Radical Move Sets Monthly Limit for Each Club at \$11,000.

TROUBLE IS FEARED

Players Likely to Strike-New York Fights the Re-

By PREDERICK G. LIEB.

Eleven thousand dollars a month for club! That was the players' salary Cational League at its meeting in the Waldorf-Astoria yesterday afternoon. The sum named is not to include the manager's salary. The league's announcement of this radical legislation immediately set baseball circles agog, and it is expected to develop an upheaval that is likely to include the bigges yers' strike in the history of the

Since the National League has decided on a schedule calling for a season of five months and seven days it means t at the highest payroll in the league for the ire season of 1919, as regards players will be approximately \$57,000. As many major league payrolls in ent years have run well over \$100,000, is is more than a cut to the bone; it a dig right into the marrow. The

and Cubs attempt to evade the salary limit the National League voted that a fine of \$5,000 be inflicted on any club fine of \$5.000 be inflicted on any club, caught violating the drastic law. The league was given absorbing to the course of the league was given absorbing to the utmost of his ability. He was instructed to check up on all conto see that no club violates the

dopted. Prior to 1896 the National sell for Roth, the Cleveland outfielder. which no club could pay any player. cutside of manager, more than \$2,400. Roth, who is likely to land with the Counting twenty-one players to a club the new player limit would average demand for terms with a modest request \$2,600 a man, about \$200 more than for Scott and Love. There is no chance hirty years ago, when the cost of living was about one-third of what it is to-day. he limit was not adopted before one the most tempestuous arguments de-Charles Stoneham, the new Glant owner, started his first league meeting with a bartism of fire. He and Magistrate Mo-Quade, his partner, fought to their ut-most against such a limit and were backed by Bill Veeck of Chicago, but

tey were snowed under. What Will Rivals Dot

Just what action the American League will take on this subject is hard to say time and in Boaton. Ban Johnson, Frank Navin of Detroit, eut.-Col. Huston of the Yankees and naries Comiskey of the White Sox when questioned were non-committal on the subject or said it was a National St. Peter's A. A. of Staten Island Peagus matter. However, it is not be-

Into Meeting Is Lost

RIENDS of John J. McGraw yes-HIENDS of John J. McGraw yes-terday made a great fight to get into the joint meeting of the major leagues to-day, but were de-feated on a tie vote. Connie Mack, manager of the Athletics, and Clark Griffith, manager of the Washington team, will sit in the meeting as American Loague delegates. It was considered an injustice to keen Moconsidered an injustice to keep Mc-Graw, vice-president of the Glants, and Mitchell, president of the Cubs,

out of the meeting because they happen to be managers. Bill Veeck of Chicago made the esolution, asking that the National League rules be suspended so as to permit Mitchell and McGraw to at-tend the meeting. It developed a heated argument. Magistrate Mc-Quade went to bat for McGraw in a vigorous manner. The resolution was defeated by a tie vote, New York, Chicago, Cincinnati and St. Louis voting for it, and Brooklyn, Boston, Philadelphia and Pittsburg against it.

YANKS WOULD GIVE PITCHER FOR ROTH

Willing to Send Fisher or Russell—Both in Trade for Bagby.

Miller Huggins, manager of the Tankers, arrived here last night from Baltimore. He reported that he had had a conference with Franklin Baker and was sure that the third baseman would

of even Scott alone going in exchange for the outfleider.

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John Dooley, representing the Winter vote.

League of Hoston, said they were here.

The commission changes are, however, to make Jim Gaffacy an offer for the suggestions. The draft changes on the to make Walter H. Happood, other hand, are made in the form of Hoston Nationals. Walter if Happroof, secretary of the club, said that Duffy and his friends were here to have a good time and couldn't have a half of the couldn't have a good the couldn't have a half of the couldn't have a ha

NEW ATHLETIC CLUB.

TO DISRUPT SPORT

Issue Ultimatum to Major Leagues Demanding Abolition of Draft.

