BASE BALL, RACING AND OTHER SPORTS

National League to Open Season Before the American.

PEACE MAY BE DISTURBED

President Johnson Says His Season Will Begin April 17.

THE RACES AT NEW ORLEANS

Meeting of Grand Circuit Magnates—Lewis and Scroggs Draw—Chicago After Bowling Congress.

CHICAGO, January 10.—The American and National Leagues have split over the schedule question, and next spring there will be two distinct openings. The parent league, at its recent meeting in New York, voted to begin the season April 12.

President Johnson of the American League considered that too early, and, after failing to persuade the National League to postpone its opening date, has announced that the American League would not start its games until April 17, regardless of the action of the National League.

"April 12 is altogether too early for base ball," said the American League chief. "In the west we have three lake cities in our circuit; and the weather is not at all fit for either players or spectators at such an early day.

"The later opening by our league will not produce any more conflicts in the schedule than would have occurred with both leagues opening on the same day. We will close the season October 6, the same date that marks the ending of the National League year. For us to get in all of our 154 games, a few more double-headers and less days off will be necessary."

Friction in 1903.

In the spring of 1903 there was some friction over the fact that while the Highlanders were entitled to the opening day in New York, according to agreement between the leagues, the National League schedule-makers scheduled the Giants to play in Brooklyn on the same day the Highlanders opened at American League Park.

Despite the then recent Cincinnati peace agreement, the two organizations were on the verge of a clash, when Frank Farrell, owner of the New York Americans, announced that he would accept the situation without further dispute. Last year Presidents Harry Pulliam of the National League and Johnson collaborated and arranged their schedules so that there were few conflicting dates, and everybody was satisfied.

The playing season opened on Friday, April 13, with the Giants playing Boston at the Polo Grounds and the Highlanders playing in Washington. The weather was balmy in both cities and great crowds saw the games. The same weather conditions prevailed on April 14. The Giants and Boston played on April 16 and the Highlanders played Washington.

Cold weather set in on April 17 and the Giants and Boston game was postponed. The Highlanders finished their first series with Washington. Philadelphia and Brooklyn played at Washington Park. The visitors kept warm by using their bats freely and the Brooklynites by chasing the ball. Snow fell on April 18 and the Giants and Phillies could not play. Cold weather and snow also prevailed at Philadelphia, causing postponement of the Highlanders-Athletics game. Both leagues played April 19 and 20.

Rain Spoiled Opening.

Rain in the fourth inning spoiled the Highlanders' opening game at American League Park with Washington on April 21. The Giants and Phillies could not play more than two innings on the same day for the same reason. On Saturday, April 22, fine weather again set in and the local teams played to big crowds on Washington Heights and Philadelphia.

About the same weather conditions prevailed in the west during the first week of the season of 1905.

The Highlanders, under the agreement made two years ago, are this spring entitled to the opening game in New York city, alternating with the Giants. If Johnson carries out his schedule plans the Giants once more will be given the opening day.

So far as can be ascertained the National League will not begin the season any later than April 12. The question would have to be voted on at the February meeting of the league, by which time the schedules should be ready for adoption.

JIMMY COLLINS CALLED BUFFALO MEETING

BUFFALO, N. Y., January 10.—The truth about the visit of Ban Johnson, president of the American Base Ball League, and Connie Mack, manager of the Philadelphia Athletics, to Jimmy Collins, manager of the Boston Americans, in Buffalo last week, has leaked out. Apparently there is little foundation of the reported transfer of Pitcher Rube Waddell of the Athletics to the Boston club; instead, the conference of the moguls of the American League might easily result in a revolution of the affairs of that organization providing some expected steps are not taken pretty speedily in a reorganization of the controlling interests of the Boston club.

The whole conference hinged on the alarm generally felt throughout the American League over the strained relations which exist between Manager Collins and President John I. Taylor of the Bostons. There have been many rumors regarding the coolness between the president and manager during the last few months, and apparently the situation has not been exaggerated. It has reached an acute stage, where, in fact, either Collins or Taylor must disappear from activity in the affairs of the Boston club.

The American League as an organization is understood to be supporting Collins. The situation has progressed to such an extent that Mr. Taylor will be offered the alternative of quitting as the handler of the Boston club, or selling out his interest in the club. It is understood that a pool of capitalists interested in base ball has been formed, which has offered or will offer Mr. Taylor $125,000 for his base ball property. If he accepts it three men will be identified with the ownership of the club, and one of the three will be Collins. In the event that he refuses to sell the American League it is very likely to forfeit his franchise rights, and it is said that a wholesale reorganization will result in Mr. Taylor finding himself outside the breastworks, with a new club, including the present players under Collins, representing the American League in the Hub city.

