

New York National League Baseball Club First in Major Circuits to Send Contracts to Players for 1918 Season

GIANTS' CONTRACTS FOR 1918 SENT OUT

Long Term Documents Are Eliminated by New York Baseball Club.

By FREDERICK G. LUMB.

Giants players were not held long in suspense as to the nature of the figures to be written in their 1918 contracts, as the contracts of the New York National League Club are now on the way to the members of last season's championship team.

Contracts were mailed from the club's offices yesterday to all Giant players, with the exception of Capt. Charles Herzog. Herzog is the only player whose contract holds over for 1918. His salary is \$10,000 a year.

As far as is known, the New York club is the first to send contracts to its players for next season. It was understood that no big league club would send contracts to its players this year until February because of the uncertain conditions.

No Long Term Contracts.

The era of the long term contract is past, at least for the Giants. According to Secretary Foster, it was a product of the baseball war and was very unbusinesslike. The National League has been stressing examples of the long term contract in 1915, when the team finished last with pretty much the same club that won the pennant in 1914.

According to the officials of the club, the Giants players were satisfied with the same sums as in former years. There will be some salary adjustments, due to the slump of certain players who have completed their contracts.

Huggins Due Here To-day.

Miller Huggins, the midwest manager of the Yankees, will be in town to-day to confer with President Ruppert on his recent dickering with the St. Louis Browns. Huggins will take possession of the Yankees to-morrow.

Yanks to Play in Greensboro.

Harry Sparrow, business manager of the Yankees, announced yesterday that the team will play in Greensboro, N. C., on April 10 and 11, and in Petersburg, Va., on April 12 and 13. The Yankees are expected to play in Greensboro, N. C., on April 10 and 11, and in Petersburg, Va., on April 12 and 13.

Weightman Determined.

Branch Hickey, Jack Hendricks, Charley Weegman and Moose Mitchell are being ringed around a ruse on the big league trail, while Weegman is being tried to snare Rodgers Hornsby from the St. Louis Browns.

Felish's New Mark.

Given Felish, the White Sox outfielder, is given credit for being quite a mauler, but as a fielder the Chicago American outfielder had never been considered in the same class with such fly chasers as Strunk or Harry Hooper.

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GULL SHOWS SPEED IN ICE YACHT RACES

Defeats Brownie in Two Ten Mile Contests.

Special Dispatch to The Sun.

Red Bank, N. J., Jan. 2.—Racing in snow squalls over the North Shrewsbury road, Robert B. Johnson's Gull won two ten mile races today against the contest with Andrew White's Brownie, handled by the owner. The Gull won the first race by five seconds and the second by ten seconds.

X. L. N. C. WINS THE COMMODORE'S CUP

Sails Ten Mile Course at Long Branch in 25:56—Princeton Is Second.

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LONG BRANCH, N. J., Jan. 2.—The X. L. N. C. won the race for the Commodore's Cup today at Long Branch, N. J., in a ten mile course.

POSTPONE RACES.

Ice Yacht Title Contests Prevented by Showdrifts.

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Red Bank, N. J., Jan. 2.—Because of small snowdrifts on the North Shrewsbury road, the races for the Commodore's Cup today at Long Branch, N. J., were postponed.

RELAY CHAMPIONSHIP AT MILLROSE GAMES

The Metropolitan Association Awards Titular Events.

The Millrose Athletic Association yesterday awarded the senior Metropolitan relay team the titular events of its annual games which will be held in Madison Square Garden on January 23.

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COCHRAN RUNS 200 AT 48.2 BALKLINE

Makes All His Points in Second Inning of Match With Morris Brown at Daly's.

Walker Cochran, the sensational young billiardist, averaged 100 in games of 100 balls.

Cochran was scheduled to play 200 balls in the match with Morris Brown at Daly's last night. Cochran won the match 2-0.

CLARK WINS AT BILLIARDS.

Scores Over Connon in State Title Tourney.

George Clark defeated Joe Connon in the State billiard championship tourney at Lawler Bros'.

NAVY BEATS CARLELE.

Middle Outplay Indiana at Basketball—Score, 45 to 20.

