Great Falls Is Dropped From Union Association

Failure to Receive Satisfactory Assurances Leads to Summary Action by the Directors—Butte, Helena, Salt Lake, Ogden, Murray and Boise Form Circuit.

Butte, Jan. 17.—(Special.)—Butte, Helena, Salt Lake, Ogden, Murray and Boise will constitute the members of the Union Baseball association for the circuit of 1914, this being the final result of a meeting of the magnates of the league which extended far into the night. Everything proceeded harmoniously, but the session was delayed by the attempt made to induce President Dan Tracy of the Great Falls club to remain with the league. Tracy had stalled, and instead of coming over himself sent a representative, Percy Raban, who appeared clothed with so little authority that nothing could be accomplished. Tracy finally was located on the telephone, and he assured the meeting that he was with the Union league, and that Great Falls' forfeit would be on hand Thursday. This telephone assurance, in view of similar assurances from that city, failed to satisfy the magnates, and, led by the Salt Lake representative, it was voted to drop Great Falls from further consideration.

Will Murphy Presents Regrets.

W. L. Murphy, president of this year's Missoula team in the Union league, attended the session, but only to present that city's regrets at its inability to be a member of this year's association. Mr. Murphy held forth the promise, though, that if it came to the point of necessity, Missoula might yet join the league, but under the existing circumstances he desired to present the withdrawal of that city.

M. R. Evans of Salt Lake stated that he felt so certain of Boise entering the league that he was willing to put up $2,000 to assure Boise would be in line. Boise had no representative at the meeting, but President Sweet of the Boise team wired President Ed Murphy of the Union league that Boise would be in line if the other cities were. Boise wanted to be sure that Salt Lake and Ogden had posted forfeits.

Those Present.

Those at the meeting were Dr. C. P. Harveille, representing Murray, Utah; A. D. Brown, representing Ogden; Jack Flannery, representing Helena; George F. Wasson and M. R. Evans, representing Salt Lake; Percy Raban, representing Great Falls, and W. L. Murphy, representing Missoula.

Salt Lake's reason for wishing to throw Great Falls out of the league, according to the gossip of the fans, was to secure Hester, whom Great Falls still owned, but now would become a free agent with that city dropped from the Union league.

Dr. Harveille declared that the fans of Murray had secured a site of a baseball park and raised practically $5,000, and that the success of baseball there this season was assured.

A schedule meeting of Union league directors will be held later, it was announced.

WILSON WILL READ HIS MESSAGE TUESDAY

FAVORS CAUTIOUS TACTICS IN DEALING WITH ANTI-TRUST LEGISLATION.

Washington, Jan. 17.—President Wilson announced today that he would read his message on anti-trust reform to a joint session of both houses of congress next Tuesday. The president already has shown the document to democratic leaders in congress, members of the two congressional committees in charge of the legislation and to members of the cabinet. All have expressed approval.

The president has left the task of framing the detailed remedies to congress. Three hitherto unannounced features of the president's plan are:

1.—The prohibition of holding companies. Corporations would be forbidden to own or hold shares or be interested in the business of actual competitors or cognate concerns; and the acquisition of stock or interests in non-competitive concerns would be possible only with the consent of the interstate commerce commission or the proposed interstate trade commission.

2.—Empowering the interstate commerce commission to regulate and supervise the insurance of securities by the railroads so that the public would exercise, through the commission, a certain control over the future uses to which the money obtained from the issue of stocks or bonds would be put.

3.—Wherever, at the instance of the government, either in civil or criminal proceedings, the courts have rendered judgment on the unlawfulness of any combination, individuals or concerns aggrieved through the combination would have the benefit of such adjudication and not be required in their suit to prove against the illegality of the combination.

The president has dealt with those general principles in which he believes public sentiment holds to be necessary. He emphasized that a spirit of friendliness rather than hostility should characterize the method of approaching the work of reform. To this end the president himself, it was learned today, has announced the program of public hearings on proposed bills.

