

EASTERN DIVISION ATHLETES ON PENNSY SYSTEM ARE SHOWING SPORT ACTIVITY

TENER MAY OUT NATIONAL BODY; NAME BARROW?



JOHN K. TENER

Jack of denial usually spells verification. That Tener will embrace a wonderful business opportunity regardless of the wishes of his baseball associates, is a fact well known to his immediate friends. His term of office at the head of the National League expires to-day. Some time ago it was announced that Mr. Tener had been tendered a return to his office for a term of years by the unanimous consent of his eight club president constituents.

Offer Not Official

That fact seems to have been just a trifle far-fetched. If the offer was made it is a surety that the present executive did not accept, for he has pledged himself to accept an important office in a business concern whose game is road construction. If Mr. Tener retains the presidency of the National League it will be on the condition only of being footloose to engage in any other business which suits his fancy.

It is said that President Tener will consent to not cut in salary, such as August Herrmann threatens. He served one year of the four without the aid of a salary, for he was still was Governor of the State of Pennsylvania. The Tener regime in the National League has been strictly free from the usual petty annoyances that have characterized that circuit's affairs. Mr. Tener has every reason to feel proud of his administration. He cannot afford to knuckle to National League linen washing.

With Tener gone, or going (as seems to be the case), the question that naturally arises is who will be his successor.

The answer is an enigma. No one can fathom the minds of the National League voters.

Barrow Looms Up

If Tener really is through, as seems to be the case, the National League might look a long time for a man worse than to appoint to the position Edward G. Barrow, for a number of years president of the International League. Barrow with his acumen and hustle kept the International League afloat through several treacherous years of the back-and-forth National League, when a back-down might have been disastrous for organized baseball. Quite as worthy of the office is John A. Heydler, secretary of the National League. He served a short time following the death of Harry Clay Pulliam. His administration was spotless. But the sudden change of the National League because they considered him not a good enough mixer. In those days a mixer had to be a two-handed drinker.

The news came from one who would be a business associate of Mr. Tener in his new field, that the ex-Governor will close out his National League account during the annual meeting of his circuit here. That meeting opens at the Waldorf-Astoria to-day at noon. The story was put squarely up to President Tener. He would neither affirm nor deny. In baseball

PITCHER GROVER CLEVELAND ALEXANDER IS AGAINST SEEKING AN EXEMPTION



GROVER CLEVELAND ALEXANDER

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 11.—Grover Cleveland Alexander, the leading twirler of the National League, is a giant against seeking an exemption from the Army draft. Furthermore, he expects to have his number reached at the next call.

"I don't believe that ballplayers should be exempted just because they're ballplayers," said Alexander when he is spending a few days here. "If the government needs me, I'm ready to go. That will be about the last I can do, too, when one comes to think of it. A country not worth fighting for isn't much as a country, and that isn't the kind we have here."

Alexander is registered from St. Paul, Neb.

EASTERN DIVISION TEAMS START SPORT ACTIVITY; LOCAL PROGRAM THURSDAY

Within the next two or three weeks there will be a great revival of sport activity on the Pennsylvania system. This activity will continue until March when the annual championship indoor meet will be held in Philadelphia.

On Thursday night at the rooms of the Mottville Athletic Association, in Seventh street, near Rely, local athletes will open the series of matches. Basketball teams from the Schuylkill Valley division will be here for games with Harrisburg contestants.

On December 15 the second Pennsylvania Railroad traphoot will be held in this city, and will bring together the ten-men teams from Wilmington, Baltimore, Delaware, Camden, Trenton, Morrisville, the General Office and the Philadelphia terminal divisions. The Intercity Rifle Shooting League also opens yesterday with shoots in this city, Baltimore and Camden. The following rules will govern the various events.

Rules For Contest

Tug-of-War—A. A. U. rules to govern, with the exception of the length of pull, which shall be three minutes instead of five minutes, and the number of men on each team which shall be five instead of four men.

Howling—American Bowling Congress rules to govern. Games to consist of two out of three games to determine winner.

Volleyball—Spalding's rules to govern; twenty-one points; two out of three games.

Basketball—Reach (professional) rules to govern.

Indoor Baseball—Army rules to govern. Nine-men teams, nine innings.

Shuffleboard—Pennsylvania Railroad rules. Forty-two points, top length play only, side rolling prohibited.

Pocket Billiards—100-pointer continuous, two-men teams.

Where Big Fights Go

Columbus, 12 rounds, no decision. This may be increased to 15 rounds to a decision for the Ted Lewis-Bryan Doney battle.

Dayton, 20 rounds to a decision. This is the place where Ted (Kid) Lewis won the welterweight championship from Jack Britton.

Springfield, 20 rounds to a decision.

Cincinnati, 15 rounds to a decision. Canton, 20 rounds to a decision.

Cleveland, 10 rounds, no decision. According to William F. McKinnin, matchmaker of the Queensbury Athletic Club of Columbus, who is in the city trying to close a Bryan Doney-Ted (Kid) Lewis welterweight championship affair, the game is very much in the air.

"In Ohio, while there is no boxing law, there is nothing on the statutes which makes it a misdemeanor to 'keep a house' for boxing," says McKinnin. "Most cities it is up to the mayor and chief of police to regulate the boxing. In Columbus there is a boxing commission, which regulates the game and keeps it clean, and for this service 5 per cent is deducted to conduct its affairs."

WELLY'S CORNER

One thing is certain. If John K. Tener is to be president of the National League he will be boss. While late last night it looked as if the former Governor of Pennsylvania intended to keep his word and step down and out, this morning reports were in circulation that the whole move was another effort on the part of President Ban Johnson, of the American League, to get his friend, Edward G. Barrow, a job.

