

Pirates Doped as Runners-Up to N. Y. Giants

By DAVIS J. WALSH.
NEW YORK, April 9.—The New York Giants will win the National league pennant again this season, unless luck becomes the national beverage. The Giants are almost as certain as next week. They are a great ball club to which natural maturity and the steady influence of better pitching have been added since the start of the last campaign and their ultimate victory seems nothing less than a formality at this time. They should be five games in front at the wire.

Chasing them home at a more or less respectful distance should come the Pittsburgh Pirates, the Cincinnati Reds and the St. Louis Cardinals, rated in the order named. They are logical first division clubs, just as the Chicago Cubs, the Brooklyn Dodgers, the Boston Braves and the Phillies seem destined for the realms below. However, the nineteenth amendment making it a penal offense for the gentry and otherwise embarrass a baseball forecaster, is yet to be enacted.

Giants Best Bets.
The Giants seem to be the only sure thing bet in the layout. They fairly bristle with class and if they do not front run the field from first to last, the greatest form upsets since the Braves beat the Athletics in 1914 will follow. Briefly, their improvement over 1932 is conceded for these reasons: Better pitching because of the addition of Jack Bentley and the fact that John Scott and Hugh McQuillan are available for a complete season; better infield defense, if possible, from the so-called million-dollar quartet because it figures to develop even greater speed and surety during its second year of operation; the presence of seven .300 hitters in the outfit, namely Bancroft, Frisch, Young, Kelly, Meisel, Cunningham and Snyder, with the possibility that two more, Grob and Jimmy O'Connell, will break into more exclusive society this season, and finally, the guiding genius of John McGraw, more determined to win than ever, now that he faces the possibility of managing a three-time world's champion.

Pirates Should Hit.
Unfortunately, for the sake of interest in the race, the rest of the field has not kept pace with the Giants in the matter of off-season improvement. The Reds are generally picked as the logical contender, but the writer rather leans towards the Pirates, a smart, fast baseball club which needs only the patching it got in 1932 to make it a real pennant possibility.

As it is, Pirate pitching has deteriorated and George Gibson, a smart man with pitchers, is no longer with the club. It is a better defensive outfit than the Reds, however, and should muster consistency in hitting. The Reds, we believe, were something of a flash last year and allow individuals like Caveney, Pinnell and Couch will have to give more lasting proof of their ability before a win is accepted as fact. The illness of Daubert takes a punch out of the betting order and upsets the infield.

The Cards' hitting should counter-balance defensive foibles to the extent of bringing the club home in the first division, who may or may not develop beyond their 1932 speed. The latter have a lot of young pitchers, not yet beyond the embryonic stage at second and third base. Furthermore, Hollocher's illness will handicap them at the outset.

The Dodgers have plenty of pitching and that should bring them in ahead of the Braves and Phillies.

Swiss-Dutch Team Wins Bicycle Race
Paris, April 9.—Egg and Vankemper, the Swiss-Dutch team, tonight were declared the winners in the annual six-day bicycle race which began Monday night. They scored 1,131 points, second place went to Charles Persy and Vandervele, and third to Persy and Vandervele.

Under Physician's Care.
St. Paul, Minn., April 9.—"Mike" O'Dowd, former middleweight champion boxer of the world, is suffering from a primary lateral sclerosis of the spinal cord, which affects the use of one of his legs, it was learned today following the St. Paul fighters' return from Rochester, Minn., where he consulted physicians at the Mayo Clinic.

The injury was caused by a blow or a fall, according to the physicians. O'Dowd, who announced his retirement from the ring recently, after being knocked out by Jack Malone, will return to Rochester soon for treatment.

"Babe" Ruth Clouts Homer
Fort Worth, Tex., April 9.—"Babe" Ruth knocked a home run in the eighth inning here today in the game between the New York Yankees and Brooklyn. Ruth had twice fanned out before clouting his home run. No one was on base at the time.

EDDIE'S FRIENDS



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Quakers Enter Kansas Relays

Lawrence, Kan., April 9.—A large list of entries already has been received for the first annual University of Kansas relay games here April 21. To date 15 universities and 18 colleges have entered track teams in the meet as well as 11 little academies and more than 40 high schools in various parts of the country.

Lighter Wins Feature Race at Tijuana

San Diego, Cal., April 9.—Lighter, a 4 year old gelding by Negofot out of Lucky Stone, running in the Colors of William Daniel, New York, Sunday won the Tijuana cup race of two miles in 3:28 1/5, a fifth of a second slower than the track record. Buckhorn II, from the stable of S. B. Creech, was second with the show going to Old Faithful, belonging to A. L. Briggs. Lighter was backed to favoritism in the mutual machines. The race was worth \$6,525 to the winner. Ten horses started.

Golf Facts

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Q. If a player drives his ball near a boundary line and finds on reaching it that it lies so that he can't play his next stroke in the direction of the putting green except by standing out of bounds, is he permitted to re-tee his ball?
A. Yes. There is no restriction against standing out of bounds to play a ball that lies in bounds.

