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WORLD'S SERIES RULES

New Regulations of the Next World's Series, and For Other Post-Season Series, in Which



CINCINNATI, Ohio, March 7.—The National Commission has just issued new rules for the playing of interleague games after the close of the major league regular championship season. Heretofore the World's Series games have been under the supervision of the National Commission, but other contests have not been run by the august body unless the club owners wished it. From now on the Commission will assume control of all interleague contests and the division of receipts in all such series will be governed by the rules which have been provided for the World's Series—that is, the players will get 60 per cent. of the gross receipts of the first four games, and that share will be divided, 60 per cent. to the winning team and 40 per cent. to the losing team. No emblems or pennants, however, will be given to the players participating in any other series than that for the championship of the world.

THE QUESTION OF MEMENTOES

for the players has always been a tough one, because there are always finicky athletes who kick their heads off no matter what kind of present is given them, so such trouble will be cut out in the future except for the players in the World's Series. The old rule on this point is as follows:

"The emblem of the professional base ball championship of the world shall be a pennant to be presented to the victorious club each year, and an appropriate memento in the form of a button, to be presented to each player of the victorious club. Both shall be selected by the National Commission. The cost of the pennant and the button shall be paid by the Commission."

This rule, by Section 23, was made to apply to all other post-season series played under National Commission auspices. In its new rule the National Commission provides that the practice of furnishing emblems and pennants be confined strictly to the World's Series. Regarding

THE GATE RECEIPTS QUESTION

the World's Series rules provide that the basis of division of receipts of the World's Series "may apply to all other games played between National and American League clubs, upon application being made to the National Commission, except as to the division of the receipts, exclusive of the amount to be paid to the National Commission, which shall be mutually agreed upon between the clubs participating in such games; provided all players shall be paid at their contract prices for all games of this character that they are obliged to play after the expiration of their contracts." The

NEW RULES ON THE SUBJECT

of the Commission provides that instead of having the clubs participating in a series of this character divide the receipts as they may mutually agree, the same division as to receipts shall apply in all games played under the auspices of the Commission as is fixed for the World's Series, according to Section 17.



JOHN A. ROWAN,
Pitcher of the Cincinnati National League Club.

Pitcher John A. Rowan, one of the young pitchers of the Cincinnati National League Club, was born June 16, 1886, at New Castle, Pa., which is still his home. He started his professional career with the Leavenworth Club, of the Western Association, in 1906 and made such a fine showing in his first year out that the Detroit American League Club that Fall purchased his release. In the Spring of 1907 Detroit "farmed" Rowan to the Atlanta (Southern League) Club. The following Winter the Detroit Club sold Rowan to the Dayton (Central League) Club. For that club he made such a splendid showing in 1908 that the Cincinnati Club bought his release and gave him a satisfactory Fall trial. (He was a member of the Cincinnati pitching corps throughout 1909, has been re-engaged for 1910, and is regarded as a Cincinnati fixture.

Both the American League and the National League has consented to these changes. Notice is, therefore, given that Section 23 of the rules and regulations governing the contests for the professional base ball championship of the world be amended so as to read as follows:

"Section 23. These same rules shall apply to all other games played between National and American League clubs upon application being made to the National Commission, excepting Section 2, it being understood that mementos to the players of the victorious teams as well as the pennant to be given to the victorious club shall only apply to the World's Series. All players shall be paid at their contract price for

all games of this character that they are obliged to play after the expiration of their contracts."

A PITTSBURG CELEBRATION.

Apropos to the World's Series word comes from Pittsburgh that President Dreyfuss is making elaborate arrangements for the unfurling of the World's Championship emblem and is now in communication with the National Commission in regard to the matter. To-day the supreme court of base ball submitted to the Pittsburgh club owner the design for the banner and samples of the material which enters into its construction. The flag is composed of gold and blue hunting,

the Bestowal of Emblems and the Division of the Gate Receipts Are Touched Upon.

the latter material being bordered by the former, from which the letters are also made. Colonel Dreyfuss will suggest

A SLIGHT CHANGE

in the lettering, for he believes the inscription usually placed on such flags is a bit lengthy and he proposes to shorten it. The date for the raising of the World's Championship banner will not be fixed until the Pittsburgh president hears from the members of the National Commission, whom he has asked to name a date on which they will be able to be present. As soon as replies from them are received he will go ahead and complete the plans for the event.

LYNCH'S VIEWS

Of the Automobile Prize for Major League Batting Champions.

Special to "Sporting Life."

New York, March 7.—President Lynch, of the National League, has under consideration a communication from a Detroit automobile manufacturing house which desires to give a touring car to the champion batsman of each major league this year as a reward for his prowess with the stick. The matter now is officially before the National Commission, of which Mr. Lynch is the junior member. It is President Lynch's idea that the National Commission should rule that the champion batsman of the two leagues should have played in half of his team's games, appearances as a sub-hitter not to be allowed to count as contests. His recommendation will probably be concurred in by his colleagues, Messrs. Herrmann and Johnson.

A "TAFT DAY"

Is Being Arranged for Pittsburgh by President Dreyfuss.

Special to "Sporting Life."

Pittsburg, Pa., March 7.—President Taft is to have a real ball game for himself according to the plans set on foot today by President Dreyfuss, of the Pittsburgh world's champions. Another shift in the schedule will be necessary, and it is now up to the Chicago Club to accede to the proposition of Pittsburgh to make a Taft day here May 12. On this date President Taft comes to Pittsburgh to attend the Founders' Day exercises at Carnegie Institute and the American Club banquet in the evening. It has been figured that President Taft will finish at Carnegie Institute in time to step over into Forbes Field before the first ball is pitched. Chicago is booked to play in Pittsburgh May 3, 4 and 5, and the request made by the Pittsburgh management is now to bring forward the game of May 5 to May 2 in order that the President may be invited to attend the game. June 30 will be flag raising day at Forbes Field.

THE WORLD OF BASE BALL

LATEST NEWS

THE CASE AGAINST KLING BECOMING GRAVE.

Evidence Gathered to Show That He Acted in Official Capacity in Intentional Opposition to the Kansas City Association Club.

SPECIAL TO "SPORTING LIFE."

Cincinnati, O., March 7.—New and unlooked-for evidence has just reached the National Commission against the reinstatement of catcher Johnny Kling, of the Cubs, which will take a great amount of favorable evidence to demand. It concerns the organization in Kansas City which Kling controlled. He was the secretary and treasurer of that organization, and therefore fought the American Association on the Saturdays and Sundays when other teams played the Kansas City Club on the home grounds there. Information has come to the Commission from members and officials of the



John Kling

American Association, all of whom say that inasmuch as Kling was an official of the rival Kansas City Base Ball League there, which offered free and open fight to the American Association, they feel that he has done organized base ball a serious injury. He advertised himself as the star attraction, say these advisers. Not only did he deal a body blow to organized ball in this way, but he took many hundreds of dollars away from an organization which at several times has been in a fair way to assume major proportions. In doing this he used his personal popularity in Kansas City to cripple the American Association. Since it has been directed to the attention of the members of the National Commission that the Kansas City man was one of the ringleaders of the organization in Kansas City his trouble has taken on a very serious turn. Therefore the clouds begin to grow dark again, and it now looks as though Kling will be asked to remain out of base ball for the four years.

"Leave-of-Absence" Letter Missing.

Special to "Sporting Life."

Kansas City, Mo., March 7.—So far the letter sent catcher John Kling by President Murphy, giving the Cub catcher leave of absence, cannot be found. Kling received a letter from Chairman Herrmann, of the National Commission, requesting him to send all correspondence between the Cubs and himself since he quit the game. Kling has looked high and low for the letter, but cannot find it. Sporting editors here are willing to make affidavit that Kling was given temporary leave by Murphy in case the letter does not show up. The letter from Chairman Herrmann also asks for a list of players on Kling's semi-pro team that went with him to Chicago.