This is no idle speculation. The management of the league has looked into the affairs sufficiently to see that it can go ahead and proposes to do so, legal advice being to the effect that nothing in the way of players, contracts, etc., can interfere.

The fact is that the American League generally has realized that the present state of affairs could not continue without harm to the organization as a whole resulted in the visit of President Johnson and Mr. Mack, a committee to investigate the situation, to Collins last week. The conference is understood to have been very satisfactory to Collins and his friends.

"Collins," President Johnson is reported to have said, "the American League is back of you in this matter. You will be supported. There would have been no American League had it not been for a few men like you, and we are with you hook, line and sinker."

John I. Taylor has been in active control of the Bostons since the purchase of the club by his father, Gen. Taylor of Boston, two years ago. Collins has continued to enjoy the management of the club during that period, but it is related that he has suffered a great deal of annoyance in the management of the affairs of the club through the activity displayed by John I. Taylor.

Much of the erratic work of the club during the past year has been credited to this feeling, and there are stories to the effect that Taylor has been reproached and criticised for his failure to "keep hands off" and let the club and players alone. Collins has declared to local friends, according to report, that there is no prospect of his playing with Boston under the present control, at least with John I. Taylor as president of the club. No objection, so far as can be learned, is felt to the ownership by Gen. Taylor.

ELEVEN COAST PLAYERS FOR BIG LEAGUES

Eleven base ball stars of the Pacific Coast League will receive trials in fast company next season. Not in history have the American and National Leagues made such heavy inroads as this year on the circuit of the far west.

The big league manager has become very partial to the western ball tosser, especially those of the California clubs, and the list of candidates to receive trials in the east grows larger every year.

Jimmy Fogarty, Sweeney, Fred Carroll, Jay Hughes, Big Bill Lange, Rip Van Haltren and Joe Corbett are among the old diamond stars picked up in California and who made good when switched several thousand miles east.

In the present day there is a formidable list. Frank Chance, Hal Chase, Sam Mertes, Mike Donlin, Elmer Stricklett, Danny Shaw, Orvie Overall and Outfielder Lumley first attracted the attention of the public while playing on the coast.

Many Good Youngsters.

Schafley, the heavy-hitting Portland infielder, attracted the eye of Jake Stahl, and he will play with Washington.

One of the most promising of the 1906 contingent who will be tested in the major leagues is Jimmy Byrnes, catcher of the Oakland (Cal.) club, who was drafted by Connie Mack for the Athletics. He is a cool, steady man, with an arm of steel. He is expected to develop into a valuable man to help out Schreck and Powers.

Probably the most advertised player of the number is Joe Nealon, first baseman of the San Francisco club, who was drafted by Pittsburg. The New York Americans, St. Louis Americans and Cincinnati made a great fight to land the player, but Fred Clarke, who was on the ground, by a clever bit of strategy signed him to a Pittsburg contract after he had agreed to go with Cincinnati for a larger salary.

Nealon is a hard, free hitter, and is very clever in fielding. He is a big man, weighing close to 200 pounds, but is said to be as fast as Wagner. In addition Pittsburg purchased Tommy Sheehan of Tacoma, who is said to be the best third basemen in the far west.

Clark Griffith succeeded in signing three of the leading pitchers of the circuit. They are Jimmy Whalen and Roy Hitt of San Francisco and Bobby Keefe of Tacoma.

Posies for Whalen.

Whalen is regarded as the Mathewson of the coast. He has been the Seals' mainstay in the box since 1902, when his team won the pennant. He has all sorts of shutout records to his credit, and it is believed that he can make good without difficulty.

Hitt is a young southpaw who has done good work, and Keefe is said to possess unusually baffling curves.

The St. Louis Americans signed Louis Nordyke of Tacoma, a hard-hitting first baseman, and "Pub" Bennett, a clever second sacker, taken from Seattle.

Charlie Graham, captain of the three-time pennant-winning Tacoma club, will play with the Boston Americans. He is regarded as the headiest backstop in the west. Moskiman of the Oakland club, signed by the Chicago Americans, is held as the most versatile man who ever played in the Pacific Coast League. He is a good pitcher and can play infield and outfield positions very creditably.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION.

Class A Magnates Routed by Smaller Leagues.

CHICAGO, Ill., January 10.—The class A minor leagues met defeat at every turn in the annual meeting of the National Association of Professional Base Ball Leagues at the Annex yesterday. The smaller leagues, by their numerical strength, triumphed so completely that the larger leagues took virtually no part in the meeting.

Only the fact that two of the class A circuits are rent with factions at present prevented an immediate bolt on their part. That a break will occur as soon as the factions can patch up their differences is predicted by those closely in touch with minor league affairs.

