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NO HURRY AT MEETING

CLUB OWNERS WILL FIND PLENTY OF PROBLEMS TO SOLVE.

EVERY MAGNATE HAS PLAN

All Will Not be Discussed in One-Day Session—Contracts Must be Issued Before Sunday According to Ruler

From present indications the schedule meeting of the Central league, to be held in Zanesville St. Patrick's Day, will not be a one-day affair. Nearly every magnate in the league has some suggestion for the bettering of the playing dates and a careful study will be made to avoid if possible the objectionable features of last year's schedule, which consisted mainly of long jumps.

The admission of Fort Wayne will bring back the old rivalry that existed between the club and South Bend in the early days of the league, and it is plausible to suppose that these two will be matched in holiday dates. Terre Haute and Evansville are natural rivals, and will be matched on holidays if possible, while the proximity of Zanesville and Dayton will make these two cities rivals. If this arrangement goes through the two extremes of the league, Wheeling and the Grand Rapids club, will be paired off in holiday dates.

Central league managers will have to March 1, next Sunday, to send contracts to players held under reserve from last season. Nearly all of the managers have sent out contracts already, however, and many have returned signed, and these with the youngsters, which have been taken on give the clubs a good working force to begin with when the call is given out late in March.

After More Players.

While Capt. Grant, of the South Bend club, has not made any definite statement regarding the signing of any more players, it is known that he is making efforts to secure a third baseman, who, it is said, will set the grass on fire when he gets into the game, considering signing two or three players before the first of the month.

In a recent letter to Dr. F. R. Carson, president of the Central league, Mr. Redelle, president of the Fort Wayne club, writes that he has secured an outfielder whose name is Nadeau. The new addition to the Fort Wayne club played last season with Montgomery and is said to be a fast player.

Mendricks also writes that his players will report during the middle of March and that work is progressing finely on the park. President Carson also received proceedings of the recent meeting of the Ohio State League from secretary Elmer Redelle. President Carson said the report was the most complete ever received from any meeting and complimented Mr. Redelle on his work.

Marty Hogan, manager of Zanesville, the Central league's new town, is hunting after a team that will make a rattling fight for the pennant in the coming race. This is Hogan's second season at Zanesville, going there from Springfield last year. He made a game but the scrappy fight his team put up in the P. O. M. race made him a favorite with the fans.

Zanesville lacks a suitable playing park and the directors are trying to remedy this defect. The directors have been offered an option on a five-acre plot of ground that would make an ideal park, with good trolley accommodations. The entire equipment of the plant will be new.

MACK LEAVES WITH PLAYERS.

Thirty-five Strong, Athletics Start for Training Camp.

Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 27.—The Philadelphia American league baseball team left here last night for New Orleans for its spring training. The party numbers 35. A regular game will be played in the Crescent City next Saturday and every day thereafter until March 16, when the team will leave for Mobile for a game with the Mobile club.

Other games scheduled are: March 24 and 25, with Louisville, 26 and 27, with Indianapolis; 28 and 29, with Columbus, 30, with Lancaster, Pa. Upon the team's return here it will play the University of Pennsylvania, after which it will meet the Philadelphia National league team in a series of seven games.

HAS ANOTHER PIPE DREAM.

Laporte Writer Makes Plans for Four-Club Circuit.

Laporte, Ind., Feb. 27.—An organization will be perfected this week of the Northern Indiana Baseball league with teams in Peru, Logansport, Marion, Bluffton, Huntington and Kokomo. It will be under the presidency of Frank Bunyan, who was associated last season with the management of the Indianapolis club.

Plans are also progressing for the organization of a four-club league in northern Indiana with teams at Laporte, Michigan City, Valparaiso and Hammond.

M'KEESPORT SECURES BERTH.

Magnates of O. and P. League Hold Annual Meeting.

Canton, O., Feb. 27.—McKeesport was formally taken into the O. & P. league at their meeting here yesterday. Erie and East Liverpool will be the other two cities admitted. Applications were received from both Union-town and Steubenville, but were turned down. Sandusky also sent a letter asking for a berth, but the magnates never even considered it. The big cons from every city in the circuit were present.

ALTROCK IS HAPPY PLAYER.

