CHANGE IN COMMISSION WOULD BE BIG BENEFIT TO NATIONAL PASTIME

Neutral Chairman Would Do Much to Bring Public Back to First Love—After Needed Renovation the Game Bids Fair to Be Better Than Ever.

NEW YORK, Aug. 6.—(I. N. S.)—Baseball will come back stronger and better than ever after the war is over, if the powers that be take advantage of the opportunity that is coming to them to rehabilitate the game.

War has hit baseball a solid smash, rocking it from stem to stern, causing heavy financial losses to the club owners and resulting in a certain falling off of interest on the part of the public.

But the coming of peace will wipe out these obstacles if the magnates will only get busy.

Baseball needs renovating. There is no denying the fact that the administrative end of the game has reached the point where a reinforced foundation is imperative.

Ban Johnson recently remarked that a cessation of the game would give the magnates a chance to turn their attention to the working out of political problems that have been held up too long already.

One of these problems is a reorganization of the national commission.

American Demands Change

The American league demands it, and some of the more conservative National league club owners realize that it is an eventuality that cannot be dodged, and admit as much.

The high tribunal of baseball, with two National league representatives in its makeup, was a fine thing for the old league. The American league has a capable battler on the commission in the person of Ban Johnson, but two votes against Ban's one gave the Nationals the edge, and the recent clash over the case of Scott Perry shows that all was not serene in the ranks of the "commish."

What the commission needs is the presidents of the two leagues and a third and disinterested party to act as chairman. Garry Herrmann has been a capable chairman, yet Garry is a National league club owner. The third person must be a man thoroughly versed in baseball from every angle and disinterested altogether in a financial way with either major league. The minor leagues, too, should be represented.

Neutral Chairman Needed

They should at least be represented by the neutral chairman of the commission, if not permitted to have a representative of their own choosing to sit with the commission in cases where minor league clubs are involved.

Another thing that is bound to come in for attention in the major leagues is the expense of running the game. The first thing every club owner will attempt, when the war is over, will be to recuperate his losses. He will grab a big ax and start chopping away at the payroll, and he will be able to get away with it by the time a new crop of players is ready to step into the shoes of the high-salaried stars of the present, many of whom will pass along within a short time.

Fair Salaries to Be Paid

Fair salaries for the players must be paid always, for they are the lads who keep the game alive. Yet the magnates brought about abnormal salaries themselves by reckless bidding for a player's services in the days when the game was at its height, and the player soon learned how to take advantage of the rivalry between club owners.

After the war, baseball, to be highly successful within a reasonably short length of time, must come back thoroughly renovated, with new policies in force and something more stable in the way of business methods. And the minor leagues—the sources of supply—must be better taken care of than in the past.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Philadelphia 5, Chicago 2

Chicago, Aug. 6. — The Philadelphia Americans defeated the White Sox Monday, 5 to 2. Two scores in the first inning and three in the fourth were enough to win. The locals made one score each in the first and second innings. The pitching of Perry for the visitors, and Benz, for the Chicago team, featured the game.

The score:	R.	H.	E.
Philadelphia	5	12	1
Chicago	2	11	2

Batteries—Perry and Perkins; Benz, Shellenbach and Schalk.

Great Lakes Tossers Defeat Atlantic Men

Chicago, Aug. 6.—Aided by a salvo of 24 hits, Urban Faber yesterday tamed the Atlantic fleet baseball team for the Great Lakes training station, 11 to 6. The former White Sox pitcher defeated the same team Saturday. In four games the Great Lakes squad took three. The Easterners presented "Rabbit Maranville, "Whitey" Witt, Del Gainer and other former big leaguers. "Paddy" Driscoll, Joe Leonard, Verne Clemons and Faber were among the Great Lakes players.

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Baseball Dope

AMERICAN LEAGUE	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Boston	61	39	.610
Cleveland	53	44	.569
Washington	55	45	.550
New York	49	46	.516
Chicago	46	52	.474
St. Louis	46	54	.460
Detroit	42	56	.429
Philadelphia	41	60	.406
NATIONAL LEAGUE			
Chicago	64	32	.667
New York	58	40	.593
Pittsburg	50	45	.526
Cincinnati	43	51	.457
Philadelphia	42	51	.452
Brooklyn	42	52	.447
Boston	43	51	.457
St. Louis	41	53	.414

LORENSEN HIGH MAN AT TRAPS

California Shooter Only Amateur With Mark Above 97 Per Cent—Troeh Third.

H. LORENSEN of Newman, Cal., is the leading amateur trapshooter of the United States and Homer Clark of Alton, Ill., tops the professional shooters, according to the latest figures prepared by the Interstate Trapshooting association. Lorensen's average is .9712, the Californian having broken 1991 out of 2050 targets, while Clark's average is .9752.

