President of National League Says He Does Not Care if He Is Deposed.

MAGNATES CHANGE RULES

Big Gathering of Diamond Lords in Chicago Settles Many Points for Season's Playing of Game and Places Players.

Pulliam, of the National League, made it plain today between sessions of the league meeting, that he was willing to forego the glory and salary attached to his position in order to save himself

It is known in baseball circles that the best of feeling does not exist between Mr. Pulliam and Garry Hermann, chair-man of the National commission, and President Charles W. Murphy, of the President Charles W. Murphy, of the Chicago National League ciab, but it was not until today that the warfare assumed a serious aspect. It was said that Mr. Puiliam had ordered Rarney Dreyfusa and Charles Ebbetts, owners respectively of the Pittsburg and Brooklyn National teams, to leave his office in New York, and while the demand was complied with, it is said that Both Mr. Dreyfuss and Mr. Ebbetts yowed vergeance upon him.

Pulliam Tired of War.

Mr. Pulliam issued a statement today. He declared he was tired of warfare and, after leaving for California next Monday, he would not be surprised to hear that he had been deposed by the league, which he said was antagonistic to his administration. Mr. Pulliam issued his statement after the meeting. yed his statement after the meeting, and supplemented it by saying his experience with the contending factions the league had caused him to fail in

"I expect," he said, "that there are enough of the opposition to depose me as president, and as a matter of fact I ss president, and as a matter of fact i would not regret such action on their part. The job is a thankiess one for the most part, and the friction that one has to contend with is not worth the trouble. As a matter of fact, I did order Dreyfuss and Ebbetts out of my office in New York, and I would do the same thing again if the circumstances were similar."

The proposed amendment to the Na-

The proposed amendment to the National agreement in relation to the class AA league was discussed and, while no definite action was taken, the sentiment definite action was taken, the sentiment appeared to favor a change. A similar spirit was manifested at a meeting of the American League directors. With this display of willingness on the part of the major league magnates, it is probable that the American Association, Eastern League and Pacific League will be placed for a least by the major league of the part of the sentence of the part be placed in a class by themselves, ac-cording to their desire.

Umpires Lose Fine Right.

In the National League session it was decided to amend rule 64 so that the umpires will not have the power to fine players or the men on the coaching lines. In future, violations of the rules of the National game may be punished only by ordering the offender to the clubhouse, but he may not take up a position either in the grandstand or bleachers. Another innovation was the adjustion of a rule that managers of the adoption of a rule that managers of home grounds will not be permitted to voice any sentiment regarding ground rules in case the visiting team enters a protest against existing conditions. The enter-

The umpire is to be the sole judge in such an emergency. In the major league clubs, it was decided by the rules committee that a limit of 25 players shall be the maximum during the playing season, on and after May 15; and 35 during the so-called "off sonson." which precedes the warmer contests of the clubs striving for penpant honors.

The committee decided to stop the practice of certain managers of shifting pitchers during the games in order to give their teams an advantage when the batters on the opposite teams show great strength at the plate. When one pitcher is taken out his successor must remain in the box until he has retired at least one man.

Change Scoring Rules.

The scoring rules were amended at the suggestion of a committee of sporting writers, and it was decided that the umpires in the minor lengues might use their own judgment in the matter of imposing fines. In the major leagues the fines in the past have been gettled by the clubs, and as a result the penalty did not fall sufficiently heavy on the playing offender. For this reason it was decided that in the minor leagues where the fines imposed by umpires have been settled in the majority of instances by the players, the rule be allowed to stand for the good of the baseball game. Third Baseman Cource, of the New

York American club, was sold to the Washington team, and Sid Smith, of the Louis American aggregation, was shifted to the Atlanta club of the

Southern League. President Comiskey, of the Chleago American League team, announced that he had secured Jerry Downs, infielder, of Detroit, and President Murphy has secured Pitchers Donahue and Fergu son, of the Boston Nationals. Catche James, of the Boston Americans, it was nanounced, has been secured by the New York American League team. President John 8 Taylor, of the Bos-President John S. Taylor, of the Bos-ton American team, announced the ac-quisition of Lewis Wolter, the left-handed pitcher and acceptable out-leiger. Wolter last season was sold to St. Paul, but jumped to the San John team, where he is said to have wen 25 out of the 27 games he pitched. The American League will close its ses-sion tomorrow, after considering the ac-tion of the National League on the Class tion of the National League on the Class

tion will continue its sessions until Fri President O'Brien, of the American Association, announced that the meeting over which he presided had adopted the schedule for 1999, the opening playing date being set for April 14.

Pulliam Says Bitter Words.

