

STIRRIN'
the DOPE
By VEDDER GARD

EVENLY MATCHED, EVANS SAYS, AND TITLE HINGES ON 'BREAKS'

COLONEL STAR IS BANISHED

Ballenger Fired After Wild Night on Pullman—Team in Baltimore.

By Times Special

WELL, it has to be done. The world series opens on Wednesday and the annual task of predicting a winner cannot be put off any longer. We are not going to choose the easiest way. We could pick Pittsburgh and fall in line with almost every one. The Pirates are easy favorites to win the championship. Almost every fan we talk to likes the chances of the National League club.

We could pick them, and if we were wrong everybody would be wrong with us. Probably a logical choice would be the Pirates, according to their individual records, batting strength, youth, and strong pitching staff.

Last year we picked the Giants, but the better team did not win. This year we are not going to pick the team which on paper looks like the stuff. **WASHINGTON** is our choice.

We pick the Senators not because they are better mechanically, but because of their known gameness and experience. The Pirates are more likely to "blow." It is a known fact that several of the Pittsburgh stars have a tendency to crack in the tight places.

It is equally well known that Washington has a number of "money" players who are best in the pinches. It is mainly for this reason that we believe in the American League team.

We are hoping that Coeleske will be in form. We hope that Harris will not be handicapped with his bum finger. We hope that Peck is rarin' to go. We hope that Johnson's arm feels just half as old as the great veterans really is.

We don't wish Pittsburgh any bad luck, but—

: : : : : ACROSS THE BOARD TODAY : : : : :

A few more nickels were picked up Monday at Latonia when three of the five horses selected were in the money, one lost and the other was scratched. Pete was the winner. Alexander Moore was second at good prices to place and show. Little Miller, an easy winner, showed at the track, ran third. Louisville and Nashville was out of the dough and Estin was withdrawn. The total roll is \$228.65.

Today we will play COWPUNCHER in the first at Latonia \$10 to win. In the third BANKRUPT is worth \$2 win. The fourth is a \$2000. The same goes for BRAEDALANE, a sleeper, in the fourth and JACK BAUER in the fifth. In the seventh we will drag one out of the brine and put \$5 across on VALLETTE.

JUST what do the captains of the two grid teams and the referee do when they meet out there in the middle of the grid-iron and the official flips a coin? Not many sport fans know exactly. The rules on the subject were changed slightly this season.

Here's the exact wording of the rule: "The referee shall toss up a coin before the game in the presence of the captains of the opposing teams, first designating which captain will call. The winner of the toss shall have the choice of coin, or of kicking off, or of receiving the kick-off, which choice shall not be revokable. The loser of the toss shall have the choice of the options which the winner does not select. These privileges as to choice shall be reversed at the beginning of the third period."

This year the winner of the toss has the additional option of receiving the kick-off in addition to the choice of goal or of making the kick-off.

We were talking to a fellow from Crawfordsville on Monday and he says since the Purdue victory the students at Wabash are so full of pep that they think the Big Ten scalps. They are not a bit afraid of such names as Minnesota, Illinois and Iowa. Here's power to you, Scarlet. But don't expect too much.

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The Chicago baseball fans sure love punishment. The annual series between the National and American League teams. The Cubs finished last and the Sox fifth.

Big Series Managers



Bill McKechnie, Pirates.



Buck Harris, Senators.

PACKO IN ANOTHER LOCAL GO

Joe to Meet Welsh Next Monday—Wiggins Walks Kansas Heavy.

Joe Packo, Toledo 165-pounder, is going to return to Indianapolis for another engagement next Monday night and his opponent will be Eddie Welsh, the South Bend knuckle duster, who can slug and take 'em through ten rounds without slowing down.

Billy Shine, Progress A. C. matchmaker, has signed the maulers for his main go at Tomlinson Hall and fans who have seen the boys before know there will be few idle moments. Packo and Welsh are the type that supply action, win, lose or draw.

New Albany Boxer

In the semi-windup next week Kewpie Trimble, Chicago 140-pound lad, will be sent against Howard McClain, New Albany, over the eight-round distance. McClain is new to local rings, but is haled around the Ohio River as a comer among the welters.

Promoter Shiner plans a card of thirty-eight rounds calling for six bouts, one ten, one eight, two sixes and two fours.

