

BATTLE GAUNTLET HURLED AT LEAGUE

National Baseball Commission Turns Down Demands of American Association.

BITTER FIGHT THREATENS

Western Organization Granted Till September 10 to Return Answer for Peace or War, by Game's Governing Body.

CINCINNATI, Aug. 31.—Whether the American Association will withdraw from the National agreement and declare war on major leagues is now up to the members of that organization, the National Baseball Commission having denied all its demands at a meeting here today.

The commission gave the American Association until September 10 to answer whether it will operate under the National agreement and whether organized baseball will continue to flourish in the eight cities of the association.

Before the commission went into executive session today to consider the demands for greater privileges made for the greater American Association, it was rumored that it would not permit any radical changes, but might see its way clear to grant some of the claims made on behalf of the association.

Big Concessions Asked.

Chairman August Herrmann made the announcement that he had turned down all the demands for concessions made by the American Association had been refused.

When President Chivington, of the American Association, learned that the commission had denied the demands, he said he would have nothing to give out to the public until he had read the full decision.

The demands of the American Association are: Five thousand dollars for each player drafted from the association by the National or American leagues.

A classification distinct from any league now in the National agreement save the Eastern League. Only one man to be drafted from a club each season, as is now the case. The right to take all cases or appeals direct to the National Commission without interference or jurisdiction on the part of the National Association of Minor Leagues.

Barrow Against War.

In return the American Association will agree to re-organize and re-constitute the other leagues and to waive the drafting rights on minor leagues now held by it, buying all players direct from major or minor leagues.

Yague talk of a baseball war if the National Commission does not grant all that is asked for was again rife today.

The possibility that the American Association will break away from the National agreement and institute a baseball war, however, received what baseball magnates consider a death blow tonight when President Edward Barrow, of the Eastern League, issued a statement to the National Commission that the Eastern League did not join with the American Association in its demands.

President Cavanaugh, of the Southern League, is on the way to Cincinnati. It is believed by those familiar with the situation that he will take a stand similar to that of the Eastern League.

Baseball Notables Attend.

It was shortly before noon when President T. J. Chivington, of the American Association, and W. D. Armour, president of the Toledo club of the American Association, were called before the National Commission and formally submitted the demands of the American Association.

Among the many prominent baseball men here now are: Charles W. Murphy, manager of the Washington club; Dr. Carson, president of the Central League; President Sexton, of the National Association of Minor Leagues; and J. H. Farrar, its secretary; T. J. O'Neill, of the Western League; and T. J. Chivington, president of the American Association.

BOWLERS BAR "DODO" BALL

Crooked Sphere Enables Player to Knock Down More Pins.

CHICAGO, Aug. 31.—The Windy City Bowling League abolished the "dodo" ball at its meeting last night.

Efforts have been made ever since the close of last season to secure legislation unfavorable to the trick ball, but no action was taken by the American Bowling Congress. The National Bowling Association, which controls the game in the East, put a ban on the ball last Spring.

The "dodo" ball is made by taking two halves of different balls and gluing them together, the heavier half enabling the sphere to take a sweeping hook and clearing up more pins than an ordinary ball would knock down.

BLANCHE VANCOVER WINNER

Bay Mare Pulls Away From Field in Exciting 2:20 Pace.

VANCOUVER, B. C. Aug. 31.—Fair racing was seen at the exhibition grounds this afternoon. The final heat of the 2:20 pace was exciting. F. Childs' bay mare, Blanche, pulling away from the field in the first lap and holding the lead to the end. Summary:

2:20 pace, \$2500, the Cascade stakes—Blanche won, William T. second, Kinglet third, time 2:17.

Three-year-old pace, \$500—Miss Mercury won, Hal Gray second, Uncle H. third, time 2:20.

2:15 consolation pace, purse \$1000—Francis J. won, Alvis second, Dutch Sumner third, time 2:14.

