

# TALKING IT OVER

WITH JOE WILLIAMS

NEW YORK, Sept. 25.—The customers are going to see a couple of pretty well fagged out ball clubs in the world series, no matter which teams qualify as their league representatives. It's been a long time since the two leagues went into the stretch with nothing more than a narrow slit of sunlight separating the leaders.

Generally the races have taken on a definite form by the time the last week of September arrives. If not in both leagues, then in at least one.

But this has been a dizzy baseball year from the start and it threatens to remain consistent to the last. Right now the Yankees look as if they will last just long enough to stagger home in fubn.

The schedule gives the Cardinals an edge in the other league, one the theory that it's easier to win a preliminary fight than a semi-wind up fighter.



Joe Williams

While the Giants are battling the Reds and the Cubs the Missourians will be going through a form of light exercise against the Braves and the Brooklyn. Still you can't always tell. Even a preliminary fighter can win if he happens to land right.

THEN there are those fellows, Vance and McWeeny, ace hurlers of the Brooklyn. Indeed, it would seem that the fate of the Giants, strangely, lies in the hands of these two Brooklyn pitchers, Vance, always dangerous, and McWeeny, unbeaten this year by the Cards.

Always assuming, of course, that the Giants, who have established themselves as one of the gamest teams that ever worked under Mr. John Joseph McGraw, continue to outgame, outbatter, and what is more important, outscore the other fellows.

So much for that. What is going to happen when the two ultimate survivors reach the series? What are they going to use for stamina, energy and drive?

ONLY the players who are storming through these games can appreciate the tenseness of the fight, what a league championship practically hanging on every ball pitched, every ball batted and every ball thrown.

A young team will recuperate from one of these stretch finishes with greater speed and freshness than an older team, despite the fiction that veteran's nerves stand up better in a crisis.

For this reason should the Giants get into the series they would figure to be a more formidable opponent than the Cardinals, for one is a young team and the other is an old team.

This might also apply to the Yankees, who face a double pressure of a terrific fight and a crippled front. The Athletics would be better equipped to carry on in the series than Col. Jacob Ruppert's young men.

Most ball teams like an easy race. At least they like a reasonably easy finish. This leaves them fresh for the series, an angle that is probably more important than is generally recognized.

THERE was the case of the Yankees two years ago. They just did manage to win in the series they were beaten by the Cardinals, which team had an easier and less fatiguing race in its league. And last year the Pirates went into the series after just such a race as the league is having today. This physically spent, and battle-worn Pittsburgh team was beaten four straight.

This consideration will not be quite so important this fall. The survivor in the American is likely to be as weary and exhausted as the survivor in the National.

And I am beginning to think you can say the same for old Gus H. Fan.

After these two finishes the series can't offer him much in the way of thrills. It is almost like being asked over to a fish bugler's Kreisel.

## Tulsa to Meet Oklahoma City

By United Press  
TULSA, Okla., Sept. 25.—Tulsa won the second half honors in the Western League, which closed its 1928 season Monday, the Oilers making doubly sure of remaining at the top of the heap by defeating Des Moines twice in a double bill.

The Oilers will meet the Oklahoma City Indians, winners of the first half of the split season, in a play-off series which opens at Tulsa Wednesday.

## CHUCK MEETS BYRNE

Veteran Indianapolis Boxer Opposes Louisville Scrapper at Chicago.  
By United Press  
CHICAGO, Sept. 25.—Chuck Wiggin, Indianapolis heavyweight veteran, who stopped the winning streak of Les Marriner, University of Illinois football player, will meet Jimmy Byrne, Louisville, Ky., in a ten-round decision bout here tonight.

The Mike McTigue-Tuffy Griffith open-air bout scheduled here for Monday night was postponed until Thursday, because of cold weather.

# Champion Tribesmen Step Into Frigid Weather at Rochester

Wintery Aspect Greeted Hoosier Club on Arrival for Series.

## SWETONIC MAY TWIRL

Right-Hander to Mound in Opening Tilt.

BY EDDIE ASH, Times Sports Editor

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Sept. 25.—With the arrival of the Indians, American Association champions, in Rochester today, this city is heated up in baseball enthusiasm over the "little world series" starting Wednesday, but the weather is far from ideal. In fact it's terrible.

The Tribe pastimers apparently stepped right into winter and the hoosiers kept close to their rooms this morning.