THE MURRAY CONTRACT.

No Defense Entered Before Directors by the Philadelphia Club.

Special to "Sporting Life."

New York, March 7.—The time limit for President Fogel, of the Philadelphia Club, to present his reasons to the Board of Directors of the National League for having discharged William Murray from the management, when Murray's contract still had two years to run, expired today. No word having been received from Fogel, the Board, which consists of John T. Brush, of New York; Charles H. Ebbetts, of Brooklyn; August Herrmann, of Cincinnati; Barney Dreyfuss, of Pittsburgh; and Charles W. Murphy, of Chicago, will immediately take up the matter. It is said that Herrmann and Dreyfuss are keen on making the Phillies pay Murray \$10,000 as a compromise sum for the cancellation of the two-year ironclad contract Murray holds with the Quakers, but the other members of the Board do not stand with them on this proposition. It is thought that all the Board of Directors will do now is to order the Philadelphia Club to pay Murray the back salary that is due him. Murray's case, in all likelihood, will reach the courts for settlement.

SHIVELY IS OUSTED.

The Western Association Club Owners Depose the Well-Known President.

Special to "Sporting Life."

Tulsa, Okla., March 7.—A meeting of the representatives of all the clubs in the Western Association was held night of March 4, and D. M. Shively, president of the Association, was deposed pending an investigation of the affairs of last season by the National Commission. J. H. Shaw, of Enid, vice-president of the Association, was placed in charge of all the league's finances. A copy of the resolution deposing Shively was ordered sent to J. H. Farrell, secretary of the National Association, and he was instructed to conduct all business with the Western Association through Shaw. This agreement

was signed by all the members of the Western Association. The Association also unanimously requested Shaw to notify Secretary Farrell to consummate all of the sales already made of players of the Muskogee team and all sales that shall be made in the future.

LAWSON'S LEAGUE.

New Outlaw Organization Claims to be Ready for Play.

Special to "Sporting Life."

Boston, March 7.—The virtual completion of plans for a new base ball league, to embrace clubs in Boston, Providence, Brooklyn, Newark, Paterson, Trenton, Philadelphia and Baltimore, and operating under a holding company styled "The United States Base Ball League Association, Incorporated," is announced here. The League claims to have already signed more than 100 players, procured parks in six of the eight cities, and has sites in view in the two other cities, Boston and Providence. It will open its season on May 1, closing on Labor Day, and playing a schedule of 126 games. Being an outlaw organization, the league will open the gates to colored players, three of whom have been signed for each team. Dr. G. H. A. Lawson, of Wilmington, Del., is president of the league.

THE LEAGUE INCORPORATED.

Dover, Del., March 7.—The United States Base Ball League Association was incorporated by the State Department of Delaware to organize, conduct and operate and manage a base ball league of clubs. The incorporators are George H. A. Lawson, of Wilmington, and Jeremiah M. Foley and Frank L. Sheffield, of Boston. The capital stock is \$90,000.

JERSEY MOVEMENT

For the Legislation of Sunday Base Ball Playing in Municipalities.

Special to "Sporting Life."

Trenton, N. J., March 7.—The Olwell Sunday base ball bill made its appearance in the House in new form, a substitute for the original measure being reported by the Judiciary Committee. The original provided that the governing bodies of municipalities could pass ordinances prohibiting Sunday base ball if they so desired, but leaving the principle applicable to the entire State. The substitute bill provides that the governing bodies of municipalities must adopt the Sunday base ball principle by vote, and that then they must adopt a Sunday base ball ordinance before such games can be played. The substitute contains the same provisions as the Olwell bill, passed by the House last year, but which failed in the Senate. The Hudson county Assemblymen are said to be all favorable to the substitute.

TARIFF ON BASE BALLS.

Dealers Protest Against Goods Imported From Japan.

Special to "Sporting Life."

Washington, D. C., March 7.—The National Game of America now presents a problem for the consideration of the tariff commission. Sporting goods firms throughout the country have filed a protest with the commission, complaining of the low tariff on base balls made in Japan. With the low cost of raw materials and the cheap labor available, the Japanese, it is claimed, are able to manufacture base balls, all duties paid, and sell them at wholesale, in San Francisco or Seattle for 90 cents a dozen, while the covers alone cost the American dealers 50 cents a dozen. It is said that no legislation will be enacted this season on the base ball tariff, but Representative Kahn, of California, will present the protests to the House.

THE VIRGINIA VALLEY.

John I. Spinney's New Organization is Now Completed.

Special to "Sporting Life."

Cumberland, Md., March 7.—At the first meeting of the directors of the Virginia Valley League, held at Huntington, Mr. J. I. Spinney, of Cincinnati, was elected President. It will be a six-club league, comprising Huntington, Charleston, Parkersburg, Montgomery, Point Pleasant, Gallipolis and Catlettsburg-Ashland. The last two teams are twin city organizations. The Montgomery, W. Va., Club, elected the following officers: President, Frank Smart; vice-president, M. J. Simms; secretary, J. H. Hastings; manager, W. T. Coburn. Work of improving the grounds and constructing a grand stand has commenced.

BURNED TO DEATH.

A Well-Known New England League Player Meets Sad Fate.

Boston, Mass., March 7.—After days of terrible suffering from deep burns inflicted when a plug flew out of a boiler filled with live steam, Richard Manning, 23, of 34 Lonsan street, East Boston, died yesterday in the East Boston Relief Station. Manning, who is widely known throughout New England as a ball player, planned to marry Miss Elizabeth Canavan, of 69 Havre street, in June. Yesterday Miss Canavan was nearly prostrated with grief. Mr. Manning played ball with the Ipswich team last summer and was promised a try-out on a New England League team at the commencement of the coming season.

A FINE REWARD

WAS ACCORDED THE AMERICAN LEAGUE CHIEF.

Twenty-Year Term With \$30,000 Salary Per Annum, Well Earned by Able Head of the Junior Major League.

BY T. H. MURNANE.

Boston, Mass., March 4.—The idea of the president of a base ball league drawing a salary of \$30,000 per year, with liberal personal expenses thrown in, has caused considerable talk among the base ball fans. I was surprised a few days ago to hear one royal rooter for both leagues remark: "Johnson will be running the whole show pretty soon." The idea of the president of a base ball league receiving such a large amount seems to bother this gentleman, who is connected with the life insurance business. The thought struck me at the time that handling a well-regulated insurance company was child's play compared to running a major base ball league successfully, and yet \$50,000 a year is no unusual salary for the president of the leading insurance companies. President Johnson not only manages the American League, but he is a member of the National Commission, without compensation, Chairman Herrmann and Secretary Bruce alone receiving handsome salaries for their Commission work. I have Comiskey's word for it that Ban Johnson has



Ban Johnson

NEVER SAVED A DOLLAR out of his handsome salary, preferring to spend it liberally for the benefit of the American League, for it takes a lot of money to be a good fellow while traveling about as the representative of a great major league. And Johnson has always traveled close to the orchestra, and, in fact, has enjoyed the music. The American League has a peculiar habit of making strong plays before the public, and the strongest one ever pulled off was when they elected the natural-born leader for a term of 20 years at a salary of \$30,000 per year. As the magnates of the American League are nearly all first-class business men, with base ball as a side issue, the move is all the more interesting. It gives Ban Johnson a free reign to work for the benefit of the great league, which means better all-round conditions for organized ball. This move means that Mr. Johnson will never again listen to an

