BOXING CONTROL TO BE WORLD-WIDE

England Sports Would Uplift Game Like Baseball and Football.

IDEAS ARE MERITORIOUS

Sporting Life Suggests Governing Board of at Least One Delegate From England, France, Australia and United States.

BY W. J. PETRAIN.

From England comes the proposition to place boxing under the rules of an organization such as controls baseball and football, as well as other branches of sports, and some of the points taken by the supporters of the scheme, among whom is Lord Lonsdale, are meritorious.

The idea of the organization is primarily to perpetuate the game of self-defense as well as to promote uniform boxing rules which will absolutely govern all matches held in any part of the world represented in the union, and the idea seems well conceived, for there is no good reason why the boxers should not have an organization as well as other athletic games.

On this subject the London Sporting Life has the following:

Certainly not in the memory of that interesting personality, "the oldest inhabitant," has the art of self-defense occupied so prominent or so healthy a position among the sports of this country as it does today. In universities and public schools, in the services and great business houses, in church and chapel guilds and Y. M. C. A.s boxing holds an important and proud place; indeed, except by a few kill-joys, who would squeeze out of existence all human happiness, "the game" is applauded as a manly and eminently useful sport. On the amateur side we find this particularly healthy state of affairs; and taking the different circumstances into consideration, the professional side may be said to be in an equally flourishing condition.

Favors Board of Experts.

Having watched "the game" moving toward this goal, and having assisted and witnessed its advent, those who are most deeply interested in it naturally wish to see it retain its popularity in this country, and to endeavor, so far as they can, to make it possible for boxing in other countries to grow up and develop under the same circumstances as have favored it here.

How this may be done has been a problem to which lately we have given a considerable amount of thought; for there are so many interests to be taken into account that any hastily considered project may defeat the object in view. The main thing to strive after is the consolidation of international boxing under a board of gentlemen who will have the entire confidence of the various nations represented.

In England we can boast of at least a tacitly recognized authority—the National Sporting Club—whose dicta on knotty points are generally accepted as correct; but if we cast our thoughts to the United States, to Australia and to France, the three other countries in the world where professional boxing flourishes, we find no body that crystallizes the opinions of the boxing public.

Parenthetically, we may say that we are strongly of opinion that boxing will flourish locally just in proportion to the control, and the kind of control, exercised over it by the press. When the press has control, such as it has in this country—holding stakes which are real stakes and not bogus ones; appointing referees who will act justly whatever the consequences; refusing to hold the stakes of men who have brought or who are likely to bring "the game" into disrepute—then one may naturally expect cleaner sport than where control is exercised only by interested promoters.

Lonsdale Approves Move.

In order that a start may be made in the control of international boxing, in particular where championships of the world are concerned, we have promulgated a scheme which, we have the greatest pleasure in announcing, has the hearty support of that great sportsman, the Earl of Lonsdale, the patron of all that is best and purest in British boxing (who has further signified his willingness to do what he can to bring about the consummation of the idea); Mr. J. H. Douglas, the president of the Amateur Boxing Association, whose interest in boxing, as our readers are aware, has done so much to keep "the game" sweet in amateur and professional ranks; Mr. Eugene Corri, who is always ready to assist in any really deserving scheme, and who has the entire confidence of the boxing public, and others whose views we shall have pleasure in giving later.

Briefly outlined, the proposal is, as has been suggested:

"To create an international board, consisting of two representatives of boxing in Great Britain and the United States of America, and one representative in Australasia and France, for the purpose of—

"First—Framing rules for the conduct of the championships of the world.

"Second—Fixing the weights at which world's championships must be contested.

"Third—Deciding who are entitled to call themselves champions of the world.

"Fourth—If considered desirable, supplying belts or other trophies to be held by recognized champions of the world."

Governing Board Worldwide.

Sporting Life continues with a few suggestions on constitution, governing board and other matters, and referring to the governing board suggests that this body comprise at least one delegate from England, France, United States of America, Australia and other countries where boxing flourishes.

