

THE WORLD OF SPORTS.

Baseball Magnates Refuse Players a Further Hearing.

Progress of the Six Day Grind at New York—Death of Paddy Ryan—Fistic "Go" at Hamilton.

BASEBALL.

NATIONAL LEAGUE MAGNATES.

New York, Dec. 14.—The National League magnates have completed their annual winter meeting. By midnight tonight the majority of the law-makers of the national game had left New York for their various homes. While the magnates spent five days trying to straighten out certain matters, the chances of another baseball war are just as great as they were on Monday last. Today's session was another long-drawn-out affair. The magnates went into session at noon and were closeted for five hours. During the meeting the magnates reached the following conclusions: To turn down the Players' Protective Association, flatly refusing the players a re-hearing of their demands; decided upon a 140-game schedule for next year; decided that the schedule should be so arranged that the eastern clubs will finish the season in the west next year; passed a resolution by which umpires shall be scheduled equally among the clubs; each umpire officiating at the same number of games in each city; ratified an agreement by which no club shall carry more than 16 players during the season after May 15; awarded the franchises of St. Paul, Minneapolis and Kansas City to the Western League. This, in a nutshell, covers the work accomplished by the magnates during their five days' session, as given out by President Young. Most was done in the last day. Such was the information given to the newspaper men from all over the country who have been in attendance at the session.

The resolution turning down the players' organization is as follows: "Resolved, that inasmuch as the three requests made officially by Attorney Taylor, have been so merged in and confused with a large number of other new and radical proposed changes in the players' contracts, which also affect the national agreement, it is impossible to intelligently differentiate them, and that the adoption of such proposed amendments would not only be prejudicial to individual interest, but would, we believe, be detrimental to organized baseball." Although the committee from the players' organization waited about the hotel all day for an answer to their request for another hearing the magnates did not deem it notice them officially until just before they adjourned. When the answer was brought to Zimmer, Griffith and Jennings, the players' committee, the effect was disappointing. "Chief" Zimmer, of the players' committee, said: "This is not the end of the matter. The league's refusal to do anything for us will be brought before the association and action will be decided upon."

The schedule and umpire questions were first taken up at today's session of the magnates. It was decided to again have a 140-game schedule, each team playing 20 games with the others. The season will open April 13, and close Oct. 6. On Decoration Day and Labor Day, and June 17, a Boston holiday, the western teams will play in the east. The question of the double umpire system will go over until the spring. In future the schedule of games will be arranged that one year the eastern clubs will finish in the west and the next year the western clubs will wind up the season in the east.

As soon as the league had adjourned the new national board of arbitration went into session, and listened to the application of T. J. Hickey, George Tebeau and C. J. Beall, representing the Western League. They asked for the territory recently abandoned by the American League, viz., St. Paul, Minneapolis and Kansas City. They also asked to be placed in a class A, which puts them on a footing with the Eastern League. The Western League will not be composed of eight cities. Besides the ones awarded tonight the circuit will include St. Joseph, Denver, Des Moines, Sioux City or Pueblo and Omaha. It was stated tonight that Harry Pulliam had resigned as president of the Pittsburgh club.

IN THE EASTERN LEAGUE.

Toronto, Dec. 14.—According to the new rule adopted by the Eastern Baseball League, two local sub-umpires will be appointed by each club to officiate, so as to have an authorized official in attendance in case the regular umpire fails to put in an appearance. In case Joe Lyndon is not appointed on the regular league staff, he will be asked to second by the club. The position by the Toronto club, Jim Sharkey, who gave such excellent satisfaction in the Toronto senior league last season, will likely be the other appointee. He has been recommended by the amateur organizations.

FRANKIE MOHLER ILL.

Sporting Life says: "Little Frank Mohler, 'Kid' Mohler's only child, has been dangerously ill of typhoid fever. The second baseman and his wife have been unceasing in their attentions. They live in Denver." Frankie will be remembered here by the fans, as he seldom missed a game when his father was holding down the second

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bag. He was a great favorite with the members of the London team, being a bright little fellow.