The actual session was as short as the reading of voluminous reports would permit, the real business being transacted with speed and without argument. The magnates did not get into session until late in the afternoon, but the preceding hours had been crammed full of conferences.

The class A leagues held forth in the Grand Pacific during the morning, while the other leagues lobbied in the Annex. It did not take long to discover how matters were going and the leading leagues decided to let matters take their course, to take their medicine and bide their time.

It was significant that Messrs. Havenor, Lennon and Tebeau of the American Association did not enter the meeting room. The faction was represented by President O'Brien, while J. Ed. Grillo of Toledo alone represented the Watkins faction. It was more significant that Attorney Griffiths and others of the Eastern League held aloof, while the Pacific Coast League, the third party to the class A clique, was not represented at all, except by proxy, and that was not admitted.

Some of the things which the smaller leagues accomplished were the smothering of all the demands of the larger leagues for an equal voting power, for the creation of a special class with special privileges, and with the right to name their own representatives on the board; the removal of the balance of power from the class A leagues by increasing the board of arbitration from five members to seven, four of which represent the smaller circuits, and the change whereby amendments to the constitution can be made by a three-fourths vote instead of by a four-fifths vote as previously.

Howard Griffiths was deposed entirely from National Association affairs, and George Tebeau was not returned to the board of arbitration. The new board elected is composed of E. F. Bert of the Pacific Coast League, J. Ed Grillo of the American Association, W. M. Kavanaugh of the Southern League, T. H. Murnane of the New England League, J. H. O'Rourke of the Connecticut League, M. H. Sexton of the Three I League and D. M. Shiveley of the Western Association.

This makes a minority of three for the class A leagues in the court of last resort for the minors. In order to secure the majority of four the smaller leagues were obliged to increase the membership of the board, as it is a part of their agreement that the class A leagues shall at all times have three members on the board.

President O'Brien of the American Association was placed in nomination for the board, but withdrew his name in favor of Grillo, which was considered a graceful act by all parties concerned.

P. T. Powers was re-elected president of the National Association by unanimous vote, and J. H. Farrell was re-elected secretary and treasurer, with the additional compliment of making his term extend five years from date. A committee was appointed to confer with the national commission in Cincinnati regarding the new drafting rules which have been passed upon by both major leagues and the minors, but still have to be put into concrete form. The committee named was Messrs. Powers, Farrell, Kavanaugh and Sexton.

NEW ORLEANS RACES.

Ben Hodder Beaten by Lady Vashti in Handicap.

Chief interest in yesterday's racing at the Fair Grounds, New Orleans, centered in the seven-furlong handicap, for which Ben Hodder, winner of the Preliminary Derby, was a pronounced favorite. The colt stopped after going six furlongs and Lady Vashti, second choice, beat De Reszke by half a length in a driving finish. Bullfinch was the only successful favorite. Marvel P. was claimed out of the fifth race for $1,800.

Beecher and Monet, both of which outclassed their fields, were the only decided favorites to win at City Park. Clifton Forge found the distance in the fifth race too far for him and Ivanhoe was used up in making the early pace. The weather was clear and the track fast.

Fair Grounds Summaries.

First race, one and one-sixteenth miles—Small Lady, 108 (McGee), 10 to 1, won; Intrigue, 108 (Bedell), 10 to 1, second; Stunpike, 118 (Noone), 8 to 1, third. Time, 1.56 1-5. Raining Leaves, Mr. Wixson, Mengie, Gladiator, Lee Stinson, White Marsh, Choice Opera, Maggie Darien, St. Bonnie and Saul also ran.

Second race, one mile—Bullfinch, 97 (Dickson), 8 to 5, won; Whippoorwill, 92 (Johnson), 15 to 1, second; Macbeth, 102 (Moreland), 12 to 1, third. Time, 1.43 3-5. Mon Amour, Turnover, Ethles, Charley Thompson and Novena also ran.

Third race, three and one-half furlongs—Blackburn, 111 (Noone), 5 to 1, won; Bertmont, 103 (L. Smith), 4 to 1, second; Blackhand, 111 (Chandler), 5 to 1, third. Time, 0.44 1-2. W. A. Gorman, Bud Hill, George K., Dr. Grantham, Glad Pirate, Weather Vane, Jack Hardy, My Son and Moon Gold also ran.

Fourth race, handicap; seven furlongs—Lady Vashti, 104 (Sewell), 5 to 2, won; De Reszke, 104 (McGee), 4 to 1, second; Ben Hodder, 110 (O'Neill), 7 to 5, third. Time, 1.28 1-5. Collector Jessup, Atwood and Peter Paul also ran.