Special Dispatch to The Sun.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Jan. 2.—Showing somewhat improved form as compared to their last game, the Navy basketball team won from the Carlisle Indians at the Annapolis gymnasium.

WENTWORTH MAINE CAPTAIN.

Osno, Me., Jan. 2.—Ralph C. Wentworth of Denmark, Me., to-day was elected captain of the University of Maine basketball team.

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS.

By TOM MAC ANSURY.

Dear Tom—Is Leon Cadore a native of Brooklyn? I see one of the Brooklyn papers say he is the only home boy on the Dodgers.

W. W. L.

Cadore was born in Brooklyn but spent most of his life in the West.

Dear Tom—Was John L. Sullivan ever the heavyweight champion of the world?

P. L. L.

Good old John L. was champion of America only. Fought to beat British or Australian title holders.

Dear Tom—How many pennants has Connie Mack won in the American League?

S. J.

Six. In 1902, 1905, 1910, 1911, 1913 and 1914.

Dear Tom—Did Sam McVey ever meet Arthur Peck?

ROY K.

McVey knocked out Peck in four rounds in Melbourne, June 13, 1914.

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CADORE OF DODGERS AT OFFICERS' CAMP

Pitcher Will Start Toward a Commission on Saturday.

Leon Cadore, pitcher of the Brooklyn club, yesterday started for a commission in the army.

Cadore was drafted into the National Army at Upton and soon was appointed a corporal. He hopes to be a lieutenant.

FULTON DECLARES HE WAS TRICKED

Insists He Knocked Out Tate in First Round—Morgan to Manage Herman?

Fred Fulton required considerable time in which to formulate a reply to the charge that he employed foul tactics against Harry Tate during their bout in Little Rock on Christmas day.

Two days ago Fulton came to the center in Minneapolis and issued a statement refuting the story that was sent from Little Rock.

Fulton declares that he was tricked by Tate in the first round with a blow in the pit of the stomach.

Fulton declares that Billy McCarney, manager of Tate, had an announcement made to the effect that Fulton was quite willing to give Tate a chance to recover and not close the entertainment on absolutely.

After a minute of fighting, Tate was knocked out by Fulton.

Fulton further declares that Billy McCarney had promised the referee, who was appointed by Tate, to appoint him as referee.

The next bout between the boxers, in John Mo., on January 10, was expected to do with settling the question as to which was in the wrong.

Ernie to Meet Wolfe.

Johnny Ernie, who since coddling under the managerial wing of Tom Andrews has performed in a very creditable manner and gave Kid Williams a disagreeable job, is to box Jack Wolfe, a champion from the Fox City, on January 25.

If Ernie succeeds in trapping Wolfe the St. Paul Kewpie will have a bout with Champion Herman.

A rumor reached New York yesterday that Peter Herman, the world's bantam champion, had dismissed his manager, Red Walsh, and had placed his affairs in the hands of Dumb Dan Morgan.

If the Crescent City title holder has joined hands with Morgan the boxer will be a champion from this line forward.

Morgan is in Buffalo, where he took Britton to box Duffy New Year.

Chip to Meet Dillon.

George Chip and Jack Dillon will box ten rounds at Duluth, Minn., on the night of January 25.

Joe Lynch, the West Side bantam, who was noted for his clever defensive work, has developed an astonishing knockout punch. He is putting his opponents to sleep with great regularity.

Attention has been called to the fact that whenever Jess Willard has started a discussion of a match for his title, his circus sorely needed publicity.

DARTMOUTH TOSSEDS AGAIN ARE DOWNED

Loss to Pratt Institute in Keen Contest—Score Is 22 to 20.

Dartmouth College basketball team last night suffered its third successive defeat on its Christmas trip, the Green College team of the University of Vermont.

The game was the keenest played on the local court this season. It was not until the last few minutes of play that the issue was decided.

At the end of the first half Pratt had a lead of 14 to 8. The collegians braced in the second half. During this period, after eight minutes of play, Dartmouth gained the lead, the score then being 22 to 16. The visitors soon relinquished it, however, due to the fine work of Eschola and Van Leyen of Pratt.

When they were accounted for all except four of Pratt's points. The lineup:

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