EVENING LEDGER-PHILADELPHIA, MONDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1915:

DISTRIBUTION OF FEDERAL LEAGUE PLAYERS IS WORRYING BASEBALL PEACEMAKER

MAGNATE INTIMATES MANY FEDERAL LEAGUERS WILL BE RELEASED OUTRIGHT

After Peace Agreement Has Been Signed an Attempt Will Be Made to Break So-called "Iron-clad" Documents

IF THE baseball magnates decide to handle the distribution of the Federal Lengue players as one National Lengue owner infimated, the public is going to be shown just how little the magnates care about "ironclad" contracts. For two years the magnates have gone into the courts to force ball players to live up to their contracts, but now that the players no longer hold the upper hand, they will be shown that they can expect but little consideration from the owners In the future.

There are 72 Federal League players with supposed "ironclad" contracts. Apparently there is no room for them in the major learnes, although they may s just as good as the men of the National and American Leagues. It is certhin that several of the stars will be in demand and have little to worry about, but at least 40 players are to suddenly find themselves without jobs, despite their contracts, and will have to accept what the magnates offer.

According to a magnate the very beat of the Federal League players will be returned to the teams they left to go to the independent organization, while the rest will be unconditionally released. When asked how the magnates hoped to get away with that, he replied that it was easy, and that the players would take what the magnates wanted to give or ould the game.

8 10 1k Magnate Says Contracts Are Easily Broken

When told that there would surely be pleaty of lawsulis from players who believed their contracts were "ironelad," the magnate said that there were few contracts which could not be broken, and he predicted that after one or two of the players lost their withs, the others will take it for granted that they will have no change to get reduces through the courts.

The public cares but little what the players are paid if they deliver, but, at the same time, baseball will be dealt a great blow if the reconstructed National Commission permits the club owners to show such dute regard for contracts. If this method of getting around the "ironelad" contracts is carried out it will not be long before there will be mother baseban war.

10 N W Sinclair Insists Players Will Be Taken Care of

President Barry Sinclair, who will purchase the Glasts, insists that he will not stand for such an arrangement, and it is hoped that he will stick to his decision. There is no denying the fact that if the Federal League is absorbed by the National and American the magnates have an excellent chance of getting away with such a move, but it is hoped that they will treat the players fairly.

Sinchir says that every player who has a Federal League contract will receive his full pay as long as he has contracted for, whether he is considered strong enough for the National and American Leagues or not. If Sinclair can succeed in convincing the other magnates that this is the proper course to adopt, there will be some mighty high-priced stars playing in the reconstructed International and American Association, Class AA minor leagues, 1.00

Benny Kauff Will Be Valuable Addition to the Giants

Players like Benny Knuff, Dave Davenport, Joe Tinker, Eddie Plank and other stars will have no trouble landing positions in the major leagues with their salaries unchanged, but more than 50 per cent, of the Feda are going to go back to the minor leagues. Several magnates, who were questioned during the meeting in New York, declared that while they could use a few of the stars they did not see any reason why they should release loyal ball players, in order to take on those who deserted organized ball.

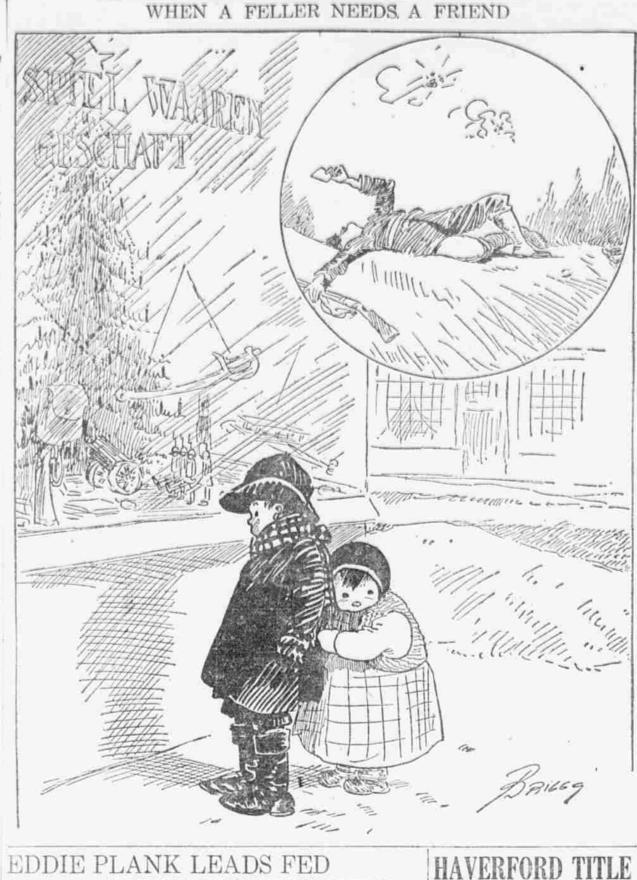
If they confinue to feel this way about the Federal League players, the independent stars are going to play under the great handleap of a prejudiced employer. It is said that Charley Ebbetts and Barney Dreyfuss will never sign the peace agreement unless Hal Chase. Harry Lord and a few of the others who jumped straight contracts are barred from baseball forever, * * *

