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BASEBALL STRIFE NEARING A CLOSE

Peace Meeting Will be Held at Cincinnati Today—Weegham Confirms Reports That He is to Get Chicago Cubs—Gilmore Predicts Peace Before the End of the Week

Chicago, Dec. 20.—Confident that the baseball war is virtually at an end, with only minor matters to be adjusted, leaders of the fight left tonight to attend the peace meeting at Cincinnati tomorrow.

Charles Weegham confirmed reports that he is to get the Chicago National league club with the conclusion of peace. The Chicago Federal league club directors met this afternoon, but what was done was not stated.

None of the persons directly involved in the settlement of the war would confirm stories as to the details of the peace plans. The loss of the telegram to Attorney Miller of the American league, sent out from New York last Friday, asking him to tell Federal Judge Landis that peace negotiations were pending, has been carried out in a suit in an agreement to withdraw the action of the Federal league suit against organized baseball, will not interfere with the baseball conference here tomorrow.

There are numerous details that have not yet been agreed upon by both sides, said Mr. Herrmann, "and while we would be in a little better position to discuss some of these details had our telegram to Mr. Miller not gone astray, yet its loss, I do not think, will prevent the conferees from reaching an agreement that will lead to the final signing of a treaty of peace between organized baseball and the Federal league."

The Federal League peace committee, composed of President James A. Gilmore, Harry Simpson and Patrick Powers of the Newark club and C. B. Constock, vice president of the Pittsburgh club, left for Cincinnati tonight. They were preceded by President Tenen and Secretary Heydler of the National league; Edward Barrow, president of the International league; and Charles L. Huston, secretary of the New York Americans.

Gilmore predicted there would be peace before the end of the week. "We are giving up no more than the other side; it is a fifty-fifty proposition all the way through," Gilmore reiterated has statements of last week that the Federal league suit

before Judge Landis will not be withdrawn until all the peace papers are signed.

DELEGATES WILL DISCUSS AMATEUR QUESTION

Conference Will Be Held in New York Between Controlling Bodies of Several Branches of Amateur Sports

The "amateur" and other questions bearing upon athletics will be discussed at a conference at New York next Monday by delegates from bodies controlling the several branches of amateur sports.

The delegates before meeting will be given a list of suggestions compiled by the executive and advisory committee of the Intercollegiate Association of Amateur Athletics of America. The committee describes an amateur sportsman as one who engages in sport solely for the pleasure and physical benefits he derives therefrom and to whom sport is nothing more than an avocation.

In the opinion of the committee a person should cease to be an amateur by committing any of the following acts: A—By competing or giving an exhibition in any athletic sport under an assumed name, or by being guilty of fraud or other grossly unprofessional conduct in connection therewith.

B—By directly or indirectly receiving pay or financial benefits in consideration of or as a reward for participation in any public athletic competition or exhibition.

C—By granting or permitting the use of one's name to advertise or promote the sale of, or to act as the personal solicitor for the sale, or as the agent in the sale of sporting goods, prizes, trophies or other commodities for use chiefly in or in connection with athletic games or exhibitions, or "by engaging for pay or financial benefit in any athletic competition, exhibition or exercise."

and natural acts and duties incident to such occupation or transaction. E—By having played in any public competition or exhibition upon a team on which there were professionals, but who himself has not been paid to play, or coach, or who in any manner, except by reason of such association, obtained his amateur status affected, or.

"Without having first obtained the consent of the organization governing such sport, by having participated therein in any individual public competition or exhibition with or against a professional, but who except by reason of such association has not had his amateur status affected."

It is also suggested that an organization governing a sport should have a particular series of standard events, and that the effect of his acts, if they were shown to its satisfaction that such acts were committed through negligence, in addition to the penalties recommended by the committee.

They recommend that a team of amateurs representing a well established organization should not be prevented from participating in a public competition of a regular series of standard events composed of professionals. This has reference to football games, where a single professional player on a team makes the difference between a team which caused some cancellations of games between colleges during the 1915 season and a team which did not.

In recommending penalties the committee advised that any one who is guilty of an act set down in clause "A" shall never be permitted to compete as an amateur in the sport in which he is guilty of such act, but after a period of five years has elapsed he may be restored to amateur standing in any sport other than that in which such act was committed.

In clause "B" he shall not be permitted, during the period of suspension, to engage in any athletic competition, but on his ceasing to coach or train he shall be privileged to compete as an amateur in any sport other than that in which such act was committed, and after a period of five years has elapsed from the commission of the act, he shall be privileged to apply for permission to compete as an amateur in any sport in which he was guilty of the act.

