

O'CONNELL IS HELD GUILTY OF BRIBERY

Giant Outfielder Cannot Participate in World Series as a Result of Probe.

NEW YORK (By the Associated Press)—Commissioner K. M. Landis announced Wednesday night that Jimmy O'Connell and Coach Cozy Dolan of the New York National league baseball club had been declared ineligible for the world series after charges of bribery against them has been investigated.

The suspension was based upon a confession made by O'Connell and evidence furnished by Dolan and followed by information furnished by Helme Sand of the Philadelphia National league club. Sand stated that on September 27 O'Connell had offered him \$300 to throw the game between the Giants and the Phillies played in New York on that day.

Sand refused the offer and immediately gave his information to Manager Fletcher of the Phillies, who brought it to the attention of Commissioner Landis. The investigation in which President Hedyer of the National league and officials of the New York club also took part, followed.

The investigation Commissioner Landis said, tended to trace the instigation of the scheme to Dolan, whose testimony was of a nature to indicate that conclusion. O'Connell's confession also mentioned Captain Frank Frisch, Ross Young and George Kelly of the Giants, but Commissioner Landis stated that the testimony of these men had convinced the investigating committee that they had no part in the scheme. O'Connell, a substitute outfielder, will be the only Giant player not eligible for the world's series, as Dolan is a coach.

ALTROCK LEADING LEAGUE BATTER: SLATE PERFECT

WASHINGTON (AP)—The "leading batter" of the major leagues in 1924 turns out to be "Uncle Nick" Altrock, comedian, extraordinary and coach of the Washington Americans. Serving as relief pitcher in the Senators final game of the season with the Red Sox Tuesday at Boston, "Nick" who is on Washington's roster of eligible world series players, smashed out a triple in his only time at bat for the season, giving him an average of 1.000.

Pitching May Decide World Title Outcome

NEW YORK (By the Associated Press)—With Walter Johnson, veteran ace of Washington's sharp shooting corps as the outstanding figure, pitching may be the decisive factor in the 1924 world's series between the Senators and the New York Giants.

Until recent years twirling was usually the most potent factor in the diamond title struggle, but with the advent of the lively ball and the Babe Ruthian home run era, baseball strategy shifted. Pitching, of course, continued to figure largely but it has been the speed and power of the attack that decided the last three world championship battles between the Giants and the Yankees.

John McGraw won the premier baseball crown in both 1921 and 1922 from the Yankees with the effectiveness of his offensive. His hurling staff both years was rated inferior to the "five star" Yankee corps. Last year, it is true, the utter collapse of the Giant monnarch hastened the victory but the mighty bats of the Huguenots were the most potent influence.

Had Less Lively
This year, however, with a less lively ball, pitching may come in to its own again. The "big four" of the Washington staff, Johnson, Zachary, Mordridge and Marberry, put the club in front, although it was attacking power that won the game, but Giant rooters are equally confident that Neff, Bentley, McQuillen and Barnes will offer a potent rebuttal.

Whatever the merits of the rival twirling corps, however, interest will center in the achievements of Johnson, probably the only ball player of all time who rivals in popular esteem the former Giant marvel, Christy Mathewson. Johnson, a public idol not only because of his brilliant playing record over an 18-year span, but because of his sterling qualities as a sportsman, will pitch the first game for the Senators. Outside of the most rabid of Giant partisans, fans throughout the country will root for him in unison that day. Even the tense rival honors will be lost in the all-vital question, "What will Johnson do upon reaching the goal of a great career?"

Johnson Malabuy
The Senators' chief hopes, too, will center around the big twirler, whose speed ball has fanned more batters than any other

Princeton's Two Extremes



Hills, line candidate for Princeton's football team, is six feet eight inches tall and is said to be the tallest man playing football on a leading college team. Goldstein, his teammate, is five feet one inch tall. Hills comes from Washington, D. C., and Goldstein hails from Pittsburgh.

Football Steps In As The Diamond Season Wanes

Fans Turning Attention to Gridiron; Pendleton Game Friday Is Sports Mecca; Writer Discusses La Grande High School's Schedule and Prospects.

