LEAGUE IS HAVING ITS TROUBLES WITH A FUEL FAMINE AND FEW TRADES

STUFF AND REVERSE IGLISH IN MOVE TO SPLIT RECEIPTS OF WORLD'S SERIES

Aimed to Reduce Club Financial Reponsibilities and Cure Players' Salary Dissatisfaction

nside "swell stuff" is now apparent as a result of scepings the meeting of baseball club mogule in Chicago, following which ed that hereafter and until further notice players on world ould not alone be allowed to enjoy the rich pets, but that n the first four teams of each league would be permitted a neat The first general intimation, as already commented upon, be main idea -- the paramount consideration, as it were -- was to ous injustice to players not fortunate enough to happen to be the winning team and to maintain interest in play throughout

otic club owner has been trank enough to admit that the underwas much deeper than appeared, and that in fact the measure edged instrument calculated to cut two ways and serve two utilitarian purposes. One of these was a general conserving of es duristy the lean year threatening and the other was the catleayere in view of reduced salaries. Viewed from this angle the be declared a elever piece of financing, involving as it does, in lysis, the shifting of the two-horned dilemma upon the ever and dear old public.

CTS and figures are readily forthcoming to indicate the unusual nelal burdens necessary to be borne by club owners the comon in addition to the mere distractions and handleaps say-

Cost of Baseball Equipment Soars

BALL equipment and apportenances of every kind are equoted " for the coming scason, if the baseball market prognostications credited. Uniforms, choes, bats, balls, mitts, pade, etc., all are to show an increase of 25 per gent, while traveling expenses generally necessarily higher. Hotel rates have climbed and travel is much rtain and everything is going up, and there you are. Old Overpense promises to be rampant during the entire course of the big iewhere on the other pide

of the paramount leaves not yet definitely attacked is the matter ney next year. This question is being approached with the delia German addressing an international diplomatic problem. Will stand a raise to see an article of ball interior to the conventional not? If it will stand a raise, to what extent? All angles of this will be scrutinized at 'the Checkmati meeting next Monday, it is

er consideration of the method of collecting the war tax on admiryet open. This general subject, of necessity, has direct bearing upon n of a possible raise of admission money, and some are inclined at that the better method would be for the clubs to drop the idea of small odd sums from each patron and merely make a modert co.in admission and stand the Government tax themselves.

BRTAINLY an arrangement of this kind would expedite the bupiso of getting patrons into the parks and would also greatly olify the proposed method of dishing out enormous quantities of es, nickels and dimes in change

Eddie Collins and Alex Pessimistic

feature of the split pot rule that suggests interesting reflection is effect of the measure upon professional world's series participants le Colline and of men like Alexander, with hopes of getting a shot old's series dough by virtue of a change. A plebiscite of the Giants to White Sex would bardly show a unantineau vote in favor of the

enterprising New York scribe has hustled about and secured a few was which throw some light upon the speculation in hand. He was get a single favorable opinion among the members of the teams and his interview with Alex was one of the most pensimistic. the authentic utterances:

is a chame! It is like robbing me of \$1900 next fall."-Edward

am in favor of anything that gives the ball player money-if I'm the

a sure sore. I had counted on a winner's share next year."-Davy

y Herrmann has been trying to get a slice of that world's sories years. He's put it over at last."-John J. McGraw.

elp! I've been robbed."-"Happy" Felsh. bad! This means I'll make very little more in Chicago than I

have if I had stayed in Philadelphia."-Grover Cleveland Alexander,

LICK'S alleged refrain is well indicative of the fact that with the new arrangement the great stars of the game would be much re satisfied in the future with membership on an average team ot so inclined to scramble to get together on one or two teams amplenship probabilities.

Another League Gasping for Breath

If the blow inflicted baseball generally comes the reflection that the at and honorable body cometimes known as the Stove League has a flerce welt. Mr. Jack Frost, the chief promoter of this organizating his bumps along with the other magnates, for he, too, finds egether different from the ordinary. Heretofore the success of league has been in exact ratio to the severity of the climate. er caused the fans to seek the grateful and inspiring society of and the activities of the organization have found their chief in the cheer of the store or office stove.

information has it that the coal shortage has greatly reduced ble stove supply. In addition, real live winter gozelp has alumped the announcement of the two local clubs of the disposal of their re, and little has transpired of late in the way of player dealsfuel, after all, for the maintenance of league activities

sport scribes have had all the best of winter developments on checkerboard. After finishing up with the Alexander and deal they have had the Rogers Horneby episode to fall back on. Cardinal star bas been getting more publicity to both that city is of late than Denny Kauff ever got in his ripest publicity days. is sold and the St. Louis fans have blown up the park, and the not going to be parted with "at any price." The latest story is an has offered for the St. Louis idel everybody in the Cub ottor Alexander and Killefer, and a "largo monetary consider-

answer to this, reported as coming from President Branch and Manager Jack Hendricks, is that, while it is a fine have great teams in Chicago and New York, it is not ont of the question to comider the hunger and thirst of the public for a winning team once in a lifetime. There the rests, and the Stove League may be said to be at least Hy alive for the time being despite the fuel menace.

