

STIRRIN' the DOPE

By VEDDER GARD

It looks as though track athletes barnstorming around the country had better stay away from Drake. Payvo Nurni got a lot of unpleasant publicity out that way. Now somebody has started a story about Hoff receiving exorbitant "expense" money to appear in the Drake relay next Friday and Saturday. Officials indignantly deny the accusation.

It is always funny when the shoe is on the other foot. If you remember, it was the Drake athlete director, who started all the rumpus about Nurni wanting a lot of dough to appear in the relays.

Now, somebody else, disgruntled about this or that, spreads a story about Drake giving Hoff some \$800 to appear in the carnival. There is probably no truth in it, but it is worth a chuckle or two.

The pure amateurs, who travel from coast to coast, always are good for a few laughs en route.

THERE is just one little fly in the ointment when one considers Pitcher Jess Petty's second game of the season Sunday against Philadelphia. The left-hander hurled good ball. There's no doubt about that. The Phillies, who have been slugging hard and making more runs than any other club, were held to seven hits and one tally in eleven frames.

But Jess would have had a shut-out if he had not misread an easy grounder. And that little slip reveals a weakness of the fellow. He can not field his position.

He, no doubt, has been coached on that feature. He, doubtless, has tried hard to correct the weakness. But Petty is awkward. He just can't handle his legs.

Teams will do a lot of bunting on him before the season is over. It appears as though the southpaw is in fine shape. If he can field his position even in fair shape he is in for a good year.

PAL MOORE, Charles Glaser and Joe Paglini all arrived in this city yesterday for their encounters tonight on the card of the National A. C. at Tomlinson Hall. The first came from out of town all reported in the best of condition, as shown by their work Sunday afternoon at the Arcade gym, and with the prelin boys all ready and rarin' to go, it looks like a large evening of the whacking pastime tonight in the Market St. stadium.

Happy Atherton is in the best condition of his career, according to his handlers, who are confidently predicting a win for the local bantam over Moore. Fans at the Arcade Sunday, after watching Glaser and Paglini in their training stunts, declared the semi-windup between this pair is going to be rare sport.

Big Ten Baseball

Team	Won	Lost
Purdue	10	0
Wisconsin	9	0
Illinois	8	0
Northwestern	7	0
Chicago	6	0
Ohio State	5	0
Iowa	4	0
Indiana	3	0
Michigan	2	0
Minnesota	1	0

GAMES THIS WEEK

Tuesday
Chicago at Purdue.

Saturday
Chicago at Iowa.
Northwestern at Minnesota.
Michigan at Purdue.
Illinois at Wisconsin.
Indiana at Ohio.

MANAGER FLETCHER of the Phillies said a mouthful the other day when he remarked that there was too much hand-shaking among the big league players. Sport fans do not go out to see exhibitions in any line of athletics. Spectators want to see battles.

They want the contestants to CARE whether they win or lose. A fine display of skill and uncanny ability in handling a baseball loses their charm if the spirit is not there.

The bugs idolize the players who try hard and want to WIN. Of course, none of the players wants to lose. It means bread and butter to them to make a good showing.

But it must be more than bread and butter. When baseball becomes a business proposition entirely to players as well as owners the turnstiles will not click in the endless song so pleasing to the magnates' hearts.

There must be something out on the field except pretty motions. There must be fire and enthusiasm. Mechanical perfection is not enough.

All players do not have the battling temperament. There are not enough of the Fletcher type in present day baseball. But, at least, they do not need to make it so plain that it is all in a day's work.

Let's have more real honest-to-goodness competition—not so much hand shaking and a little more fist shaking.

WIGGAM HIGH GUN
J. C. Wiggam was high gun at the weekly shoot of the Indianapolis Gun Club on Saturday with 96 out of 100 targets. Only a few were at the traps because of the bad weather conditions. Wiggam's score was exceptional considering the handicap of cold, rain and snow under which he shot.

COLLEGE BASEBALL
(Saturday Results)

Indiana 19; De Pauw 6.
Notre Dame 18; Hope College 1.
Muncie Normal 6; Oakland City 4.
Butler-Chicago postponed; cold and rain.
Wisconsin 3; Northwestern 0.
Harvard 7; Oregon 6.
Yale 13; Cornell 6.
Columbia 8; Pennsylvania 6.
Alabama 10; Georgia Tech 15.
Illinois 11; Iowa 4.
West Virginia 9; Muskingum 4.
Georgetown 10; Georgetown 0.
Georgia 12; Michigan 1.

CATCHER NEEDED BADLY BY TRIBE—SOME AMATEUR UMPIRING

BROWNS, MACKMEN AT TAIL-END IN AMERICAN LEAGUE

After First Week Form Is Scrambled—National League Running Along More True to Dope.

By Henry L. Farrell
United Press Staff Correspondent
NEW YORK, April 19.—With the Philadelphia Athletics and the St. Louis Browns tangled up in a dispute for last place, things are not exactly as they should be at the end of the first week of the season in the American League.

Form has not been scrambled so badly in the National League. The champion Pittsburgh Pirates, of course, have no business in sixth place, but the St. Louis Cardinals, the New York Giants and the Cincinnati Reds are in the first division.

Most anything can happen in the chilly weeks of the early season, and there used to be a tendency among managers and players to give slight consequence to starting games, but a game counts just as much now as in late September.

Early Games Important
"Early season games are becoming increasingly important as the competition becomes stronger," John McGraw, manager of the Giants, said. "The team that gets the big jump this year before mid-season is the team that will win the pennant."

