

ONE-YEAR CONTROL OF PLAYERS URGED

Johnson Descants Against Baseball Barnstorming in Winter Months.

LEAGUE OPPOSED TO WARD

Promise Made to Name Men Connected With Bribe Scandal of 1908 When Deciding Game Was About to Be Played.

CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—(Special.)—Baseball players will be asked to serve the year round instead of seven months in future, if President B. B. Johnson, of the American League, carries the point outlined after his return to Chicago today. The chief of the younger circuit is against exhibition games and is determined to register a sturdy objection to seasons playing during the annual meeting at New York Wednesday.

"High-salaried players too often jeopardize their chances for competing in championship games by traveling around the country with barnstormers after the close of the league season," said Mr. Johnson, "and it is time the owners set up a barrier to this style of promiscuous play. All this talk about the American League wanting 168 games is manufactured from the whole cloth," continued the executive.

At this juncture Johnson was interrupted by President Comiskey, of the White Sox, who voiced his approval of a longer season. "The American League will stand united against the election of John Montgomery Ward as president of the National League and will continue to campaign against the former shortstop of the Giants was the keynote of Johnson's farewell oration.

Johnson declared he would furnish a sensation for the gathering of baseball magnates in New York next week by naming the men connected with the alleged umpire-bribe scandal of the Chicago-New York game of 1908. "I came in possession of new evidence in the case last summer," said Mr. Johnson, "and I am ready to produce it. The man named was merely a scapegoat for others."

Comiskey and Johnson were the men named to have been approached before the crucial game that determined the American League championship. Mr. Johnson also said he intended to protest against the practice of allowing baseball players to go on "barnstorming" trips during the off season. His plan to stop this, which he will announce at the American league meeting, is to sign all players to yearly contracts. In this way the club owner will control player activities throughout the entire 12 months.

President Johnson reiterated his declaration that the American League would continue to play the action of the National League. Charles A. Comiskey, president of the Chicago Cubs, announced that he would be willing to vote to lengthen the schedule to 168 games.

BIG LEAGUE MEN GATHERING Fight Between Heydler and Ward Interests Nationals. NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Major and minor league club owners and managers and players are trooping to New York to be here for the National and American league meetings.

GAME FORBIDDEN BY FACULTY Professional Promoters Said to Be Backing Seattle-Eastern Contest. SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 11.—There will be no football game between teams representing Englewood High School, of Chicago, or Ann Arbor High School, of Seattle, on New Year's day, or any other day, if the school authorities of Seattle can prevent it.

U. C. TO PLAY VANCOUVER NEXT Earns Trip North. UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, Berkeley, Cal., Dec. 11.—It has been customary since the introduction of rugby in California for the winning team of the Stanford-California game to send a team to Vancouver, where they contend with the Northerners on their own grounds. This year California, by right of winning from Stanford on November 12, will send a team north during the Christmas holidays for the first time. Twenty men will make the trip, and 49 of them will be picked from the squad

was picked for the game with Stanford. Both California and Stanford badly defeated the Vancouver team which this Fall visited California, but they promise a different story when the blue and gold meet them on their own ground.

FIGHT IS DECLARED DRAW Parisians Get Excited Over Decision of Colored Scrap.

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state's two big colleges, Stanford University and the University of California, in adopting the English game of rugby as being more spectacular and less dangerous than the American game. The authorities of the various institutions of learning that have adopted the Rugby game have become convinced that the present style of American game cannot survive the wave of criticism that is now being directed against it, especially in New York, where high school superintendents have forbidden the students to contest on the gridiron. Commencing with the winter season, the English game of football will be practically dead in California.

WARD'S CHANCES BRIGHTER

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WATERBURY PARK 6-DAY RACE

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FOGLER IN SECOND PLACE

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train, capable of maintaining a speed of 15 knots, with faster ships promised in the near future. The American people are going to pay large subsidies for ocean mail service, they will at least require equally fast and efficient service as that offered by the same service, with the exception of the Humphrey bill, which I think the figures I suggested to you for mail payments are more favorable than the ones incorporated in the Humphrey bill. I understand the bill proposes monthly service to the Philippines, four 15-knot steamers, \$78,000, while I proposed the same service with the same frequency, \$80,000. If the Humphrey bill is passed, the subsidy will probably be paid to an existing line, but if the 15-knot requirement is made, new steamers will have to be built in American shipyards, to earn the subsidy.

