# BAN JOHNSON'S A REAL CHAMPION: HE HAS WON MORE DECISIONS THAN WILLIE HOPPE

# JOHNSON TRIUMPHS, **BUT BREACH WIDENS** IN AMERICAN LEAGUE

Insurgents, After Losing in New York Meeting, Now Plan Action in Courts-New Board of Directors and Vice President Are Elected

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THE dove of peace has sprained a tendon, wears a black eye and is navigating on one wing. The clive branch has grown into a war club and the situation in the American League once more is all wet and out of shape. The pleasant little gathering of the magnates was as calm and tranquil as a boiler factory, and the opposing factions are getting along like a pair of mile-posts. The president of the league, referred to in a voluminous report as "the said Johnson" and just plain "Johnson," still lingers as president; Charley Comiskey has joined the ranks of former vice presidents, and an entirely new set of directors is in office. This was accomplished in the friendly meeting in the Biltmore resterday. Score, 5 to 3.

Today, Ban Johnson and his five faithful followers are aware that they have secred a victory of some sort, for the insurgents apparently have been walloped at every turn, and their only chance to do anything is in the courts. Mr. Johnson and his aforesaid five faithful followers were served with three summonses, which means that legal action will be taken by the New York club. Tuese summonses are said to be:

First. A suit for damages brought by the New York club on account of the Carl Mays episode

Second. Another suit to oust Ban Johnson from the presidency of the American League.

Third. Suit to force Ban Johnson to produce his agreement with a telegraph company. The board of directors demanded this on September 16 and has heard nothing about it.

In addition, the retiring board of directors, composed of Messrs, Ruppert, Comiskey and France devoted most of the morning to compiling a report which was distinctly anti-Johnson, and presented it in the open meeting for adoption or something like that. However, the league voted to lay it on the table until the next meeting. Score, 5 to 3.

TAKING it all in all, the American League did nothing but put a halt to the insurgents. Little business was transacted and an early adjournment was taken before anything could be done. It looked as if Ban Johnson knew exactly what to do and then did it.

### Ban Johnson Scores Victory Over Insurgents

THE Johnson forces won a big victory. They checkmated every move made by the opposition and made no mistakes. The old board of directors was allowed to pull a "boner" early in the day when an attempt was made to elect Comiskey chairman of the meeting instead of Johnson, and this caused Ban and Jim Dunn to bolt the meeting. Afterward, on advice of counsel, Johnson was elected chairman, but the lengue executive refused to come back. It was a glaring error on the part of the Ruppert-Comiskey-Frazec combination and will furnish effective ammunition in the coming court action.

But the big, outstanding feature is that peace at this time seems impossible. There is bitter feeling on both sides, and unless somebody yields no one knows what will happen. The situation is as tense as the first day war was declared. The breach is widening instead of being patched up. Ban Johnson has been attacked by three club owners and it looks like a finish fight. It is doubtful if a compromise can be effected,

In the league meeting, which was secret, newspaper men standing in the corridor heard loud voices and the words "liar" and "assassin" floated over the transom. These evidently were hurled at one particular person, and that person seldom forgets things like that. The Carl Mays case seemed to have been forgotten and the verbal barrage was directed at one man.

Now all we can do is wait for the finish. Something must be done, and It must be done in a hurry. A big organization like the American League, with several million dollars invested, cannot go along unless the internal scrap is settled. The public is getting tired of the fuss and wants to know what new players have been signed and where the clubs will train next spring. The fight is getting monotonous and baseball will benefit if the magnates crawl in their holes and stay there. The game should be played in ball parks-not in

But the row will drag along for a month or more, there will be charges d counter-charges, the New York, Chicago and Boston clubs will prob ably get deeper in the mess and no one has even the remotest idea of the

Too bad there isn't a one-man National Commission in existence.

Then the whole affair could have been settled without dragging in a flock of high-priced lawyers. There also would be some privacy.

### 154-Game Schedule for 1920 Is Favored

FOR some reason or other the American League voted in favor of a 154game schedule, and those games will be played if there is any time left after the magnates get out of court. This was the only piece of business transacted at the meeting outside of the election of officers and the tabling of the directors' report.

In the meantime, the National League was sailing serenely along at the Waldorf, everything going through without a hitch. Many things were discussed and the magnates went on record as favoring the abolishment of all freak deliveries in the league. That means the spitter, the shine ball, the emery ball and other trick pitching stunts will be done away with if the rules can be amended in a joint meeting. Spitball pitchers now in the league will be allowed to continue, but no new ones will be admitted. This, however, cannot be enforced until official action is taken by a committee composed of members of both leagues.

Garry Herrmann sprang a big surprise yesterday when he announced that he would retire as chairman of the National Commission at the end of thirty days if ten American and National League owners were still opposed to his holding office. Garry has been on the pan for more than a year, but this was the first time he announced himself.