ARGUMENT FOR A COMBINATION with the two leagues working under one head, as suggested by Mr. Herrmann, of Cincinnati. It also means that Ban Johnson has decided to give the rest of his life to the American League, now figuring on the construction of magnificent base ball plants in at least six of the eight cities. Men are not likely to invest large sums of money in a business where executives may be changed annually, after showing marked ability for the work. Imagine a rival organization securing the services of Mr. Johnson for a term of 10 years, and the American League magnates looking for capital to build costly plants. Ban Johnson has proven beyond the question of a doubt that he is the one pilot for the American League ship. Others are now reaping a rich reward as the result of taking Mr. Johnson's advice to become connected with the American League. For, with the single exception of Charley Comiskey, the present owners were discovered by Byron Bancroft Johnson, showing that the successful business men had

FAITH IN HIS LEADERSHIP. to later open up their purse strings to the man they could trust to a finish. So much for the American League. I have carefully noted every move made by Ban Johnson for the last 20 years, and feel sure that the National League has a royal supporter in the American League president, for he fully appreciates what the old league has done for the great game. Only those anxious to belittle, or interfere with his creation, the American League, has Johnson opposed. Like all good pilots he wanted to steer clear of hidden rocks, so often concealed in the base ball waters by selfish magnates connected with the old league. Knowing that both leagues have come to stay the fair-minded magnates of the rival National League will find the American League magnate a safe and sane man for base ball.

MURPHY'S SOUVENIR.

A \$10 Note With the Signatures of Murphy and Chance.

Special to "Sporting Life."

Chicago, March 7.—President C. W. Murphy, of the Chicago Nationals, received a souvenir yesterday which he prizes highly. It came in the form of a \$10 note, which bears the signatures of Frank J. Chance and Charles W. Murphy. The bill bears

the stamp of a National Bank in Farmer City, Ill. The signatures of Chance and Murphy occupy the places where the signatures of the bank officials should have been placed. The note is one of the McKinley series, a portrait of the former President appearing on one side. Who placed the signatures on the note is a mystery, but neither one resembles the script of the base ball men. Neither is it known how long the bill has been in circulation, but the issue has been out for several years. It was taken up at a local bank and apparently is genuine as to the signatures.

BRESNAHAN INSURED.

The St. Louis Club Takes Out \$60,000 to Protect Itself.

Special to "Sporting Life."

St. Louis, Mo., March 7.—Stanley Robison, St. Louis National League president, has taken out a \$50,000 insurance policy on the life of Roger Bresnahan, the Cardinal manager, and a \$10,000 policy against accident to Bresnahan other than those on the base ball field. Bresnahan is under contract for three years with the Cardinals, and the reason Robison took out the policies was to protect his club against loss in case of death or injury to Bresnahan.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

Special to "Sporting Life."

Al McClintock has been appointed manager of the Lancaster Club, of the Ohio State League.

Pitcher Overall came to terms with the Chicago Club on March 5 and left at once to join the Cubs.

The Marion (Ohio League) Club has signed a young Lancaster, Pa., third baseman named Albert Kieffer.

The Washington American League team arrived at Norfolk, Va., for their Spring training on Sunday, March 6.

The Muscatine, Ia., Club, of the new Northern Association, has signed Hugh A. Shannon, of Buffalo, as team manager.

The Chattanooga (Southern League) Club has sold outfielder Joe Rickert to the Albany Club, of the New York League.

The Columbus (American Association) Club has traded outfielder Josh Clarke to the St. Paul Club for catcher Fred Carrish.

"Kolly" Miller, Reading's oldest professional ball player, has signed to play second base for the Galveston team, of the Texas League, this season.

Outfielder M. L. Malloy, late of La Crosse, has been appointed manager of the Red Wing Club, new member of the Minnesota-Wisconsin League.

The Rockford Club, of the Wisconsin-Illinois League, has signed the veteran outfielder, Jack Barrett, and outfielder E. A. Jacobson, late of Freeport.

The Macon (South Atlantic League) Club has released catcher Kossuth, of Detroit; shortstop Weber, of Donaldson, La.; and catcher Price, a deaf-mute, from Los Angeles, Cal.

The Directors of the Reading (Tri-State League) Club have settled upon W. A. Witman's new Circus Maximus, Twelfth and Exeter streets, as the club's playing field for the 1910 season.

Pitcher Bill Donovan, of the Detroit Club, had an arm injured in an automobile accident at San Antonio, Tex., March 6. He sustained a five inch cut to the bone near the left wrist.

President Thomas J. Lynch, of the National League, has accepted an invitation to attend the opening game of the National League pennant season at Forbes Field, Pittsburgh, April 21.

David Powers, father of Patrick T. Powers, president of the Eastern League, is seriously ill at his home in South Trenton, N. J., where he has been an invalid for two years. He is 88 years old.

Monte MacFarland, of Decatur, has signed as manager of the Clinton team, of the Illinois-Missouri League. MacFarland was umpire in the Three Eyes League two years ago, and formerly managed Dubuque and Decatur.

The Pittsburg National Club has signed first baseman Frank Dobson, a star in the East Carolina League. Dobson is to coach the University of Georgia team and was given permission to remain on the coaching job until June 1.

Outfielder Del Howard, who refuses to assent to his transfer to Louisville by the Chicago Nationals, may become a magnate. His father-in-law has offered \$50,000 for the St. Paul franchise in the American Association, and if the deal goes through "Del" will become a club owner.

Team No. 1 of the Chicago Americans, together with Charles A. Comiskey, Ban Johnson, president of the American League, and Norris O'Neill, president of the Western League, arrived at San Francisco, Cal., March 6. The second team went direct to Los Angeles by way of Sacramento.

A Paterson, N. J., dispatch says: "Fairland Amusement Park, between here and Paterson, is no more. The buildings have been torn down and the grounds leveled off for base ball purposes. President Pat Powers is after it, and will probably get it, and it is said will place an Eastern League team here in 1911."

Leon I. Kahn and Dale Gear, owners of the Shreveport Club, of the Texas League, have purchased N. M. Schantz's interest in the Muskogee Club, of the Western Base Ball Association. W. L. Tull, of Muskogee, remains as president. Mr. Kahn has been elected vice-president and Mr. Gear secretary and treasurer.

An employee of the Hotel Bentley, of Alexandria, La., disappeared March 4 and the hotel management is making a great effort to locate him. Incidentally, it is said, that \$1,250 is missing. Much of it was the property of the Cleveland players and newspaper men, who deposited the same at the desk. The management, however, will make all losses good.

Rev. George Schroeder, pastor of the First Congregational Church at Elmwood, Ill., has been selected as umpire in the Illinois-Missouri League. When his application for the position of umpire was accepted he tendered his resignation to the congregation, feeling that his duties as umpire would conflict with those attending his ministry. The resignation was accepted.

BOSTON BRIEFS

THE RED SOX START ON THEIR CAMPAIGN.

The Party Now at the Hot Springs, in Arkansas, Getting Ready for the Fray—The Boston Nationals Not Yet Quite Ready to Start.

BY J. C. MORSE.

Boston, Mass., March 7.—Editor "Sporting Life."—Manager Pat Donovan escorted a very small representation of his braves on



J. C. Morse

Thursday night last when he started for the Hot Springs on the training trip of the club. With him were just a battery—Ray Collins, the clever left-handed pitcher, formerly the crack pitcher of the University of Vermont, of whom much is expected the coming season, and Tommy Madden, the stalwart catcher, who did so well in Portland, Ore., last year. It would have been but a small gathering were it not for the full representation of newspaper men who made the trip. Of course, Tim Murnane was on hand and was easily the veteran of the body, the others being fledglings in experience with him. Accessions to the party were taken on at New York and Cincinnati and by the time this reaches the eyes of the readers of "Sporting Life" the boys will have been at it for some time with a will. This week Treasurer McBreen will round up all who did not go at the first alarm and when all the players get together there ought to be 29 of them. With McBreen, President Taylor and Trainer Green the training party will number 32. The eight correspondents and one illustrator will make it 41, and five rooters will bring the total to 46, making a very respectable company. The itinerary of the trip has already been published in "Sporting Life."