(By SCOTT)
Now that the feeling of elation that almost every sports fan experiences when the glad tidings of the Senators conquest of their first American league pennant has

departed somewhat, and with nothing in the way of big league baseball to worry about until Saturday when Washington and the Giants tangle in the first game of the 1924 world series in the capital city, the attention of local followers of the "many games" is again turning to football.
Tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in the Round-Up park in Pendleton the big college football game of the 1924 season, as far as eastern Oregon is concerned, will be scheduled when O. A. C. and the Whitman Missionaries tangle on the gridiron under the guidance of Referee Tom Loutill, of the M. A. C. of Portland.
Other officials for the game, as announced by Nig Borleske and Carl Lottell are Bill Holden, Portland M. A. C. umpire and Fred Dennison, of Pendleton, former University of Utah and Montana State college coach, head linesman.

And when Loutill, Holden and Dennison begin functioning many La Grander will be on the sidelines—especially in the Aggie section. Approximately two score are planning on making the trip.

It will be a tight game if the counts anything. As one of the local O. A. C. fans, who was formerly an Aggie letterman, expresses it "Whitman has the best football team they have mustered for years and with only two weeks practice under a new coaching system, O. A. C. will be forced to do some excellent playing to win."

Last week Oregon was played to a standstill by the Willamette team at Salem and it wouldn't be a bit surprising if the Missionaries mimicked the Webfooters' opponents.

La Grande high's schedule is complete now with the announcement that the Union-La Grande game has been scheduled.
Saturday afternoon the Tigers will play the annual team in their first contest this year and the game will be doubly interesting. First, because it will reveal to some extent the strength that can be expected of the Blue and White eleven this year; and it will also result in some real fight upon just how far the quarterback situation is now that Glass is out of the running.

Coach Lester MacTavish built up a reputation here last year that will be severely tested this fall unless he can produce a winning football team. Pendleton high school has been in the habit of consistently defeating La Grande on the gridiron and last year was no exception. This year the Rock-aways have what promises to be an even stronger team than in 1923 and if MacTavish can pull his squad through the season with no eastern Oregon defeats he will accomplish an almost superhuman task and, needless to say, give La Grande a delicious dose that will delight them to their very shins.

But, in all fairness, if the Tigers fail to conquer Pendleton this

AGGIE TEAM ARRIVES IN PENDLETON

Schissler and Squad Are Ready for Fray with Whitman Friday Afternoon.

(By E. P. ROY)
PENDLETON, Ore. (Special)—Coach Paul John Schissler and his gang of 22 husky football players from Oregon Agricultural college arrived in Pendleton this morning for their game with Whitman college Friday afternoon. Schissler's crew appeared enthusiastically fit and indulged in a light workout in the afternoon at Round-Up park where the game will be held.

Every indication is that it will be a real football battle from the initial gun when Whitman and the Aggies hook up in the Round-Up arena. Whitman has never beaten O. A. C. and their supporters in Pendleton at least claim that this is their one big chance. This hope is borne out by the facts for Whitman has the strongest team in years. "There is no doubt of that despite the bear stories that emanate from the Whitman camp."

The Aggies are not underestimating Whitman's strength either, and the war cry at the Beaver training camp since the opening of the season has been "Beat Whitman." Schissler has a real kick out for him and he realizes it. Borleske has his team in far better working order than Schissler possibly could due to the fact that he is thoroughly familiar with every man on the squad.

The O. A. C. squad band of 40 pieces will arrive on Friday and will play at the game and in the evening at a "college night" dance. "Beat Whitman" and "Beat the Aggies" will be the war cry from the rival sections of the big grandstand at Pendleton at 2:30 Friday afternoon. And it will be some football battle!