At Casey Kimble's show at the hall last night Chuck Wiggins, local favorite, decisively outpointed Ralph Brooks, Kansas heavy, in ten rounds. Wiggins had every round and was never in danger. Chuck was fast and Brooks was fat and slow. The Kansan was game, however, and supplied Chuck with a good workout.

18 Pounds Difference

Brooks weighed 198 and Wiggins 180. The visitor didn't give much ground and kept moving in on Chuck despite the fact he absorbed ten rounds of punishment.

Other bouts last night results were as follows:

Nail Moran, Chicago, knocked out Jack Fitzmorris, Milwaukee, in the second round.

Bill Bailey, Louisville, outpointed Eddie Smith, Indianapolis, in six rounds.

Billy Ceil, Louisville, shaded Joe Seely, Chicago, in six rounds.

Jimmy Murphy, Indianapolis, shaded Ray Meeks, Louisville, in six rounds.

Fitzmorris appeared to be a veteran, but he stood up and socked with Moran. Each scored a knockdown in the first round, but Moran was stronger and he knocked Fitzmorris cold in the second stanza. It is a wild scrap.

The Murphy-Meeks and Ceil-Scully bouts were filled with action and pleased the fans. Bailey scored a knockdown on Smith and that entitled him to the honors. Cooley, Webber and Mitchell refereed. A fair-sized crowd was present.

That doesn't imply the game will be rained out," Brozman told the United Press. "Showers Wednesday are inevitable, but I think they may come and go before the game begins," he added.

Harris Knows Staff

When it comes to pitching it does seem the Pirates have more good pitchers than the Senators, but the Pirate staff isn't as flexible as the Washington staff and no manager in baseball can handle and mix up his pitchers as well as young Buck Harris did in the series last year.

The Senators did have some lucky breaks, but that was about balanced their misfortune in losing such a valuable player. The Pirates' loss of Wiggins was no lucky break that forced Washington to put in their backstopper who was a good minor leaguer.

"MONEY PLAYING"

The most important factor in the ticket sale for this game which probably will be the greatest drawing card of the season in New York City, except the Army-Navy game.

Last year's game between the same teams was played at the Polo Grounds and the stands were filled.

The ticket sale Monday exceeded the greatest single day's sale of reservations for a world series or championship fight.

N. Y. BOUTS POSTPONED

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NEW YORK, Oct. 6.—The regular weekly postponement of the leading fights of the week occurred Monday when the Polo Grounds program of bouts featuring Paul Berlenbach and King Solomon was deferred until Oct. 12, because of foul weather.

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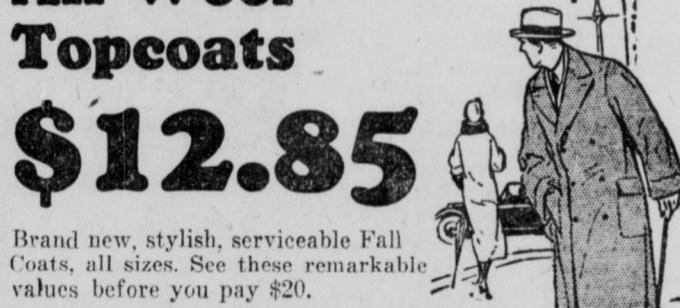
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Pittsburgh Has Youth and Power, Washington Experience and Spirit

—Short Series No Test.

By Billy Evans

Veteran Big League Umpire
Who is going to win the world series? Seven National League managers have picked Pittsburgh, while eight American League leaders have named Washington. John McGraw says its a toss-up. Loyalty usually sways the managerial judgment in picking the winner.

I regard Pittsburgh as one of the greatest teams that ever has represented the National League in the World Series.

Pittsburgh can hit, has a world of speed and boasts very capable pitching. It richly deserved to win the National League pennant.

Likewise, Washington is a great ball club, the best in the American League. There has been no fluke connection with the victory of either club. The World Series clash will be a battle between the two logical contenders.

Stack Up Even

It is my opinion that seldom, if ever, have two more evenly matched clubs met in the final classic.

A careful analysis of the strength and weakness of the two teams probably would give Pittsburgh a slight edge. The Giants were the ones that won the pennant.

The Washington infield is uncanny. I regard it as the best all-round infield I have in twenty years of major league ball.

Its ability to field seemingly impossible double plays in the tight corners of the field is a sure sign of great defense.

Washington's pitchers are a series of the best in the league. The staff is headed by the great Joe Seely, who is a master of the curve ball.

Washington's bats are the best in the league. The club has a fine record of hitting.

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