The president has made it plain to Chairman Clayton of the house judiciary committee that the business world should be encouraged to express its views. The president is anxious, too, that in the legislation ample time should be given in all cases for business to adjust itself to new conditions, even from a period of from one to two years.

ANNUAL STATEMENT OF BASEBALL CLUB

The original Missoula Baseball club that first put Missoula into the Union association and transacted its business as an incorporation, yesterday filed its annual statement with County Clerk Babington. Such a statement is required of all corporations in the state, in this instance the condition of the club to and including December 31, 1913 being shown. The statement is signed by President Campbell, Vice President Greenhood and Secretary McCormick. The figures as to the club's finances are as follows: Capital stock, $10,000; stock subscribed and actually paid in, $5,100; amount actually paid in cash, $1,750; amount received in payment for property purchased, $3,350; total debts, $3,678.79.

MINERS ARE BEATEN.

Butte, Jan. 17.—(Special.)—The Minneapolis Ascension team tonight defeated the State School of Mines basketball team, 59 to 24.

ON SOLID GROUND IS FEDERAL LEAGUE

MAJOR ORGANIZATIONS' AGENTS TRY TO DISRUPT IT BUT FAIL TO DO SO.

Chicago, Jan. 17.—The Federal League of Baseball clubs will remain intact as recently organized, it was said tonight, as a result of a long secret meeting of the club owners. During the day many rumors were afloat that the new league was about to break up in dissension, but harmony eventually prevailed.

The rumor that caused much discussion was that Charles Weeghman of Chicago had announced his intention of withdrawing from the Federal league and buy the St. Louis club of the American league. This threat was due to the report that other club owners in the Federal league had not made sufficiently energetic efforts to place their teams on a par with major league baseball teams.

Ban Johnson, president of the American league; Charles Ebbetts of Brooklyn and August Herrmann of Cincinnati were in the city all day attempting, it is said, to induce Joe Tinker to sign with Brooklyn, despite his contract already made with the Chicago Federals. Their attempts in this direction were futile.

The meeting of the Federal league club owners extended far into the night. After all the kinks had been smoothed out, according to reports that reached the outside, the owners of the Federal league clubs discussed ways and means for insuring success in the struggle to gain a standing in the baseball world.

Satisfied.

When the meeting of the Federal league members adjourned, subject to the call of the magnates, it was announced by President Gilmore that six teams "at least" had come up to the requirements asked by Weeghman, and that he and his financial partner, William M. Walker, were satisfied. The requirements included not only playing strength of the teams, but the financial strength of the clubs.

Weeghman, who is considered the strongest of the Federal league club backers, admitted after the meeting he had been offered a chance to buy the St. Louis Browns if he would drop the new league interests.

While the Federals were in session a secret meeting by a committee of representatives of organized baseball was going on in another part of the city. The committee was composed of President Ebbetts of Brooklyn, President Herrmann of Cincinnati in the National league; President Hedges of the Browns and President Navin of Detroit in the American league. B. B. Johnson, president of the American league, was with them. Not one of them would admit the session concerned the Federal league.

President Gilmore would not discuss the report that organized baseball had tried to crush the Federal league today. He gave out a statement that a list of the major league players the Federals had signed would not be given out at this time. The names will be given out by the various clubs in their respective cities.

Altogether there were 23 club owners and managers at the meeting and the lobby of the hotel where it was held was swarmed with players and followers of baseball.

INDIANAPOLIS CLUB SOLD.

Indianapolis, Jan. 17.—J. C. McGill, of Denver, and W. C. Smith of New York, closed a deal for the purchase of the Indianapolis American association club here late tonight. It is understood the purchase price was reduced several thousand dollars. The negotiations were concluded by Smith and Jack Hendricks, who will be manager of the club, on word from McGill, who is in Chicago.

Brash, Perhaps, but Not Altogether Scorned

Whatever may be said of the Federal league, it must be confessed by the most facetious that they are getting their quota of public notice.