Fifth race, six furlongs—Letty, 98 (W. McGee), 7 to 1, won; Bitter Hand, 100 (Perkins), 6 to 1, second; Marvel P., 101 (Sewell), 6 to 5, third. Time, 1.15 4-5. Hand Bag, Chauncey Olcott, Pinsticker, Flavigny, Deux Temps, Marvin Neal, Yetsy and Toinette also ran.

Sixth race, one and one-eighth miles—Merry Pioneer, 110 (Jones), 25 to 1, won; Jerry Lynch, 107 (Freeman), 13 to 5, second; Harmakis, 110 (Sewell), 3 to 1, third. Time, 1.57 3-5. Lemon Girl, Erne, Payne, Colonist, Club, Jungle Imp, Sincerity Belle, Louis Kraft, Mr. Jack and Aurumaster also ran.

City Park Summaries.

First race, one mile and one-eighth—Morendo, 111 (Dealey), 10 to 1, won; Arabo, 106 (Pendergast), 15 to 1, second; Oddoletta, 90 (Griffith), 5 to 1, third. Time, 1.56 1-5. Nameokl, Handmore, The Don, Prediction, Tapiola, Red Fox, Mildred L., Grosgrain, Big Bow and Del Carina also ran.

Second race, three furlongs—French Empress, 115 (D. Austin), 4 to 1, won; Belle of the Bay, 116 (Nicol), 2 to 5, second; Imposition, 115 (E. Morrison), 20 to 1, third. Time, 0.36 3-5. Aunt Tillie, Ronay, Cecelia and Our Maid also ran.

Third race, seven furlongs—Beecher, 107 (Perrett), 7 to 10, won; Alcantara, 100 (J. Hennessy), 30 to 1, second; Azelina, 102 (C. Morris), 13 to 1, third. Time, 1.28 4-5. Virgie Withers, Henry Ach, Judge Traynor, Match, Twenty Shot, Capitano, Suzanne Rocamora, Itaska, Harpoon and Billy Handsel also ran.

Fourth race, handicap; six furlongs—Monet, 118 (B. Smith), 3 to 5, won; Gus Heidorn, 120 (Nicol), 8 to 1, second; Astarita, 90 (Graham), 16 to 1, third. Time, 1.14 4-5. Maudina, Mint Boy, Ida Davis and Anna Davis also ran.

Fifth race, one mile and seventy yards—Envoy, 99 (Ferrett), 9 to 5, won; Clifton Forge, 106 (Nicol), 7 to 10, second; Belden, 89 (Koerner), 6 to 1, third. Time, 1.45 3-5. Daring also ran.

Sixth race, five and one-half furlongs—French Nun, 102 (Wishard), 3 to 1, won; Don Fonso, 107 (B. Smith), 4 to 1, second; Minnehaha, 97 (Morris), 7 to 1, third. Time, 1.08 1-5. Listless, Marimbo, Draco, Burnolette, Telepathy, Prince of Pless, Tichmingo, Gold Way and Jimmy Maher also ran.

Seventh race, one mile and a sixteenth—Elliott, 109 (Daly), 4 to 1, won; Carelessness, 106 (Morris), even, second; Adesso, 89 (Koerner), 10 to 1, third. Time, 1.48 1-5. Ivanhoe and Reticent also ran.

THREE TRACKS OUT OF GRAND CIRCUIT

NEW YORK, January 10.—The annual meeting of the stewards of the grand circuit was held yesterday afternoon at the Hoffman House. Three of the six stewards were present, namely, D. J. Campau of Detroit, president; C. K. G. Billings, Memphis, and James Butler, New York. There were also present Albert H. Moone of Providence, secretary; De Forrest Settle, Syracuse, who is one of the New York state fair commissioners; Charles M. Jewett of Boston for the Readville track and A. J. Welch of Hartford and Cincinnati.

The resignation of Mr. Russell as a steward was received and accepted. He had been a steward only one year. Under the rules a vacancy in the board can be filled only after thirty days.

The schedule for trotting meetings on the grand circuit for the season of 1906 was made up as follows: The racing season will open at Detroit with a two weeks' meeting, beginning July 23 and ending August 4, and thereafter meetings of one week, as follows: Buffalo, August 6 to 11; Poughkeepsie, August 13 to 18; Readville (Boston), August 20 to 25; Providence, August 27 to September 1; Hartford, September 3 to 8; Syracuse, September 10 to 15; Columbus, September 17 to 22, and Cincinnati, September 24 to 29.

Memphis, Cleveland and empire city, which are members of the grand circuit, did not apply for dates this year.

A committee was appointed to consider plans of racing in general. Any suggestions as to changes in plans, the number of heats or other pertinent matters will be considered by the committee and reported on later to the grand stewards. This committee is composed of Messrs. Jewett, Settle and Moone.

This committee will report at the next meeting of the grand stewards, which will be held at the Hoffman House next Monday at 11 o'clock. The selection of a presiding judge and starter for the season may then be made.