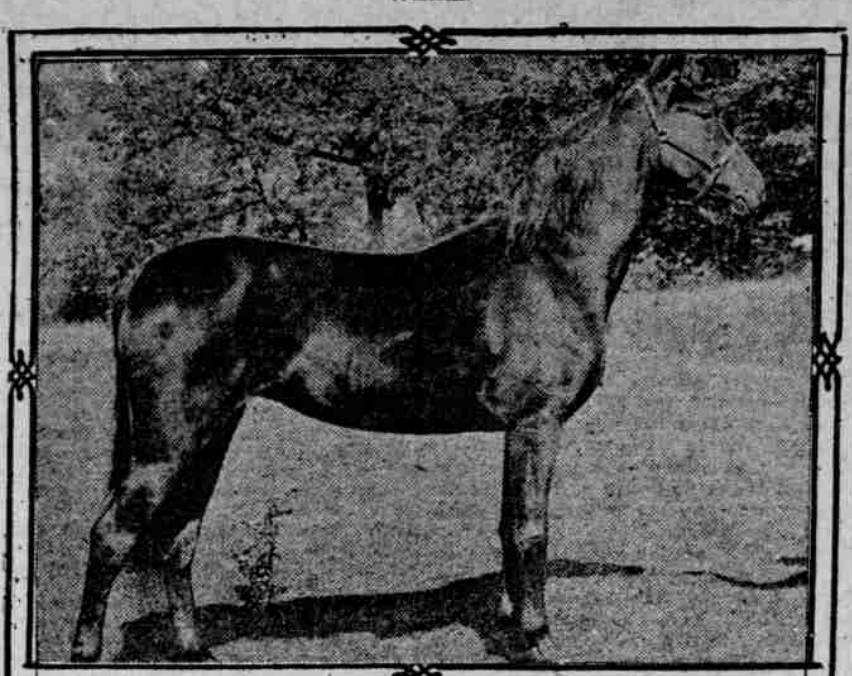
Consolation pace, purse \$500—Babe H. won, Zoso second, Listerine third, time 2:17.

Seven furlongs, running, purse \$20—Lord Resington won, Royal River second, La Camargue third, time 1:22.

Briton Tests American Sod.

NEW YORK, Aug. 31.—Harold H. Hilton, the British golf champion, had his first round of golf on American soil yesterday. Mr. Hilton chose Garden City for his first game, playing around the famous Long Island course twice. In the morning the champion went around with his English friend, Philip Sampson, and despite rain and soggy turf, covered the 18 holes in 75 strokes.

TWO ENTRIES IN PORTLAND FAIR AND LIVESTOCK RACES NEXT WEEK.



PHYLLIS WYNN



TEDDY BEAR 2:05 OWNED BY C. F. SILVA

Teddy Bear, the classy pacer, who went the route in 2:05 at Sacramento, is entered in the 2:08 pace, purse \$500 0, at the Portland race meet, and local horsemen are looking forward for some Portland records to go glimmering. The horse is owned by C. F. Silva, of Sacramento.

Phyllis Wynn, a trotter, owned by the Bonaday Stock Farm, of Roseburg, is entered in the 2:12 trot for the \$10,000 purse, and will also participate in the Siem, Medford and other meets throughout the Northwest.

BALL WAR LOOMS

Prospects of Outlaw League Growing Serious.

HIGHER UPS ARE IN BAD FIX

Coast League Men May Quit Organized Fold if American Association Wins Present Demands for Revised Classification.

BY ROSCOE FAWCETT. Baseball fans a few weeks ago were inclined to treat with ridicule the possibility of the American Association seceding from organized baseball. Now outlaw talk is rampant in the East, and a formal statement issued by the National Commission yesterday, refusing the demands of the American Association for equality, will not tend to apply the anti-wrinkle ointment.

The fact that the National Commission called on every association club to send notification by September 10 if it intends to remain in organized baseball shows how really serious the situation is, and baseball men all over the country are now forced to admit that a third major league is more than a possibility.

