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MINOR LEAGUE LOSES

ACTION OF NATIONAL ORGANIZATION IN WRIGLEY CASE CAUSES A PROTEST

BASEBALL IS ENDANGERED

Work of the Present Meeting of National League Managers May Kill or Rejuvenate the National Game—Little Chance for a Change From a Twelve to an Eight-Club Circuit.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—For more than five hours the members of the national board of arbitration of the National League of Baseball Clubs argued as to the merits of the Wrigley controversy, in which the New York, Brooklyn and Syracuse clubs are involved. At the conclusion of the conference it was announced a resolution had been adopted declaring that the Syracuse club had no right to control Wrigley's services after his contract with the White Sox terminated. In a word, the action of the board of arbitration was a blow at the minor league clubs.

Today marked the beginning of the annual winter meeting of National League at the Fifth Avenue hotel. Armed for an especially bitter attack, the members were all on hand, but so much time was consumed by the board of arbitration that the league only met to carry out the requirements of the constitution, and immediately adjourned.

Not in years, since the end of the famous Brotherhood fight, has a league meeting been fraught with so much importance as the one just begun. For weeks past there has been no end of lobbying and wire pulling among the various club owners. New combinations have been formed, long-standing enemies have smoked the pipe of peace, all for the avowed purpose of reducing the circuit and perpetuating the national game. The lobby of the Fifth Avenue hotel

presented an unusually lively appearance today. Not only were there owners of league clubs there, but several of the minor leagues were represented.

When President Young went around and counted noses preliminary to calling a meeting, he found the following managers present: Boston, A. H. Soden, C. W. H. Conant; Philadelphia, A. J. Reach; John I. Rogers; Brooklyn and Baltimore, Charles Elberts; Ned Hanlon, Harry von der Horst and F. A. Abell; Cincinnati, John T. Brush; Washington, J. Earl Wagner; Pittsburgh, Barney Dreyfuss; and W. W. Kerr; Chicago, James Hart; St. Louis, Frank de Haas Robinson; Cleveland, Stanley Robison; New York, Frederick Knipfles; Louisville, Harry Pulliam and Dr. Stucky. Besides the latter two gentlemen the Louisville interests were represented by a small army of directors of the club, Andrew Freedman was not present.

It was not until the afternoon that the baseball men got down to work. The ball was set rolling when the national board of arbitration, consisting of Messrs. Robison, Hart, Soden, Brush and Young, went into session. All through the afternoon the board continued its deliberations on the Wrigley matter, from time to time various persons being summoned to the meeting room. The following statement was given out by direction of President Young:

The protest of the Syracuse club, a member of the Eastern League of Professional Baseball Clubs, against the action of the National League of Professional Baseball Clubs in transferring to the New York club its right of reservation of the player's services as provided in the national agreement, and that the said Syracuse club did a few days afterwards transfer such right of reservation to the Brooklyn Baseball club, having come before the national board of arbitration.

"Resolved, That the national agreement does not give to the reserving club the right to control the services of a player after his contract has terminated with the said club, and its right to transfer such reservation to the Brooklyn Baseball club, having come before the national board of arbitration.

This ruling means that any National League club may take the players of minor league clubs at the end of their season, which is one month earlier than that of the big league, and try them out without paying any money consideration to the club for which the player is under contract. The fact that the minor league clubs may be dickering with another club for the sake of the player makes no difference. When told of the decision President Powers, of the Eastern league, said: "It is just as I expected. I could see when I was summoned before the board that their minds were made up. This decision is so manifestly unfair that I do not care to say anything at present."

The Wrigley fight was a three-cornered one between New York, Brooklyn and Syracuse. At the conclusion of the Eastern league season, Wrigley signed to finish the season with New York. A few days later he was sold by the Syracuse club to Brooklyn, and acting upon the advice of President Powers, Wrigley went to Brooklyn and finished the season. Tomorrow the board of directors will consider the appeal made by the New York club to have the Brooklyn management disciplined for playing Wrigley after he had signed the New York contract. What will be done is problematic.

held that by failing to make a deal Aug. 31 the Detroit management forfeited its option.

The board decided against Youngstown, O., in the Latimer case. The player claimed he was not subject to reservation out of his contract. Latimer signed with Louisville late last season, but has since been sold to Pittsburgh.

In the fight between the Albany and Newport teams for the services of Catcher Daniel Shea, the board decided in favor of Newport.

It is not believed probable that the proposed scheme for a reduction in the league circuit will go through. The situation, as summed up by one of the baseball men tonight, was to the following effect: "Louisville and Cleveland will sell on fair terms. Wagner wants big money for his franchise in Washington, and the Brooklyn-Baltimore syndicate want the earth for the Orioles franchise. Who is going to put up all this money? The league? Well, I guess not."

The Louisville representatives have proposed that the league appoint a committee to appraise the value of the Louisville, Baltimore, Washington and Cleveland franchises.

Only one deal for players was reported tonight. In that Chicago bought Outfielder McCarthy from Pittsburgh.

The board of directors will meet at 11 a. m. and the league at 2 p. m. tomorrow.

JACK MOFFATT'S MISHAP.