DECIDED INCREASE IN STAKE EVENTS

NEW YORK, January 10.—Delayed in the mail on account of the snowstorms in the west, the last of the entries expected from California reached the office of the Coney Island Jockey Club yesterday. The entries were sent from Los Angeles by C. E. Durnell. They helped to swell the total number received this year to the twenty stakes which closed on January 2 last. The full number is now 1,475, as against 1,371 last year, showing an increase of 7½ per cent.

Appended is a table showing the number of entries received to the twenty stakes this year, compared with last:

	1905.	1906.
Suburban	55	60
Commonwealth	48	53
Advance	31	39
June Handicaps	96	104
Equality	57	63
Thistle	62	68
Swift	57	75
Spindrift	45	55
Great Trial	96	92
Double Event	98	99
Zephyr	94	114
Spring	78	95
Vernal	107	105
Beacon Steeplechase	56	54
Independence Steeplechase	63	53
Flight	59	92
September	29	41
Autumn	77	83
Flatbush	75	78
Great Eastern	88	82
Totals	1,371	1,475

Increase 1906 over 1905, 104 entries.

The Futurity for 1906 received 805 entries, as against 927 for the Futurity of 1905.

The Brighton Beach Racing Association also shows an increase of 17 per cent in the total number of entries to the seventeen old stakes, and the Invincible, a supplementary stake to the Brighton handicap, has received sixty-one in all. In the Brighton Produce 694 entries were made, as against 704 in the preceding year.

WILLIE SHIELDS MAY SELL HIS STABLE

NEW ORLEANS, January 10.—It was reported at the Fair Grounds that the well-known New York horseman, Will Shields, would sell out his entire string, with the exception of the Derby candidate, Ben Hodder. Young Shields' father, Alex Shields, will take charge of The Commoner colt and prepare him for the star event of the Crescent Jockey Club's meet.

Young Shields' retirement is due to a recurrence of the throat trouble which caused him to leave off racing during the summer meets on metropolitan tracks last season. Only yesterday the Shields stable put through a killing with the two-year-old Blackburn and succeeded in getting in the money with the long shot Shunpike in the opening race, and with Ben Hodder in the handicap.

The Shields' stable also includes St. Valentine, the three-year-olds Reidmoore, Evie Green and several two-year-olds.

This stable has been one of the factors of the meeting.

TURF AND TRACK NOTES.

It is declared that the French Jockey Club is considering a rule limiting to four the number of races which a two-year-old may run.

There are now in France twenty-one stallion depots (thoroughbreds, Arabs, half-breds and heavy draft horses), where three thousand stallions are kept for the use of breeders at merely nominal fees. A winner of the French Derby and Grand Prix stands at a fee of only $4, and there are many good ones that stand at the fee of $1. Of the total number of stallions 247 are thoroughbreds.

M. Blanc's great stable of horses for 1906 comprises fifty-five head, of which thirty-four are the product of Flying Fox.

Three race horses owned by F. J. Lantry, recently reappointed commissioner of corrections, have been transferred by Mr. Lantry to F. J. Meehan.

H. D. Brown sold yesterday 272 shares, his entire holdings, of the City Park race track stock at a figure said to be $116 a share, and as the stock was purchased by men friendly to Edward Corrigan, there was a sudden cessation to the lawsuit pending in the New Orleans courts instituted by Brown.

On December 27 the American horse Conroy, by St. Leonards, out of Lady Invercauld, won the Rugeley steeplechase at Wolverhampton, England, carrying 159 pounds. Conroy, now the property of Lord Villiers, won the Brooklyn handicap for James R. Keene four years ago.

Dr. J. H. Carter of Mount Holly, N. J., has accepted a position as manager of the stock farm of Perry Belmont, near Lexington, Ky.

Richard Lamb of Mount Holly has sold his pacing mare, Miss Millis, to W. J. Miller of Greenport, N. Y. The price paid was $2,450.

Philip McGinnis, for years the assistant to Starter C. J. Fitzgerald and the inventor of the barrier which bears his name, is an applicant for the position of starter on the smaller tracks that race under the Jockey Club's rules in the east. McGinnis handled the barrier at the Baltimore meetings last year, and in spite of the fact that he had a poor lot of horses and riders to deal with his work gave much satisfaction. He gained much experience, and turfmen fully expect to see him do the starting at other tracks. The Jockey Club will appoint two starters for this work, so that the men who send the horses away on the big tracks will not be asked to leave the local circuit.

