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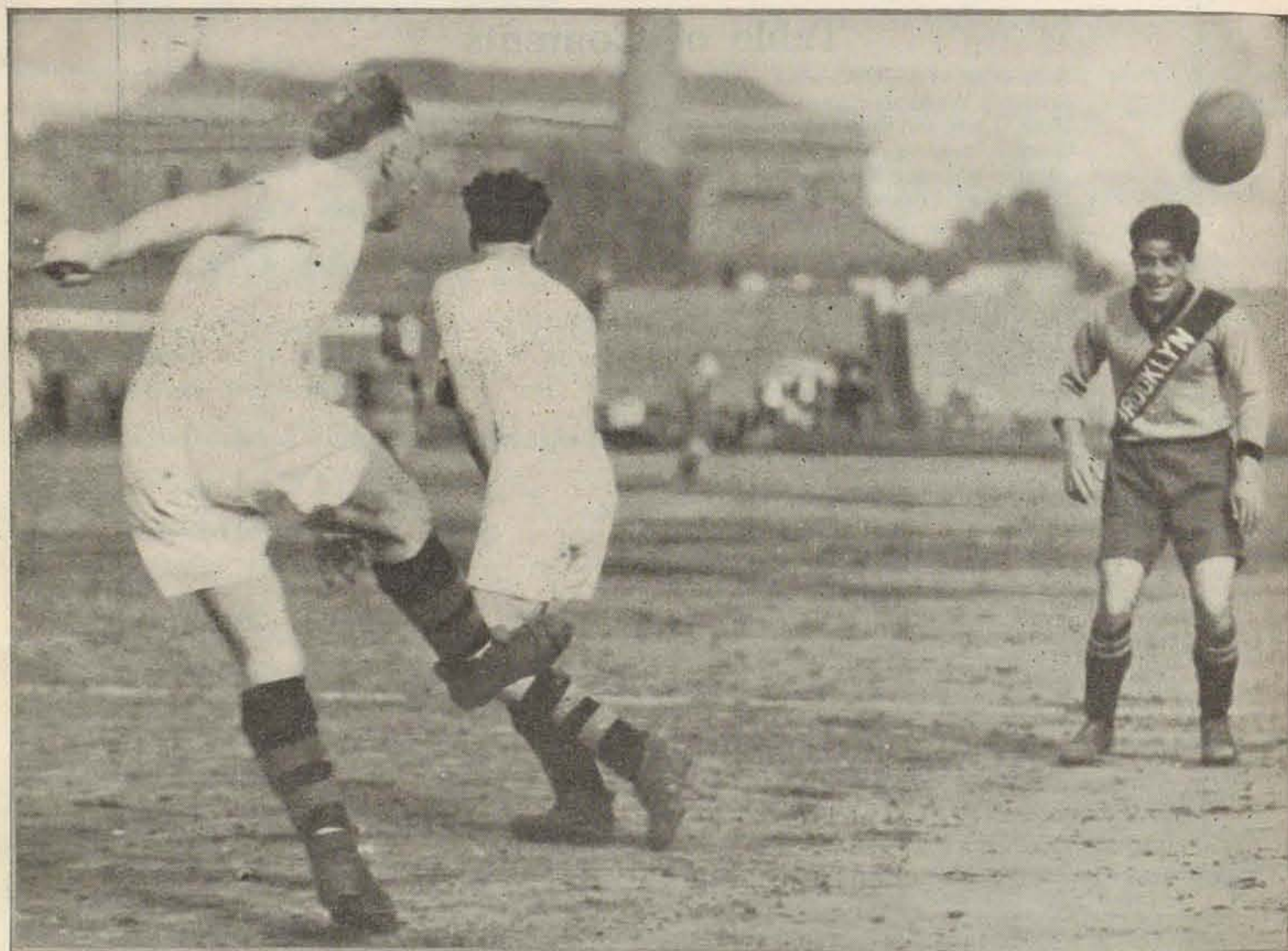
Guttman, center half of New York Giants



Goldie, one of Bethlehem's mainstays



Gold, left half back of New York Giants



Terris and Gallagher of the N. Y. Nationals watching Nelson of Brooklyn take one "on the head"

A Baseball Writer's Views

By DANIEL

HOW may professional soccer teams in this country benefit from the experiences of the major baseball leagues?

Is professional soccer in the United States making the most of its opportunities,—is it meeting the particular requirements of the American sport public?

These are the outstanding questions which suggest themselves to us as we set out to give a baseball writer's views on soccer.

First, let us tackle the soccer situation in so far as it is related to professional baseball methods and conditions. Baseball is the tremendous success that it is in a big measure due to the contact between public and player. The fans know who the players are, where they come from, what they like to eat, what they like to do during the off season,—about their intimate affairs.

Soccer must achieve that condition if it is to become the big game its backers believe it will be. The public knows too little about the individual players. This will be corrected as the game develops and gets more space in the daily papers. And it will be corrected as soccer gets more native players. We cannot get away from the impression that the destinies of soccer in this country lie first with the professional baseball clubs, and then with native born players.

THE professional baseball clubs offer to soccer strong financial backing, business system and responsibility, and up to date fields and plants. The baseball clubs offer everything which the New York National League team gave to the Nationals when it took them over from the Indiana Flooring Company.

The mention of the relation of the baseball clubs to soccer brings up a question which no doubt will develop many a discussion before the game of soccer is stabilized.

The destinies of soccer lie with the ball clubs, and we believe it is up to the U.S.F.A. to foster and encourage other connections such as the New York baseball club has established with the purchase of the Indiana team.

We believe that the U.S.F.A. should adopt a more elastic policy, a more tolerant attitude toward the entry of big money into soccer,—that big money should get absolute leeway,—that big money should not be assessed, should

not be hampered in any way.

Soccer has a peculiar condition. The U.S.F.A. is an amateur organization but it controls the professional wing of soccer.

We believe that this is wrong. We feel that the lesson which soccer must learn from baseball is the advisability of separation of amateur and professional activity.

How far would baseball have gone had it been under the control of the Amateur Athletic Union?

Why should an amateur body have the say over a professional body,—why should men who have no money invested in soccer have the say over those who have financial responsibilities?

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IT HAS been argued that the game itself is a richer heritage than any money which professional baseball may put into it. We have been told that soccer belongs to the people.

Fine and dandy! But who is going to provide the money for the development of popular interest, for the massing of great players, for the importation of great foreign combinations to stir popular interest?

The U.S.F.A. is needed. But a separate professional body is needed, and the two should combine in a national commission.

Soccer needs a world series,—a real world series. The American League has done well to provide for split seasons,—for a layoff during the weeks when we get our worst weather in the Winter,—and for a grand playoff for the championship. Let us go farther and arrange a real world series with Britain,—one year here, another year over there. The value of the world series to baseball, to its hold on the public, cannot be estimated. The world series is the grand climax, the big goal toward which the major leagues strive all season. In the series we find the climax of interest, of technical achievement,—and of advertising value.

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LET the professional magnates handle professional soccer, with the U.S.F.A. as a liaison officer.

Let the U.S.F.A. devote more time and attention to the big field which lies dormant,—the chance to develop soccer among the schoolboys and collegians, among the workingmen, in industrial leagues.

Let the professionals work out their own destinies, handle their own problems.

That, it seems to us, is the major question in professional soccer. It is hard to interest capital in a venture in which it is told that it will have to accept guidance and government from men who have no financial interest in soccer.

If there be a feeling of jealousy between the two sections in soccer, it must be wiped out before any substantial gains can be achieved.

Personally, we have no ax to grind. We understand that the officials of the U. S. F. A. are upright, efficient gentlemen.

But again we want to say that the destinies of soccer lie not in the hands of those who would govern without financial interest.

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THE American sport public has definite tastes, likes and dislikes. It likes some of the things which please our British cousins and dislikes others.

It is futile to bring this game of soccer here with a set of rules which are splendid for conditions in England and Scotland and say, "Here is the game. Take it, or leave it."

Many years ago the game of English Rugby was brought here for our collegians. But it was not suited to the American temperament. We want more contact, more vitality. Walter Camp and his confreres evolved the game which in time became American football.

This experience is interesting in its relation to soccer. There may be little things here and there that can stand improvement.

Our reaction is that the practice of playing long halves is not liked by the American public. The game should be divided into quarters, or perhaps into three sections of thirty minutes each.

The American League has made a splendid move in permitting substitutes up to the last ten minutes of the game.

There should be an unlimited substitute rule. It would make for more action, greater drama, more speed, and would develop more players.

There are other details in which soccer should cater more to the American psychology.

But we'll hold them for another time. No doubt we already have shocked the Old Guard rudely.

Brooklyn Wanderers' Team

By ED DUFFY

NINETEEN players comprise the roster of the Brooklyn Wanderers at present and two more men from Europe are expected about the first of the year. This is an expensive array of performers to carry in order to carve out an eleven that can win games.

The payroll involving such a collection of soccer athletes is big but it is necessary in order that the proper reserves be available in case of accidents to the regulars. Its size reveals also the growth of the game for without compensating gate receipts such a squad would not be possible. This group of Wanderers may be cut some upon the arrival of the European players but it is safe to say that there will be no less than nineteen men in the group all season.

Nat Agar did not intend to have such a large list of players when the season started but he began adding to his somewhat smaller collection when injuries hit his team after going through three games without a break in a victorious lineup. The first defeat and the draw occurred when Curtis and Robertson were unable to go down to New England on the team's lone trip there so far.

Steve Smith is the regular goalie—and he has earned that place by his superior play. But Agar would be in dire straits if he were injured. So he has Fischer, the Hungarian star in reserve.

THERE are three fullbacks on the Brooklyn payroll in Gross, McMillan and Marshall. The wisdom of getting Marshall, the wily veteran, was evidenced with Agar's announcement that Jock would take Gross' place against Providence as the great Hungarian star was stale. If anything should happen to McMillan, Marshall would be fitted in nicely again. In a further emergency, the Wanderers could call on Robertson who was a very good fullback before becoming an excellent halfback.

Upon the arrival of Mahrer who is expected soon, there will be five halfbacks in Drucker, Shortt, Robertson, Kelly and the Hungarian. There is plenty of stamina and offensive and defensive skill in this line. The Wanderers have shown more improvement in this department this season than in any other.

But it is in the forward line that Agar has made the most preparations for the hard league and cup tie battles that will be upon the teams before it is realized. He has nine men in active service at

present and with the advent of another pair from Austria in January, there will be eleven, more than twice as many as are needed for the attacking line of five.

Yule, Eisenhoffer, Nelson, Curtis and Adair have been the regulars but Agar has Gregrepsky, the Polish Hebrew who was born and brought up in Ireland; Lyell, the Canadian; Buerkle, a rotund German veteran and Dawson, a youngster recently purchased from Newark to round out his present squad. The Austrian players who are to come are internationalists, Jisda a center forward and Rappan an inside man. They played this year against the Bohemians in an international match.

UP to last Sunday's game, there was only one team in the league that had scored more goals than the Wanderers and that was New Bedford which had taken part in one more contest. But at that the Whalers topped the Wanderers by a lone counter. Yet in goals scored by opponents, the Wanderers were four better off than New Bedford and there was only one team in the league with less tallied against it—Boston with its extraordinary 2 in six tilts—while Hartford had the same number to pass into its net.

It is plain to see that Brooklyn's playing this season has been no flash in the pan, and that the team has a chance for highest honors in the first part of the schedule at least. The Wanderers have not met one of the easy clubs so far. Boston is to be feared. Here is a club that does not allow opponents to score though the Hub team is one of the weakest in the matter of goals tallied itself in the entire circuit. As the teams get better, Boston is not going to keep its goal line so clean whereas the strong scoring teams will undoubtedly account for more. It's a merry scramble with the unexpected happening every week-end in some section of the league.

The second battle of the year between the Giants and the Wanderers at Ebbets Field on Columbus Day (Oct. 12) was certainly a severe test for the players. The action was so fast that the closing minutes of play were at hand before it was realized.

BOBBY CURTIS'S record of four goals in the first five matches he played for the Wanderers, is an excellent performance and justifies the judge-

ment of Manager Agar in bringing this player back to the ranks of the Wanderers. Curtis is one of the best headers of a ball in the American League. His two goals against the Giants, at Starlight Park and Ebbets Field, were beautiful headers.

The recent acquisition of Jock Marshall recalls that it was Nat Agar who originally brought Marshall to the United States and we understand that Marshall is pleased to be back with the Wanderers. Jock probably has won more varied honors than any other soccer player the world has ever known. He has captained the Scotch international team; he has represented the English League and the Welsh League, and he has been capped as United States International against Canada. This is a record which will take some matching.

WITH all the churning and changing in the formation of our soccer teams it is peculiar to note that with Marshall in the lineup, the regular team of the Brooklyn Wanderers shows only four changes from the memorable team which ran off a string of thirteen games without a defeat three seasons ago.

Compare the lineups of the two teams:

Position	1924-5	1927-8
Goal	Smith	Smith
Fullback	Marshall	Marshall
Fullback	McMillan	McMillan
Halfback	Morris	Morris
Halfback	Shortt	Drucker
Halfback	Calderwood	Robertson
Forward	Hogg	Adair
Forward	Curtis	Curtis
Forward	Nelson	Nelson
Forward	Manson	Eisenhoffer
Forward	Yule	Yule

In its string of thirteen straight the Wanderers successively bounded are Fleischer Yarn, Philadelphia (twice), New York Giants, Indiana Flooring, Scullin Steel (St. Louis), Ben Millers (St. Louis), Boston, New Bedford (tie), Providence and J. & P. Coats, among others. This 1924-5 team also recorded victories in successive days over Bethlehem Steel and Fall River. It defeated the pick of Montreal in Brooklyn and tied them in Montreal.

The 1927-8 team is superior to the 1924-5 team in that it has the punch which the old team lacked. The present eleven is also much stronger on reserves.

Here, There and Everywhere

BY SAM MAC LERIE

WHAT price Hartford to win the league pennant? That might seem very funny, but stranger what Jimmy Dewhurst's boys have been doing lately, they seem capable of doing most anything. Just watch for some of the New Bedford talent getting transferred to the Hartford club. The change of ownership in the New Bedford club has a "whaleish" taste to it, and one can't help thinking that we have with us a smear of syndicate football.

Early in the season I predicted New Bedford to make a lot of trouble in the league race, and sure enough it has lived up to expectations. The teams showing was used to good advantage in the recent sale of the club, if the price reported to have been paid can be accepted as the gospel. It looks as if our old friends Harold Crock and Harry Holden pocketed a few dollars in the deal.

IT is indeed a pleasure to note that the New York Nationals have at last come to life and have actually won a brace of games. Against Philadelphia and Newark, Bob Millars eleven looked something like a team. A little more accidents, the same team should be played as much as possible together.

McKechnie is blending well to the inside left position, and in the two games with Philadelphia and Newark at the Polo Grounds, he was in rare form. Bobby Walker, who came out here with him is also shaping up a great deal better, he seems to be able to get a goal in every game, which is worth something.

The Stoneham aggregation just needed a little encouragement, so the next best thing the team can do to bring the fans to the Polo Grounds, is to wallop both the Giants and Brooklyn in the local inter-boro championship.

Can't understand why Bob Millar released Jimmy Cameron. I am sure he was his best and most reliable half back in the first six games in the league. Cameron won't be long out of a position, several good offers have already been received by the canny scot to play with other clubs in the major circuit.

New Bedford has lost a most valuable

player in Maxwell, who had the misfortune to get his arm broken in the Fall River game on Columbus Day. This sturdy scot has been playing a "whale" of a game for the "whalers."

THE great Fabian, or Fabian the great, just as you might desire to call him, was left out of the Giants team against Brooklyn Wanderers. It must have been a heartache for him to be watching such an important match from the side lines. He will come back after a short rest, because we have seen him before, and knew that he is a real good goalkeeper.

It is very interesting to be on the side lines at an important match to listen to the various criticisms of the poor referee. It certainly must be tough to be a big league official these days of high finance. Its funny the spectators can see so many things that the referees can't, but most of the time the onlookers only see one team, and that makes all the difference in the world.

Who owns the Philadelphia players, the American League, Fred McGinnis, or Sam Mark? Go easy now you fans, this is a serious question, and very few seem to know just who owns the players. Fred McGinnis, owner of the Philadelphia franchise until he loses it was quite sure he owned the players, and sold them to Sam Mark, who wants to put another team in Fall River, in place of the one that's now in the American League, but apparently not satisfactory.

NOW that Sam Mark has bought the players, including Burns, who has been ruled out of the game in this country, because of a suspension on his shoulders over in the Irish Free State, what's he going to do with them, since the league is reported to have barred them to appear for Fall River until it decides what's what and who's who.

I am keenly interested in how the league is going to dispose of this jumbled up mess. If it goes to the vote of the clubs in the league, I am doubtful if Sam Mark receiving much support. He acted a bit "hoggish" in the deal, and might have at least left a few of the players for the other clubs to pick from.

Learned on reliable authority that a prominent Scot in the neighborhood of Philadelphia was anxious to bid on the franchise, but while he was getting real enthused about it, someone spilt the beans about the sale of the players, and that ended it. No use being interested in a club if there are no players to go with it, he is reported to have said, and would not be interested in such a peculiar appearing controversy.

DAVIE ROBERTSON of the Wanderers has a rival at scoring goals from free kicks. He is Molnar of the New York Giants. The latter qualified by scoring a great goal from a foul kick, which incidentally had been committed on himself. He got back on Billy Morris in that deal.

Jock Marshall, who was brought back from Newark by the Brooklyn Wanderers played his first game of the season for Brooklyn against Providence last Sunday. Grosz being given a well deserved rest.