Marries Cincinnati Belle and Leaves For Chicago.

Cincinnati, O., Feb. 27.—"Nick" Altrock, pitcher for the Chicago American league team, was married last night to Miss Hannah Weddendorf, of this city. After the ceremony and a reception at the bride's home the couple left for Chicago. Mrs. Altrock and Altrock will join the Chicago team and leave with them on Saturday for California, where they will prepare themselves for the coming playing season.

SOX RELEASE TWO PLAYERS.

Rohe and Durham to Wear New Orleans Uniforms.

Chicago, Feb. 27.—The Chicago American league team has released to New Orleans George Rohe and Gus Durham. The release was granted in connection with the trade by which Chicago secured Atz and Manuel from New Orleans. Manuel is sick at present and may be unable to go on the training trip.

Bay City Manager Ill.

Bay City, Mich., Feb. 27.—Manager Taylor, of the Bay City Southern Michigan league team, was operated on yesterday for an abscess of the urinary bladder. The news of his illness coupled with the organization of the team are at a standstill until he recovers. Two contracts are said to have been signed, while all the contracts have been sent out.

Morley to Manage Denver.

Denver, Col., Feb. 27.—"Sandow" Morley has been engaged to manage the local Western league team the coming season. Morley, who managed Minneapolis last season, consequently is at liberty to take advantage of the Denver club's offer.

Hoosiers Sign Contracts.

Laporte, Ind., Feb. 27.—Will Forney, of Valparaiso, who played second for Shallenberg in the Iowa State league last year, has been signed by Delaware, of the Iowa league. Pitcher Kent, of Valparaiso, has also been signed by Oskaloosa.

"Doc" Newton to Join Team.

Indianapolis, Feb. 27.—"Doc" Newton, pitcher for the New York Americans, left for New York last night to join his team. He is in splendid physical condition and expects to have a successful season.

SOX OPEN AT HOME

AMERICAN LEAGUE SCHEDULE IS ADOPTED AT BIG SESSION.

National Brute Will be Announced Tomorrow—Clubs Release and Sign Many Players.

New York, Feb. 27.—The American league schedule for the coming baseball season was given out last night. It is the regulation 154 games affair, with Detroit opening at Chicago April 14; St. Louis at Cleveland, Philadelphia at New York and Washington at Boston.

The National league schedule, which will be announced to-night, will show only 14 conflicts with the American league's dates. As usual, most of the clashes are in Chicago. Seven times the Windy City fans will have a choice between Sox and Cubs. Four of the remaining conflicts are in St. Louis, three in Philadelphia and one in Boston.

Aside from adopting their schedule and changing the league's meeting place, the American club owners had little to do. The rules committee of the two leagues will get together today. None of the three appointed on that committee by President Johnson, namely, Connie Mack, Charles Somers and Farrell, Comiskey, Griffith and Mack were the original committee.

The Boston Americans signed Dougherty, the Columbia outfielder, to a long term contract. The Yankees sold the release of Outfielder John Hoey to the Trenton club. This Speaker, the young Texas outfielder, was sold to Little Rock by the Boston club. The Senators sold Pitcher Ayres to the Scranton club and followed up the Senator sale by selling Pitcher Groen and Outfielder Whitman to Indianapolis.

The Columbus people are here making a big fight for Pitcher Harris, whom the Senators have refused to release to which they were to get the man.

Joe Kelter signed George Browne for the Boston Nationals. Manager Dovey, of the Boston club, is said to be in hand Outfielder Stephens, indicating that John I. Taylor promised to give them the man. He finally succeeded in landing him.

Among those report to-day was Monte Cross, who will manage Kansas City in place of Jack Dunn. Cross, a Yale college coach, who will go back into the game at Nashville, Cleveland having sold his release to that city, and Manager Carr, of Indianapolis, who will succeed Frank Bunyan, and Thomas, of the New York Americans. He also signed Harry Tuthill to train the Detroits. Tuthill has acted in a similar capacity for the last three years with the New York Giants.

BOWLING LEAGUE RESULTS.

Loyals Defeat Tylers and Bucks Win From Horns.

Results in the Elks' bowling league last night were as follows:

LOYALS.

