

BASEBALL TANGLE MORE ENTANGLED

San Johnson Believes There Will Be No Joint Session of Major Leagues

Chicago, Nov. 5.—Beginning tomorrow Chicago will be the storm center of the major leagues. From New York comes the announcement that a special meeting of the National League club owners has been arranged for this city on that day, presumably to decide on the attitude of the veteran circuit regarding the recent overtures looking to a joint committee of nine to solve the problem of a new governing body for baseball.

From President Johnson, of the American League, came the announcement today that a special meeting of the club owners of his circuit had been called for Monday morning at the Congress Hotel to discuss and act upon the latest developments in the plan to reorganize the national pastime.

Simultaneously, President Johnson voiced the opinion that there would be no joint session of the American and National League club owners here on Monday. This was taken to be his reply to the reports emanating from New York to the effect that President Heydler, of the National League, had issued a second invitation to the American League executive committee to join the National League and the Chicago, New York and Boston American League clubs in session here on Monday afternoon.

HOLMES TO REFEREE PACIFIC COAST POLO

Eastern Official Selected to Handle All California Contests

Del Monte, Calif., Nov. 5.—Captain H. H. Holmes, who officiates as referee of all the polo tournaments in the East, has been engaged to handle the play in the Del Monte, Mirabeau and San Mateo tournaments this coming season. John B. Miller, chairman of the Pacific coast polo association, obtained Captain Holmes' services in order to assure that the matches would be handled in the field in a capable and efficient manner.

For the last couple of years the lack of intelligent refereeing has been a decided drawback to California polo. The high-class players have complained of the failure of the officials to observe the rules. The result has been that some of the junior players were beginning to acquire a reputation as careless and dangerous, owing to their mounts, and the beauty of the play, as well as the danger to the contestants, has been noticeable.

Foulkrod Wins at Tennis

John Foulkrod won the junior tennis championship of the Roxborough Country Club yesterday defeating J. Flanagan in the final round 6-0, 6-0. The forward driving of the victor was the feature of the match. The members of the club will play a season yet in either golf or tennis. Yesterday Colonel Strassler and J. Flanagan played an exhibition golf match at Galen Hall, defeating Weger and H. Robinson 1 up on the nineteenth hole. They were 1 down on the way to the last hole, but Strassler, who was the victor, won the match. On the nineteenth, Flanagan played the last stroke which landed within six inches of the hole.

LOWER MERION PLAYS LANSDOWNE TOMORROW

Coach Peden's Boys Are Playing Fast Game on the Gridiron

Radnor will have a good run for its money if Coach Peden, of Lower Merion, has his way. The team will play November 13.

Last Friday Lower Merion added Cheltenham to its list of victories. It was a good game. Both teams fought hard for victory, but it resulted in Cheltenham's first defeat.

Powell and Kilpatrick starred for Lower Merion, both exhibiting fine ability to go through the line. Quinn also advanced the ball well and played a good defensive game. McCree and Vanneman did good work at end.

Lower Merion's next game will be with Lansdowne on Saturday.

It is expected that this game will be as good, if not much better, than last week's game. In spite of the fact that Lansdowne outweighs Lower Merion considerably, Captain Powell is confident of victory.

Here is the probable line-up: Lansdowne: left end, Vanneman; left tackle, Vanneman; left guard, Vanneman; center, Vanneman; right guard, Vanneman; right tackle, Vanneman; right end, Vanneman; quarterback, Vanneman; halfback, Vanneman; fullback, Vanneman; average weight of team—Lansdowne, 135; Lower Merion, 130.

Lower Merion: left end, Vanneman; left tackle, Vanneman; left guard, Vanneman; center, Vanneman; right guard, Vanneman; right tackle, Vanneman; right end, Vanneman; quarterback, Vanneman; halfback, Vanneman; fullback, Vanneman; average weight of team—Lansdowne, 135; Lower Merion, 130.

HAVE LEAGUE VACANCY

American Short of One Team Week Before Opening of Season

With the opening of the American Basketball League only a week off, the De Nerl team is still without a manager. The team is scheduled to play its first game on Monday night at a meeting held at Iowa Hall, thus making a vacancy in the circuit. President De Nerl has appointed at this last-minute decision of the De Nerl delegates, that there be a team that would fill this vacancy. The manager can communicate with President De Nerl at 3012 Bala street.

The league will open its championship schedule on Monday, November 13, at Iowa Hall, at 8 o'clock. The game will be between the Philadelphia Leagues team and the Philadelphia Leagues team.