Memphis Defeats Fort Worth in Sixth Game

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP)—Memphis, Southern association pennant winners, evened the count with Fort Worth, Texas, league champions, in the post-season Dixie series for the southern baseball championship Wednesday by defeating the Texas leaguers, 4 to 3, in the sixth decisive game of the series. The count for the series now stands: Fort Worth 3, Memphis 3. The final game for the title will be played here Thursday.

year, some consideration should be given to the fact that MacTavish has twice the job on his hand to round out an eleven that the Pendleton coach has. It is somewhat of a difficulty to start out the season with only a handful of veterans, a bunch of green material to season, the task of solving a quarterback problem, no punter or note to work with, and several other minor drawbacks prevalent. Those are a few reasons why football prospects aren't exactly dazzling right now.

But that doesn't mean that the L. H. S. won't have a good season, because Pendleton isn't the only team that he to be played.

The La Grande schedule, as completed, follows:
Oct. 4.—L. H. S. vs. Alumni.
Oct. 11.—L. H. S. vs. Enterprise at Enterprise.
Oct. 18.—Wallawa vs. L. H. S. here.
Oct. 25.—Elgin vs. L. H. S. here (tentative).
Nov. 11.—Boise vs. L. H. S. here.
Nov. 15.—L. H. S. vs. Union at Union.
Nov. 22.—L. H. S. vs. Pendleton at Pendleton.
Nov. 27.—(Thanksgiving day) Baker vs. L. H. S. here.

Analyzing the schedule it appears that La Grande has a schedule that is tough in spots and not so bad in other spots.

The first six weeks will find the Tigers playing teams rated weaker than La Grande and the alumni which will not count as far as championship hopes are concerned.

In 1922 La Grande defeated Enterprise 14 to 0 at Enterprise. Last year Enterprise lost here 79 to 9. In 1922 Wallawa lost to La Grande here 72 to 0 and last year L. H. S. was victorious at Wallawa with a margin of four touchdowns. In 1922 Union lost to La Grande at Union 52 to 6 and last year was defeated here by almost as large a score. Elgin, a good La Grande one of the toughest games in 1922 when she held the local team to a 19 to 6 score but it is doubtful if Elgin has a team this fall.

If Elgin does not produce an eleven the Blue and White team would have between October 11 and November 11 to prepare for Boise, which is nearly a month.

But with the Boise game, the hard part of the season commences. After the Armistide day game La Grande rests three days and plays Union. A week later Pendleton is on the menu and five days later Baker comes here. Pretty soft during the time preceding November 11 but afterwards is a different story.

The Evening Observer has made full arrangements with the Associated Press to furnish results on the world series games in time to print them the same afternoon.

BOXING

TRENTON, N. J. (AP)—Tex Rickard, fight promoter, lost \$5000 in promoting the Willie Fero fight in Jersey City, according to a statement filed with the state athletic commissioner.

NEW YORK (AP)—Mike McG Tighe, world's light heavyweight, must meet Gene Tunney in his first title match in New York if he applies for a license, the state athletic commission has ruled.

NEW YORK (AP)—Barley Madden, Irish-American heavyweight, who stayed the limit this season in bouts with Harry Wills and Jack Renault, successfully defended his claims to the Irish heavyweight title Tuesday night in Dublin, when he knocked out Tim McEnnam of Belfast in the eleventh round of a 20-round match, according to a cablegram received by Charley Ross, Madden's manager.

NEW YORK (AP)—Jack Dempsey, heavyweight champion of the world, Wednesday signed a contract to tour the Loew vaudeville circuit for a period beginning October 20.

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—Mickey Walker, welterweight champion of the world, successfully defended his welterweight title here Wednesday night when he knocked out Bobby Barrett of Clifton Heights at the Philadelphia National league park in the sixth round of a scheduled 10-round bout.

PLAN 1925 RACES

NEW YORK (AP)—Plans to run a series of four international horse races in 1925, two in Kentucky and two in New York have been laid before August Belmont, chairman of the Jockey club, by Matt J. Winn, general manager of the Kentucky Jockey club.

BAKER HI LOSES TO ALUMNI TEAM BY TOUCHDOWN

BAKER, Ore. (Special)—The Baker high school team lost their annual game with the alumni team by the score of 7 to 0.

