

BASEBALL WILL BE PLAYED THIS YEAR, AS OF YORE, WITH 18 PLAYERS AND TWO UMPIRES

APPLICATION OF PLAYERS' FRAT FOR ADMISSION TO LABOR UNION IS NOT TO BE TAKEN SERIOUSLY

Fultz Is Making Things Interesting for Fans, but Magnates Apparently Are Not Worried. Gompers and Johnson Are Friends

THERE is one thing certain, and you may as well become reconciled to it now as any other time. There will be baseball next summer. There will be good men on a side, as of yore, a couple of umpires will work the game, and if Gompers or Dave Fultz play on any side, it will be the national. President Davis has played his trump card, and, like his strike threat, it has done everything but worry the magnates. Davis has applied for admission to the American Federation of Labor and believes that his fraternity will be taken into the fold. It is his aim to enlist the sympathy of the union men throughout the country and the reported enthusiastic approval of President Samuel Gompers to the scheme makes the players' desire that great benefits will be derived in the future by better conditions in the minor leagues. It is probable that Fultz is feeling on a very pathetic strain of gaining his ends and accomplishing his aims. The first step down would come on February 20, when the Chicago club was scheduled to start for their spring training camp in Pasadena. The players will not miss the Fultz says Davis, and we are naturally assuming the best.

Magnates Are Pleased With Fultz's Latest Move

ACCORDING to W. J. Mahan, the New York baseball editor, in writing of a triumph was achieved in the pending negotiations in New York when it was learned that the fraternity had applied for a charter under the American Federation of Labor. The U. P. was not, but would not be admitted. The fact that Gompers and Johnson were close friends, and it was said, confidentially, that Johnson had a contract that bound the federation not to accept any franchise. Some contract was subscribed to by the union leads some value can be a means of settling a labor strike that arose in connection with the holding of the National American League club grandstand. The union of the Major League has been staying for the American League for some time. Another argument would be the proposed amalgamation is that the ball players never will consent to a union with a league. It is difficult to conceive of Ty Cobb or Tom Speaker or Gus Alexander wanting their heads off for either the major league or the minor league. The players themselves will turn down the plan when they see it without benefit.

Not the First Crisis in Baseball

A FEW years ago an issue was made of a minor league matter by major league players. A strike was called and Ben Johnson then advised a lockout, if necessary, to bring the dissatisfied players to terms. He was ready to carry out the plan, but was rebuffed by the National League. It is not likely that the other organization will back worse this time. If it does the players are that it will stand alone. It is the feeling of the American League owners that they have justice on their side, and the best policy is to proceed accordingly.

Mack Prepared to Release Stars

MANAGER MACK, of the Athletics, says that he does not recall having known the plans regarding the probable release of Amos Strunk, Wally Schang and Joe Bush, but he admits that there is no chance of any other team offering Strunk by trade or purchase. Mack was very much pleased that his intentions should be made known to the readers of the Evening Ledger. Before the deal had decided upon his next move, as he says, but he verified the statement issued last night to the effect that he did not expect to have Schang or Bush with the Athletics next season. Whether a trade already has been made involving this famous "pony battery" of the 1914 world's series is not known, but Mack is not likely to be pleased at the work done by both during the 1914 season, despite the fact that Schang was injured for several weeks and Bush handicapped by poor sports.

Mackmen Will Miss Schang and Bush

WHAT will the Mackmen do without Schang and Bush, who were stars among the array of incomparables tried out? Mack has admitted that Manager Mack insists that he has not made any plans for the transfer of this pair of players to another club, but we are in receipt of information from an authentic source that trades for both players have virtually been completed. There is no question about the great natural ability of both Schang and Bush and they probably would have little trouble getting contracts at their own price from almost every team in the two major leagues but it really is a question whether they are so valuable to the Athletics that certain players who could be obtained in a trade. Last season Bush was one of the greatest hurriers in the game, despite the handicap of having for a team of misfits, but it cannot be said that Schang's work was quite so impressive.

Schang Fails as a Catcher

SCHANG is one of the freaks of the natural game. He is one of the greatest offensive players the game has produced in years, but defensively Wally is shy of the major league standard despite the fact that he has all the natural attributes to make him a star. Manager Mack has decided to give Schang a try, when the services throughout the country were talking Schang as the greatest catcher in the game, that Wally never would be a star receiver. When Mack expressed this opinion to Schang he was ridiculed, but that Mack was right has been proved since. Schang is a wonderful catcher when handling veteran and experienced hurriers who can steady him, but with a youngster on the mound Wally is not so good. He has a tendency to upset a youngster, whereas a veteran will not mind his nervousness and annoying moving about while the hurrier is in the act of delivering the ball.

