

SPORT

Baseball—Football—Basketball—Bowling—Hockey—
Curling—Boxing and Wrestling.Baseball Players
Select Their Own
All-Star Outfit

There have been commissions of high-browed experts among the baseball writers to pick "most valuable" players, and there have been experts and non-experts, high and low-browed, who have infested the world with their choices of all-star teams. Now we have a new wrinkle along that line. A St. Louis newspaper conducted a sort of voting contest among ball players, in which forty well-known diamond athletes were asked to give their choices for an all-star team. A compilation of the choices showed the team to be made up as follows, the names being arranged in what is believed to be the best batting order.

Shotton, Browns, outfielder.
Bancroft, Phillies, shortstop.
Cobb, Tigers, outfielder.
Collins, White Sox, second base.
Speaker, Red Sox, outfielder.
Merkle, Giants, firstbase.
Maisei, Yanks, third base.
Schalk, White Sox, catcher.
Snyder, Cardinals, catcher.
Alexander, Johnson, Mamaux, Tony and Leonard, pitchers.

It will be noticed that the forty players voting on the "best ball team" make selections radically different from those usually named by the baseball writers who presume to tell the public who the real stars are. For instance, Merkle, Maisei and Stotton are unknown in the high-browed All-American selection. It is a fact nevertheless, that ball players throughout the country believe Shotton close to Ty Cobb in real worth. Shotton has done wonderful work for the Browns, and his selection is the more remarkable because he always has been with a losing team. Among his fellow professionals Shotton is regarded as one of the best outfielders that the game ever knew.

Merkle is conceded to be the most valuable first sacker in the game. He not only hits well, but is a marvelous fielder and is rarely out of gear with the rest of the infield when a team-work play is on.

The players think Maisei the most valuable man at third base because he is always working hard to win. He is what they call "a ball player at heart." Some may play good because they are paid to do that very thing, but Maisei fights all the time because he loves the game. To illustrate—There was never a more finished third sacker than Willie Shotton, but his heart was never in the game. His name never appeared on an All-American team.

There is no use to explain the se-

lection of Cobb, Speaker, Collins, Snyder and Schalk. Their records tell all that, and in their case the figures have not made mistakes. There could never be any question about the selection of Sisler as a utility or all-around man. Starting in as a pitcher last season, he played nearly every position on the club and played it well. In addition thereto he hit the ball hard all the time. His hitting was too valuable to be wasted on a pitcher, and that accounts for the many shifts. At that he was an excellent twirler.

Duffy Lewis was not placed in the outfield of this team for the simple reason that his best work of the year did not come until the world's series. Up to that time he had gone through a pretty bad season. In fact, less than two months before the big games Lewis had been warned to brace up in his playing. Otherwise it was intimated that Henrichsen might take his place in the Red Sox outfield.

Though few have mentioned them in their selections, Mamaux and Toney were probably the most valuable pitchers of the season, with the possible exception of Alexander. They were playing on losing teams, and still attracting attention by successive victories.

A remarkable feature of the 1915 selection is that it is the first time in ten years that Mathewson's name has not been mentioned as one of the pitchers.

The names of the 40 players whose combined opinions resulted in the choice of the "best ball team" are not given. Well, hardly, for it might mean a merry controversy, but it is stated that no one of the 40 voted for himself, at least not as first choice, in making up his team.

Is Looking After Team.

Toronto, Nov. 12.—Lieut. Conny Smythe, who captained the Varsity juniors last season, when they won the Junior O. H. A. championship, is looking after the soldiers' hockey team at Hamilton. "We have no less than four captains of championship teams in our battery," stated Conny.

Embargo on Butter.

By Special Wire to the Courier.
London, Nov. 12.—Beginning Nov. 15, butter will be added to the articles whose exportation is forbidden by the Swedish government, according to a Reuter despatch from Stockholm. This will make the embargo on the export of food products virtually complete.

