

Live Sporting News and Notes

BOSTON BRAVES PURCHASED
BY NOTED HARVARD COACH

Percy D. Houghton, the noted Harvard football coach, is one of the parties to a deal for the purchase of the Boston National League Baseball Club. The deal was put through Saturday morning, and the final details are being arranged. Those identified with Houghton in the deal are Arthur D. Wise of the banking house of Millett, Roe & Hagen. Their intention is, according to reliable reports, to have Houghton as president of the new board of stockholders of the club.

There had been little general intimation of the fact that President Gaffney of the Braves had any intention of selling and the final move in the deal evidently was sudden even to those on the inside. President Gaffney arrived in Boston Saturday morning in response to a telegram from Boston parties in the deal, presumably one which informed him that his selling figures were satisfactory. Nothing could be learned at the club headquarters, however, regarding the money involved.

While there have been one or two occasions since he became a large

holder in the stock of the Boston Nationals when President Gaffney has been willing to dispose of his holdings, there was no reason to think that such was his present attitude. He has been one of the principal factors in bringing about the settlement of the baseball war and it unquestionably was his friendly attitude toward keeping clear of Boston in its aggressions against organized baseball.

The sale of the Boston Nationals means the introduction of more new blood into the two major leagues. With the St. Louis Americans and Chicago Nationals already sold recently, and intimations that Harry Sinclair may yet be able to purchase controlling interest in the New York Nationals, there is the most extensive clearing out of old blood and introduction of new ever recorded in major league baseball.

One of the first things that Harvard undergraduates and graduates will think about in connection with the deal is whether Percy Houghton, as president of a base club, will be able, or willing, to again coach the Harvard varsity football team.

THISTLES CHOSE
SKIPS FOR GAME
ON SATURDAY

The Thistle Curling Club last evening elected the following as skips for the game Saturday with St. Andrew's: W. A. Shaw, W. J. Shaw, J. S. Macdonald, H. C. Olive, P. W. Palmer, J. C. Chesley, D. R. Willet, R. S. Orchard, D. McLellan, F. A. McAndrews.

COAKLEY AGAIN AT COLUMBIA.

New York, Jan. 10.—Andrew J. Coakley, former star pitcher of Holy Cross and the Athletics, has been engaged to coach the Columbia baseball team. Two years ago Coakley was assistant to William Lamb, but last year he assumed full charge. Coakley will order indoor practice about Feb. 10. The indoor games of last year have been abandoned.

SWEDISH WRESTLERS

William Johnson, Jack and William Johnson, three Swedes, are in the city looking for dates to promote a wrestling match. While every one of the trio claim to have had considerable mat experience, William Johnson is out with a challenge to meet all comers at 160 pounds and would like to get an answer to his challenge through the columns of The Standard. The wrestlers are husky looking men and should be able to give a good account of themselves.

SOX SPRING TRAINING.

Boston, Jan. 10.—The world's champion Red Sox will have less training for the coming American league season than ever before, according to the spring schedule announced by Manager Carrigan. Hot Springs, Ark.



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THE HOCKEY LEAGUE.

Representatives of two hockey teams, from the 69th Battalion, one from the 115th and the St. John team met last night in Sherpe's cafe on Charlotte street and talked over the formation of a league. It is expected there will be teams from the Siege Battery and the 140th Battalion. The meeting was adjourned until a later date when full arrangements will be made and a schedule drawn up. The St. John's had a good practice in the Queens rink last night.

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LOCAL
BOWLING
YESTERDAY

In the City League last night on Black's alleys the Easterns captured three points from the C. P. R. team. McDonald of the C. P. R. team rolled 136 in his first strike, tying the highest single in the league, made by Wilson. Last night's scores follow:

C. P. R.						
McDonald ..	136	89	73	298	99	1-3
Johnston	69	63	62	194	64	2-3
McGovern	86	86	88	260	86	2-3
McCormick ..	86	95	89	270	90	
Allie	83	77	94	254	84	2-3
	460	410	406	1276		

Easterns							
Cunningham	81	92	110	283	94	1-5	
Thurston ...	84	81	83	248	82	2-3	
McKiel	96	77	100	273	91		
Williams ...	90	102	96	288	86		
Robinson ...	82	91	95	268	89	1-5	
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	433	443	484	1360			

The Ramblers and Tigers will play tonight.

CHANGES IN TROTTING RULES.

New York, Jan. 10.—The twenty-eighth biennial congress of the National Trotting Association will be held at the Murray Hill Hotel, New York, on Feb. 9. After the December session of the board, which was held in this city, Secretary Gocher announced a list of changes in the racing rules which have been recommended for adoption by the congress, and if any member has any changes he wants to propose they must be submitted to the secretary on or before Feb. 5, in order that they may be submitted to the rules committee, which will be in session on Feb. 5.