Drucker, the big centre half of the Wanderers plays with all his heart and sole in every game. He works hard for his team, and he is playing better than ever, in my humble opinion.

Young O'Brien, the Giants utility man is playing great football this season. He seems to improve with every game, but his position is inside left, and he should be kept in this position.

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Famous Scotch Center Forward Sees Big Future for American Soccer

By CHARLES MILNE

THAT the transfer laws of Great Britain are impossible and that British soccer players are certain to make America their haven whenever the opportunity arises, is the substance of a message which Geordie Henderson, former Rangers and Darlington star, now a member of the New York Nationals, sends through the medium of Soccer Pictorial Weekly. Asked a few days ago to give an interview on his impressions of American soccer and the reason for discontent among the players abroad, Henderson, after considerable persuasion, was induced to comment on the above. His interview is a worthy one, in that it brings out a message that every soccer player must be interested in.

"The conditions under which the British soccer players are compelled to work under existing laws governing the transfers, is far from satisfactory. I, for one, could stand it no longer and I know of many other stars abroad who would welcome the opportunity to join me and other players from our land on this side of the ocean.

"Ere long I expect to see America flooded with the cream of the European talent and when that happens, the eyes of the British Soccer officials will be opened to the injustice of their transfer code and they will see the light. The British loss will be America's gain and from my observation since arriving here and from conversations I have had with men who should be thoroughly familiar with conditions in this country, I feel confident that soccer in America will soon be fighting neck and neck for supremacy with England."

This statement, coming from a great player, one who ranked among the leaders abroad, will probably stir up a hornet's nest both here and abroad, but from what we know of the situation, Henderson speaks what everyone connected with the sport knows to be facts.

THE writer was up at the Polo Grounds returning a stray ball while the boys were at practice, and I asked

Henderson what he thought of his introduction to American football.

"The ground was terrible," was his initial reply. He referred to Starlight Park.

There are at least two individuals who maintain that any man from the Old Country requires to be here for a week or two before you can expect him to give of his best. These gentlemen are Tom



Geordie Henderson, newly acquired star of
New York Nationals

Adam of Newark and Maurice Vandeweghe of New York Giants.

"The ball, when it lands, goes right over your head on such a surface as I played on the other Sunday," remarked Henderson. It was very difficult to get your foot to it. I think I know what is required. My experience has not been lost. One of these days I will try my luck out, but it is a terrible change to come from a football field and take part

in a game played on a surface which is certainly not velvety."

There are those in America, I suppose, who think that you can play soccer on any kind of a field. I am sorry about it, and all that sort of stuff, but if you don't have the very first essential, be it a billiard table or a tennis court, a golf course or a running track, the player is not born who can accommodate himself to what is which ought not to be.

OUR readers may ask: "Why call him Geordie when his name is George?"

There is a very great deal in nomenclature. Right here I will tell you a story. My father went to the fishing village of Ferryden. There was some carpentry work to be done. He went to the pier head and asked if Alexander West was knocking around.

"Alexander West? Sandy West? Alick? Elick? Does he hae a sma' boat?"

"Well," said my father, "I want Sandy West's Ellicky."

"Man, hoo did ye no' say that afore? That's him over there sortin' the lines. Is his pipes choked?"

If you were to enter the "Holy City of Forfar" which claims a tie in the contest for the corkscrew championship, you would be out of luck. More than likely the reply you would receive would be, "Ye mean Geordie?"

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WHEN Geordie left England aboard the Leviathan Geordie was weighing in the neighborhood of 163 pounds. It says much for the feeding on board that when he went on the weighing machine after he had done three laps of the Polo Grounds, he tipped the beam at 170 pounds. He realized that the superfluous flesh had to be worked off, and he went round lap after lap at a clip which was a surprise to Trainer Stearne who stood at the door way and took in all that was beneficial to the careful trainer who looks to the condition of his players. Henderson finished off with three sprints and Stearne understood.

When Geordie and the writer renewed old friendships, I was eager to ascertain the reason for the antipathy to America in the English press. What I wanted to know was if there was really misrepresentation of actual fact? Therefore I asked him: "What are your present impressions of American Soccer?"

"As far as I can see on the other side, if there is anything to be said against American football, it will be published. Make no mistake on that count. Soccer Pictorial is selling on the other side and I know full well that these words of mine will be simulated, but they cannot digest an unpalatable truth.

"I was at a Sunday School, you know, and 'I ken.' I met a lot of fellows who have the very highest opinions about American Soccer. Tommy Muirhead for instance. He likes your game. To tell you the truth I think he will be back here. It's right. Tommy is no, whit dee ye call it? a dumbell? And as Harry Lauder would put "mind am tellin' ye."

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THE career of Geordie Henderson is more than a romance. It is a transformation.

"I was only three months with Forfar Athletic," said Henderson to the interviewer, "when I seemed to have attracted the attention of Sandy McFarlane. He, with Jock Fraser, now with Chelsea, struck up such a marvellous companionship on the left wing of the Dundee club, that I went to Dundee as an outside right. I went into the Army and played a part there and after it was all over, I came back to Dundee in the season of 1919-20. I was still playing at outside right.

"Then my great opportunity came along, Rangers were due at Dens Park, Dundee, and Jimmy Gordon, a half-back who was doing inordinately well at left back, was opposed to me. Fister Walls was at left-half, and of course, you know what type of player he was.

"There must have happened something which must have attracted the attention of the Rangers executive. To cut a long story short, I was transferred from Dundee.

"It was six weeks after this game which had been played at Dens Park, I played for the Rangers Second team. Sandy Archibald was doing extraordinarily well. Tommy Muirhead was playing centre forward at that time, but on this particular Saturday, when I got my chance, he was unable to take the field.

"I played in his place. I was lucky enough to score four goals, and it was something of a coincidence that it should have been against my old club, Dundee,

and that the centre-half should have been a townsman of my own, Dyken Nicol.

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"THE question of the hour was whether Henderson could keep it up, a silly sort of question when you come to think of it, as if any centre-forward could possibly rattle on four goals in every game he played. I was lucky, however, that in my next appearance, I got another four goals against Clydebank. My opponent then was Marchbanks. He was deputed to play the part of a policeman as far as I was concerned, but I managed to get that wee bit ahead of him which means all the difference between success and failure.

"Somehow or other, I seemed into the scheme of things with Glasgow Rangers. I had every opportunity. To my immediate right were Cunningham and Cairns. On the extreme wings were Sandy Archibald and Allan Morton. They kept pop-pop-popping the ball over, and the surprise really was that I did not score oftener.

"What chances they gave me. And I did not fail them any time. Anyway, I was seven years with Rangers, the greatest team in the world to be with in the Old Country, and I received a benefit. During that period I had score well over a hundred League goals, and the record did not include Cup ties and other games.

"In February of this year, Darlington were anxious to secure my transfer. Marshall and Fleming, two young lads were knocking at the door so, to speak, for an opportunity to display their prowess, and in the end after some negotiations as to my transfer fee, the Secretary of the Darlington secured it for \$11,250 in your money.

"It was my effort to take Darlington out of the perilous position which they occupied in the Second Division, and it was practically the last kick of the game that the North of England were compelled to face the inevitable. Clapton had to win away to keep their place. They did. They beat Southampton by 1 to 0. Exit Darlington in the last moment of their residence in the Hope Apartment House.

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"THE truth about my transfer? Oh, are you curious? First of all, the Darlington terms were not to my suiting. We left on good terms. I have read a great deal of rubbish about this deal but you are going to get the truth. "It is perfectly true that I received an offer through my friend Davy Edwards on behalf of Bethlehem. It was a tentative offer, and that was transmitted to Mr. Lewis, and apparently the terms which Davy offered me were not quite in

accordance with the Bethlehem ideas, and so when the invitation came to join the Indiana Flooring Camp, I accepted, only to find that when I came along, I was a member of the New York Nationals.

"What's in a name when it is goals that count?"

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"TELL me this Davy," I said in my broadest Doric so that he would feel quite at home in hearing a foreign language as she is spoken in the homeland of so many who have left the land of their birth to make this their home, "how did it come about that you were able to get a quota number so soon after Bob Millar approached you?"

"I dunno what it was, but there was a something which made me hand in my name for a quota number to sail for the United States. When Darlington went down, I clearly foresaw, that they would not be able to pay me the wage to which I thought I was entitled. Lucky the day for me that I did register with the United States Immigration authorities. And here I am going to give the players on the other side a little bit of advice.

"It is up to every player in Great Britain to put himself on the quota. An important consideration from the Scottish point of view is that it costs nothing. The English or Welsh will have to pay no more, but we Scots can stand the jibe when others get angry and lose their sense of balance.

"They can go in the same boat as the Scots and they will be taken care of. It is up to everybody in the Old Country to put himself on the quota. If the gang does so, I can clearly foresee a great exodus of players from the Old Country.

"The United States will absorb them and the game here will take a tremendous leap forward.

"The essential thing is that the men who are to handle matters should know everything on board. There is no use my telling you. You know.

"Let there be no clog-hopper interfere. Some other day when I have had a real taste of American Football, I may be inclined to say more.

"See you later," said Geordie, and off he went in those series of darting rushes for goal to which he wishes to accustom himself.

To his comrades in sport at Starlight Park, Geordie it would have noticed, said "naething." It's allowed. Never have I come across a poultry man who likes to experience a raid upon his hen roosts. Henderson will put a new coat of paint on American Soccer, even if, as expected by some unreasonable folk, that he will accomplish miracles.

American League Review

BOSTON continues to lead the American League soccer race by virtue of a 2 to 0 victory over the New York Nationals Saturday, October 15. The Hub crew, with six victories and only one draw, holds a percentage of .928, and looms as the sensation of the circuit. Not less sensational, however, is the showing of the great team put together by Nat Agar of the Brooklyn Wanderers, this organization retaining its hold on second place through a 5 to 1 victory over the Providence eleven. Providence was minus its star goal keeper who has been suspended because of ineligibility by the league.

New Bedford, by breaking even, held on to its position in third place with Bethlehem, through its double victory over Coats and Hartford, keeping fourth position.

THANKS to a brilliant victory by 5 goals to 1 against Providence at Ebbetts Field, the Brooklyn Wanderers maintained their fast pace.

The play, however, was by no means as one-sided as the final score seemed to show. The Wanderers started off with a rush and had tallied twice within 11 minutes. They were leading at half-time by 2-1, with Providence doing much of the pressing.

The Rhode Islanders kept up the attack in the second half and all but scored. Smith, the Brooklyn goalkeeper, worked overtime to keep the attackers out. Late in the second half the Wanderers took hold again and added three goals in the last 15 minutes.

IN New York City, the New York Giants broke even.

In spite of a plucky up-hill fight, the Giants suffered defeat by the score of 4 goals to 3 at the hands of New Bedford last Saturday at Starlight Park, but overwhelmed Philadelphia, 8 to 0.

The Giants played Davie Brown at outside left and Max Gruenwald in the centre in the Sunday game, and the change had the desired effect of putting a vicious scoring punch into the front line in which Moritz Haeusler, with four goals, Gruenwald, three, and O'Brien the other, grabbed off the honors.

The New Yorkers' combination was perfect, Schwarz, Haeusler and Gruenwald weaving the ball through the Philadelphians time after time.

The New York Nationals failed to

gain a point in their New England invasion. They lost both contests, dropping the first game to the league-leading Boston eleven and the second on Sunday to the Fall River combination, 5 to 0.

THE New York Nationals gave the league-leading Boston eleven its hardest battle of the season in Boston on October 15, but the Stoneham outfit, although showing a splendid defense, was weak in front of the goal, and the Hub team scored its fifth successive shut-out victory on its home pitch, 2 to 0.

Boston's first goal came after 32

Standing of the Clubs in American Soccer League

	Pl.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.	Pct.
Boston	7	6	0	1	15	2	13	.928
Brooklyn	8	6	1	1	25	10	13	.812
New Bedford	10	7	1	2	29	16	16	.800
Bethlehem	10	6	1	3	10	15	15	.750
Hartford	9	5	3	1	14	10	11	.611
Providence	10	4	4	2	17	15	10	.500
Fall River	9	3	4	2	25	23	8	.427
Giants	11	3	6	2	29	30	8	.363
Coats	9	2	5	2	12	19	6	.333
Philadelphia	10	2	7	1	17	25	5	.250
Newark	8	1	6	1	11	21	3	.186
Nationals	11	2	9	0	13	31	4	.181

Columbus Day

New Bedford 0, Fall River 0.
Boston 2, Coats 0.
Hartford 1, Providence 0.
Brooklyn 2, Giants 1.
Nationals 4, Newark 2.

October 15

Boston 2, Nationals 0.
Bethlehem 3, Coats 1.
Providence 3, Philadelphia 0.
New Bedford 4, Giants 3.

October 16

Fall River 5, Nationals 0.
Bethlehem 1, Hartford 0.
New Bedford 4, Newark 0.
Brooklyn 5, Providence 1.
Giants 8, Philadelphia 0.

minutes of play, Nilson and McNab beating several opponents in a great run.

The second goal was scored by Battles, fifteen minutes from time, the centre half trapping a McNab corner and netting with a fast slow shot.

Manager Bob Millar of the "Nats" played his first game in three weeks when he went in as a substitute for Purvis to save Purvis for the following day's game.

On Sunday, Fall River football club took the measure of the "Nats." The New Yorkers played a hard game, but the brilliance of Douglas in the Fall River cage offset their attack.

Renzulli also featured. The goals which beat him were impossible to save. Fall River led at half time, 3-0, with two goals by White and one by Brittan. In the final, Brittan and McEachran tallied.

FOLLOWING up their fine victory over the New York Giants on Saturday, New Bedford picked up another brace of points by a one-sided defeat of Newark by 4 goals to 0 at Hyatt's Field in Newark yesterday afternoon. Although a fine crowd of 2,000 turned out to cheer on the Jersey-men, the latter were outclassed. At half-time, New Bedford was leading by 3-0.

NEW Bedford should figure as a strong contender for the American League title this year. Against the Giants on Saturday, the New Englanders showed the reason why it stands in third place in the league.

In goal they have a player whose name is "Steel," and he was about the whose works that kept the Giants from taking two points away from New Bedford. He kept a great goal, and but for his masterful work between the up-rights, I think the Giants might have come through.

McMillan and Hunter are a sweet pair of full backs. For alertness, there are few who stand any higher in the sport here today. They can use their heads, both to bean the ball, and also to guard their goal. With Steel they make a great defence.

McLauchlan, Montgomerie and Lorimer, the first named player is taking Maxwell's place, who is out with a broken arm received against Fall River on Columbus Day, are a trio of half backs that any team would be proud to have. There are others just as good, but there are few middle line defenders who blend together so well for the good of their team.

The Whalers' great success this season is undoubtedly due to their attack. Andy Stevens is a great goalgetter. McLeavy is a dangerous man in front of goal too, then there is "Red" Ballantyne, Chedzoy and Best, three fast and dangerous footballers.

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In Western Pennsylvania

By HARRY H. FAIRFIELD

FIVE strenuous weeks of soccer activity in league competitions have been accomplished in Western Pennsylvania and now the whole circuit is in the throes of national and local cup competitions. In this period, some surprising results have been effected, not the least of which is the appearance of Henry Peel's Corinthian outfit at the top of the local American League circuit, admittedly the strongest aggregation of soccer talent ever gotten together in this territory.

Starting five years ago as a junior outfit the Corinthians have finished at or near the bottom of the table every year and were not even looked upon as good trial horses. Amazement followed when Peel announced he was going to enter his team in the strongest of The Press leagues at the beginning of this season, but so consistent have been their performances in the face of strong competition that the fans are going "bugs" over them.

Their only defeat was at the "feet" of Heidelberg, the national amateur champions. Their best feat was to defeat the German Sport "A" club, an aggregation of German stars all of whom have recently come over here. Their next best effort was to hold the very strong Pittsburgh club to a draw. Just how long they will hold the top perch is uncertain, but it is safe to assert they will be near the top when the curtain falls next March.

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In losing the first three goals to New Bedford, the Giants defence, I mean the full backs, must shoulder the blame a great deal. Too anxious to follow the ball, instead of watching the opposing forwards in front of them lost two of the goals.

New Bedford's fourth goal by Jerry Best was due to Ferguson's failure to go after the ball quickly. He waited instead of taking it before it hit the ground, and missed it, letting Best get away for the goal.

"Red" Ballantyne pulled a bone when he fouled Guttman. The latter took the free kick himself and scored a beautiful goal direct from the kick.

THE surprise of the week was the unexpected defeat of Heidelberg by Mustard Hollow. The fellows with the hot name are another surprise packet which, last year, were the wooden spoonists of the Valley soccer league. This outfit will probably meet Heidelberg again in the near future when the next draw of the national challenge cup competition is made, and one of the two is almost certain to represent this state association in further quest of the national cup.

Pittsburgh Rovers, one of the oldest clubs in the United States, is deadlocked with their war rivals, Celtics, in the leadership of the District league and, in a recent game, neither side was able to effect a decision.

For the fourth consecutive time Clan Grant are running away from the opposition in the small Scottish Clans League and National Tube is showing a clean pair of heels in the International aggregation.

INTEREST is centered now on the West Penn cup ties, the first round of which will be played off October 15. No less than 21 teams are engaged in the championship contest for the state cup, while 14 outfits are entered for the junior event which was instituted several years ago. The West Penn championship competition was instituted in 1913 and the writer has vivid recollections of a wild

and stormy Christmas Day in that year when Pittsburgh Rovers astounded the local soccer world by nosing out Braddock United 2 goals to 1 at Forbes Field.

