

All the News That Is News

THERE ARE SOME DISADVANTAGES ABOUT HAVING A SIX-TEAM CANADIAN LE AGUE-IT MEANS THAT THE TEAMS WILL HAVE TO VISIT ST. THOMAS OFTENER "Business as Usual" Is Slogan of W.F.A.

Convention at Stratford Yesterday Was Decidedly Optimistic Over Outlook for Season - Over Twenty Clubs Enter.

STRATFORD April 2.—Looking backward upon a year of especial activity, and forward to a season of almost equal interest, despite the large number of players now at the front or in course of training, the annual meeting of the Western Football Association—the 36th in its history—was held here today, with a good representation of clubs present. President J. M. McCutcheon, of Toronto, formerly of Stratford, presided. Optimistic reports were presented from various centres, and while many clubs will suffer by reason of their players.

The amendments.

The amendment to rule 5 page 31.

various centres, and while many clubs will suffer by reason of their players having enlisted, the general disposition seems to be for "business as usual."

Past President Optimistic.

In spite of the depletion of the ranks of teams on all four series by the war, Past President McCutcheon, is his address, was optimistic regarding the playing prospects for 1915, in view of the excellent slate of officers available. This loss of players, he said, went to prove that the personnel of the teams responded in a worthy manner to the best traditions of the sport, and was evidence of the excellent training the men received while playing amateur sport under the W. F. A.

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The excellent record of the W. F. A. for the past 36 years was also mentioned, and McCutcheon thought the W. F. A.'s efforts in the line of good amateur sport had done much for the community.

The amendment failed to receive a seconder so was filed.

A discussion took place on the power of referees in ordering offending players from the field of play. Sam. Law of Galt, who introduced the subject, was of the opinion that if an offense was serious enough to draw a penalty, the offending player should be compelled to retire for the balance of the game.

Mr. Law purposes bringing this up in the form of an amendment at the next annual meeting.

Notices of Motion.

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Medals were given last year to the winners in the various series.

Financial Statement,

The financial statement showed a balance on hand of \$195.70. The receipts were \$415.05 made up of \$75.80 from seniors, \$204.95 from intermediates, \$76.80 from juniors and \$57.50 from Hough cup.

Affiliation With O. F. A.

Some discussion took place on the advisability of affiliating with the Ontario Football Association. Last year, in assuming charge of the meeting, reviewed briefly his relation with the association. Of the 36 annual meetings heid, he had attended all save two.

The appreciation of the services of secretary Fiebig was evidenced in an increase in his honorarium, which is now \$75.

Resolutions of appreciation were passed to the retiring officers, particularly President McCutcheon who is now removed to Toronto; also to the press,

Heals the Scratches Stops the Smarting Seely's After-Shave Dries Instantly



O.O.L.A. HOLDS ITS FIRST TRAINING CAMP PICTURES FROM HAVANA OF JACK JOHNSON AND JESS WILLARD IN ACTION PREPARING FOR THE CHAMPIONSHIP BATTLE NEXT MONDAY



From left to right—Jack Johnson, going through limbering exercise. Second picture, Manager Tom Jones putting the gloves on Willard for a battle; third, Johnson entering his training quarters for afternoon's workout; fourth, Johnson boxing with Dave Mills, sparring partner; fifth, Willard skipping the rope. JOHNSON'S FAMOUS UPPER CUT FIVE INCHES TOO SHORT FOR JESS'S JAW

his left hook to the liver; Kid McCoy had the famous corkscrew left; others have certain freak deliveries or properties in their athletic catalogue that aid

by "Bob" Emslie

"Dad" Stewart Gets Signed Contract of F. Schaefer, of Philadelphia.

Winning.

But none of them ever beat Jack Johnson's uppercut. It was his stock in trade. With it he knocked out opponents when he got ready, after giving the public a run for its money first. He almost tore Burns' head off with it; jarred Jeffries to sleep, ripped and tore Frank Moran, pelted Jim Flynn, and Injured the anatomies of numerous other op-

HAVANA, Cuba, March 26.—Here is a fight in which a man's favorite blow

ill be about as useful as if it was left home on the piano or out in the kitchen! Christy Mathewson had a favorite—the fadeaway; Joe McGinnity had his

low, creeping, underhand "Old Sal"; Bat Nelson nearly killed opponents with

But always has Johnson schooled that uppercut to be used on a man of his own weight. His judgment of distance with it has been perfect-when the Judgment of distance is one of the finest properties a fighter can possess anything in his fighting chest but his judgment of distance and his upper

Now, however, comes Johnson with the uppercut of years, trained to land on men six feet in height, and finds himself up against a man five inches taller. The uppercut must travel five inches more than it

March 28—Marvin HartL. Nov. 25—Joe JeannetteL.F.

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Dec. 26—Tommy BurnsW. 14 (For world's championship—stopped

"Soup" Mascari was the only

The teams and scores were as

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ever did before. It must carry the same force to the chin of the gigantic Willard that it did to the squatty Jones or Jim Flynn.
Ring critics here say that the uppercut will be practically useless when
the pair meet in Havana April 5. They believe it will lose its sting in its journey upward, and that Willard will have no trouble in keeping away from it.

looked over both fighters in their training work.