Manager Betzel planned to send his A. pennant winners through practice this afternoon if there was a possible chance. The weather guesser predicted rain but the morning outlook had more of the snow slant. Flakes fell in a few Northern New York points Monday and Rochester natives would be surprised if the next few hours bring out the sleighs.

Long Rest for Steve  
Stephen Swetonic, youthful collegiate right hander on the Tribe staff, is Manager Betzel's choice for the pitching assignment in the series opener Wednesday. The courageous boy from the East has had a long rest and is figured to be at top form if the frigid atmosphere doesn't interfere with his effectiveness.

Still enthused and filled with conversation over the hot fight they waged to win the A. pennant, the Indians remained up until a late hour in their Pullmans on the trip from Indianapolis and many of the athletes crawled beneath the sheets again when they arrived at the Seneca Hotel, Tribe headquarters, this morning.

## Friday Open Date

Owner Jim Perry, manager Betzel and Secretary Clauer spent an active morning looking after ticket arrangements and other items connected with the "little series" game, scheduled in Rochester, of which there will be four, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday. Friday being left open to take care of a possible postponement or tie.

Billy Southworth's Rochester Red Wings won the International League pennant by a mere whisker, the first in seventeen years for this city, and local fans plan a noisy "little series" opening celebration Wednesday if the weather takes a turn for warmth. The Red Wings finished their season Sunday on the road and they have a big welcome coming to them.

## Kallio Triumphs in Mat Feature

Gus Kallio defeated W. H. Thom, Indiana University mat coach, in two falls out of three in the feature bout of Monday night's wrestling show at Tomlinson Hall. A lot of action was provided and the large number of fans voiced their approval.

Yaqui Gue defeated Speed O'Neil, Shelbyville, two straight falls. Ralph Brown, won two straight falls from Scotty Fulton and Chet McCauley grappled Joe Oliver thirty minutes to a draw in the opener.

## Big League Stuff

Alvin Crowder, ace of the St. Louis Browns' pitching staff, Monday held the Philadelphia Athletics to four hits to win a 6 to 2 victory, his twentieth of the season. Crowder allowed only one hit until the eighth inning when Bishop singled. A single by Simmons and a double by Foss in the ninth accounted for the A's runs. John Quinn, veteran spitballer, started for the Macks and was relieved by Orwoll in the seventh.

The Cleveland Indians defeated the New York Yankees 4 to 1 in their twentieth victory for the season, when the Indians, turned in his two-pitch home runs by Lefty O'Doul and one each by Mel Ott and Travis Jackson before the Giants' victory.

The St. Louis Cardinals easily defeated the Brooklyn Robins, 9 to 2. Grover Cleveland Alexander allowed eight hits while the Cards found Elliott, Ehrhardt and Moss for fourteen. Douthett, with a double and two singles led the Cardinals' attack.

The Washington Senators gained possession of fourth place by defeating the Chicago White Sox 4 to 1. The Senators won their eighth victory of the season, while the Sox were defeated for the fourth time in five tries.

Before 700 chummy fans, the Chicago Cubs defeated the Philadelphia Phillies, 6 to 4. A three-run rally by the Phillies fell one run short in the ninth inning. It was the twelfth straight defeat for Burt Shotton's men.

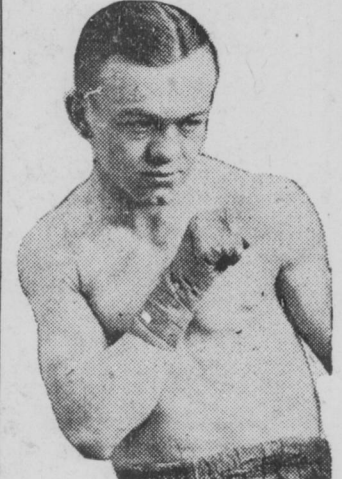
The Pittsburgh Pirates and the Boston Braves divided a doubleheader. The Pirates won the first game, 3 to 1, in ten innings, and the Braves took the second, 4 to 2.

## ABOUT IN BUENOS AIRES

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Sept. 25.—Tommy Loughran, world lightweight champion, today said there is little possibility of his meeting Luis Firpo in Buenos Aires.

The champion admitted, however, that within a month he would meet South American contender in Buenos Aires. "Firpo weighs too much for me," Loughran said.