Men Admit Killing Raton Police Chief

Raton, N. M., April 9.—Two men, who gave their names as Oscar Briggance, 22, and Clyde Norman, 28, of Kendrick, Okla., alleged slayers of Chief of Police Oscar Davis here Friday night, were arrested by a posse about 6 last night a mile north of Maxwell.

Omahans Know Several of Missing Florida Autoists

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Summers of Florence are acquainted with more than a half dozen of the party of the 24 autoists, who were reported missing in the Florida Everglades.

Three Children Trapped in Burning Warehouse

Denver, Colo., April 9.—Harold Willamson, 4; his twin, Junetta; Genevieve Smith, 3; and Melva Rhee, 2, were burned to death last night when they were trapped in a burning warehouse filled with hay and straw.

Lost Motorists in Indian Village

24 Reported Lost in Storm in Florida Everglades Are Located.

Miami, Fla., April 9.—Twenty-four motorists, reported lost in the everglades, are expected to reach Miami Monday night. The party, which left Fort Myers on Wednesday to blaze a new trail through the swamp, was located last night in Seminole City, an Indian encampment 70 miles west of Miami.

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Widow of Jake Hamon and Husband Separate

Chicago, April 9.—Reports that William H. Rohrer, capitalist, and his wife have separated were confirmed by Mr. Rohrer. Mrs. Rohrer is the widow of Jake Hamon, Oklahoma politician who was slain by Clara Smith Hamon.

Student From Grand Rapids Wins Distinction in Rome

Rome, April 9.—Leo Sowbery of Grand Rapids (Mich.) a student in composition in the American academy here, played the piano part in a composition of his own in the Augustum, the largest concert hall in Rome.

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(Continued from Yesterday.)
"If it's as bad as that, why are the Belgians putting up a fight?"

"I don't know, it's just, but it will come to nothing in the end. Let me tell you something about the German army, Claude."

"Fading up and down beside the locust hedge, Ernest rehearsed the great argument: preparation, organization, concentration, inexhaustible resources, inexhaustible men. While he talked the sun disappeared, the moon contracted, solidified, and slowly climbed the pale sky. The fields were still glistening with the bland reflection left over from daylight, and the distance grew shadowy—not dark, but seemingly full of sleep."

"If I were at home," Ernest concluded, "I would be in the Austrian army this minute. I guess all my cousins and nephews are fighting the Russians or the Belgians already. How would you like it yourself, to be marched into a peaceful country like this, in the middle of harvest, and begin to destroy it?"

"I wouldn't do it, of course. I'd desert and be shot."

"Then your family would be persecuted. Your brothers, maybe even your father, would be made enemies to Austrian officers and be kicked in the mouth."

"I wouldn't bother about that. I'd let my male relatives decide for themselves how often they should be kicked."

Ernest shrugged his shoulders. "You Americans brag like little boys, you and you wouldn't I tell you, nobody will have anything to do with this. It is the harvest of all that has been planned. I never thought it would come in my life time, but I knew it would come."

The boys lingered a little while, looking up at the soft radiance of the sky. There was not a cloud anywhere, and the low glimmer in the fields had imperceptibly changed to full, pure moonlight. Presently the two wagons began to creep along the white road, and on the backless seat of each the driver sat drooping forward, lost in thought. When they reached the corner where Ernest turned south, they said good night without raising their voices. Claude's

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Another popular lecturer will be Miss Evelyn D. Hansen, who will lecture on subjects relating to proper methods of dress. Miss Hansen is not a "dress reformer." She believes anyone may appear well dressed and in style even though their means may be most modest. Her efforts will be devoted to showing the proper adaptations of modern styles to the individual. Living models will be used by Miss Hansen to demonstrate her ideas.

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horse went on as if they were walking in their sleep. They did not even sneeze at the low cloud of dust beaten up by their heavy foot falls, the only sounds in the vast quiet of the night.

Why was Ernest so impatient with him, Claude wondered? He could not pretend to feel as Ernest did. He had nothing behind him to shape his opinions or color his feelings about what was going on in Europe; he could only sense it day by day. He had always been taught that the German people were pre-eminent in the virtues Americans most admire; a month ago he would have said they had all the ideals a decent American boy would fight for. The invasion of Belgium was contradictory to the German character as he knew it in his friends and neighbors. He still cherished the hope that there had been some great mistake; that this splendid people would apologize and right itself with the world.

Mr. Wheeler came down the hill, bareheaded and coatless, as Claude drove into the barnyard. "I expect you're tired. I'll put your team away. Any news?"

"England has declared war," Mr. Wheeler stood still a moment and scratched his head. "I guess you needn't get up early tomorrow. If this is to be a sure enough war, wheat will go higher. I've thought it was a bluff until now. You take the papers up to your mother."

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