

POLO GROUNDS STORMED BY 15,000 BALL FANS

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in the morning. A policeman asked her what she wanted.

"I have the money here to buy two tickets," she replied.

"Surely you are not going to see the game?" said the cop.

"Yes, I am, sir," was the response.

"My husband is an invalid and can't stand here all this time."

"But it's wash day," remarked the policeman, "and you are neglecting your home. Besides, you are not treating the baby right. Why, you don't get up to the ticket office for several hours and you haven't had anything to eat. Take my tip and go home."

The woman finally consented to leave her place after a late corner had forked over \$3.

It made no difference how roughly the plain clothes men handled undesirable, they refused to leave the scene of action. The police inspector cleared Eighth avenue north of 154th street three or four times, but the speculators' agents came back. Even the employees of Harry Stevens, the caterer, took advantage of the fact that they held special admission passes. Many of them went back and forth buying tickets with money that was handed to them by the scoundrels.

Eddie Brannick, assistant secretary of the New York Baseball Club, who had been watching the speculators on the Speedway, took up a position at the main entrance and began sniping out man after man who, he declared, had been there before. These undesirable put up a terrific protest, but they were dragged unceremoniously from the line and were hustled away by the bluecoats. Brannick probably spotted 200 of these persons before the sale of tickets for to-day's game ended shortly after the hour.

One of those ejected returned with a bright red cap worn by the fishers in the grounds. He was half way through the portals when the police caught him and chased him at top speed to 154th street. Messenger boys, with orders for seats, who could give a satisfactory explanation for their presence, were told that no tickets would be sold to them.

All sorts of badges and credentials were used by fans who wanted to beat the line, but they were turned down. Well dressed men who said they were "regular patrons" received similar treatment, but they stood around with their hands on their hips before sunrise. The "hot dog" and sandwich men roared a golden harvest feeding the crowd, but the supply soon was exhausted. Hungry men tried to step into line to hold their places while they went to lunch. In some cases the substitutes resold the positions before the original owner came back.

There were scuffles here and there when late arrivals tried to butt into the long line, but there was only one arrest for disorderly conduct. Probably the angriest folk were those who were ejected out of line accused of being speculators' agents when as a matter of fact they were on the level and had been waiting all night. One of these actually burst into tears as he said to the SUN man:

"I got here at 2 o'clock this morning and I've eaten all but one sandwich, which you see in this newspaper. I wouldn't know a speculator if I saw one and I'm a regular patron. My money is as good as anybody's, yet here I am thrown out of the line. Worse than that, I'm here to buy two tickets for my boss and now I'll lose my job. A half dozen men who had stood near this chap tried to punch for him, but they were ignored. A copper grabbed him by the scruff of the neck and "moved" him away.

The clanging gong of an ambulance created some commotion. The horse was galloping and the crowd was sure that somebody had been hurt. Daring up to the gate, the doctor, in his white duck uniform, looked at and hissed the driver.

"What's the matter?" the driver was asked.

"Oh, the doctor wants to get a couple of tickets for to-morrow," he answered.

"Do you want to get in the line?" asked a gray coated special of a tall young man who had worked through the private gate and stood watching the slowly moving fans headed for the ticket booth.

"Sure I do!"

"Well, slip me a 'bone' and do just what I tell you."

The coin was passed over promptly and the happy fan was pushed into the line, the gray coat saying loudly:

"You step in here! When you get inside tell Crowley who is in the Speedway gate, that he can't be relieved until 1 o'clock because he'll be on duty here!"

"I'll tell him," cried the fan as he moved up to the box office and got his tickets.

"When the seats for to-day's game were all sold the gate was closed temporarily and men walked the length of the line shouting:

"Only Thursday and Saturday tickets left!"

A few persons, disappointed, left the line, but the others stood there until after 1 o'clock when the soldiers and sailors, who had been invited to see the Giants and Highlanders play, began to arrive in Eighth avenue. They were ordered to go back to the Speedway doors and as they passed the waiting crowd they were loudly jostled. The Hebrew Orphan Asylum band, which was playing martial music and the weary fans cheered. The little fellows were allowed to pass in at the private gate and several speculators, who had been waiting in the "leader of the band," followed them.