## 'Little Fellows' on Card Tonight at Tomlinson Hall



Happy Atherton

"Swat that fly!" might well be the slogan of tonight's boxing show at Tomlinson Hall, flyweights and near-flyweights hogging the card. Happy Atherton and Young Dencio, who meet in the final ten-rounder of the evening, scale 112 pounds, as do Luis Carpentiero and One-Round Bess, who mingle in the other ten-round fray of the double windup.

The "top" prelim of four stanzas will show two more flyweights in action, Scotty Scotten, the Shortridge student boxer, and Hugh Miles, while the other short bouts will be at 122 and 124 pounds.

The show tonight will start at 8:30, and Frank Buchanan will referee all bouts. The complete card for tonight follows:

Ten Rounds—Young Dencio Philipines, vs. Happy Atherton, Indianapolis; 114 pounds.  
Ten Rounds—Luis Carpentiero, Indianapolis, vs. One Round Bess, Indianapolis; 114 pounds.  
Four Rounds—Scotty Scotten, Indianapolis, vs. Hugh Miles, Indianapolis; 114 pounds.  
Four Rounds—Frank Gierke, Indianapolis, vs. Ed Mohawk, Indianapolis; 124 pounds.  
Ten Rounds—Lafayette Wells, Indianapolis, vs. Ray Bredell, Indianapolis; 124 pounds.

## BASEBALL CALENDAR

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
	Won	Lost	Pct.
St. Louis	90	54	.621
New York	89	58	.608
Cincinnati	86	61	.585
Pittsburgh	84	63	.569
Chicago	78	69	.529
Boston	73	75	.493
Philadelphia	68	80	.460
Brooklyn	42	106	.284

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
	Won	Lost	Pct.
New York	90	52	.630
Philadelphia	86	56	.606
St. Louis	80	69	.537
Chicago	71	78	.475
Cleveland	61	87	.412
Boston	53	95	.358

## Games Today

Philadelphia at St. Louis, Washington at Chicago, New York at Cleveland. (Only games scheduled.)

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
	At Home	On Road	Result
Pittsburgh at Boston	.....	.....	.....
Chicago at Cincinnati	.....	.....	.....
Cincinnati at New York	.....	.....	.....

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
	At Home	On Road	Result
Philadelphia at St. Louis	.....	.....	.....
St. Louis at New York	.....	.....	.....
New York at Cleveland	.....	.....	.....

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
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New York at Philadelphia	.....	.....	.....
Philadelphia at Cincinnati	.....	.....	.....

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## Match Play Started in Golf Event

Maureen Orcutt Leads in U. S. Women's Meet With an 80.

By United Press

HOT SPRINGS, Va., Sept. 25.—Thirty Americans and two Canadians were to meet today in match play which will lead to the United States women's championship for one of them. The East had its full share of entries, and so did the Chicago area. California was very much in the running, as was Wisconsin and Maine.

Miss Maureen Orcutt of Haworth, N. J., medalist, led the eastern contingent, which includes Miss Glenna Collett of Providence, Mrs. Dorothy Campbell Hurd of Philadelphia, Miss Marion Hollins of Glenhead, L. I.; Mrs. J. S. Diston, Jr., of Philadelphia; Miss Helen Hicks of Hewlett, N. Y.; Miss Rosalie Knapp of Glenhead, L. I.; Miss Betty Guthrie of Westhampton Beach, L. I.; Miss Edrice Gottlieb of New York; Mrs. C. H. Stetson of Philadelphia; Mrs. E. H. Baker of Boston.

Miss Orcutt won medal honors with a fine 80.

Only one of the six former champions and defending champion, who started Monday failed to qualify. Miss Margaret Curtis of Boston, who won in 1911, had a 94 this year, three too many.

## NO MINORS FOR BANCROFT

Dave Bancroft says he never will play in the minors. The Brooklyn shortstop says he is through when he won't be able to hold a job down in the big leagues.

## Yanks Counted 'In' as Macks Again Fail in Pinch; Cards, Giants in Gruelling Struggle

By Frank Getty

NEW YORK, Sept. 25.—The two-game lead of the New York Yankees now looks like money from home, and Philadelphia fans who heard rumors of Connie Mack's Athletics winning the American League pennant know it was merely some of the neighbors talking over the dear, departed days of 1914.

Alvin Crowder's twentieth victory of the season at St. Louis Monday proved all but fatal to the 1928 hopes of the Mackmen, who thereby lost their third game in four days and face an all but hopeless task in their pursuit of the elusive championship.