A few minutes after the National League men emerged from their turbu-lent session they were greeted by a red asking this time. They are demanding. They know what they want and when they want it. They have given the big leagues until

Instead of the usual drafts, the Na-

The Yankees have broached several deals. They are willing to take Jim Bagby, the Cleveland pitcher, and give Fisher and Bussell in return. The Yankees will give either Fisher or Russell for Cleveland pitcher, and give where he will bring a price of \$1,000. If no class AA teams want him, he must

The minors also recommend a five man National Commission, consisting of two presidents of the major league clubs. Hughey Duffy, John Campbell and dents of the big leagues will have a

If possible all the members of the minor leagues now in town will attend the joint meeting of the major leagues

Fight to Admit McGraw MINORS THREATEN HIGH LIGHTS AND SHADOWS IN ALL SPHERES OF SPORT

URB the new owners of the Giants' was the slogan adopted officially by the National League yesterday. We are in a posttion to state unequivocally that an undercurrent of resentment against the new ownership of the New York club was one of the salient factors in the agreement to limit the monthly salary list of each team to \$11,000. For months and months the owners of at least six clubs in the National League had been howling economy and retrenchment from the the minor have gone at the hig leagues in the purchase of the Giants with the broad statement that they did not in real Bolshevik fashion. They are not favor a pinch penny and niggardly policy, particularly at this time when public interest and confidence in professional baseball had to be restored.

They have given the big leagues until 6 o'clock to-morrow night to reply to their demands, and if no reply is received by that time they will set a bomb under the national agreement and blow the entire structure of organized baseball to the four winds.

The National Association of Professional Rail Clubs, the minor league organization, met yesterday at the Biltmore and backed up all the threats club who will the received by that time they will set a bomb with the personnel of the new directorship of the New York club, the minor league organization, met yesterday at the Biltmore and backed up all the threats club, brought to New York earlier in the week.

The association declared itself unwith the purchase alone.

The stoneham syndicate was rather outspoken on Tuesday regarding its desire to cut loose financially and introduce a little ballyhoo into the its desire to cut loose financially and introduce a little ballyhoo into the Mational League. This platform, coming in the wake of a certain dissatisfaction who defeated Clapp yesterday; R. M. Purkers of Woodland and E. T. Manson of Framingham, who won the championstit to finish of their session yesterday. Just what is the objection of Same of the other club owners to the new owners of the Giants we may and may not know. The league had been given to understand that the Giants practically had been sold to a syndicate headed by George W. Loft. In fact that deal had been all but put through, but at the last minute one easily, and he did by a margin of 7 and 6. The match between Purves and Manson with the purchase alone. The Stoneham syndicate was rather outspoken on Tuesday regarding Raiph Spotts in yesterday's round.

alterably opposed to drafts and optional agreements in its future dealings with the major leagues. The meeting was attended by more than fifty minor league men far from satisfied with the turn of affairs men, who represented the International, American Association, Pacific Coast, the league by the ears. With over precise the same options and saved himself at the third with a twenty foot putt. Manson in this city. The liberal financial policy of the New York club always had the sixth but was symisd that over the the major leagues. The meeting was attended by more than fifty minor league in this city. The liberal financial policy of the New York club always had in this city. The liberal financial policy of the New York club always had in this city. The liberal financial policy of the New York club always had in this city. The liberal financial policy of the New York club always had in this city. The liberal financial policy of the New York club always had in this city. The liberal financial policy of the New York club always had in this city. The liberal financial policy of the New York club always had in the sixth, but was stymical limit and remained 2 down. He took limit and rema

tional Association is willing to give the majors the opportunity to buy one player from each of the twenty-four Giants but the entire organization as well when it adopted the impossible is a dig right into the marrow. The consequence with Franklin baker and consequence consolation the ball player may decrease consolation the ball player may decrease consolation the form it is that the original resolution presented by Charles H. Ebbets of the Brooklyn club called for \$5,000 and Sallee, Schupp in the first resolution presented by Charles H. Ebbets of the Brooklyn club called for a lower figure than what the discontinuous consequence with Franklin baker and was sure that the third baseman would player from each of the twenty-four class AA minor league clubs for \$7,500 than he was followed by Ty Cobb, who is here to talk terms with Hughey Jennings. Cobb said that he would play ball for class AA players is \$2,500.

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met his demands. He declined to name figures.

In the big lesgues the major league club may return him to a class AA club for \$2,500. But there they would have to stop, may return him to a class AA club for \$2,500. In the event that no class AA club for \$2,500 and sales eason. The contract which Grove Alexander club desires him he may be disposed of the club sin the following classes as follows: Class B, \$300. In the event that no class AA club for \$2,500 and sales AA club for \$2,500 and sales AB. In the proposition of the may be disposed of the club sin the following classes as follows: Class B, \$300. In the event that no class AA club for the event that no class AA club for the new form in the event that no class AA club for the club sin the following classes as follows: Class B, \$300. In the event that no class AA club for the new form in the proposition of the ming return him to a class AA club for the club sin the following class B, \$300. In the It is so radical, silly and utterly impossible that we hardly can believe that the club owners mean to go through with it.