Another cheer greeted the tip that persons buying tickets could remain in the grounds until the opening of the world's series to-morrow afternoon. The Mayor leaves at midnight and will sit in Mayor Gaynor's box. Robert Adamson, secretary to Mayor Gaynor, sent a despatch to Mayor Fitzgerald to-day inviting him to sit beside the chief executive of New York city and see the Giants beat the Red Sox.

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"Hon. J. F. Fitzgerald, Boston, Mass. The Mayor asks if you will give him

STORMING THE POLO GROUNDS FOR PRECIOUS SEATS



Crowd in Line Within a Block of the Polo Grounds Entrance at 7 A. M.

will form the crowd into eight lines, which will be kept moving as long as necessary. When the sale slackens some of the surface cars will be unloading at the main entrance, but not before. The police will have a dead line drawn on the "L" railroad station platform which cannot be passed while the covers is crowded. Persons holding reserved seat tickets will not be admitted at the Eighth avenue doors, but must go to the Speedway entrance. The police will be on hand to direct "L" passengers to the Viaduct in 154th street. It is expected that 50,000 persons will gather before 12 o'clock noon, but there will be not more than 30,500 unreserved tickets on sale—17,000 in the lower grand stand at \$2 each and 13,500 in the open bleachers at \$1 each. The National Commission announced again yesterday that only one ticket would be sold to each person and that the purchaser must at once pass through the turnstile. There will be no return checks and a person who is compelled to leave the grounds cannot return unless he buys another ticket. All told nearly 50,000 persons probably will see the game. If the weather is stormy the game will be played to-morrow and each holder of a ticket will use the rain check attached.

WALL STREET FAVORS RED SOX

Odds Fluctuate Between 10 to 9 and 10 to 7, With Betting Brisk.

Betting in Wall Street on the world's series became livelier yesterday. In the morning considerable Boston money appeared and was placed at odds of 10 to 9 on the Red Sox. More Boston supporters loomed up in the afternoon and the odds were 5 to 4 at first, with a closing quotation of 10 to 7.

When the market closed speculators arrived in the financial district with reserved seats for to-day's game. In several instances \$25 was paid for two tickets, but the prevailing tariff was \$15 a seat.

At uptown sporting resorts last night gamblers laid 3 to 5 against the Boston, but there wasn't a flood of Giant money.

RIVAL MAYORS SIT TOGETHER.

Boston's Chief Accepts Invitation From Gotham's Executive.

Boston, Oct. 7.—About all the baseball fans here who have the time and the price, with the exception of Mayor Fitzgerald, are on the way to New York to witness the opening game of the world's series to-morrow afternoon. The Mayor leaves at midnight and will sit in Mayor Gaynor's box. Robert Adamson, secretary to Mayor Gaynor, sent a despatch to Mayor Fitzgerald to-day inviting him to sit beside the chief executive of New York city and see the Giants beat the Red Sox.

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RED SOX ARRIVE CONFIDENT.

All the Men Are Fit and Ready for a Hard Diamond Battle.

In splendid physical condition and confident of victory, the Red Sox arrived here from Boston at 6 o'clock last evening and went to Breton Hall, Eighty-sixth street, and Broadway. Manager Stahl refused to comment on to-day's game except to say that his men were fit and ready for a hard fight.

Stahl also declined to say whether Joe Wood had been selected to pitch against the Giants this afternoon, but his own bet that the great boxman will go to the mound.

McGraw was equally mysterious last night, though his friends stated that Mathewson would be the man of the hour when the battle begins this afternoon.

NATIONAL COMMISSION PLANS.

Arrangements for Series Get the Official O. K. at Meeting.

The National Baseball Commission—B. B. Johnson, August Herrmann and T. J. Lynch—held the usual meeting to-day to learn that the fight against the speculators had been largely successful.

Umpires Klem, Rigler, O'Loughlin and Evans received final instructions from the commission.

RED SOX GET FINAL FLING.

Board Trains Full of Confidence—Wood Warm Up in Great Shape.