This would enable a paid college football coach, to regain his amateur standing in tennis, golf or any other sport in one or more of which he had been a professional during a lapse of five years.

Under clause "D," a person who has ceased to permit his name to be used in any athletic game or exhibition, or to be capitalized in any advertisement, or to be reinstated in any sport other than that in which the act was committed and after the lapse of one year he may be permitted to compete in the sport in which the act was committed.

he made Ted run all the way in the national championship at San Francisco, Sloman was not quite dangerous enough to warrant the prediction of a possible reversal when they meet again next summer. The Quaker is but a lad, and it is only natural to suppose that he will be much better next summer. If this improvement comes, Meredith will have the task of his career on his hands to defeat the phenomenal Pacific coast athlete.

NEWARK SYNDICATE AFTER WORLD'S TITLE BOUT

Would Post \$20,000 For Ten Round Fight Between Willard and Weirner.

A syndicate of Newark business men headed by Mark Herbs, a wealthy butcher, has authorized Jack Bulger, manager of Charles Weirner, to offer Tom Jones, manager of Jess Willard, \$20,000 for a ten round bout to be held in Newark or New York on or before Memorial day, 1916.

Bulger will post \$5,000 of this sum for Weirner's record in boxing and the other \$15,000 thirty days before the day of the fight. In speaking of the offer the other night Mr. Herbs said: "This offer is an absolutely bona fide one. We would like the bout to take place in Newark during the 25th anniversary celebration here next year, but if the legislature at Trenton refuses to give us a law so that we can make the bout a legal one, we will have to have it at Trenton."

Jack Dillon defeated Weirner a year ago, but six weeks ago Weirner gave Dillon such a terrific fight that many newspapers called it a draw. "Therefore, according to all rules of past performances, Weirner has defeated Dillon, Moran, Savage and Gunboat Smith twice, and after a twenty-round decision over Frank Moran in seven rounds, and Weirner in ten defeated Savage."

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DOINGS IN THE AUTO WORLD

Rear Axle Stands Remarkable Test—Vibration Does Much Damage to Motor Car—Only Six States Have Established State Highway Department.

There was a time not long ago in the motor car industry when the manufacturer's most closely guarded secrets were the lessons he learned from his own experiments. Gradually however, it has been realized that general confidence in the motor car and motor truck as a part of the modern life of the nation, necessitated the public just what his experiments had shown.

This was the feeling that actuated a certain motor truck manufacturer recently when he finished a 30,000 mile test run. This test began two years ago when the manufacturer installed an internal gear driven axle in one of his own trucks although at that time it was the only form of rail road drive. For three months this truck was run night and day. One of the results was the testing of the axle and primarily the axle was to run it at an angle up a steep railroad embankment, across the tracks at the top and then down the other side. After three months the truck was put in factory service and for about 21 months has averaged over 50 miles a day.

The axle was then taken down for inspection and it was found that practically the only wear had not act against the noiselessness of the axle in any way nor effect its efficiency. This result was considered all the more remarkable as the gear had been lubricated in the two years it had been in use.

The internal gear was of unhardened steel, and from the wear shown it is estimated that it would go at least 100,000 miles and probably 200,000 miles more than that. With the hardened gear now in use engineers believe there would practically be no limit to the life of an axle of this type and that at a minimum it would outlast all other working parts of the truck.

When two or more leaves of a spring break, it is not good practice to insert new leaves without the firm having the remaining leaves reset. When springs have been in service for a considerable period, they gradually settle. Consequently, the new leaves will not fit properly with old leaves and another broken spring would be the result.

The number of accidents in motor car racing when motors were slow as compared to the comparative freedom from accidents in the recent high speed events where the time ran higher than 100 miles per hour. The reason for this is that the work has been extremely hazardous when cars were built poorly, but with modern

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chance for a battle for the championship. When Jack Curley, who promoted the Willard-Johnson fight, heard of the offer he said:

"Personally, I think it is a very good offer. I have seen Weirner fight and I think he is the cleverest man in the country, barring Willard. As Willard is going to have a busy campaign this winter, I think he might fight Weirner after he has disposed of Fred Fulton of Rochester in New Orleans in March."

When Jack Bulger was asked about the \$20,000 offer he blurted out: "That's true. Those Newark fans are going crazy over Weirner. They believe he can beat any man in the world. To them Willard is a second-rater in comparison."