G. A. Brown of Seneca Falls, N. Y., is second in the list of amateurs with a mark of .9680, and Frank M. Troeh of Vancouver, Wash., is third with .9676. O. N. Ford of San Jose is seventh with .9610, having broken 5497 out of 5720 targets. P. H. O'Brien, former Oregon champion, is 13th in the list.

California Pro Second

Ed Mitchell, the California professional, is second among the powder men with a mark of .9720, and P. R. Miller of St. Louis is third. Hugh Poston of San Francisco is seventh with a mark of .9598. Frank Rihel of Tacoma is in eleventh position. Pete Holohan, local pro, has an average of .9050 and Ed Morris' mark is .8406.

Two and possibly three Portland Gun club members will participate in the Northwest Trapshooters' association shoot to be staged at Aberdeen, Wash., Sunday.

The shoot consists of 150 targets, 100 of which are the regulation 16-yard targets, which are registered, and the others are in a special handicap event.

The entrance fee in the 100-bird race is $5, the money to be divided under the Grand American Handicap system, one money to every six shooters. The average money will be divided Rose system. The entrance in the handicap is $2.50.

Henshaw's Entry Wins Pigeon Race

Flying from Centralia to Portland, an airline distance of 85 miles, in 2 hours, 35 minutes and 54 seconds, C. E. Henshaw's entry captured Sunday's racing event of the Oregon Racing Pigeon club. Six birds were entered in the events.

The results of the race:

C. E. Henshaw first, average 927 yards per minute.

C. Torgerson second, average 816 yards per minute.

E. Bischof third, average 868 yards per minute.

C. Williams fourth, average 843 yards per minute.

A. Jorg fifth, average 789 yards per minute.

J. Dunn sixth, average 643 yards per minute.

Members of the Oregon Racing Pigeon club have donated 25 birds to the United States government for use at Fort Stevens, Or. Jimmy Dunn, one of the officers of the club, spent a couple of days at Fort Stevens last week, assisting the officers in preparing the lofts.

Pendergast Wins Opening Event

Chicago, Ill., Aug. 6.—Shattering 198 out of 200 targets, Henry J. Pendergast, of Phoenix, Ariz., four times winner of the New York state title, won the South Shore Introductory handicap of the Grand American. Pendergast's score is within one bird of the record held by Frank M. Troeh, of Vancouver, Wash.

Homer Clark, of Alton, Ill., won the professional championship of the country by defeating R. R. Barber of Minneapolis in a shoot-off that required 60 targets. In the first 20, both went straight, each dropped one in the second shoot-off and Barber missed two in the third while Clark went straight. In the regular event, each broke 194 targets.

LU PRINCETON SETS NEW MARK FOR TROTTING

Clips One-Fourth of a Second Off the Record Made by Peter Volo.

Cleveland, Aug. 6.—Driven by Walter Cox, Lu Princeton established a new world's record for a stallion by recording the times of 2:02¼ and 2:02¾ in the 2:05 trotting event, the feature race of the opening of the second Grand Circuit racing season at the North Randall track. The previous record was 2:02½ and 2:02¾, made by Peter Volo in 1915.

Kelly Deforest won the 2:09 trot handily, and the News 2-year-old trot was won by the Ben White entry, Brusiloff and Princess Etawah, who finished first and second, respectively.

Results:

2:09 class trotting, purse $1200—

Kelly Deforest (Murphy)	3	1	1
General Yorks (Nuckol)	1	4	3
Opera Express (Fleming)	6	2	2
Doris Watts (Lee)	2	7	5

Legal W., Miss Isabelle McGregor, Lou Jennings and Rustlcoat also started.

Time—2:06¼, 2:08¾, 2:08¾.

2:05 class trotting, purse $1500—

Lu Princeton (Cox)	1	1
Royal Mac (Murphy)	2	2
Ima Jay (Ernest)	3	3
Axtlen (Harris)	4	4

Miss Directed distanced.

Time—2:02¾, 2:02¾.

The News, 2-year-old trot, value $1620—

*Brusiloff (Geers)	1	1
*Princess Etawah (White)	2	2
Dorothy Day (Murphy)	3	4
Brother Peter (Fleming)	4	3

Peter L. and King Stout also started.

Time—2:11⅗, 2:10¾.

*Coupled.

2:18 class, pacing, purse $1000—

Walter H (Palin)	1	1	1
Jeannie Castle (Shank)	9	2	2
Lady Todd (King)	2	4	6
Jack the Clipper (Rhodes)	3	3	3

Billy Landis, Big Frank D., Cochato Banks, Judge Sale, Baby Moore, Lady Littleton, Brother James, Walter Pointer and Willie Fay also started.

