SIX-CLUB CIRCUIT IF WARD'S VICTOR

Heydler, Losing, Cincinnati and Pittsburg Will Join American League.

ROBISON'S VOTE HAS SAY

Hermann to Quit National Rather Than Accept Murphy's Man as President-Ten-Team System Plan Wanted.

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 12.—(Special.)
—With the election of John M. Ward or John Heydler to the presidency of the National League this week will be settled the question which has been heavy on the minds of Presidents Herrmann and Dreyfuss for several months. If Ward is elected these two men say they will take Cincinnati and Pittsburg out of the National League and put them in the American League.

That they have only a slight chance of electing Heydler is certain and upon Stanley Robison, of St. Louis, rests the responsibility. The way Robison votes will tell the whole story. If it is for Herrmann, Dreyfuss and Dovery all will be lovely; if for the other side the National League will be a six-club circuit next year, according to Herrmann. CINCINNATL O., Dec. 12 .- (Special.)

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President Herrmann recently recounted his fight with Murphy and its results to a Cincinnati friend and told him that he will quit the National League if Murphy lands Ward as president.

The plan is to make the American
League a ten-club circuit for the first
year and later to weed out Detroit and
Washington, giving Detroit to the
American Association and Washington
to one of the Eastern or Southern
leagues,
President Johnson, of the American

President Johnson, of the American League, knows the situation and has gone over it carefully with Herrmann and Dreyfuss several times. That Herrmann wanted to get Murphy out of organized baseball is also known here, though Herrmann naturally would say nothing whatever about the deal.

JOHNSON IS AGAINST WARD He Will Oppose Him as Chief of

Nationals at Election.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Ban B. Johnson, president of the American League; Charles A. Comiskey, president of the Chicago American Club, and Joe Cantillon, former manager of the Washington Americans. eft today to attend the baseball meetings

at New York.

Before his departure Johnson said that he was unalterably opposed to the election of John M. Ward as president of the National Lengue and that he would do everything he could to prevent it.

Cantillon said he would make a fight for vindication at the American League meeting. He said he was not a traiter to the league and he would make a fight for his

which he was part owner a year ago.

York During Week.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—A cycle of iseball meetings will begin here to-orrow. The National Commission will meet first to decide on the case of Pitcher Torey, now of the Cincinnati reserve list, but claimed by the Springfield club of the Three-I League, Tuesday the National League will have its annual meeting and on Wednesday the American League will open its sessions.

Many club owners, managers, players and umpires are here. National League magnates say their meetings will be harmonious, but their statements do not coincide with opinions of others. All the club owners have reached the city except Stanley Robinson, of St. Louis: Horace Fogel, of Philadelphia, and John Dovey of Res. Philadelphia, and John Dovey, of Bos-

Pueblo Western Sold.

PUEBLO, Colo., Dec. 12.—A deal was practically made today for the trans-fer of the Pueblo Western League baseball franchise. Directors refused to give the name of the purchaser, but it is known that if this deal is made, the club will go to St. Joseph, Mo.

GIRLS TO PLAY BASKETBALL

Catholic Club and Social Turn Verein Meet Saturday.

Basketball among the girls will be feature in at least two of the athletic organizations of Portland during the coming season of Winter sports.

Girl teams are being organized at the Catholic Young Men's Club and at the Social Turn Verein, and these teams will meet for the first game of the season next Saturday night at the Catholic Club

next Saturday night at the Catholic Club gymnasium. The game probably will not be public, but that has not been decided. The Multnomah Club formerly had an organized girls' basketball team, but for the past two years has had none. The Y. W. C. A. has no organized teams, the girls simply being allowed to pick teams at random and play games after the class periods. No girls' team has been organized yet this Winter by Professor Ringler on the East Side.

Most of the schools of the city have girls' class basketball teams but no organized first teams to play outside games. It is the opinion of many that an interscholastic girls' basketball league should be formed among the various prepara-

the formed among the various prepara-tory schools, and it is thought the girls, if given a chance, would take up the suggestion with enthusiasm.

GREEK WILLING, \$500 WORTH

O'Connell to Train Down to 140 for

Match Worth While. Peter Buzokos last night announced that he would deposit a side bet of \$500 with the sporting editor of The Oregonian to-day for a return match with Eddie O'Con-nell, and as the latter already has \$50 as a portion of that sum to bind such a match, the two grapplers probably will

Buzukos at first wanted to wrestle O'Connell for \$100 a side, but as he stipulates that the Multnomah Club instructor must weigh 140 pounds, O'Connell did not think it worth while to train hard for that amount, and named \$500 as the figure at which he would meet the Greek. Bu-zukos' announcement last night indicates That the two will meet shortly.