The vital requirement in the carriage of mail is dispatch. Most of the rolling stock of this Nation to subsidize mail steamers in large annual amounts, would be required of them is to be as great, or greater, as that of the foreign vessels available for the use of our postal department for the same purpose.

We are making a profit of \$10,000,000 annually at the present time out of the transportation of mails by water. Is the American Nation to be content with forgoing this profit in the subsidizing of American mail steamers, unless the speed and other facilities they offer are as great as those of the foreign lines? The present time, but during the next 10 years? It is unreasonable to believe that the subsidy will be built up to the purpose of earning postal subsidies, unless the same are guaranteed for at least 10 years, and therefore, for that period at least, the subsidy should be guaranteed by law, and in operation by the payment of subsidies, even though the American people should stand for it (which they will not) because of the great remedy would be absolutely unsuccessful.

My information regarding the cost of the steamship and Tremont was Alfred W. Vanoni, of Boston, who is in charge of the marine through the admission of foreign-built vessels, in the manner I proposed in my recent letter to you. You may rest assured that the results of the investigation and in operation by the payment of subsidies, even though the American people should stand for it (which they will not) because of the great remedy would be absolutely unsuccessful.

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PLANTING IS SHOW

Apple-Growing Class Has a Practical Lesson.

TILLAGE IS ESSENTIAL

W. K. Newell Illustrates Lecture Before Y. M. C. A. Class—Planting as Late as February 15 May Be Successful.

W. K. Newell, president of the State Board of Horticulture, addressed members of the Portland Apple-Growers' Association last night at the Y. M. C. A. last night, his subject being "Management of the Orchard." A feature of the lecture was a demonstration of pruning, prior to and after planting, which clipping the unused tops and pointing out the fine white feeders which are essential to growth. He then indicated the manner in which the large roots should be cut off to get best results by placing the cut surface in contact with the ground.

Beginning with the preparation of the soil, the lecturer discussed the steps in the growth of an Oregon apple tree until its fruit is ready for the market. "Soil Must Be Tilled." "Many city people are chiefly concerned with the apple orchard during two seasons of the year," said Mr. Newell. "In May it is common to see a thing of beauty. In the Fall the fruit is ready for use, but they escape contact with the drudgery which makes the results possible. The results of his orchard with a selection of soil.

"The first thing is to get a soil that is well drained. Most of the rolling hills of the Willamette Valley are well adapted to the growth of the trees, and in many of the bottom lands a sandy subsoil is found which is favorable. The soil should be tilled where not naturally drained, and as the trees grow the soil will become well drained. The bottom lands will pump all the moisture out of a tree before it is well rooted.

"Upon such a soil, when properly prepared, apple trees should enjoy a healthy life for from 50 to 75 years. Fertilizing Trees Best." "In planting it is always best to use nursery stock of the age of one year, and the young trees should never be taken from the nursery rows until they are ripe and the leaves begin to fall. They should be planted as soon after November 15 as possible, but trees which are planted up to February 15 usually thrive well. The warm spell which usually comes along in February has been found to give good results in planting. If trees are planted in the Spring they begin at once to grow and the buds and leaves will pump all the moisture out of a tree before it is well rooted.

"In planting on an old piece of land which has been cultivated for years, the ground should be plowed at least 12 inches deep. Young stock should be placed in the ground about two inches deeper than it stood in the nursery, and then should be headed back at 18 inches above the ground. During the first year the trees should be protected from frost, sunblister and insects, the best solution found being the following: used as a thick paste. Ten pounds of lime, one pound of concentrated borax, one pound of rosin and half a pound of arsenate of lead. Pruning of the limbs and sprouts should be done in February. The heading back of the limbs so as to force a low growth of the tree. To get that result the cut should be made beyond the bud pointed out in the direction of the limb to grow. Pruning should cease about the fifth year and thereafter only thinning of the top should be done.