Time—2:05¾, 2:08¾, 2:09.

BOXING

CHICAGO, Aug. 6.—(I. N. S.)—"Eddie" Santry, once lightweight champion, today faces examination of his mental condition at the hands of municipal authorities here. Following his refusal to pay a taxi bill of $50, which resulted from his driving aimlessly around the city until the taxi driver took him to a police station, Santry was locked up. The police say he made vague and irrelevant answers to questions and he is now in the local psychopathic hospital, awaiting examination.

Camp Lewis, Wash., Aug. 6.—(I. N. S.)—"Monty" Earl Stevens, a newsboy boxer from Los Angeles, is among the recent selective service recruits to arrive at this camp.

Good reports of Monty's ability in the squared arena have been received here. Camp Boxing Instructor Willie Ritchie says he will give Stevens a try out against some good 130-pound man in the near future.

San Francisco, Aug. 6.—Jim Coffroth, boxing impresario, is attempting to match Jack Dempsey and Willie Meehan in his benefit boxing card to be given here on Labor day night.

A telegram has already been sent to Dempsey and his manager, informing them of the plan and asking when they will be ready for the trip west.

Ray ("Wop") Lewis, local featherweight boxer, who made quite a rep for himself in the Middle West in 1916 and was a former sparring partner of Stanley Yoakum, left Tuesday for Camp Fremont, where he will prepare to battle Kaiser Bill.

Tacoma, Wash., Aug. 6.—(I. N. S.)—Bob McAllister, clever middleweight boxer, formerly of San Francisco and now of Portland, where he is working in the shipyards, is out with a challenge to meet Frank Farmer.

McAllister, as an amateur, held the Olympic club middleweight honors as well as the national championship in that division. He will probably be matched to meet some good man here at the Eagles' smoker in September.

A brush, comb, mirror and electric light are combined in a new toilet set that can be carried in a pocket.

JOHNNY EVERS, former National leaguer, in his uniform as athletic director for the Knights of Columbus. Evers is expected to arrive in France in the very near future.

Five Congressmen Will Go to France

Washington, Aug. 6.—Representatives Randall of California, Barkley of Kentucky, Mays and Welling of Utah and Aswell of Louisiana and Jones of Texas compose another congressional party which is to make a personal inspection of the American battlefront in Europe. They will leave here this week on the first stage of their journey.

Representative Randall, who is a member of the house committee on postoffices and post roads, explains that the principal object of his visit to France is to investigate the method of handling the mail for the soldiers.

Rebating Charged By Federal Jury

New York, Aug. 6.—The federal grand jury Monday handed down an indictment against the Pennsylvania railroad, Armour & Co., Swift & Co. and the Jersey City Stock Yards company. The Pennsylvania railroad is charged with having granted rebates on shipments of livestock and dressed meats. The charges cover a period beginning in 1912 and continuing until last December.

Motormen Ban 'Conductorettes'

Eureka, Cal., Aug. 6.—Motormen of the Humboldt Transit company today refused to work with "conductorettes," saying they would be imperiling their own and other lives. The company had only recently begun hiring women to replace men. Officials of the company say the men will be forced to return to work.

MAY ESTABLISH GOLF COURSES IN ARMY CAMPS

Movement Started to Construct Short Links in Cantonments Throughout Country.

Washington, Aug. 6.—Golf will be one of the leading sports at army camps and cantonments next year if a plan suggested by Dr. Walter S. Harban and enthusiastically received by Dr. F. P. Keppie, second assistant secretary of war, is pushed through.

The whole plan followed a talk in Dr. Keppie's office in which Paul B. Williams, field secretary of the National Lawn Tennis association, and Drs. Harban and Keppie took part and followed a call from Dr. Keppie to the other two men to find out means of supplanting recreation to the men in camps.

Dr. Harban suggested that a small golf course of three, five or nine holes, or of any size for which there is available ground, be laid out on the parade grounds of the cantonments and that members of the clubs throughout the country send to the war department or to camps adjacent to their homes their old spare clubs.

The idea is that the men will receive healthy sport by swinging the clubs for a short time each day, and Dr. Keppie thought so well of it that he immediately had wires sent to commandants at the camps asking their opinion of the plan.

Following their talk with Dr. Keppie, Harban and Williams talked with Dr. Joseph E. Raycroft, director in charge of army athletics, and he also indorsed the scheme.

