

BOTH BOSTON TEAMS GIVE NOTICE, HOT OFF THE BAT, THAT THEY CAN PLAY BALL

HUGH DUFFY TURNS TRICK WITH NEW WHITE SOX AND SENATORS WIN FOR PRESIDENT

PRESIDENT NO MORE HOODOO

Sees Washington Win a Great Game.

Starts Play by Throwing Ball to Walter Johnson.

Vice President Sherman Also Sees Contest.

WASHINGTON, April 14—President Taft today had the honor of seeing the Washington American team win a ball game.

Last year he saw Washington play Boston late in the season, but the home players got stage fright, and the President arrived and threw away the game. Mr. Taft said then that he must be a "hoodoo" and remained away from the ball park the rest of the season. This morning, however, he was back in the White House and presented Mr. Taft with baseball pass No. 1 and Mr. Taft showed his appreciation by using it in the day.

Accompanied by Mrs. Taft and his military aid, Capt. Archie Butt, the President squeezed his way through the throng of people gathered at the park for the opening game of the season between Washington and Philadelphia.

Just before play was started, umpire Billy Evans made his way to the grandstand and handed the President a new ball. The President took the ball in his gloved hand as though he was expected to throw it over the plate when he gave the signal. He handed the ball to Mr. Taft, who weighed it carefully, and then he handed it to Walter Johnson, who was coming his bright new kid gloves in preparation for his debut as a pitcher.

The President watched the players warm up and a few minutes later shook hands with manager McAleer and pitcher. When the bell rang for the beginning of the game the President shifted uneasily in his seat, the umpire took the signal and the game was on.

Catcher Street stood at the home plate ready to receive the ball, but the President knew the pitcher was the man who would begin the game. He watched Johnson throw the ball to the pitcher and saw it go straight to the catcher. The President was so interested in the play that he forgot to throw the ball over the plate.

As the game progressed and Washington continued to lead, the President became so enthusiastic that he began to shout and cheer. He was so much interested in the play that he forgot to throw the ball over the plate.

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Baseball Notes.

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STARTING THE SEASON AT SOUTH END GROUNDS.



MAYOR FITZGERALD THROWING OUT THE BALL. TO HIS LEFT SIT GOV DRAPER, LIEUT GOV FROTHINGHAM AND WILLIAM A. MURPHY, THE GOVERNOR'S SECRETARY.

Gardner was thrown out at first. In the ninth Niles hit to the pitcher and was thrown out at first. In the ninth Niles hit to the pitcher and was thrown out at first.

CHICAGO 3, ST LOUIS 0.

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WASHINGTON 3, ATHLETICS 0.

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NATIONAL LEAGUE.

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Evans Shows Well.

Evans showed well in the game. Evans showed well in the game.

BOSTON FINISHES STRONGLY.

Boston finishes strongly. Boston finishes strongly.

BROOKLYN 2, PHILA 0.

Brooklyn 2, Philadelphia 0. Brooklyn 2, Philadelphia 0.

CLEVELAND 9, DETROIT 7.

Cleveland 9, Detroit 7. Cleveland 9, Detroit 7.

PITTSBURG 5, ST LOUIS 1.

Pittsburg 5, St. Louis 1. Pittsburg 5, St. Louis 1.

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