The conditions demanded by the American Association and Eastern League include the creation of a Class AA, a grade higher classification than the Pacific Coast, Western and Southern Leagues, thus permitting the double A clubs to draft from the latter class A.

Cal. Ewing, one of the prime movers in the Coast League, said in San Francisco the other day: "The Pacific Coast League was guaranteed the highest minor league classification when it came under the protection of the National Commission, and if the American Association or Eastern League is granted any concession in class, the Coast league will positively go outlaw."

"Outlaw ball will pay us better, and, as we are already entrenched out here, we could supply the fans with better baseball."

This, with the known belligerence of the Western League, puts the National Commission between the devil and the deep blue waters. Suffice to say the powers that be are in far better position to fight the American Association invasion in their home territory than to carry on the war along the Pacific Coast.

Barbour sounds like the most promising white hope in the pugilistic line. He should be able to fight the black champion with his own weapons.

Portland is getting an abundance of advertising in California through the medium of the \$10,000 race purse hung up by the Fair & Livestock Association at Sacramento on the afternoon of September 4, when Frankie Edwards, the classy Oakland boxer, and Bud Anderson, of Vancouver, Wash., are billed to go over the 15-round route in the ball park.

The popular Vancouver lightweight defeated Edwards at Kinzabath Falls recently and the Californian is clamoring for revenge. "Chuck" O'Connell and several other well-known milt-wielders are signed for preliminary work.

F. M. Walsh, a well-known promoter, who had the boys originally signed up for Centennial week at Astoria, is handling the Rainier event. Trains leave here at 1 P. M., and the return trip can be made by 8 P. M.

Gotham Bout Delayed.

NEW YORK, Aug. 31.—The ten-round boxing bout scheduled for tonight between Pat Moore, of Philadelphia, and Tommy Murphy, of New York, before the National Sporting Club, was postponed until next Thursday night.

Champion Insists on Foul Provision in Hackenschmidt Match.

HUMBOLDT, Iowa, Aug. 31.—Wrestler Frank Jotch did his last training in his camp here today. He took a road workout early this morning, following which he played handball for an hour tonight with his trainer, Gotch left Humboldt in a special car for Chicago.

Gotch, in his forthcoming Labor day match with George Hackenschmidt at Chicago, will submit to no rules formulated especially for that occasion. He so informed Referee Edward W. Smith at his camp here this afternoon.

Gotch said the old rules would be insisted on, particularly that one which makes hanging on the ropes a foul. The champion asserted that in the last match Hackenschmidt resorted much to that practice.

BOXERS MIX ON LABOR DAY

Portland Fight Fans Plan to See Vancouver Bout.

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WAGNER QUILTS HIS CRUTCHES

Great Pirate Star Chafes Over Injury That Lays Him Up.

PITTSBURG, Aug. 31.—Honus Wagner, star shortstop and batter of the Pittsburg Nationals, is impatient over his enforced idleness, due to a disabled ankle. He hopes to bring his

ankle to good enough shape to return to the game within a week or 10 days. Wagner has discarded his crutches. He has been cautioned against taking early chances. The Pirates returned today from the most disastrous eastern expedition in the history of the team as a pennant contender.

Homing Pigeons Coming Sunday.

EUGENE, Or., Aug. 31.—(Special)—S. R. Moore, agent for the Wells-Fargo Express, will liberate 40 to 50 homing pigeons Sunday morning for the Port-

land division of the National Amateur Homing Pigeon Association. The birds should make the 123 miles in a little over three hours.

Grand Circuit Races Postponed.

READVILLE, Mass., Aug. 31.—Continued rainy weather caused the postponement again today of the Grand Circuit harness racing.

The Chinese government is planning to extend its merchant fleet of Chinese steamers of modern build in the immediate future to the extent of 30 fast steamships.

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