Connie Mack Lauds Strunk

SENTIMENT guided Manager Mack in listening to Amos Strunk's appeal for more money. Strunk probably is Mack's greatest favorite because he is a local product who owes his success in the national game entirely to the local leader. Amos was kidnapped by Mack while he was still attending Blaine Grammar School, at Thirty-first and Norris streets, in this city, and Connie spent many hours tutoring the lanky outfielder to the fine points of the game. Connie once found it necessary to send Strunk to Milwaukee for a season, but he always has been convinced that the local lad was destined to be one of the great outfielders of the game, and he would not part with him for anything.

No Chance for Strunk to Leave

STRUNK is my own product, and I certainly will not give him up in any one way or for any reason so long as he is able to play baseball as I want it played," says Mack. "I took this lad when he was a schoolboy, and never worked further to develop a ball player than I did with Strunk, and there is no chance for him to get away from me. Amos was as green as they make them when he signed with me, and if required careful schooling by Lave Cross and Harry Clark at Rhoads in and Milwaukee to develop him. I consider Strunk one of the greatest outfielders in baseball and he will be with us next season. Don't pay any attention to that kind of stuff, because Strunk and I will have no trouble coming to terms."

Phils Made Excellent Trade

AL DEMARCO was a great local favorite because of his ability to win games at the Philly park and many fans will regret his passing, but we believe that Pat Moran pulled a great trade when he snatched him for Jimmy Jacobsen, the diminutive spit-ball pitcher of the Cubs. Jacobsen was particularly effective on the home field, but was almost useless away from home. During the 1915 season Al won all but three of his victories at home and dropped many important battles abroad. Lavender has been erratic in the past, but it is believed that Manager Moran, Killefer and Burns will coax him of the habit of going to pieces at a critical stage. When Lavender is right he is unbeatable, and Moran is of the opinion that the latest addition to his pitching staff will have a wonderful season in 1917.

Alexander Will Be Here to Talk With Baker

ACCORDING to persons close to President Baker, of the Phillies, it is the intention of the owners to sign Alexander the finest regardless of what his terms may happen to be. The same source of information is responsible for the tip that the premier hurler of the National League will be in this city in two weeks to talk over the matter with Baker. After President Baker learns what Alexander wants it is possible that there will be a hitch before the Nebraska sign, as "Alex" insists that he must have a three-year contract calling for \$15,000 a year, while Baker always has contended that he would not pay this amount for any player.

Woodland Golf Club Made Serious Errors

THE Woodland Golf Club, which numbers in its ranks Francis Guimet, former open and amateur champion; John H. Sullivan, Jr., and Paul Tewksbury, three golfers now relegated to the ranks of the professionals, made several grievous errors in presenting its case before the annual meeting of the United States Golf Association last week. The most serious was in its personal reflections on several high officials of the U. S. G. A. Some of the remarks were so "naughty" that they aroused Frank L. Woodward from his own resolve not to speak at the meeting, and Woodward turned the delegates completely around from the greatest sympathy for the Woodland case to reversal in favor of the executive committee. The Woodland Club made the whole issue around Francis Guimet, and made it a direct conflict between the Woodland Club and the executive committee. The vote was then more of a question of support of the Woodland Club versus the executive committee rather than directly on the amateur question, some delegates report.

REPORT was sent out from Boston that "Stuffy" McInnis was a holdout, but this is erroneous. McInnis signed a two-year contract last spring and is well satisfied with the terms. "Stuffy" recently wrote Mack that he could hardly wait for the coming year. He adds that he expects to have a great year, as he is more satisfied in the game than he has been in recent years.