"In starting out the course of lectures at the Y. M. C. A., a series of lectures will be given on the art of packing apples for export. The first lecture, in which all of the audience will have an opportunity to take part.

Complete List of Those Voted For in Our Great Piano Contest Follows. See Morrison-Street Window. Votes counted to 5 P. M. Saturday evening, December 10: Mrs. Charles Cain, 118 East 54th St. Mrs. W. R. Crabtree, Rose City Park Station. Mrs. C. T. Manning, 264 Fargo, near Union. Mrs. Theresa Santorino, Oak Grove. Mrs. L. E. Daxner, 475 Madison Street. Miss Clara Moore, 522 Chickamauga avenue, Sellwood. Mrs. F. B. Ruckert, 181 1/2 Whitaker (waterfront). Chief of Police Cox. (Voted by Mr. Sedgwick, 570 11th street, Sellwood.) Miss Esther Merrill, 1104 East Park. St. Elizabeth House (St. John the Baptist). Miss Thelma Bailey, Lewis, Or. Mrs. Ethel A. Zinear, 750 Vancouver avenue. St. Mary's Academy, Fourth and Mill. Leda Ball Reeder, Etwa, Wash. Mrs. L. E. Daxner, 475 Madison Street (care Harvey Mill Company). Mrs. L. B. Williams, Montaville, 53 Front street near Montana avenue. Mrs. C. L. Brown, 1267 East Taylor, between 49th and 47th. Mrs. B. Pederson, 731 Wilson street. Mrs. L. C. Turner, 350 Virginia. Mrs. E. C. Struerg, 781 Roosevelt, between 23d and 24th. Mrs. E. J. Johnston, 452 Bowman St. St. Cecilia's Church, Club room. St. Helen's Hall. Miss Annie Cauley, 619 Mississippi avenue.

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CORBETT IS HIS TRAINER

EX-CHAMPION WILL HELP GET JEFFRIES IN SHAPE.

"Gentleman Jim," on Leaving London, Declares Negro Should Be Easy Mark for Californian.

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LANCASTER WINS ON POINTS

Decision Against McGoorty Displeasing to Dublin Crowd.

DUBLIN, Dec. 11.—In a 20-round contest tonight Tom Lancaster, of England, won on points over Eddie McGoorty, of Oshkosh, Wis.

Oxford Wins With American Aid.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—Oxford had matters all her own way in the annual intervarsity rugby match at the Queen's Club today, defeating Cambridge by four goals and five tries to one try. Donald Grant Herring, of Bloomsburg, Pa., a former college football player at the University of Chicago, was among the Oxford forwards. His presence attracted attention, as it was the first time that an American had played in a varsity match.

"Big Eight" Session Falls.

CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—Coach A. A. Stagg's prediction that the proposed meeting of the "big eight" representatives of the American colleges, which would be a long process.

Features May Be Adopted.

Walter Camp's views are given as follows: As played by the Hamilton-Ottawa teams, football is much less dangerous than any played in the United States. Of course, you cannot tell how dangerous the game would be if the college Americans. The openness of the Canadian play makes the probability of serious hurts less.

CANADIAN RUGBY TRIED OUT

Elimination of Mass Plays' One Feature of New Game.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—From all parts of the United States football men gathered here today to witness the game of Canadian rugby between the Hamilton and Ottawa teams. Representatives from practically all of the big Eastern colleges, together with many former stars from Western schools, accepted invitations to be present, with the frank statement that they were seeking for suggestions for the revision of the rules of the American game.

Ottawa Indians Win Rugby Game.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—The Rugby football game at Van Cortlandt Park this afternoon between two Indian teams, witnessed by a crowd estimated at 30,000 persons, resulted in a victory for the Hamilton team, which defeated the Ottawa boys by a score of 11 to 6.

AMERICAN GAME ALMOST DEAD

California Institutions Almost One Mind for Rugby.

English Player to Teach Students. Game to Be Trainer.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, Dec. 11.—(Special.)—Soccer football will be introduced at the Oregon Agricultural College as soon as the new Army is completed. Dr. W. A. G. Handford, an English player, has been retained to teach the game.