

WEATHER MENACES ON EVE OF SERIES

Nation Awaits Cry of "Play Ball!" Today

BETTING IS VIRTUALLY EVEN

Speculators Force Visitors to Pay Enormous Prices.

LINEUPS ARE KEPT SECRET

Commission Decides to Let Players Write—Bender and Marquard or Mathewson Almost Sure to Be Opposing Pitchers.

"PROBABLY FAIR" FORECAST; CONDITIONS "UNSETTLED."
NEW YORK, Oct. 6.—"Probably fair" was the conclusion reached today by the weather forecaster regarding tomorrow's game. Northeast winds are expected, however, and "unsettled" weather conditions was the most definite prophecy.

NEW YORK, Oct. 6.—The stage is set and tomorrow the curtain will rise on the final act of the 1913 baseball drama. Behind the scenes the Philadelphia Athletics and the New York Giants are at their stations ready for the cue that will send them into the limelight of the world's series.

Spectators from all parts of the United States are ready for the rush on the Polo Grounds and only the menace of the weather man stands between thousands of fans and the fulfillment of their expectations.

"Unsettled conditions," was his dubious prediction for tomorrow.

Players Refuse to Predict.
Neither managers nor players will venture a straight prediction as to the result of either the first game or the series, and their doubts as to the outcome is reflected in a manner which gives them the edge, offers 9 to 10 with the better making his own choice as to the probable winner.

There has been less betting than usual. The amounts range from \$5 to \$50 and many are of the freak variety, both concerning the pitchers for the opening game, total number of games in the series and similar propositions.

Baker's Bat Mentioned.
Supporters of Mathewson and Marquard advanced a score of reasons why Manager McGraw should start their favorite against the Athletics. Fans from Philadelphia smiled and gently inserted in the arguments a mention of J. Franklin Baker and what his trusty home-run bat did in the series of 1911.

In the midst of the turmoil of "fanning" the players of the two clubs slipped away early and tried to calm frayed nerves with a snooze that appeared to be one of the most unattainable things of the series. The members of the New York club retired to their homes several hours before midnight and even the literary characters among them dropped pens and pencils in order that the bat might prove effective on the morrow.

The entire Philadelphia club, accompanied by a number of "rooters," arrived in the city shortly after 10 P. M. and retired at once to an uptown hotel. Little information regarding the plan of campaign was forthcoming and apparently both Connie Mack and John McGraw were playing a waiting game so far as final plans and lineups were concerned.

Speculators Are Active.
While the principal actors in the great climax of the baseball year were woeing sleep the ticket speculators and the baseball public were far more active. Despite the plans and protestations of the New York National club officials, the New York ticket speculator proved his right to the title "king of his craft" for, although there were but \$300 reserved seats sold by the club to a selected list of patrons, a certain percentage of the coupons quickly found their way into the hands of the ticket vendors, who offered them at prices many times over their face value. There was the usual cry of "scandal" and "investigation," but old-timers smiled and spoke of similar previous experiences which resulted in much talk but no action.

Because of the fact that 8000 of the 62,000 seats were disposed of in the advance sale, the opportunities for speculators to secure tickets were not as great as in the past. Consequently those that were available commanded almost fabulous prices. Seats for the three New York games were offered at prices ranging from \$50 to \$100, according to local newspapers. Single seats for each game were quoted at \$30 each, and found ready purchasers at ten times their original price.

Boston Club Owner Wroth.
James E. Gaffman, president and owner of the Boston National League club, was one of the first to interview the speculators. Gaffman applied to the New York club for 46 seats, as was his privilege as a club owner and

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HEIR TO \$415,000 FOUND WEEK LATE

WOMAN POSING AS DAUGHTER OF A. DUVALL APPEARS.

Claim for California Estate Made Few Days After Property is Sold for State.

OAKLAND, Cal., Oct. 6.—Interest in the sale last Saturday of the famous Alexander Duvall estate, valued at nearly half a million dollars, was revived here today, when Public Administrator Mehrmann received a telegram from Attorney Warnock, of Chicago, stating that his client, Amelia Duvall Stevens, the long-missing heiress to the big estate had just learned that she was sought in connection with the disposition of the property.

The receipts of the public auction of the property, totaling nearly \$300,000, will revert to the state, owing to the failure of the public administrator to locate the missing daughter of the eccentric old man. There still remains unsold property valued at about \$115,000 and this will go to the daughter in the event of her producing satisfactory proof of her relationship to Alexander Duvall.