"And wouldn't they? Haven't he defeated every man he has met with the exception of Jack Dillon? He is growing every day. At the present time he stands six feet three and a half inches in his stockings and weighs 150 pounds, and he has just gained five pounds in weight. He'll be as big as Willard, sure, before he's twenty-three."

"Jim Corbett says Weirner is the cleverest man he has seen in the ring in many years, and with proper coaching he should be the next heavyweight champion of the world. He'll be as big as Willard, sure, before he's twenty-three."

Minimum Wage Law Upheld. Washington, Dec. 20.—The constitutionality of the Maryland law fixing the minimum wage schedule for laborers employed by the city of Baltimore at \$2 a day, was upheld today by the supreme court.

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THE AETNA, BILLIARDS, BOWLING, GOLF, BILLIARDS, ESTABLISHMENT, 6 Tables, 7 Alleys.

Conn. Aggies 25, Trinity Ind. 14.

The Connecticut Aggies defeated the Trinity Independents of Hartford, 26 to 14, Saturday evening at Storrs. The visitors played very good basketball, but were unfamiliar with the large floor. The score at the end of the first half was 9 to 7 in favor of the Aggies. The summary:

Table with 2 columns: AGGIES and INDEPENDENTS. Lists players and scores for various games.

Cubs Win Opener. The Cubs won their opening game of the season by trimming Tatfville 24 to 18 in a clean and exciting game on the local 14. The Cubs were last year's best team, but their shooting was comparatively lame to that of the Cubs. The Cubs would like to arrange games with any team ranging from 130-135 pounds in this part of the state.

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CUBS, TATFVILLE. Counihan, L. Decelles, Stanley, L. F., O'Brien, Shannon, C., Pollard, Pools, L. G., H. Decelles, Pierce, N. Haaler.

Baskets, Cubs, Pools 1, Counihan 4, Stanley 7, Tatfville, H. Decelles 1, Pollard 2, L. Decelles 3, O'Brien 3. Referred to by the referee, M. C. A. Timekeeper, J. Isabster. Subst-Tatfville, Donahue.

NO INELIGIBLES NEXT SEASON SAYS BLACK.

Yale Football Captain Sees Bright Year For 1916.

Clinton Black, Yale's new football captain, has stated that an innovation would be to have a team that will be ineligible from the field all ineligible players except those whose ineligibility consisted of one or two other colleges. For once the players will be compelled to play. Captain Black appealed to the players to forget secret societies and to play for the glory alone in mind. He said that Yale had been disgraced by the defeats of the past few seasons. His statement follows:

"The outlook for football at Yale next year is very bright. It is probably the brightest in our history, because the men have been made to realize that they have to keep up in their work and in their studies. There ought to be no man ineligible. There will be no ineligible men allowed on the field except those who enter from other colleges. There is no use in governing the ineligible squad this year, which many people claim was a disgrace, because the men have found themselves and have settled down to conscientious study."

"In the line of next year there is wealth of material, and if it is placed right, as I know that it will be, we ought to have a strong line back and a hard, aggressive charging line on the offense. The backfield is a hard problem to face, but we hope to choose four backs who can work well together all doing their jobs when they are not carrying the ball and in the game every minute. The team as a whole will work as a unit and every man will be in every play and doing his job and doing it right."

"The proposition we face next year is a difficult one and we must have the support of everyone in the college in order to have a team that will be credit to the university. Every man an help and if he will put his shoulder to the wheel and do his part every day, we will come out all right. Every man laughs about the Yale spirit, but it is still here and it is up to us to know that it is here. We've got to bring it out next year and we want to think about this all the time."

"Do you realize what a disgrace it is to be beaten the way that we have been in the past few years? Something has to be done and the team next year will do it. If you people will give us a little more support, we will give you a team that will give you all you have got."

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

MARKET WAS ACTIVE. Ascribed to Withdrawal of Revolutionary Forces in Mexico.

New York, Dec. 20.—Interest in today's market was transferred from the European affairs to Mexico, shares of companies operating in that country, notably American Smelting and Mexican Petroleum, being the most prominent features. Smelting rose 3 1/4 to 120 1/4. Mexican Petroleum 2 1/2 to 99 3/4. The activity of these stocks was naturally ascribed to the withdrawal of the revolutionary forces and the disintegration of the movement against the de facto government.

Incidentally another advance in oil prices by the leading producers accounted for the strength of the oil stocks. American Locomotive, Chrysler Steel, New York Air Brake and American Can were intermittently higher by one or two points. Reference to these were Mercantile Marine preferred, United Fruit, United States Industries of Alaska and others of no particular description, with like gains.