Boston, Oct. 7.—Behind closed gates at Fenway Park this forenoon, Jake Stahl and his American League champion Red Sox had their final tuning up before going to New York to grapple with the Giants to-morrow for the world's title. From President McLeary down through Manager Stahl and the players to Mascer Larry McCarthy confidence of victory was supreme to-day.

Sinoky Joe Wood, who now is practically certain to be Stahl's first selection on the mound, was on edge and in great shape. Trainer Joe Quirk declared the rest of 'em are just as good. Every pitcher got a fling to-day and toward the end of the practice Stahl replaced the regulars with their respective underlings.

The squad left on the 1 o'clock train this afternoon for New York. Accompanied by the great crowd of rooters they followed a Boston train into the enemy's ball park.

Improvements to Fenway Park have been completed and everything is in readiness for the return game to Fenway on Wednesday. The final award of reserved tickets was made this afternoon. Sale of unreserved seats will start at Fenway Park Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock.

Antes Ready for Jake and Tris.

Boston, Oct. 7.—The automobile as a present from local fans to Manager Jake Stahl of the Red Sox has been purchased by the committee and is ready for presentation to him just before the opening game of the world's series on Wednesday. At the same time the speaker will receive the automobile awarded to him for all around efficiency in the American League season.

Hundred Wires in Polo Grounds.

Over a hundred telegraph wires have been strung into the press box at the Polo Grounds for use of the newspaper men reporting the game. In some cases as many as three different reporters will be sent over a single wire, making in the total almost two hundred separate accounts of the games, seen through as many different pairs of eyes.

HOURLY IS AT HAND FOR GREAT BASEBALL CLASH

Giants and Red Sox Have Their Final Preparation for World's Series.

THEY'RE FIT AND READY

The lineup for To-day and How the Hitting Strength Is Arranged.

The hour has arrived. The clash between the best two teams in the realm of baseball begins this afternoon, the long awaited clash between the Giants, who won the National League championship, and the Boston, who won the American League championship. Every world's series between the respective pennant winners takes on additional glamour, hurray and interest, and at 2 o'clock this afternoon at the Polo Grounds the first test of strength between the diamond rivals will take place.

For more than a week the two contending clubs have been pointing for the series which begins to-day, and for more than a month the country's legions of baseball enthusiasts have been working themselves up to concert pitch for the tussle. In the last few days especially they have been on edge with anticipation, and the culmination of all the stir and hubbub will be reached this week.

The Giants took their final preparation yesterday in the way of an exhibition game with the Highlanders. The game served to knead out the last kinks, to keep arms and legs and general condition up to requirements, to complete the tuning up process. The team is in the best of condition. There is nothing more to be asked for on that score. Physically the Giants are ready to play their best game.

The playing of the Giants since they won the pennant has been for the most part just sufficiently sly to keep them fit and to bring them up to the world's series eager for the battle and in shape to play their best game. The New York players are more confident than the betting indicates the general public seems to be regarding their chances of victory. The fact that they are the long shots means nothing to them. They count on themselves to pull through to success, and the greater reputation of the Red Sox and the fact that the latter are undoubtedly a formidable team cuts no figure with them. When they're playing their best the Giants believe they have an even chance with the best team living, and they don't see any reason why they shouldn't play their best right now.

If the Giants are nervous they aren't showing it. They were in some trying situations when winning the pennant, but their equanimity was undisturbed, and that is their bearing now. They have been going along quietly during the further of the last few days, undemonstrative—they are not a demonstrative team—but none the less cognizant of the demands of the occasion.

With a manager who has been in two world's series and players who have been in one the Giants have approached the big test this year with no undue mental excitement. They are seasoned to conditions of that sort and have had enough experience to give them the proper poise for the fray. They are not likely to be so serene that they won't be keyed up for the work, nor, on the other hand, in a state of fluster that will make them overzealous. They will strike the happy mean if they benefit by experience.