Battling Nelson—I believe Johnson will win, but there is so much about Willard to recommend him that I am not going to take a chance Jack Curley-Nothing to this fight but Willard. He will knock out

Capt, Cushman A. Rice-I saw Johnson fight in Paris, and, while Willard is wonderfully conditioned, I look for Johnson to win. B. A. Rosenthal-At first I could see nobody but Johnson. Now. after looking Willard over, and realizing his tremendous power, I can see nobody but Willard. He'll knock out Johnson sure. George Munro, former fighter-Johnson will win. He knows too

Leo P. Flynn-Johnson easily. Willard never will have a char A. G. Vanderbilt-I looked at both men, then made a small bet of \$1,400 against \$600 on Johnson. That speaks for itself. Dan Dougherty-The swaying of sentiment from day to day seems

to have affected me, too. I believe I will bet on Willard, inasmuch as I am not certain the negro can reduce to his proper fighting weight.

JOHNSON INSISTS UPON JESS WILLARD'S BEST BATTLES FIGHTING M'VEY TONIGHT May 20—John, Young K. June 29—Frank Bowers K. July 29—Arthur Pelkey N.D. Aug. 19—L McCarthy N.D. Deo. 2—Sailor White K. Dec. 27—Soldier Kearns K.

Intends To Box Six Rounds With Negro Fighter Despite Arguments of Friends Against It - Continued Rain in Havana Keeps Fighters Indoors Mostly — Willard Looks Good.

ST. THOMAS, April 2.—'Dad" Stewart, manager of the Saints, is in receipt of the Saints, is in the Saints, is in

Sam McVey six rounds on Saturday. Apparently no amount of argument can change the champion's mind. He says that those of the public who have bet on him are entitled to get a final line on his condition. The bout Saturday, he asserts, of course, will not be a fight, but a hard exhibition. He declares that as champion he can end and the second of the second o

third he announces his retirement from the ring. Johnson states that he will retire, but is not certain that he will give the championship to McVey, as Jeffries did to Marvin Hart. bowler to get under the five hundred mark. Ernie Heard was high man with 537, his best game being 204. Paul Denies Secret Training.
The champion's continued improvement with the little public work which he has done has given rise to a story ne has done has given rise to a story of secret training, which Johnson denies with a laugh. It is reported that he was seen boxing on his roof at day-break with McVey, but the latter also denies the report. When advised by his friends to do still more work, John-

Big, Mild, Satisfying—

or The smoke with a smile" as though Jenn dyed villian in the innocent victim.

Jan. 22—Frank Bauer
March 5—Jack Leon
May 20—Gunboat Smith
June 27—Charley Miller
July 4—Al Williams Aug 22—Bull Young K.
Nov. 17—George Rodel N.D.
Nov. 24—Jack Reed W.
Dec. 3—Carl Morris W.
Dec. 12—George Davis K.
Dec. 29—George Rodel K. HAVANA, April 2.—Jack Johnson and son replied: "I am the best judge Jess Willard trained for their championship fight on Monday between heavy downpours of rain today. The storm stretch if necessary." March 27—Tom McMahon ..N.D. April 13—Tom Daly ... K. April 28—George Rodel ... K.

> Another Pipe Canadian Sportsman-The report go ng the rounds that a Chicago firm of founded. One of the members of the firm states that neither his firm nor any other has secured it.

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ANNUAL CONVENTION J. Ed. Hinds, of Orillia, Is

Re-elected to Presidency.

46 CLUBS ARE ENROLLED

Proposal To Reduce Senior Teams From 12 to 10 Players Voted Down.

TORONTO, April 2.— The Ontario Amateur Lacrosse Ass, had a big enthusiastic convention today marking another stage of the national game on the high road of success. President-elect J. Ed. Hinds, of Orillia, had reached the highest office without a contest Forty-six clubs were enrolled and eligible to take part in the day's business. It is confidently expected that the number will surpass the

number will surpass the hundred mark before the grouping for the playing season is completed.

The convention showed a majority of twelve votes for the change of the annual meeting from Good Friday to Easter Monday, but that required the support of two-thirds of the delegates and so was not carried. The proposal to reduce senior teams from twelve to ten players received only eight votes, while seventy-six were recorded against it. against it.

The Mann Cup situation was another

The Mann Cup situation was another matter receiving the attention of the meeting, and it was left with the understanding that a conference of the athletic union, Canadian Lacross Association and trustee representatives to be held shortly, would arrive at a solution of the difficulties.

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TALKS ON SUFFRAGE

Detroit ballplayer. Hughie Jennings, manager of the Detroit team, wrote an interview with Cobb for the New Orleans Item this week and stated that Cobb was for woman suffrage. Now all the big suffrage leaders in the States are sending Cobb flowers and thanking him for his opinions. The interview was something of a joke, and it looks as though Jennings played the deepayed villian in the plot, with Cobb the