In selecting these delegates the London sporting authority suggests that the sporting editors of the newspapers in each section interested get together, name a delegate to a national convention and allow that body to select its National representative or representatives on the board of control, or governing board, as it may be named.

Lack of an organization has had much to do with the decline of the boxing game in America. The promoters who have handled most of the matches of National prominence have not always dealt squarely with the public, and this same thing is what has killed off horse racing.

As long as the public is given an even break in any branch of sport, there will be little opposition, but when a game gets into the control of unscrupulous handlers, then it is doomed to pass out, for public opinion will always frame the demise of anything crooked.

In the hands of a competent body, and one that is elective annually, especially if such a board is selected by the sporting editors of the world, it can be kept free of contamination and will be a worthy sponsor of a fine sport.

BILL LANGE IN NEW MOOD

Tells Story of Ed Delehanty's Terrific Batfest in Chicago.

Bill Lange was in a reminiscent mood the other day and told a California crowd of fans the story of Ed Delehanty's terrific batfest at Chicago 12 or 15 years ago.

"Delehanty had already rapped out three homers, and he had knocked a board off the fence another time up," said Bill.

"As he came up the last time I yelled to Terry, who was pitching for us that day, to wait a minute, so I could scramble out to the fence. Terry waited, and you know how far that center field fence at Chicago was from the plate. Deep as I was playing, Delehanty got the ball over my head, but I was on the ground soon after it struck. I could have held Ed at third, but the game was lost, so I let him have the glory of making four homers in one game. As you said, he was a wonderful batsman. I doubt if his superior ever lived. A peculiar thing about the game was that Terry, who pitched for us, had everything that day. He was in great shape, and yet Delehanty hit every ball he threw up. That's the way it goes sometimes."

SWIMMING TANK UNDER WAY

Catholic Young Men's Club Adds to Athletic Features.

It is expected that work on a swimming tank for the Catholic Young Men's Club will start January 15. Officers of the swimming tank committee have been elected, and 16 solicitors are busy securing subscriptions for the fund.

The officers of the swimming tank committee elected last Wednesday were: Chairman, A. Weinberger; secretary, Claude Harris; treasurer, L. R. Merrick. The members of the committee are: George Donnerberg, Thomas Dowd, Al Sweeney, Mat Balanger, E. Dooney, George Houek, S. Eulrich, Frank Hart, Joseph Burke, H. Sullivan, L. H. Packaderry, Dan Ward, Thomas Banzer, O. Boone, Lloyd Moyer and Ed McGinnis.

The tank will be 40 by 25 feet. The depth will be from four feet at one end to 11 feet at the other. The cost will be about $1000.

The Catholic Club is adding features that will make it in time one of the leading organizations of its kind in the city.

The second annual exhibition of the gymnasium classes will be held on some date between Christmas and New Years. The exercises will include drills both by the women's and the men's classes. Special tumbling exhibitions will be given. The work will be in charge of Professor Richard Gens.

Fencing will be taken up by the girls' classes in the early part of January. It is intended to develop a girls' fencing team.

ALBINA DEFEATS SUNNYSIDE

Wins Second Victory in Series at Basketball.

The Sunnyside Athletic Club basketball team was defeated again by the Albina club Friday night in the Beech-street gymnasium. The score was 28 to 15. The Sunnyside boys expected to play the Pilgrim Brotherhood team, which they defeated a week ago, 28 to 6, but instead they met the Albina team.

Johnson, the Albina center, was the star of the game. He invariably took the ball away from the Sunnyside centers.

The third game of the series will be played in the Boys' Brigade Armory at Sunnyside next Wednesday evening.

The line-up was as follows:

Sunnyside.	Position.	Albina.
Al Shipley	R. F.	Daly
Verne Shipley	L. F.	Williams
Rittenoir and C. Fowler	C.	Johnson
G. Fowler	R. G.	Cooper
Hainline	L. G.	McKalson

Field goals—Daly 9, Williams 2, Johnson 2, V. Shipley, Al Shipley, Rittenoir 2, C. Fowler. Timekeeper—E. Hickok.