Wrestling Most Lucrative Sport

sports critic, if asked what lines of athletic activity produce come, would say boxing or baseball. The figures do not ression, wrestling, according to the statisticians, being much than either. The fact is, according to report, heavyweight not only the best paid men in the sport game, but that virtuare thrifty and that many have amazzed large fortunes. setler is stated to have accumulated a modest competency of \$1,500,000 prior to the war.

more popular abroad than here, and the big fortunes have m mais. Hackenschmidt, the Russian Lion, is stated to m, and there are declared to be other plutocrats in the Zbyszko, the Pole, is classed as having earned more

NTLAND RICE LIEUTENANT

ton yesterday in the list of War commissions in the National Army, onal Guard of the United States was and philosopher, whose contributions gas of the Evening Public Lingua, y instead of daily in these columns.

A HANDY MAN AROUND THE HOUSE



Schoolboy Fumbles

By PAUL PREP

OUR review of the scholastic cham-In OUR review of the school only the members of the two school leagues, the Interscholosur and Interscademic, were independent school teams out of the list. This has brought forth coveral claims from students of the independent institutions in regard to the various titles.

A letter written by some one with the mon de plume Purple and Gold Student, was received yesterday, in which the writer wants, Catholic High Echool added to Northeast High and Fenn Charter for the peholattic champlenship of the city in football.

The letter fullows. 'I do not claim that Cathelle High would dereat North-cast or Penn Charter. Neither do I have the slightest idea that we would go down to defeat before them. Cathe-lic High had two scrimmages with Northeast, the first on our gridiron, which can fairly be called a draw. The second was held the following afternoon on the Archives' field. Modesty is the only obstacle that prevents me from telling what we did to Couch Harry Snyder's team.

We did not have the opportunity to play or scrimmage with Penn Charter, to cannot say what the result would have been.

Catholic High may have had the better of Northeast in a practice scrimmage, but bring-ing late use the system of coming late use the system of com-parative scores, the Purple and Cold's claim dies a sad death Northeast opened its season budefeating Villanova Prep 23-6 while later in the season Villa-tova Prep wen from Catholic High School by a large zeore. Padnor High defeated Penn Charter 7-9 and Catholic High

A former Brown Prep wilcel star puts in a bid in behalf of Brown Prep puts in a bid in behalf of Brown Prey for the outdoor track and field championship and the basaball title. Brown had the basaball title. Brown had the best track team in the history of that institution last apring and with a small squad of stars defeated Fenn Charter in the dual track meet and fater won the Glen Mills interscholastic liter won the Glen Mills interscholastic meet, defeating such teams as Perkiomen Saminary. Northeast High, South Philadelphia High, Reading High, Atlante City High, Swarthmore Prep. Have had a chance to see the great value of sport in ways that are both physical everal other first class teams.

The claims of Brown Prep are well founded, and inamuch as it also defeated St Joseph College, which team scored wins over La Sallo and Pennsoored wins over La Sallo and Pennsoo sylvania Military College, it has a right to wear the title of independental champions of Philadelphia

Sox Release Hasbrook

CHICAGO. Jac. 8.—The world's cham-pion White Sox will have to try to repeat heat season without the services of Bob Hasbrook, first bese recruit, whose resonant of the large in the closing weaks of the 1927 season. It was announced restorday from Sox headquarters that Bob had been re-leased to the Mohile club of the Southern League.

Jockey Wells Dying From Spill

Pitcher Crabb Arrested CHICAGO, Jan 3. — George Crahe, pitcher with the Des Moines club of the Western League last ecason, was prested here yesterday after a wild New Year clebration. Crabb seme years aco was given a trial by the Brooklyn National League Citi.

Wentworth Maine Captain ORONO, Me., Jan. B.—Raiph C. Went-eth of Demmark, Me., yesterday was ofted captain of the University of Mains suball team, to succeed Epinom G. Frosto, Epringvale, now a member of the navi-teries. Wentworth played right field dur-the last two essences.

Chip and Dillon Matched

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By GRANTLAND RICE Reveille

It's dawn on a winter morning, Dawn with a streak of gray:
With me acleep in the blankets.
Dreaming my time away;
Snuggled under the white ten Tust as the gray mist clears, Dreaming of other mornings Back through a thousand year.
And then with a call that echoes
Drear as the funeral drum,
Cutting my heart to ribbons—
The Reveille says, "Come"!

It's dawn on a winter morning. With a red streak through the trees. With me aeleep in the blankets. Dreaming of peace and case: Dreaming of days behind me. Far from the khakied brave. Far from a stove unlighted.
And a tent as cold as the grace:
And then with a blare that towers
Its wor to the winter skies. The Reveille cays "Rise"!

The game of the Huns are one thing. Fart of a big day's job;
The big chells are another. Gringing their thrill or throb; life in a dugout's nothing
To bring on a ringing cheer,
But give me the big shells crashing,
live me the guns to hear—
Tive me the Huns' worst answer. The me the charging drum.
When out of the cold dawn's shadou

Life, after all, is the toughest game of them all to dope. It can't be done.

