

NEWS of SPORT

FRANCE MAKES ATTEMPT TO WIN CUP THIS WEEK

Davis Cup Team of Invaders are Counted Strong — American Team Personnel Not Yet Selected.

New York, Sept. 7.—France is going to attempt this week to lift the Davis Cup, the famous International tennis trophy on the courts of the Germantown Cricket Club, at Manheim, just outside of Philadelphia. The French have come through the preliminaries in such manner as to command the greatest respect of even such a group of defenders as William T. Tilden 2d, William Johnston, Vincent Richards and R. Norris Williams 2d, who have been chosen to defend the trophy, which the first named two brought back from Australia in 1920. A year ago France, although defeated, 5—0, was a very strong opponent, and with the same players and the addition of Henri Cochet, the tri color will be upheld by worth-while standard bearers.

Just who will play in the singles matches for Uncle Sam will not be decided until 24 hours before the time schedule for the opening contests on Thursday. It is generally believed that Bill Johnston will be Tilden's "side kick" in the singles, and that Richards and Williams, as last year, will be called upon to play the doubles match Friday afternoon.

Doubt Felt Over Johnston.
This lineup proved successful a year ago, but there is some doubt as to whether Johnston is the same player he was in 1925. His record in the East does not indicate it, and there are many who feel that the successful defense of the trophy will depend on the selection of the singles players. Outside of his European competitions, Richards has been a power. Three out of four times this year he has beaten Tilden, which is an accomplishment that no other player has been able to achieve since Tilden rose to the top-most rung of the tennis ladder.

There is this much certain, the Frenchmen, probably Lacoste and Borotra, would prefer to have Richards instead of Johnston face him. They have beaten him, but never have they been able to win from the little Californian, and this fact may play an important part in the choices.

France is making its fifth invasion of this country, and while its players have been successful against Tilden and Richards on the covered courts, they know that they will be up against exceedingly strong opposition.

Tilden and Richards right now are

PITTSBURGH SHUT OUT BY ST. LOUIS TEAM

The Red Sox Lose Their Seventeenth Successive Game — Chicago Finished Season with Detroit Beating Them

New York, Sept. 7.—St. Louis gained ground in the National League pennant chase today by visiting Pittsburgh and giving the Pirates a whitewashing, 8 to 0, while Chicago was beating Cincinnati.

Sherdel, the Cardinals' southpaw, mastered the Pirates from the outset. He kept Pittsburgh well scattered. Only one Pirate reached third base.

Cincinnati dropped a home game to Chicago, 8 to 5. Fumbles behind Carl Mays cost a number of runs, while the Reds did not take advantage of the hits they made off Knauffmann and Bush.

The Giants divided a double header with the Braves at Boston, taking the first game 7 to 2, and dropping the second by 7 to 5. Although Boston gained an even break the team went back to last place.

At Philadelphia the Phillies shut out the Brooklyn Robins, 5 to 0, Naylor Dean yielding but six hits to the visitors.

American League.
The New York Yankees set back Boston, 4 to 2, in the first of a three-game series today, making the 17th successive defeat for the Red Sox. The Yankees bunched four hits for three runs in the third inning, Ruth's double accounting for two of the tallies.

The Brown at St. Louis bunched hits off Uhle in the early innings and won from the Cleveland Indians, 8 to 3. The Browns scored six runs in the first three frames on two doubles, four singles and three Indian errors.

Chicago drove Smith off the mound in the first inning, took a commanding lead over Detroit and defeated the visitors, 4 to 2, in the final game of the series. By making a clean sweep of the three-game set, Chicago won the season's series, fourteen games to eight. Purdy, outfielder, purchased from Lincoln, and Bud Clancy, purchased from Little Rock, started the rally which gave Chicago the game.

going their strongest. They generally do at this time of the year, and it is this fact that causes Lacoste, the most perfect stylist on the courts, and Borotra, the inspired colorful player to feel that the Americans will be more powerful than at any other time of the season.

COMISKEY WAS IDOL OF FANS OF ST. LOUIS

Forty Years Ago Piloted Four-Year Championship Team — First to Cover the First-base Wide.

If the St. Louis Cardinals beat out the Pirates for the National League championship, Rogers Hornsby will be as popular in the Mound City as Charley Comiskey was back in the 80's, when the old Browns beat "Pop" Anson's Chicago White Stockings for the World's Championship 40 years ago.