At a dinner tonight Mr. Pulliam said: "My days as a basebali man are num-bered. The National League does not want me for president any more. It wants to go back to the days of dealing from the bottom of the pack, hiding the cards under the table. I can't afford to out or I would reside now from me quit or I would resign now from my position, which pays \$5000 a year. But I

will have to quit at the end of this year,"
President Johnson of the American
League jumped to his feet and said:
"We refuse to believe that there are
any grounds for these statements. Mr.
Pulliam has been under a strain for the
last few days."

O'Connel-Berg Bout.

Without letting anybody in Portland know that he was on the road, Professor Mike Dwyer, wrestling instructor of the Illinois Athletic Club, of Chicago, arrived in town yesterday morning to refer the big O'Connell Born wrestling. eree the big O'Connell-Berg wrestling match in the Exposition rink tonight. Dwyer's arrival is something of a surprise. When O'Connnell and Berg, or Young Hackenschmidt, as he is known, met to sign articles two weeks ago they could not agree on a local referee. and since both were acquainted with Dwyer, they were anxious for him Dwyer was telegraphed several days ago, but he forgot to answer. As a result, both principals were up in the air as to who was to be the third man on

Larry Larimore, of the Y. M. C. A. was spoken of, but he could not be induced to officiate. The matter was hanging fire until the arrival of Dwyor yesterday morning from the East. His yesterday morning from the East. His presence has had a soothing effect on both grappiers, for neither would con-sent to a man not personally known to

bim.

Dwyer will be remembered as the wrestler who came out from Chicago several months ago and lost to O'Conseveral months ago and lost to O'Conseveral months. He wrestler who came out from Chicago
several months ago and lost to O'Connell in a three-fall handleap match. He in his announced intention of retiring

Sporting Editor Woodruff, of Chicago Tribune, After Manager's Signature.

SMALL HOPE OF SUCCESS

White Sox Pflot Wants to Stay in Oregon and Woodruff Admits He Scarcely Expects Jones to Change His Mind.

CAPTAIN OF CHICAGO AMERICANS AND EMISSARY IN PORTLAND TO SECURE HIS RETURN





HARVEY T. WOODRUFF, SPORTING EDITOR OF CHICAGO TRIBUNE, ON THE IMPT, AND FIELDER A. JONES, OF THE WHITE SOX.

once during the 60 minutes' struggle. Dwyer is chiefly famous from the fact that he taught President Roosevelt the

EXCITING INDOOR GAMES AT MULTNOMAH CLUB.

Large Crowd of Parents and Friends of Juveniles Witness In-

letic competition in general gymnasium work, including horizontal and parallel bars, high jump, traveling rings, running long dive and 30-yard dash with turn. All of the events were hotly contested. The night juniors were divided into five classes, while the leaders' class competed at one time. The first prize in the lat-

at one time. The first prize in the lat-ter division was won by Robert Krohn, Jr., who scored 127 individual points. Leon Pabre gained second place with a score of 121 points, and the work of these two youngsters was highly pleasing. The programme was in charge of Pro-fessor Robert Krohn and Director Edgar E. Frank, who were ably assisted in con-

ducting the events of the night and assisting in accommodating the crowd by the following: J. S. McCord, Bert Allen, Eddle O'Connell, R. W. McMicken, M. B. Wakeman, R. Thompson, Harry Fisher, Ed Morris and Herman Metager, Herbert W. Kerdean, etc. assisted in promating

W. Kerrigan also assisted in promoting the success of the programme.

The 30-yard dash proved exciting despite the short path and the fact that the boys had to run the length of the gym and then return. Young Krohn, in the division won this event in a game finish. The running of all the youngsters was one of the features of the night. Dave Minsinger was the victor in the first division of the junior night classes, and Joe Dorney gave him a close rub for the honors. The other events re-

second division—L. Duff and Harold Hil-on, thed for first place, and C. Meek and benton Catterlin, fied for second place. Third division—Won by Will Lewis, Rez ameriane and J. Baker tied for second. Pourth division—Won by Gus Feldman, ion Tarpley and Alfred Mattern tied for second.

PORTLAND GETS BAD DRUBBING

Tacoma Y. M. C. A. Basketball Team Beats Locals, 51 to 7.

TACOMA, Wash., Feb. 17.—(Special.)— The Tacoma V. M. C. A. basketball quintet overwhelmingly defeated the Portland Y. M. C. A. team here tonight in a me-sided game by the score of 51 to 7. The visitors furnished almost no opasition to the local aggregation. Portland scored but three points in the first half against Tacoma's 31. Mills of Ta-coma was disqualified by the referee for rough playing. Cook and Mills starred for Tacoma, while Russell showed the best form for the visitors. Two of Port-land's regulars were out of the game and Blenkhorn, a Tacoma player, was substituted for Sheets of Portland the last

Ready for Big Game.

