

HAPPENINGS IN THE WORLD OF SPORT

International League, it is Claimed, will not be in Existence Next Year

ART ROSS EXPULSION

American Checker Tourney in Chicago in January Will Be Best Ever Held in America.

The McMahon brothers, in New York, have instituted a new rule that ought to insure the appearance of every man that signs to fight for them.

The various curling clubs in the city are looking forward to the advent of ice with some small impatience.

The New York World publishes a story to the effect that the International Baseball League is on its last legs and will not exist next year.

Art Ross, in a letter to President Emmett Quinn, takes exception to his expulsion from the National Hockey Association.

Sammy Lichtenhein has disposed of Outfielder Senno to New London of the Eastern Association.

Little Jimmy Fox, who claims the championship in the featherweight ranks on the Coast, is anxious to make his bow before a New York audience.

The National League is opposed to altering the conditions of the world's championship series.

Roberts and Odie Cleghorn were absentees from the Wanderer Hockey Club's practice last evening.

The National League, whose annual meeting has been brought to a close, did little business of importance.

Ulrich, who the Wanderer Club secured from the Patriots, is expected to arrive to-day in time to take part in the practice this evening at the Arena.

It is said that Billy Clymer is almost sure of the appointment of manager provided Frank Farrell does not get his price for the New York Americans.

The annual American checker tourney will begin in Chicago on January 11, 1915. Already forty to fifty entries have been received and the event will likely surpass any tourney ever held in America.

A crisis in the condition of Capt. Johnny Evers, of the Boston world's baseball champions, who is suffering from pneumonia, is expected to-morrow.

Donald Smith, of the Canadiens, has refused to attach his signature to a contract. He disapproves of the terms offered him.

Connie Mack, who is one of the heaviest stockholders in the Philadelphia Athletics, says there is little likelihood of his managing the New York's next season.

Mr. J. A. Taylor, of this city, has been appointed to act as arbitrator in matters of dispute between the National Hockey Association and the Pacific Coast League.

Edmund Lamy, champion speed skater of the world, who resides at Saranac Lake, is being given a trial by the Ottawa Hockey Club.

The annual eight oared crew race between Oxford and Cambridge may be called off next year owing to the large number of absentees among the athletes of both universities.

The public will be given their first opportunity to enjoy a skate on the artificial ice sheet at the Arena this evening, when the big west-end rink will be thrown open for skating.

LONG ISLAND LIGHTING CO. The Long Island Lighting Co. of Long Island, has increased its capital from \$500,000 to \$1,000,000.

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NOTES ON PUBLIC UTILITIES

The opening of the Panama-California Exposition at San Diego in 1915 will mean increased business for the San Diego Consolidated Gas and Electric Company.

The up-State Public Service Commission of New York, has approved the application of the Rochester Railway and Light Company for permission to issue \$250,000 of its 5 per cent. fifty-year consolidated trust mortgage bonds.

A 33-mile electrical transmission line, connecting the Minneapolis water powers with the Mankato and Cannon Falls water powers of the Consumers' Power Co. of Minnesota, has been placed in service.

The electric lighting and power system of Lindsay, Ont., was unavoidably put out of business for about six hours following the shutting down of the power plant at Fenelon Falls on account of anchor ice the other day.

The Lehigh Traction Co., which announced over the signature of its treasurer a couple of weeks ago that it would be unable to pay the December 1 interest on its first mortgage 5 per cent. bonds, reversed its decision and paid the interest coupons presented by the bondholders' Protective Committee on presentation at Hazleton, Pa.

The German South Atlantic fleet, 14 reported trapped in the Straits of Magellan. The cruiser Dresden, the only survivor of the German South Atlantic fleet, is reported trapped in the Straits of Magellan.

The Russian Minister of Finance estimates the cost of the war to Russia for the first three months as \$892,500,000.

W. L. O'Brien, Commissioner of Labor for Kansas, declared that college boys are the most efficient and dependable farm hands.

NEWS OF THE PLAYHOUSES

At the Imperial next week, one of filmdom's cleverest character actors, Max Figman, will appear in "What's His Name?" Mr. Figman is well worth while seeing, and is one of the few in the "silent shows" who can play either comedy or drama with equal ease.

The title of Cohan and Harrie's new musical revue, by George M. Cohan, has been announced. It is "Hello! Broadway," and Mr. Cohan himself will appear in it.

Fred Stone, known in Montreal for many years in conjunction with Dave Montgomery, is an enthusiastic moving-picture operator, and has been filming his children, intending to keep the pictures for them until they grow up.

"Watch Your Step" is now fairly launched in Broadway and has received favorable criticism. In this Irving Berlin show are the Cates, Frank Tinney, Bruce and King and other stars.

Charles Frohman is to star Ethel Barrymore in a new play after the first of the year and in the meantime she will appear in vaudeville in an English comedy drama "Drifting Apart."