NO INTER-LEAGUE LOCAL SERIES.

An effort was made by President John Dovey, of the Boston Nationals, to bring about a meeting of the two local teams for Wednesday, April 13. Manager Donovan favored playing Harvard, and as that team accepted an invitation to play on the Huntington Avenue grounds for Tuesday, April 12, the invitation to play the Boston Nationals on the 13th was not accepted. That date will be held open in case bad weather prevents the game with Harvard the day before. It is the first time that a game with the Harvard boys has been put through since the days of Frank Selee, in the early nineties. It goes without saying that the Nationals were much disappointed at their inability to get the date they wanted. "I think we would have given the Red Sox a better argument than most people would imagine," said Manager Fred Lake. As the Nationals had already arranged a game at Lowell for the 13th of April they will fill it, although they would have cancelled it had they been able to get in the date they wanted in Boston. The following Sunday the Bostons will play in Bridgeport, Conn., and on the 24th will get in a Sunday game at Albany, where Wolfgang will pitch. He was with Albany last season. A game has been arranged at Berkeley, R. I., June 5, and Waterbury, Conn., June 19. It looks as if the club would not have a single available date during the playing season.

DONOVAN'S FORECAST.

Before leaving Manager Donovan, of the Red Sox, was asked to give his opinion on the outlook for the season. He said he saw no reason to expect that the club would be farther down in the race than it was in the season of 1909, and he expected to make a better showing barring accidents. It will be remembered that the Red Sox had much to contend with in the way of accidents last season and this hampered the showing of the club a great deal. Of course, this sort of thing must be expected during a playing season, but it cannot be denied that Lake had more than his share. Donovan hopes to be more fortunate in this respect. It was originally expected that only battery players would be on the ground at Hot Springs when the practice began, but some of the regulars begged so hard to be allowed to start in with the others that permission was granted them. The entire California outfit wanted to be on the spot when the fun began. Of the regulars Jake Stahl will get aboard at Cincinnati. Donovan said that the practice games with the Cincinnati Reds could not begin too soon to suit him. Harry Niles was also one the privileged to get on with the first corps at Cincinnati, and catcher Pat Donohue made another accession.

IN THE NATIONAL CAMP.

Meanwhile there is nothing new to chronicle about the other chaps, the Boston Nationals. The fans here have been keeping their ears close to the ground hoping that there would be some announcement of some accession which would bode good to the team, but there has been nothing doing up to the present time. Notwithstanding, Manager Lake is as chipper as he can be and is confident that he will be able to put a team in the field of the talent handed to him that will give a very good account of itself. It will be quick work with his band in the South—just two weeks and then the exhibition games and a quick run home. The boys will be at the Albion Hotel in Augusta, and are sure to find a hearty welcome while at that caravansary. It has been arranged so that the boys will have the best of bathing facilities. Lake has made up his mind to cut out the

run to and from the ball grounds and thinks the boys will have all the necessary exercise while on the ball field.

THE DOVE PLAYERS

will be taken to and from the grounds in a trolley car that will be kept warm enough to prevent the boys from becoming chilled. There has been no trouble at all about bringing the men in line and every player will be signed all right before the playing season begins. Manager Lake hopes to arrange a meeting with the New York Americans for a game on March 26, as the American League club will be at Athens, Ga., on that date. Richie has been playing ball in Ormond, Fla., all winter and has been having a royal good time. He will go directly from that spot to Augusta. He says he is feeling in first-class

tion while the members were together and the schedule was adopted unanimously.

Gene O'Connor, well known here as a newspaper man and once a good ball tosser, has been chosen by Doc Lawson to manage the Boston Club in the new United States League, and Gene has already arranged games for the exhibition season. Gene is a hustler and worker and the new enterprise has secured a good man and no mistake.

Boardman and Briggs, the former a third baseman and the latter an outfielder, who played with Haverhill last season and were secured by the Boston Americans and turned over to Sacramento, left this city for their new rendezvous on Tuesday last. Harold Danzig joined them at Syracuse. There is no doubt at all that they will make good in their new field of labor.

