

That Son-in-Law of Pa's

MAY BE SOMETHING
BEHIND THE VISIT

Barrow and Jonsson at Cleveland.
"Just Discussing Baseball Affairs."

Cleveland, O., Dec. 9.—President Ed. Barrow of the International League had a conference with President Ban Johnson of the American League here yesterday. Mr. Barrow wanted to talk over baseball affairs with Mr. Johnson and get his ideas about next season. The International was hit in 1915, just as the other baseball leagues were, and if there are peace moves made Mr. Barrow wants to see that his league is protected. Mr. Johnson, however, does not think much of peace talks and thinks the leagues will run about as they have with the Federal losing money so fast it will soon quit. Mr. Barrow said his visit had nothing to do with the affairs of the Cleveland club, which is to be sold as soon as a buyer can be found.

Collingwood has entered intermediate and junior teams in the O. H. A. Dr. A. M. McPaul is President and R. C. Sidenius Secretary.

Grover Alexander's youngest brother, who failed with several teams the past season, is going to try it again and has signed with the Paris club of the Western Association for next year.

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THE O. H. A. ASKS FOR
CROUP SUGGESTIONS

Executive Desirous of Pleasing
All Clubs if Possible.

Toronto, Dec. 9.—Suggestions for grouping are being received by the O. H. A., and there will be some great planning to arrange the clubs in the most satisfactory manner. The idea is to secure the best geographical arrangements for all clubs concerned. Clubs desiring to enter should forward their entry and fee to Secretary Hewitt by the first mail.

Parry Sound intended to enter O. H. A. intermediate and junior teams this season, but the new rink will not be ready until too late, so the club has reluctantly disbanded. They expect to be strongly represented next year, however, in the big association.

Sheriff J. F. Paxton, First Vice-President of the O. H. A., who was appointed to represent President Jas. T. Sutherland at the C. A. H. A. annual meeting in Winnipeg on Friday morning, was unable to make arrangements to get away, and the O. H. A. has asked Mr. J. B. Gould of the T. Eaton Company of Winnipeg to represent the O. H. A. at the meeting to-morrow.

The Barrie hockey club, colors the favorite orange and green, has entered a team in the O. H. A. intermediate series. Collingwood is also in line with intermediate and junior teams.

SOLDIERS HAVE TEAM,
BUT NOWHERE TO PLAY

Hamilton Times.—The fact that the Mounted Rifles will be without ice on which to play their games has cast a gloom over hockey fans here, and several have taken up the case and will endeavor to secure ice just outside of Hamilton for them. The soldiers have no less than 27 men to pick from, and as the material is of a class calibre, they should make one grand showing, no matter whom they are grouped with.

SIT TIGHT AND "STRAFE"
THEM WITH HIGH EXPOSIVES

That Will be Program Until Cold and Mud Disappear—Col. Leonard Receives Interesting Letter From Pte. Rhodes.

Col. Leonard has received from Belgium, the following letter from Pte. Rhodes. He gives a most interesting description of the trenches. He is acting now as mounted orderly to Major-General Mercer, so he himself is relieved of trench work.

When the Germans put over a round of high explosive shells, the British come back with a heavier fire, is one of his satisfactory statements. He saw Lieuts. Harvey Cockshutt and Leonard bishop, and was talking to them for a few minutes.

THE LETTER

Belgium, 2nd November.
We are still in the same position. We, or rather our 2nd brigade, made a small attack just for information and took the trench and returned with 2 prisoners and only one casualty. I notice it was on Sir John French's report we have got hundreds of big guns here now, of all calibres, some that make a report that make our R. H. A. 18-pounders "sound like" pop-guns. I saw one on the battlefield Road the other day that took three big road engines of caterpillar type, to pull it along. I think it must have been a 18 inch gun and everything was covered up and it looked to be new.

I think that now the cold, muddy weather has set in it will be sit tight and state them with high explosives. The trenches are a lot more comfortable than last winter; built more on the Port system with large redoubts for the men to get in during heavy shelling, and during bad weather. We have got small railways to take the rations and trench equipment up, and miles of communication trenches; not like Festerbert, where you had to run with a box of bully beef and flop down when you heard the whistling of the shells. I am mounted orderly to Major-Gen. Mercer, and I am struck off going in the trenches now. He is expecting a corps of troops and will likely go back to where Gen. Anderson is, five miles from the firing line. I shall be glad to go, for nothing only a navy gun mounted on an armoured train ever bothers that place. Well, anyway I am glad to tell you that now the Huns put over a round of high explosives, we put 20 back, and that has been the trouble since we have been out here—want of heavy artillery. I met a lot of Brantford boys the other night going into the trenches with the 1st and 4th battalions for 24 hours instruction. I met a lot of Brantford boys the other night going into the trenches with the 1st and 4th battalions for 24 hours instruction.