The manner in which the activities of the Federal league have been spread out upon the sport pages of late could not possibly have escaped the most indolent eye. It is not the function of the present thesis, reader, to discuss the chances of the new major organization. Whether or not the Feds will show an enduring strength and will manage to live long and prosper is not to be touched upon. Our best little forecasters have done nothing more than offer up a few generalizations such as "there's always room for class" and "plenty of money will float anything." And quite a few have pointed out the folly of the new undertaking. "There are not enough good players," they say. "There's no demand for it." And so on and so forth.

Just the same the Feds have started something. They have at least awakened in the baseball public a degree of interest. Major league club owners when approached by press representatives and questioned on the subject scoff without restraint. They exude derision. "The Federal league annoys us? Tush, my boy, folly! Poo-pooh!" and a lot more like that. If mention is made of the Federal league while eager listeners are about they hoot the notion. However, more intimate acquaintances, such as their wives, declare they don't seem to have much appetite of late. In the privacy of their own domestic circles they exhibit every symptom of acute perturbation. The Feds, they say in New Rochelle, have opened their capra hircus.

The Federal league may never display the speed and class of the two older organizations, but they have certainly provided us with substance for lively discussion. Yes, and what a boon they've been to the poor anemic, over-worked sporting writers!

Athletics Have Copyright on the Race, Says G. Rice

King of All Dopesters Declares That American League Season Will Consist Solely of the Pursuit of Connie Mack by Seven Other Managers.

(By Grantland Rice.)

There is but one main angle to the American league campaign of 1914—i. e., the pursuit of the Athletics by the rest of the league. This in itself will entail a fairly active spring, summer and early fall for those with ambition enough to start early and stick to the trail.

Back in 1912 the Athletics skidded a bit and dropped behind, but last summer and fall the machine righted itself, swung back at old-time speed, and unless a bomb, or words to that effect, explodes in its carburetor it is a trifle difficult to see just how it is to be turned back.

Trimming the Athletics is likely to be one tough assignment. The same old slugging, mauling power of the past will still be on guard, and no club has yet framed a defense that can stop it in either league.

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Edge Is All Mack's Way.

In addition to the same old manhandling infield and the same outfield intact, Wally Schang with added experience to steady his play, and this same experience will come to the rescue of Mack's young pitchers. Bender and Plank had to do the bulk of the hard work last season, but in addition to Brown and Houck, Bob Shawkey and Joe Bush should be 30 per cent better with the stuff they gathered and put to the test last year.

The Athletics should be as powerfully prevalent in 1914 as they were in 1913. It is hard to figure where this club has lost anything. A series of accidents may drive it back, but figuring the luck of the game upon an even break all around the edge is all Mack's way.

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Three clubs are entered as main candidates for the job of being runner-up. These three are Washington, Cleveland and Boston, and of the three we like the Senatorial outlook best. Griff has one of the smoothest machines in the game and one of the best defensive clubs in baseball. He still lacks just a trifle more of the old kick, and if he can develop this he has enough surplus stuff to even go on out after the Mackmen in a headlong chase.

Griff has Johnson to start with, and this alone means 35 victories. Johnson is one-third of a pennant machine, and in a year where his club was in the hunt to the last he should be good for 40 conquests.

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Boehling should be of more value this season, and he was quite a help last year. With Gandil, Milan, Ainsmith, Henry, Foster, McBride, etc., the Senators look like the next best bet.

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Naps Lacking Consistency.

Cleveland has the kick, but this club must still show greater steadiness along the way and a better display of machine morale when the showdown comes. There is enough stuff there to stick around with the front of the parade, but not enough consistency to compete with a machine like that of Mack's.

The Red Sox traveled above form in 1912 and below form in 1913. The next season should find them at a normal level somewhere between the two trails. There has been too much inside turmoil for this club to reach any normal results last year, but things should move along a more even trail this year.

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A good bit depends upon how Carrigan can drive his machine and keep it at top speed, and upon the return of Joe Wood to old form. Wood in proper gear alone means a big advance over the late roundup. But even with this it will be a tough job for the Red Sox to rise above fourth place, or third at the highest.

