

NATIONAL LEAGUE PLAYS 154 GAMES

Big Baseball Magnates Decide to Follow Suit of American Body.

BARNEY DREYFUS RESCUES

Fight Over Date of Closing Schedule Ends When Champion Pittsburghers Offer to Take Over Conflicting Dates.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—The National League tonight adopted a playing schedule calling for 154 games for the coming season, but it was accomplished only after a majority of the magnates had expressed their opinion that newspaper criticism over the delay was causing unfavorable publicity.

Murphy and Ebbetts Oppose. The American League schedule terminates on October 9, although all league contracts with players call for service until October 15.

Pittsburg was scheduled for six Sunday games in Cincinnati, where there is no opposition and the dates have been exceptionally remunerative.

St. Louis was scheduled for six Sunday games in Chicago and four of these were when the champion Detroit of the American League were to play Chicago.

Dreyfus to Rescued. Then Barney Dreyfus, with his world's champion, stepped in and offered to take three of the St. Louis conflicting dates.

Following the adoption of the schedule tonight, the board of directors met to consider the claim of ex-Manager William H. Murray, of the Philadelphia club, for two years' salary on his contract.

AMERICAN WILL NOT FIGHT Johnson Says National May Make Minor Changes in Schedule.

CHICAGO, Feb. 18.—"The American League will not object to any minor changes the National League may make in its 154-game schedule," said President B. E. Johnson, of the American League, after the agreement reached by the joint schedule committee of the two leagues at Pittsburgh is binding on both schedules.

INTEREST IN MIDGETS GROWS Frank Conley Still Strong Favorite Over Monte Attell.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Feb. 18.—(Special.)—Interest in the midget boxing match between Frankie Conley and Monte Attell is increasing as the boys appreciate the importance of the event.

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has kept Coulen in the East. He positively refuses to meet any lad, even in an exhibition, who weighs more than 115 pounds. His consistency on this point undoubtedly gives him the best claim on the title.

BALL LEAGUE IS ORGANIZED

Umatilla, Hermiston, Stanfield and Echo Amateurs to Play.

ECHO, Or., Feb. 18.—(Special.)—A baseball league has been organized with the teams from Umatilla, Hermiston, Stanfield and Echo. A permanent organization has been effected at Umatilla, the officers being: F. S. Phelps, of Hermiston, president; Roy Neal, of Stanfield, vice president; E. B. Standfield, of Echo, treasurer; E. E. Starcher, of Umatilla, secretary.

NELSON TO FIGHT THOMPSON "Battler" Signs for 45-Round Go in May; Wants \$10,500.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 18.—(Special.)—The long pursuit of Cyclone Thompson has apparently been rewarded at last, for today Charlie Cleaver, Thompson's manager, secured the signature of Nelson to articles for a 45-round battle to be held on May 20, before the league's attorney, the best inducements.

Baseball Mandamus Delayed. SEATTLE, Feb. 18.—The mandamus proceeding brought by the Aberdeen baseball club to compel the Northwest League to take that club back into the circuit did not come up for a hearing today because the league's attorney, coming from Spokane, is tied up in the Cascade mountains by the snow blockade. The case will be taken up tomorrow.

Racquet Matches Near Finals. BOSTON, Feb. 18.—Five matches were played and there were three defaults in the National amateur racquet championship tournament today, bringing the event down to the second round.

Walla Walla Girls Winners. PENDLETON, Or., Feb. 18.—(Special.)—By the score of 17 to 15, the girls' basketball team of the Walla Walla High School defeated the Pendleton girls here tonight. The game was the most interesting of the season.

JAPANESE BANKS SUFFER Business in Pacific States Hurt by Mikado's Prohibition.

VICTORIA, B. C., Feb. 18.—Speeches attacking the refusal of the Government to permit further immigration to the Pacific coast have been made by the Progressivists in the Japanese diet.

Vancouver Gets Convention. VANCOUVER, Wash., Feb. 18.—(Special.)—The fourth annual convention of the State Association of County Commissioners of Washington will meet in Vancouver January 17, 1911.

Thousand Dollar License Paid. ELMA, Wash., Feb. 18.—(Special.)—J. T. Shelby is the first to pay the \$1000 saloon license in Elma. His license had just expired. There are six saloons in Elma, four of which have nearly a year yet to run. Two licenses will have to be renewed soon.

PITCHER WHO WILL JOIN M'CREIDIE'S TRAINING SQUAD

BY W. J. PETRAIN. Manager McCredie yesterday received a letter from George "Nig" Perrine, accepting terms with the Portland baseball team for the coming season, and now the tall manager is not worrying at all over the holding out of Ivan Olson. Perrine is the speedy shortstop formerly with the Louisville team of the American Association, but who was out of the game last season because of an injury to his ankle.

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BOER WAR VETERAN DIES IN DENVER DENVER, Feb. 18.—Captain H. S. Stark, one of the best-known mining engineers in the country, and captain in the Royal Engineers during the Boer war, died at Mercy Hospital today.

TRAVEL COMFORT TO SPOKANE AND EAST VIA Spokane, Portland & Seattle Ry.

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FAST SHORT SIGNS Perrine Will Make Up for Failure to Get Perrine. M'CREIDIE'S WORRY OVER Olson's Delay in Coming to Terms No Longer Causes Anxiety—Steen, Pitcher Drafted from Bloomington, Is Also Secured.

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