Chicago Boxer Broke an Arm in Bout With Gardner.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Jack Moffatt, of Chicago, was particularly unfortunate in his bout with George Gardner, of Worcester, Mass., at the Broadway Athletic club tonight. Moffatt had all the better of the fight up to the middle of the seventh round, when he broke his left forearm in swinging for Gardner's head, which the latter blocked with his elbow. Moffatt continued to fight with his right, his left hand hanging limply by his side. Gardner was unable to land a knockout blow, although his manager urged him repeatedly to go in and end it.

When Moffatt went to his corner he told the referee his left arm was broken. White examined the injured member, and when the bell rang for the beginning of the eighth round both men stepped to the center of the ring, and White went between them, neither having shaped for a renewal of hostilities. White then announced Moffatt was unable to continue and declared Gardner the winner.

Much sympathy was felt for the Western man, who, up to the time of the injury, seemed a sure winner, having out-pointed and outgeneraled his opponent.

AT PALM GARDEN TONIGHT.

Doring-Wittmer Wrestling Match Is Scheduled This Evening.

Cus Doring and Charles Wittmer, who will wrestle at the Palm Garden theater this evening, finished their training yesterday and each expresses confidence in his ability to win the match. Doring was bested by Wittmer a week ago, but hopes tonight to retrieve his laurels, while

Wittmer declares he will repeat his victory. The match will be at catch-as-catch-can style, best two falls in three. Capt. Whitmore will be referee. The match will be called promptly at 9 o'clock in order that it may be terminated. According to the agreement, it must be to a finish.

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Every lover of the beautiful in design, the refined in tone, the perfect in execution, will receive a genuine pleasure in examining an elegant Upright Grand Knabe piano, just received at Dyer's. It is a dignified and noble casing, colonial in style, thoroughly reflecting the fine tone quality, with the pure elegance of its perfect finish, charmingly ornate.

AMERICANS MURDERED.

Honduras May Be Called Upon for Satisfaction.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Before leaving for Washington today Congressman Jacob Ruppert (Dem.) was questioned as to his position on the gold standard bill framed by the Republican caucus committee and introduced into the house by Representative Overstreet, of Indiana.

"While I understand that most of my fellow-Democratic representatives from this state will oppose the bill," said Mr. Ruppert, "for myself I would say that I intend to vote for it. I represent a sound money constituency and I propose to act in accordance with their wishes and for the best interests of this great commonwealth. I understand the bill embodies the great Democratic doctrine that all government obligations shall be honorably met, and saying that all men who do an honest day's work shall get in pay a gold dollar, which is as good as paid anywhere. If that is not good Democratic doctrine I am greatly mistaken. I am a Democrat, first, last and all the time."

FAVORS GOLD.

Democratic Congressman Who Will Vote for Financial Bill.

NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 12.—It is reported from an apparently reliable source that two Americans of prominence were shot and killed last Monday in San Pedro, Spanish Honduras, at the same inland city where Frank Repp was murdered. The killing, as reported, was of a particularly aggravating type, and this fact, together with the position of the victims, will probably lead to another official inquiry.

ANTI-TRUST CONFERENCE.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—The executive committee of the anti-trust conference decided tonight to hold an anti-trust meeting in this city Feb. 12. No formal call has been issued as yet for the meeting.

DEATHS OF A DAY.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—John O. Donner, superintendent of the American Sugar Refining company, died in this city this evening on the eve of his departure for Europe, where he hoped to undergo treatment to regain his health, which had been undermined by too close attention to duties.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 12.—Mr. Charles M. Shackleton, well known in this city as a particularly aggressive type, and a director in a number of enterprises, died in this city today. Mr. Shackleton for a year had been secretary of the Leaf Tobacco Exchange.

Orange Coat of Arms.

The coat of arms of the Orange Free State shows an orange tree in the middle of the field; on one side stands a lion, on the other a lamb. The motto beneath is "Freedom, Immigration, Peace, and Justice." The emblem of the lion and lamb has a scriptural reference to the peace and harmony within its borders, and does not imply within its geographical position of the republic between the domain of the British lion and the pastoral flocks of the Transvaal, as an American Joke might assume.

MAY BE COL. BRYAN

GOV. POYNTER, OF NEBRASKA, SAID TO BE CONSIDERING HIS NAME FOR SENATOR

DARK HORSE IN THE RACE

Fight is So Bitter Between Partisans of Hitchcock and Allen for the Place Made Vacant by the Death of Senator Hayward That Some Other Man Seems to Have the Better Chance for the Prize.

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 12.—The senatorial situation is daily becoming more complicated, and there are those who claim that the appointment of either Allen or Hitchcock will disrupt the party, and that the governor will be compelled either to appoint a dark horse or concede to the request made by Orlando Tefft, chairman of the state Republican committee, and call a special session of the legislature to settle the matter.

Gov. Poynter returned to Lincoln today accompanied by a delegation of Hitchcock men. On his arrival at the state house he was besieged by a horde of friends of both Hitchcock and Allen.

The governor put in the day looking over the mail and telegrams that had accumulated during his absence, and in giving a hearing to the politicians. He intimated during the day that he may announce the name of Hayward's successor tomorrow.