At the last meeting it was understood that John C. Welby, Canton, Ohio, would be selected to succeed General Peter P. Johnston of Kentucky as president, who has held the office continually for twenty-eight years. At that time President Johnston announced his intention of resigning, primarily owing to ill health. Since then a number of prominent horsemen and breeders have endeavored to get him to change his decision and continue in office for another two-year term. Under these conditions it is more than likely that General Johnston will accept another term, which will mean until the gathering of the next biennial congress in 1918.

Bringing Up Father

U. S. GOV'T LOSES SUIT
AGAINST EUROPEAN
STEAMSHIP LINES

Washington, Jan. 10.—The course of the Department of Justice in the New Haven case will be determined within a few days, Attorney General Gregory said today. The Attorney General will consult with R. L. Bates, the government's special counsel in the case, before determining whether he will seek new trials for the five directors on whom the jury disagreed.

The government's anti-trust suit, begun in the New York federal courts by the Supreme Court on the ground before the war, against European steamship lines engaged in carrying passengers, was dismissed by the war.

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But the most is yet to come; the spring bids fair to show the hardest fighting, to bring with it the crisis and the laurel crown, to hasten the day when will be crushed, forever, the Prussian military spirit, when justice and mercy—live and let live—will hold their glorious sway.

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LATEST

ENGLAND SOUND
UNDER TREMENDOUS
STRESS OF WAR

Further advance in Sterling last week—Market conditions reviewed by J. S. Bache & Co.

New York, Jan. 8.—A favorable development for American business this week was the further advance in sterling prices. The nearer to par the English pounds approaches, the easier it is for our principal source of payment for purchases from abroad to do business with us. It is also an indication of England's sound financial position under the tremendous stress of war. Demand sterling was high Friday, at 47 1/4, which is nearly five points above last week's low and at the highest rate since last July. A level which would stop shipments of gold is being quite closely approached. At 430 current heavy insurance and freight rates would make it unprofitable to ship gold this way. A cessation of this flow would be favorable to us and to England, our largest customer, as well.

The fluctuations in German and Austrian exchange have no commercial significance to us, as business with these countries is practically at a standstill. The continuous fall in these quotations is the mechanical measure of issued paper's relation to gold in the respective countries. Berlin exchange at 73 1/2 cents for four marks is 7 cents lower than the low level reached before the first of the year.

There has been nothing in the negligible advances and declines of the week to change the technical situation of the market. The public is still committed to the largest extent in evidence for years, but it is a public which is not to be scared by ordinarily disturbing incidents or to have its patience worn out by long waiting, because it has plenty of margin and in many cases is in on a semi-investment basis.

Still, with so many interests waiting to get into the stock market at lower prices and consequently bearish, and with Wall Street loans at the high point, some sort of a break may at last be brought about. Investment absorption may prevent this and open the way for further advance later on, without the preliminary decline. And for investment purposes, we cannot see anything to disfigure buying the better railroads, irrespective of ticker fluctuations or lower prices, which latter, with the foundations and prospects as they are, will undoubtedly be only temporary.

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New Moon	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th	13th	14th	15th	16th	17th	18th	19th	20th	21st	22nd	23rd	24th	25th	26th	27th	28th	29th	30th	31st
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First Quarter 11th 11h 38m a.m.

Full Moon 20th 4h 29m a.m.

Last Quarter 27th 8h 35m p.m.

Port of St. John.

Arrived Monday, Jan. 10, 1916.

Stmr Scandinavia, 7,730, Liverpool.

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BRITISH PORTS.

Hull, Jan. 5.—Arr. stmr Hallingdal (Nor), Hansen, Galeson, Norfolk and London, C. B., via Limerick for Norriston.

Liverpool, Jan. 4.—Arr. stmr Preorian, Hains, St. John, N. B.; 7th, stmr Arlston, St. John's, N.B.

FOREIGN PORTS.

Antilla, Jan. 4.—Arr. stmr Earl of Aberdeen, Mobile.

Havana, Jan. 4.—Arr. stmr Waldrian, Kingsport, N. S.; Margaret G., do.

Perth Amboy, Jan. 8.—Arr. sch Nova P. Coolen, Coolen, New York.

City Island, Jan. 9.—Passed schrs Isiah K. Stetson, Perth Amboy for Eastport, Me.; R. Bowers, Elizabethport for Halifax, N. S.

New York, Jan. 9.—Arr. schrs Rosalie, Lunenburg; McClure, Bridgewater; Nettie Shipman, Beaver Harbor; Ralph M. Hayward, Bridgewater; L. M. A. Plummer, St. John; A. V. Conrad, La Havre.

Boston, Jan. 7.—Arr. stmr Anglian, London; Franklin, Penarth; Batiscan, Lunenburg.

Vineyard Haven, Jan. 7.—Arr. schrs Lavolta, New York for Edgartown.

8th Jan. 7, schrs McClure, from S. Bridgewater, N. S., for New York; Ralph M. Hayward, from do for do; Emma McAdam, from Calais for do.

Portland, Jan. 7.—Arr. stmr Pomeran-