Average Player's Salary Cut Down to \$2,600.

The National League probably will adopt the same player limit that a American League recently adopted -twenty-one men. That would mean annual salary of approximately \$2,600. Since the better players would get more than the average it would mean that some of the players would Five American League clubs are after running from \$500 to \$75, the same as getting smaller every day:

We believe that the Newark club of the International League had a monthly salary list of more than \$11,000 in 1913, when it won the pennant under Harry Smith and the Ebbets ownership. The club that year made more than \$39,000. We understand that Ebbets yesterday proposed that the National League adopt a monthly salary limit of \$9,000. This contrast makes us ask with greater insistence and wonderment than ever:

Russell Gardner, who is in the field the president and secretary of the Natopurchase the St. Louis Nationals, said that he would be a bidder if the outfit was sold at auction on February 2.

What's the matter with baseball?

If the clubs of the National League are in such dire financial stress that the ridiculous salary limit yesterday adopted is absolutely necessary the league would have done better by voting to suspend operation for a year.

Biggest Players' Strike Is Sure to Come.

What will be the effect of the new salary limit? In a general way What will be the effect of the law salary limit. In a policial way it up the lasters way it will kill the National League, and the American League too if it follows the lead. It will result in the biggest strike among the players, who this NINE IN A ROW FOR NAVY FIVE time certainly will have the support of the public. The fan expects the lighest type of baseball when he goes to a major league game, and he lighest type of baseball when he goes to a major league game, and he and couldn't buy a ball club even as a major league game, and he salary limits must be strictly enforced is not going to get it from men who will consent to work for the wages in 1919, and all club even to their playing limits by the first day that his more or less idolized and respected here on the diamond is playing for a salary no greater than he could get driving the town sprinkling cart

In Ottumwa.

Naval Academy basketball team scored
The men who really are worth while will refuse to play for the salaries its ninth consecutive victory here this

PARKER SCORES ON PINEHURST LINKS

Defeats Sherman in Advertiser's Tourney by Margin of 7 and 6.

Special Despatch to Tax Sun PINEHURST, N. C., Jan. 15.—When the scond match round of the Advertising Joifers tournament opened here to-day the championship division playing on No.

teenth, squaring the match.

The eighteenth was halved and Manson won the extra hole and the match by sinking a putt from off the green for a birdie 3, while Purves just missed an equally long putt for a 2 and went down in 4. Manson will meet W. M. McCord of Rumson in to-morrow's round. Don Parker will play against A. R. Gardner, of Parker will play against A. R. Gardner, of Siwanoy. The summary:

Championship Division—E. J. Barber, E. Engiewood, beat H. H. Kennedy, Race, of the strong divided by the sea C. A. Speakman, Siwanoy. 1 up. William McCord, Rumson, beat N. Wallson, of Framingham, beat R. M. Purves, Woods and 1 up (19 holes). Don M. Parker, Gardner City, beat Charles Sherman, Essex County, 7 and 6; A. R. Gardner, L. Special and 1 up (19 holes). Don M. Parker, Gardner City, beat Charles Sherman, Essex County, 7 and 6; A. R. Gardner, L. Special and L. W. H. Samson, L. Beinger, C. L. Miller, Audybon, beat William Campbell, Detroit, a divided the county of the co

Team by 43 to S.

Special Desputch to THE SUN ANNAPOLIS, Md., Jan. 15. Winning on Mount St. Mary's by 43 to 8 the

Start Movement for Grant Memorial Here OHN McGRAW yesterday started

a movement to erect a memorial at the Polo Grounds to Capt. Eddie Grant, former Giant star, who fell in the Argonne forest while act-ing as Major of his battalion while going to the relief of the famous Lost Battalion. McGraw will head the Grant memorial committee and associated with him will be Billy Murray, who was manger of the Phillies when Grant broke into the big leagues. In fact, it was Murray who while manager of the Jersey City club first induced Grant, captain of the Harvard team, to venture on a baseball career. Soon after when Murray came to Philadelphia as manager he brought Grant to the

Quaker City.
Grant was the first of big league ball players to make the big sacri-fice. While prominent baseball men will make up the memorial committee, all fans and admirers of Grant will be given an opportunity to contribute

SPEAR BEATEN IN BILLIARD TOURNEY

Metropolitan Champion Defeated by Neustadt in National Class C Match.