BASEBALL MAGNATE WHO WILL BE PROMINENT IN WAR PROMISED OVER ELECTION OF HEAD OF NATIONALS.



A. COMISKEY, PRESIDENT CHICAGO AMERICAN CLUB.

SPILLS MAR RACE

Two Seriously Injured in Six-Hour Run at Ascot.

STEARNS CAR IS VICTOR

Last May's Record Broken-One Machine Upturns Thrice-Men in Sunset Auto Badly Hurt. Buick Withdraws

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 12.—In the six-hour auto race at Ascot Park today, which was marred by numerous accidents to cars and serious injuries to two participants, the Stearns, driven by Zoules, won, the distance made being 294 miles. This establishes a new Coast received for six hours, the former record of 297 miles having been made by a Kissell car at Ascot Park last May.

The Pullman, driven by Georse Kussman, was second with 251 miles, and the Buick third with 249 miles. The Buick led until the sixth hour, and then withdrew on account of a breakdown. In the 52d mile the Apperson Jack Rabbit, with LOS ANGELES, Dec. 12.-In the six-

beague and he would make a fight for his rights. He added that he would insist upon an investigation of charges of signal-tipping against the New York Americans by the Washington team last Summer. He announced that he would manage the Minner of the would make a fight for his significant the sixth hour, and then with the would make a fight for his default the sixth hour, and then with the world make a fight for his dependent of the world make a fight for his recommendation of the sixth hour, and then with the world make a fight for his regular that the sixth hour, and then with the world manage the with the sixth hour, and then with the world manage the with the sixth hour, and then with the world manage the with the sixth hour, and then with the world manage the with the sixth hour, and then with the world manage the with the world make a fight of the world make a fight ing the motor, but neither Hanshue nor his mechanician was injured. The Cadil-lac overturned at the same spot a few The mechanician minutes later.

GOTHAM IS BASEBALL MECCA slightly injured.

The Sunset was the next to go over, and in this spill the collarbone of Driver Several Meetings to Be Held in New Leonard McLarty was broken and the mechanician suffered a broken leg and probable internal injuries. He is in a critical condition

Tommy Tracey announces that he will hold an amateur boxing tourney at his Columbia Club next Monday night, December 20, when Dan O orien, of the Casaolic Young Men's club, will of the Canolic Young Men's cub, will meet Bud Anderson, of Tracey's Club, in a return match. Last week these beys met at the East Side Club, and the referee gave a hairline decision to O'Brien, though the bout really should have been a draw, according to the spectators.

O'Brien, immediately after that bout, informed Traces; that he really sold.

informed Tracey that he would be giad to meet Anderson again if Tracey would stage a smoker, so Tommy laid his plans accordingly. At the Columbia Club's smoker there will appear several other of the prominent amateurs of the city, and a first-class card is assured.

Ace Clement, Tommy Tracey's clever middleweight, may be matched with Patrolman Mike Lillis, of the Police Department Athletic Association, who is rated as one of the best amateur boxers in the city.

BRIGADE QUINTET VICTOR

Hawthorne Presbyterians Lose Game

by Score of 23 to 10. Officers of the United Boys' Brigade of America, Oregon division, defeated the crack second team of the Haw-thorne Presbyterian Church Saturday

night in the Sunnyside gymnasium by the score of 23 to 10. d an guards, Hamlin and Fowler, in particular tor ular crowning themselves with glory by their brilliant work in blocking several star plays of the Hawthorne team. Woolley and Harmon, playing for-

ward for the Boys' Brigade, practically had the field to themselves. Hamlin, who was guarding, made almost as many points as the forwards. Starr was a strong player for Haw-thorne. Had it not been for his guard-ing the officers would have rolled up a much larger score. The line-up: Hawthorne

C. Richard RGL Star LGR Hamlir

WRESTLERS READY FOR MATCH Smith's Friends See Chance With Toe-Hold Barred

Everything is in readiness for tonight's wrestling match in Merrill's Hall, be tween Strangler Smith, the stevedor rangler Smith, the stevedore, and Eddie O'Connell, the Multchampion, and Eddie O'Connell, the Mult-nomah Club instructor and welterweight champion of the world. The wrestiers have signed to grapple to a finish best two falls out of three, strangle hold and toe hold barred. The doors will be thrown open at 7:30 o'clock and at 8:30 the pre-liminary will be called. The principles will get to the mat about 9 o'clock. On the men's last meeting Smith's shoulders did not touch the canvas. He succumbed to a terrific pressure put upon his knee and ankle by means of the toe hold. He tried hard to shake himself:



Ban B. Johnson, President of American League.