Following are league tables to date:

Standing of the Clubs

THE PRESS DISTRICT LEAGUE

	W.	L.	D.	Goals F.	Goals A.	Pts.
Celtics	4	0	1	18	3	9
Rovers	4	0	1	16	6	9
U. S. & S.	3	2	0	19	4	6
Thistles	3	1	0	18	4	6
Lechburg	2	3	0	12	18	4
German Sport B	1	4	0	4	18	2
Central A. C.	1	4	0	4	25	2
New Kensington	0	4	0	3	16	0

THE PRESS AMERICAN LEAGUE

Corinthians	3	1	1	13	11	7
Mustard Hollow	3	1	0	13	5	6
German Sport A	2	2	1	18	13	5
Internationals	2	0	1	8	6	5
Heidelberg	2	1	0	9	2	4
Harmarville	2	1	0	9	2	4
Pittsburgh S. C.	1	1	1	4	5	3
McKees Rocks	0	4	0	5	17	0
F. J. Broads	0	2	0	0	7	0
McKeesport Un	0	2	0	0	11	0

PRESS INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE

National Tube	4	0	0	13	3	8
Westinghouse	3	1	0	16	4	6
Braddock United	2	3	0	15	12	4
Douglas A. C.	0	3	1	4	16	1
Magyars	0	2	1	2	15	1

PRESS SCOTTISH CLANS LEAGUE

Clan Grant	3	0	0	12	3	6
Clan McPherson	2	1	0	15	6	4
Clan Cameron	0	2	0	3	10	0
Clan Gordon	0	2	0	1	12	0

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McAuley of the Providence team is a sweet right full back. Against Brooklyn, he played a great game, but unfortunately not able to stem the tide that went against his side at Ebbetts Field.

Billy Stevenson's suspension, coming prior to the Brooklyn game last Sunday handicapped the Providence team a great deal. A youngster named Garland from Providence kept a pretty good goal, but he is far from being a Stevenson.

The Nationals flopped again. Two more defeats added to what they have already got, makes it just a little bit more. George Collins, prominent Boston scribe, says the team has the goods in players, but the team needs a little time to blend in other words.

Soccer-Grams

This That And The Other

By WILLIAM (BILLY) BISSETT

THAT Detroit American League Clubs dish out a rare brand of amateur Soccer Football goes without saying. In the past the Leagues best elevens have, periodically, more than held their own with the Detroit Semi-pros as witness Holley Carburetors of last season reaching the final for the American Challenge Cup, with River Rouge Scots besides being Western Amateur 'Champs' for the past two consecutive seasons also reached the final for the Michigan State Cup last season.

In former representative games staged between the two bodies the amateurs have the edge on the Western Intercity Leaguers.

On Sunday, October 4 last, Scarlet Runners, also of the Detroit American League eliminated Fay-Millers of the semi-'pro' League in the preliminary round of the National Challenge Cup.

Holley Carburetors who left the Detroit American League fold this season for higher game? to wit the Detroit Professional League, were, strange to relate, while connected with the Amateurs pre-forced to play second fiddle to River Rouge Scots in League competition the "wee" but brilliant Scots being American League Champions for the past two seasons, with the little River Rouge trojans also eliminating their near-and-dear rivals in the Michigan State Soccer Cup competition last season.

The most calloused and case-hardened Referee makes the best Arbiter. And "I don't mean maybe" either.

MANAGER to centre-half immediately after game—"Why did you give the opposing centre-forward so much rope.

You seem to have lost your usual aggressiveness.

In fact I really think you are suffering from inferiority complex."

Player thinking manager was referring to his (the players) face—"Inferior complex. Say 'Bo' if I had a face on me half as ugly as that 'er bozos I'd throw myself in the Hudson.

Ask Me Another—"Why do Scotsmen make such good Custodians?"

Because they're of a saving disposition.

Why he's got a map on him that would scare a scarecrow let alone a centre-half." Collapse of Manager.

The Dominion Football Association is about to "put a curb on its itinerant players." Well anyway that's much better than planting a tombstone over their chest.

"What's your pleasure gentlemen," said the Chairman to the delegates.

"My pleasure," replied an earnest Councillor "is to see us get down to brass tacks and lay down the law."

"And mine, if you call it a pleasure," echoed the married wit of the Association, thinking of the coming job he had to do at home, "is to get down to tin tacks and help lay that gosh darned carpet."

A Soccerite once owned a mule which he called Maxwellton. On being asked why he termed it by such a historic name replied "Because Maxwellton Braes (Brays) Are Bonnie."

Detroit's Sports has its Tigers, Cougars and Wolverines. "Pass The Camels" James and let's round off the zoo."

ACCORDING to reports the Canadian Soccer tour of New Zealand this summer was a most successful venture indeed, the various games played by the "Canucks" being of a most educational and instructive nature to the New Zealanders, with the tour on the whole bringing immeasurable publicity to Canada itself, the chief objective aimed at.

In addition to winning twenty games out of twenty-three played in New Zealand, losing only two and tying one Canada scored 116 goals against 16.

The crowds at the games varied from 3,000 in the smaller centers to 23,000 at

the last test match, when every Johnnie 'Canuck' on the muddy field went over the top to score a brilliant victory.

The goal scorers on the tour were Archibald 34, Turner 16, Gibson 14, Davidson 10, Brolly 9, Monaghan 8, Pogson 8, Francis 4, Thompson 4, Milligan 3, Crawley 3, Williams 2, Paynter 1.

Of the eighteen players who composed the touring personnel eleven received their education and soccer training in Canada the other seven being residents of the Dominion for many years.

ON THEIR way to Maori Land the 'Canucks' broke their journey and played one game at Honolulu and Suva, Fiji Islands with the "gate" at both places going to charity. Great Stuff.

That big physique is not essential to the making of an outstanding soccer player may be gathered from our own Davy Browns 63 inches—also from the following list of good "little British trojans."

	Height Inches	Weight lbs.
F. Walden, Tottenham		
Hotspurs	62½	121
F. Macey, Plymouth A.	64	131
J. Conlin, Manchester C.	64	132
J. Williams, Stoke City	65	133
J. Brock, Woolwich	63½	140
R. Atherton, Middlesbrough	64½	140
J. Holt, Everton	64½	142
McCowie, Liverpool	64	142
A. McConnachie, Derby		
County	64½	142
J. Harvey, Sunderland	64½	144
R. G. Neil, Liverpool	64	147
W. Wedlock, Bristol C.	64½	150
A. Heywood, Wolverhampton	64	150
H. Davis, Sheffield Wednes	64	164

THE venerable Jock Marshall may perhaps appear indolent while in action but man, oh man, that boy can sure marshall both his punts and forces!

HOW is the rule as to substitution of a player no later than fifteen minutes from the finish of the game going to work out?

We are aware that Bob Millar, manager of the New York Nationals is against the innovation. We are quite aware that so shrewd a judge, as Tom Adam has said that it suits him, as he is presently placed. We know that "Uno" has declared that the introduction of subs is not soccer,—that it is "a man's game." We grasp their point of view, but they don't seem to realize that just as the Old Country has old ideas, so has the New Country new ideas.

As we write "Uno" is murmuring something about "everybody being out of step but poor Jock." His argument is that what is good for the remainder of the world is good enough, or ought to be, for the United States.

We are quite well aware of the fact that the substitution law was the product of a brain that had a desire to evolve new ideas. It fell in line with the American ideas of fairplay and the consuming desire for speed.

We suggest that at the next sederunt of the F.I.F.A. this question should be discussed with a view to a settlement upon a question which is agitating the minds of many diligent students of the soccer game.

It is quite true that a player fifteen minutes from the end of a game cannot be expected to give of his best after having stood stock still for seventy-five minutes previously. But there is something refreshing in the efforts of one introduced late in the game to give a little bit of pep to a side that is being defeated, and the substitution provides the opportunity, hitherto denied, the privilege with a winning team to show just what he is worth, and open the eyes of those who signed the players on as to the ripeness of their judgment.

We have quite an open mind in the matter. We are aware that the F.I.F.A. does not encourage the idea of "subs," but we do think that the question should be discussed dispassionately when next there is a gathering of the nations.

THE Substitution System gives clubs an opportunity of trying out players who cannot be accepted at their 100 per cent face valuation, unless there is a competition organized to provide newcomers to the United States with an opportunity of showing of what stuff they are made.

It is not correct to say that the old allegiance to Old Country Soccer clubs obtains. The open door policy which is advocated by the United States is the policy which will prevail in the end. We have to prepare for the influx of players who will come here in greater numbers than heretofore. The game has not developed so rapidly that they can all be absorbed, this through lack of competitions in which they might take part, but we can at least give them an opportunity through the medium of the Substitution By-law to prove their worth.

IT is contended by those who are opposed to the innovation that soccer is different from any other game in respect that a quarter of an hour does not give a sub sufficient time to wake up from his sojourn in the rest camp on near proximity to the touch line.

It is certainly true that there are many players who are not worth their places in the first half of a game who scintillate in the second half. Our contention, however, is while the objectors to the sub system have a multitude of arguments in favor of their contention, they cannot break down the incontrovertible fact that if the spectators are languishing in despair as to the possibility of their favorites drawing even with their opponents, the entrance of a sub quickens their interest in the latter portion of the game.

Hope springs eternal in the human breast, and even when a game seems lost and won, a player's value has often been added to 50 per cent because of something he has done during these last desperate fifteen minutes. We are not dogmatic about the issue of a controversy on the point, but we are taking steps to ascertain the views of every member of the playing staff of every team in the American League.

NONE but a violent reactionary will endorse the attitude of the American League towards an incident which occurred at a recent game in Philadelphia, when Boston supplied the opposition. Ten minutes from time Philly actually introduced a substitute. The by-law on the point is perfectly explicit. No substitute can be introduced into a game within a period of fifteen minutes of the final whistle.

Manager MacDonald, of the Boston team, pointed out to those responsible

for the transgression of the law, that by their doing so, they were acting contrary to their own interests. The Philly people insisted, however,—this remember when they were leading by 4-2 and seemed capable of retaining their superiority to the end.

The game has been declared "no contest," and it will have to be replayed. But what we cannot understand is why the referee allowed the player to take the field knowing well that in doing so there was flagrant transgression of the law. If it is contended that he was ignorant of the provision with reference to the fifteen minutes limit, then he ought not to be given charge of any game in the American League circuit.

THE purchase of the New Bedford Club by Homer J. Messier and Isaac Dawson of that city, as announced in Soccer Pictorial in the last issue, has created considerable discussion among soccer fans in New England. According to the report emanating from the headquarters of the old owners, the new regime has paid \$40,000 for players, franchise and all else that goes with the club. The move is certain to help soccer in this locality as the purchasers are business men with high reputations.

THE New Bedford club was organized, and became members of the American Soccer league in season 1924-25 by a group of Fall River men, Dave Pomfret, Larry Holden, and Harold Crook. Mr. Holden, and Mr. Crook have long been in the soccer field in New England, having been associated for years with the famous old time cup-fighters Fall River Rovers. The Rovers were in their hey-day the greatest cup team in this section, and their final games in the National series with the famous Bethlehem steel still live in the memories of old time soccer enthusiasts.

On taking over the New Bedford franchise, and organizing the "Whalers" these three sportsmen done much to increase the interest in soccer in the New Bedford district, if not in Southern New England. In the three seasons now gone they have worked strenuously to give the "Whaling" city a club second to none, and it is not without some regret that we look on their departure just as the fruits of their labor were about to be realized.

German American League

By FRANK JAY

C preliminary round of the National Cup competition which by the way proved to be a record so far as gate receipts were concerned, turn with interest to the State Trophy. There are 25 teams entered from different parts of the State. Cleveland comes first with 11, Akron 6, Youngstown 3, Cincinnati 3 and Columbus 2.

The fans will be treated to many good games before the winners are decided. The Am-Hungarians, winners of the Cup



Beattie who plays inside forward for Providence

last year, will find that their going much more difficult and their form will have to improve if they hope to hold on to the trophy.

J. B. Storrie, well known throughout the State as a referee and member of the Ohio State F. A. ever since its formation, resigned his position on the Football Board at the last meeting. This came about under the new rule of the controlling body of the State which states that no active referee shall sit on the Board of the O. S. F. A.

Jack has been in the game for the last 20 years and has done much to bring it

not put aside the whistle, so has chosen to carry on in the Akron Referee's Association of which he is secretary.

Storrie's place has been filled by the election of Mr. Smithfield. It is felt that no better selection could have been made.

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ALL interested in the game here in Ohio will be surprised to see the name of Stanley Scott on the free list, as everyone thought Stanley was safe and sound for a long time to come with the Am-Hungarians whom he has captained for the last two seasons. Lots have been said of late concerning the State Champions, and it is noticeable that their following is not what it used to be.

The reason appears to be that the Hungarian following wants to see more of its own boys playing in the team that carries the Hungarian name, as at present the biggest part are Scotch, Welsh and English players. This may not be the real reason, but things have not been running too smoothly ever since Charlie Gerstl gave up the managership the last part of last season.

Scott is looked upon as the best half in the state. He holds a Welsh International cap when he captained the Welsh school boys against Scotland. He is playing bang up football today and can with ease hold his place in any team.

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THE OHIO STATE F. A. will entertain the National Amateur Cup delegation at Winton Hotel on October 29th. Mr. Cahill secretary of the U. S. F. A. with Mr. Sales and Mr. Paterson of Detroit, will meet with Mr. Angus of Cleveland regarding the national trophy.

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THE Junior High Schools of Cleveland are all set to get under way. It will be interesting to note how the new method of scoring will work out. The Board of Education has decided that 5 points shall be counted for a goal, and one point for a shot taken from within the goal area and saved by the goal keeper.

This was brought about by the final last year running into three games before the champions were decided. The board thinks this new method will encourage

field. However, after a good test has been given, we shall be in a better position to say more about it.

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P LAYER BLACKBURN of Akron was suspended by the Akron League of Cleveland for one year. He applied to play for a team in the Major League



Perry, center half back of Hartford

of Cleveland but the O. S. F. A. upheld the decision of the Akron League and suspended him.

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P LAYER AGNEW, having signed a professional form for the Cleveland United, came under the notice of the State Board as being a player under suspension. While in Scotland, his case was referred to the United States Football Association, and further details are being obtained from the Scottish Association before this player turns out.

S OCCER activities in the German American League came to a standstill on Sunday, October 9, when rain which started during the night and kept up until late in the afternoon changed the playing fields into a sea of mud, causing practically all the games to be called off. Only out on Woodside. L. I., on the home grounds of the Germania A. C. two fourth division teams did not object to the unfavorable weather conditions and had their scheduled match played.

Latham Field, Woodside, is the only field in the circuit which seems to have the proper foundation, the rain seeping right through the ground almost as fast as it falls. It has been proven in the past that in less than an hour's time after a heavy rainfall, the field is in playing condition with hardly any puddles to hamper the play or the players. After such a disappointment by Father Pluvius, clubrooms were filled with players discussing the weather and hoping for the sun to come through but when no such thing happened.

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THE talk soon switched to the latest news around the league concerning the decision of the Southern New York State Football Association in the matter of the First German Sportclub of New York. The decision, which was given in last week's issue of this paper, reinstated the First German Sportclub to good standing without any punishment

or even a reprimand. Even this action has failed to cool down the heated heads of some of the members.

In addition to this trouble, the league is facing the task of electing a new president. It is too early to make any predictions and I do not want to commit myself by offering any suggestions. All I want to say is that the league is facing the most critical moment since the time it was organized and the importance of the steps to be taken should not be overlooked.

For the best of the German sport in America, and for the best of the league itself, it is hoped that both warring factions will join their hands. By splitting the league into two opposing camps, nothing can be gained. This will only aid in spreading dissension. It is my opinion that both parties, by making a few concessions towards a re-union, will succeed in finding a way out of this troublesome affair and although some near-sighted delegates may not agree with my suggestion, I think, and those having our interests at heart must agree with me, that a strong, united front will be of greater advantage to the league than dissension and hate in the ranks.

In spite of all this, I must state, however, that the First German Sportclub should be dealt with in some way or another as they have broken their word of honor in a very unsportsmanlike way. There being no rules in regard to a case of this kind, the league had no legal right to impose a punishment on the

club but I believe a way could be found which will give the other members of the league enough satisfaction.

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Official Decisions

THE executive committee of the league handed down the following ruling at a meeting on Friday, October 7:

The protest of the Sparta Hoboken Club in reference to a game played against Paterson on the grounds of the game being played without any corner flags being put up, is not granted because the protest had not been filed within the prescribed time limit constituted in the rules.

The claim of the Hungarian A. C., Yonkers, asking for the points from a game to be played against Newark's third team on September 25, on account of not receiving a notification from the Newark club in regard to where and when the game was to take place, was also rejected. It turned out that the fault was entirely with the Hungarian club by furnishing the league secretary with a wrong address of its club secretary. The 2 points go to Newark's third team.

Games played on Sunday, October 9
Fourth Division: Germania 4 vs. Newark 4 0:9.

I. R. T. CELTICS TRIUMPH

The I. R. T. Celtics defeated the Hungarian S. P. in a soccer match game at the New York Oval, Bronx, on Columbus Day, 4 to 1. The Hungarians were carried off their feet by the speed and combination play of the Celtics.

In the opening half the Hungarians, favored by the wind, offered stiff opposition to the play of the Celtics.

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SCOTLAND BEATS IRELAND

BELFAST, Ireland—In an interleague soccer football match here on October 12, Scotland defeated Ireland by 2 goals to 1. The score at half time was 1 to 0 in Scotland's favor.

Interleague soccer matches between Ireland and Scotland began in 1893, and of the series Scotland has won twenty-five, Ireland three.

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Corinthians Defeated

LONDON, England—Cardiff City, holders of the English Cup, defeated the Corinthians, the great British amateur team, in a soccer match at Stamford Bridge on October 12, 2 goals to 0.