The Unwritten Blacklist Has Been Used Before

In barring these men from the game, unless it is done through a secret understanding with an unwritten law against any team signing thom, the lengues will find themselves in his water. It is angine the law to place a blacklist against men in any business, although in the past it was done in

One of those who may find trouble in becoming reinstated is Benny Kauff. the Ty Cobb of the Feds. Eauff jumped a straight contract with the Indianapolis American Association team for the Federal League team of the same city. Kauff's case is rather complicated, as he is really under contract with the New York Gianta as soon as the Federal Lengue passes out of existence.

Last sensen Kauff decided to deserv the Feds in mid-senson and was corralled by Manager McGraw. He was on the field prepared to play amainst the Braves, but the implies would not partoil it, as he was on the ineligible list. The case was taken up by the National Commission, but before it could take action to reinstate Kauff the slugging outfielder decided to return to the Flank worked in 42 games for St. Loui. Brookfeds. The Giants have a contract with Kauff and have also paid the Indianapolis American Association club for its claim to him.



EDDIE PLANK LEADS FED PITCHERS; HE IS ONLY 41

Gettysburg Veteran Allows but Two Earned Runs to a Game in Total of 42 Contests and Wins 22

By GRANTLAND RICE

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CHICAGO, III., Dec. 20.-President into the lobby, some of them though the all negotiations were off, so suddenly have been stopped. the session been stopped. Finally it was learned that Raish m the only unsatisfied magnate, and m the reast of Federal Leaguers agreed by the transferring of the St. Louis Nation League team to Baltimore, as sugges by Raisin, would be a foolheardy more as Baltimore has failed dismally to me on the transfer league ball. In its two one negotiations conferred with Ban Johnson, John K. Tener and August Herrmann, National Commission members, here today, and it is said that they completed arrangements for the transfer of the Chicago Cubs to Charles Weeghman and his partner, Walker.

Organized ball has requested the Fedthe hands of Judge Landis, but, while the hands of Judge Landis, but, while the stitutes for the independent league res here prepared to ask th judge to with-taw it, nothing will b done until the roberty transfers called for in the peace excernent have been made.

tunities. Charles Comiskey, owner of the Was Sox, insists that he will block any his on the part of the Federal Learne to p a major league franchise for Baltime Comiskey points out that the Baltime Orioles, in the days of Kelly, Mogra Keeler, Jennings, etc., could only dra S05,000 at the gate in the entire sease and predicts that the city would fail a of the mark again. The Federal Lenguers realize that orminined full would have the best of it as soon as the suit is withdrawn, and in-telld to hold the suit as a club until they receive the concessions they have asked. According to a rumor printed yesterday, but two Federal League owners will re-erve mijor league franchises. The Chi-enzo franchise is to be transferred to Weighthian and Walker, while Fhill Ball is to be allowed to buy the controlling in-terest in the Browns. This is the way han Johnson wants to arrange the get-hement, but it is doubtful if the Federal Leaguers would consent to such an ar-entistement, which would leave several of the principal backers out in the coid. President Gilmore denies that the Feds will be satisfied with these concessions.