New York State League 1910 Schedule

Season Opens May 4; Closes September 17

ALBANY AT HOME			TROY AT HOME		
With Troy	May 6, 7	May 6, 7	With Albany	May 4, 5	May 4, 5
With Syracuse	May 16, 17, 18	May 16, 17, 18	With Utica	May 16, 17, 18	May 16, 17, 18
With Utica	May 19, 20, 21	May 19, 20, 21	With Syracuse	May 19, 20, 21	May 19, 20, 21
With Binghamton	May 23, 24, 25	May 23, 24, 25	With Elmira	May 23, 24, 25	May 23, 24, 25
With Elmira	May 26, 27, 28	May 26, 27, 28	With Binghamton	May 26, 27, 28	May 26, 27, 28
With Troy	May 30, P. M.	May 30, P. M.	With Albany	May 30, A. M.	May 30, A. M.
With Wilkes-Barre	June 13, 14, 15	June 13, 14, 15	With Scranton	June 13, 14, 15	June 13, 14, 15
With Scranton	June 16, 17, 18	June 16, 17, 18	With Wilkes-Barre	June 16, 17, 18	June 16, 17, 18
With Utica	June 20, 21, 22	June 20, 21, 22	With Syracuse	June 20, 21, 22	June 20, 21, 22
With Syracuse	June 23, 24, 25	June 23, 24, 25	With Utica	June 23, 24, 25	June 23, 24, 25
With Troy	July 4, A. M.	July 4, A. M.	With Albany	July 4, P. M.	July 4, P. M.
With Elmira	July 5, 6, 7	July 5, 6, 7	With Binghamton	July 5, 6, 7	July 5, 6, 7
With Binghamton	July 8, 9, 10	July 8, 9, 10	With Elmira	July 8, 9, 10	July 8, 9, 10
With Scranton	July 25, 26, 27	July 25, 26, 27	With Wilkes-Barre	July 25, 26, 27	July 25, 26, 27
With Wilkes-Barre	July 28, 29, 30	July 28, 29, 30	With Scranton	July 28, 29, 30	July 28, 29, 30
With Syracuse	August 1, 2, 3	August 1, 2, 3	With Utica	August 1, 2, 3	August 1, 2, 3
With Utica	August 4, 5, 6	August 4, 5, 6	With Syracuse	August 4, 5, 6	August 4, 5, 6
With Troy	August 15, 16, 17	August 15, 16, 17	With Albany	August 18, 19, 20	August 18, 19, 20
With Binghamton	August 22, 23, 24	August 22, 23, 24	With Elmira	August 22, 23, 24	August 22, 23, 24
With Elmira	August 25, 26, 27	August 25, 26, 27	With Binghamton	August 25, 26, 27	August 25, 26, 27
With Troy	September 5, P. M.	September 5, P. M.	With Albany	September 5, A. M.	September 5, A. M.
With Wilkes-Barre	September 12, 13	September 12, 13	With Scranton	September 12, 13	September 12, 13
With Scranton	September 14, 15	September 14, 15	With Wilkes-Barre	September 14, 15	September 14, 15
With Troy	September 17	September 17	With Albany	September 16	September 16
UTICA AT HOME			SYRACUSE AT HOME		
With Troy	May 9, 10, 11	May 9, 10, 11	With Albany	May 9, 10, 11	May 9, 10, 11
With Albany	May 12, 13, 14	May 12, 13, 14	With Troy	May 12, 13, 14	May 12, 13, 14
With Wilkes-Barre	May 23, 24, 25	May 23, 24, 25	With Scranton	May 23, 24, 25	May 23, 24, 25
With Scranton	May 26, 27, 28	May 26, 27, 28	With Wilkes-Barre	May 26, 27, 28	May 26, 27, 28
With Syracuse	May 30, P. M.	May 30, P. M.	With Utica	May 30, A. M.	May 30, A. M.
With Elmira	June 13, 14, 15	June 13, 14, 15	With Binghamton	June 13, 14, 15	June 13, 14, 15
With Binghamton	June 16, 17, 18	June 16, 17, 18	With Elmira	June 16, 17, 18	June 16, 17, 18
With Albany	June 27, 28, 29	June 27, 28, 29	With Troy	June 27, 28, 29	June 27, 28, 29
With Troy	June 30, July 1, 2	June 30, July 1, 2	With Albany	June 30, July 1, 2	June 30, July 1, 2
With Syracuse	July 4, A. M.	July 4, A. M.	With Utica	July 4, P. M.	July 4, P. M.
With Scranton	July 5, 6, 7	July 5, 6, 7	With Wilkes-Barre	July 5, 6, 7	July 5, 6, 7
With Wilkes-Barre	July 8, 9, 10	July 8, 9, 10	With Scranton	July 8, 9, 10	July 8, 9, 10
With Binghamton	July 25, 26, 27	July 25, 26, 27	With Elmira	July 25, 26, 27	July 25, 26, 27
With Elmira	July 28, 29, 30	July 28, 29, 30	With Binghamton	July 28, 29, 30	July 28, 29, 30
With Troy	August 8, 9, 10	August 8, 9, 10	With Albany	August 8, 9, 10	August 8, 9, 10
With Syracuse	August 11, 12, 13	August 11, 12, 13	With Troy	August 11, 12, 13	August 11, 12, 13
With Wilkes-Barre	August 18, 19, 20	August 18, 19, 20	With Utica	August 15, 16, 17	August 15, 16, 17
With Scranton	August 22, 23, 24	August 22, 23, 24	With Scranton	August 22, 23, 24	August 22, 23, 24
With Syracuse	August 25, 26, 27	August 25, 26, 27	With Wilkes-Barre	August 25, 26, 27	August 25, 26, 27
With Binghamton	September 5, A. M.	September 5, A. M.	With Utica	September 5, P. M.	September 5, P. M.
With Elmira	September 12, 13	September 12, 13	With Binghamton	September 12, 13	September 12, 13
With Scranton	September 14, 15	September 14, 15	With Elmira	September 14, 15	September 14, 15
With Syracuse	September 16	September 16	With Utica	September 17	September 17
BINGHAMTON AT HOME			ELMIRA AT HOME		
With Wilkes-Barre	May 9, 10, 11	May 9, 10, 11	With Scranton	May 9, 10, 11	May 9, 10, 11
With Scranton	May 12, 13, 14	May 12, 13, 14	With Wilkes-Barre	May 12, 13, 14	May 12, 13, 14
With Elmira	May 16, 17, 18	May 16, 17, 18	With Binghamton	May 19, 20, 21	May 19, 20, 21
With Utica	May 30, P. M.	May 30, P. M.	With Binghamton	May 30, A. M.	May 30, A. M.
With Syracuse	June 31, June 1, 2	June 31, June 1, 2	With Syracuse	May 31, June 1, 2	May 31, June 1, 2
With Albany	June 3, 4	June 3, 4	With Utica	June 3, 4	June 3, 4
With Troy	June 6, 7, 8	June 6, 7, 8	With Troy	June 6, 7, 8	June 6, 7, 8
With Scranton	June 9, 10, 11	June 9, 10, 11	With Albany	June 9, 10, 11	June 9, 10, 11
With Wilkes-Barre	June 27, 28, 29	June 27, 28, 29	With Wilkes-Barre	June 27, 28, 29	June 27, 28, 29
With Elmira	June 30, July 1, 2	June 30, July 1, 2	With Scranton	June 30, July 1, 2	June 30, July 1, 2
With Syracuse	July 4, A. M.	July 4, A. M.	With Binghamton	July 4, P. M.	July 4, P. M.
With Utica	July 11, 12, 13	July 11, 12, 13	With Elmira	July 11, 12, 13	July 11, 12, 13
With Troy	July 14, 15, 16	July 14, 15, 16	With Syracuse	July 14, 15, 16	July 14, 15, 16
With Albany	July 18, 19, 20	July 18, 19, 20	With Albany	July 18, 19, 20	July 18, 19, 20
With Wilkes-Barre	July 21, 22, 23	July 21, 22, 23	With Troy	July 21, 22, 23	July 21, 22, 23
With Scranton	August 8, 9, 10	August 8, 9, 10	With Scranton	August 8, 9, 10	August 8, 9, 10
With Elmira	August 11, 12, 13	August 11, 12, 13	With Wilkes-Barre	August 11, 12, 13	August 11, 12, 13
With Binghamton	August 18, 19, 20	August 18, 19, 20	With Binghamton	August 15, 16, 17	August 15, 16, 17
With Albany	August 29, 30, 31	August 29, 30, 31	With Troy	August 29, 30, 31	August 29, 30, 31
With Troy	September 1, 2, 3	September 1, 2, 3	With Albany	September 1, 2, 3	September 1, 2, 3
With Elmira	September 5, P. M.	September 5, P. M.	With Binghamton	September 5, A. M.	September 5, A. M.
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With Syracuse	September 9, 10, 11	September 9, 10, 11	With Utica	September 9, 10, 11	September 9, 10, 11
With Elmira	September 17	September 17	With Binghamton	September 16	September 16
SCRANTON AT HOME			WILKES-BARRE AT HOME		
With Elmira	May 4, 5	May 4, 5	With Binghamton	May 4, 5	May 4, 5
With Binghamton	May 6, 7	May 6, 7	With Elmira	May 6, 7	May 6, 7
With Wilkes-Barre	May 19, 20, 21	May 19, 20, 21	With Scranton	May 16, 17, 18	May 16, 17, 18
With Troy	May 30, P. M.	May 30, P. M.	With Scranton	May 30, A. M.	May 30, A. M.
With Albany	May 31, June 1, 2	May 31, June 1, 2	With Albany	May 31, June 1, 2	May 31, June 1, 2
With Syracuse	June 3, 4, 5	June 3, 4, 5	With Utica	June 3, 4, 5	June 3, 4, 5
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With Elmira	June 20, 21, 22	June 20, 21, 22	With Elmira	June 20, 21, 22	June 20, 21, 22
With Wilkes-Barre	June 23, 24, 25	June 23, 24, 25	With Binghamton	June 23, 24, 25	June 23, 24, 25
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With Binghamton	August 1, 2, 3	August 1, 2, 3	With Binghamton	August 1, 2, 3	August 1, 2, 3
With Wilkes-Barre	August 4, 5, 6	August 4, 5, 6	With Elmira	August 4, 5, 6	August 4, 5, 6
With Scranton	August 15, 16, 17	August 15, 16, 17	With Scranton	August 18, 19, 20	August 18, 19, 20
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With Utica	September 1, 2, 3	September 1, 2, 3	With Syracuse	September 1, 2, 3	September 1, 2, 3
With Wilkes-Barre	September 5, P. M.	September 5, P. M.	With Scranton	September 5, A. M.	September 5, A. M.
With Troy	September 6, 7, 8	September 6, 7, 8	With Albany	September 6, 7, 8	September 6, 7, 8
With Albany	September 9, 10, 11	September 9, 10, 11	With Troy	September 9, 10, 11	September 9, 10, 11
With Wilkes-Barre	September 17	September 17	With Scranton	September 16	September 16

NEW YORK STATE LEAGUE.