New York public schools children are given lectures on art.
Northport, N.Y., has a new \$10,000 Carnegie library building.
New York is extending medical examination of public school pupils.

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Germany Was Lifted, Revelation Might Amaze
the Whole World.

New York, Nov. 12.—Frederick Palmer, war correspondent, who has been where the shells have been bursting during several months, arrived yesterday on the liner St. Louis gave impressions of his experiences that have not been sent in his despatches. He said the war would not be over until the British had put in action more than one million men who have not fired a hostile shot a year. Nobody at the British front believed the end would come before next Summer. The execution of Miss Cavell, he said, did more for the British cause than all the Zeppelin raids. Mr. Palmer happened to be in France when the news of her death was received, and its effect on the troops was electrical. Her death gave her a heroic character that appealed to the French heart.

"It takes only five hours to get from the trenches to London," Mr. Palmer said, "and what a contrast. Everybody is cheerful at the front. They have only to fight and die for England, and not to bother with politics. London will not believe you if you bring any good news from the front. The British are spreading all their news broadcast. The Germans are suppressing theirs. The British wash their linen on the public parade, and the Germans wash theirs in the cellar with the lights turned off. It that steel curtain which is drawn over Germany were lifted the revelation might amaze the world. Only peace, however, will lift it."

SUBMARINE CAMPAIGN ENDED.

"The lesson of the efficiency of the British navy is the same as that of the German army—there is no amateur interference with professional experts. Steer hard work and brains put an end to the submarine campaign. There was no magic about it. None of the dream plans of my inventors proved practicable when tried out."

"It was the professional naval mind that had the brains to cope with the submarine. The British are a stubborn people, and they do things in their own way. In order to encourage recruiting they talked pessimism. Now they are advising that the financial situation is serious in order to make the people economize. If I know anything about war, and my experience at the British front counts for anything, then the talk that the British have fallen down in this war is nonsense. Their own new army had to wait on rifles and even uniforms to supply their allies. But this is one of the things the censor cut out, lest it offend the allies."

"I think the new organization and equipment of the new army formed entirely of volunteers, is a military marvel. There have been costly mistakes, but the rank and file of the army in France have put up one of the most splendid fights in all history. I have watched the British grow and improve. I do not know what the relations of the British and French cabinets are, but I know that the relations of the French and British soldiers were never so good. Different as the races are, they have fought their way into each other's respect."

THE CHAMPAGNE EFFORT.
M. Palmer said he was over the Champagne battlefield, and he believed the French might have broken through, but for the heavy rains on the second day of the attack, which was made to relieve the pressure on the Russian side. "The Germans knew that the attack was coming, and they brought 300,000 reinforcements from the eastern front, and concentrated them against the French and British armies. That front at Champagne was five times the length of that at Getysburg, with at least ten times the number of men engaged. Tactically what the French tried to do at Champagne was what Pickett tried to do at Getysburg—to break a solid front. A quarter of an hour of such fire as the French directed against the German trenches would have wiped out the Union army, placed as it was in the face of the Confederates at the second day at Getysburg. The French kept up their fire for 72 hours."

"I have not heard a British or French officer or soldier mention the possibility of any compromise with Germany. The French have a saying that the ghosts of their dead soldiers would haunt them if they stop fighting while there is a German on the soil of France."

Gallieni Explains Why
He is After Incompetents

Thought It Useful to Stop the Plague of Recommendations—Soldiers' Complaints Should be Heard and Considered—Parliamentary Control Necessary to Unveil and Repress Abuse.

By Special Wire to the Courier.
Paris, Nov. 12.—Denys Cochin, minister without portfolio in the Briand cabinet, has been sent by the government on a special mission to the Orient, accompanied by his secretary, Charles De Lasteyre. His brother, Col. Cochin, who recently was wounded, left last night for Saloniki.

M. Cochin was for many years vice president of the chamber of deputies, committee on foreign relations and is a close student of European politics upon which he frequently has spoken in the chamber.