However, there is a different feeling toward the Cincinnati magnate this year. There is no open hostility, but friendly suggestions were made, it is said, for him to retire and allow the office to be filled by a neutral chairmanmeaning a man who is not connected with either league. Herrmann is taking a broad-minded view of the affair and has gained in popularity.

Both league meetings are over. The National will not neet again until next February, when the schedule will be adopted, and the American will not convene until called by President Johnson.

EVERYTHING is sizes and sevens and the usual trade talk has been conspicuous by its absence. Barney Dreyfuss got a new manager and John McGraw made a futile attempt to purchase Hornsby from St. Louis, but that's all that happened.

### SPORTS AMONG AMATEURS

their season on Tuesday evening, when St. Rita defeated the St. Patrick five and the Kayoula won from Kay-wood both games being played at St. Rita's Hall, at Broad and Federal atreets. There are six teams in the league and the other two fives, the Sacred Heart L. I. and St. John's, will oppose each other this evening at St. Rita's Hall.

Great rivalry is being shown by the followers of the clubs. as was shown by the crowd which attended the games on Tuesday evening. All the teams are strong and a nip-and-tuck game will most probably be the result. The admission at the game is twenty-five

THE Southern Catholic League started Bridgeton, Branson, Lancaster and othe teams of that claim, offering fair guarantees

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Camden Cagemen Smother De Neri Under Shower of Field

Goals, 53 to 28 CAMPBELL TOSSES SEVEN

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Friday night-Camden at Trenton, Saturday night-North Philadelphia De Neri: Germantown at Reading. All Eastern League scoring records for the senson were shattered at Cam-den last evening, when the Skecters snowed the De Neri team under by the score of 53 to 28. Manager Myers had but one of his regular trio of stars in action, and this, coming at a time when

Ally McWilliams had gone, put his club in a difficult position.

With Harry and Lou Sugarman at forwards, Billy Miller at center and forwards. Billy Miller at center and lover, and recoor has a summary of the first twenty minutes, for the score stood 19-12.

And it was in the second half that sam, heavyweights, meet in the semifinal fractas at the Auditorium next Tuesday minutes. For the score stood 19-12, and it was in the second half that sam, heavyweights, meet in the semifinal fractas at the Audit follows. Johnny Fleming vi. the Camden scoring register was turned loose and then the goals, going through the net in quick succession, put an end to the criticism of some of the fans that

Camden could not shoot.

They only finished with a total of 23, and they went to: Campbell, 7; Dolin and Deighan, 5 each; Kerr, 3; Lennox, Sterle and Hyde, 1 each. De Neri compiled 11, Armstrong and Dreyfuss landing a pair each, L. Sugarman Michael Milleresting 3 and Harry Sugar-Miller getting 3 and Harry Sugar-

man. 1.

It has been announced that the veteran Joe Fogarty has been appointed manager of the club. Joe was out in uniform last evening, but did not get nto the game

Ray Long Beats Kid Curley Detroit De: 11.—In the final bout of the served Hoxing Club's show lest night Ray will be stored Hoxing Club's show lest night Ray will be served foolin Mo sained the verdict over controller of Euffelo in ten rounds. The entwinding was a fast, well-fought battle entwind to was a fast, well-fought battle entwind to was a fast, well-fought battle entwind was a fast, well-fought battle entwindings in all Dutch Brandt of Encoding International Company of Period Stand Output Stand Country of Period Discount the second round a knockeut in the second round.

No Action in Dumoe Case

Stetson Defeats Dunlap on Grammar School qualified for ay for the city championship by the sectional winner, Dunlap Sch

Brown, 34; Temple, 25 wn Preparatory School defisited rep. 34 to 25, in the basketball

### RHEUMATIC PAINS RAISING A RUMPUS?

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# SCRAPS ABOUT SCRAPPERS

Baltimore to see that famous duo—
Jack Hagen and Spider Kelly—last Friday night. Their high-class act went over hig and it is understood that they will exhibit in the Manumental City egain before the end of the month.

This veteran pair performed in Boston last September and made good.
They never failed once to respond to the numerous benefits and even now do their bit when naked.

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They journeyed to Parkesburg on Armistice Day to help make it a real day for the boys.

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Frank Poth is ready to back their act against any of its kind in the game. Frankle Mason, the western bantam, may be the next starter against Jimmy Wilde Sharkey's victory over the British battlin monarch has increased the considence of the other American eligibles. Wilde has a big job ahead, if he hopes to go through the long row of high-class little fellows withou meeting disaster. George Chency will be at the National Sat-rday night. The hard-hitting Baltimorean, the has taken his turn at hitting om to the oor and himself hitting the mat, will see cition scalnst the ciever Benuy Valger in he main session. Valger now is seeking a natch with Feutherweight Champion Jahany Offbane.

Johnny Dunder, another one of our well-known likitweights, will entertain at the Olympia on Monday evening. Fal Maran, the southern buy who recently beat Johnny Drummite, will oppose Dunder. It is reported from New York that Dundee bas signed to meet Leonard in a championship bout in New Haven on January 16.