President Farrell's Live Organization Adopts the 1910 Championship Schedule, Season Opening May 4 and Closing September 7.

Scranton, Pa., March 5.—The Spring meeting of the New York State League, was held here on March 2. At this session the League adopted its schedule for the coming season, practically the same as that of last year, opening on May 4, the Scranton, Wilkes-Barre, Syracuse and Utica Clubs opening at home with Elmira, Binghamton, Albany and Troy, respectively. President Farrell announced the following umpires: J. J. Kelly, of Shamokin; Tom Brown, of Washington; A. R. Kneeland, of Rochester; John O'Toole, of Akron, O., and Harry McCloud, of Philadelphia. Charles Moran, having resigned the management of Elmira, will likely be succeeded by James "Steamer" Flanagan, of Buffalo, with whom Mortimer Sullivan, representing Elmira, is dickering, the player being willing to accept the berth. President Farrell announced that so far as he was informed, Trenton had no claim on Quinn, of the Frankford (Philadelphia) Athletic Association, who has signed to play second base for Scranton.

THE DELEGATES BANQUETED.

Edward Coleman, the popular local owner of the Scranton Club, night of March 2, entertained the visiting base ball men with a banquet at the Hotel Jermyn, M. E. Sanders being the toastmaster. It was attended by the magnates and several prominent players. Those who responded to toasts were: President Farrell, James S. Kennedy and M. H. O'Brien, Troy; E. J. Coleman, Scranton; W. J. Clymer, Wilkes-Barre; Monte Cross and visiting sporting writers. Before adjournment the New York State League Base Ball Writers' Association was organized. The organization starts with a membership of 20 and was officially recognized at the night session of the league.

SCHEDULE POINTS.

It was learned after the meeting that the Scranton and Wilkes-Barre representatives sewed up the session for over three hours. The bone of contention was finally decided with an agreement between the two Pennsylvania clubs. It was agreed that whichever one of the two clubs was in the lead in the championship race on September 1 would be entitled to the subsequent Saturday and Sunday dates. Albany will have ten Saturday afternoon dates at home and seven Sunday battles. The Senators on the whole have 64 games scheduled to be played at Chadwick Park and 63 games abroad. Albany meets Troy nine times during the season at Chadwick Park and ten times on the Troy field.

News Notes.

We are indebted to President J. H. Farrell for a season pass to all New York League ball parks.

Manager Monte Cross, of Scranton, states that he has first claim on pitcher Kellogg, of the Athletics.

The Scranton Club has secured an option on south-paw Kellogg, formerly with Troy, and pitcher Scanlon, now in the South with the Phillies.

Pitcher McCloskey, a member of the Holdout Brigade, signed a Wilkes-Barre contract during the week. His demand for more money was not granted.

The Scranton Club has signed catcher Feinberg, of Cape May, and has arranged to let catcher Martel join a club willing to pay \$1,000 for his release.

Outfielder Jimmy Jackson has signed a Scranton contract. During the winter months Jackson has been keeping himself in shape by daily sessions in the "gym."

The Scranton Club has secured clear title to outfielder Epler, secured from the Philadelphia Nationals and claimed by the Greensboro Club, of the Eastern Carolina League.

Frank Schultz, of Beltszhoover, has signed to again play first base for Scranton. Jimmy Barrett, a local amateur, has been signed by the same club for a try-out in the outfield.

Manager Clymer, of the Wilkes-Barre team, has received word that shortstop "Kid" Mahling, who was purchased from the Montreal Club, of the Eastern League, will not report because he is not satisfied with the salary.

The Syracuse Club to date has these players, apart from pitchers, in line: Koepman and Yeager, catchers; first baseman Tiemeyer, second baseman Lee Meyers; Aubrey and Aubrey, shortstops; Odell, third base; and outfielder Burton.

The signed contracts of pitcher McDurdy, catchers Burns and Larkin, infielder Mack and outfielder Bastian were received by the Utica Club last week and thus all of the players have agreed to play with the exception of first baseman Carey.

Manager Clymer, of Wilkes-Barre, with all of his players engaged except a second and third baseman, and with these men promised by major league teams, which are now in the South, is awaiting the signed contracts from the men he has landed.

Si Perkins, who was a member of the pitching staff of the Binghamton team last year, has signed to pitch for the Newark team, of the Eastern League. Jack Plater, who pitched for Ut

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CURRENT COMMENT

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Editor Francis C. Richter.

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DOING THE RIGHT THING.

ONE BY ONE the National League clubs by agreement are cutting the schedule so as to end the season on October 12 instead of October 15, as originally scheduled. This will serve the double purpose of saving the extra two days' pay, for which the clubs may be held liable by the players; and to advance the dates for the World's Series, making it possible to open the great series on October 15 instead of October 17, which latter day would have inevitably been the earliest possible day for starting the series under the original schedule. To date four clubs have advanced dates so as to close their season on October 13, namely, Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, New York and Boston. In our last issue was given notice of the changes made jointly by the Pittsburgh and Cincinnati Clubs. Since, the New York and Boston Clubs have shifted dates, the October 13 date at New York being transferred to July 29, and the final date, October 15, to September 9. The following official notice of the schedule changes to date will give all interested the opportunity to make correct alterations:

New York, March 2.—To All Club Presidents. Gentlemen: The following schedule changes have been made by agreement of the clubs involved, in accordance with privilege granted by Section 47 of the League Constitution: Pittsburgh at Cincinnati, September 2 instead of October 12. Cincinnati at Pittsburgh, June 29 and July 1 instead of October 13 and 15. Pittsburgh at New York, September 13 instead of September 21. Boston at New York, July 29 and September 9 instead of October 13 and 15. Please correct your schedule accordingly. Yours truly,
T. J. LYNCH, President.

That the remaining clubs will do likewise soon or late is reasonably certain, as there is every reason why they should do so. Chicago closes at home with St. Louis, October 9, 10, 12, 15, and Brooklyn closes at home with Philadelphia, October 13, 15. That in each case the October 15 date could be and should be advanced in the interest of uniformity is so obvious as to need no further argument. In conclusion, it should be also noted that the Pittsburgh-Chicago game scheduled for May 5 has been advanced to May 2, in honor of President Taft, who will be the guest of honor on that day in Pittsburgh.

NATIONAL BOARD RULINGS.

THE National Board of the National Association has just rendered a decision in the matter of the claim of the Dallas Club, of the Texas League, against the St. Paul Club, of the American Association, for transportation expenses, amounting to \$118.33, furnished players Pruitt, Rodbaugh, Meyers and Moore, whose services were purchased by St. Paul from Dallas, Texas. The Dallas Club produced evidence showing that the St.

Paul Club has persistently evaded the fulfillment of its obligations. The National Board upon appeal has allowed the claims of the Dallas Club in full.

The National Board has also made a ruling in the claim of player Shincel against the Waterbury Club for \$100 on a note for that amount signed by H. R. Durant. The latter set up the contention that he, and not the Waterbury Club, owed the amount because he gave his personal note therefor. The evidence showed that the original debt was \$169.25, on which \$69.25 was paid on account. In his appeal the player requested that the Waterbury Club be ordered to pay the balance due or release him from reservation. The Board brushed aside Mr. Durant's technical defense and ruled that if the amount due be not paid by the Waterbury Club through Secretary Farrell's office on or before March 1 the player be declared a free agent.

