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TAFT IS RIGHT MAN FOR THE BIG JOB

Harry Frazee of Boston Talks Sound Sense for Baseball Magnates.

Boston, Nov. 27.—"William Howard Taft is great enough to be president of the United States, justice of the supreme court, and all that," said H. H. Frazee, owner of the Boston American League team, today, "and he's certainly big enough to be the supreme head of baseball. And, now that he says he is willing to consider such a proposition, I can't understand why every man who has a nickel in baseball is not sitting up nights and figuring how to get him into the national game."

Mr. Frazee announced that he had sent telegrams to Ben Johnson, Garry Herrmann and John Heydler, members of the National Commission, urging them to take immediate steps to obtain the consent of Mr. Taft to serve as national baseball commissioner, with supreme authority to regulate the game and to make the selection of Mr. Taft would revitalize baseball and give it an impetus after a period of stagnation, as would nothing else. He said there had been considerable misapprehension in regard to the action of President Harry H. Taft in approaching Judge Taft on the subject. They went to Mr. Taft, he explained, with a view to learning if the latter would consider such a proposition, and if he appeared to be in a receptive mood, to urge the two leagues to ask him to serve.

SOLDIER GAMES.

Chicago, Nov. 27.—Service football teams will hold the centre of the stage in the middle west gridiron contests tomorrow. Three games are on the holiday program, with chief interest centering in the clash between the undefeated Chicago Naval Reserves and Camp Grant at Chicago. Camp Dodge and Camp Funston will meet at Kansas City, Camp Sherman will meet at St. Louis, and the Lincoln will meet at St. Paul. The first time in 27 years there will be no Thanksgiving Day game between Kansas and Missouri. Continuation of the influenza epidemic at the Missouri institution was responsible for the cancellation.

SONS OF ENGLAND A. C. EUCRE.

The Sons of England A. C. postponed eucure will be held tonight in S.O.E. Hall at 830. Members and friends are invited to attend.

PENNY ANTE

SYMPATHY FROM THE WIFE

By Gene Knott



STARTING EARLY

Boston, Nov. 27.—H. H. Frazee, president of the Boston American League Club, announced tonight that exhibition games had been arranged between the Red Sox and the New York National League team in the south during the spring training season next year. Mr. Frazee said he understood the Giants were not to train in Marlin, Texas, next season. The Red Sox have received propositions to train in California and Florida.

PLAY-OFF NECESSARY IN MULOCK CUP GROUP

A play-off is necessary for Group No. 2 of the Mulock Cup series to get a team ready for the final. St. Michael's College and Meds were billed to play yesterday, but the future doctors defaulted, and this put St. Miques on even terms with S.P.S.

The play-off will take place on Friday. If Dents down Arts today they will be Group No. 1 winners.

Arrangements have been completed for Saturday's game in the O.R.F.U. The interscholastic series final will take place at Varsity Stadium, starting at 1 o'clock. The game will be the meet for all sportsmen on Saturday. The games are being staged for the benefit of the Sportsmen's Patriotic Association, and all the proceeds will be turned over to that association.

Hamilton the junior semi-final will be played at 2 o'clock. The game will be between St. Catharines and Victoria Yacht Club. Hamilton and Victoria Yacht Club games will each work half the game as referee.

BASKETBALL.

An exciting game of basketball was played last night at St. James' Cathedral, when the Holy Trinity Athletic Club played the St. James' team, the former winning by the score of 34 to 10. Good defence work kept St. James down to a low score. The shooting of the Trinity was especially fine, finding the basket with ease. The line-up of the winners was: G. Rutledge, R. Boddington, forwards; C. Montgomery, centre; S. Dowdell and M. Coker, defence; S. Williams and Ed. Woods, spares.

WOODSTOCK WANTS DATES REARRANGED

Would Like to Get in Shape for Cup Games—Notes.

A Woodstock dispatch says: The management of the Woodstock hockey team are not pleased with the date allotted them in the Sportsmen's Trophy series in Toronto, and have asked Billy Breen to have the date changed from Dec. 11 to a later date. The juniors want a practice game at Hamilton before taking the winner of the Aurora Lee-Ash-attantias. Frank Hyde has been officially nominated by the club for the O.H.A. executive, and George Childs has been appointed delegate to the annual meeting.

Aura Lee juniors had a brisk workout last night in preparation for their exhibition game in Hamilton on Friday evening with the Tigers. All the regulars were on the job, and Bill Marsden trotted out a smart-looking candidate for the goal job in Stone. He hails from De La Salle School, and is as cool as the ice under his skates when the forwards flock in.

George O'Donoghue's Irish Saints were in good fettle at the arena last night. The squad was cut down and some extra work was the order. Bud McLean took the fever and made his first appearance of the season.