GALLIENI'S SPEECH.
Paris, Nov. 12.—Minister of War Gallieni made his maiden speech to the chamber of deputies yesterday in reply to an interpellation by J. D. Morin regarding his circular order threatening dismissal to all who are incompetent or who tolerate incompetency in those under them. M. Morin remarked that members of parliament had not solicited favors, although they had made recommendations which were not claims. He requested General Gallieni to mount the tribune and state whether members had intervened in the war ministry in a reprehensible manner.

"I am a soldier and never have occupied myself with politics," said General Gallieni in complying with M. Morin's request. "All under whom I have served can tell you how I have understood my duty towards the country. I have taken the ministry of war only from devotion to the common cause we must all defend. This work would be condemned to failure, if I could not count upon your unreserved co-operation."

"I thought it useful to stop the plague of recommendations. Our

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soldiers should have the conviction that only equity and law determine our decisions. Every soldier has the right to make a complaint without hindrance from any person. That is the object of my instructions. All complaints will be examined with the greatest care. It is necessary that every soldier should be able to make his complaint heard every day at the top of the military hierarchy."

General Gallieni added that parliamentary control was necessary to unveil and repress abuses. M. Morin asked if any recommendation had been made by a member of parliament which was not for the best interests of the country as might be supposed from press comment.

The minister responded that he was not responsible for press comment.

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The father of J. Willard Borton, 2 Philadelphia bad boy, took him to the hospital for an operation for his cure.

FOOD SUPPLY
OF NATION WILL
BE REGUTATEDTea, Coffee and Cocoa Added
to List Already Under
State Control.

By Special Wire to the Courier.

Berlin, via London, Nov. 12.—Virtually the entire food supply of the nation is expected soon to pass under governmental control to ensure an equitable distribution of supplies at fair prices among the entire population, rich and poor. Coffee, tea and cocoa were added to-day to the list of products whose sale will be regulated by the state. The federal council authorized the chancellor to issue regulations covering trade in them.

The chancellor also was authorized to establish maximum prices for buckwheat and millet, marmalades and honey, vegetables, fruits and soustuffs. These prices apply to producers. Local authorities in municipalities of more than ten thousand population are required to fix maximum prices for retailers in these supplies. The authorities in smaller places are empowered to take similar action if they see fit. The chancellor is given authority to set a high limit above which prices may not go.

Bread, potatoes, pork, milk and butter already have been subjected to a maximum price schedule. The consumption of other meats is regulated and limited by so-called "meatless days." Maximum prices for all varieties of meat and fish are believed to be in sight.

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BULGARIAN OFFICIAL

By Special Wire to the Courier.
Sofia, Nov. 9.—Via London, Nov. 12.—Delayed in transmission—An official statement issued to-day by the Bulgarian war office was as follows:

"Our troops continue the pursuit of the defeated Serbian army on the left bank of the Morava River. "Fresh booty is being discovered daily in conquered towns. Along the railway in the Morava valley we captured to-day four quickfiring howitzers, eight quick-firing field guns with full ammunition cars, several machine guns with ten new searchlights and eight hundred prisoners."

"South of Bolovara, near the railway station at Grablenitz we captured ten engines and four hundred rail-

way wagons among which were fifty loaded with materials."

Canadian Triumphs.
Canadian-grown chrysanthemums and orchids swept the board at the annual horticulture Show at Cleveland Ohio, this week. The Dale Nursery Estate, of Brampton, Ont., were awarded prizes for 'mums and first prize for orchids with only nineteen entries. They had to compete against all the most prominent horticulturists of the United States.

A legal suit over a film caused the chancery court of Pulaski, Ark., to hold a session in a moving picture theatre.

A precautionary measure has been considered expedient by the Edinburgh authorities and the valuable exhibits in the municipal Museum have been removed to a place of greater safety, in order to prevent the risk of damage through aircraft attacks or bombardments. It is not felt that the possibility of attacks has become greater, but, as many of the articles possess a unique historical interest, no risks are being run.

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