FIGHTING THE KAISER

ndent bare. Just as Soon as Bill Gets Knocked Out He'll Take on Willard

PARIS, Jan. 5 .- Georges Carpentier. French heavyweight puglilatic champion, is too busy at his job of fighting the Kaiser to heed any "challenges" by Jees Willard, world's heavyweight champion, for to small a thing as a mere fight in the squared circle.

"Just as soon as the Kalzer is knocked out," the famous French fighter said to NEW ORLUANS, Jan. 3.—Jockey Wells is doing with a fractured skull, and Valerie West, he horse he was riding restraday had to be destroyed. The horse broke its right foreign white the second race was on, and Bony Johnson, with Stavens in the sad die, fell over her.

Carpentier is now a pilot aviator in the French flying corps. He was in Parts today on a brief period of leave from the front.

Willard Turns Down Big Purse CHICAGO, Jan. 8.—Jess Willard indicated here today be would not accept the offer of \$100,000 to fight at Deming. N. M. which was telegraphed him by P. W. Turner, a wealthy sportsman of that place. Willard aid the gate receipts in so small a town would not be enough to warrant signing for a match there.

Giants Mail Players Contracts NEW YORK, Jan 2.—The New York National League baseball club an-neumed tonight that contracts for the coming season have been sent to all players on the Giant roster, with the ex-ception of Captain Charles Heaven

PENN TO STAGE TITULAR GAMES

Colleges Favor Holding Outdoor Intercollegiates on Franklin Field

OBJECT TO DATES

NEW YORK, Jan. Co. The intercollegiate track and field championship games of the L C. A. A. A. A. will be held on Friday and Saturday May 31 and June 1, unless there is a constitutional amondment changing the date, and there will be no indoor intercollegiate meet this year. This was the official announcement made yesterday by Remeyn Berry, of the graduate advisory committee. It should set at rest all rumors as to change of date of the annual outdoor games and as to the probability of the holding of the indeer

"It is probable," said Mr. Berry, "that the games will be held on Franklin . Field, Philadelphia. No other member of the association is in a porition to be the heat for the games, and Pennsylvanta has already expressed a will inguess to act in that capacity. There is no doubt that Pennsylvania will lay a formal invitation before the annual convention and that it will be accepted.

The objection to the track and field meet, if it will amount to such, will come because of the dates selected for the games, May 31 and Juno 1, which are regarded by some of the college austars of the intercollegiate athletic lages for the summer vacation. In facit was brought out at the recent meet-ing of the National Collegiate Athletic Association in this city, that there was a general tendency among the graduate managers of athletics in the colleges to advance the date for the annual outdoor games for this reason. It is understood that the chief objec-

tion to the later date comes from Penn sylvania. Penn officials favor holding the meet one month earlier and have ad-vocated that May 10 and 11 would be For a good many years of your life more ruitable. The majority of the you get in the habit of getting up at 5 or country's colleges with membership in 3 o'clock in a warm r om, and kick if the association are evidently willing the radiator unit working 100 per cent that may be majority of the process.

Haverford School, Radnor High and everal other first class teams.

These two victories place the Brown Prep team above Northeast and Penn Charter, the two league title winners, but the best that can be done is to give Brown Prep the independent track championship of the city.

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In prepared the control of the country, even if this war ended forever among the thought of battle and blood. It is undoubtedly the greatest training a man or boy around twenty can get, for it gets and a fifteen mile like. And in three compliance three of the great things of life:

For a good many years of your life you get in the habit of getting up at 5 or 3 o'clock in a warm r om, and kick if the radiator into working 100 per cent the ra institution will compete in the meet as individuals. Yale will cend a small team, because of the expense entailed and the conditions imposed by the miltary training feature of the inctituti at present, and Cornell will send a small team for the games also. From Princeton there has been no word, either affirmatively or negatively.

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Miller Elected Lebanon Captain

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Huggins Due in New York Today

NEW YORK, Jsn. 3 -- Miller Huggine, former manager of the Cardinals and now in charge of the New York Yankees, was to arrive in New York today to tell all about his plans for the coming baseball

AMERICAN BASKETBALL LEAGUE HANDS SOLAR PLEXUS TO IDEA THAT THE CAGE GAME IS DEAD

Traymore Hall Is Thronged With Enthusiastic Fans on Playing Nights-Many Big Leaguers Seen in Action

This is may be many persons in this town who were of the copinion that baskethall was dead, but a large, in fact decidedly large, gathering of cage fans, including William J. Scheffer, president of the detunet astern League, had thele opinion reversed after watching a big evening's doings at Traymore Hall, the home of the American League, had thele opinion reversed after a nation, including William J. Scheffer, which, with the same ended. The field goals were: Hanterbard and the process of the American and the process of the American carried and the process of the American and the American and the process of the American and the American and the process of the American and the American and the process of the American and the Am



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