Clarke, from Collingwood, and Forges were the goal candidates. Jockey, the Indian player, was again the life of the practice. Casterton, late of Kingston, was a newcomer. Eddie Schumaker made his initial appearance and is going to be hard to keep off the team. A host of others were out.

At the annual meeting of the Seaforth Hockey Club the following officers were elected for the coming season: President, James E. Willis; secretary-treasurer, Otto Dick; executive, Dalton LeRoy Reid, Joe Sils and Carl Jones.

The club intends to enter teams in both intermediate and junior C. H. A. series. All the old players are available, and an extra strong intermediate septet can be immediately, and when Seaforth steps on the ice to chase the elusive puck this season, it will take a mighty good team to lower their colors.

Ottawa Lawn Bowlers Won Their Lot of Prizes

Ottawa, Nov. 27.—The annual meeting of the Ottawa Lawn Bowling Club was held last evening at the Young Men's Christian Association. The annual report of the secretary of the rink committee, Mr. R. Cunningham, showed that the club had done unusually well, not only in the Eastern, the Dominion and the St. Lawrence tournaments, but also in the city competitions as well.

President Farrow, in reviewing the past season, congratulated the Ottawa bowlers on their good work and predicted that with many newcomers breaking into the game the glebe bowlers would be able to give another excellent account of themselves next summer. The election of officers resulted in the unanimous selection of the following: President, Mr. John McJanet; vice-president, Mr. W. A. Warner; secretary, Mr. R. E. Baird; rink committee, Messrs. R. Cunningham, John McJanet, Robert Shaw, L. N. Barnes and Norman G. Foster.

The vice-president's cup for singles was carried off by Mr. A. F. B. Wilson, while the president's prize for doubles went to Messrs. R. Wilson and A. F. B. Wilson. The points competition was won by Mr. George H. Wilson, and among the other prize winners were: Messrs. J. W. Elmas, R. H. Cunningham, John McJanet, J. G. Porter, J. P. McMillan and W. A. Warner.

THE WILDINGS REAL MEN.

When Captain Anthony Wilding gave up his life for his country early in the war, the world lost one of the best tennis players that ever wielded the racket. He left two younger brothers to avenge him. One of them, Captain Frank Wilding, saw nearly three years of service in the armistice, and Edwyn received his pilot's license in the New Zealand air force shortly before the cessation of hostilities.

MOONEY GIBSON HAS THE "FLU."

London, Ont., Nov. 27.—George Gibson, the New York International League, of this city, is ill with an attack of influenza at his home at 252 Central avenue. Mooney Gibson has been a member of the annual meeting of the Third Curling Club and friends will be pleased to know that he is not serious. He was elected chairman in the support of the American continent in the ice of every branch of sport. It is said that when all the teams in the International League were losing money, the Toronto Ball Club was prospering far beyond the expectations of its owner, Jas. McCaffery.

AT NEW ORLEANS.

Entries for Thursday: FIRST RACE—Two-year-olds, claiming, purse \$400, 5 1/2 furlongs: Geo. Muehlbach, 108; Doveridge, 108; Jack Healy, 108; Frank Shannon, 108; Sun Myth, 108; Lama, 108; SECOND RACE—Three-year-olds, claiming, purse \$400, 5 1/2 furlongs: Prospero's Baby, 108; Koyah, 108; Nepe, 108; Sir Haste, 107; Little Leonard, 104; Wetons, 100; THIRD RACE—Three-year-olds and Parlor Boy, 111; East, 111; All Bright, 107; Stetcliffe, 106; Breese, 108; Thirst, 103; FOURTH RACE—Three-year-olds, claiming, purse \$500, one mile: Paul Connelley, 112; Hasty Mabe, 107; Audrey K., 107; FIFTH RACE—Year-olds and up, claiming, purse \$500, one mile and twenty yards: Wastawort's Last, 113; Say, 113; Ben Hampton, 111; Inqueter, 113; Kenish, 110; Ellison, 109; Prospero's Baby, 108; Koyah, 108; Kentucky Boy, 118; Little Cottage, 112; Irregular, 109; Ollie Martin, 109; Lucile P., 108; Berlin, 104; Apprentice, allowance claimed. Weather rainy, track muddy.

STILL ADVANCING.

Orange Young Britons, Lodge No. 97, at last night's session at Summerfield Hall initiated two new candidates and advanced five senior members to higher degrees.

NO REASON WHY MAITLANDS SHOULD NOT PLAY AT COAST

Con Jones Predicts Lacrosse Revival and Announces Plans For Big Championship Series Next Summer.

Vancouver, B.C., Nov. 27.—Home on a flying visit from Jones, a well-known sport promoter, announced today that only preliminary details for the proposed East versus West lacrosse carnival, next May, had been discussed. He expects May, had been discussed for that city, where his youngest son is ill with influenza.