An odd streak of ill luck has followed Sam Hildreth ever since he was reinstated by the Jockey Club last summer. When he returned to the eastern tracks after an absence of several years he took active control of the big stable owned by E. E. Smathers, but for some reason the horses encountered a string of defeats that soon disheartened Smathers and caused him to sell out, lock, stock and barrel. Then Hildreth conducted a stable of his own, with poor success, and when the campaign closed last fall he was said to be a big loser. At New Orleans this winter he has traveled in the same rut in addition to losing $40,000 making book. But Hildreth is plucky and insists that there will be a turn in the long lane before next summer rolls around.

CHICAGO TO FIGHT FOR BOWLING CONGRESS

CHICAGO, January 10.—After reviewing the situation from all angles and taking counsel with other western associations, Chicago bowlers consider they have more than a fighting chance for the next national bowling tournament, and will go after it with a vengeance.

It is admitted that Philadelphia has a lengthy start, that St. Louis is a dangerous dark horse, and that New York always stands ready to grab anything loose. It is equally certain that Milwaukee, Cleveland and Buffalo will be against Chicago, but with all these obstacles in the way the fight is deemed worthy a strong effort.

At a meeting last night the field was thoroughly gone over and reports from friendly bowling associations considered. J. W. McCoy, president of the Chicago Bowling Association; August Lipman, president of the Monroe League, and E. D. Peifer, representing the co-operative alleys, were among those present at last night's meeting.

President McCoy announced that he would shortly call a meeting of the entire city association to take up the matter and devise the best plans. As the local chapter of the American bowling congress, the Chicago Bowling Association must lead and direct the campaign.

Men very prominent in the sport have urged the action and are backing it strongly. Little doubt was expressed in a canvass of bowlers today that the city association would promptly direct that the fight be made.

Chicago will probably base its contest, first, upon the superior advantages of location and the prestige of its former very successful national tournament. Stress will also be laid upon the hostility of the east and the dire things that would befall if New York ever got its tentacles upon the tournament.

BOWLING BATTLES.

Interesting Matches in Many Leagues Last Night.

Sunday School League.

UNION.	First.	Second.	Third.
Criddwell	193	147	155
G. Elker	157	150	168
Catchings	145	238	162
Beckett	201	165	182
Hilton	148	140	140
Totals	846	840	807
CALVARY.	First.	Second.	Third.
Baker	113	123	153
Denison	147	154	138
Marsh	157	149	186
Goodman	117	...	...
Hebbard	...	101	...
Smith	...	...	162
Noll	189	166	112
Totals	718	693	751

Departmental League.

NAVY.	First.	Second.	Third.
Miller	179	151	200
O'Donnell	148	188	152
Biselle	215	179	148
Bowsher	202	162	214
Crist	190	218	190
Totals	934	898	904
TREASURY.	First.	Second.	Third.
De Yo	143	163	184
Smith	180	175	175
Schader	204	187	176
Parker	183	232	163
Carlson	162	188	177
Totals	872	945	875

Government Printing Office League.

ALDINES.	First.	Second.	Third.
Rezie	169	125	174
Dennison	136	108	144
Bellinger	125	181	171
Nuchman	167	164	133
Richards	143	202	144
Totals	740	730	766
RESERVES.	First.	Second.	Third.
Norbeck	159	172	178
Arnold	118	189	156
Long	139	168	188
Atkin	179	170	154
Walsh	154	181	159
Totals	749	880	830

Binders' League.

BLANKS.	First.	Second.	Third.
Stark	100	125	129
Holt	143	104	152
White	110	98	121
McNally	130	139	136
Brassil	160	140	137
Totals	643	606	675
COWBOYS, NO. 2.	First.	Second.	Third.
Weidman	181	111	194
McKenna	145	112	147
Gynan	94	149	147
Koppler	128	105	132
Sirlouis	133	157	138
Totals	626	634	758

Plate Printers' League.

PHILADELPHIA.	First.	Second.	Third.
Kilpatrick	187	148	154
Williams	157	120	198
Jones	224	197	183
Plutch	214	171	155
Lord	212	181	199
Totals	994	836	889
WASHINGTON.	First.	Second.	Third.
Morrison	147	177	115
Helmuth	165	144	165
Donehue	181	198	202
O'Connor	202	179	151
Johnson	187	179	185
Totals	884	877	818

Royal Arcanum.

QUIRY.	First.	Second.	Third.
Voight	201	170	145
Oliver	149	106	157
Junghaus	138	172	186
Schmidt	159	174	147
Lenz	155	120	138
Totals	802	744	723
NATIONALS.	First.	Second.	Third.
Harding	149	164	150
Langley	132	117	139
Beckstein	177	152	158
Jones	177	155	157
*Baum	171	177	133
Totals	806	765	737

*Billings rolled last game.

