carnival Queen**  
The last period of the day, Friday was used to vote for the king and queen in the carnival and to take up subscriptions for the annual. A good number subscribed. Most of the material has been taken to the Daily Democrat office for printing. A few pictures will have to be sent to Fort Wayne to be engraved, but these will be completed by the middle of next week.

**Music Contest Makes Profit**  
About sixteen or seventeen dollars will be made on the city music contest, Miss Chester said yesterday. More than \$25 has been checked in, and the expenses were light. As this was not an effort to make money, the returns are more than pleasing to those in charge.

**Gives Program At Central**  
Miss Chester took part of the winners in the local music contest to Central yesterday. Those who sing solos, duets and quartets whom she thought needed the experience, went over. The music constituted Central's regular Friday morning chapel program.

## Gusta Cramer Injured In Fall At Greensburg

Word has been received here that Miss Gusta Cramer, formerly of this city, now residing at the Odd Fellows Home at Greensburg, suffered severe bruises last week when she fell unconscious to the floor of the home, striking her head.

Miss Cramer's eyes were swollen shut for a few days and it was necessary for her to be taken to the hospital of the Home. Miss Cramer is said to be recovering from her illness, however, and it is thought that she will be entirely recovered in a few days.

Mayor George Krick was Fort Wayne on a business errand today.

## SKYSCRAPER FOR BENEFIT OF CITY IS CHICAGO IDEA

Chicago.—(INS)—A municipal skyscraper, costing approximately five million dollars, has been proposed here for the purpose of enriching the city coffers.

Real estate, in the downtown district of Chicago is worth huge sums of money, and a survey made by the city officials revealed that municipal property now is, in many cases unproductive of revenue.

As a result, it has been proposed that a 42-story building be erected by the city on some of its loop property.

Rentals, according to estimates of the architects who drew up plans, would total more than \$2,500,000 a year. Consequently, in two years the building would have paid for itself and thereafter would pour several millions of dollars a year into the city coffers, to help reduce taxes.

**Would Build Others**  
If successful, the first municipal skyscraper of Chicago would be duplicated by structures on other valuable cities owned by the city, with a resultant income of millions a year to the city, exclusive of the added value of municipal holdings.

Plans drawn by Holabird and Roche, architects, have been presented to the mayor by Chris P. Paschen, city commissioner.

The first, experimental structure would be erected on the site of the Chicago avenue pumping station at Michigan avenue. Some city offices would be contained in the building, but the majority of the offices would be rented.

Increasing the city income has become an involved problem for the council.

The school system has requested an increase of more than forty million dollars a year for operating expenses, which might result in a sharp and other departments have made decrease either in tax rates, or in assessed valuation here.

Mayor William Hale Thompson is attempting to solve the problem by putting the city on a revenue producing basis without more taxation.

**Legal Aspects**  
Legal aspects of a real estate venture by the city have not yet been considered, but advocates of the skyscraper scheme maintain there would be no barrier from that angle.

Tenants for a municipal building could be obtained easily, it was claimed since much of the city property is situated in the most desirable business sections of the city.

Eventually, the plan conceives a development of all city property which is now a drag on the corporate purse strings. Some use would be found by

Mayor Thompson for every foot of ground owned by the City of Chicago, which is considerable.

## PORTLAND MAN ELECTROCUTED

Portland, March 31.—(U.P.)—Paul Kessler, 29, was killed instantly Friday, when he came in contact with a live wire in the yard of his home here. Kessler was removing limbs broken down by the wind and sleet storm Thursday night. He came in contact with a radio aerial which had been broken down and lay across a high tension wire carrying a current of 2,800 volts.

Kessler was born near Bryant and had been employed in a grocery store here for the last eight years. His father, David Kessler, was killed in a cyclone that swept across the northern part of Jay county during the latter part of March, eight years ago. Kessler is survived by a widow, one daughter, his mother, two brothers and three sisters. Funeral services will be held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Methodist church.

## Roller Skating Craze Arouses Greenfield Citizens

Greenfield, Ind., March 31.—(INS)—Stops to curb the roller skating fever which seems to have taken the town by storm are being taken by irate citizens who claim their rest and peace of mind is being disturbed. Youngsters of all ages from six to sixty are making skating rinks of the smoothest sections of the cities' pavements, residents claim.

Conditions have become so annoying that residents on the most favored streets have appealed to the police to regulate the hours when skating in front of their homes will be permitted. One citizen reported he had counted more than 500 skaters on the

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streets in one evening. The hours most favored by the skaters are from four in the afternoon until eleven o'clock at night.

Chief of Police, John Mulvihill, has already issued orders prohibiting skating on the hill between North and South streets, after nine P.M.

This Bill has been the favorite sport with the youngsters as they hang on vehicles going up the hill and have a long coast down. Action was taken after one girl had her face crushed when a wagon ran over it.

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