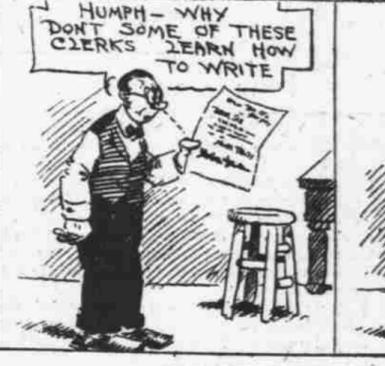


Washington Fans Are Pleased When Shotton and Lavan Come

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Intercollegiate Basketball League Opens at "Y" Tonight

How Do They Do It?



WASHINGTON FANS GLAD GRIFFITH MAKES TRADE

General satisfaction is being shown today by Washington fans learning that Johnny Lavan, the speedy shortstop, and Bert Shotton, the fleet-footed outfielder, have been obtained from the St. Louis Browns in exchange for Bert Gallia and \$15,000.

One Day's Trading
Clark Griffith trades Bert Gallia and \$15,000 for Johnny Lavan, shortstop, and Bert Shotton, outfielder. Connie Mack trades Joe Bush, pitcher; Wally Schang, catcher, and Amos Strunk, outfielder, for Veon Gregg, come-back pitcher; Chet Thomas, catcher; Merlin Kopp, outfielder, last year with Buffalo, and \$60,000.

MOGULS AGREE TO STAGE 154 GAMES IN 1918 SEASON

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—The major leagues will play 154 games next season. This decision was made at their joint session at the Congress Hotel here. Tupp does the heavy talking of hostilities simmer down to a peace chattering and complete agreement between the factions.

SHORT SPORT TALKS

Bert Gallia and \$15,000 in exchange for Johnny Lavan and Bert Shotton looks good from a Washington viewpoint, however it may look to the Mound City rooters. In the first place, even if it wasn't all of that \$15,000 mentioned, Washington fans will wake up to the fact that the club is willing to spend real money for needed players.

FEDERAL BOWLERS GET SCORE OF 602 WITH CLEAN SWEEP

The Federal team, of the Mount Pleasant League, slipped into a clean sweep over the Newton team by virtue of taking the heart out of the Newtons with a 602 game as a starter. The Federals followed this up with a 508 score and another of 507.

LOSS OF WILSON BIG HANDICAP IN GAME WITH CITY

Central blames its first basketball defeat on its own floor by Baltimore City College to the loss of big Dave Wilson, who was unable to participate in yesterday's game. The Central five actually outplayed the Baltimore lads in the second half, but lost a 27-10 contest.

QUAKER CITY BASEBALL WRITERS SLAM MAGNATES

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 15.—Philadelphia, the city that has had more championship ball teams in the last decade than all the others put together, will play with the semi-pro and minor league teams next summer. This is the gist of comment by sporting writers and fans today, who received a knockout wallop from Connie Mack yesterday afternoon.

TANK SEASON FOR CENTRAL LADS TO OPEN NEXT MONTH

Baltimore schools and possibly Mercersburg Academy will be on the schedule of the Central High School swimming team this year. Plans are under way for a comprehensive tank schedule at the Mt. Pleasant school following last year's auspicious start.

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PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 15.—Connie Mack has sold seven ball players in three years, receiving \$173,500 for them. This comes close to being the selling record for the major leagues. Here's the list:

Table listing player trades and amounts: Eddie Collins to Chicago \$50,000, White Sox \$11,000, Eddie Murphy to Chicago \$7,250, Jack Barry to Boston Red Sox \$15,000, Wally Schang, Joe Bush and Amos Strunk to Red Sox \$60,000.

GEORGETOWN PREPS TAKE ON WESTERN IN FLOOR CONTEST

Georgetown Preps and Western will start their holidays today in Ryan gymnasium in basketball. The Preps have had little practice as yet. Western has been unable to do much work on account of the fact that there are few veterans from last year's team.

COLLEGE LEAGUE STARTS TONIGHT WITH TWO GAMES

College league basketball will get its start at the Y. M. C. A. tonight in the first double-header of the District intercollegiate Basketball League games.

THREE PLAYERS ENLIST

SHREVEPORT, La., Dec. 15.—John Paul Jones and A. W. Baird, of the New York Giants, and Frank Carmody, of Pittsburgh Pirates, have enlisted in the navy. Jones has been ordered to New Orleans for training, but the other two are here awaiting orders.

MIKE O'DOWD TO SHOW FOR QUAKER CITY FANS

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 15.—The third champion Philadelphia has seen this week is due to appear at the National A. C. tonight. He is Mike O'Dowd, the new middleweight titleholder, who meets Billy Kramer, formerly of Milwaukee, but now of this city.

If Army Draft Comes to Major Leagues

CHICAGO, Sept. 11.—Next Monday will be "Ollie Pickering day" at the South Side Park, when Clark Griffith, one of the leading pitchers in the American League, brings his Washington club here for the final series with the White Sox. Pickering, dragged from obscurity by the war, has been playing great ball for the Senators and his friends will remember him suitably.

HERZOG IN THE LIMELIGHT

Charlie Herzog is again in the limelight. Once Herzog was with the Giants and, failing to get along with McGraw, was sent back to Boston. Failing to get along in the Hub, Herzog went back to New York. More difficulties came and he appeared in Cincinnati, this time as manager. It was the same old story, more troubles, and back to New York he went.

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PATTERSON WILL TRAIN COE'S "FLAT" RACERS

W. F. Coe, millionaire patron of racing, will split up his big string of thoroughbreds into two divisions next year. He has signed Charles Patterson, who trained Omar Khayyam, winner of the Kentucky Derby, to look after his racers which will perform on the "flat." Jerry Carroll, who formerly had charge of the entire stable, will train the steeplechase horses.

PREFERS ST. PETERSBURG

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 15.—Though Col. William F. Baker, owner of the club, wants the Phillies to train at Southern Pines next spring, Mackey Pat Moran prefers St. Petersburg, Fla. He says Southern Pines is too chilly for his veteran players.

TIGERS LOSE DIVER

PRINCETON, N. J., Dec. 15.—The Tiger's swimming team has lost Anderson, the crack diver. He has enlisted in the aviation service.

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