Winthrop Ames has engaged A. E. Anson for his forthcoming production of the prize play, "Children of Earth."

Among the engagements for "The Girl of Gipsy" company are Alexander Clark, Charles Angelo, Ben Hendricks, Frank Pollock, Natalie Alt, Ollie Osborne, Leola Lucy and Jeannette Thomas.

To-night's "The Night" will be staged at one of the Shubert theatres Christmas week. Among the members of the company are the Hon. Helen Douglas Scott-Montagu, daughter of Lord Montagu of Beaulieu, and Edith Hanbury, one of the famous English beauties, who has been showing ball room dances in China and Japan.

The Brown Shoe Company, St. Louis, reports an order from the United States Government for 200,000 pairs of shoes.

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GLEANED FROM MANY SOURCES. Three German armies are preparing for an advance on Warsaw. Peter Lengua, of Newark, N.J., shot and killed himself, first leaving \$100 to pay his funeral expenses.

Fort de France, Martinique, was flooded during a torrential rainstorm. Much damage was done.

A membership on the Chicago Stock Exchange was sold for \$950, the last previous sale being for \$850.

It is reported that the Allies have captured Roulers, northeast of Ypres.

The Vandellia Railroad passes its annual dividend of 4 per cent.

Congress Representative S. E. Payne, of New York, is dead.

German submarines attempted a raid on Dover Harbor, but were repulsed by fire from the English forts.

The Nobel prize committee, sitting in Christiania, Norway, decided that no peace prize shall be awarded this year.

The Chicago and Northwestern sells \$100,000,000 general mortgage 5 per cent. bonds to Kuhn, Loeb and Company.

The American Cities Company declares its regular semi-annual dividend of 3 per cent. on the preferred stock.

The Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company reports earnings for year ended October 31st, equal to more than 38 per cent. on common stock.

The Inter-State Commerce Commission in the annual report seeks laws to control railway capitalization.

Jesse Adams, a petty officer in the gunboat Tallahassee, shot and killed Anna Conway, of Philadelphia, when she refused to marry him.

Robert Knox, of Dalton, Ga., ninety years old, a farmer who was recently divorced from his sixth wife, will marry Miss Devitt, of Selma, Ohio, as a Christmas present.

AN ATTRACTIVE CATALOGUE

A great aid to present buyers is the new catalogue published by Messrs. Mappin & Webb, the large jewellers and silversmiths. It is elaborately printed and conveys an excellent impression of the immense variety of wares dealt in by the firm.

UNITED SHOE MACHINERY.

United Shoe Machinery Corporation has declared regular quarterly dividends of 1 1/2 per cent. (3 1/2 cents) per share on preferred stock, and 2 per cent. (50 cents) per share on common stock.

EXTENSION TO WATERWORKS.

Brantford, Ont., December 11.—Brantford has been asked to vote \$100,000 towards the extension of the waterworks plant, and the city council has given this matter two readings and it now passes to the voters, who will vote their opinion when they cast their votes in the January elections.

RETURNS REFLECT EXCELLENT SITUATION.

New York, December 11.—William Jackson and Company, iron and steel merchants, of Glasgow, Scotland, report that the returns of the Board of Trade show that less than 4 per cent. of labor in the insured trades is out of work, the returns being actually better than a year ago. A very cheerful feeling prevails.

SCHWAB'S HOME-COMING.

New York, December 11.—Charles M. Schwab is expected home from Europe before the close of the year.

TRADE REPORTS

The following were among the inquiries relating to Canadian trade received at the Office of the High Commissioner for Canada, 17 Victoria Street, London, S.W., during the week ending November 27th, 1914:—

An English firm manufacturing silk and real hair nets, plain ties, veillings, etc., ask for names of Canadian importers.

A Manchester firm desires to appoint a Canadian agent for the sale of umbrella cloths, etc.

A North of England firm who are manufacturers of machinery for making tin canister work such as food tins, paint and varnish tins, and petrol tins; and general tin-plate machinery, power presses, etc., are desirous of doing business in Canada.

A Sheffield correspondent stated to be in touch with colliery owners in the South Yorkshire and Staffordshire fields is open to act as agent for Canadian exporters of pit props.

A firm in the South of France ask to be placed in touch with exporters of British Columbia fir used as railway ties, and in freight car construction.

A large market for Canadian magnesite is reported by a member of United Kingdom firms, who require analyses and samples, together with quotations, c.i.f., British port. Calcined magnesite averaging 90 p.c. to 94 p.c. is preferred, with not more than 2 p.c. to 3 p.c. silica, or 2 p.c. to 3 p.c. lime.

A Toronto correspondent asks for names of firms manufacturing stationery, office supplies and office specialties.

A Toronto firm are desirous of importing from Great Britain lines of specialties and novelties, and would like to hear from manufacturers wishing to do Canadian business.

A correspondent at St. John, N.B., desires to get into touch with manufacturers in Great Britain of pencils and office sundries similar to lines previously imported from Germany.