Alleged Draft Evader Arrested

Astoria, Or., Aug. 6.—Frank Russell was arrested by local federal authorities Monday on a charge of attempting to evade the military draft. Russell, who hails from Seattle, is wanted by the exemption board of that city.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Chicago 5, New York 3

New York, Aug. 6.—The Cubs continued their winning spell Monday against the Giants, taking the game by the score of 5 to 3. Up to the eighth inning it looked like a cinch for the home team, not a run being scored against them. Then McGraw's pitchers weakened and five runs were driven over.

The score:	R.	H.	E.
Chicago	5	8	2
New York	3	8	2

Batteries: Vaughn, Carter, Douglas and Killifer; Toney, Causey and McCarty.

Cincinnati 5, Brooklyn 0

Brooklyn, Aug. 6. — Regan was the whole show Monday and his great twirling enabled the Reds to let the Dodgers down with a whitewash, 5 to 0. Only four hits were made off his delivery and they were widely scattered.

The score:	R.	H.	E.
Cincinnati	5	13	2
Brooklyn	0	4	1

Batteries—Regan and Wingo; Robertson, Cheney and Miller.

Philadelphia 3, St. Louis 1

Philadelphia, Aug. 6.—Doak had one bad inning Monday and the Phillies landed on him for three runs in the fourth, winning the game 3 to 1. The Cardinals were unable to connect with Jacobs' twisters after the first inning when they garnered one run.

The score:	R.	H.	E.
St. Louis	1	5	2
Philadelphia	3	8	1

Batteries—Doak and Gonzales; Jacobs and Adams.

Boston 1, Pittsburg 0

Boston, Aug. 6.—Boston blanked Pittsburg Monday by a score of 1 to 0. The winning run was made in the ninth inning. Adams, for the visitors, was opposed on the mound by Rudolph, for the locals, and both twirlers allowed few hits.

The score:	R.	H.	E.
Pittsburg	0	5	0
Boston	1	6	0

Batteries: Adams and Schmidt; Rudolph and Wilson.

Mrs. Northup Loses

Chicago, Ill., Aug. 6.—Mrs. W. I. Northup, of Portland, lost out in the finals of the Western championships yesterday in her match with Miss Carrie Neely, holder of the title, in straight sets, 6-4, 6-3. Paired with Miss Neely, Mrs. Northup lost her doubles match to Mrs. Ralph Fields and Miss Marion Leighton, 7-5, 4-6, 7-5.

Pliers have been patented by an Illinois inventor to split insulation and remove it from wires neatly.

PORTLAND BOY WINS MATCHES IN SEATTLE MEET

Phil Neer of This City Beats Crack Vancouver Entry in Three Set Contest.

Seattle, Wash., Aug. 6.—The defeat of H. Milne, the Vancouver, B. C., crack, at the hands of Phil Neer, of Portland, holder of the Oregon state junior championship, was the big surprise of the opening round of the Washington State Championship tourney here yesterday. The scores of the match were 2-6, 6-3, 6-1.

Paul Steffen, of Portland, defeated Jack Wright in a hard match, 10-8, 6-3. Harry Stevens, Portland, lost to Bob Wabrausek, the Northwest junior champion, 6-2, 7-5.

Marion Weiss, of Portland, lost to Roberta Helman, of California, 6-0, 6-3, and with her doubles partner, Mrs. Purcell, fell before the playing of Mrs. Milne and Mrs. Boyd.

Pest War Results Now in Evidence

Killing of Sage Rats and Jack Rabbits in Crook and Deschutes Counties Has Saved Nearly $60,000 in Crops.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Aug. 6.—The results of a war waged on sage rats and jack rabbits in Crook and Deschutes counties in June are now in evidence, according to a report from the county agent, R. A. Ward, to Paul V. Maris, state leader of county agent work at the college. It is estimated that the campaign saved nearly $60,000 worth of crops. Fifty thousand sage rats and 6000 rabbits were reported killed. It is estimated that each sage rat will cause a farmer loss of more than $1 in a season.

Meetings were held in connection with the campaign and improvement clubs were formed at Bear Creek, Barnes, Paulina and Suplee. The agent prepared 2000 quarts of poison for unorganized farmers, and 120 ounces of strychnine was distributed to clubs.

Jackson Women Thin Fruit

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Aug. 6.—More than 350 women and girls were employed in thinning fruit in Jackson county this season, according to a report from C. C. Cate, county agent, to Paul V. Maris, state leader for county agent work at the college.

Astoria Police Take Chinese and Opium

Astoria, Or., Aug. 6.—The local police authorities raided a hop joint here Monday evening and succeeded in bagging four Chinese dope fiends, as well as eight cans of opium and three complete smoking outfits. Three of the almond-eyed individuals were released on $10 bail and the fourth, who is the owner of the joint, was held without bail to await the action of the federal authorities on a charge of having smuggled opium.

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