HOCKEY.

TO ARRANGE A SCHEDULE.

A meeting of the clubs comprising group No. 2 has been called for Monday, Dec. 15, at the Teumseh House here. W. A. Mace is convenor, and the clubs in the group are St. Catharines, Niagara and London. The meeting will draw up a schedule of home and home games, and will appoint a board of officials referees. Teumseh is the newcomer in the intermediate series in the west, and as yet their team is an unknown quantity. St. Catharines, Niagara and Hamilton have dropped out this season, so that group 2 includes all the intermediate teams west of Hamilton.

CURLING.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 13.—Local curlers are looking forward to the coming season with great expectations. The big annual bonspiel for the Walker trophy, the Cadillac cup and the Russell House trophy will be held on Jan. 15. As usual, the event will be largely attended. Teams are expected from many Canadian places.

WINDSOR DEFEATS DETROIT.

Windsor, Dec. 14.—The first curling matches of the season were played last night between local teams and two teams from Detroit. The Windsor men won on both rinks. The score was: Rink No. 1: Windsor 17, Detroit 10. Rink No. 2: Windsor 10, Detroit 9.

FISTIC.

PADDY RYAN DEAD.

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 24.—Paddy Ryan, ex-champion heavy-weight pugilist of the world, who was defeated by John L. Sullivan, died today on Green Island, N. Y. He was seized with a convulsion this morning on ailing and death ensued. This evening Ryan was a heavy-weight champion before he lost to John L. Sullivan, in the famous fight in Mississippi. He won the title by defeating the veteran champion, Joe Goss, in a long battle. Ryan was a resident of West Troy in his earlier days, and it was in that city and vicinity that his fighting powers became known first. He never fought in the prize ring after being defeated by Sullivan, as he announced at that time that he was through. He appeared in the ring, however, to add some fellow-pugilists in a benefit. Ryan was big-hearted, and had many warm friends. Of late years he was employed in Albany. He is survived by a daughter.

COBB GOT THE DECISION.

Hamilton, Ont., Dec. 14.—A hot fistic entertainment took place here tonight in the Palace Rink. The main bout was 20 rounds between Kid Bush, Buffalo, and Harry Cobb, Niagara Falls. It was a fast one. Bush scored several knock-downs, but Cobb had the best of the next four rounds, and got the decision. The preliminaries were tame.

NOTHING CAME OF IT.

Chicago, Dec. 4.—The cases against Terry McGovern, Joe Gans, Manager Harris and the promoters of last night's fight were today dismissed for want of prosecution. Frank Hall, who caused the arrests, asked for a continuance, which was defeated.

WHEEL.

PROGRESS OF THE SIX DAYS RACE.

New York, Dec. 14.—The fourteen weary six day grinders, cycling for fame and money, kept grinding out mile after mile during the day and evening at the rate of about 15 miles an hour, and at 12 o'clock tonight the leaders had covered 2,224 miles and 7 laps, with the third team just one lap behind. All the contestants in the big race are reported to be in such shape as will insure their continuing to the finish at 10 o'clock tomorrow night. The leading teams in the race, Elkes and McFarland and Pierce and McEachern, are always on the alert to catch the others napping, then to shoot down from the high bank of the garden in a frantic effort to gain the coveted lap that would probably settle the affair. McEachern got a good start on the bunch at 8 o'clock tonight, but Elkes was hot after him, and McEachern had to come back to the others, after setting a merry clip for a few miles. The feature of the day's riding was the performance of Kaser, the seemingly tireless partner of Ryser, who at 5 o'clock this morning, by a marvelous burst of speed, stole a clean lap on the racers by repeating the performance shortly after 2 o'clock this afternoon. This time, however, having to circle the track over 20 times—or two miles—before he caught up with the bunch. During the evening Major Taylor established a new indoor world's record for one-quarter of a mile, unpaced, making the distance in 25½ seconds. Bobby Walcott, the southern champion, and Alex. McLean, an old six-day racer, were the contestants in a five-mile pursuit race, which was won by Walcott after covering three laps and twenty yards. Jimmy Michael stole a lap, secured by a magnificent dash in 9:12½. Scores at midnight: Pierce and McEachern, 2,264.7; Elkes and McFarland, 2,264.7; Stimer and Gouzevitz, 2,264.6; Kaser and Ryser, 2,264.3; Walcott and Stimer, 2,262.8; Walcott and Stimer, 1,506.1; Turville and Gimm, 1,499.7. At the end of the fifth day the riders were 52 miles behind the record made by Waller and Miller last year.