The Old Roman.
St. Louis' splendid bid for its first National League Championship must bring back pleasant memories to Charley Comiskey, the present owner of the White Sox. He was the idol of the fans in St. Louis two generations ago, when the "Old Roman" piloted the only four-time champions in successive years, known to so-called major-league baseball. That was in 1885, 1886, 1887 and 1888.

First Covered Wide.
It is a fact as well as a tradition in baseball, that Charley Comiskey was the first man to play wide in covering first base, making that base a fielding position on a par with all other infield positions.

ANNA BRADFORD'S GIRL GOES BEST MILE OF YEAR

Indianapolis, Sept. 7.—The Horseman Futurity for three-year-old pacers feature event of today's Grand Circuit card here, brought out only a field of three starters and was won in easy fashion by Henry Oliver's Pittsburgh colt, Highland Scott, in straight heats. The colt was driven by Tommy Murphy and took first money of the \$2,368 purse.

The fastest mile either placed or trotted during the 1926 season was hung up by Anna Bradford's Girl in a special exhibition mile, which she stepped in 1.59 1/4.

GOLFER'S SECRET.
Just confidentially I'll say I made a hole in one To-day.

GUY M'KINNEY SURPASSES ALL AS MONEY WINNER

Cost His Owner \$950 — Guesswork at Presque Isle This Week—Rib-bon Cane Good.

Guy McKinney is the leading money winning trotter of the year and his earnings will surpass those of any other horse of all time in a single season.

Guy McKinney earned \$48,368.42 in winning the Hambletonian. Henry Rea his owner, received \$45,868.42 and breeder R. L. Nash, \$2,500.

Aroostook County folks are to see Guesswork this week, Will Flemming having shipped "Old Reliable" to Presque Isle.

Walter Cox had his best week of the season at Syracuse. His stretch drive in the second heat of the Hambletonian was really marvelous.

Frank Hayden, John Willard and Frank Fox, three veterans, well past the three score and ten mark, are riding in front on Maine tracks.

Guesswork's mile in 2.04 1/4 at Essex Junction stands as one of the most brilliant performances of the season.

Guy McKinney cost his present owner \$950 as a yearling. Townsend Ackerman selected him.

Rose Scott, 1.59 1/4, and Pearl Ben-boe, 2.02 1/4, are through racing.

Nat Ray won around \$10,000 in the Winter book on his great colt.

La Paloma, 2.01 1/4, has been retired and will be bred to Braden Direct, 2.01 1/4.

Lucy Earl, 2.16 1/4, is the first of the Maine-bred get of Earl Jr., 2.01 1/4, to show.

Peter Manning came the last end of a 2.03 mile at Syracuse right at 30 seconds.

Ribbon Cane, 2.01 1/4, accomplished what Charley Mason shipped her to Aroostook County for.

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
	Won	Lost	P.C.
St. Louis	81	57	.586
Cincinnati	77	57	.575
Pittsburgh	73	58	.557
Chicago	74	62	.544
New York	62	67	.481
Brooklyn	63	72	.467
Philadelphia	50	78	.391
Boston	51	80	.389

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
	Won	Lost	P.C.
New York	84	51	.622
Cleveland	77	58	.570
Washington	72	60	.545
Philadelphia	73	61	.545
Detroit	69	67	.511
Chicago	68	67	.504
St. Louis	55	80	.407
Boston	42	96	.304

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE			
	Won	Lost	P.C.
Toronto	99	52	.656
Baltimore	87	61	.588
Buffalo	88	63	.583
Newark	86	62	.581
Rochester	76	75	.505
Jersey City	66	81	.449
Syracuse	61	85	.418
Reading	30	114	.208

LOVE IN LINNET-LAND.
In a secret land of shadow, where the wind-blown linnets pass Love lay, hidden, like an apple, fallen late summer grass; Wandering we came upon it, ready to our careless feet And the rind thereof seemed kindly but the core proved bitter-sweet.

Till the fragile linnets, winging dark against vast ivory cloud Cried, because of wings wide-sundered when an angry wind, grown loud Towards sunset, shook the land with rumor of a dark implacable sea And a ruinous night, descending like our unknown destiny —ANN PHILIBIN in Irish Statesman.

To Hold Mission.
Very. Rev. Dean Carney announced Sunday that a two weeks mission would be held in this parish starting the last week in September.

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