American Tobacco was again weak on what was vaguely referred to as "the withdrawal of the revolutionary forces." General Motors fell ten to 490, but recovered much of its loss later. People's Gas was persistently heavy, losing 3 1/2 to 108 1/2.

United States Steel rose 7 1/2 to 86 1/4, but lost much of this advantage in the final hour, when realizing sales in Smelting and Petroleum caused general recessions. Rails were in steady request on a moderate scale, especially in the New York Central, Erie and some of the Pacific and Grangers. Total sales amounted to 419,000 shares.

Foreign exchange reflected the more confident feeling in the foreign situation, marks stiffening perceptibly, with general demand for all remittances, selling securities for London continued, but the effect was not appreciable.

The feature of the bond market, which was otherwise rather irregular, was the demand for Anglo-French 5's at 104 1/2, ranging between 84 1/4 and 85 1/4. Total sale of bonds par value aggregated \$3,240,000.

U. S. bonds were unchanged on call.

Table with columns: STOCKS, High, Low, Close. Lists various stocks and their prices.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Cotton futures closed today, December 11.85; January 11.95; March 12.21; May 12.45; October 12.35.

Special Holiday Prices on Shaving Soap, Brushes, Etc. Watch Our Window Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, December 22, 23, 24. The Most Unusual Window Attraction Ever Shown in Norwich.

Packerville Hockey Team Wants Games.

The Packerville Hockey team is ready to try conclusions with any nearby club. The club consists of M. N. Baxter, Fred Haskell, G. W. Semple, Alf Smith and Edward Semple. W. M. Baxter is president, Henry Semple secretary, and Fred Haskell treasurer. If a nearby club wishes to arrange for a health producing contest write to Henry Semple.

Madeira Chairman of Track Committee.

Philadelphia, Dec. 20.—Louis C. Madeira, the former mile runner, was today elected chairman of the executive committee of the University of Pennsylvania. The track schedule includes the relay meet with Harvard at Hartford, Conn., February 21.

MEREDITH HAS RIVAL IN CALIFORNIA STAR.

Sloman, Coast Phenom, Can Do Quarter Consistently in 49 Seconds.

Out in California they have the cleverest quarter miler developed in this country since Ted Meredith finished in 49 seconds at the Olympic honors more than three years ago. Frank Sloman is his name, and he is possibly the one of three runners on the world today besides Meredith who can better 49 seconds consistently. Sloman is the runner with whom Meredith must reckon in the national quarter mile championships at Newark next summer. Ted knows this now and depend upon it, he will be as fit as ever in his life when he shows up for the national 44 dash.

Sloman was undefeated until he bumped into the Packerville Pacific games last August, and the beating that Ted handed to the fleet "miler" was a record for Sloman ever since, and so much so that he yearns for revenge on the Pennsylvania.

Sloman will, of course, be a member of the big Pacific coast team that will come east to compete at Newark, and it is on this occasion that Sloman hopes to reverse the decision that Meredith obtained over him on the exposition track at Frisco.

The danger to Meredith in meeting Sloman next summer is the possibility of improvement that the Pacific coast lad will show in the meantime. Though

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MONEY.

New York, Dec. 20.—Money on call steady; high 2; low 1 3/4; ruling rate 1 3/4; last loan 2; closing bid 1 3/4; offered at 2.

COTTON.

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CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

WHEAT: Open, High, Low, Close. Dec. 11.85, 12.05, 11.85, 12.05. Jan. 12.15, 12.35, 12.15, 12.35.

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England probably would join in this tendency were it not for the restrictions upon its manufacture, which prevent any chance of it being done at prices that would make it readily saleable. Influential Britons are suggesting that the British government follow the step of the French, in which case all the alcohol needed within the empire could be produced at a price well below that of imported motor fuel.

Though the Russian government put the ban upon the manufacture and sale of alcohol for drinking purposes, it now is offering prices ranging from \$200 to \$250 for methods by which it can be used in industrial pursuits and as a fuel for motor vehicles.

Locating the missing spark plug is not always an easy task, especially when the motor is not equipped with relief cocks. A simple device for testing spark plugs and one which will positively guard the workman against shocks. The metal pieces can be made of sheet stock, which should be about 1-16 inch in thickness and a half-inch in width. The pieces can then be shaped and bent and connected by a fibre block. The long "g" piece should be drilled and tapped near the end to take a small machine screw. A small nut it first run on the screw to serve as a lock. A wooden handle should then be attached as shown. Its operation is simple. The two metal strips are placed in contact with the shell and the terminal of the plug and the current passes to and across the adjust-

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