The battle for the top of the second division should be a tough one, for by April, 1914, Frank Chance will be in position to resume competition.

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The White Sox look to be about the same, with no great uplift in sight.

The Tigers look to be somewhat better fixed. But the greatest improvement will be shown by Frank Chance's Manhattan Yanks. It took Chance the greatest part of his first year to find out just where he stood in the way of landing new material. He had the worst club in either league in April and a pretty fair machine by September. He was forced to can practically his entire ball club. By October he had attached the Order of the Tin to something like 18 athletes, which is fair enough for one short year.

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Chance Hopes to Beat Sox.

Chance hopes to beat out White Sox and Tigers this summer and finish fifth.

He has built up a fair pitching staff and collected a first-class infield. His outfield is still a guess, and his catching strength nothing to rave about.

But he has added speed, and if his pitchers come through as they didn't last summer—he will likely bother White Sox and Tigerss more than a bit.

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Just what Professor B. Rickey can do with the Browns depends upon how much dynamite he is empowered to use when the blasting begins.

There is always the chance that a ball club which has won four pennants in five years may become surfeited with victory and take it a trifle too easily. If this happens there should be a big scramble in the A. L., but the Athletics, in this respect, are not an ordinary ball club.

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They missed that little world's series rake-off in 1912, and being of a business-like nature, are not overlikely to treat this annual stipend too lightly again. The Cubs crumbled badly after winning their fourth pennant in five years, but the Cubs, with all respect to Chance's old organization, were not the Athletics. They were an older machine that didn't take nearly as kindly to strict training. There were also several factions in the Cubs, while in the Athletics there is but one—and his name is Connie Mack.

SPORTS HEADLINERS CUT SHORT

Tommy Connolly, the American league umpire, simply can't keep away from the ivories. He is running a billiard parlor.

Doc Green, former trainer of the Boston Red Sox, who was replaced by Joe Quirk under Jimmy McAleer, has been reinstated.

The Spokane club of the Northwestern league has secured the services of Walter Croll, a third sacker from California.

Hans Wagner will try to land a batting market of .400 this year.

It is reported that Manager McGraw has offered John Reilly, a player on Yale's collegiate team, a contract to play with the Giants which calls for $5,000 a year.

The Cincinnati Reds also are going to have a Cuban pitcher next season. Marsans, the outfielder of the Reds, tipped him off to Garry Hermann, saying that he should develop even better than Mendez, the greatest hurler Cuba ever produced.

Careful search reveals the fact that 43,279 persons discovered Walter Johnson before he went to Washington.

The difference between a star batter and a baseball fan is that the latter has no scruples against the intentional pass.

The Senators won the greatest number of shutout games last season—23—and dropped 11.

Murphy Says:

The Cubs who dare to try to wear those Federal suits will early find there's many a kind of federal suits.

Cleveland has a Chinese basket ball team. The Silent Five, deaf mutes, have challenged it.

Connie Mack is a Philadelphia trust company director in addition to being a baseball boss.

Poor Connie! There are moments when one is tempted to pity him.

Joe Rivers is superstitious and is afraid of the dark. And that goes for some other hopes.

The St. Louis Cards have sold Pitchers Burk and Willis to the Indianapolis club of the American association.

Manager Clymer of the Buffalo club has purchased Del Paddock from the Rochester club.

Jesse B. Hawley has reconsidered his determination not to coach the Iowa football squad another season, and expects to be in charge of the team in 1914.

No, Phyllis, the expression "tank meet" does not refer to a gathering of major league baseball magnates.

Ruby Fitz says it's a case with him of "fight or starve."

But nary pug in our town,
Altho he's lost his punch,
Runs any risk of starving
While law allows free lunch.

Hartzell and Moriarty are talked of as the next manager of the Denver team.

Rube Waddell is reported recovering from his lung trouble and he expects to be back on the firing line next season.

Charley Herzog says he is going to try and build up the Reds with young material.

Freddie Welsh has Packey McFarland's goat. Freddie is a strict vegetarian. He claims he has not tasted meat in the last 10 years.