The Giants will take the field this afternoon as they have lined up a greater portion of the season. The only doubtful position is the mound, and last evening McGraw was as sphinxlike as to his intentions in that regard as he has been all along. He wouldn't say whether it would be Mathewson, Marquard or Tesreau, and if he has decided which one of

Scene at 4 o'clock in the Afternoon, the Crowd Still Stormed the Gates. Many Thousands of Intending Purchasers Were Turned Away.

the three he will use there isn't another man who knows. "I will say though," said McGraw yesterday, "that these three pitchers are in the best of condition. Each is ready to pitch to the limit of whatever ability he has. The whole team is prepared to play to the limit of what it is capable. Whether that will be good enough to win I can't say. Whatever happens there aren't any existing reasons for excuses."

The manager said he would use Devore in left field and that his batting order would be as it has been all season. The Giants are going into this series as they would into any hard series, but with a full realization of all it means. The last day's practice of the Red Sox was on their own field in Boston and it was a thorough limbering up. The players went about their work in a snappy and care free manner, and it must be said for the Red Sox that they aren't worrying. Whether they will have the same easy confidence when they take the field this afternoon is another question, but the chances are that they will be as cool as their opponents. They may be cooler, you can't tell, but any nervousness in the players on either side will wear off as soon as the tension of the opening moments has passed away. Sometimes this undue nervousness lasts throughout an entire game, and it happens that the first game of a world's series is not the equal of the succeeding ones in the grade of ball played. The first game is more likely than any of the others to be decided by slips and blunders.

The Boston players arrived here last night and went to a hotel in upper Broadway, far from the racket and sizzle of the Tenderloin. They wanted a quiet night. They were brim full of confidence. Few teams have beaten them in a series this year, and they don't believe the Giants can do it. They don't underrate the New Yorks, but they share the prevailing Boston belief that the series won't go over five games. Not that they expect any one game to be easy, they are prepared to fight hard in every one, but they do believe they are just enough superior to win four out of five games, no matter how close.

Beginning the contests at 2 o'clock means different conditions as to light and shadows than have prevailed and means light throughout the games for fielders and batters not to be handicapped. As the first game is on National League grounds the arrangement of umpires probably will be Klem behind the bat, O'Loughlin on the bases and Rigler and Evans in the outfield. The umpires will be shifted about during the series, so that each will have been in all the positions.

The teams will bat as follows:

Table with 2 columns: GIANTS and RED SOX. Lists players for each team.

Each team has a fast man leading off. Both are fast getting to first base, with Hooper the more slashing hitter of the two. In second place the Red Sox have a good sacrifice hitter, whereas the Giants have a hard and timely hitter and a player better suited to bat the leadoff man forward, provided he reaches first, by a base hit than the Boston man.

Batting third for Boston is the brilliant Speaker, a much harder hitter than Snodgrass, but one no better adapted to cooperation in inside play and now as good a waiter. Batting fourth—Murray and Lewis—are men who are both long distance hitters, and who have both served their teams well this season in timely hitting and cleaning up the bases. Right behind Murray comes another long and powerful hitter in Merkle, so that on the Giants' two men of this type are bunched in the batting order. Gardner, who pairs with Merkle, isn't as good a distance hitter, but quite as dangerous and less given to striking out.

As a boundary hitter Stahl excels Herzog with a good deal to spare, but Herzog has delivered many a telling blow in an emergency and is a better man on the bases than Jake. Meyers and Warner both hit well in pinches, but Meyers makes considerably more hits than Warner. The Chief is as good a hitter with men on bases as there is in baseball. Fletcher is a varied quantity at the bat, but is part of with the Boston catcher and is just as likely as the latter to be useful in the eighth niche.

SCHOOL ATHLETES DISPORT.

Practice Called Off and All Go to Giants-Highlanders Game.

School athletes suffered an afternoon of complete relaxation yesterday after word was sent to the various high school principals by the New York National League officials to the effect that the school boys were to be the guests of the Giants as well as the soldiers and sailors.

All football practice was called off, and the boys were permitted to leave school earlier than the scheduled time except on regular holidays. Yesterday they left at 1:45 o'clock to see something more to boys, liking. The boys had an afternoon of fun they will not forget for some time.