Another joint ruling was made by the National Board in the matter of the protest of player C. A. Baumgartner against the Burlington Club's claims to his services. It appears that the player accepted the Burlington Club's tender of \$85.00 per month. The club sent the player a contract for \$80.00 (which, it was claimed, was an unconditional error) per month, which the player returned unsigned. Shortly thereafter the Burlington Club sent the player a contract at the original figures of \$85 per month, but in the meantime the player had signed with the Galveston Club, of the Texas League. The National Board ruled that the club, not the player, must suffer the penalty for the club's mistake in the first instance, and awarded the player to the Galveston Club.

SUFFERING FOR DEFIANCE.

THE National Commission at its recent special meeting denied the applications for reinstatement of two contract-jumpers now serving time in the erstwhile outlaw California State League—and by this refusal the Commission once more made clear its attitude toward the contract-breaking evil, though in doing so it had to disappoint clubs of the rival major leagues.

One case was that of infielder Sheehan, who deserted the Brooklyn National Club, and who made personal application for reinstatement. After careful consideration of all the facts in the case the Commission declined to reinstate Sheehan because he had, with other contract-jumpers, failed to avail himself of the National Commission's offer of clemency last Spring. Therefore the Commission found that "there are no extenuating circumstances in his case that would warrant the Commission in granting his application for reinstatement at this time, and for that reason the same is refused, and the provisions of Rule 49 of the National Commission will apply against him."

The other case was that of pitcher J. B. Henderson, who also made personal application for reinstatement. This player appears on the records of the National Commission as a contract-jumper. Title to his services was vested several years ago in the Portland Club, which he deserted in mid-season to join the outlaw Stockton Club. Since that time negotiations for the player's release to the Cleveland American Club were entered into by that club and the Portland Club, and the appeal for reinstatement for the purpose of enabling the Cleveland Club to secure the player legally. The application of Henderson was denied for precisely the same reasons as were given for the refusal to pardon Sheehan; and so these two players will have to lie, for a while longer, in the bed they made for themselves.

TIMELY TOPICS.

SECRETARY FARRELL, of the National Association, has given official notice that "the Nebraska State League, embracing the territory of Hastings, Superior, Grand Island, Red Cloud, Fremont and Seward, Neb., has qualified for membership in Class D;" also, that "the Missouri, Iowa, Nebraska and Kansas League, embracing the territory of Shenandoah, Iowa; Clarinda, Iowa; Maryville, Mo.; Atchison, Kan.; Nebraska City, Neb., and Creston, Iowa, has qualified for membership in Class D."

SECRETARY FARRELL, of the National Board, has rendered a decision in the case of pitcher John Emerson, former pitcher of the Reading Club, of the Tri-State League. Two clubs of the latter league, Lancaster and Trenton, claimed the player. Secretary Farrell cut the Gordian knot by denying the claims of both clubs and declaring the player a free agent.

THE National Commission during the past week handed down two more decisions. In one, Player Havlick, claimed by the Peoria Club, of the I. I. League, on the ground that the Washington American Club had released him, is remanded to the Washington Club, the evidence showing that the

Peoria Club's claim was baseless. In the other case the Commission gave judgment to the St. Louis American Club for either Player Justice, now with the Dayton (Central League) Club, or \$200 that was due on the player by the Lancaster (Ohio League) Club, which purchased him and then sold him to the Dayton Club. Under the watchful eye of the National Commission trickery is being rendered exceedingly difficult, if not impossible.

NOW THAT the Aberdeen Club has failed in its legal efforts to prevent its ouster from the Northwestern League, the final coup has been given that case by the following notice issued by Secretary Farrell, of the National Board:

"We are notified of the legal disfranchisement of the Aberdeen, Wash., Club on February 23. Disfranchisement operates as a release of all players from contract with, or reservation by, said club from date of court decision."

THE National Commission has thrown out of court a complaint by player Dwyer, a Des Moines recruit, that he was being "covered up" by the Chicago American League Club. The fallacy of the allegation was shown by the fact that waivers had to be secured on him before he could be returned to Des Moines, and that no major league club claimed him.

CHAIRMAN EBBETTS, of the Chadwick Memorial Fund, announces that the dedication of the Henry Chadwick memorial window in the Church of Our Father in Grand avenue, near Fulton street, Brooklyn, will take place on Easter Sunday, March 27. The money for the window was secured by popular subscription, many base ball notables contributing.

"SYNDICATE BALL."

Philadelphia "Inquirer."

The resolutions passed by the American League at Chicago will leave no doubt where that organization stands with regard to syndicate base ball. In brief, it declared that no man can hold stock in two clubs, and in the event of some imprudent person doing so, he will be treated as one whose presence is prejudicial to the best interests of the game. There is no chance for any one to carry water on two shoulders under this resolution. A man may own a club, but he cannot own a share of stock in another. For years there has been a great deal of talk about syndicate base ball, much of which has not been altogether justified by the facts, but upon the occasion of entering upon a new agreement to cover a period of 20 years it was but proper that the American League magnates should take the public into their confidence. Under the resolutions passed syndicate base ball is impossible in their league. The National League also went on record as being opposed to syndicate base ball so called, but the resolution was nothing like so far-reaching as that passed by the American. It expressed its disapproval of any one person controlling more than one club, but it did not say that a stockholder in one club could not be a stockholder in another. One resolution was clear and direct to the point; the other read more like an apology.

WISE SAYINGS OF GREAT MEN.

*The hit-and-run act in base ball does not indicate that a participant therein is a coward.—Willie Keeler.

*Stretching the imagination won't make both ends meet.—John S. Dovey.

*One half of the world, driving automobiles, doesn't know how the other half dodges.—George Reach.

*It is hard to make money and friends at the same time.—Charles W. Murphy.

*Homer didn't get his name from the frequency with which he knocked the ball over the fence.—Frank Baker.

*The man who can bottle up a little sunshine for a rainy day is a corker.—Ren Mulford.

*Cuss words are almost as great a comfort to a man as a real good cry is to a woman.—John J. McGraw.

*After all, perhaps the has-beens are no worse than the going-to-be's.—Dan Brouthers.

*There is plenty of room at the top, but it takes an equilibrist to stay there.—Frank Chance.

MANAGERIAL TALENT.

Washington "Post."

Every man in charge of a ball team has his own ideas of how the game should be played, though all of them virtually have the same plays. It has been years since any team sprung anything new on its opponents, and yet there is a great difference in managers. Examine any one of the 16 men in charge of the major league clubs and every one of them would impress you with the fact that he is thoroughly up on the game, and yet more prove failures than successful. Of course, the material on hand cuts a decided figure, but there is also something more than this. Take the case of the Detroit team. It was a team with strength enough to win pennants before Jennings took hold, but he made it win. Jennings is not a wizard. He used some plays that were in vogue under his

predecessors. He installed nothing new in that respect, but he put spirit into his players. It is the faculty of knowing the different disposition of the members of a ball team which is most essential in a manager. Where one player needs to be patted on the back to do his best the other has to be driven. It is, therefore, easily seen what would happen if the manager decided between such players.

PRESS POINTERS.

The Value of the Arkansas Hot Springs As Spring Training Place.

From Washington "Post."