Mike Kahoe, Washington scout, says that Manager Griffith need not worry about purchasing an outfielder. Mike declares that Spencer, the young outfielder obtained from the Virginia league, will prove a genuine surprise.

Now they say that before the Reds open their 1914 season Garry Herrmann will be the sole owner of the club. It is argued that absolute control of the club by Herrmann is the only salvation of baseball in the Ohio city.

SOLD TO EASTERN ASSOCIATION.

Vancouver, Jan. 17. — President Brown of the Vancouver baseball club announced today the sale of Catcher Mike Konnick of the local Northwestern league club, to Binghampton, Mass., in the Eastern association. Konnick had refused to go to the Pacific league.

HYMEN'S CAR.

(From Judge.)

Automobiles are doubtless nice,
But woman's charming carriage
On all occasions should suffice
To drive a man to marriage.

(No. 2106.)

Report of the Condition of the

First National Bank

At Missoula,

In the State of Montana, at the close of business, January 13, 1914.

Resources.

Loans and discounts		$1,065,997.34
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		5,964.01
U. S. bonds to secure circulation		150,000.00
U. S. bonds to secure U. S. deposits, $47,000.00; U. S. bonds to secure postal savings, $13,000.00		60,000.00
Bonds, securities, etc		67,781.04
Banking house, furniture and fixtures		69,000.00
Other real estate owned		28,079.00
Due from national banks not reserve agents	$ 26,786.98	
Due from state and private banks and bankers, trust companies, and savings banks	21,948.29	
Due from approved reserve agents	294,707.81	
Checks and other cash items	1,551.06	
Exchanges for clearing house	9,428.34	
Notes of other nat'l banks	12,950.00	
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	936.43	
Lawful money reserve in bank, viz:		
Specie	122,509.15	
Legal tender notes	22,000.00—	512,818.06
Redemption fund with U. S. treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)		7,500.00
Total		$1,967,139.45

Liabilities.

Capital stock paid in		$ 200,000.00
Surplus fund		100,000.00
Undivided profits less expenses and taxes paid		8,725.76
National bank notes outstanding		150,000.00
Due to state and private banks and bankers	31,079.89	
Dividends unpaid	1,155.00	
Individual deposits subject to check	1,401,616.01	
Demand certificates of posit	18,151.53	
Certified checks	4,475.85	
Cashier's checks outstanding	3,286.14	
United States deposits	37,600.35	
Postal savings deposits	10,749.12—	$1,508,413.69
Total		$1,967,139.45

State of Montana, County of Missoula, ss:

I, Edgar A. Newlon, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

EDGAR A. NEWLON, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17th day of January, 1914.

(Seal.) G. A. BRIEBACH, Notary Public.

Correct—Attest:

F. S. LUSK,
F. H. ELMORE,
DAVID C. SMITH,
Directors.

RICH SPOKANE MAN SUPPOSED TO BE SUICIDE

MULTIMILLIONAIRE F. L. CLARK THOUGHT TO HAVE JUMPED IN SEA AT LOS ANGELES.

Santa Barbara, Jan. 17.—Belief that F. L. Clark, the Spokane millionaire, who disappeared here last night, had jumped off a pier and was drowned, was expressed by the police here tonight when his hat was found on the beach a mile north of the city. Clark, a mining and flour mill operator, dropped from sight after having bidden his wife goodbye at a railway station where she boarded a train for San Francisco. It was said the couple had quarreled.

A Wealthy Man.

Spokane, Jan. 17.—F. Lewis Clark, who disappeared last night at Santa Barbara, Cal., is one of the wealthiest men of Spokane. He came here in 1884 and purchased land that increased in value. One piece of property that cost him $900 is said to be valued now at $1,000,000. He is interested in many financial enterprises.

Mr. Clark was born at Bangor, Me., in 1861 and was graduated from Harvard in 1883. His home at Hayden Lake, Idaho, is valued at $500,000. He has taken part in many yachting races, and several years ago his yacht won in the sonder class races at Kiel from the boat of Emperor William.