Coming in Purves
and thirteenth with long putts from the
edge of the greens, while Manson won
the twelfth and fourteenth by a similar
if not quite so spectacular process.

Manson became one up for the first
time in the round when a long putt gave,
time in the round when a long putt gave,
the sixteenth in 4 but Purves came
the sixteenth in 4 but Purves came
a sixty yard

Ceorge W. Spead.
Champion, who was the favorite in the
national Class C honores, met with a
slight reverse yesterday afternoon at
Lawier's Brooklyn room when he was
beaten by Joseph Neustadt by 100 to 126.
Neustadt led nearly all the way, the
count being 83 for the victor and 61 for count being 83 for the victor and 51 for the loser at the end of the sixteenth inning. Spear exhibited much grit, for he put runs of 23 And 30 in his twenty-

AFTERNOON GAMES

VOLLMER DISPLAYS HIS OLD TIME FORM

In First Contest Since War Began He Wins Feature in New York A. C. Tank

Ensign Herbert E. Volimer of the Pelham Bay Naval Reserve, the holder of several national swimming records, competed in the New York Athletic Club's swimming meet last night. Although it was his first competition since the war began he won the 100 yard in-vitation swim in the fast time of 56 2-5 This is only 2 2-5 seconds b seconds.

seconds. This is only 2.2-3 seconds be-bind the American record held by Perry McGillivray of the Illinois A. C. Considering Vollmer's long absence from active competition his performance was a creditable one. He led from start to finish and won by two yards over Leo Giebel of the New York A. C. Leem-ling Jalife of the New York A. C. and ing Jellife of the New York A. C., and Poly Prep finished third. Norman A. Buck of the Illinois A. C., champion of the Central Association, finished a poor Cyril Carroll of the New York A. C.

the metropolitan plunge champion, car-ried off the honors in the plungs. He floated 62 feet 6 inches, and with his handleap of 6 feet had a total plunge of 68 feet 6 inches. The summaries: 50 Yeard Swim, Nevice-Won by John B. Kane, New York A. C.; Edward Reitman, unatinched, second, Raiph Rearn, New York A. C., third. Time, 28 eeronds. Fancy Dive; 10 Foot Hoard-Won by Arthur McAlenan, New York A. C., with 10-24 points; Rudniph Sancke, New York A. C., with 20-24 points; Rudniph Sancke, New York A. C., with 20-47 points, second; P. Spongherg, New York A. C., with 78.84 points, third.
Plange for Distance, Handleap—Won by Cyril Carroll, New York A. C. (& feet), with 68 feet 6 inches, Aiolph Haan, Rutgers Prep. (& feet), with 64 feet i Inches, second; Charles Rosengren, De Witt Clinton (& feet), with 62 feet 6 inches, third.

100 Yard Swim, Handleap—Won by J. B. Trumpbour, United States Naval Reserva (12 seconds); Paul Barnard, Unattached (It seconds), second; Charles Gurchner, New York A. C. (& seconds), third. Time, 1.11.

100 Yard Swim, Invitation—Won by Engign Herbert E. Vollmer, New York A. C. (Lee Gisbel, New York A. C., third. Time, 6.6 2-6 seconds.

CHANGE IN GOVERNORS.

Hines and Seatch in N. Y. A. C. Though none of the regular officers was opposed it was not till the wee small hours of yesterday morning that the tellers in the annual New York A. C. election finished their accounting work. All of the old board of governors whose terms expired were reelected with the exception of William A. Hines, who polled 703 votes, and William H. Scalch, for whom 758 voted. Hines and Scalch were defeated by Rudolph O. Haubold and William C. Poertner. Hauboid had

790 votes and Poerther 856.

The governors reelected and the votes were: Matthew P. Halpin, 999; Charles H. Pond, 513; William R. Defehanty, 1,058; Michael F. Loughman, 942; Fre-mont W. Spicer, 785, and Arthur W. Teele, 788. A. H. Pogson, the only other candidate for governor who was de-feated, polled 520 votes.

VICTORY FOR CRESCENT A. C. Its Basketball Team Beats Colum-

bia Cinb. 36 to 20. team defeated the Columbia with five of Whitestone, L. I. on the Brooklyn-ther court last night by 26 to 20. At half time the Crossont five led by 20

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