TRACK WORK IS REVIVED

Willamette Athletes Contemplate Putting Team in Field.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—A track team has been organized at Willamette University and it is planned to take an active part in the track events of the Western Oregon colleges and universities. Willamette had no track team last year, but had a team in the field two years ago.

Blackwell, who made a great record as center on the Willamette football team this year, has been elected captain of the track team. Those members of the 1907 team voting in the election of a captain, and many of whom will try out for the track team, were Downey, Blackwell, Cummings, Lowe, Belknap, McIntyre, Hobson, Pemberton, McNees, Westley, Winslow, Booth.

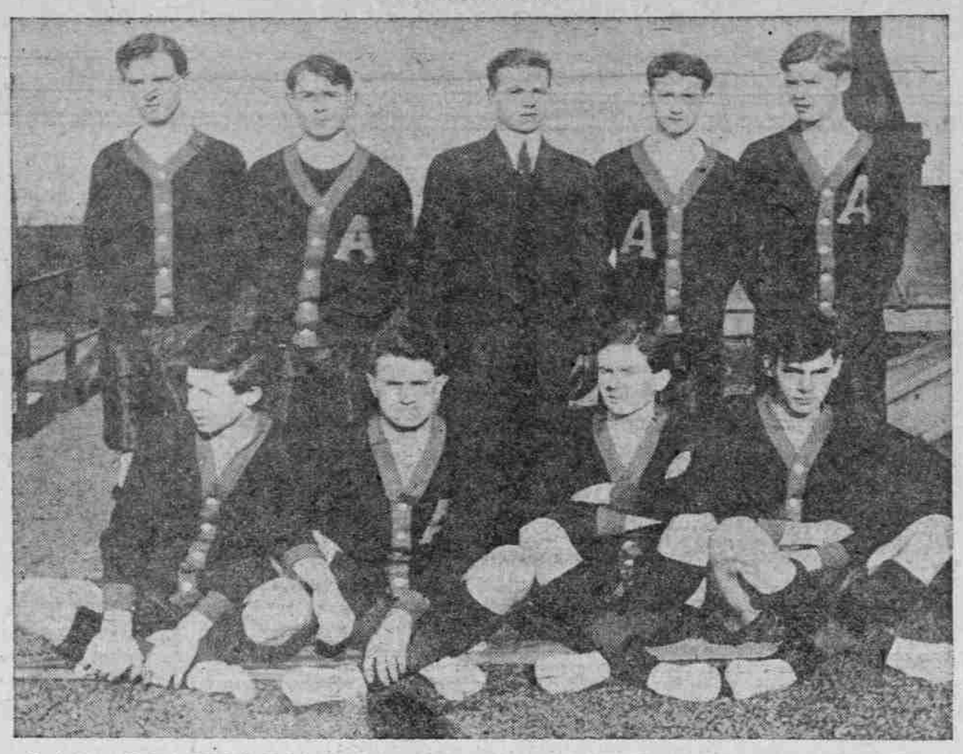
A schedule is now being prepared and if present plans do not miscarry one or more good track meets will be held on Willamette Field during the season. It is hoped to meet Pacific University twice, once at Forest Grove and once in this city.

Albany Beats Roseburg.

ALBANY, Or., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—In one of the fastest basketball games ever played in Albany, the Albany High School won from the Roseburg High School in the Alco Club gymnasium in this city last night by a score of 21 to 20.

Hongkong, Dec. 18.—Arrived previously—Henrik Ibsen, from Portland, Or., via Yokohama.

ALLEN PREPARATORY SCHOOL BASKETBALL TEAM, CONTENDER FOR 1910 INTERSCHOLASTIC CHAMPIONSHIP.