PRINCESS SETTLES.

Brussels, Jan. 17.—It is announced that the difficulties between Princess Louise of Belgium, daughter of the late King Leopold, and her creditors have been settled, and that the princess will receive about $300,000 as her share of her father's fortune.

A Difference in Working Hours.

A man's working day is 8 hours. His body organs must work perfectly 24 hours to keep him fit for 8 hours' work. Weak, sore, inactive kidneys can not do it. They must be sound and healthily active all the time. Foley Kidney Pills will make them so. You cannot take them into your system without good results following. Missoula Drug Co.—Adv.

(No. 3995)

Report of the Condition of the

Western Montana National Bank

At Missoula

In the State of Montana, at the Close of business January 13, 1914.

Resources.

Loans and discounts		$ 701,076.35
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		23,652.36
U. S. bonds to secure circulation		100,000.00
U. S. bonds to secure U. S. deposits, $75,000; to secure postal savings, $10,000		85,000.00
Bonds, securities, etc		77,355.55
Banking house, furniture and fixtures,		20,000.00
Gold dust		2,571.35
Due from national banks (not reserve agents)	$ 18,603.90	
Due from state and private banks and bankers, trust companies and savings banks	112,122.42	
Due from approved reserve agents	230,620.80	
Checks and other cash items	838.30	
Exchanges for clearing house	4,857.52	
Notes of other national banks	20,290.00	
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	112.00	
Lawful money reserve in bank, viz:		
Specie	48,935.00	
Legal tender notes	34,500.00—	470,939.04
Redemption fund with U. S. treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)		5,000.00
Total		$1,485,595.55

Liabilities.

Capital stock paid in		$ 200,000.00
Surplus fund		50,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid		8,311.15
National bank notes outstanding		94,300.00
Due to other national banks	$ 12,617.75	
Due to state and private banks and bankers	39,135.82	
Due to trust companies and savings banks	1,531.45	
Dividends unpaid	5,400.00	
Individual deposits subject to check	827,766.56	
Demand certificates of deposit	166,711.47	
Certified checks	758.10	
United States deposits	72,847.40	
Postal savings deposits	5,875.86—	1,132,984.40
Total		$1,485,595.55

State of Montana, County of Missoula, ss:

I, J. H. T. Ryman, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. H. T. RYMAN, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17th day of January, 1914.

(Seal) A. J. VIOLETTE,
Notary Public in and for the State of Montana, Residing at Missoula, Montana. My commission expires Nov. 25, 1914.

Correct—Attest:

JOHN C. LEHSOU,
G. A. WOLF,
FRANK H. WOODY,
Directors.

STONES AND ASHES STILL FALLING IN JAPAN

VOLCANOES CONTINUE THEIR ACTIVITIES AND MAKE LIFE MISERABLE.

Kagoshima, Jan. 17.—The volcanoes continued very active today, and emitted great quantities of stones and ashes. Numerous explosions occurred and poisonous gases were ejected, making breathing difficult. The emperor's envoy has found it impossible to make the trip around Sakura-Jima. There has been some looting at Kagoshima.

Ten Thousand Missing.

Tokio, Jan. 17.—The interior department officials sent to Sakura Island report that they have accounted for 5,000 of the 19,000 population. It is expected other refugees will be found, but the loss of life is known to be large.

Measures for the relief of famine are rapidly assuming shape. A relief association, national in scope, has been organized and has issued an appeal.

Bishop Walter Andrews of the English church in Hok-Kaido, in the famine district, writes that suffering everywhere is intense. The farmers are hit hardest and their families are eating soups made from chopped straw, leaves, rotten potatoes and meat taken from cats, dogs and fish. The more fortunate have thin gruel of rice or wheat. The net results, the bishop writes, are many deaths from cold and starvation and an increase in crime and beggars.

Many children are fainting in the schools from hunger.

The government investigators at Sakura telegraphed that they saw the pumice stones five feet in diameter that had been vomited from the earth and the lava mounts 40 feet high.