NEWLY ELECTED CAPTAIN OF WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL 1910 TRACK TEAM.



Fred Barber was elected cap-tain of the 1910 Washington High School track team Friday. Barber has had three years' ex-perience in track work and has one more year at the High School. His events are the half mile and quarter-mile races. He has a record of 2:021-5 for the half, made in the interscholastic meet last Spring. In this meet also ran the quarter in :54 1-5.

FOOTBALL STARS

Mucklestone and Eakins Will Play With Washington Next Season.

SCHEDULE IS ARRANGED

Faculty or Graduate Managership Plan Finds More Favor With College Men-Zednick Is Pleased With Prospect.

Victor Zednick, graduate manager of athletics at the University of Washington, who was in Portland Saturday and returned to Seattle last night, said while ere that Melville Mucklestone and here that Meiville Muckiestone and Clarence Eakins, the two star players of the University of Washington football team, would be with that eleven again next season. According to Zednick, there is an erroneous impression relative to the eligibility of these men. He asserted that each man was entitled to play and would play with the Washington University next season.

would play with the Washington University next season.

"Both these men have been with Washington only two seasons," said Zedpick last night, "and under the four-year rule each is entitled to one more season, for they played only one year each with the North Dakota University before entering Washington. I wish to make this statement now so that there shall be no future disputes about the eligibility of these players, as well as to correct the erroneous report being circulated to the effect that they are ineligible."

Zednick Is Satisfied. Manager Zednick expressed himself as delighted with the prospects for a suc-cessful baseball season during the coming Summer, and said that while Washington gets fewer games than each of the other gets tower games than each of the other five members of the Northwestern con-ference, he is satisfied and believes that Washington will have as good a chance at the championship honors as the other

Referring to the expeditious manner in which the representatives of the con-ference teams arranged the baseball schedule, college men regard it as re-grettable that all of the intercollegiate schedules of sports cannot be arranged similarly. The failure of the institutions to arrange their athletic calendars at the same time for the whole year is due to the prevalence of individual management of each branch of sport by a different student, whereas in the graduate management one man is empowered to act in all branches. Had the University of Oregon, University of Idaho and Whitman College employed the graduate man-agership plan Saturday's meeting could have arranged the football, track, tennis, wrostling and all other intercollegiate meetings at the same time the baseball schedule was arranged. Managers Zednick, of Washington: Jones, of Washington State College, and Angell, of Oregon Agricultural College, enjoy that privilege.

Better Method Favored.

El D. Angell, who was elected president of the baseball conference, is an ardent worker on behalf of either the faculty or graduate managership of all branches of athletics, and it was through his endeavors that the baseball conference was arranged. That it has secomplished a much needed improvement is believed, for instead of waiting until March or April for the various managers to open correspondence in order to arrange interrespondence in order to arrange inter-collegiate games on the diamond, all the has been done and the only thing re-maining is to secure the indorsement of the faculty of each institution, which is always required anyway, and to play the game as the dates arrive. "I think the time is not far distant

"I think the time is not far distant when all the Northwestern conference colleges will adopt the individual managership idea." said Professor Angell last night, "and I believe it is the most successful method of handling college sports. The idea seems to be becoming popular with the different institutions rapidly for half of the conference teams now have half of the conference teams now have adopted this method. These are Wash-ington State College, University of Wash-ington and O. A. C."

BLACK CATS' MANAGER BACK

Rowland Says He Has Pennant-Winner for Next Season.

ABERDEEN. Wash., Dec. 12-(Spe cial.)-Manager C. F. Rowland, of the Aberdeen Black Cats, has returned from his business trip in the East, where he rubbed elbows with the higher-ups in baseball. At present he contents him-self with saying that he "picked some good ones and a pennant winner for next

It is estimated that not counting the several thousand dollars realized on the sale of "Bud" Pernoll and Vincent Campbell at the close of last season, the local club will need in the neighborhood of \$7000 additional. A meeting will be held in the near future and collection of the money will be put in the hands of a committee of representative busines

BASKETBALL TEAM FORMED

Christian Brothers Business College Ready for Games.

The Christian Brothers' Business College basketball team has been or-ganized for the coming season and the following will comprise the team: Center, Kennefick; forwards, Hughes and Brinkerhoff; guards, Van Hommissen. Winters, Elvers, Nehl, Sauvain. Sabin is manager of the team. Captain of the team will be elected

Dallas Leads at Basketball.