Joe Borrell, a middleweight terror of a few years ago, will face Len Rowlands, Bobby Gunnis terror, in the stx-round final at the Cambris tomorrow night. The other Cambris louds follow: Jammy Brown va-Johnny Duffy Pert Richmond Mike Glibbons is New Dever Preddy Spangler vs Jimmy Toner, and Freddy Hayes vs Johnny Dough-erts.

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TOMMY TUOHEY LOSES

Jersey City, Dec. 11 .- Benny Leonard, lightweight champion of the world, knocked out Challenger Mel Coogan in the second round of a scheduled eightround bout before a huge crowd in the
Fourth Regiment Armory, last night.
Early in the second round Leonard
caught Coogan with a short right-hand
uppereut. Coogan went to the canvas
for a count of nine. He was groggy
when he arose and was open for a
combination left hook and straight right
from the champion. Coogan fell like a The board of governors of the Pine Street behating Society, at one of their rregular needings held has night nominated Tommy herras, one of the twelve charter members, or the position of vice president for the 20 season. The election will be held next week. P. M. C. Awards Gridiron Letters

combination left book and straight right from the champion. Coogan fell like a log. At the count of eight he got to one knee and attempted to rise.

Governor-elect Edwards and many notables were among the crowd that jammed the armory to suffocation. They saw two other scheduled eight-round bouts end in knockouts. In one, Al Reich, the former amateur discus thrower, stopped Al Roberts in the second round. In the other, Joe Benjamin, of California, gave Tommy Tuohey such a beating that the referre had to and the bottlities in the first round. tn a Northeast Manufacturers' League gene McNeely-Price defeated Dieston after a hard and fase same, score 27 to 17.

# BIG HANDS, WRISTS AND SHOULDERS ARE MAIN HAGEN ASSETS

Open Golf Champion Has Unusual Physical Power and a Playing System Bulging With Confidence.

Few Can Outdrive Titleholder

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Penshots of 1919 Champions .

[Note—This series will cover the open golf champion, the heavyweight champion, the amateur golf champion, Cobb and Ruth, batting champions, Pat Moran and other title winners who have helped to feature the waning

No. 1. Walter Hagen-Open Golf Champion

CIX years ago at Brookline in the open golf championship at our Uncle Samuel's golfing domain, one of the entries was a powerful young home-bred from Rochester, N. Y. His name was Walter C. Hagen, at that date virtually unknown. Hagen then had two useful assets—unusual physical power and a golfing system bulging with confidence.

He had been a semi-pro ball player of some renown, and the one thing he liked above anything else was a good, tough battle, whether it was base-

A YEAR later this same Hagen, at Midlothian, was open champion of America, one stroke beyond Chick Evans. And he was even then only a mashle pitch beyond his 'teens.

Back Again

THAT was five years ago. Through 1915 and 1916 the pros were collared A by Travers and Evans, two amateurs, but when championship golf was resumed this spring Hagen made up his mind to go out after his old title. When he arrived at Braeburn he was the most confident entry on the course, and he still refused to surrender hope when he was five strokes back of Brady with only eighteen holes left.

 $T^{HE}$  story of how he fought his way through to the top is old stuff now. But Hagen isn't,

What Hagen Is Like

TOU will hear quite a triffe about Walter Hagen in the years to come, so you might just as well get acquainted now. Some of the first things you will notice about him are a deep chest, a pair of broad shoulders, big, thick wrists and big, powerful-looking hands.

The most noticeable feature, however, is the combination of an aggressive jaw and a friendly, cheerful smile, as if the owner thereof meant business and yet insisted upon remaining good-natured about it.

You will see a man around twenty-seven years old, about five feet ten inches in height, weighing 180 pounds, blue of eye and dark of hair.

WHEN you take a good look at his hands, wrists and shoulders you will doubtless say to yourself, "No wonder that guy can hit a

With the Iron

BOB. McDONALD, the tall and willowy Scot, can outdrive Hagen. Maybe Bone or two others can—but not very many others.
But no man can play a longer iron shot—especially from a close lie.
Here's a shot, and they pop up here and there, 210 or 220 yards away from the green, licing none too well.

Even the best of the pros under this condition have one of two choices— to risk an uncertain shot from a bad lie with the wood or to play safe and Hagen is confronted by no such choice. With the hands, wrists and fore-

arms that he carries he merely tears into the turf and ball with a trusty iron-

HE LAYS into an iron shot from a heavy lie with a crash, and at this stroke he knows no superior.

His Mental Attitude

HAGEN has all the confidence of Jack McDermott, without Jack's superaggressiveness.

When he was six strokes back of a certain opponent at the end of thirtysix holes in a championship tournament his philosophy assumed this expression "Well, if he can pick up six strokes on me today, I can certainly pick up six strokes on him tomorrow, for he's still worried about me and I'm not worried about him." Hagen goes out to meet the competitive situation. Where it might crush

others it merely acts as a spur to him. WHEN he heard that he had to play the last six holes one under par to tie Mike Brady in the open he rose to his best golf as if



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