Zipperer	143	164	156
Summerman	128	126	141
Rumbert	159	141	149
Schlosser	159	141	148
Mueller	129	176	159
Handicap	180	180	180
Totals	794	848	851

TYLERS.

Colman	158	154	132
Dunn	154	154	154
Hobbs	134	147	147
Kies	124	144	162
Smith	87	175	175
Handicap	150	150	150
Totals	782	879	819

HORNS.

Patterson	118	113	158
Ryan	119	119	119
Lowe	115	125	162
Jay	179	151	156
Klingle	161	161	161
Handicap	60	60	60
Totals	799	797	821

BUCKS.

Ottach	164	164	203
Freshafer	148	148	148
Strayer	149	151	125
Kiesling	160	187	197
McWood	179	179	179
Totals	895	912	952

BILLY NOLAN'S NEW FIND.

Eddie Kelly May Secure Knockout Over Abe Attell.

San Francisco, Feb. 27.—Eddie Kelly, of Buffalo, who may be called Billy Nolan's new find, is the latest pugilistic conundrum. As Kelly is a novice compared to Attell, it is very likely that Abe will be a strong favorite in the betting. If Kelly is willing to take reasonable odds that Kelly will win by the knockout route.

Mill to Represent Michigan.

Ann Arbor, Mich., Feb. 27.—In the absence of Director Baird, "Varsity Track Manager Hill has been chosen to represent Michigan at the meeting of the Western Intercollegiate association. Hill left for the east this morning. Michigan will favor the change by which it is proposed to make compulsory attendance at the cross-country race as a qualification for membership in the Intercollegiate Athletic association.

RACING CARS ARRIVE

GERMAN AND FRENCH MACHINES REACH SOUTH BEND.

STUDEBAKER CONTINUES

War Automobile Leaves Sterling, Ill., on Journey to Fort Leavenworth—Roads in Bad Condition.

Twenty minutes apart the German car, Proton, and the French Mercedes, Moto-Blue, contestants in the New York-Paris endurance contest, arrived in South Bend at noon to-day and will remain over night, leaving for Michigan City, Ind., in the morning.

After a hard run from Goshen the German car reached Elkhart yesterday afternoon and remained there over night, continuing its journey this morning. The machine left Elkhart for South Bend at 7:54 and arrived in South Bend at 11 o'clock to-day, making the run of 16 miles in a trifle more than four hours. The French car arrived at 11:40.

Both machines are quartered at the Studebaker plant, Michigan and Lafayette Blvd., while the members of the crews are staying at the Oliver hotel. Several repairs will have to be made before the machines will continue to Chicago and another supply of gasoline will be taken aboard. The machines are attracting considerable attention and a large number of people visited the garage to secure a glimpse of the big cars.

Stuck in Snow.

For nearly two hours the machines were stalled in the drive between Elkhart and South Bend this morning and the Studebaker had to call for carts from this city to assist them.

The Mora car, which is not entered in the New York-Paris race, arrived in Goshen about midnight Wednesday and remained there yesterday while some slight repairs were being made. The Mora car is being used for advertising in the party in charge, with a "sealed bonnet." It is making an engine test and the seal over the bonnet which covers the engine has not yet been broken.

There is more interest here in South Bend in the travels of the Studebaker car which is carrying a message from New York to Fort Leavenworth. The Studebaker machine left Chicago Tuesday afternoon on its journey to Sterling, Ill., where it left at 9 o'clock this morning. The remarkable run of the Studebaker car is causing considerable interest throughout the entire country as it reached Chicago about 6 o'clock Tuesday after leaving Michigan City, Ind., two hours later.

Route May Be Changed.

According to the Chicago Tribune, the route of the Studebaker car may yet be changed. The Tribune says the following:

"Northern Siberia and Alaska may be substituted from the route of the Studebaker car, which was selected as a result of the failure of the cars to go through the Indiana snow drifts under their own power. A plan now is under consideration to take the autos from San Francisco to Japan, take another boat to Vladivostok and then drive down the Russian post roads by the side of the Siberian railway the 5,000 miles to Paris.