Dogs and British Cup Final

THERE is a feeling abroad that some doubt exists as to whether this season's Cup Final will be played at the Wembley Stadium, where the last five finals have been decided. The Football Association secretary, Mr. F. J. Wall, has declined to make any statement on the subject, but on behalf of the company which recently purchased the spacious enclosure for the purpose of constructing a greyhound racing track there, it is stated that the F.A. is satisfied with the structural alterations which are contemplated, and that the big game will be staged there next April.

Meanwhile the F.A. is being twitted with having landed themselves into a

Gilbertian position by the resolution they precipitately passed warning clubs not to allow greyhound racing on football grounds.

"Having warned clubs to keep clear of the dogs," says one London contemporary, will the Final Tie be played at Wembley? If so, the F.A. will take the chief match of the year to a dog racing ground, and thus do what it has warned its clubs they must not do."

The same newspaper declares that, whilst the F.A.'s objection to betting on sport led to the banning of dog racing on football grounds, they must know that there is more betting in small sums on football than on any other sport in the country.

News From Michigan

By ARTHUR SALE

TWO teams stand out head and shoulders above all in this district, and if the championship of the western division of the U.S.F.A. cup competition is to remain in Detroit, it is upon one of these clubs that the local fans must pin their hopes.

Last season Holley Carburetor, then operating under the banner of the Detroit American amateur league, astounded the soccer world by overcoming all opposition in the west to bring to Detroit its first divisional title and national final.

Since that time Holley has joined the ranks of the professionals, and in the interim, has built up one of the strongest machines seen in these parts, with the promise of having an eleven in the near future equal to anything in the country.

With the wealth of soccer talent in Detroit, and the years of experience some of the older clubs have accumulated, it seems somewhat incongruous that the most serious challenger for the honors gained by Holley Carburetor should be the newest organization in the realms of senior soccer. Detroit Cougars, which had its inception at the commencement of the present season, has quickly established itself as a club worthy of the highest rating.

IT IS an incorporated venture, the first in the history of Michigan soccer, sponsored by a group of Detroit sportsmen none of whom had been previously connected with the game, but who had been attracted by the attitude of eastern magnates, and were keen enough to visualize the wonderful possibilities from a promotion angle that soccer offered.

There are those here who have spent years of effort to bring the game to its present position, and have watched its development through storm and sunshine, who do not take kindly to the idea of outsiders stepping in and reaping the reward of past labors. It is a well known aphorism that "fools rush in where angels fear to tread."

Some of the Soccer leaders by no stretch of the imagination could qualify for the angelic category, but whether the action of those who are willing to gamble on the future of game should be classed as foolish, time alone will tell. At any rate they have blazed a trail through this wilderness of lethargy and indolence, and injected a little life into the game, by offering sufficient inducement to compel players at least to endeavor to give the public value for the money they pay to

witness the exhibitions, which is something that in the past has usually been conspicuous by its absence.

Naturally the opposition encountered by this pioneer movement has been strong, emanating principally from those who dislike to see any prestige slip through their fingers, or any empty glory to accrue to someone else.

EVEN within its own ranks there is dissension, but whether the Detroit Professional League as a unit survives its first season, or another means is adopted to raise the standard, either by individual effort or in conjunction with a contemplated mid-west circuit, so long as an honest attempt is made to furnish high-class exhibitions, properly conducted, those backing the movement will be amply repaid.

Since the close of the previous season, which terminated with Holley Carburetor losing heavily to Fall River for the national title and trophy, they have signed on a number of expert players, and are still negotiating for others of proven ability.

Boath, right back, Dalrymple, center-half, and Visser, center-forward, are the only players carried over from last year to fill regular berths. Hugh Sprott, goalkeeper, is a local product, and for the past five years has been without a peer in his position, and right now is playing on top of his form.

Neilson, right-half, has fit into the team with distinct credit, and the recent acquisition of Matthews, Toronto Ulster left half-back, has fully taken care of the intermediate line. Andy Forrester, outside right, was reinstated when Joe Gregatski, an Irish recruit, decided to transfer his affections to Brooklyn Wanderers, but if negotiations for an eastern player of note should materialize he will undoubtedly have to take a back seat, although he has turned in a couple of pleasing games.

Kemp, left full-back from Fall River, made a successful debut, and the advancement of Rutherford into the pivot position appeared to work satisfactory as a temporary measure, necessitated by Dalrymple's injured foot. McManus, inside-right, and McClenaghan, inside left, have demonstrated sufficient ability to warrant regular berths, unless better material should be unearthed. "Dodger" Connolly, who last year captained the outfit, having to play the role of substitute.

SIMILAR conditions surround the Cougar structure, excepting for the fact that it possessed no nucleus of players upon which to erect an edifice capable of withstanding the storm of opposition. Three prominent local players were induced to cast in their lot with the unknown aggregation, all former members of Walkerville F. C., Spence, McGowan and Rainey.

From this small beginning manager Fred Broomfield has constructed a team that is surprising everyone, and the resources are by no means exhausted. John Maxwell, goalkeeper from Buffalo, was given a trial, but did not prove satisfactory, and for the past three weeks R. Bolton, a local amateur, has been doing duty between the sticks. It is expected, however, that his tenure of office is of short duration, as Tom Halliwell of Toronto is reported to have come to terms, and will be available as soon as the Canadian playing season closes.

JACK POXON and James Paterson are as sound a pair of backs as any manager could desire, and are the mainstay of the team. Toy Lloyd, a recent arrival from Wales, has proved to be a reliable half-back, and judged entirely upon the form displayed in his initial appearance, James Brownlie, a product of Scottish junior soccer, is going to make a place on the side. Good forwards appear to be scarce, and it is upon this department that the Cougars are concentrating.

Recently Cem Owen, late of Hartford, was acquired, but so far has not lived up to expectations. Mat Queen, formerly of Chicago Thistle, and for the past season with a Detroit American league club, made a promising debut, and should add some strength to the attack. The wingers, however, are not up to standard, but will undoubtedly be replaced in the near future.

Docherty started the season here as outside-right, but has since departed for eastern scenes, and so far the vacancy has not been filled.

As appears to be the case with all the senior clubs in this district. Cougars will

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Good Soccer Player from Hungary would like to play with an American League team or with some other professional club. Am an all-around half-back. John Pisek, 2015 North Reese Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

James McClure, who was with Philadelphia last season, seeks engagement with a club. Address James McClure, 212 Clearfield Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Collegiate Soccer

By EDW. J. McCUE

H AVERFORD COLLEGE eleven opened the soccer season against Crescent Athletic Club at Bay Ridge and went down to defeat 2-1 in an exciting game.

Crescent went in the lead in the first period when Dammann, inside left, scored. The third period saw Ritchie center for Haverford equalize. The final period, after a hard fought twenty minutes, resulted in Dalzell, center for the Crescents, scoring the final and winning goal.

C. E. Creighton was the referee with R. Swallow and J. Mairhinney acting as linesmen.

THE ARMY eleven met a tartar in the Lafayette eleven at West Point. Although the Cadets won 3 to 2 it was not until the last few minutes of the game the deciding point was registered. Lafayette scored twice in the opening period, showing good team work.

The Army had four tries at goal, but was unsuccessful until the last period when two goals were scored to tie the game and made the winning goal come in the last few minutes of play. Lombard in goal and Haines at right back starred for Lafayette while Wiley, Sladen and Smith did extra good work for the Army.

UNIVERSITY of Pennsylvania went down to defeat, 4 to 1, at Montclair, N. J., before the Montclair A. C. A. Hutchinson was the first to score on a pass from Weller in the first period and repeated in the second. Houghton, center for Penn, tallied in the third. The final period saw Frost score and Hutchinson followed with his third of the game.

BROWN booters took a 5 to 1 defeat at Amherst where the Amherst College eleven outplayed the Providence collegians. Amherst's attack, led by Captain Hanford, Levix and Harmon, kept the ball in Brown territory most of the time.

YALE'S soccer team opened its schedule in a winning effort at New Haven against Englewood Field Club by the score 5 to 1.

Yale led at halftime 2 to 1 with both teams playing good football. In the closing period Yale ran up three more tallies

SINCE Soccer took its place among the long list of sports in which the Naval Academy competes with the best the inter-collegiate world has to offer, they have, by necessity been forced, first to develop the individuals and then mould them into a team—though, of course, because few boys who enter the Naval Academy have ever been in intimate touch with the game. From previous experience they have learned that it takes two or three seasons of competition to develop a seasoned and experienced soccer player.



Bobby Walker, only a youngster but a star outside right of N. Y. "Nats."

Serious losses by graduation—inexperienced material—facing the most difficult schedule in years—thus are enumerated the most serious problems facing the Naval Academy coaches for the 1927 season.

Tom G. Taylor, coach, organized soccer at the Naval Academy in 1919 as an intercollegiate sport and has coached the team since.

Of the eleven men who lined up

against Yale in the closing game of '26, only four will answer the referee's whistle against Western Maryland, the curtain-raiser of the '27 season. N. F. Garton, goal, V. Bogvilo, chb, A. J. Walden, o. r., N. R. Curtin, i. r. Four letter men.

Navy will open the season with a team, two-thirds of which will be starting their first year of intercollegiate soccer and their second year of competition. Many of the first string substitutes of '26 went into the fleet with the Class of 1927.

The material from last year's plebe team is plentiful and with rapid development on the part of certain individuals Navy can be reasonably assured of a strong team.

Coach Tom G. Taylor, who has had some thirteen years at coaching, was schooled in the game in England. After returning to this country he played on an independent team in New Bedford, Mass., in 1903, before the organization of professional soccer teams.

In 1914 he began to teach and coach soccer, organizing the game in high schools throughout the State of Maryland and public schools of Baltimore. In 1919 going to the Academy where he still holds sway.

NEWS FROM MICHIGAN

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have little to worry about over the first qualifying round of the U.S.F.A. cup competition, and before serious competition develops expect to be all primed for any opposition that may be pitted against it.

EIGHT games are scheduled in this first round for the Michigan district, and in each case the home club should pass on to the next stanza. Holley Carburetor, having been granted exemption until the competition proper, will have an opportunity to gage the strength of the respective opposing forces, and make preparations to take up the gauntlet when the qualifying survivor is ready to do battle.

At this time it seems highly probable that the following will go into the hat for the second round: Cougars, Solvay F. C., Celtic, Gar Woods, Walkerville, Scarlet Runners, Toledo, and Flint Buick.

Eastern College Soccer Results

SEVERAL exciting games were played in Eastern college circles last week-end. Syracuse University soccer team, playing the first Inter-collegiate League game of its history, met its first defeat at the hands of Lehigh, 3 to 1.

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The Yale soccer team defeated Brown, 3-0. Fletcher scored soon after the opening whistle. Play then slowed down and there was no scoring until the third period when Sleath slipped the ball into the goal. He repeated the performance in the final quarter.

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Dartmouth chalked up its first soccer victory over Springfield College in three years, winning by a score of 4 to 2. A well-coached team was put on the field by the visitors, but they were unable to muster up an offensive fast enough to bother the Green backs.

Bill Marx ran wild against the visitors, scoring three goals. Paul Woodbridge, the star Green forward, netted the other point. Springfield did not score until the third quarter, when Zwick and Isherwood tallied.

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JOHN HARVARD'S soccer eleven journeyed up to West Point on Columbus Day and gave the Army just about as tough a scrap as Army will get this year, although they went down to defeat 3-1.

The first half was just about as exciting as could be wished for with the Army "on the ball" in a spirited attack on the invaders. Harvard's defenders met the attack time and time again until finally Persse, inside right for the Army, got the ball and practically unassisted beat Henry for the first score. The period ending Army 1 Harvard 0.

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Princeton's Varsity soccer eleven came through with another win on Columbus Day when Swarthmore journeyed to Princeton to take a drubbing 5 to 1.

The Pennsylvania college men were lacking on defense when the Tigers began their attack. Warfield at inside left got through for the first tally. The combination of Squire at inside right, Packard at centre and Warfield, seemed just about as smooth a machine as could be wished for.

Captain Dud Squires and Jack Packard each tallied two goals.

Harvard went down to a 4 to 2 defeat before the accurate passing of an experienced Amherst outfit on Saturday, October 15. The game was well played, but the Amherst booters were clearly superior. Steele scored two points of the winning total and was the game's star.

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Princeton's varsity soccer team added another victory to its undefeated season

THE FOOTBALL REFEREE

By ROBERT T. FLEMING

I REFEREED a game last week, my first and last you bet. I thought it was the easiest job I'd been asked to tackle yet. It was a local derby, between the Blue team and the Red. When I heard the shouting, I nearly lost my head.

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The game was quickly started, the players dashed about. Every time I blew my whistle, there was an angry shout. The Reds were first to find the net, it was lovely shot. But someone shouted offside; that goal should not be got.

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The fans came swarming on the field all thirsting for my blood. A hiss, a boo, a catcall, a threat came at me with a thud. I pulled myself together, and like a frightened mouse. I quickly made a bee line for the shelter of the house.

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I reached it with a struggle, and it was a lucky job. For there outside the dressing room stood an angry mob. I like the game of soccer, but when it comes to the referee, I feel the job is far too big for a small fry like me.

by defeating the Montclair A. C., 6 to 0, on Poe Field.

It was the work of Captain Squires and Packard that largely accounted for the Tiger victory. Both men scored twice this afternoon, while Graham and Stewart added the other two points.

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Wesleyan defeated Worcester Tech, 5

to 0. In the first quarter Captain Fortin scored goals on two corner kicks.

Allen of Wesleyan was removed in the first half with a dislocated arm after he had kicked a goal on a corner kick from Fortin. Ihrig scored twice for Wesleyan in the second half.

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The Penn soccer team scored a 6 to 1 victory over the Crescent Athletic Club.

Redington, with three goals, was the leading scorer, while Houghton, centre forward, tallied two.

Keenan tallied the lone score for the Brooklyn club in the closing minutes of the game.

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Swarthmore College defeated Lafayette, 3-0.

Captain Tom Moore scored twice, while Potts made the third score.

SECRETARY SCOTT PLEASED WITH CONDITIONS IN CHICAGO

Making a round of the different clubs affiliated with the Major Soccer League of Chicago, Secretary Scott attended the game at Gary, and was very impressed with conditions and the wonderful possibilities of the Ambridge Football Club of Gary, Indiana.

The Ambridge Football Club is a unit of the American Bridge Athletic Association, affiliated with the large industrial plant of the American Bridge Company, of Gary, Indiana.

The opportunities for athletics of every description is all that can be desired. A fine six hole golf course, very popular with the members, the baseball diamond, the soccer pitch, and the tennis courts, gives the visitor an idea of the advantages which may be appreciated and enjoyed by the members of the American Bridge Athletic Association.

The large spacious brick auditorium and gymnasium, where moving pictures are shown weekly, the Social Entertainments twice a month and certain other attractions to please the most fastidious.

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COLLEGE SOCCER SCORES

(October 15)

Wesleyan 5, Worcester P. I. 0.
Penn 6, Crescent A. C. 1.
Northeastern 5, M. I. T. 0.
Penn A. C. 4, Penn third team 1.
Amherst 4, Harvard 2.
Princeton 6, Montclair A. C. 1.
Yale Freshmen 1, Erasmus High 1.
Swarthmore 3, Lafayette 1.
Cornell 2, Lehigh 0.

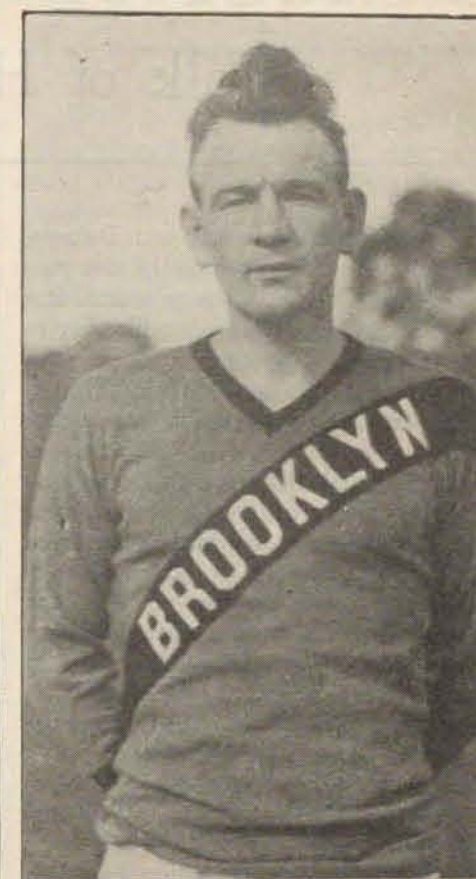
Notables in U. S. Soccer Circles



Barth McGhee, outside left and leading scorer of New York Nationals



Fleming, outside left of Boston, formerly with Coats



Morris, left half back of Brooklyn Wanderers



Johnny Reed, now with J. & P. Coats, formerly of Brooklyn



Reid, center and right halfback of Bethlehem eleven



Bobby Blair, center forward of Boston. One of best in game

Falconer Joins Coats Eleven

Talk of Hartford-New Bedford Trade

By "ST. MUNGO"

FALCONER formerly with Bo'ness, and since the opening of the season, on the Providence roster, has been transferred by Manager Fletcher to J. & P. Coats. Falconer came here with a good reputation as a left-half, from the Scottish Second Division league club which he was captain of, in his last season in Scotland, but since his arrival has had little or no chance to show his wares.

In the few games in which he has played with the "Clamdiggers" he has been tried out in other than his own position, and though it was not to be expected that the Bo'ness lad could do himself credit in strange quarters, still he was never at a loss in knowing what to do, and the time to do it.