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FLYING DUTCHMAN ERASED NEW RECORD EXPECTED FROM SWIMMING EVENTS IN STREET RUN TO BE

Changes Are Made in College Rules for Water Polo

Changes in rules for swimming and water polo have been made by the Advisory Committee of the Intercellegiata Swinning, League. The flying Dutch-tion, one and a half, has been stricken • from the list of compulsory feats. The committee decided not to put up lanes for swimmers. This was suggested last spring, when Herbert Vollmer, of Columin, and Shryock, of Pennsylvania, ran

one, and Shryock, of Fennsylvania, ran afoul in the sprints. Several changes have been made in water pole rules. Hereafter no man can hold his opponent with the ball under water more than 19 seconds. Another one disqualifies a swimmer who greases his body or clothing. COURSE IN BETTER SHAP for the New Year's Day wood blog marathon to be promoted under the jon

TEAM TAIL ENDER DOC NEWMAN LEADS IN EASTERN LEAGUE

Main Line Soccer Eleven De Neri Star Has Caged 36 Basnake speedier going possible. kets Since the Season Began

> Joc Newman, the speedy De Neri star, is the real leader of the Eastern League, although Dave Kerr, the former Central High School boy, tops the list. Kerr has is opened next spring. One of the particular is the real leader of the Eastern League, although Dave Kerr, the former Central ents will be to reconstruct the be considered as the quarter-mile running track. The dup of the league. therefore cannot ranking player of the league. Newman's play this season has been consistently brilliant. There were some Club's ground was taken. Celtic Park section and part of the Itid fana last season who believed that Doc was going back, but it appears that it was simply a general laxness on the part Middle Atlantic Association Amateur in feile Union officials will gather at the set headquarters at 1432 South Penn square is night. of the De Neri team which prevented Newman from showing up to the best ad-One of the first athletes to fall into lies the new rules enforcement idea is Harry 7 Portor, the New York high immer we as reported to the Metropolitan Restautation co-mittee that he has lost two medals Alfred Shrubb, the sreat distance runs believes distance min should run their greas races on rainy days. While Newman has not made the most field goals, he has made 36 and has been credited with 16 assists. Close on the heels of Newman comes his teammate. mate, .341. Reckman, who has an average of Jimmy Brown, of Camden, is third in the list with .B15. The averages follow; ollow: Fld. Fl. 48, As. Fls. A Gms. G. G. As. Pls. A 3 9 14 16 88 PENN ROWING MUDDLE Vote at Session to Be Held at College Whether the University of Penavivania's Athletic Association will faally get control of rowing, will be determine at a special meeting of the College Far Club tonight, called for the purpose of voting on an amendment providing for a new agreement between it and the Athletic Abaociation. The amendment must receive a three-fourths majority is pass and the fight is a hot one. The advocates of turning the control of rowing over to the Athletic Association could muster only a two-thirds majority. Cande. Reading Brading n. Japper amlen Oblar 0 11 12 14 1 17 Trenton Trenton flording. could muster only a two-thirds majorin a few weeks ago when tonight's met-ing was authorized. Unless this majorin can be insucceded and the state of the second Trenton d. De Neri, Ing was authorized. Unless this might can be increased at tonight's meeting to amendment will be beaten. As things now stand the College Bat Club has control of rowing by virus of the old agreement which permits it the of the five members of the committee and the privilege of picking the coach The Athletic Association wants the set Jupper , Honding , Treaton , Reading De Nerl. Camden augh Japper an Trenton an Trestork egor, Jaster 17 attes 10 Athletic Association wants the per agreement ratified permitting the class TEAM RECORDS
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An attractive list of medals has be offered by officials in charge of the ma Every man who finishes the run will b tieve a survivor's bronze trophy.

. . . The Phillies Would Be Strengthened by Addition of Scaton

The Phillies will be exceedingly lucity if the players who leaped organized but no ball are compelled to return to their old owners. It is said that Manager Moran ing and 4 years old. intends to use Otto Knabe on second base; but, judging by remarks dropped by Moran in New York, the Philly leader has an idea that Mike Doolan would make a wonderful second baseman and he may use Mike in that position.

The roturn of Fischer Tom Seaton will bolster up the Philly staff, while the much-needed outfielder may be uncovered in "Duke" Duncan, the youngater who has been playing great ball for Baltimore. Otto Knabe, who induced the youngster to jump the Phillies, says there are few better outfielders in the major leagues than Duncan.

