

NATIONAL COMMISSION

BASEBALL COURT TO HOLD SESSIONS

National Commission Ready to Act on Important Questions at Cincinnati

Cincinnati, Jan. 2. — Baseball men from almost every part of the country are gathered here for the annual meeting of the National Baseball Commission opening to-day.

While nothing official has been announced by the commission as to how it will look upon this demand, it has been unofficially indicated by President Johnson, of the American League, that the request would be denied.

Class A. A. Meeting. That the Class AA league men intend to press the matter with energy is indicated by the special meeting called for to-day.

The election of officers for the commission also will be held, but it has become an assured fact during the last week that both Chairman August Herrmann and Secretary John R. Bruce would be re-elected.

Oregon Trims Easterners in Sensational Game; Penn Eleven Is Worn Out

Pasadena, Cal., Jan. 2.—Outplayed at its own spectacular style of open field play, outgeneraled in the use of the famous forward pass, in which it was expected to prove adept, the University of Pennsylvania went down to defeat yesterday.

The great Red and Blue team was not disgraced. For three-fourths of the game it kept the ball most of the time in Oregon territory.

The youths from the East, outweighed could not withstand the severe task imposed upon them, and when it became necessary to use every reserve force to meet the terrific onslaughts hurled at them they withered, and it was only forward passes, but a brilliant double forward pass, carefully and cleverly executed, scored the first touchdown for Oregon at the close of the third period.

Percy Haughton Has Radical Methods For Restoring Baseball Balance

Boston, Jan. 2. — Suggestions for restoring the balance in baseball which he contends has become lost through the advantages enjoyed by the defensive side of the game, were advanced to-day by President Percy D. Haughton, of the Boston National League club.

The natural ingenuity of the American sportsman is forever destroying the balance between offense and attack in games," said Haughton. "In baseball the defenders have had the upper hand for years. It is harder to make runs now. Batters have been dropping, indicating there is something radically wrong with the balance in baseball.

Here are six ideas I have heard advanced, each of which has merit: "Move first and third base about four or five feet nearer home plate, not disturbing the position of second.

METHOD CLUB IS LOSER

Carlisle, Pa., Jan. 2.—A fast and furious game of basketball between Carlisle Indians and the Methodist club of Harrisburg was played here yesterday afternoon, the Indians winning by the score of 32 to 22.

Field goals—Smith, 6; Clairmont, 3; Winn, 2; Herman, 2; Lutz, 2; Condon, 6; Winn, 2. Referee—Saul, Harrisburg high school.

GALAHAD FIVE DEFEATED

Pottsville, Pa., Jan. 2. — Schuykill Haven defeated the Galahad A. C. basketball team, yesterday afternoon at Schuykill Haven, 29 to 17. The line-up: Schuykill Haven—Harrisburg, F. Keller, F. Kephart, F. Bricker, C. Troy, G. Mills, G. Wolf.

Field goals—Keller, 3; Starr, 5; Hart, 2; Troy, Mills; Kephart, 2; Barr, 2; Bricker, 2; Wolf, Foul goals—Schuykill Haven, 5 out of 10; Harrisburg, 1 out of 4.

WELLY'S

The East met the West in football and lost out. Someone said several weeks ago that the best football knowledge came from the East.

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FANS COMING TO SEE YALE PLAY

Carlisle, York and Other Towns to Be Represented Friday Night; Dance Program

Large delegations of basketball enthusiasts from Carlisle, Mechanicsburg, York, Lebanon and Lancaster, will come to Harrisburg Friday for the Yale game.

Undoubtedly the most talked about event in the city at the present time is the coming of the Yale basketball team here Friday night, when it will line up against an all-collegiate five at Chestnut Street Auditorium.

On the Yale five are to be found Clinton Taft, son of ex-President of the United States, William Howard Taft, James Garfield, grandson of the former United States President, and Harold Mallon, regarded by experts as the best collegiate guard playing the game.

The Yale squad will consist of 15 men and most of them are considered high class players. Experts have picked Old Eli's basketball team for intercollegiate honors this season, and local fans will have an opportunity of witnessing one of the classic teams in action.

After the game there will be a special dance program as a closing compliment to the boys and girls who have been home for the holidays. The Miss Sara Lerner string orchestra will furnish the music, dancing will be free to ladies. The game starts at 8.15. There will be dancing between halves and after the game.

Independents Winner in Game With Lancaster; McCord Big Point Scorer

Harrisburg Independents won over Lancaster five last night, score 34 to 24. The McCord won again this evening, scoring 12 points. Pat Reagan, who played in place of Geisel, was also a star.

Table with 4 columns: Player Name, P.G., Fts., Pts. for Independents and Lancaster.