The Mulinomah Amateur Athletic Club basketball five is ready for the hard game tomorrow night with the Los Angeles team, and the clubmen are fondly expecting to defeat the visitors, who have won 68 out of 70 games played on the road. Los Angeles plays a game with the Oregon Agricultural College team to-night, but as they are accustomed to playing every night, and sometimes two games a day, this is not expected to lessen their speed against Multnomah,

Catcher Bemis Very Ill.

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But Mr. Pulliam persisted, saying if, monia at his home here.

from baseball will be dispelled when the famous leader of the Chicago White Sox holds a heart-to-heart talk today with Harvey T. Woodruff, sporting editor of the Chicago Tribune, who arrived in Portland from California yesterday.

Woodruff, fresh from his triumph in signing Frank Chance to a contract for the Chicago National League club, was ordered north to try his wiles on the foxy Jones. His reception by the "peerless"

Jones. His reception by the "peerless" leader of the Sox was cordial enough, as will be seen by the accompanying picture of them taken by an Oregonian staff photographer yesterday, but Jones' oftrepeated assertion that he was not going back leave little accouragement to the Chiback lent little encouragement to the Chi-cago sporting critic who admits that he realizes his trip here is likely to be fruitless except for the fact that it has given him an opportunity of seeing Ore-

teresting Contests.

The juniors and junior leaders classes of the Multnomah Amateur Athletic Club held forth in the gymnasium of the club last night and their evolutions and athletic stunts proved most interesting to a large crowd of relatives and friends of the boys.

The entertainment consisted of an athletic three is a chance to get him back. Chicago needs him and I believe Comiskey realizes this better than any one else, and I will do what I can to entire him away from the retirement idea. However, he has told me so often this afternoon that he is through that I am almost ashamed to broach the subject to him formally."

formally. Early in the day Fielder Jones and Woodruff were the guests of W. N. Jones, brother of the Chicago baseball leader, in an automobile ride about the city. Woodruff was very much impressed with Portland and says that if this city is good enough for Fielder Jones he will consider the advisability of moving here

May Come Here to Live.

"This is no joke with me," declared Woodruff. "I heard so much about Cali-fornia that I must say it fell away short of expectations, while Oregon seems to be the ideal place in my estimation. I don't blame Jones for not wanting to go back when he seems so contented in this back when he seems so contented in this splendid climate. I rather think I'll follow his example and come to Oregon for good, but perhaps not this year, for I may be unable to get away from Chicago for some time."

As to the proposition which brought Woodruff to Portland, he and the object

Woodruff to Portland, he and the object of his visit joked each other good naturedly and spent most of their time talking about the prospects of Oregon and Washington, the advantages of dry farming as well as irrigation, and the possibilities of various parts of both states when the promised railroads are built. In fact the casual observer would never have realized for a moment that the destiny of one of the greatest baseball clubs in America hangs on the result of the conference between these two men, for one would have been led to believe that the pair were a couple of investors Woodruff to Portland, he and the object that the pair were a couple of investors discussing the possibilities of the newly developed country instead of being connected with the great American game as

nected with the great American game as critic and manager.
Weodruff marveled at the tail buildings, the splendid scenery and the hustling attitude of the people of Portland. To say the least he seemed to show more interest in the commercial life and activity of Portland than he did over the destinies of the White Sox, and in this respect his attitude was in hearty accord with the attitude was in hearty accord with the feelings of Fielder Jones.

Wins Fame by Signing Up Chance.

The Chicago newspaperman's success in lining-up Frank Chance, the redoubtable manager of the Chicago "Cubs," has manager of the chicago Caus, has gained him fame all over the country, for the refusal of the leaders of the rival Chicago baseball clubs to return caused the utmost anxiety on the part of the thousands of admirers of the two teams in the Windy City as well as all over the major league circuits. When he nego-tiated the return of Frank Chance the Chicago Tribune won considerable fame through Woodruff's connection with it as sporting editor. He was then delegated to try his wiles on Fielder Jones, but un-less something unforeseen enters into the deal he has little chance of success.

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Woodruff does not regret his trip, for he would not otherwise have had a chance to see the Oregon country. He is now planning to visit Seattle and Spokane, for he has relatives at the latter city and would like to see them before he returns to Chicago. The Chicago man will probably work on the theory that all men have a price and if he can quote a figure high enough Jones will return. Jones admits that there is a possibility of his playing for a certain sum, but does of his playing for a certain sum, but does not believe Comiskey will meet that figure and hopes that he will not.