Some think Col. Bryan will be appointed, basing their belief upon the fact that the morning Senator Hayward died the governor was closeted for several hours with Charles W. Bryan, brother of William J. Bryan.

TAYLOR INAUGURATED.

Kentucky's New Governor Quietly Inducted into Office.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Dec. 12.—William S. Taylor was inaugurated as governor, at noon today. The crowd was much smaller than seen in many years, due to the weather, which, up till last night, was rainy, followed today by a December blizzard. The inaugural ceremonies were simple. Retiring Gov. Bradley, in the course of his speech, said that he hoped the Gobel election law, which had brought in this year the record of the year, would be wiped from the statute books. Gov.-elect Taylor in his inaugural address said:

"The verdict rendered by the people last November was the mandate of the people in favor of civil liberty. It was the

triumph of the people over the merciless, remorseless partisan machine, erected to enslave them."

One of the chief aims of his administration would be to secure the repeal of the election law. The oath of office was administered to Gov. Taylor, at noon, by Chief Justice Hatcher.

The lately defeated Democratic candidates for state officers today began serving notices of contest against the Republican candidates who were given certificates of election last week. Several have been served.

A reception and ball was held tonight in honor of Gov. Taylor. Regardless of party affiliation Kentucky society was represented. Four hours people passed before the next morning. The bitterness of the campaign appeared to have passed and Kentucky hospitality was everywhere manifested. The reception preceded the ball. The ball room was the scene of one of the most brilliant spectacles ever witnessed in the Kentucky capital.

MR. BRYAN OPPOSES.

Says the Financial Bill Before Congress is a Bad One.

AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 12.—In an interview today W. J. Bryan expressed himself upon the financial bill now before the house. He said:

"Following in the line of the president's message, congress is at present considering a bill that is an extremely bad measure. I refer to the financial bill now under discussion in the house. This bill is a very base one, indeed. It is a part of the gold standard people's plan, and I hope that it will be defeated. It should never be permitted to pass the house, because it is not in the interest of Democracy."

Soldiers Entitled to Vote.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The board of county canvassers today upheld the vote of the soldiers and sailors in the Philippines during the last election. Corporation Counsel Allen held that while the United States government as a mere nation, and not a war, the soldiers and sailors were away from home in the service of their country, and were entitled to vote.

FAST TRAINS

Of Fifty Years Ago Compared With Those of Today.

New York Times. A Wall street stock speculator wrote the other day to President Samuel R. Callaway, of the New York Central & Hudson River Railway company, asking him to decide on a bet that in 1852 Central trains made the trip from New York to Albany in two hours and forty-five minutes. Miles Bros in, Mr. Callaway's secretary, has informed the broker that such a bet loses, while the record of the period referred to is extraordinary. H. Walter Webb, ex-vice president of the Central, has accumulated a number of old-time cards of the Hudson River railroad. None of 1852 exists, but one of 1853 establishes that Train No. 1 left Thirty-first street at 6:20 a. m. and was due at East Albany at 10:05 a. m., or schedule running time, three hours and forty-five minutes. This time was made by Train No. 8, leaving Thirty-first street at 4:20 p. m. and Train No. 4, which left East Albany at 8 p. m. and arrived at Thirty-first street at 11:35 p. m., or ten minutes less than the other trains.

Now the fastest time between New York and Albany is made by the Empire State Express, two hours and forty minutes. The Lake Shore Limited makes it in three hours and fifteen minutes, or only twenty minutes less than the fast train of forty-six years ago.

ODD WAYS

Many People Have of Telling the Time of Day Without Watches.

New York Mail and Express. So regular is the progress of business

in a great city like this that many persons mark the march of time without referring to a clock. They merely note passing occurrences. No matter in what section of the city one may live he will, after a moment's thought, recall some daily occurrence that will acquaint him with the time of day.

The people on Washington heights have been able to tell to a dot when it is 11 p. m. on week days, and 10 o'clock on Sunday nights by the toot of a familiar tugboat whistle. This tug whistles at a watchman. A cashier in one of the biggest banks near Wall street never looks at Trinity as he approaches his office. He knows to a certainty whether he is on time by the location in which he meets a shoestring peddler. If the latter be on the south side of Pine street and Broadway the cashier knows he is on time. Should he be to the north of that point the cashier is late. A woman on West Twenty-fifth street begins to cook breakfast every morning at the moment that a certain police officer goes by. It is her way of telling time, and the blue-coat's approach never varies a minute. Along Third avenue some of the shopkeepers tell the time by simply glancing at the familiar faces of some passing motorman. It is a most interesting study this telling of time without watch or clock.

Count Witte's Rise. Count Witte, the Russian finance minister, owed his rise in the world to an act of disobedience. Twenty-one years ago he was a station master on the line between Kieff and Odessa, and in that capacity he took upon himself to make an alteration concerning the transport of some troops. By this action he averted much confusion, and his foresight gained for him preferment in St. Petersburg.

Duration of Marriage. The average duration of marriages in England is 28 years; in France and Germany, 26; Norway, 24; Russia, 20.

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