I look for something different at Pawtucket, Dick McAvoy is the regular left-half, and Billy Thomson right-half, with McIntosh at the pivot position, but with the coming of the Bo'ness half-back some people close in at the Avenue, sense a reshuffle of the Pawtucket middle line. Coats have also signed a recruit by the name of Eccleson in an attempt to strengthen the outside left position.

This lad, I hear, has been in the Boston, and District League, and has many friends, who have pleasant things to say of his ability as an outside left. The youngster was tried out at Phillie against the "Quakers" last week-end, but it is yet too early to render a verdict.—It takes more than one game to break a youngster into pro-league ways. Stage fright, for one thing has to be taken into consideration, and the knowledge of what is expected of him, and his very eagerness to accomplish, is another.

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SOME talk in New Bedford, that a trio of "Whalers" may don Hartford shirts soon. Steel, Billy Ritchie, and Nick Steward are mentioned as probable immigrants for the "nutmeg" state, but rumors are rumors, and there have been many around the "Whalers" camp in the past two weeks.

Fall River without Billy Harper are still on the decline, and at time of writing the mystery is still unsolved. Hartford are the latest to humble the once powerful "Spindle" city eleven.

What's wrong this time? As I said

last week the real weakness is further afield. By this time I believe the stadium folks will have "haunch" where to put their finger on the weak spot, and if I know anything of the energetic Fall River manager Sam Marks, he'll have it strengthened "pronto." He has signed fourteen of the Philadelphia players but will have to get the league's permission.

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KINSLEY PARK was a morass, when the Giants opposed the Providence team. One of those days when it is anybody's game, and the sphere is in a freakish mood. But, even under those conditions, and allowing for the game at New Bedford the previous day, Jimmy

Armstrong's boys got away with a point from the "Clamdiggers." Providence proved themselves the better "mud hens" in the second half, but the New Yorkers were not taking any chances after Saturday. McClure was sent in to look after the Giants fortress, in place of Fabian and the result tells the tale.

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THE "Clamdiggers" tried out a youngster at inside right, by name Donnelly who has been showing his paces with a local amateur club. No day to pass an opinion but from my first impressions I think he is worthy a more favorable opportunity to break into the limelight in the big league.

Too Much Roughness in Soccer

By M. J. KELLY

SINCE a number of propagandists are devoting their efforts to getting parks to meet the requirements of spectators, players, and field officials, I am inclined to the thought that there remains still another defect in our game that needs remedying.

I refer to the unnecessary roughness, which has crept into the game in the guise of "PEP." "PEP" means nothing more or less than hard, vigorous and dangerous play and the more "PEPPER" displayed—the bigger the strain on the peppery players and the ever resultant injuries.

Coming right down to "COLD TURKEY," I believe the injection of this so called "PEP" by the managers is developing dangerous tendencies. It shortens the life of the player and will make many veterans before the age of thirty.

While the playing of the games may be satisfactory to any number of followers, and please the managers, I am not convinced that present-day soccer as played by a number of the AMERICAN SOCCER LEAGUE clubs is not a copy of the old vigorous brand of the past, and I dare say there are many others who will agree with me.

Soccer followers, especially the newer ones, of the home side, develop strange

theories concerning just how the game should be played and, these same fans more or less, but mostly more, have an important influence on the judgement of some referees.

For the sake of the players themselves, many of whom will be on the shelf before their time, I believe that referees should be oblivious to the man behind the barrier and go the limit in eliminating hard tackling and penalize players who are constantly jibing. These are but two of the many things that are objectionable, but they are, nevertheless, sufficient to make a start towards the eventual abolition of the unnecessary roughness that is causing injuries within the ranks.

From my point of view, there are so many scientific features and unusual opportunities for mental and physical development attached to the historical game of soccer, it needs but little of this fiery "PEP" and a minimum of virility and aggressiveness to make it just as attractive to the public here as it is abroad.

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"Fair Weather" Supporters

By JOHN NEIL

TO the victor must go the sweets as their reward—to the vanquished the bitter draught of defeat. It has always been the same, and always will be. But, why certain Fall River fans should speak so scathingly of their team and its management, because of a reverse, such as they had at Philadelphia, a week ago, is more than I can understand. From the few that I met, not one "wee bit" of credit to the "Quakers" for their glorious performance. Just one alibi after another, trying to find a loophole to explain why the mighty cup-holders went down before the Philadelphia "cyclone."

Of the Brooklyn disaster, not a word—no, the sting there was offset quite a bit by the fall of the colorful Bethlehem brigade, on the same field, a week before. But of the Philadelphia debacle, it was a bitter pill to swallow. No amount of reasoning could convince them that the cup-holders played their usual game.

There must have been a weakness somewhere in the Fall River team, else the score would have been vastly different. Credit where credit is due, never yet hurt anyone, and the Fall River officials unhesitatingly admit that the "Quakers" played a great game. In spots the cupholders could have been stronger to withstand the "Quakers'" onslaught. Clulow, the newcomer, for one, was none too steady, and the backs wavered, when steadiness was necessary to keep out those eager Phillie forwards.

But the verdict, as we have it from the scribes in Phillie, gives us the best insight into what really did take place on that memorable afternoon. The "bhoys" from Erin refused to allow the "Marksmen" to settle, and for once the cup-holders failed to rise to the occasion. Dash beat craft—the cup-holders reputation had no mesmerising effect on the bustling Phillie boys.

Everything came off—or nearly everything—for the "Quakers." Arnold Keenan was the thorn in the cup-holders defence. His leadership was inspiring; his three goals the climax to scintillating plays by the other ten heroic "die hards" who helped to perform the "miracle."

I AM told Willie Harper, in his long and eventful soccer experience, never had a busier afternoon. It may seem strange, but my informant tells me how the ex-Hib. ever came out of that sweeping barrage with the loss of but five goals,

will for ever remain a mystery. It was mainly due to the big fellow's work between the sticks that the score was confined to a quintet.

Time after time the Fall River keeper had to fist, throw, and get rid of the ball anyhow to keep his lines clear. Briefly, this is the story of the Philadelphia uprising, but a word to the few in the "Spindle" city, who are supporters of the fair-weather variety.

Don't go around bitterly reviling the team whose colors you have often worn, and of which you think you are a supporter. Think of the players who are

IT WASN'T PICKED, EITHER

Referee Dempsey lost his watch in the course of the game between New York Nationals and Boston. It was shortly after half time when Bob Millar picked it up.

"Are you refereeing this game?" asked Bob with that peculiarly quizical look on his face.

"Yes," replied the ref.

"Without a watch?"

"I have got a watch."

"No you haven't," replied the National skipper. "I've got it."

The knight of the whistle felt in his pocket for the dollar ticker. It was gone.

What a great opportunity Bob missed of perpetrating one of the best jokes of the century.

out there giving of their best and who, in the seasons that have gone, have brought a goodly share of the soccer honors of the country to the Stadium. Be a true fan, and learn to accept defeat occasionally, with the same good graces as you would a victory. It's all in the game.

Now is the time to show what kind of supporter you are. Rally round the club banner; spur it on cheerfully, and give every encouragement to those whose duty it is to run the show, to greater effort.

BOSTON'S fandom were none too pleased that Jock Marshall, who was then with the Newark club, was not in the lineup that took the field against the locals two weeks ago. This in spite of the

fact that the colorful defender was advertised to appear. The Boston "kick," I feel was justified, as Jock is a "headliner" no matter what team he is with.

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WHILE it has always been distasteful to me to pass any scathing remarks on the "Knight of the Whistle," knowing full well that that part is well taken care of without any hell from me, still when the occasion arise when I can give just a little mite of praise to this much abused official I feel it my duty to do so.

The official I refer to is a new one in American league affairs. Mr. Robert Bethune, better known as Bobby Bethune, one time full back for Bethlehem, and with Phillie when they collared the league pennant. Bobby finished his days as a player with J. & P. Coats, and since then has devoted his time to studying the intricacies of the rules of the game as far as they apply to the proper conduct, of the game.

I was on hand two weeks ago when Bobby Bethune trotted out at Marks Stadium to referee his first American league game, which happened to be between the "Marksmen," and Phillie. Some might say, well he got his first assignment in the right place to find out if he had the "goods." Well, all the better. The fans are, the self-styled judges of the man in charge of the whistle, and if Fall River fans are more severe in their judgment, than other sections,—a statement I have often heard, but doubt somewhat—then the verdict returned in Bobby Bethune's case carries with it all the more glory.

One of the best we have seen here in some time was the universal opinion around the ropes, and strange to say, not once during the ninety minutes did I hear the usual squawk from some corner, when the official handed down his decisions, either for or against the home side, and remember the home team were trailing the Phillies for a great part of the time by two goals.

At all times Bethune showed that he had complete control and handed down his decisions in a business like manner. No waiting until the crowd hollered foul! and then blowing the whistle. The blast of the whistle accompanied the shout, and in some case caused it to die in the throats of those who referee from the side line. Keep up the good work Bobby.

Nationals Aid Schoolboys

By JACK ESMOND

A GOLD mine in the form of New York Nationals has been discovered by the schoolboys of New York City. This is because of the willingness of the Nationals to aid them in developing their skill as soccer players. unable to put a team on the field until a

It all came about when Soccer Pictorial published a story last week broadcasting the information that the Franklin K. Lane High School of Brooklyn was without a soccer coach and would be mentor was secured.

The writer took the matter up with Ernest J. Viberg, business manager of the Nationals. Viberg expressed his pleasure in helping develop the scholastic athletes and immediately made arrangements to procure a coach.

The entire Lane squad journeyed to the Polo Grounds and saw the Nationals work out. Bob Millar, manager of the Nationals, promised Dave Lesser, Lane manager, that Lane would have a coach the same day. Millar himself put Lane through its paces that afternoon and now Lane is all ready to open its season.

This is as it should be. The future of soccer rests on the schoolboys of today. Develop their interest now, and soccer will reap the benefits later.

NAT TILM, who captained Morris High's team last year when it went through the season without being scored upon, has been re-elected. Originally Nat Rochli was chosen to lead the team this year, but he resigned. With Rochli's departure, Dr. Joseph Golomb has built his team around four veterans—Tilm, Snitzer, Perlow and Friganbaum.

Two brothers are among the stars on Jefferson's team. In the opening game of the season Jack and Lou Londinsky scored two of Jefferson's four goals and helped blank Boys High, 4 to 0.

Two years ago when Commerce won the Public Schools Athletic League City championship, Percy Reynolds coached the team. Reynolds has been succeeded by Daniel M. Alperin. Commerce lost two of its best men when Namdar and Stamler were graduated. The veterans are Captain Delianado, Perotta, Lichenstein, Kantrowitz, Koslof and Deutch.

Promising newcomers are Daniels, Schwartz, Rubenstein, Bernstein, Fried-

man, Aaronson, Luper, Gioggia, Fried, Fishlowitz, Grossman, Akulin, Leppe, Cutler, King, Horan, Buckley, Tarlow, Rosumoff, Rosenthal, Wexler, Bassin, Layne, Wilcox and Polakoff. Lieberthal is manager of the team.

JIMMIE SCOTT, Richmond Hill captain, is a big aid to Coach Hugh Hutchinson in smoothing out the rough spots on the team. Scott plays center half and is one of six veterans. The others are Schluchtner, right forward; Skodnick, right half; Kroeger, outside right; Luftig, inside right, and Goldstein, outside left.

League Should Control Referees

By TOM ADAM

I HAVE been asked by the publisher of *Soccer Pictorial Weekly* to give my views on the referee question and although, as a club owner, I dislike such tasks because I believe it causes discontent, yet I feel that this is as vital a matter in the future of the soccer sport in this country, that I have consented. I, for one, disagree with all that has been said about increased payment. It is not, in my opinion, the pay that is the underlying point regarding present day inefficiency, but the type of officials appointed, the manner of appointment and the close friendship that exists in the club rooms between officials and players during intermission and before a contest.

If we are to have efficiency, first of all we must change our mode of appointment. The American Soccer League and not the clubs should be the headquarters for appointment. The American Soccer League and not the club owners, should be the source from which a referee and other officials should be paid. Take everything out of the hands of a club and place it where it belongs, and you'll immediately see the difference.

I HAVE been 32 years in the game and I have not seen anything to beat the present poor crop of referees. Every club owner seems to think as I do, hence there must be something rotten in the State of Denmark. It ought to be a field test. When the law was laid down in England that no referee could wear specks it was because of a supposed deficiency in eye-sight. It does not seem,

Richmond Hill also has some good looking material in Humphreys, A. Goldstein, Sussman and Young. The manager is Jim Campbell.

Curtis is the only school on the Borough of Richmond supporting a soccer team. Coach Pollak has but two men left from 1926, but he is sharing the coaching burden with Fletcher Wells, former Curtis star.

Manager Henry Weingartner completed arrangements this week for a game with the Princeton Freshmen at Princeton on November 26. Captain Herbert Mansfield and Drago are the veterans.

however, to be the use of their optics which is the main concern, but their interpretation of the laws of the game.

The League should have given to it the duty of paying the referees. The whole system is utterly wrong for any home club to pay the official in charge of any game. I believe if you were to ask referees themselves, they would tell you according as they have been approved or the reverse, that the system is wrong. We shall have to get rid of this practice.

Every club should be obliged to pay a fixed sum to the League and payments should be made by the League. Any referee who has need of cash before or immediately after the game, should not be permitted to obtain this from a club.

I HAVE read that tosh about increased fees. Why mix up the question? It is sinister that it is even suggested an increased fee would produce further efficiency. If a man does not give of his best no matter the award, then there is a chink in the chain.

There may be conveyed in what I have said that referees are dishonest. Nothing of the kind. They act according to their ability and I would suggest to Gilgane and Crighton that they think of instructional classes.

We must have efficient referees. Baseball is going to get a terrible jolt in the near future. Soccer is winning its way. We are not sixty seconds to the minute men. We are not sixty minutes to the hour men. We go for an hour and a half.

Across the Canadian Border

By CRAIG CAMPBELL

THE Canadian soccer season is about to close, that is, in Quebec. Ontario can go on to early December, but Montreal and district will soon put up the shutters, and "go to sleep" for a few winter months. League schedules have been completed, and little is left, save a few minor cup competitions. The "sleep" part, however, refers merely to players, for, like Tennyson's little brook, soccer legislators go on forever, and they will soon be in annual session, making and unmaking laws, rules and regulations.

Be all this as it may, the 1927 season, now passing out, has been in many respects a good one. Progress is maintained, and as mentioned in a previous article, the Dominion of Canada F. A. is one united body, an association covering thousands of miles. One can point out defects here and there, but taken all in all, the game is splendidly managed on this side of the line.

The idea of self-preservation, which we are told is the first law of nature, prompts the wish for a closer co-operation in soccer matters between Canada and the United States. We lose men to U. S. clubs before our active league season is over, which has upset more than one "apple cart." I say this respectfully, that no player should be permitted to leave Canada, until his club's engagements are over.

Then there is another point worth noting, and that is, American players staging a little summer holiday in Canada, leaving us just when they feel inclined. The game should be conducted on more dignified lines than that. Players either belong to one country or another.

I FREELY admit the right of the American Soccer League for which body I have the greatest admiration, to tell me where I get off, but the fact remains that something should be done to protect Canadian clubs. We may talk about International laws, and all that sort of stuff, without getting near the mark. Friendly co-operation is what we want, not arguments, and I think that the Soccer Pictorial can do a whole lot in that direction.

I read with deep interest in Soccer Pictorial Weekly's issue of October 7,

that my friend W. Bissett, is out, flat-footed, for the substitution of players. In his opinion, it speeds up the game, which invites the attention of the native born. Now this is a laudable object, and one not to be treated lightly.

If substituting players, injured or otherwise, is permitted in other sports, why should we soccermen follow their lead? The idea does not appeal to me. It would be abused and tend to make games a farce. President Robert Campbell, of the Scottish Football Association, told me personally, when in Montreal this year, that he is unalterably opposed to such an innovation.

"Suppose," he said, "that Celtic and Rangers were playing in the final for the Scottish Cup, and one or the other were a goal down, where would the sport of the game be if fresh players were rushed on to replace the 'weary' ones? No cup in the world would be worth winning, if such a law was introduced."

And here you have the matter in a nutshell. Would a game be worth winning?

A SHORT while ago, in Montreal, two ship teams were engaged in a "hectic friendly," supported by a roaring crowd of sailors, stewards and firemen. One of the latter, minus a collar, utterly disgusted with the referee (how strange that sounds!), could bear his agony no longer, so in the pure Liverpool dock-side dialect, shouted:

"Hey, ref, why don't yer blow yer whistle? You're 'olding it like a badanna, yer don't know whether to blow it, or heat it."

But the wicked referee refused to blow, until he felt inclined.

The Quebec association decline to hand over a share of the second gate (Scottish tour) to the National League. The N. L. applied to the D. F. A. at the recent annual meeting for a fair portion, seeing they had supplied the majority of players engaged, and a recommendation was sent the P. Q. F. A. to this effect. As possession is nine points of the law, the sign is out, reading, "nothing doing."

The National League, it must be understood, is composed of clubs in Montreal, Toronto, Hamilton and Windsor. As the Scottish tourists played four games in Ontario, the Quebec people, and with justice on their side, refer the

League to the association of the sister province.

ULSTER UNITED, Canada's leading team, meet Taylor-Forbes F. C., of Guelph, in the final for the Ontario Cup. The game take place in Toronto.

Jim Mathews, the Ulster (Toronto) half-back, is booked for Holley Carburretor team, Detroit. His transfer, however, has not yet gone through.