McGraw said he had observed particularly this season that the players on clubs standing for a slice of world series money were bearing down as hard as they could.

St. Louis Cardinals and Chicago White Sox played the best ball of the opening week and are holding first place in the major leagues. The Cardinals, aided by Bottomley's terrific hitting, won five out of six games, and the White Sox, hustling for Eddie Collins, lost only one game out of five. The Sox pitching has been high class.

Giants Winning
The Giants won four out of their five games, the Phillies four out of six and the Reds three out of five. The Pirates lost four of their six games.

The Washington Senators are holding third place in the American League, with four games won and two lost. This record is more impressive than the mere figures show, as the Senators have played all their games against their strongest rivals, the Philadelphia Athletics and the New York Yankees.

The Athletics won only one of their five games and the disappointing Browns have failed to win a game in five starts.

Detroit looked good in winning three out of four, and if Ty Cobb has been successful in strengthening the defense of the team, the Tigers are sure to be in the fight.

PETE ENTERS

De Paolo Will Drive 'Duesie' in Big Race.

Pete De Paolo again will be at the wheel of an Indianapolis-made Duesenberg in the fourteenth annual international sweepstakes at the Motor Speedway on Monday, May 31. Pete was the A. A. A. speed champion last year and the winner of the big Memorial day 500-mile race.

His last year's victory was made in the fastest time ever recorded here—19.13 miles an hour. De Paolo's car this year will be a duplicate of the 1925 speed buggy, except that the motor must be smaller to conform with the new regulations that say the maximum motor displacement shall be 91 1/2 cubic inches.

Other entries announced so far: Ralph De Palma, a car; three Schmidt Specials from France, Hamlin front-drive Fronty, Harlan Pengler in an unnamed car and Dave Lewis in a front-drive Miller. Entries close May 1.

Rickard to Talk with Champ

By United Press
CHICAGO, April 19.—After spending two busy days here during which he announced his plans for the building of a huge athletic arena, Tex Rickard, one of the country's leading promoters, today is on his way to the southwest where he expects to meet Jack Dempsey.

Rickard expects to meet Dempsey somewhere in Texas for the purpose of attempting to sign him to a contract for a bout with Gene Tunney in New York or New Jersey in August or September.

Before leaving here Rickard promised sport fans that he will name the site on which his new building will be erected when he returns next Thursday.

Another for Brewers

MILWAUKEE

AB	R	H	O	A	E
Richbourg, rf.	3	1	3	0	1
Shulte, 2b.	3	1	3	0	1
Griffin, lb.	4	0	1	14	0
Brief, c.	4	0	0	1	0
Orwell, cf.	4	0	0	1	0
Simon, 3b.	3	1	1	0	0
Flippin, ss.	3	1	0	2	4
Thompson, p.	2	1	0	0	0
Danforth, p.	2	1	0	0	0
Totals	29	5	6	27	14

INDIANAPOLIS

AB	R	H	O	A	E
Matthews, cf.	4	0	1	2	0
Wright, cf.	4	0	1	2	0
Reag, rf.	4	0	0	1	0
Stephenson, lf.	3	1	1	13	0
Holke, 1b.	3	1	1	0	0
Yeter, 3b.	3	1	0	3	1
Schreiber, c.	4	0	0	2	0
Florence, p.	0	0	0	0	0
Weaver, p.	0	0	0	0	0
Klugman, p.	0	0	0	0	0
Ainsmith, p.	1	0	0	0	0
Totals	33	4	6	24	10

Klugman battled for dominance in ninth. Ainsmith batted for Morrison in ninth. Indianapolis 10; Milwaukee 4.
Stolen base—Simon. Sacrifice—Thompson. Florence. Shulte. Double play—Shulte to Flippin to Griffin. Left on bases—Milwaukee 11; Indianapolis 7. Bases on balls—Off Milwaukee 1; off Weaver 3; off Morrison 5; off Danforth 4. Strike outs—By Morrison 4; by Danforth 3. Hit two men in first; off Morrison in 6-3; inning off Weaver 2 in 8th; inners, leading pitcher—Weaver. Umpire—Connolly and Goetz. Time—2:25.

Crashing Pill



Jim Bottomley

Jim Bottomley of the Cards has started out this spring where he left off last season and is crashing the ball hard. His heavy hitting has been a big factor in the present position of St. Louis—on top of the National League heap. Two of his hits have been for the circuit. Many critics say he is the best first-baseman in the game.

Baseball Calendar

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION

Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Minneapolis	4	1	.800
Louisville	3	2	.600
Indianapolis	3	2	.600
Toledo	3	2	.600
St. Paul	3	2	.600
Milwaukee	3	2	.600
Kansas City	1	4	.200
Columbus	1	4	.200

Chicago	W. 4	L. 1	Pct. .800	Cleveland	W. 2	L. 2	Pct. .500
Detroit	3	1	.750	Boston	2	2	.500
Philadelphia	4	2	.667	Philadelphia	1	4	.200
N. York	3	2	.600	St. Louis	0	5	.000

NATIONAL LEAGUE

St. Louis	W. 5	L. 1	Pct. .833	Bridgman	W. 3	L. 3	Pct. .500
N. York	4	1	.800	Pittsburg	2	3	.400
Philadelphia	4	2	.667	Chicago	1	4	.200
Cincy...	3	2	.600	Boston	1	5	.167