The series between Maitlands of Toronto, C.L.A. winner, Ottawa, N.L.U. champions, is by no means certain, he declared. "It all depends on the rates we are able to obtain on the railways. Now that the war is over I see no reason why Maitlands and Ottawa should not play against Vancouver at New Westminster on the coast next season. The big obstacle in bringing out an eastern team since 1914 was finance. Before the war when the eastern cham-

Wise Ball Men Name TORONTO FOR MAJORS

Washington a Losing Proposition and Suggestion is to Transfer Franchise Here.

St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 27.—News of a much more interesting character than might be expected is likely to be heard when the American League baseball magnates meet early next month in the annual meeting. It is held in Chicago. Very few persons gave thought during the busy war times to the fact that there is a possibility of a change in the American League circuit. However, it can be said authoritatively that this matter will be discussed when the owners get together.

President Ben Johnson of the American League has sent out a number of letters to the baseball men of his league requesting suggestions. No doubt, Mr. Johnson has hopes that many brilliant ideas will be advanced as to how to proceed in re-establishing the game so that everyone will be equally benefited.

It has been hinted that quite a few of the best-posted and most widely-known baseball men have suggested in their recent letters that the Washington Club should be transferred. All are of the opinion now that the war is practically over, the nation's capital will get back into its old shell once again, and there will be very little patronage for a major league club. All of which sounds quite logical.

For some few years past Washington has failed to support its ball club to such an extent as to cause smiles to wreath the faces of the seven club-owners when they glance over the statements of the gate receipts. At ball games played during the week the crowds have always been exceptionally small. It is true that at the present time Washington has Sunday ball and some fairly large crowds in order to pay expenses, must average around the 2500-mark in daily attendance or the owners must become reconciled to the fact that they are going to be deeply in the hole at the close of the season.

According to baseball's wise men, the change in the circuit must take place in the switching of the Washington Club to Toronto, one of the greatest cities on the American continent in the support of every branch of sport. It is said that when all the teams in the International League were losing money, the Toronto Ball Club was prospering far beyond the expectations of its owner, Jas. McCaffery.

Mr. McCaffery is extremely anxious to break into the major leagues. Only quite recently he sought the advice of a well-known baseball man about the purchase of the Cardinals. He was told that St. Louis was a grand baseball town, fully capable of supporting two teams in the major leagues if they were up in the race. The suggestion was then made to Mr. McCaffery that he try to get hold of either team and move the club obtained to Toronto.

Big Football Games Across the Line

Syracuse, N.Y., Nov. 27.—The Columbia University squad of 35 players, accompanied by Coach Fred Dawson, Charles Hainted Mapes and Levering Tyson, graduate managers, arrived late this afternoon for their game with Syracuse in the stadium early tomorrow. It will be the first out-of-town game Columbia has played in many years. Syracuse will start the same line up as against Michigan, and the blue and white probably will start as against New York University last week.

Lille, which has been recently evacuated by the Germans, was the scene of many first-class tennis tournaments up to the time of the war. It is said that the Huns left the courts there almost occupied as they were on the date of occupation.

Carlton Park Victors In the Senior Final

Carlton Park won the city playgrounds' senior soccer championship on Saturday at Perth Square by defeating McCormick 2 to 0.

The game was a very good exhibition of football, with both goals scored in the second half, the first being a penalty kick. Christie and Frost played a great game outside forward, centering the ball time and again in front of the goal, but the good work of Talbot and Marshall at the score down. Marshall for the Park is

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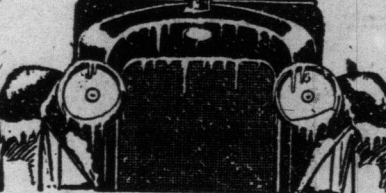
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McCormick (0)—Goal, N. Reeves; backs, R. Talbot and W. Marshall; half-backs, W. Cook and G. Dick; forwards, G. Robinson, B. Brooks, T. Lindon, B. Kelly and B. Ivors.

Referee—J. A. Brown.

Leslie Grove won the juvenile eastern district by defeating O'Neill 4 to 1 at Harbor Square on Saturday. The final game will be played at Stanley Park between Carlton Park and Leslie Grove on Saturday at 2:30 p.m. Teams on Saturday:

Leslie Grove (4): Goal, F. Farnen; backs, B. Banks and J. Young; half-backs, F. Smith, R. Tolchard and O. Lyons; forwards, W. Souter, F. Stevens, B. Young, B. Smith and F. Banks.

O'Neill (1): Goal, A. Levitt; backs, P. Bolton and H. Bochner; half-backs, J. Robinson and T. Casey; forwards, C. Russell, P. Gordon, G. Green and T. Bly.

Referee—W. D. Hannah.

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