Under this arrangement of players returning to the clubs they jumped. Eddie Plank would amin be a member of the Athletics, but it is not likely that Mack will put in any claim for the veteran southpaw unless he desires to use him in a trade. Mack admits that Plank is still a wonderful pitcher, but declares that he outlived his usefulness to the Athletice.

. . . Mrs. Bundy the Greatest Tennis "Come-back" on Record

Mrs. Tom Bundy, formerly May Sutton, of California, has staged the most remarkable come-back known in the annuls of American lawn tennis. In 1912, eight years after she had won her first national title, Mrs. Bundy retired from tournament play. She was adjudged then to be "through." But news of the great success of Molla Djurstedt, the Norwegian girl, on the courts aroused Mrs. Bundy to make another effort to demonstrate her supremacy. How well she did this is shown by the matches which she played with Miss Bjurstedt on the coast recently. In two out of three played Mrs. Bundy won, not by big scores, yet nevertheless decisively. The many and consistent victories which Miss Bjurstedt won in all her tournaments last summer show that her conqueror, Mrs. Bundy, is still the greatest woman player in this country,

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No, the football season is not over. The championship of Philadelphia will be decided on New Year's Day, when the McClure A. A. and Vincome teams clash in Darby. The winner will claim the local title, despite the fact that Penn had a team on the gridiron last fall.

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In the meantime, what has become of Frank Baker? When last seen he was standing alone on the auction block 'way out in Chicago while the American League magnates were discussing overything but how much they would pay for his services.

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George Gore, the old-timer, has applied to President Barrow, of the International League, for an umpiring position. Gore had a most remarkable baseball career and, oddly, never played on a team which was not a pensant winner. After years of success with the famous Chicago team under "Cap" Anson, Gore was traded to the Giants just when that team started on its mad career.

There are many managers as well as hall players who hope something turns up to spoil the peace plans. It is believed that four managers are to be ousted to make room for Federal League leaders if present plans are carried out. Strangely enough, after acribes had been trading and releasing Herzog for a week there is not even the slightest suspicion that he will not be retained.

Of the 33 games completed he won 27, lost 11 and tied 4. He allowed but two earned runs to the battle, leading such men as

Tom Seaton Claude Henorix, Cy Fallen-borg and other stars. The game has had its pitching wonders, but none to lead a big league with a pitch-. . .

The fourth Fed pitcher in the list was Miner Brown, who was still good enough to win 17 games and lose but 6.

Brown and Matty

The careers of Brown and Matty, old rivals from eight or nine campaigns back. the campations of 1806, 1907 and 190 bey were the leading pitching rivals of der game. Then three years ago Browniwrenched a knee and was shipped back to the minors. He was apparently through, as he was then 37 years old.

Matty, only 23 years old then, was fig-ured with a long spin ahead. Yet last sensor, where Brown won Π games and lest but 3. Matty drew the worst year of his career, through a neurotic left shoul-

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But there is baim in all this for the Giant star. Flank is a star at 4, and Brown still there at 40. Mathewson at 55 should be a long way from the finish-ing line-from the last lap. With that tink unrareled he should still have five seasons ahead, and then be no older than Plank or Brown is today.

Another Class Champ

Dear Sir-Here is a team that I should back with my little roll against Aymar Embury's from the class of 1960 at Prince-That was a good array, but how not this one from the class of 1915 at Harvard: Right end, Hardwick; R. T., Trumbull;

R. G. Pennacek, C. Wigglesworth: L. G., Weston: L. T. Withington; L. E. J. T. Coolidge: Q. B., Logani L. H. E., Francko: R. H. B., Bradlee: F. B., Brick-ley. J. E. H., '14

"Where would those two squirrels find the best feeding"" queries Jingo, "on board the Oscar II or around baseball headquarters" . . .

No, Tensie, there is very little chance that when the amnigumation follows the inrush of extra talent will freeze out Ty Cobb and Walter Johnson. Very little,

indeed. . . . Here's a good idea for Yale and Prince-ton-why not annalgamate next fall and go out after Harvard?

. . . Speaking of 1915 records, we have run

across the most impired printer of all .

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The Fed slogan is "Peace at any slice if the slice is big enough."