The lineup:
Alumni: High School Vaulter, R. E. Kirkland, Tucker, R. T. Shepherson, A. Fong, R. G. Adams, Cavin, C. Ostrom, Carson, L. G. Whittier, Langrell, L. T. Roach, E. Fong, L. M. Whittier, Ryder, R. H. Bartholomew, Whittier, L. H. B. Moody, Savage (Capt.), G. Thomas, Spencer, F. R. Hines.
Alumni substitutes: Mortenson and Manary.

CUBS DEFEAT WHITE SOX

CHICAGO, (AP)—The Cubs of the National league won the first game of their series with the White Sox of the American league, 10 to 7. George Grantham, whose error last fall gave the White Sox the deciding game of the series, was the batting hero of Wednesday's contest. He smushed out a homer in the third inning which sent two runners in ahead of him and made it easy for Alexander. Weis also came through with a homer in the fourth inning when the Cubs went on a batting rampage. Toward the finish Alexander weakened and the White Sox kept pecking away at him for all their rump. Lyons started for the American leaguers and was driven off the hill in the third inning. Connally checked the rally but could not stop a renewal of the attack in the fourth. Shreeley smashed two homers for the White Sox, the first with nobody on and the second with two mates on base.
Score: R. H. E.
White Sox 7 12 1
Cubs 10 7 1
Batteries: Connally, Cvingron, Laverette and Cronin; Alexander and Hartnett.

American League.
Season ended.
National League.
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MARSHFIELD GO ARRANGED

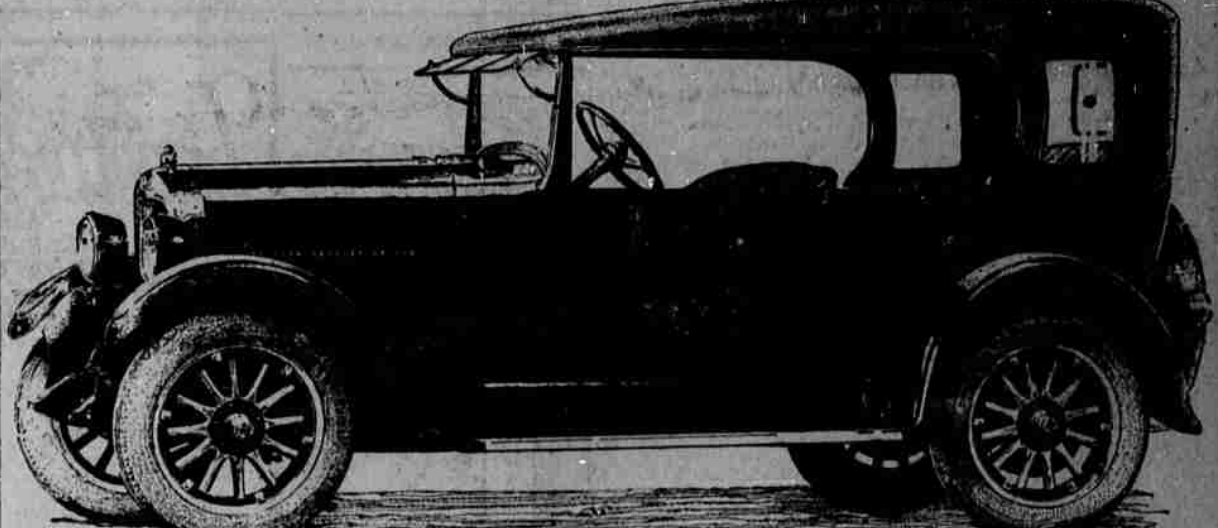
MARSHFIELD, Ore. — Matchmaker and Promoter Herron of the Marshfield boxing commission is disappointed at not getting Joe Benjamin for his October 11 card, as he expected. He accordingly has lined up what he believes will be a fast card headed by Billy Mascot and Chuck Weiman.

Several good preliminaries are being arranged. Promoter Herron said that Benjamin refused to box here unless he could choose his opponent, and therefore Herron believes Joe is looking for easy pickings.

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