GOLF.

Fernandia, Fla., Dec. 12.—News reached here of the sudden death, at the winter home of Wm. C. Carnegie, on Cumberland Island, of Thomas Hutchinson, the golf professional. He was thrown from his pony Sunday, and died after 38 hours of intense suffering. He was engaged by Mr. Carnegie, who is a millionaire and golf enthusiast, to give instructions and to play during the forthcoming season at the Stafford Place links. Mr. Hutchinson was only 21 years of age, but was regarded as one of the most promising professionals in the world. His parents live in Scotland.

TURF.

AT NEW ORLEANS.

New Orleans, Dec. 14.—Weather fine; track heavy and lumpy. Dan Cupid and Fenner were the only winning favorites.

First race, selling, 1 mile—Dan Cupid 1, Judge Magee 2, Ukers 3. Time, 1:50½.

Second race, 6 furlongs—Sunro 1, St. Bluff 2, Fleetwing 3. Time, 1:20½.

Third race, 1½ miles, selling—Ben Chance 1, Silver Coin 2, False Lead 3. Time, 2:04.

Fourth race, handicap, 1 mile—Monk Wayman 1, Ida Ledford 2, Frangible 3. Time, 1:47½.

Fifth race, 7 furlongs, selling—Scrivenor 1, Acushla 2, Mitt Boykin 3. Time, 1:35.

Sixth race, 6 furlongs, selling—Ball of Orleans 1, Orion 2, Jim Gore 3. Time, 1:29.

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Current News.

The United States pensions bill carries \$145,200,000.

Chancellor Boyd refuses to accept photos of documents instead of written copies.

The stolen Nelson relics have been recovered. They had been sold to a curio collector.

Michigan churches and societies are calling for a constitutional amendment against polygamy.

Lake traffic at the port of Toronto during the season just closed has been the heaviest in its history.

The bakers of Hull and Ottawa have organized to put the entire bread delivery business on a cash basis.

Dr. Richard Theoburn died on Friday in Toronto from paralysis. The deceased had practiced in Colborne for twenty years.

The building, factory and machinery of the P. & B. & B. works, Cincinnati, were all burned Thursday night. Loss, \$200,000 to \$250,000.

The militia department is about to invite re-enlistment for another twelve months by the men composing the Halifax provisional battalion.

J. R. Adams, who was appointed an assessor of Pa. area a few months ago, has died of pneumonia, after a few days' illness. He was 52 years of age.

The Hull army reorganization bill passed the U. S. House of Representatives, 166 to 153. Littlefield's amendment providing liquor in canteens was passed after hot debate.

Archbishop Ireland and Bishop McGoldrick told the United States senate army committee yesterday that the abolition of canteens would be contrary to the interests of temperance.

Major A. C. Reinebold, postmaster of Lancaster, Pa., and a prominent member of the Lancaster bar, was found dead in his office today, having committed suicide. The gas was turned on full.

The Ontario Government have decided to make exhibit of minerals and of archaeological specimens at the Pan-American Exposition at Buffalo next year. A collection of fruit is already under way.

Francis Culham, of Princeton, on Nov. 16 disappeared from his home, and has not been heard of since. On leaving he said he was going to Galt.

Constable Barrett, at Hamilton, mistook a route boy who delivers the morning papers for a crook, and because the young man ran away when Barrett tried to stop the constable fired three shots at him, but missed.

A sinking of the foundation of the south side of the Toronto custom house building caused a large piece of the wall to fall on Friday. A large gang of men were on the upper windows, weighing several tons, fell and was smashed to pieces.