The girl was cast off by her father in 1896 because of her refusal to marry for the sake of the money. On the death of Duvall, last April, a diligent search was made in the United States and Canada for the daughter, and it was only when it became generally accepted belief that she was dead that the valuable estate was put under auction.

TIM WOODRUFF RELAPSES

New York Political Leader's Condition Reported Serious.

NEW YORK, Oct. 7.—Timothy L. Woodruff, who was stricken at the fusion notification meeting a week ago with what was declared to be paralysis, suffered a relapse Sunday afternoon and was said to be in a serious condition tonight when he was revived after being in a state of coma for 30 hours.

His wife and son are in constant attendance. It is learned that the arteries on the right side of his head hardened, thus causing paralysis of his left side and that the attack was brought on by a stroke of apoplexy.

WEST, OLCOTT, KAY SUED

Attorney-General Brings \$16,000 Damage Action for State.

SALEM, Or., Oct. 6.—(Special.)—Circuit Judge Kelly having sustained the demurrer to the suit of Attorney-General Crawford against Governor West, Secretary of State OLCOTT and Treasurer Kay for alleged wrongful expenditure of about \$16,000 of the penitentiary revolving fund, the Attorney-General today filed an amended complaint, charging that the state had been damaged in that amount.

Attorney-General Crawford is confident he has a cause of action against the defendants. It is the intention to appeal to the Supreme Court; no matter which side wins in the Circuit Court.

DRILLERS TAP OIL AND GAS

Courier Brings News to Aberdeen of Find Near Hoh River.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Oct. 6.—(Special.)—Oil and gas in considerable quantity has been struck by the Washington Oil Company in its well at Forks, north of the Hoh River, according to a dispatch brought here by a courier today. At a depth of 1,400 feet the gas was so plentiful that sheets of flame shot high over the well when it was ignited.

The oil seepage is very heavy, but a pool of petroleum has not been struck so far. Drilling by the Indian Oil Company at Tahola, on the Quinault Indian reservation, started this morning.

KAISER GIVES WIDOW HALF

Emperor of Germany Compromises on \$500,000 Bequest to Him.

BERLIN, Oct. 6.—Emperor William agreed today to a compromise in connection with the estate of \$500,000 left to him by Herman Knorr, a patriotic but eccentric wood Kauschwitz.

The Emperor has consented to take one-half and allow the widow to keep the remainder.

PANAMA TOWN DESTROYED

Earthquake Shakes Down Village and Is Felt at Colon.

PANAMA, Oct. 6.—The village of Tomosi, in the western part of the Republic, according to a report as yet unconfirmed, was totally destroyed by an earthquake on Saturday. Shocks were felt both here and at Colon the same day.

Tomosi had a population of 300 persons.

MENAGERIE BEASTS KILL

Austrian Government to Send Men After Wild Animals.

VIENNA, Oct. 6.—The destruction of flocks and herds in the mountains of Styria, Austria, by a pack of wolves, hyenas and lions, which escaped from a menagerie last month, has been so enormous that the Austrian government has ordered the organization of an expedition to kill the wild beasts.

BRANCHES OF PARTY AIM TOWARD UNITY

Convention in 1914 Is Becoming Likely.

FIGHT CENTERED ON RULES

'Get-Together' Plans Are Outlined by Cummins.

DELEGATES CHIEF ISSUE

Belief Is Republicans and Progressives Can Be Harmonized If Power of Convention to Rule Itself Is Taken Away.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 6.—Senator Cummins outlined today in part the reform plans of the so-called "conciliation committee" of Republicans and Progressives which hopes to bring about the holding of a National Republican convention early in 1914.

The change in the representation of Southern states in the National convention is a secondary matter in the programme of the committee. With the added support of many Republican leaders who did not participate last Spring in the "get-together" conference in Chicago, they will insist that the control of the Republican National committee over seating of delegates in a National convention be abolished.

Seating of Delegates Chief Issue.
"The chief issue in this fight," Senator Cummins said today, "is that involving the method of selecting and seating delegates in the National convention that nominates the Presidential and Vice-Presidential candidate. We shall insist that the present rules be so modified and reconstructed that the Republican National committee will no longer have the power to make up a temporary roll of delegates or pass on the credentials of state delegates before they are seated in the convention."