ALBANY, Or., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—At the end of the first week's playing in the International Basketball League, an organization composed of Willamette Valley educational institutions, the standing of the teams is as follows:

Dallas College
Philomath College
Pacific College
Albany College
McMinnville College
Chemawa Indian School

Pacific College Wins From Albany. ALBANY, Or., Dec. 12 .- (Special.)-Pacific College, of Newberg, won from Albany College in a basketball game in the Alco Club gymnasium last even-ing, 26 to 19. The visitors led from the start and the first half ended 17 to 9. In the second half Albany made the

most points, but couldn't overcome the

Marshfield Eleven Defeats Coquille. MARSHFIELD, Or., Dec. 12,—(Special.)—The Marshfield football team defeated Coquille today at North Bend. 16

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SWIM COURSE MAY ALTER

CURRENT IN RIVER LIKELY TO

CAUSE CHANGE ON CHRISTMAS.

CO. Fowler and Case, holding down the guarding positions, helped to keep their opponents' score down to a minimum. Williams and Daly were the star players for the Pilgrim team. The line-up was as HAYES AGAIN EASY WINN CAUSE CHANGE ON CHRISTMAS. | follows:

Multnomah's Swimming Instructor At Finds Conditions May Result in Making Contest Easier.

Professor "Tums" Cavill, the Multno mah swimming instructor, who is han dling the arrangements for the Christ mas-day swim, visited the waterfront yesterday and has decided that if the current is running as swift as yester day the course of the swim will not e across the river, but from the Morison to the Burnaide-street bridges.

This decision was reached by Cavill ecause some of the amateur swim iers, in making the attempt, may hav difficulty in breasting the swift cur-rent, and in the event that such a curent is prevalent Christmas morning, the beginners will have a better chance at the prizes by awimming with

the current down stream.
Yesterday a five-mile current wasrunning, and Cavill states that he,
himself, would have difficulty in
breasting the river from one given point to another unless a long sweep

uted by Stephen T. Britten, donor of the first-prize cup for the men, have been added to the trophies for the swim, while George Bannon, of Bannon & Co., an East Side firm, has do-nated a handsome lady's bag or satchel, which will be engraved with winner's initials, as second prize for the women who compete.

DENNIS WINS AT BILLIARDS Multnomah Club Members Engage in Tournament.

A half dozen interesting and wellcontested billiard matches were played Saturday night at the Multnomah Club in the annual handicap tournament be-

The feature of the evening was the work of William Dennis in a match with A. Morris in the first class. Dennis won the match by the score of 125 to 29, and finished with a run of 23 points, O. Kerrigan also put up a good exhibition when he defeated William B. Streetor, 125-83.

Fifth class-G. R. Knight 45 to H. R. Fifth class—C. R. Knight so to H. R. Sutler 36.
First class—O. R. Kerrigan (100) heat F. Banks (75), 100 to 50
Fifth class—C. R. Monson 45 to L. H. inghes 43.
Fifth class—G. R. Knight 45 to C. R. fenson 42
First class—G. Kerrigan (100) beat William R. Streeter (123) 192, to 52 422 Class—O. Kerrigan (100) beat Wil-Streeter (125), 125 to 93, class—A. Morris 125 to William

SUNNYSIDE BEATS PILGRIMS

Albina Players Not in Expected Form for Second Game.

The Pilgrims, of Albina, were defeated by the team representing Sunnyside in a whirlwind game of basketball in the lat-ter's gymnasium Saturday evening by the overwhelming score of 25 to 15. This was only the second game for the Pilgrims, and they did not play in the form expected. Sunnyelde captured the

ball in the first half minute of play, and before four minutes were over they had scored eight points to their opponents' Al Shipley, playing left forward, threw six baskets for Sunnyside. Verne Ship-ley, playing the other forward, rolled up

CORNELL ADVOCATES REFORM University Faculty Wants Changes

in Football Game. ITHACA, N. Y., Dec. 12 .- The Cornell Iniversity faculty Saturday adopted a esolution advocating reform in foot-

ball. The resolution says: safety of life and limb and higher tane

13 points. Rittenoir, playing center, did standards of honor and fair-play, it is effective work, getting the ball almost the insistent opinion of this faculty that the continuance of football as a game effective revision and enforcement of the rules regulating the game."

HAYES AGAIN EASY WINNER

Marathon Hero Defeats Jimmy Fitz-

gerald on Ocean Shore Tracks. Hayes, Marathon hero at the Olympic games at London, was an easy victor in a Marathon race held today, defeat-ing Jimmy Pitzgerald, the Canadian runner, by three laps on the Ocean Shore track and Connelly, of this city,

When Hayes' time was first computed at 2:6:54%. It was believed he had set a new world's record for the classic race. It was determined later, however, that the circular course run "With a view of securing greater more than a mile short of the full dis-



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