The idea seems to be highly prevalent both among the Feils and O. B. that sportsmanning depends upon the size of one's busicroit. The more faile a man ha-the finer sportsman he is. Which most of the time, he isn't. Money is the great-cet covered that time records. ost coward that time records.

Peace Plus Something Else

"I thought," writes L. H.G., "that you were strong for peace between the Feda and O. B. Yet when peace is launched you break out in violent denunciations of both." . . .

We were and we did. Pence is the only thing that will save baseball. But pence isn't all, Even pence won't save it if the same old bunch continue to handle the game in the same old way. The time has come for a new deal for the game-for a higher, cleaner type of sportsmanship. Unless that comes, too, peace alone will only put off for a while the day of the death rattie

"Into the Night"

Doctor McNair was one of the greatest Doctor McNair was one of the greatest football players Princeton ever had. He played three years against Yale-77, 75 and 73-and nover lost a game. He was a great runner and a great kickor. In 75 he beat Harvard by kicking a field goal, the game's only score. In 78, when Walter Camp captained Yale, Mc-Nair was largely responsible for Yale's defeat. He was a chasmate of President Wilson, Juntice Pitney and of the Delta Phi fraternity. He prepared for Penn at Chestaut Hill Acadomy. All but three members of the 1615 team will be back in college next year. Thayer, if fullback: Murphy, outside right, and Houston, outside left, will graduate in Jung. Montenegra, the Brazilian, who played outside right on Saturday, micre than unde good, and will be Coach Stewwitson, Justice Pitney and others who have attained prominence. Oil Prince-ton grads have always ranked him as one ton grads have always rained time, of the great players of all time. I. E. P.

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that Pennsylvania won in 1014 was at moster, and the Red and Blue players were confident of retaining that title in The best soccer cleven that ever wore the Scarlet and Hack of Haverford College held an entirely different view of that question and proceeded to di-prove the contention of the Quakers. This they did by proving themselves better "mud horses" than their opponents in the final intercollegiate spacer some of the final intercollegiate success game of the year on '88 Field at Haverford Col-lege hast Saturday. By holding the Red and Blue to a 1-1 draw the Main Line college won the championship for the second time since the intercollegiate learne was organized.

IN 1914 CAMPAIGN

Better "Mudders" Than

Penn Players

In view of Haverford's poor showing. not year this season's success was a ditinct surprise. On the form of the previ-ous games and on the run of play throughout Saturday's contest Penn was at least two goals better than Haverford. But in the second half the Scarlet and Black, having visions of the intercol-legistic championship, put up a stubborn, not to say frenzied, defense, that com-pletely crushed the despairing railies of the Penn warriers.

Mohr Good Back-

"Into the Night" Dear sir: It is announced in today's paper that Theodore M. McNair, Prince-ton '79, is dead in Japan, where for 59 years he had been engaged in mission-years he had been engaged in mission-transport. He was a hard-hitting dom-School, and of the Phi Kappa Beta Junior Society and of the Delta Phi fraternity.

> art's first choice for 'that position next year. Nassau will be available for the in-ider right position, while McMaster should fit in well at outside left. Grant, a substitute halfback on this year's eleven, and Webster, of the second team, are likely andidates for Thayer's place at full-

As Harvard still must play Princeton, it is quite evident that Harvard and Cornell must have played. They did, and Cornell

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Boat Club only one member of the

N. Y. U. Drops Trinity Game

W YORK Dec. 20.-Mow York Univer-a footbull schedule for next season is well any Printy, which has formerly don election day, is unidented of the all relations between the form chief the all relations between them institutions come about as a direct required institutions rev over Erickley and protension the con-rest over Erickley and protension the con-rest over Erickley and protension the con-rest over Erickley and protension to play policiny content.

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Florida Eleven to Play Hoosiers OLYMPIA A. A. Broad & Bainheiter TONIGHT-8:30 SHARF WILLIE RITCHIE vs. EDDIE MeANDREW Adm. 25c. Bal. Res. 50c. Arena Res. 16. 5

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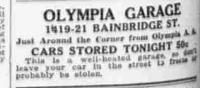
NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 20.-Capt

Sinclair May Buy Tulsa Club ing:

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Princeton game will be played, since the result of the game will not affect the standings to any extent. The final stand-