"Where states have primary laws that govern the election of delegates it will be an easy matter to provide by party rule that the certificates issued by local election officials shall be final evidence entitling the delegates to seats in the convention. Where such laws do not exist, however, I believe that Republican authorities in each state, either the state committee or a special board, should pass on all contests and settle the eligibility of delegations before they go to the National conventions."

"We shall insist that some such change as this be made, so that such (Concluded on Page 2.)

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\$200,000 PAID IN TAXES

Estimate of Delinquency for Second Half of Year \$10,000.

Delinquent taxes for the second half will amount to but little more than \$10,000, said Deputy Hucksby last night after his office closed. About \$200,000 was collected yesterday, about 1500 persons appearing in person to pay their taxes and more than double that number remitting through the mails.

In addition to the checks that were received yesterday, another flood is expected today, and all letters post-marked October 5 will be treated as received yesterday and so credited.

Diplomatic Nominations Due.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 6.—President Wilson expects to send to the Senate this week the nomination of H. M. Pindell, a newspaper editor of Peoria, Ill., to be Ambassador to Russia, and that of Mayor Brand Whitlock, of Toledo, to be Minister to Belgium. There is still a possibility that William F. McCombs, Democratic National chairman, will be nominated for Ambassador to France.

RAGING MILITANTS FIGHT POLICEMEN

Miss Annie Kenney Is Again in Prison.

ARREST CAUSES A WILD RIOT

Suffragette Leader Captured While Planning Hostilities.

OFFICERS USE MAIN FORCE

Shrieking Women in Hall, While Trying to Protect Leader, Are Scattered About Like Ninpins.

Clothes of Many Are Torn.

LONDON, Oct. 6.—The militant suffragettes were deprived of one of their leaders, Miss Annie Kenney, who was arrested on the platform of a London music-hall in the course of a meeting today to mark the commencement of hostilities. Miss Kenney was released from prison after a hunger strike two months ago. She was undergoing a term of 18 months' imprisonment for conspiracy.

Miss Kenney had just opened her speech with the words, "I hear there are detectives in the wings," when a squad of policemen dashed out on the platform in flying wedge formation.

Policemen Scatter Women.
The women seated around Miss Kenney tried to get between her and the policemen so as to give their leader a chance to escape, but the policemen scattered the women about like ninepins and caught Miss Kenney just as she was preparing to leap from the platform into the orchestra.

As Miss Kenney was seized yells of protest arose from the hundreds of women filling the hall. There was a wild din accompanying the short but fierce struggle between women who endeavored to rescue Miss Kenney and the officers who had her in custody. She was rushed to a waiting taxicab, which started off after a final sharp skirmish to Holloway jail.

Fight in Street Frenzied.
The scene in the street in front of the music-hall was of the wildest description. The women fought and struggled furiously, and their torn dresses and the rips in the policemen's tunics testified to the fierceness of the scrimmage.

One of the women threw herself in front of the wheels of the cab. Others attempted to climb through the window, and the shrieking militants had to be pulled off by main force.

Eventually a solid phalanx of police (Concluded on Page 2.)

FUGITIVE VAGRANT RETURNS WEALTHY

ESCAPED PRISONER STRIKES IT RICH IN ALASKA.

With 30 Days of Sentence Yet to Serve, William Walker, Now Married, Gives Up to Police.

OAKLAND, Cal., Oct. 6.—In February, 1912, William Walker, serving three months on the Alameda County chain gang for vagrancy, escaped with 30 days of his sentence yet to run. Today he returned, married and wealthy, and surrendered himself to the central police station.

He explained that he had gone to Alaska and struck it rich, but that the cloud of his unexpired term had bothered his conscience. He asked if he could pay a fine and escape going to jail, but the City Attorney found that the sentence called for serving time.

Walker declared his willingness to be locked up. During the next 30 days Walker will be extended every favor possible and will be made a prison trusty. His wife will be given the privilege of visiting him each day.

SCHOOLS MAKE GOOD GAIN

Final Registration Census Shows Attendance of 27,537.

The final registration census for this half year in the public schools of Portland was taken yesterday, this being the fourth week of the year, and the total was 27,537.

Although the registration on the opening day of the year was light, the attendance quickly caught up and yesterday's figures showed an advance of 3875 over the figures of the opening day. Without exception the schools of Portland show now an increase of attendance over last year, although several new schools have been established. The advance in the registration over that of last year at the fourth week is 1143.