Their great drive to the top, during which the Athletics overcame a Yankee lead of thirteen games in August and early September, apparently took all the Philadelphia club had to give this year.

## N. Y. 'Two Up'

The situation today is simply this: The Athletics have five more games to play; the Yankees, six. During that brief span, as the major league pennant races go, Philadelphia must overcome an advantage of two full games enjoyed by the world's champions.

The standing of the clubs is as follows:

	W	L	Pct.	Games to Play
Yankees	90	52	.630	6
Athletics	86	56	.606	2

If the Yanks break even in their remaining games, the Mackmen must win all five of theirs to capture the pennant by the margin of half a game. If the world champions win four out of six, nothing less than a miracle will prevent Miller Huggins' club from retaining the championship.

Even if the crippled Yanks succeed in adding only two games more to their winning column, the Athletics have to win four out of five to finish front.

The downfall of the Mackmen dates from the series in which they engaged the world champions in New York during the week of Sept. 9. When that series opened, the Athletics were in first place, having fought their way to the top in one of the gampest up-and-down struggles in the history of baseball. The

## Another Pennant for Huggins?



The above reproduction shows what sort of expressions the rival managers of the New York Yankees and Philadelphia Athletics are wearing today. With six more games to play, Miller Huggins' New Yorkers are holding a two-game advantage and experts today were counting the world's champs as "in." The Yanks lost Monday to Cleveland, 4 to 3, but the tired Mackmen let another golden opportunity fly by the boards by losing to the Browns, 6 to 2.

## Yanks Counted 'In' as Macks Again Fail in Pinch; Cards, Giants in Gruelling Struggle

Yankees took their three out of the four games played and the race was as good as over.

## They Slipped Again

Four days ago, Philadelphia was once more within striking distance of the goal. The Yankees led by a single game, and they were badly crippled ball club, disrupted by injuries. They were able to win only two games out of the next four, a golden opportunity for the Mackmen.

Instead of seizing the opportunities to catch and pass their rivals, the Athletics slipped again.

## Home Run Club

American League			
	Runs	Home Runs	Slugging
Ruth (Yankees)	50	21	.500
Gehrig (Yankees)	45	18	.475
Hausser (Athletics)	40	16	.450
Simmons (Athletics)	35	14	.425
Blue (Browns)	30	12	.400
Fox (Athletics)	25	10	.375

National League			
	Runs	Home Runs	Slugging
Bateman (Cubs)	31	11	.350
Wilton (Cubs)	30	10	.325
Haley (Cardinals)	28	9	.300
Bissonette (Robins)	25	8	.275
Turner (Pirates)	20	7	.250
Hurt (Phillies)	19	6	.225
Harper (Cardinals)	18	5	.200

## U. S. Polo Team Plays Saturday

By United Press  
NEW YORK, Sept. 25.—The "big four," representing the United States polo team in the first match against Argentina, for the "championship of the Americas" Saturday, will be Stephen Stanford, No. 1, Capt. Tommy Hitchcock, No. 2, Malcolm Stevenson, No. 3, and Winston Guest, back.

Such was the announcement of Louis W. Stoddard, chairman of the United States polo team, after viewing the challengers in action at Meadowbrook Monday afternoon.

## Fights and Fighters

DAYTON, Ohio.—Jimmy Hackley, Indianapolis junior lightweight, drew with Eddie Anderson, Wyoming, twelve rounds.

LOUISVILLE, Ky.—Johnny Mason, Scranton, Pa., middleweight, defeated Billy Ryan, Cincinnati, ten rounds.

NEW YORK.—Tommy Grosan, Omaha lightweight, defeated Sammy White, New York, Negro, ten rounds. It was a close bout.

BUFFALO, N. Y.—Freddie Mueller, Buffalo, defeated Pete Petrolle, Fargo, N. D., ten rounds.

JERSEY CITY, N. J.—Sailor Debolt, California, defeated Barney Zednick, on a foul, fifth round.

## PAT'S MATERIAL GOOD

By United Press  
BLOOMINGTON, Ind., Sept. 25.—A scrimmage between varsity and freshman squads developed into an exhibition of promising new material at the University of Indiana and indicated a likelihood that several veterans might lose their positions on the varsity lineup to sophomore candidates. Pat Page, head coach, appeared pleased with the workouts.

## SPARS WORKS GOP