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NOVICE CROSS-COUNTRY RUN

Five-Mile Contest Will Be Held by A. A. U. Tomorrow

A cross-country run of five miles for novices, under the auspices of the Middle Atlantic Association Amateur Athletic Union, will be held on Saturday. The run will start at Twenty-sixth and Jefferson streets, north on Water street to Oxford street, west on Oxford street to Thirty-third street, north on Thirty-third street to Oxford street, west on Oxford street to the reservoir, to the right around reservoir to Oxford street, to Halsey street, to starting point. The run will start at 8 o'clock sharp. The prizes are gold, silver and bronze medals. Entries should be made at J. J. Dallas, care John Wanamaker, closing today.

COMISKEY SPENT \$10,000 FOR FACTS

'Old Roman' Issues Statement Concerning Expose of 1919 Series

New York, Nov. 5.—In answer to a request from Colonel Jacob Ruppert and T. L. Huston, owners of the Yankees, President Charles A. Comiskey, of the Chicago White Sox, has issued a statement dealing with the expose of the 1919 world's series between the White Sox and the Cincinnati Reds. The object of the statement is to counteract the impression prevailing in some quarters that Comiskey had been delinquent in his duty and that any credit for the expose belonged to Sam Johnson, president of the American League.

The owners of the Yankees, knowing all the details of Comiskey's determined efforts to investigate the series, resented what they considered an effort to discredit Comiskey. It was charged in a story recently printed here that Comiskey not only failed to act promptly in unearthing the world's series crookedness, but had endeavored to hush it up. Since the Chicago owner lined up with Colonel Ruppert and Huston of the Yankees and Owner H. H. Frazee, of the Boston Red Sox, to join the National League in the reorganization fight, the effort to discredit Comiskey has been growing stronger.

The statement of the Chicago owner is as follows: The first information regarding H. C. Redmond's (of St. Louis) acquaintance with the world's series of 1919 was a story brought to me some time in November, 1919, to the effect that Redmond had bet heavily on the White Sox, had been double-crossed and had lost \$5000, and that he would give me direct information as to the crookedness of the

world's series if I would recompense him the amount he had lost. Immediately upon receiving that information I sent Kid Gleason and Tip O'Neil to East St. Louis with authority to pay him the \$5000 in question if he would furnish the evidence which was represented to me he had, namely, evidence that would show the crookedness of the ball players. I had previously offered a reward of \$10,000 to any one who would furnish similar evidence.

Too Vague and Uncertain "Redmond's" story, detailed to Gleason and O'Neil, was of such vague and uncertain character that no one would have been justified in taking affirmative action such as would destroy the character and reputation of men, even though they were ball players. Not content, I caused Mr. Redmond, with others whom he had named, to come to Chicago at my expense for the purpose of further investigating the evidence which he was supposed to have. The result was that he could not give me any names, circumstances or facts upon which we could base a charge of crookedness and substantiate the same against any ball players engaged in the world's series.

"Previous to that time, early in November, I had employed detectives, who went to different parts of the country, as far as California, to ascertain the facts with reference to the world's series, and their investigations did not terminate until on or about May 20, 1920. The expense attendant upon this investigation was in the neighborhood of \$10,000. At no time or place did I cease my efforts to root out the truth regarding crooked ball playing in the world series of 1919.

"I drew the attention of Mr. Heydler to my suspicions, he being a member of the National Commission in whose charge the games in question were being played prior to the completion of the world series. He communicated my suspicions to Sam Johnson, president of the American League.

Johnson interviewed Redmond. "This same man, Redmond, was likewise interviewed at or about the same time that I interviewed him by this same Johnson, the president of the

YALE LINE-UP OUT FOR BIG BATTLES

Bulldog Footballers Are Selected for Matches Against Harvard and Princeton

New Haven, Conn., Nov. 5.—Yale's eleven has been virtually selected for the Harvard and Princeton games and, as it lined up today for its final severe scrimmaging previous to the Brown match, the coaches intend to catapult it against the Tigers next week. The line-up ordered today, which, if every player is well conditioned, will be followed against Brown tomorrow, is as follows:

Left end, Cutler; left tackle, Walker; left guard, Acosta; center, Cross; right guard, Captain Callahan; right tackle, Into; right end, Dilworth; quarterback, Murphy; left halfback, Kempton; right halfback, Frank Kelly; and fullback, Jordan.

The single exception from this make-up which the coaches plan to make against Harvard and Princeton, is to inject Malcolm Aldrich into the back field as left halfback. This will cause the removal of Herbert Kempton to right halfback, the transfer of Frank Kelly from right halfback to fullback, and the retirement of Ben Jordan to the second backfield.

This is an entire make over of the backfield trio, but the coaches feel convinced that the full strength of the material can be used in no other way.

Aldrich is still suffering from the sprained ankle which he received in the Boston College game and will probably not resume practice before next week. With his removal Yale lost the strongest member of its backfield.