How August Herrmann got mixed up in the annual winter baseball battle is a big surprise to his many friends. It was the general belief that he and John K. Tener were close friends. It looks very much that Herrmann on the strength of this friendship thought he had the right to act for President Tener.

More good games are expected Thursday night at Cathedral hall. The Hassett five will meet the Hershey Men's Club. This will be the final contest with an independent team as Hassett's schedule calls for

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(Taylor's Alleys)

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Osner's	1828
O'Leary	1828
Millard	2060
Ford, (D)	1889
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Storm	181
Storm, (O)	447

(Ficke's Alleys)

Berger's	2084
Ficke's	1828
Mull, (B)	185
Hinkle, (B)	441

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A Man's Gift From a Man's Store
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Tarsus Five to Meet Aviation Camp Team

The Tarsus gymnastic school basketball team will line up against the Aviators team from the Middletown camp Thursday evening in St. Paul's gymnasium, Second and Emerald streets. Both teams have been practicing hard and a good game is expected.

"Babe" Adams Signs Up With Kansas City Team

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 11.—John Gangel, manager of the Kansas City American Association club, announced deals for players by which he has completed his infield for the 1918 season and added a pitcher to his staff. James McAuley, a shortstop formerly with the Pittsburgh and St. Louis National League teams, is the new infielder and the last needed to complete it. "Babe" Adams, hero of the 1909 world series, is the new pitcher. Adams was in the Western League last year. McAuley has played most of the last two seasons in the International League. He was in Rochester in 1916 and Montreal last year.

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Rules on Javelin Throw as Defined by A. A. U.

A knotty problem as to the correct way to hold the javelin has been settled by the Amateur Athletic Union after being communicated with by S. Edstrom, president of the International Athletic Federation, whose headquarters is in Sweden.

The interpretation of the rule as stated by the board of governors is: "The construction of athletic rule 38, requiring the javelin to be held by the grip is not violated if the hand holding the instrument is on the grip, but some of the flesh of the hand touches the back of the binding, but the extension of the fingers on the shaft is a violation of the rule."

According to the information received by the A. A. U. authorities from Edstrom, the world's champion javelin thrower, extends the fleshy part of his hand to, but not beyond, the last row of the whiplike grip. Lenny holds the javelin in such a way that the forefinger is slightly lapped over it while the tips of the other three fingers just touch it.

Hassett Teams to Play Two Games Thursday Night

On Thursday evening there will be two games of interest at Cathedral hall. The Russell five will play the Hershey Men's Club, and the Girls' division will meet the Wisconsin team. This will be the last indoor game that Hassett will meet this year. The balance of their games being with college teams.

The members of the Girls' team are practically all new, the only last year varsity player being Miss Sweeney. Miss Scheffer and Miss Connors have landed positions on the team, but the remaining two are in doubt, but will be decided after practice to-morrow evening. Dancing will follow the game. Music by Delone's orchestra.

Twenty-eight Home Runs Is World's Series Record

Out of a total of eighty world series games played since the beginning of the modern world series in 1903, there have been but twenty-eight circuit clouts poled by sluggers in the annual October classic.

Three of these homers were garnered this year, one being by Happy Felsch at Chicago, and two by Benjie Kauff in the fourth game of the series at the Polo grounds, New York.

In 1903 Sebring, of the Pirates, got a homer off Young, of the Red Sox, and Pat Dougherty gleamed circuit swats off Leever and Vail. The next home run came in 1908. It was made by Joe Tinker, of the Cubs, off Bill Donovan, then pitching for Detroit.

The 1909 series between Pittsburgh and Detroit was featured by four homers. Fred Clarke touched off Summers and Mullin for fouls, base wallops, and Jones and Crawford each got a homer of Babe Adams. In 1910 Murphy, of the Athletics, made a homer off McIntyre, of the Cubs.

Baker's homers off Matty and Marquard, and Oldring's cleanup drive off the Rube marked the series of 1911, while in 1912 Larry Gardner, of the Red Sox, hit Tesreau for a homer and Doyle got a home run off Hall.

In the 1913 series Baker, Schanz and Merkle made homers. The next year Hank Gowdy starred, and in 1915 Harry Hooper, Duffy Lewis and Fred Luderus were the home-run hitters. Hy Myers and Larry Gardner made the circuit smashes recorded in 1916.

Champion Peter Hermann Hands Joe Tuber a Wallop

Philadelphia, Dec. 11.—Pete Hermann, the bantamweight champion of the world, succeeded in defeating Joe Tuber before a large crowd at the Olympia A. C. last night, although in the second round Tuber came within an ace of knocking the titleholder from his feet. Hermann's victory was decisive, however, and he had a marked advantage in every round except the second. Hermann drew blood in the fourth canto, when his repeated jabs opened up Tuber's mouth.

After easily maintaining an advantage in the opening round, Hermann received a surprise when the going opening the second period found Tuber rushing him from his feet. Tuber obtained the advantage by landing a hard right flush on his opponent's jaw, which was so effective that only the ropes prevented the champion from dropping to the floor. Hermann reversed the conditions in the third round, and from then on was never headed, landing the majority of the blows and punching the hardest.

INDIANAPOLIS TEAM FOR SALE

Indianapolis, Dec. 11.—Acting for option on the franchise and players of the Indianapolis American Association Baseball Club has been mailed by President James C. McGill, who is in California, to Emory C. Crawford in Indianapolis. The option is to run twenty days. Mr. Crawford is said to be acting for Indianapolis men, whose names will not be made public at this time. The terms of the option also are being kept secret.

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