Back Row (Left to Right)—Ralph Cook, Guard; Ross Gerhart, Guard; Earl Crabbe, Manager; Robert Hays, Forward; William Burghard, Substitute. Front Row—Ed Smyth, Substitute; Homer Shaver, Captain and Forward; Crawford Compton, Guard; Adolph Harr, Center.

The Allen Preparatory School basketball team is regarded in interscholastic athletic circles as one of the strongest contenders for the 1910 championship. The team is fast and already has its team work down to a fine point, while the other interscholastic teams have been practicing but two or three weeks. The Allen boys were developing a basketball team while the athletes of the other schools were devoting their attention to football. Last season the Allens tied for fourth place in the interscholastic series, winning two games and losing three.

GAME ENDS IN TIE

Multnomah and Cricketers Play Fast Soccer Contest.

FOOT WORK IS GILT-EDGE

First 45 Minutes of Play Produces No Score—Albinson, for Cricketers, Makes Two Goals, When Multnomahs Even Up Score.

After playing 90 minutes to a heartbreaking finish, a soccer football game between elevens representing the Multnomah Amateur Athletic Club and the Cricketers was concluded yesterday afternoon by a score of two all.

The game was lively, well contested and much enjoyed by the spectators. The footwork was generally of the gilt-edge sort, bits of combination only being present. The two stars of the occasion were Buchan, the Multnomah fullback, and Karr, goalkeeper for the Cricketers.

A merry squad of rooters was present for the Cricketers. Multnomah had few rooters, but good temper prevailed, and the fun was of the give-and-take order. Nobody was hurt in spite of the hard and fast play and the muddy condition of the baseball grounds at Twenty-fourth and Vaughn streets.

The first half, of 45 minutes' duration, found both elevens pretty evenly matched, and no goals were scored, but in the second half, the play began with a rush. Albinson, the sailor midget forward for the Cricketers, showed championship form by scoring two goals, one at 3:40 o'clock, and the other goal just three minutes later. Cricketers 2, Multnomahs 0.

Sammons Gets Into Game.

Wow! The Matthew brothers began to get busy, and at 3:45 o'clock Andrew Matthew, by a corner kick, sent the leather past Karr. At 4:10 o'clock, Eddie Sammons kicked from a corner in front of the Cricketers' goal, and a mass play followed, out of which Harry Matthew kicked to his brother Andrew, and the latter sent the leather through the uprights.

Karr, at goal, played about the best game ever seen here. He is an American, and began to play soccer only last year. Pratt and Banham made good in the fullback division, and Albinson, Naylor, Eyles and Pat McNicholas deserve special credit. McAllister and Gray also showed commendable skill. Buchan was again the Multnomah's rock of defense, and his kicks were finely placed. The Multnomahs played with a new formation, one which was untried, but came up to the scratch.

Young, as center forward, played a magnificent game, which shows that he is a first division player. Three of his shots ought to have been goals, but in each case the leather from his right foot struck the outside goal post, and bounded out of play. Young was poorly supported and didn't get a fair chance, due now and then to the play of the Matthew brothers who did well but were disposed, often, to avoid passing the leather to the center.

Dyment Stars in Backfield.

Dick excelled in tricky foot-work, but once or twice he ought to have shot for goal, instead of fancy dribbling. Hughes is so good a player that he ought to be kept permanently with the team.

Sammons and Bennett played better than usual, and show improved form. Barton was again a success in goal, and so was Dyment as left fullback. Charles A. Stewart was referee, and gave impartial and just decisions, although sometimes these were rather close.

The next league game in the soccer series will be played this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, between the Nationals and the Queen's Parks.

Jewish Team Undefeated.

The Jewish Young Men's Club basketball team declares it has not been defeated this season by the Albina Athletic Club team. The Jewish team has played only the Catholic Young Men's Club and the Hawthorne Park Presbyterian Church team, defeating both by decisive scores. The Albina team played a team from the Jewish club, but it was the second team, and not the first, as was reported. The first team of the club will play the Albinas within three or four weeks.

SPRING TRACK MEET PLANNED

Wallowa County Schools Arrange for Athletic Contest.