There is doubt whether Aldrich will be able to play long in either the

AMERICAN LEAGUE, AND JOHNSON MUST HAVE REACHED THE SAME CONCLUSION

Immediately upon the special grand jury being convened in Cook county I volunteered all information at my disposal and paid part of the expense of bringing witnesses to testify before the grand jury. Further than that, even though the chief justice of the Criminal Court offered to delay the investigation until the ending of the 1920 playing season so as not to interfere with the completion of the schedule of my ball club, I declined to have the matter postponed.

"It was my attorney, Alfred S. Austrian, who procured the confession of every ball player on the White Sox team who has confessed, and it was those confessions which enabled the grand jury to return the indictments against the gamblers and the crooked ball players of the world series of 1919.

"Further than that, the moment I had a confession from one of the ball players I suspended each and every one of the eight mentioned in the first confession. Even though I ruined my ball team, possibly cost me a pennant and certainly destroyed property of a value of many hundreds of thousands of dollars, I took my loss without a pang or a bit of sadness, other than that occasioned by ascertaining the fact that those in whom I had put full faith and trust had violated the confidence I had reposed in them.

"CHARLES A. COMISKEY."

Esperanto Sails for Home Halifax, N. S., Nov. 5.—Esperanto, winner of the international fishing schooner race last week, is expected to arrive in New York on her return voyage to Gloucester, Mass. Steamship agent Captain "Marty" New says farewells to Captain "Marty" New and his victorious crew.

Captures Hamilton Cup Mrs. S. B. Peck won the Hamilton cup tournament at the Philadelphia Country Club yesterday, turning in a net score of 117. It was a signal victory, as almost all the contestants were star players.

TITLE GRID GAME ON FOR TOMORROW

Holmesburg and Frankford Meet in First Lay for Pennsylvania Laurels

The first game of a four-cornered series to decide the independent football championship of southeastern Pennsylvania will be played at Holmesburg tomorrow, when the local club tackles the Frankford A. A. Yellowjackets.

Other teams entered in the series are the Union, of Phoenixville, and Conshohocken. Neither of the four has suffered a defeat at the hands of a local eleven this season, but Conshohocken was humbled by the Washington Navy Yard at Washington last Sunday.

The Frankford-Holmesburg clash should be a bitter one. The teams have been engaging in yearly contests for nineteen years, with varying results. Holmesburg has made a clean sweep the last few seasons, evening up the Frankford victories in former years.

Last year the big "burg eleven" trounced Frankford by a 3 to 0 margin, a field goal from the toe of Johnny Scott, former Lafayette star, providing the points necessary for Holmesburg to carry off the big end of the state.

Next week Holmesburg plays Conshohocken. The following week all the teams in the series swing into action. Frankford takes on Conshohocken and Holmesburg stacks up against the All-American Union Club, of Phoenixville, at the Phillies' ball park.

Mount Airy-Logan on Grid Mount Airy and Logan will answer the whistle at York road and Loudon street tomorrow at 3 o'clock. In two years Mount Airy has had its goal line crossed but twice, with one defeat resulting.

VACANCY IN CAGE LEAGUE

Summit Withdraws From the Germantown Church Circuit

The Germantown Church Athletic League basketball division has a vacancy due to the withdrawal of the Summit Presbyterian Church. The league plays all its games in the Germantown Boys' Club, 25 West Penn street, on Monday and Friday nights.

The churches represented in the league are Second Presbyterian, last year's champions, Wakefield Presbyterian, Westside Presbyterian, East Falls Presbyterian, St. James the Less, Episcopal; Trinity Lutheran, and Covenant Presbyterian.

Any church team in the northwestern part of the city desiring to enter the league should telephone Germantown 9074 and ask for the president of the league, Charles W. Baldwin, or write to the president at 25 West Penn street, Germantown.

Cavanaugh Signs 5-Year Contract Boston, Nov. 5.—Frank W. Cavanaugh, coach of the Boston College football team, has signed a contract to continue as the mentor of the eleven for five years, beginning next September. It was announced today. Cavanaugh, under whose instruction the team beat Yale in 1919 and again this year, has been an instructor in law at the college. He formerly was football coach at Dartmouth.

Gill Wallops Paulson Harrisburg, Pa., Nov. 5.—In the wind-up feature before the Olympic A. C. Johnny Gill, of York, Pa., beat Mike Paulson, of St. Paul, Minn., in every round of a ten-round battle. The well-saved Paulson in the third round. He was down twice. Paulson managed to stay the limit by clinching.

Centre Asks Game Centre College collegians have written to Penn for a basketball game to be played here. Red Roberts, of the Mount Airy and Weaver are members of the "Fraying Parson" squad. Captain Danny McNeel is in favor of scheduling the game, and it may be played before the Christmas holidays.

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