The Toronto Public Library Board won its suit against the civic board of control. Chancellor Boyd says that the council must levy taxes to meet the requirements of the public library, so long as the amount does not exceed a quarter of a million on the year's assessment.

CONDITIONS ARE MORE FAVORABLE.

Seasonable Weather Helps Trade Throughout the Dominion—The Outlook Excellent.

Bradstreet's review of the state of trade in Canada this week says: Montreal—The conditions of trade at Montreal are satisfactory. There is great activity in retail trade, and quite a good sorting demand is reported by the wholesale people. A great many houses report that so far as severe results of business for the present year are very satisfactory.

Toronto—Wholesale trade at Toronto this week has been greatly stimulated by the cold winter weather. The conditions of trade in the country are very much improved. The retailers are busy with the trade in heavy winter stuff, which is now selling freely, and are looking forward to a good Christmas business. Travelers are pending in some good-sized orders for spring goods. The firmness of prices for the latter is an encouraging feature of the market.

Hamilton—An increased demand for winter goods, as a result of the cold weather, is the feature of trade at Hamilton this week.

London—The improved weather has imparted great activity to the trade in London. The freezing up of the country roads has enabled the farmers to visit the market and make purchases, and more country produce has been offered. Values of staple goods are firm. The prospects of business for the balance of the month are good.

Ottawa—Business at Ottawa has become quite active.

Quebec—At Quebec, colder weather and more snow have caused a stir in retail circles. The wholesale trade reports a demand for heavy winter goods. At the West—Business conditions at Winnipeg are improving, on the approach of the holiday trade, and the results of the December business are expected to be very satisfactory.

The holiday trade at the large coast cities is occupying the attention of the wholesale houses. Among the price changes lately noted are advances in oats and potatoes and a decline in the price of flour.

A special imperial commission has left St. Petersburg for Moscow in order to carefully pack the manuscripts of the eleventh and twelfth centuries, which were looted from the palace in that city.



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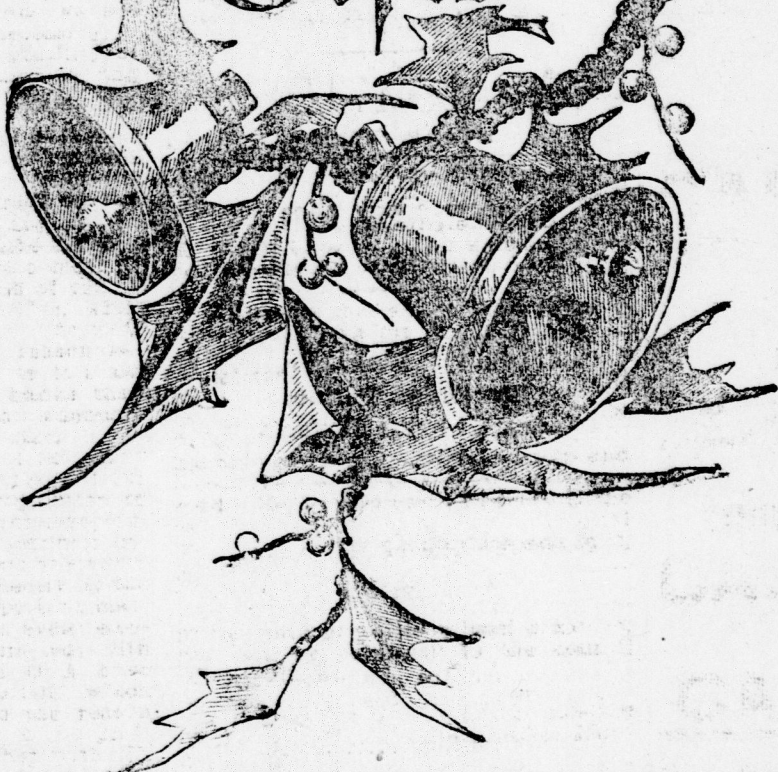
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