LEWIS HAS NEW BLOW FOR FITZGERALD

SAN FRANCISCO, January 10.—Willie Lewis' chances of whipping Willie Fitzgerald of Philadelphia when they meet in the ring at Colma Friday night are now being discussed by the fight followers.

It is said that Lewis has developed a blow which is known as the "rib-smasher," and with which he has hopes of bringing down Fitzgerald before the final round is reached.

Lewis is training for the combat as he never trained before, and if no accident occurs by Friday night he will enter the ring in tiptop condition.

This is Lewis' first appearance on the coast, and his intentions are to make the best showing possible, in order to procure future engagements. If Lewis wins, he says that he will go after topnotchers in the game, and will endeavor to get a whack at some of the big purses that are offered.

Fitzgerald and Gans are fast rounding into condition for their respective bouts this month. The lads are working together, and in their training it is evident that they will be in perfect condition when the gong rings.

While the two mix it up every day a cleverer and more scientific contest would not want to be seen. Gans has shown a flash of his old-time form by his clever blocking, side stepping and the use of his left to good effect. In their daily sparring bouts the colored man apparently has a little the better of the battles.

He can step in and slug his man without the least bit of trouble, and at the finish does not seem exhausted. The Brooklyn lad frequently sends the colored man's head back with those stinging straight lefts of his, but in blocking and work at close quarters Gans is the better man.

"KID" SULLIVAN'S RAW ROASTING

BALTIMORE, Md., January 10.—Stories were current in local pugilistic circles yesterday that it was not Unk Russell who gave Kid Sullivan the worst drilling ever a boxer received in Philadelphia, but a newspaper critic, who is interested in another club in the Quaker city and who failed to bring the match off before his club because the Washington Sporting Club offered better inducements. When Sullivan stopped off in this city on his way to Washington his appearance failed to confirm the story of the bad marks inflicted by Russell.

Al Herford, Sullivan's manager, admitted that Sully got the worst of the milling, but he was somewhat chagrined by the announcement that his portege had been given a good facing.

Herford said: "Russell was favored by height and reach and at the weight he fought Sullivan was in the welter-weight class. In his setto Sullivan weighed about 130 pounds, while his opponent looked to be around 145 pounds. Although it was one of the most slashing batties ever seen there, Sullivan was at no stage near being knocked out.

"Sullivan took the count in the fifth round and also slipped on another occasion, but he was not credited with having scored a clean knockdown over the heavier man. The Washington boy was somewhat handicapped by his stature and seemed somewhat puzzled at Russell's abnormal reach. Frequently both swung together, but Russell landed first on account of his reach. Sullivan was the aggressor, always being just as anxious to mix it as the Philadelphian and to swap punches at the finish.

"Russell is one of the best boys that Philadelphia has produced in a long while, but he refuses to make weight. Sullivan should be given due credit for taking the big fellow on, as Battling Nelson and Jimmy Britt refused to meet Russell unless he would come down to the lightweight class. Russell is touted as a featherweight, but from all indications it would be a hard matter for him to make 133 pounds.

"I offered Russell a big inducement to meet Sullivan in this city at 133 pounds at 3 p.m. on the day of the contest. I said I would hang up a $1,000 purse and place a side bet of $1,000, agreeing to let any competent referee judge the contest. Russell and his manager did not seem to take any liking to my suggestion and I left the Washington Sporting Club, the scene of the argument, without receiving an answer. If they consider the proposition I have made I am still willing to make good.

"Sullivan showed his usual weakness by bleeding at the nose, which naturally made it look from a Philadelphia standpoint in Russell's favor.

"Sullivan is essentially no six-round boxer, and contests of fifteen and twenty rounds' duration are more favored by the Washington boy."

LEWIS GETS A DRAW.

Good Fight With Scroggs in Baltimore Last Night.

The National Athletic Club gave its initial boxing exhibition last night at the Bijou Theater, Baltimore. The main set-to was at fifteen rounds between Danny Lewis of Washington and Harry Scroggs of Baltimore, and resulted in a draw.

The battle, which went the limit, was pronounced by the spectators to be one of the best witnessed in that city in years. It was not only exceedingly fast and hard fought, but was very cleverly fought.

Both men were in excellent shape, otherwise the end would have been early. Each man gave and took many a hard blow. Scroggs had been given a decision in an eight-round battle fought last year with Lewis before the Nonpareil Athletic Club. While Scroggs showed an improvement over his work in that battle, Lewis showed much more.

Charles Gehring, ex-amateur champion of the United States, officiated as referee, to the perfect satisfaction of the boxers and spectators.

The conditions of the fight permitted the boxers to hit in clinches, but not on the break away. There were many clinches, occasioned by the willingness of each man to carry the fight to the other fellow. Both were considerably bruised, but showed remarkable endurance.