MOVIE OF A MAN THROWING A PAIR OF DICE



THIRD STRAIGHT WON BY CAMDEN

Fogarty's Foul Shooting Only Redeeming Feature of Greystock Team's Play

HE TIES YEAR'S RECORD

EASTERN LEAGUE STANDING
Camden 3 1 1 100 Greystock 1 1 1 100
Trenton 1 1 1 100
SCHEDULE FOR TOMORROW NIGHT
The night of January 18th. The Phillies now lead the Eastern League with three straight victories in the second series of the year. Greystock in phenomenal form last night, Camden gave Greystock its worst defeat of the season, 4 to 13. The score really doesn't show how much difference there was in the two teams play, for it was the great foul shooting of Fogarty that made the Greystock score look respectable. Camden garnered fifteen field goals and held the Greystock to four, three of which were scored in the last period, and three of the four being followed by runs.
Fogarty, even now, of the greatest reputation of foul shooting ever witnessed in Camden. He missed his first chance and then ran another straight, finishing the first half in the record book for adding seven straight, making nineteen consecutive fouls.
This equaled Greystock's record made earlier in the season for the Trading Club, but Fogarty scored for every team called, while Greystock had none opportunities.
In West Chester, Ohio, Fogarty landed a forty-foot, two-point kick, which he kicked yesterday and played only one half, rating in favor of Wilson.

SAYLOR WINS HARD MIX FROM MURPHY

Indianapolis Light weight Outpoints Philadelphia in Norristown MITCHELL WALLOPS WELSH

By ROBERT W. MAXWELL.
Several games of great work were staged at Norristown last night when William Saylor of Philadelphia outpointed Jimmy Murphy in a two-round bout staged by Joe Bolla. It was one of the most sensational bouts staged in this country for many a day and the spectators were in a highly superior mood and completely satisfied with the fight. Saylor was in the battle and applied the center to his own leg. Jimmy finished strong, however, and gave a sound defeat to his opponent. He finished his fight with the seventh round, but fought better than ever through the final round.

SCRAPS ABOUT SCRAPPERS

By LOUIS H. JAFFE.
THE specter of Willa Jackson is similar to that of Irving Layton, even more so. Jackson, however, had to leave Philadelphia for New York to prove his real worth, while Jackson had to prove his real worth in New York. While Jackson established his name as a professional boxer, his real strength was gained in the ring. Jackson's first fight was against Tommie O'Leary, which was a very hard fight. Jackson's opponent will be him and look for Jackson to win through with an unexpected triumph against O'Leary. Jackson was followed by the same road in setting up to see how the new situation faces in future contests. The first match, if it should occur, will be in Philadelphia. Who his opponent will be has not been decided. Jackson is anxious for a very hard fight but he is certain Jackson will take the measure of allowing himself to be outpointed by his opponent. He is a good boxer and will win through in a few days, he is a very good prize fighter.

Advertisement for Arrow form fit Collars. Includes an illustration of a man's head and neck wearing a collar. Text: "This is the curve cut which assures fit, comfort and good appearance." "Arrow form fit Collars" "Curve cut to fit shoulders and neck—will not chafe shirt—waistcoat cannot rise up under collar." "2 for 30 cents" "C. E. TET, PEABODY & CO., INC. MAKERS, TROY, N. Y."

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Another New York boxer called the city of Philadelphia a "swamp" and "a hole in the ground" after a defeat in a fight with a Philadelphia boxer. The boxer was called "The Swamp" and the fight was a very hard one.

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Advertisement for Les Darcy himself. "LES DARCY himself" "In exhibition bout" "Welterweight champion of the West" "OLYMPIA A. A. Monday night" "TONIGHT AT 8:30 SHARP" "Admission 50c, 75c, 1.00, 1.50, 2.00, 2.50, 3.00, 3.50, 4.00, 4.50, 5.00, 5.50, 6.00, 6.50, 7.00, 7.50, 8.00, 8.50, 9.00, 9.50, 10.00"

Large advertisement for FATIMA Cigarettes. "What kind of a cigarette would YOU call sensible?" "Check up and see how nearly this comes to fitting in with your own ideas:—" "A SENSIBLE cigarette must A taste good. It must be cool and smooth to your throat and tongue. It must be properly mild—mild enough so that you'll feel all right even though you may smoke more than usual. In short, it must be comfortable. If it isn't, it can't be sensible. Fatimas are comfortable because of the balance of their Turkish blend. The milder tobaccos in this blend are in such perfect balance with the richer, fuller-flavored leaves as to entirely offset that uncomfortable, 'oily heaviness' found in so many other cigarettes. You'll notice the difference as soon as you try Fatimas." "Lippitt & Myers Tobacco Co." "FATIMA A Sensible Cigarette" "The Original Turkish Blend" "20 for 15¢" Includes an illustration of a cigarette pack.