WALLOWA, Or., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Wallowa County high schools will hold a track meet near the close of the school year next Spring for which arrangements have been completed between the principals of the Wallowa County high school at Enterprise and the city high schools of Wallowa, Joseph, and Lostine. There will be fourteen events, including 100-yard, 220-yard, 440-yard, half-mile and mile races, relay race, hammer and discus throws, shot-put, broad and high jump, pole-vault and hurdles. The contests will be open to all pupils under 21 years of age who have attended Wallowa County schools for four months during the school year and have attained the required standing in the seventh, eighth and high school grades.

The grading will be done on the point system, the first place in every event counting four points and the second and third places two points and one point, respectively. A trophy cup will be awarded to the school making the highest number of points by the property of the school winning it two years in succession. On the evening following the athletic meet the schools will contest for honors in spelling and debating.

The organization of the principals was effected last Saturday with H. K. Shirk, of Wallowa County High School, president; H. H. Bronson, of Wallowa High School, secretary, and A. H. Yoder, of Joseph High School, treasurer. Principal A. C. Smith, of Lostine, is also a member of the Board.

Joe Patchen's Owner Dies.

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Clarence W. Marks, a business man and horseman, died in a car on the South Side Elevated Railroad here today. Mr. Marks at one time owned Joe Patchen, the famous pacer.

HONEYMAN HARDWARE COMPANY INDOOR BASEBALL TEAM, ONE OF LEADERS IN CITY LEAGUE PENNANT RACE.

Left to Right, Top Row—Griffith, Left Field; Welch, Right Field; Sweeney, Pitcher; Shockley, Third Base; Bartholomew, Manager. Lower Row—P. McHale, Pitcher; Causey, First Base; M. Pembroke, Left Short; Beagle, Captain and Catcher; Magee, Right Short; H. McHale, Second Base; Henderson, Pitcher.

SPECIAL MEETING OF LEAGUE CALLED

Los Angeles Plot to Depose Secretary Long Suspected in San Francisco.

OTHER ISSUES PENDING

Franchise for Northwest League in Portland Yet to Be Disposed Of—Finney First Umpire to Be Named.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—At the request of Henry Berry, of the Los Angeles Baseball Club, Judge Thomas F. Graham, president of the Pacific Coast League, announced today that he would call a special meeting of the league to take place shortly after the holidays.

Although Berry did not state in his telegram the reason for calling a meeting, it is surmised that it is a Los Angeles plot to depose D. W. Long as secretary of the league. Judge Graham says this is a subject for the league directors to settle among themselves.

Inasmuch as Long was elected unanimously to the office at the last annual meeting, it is probable that the directors will not change their views.

Portland Issue Uncertain.

There is little question that other more important subjects will be settled at this special meeting. The question of granting to the Northwest League permission to have a club in Portland is still hanging fire and must be settled shortly, if at all.

The talk against Long emanates entirely from certain Los Angeles people and chiefly from Oliver, a newspaper man of that city, who has an eye coveted Long's job. Three years ago, Oliver solicited the votes of the directors for the secretaryship, and he has been after it ever since.

Long Blames Oliver.

The Southern papers are complaining that Long was slow in compiling the official averages and also that it is not proper for a team manager to be secretary. Long in reply says that the delay to the averages was due to delay in receiving reports from the Los Angeles official scorer. Oliver is official scorer in Los Angeles and according to Long was 30 days late in giving his last official reports of games played.

Judge Graham also announced the appointment of E. S. Finney as one of the league umpires. This is the first appointment made for the 1910 staff.

LEAGUE TO MEET IN STOCKTON

Moreing Telegraphs That Ben Henderson Is Reinstated.

STOCKTON, Cal., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Fans here are looking forward with interest to the coming session of the managers of the California League, which will probably be held in Stockton on the evening of January 3, though President Hermann has not yet positively fixed the date.