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toria Amateur Athletic Association, which was organized about three months ago, has increased its membership to over 600 and is now contemplating the building of a 50-foot addition to its new clubhouse.

WILL PLAY FOR CHAMPIONSHIP

Lincoln High School and Portland Academy to Meet.

The Portland Academy gymnasium will be the scene of the deciding game in the Interscholastic League basketin the Interscholastic League baskethall championship when the quintes
of Columbia University and Lincoin
(West Side) High School meet temorrow afternoon. Both teams are decidedly anxlous to win, and as each has
defeated Washington (East Side) High
School and the Allen Preparatory
School by large scores, a hard-fought
contest can be expected.

The winner of temorrow's contest
will probably be matched against the
champion high school basketball team
of the Willamette Valley for the state

of the Willametto Valley for the state championship, and may also get a trip to Eastern Oregon. The teams will line up Friday as follows:

Welch Peterson, McAlpin.Gx....

ALCO CLUB MAKING READY

Baseball Manager Elected-Talk of

team for the coming season. Manager Kavanaugh, T. P. Stevens and C. B. Baker were appointed a committee to confer with the directors of the club regarding plans for the season. There is some talk of forming a baseball league of the towns of this part of the state. It will be a strictly amateur organization, however. The renort which state. It will be a strictly amateur or-ganization, however. The report which appeared in a Portland paper from here last Sunday to the effect that a league had already been formed, that salaries were to be paid and that men are already being signed, proves to be a purely unalloyed dream, for the pros-mentive league is yet all talk

pective league is yet all talk. ALL-STAR TEAM IS COMPLETED

All-Star Soccer Team Will Go Against Multnomah Saturday.

Selection of the all-star soccer feam, which will be pitted against Multnomah on Multnomah Fleid Saturday afternoon, was completed last night. Art Mills, captain of the Cricketers, will captain this picked eleven. The selection comthis picked eleven. The selection com-mittee has taken four men from the Columbia, three from the Cricketers, three from the Rangers and one from

Athletic Club to Build.

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ALBANY, Or., Feb. 17.—(Special.)—
Dr. H. J. Kavanaugh has been elected manager of the Alco Club baseball Kay and Hughes make a trio hard to get scheme in a most enthusiastic manner,

eye-opener in his last game against Multnomah, in which for an hour and a half he kept several club players con-

one of the men who have built the game up in Portland, has been asked to re eree. The game will be called at 3:15.

CLUB WILL BE REORGANIZED Members of Irvington Tennis Asso-

elation Adopt Scheme.

At an enthusiastic meeting of the Irv ington Tennis Club, held at the clubhouse last night, the members embraced the proposed reorganization scheme whereby it is planned to broaden the scope of the club

The members of the club also elected the following directors: L. J. Wentworth, W. F. Woodward, J. S. Hamilton, F. J. Raley, R. W. Wilbur, W. A. Gees and W. M. Cook. These directors will meet shortly and select the officers of the club. According to the plans discussed last night, it is proposed to take over the holdings of the Irvington Improvement three from the Rangers and one from the O. R. & N. The combination is a powerful one and the hitherto undefeated clubmen will have a hard time making headway against it. Following is the proposed line-up:

Goal—Hutchinson, Rangers. Fullbacks—Clark, Columbias; Jago, Cricketers, Haifbacks—Hughes, O. R. & N.; Bruce, Cricketers; McKay, 'Columbias, Forwards—Young and Challis, Columbias; Kyle and Quarterman, Rangers; Mills, Cricketers.

According to the plans discussed last night, it is proposed in sight, it is proposed in the proposed last over the holdings of the Irvington Improvement Association and reorganize the club on a broader scale. Eight lots adjoining the present site of the club are to be purchased, and a new clubhouse, more commodious than the present building, is to be erected. It is also planned to increase the number of tennis courts, as well as to turn a portion of the grounds into a playground for the children of Irvington. The details of this proposed limptoventer.

indicating that the idea will undoubtedly prove successful. This club has been one of the most progressive organizations in Portland, and it has found its present quarters too small, hence the reorganization and improvement idea.

TWO MEN GET GOOD HAUL

Hold Up 12 Men in Saloon and Take \$300 From Till.

BUTTE, Mont., Feb. 17 .- (Special.) -wo men with handkerchiefs across heir faces and one gun between them held up 12 men in the Monehan & Hartigan saloon on North Main street, last Sunday night, huddled them all in a corner and then rifled the bar draw-er of nearly \$300. The robbery was and to furnish many new improvements er of nearly \$300. The robbery was that will permit of the club's rapid expansion.

The members of the club also elected

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