Canadian Nationals, of Montreal, have a new centre-forward, a Dane by name of Neilsen. He is a first-class man, and represented Denmark in the last Olympiad.

The D. F. A. has asked the Government to give a memento of some kind to the Canadian soccer boys who toured New Zealand this summer, in which they won 20 games out of 22. The way the New Zealand people treated our fellows was something wonderful.

A story is told of the final game of the tour in Auckland. At the conclusion, the twenty-two players stood in the centre of the field, hand in hand, while 25,000 spectators rose and sang, "Should Auld Acquaintance Be Forgot?" Truly a stirring scene.

Week-End Games in Greater New York

The International League game between the Hakoah eleven and the Brooklyn Americans at Starlight Park, October 15, was won by Hakoah by 3 goals to 1.

In the International League match between the Galicia F. C. and the Vikings at Hawthorne Field, the Galicians won by 4 goals to 2.

A close game between Sheepshead Bay and the Dublin Bohemians in the New York State League series at New York Oval was won by Sheepshead Bay by 1 to 0.

The soccer team of the Visitation Parish Club won an Empire State League match from the Greek Hermon eleven by 2 to 0 at New York Oval.

A tie game resulted from the encounter between the Sherman Creek soccer team and the Galleza F. C. in their Empire State League fixture at Hawthorne Field. The score was 2-2.

Soccer News and The Press

By C. A. LOVETT

NOW, as always, soccer's chief retarding influence, is in its relationship with the press. Great progress has been made in recent years in chiselling into the often tightly-restricted sporting pages of the big city papers, but in many instances publicity conditions are yet a long way from ideal.

The numerous invasions in the last few seasons of this country by famous foreign teams went far in the direction of educating press and public to the game's possibilities and its allure.

Earlier, a well-organized but limited campaign of propaganda inaugurated by the noted "father of modern-day American soccer," Thomas Woolsey Cahill, with whom this writer was closely associated over a period of ten years in the office of the national secretary, had borne considerable fruit in the way of newspaper recognition and resultant attendance increases.

But not even the march of the sport into the big ball parks has eliminated the blundering of some of those to whom are entrusted important features of the sport's advancement. Personal animosities, even in this year of soccer enlightenment, still are permitted to enter into the publicity angle of the game.

A NOTABLE case in point is that furnished this season by the U.S.F.A. National Challenge Cup Competition Committee, and its arrangement for making public the results of its pairings for the various rounds of the national championships, as the competition progresses.

For the announced purpose of insuring concurrent release of its announcements of the draw throughout the country and to prevent any cry of favoritism arising from pre-release publication of the pairings, the committee this season adopted a new, iron-clad policy.

It issues its draw only to the two major press associations and withholds it from all other news agencies, whatever they may be, ignoring not only individual soccer writers, free lance and accredited correspondents and the like, but also such nationally-known news distributing organizations as the International News Service, Chicago Tribune Press Service, Universal Service, Consolidated Press, Public Ledger Syndicate and so on.

No violation of release dates is charged against any of the above agencies. Soccer has not yet reached the stage where it can impose rigid restrictions upon its news releases and it needs every inch of newspaper notice that can be had. And to that end, fullest co-operation with any and all agencies concerned in the propagation of soccer interest and in the procuring of publicity for the sport, is the only intelligent course to be followed.

Releases and Transfers

With the American League race growing hotter each week, the various club managers are making many shifts, releasing old talent and buying and exchanging players. During the past fortnight eleven new men were signed by the American League and as many have been released outright or shifted. Jock Brown, substitute goalie of the New York Nationals and James Cameron, a veteran, were let out last week by Bob Millar to make room for the four new Scotch stars

and two other players who Bob expects shortly. Other releases and transfers include the following:

Brooklyn has signed Jock Marshall and William Dawson, both formerly of Newark.

J. & P. Coats has signed Fleming Falconer, the Bo'ness half-back who joined Providence at the beginning of the present season. The Pawtucket management has also signed Arthur Eccleston, a na-

tive born youth who played at outside left for Lusitania Recreation in the Boston District League.

Jimmy Douglas, who guarded the United States goal at the last Olympic and who was a member of the Giants during the past few seasons, has signed for Fall River.

Stanley Brooks, a wing half-back released by J. & P. Coats a few weeks ago,

Referee's Work Criticized

NOT one club that has visited New England recently returned with a kind word for the poor referee. This, mind you, also includes clubs that have not been the losing sides.

The chief difficulty of the American Soccer League, according to last season's registered reports, was in finding men who were fit to be referees. Misfit referees proved costly to any number of clubs in the League and Cup Competitions last season, and in several cases actually caused splits in the relations of the club officials towards each other.

Since the appointment of referees was turned over to a special organization, it was thought that the difficulties of the

past would be eliminated. This season, however, the complaints against poor field work by the referees surmount those made for the corresponding period of last season, which is not very commendable.

Taking it for granted that some of the present crop of arbiters lack the necessary essentials, it occurs to me that there may be something faulty in the way in which they are licensed. In the first place, applicants are required to possess certain very definite qualifications for the job, and secondly, they must prove these qualifications to the EXAMINING BOARD.

If these men convinced, as they must

have, "a Referees' Examining Board of their fitness for the field and later fell down on their jobs, there must be a misunderstanding somewhere.

In principle the selection of referees should not merely be confined to any association, but extended to meet the scrutiny of a representative of every club in the AMERICAN SOCCER LEAGUE.

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Baltimore Soccer Hotbed

By JOHNNY NEUN

DESPITE unfavorable weather conditions soccer in league form was officially inaugurated Sunday October 9 in Baltimore. The Greater Baltimore and Maryland Leagues staged forty-two games, the largest number ever played here in one day in the history of the game.

While the rapidly growing sport cannot be compared as to proficiency with the game in several other cities, it can justly boast of a topnotch position in the soccer world numerically.

The Greater Baltimore Soccer League stands out well as one of the largest of its kind in the country. It is composed of seventy-six teams divided into ten divisions—Baltimore, Monumental, Chesapeake, Patapsco, Potomac, Patuxent,

each opponent. The final games are played the last Sunday in January, after which date the champion team in each division enters an elimination series for the title of the entire league and the possession, for one year, of the handsome trophy presented the Greater Baltimore League last season by the United States Football Association.

THE revamped Maryland Soccer League, better known in this vicinity as the major circuit of the city, is composed of but eight clubs. Both professionals and amateurs are permitted to play in this loop. Practically all of its teams are composed of the more experienced players and its four games offered each Sunday are always looked upon as feature attractions.

If the opening games in this circuit are to serve as a criterion as to what to expect in the future, its followers are certain to witness a close and interesting championship race throughout the entire season. The new clubs, Clifton and Wingfoot, were particularly impressive in their initial games.

The former held the Canton Club champions last season, to a 1-1 tie, while the latter played the crack Newark eleven to a 1-1 deadlock. The Fernwood team, with a greatly improved combination defeated Makenzie by the surprising score of 8-1. Nagle, star center forward, scored five of his teams eight goals.

THE Greater Baltimore Soccer League, because of its efficient grading system, always offers well balanced divisional competition. Last season the loop was divided into eight sections making an ideal situation for the grading plan this year. Teams finishing first in their respective divisions were placed in the first or Baltimore Division this year. Those finishing second form the second or Monumental Division, and in a like manner all of the clubs were placed. The new teams to enter the league this year were placed in two new divisions.



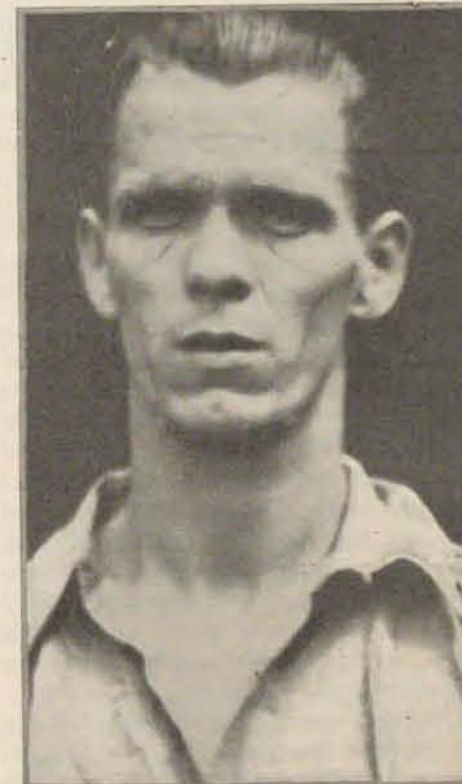
Agnew center forward of the Providence club

Susquehanna, Severn, Gunpowder and Magothy.

It is strictly an amateur circuit. It was organized for the purpose of playing Sunday soccer only. Its huge schedule is divided into two rounds with each club playing a home and away contest with

a crack eleven picked by many to give the Rangers a tough battle for the crown this year, conquered the Southern by a 3-2 score.

Games in the Monumental Division were featured by close score. Parkside defeated Immanuel 3-2, Phantom won



Jerry Best, outside left of the New Bedford team. He is one of the stars of New England eleven

from Y.M.H.A. 3-2, the Monumental Rangers defeated Mardale also by a 3-2 count. The Colonials gained a clever victory over the young St. Elizabeth team 5-3.

IN THE Chesapeake or third highest division of the Greater Baltimore loop, two upsets were furnished. The Locust Point All Stars easily defeated the Outlaws 6-0, while the Lincoln Reserves ran roughshod over the Sinclair eleven and won by a 5-1 score.

The Patapsco another of the topnotch sections of the seventy-six club organization offered several closely contested and well played games. Brunswick won from Varsity 3-2, Point Booters fell before the strong Marshall eleven 4-2, while Primrose and the Colonial Reserves played a 2-2 tie.

New England Random Shots

THE Fall River Club continues to bogging down hill. The defeat by Hartford was the last straw. It was the second defeat at home in two weeks, and by what was considered one of the weakest teams in the league. Perhaps, some of the dopsters have changed their minds since then. Douglas on loan from the Giants, filled Willie Harper's shoes between the up-rights, but the change did not bring the desired results. Opinion is veering round to what I said a week or two ago that the weakness is not altogether in goal. It certainly is in the defense—the goal average proves that.

In seven games played the club has scored twenty goals, almost an average of three goals per game, but in that same seven games the defense has been penetrated for twenty-three goals, something the club custodian surely cannot shoulder all the blame for. Gibson, and McGill as a pair do not team well together.

Individually, Charlie is the better of the two, and improving with each game. Not one whittle of understanding, expected of a good defensive pair, did I see on my last visit to the stadium, the day they crossed swords with the "Quakers."

Willie Harper played that day, and one would have thought that a feud was on between the big custodian, and the left back, the way Gibson kept away from him. None of the old tactics of one back falling back into goal when the other was engaged. Harper was left to his own resources most of the time.

The middle line has also been shaky for some time, but allowance must be made in the last two games for Wilson, who has not yet recovered from his injury. But, what beats me, is why "Tosher" Burns, one of the best-centre-halves in the country, was sent in at right half, when his real position is one of the weakest spots in the Fall River eleven.

McPherson is still feeling the effects of an injury received at Pawtucket, and must receive some consideration for falling of his game. Coyle since the season opened has been playing under high pressure, to make up for the weakness in the centre-half position, and is as far as I can see hardly doing himself justice.

Nothing can be laid at the door of the attack, they have scored just one goal less than New Bedford, who lead the league in this respect. With Cambell sick, White is in foreign quarters, but is giving of his best under strange conditions. The forwards may have had an off day against Hartford, but there have been many this season when they have striven with might and main to break the spell that has blanketed the "Marksmen" this season.

TURNING to the "Whalers." The "hunch" I held when the New Bedford club changed ownership, that a Rocheleau atmosphere surrounded the proceedings, in spite of statements to the contrary, still holds good. The contemplated movement of players from New Bedford to the Nutmeggers, if carried out, will sound strangely like duality on the part of the Hartford owner.

Hardly had the deal for New Bedford ownership reached the final stages, when Nick Stewart departed to the "Nutmeg" state, the first part of a trio of New Bedford kickers, traded for Tommy Blair. Tommy Steel, and Billie Ritchie, are the other two who figure in the deal. Blair is still between the sticks for the Hartford club, but is expected shortly in the "Whalers" camp. Bill Paterson, I hear, is also in line for a Hartford sweater.

SPEAKING of Hartford. Bob Perry has made all the difference in the world to the "Nutmeggers" middle line. The big fellow played his part, a very important part in the victory over Fall River two weeks ago. Brittain has not been so well looked after in some time than he was that afternoon, and still Perry found time to give Tommy Blair a hand in stopping likely looking drives on their way to the rigging. Bain was also very much in the picture in that game. Not so very big, as far as backs go, but what a hefty wallop he can give the pill, and how he can tackle!

Rocheleau's men failed in their Worcester game against Providence, but only by the one goal margin. The experiment to make Worcester a pro-soccer city met with an unexpected obstacle. An air-

pageant, a novelty in these times, was a counter-attraction and brought the expected attendance down considerably.

The "Whalers" are to be sympathised with in losing the services of Tommy Maxwell, who unfortunately broke his arm in the Columbus Day game against Fall River. The loss to the eleven cannot be overestimated. Maxwell's triangular play with Ballantyne, and Sam Chedzoy is something the Battery park following have been boasting about these days, and it will take a good one to fill "Sturdy's" shoes in their eyes.

Injuries over the holiday were not all confined to the "Whalers." Coats may have Findlay Kerr, their clever custodian, out for a few weeks. Findlay received a severe shoulder injury in the Boston game, and had to be taken out. Jock Allan, the "Threadmen's" full back, filled the gap, but the Pawtucket side went down by two clear goals.

Alex Beattie's rest seemingly has done the Providence winger a world of good. Against Hartford Alex was like his old time self. His sparkling runs, and perfect centres were features of the "Clam-diggers" showing at Worcester.

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This Week-End in Soccer

By SAM MAC LERIE

PASSING events in the American Soccer League chase for points and percentage have been interesting and to say the least most astonishing. I have seen when one could come pretty near doping out the prospects of the next week's games with some degree of luck, but these days have suddenly gone and we are playing in a new era, to describe it, is more difficult than picking winners.

Just look what Hartford has done recently, beat our Nationals, Fall River and Providence all in one two three order, and before them the J. & P. Coats fell before the nutmeggers. Who would have thought that Jimmy Dewhursts gathering of "has beens" could have accomplished such wonderful results.

In calling them "has beens," I have no desire to reflect on the players ability, but rather on the clubs who have farmed the most of the Hartford team out to owner Rocheleau. It is very strange that a team like Hartford, which is nothing really wonderful, can do what it has done, and a team like Fall River is losing as consistently as Hartford is winning. What is the answer?

THERE are some very bright prospects for this week end, with most of the leading teams clashing on Saturday, which will give the experts some difficulty sifting out. I am not going to try very hard to pick the winners, but there is going to be some unusual happenings, you may mark my words.

To start with the Bethlehem-Brooklyn clash at Bethlehem will be a hot one. The steel workers have never forgotten that 5 to 0 defeat at Hawthorne Field in their second match of the schedule. What they are not planning to do to the Wanderers is not worth knowing.

At home Bethlehem are well nigh invincible, but have been beaten occasionally, and the Brooklyn eleven will make it very interesting indeed for the league champions on Saturday.

With Edwards and Gillespie taking their turn on the firing line, the Lewis aggregation is just marking time, waiting the opportunity to jump into the leading position and once at the top it is going to take some weight to get them out.

HERE is a game that will be worth seeing. It should afford one of the best scraps to date. Fall River's present

position compared with Boston's must not be taken into consideration. The hub eleven will have to play like the "old herry" to keep Fall River from taking one or probably two points away from Boston.

THIS WEEK'S ATTRACTIONS

Saturday, October 22

At Bethlehem—Bethlehem vs. Brooklyn.

At Boston—Boston vs. Fall River.

At Philadelphia—Philadelphia vs. Giants.

At New Bedford—New Bedford vs. Providence.

At Pawtucket—J. & P. Coats vs. Hartford.

Sunday, October 23

At Brooklyn—Brooklyn vs. Newark.

At Starlight Park—New York Nationals vs. Bethlehem.

At Hartford—Hartford vs. New Bedford.

At Fall River—Fall River vs. J. & P. Coats.

The hub team has done better than I expected, or anybody else in fact. Give it credit, it has a fighting team, with some real good football players to boot. It is due to take a tumble soon, and it would not surprise me a bit if it loses two points this week.

MAURICE VANDEWEIGH'S New York Giants are playing pretty good football but are not winning so very many games. Perhaps if they omitted some of the finer points that its players are showing, and went after goals via the kick and run style, they might have better results.

Losing to Brooklyn the other week was a big disappointment to the Bronx crew. This seems to be Brooklyn's year, it was the Giants who held the upper hand in the local derby last year, so its only fair to let the honors go round.

With only one game for this week end the Giants will make a great effort to make it count. Getting points away from the Philadelphians is no easy matter, but it has been done by the Giants before, and there is no reason why it can't be repeated, even if the Phillies are a much stronger eleven.

THIS will be a red hot battle. When these New England teams come to grips, there is fireworks. Starting off

like a whirlwind, the clam-diggers have been set back quite a few times. It did not like losing those two points to the Hartford team the other week, that was not expected. There are others who will lose points to Hartford, so Sam Fletcher need not feel badly.

When New Bedford is met on Saturday, there will be some very interesting doings. Of course, judging from the way the whalers have been "bowling" them over at New Bedford, I can't see much hope for the Fletchermen.

I think this is where Hartford is due to take a licking. The threadmen have a knack of tying knots on the "heavy-weights" very often on their home grounds. Coats needs the points, and I will be reatly disappointed if they don't take two from the nutmeggers on Saturday.