Corbett Will Miss Series.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 7.—"My only regret over being laid up is that it has to come a time, so that I must miss the world's series," said James J. Corbett, former heavyweight champion of the world, on his bed at Jefferson Hospital, where he is recovering from his operation for appendicitis. "I am going to get well now, I know, but I am broken up over not having this trouble come either sooner than it did so that I could be over with it, or later, so that it could be at the big game, but they're going to bring me all the papers to read about the series, which will be better than nothing."

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A SPECIAL SALE OF WOMEN'S BLOUSES WILL BE HELD THIS DAY (TUESDAY)

COMPRISING A LARGE NUMBER OF CHIFFON, SILK AND LINGERIE BLOUSES, WHICH WILL BE OFFERED AT GREATLY REDUCED PRICES.

CHIFFON AND SILK BLOUSES AT \$2.90 & 5.50 LINGERIE BLOUSES AT \$1.25, 1.90 & 3.50

ALSO FOR THIS DAY A SALE OF WOMEN'S TRIMMED HATS IN SEVERAL ATTRACTIVE AUTUMN STYLES, AT THE SPECIAL PRICES OF \$6.50 & 8.75

THE DEPARTMENT ON THE FIRST FLOOR.

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ANNOUNCE FOR THIS DAY, TUESDAY, A SPECIAL SALE OF WINTER BLANKETS, BEDSPREADS, COMFORTABLES AND PLAIN AND HEMSTITCHED MUSLIN SHEETS AND PILLOW CASES.

AT REMARKABLY LOW PRICES.

THE DRESS GOODS DEPARTMENT

IS DISPLAYING A COMPLETE ASSORTMENT OF AUTUMN AND WINTER FABRICS IN THE LEADING COLORS AND BLACK, ALSO A LARGE SELECTION OF MATERIALS IN BLACK-AND-WHITE EFFECTS.

THE FOLLOWING ARE REGULAR STOCK PRICES:

Table listing fabric types and prices: ENGLISH TAILORED SUITINGS PER YARD, \$1.25 TO 2.50; PRUNELLAS 1.00 & 1.50; SERGES 75c. TO 2.00; CASHMERE 75c. TO 1.50; SILK-AND-WOOL POPLINS 1.25 TO 2.50; CHEVIOTS 1.25 TO 2.00.

Fifth Avenue, 34th and 35th Streets, New York.

Arnold, Constable & Co. Important Announcement

A Sale Extraordinary

The First General Sale of the Fall Season of 1912 will be held on

Wednesday Thursday Friday Oct. 9th, Oct. 10th, Oct. 11th

Full Details Will Be Given in This Evening's Papers.

Broadway & 19th Street.

WIND KEEPS MANY AWAY. General Admission Seekers Number Only 150 at Midnight.

The chilling wind that whistled over the flats of the Polo Grounds kept at home a lot of persons who otherwise would have got in line last night to await the opening of the doors to-day. As it was there were about 150 shivering souls in line at midnight to wait for the big hour of 9 this morning, when the box office opens and the sale of general admission tickets to the world's series begins.

Only one ticket will be sold to a person, and after it is bought he must pass on immediately into the grounds. The tickets on sale will be the \$2 ones on the lower tier of the grand stand and the \$1 ones admitting the holder to a seat in the bleachers.

The first to arrive was Charles Cullen of 2916 Eighth avenue, who said that he was going to see the game if he had to sit there until doomsday, b'gee. Behind him were two colored ball players and further down the line was a woman with her two shivering sons. There was another woman, a young one and pretty, who leaned on the arm of her escort. Plenty of small boys who will try to sell their positions later on were in the line. Fifteen policemen under Sergt. Michael Sullivan of the West 123d street police station came over to keep order as midnight.

Over the line of the Polo Grounds and on to the Polo Grounds, so that after the game the machines east of that thoroughfare will proceed down Seventh avenue, while those to the west may use Bradhurst avenue. In that way Eighth avenue will be left for the exclusive use of the surface cars and persons on foot. Automobiles also will have parking space on the Speedway as far north as High Bridge.

Eight ticket booths on the surface will be opened at 8 o'clock. The police