I met J. Mounce and he told me M. Hall had been transferred to the 25th Brigade again. I am pleased to hear that as he was a very popular officer. I have not written him since coming to France, so if you see him tell him I am O.K. and give him my best wishes. I saw his photo in the Exhibitor and he looked well. There are lots of promotions out here now for every officer of the 4th that I know of that got hit has returned to Canada, looks like for good. Hence we get Captains for Colonels. You see a man a sergeant to-day and next time you see him he is a lieutenant. Promotion is very rapid especially in the first line of

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PREPARING FOR
BIG AIR RAIDS
ON LONDON

Germans Will Attack British Capital Night After Night.

BUILDING HUGE
ZEPP FLEET

British Are Now Ready, and Will Give Huns a Warm Reception.

New York, Dec. 9.—"I believe there will be another Zeppelin attack on London within 60 days. When the raid does come it will be bigger than anything that has gone before and will be repeated night after night. The Germans will probably send at least ten Zeppelins. They are now gathering a fleet so large that they can afford to risk the loss of four or five in a raid. It was because they had no airships to spare that they stopped these visitations this Fall. Now they are nearly ready again to strike repeated blows. To cross the channel in force, as they must do to create the amount of terror they desire.
"But England has been awakened. She knows the game now. She has learned that airships must be sought with airships. She is preparing, in the light of what the war has taught her, to meet the menace in the right way. She is building rigid dirigibles. When the raiders come she will not be helpless."
These predictions were made yesterday by Thomas R. MacMechin, aeronautical engineer and president of the Aeronautical Society of America. He recently returned from England, where a small dirigible which he, in part designed, and which is intended to be a torpedo destroyer of the air, has been completed by a syndicate under official British eyes.
TO MEET THE SITUATION.
"At the beginning of the war," Mr. MacMechin said, "the allies thought that aeroplanes and anti aircraft guns would be sufficient. But what the Zeppelins have done is known to the world, and it is also known that Arthur Balfour said recently in the House of Commons that England was building rigid dirigibles to meet the situation imposed by the Zeppelin raids. The ascent of aeroplanes at night to search out and attack Zeppelins has proved most dangerous. Numbers of aviators in England, France and Russia have been killed in making night landings. Moreover, when the aeroplanes appear the Zeppelins rise to a great height and force the planes to exhaust their fuel in climbing after them. These jump to 10,000 and 12,000 feet, subject the aeroplanes to machine gun fire, then drop away."
"English and French aviators have told me that the Zeppelins easily elude them at night—even when there is bright moonlight. The British thought the Zeppelins would not come on moonlight nights, but they did twice and got away unharmed."

Rhodes.

RECRUITING
INCREASING
VERY MUCH

Voluntary System Looks as If It Would Meet the Test.

London, Dec. 9.—Recruiting increased with a rush yesterday, especially after business hours. The recruiting offices in all parts of London were besieged. Some of them had not yet closed at midnight, hundreds of volunteers still waiting in line at that time. The officials said they would not close these offices until all who had presented themselves were enrolled. This work, it was expected, would not be finished before three o'clock this (Thursday) morning.

Other recruiting offices closed at midnight, sending hundreds of applicants away and instructing them to return when the offices opened in the morning.
Reports from many big provincial towns tell of a similar rush.
A Parliamentary debate on the success or failure of recruiting campaign as conducted under Lord Derby's plan is expected next week on a day not yet fixed on a motion to be made by Premier Asquith to increase the army by a million men, making a total force of 4,000,000. Lord Derby's full returns may not be complete in time for use in the debate, but it is expected that they will be sufficient to show the broad success of the campaign. The debate will be the most important yet held on the subject of recruiting or compulsory service.

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PRESIDENT WILSON
SEEKS RE-ELECTION

He is Definitely in the Field, Announces Democratic Committeeman.

Washington, Dec. 9.—President Wilson's tacit acquiescence in the invitation of the Democratic National Committee to become candidate for re-election is seen by Democratic politicians in yesterday's developments. The President entertained the national committee at an elaborate luncheon at the White House and delivered a speech predicting party success in the 1916 campaign.

Members of the committee said after the luncheon that they did not expect any further announcement from the President on his candidacy for re-election. They interpreted the President's action in entertaining the committee and addressing them upon the subject of party success, following so closely on the adoption of a formal resolution urging him to be a candidate, as nothing less than his entry into the national campaign. "The committee nominated him last night," said a prominent National committeeman, "and if there has been any doubt in his mind as to what he was going to do about it he certainly

would have indicated this to-day. I predict there will be no formal announcement from the President as to his willingness to be the standard-bearer of his party next year."

LIEUT. BILL O'HARA
OFF FOR ENGLAND

Toronto, Dec. 9.—A large number of people gathered at the Union Station last night to bid farewell to Lieut. Bill O'Hara, who is leaving shortly for England to receive more training in a flying school. Besides Mr. O'Hara and "Mac" Murray, there were about thirty other young men of the local flying school, leaving on the same train, and were also given a splendid send off. Mr. Jack Grassett left on an earlier train for Montreal.

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