ALTHOUGH the Polo Grounds are not available for the Nationals, this week, their game with the crack Bethlehem eleven will be played just the same. Arrangements have been made with the New York Giants owners to use Starlight Park, so the local fans will not be deprived of this banner attraction for Sunday.

Now that the "Nats" have got settled on a fairly regular team, which has been doing very well of late, the visit of the Bethlehem team should spur the boys on to take a whack at the league champions. I think they can do it.

TOM ADAMS' boys always makes it very interesting for Nat Agars team, either home or away. Sunday's clash will be no exception. If we were to judge the prospects of Newark on its showing to date, we would have to concede the points to the Wanderers.

To-day, particularly in the American league, results cannot be forecasted on the standing of the clubs. It used to be done, with some degree of success in past seasons, but this is a different season, the like we have not had for many years, and may be not again for as long.

The spectators will get their money's worth at Hawthorne Field, and the Wanderers will have to keep both eyes on Tom Adam's boys. They need to be watched.

Two other games complete the schedule, with Hartford at home to New Bedford, while Fall River meets Coats at Tiverton.

Inside Forwards in Soccer

The "Thinking" Men of the Game (Fifth of a Series)

By CHARLES MILNE

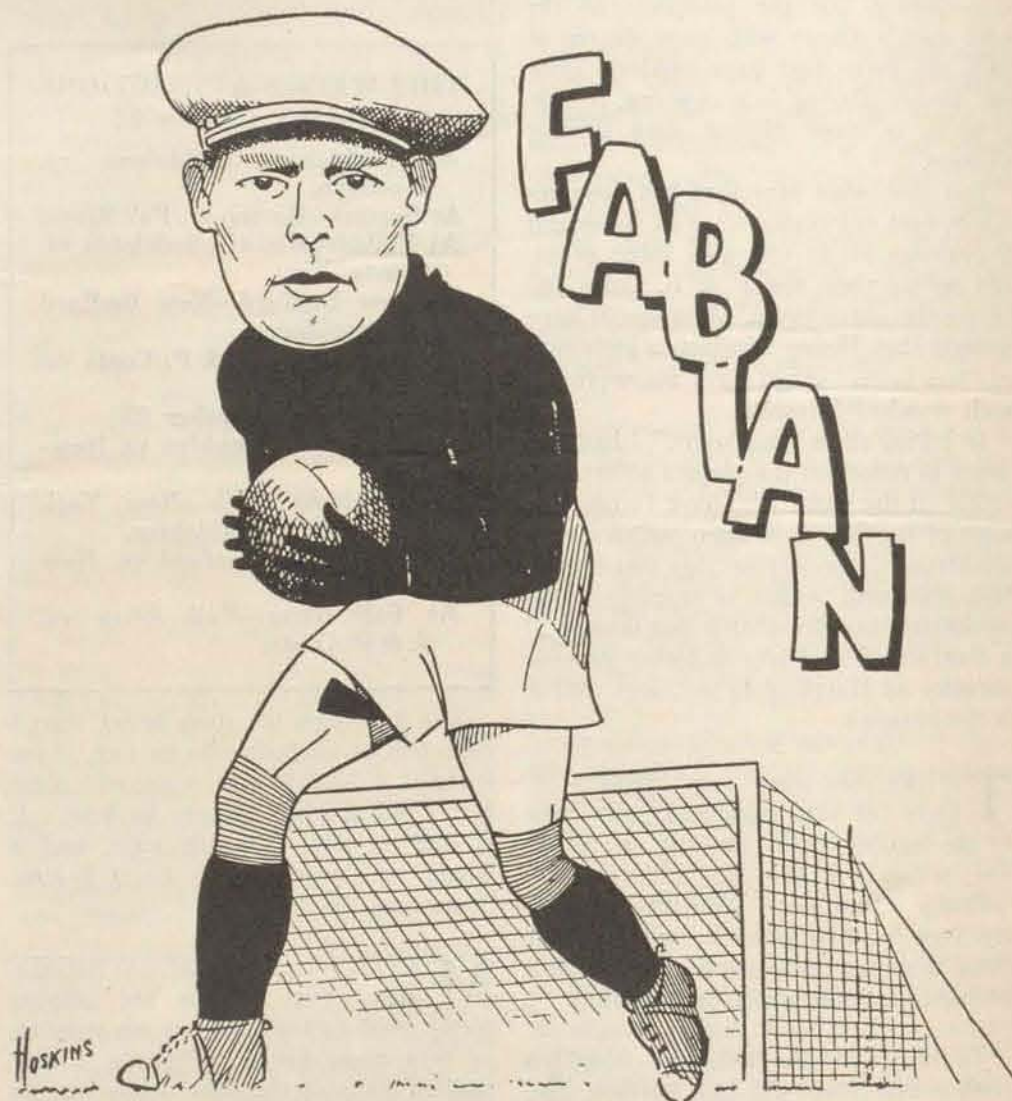
YOU will have noticed in the course of the several articles I have written on how the game should be played that there has been attached to the occupants of each position on the field, a certain distinction, a distinctive difference in their responsibility in the great scheme of things when it comes to playing soccer correctly and incidentally winning each game in which they take part if they can. No team takes the field to lose and it is a winning team that you must always think about when you weigh up the necessary qualifications of every member of the eleven.

If you were to scrutinise the daily press in the Old Country where is devoted much space to matters soccer and men associated with the great game, you would be impressed with one fact that the many English managers whose swans have turned out to be geese, are scouring Scotland to-day in search of inside forwards.

Just as art students acquire much knowledge from old masters, so must young soccer players make valuable use of the players' attributes who have emerged honorably from the stern school of experience. Suppose we take three Englishmen and three Scotsmen whose play had distinctive features.

You cannot pass over Bloomer, the greatest shot, particularly in International games which England has ever produced. Joe Smith, who has scored more goals than any other in League games, is still doing well with Stockport County, and the player who comes after him is none other than Charlie Buchan of the Arsenal.

Bobby Walker will always be the model for all Scottish forwards desirous of acquiring superior knowledge of the great art of the work of an inside man. In the annual chase for honors, Jim McMenemy followed closely behind. They were players of the same elusive type, had a swerve which was not identical but much in common. Walker would not touch the ball on occasions. He is the only player I ever saw to beat two rushing full-backs without touching the ball once. McMenemy, you would almost have thought, tied the ball to his toe. And in these latter days you must think of Andy Cunningham of Rangers. There



Fabian, former Hakoah goal keeper who now is the star of the New York Giants.

are many others I could nominate, but let these half dozen suffice.

STEVE BLOOMER has always been regarded as the greatest inside forward which England has produced. He was nothing of the kind. He was a terrific shot, but I am of opinion that Steve spoiled more outside plays than any other International player kicking a ball. It was not much his concern whether the outside man or the center got the ball. Steve seemed to think that they should keep him well supplied. In saying this, I am stating merely what is the cold blooded truth. Bloomer might have been a good full back, that is, if he

had accustomed himself to the position, because if there was one thing he did possess was his great ability in being able to hit a ball.

So could Joe Smith of Bolton fame. In Lancashire, even after all these long years of service, he is the "darling of the gods," and not only did he possess the ability in his hey-day of outmanoeuvring an opponent but he carried a wicked shot in that left boot of his.

Charlie Buchan has not such a lengthy list of honors. He is a most lovable fellow. I should think he is one of the few persons who does not have an enemy in the world. He is English to the very roots of his hair. But—and this is the

funny thing about him—he is Scottish in his ways. There is no stern command as Bloomer heralded. He is the pretty player, popular everywhere, and he will not sacrifice his style of play for all the International selectors who ever travelled up and down the country at the expense of the fans who, by popular veto would have given Charles Buchan his place in every International game since he came to the forefront. It is something to be proud of that he can go to any ground in the Soccer World and be welcomed. He smiles through the piece. As all close dribblers do, he leans over the ball and to take the ball from him legitimately, you would require a leg almost six feet long.

SOMETIMES think when I see him being passed over for International honors that he must have said something to the selectors as would Charlie Roberts without hesitation, and yet I cannot think of him saying a word other than a greeting in is usually cheerful way. They will tell you that as an inside forward he is still as good as ever, and if he escapes injury then he will be heard of for years and years to come.

If you come to the consideration of Bobby Walker's and Jim McMenemy's ways what can be said? I have never seen either of them attempt to run even to catch a train. I can recall an Edinburgh express being held up when Bobby was saying good-bye to a host of friends when Hearts had beaten Celtic in a memorable cup tie, but even on the field he did just the same as on that platform with railway officials waving flags frantically and blowing whistles as if their only ambition was to test the strength of their lung power.

Both McMenemy and Walker, the idol of the Scottish Capitol, whose transfer fee was Edinburgh Castle plus the rock, weaved their way into fame. They were slow as cart horses on a race track. McMenemy could have given Walker half a dozen yards in a hundred, and neither of them were fast.

Only in respect that he has wonderful ball control does Andy Cunningham resemble either the Hearts, or Celtic Generals, in fact the Celt, the product of the Kilmarnock school could give them thirty-six pounds in weight today and he would still have the advantage. He is a powerful shot.

When Maurice Vandeweghe, owner of the New York Giants, had seen the Scottish team play—the team that toured Canada I mean—he said to the writer, "He is some player is this Cunningham and he plays the game all the time. On and off the field he is a gentleman."



Fred Morley of the Fall River Club. Morley is worried about what Sam Mark may do in his contemplated shakeup.

An inside forward cannot afford to rough it. He has too much thinking to do, and you cannot very well nurse sores and keep your mental equipment in thorough working order. Ball control is the great essential, and you would probably have read in *Soccer Pictorial* just how this ball control can be acquired.

I was reading a book of instruction written by somebody who evidently once climbed over a barricade to see a game and he wrote that the great essential for an inside forward was speed. He is hereby invited to put his advice in his smoke and pipe it. It is a qualification, no doubt, but he should do the thinking part of the business for the speedy merchants in the business, the outside forwards and the potential goal-scorer, the center-forward.

AN INSIDE forward who has no control of the ball, who does not have the ability to scheme for his partners, should "tak tae himsel' a thocht" and see if he cannot persuade himself that he is on the wrong train of thought

Temperament has a great deal to do with the success of an inside forward. He should be the most unselfish player on the field, and supply others with opportunities unless it be, as is in the case of Joe Smith and Charlie Buchan, he is endowed with the valuable ability to shoot. The observation I have just made can be exemplified in the case of a Jackie Carr of Middlesbro. The great goal-scorer has been Camself, but this lad will tell you that had it not been for the scheming of Carr, he would not have registered his great total of last season. Jackie is a gas fitter, but he fits into the scheme of things at Ayresome Park because he will not "gas." When he says anything on the field of play, it is usually little more than a whisper.

To the inside forward, I should say, cultivate ball control. Never weary at practice in fooling around with the leather. If you can get another inside forward to play with you at practice keep it to yourselves, and even if the other fellow manages to elude you, you will gain knowledge every move he makes contrary to your divination of his intentions. Choose your opponent and take a half back for a change at intervals.

Vary your training with shooting practice of the right sort. What does it matter to you if the goalkeeper at the nets catches what you had anticipated would have been a goal. Return the effort, and vary every effort, remembering all the time that there are four points in the goalkeeper's compass which it is easy to pierce, the top right and left hand corners of the woodwork and the lower right and left.

Except in the case of a medium sized goalkeeper, who has difficulty in getting to a high ball, which is going away from him all the time, keep them low. These shots which skim the uprights are very difficult to stop, even by the goalkeeper who is willing to run the risk of dashing his brains out against the upright.

There are many of them who are hilarious enough to make the effort, but in a few years to come they will see themselves as wax models in the famous Madame Tassaud's museum.

In our next issue I shall deal with the most difficult problem of solution in Soccer, the manifold difficulties of the leader of the attack.

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In British Soccer Leagues

Results and Standing, Including Games of October 15

THE outstanding feature of British soccer competition of the past week was the victory of Aston Villa over Sunderland, 4 to 2. The victors showed in action Gibson, the greatest of all right halves—a star who cost \$35,000. Dr. Milne, another luminary on Aston Villa, gave the fans a view of the purely Scottish game. Gibson and the medico gave Sunderland an interesting afternoon. It looks as if the Villa has come into its own at last, after spending about \$50,000 in its effort to bolster its team.

The secondary feature was the victory of Grimsby Town over Hull City, 1 to 0, in the second league. Grimsby and Hull are very keen rivals. They are neighbors and there is nobody whom Grimsby would like to beat more than Hull.

In the Scottish League the major surprise was the victory of the Rangers over Glasgow Celtic at Ibrox Park, 1 to 0.

The results and standings including games of October 15, follow:

ENGLISH LEAGUE

FIRST DIVISION

Arsenal 2, Leicester City 2.
Aston Villa 4, Sunderland 2.
Birmingham 3, Middlesbrough 2.
Burnley 2, Portsmouth 0.
Bury 3, West Ham United 1.
Huddersfield Town 1, Bolton Wanderers 0.
Everton 1, Liverpool 1.
Manchester United 2, Cardiff City 2.
Newcastle United 4, Wednesday 3.
Sheffield United 1, Derby County 0.
Tottenham Hotspur 1, Blackburn Rovers 1.

SECOND DIVISION

Barnsley 0, South Shields 0.
Bristol City 0, West Bromwich Albion 1.
Fulham 1, Leeds United 1.
Hull City 0, Grimsby Town 1.
Notts County 3, Blackpool 1.
Oldham Athletic 3, Reading 2.
Preston N. E. 1, Manchester City 0.
Southampton 2, Chelsea 4.
Stoke City 2, Clapton Orient 0.
Swansea Town 2, Nottingham Forest 0.
Wolverhampton Wanderers 2, Port Vale 1.

THIRD DIVISION

Northern Section

Accrington Stanley 1, Bradford City 1.
Bradford 3, Nelson 2.
Chesterfield 1, Rochdale 3.
Darlington 5, Ashington 1.
Doncaster Rovers 3, Crewe Alexandra 1.
Durham City 0, Southport 0.
Hartlepool United 3, New Brighton 3.
Lincoln City 2, Stockport County 0.
Tranmere Rovers 5, Barrow 0.
Wigan Borough 1, Halifax Town 3.
Wrexham 3, Rotherham United 2.

Southern Section

Charlton Athletic 2, Bristol Rovers 1.
Coventry City 6, Southend United 1.

Crystal Palace 0, Millwall 4.
Exeter City 3, Luton Town 2.
Newport County 1, Gillingham 1.
Northampton 1, Brighton and Hove Albion 0.
Norwich City 3, Bournemouth and Boscombe Athletic 3.
Queen's Park Rangers 0, Menthayr Town 0.
Swindon Town 5, Walsall 0.
Torquay United 2, Brentford 1.
Watford 1, Plymouth Argyle 2.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

FIRST DIVISION

Clyde 0, Patrick Thistle 2.
Dundee 3, Aberdeen 2.
Dunfermline 3, Cowdenheath 2.
Falkirk 3, Airdrieonians 1.
Hamilton Acad 1, Motherwell 3.
Hibernians 2, Hearts 1.
Kilmarnock 6, St. Mirren 2.
Queen's Park 1, St. Johnstone 1.
Raith Rovers 3, Bo'ness 2.
Rangers 1, Celtic 0.

SECOND DIVISION

Albion Rovers 4, Stenhousemuir 0.
Alloa 0, Dundee United 0.
Arthurlie 2, Third Lanark 0.
Bathgate 1, Armadale 1.
Clydebank 1, Dunbarton 2.
Forfar Athletic 2, Arbroath 2.
King's Park 2, East Stirling 2.
Morton 0, Ayr United 2.
Queen of South 2, East Fife 4.
St. Bernard 1, Leith Athletic 2.

IRISH LEAGUE

Linfield 3, Larne 4.
Glentoran 3, Queen's Island 2.
Barn 2, Bangor 0.
Cliftonville 0, Distillery 2.
Glenavon 3, Belfast Celtic 4.
Paradown 0, Newry 1.
Ards 0, Coleraine 1.

