

STRIKE OF ALL BIG PLAYERS IS CALLED BY FULTZ

New York, July 20.—A general strike of all baseball players under contract to clubs in the American and National leagues has been ordered by David L. Fultz, president of the Baseball Players' Fraternity, who today served notice on the National Commission. The strike will take effect Wednesday, unless the National Commission gives in before then.

This action results from the ruling of the commission in the case of Player Kraft, former New Orleans first baseman. Fultz claims Kraft should be drawing a salary from the Newark International League club, while the commission ruled that he belongs to the Nashville Southern Association club.

The decision to call a strike was arrived at at a secret meeting of the fraternity leaders here last night. Several prominent players signed the ultimatum which Fultz sent to the national commission.

B. B. Johnson, president of the American League and one of the members of the national commission, declares that the strike will be fought to the finish.

"The American League is ready to meet the issue with a solid front," he declared. "Our club owners are a unit for war. It's about time that this fraternity nonsense should end. We have been very patient with Mr. Fultz and his associates, but they have gone a trifle too far. We intend to call their bluff in a way that will make them show their hand."

"If the American League players or a majority of them obey this strike order on Wednesday every American League club will close its gates. We will stop all salaries and inflict heavy fines on every player participating in the strike. This strike will be the last one conducted by Mr. Fultz and his associates, too, as we will keep our gates locked all season if necessary to break this up."

Johnson admitted that he had tele-

graphed all club owners to attend a special meeting here tomorrow.

Fultz refused to have anything to say about the strike.

"I still hope it may be settled amicably," he declared.

GIRL UNABLE TO HOLD JOB TAKES CARBOLIC ACID

For ten months 19-year-old Helen Geiss slaved for Montgomery Ward & Co. The first seven months she worked for \$6 a week. Then, because she kept her fingers going all day, they raised her to \$7. The latter part of May she was fired.

Then she got jobs at several places. Among them was the Western Electric Co. A week ago today when she reported for work she was told she was needed no longer. She didn't want to go to her mother at 1511 Clybourn av. and tell her the news. Times had been so bad for the family.

So she struggled along all week, hoping to find a job. But Saturday they found her in a field in Summerdale, Ill. She had taken carbolic acid. She may recover.

"I tried all week to get some money so I would not have to disappoint my mother," she said. "When I failed I wanted to die. My mother is ill and needed the money I brought home."

FIVE HURT IN CAR CRASH

Five people were badly injured and many women and girls badly shaken up when two street cars crashed at 38th street and Kedzie avenue. The cars were packed with men and women on their way to work.

The "Sockless Sawyers," about fifty young men of Sheboygan, Wis., have organized the latest fashion club. The youths decided to wear sandals without the customary socks until September 1, 1914.

Jeweled or fancy pins are almost indispensable to the present daytime coiffure.