Stockton has always taken a deep interest in baseball and this year the president decided that it would be advisable to have the first big session here, though he had planned originally to have the meeting in San Francisco.

Manager Cy Moreing, Jr., who went to New York and attended the session of the National and American leagues, has telegraphed home that he succeeded in securing the reinstatement of Ben Henderson. The other players for whom he went East to intercede did not have their cases settled, but they have been taken under advisement for investigation.

They are Pfyle, Nealon, Moskiman, Sheehan, Stricklett and Hap Smith. Henderson will probably go to Cleveland, which claimed him last season.

FIVE-MILE RECORD BROKEN

Lewis Strang, on Auto Speedway, Makes It in 3:17:70.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 18.—The five-mile speed record for an automobile upon an elliptical track was broken on the motor speedway today by Lewis Strang, driving a 200-horsepower car, in 3:17:70.

Strang's performance so startled the track officials that they at first were disposed not to credit it. But the electric device could not be doubted. When Strang stopped he found one of his tires had split and must soon have burst. He said if it had not been for the bad tire, he believed his time would have been even faster.

The timing machine caught Strang's one-mile flying start before he entered upon the five-mile trip at 40:02. The course is two and a half miles and Strang then made two laps. The timing machine caught also the last mile of each lap. In the first lap this mile was done in 39.36 and in the second lap in 39.66. In one of these miles a quarter was covered in 8.05, which is a new record for this distance.

These trials were to test the efficiency and safety of the track, repaved with brick, on which five lives were lost in last Summer's races.

NEW TEAM WINS FIRST GAME

Multnomah Intermediates Defeat Third Presbyterian Seconds.

The Multnomah Club Intermediates, a newly organized basketball team, defeated the Third Presbyterian Church second team, 34 to 31, last Friday night in the East Side gymnasium. This was the first game of the season for the Multnomah lightweights.

The game was closely contested, fast and clean. A large crowd was in attendance. Following is the line-up:

L. Faber	R. F.	D. Foster
W. Hummel	L. F.	Vlerick (capt.)
D. Getty	C.	Flaherty-Ashworth
D. Welsh	R. G.	Toews
D. O'Hanlon (capt.)	L. G.	McNerlan

Referee, Mahoney; timekeeper, Thurlow; scorers, Duffy and Hurlow.

JEFFRIES HAS BUMPS FELT

Phrenologist Finds More Caution Than Combativeness in Fighter.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 18.—James J. Jeffries' caution is better developed than his combativeness for a man of his age, according to a phrenologist who examined the pugilist's head today.

This is the first time Jeffries has ever been examined by a phrenologist, and he says he considers the verdict a good omen.

Hamilton Cuts Out Basketball.

In order to encourage more general participation in athletics by the student body the Hamilton College faculty has abolished intercollegiate basketball and tennis. A strong department of intramural athletics has been organized to foster interclass games in these sports.

WINTER PLAYING IS QUESTION

Whether Year-Round Work Is Good for Player Disputed.

Is Winter baseball a good thing for big league players?

Ask any member of the profession and he will no doubt insist that it doesn't work any injury to him.

Ask any club owner, and he will, without the slightest hesitation, say that Winter baseball is bad for a player.

The player figures that he has a right to do what he pleases during the Winter and that if he cares to play ball he has just as much right to do that as to go to work at any other thing.

While the club owner doesn't deny this right, still he thinks the average ballplayer does enough diamond work during the Summer, and that he should rest up during the Winter, or take up some other kind of work to get his mind off baseball.

While many players insist that playing ball is the only way they have of making money during the Winter, still it's a question if it is good policy on their part.

The pay or salary of a player at any of the Winter resorts or on barnstorming trips is sure to be very light. As a rule, if players pick up $10 a game they figure they are making good money. They also play in weather that would almost cause a riot if they were asked to work under similar conditions during the regular season. Generally, the best they ever get out of Winter baseball is a living. Often they spend more money than they make.

An injury to a player is just as liable to happen in an exhibition game as in a regular contest. In fact, the chances for injury are even greater, as the grounds of the minor league parks are seldom in as good condition as the major league grounds.