Standing of Clubs in British Soccer

ENGLISH LEAGUE

FIRST DIVISION

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals	F.	A.	Pt.
Newcastle United	10	6	2	2	28	17	14	
Bury	10	7	3	0	26	20	14	
West Ham United	9	6	2	1	24	18	13	
Everton	10	4	1	5	27	17	13	
Arsenal	10	5	2	3	24	21	13	
Cardiff City	10	4	1	5	19	19	13	
Blackburn Rovers	11	4	2	5	17	14	13	
Aston Villa	10	5	3	2	25	17	12	
Liverpool	10	3	3	4	25	18	12	
Leicester City	11	3	4	4	18	17	10	
Huddersfield Town	9	3	3	3	22	19	9	
Middlesbrough	10	3	4	3	18	22	9	
Birmingham	10	3	4	3	19	23	9	
Sheffield United	10	3	4	3	12	18	9	
Manchester United	11	3	5	3	16	23	9	
Derby County	10	3	5	2	23	23	8	
Sunderland	10	4	4	2	27	26	10	
Portsmouth	10	3	5	2	21	30	8	
Burnley	10	4	6	0	20	24	8	
Tottenham Hotspur	11	3	6	2	14	24	8	
Bolton Wanderers	10	1	5	4	9	14	6	
The Wednesday	10	1	5	4	17	24	6	

SECOND DIVISION

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals	F.	A.	Pt.
Chelsea	9	5	1	3	19	8	13	
Manchester City	10	7	2	1	26	19	15	
Preston North End	10	6	2	2	24	14	14	
Stoke City	10	5	2	3	20	11	13	
Oldham Athletic	10	6	3	1	23	16	13	
Clapton Orient	10	6	3	1	20	16	13	

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals	F.	A.	Pt.
Leeds United	9	5	2	2	24	11	12	
W. Bromwich A.	10	5	3	2	24	19	12	
Swansea Town	10	5	3	2	30	26	12	
Bristol City	10	5	4	1	22	21	11	
Barnsley	9	2	2	5	16	16	9	
Wolverhampton W.	10	4	3	3	19	21	11	
Hull City	10	4	4	2	11	11	10	
Notts Forest	10	4	5	1	25	21	9	
Fulham	10	3	4	3	16	19	9	
Notts County	9	2	4	3	10	17	7	
Grimsby Town	10	1	4	5	15	21	7	
Port Vale	10	3	6	1	13	21	7	
Southampton	10	1	6	3	13	22	5	
Reading	10	0	5	5	13	24	5	
Blackpool	10	2	7	1	14	26	5	
South Shields	10	1	7	2	13	28	4	

THIRD DIVISION

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals	F.	A.	Pt.
Halifax Town	12	8	2	2	31	17	18	
Bradford	10	6	1	3	22	12	15	
Lincoln City	10	7	2	1	26	18	15	
Wrexham	11	6	2	3	20	15	15	
Rochdale	9	7	2	0	22	11	14	
Doncaster Rovers	10	6	2	2	22	8	14	
Darlington	10	6	3	1	19	10	13	
Tranmere Rovers	9	5	2	2	17	9	12	
Bradford City	9	3	3	3	17	14	9	
Nelson	10	5	3	1	23	21	9	
Accrington Stanley	8	2	4	4	14	11	8	
Stockport County	9	4	5	0	9	12	8	
Rotherham United	9	3	4	2	13	17	8	
Chester Field	10	3	5	2	18	18	8	
New Brighton	10	3	5	2	20	21	8	
Durham City	10	3	5	2	15	19	8	
Hartlepool United	10	4	5	1	14	19	9	
Crewe Alexandra	11	2	6	3	14	24	7	
Southport	10	2	6	2	14	21	6	
Wigan Borough	10	2	6	2	11	19	6	
Barrow	11	1	8	2	11	34	4	
Ashington	11	0	7	4	14	36	4	

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

FIRST DIVISION

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals	F.	A.	Pt.
Rangers	9	8	0	1	24	11	17	
Motherwell	10	8	1	1	24	14	16	
Celtic	10	7	1	2	24	4	16	
Hearts	10	7	3	0	27	9	14	
St. Mirren	10	6	3	1	21	23	13	
St. Johnstone	10	5	2	3	15	17	13	
Aberdeen	11	6	5	0	24	23	10	
Cowdenbeath	10	5	4	1	16	20	11	
Patrick Thistle	10	5	4	1	20	24	11	
Kilmarnock	11	4	4	3	21	22	11	
Falkirk	10	4	5	1	19	18	9	
Airdrieonians	10	3	4	3	17	17	9	
Bo'ness	10	4	5	1	15	19	9	
Hibernians	10	4	6	0	19	19	8	
Clyde	10	3	6	1	12	21	7	
Raith Rovers	10	3	7	0	20	27	6	
Dundee	10	2	6	2	10	18	6	
Queens Park	10	2	6	2	10	20	6	
Hamilton A. C.	10	1	7	2	14	25	4	
Dunfermline Ath.	10	1	8	1	12	30	3	

SCOTTISH LEAGUE—Second Division

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals	F.	A.	Pt.
Arthurlie	10	7	3	0	28	22	14	
Ayr United	10	6	2	2	30	16	14	
Queen of South	10	6	3	1	31	24	13	
Alloa	10	5	2	3	23	17	13	
Dundee United	10	4	1	5	19	13	13	
Dunbarton	10	5	3	2	27	23	12	
Arbroath	10	5	3	2	23	20	12	
Third Lanark	9	5	3	1	16	11	11	
King's Park	10	4	3	3	25	24	11	
Leith Athletic	10	3	3	4	21	21	10	

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With "Nats" and N. Y. Giants

By "UNO"

ALL doubts as to Jimmy Cameron's destination were dispelled early Saturday morning when another Jimmy, the manager of the New York Giants, Jimmy Armstrong, announced that he had obtained the signature of the Hielan's laddie. He got a tip-top player for nothing.

An arrangement which is satisfactory to the contracting parties was arrived at in the "wee sma' oors" and Cameron has accepted and donned the Giants' uniform last week-end.

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AT Starlight Park there are some persons who will maintain that what New York Giants most require is an outside left. That is sheer bunk. The Giants are producing the goods in young O'Brien who on form is one of the cleverest kids seen hereabouts for a while. Maurice Vandeweghe would be very foolish indeed to think of removing this youngster. He is possessed of football skill, full of enthusiasm, takes a knock and doesn't complain. He plugs along to win games and when the ninety minutes are up, he is game enough to face the same ordeal.

The time has passed now when O'Brien has to be regarded as a youngster who requires nursing. He has arrived, and in every game he will improve. He is in possession of one valuable necessity to every young player.

He rates his abilities not by the dollar bills he receives, but by the measure of satisfaction he derives in having played a fairly good game. In the Old Country, he is a boy who would rejoice the heart of Willie Maley of the famous Glasgow Celtic.

Maurice Vandeweghe has brought this kid along, and if he were wise he should close his ears to any suggestion that another outside left is required. He has the goods, and a very nice unassuming lad. That also is valuable for much. More I believe than the cost of an ocean voyage or a transfer fee.

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WERE I in Bob Millar's shoes, I would be inclined to play Jimmy Gallacher at outside right. Sure he is one of the best of half backs but until Walker has become acclimated—and there is more in this acclimatization than you think—Gallacher is the man for the position.

To fill the gap, I would give Slavin the preference. He has got the guts. That is half the battle. There is no yellow streak about this guy who rejoices over a plate of Scotch broth. If the management of the Polo Grounds club wanted to see a revelation in the form of their forwards the man was on hand to deliver the goods. Bob Millar may think the matter over these days and decide.

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THERE are those who thought that Tom Adam had made a mistake when he selected Tandler of the Giants as the best left back in America. He is. I am not aware what is his favorite language, but if he had a smattering of Yiddish or Hebrew it is perfectly possible that he might utter a few adjectives with expressive forcefulness.

Tandler is playing great soccer today. He plays to the whistle. He and Moorhouse as a pair are just about the best backs in the American League, but it is very bad policy to play Moorhouse until he is absolutely fit. This observation should be jotted down in Jimmy Armstrong's mental ledger.

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Dame Rumor is not always a lying jade. It is broadcasted by the lady that McClure of the New York Giants will be called upon to play more than exhibition games in the future. The Irishman is very philosophic about it and says it is good policy to give the other fellow a chance. He does not exactly enjoy looking on but he is perfectly happy when he has to stand down to a better man.

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Jock Brown of the Nationals says that he is finished with the game. I heard him remark upon his display against Hartford, particularly the losing of the first goal. If it should so happen that I get a team of soccer players together who will disport themselves on—I was going to say a 'grassy sward' but if even it sounds poetic it would not be truthful—the said Jock would guard the up-rights.

There is a great deal of psychology in the game, and there is nobody in the Nationals, encampment who will come along and tell the writer that the said Brown hasn't the faintest idea about goalkeeping. Brown will be back in the game very speedily. Strangely enough he also has got a "free transfer."

Geordie Jenkins of the Nationals is nursing his damaged leg very carefully. He has an elastic bandage on his knee which is doing him no end of good. Trainer Stearns is looking after the kid very closely. Not until he is absolutely fit should he be introduced in the team, but when that day arrives, you will see a change in the Nationals' forward line. Fancy Bob Millar to the left of Geordie Henderson and Geordie Jenkins to the right of him. There would be some goal banquet. The day is approaching. Nothing more certain than that.

IN BRITISH LEAGUES

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	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals	F.	A.	Pt.
Forfar Athletic	10	3	3	4	15	20	10	
East Stirling	10	4	5	1	27	21	9	
East Fife	10	4	5	1	20	19	9	
Bathgate	10	3	4	3	19	25	9	
Stenhousemuir	10	4	6	0	20	24	8	
St. Bernard	10	3	5	2	20	22	8	
Morton	10	3	5	2	11	21	8	
Armadale	10	2	6	2	13	33	6	
Albion Rovers	9	2	6	1	18	20	5	
Clydebank	10	2	7	1	12	22	5	

ENGLISH LEAGUE—Third Division (Southern Section)

Charlton A.	10	5	0	5	15	10	15
Northampton	10	7	3	0	26	24	14
Queen's Park R. ..	11	6	3	2	21	17	14
Millwall	10	6	3	1	29	19	13
Plymouth A.	10	5	2	3	23	12	13
Norwich City	10	5	2	3	24	14	13
Brentford	11	6	4	1	27	21	13
Southend U.	10	6	4	0	21	19	12
Newport County ..	10	5	3	2	22	16	12
Exeter City	10	4	2	4	18	18	12
Merthyr Town	10	3	2	5	17	16	11
Brighton & H. A. ..	10	4	4	2	18	17	10
Walsall	10	4	5	1	17	26	9
Coventry City	10	3	4	3	20	20	9
Swindon Town	9	3	4	2	22	22	8
Bristol Rovers	10	3	6	1	19	24	7
Crystal Palace	10	2	5	3	11	27	7
Torquay U.	10	2	5	3	10	25	7
Watford	10	3	7	0	16	20	6
Gillingham	10	1	5	4	17	23	6
B'mouth & B. A. ..	11	1	6	4	15	24	6
Luton Town	10	2	7	1	20	24	5

Uno's Form Chart

Picking the Winners in British Contests for October 22

SEVERAL soccer surprises are in store in the English Leagues for the games of Saturday, October 22. There will be something doing, as the boys say when they expect the unusual to occur.

I chanced to meet Johnny May, the greatest international half-back who ever played a ball, and this British star, watch-me dope out the winners for Saturday's games remarked that he agreed in all my choices but one. He disagreed on the selection of Aston Villa to beat Huddersfield. In the second and third division of the English League May suggested that we give the home team the vote. Here is what the writer and May, who by the way is on the high seas on his way back to England, agreed upon:

Everton will go right ahead. Dixie Dean has struck his true form. He is a fellow who is going to take a terrible lot of stopping. Everton is sure to beat West Ham.

Newcastle United is certain to beat Sheffield United. I wonder when old friend John Nicholson is to waken up to the idea that he cannot keep on catching up with a Nudger Needham. They did not pay five cents for him. At Bramall Lane they expect to see half-backs at least. It was Sheffield's greatest investment, as well as the greatest speculation when they got Needham.

Bank on the fact that Middlesbro is going to put it over Burnley. I should be inclined to say that this is the most certain event in the world.

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IN THE Second Division, you have to keep Manchester City in mind all the time. Keep in mind also that Blackpool the most notorious kill-joy in the world. The team bobs up serenely all the time, and yet I of am of the belief that the brief railway journey to the coast will not be unproductive.

They say that this is to be Preston's year. Let them go it when they visit the capital. They have only an outside chance of beating Clapton Orient.

South Shields seems to be in a pretty bad way. It takes a terrible lot of doing to get a victory at Oldham. Shields will lose again. It is almost a certainty. The Albion is going straight for promotion, and I am looking for one of the biggest scores of the day. It is positive that West Brom will win out.

There will be a happy place to live in for once in a while. Both Bradford teams will win.

I cannot see any away winner in the Scottish League other than Celtic's enter-

GOAL SCORING RECORDS

A reader of this magazine asks for goal scoring records.

The record, 36 goals to 0 was made by Arbroath in a Scottish Cup tie against Bon Accord in 1885; Preston North End beat Hyde 26-0 in a F.A. Cup-tie in 1887.

England scored 13 goals to 0 at the expense of Ireland in an International match at Belfast on February 18, 1922, and a dozen goals have been obtained under Football League auspices by West Bromwich Albion against Darwen in 1892 by Notts Forest against Leicester Fosse in 1909, and by Aston Villa against Accrington in 1892.

The highest number of consecutive goals obtained by one player was eight by David Weir, for Halliwell against Notts County. Can any reader supply the date of that match?

prise at Aberdeen. The Dons will go down, and when the brake clubs rumble through Stirling, there will be a vote of reprobation by the Presbytery for breaking the Sabbath day. It will be a day out for the Scottish home clubs. Everything is in their favor.

WHAT CLUBS DID BEFORE (Results for 1926-27)

ENGLISH LEAGUE—First Division		
Birmingham v. Bury	H.2-2	A.1-3
Blackburn R. v. Leicester C.	H.2-1	A.0-4
Bolton W. v. Liverpool	H.2-1	A.2-3
Cardiff City v. Portsmouth	H.	A.0-3
Everton v. West Ham	H.0-3	A.1-2
Huddersfield T. v. Aston Villa	H.0-0	A.0-3
Manchester U. v. Derby County	H.2-2	A.2-2
Middlesboro v. Burnley	H.	A.2-3
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Scores 95 Goals in 79 Games

THE moguls of the American Soccer League are apparently missing something. At any rate, judging from the wholesale signing of players by owner Mark of the Fall River Club, we are surprised that he does not gather into his fold a few of the big goal getters from abroad. Here is a tip for the hustling New England club owner:

Take the first boat that leaves for England, drop off at Manchester, locate James Cookson of the West Bromwich Albion eleven and bring here to join the Markmen. Why? Well, here is the answer:

The six goals scored by James Cookson for West Bromwich Albion against Blackpool recently has brought the former Manchester City full-back into the full glare of the limelight, and Midland critics tell us he is a wonder at shooting 'em where the goaler is not.

His forte is the getting of goals, as is clearly demonstrated by the fact that he has scored no fewer than 95 in 79 games in the Second and Third Divisions since he took on the onerous duties of centre-forward.

Six successive goals do not constitute a record. Had he been credited with a seventh, when he scored what most people thought was a perfectly good goal, he would have accomplished a feat which has no parallel in modern League football though Jimmy Ross, Jr., is said to have scored seven in the first season of the League, and David Weir pleads guilty to having scored eight goals for Halliwell against Notts County, also in the eighties.

We know many clubs here that would pay big money to get Jimmy Cookson's signature.

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Col. G. Randolph Manning, first President of United States Football Association and Chairman of Rules Revision Committee

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Thank You

I WISH to thank you for your efforts on my behalf and to wish for you success with the Soccer Pictorial Weekly.

I have one plan which I think would help to increase the sale of your paper.

Give a picture each week of the American League clubs and one of the British pro teams, also photos of any other countries. Give us a little history of the players also.

THOS. C. SEOLLAN.

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CONGRATULATIONS on your splendid magazine. I have placed a standing order with my newsman for your "Soccer Pictorial" (after seeing the first edition) which I am glad to say was an instant favorite in our club.

M. R. WOLFSON,
Chicago, Ill.

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A Compliment

LET me compliment you upon the issuing of Soccer Pictorial magazine. This is just what soccer followers have been waiting for—especially in St. Louis, since our own soccer news, the Athlete, decided to omit all soccer items—a terrible blow to a wonderful pastime and its loyal followers.

B. A. STELMACH,
St. Louis, Mo.

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We'll Try

IF what I am going to say is not asking too much of your wonderful magazine, I would like to have you publish the records of the minor leagues, and specially of the "Boston and District League" not only for one week but every week.

I would like to have you say something about that one and only team, the Lusitania Recreation Club of Cambridge, Mass., and tell the Soccer Fans of the wonders of that team.

PETE BARAHONA.

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Keen Interest on Coast

I WAS surprised and pleased to see such a magazine published as your "Soccer Pictorial." It certainly is a real good one.

The game is going over big out here in Seattle. It is played in the Grammar (Public) Schools. There is also a Saturday Seattle Soccer League and also a Northwest Soccer League which operates on Sundays.

Two Seattle teams of the Sunday (Senior) League have joined with the British Columbia Soccer League and will play international games besides their own leagues.

Do you know that the Nanaimo Soccer team of Nanaimo, Vancouver Island, won the championship of Canada for last season? British Columbia teams usually

win the championship of Canada.

The Nanaimo team toured Australia and New Zealand. They played twenty games, won eighteen and lost only two.

CHARLES GRANT.

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From American League Leader

PLEASE accept at this belated date my heartiest personal and official congratulations on your handsome new Soccer Pictorial Weekly. But for the fact that I have been in Chicago in connection with the late Battle of Binoculars there, I should have told you before what a great asset to the game of soccer football I feel your publication is.

With all good hopes for the success of Soccer the Game and Soccer the Pictorial Weekly, I am, with best regards,
B. A. CUNNINGHAM,
American Soccer League President.

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We Hope So

I HAVE just finished reading your Soccer Pictorial Weekly inaugural number. It is the first magazine which is especially written for the soccer football game, and I hope that this book finds many, many friends. Right here in Milwaukee the soccer game is a great factor.

There are two leagues in Wisconsin, the Wisconsin State Soccer Football Association and the Municipal Soccer Football League. The Wisconsin State League has at present 11 teams, and there is also quite a number of teams playing in the Municipal League. The present champion of the Wisconsin State League is Wacker F. C., and the champion of the City League is the Deutscher Sport Club, both German clubs.

HARBIN WESTFEHLING,
Milwaukee, Wis.

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Macabees of Chicago Have Splendid Record

The "Macabees" of Chicago, champions of Jewish Soccer of Chicago for the season 1926-27, again have taken the city by storm. Last season most of the games played were keenly contested. Last year the Macabees were considered the strongest in the Jewish League.

The "Macabees" this year have entered the newly organized "Chicago Jewish Senior Soccer League" and has not suffered a defeat to date. The public of Chicago is greatly enthused by the appearance of the Macabee team on any field, specially when they are to be seen in their official blue and white uniforms and the Jewish emblem of the "Mogen David" at their hearts.

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