In the first round Scroggs put it all over Lewis, but the plucky Washingtonian kept fighting just as hard. Early in the round Lewis was knocked down cleanly by a left to the jaw. He got up quickly and went at his man. The succeeding rounds were all fought hard, and interest in the battle never abated.

The last four rounds were veritable slugging matches. Lewis appeared to be slightly the stronger man at the finish. Lewis was cared for by Ristie Leonard, Charles Snowden and Billy Nash. Scroggs had in his corner Al McMurray, Jimmy Farren and Young McCue.

The semi-wind-up was at six rounds, and in it Benny Finnick, the well-known wrestler, made his debut as a boxer. He had as an opponent Kid Tutts of Philadelphia. While Finnick proved game and showed a willingness to box, he lacked the experience possessed by Tutts. The bout was fierce, Tutts being given the decision by Referee Frank Wongo.

Sullivan to Meet Rice.

The Russell bout of Monday night did no harm to Sullivan and he will be ready for Austin Rice Friday night at Germania Maennerchor Hall, Baltimore, so his manager announced yesterday. Sullivan wants to meet Russell again in a longer bout with both men at weight, but Russell doesn't fancy the match. Rice, the iron man, who faces Sullivan Friday night next, has a fine record. He has met the best of them and always with credit to himself. Last week he knocked out Billy Willis of Philadelphia.

ROUGH BASKET BALL.

Carroll-Epiphany Game Ends in a Row.

The basket ball teams of Carroll Institute and Epiphany Chapel lined up against each other at Carroll Institute Hall last evening, and near the close of the second half, with the score 65 to 8 in favor of Carroll Institute, several of the players engaged in a mix-up. Fists were freely used, and by the time Prof. Maurice Joyce reached the scene of the disturbance several of the hefty members of both teams were stretched on the floor. They were mixing up in true pugilistic fashion, and it seemed that each was trying for a knockout. Howell, the center for Carroll Institute, and Evans of Epiphany seemed to get the worst of the battle. When Prof. Joyce and the spectators rushed between the belligerents and separated them the Epiphany Chapel players decided that they would not continue the contest, and accordingly left the hall, the game being called off. The trouble between the two teams seems to be a repetition of the old spirit that has been pursuing the basket ball league since its inauguration, and which has caused so much dissatisfaction among the players of the different quints. The line-up was as follows:

Carroll.	Positions.	Epiphany.
Cramer	right forward	McQuinn
Cullen	left forward	Robertson
Howell	center	Evans
Kerr	left back	Garner
Hollander	right back	Rodgers

Goals—Cramer (8), Cullen (10), Howell (2), Kerr (9), Hollander, McQuinn (3) and Garner. Goal from foul—Cramer.

Good Basket Ball Promised.

The Corcoran Cadets will play a game of basketball with the Belvederes of Baltimore this evening in the gymnasium of the Center Market Armory. There will be wrestling by Turner and Ross between the halves, while dancing is to be in order after the game.

EXPERT POOL PLAYERS.

Frank Sherman to Play Joe Todd 400 Balls.

Joe Todd, who has held the pool championship of Pennsylvania and New Jersey for the past five years, during which time he has played matches with the leading players of the country, will play a match for 400 balls with Frank Sherman of this city tomorrow night and Friday night at the Maryland pool parlors, 1008 Pennsylvania avenue. The winner will take the purse. Todd has a record of seventy-three consecutive balls on a regulation table. He is regarded as one of the most expert pool players in the country. Mr. Todd has been in several big tournaments and has always held his own. He has been here for about two weeks trying to arrange this game with Sherman. Sherman held out for a professional table and Todd for the regulation, but Sherman finally gave way.

Frank Sherman is well known as one of the best pool players in the world. He has played in many big tournaments, and won the championship of the world in Boston in 1903, defeating De Oro, Clearwater, Stoffi, Jerome Keogh and Grant Eby, and did not lose a game. The following year he lost the championship to De Oro by a close score. At Baltimore last year Sherman defeated Clearwater in a 600-ball game for a purse of $300 by 600 to 497. Sherman has just returned from New York, where he met two of the best players of the city, defeating them both.

Orioles Easy Victory.

By superior team work and the goal throwing of the forwards and center the Orioles won an easy victory over the team representing Peck Chapel in the latter's gymnasium by the score of 40 to 8. The line-up:

ORIOLES.	Positions.	PECK'S.
Rutherford	right forward	Keane
Robertson	left forward	Armstrong
Rowley	center	Blackman
Burch	right back	J. Meyers
Walls, Tennyson	left back	H. Meyers

Referee—Mr. Tanner. Goals from field—Robertson, 9; Rutherford, 6; Rowley, 4; Keane, 1; Armstrong, 1; J. Meyers, 2. Free throws—Robertson, 2.

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