A Canadian firm manufacturing milk bottle discs ask for names of United Kingdom importers, and would like to hear from parties in Great Britain willing to co-operate with them in securing a market for their article.

A correspondent at Edmonton, Alberta, is open to undertake United Kingdom agencies.

INTERNATIONAL POWER CO. INSOLVENT.

Trenton, N.J., December 11.—Chancellor Walker decided the International Power Company is insolvent, and that a receiver should be appointed, and an injunction issued against the company.

A suit for relief does not have to be a creditor to get relief the court held.

Henry W. Bull and other stockholders brought suit against the company, alleging mismanagement.

A corporation having millions of dollars of stock in other companies, which fails to pay dividends, is insolvent, according to the opinion.

CANADIAN BANK CLEARINGS.

Decreases in bank clearings the past week, though still in evidence, are not so heavy as they have been recently. Here are the figures:

Table with 2 columns: City and Clearings. Montreal 48,184,646; Toronto 33,854,206; Winnipeg 30,172,234; Ottawa 4,970,977; Quebec 3,144,987; St. John 1,598,617; Halifax 1,842,763.

LABOR TROUBLE AVERTED.

Judge Mahaffey, of Bracebridge, Ont., acting as chairman of a Board of Conciliation, has, it is reported, succeeded in averting labor trouble at the Miller Lake-O'Brien Mine at Gowanda.

A proposed reduction of wages was the chief trouble. There were also charges of discrimination against officers of the mine.

NEWS OF WORLD TOLD IN BRIEF

Cruiser Nurnberg has been Sunk and the Dresden has been Bottled up

HINDUS OFFER COMPANY

Major William Rodden has been appointed Officer Commanding His Majesty King Albert's Belgian Forces in Canada.

An official despatch announces that the Nurnberg has been sunk, while despatches from Buenos Aires state that the German cruiser Dresden, the only warship of Admiral Count von Spee's squadron to escape after the battle with the British squadron under the command of Admiral Sir Frederick Sturdee, has been cornered in the Straits of Magellan.

According to a despatch from Amsterdam, Emperor William's health has considerably improved. His Majesty's catarrh is relaxing and his temperature is normal.

It is announced from Sydney that the Legislative Council has ratified the bill empowering the Government to purchase the whole of the ensuing wheat crop of New South Wales at five shillings a bushel.

Three hundred trucks and motor cars have been placed at the disposal of the Home Guard of Montreal. They will be used for mobilization purposes if they are required.

The British ambassador to the United States, Sir Cecil Arthur Spring Rice, called on Secretary Bryan yesterday to inform him of information received that missionaries at Beirut and other points in Asia Minor may be held as hostages.

Lieutenant-General Sir James Wolfe Murray has been appointed chief of the Imperial General Staff in succession to the late General Sir Charles Douglas.

Beta Singh, Baba Singh, Or. Ratanath Singh and other Hindus at Vancouver, have telegraphed the Minister of Militia offering to raise a company of Hindus in British Columbia.

Major William Rodden, the veteran paymaster of the Victoria Rifles, has been appointed to a position unique in the history of the Canadian Militia, that of officer commanding His Majesty King Albert's Belgian forces in Canada.

A revelation announced eight years ago by Joseph Smith, president of the reorganized church of the Latter Day Saints, designating as his successor his eldest son, lifted from the church the burden of choosing a new leader upon the death of Independence Mo., yesterday, of the patriarch, who for fifty-four years had presided over the organization. The new president is 37 years old.

Mr. Bruno Tapper, one of the three German teachers to whom the board of governors of the University of Toronto gave "leave of absence" on full salary, has resigned from the university staff.

PASSES COMMON DIVIDEND.

The Standard Gas Light Co. has declared the regular semi-annual dividend of 3 per cent. on the preferred stock, but failed to declare a dividend on the common stock. Six months ago a dividend of 1 1/2 per cent. was declared on the common stock, and at least four preceding semi-annual dividends were at the rate of 1 1/2 per cent. semi-annually on the common stock.

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SCOTS ARE "SKIRTED DEVILS". Amsterdam, December 12.—"Skirted Devils" name which the German soldiers have conferred on the Scotch soldiers at Ypres.

POWERFUL GERMAN BASE IS DESTROYED BY FIRE. London, December 12.—The great Gottorp barracks at Kiel, the powerful German naval base, has been destroyed by fire, according to despatch from Berlin.

BANQUET TO "LARRY" GREENE. A most successful banquet was tendered Mr. Greene last evening by the Publicity Association.

CHICAGO SURFACE TRACTION. Chicago, December 12.—Chicago Surface Lines, member earnings decreased 1 to 2 per cent. This year to date is behind last year 1 per cent.

DATED GAS IMPROVEMENT. Philadelphia, December 12.—The United Gas Improvement Co. has declared the regular quarterly dividend of 2 p.c. payable January 15, to stock record December 31.

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