McCord, forward ..... 2 8 12
Rote, forward ..... 2 0 4
N. Ford, forward ..... 2 0 4
Gerdes, center ..... 2 0 4
Colestock, guard ..... 1 0 2
Reagan, guard ..... 4 0 8
Totals ..... 13 8 24

Bits From Sportland

Tower City split even yesterday in a double header with Reading. The latter won the first game, score 26 to 24, and lost the second to Tower City, score 30 to 28.

The Rosewood A. C. last night won over the Marietta five, score 40 to 22. Kome and Title were local scorers.

Last Night's Bowling Scores

Academy Duckpin League
Factors ..... 1574
Barbers ..... 1517
Johns (F.) ..... 1444
Johns (E.) ..... 375

Miscellaneous
(L'Ecques Alloys, Lemoyne.)
Lemoyne ..... 2541
New Carlisle ..... 2376
Ruby (N. C.) ..... 2409
Benz (L.) ..... 558

JOHNSON LEAVES FOR MEETING

Chicago, Jan. 2.—E. B. Johnson, president of the American League, several other baseball officials left here last night for Cincinnati to attend the meeting of the National Baseball Commission to-day.

PAIR HELD FOR THEFT

Charged with the theft of \$37, James Etz and Margaret Brown, colored, were arrested last evening on Cowden street by Detectives Shuler and Speese. Mike Barbausch, an Italian, made the charge against them.

MAKES PLEA FOR PARK EXTENSION

I should also welcome a home for indigent inebriates managed upon modern lines and devoted to the cure of alcoholism, the cause of so large a part of the crimes of society.

WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE AMENDMENT

Two years ago I asked you to submit the question of amending the Constitution permitting women to vote. You did so.

HISTORIC SITES AND MARKERS

In this Colony and Commonwealth have been enacted many of the most important parts of our national history. Our State is rich in sites made sacred by the deeds of heroic citizens.

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Now For Our Pre-Inventory Sale! Greatest Clothes Buying Opportunity of the Entire Year

WE ALWAYS CLEAN HOUSE BEFORE WE TAKE OUR ANNUAL INVENTORY

We are going to make a supreme effort to convert into money all of our Men's, Young Men's and Boys' Suits and Overcoats.

Men's and Young Men's Suits and Overcoats that sold up to \$18 ..... 12.50

Men's and Young Men's Suits and Overcoats that sold up to \$22.50 ..... 15.00

Men's and Young Men's Suits and Overcoats that sold up to \$25.00 ..... 18.00

Men's and Young Men's Suits and Overcoats that sold up to \$30.00 ..... 20.00

Boys' Suits in a large variety of styles and patterns that formerly sold up to \$6.50, ..... \$3.75

Boys' Suits that formerly sold up to \$7.50, ..... \$5.00

Boys' Suits that formerly sold up to \$10.00, ..... \$6.50



THE CLUB 320 MARKET STREET

charge of all the motor apparatus in the city. In the near future a new machine shop will be erected and properly equipped at the pipe-line shop at a cost of \$5,000 for the mechanician.

Council to-day also reappointed Dr. J. B. McAlister as a member of the city bureau of health and sanitation for a term of five years.

Points the commissioners transacted no other business than to pass on first reading the two salary raiser ordinances as provided for by the budget. One effects the employees of the water department which increases all along the line from Chief Clerk Frank Temple down.

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More than a year ago Harrisburg voted to float a loan of \$60,000 for the motorizing of the fire department, and according to Commissioner Gross the apparatus that can possibly be purchased with the money at hand should be bought within the next 30 days.

Commissioner Gross says the bids will call for the motorizing of "nine, more or less" combination chemicals, either by furnishing new motor-driven apparatus and allowing credits for the present equipment, or by building new apparatus and using as much as possible of the present equipment.

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H. W. Taylor Appointed Bell Telephone Chief Clerk

E. W. Gilpin, local manager of the Bell Telephone Co., of Pennsylvania, announces the appointment of H. W. Taylor as chief clerk to the Harrisburg local manager. Mr. Taylor is a son of Samuel M. Taylor, 922 North Second street, and has been in the service of the Bell company for nearly five years, starting as a salesman in Altoona in May, 1912.

Threaten Russ Front

What seems to be the more serious threat to the Russian front, however, is developing to the northeast, where both the Petrograd and Berlin statements show Teutonic progress at various points, notably in the direction of the entire manhood force of the nation near the Southern Moldavian border, and along the Western Moldavian corner, where the offensive of the central powers in the transverse valleys is indicated as assuming notable importance.

Danger of the Western Moldavian line being rolled up and a retreat forced is being pointed out as the result of the continuing thrust at the Russo-Rumanian at the curves southward from the Carpathian mountains and continues toward the Danube. The Russian resistance is evidently a determined one, however, and the fighting situation has not yet touched the line of the Sereth-Sarter.

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