Firehouses Swept Away.
It is impossible to cope with the flames. All of the fire-fighting apparatus was destroyed by the storm and the waterworks also is out of commission. The firehouses and their contents were swept away by the gale.

Front street is a seething mass of wreckage into which leech-like seas are breaking.

Hundreds of homeless persons are struggling against wind and wave in an effort to collect enough food from the debris to sustain life for themselves and families for a day or two.

Receding seas are carrying away wrecked homes and store buildings with their contents.

None of the buildings on the spit, that part of the city virtually "built upon the sands," remain standing and a score of fires are blazing at different places in the ruins.

Sand-Spit Residents Cut Off.
Persons who remained on the spit are unable to reach the mainland, as the high seas have made an island of that part of the camp.

Front street is a sea of floating debris. Not a house is standing on this thoroughfare.

More than 500 homes and business buildings are destroyed; electric light service went out of commission early last night. Newspapers and other plants depending on electric power have suspended.

It is estimated that the loss will reach \$1,000,000.

Famine May Follow.
So great was the destruction of provisions that it is feared a famine will follow.

Men and women, standing waist deep in the icy waters of Bering Sea, labored all night in an effort to save some of their household goods.

Sweeping in from the sea, the wind backed water and ice above the foundations of all houses in Front street. The gale completed the destruction and by morning not a building was standing on the waterfront.

Suffering from the cold was intense, although no loss of life has been reported.

All small boats in the harbor were piled on the beach and destroyed. The steamers Victoria and Corwin escaped by running to the open sea.

The fate of Candler, a camp 100 miles north of Nome, is unknown, as telephone lines along the beach fell with the first blast.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 6.—The revenue cutter Bear is now en route from Alaska to Nome. No official report has reached here regarding the storm, but the Bear is expected to reach Nome in a day or two and probably will make a report of the needs of the people.

RAIN PLEASES PEINDLETON

Sheepmen Fear Snow in Hills Will Delay Exit of Sheep.

PENDLETON, Or., Oct. 6.—(Special.)—The heaviest rain storm Peindleton has seen in many months is being experienced tonight.

The downpour is causing general rejoicing among all classes, with a single exception of the sheepmen. It is feared by them that the storm in the mountains has taken the form of snow and will, therefore, render more difficult the task of bringing out their sheep.

The growers of grain are the ones who will receive the greatest amount of benefit from the precipitation.

RUSSIAN PALACE GETS MUD

Thousand Cases to Be Shipped for Czarevitch, Presumably.

ODESSA, Oct. 6.—(Special.)—One thousand cases of mud from the salt lake baths near this city have been ordered for shipment to the imperial palace at Malta.

It is understood that the mud is to be used in the treatment of the malady from which the Czarevitch is suffering.

FIRE AND BLIZZARD DEVASTATING NOME

Flames Rage in Ruins of Mining Camp.

PROVISION DEPOT DESTROYED

Gale Drives Raging Seas Into City Built on Sand.

500 BUILDINGS TUMBLE

Men and Women Labor in Icy Water to Save Enough Food to Sustain Life—Famine Is Feared.

Vessels Pile on Beach.

NOME, Alaska, Oct. 6.—Fire is completing the destruction of Blizard-wrecked Nome tonight.

Following a night and day of terror, 24 hours of the worst arctic storm that ever visited Alaska's most famous mining camp, flames started in the ruins of wrecked buildings and at a late hour tonight the city seems doomed.

The Pacific Cold Storage plant, in which is stored the chief supplies of winter provisions, is burning. This plant contains virtually all of the meat in Nome.

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POSTMASTER FISK TO QUIT

Official Who Defied Burleson to Resign Voluntarily.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 6.—Arthur G. Fisk, postmaster, who four months ago announced his determination to resist the efforts of Postmaster-General Burleson to remove him from office following his refusal to resign, declared tonight that he would resign voluntarily soon.

Fisk expects to leave San Francisco in December to take charge of the estate left by the late F. J. ("Lucky") Baldwin.

DANIELS WILL ASK INQUIRY

Navy Head to Deal Drastically in Cases of Drunkenness.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 6.—Secretary Daniels will insist on an official report on the case of Ensign Chevalier, one of the Navy aviators arrested in Baltimore after running down two boys with an automobile.

The Secretary also announced that he proposes to deal drastically with cases of drunkenness among Naval officers.