13TH AMENDMENT INVOKED

Sale of Ball Player Slavery Is Defense to Suit on Note.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Dec. 18.—That the sale of a baseball player from one blub to another is a direct violation o fthe thirteenth amendment to the constitution of the United States, which prohibits slavery, is a point raised in a court here in a suit involving transfer of a player from one organization to another.

Last June the owners of the Wilkesbarre Club of the New York State League purchased from the Allentown team of the Atlantic League Pitcher Joseph Pelequin. The price agreed upon was $500. Three hundred dollars was paid in cash and a note was given for the remainder. The note was allowed to go to protest and Manager McGeehan, of the Allentown Club, who negotiated the sale, brought suit to recover the $200. A Justice of the Peace gave judgment against the club.

Manager Stymer, of the Wilkesbarre Club, today filed a defense, alleging that the sale of baseball players violates the thirteenth amendment and therefore the note is void.

NEW SHOTGUN COSTS $850

Valuable Rifle, Together With Duty, Figures to High Point.

Chauncey M. Powers, a wealthy sportsman of Macon County, who is famed as one of the best shots among the amateurs of Illinois, received a new shotgun this week from London, England, which cost him, including the duty, $850. There are two sets of barrels, one of 32-inch length and the other of 34. The gun was a special order from Mr. Powers and probably is unlike any other in the world. It has a blocking safety device that makes it impossible to discharge it by a sudden jolt or by dropping it. Although a double-barreled gun, it has but one trigger. The interior of the gun is gold plated and the entire finishings are in a superlative class, making it one of the finest, if not the finest weapon, of the kind in the United States.

BASEBALL CLASH AVERTED

Election of Lynch Is Satisfactory to Both Sides.

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—All possibility of baseball war is believed averted, as B. B. Johnson, president of the American League, announced here today that the election of Thomas Lynch as president of the National League was acceptable to the American League.

"Mr. Lynch is acceptable to the American League," he said. "I am also pleased to see Heydler elected to his old position, as he is too valuable a man for organized baseball to lose."

"Lynch should make a good president," said Charles A. Comiskey, president of the Chicago Americans. "He was one of the best umpires in the old days, as he was endowed with excellent judgment in handling players."

BENNETT TAKES GOLF GAME

Makes Splendid Showing in Contest on Waverly Links.

John Bennett, in a brilliant exhibition of golf on the Waverly links, yesterday won the postponed Thanksgiving day tourney in 8 up and 2. He defeated a number of the best golfers on the links, and keen competition marked the entire series.

It was an ideal day for golf. Those who played against Bennett were: H. O. Stickney, Wirt Minor, J. Wesley Ladd, David Honeyman, S. B. Linthicum, Tom Robertson, R. O. Smith, Edward Cookingham and James Dougherty.

W. M. DAVIS WINS PAPER CHASE

Sidney Lowenberg Second and Miss Sallie Leadbetter Third.

W. M. Davis, on J. H. Bennett, won the paper chase of the Portland Hunt Club held yesterday from a field of 20 starters. The course was over the Thanksgiving day route, and was followed by all the riders. Sidney B. Loewenberg finished second, while Miss Sallie Leadbetter ran third.

The run was the first conducted under the director of James Nicol, the new master of hounds, and Miss Anne Shogren and Mrs. F. G. Buffum were the hares.

Drunk, Killed by Train.

ATTALIA, Wash., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—The dead body of a man named Hickey, driver for the Burbank Power & Water Company, was found on the Northern Pacific track between the Snake River and Pasco this morning. It is supposed that he was struck by a train in the night while drunk.

STREETCAR MEN.

Important notice! You are being voted for the $560 piano to be given away free by McAllen & McDonnell. You must decide which club room you wish votes counted for and notify McAllen & McDonnell. **

Lucerne is to be sole airship station for Switzerland, and a station house is to be erected at a cost of 700,000 francs.