"The discussion of the new plan was made at the Automobile club last night and soon after the arrival of the French and Italian cars, which checked in at 8:30 o'clock, 24 hours behind the American car. Final action will be taken on the matter after a trial of the western states is made. A conference will be held to-day to determine what shall be done.

"One of the main reasons for the change is the fact that the delay between New York and Chicago has caused the Studebaker people to change the date from March 14, the time set for sailing to Alaska. A later boat will bring the time for crossing Alaska too late to catch the hard snow and ice which will be necessary to wait for another season.

"A von Mueller, general agent for the Russian line in Europe, appeared to be in favor of the plan, but would not say anything definite. St. Geoffrey and Bartlett are inclined to go on the old route as far as possible. Roberts is of the opinion that the trip through Alaska is almost impossible, but he is ready to try. Roberts is entered for the grand prix in Europe in July, and if the new plan is carried out he may change his mind and drive the Alaska contest of the foreign managers of the race will have to be gained to change the route."

PLANS TO QUIT WRESTLING.

American Champion Mat Artist Says He is Through.

Chicago, Feb. 27.—Frank Gotch has declared his intention of retiring from the mat game after his scheduled match of April 3 with George Hackenschmidt in this city. The American heavyweight king says he will quit regardless whether he wins or loses in the big struggle. Gotch is known to have made a fortune in the game in addition to holding title to river land in Iowa.

While getting into trim for the championship bout Gotch will tackle Tommy Burns, reported an easy mark for the Canadian, who recently in London, and will also stack up against Jesse Westergaard.

WANTS BURNS' GAME

COLORED FIGHTER SAYS HE IS ANXIOUS FOR BATTLE.

Johnson Declares He Is Willing to Meet Molly Thomas in 16-Foot Ring and For Side Bet.

New York, Feb. 27.—Tommy Burns' "bluff" is called. After sleeping over the offer from England of $1,000 for his end of a purse to meet the so-called heavyweight champion, Jack Johnson has come to the conclusion that there is no sense in waiting for better financial inducements.

Last night the big colored boxer announced that he would accept the offer at once and added that he had cabled London to let the white $1,000 go as a side bet. Johnson will likewise accept the other conditions of the offer, which call for a 16-foot ring and a date some time in advance of June 16.

Johnson's decision to accept the offer was brought about after a long talk with his manager, Sam Fitzpatrick. They have come to the conclusion that it would be folly to wait until the stipend Tommy gets back from the old country, Burns probably figured on collecting from Johnson, would be so far from London and intended then to come back and pass up the big colored fellow, using the fact that Lil Artha refused to meet him in London as an excuse.

Burns has now been brought to bay and the fight fans of both countries will eagerly await his next move. Many think that Tommy will crawl out of the scrape by claiming that Johnson is not a champion and many others who figure that Burns is really not afraid of Johnson, and that if Jack makes the trip to England Tommy will take him on. It is hardly likely, however, that Burns will grab at Johnson's proposition to bet $1,000 on the side.

Announces Racing Dates.

Kewanee, Ill., Feb. 27.—Racing dates for the season of the central Illinois trotting and pacing circuit were set at a meeting of the association here yesterday. They follow: Bradford, Aug. 24 to 29; Princeville, Aug. 31 to Sept. 5; Kewanee, Sept. 7 to 12; Princeville, Sept. 9 to 14; Sandwich, Sept. 9 to 11; Aledo, Sept. 16 to 18. Officers for the association were elected as follows: President, W. T. Emerson; Aledo, vice-president, M. R. Bristol; Calhoun, secretary, Charles L. Trimble, Princeville.

Policeman Pal of Crooks.

New York, Feb. 27.—George Dawkins, a policeman under suspension who was charged with being a confederate of crooks was found guilty of burglary and grand larceny in the supreme court, Brooklyn, last night.

Meeting of Odd Fellows.

Routine business was transacted at a meeting of the South Bend lodge, No. 29, I. O. O. F., held last evening. Two applications for membership were received. One applicant was elected to membership.

The first installment of "An Election Primer" appears in The Tribune to-day at the top of the editorial page. Subsequent installments will appear in the same place daily until and including March 7.

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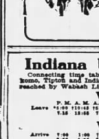

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