The time is not far when a majority of the major league clubs will do their Spring training at Hot Springs, Ark. This Spring three teams will get their training at this resort, while hundreds of ball players from other teams will spend a few weeks there preparing themselves for the coming campaign. There seems to be no place like Hot Springs to get a ball player in shape, and recognizing this fact the players are anxious to go there. The big league clubs could well afford to build five or six ball parks at the springs for use in the Spring, and if all of them trained there, there is no doubt that they would too the scratch all on an even basis. Players who have made it a practice to go to the Arkansas resort every Spring seem to last longer than those who don't. The Pittsburgh team, for instance, has three veterans on it in Leach, Wagner and Clarke, but they attribute the fact that they have not yet shown any signs of going back to the trips they take to Hot Springs every year.

Ban Johnson's Good Fortune.

From Boston "Herald."

The widespread announcement of the re-election of Ban Johnson as the head of the American League for the next 20 years at a salary of \$25,000 per has caused a great deal of comment in the base ball world. Some have gone so far as to declare that Ban is not going to receive such a salary, but we get it on good authority that it is true just the same. In spite of all this Ban will go along conducting the affairs of the young league as president in his good old style, and won't worry at all about the high cost of living.

Just a Timely Admonition.

From Chicago "Tribune."

It is doubtful if a more deplorable condition than the present has ever existed in the history of the National League. With the eight clubs divided into two warring factions, nothing but harm can result, as is evidenced by the fact that two of the clubs are already conspiring to close their season a week before the time the recently-adopted schedule calls for. Base ball has flourished as never before since the existence of two major leagues, and since these are supposed to be working in harmony the public is sure to lose faith in the old league because of the persistent wrangling of its club owners and the means employed by one faction to embarrass the other. In those cities where both leagues have representation present conditions in the National League are sure to popularize the rival organization, and the effects of this will be felt in more ways than one.

Liberality the Wisest Policy.

From Boston "Globe."

Everyone who attends the ball games has an honest feeling that the club is to bring honor and glory to the city it represents. All like to see the clubs make big money out of the investment, and fully enjoy the good luck of some star player who receives a princely salary. Unpopular management has often ruined good base ball propositions. Liberal management is sure to be rewarded, for the fans will make excuses when a streak of hard luck overtakes a club, the management of which is known to be liberal.

Was He Correctly Quoted?

From New York "American."

Apologies to Mr. C. P. Taft's discharge of his faithful old sporting editor, Charles K. Zuber, for inviting Charley Doo to visit him: Former President Roosevelt and the present chief executive, William H. Taft, have never been too proud to shake a player by the hand. Yet the President's brother is quoted as saying, "I don't want any ball players loafing around my office."

DRAWING NEARER.

By C. P. McDonald.

You wonder what's comes over me.
My source of joy you cannot guess
You wonder what's come over me;
A peaceful smile, you must confess;
I'm different than I was a few
Short weeks ago; my temper flames
Less luridly. I'm never blue—
They'll soon be playing practice games.

It snows sometimes and winds blow cold,
It's wretched weather, that's a fact;
My voice is glad, my thoughts compact;
What care I if it's cold and drear?
In rapture now my heart acclaim
The fact that Spring will soon be here
And they'll be playing practice games.

These days have been extremely long.
My nights disturbed by tangled dreams;
The world so long devoid of song.
Now with sweet music fairly teems;
The Spring trip will be under way
Ere long, the best each rival claims.
That's why I sing the livelong day
They'll soon be playing practice games.

Greatest of All.

Logan, Ia., March 2.—Editor "Sporting Life."—I am a great admirer of your paper and have read it for 22 years, during which time I do not think I have missed half a dozen copies. I hope that I may be able to read it 22 more years. Your paper is the greatest of all sporting papers that I have ever read—and that is great praise, for I have read and judged them all. With best wishes for continued success, I am sincerely yours,
MAX WIND.

Letter List.

We have the following letters which will be forwarded upon receipt of address or self-addressed stamped envelope:

Manager W. Siebert, of Kenora; Catcher Ross, Pitcher Duvin, Pitcher George Craig, Jack Nugent, (2), Pat Meany, Sol White, Outfielder "Red" Long, Jack Carr, Howard Earl, Pitcher Wilcox.

BUYS BALL PARK

WASHINGTON'S CLUB FALLS IN MODERN LINE.

With Twenty Years of American League Membership Assured, the Washington Club Purchases the Park It Has Hitherto Leased.

BY J. ED. GRILLO.

Washington, D. C., March 4.—The Washington ball club yesterday acquired its own home, when the announcement was made that the site which the club has occupied for several years had been purchased outright. For more than a year President Noyes has been negotiating for this property, but until yesterday no amicable agreement could be reached. The deal was made through Jordan & Co. for the Totten estate. There are 281,000 square feet in the property, and the price paid was in the neighborhood of \$177,000. The purchase includes not only all the land now in the inclosure, but about 80 feet in back of the centre field fence, fronting on Fifth street, which, when a new plant is erected here, will be utilized as a



Thos. C. Noyes

PART OF THE PARK.

While the club officials refuse to make known their plans as to erecting a new plant, it is understood that this will be done next fall, and that a new plant will be in readiness for the opening game of the season of 1911. President Noyes, in speaking of the purchase, said: "We have been working on this matter for a long while, but not until this morning did we reach an agreement, and I at once called the Board of Directors together, and had them ratify my action. We are not ready to discuss our plans, so far as erecting a new plant is concerned. Of course, we have that in mind, but we are not going to take it up at once."

SITE IS CONVENIENT.

The site bought yesterday is by far the best in the city for the purpose. It is well located, and has splendid transportation facilities. It has been a ball park for many years, but has never had a modern plant upon it. In making this purchase the Washington Club has been placed on a sound basis. It is the first time in the history of base ball in this city that the club has owned its own ball park, and the effect of this will be far reaching. It is the intention of the club to erect within the next year or so a

MODERN BASE BALL PLANT,

one which will have ample accommodations for thousands more than the present plant can shelter, and will be in keeping with the plants in other major league cities. No announcement ever made by the local club owners proved such pleasing news to the patrons of the game here as the fact that the club now owns its own ball park. It proves that the men behind the club have confidence in Washington as a base ball city, and, furthermore, indicates that they are in the game to stay.

FROM THE CAPITAL.

Washington Club Buys Its Grounds and Will Erect a Modern Plant Thereon—Team Is Off for Norfolk—News and Gossip of the Players.

By Paul W. Eaton.

Washington, March 5.—Editor "Sporting Life."—It is an agreeable duty to commence this letter with one of the most pleasing and important announcements ever made in connection with the professional game in Washington: The Washington Base Ball Club has bought its present grounds, and this is but the precursor of another gratifying event, which it brings nearer and renders practically certain that the construction of modern steel and concrete stands will be commenced after the present season is over, and the new buildings will probably be ready for use before the season of 1911 begins.



Paul W. Eaton

The Seventh street Park, which the Club has bought from the Totten estate, is one of the best and most accessible sites for a modern base ball plant in any major league city.

AN ADMIRABLE LOCATION.

President Noyes has been negotiating for the ground for a year or more. As soon as an agreement was reached, he called the directors of the club together and clinched the matter. The park has excellent transportation facilities on every side, and large crowds have little trouble in executing a quick "skiddoo." The purchase includes not only all the land in the present enclosure, but also from 75 to 100 feet East of the back fence, fronting on Fifth street. There are 281,000 square feet in the tract, and the price paid is understood to have been 63 cents a foot, which would make the total cost \$177,030. At this price the investment would not be a bad one, as the land is likely to appreciate.

PLAYERS LEAVE FOR NORFOLK.

Last night when the Norfolk boat pulled out at 6.45, she carried Manager McAleer,

trainer Joe Quirk and 11 Washington players, viz.: Catchers Street, Hardy, Rapp and Killifer; pitchers Walker, Gray and Ohl; infielders, McBride and Crooks; and outfielders, Lelivelt and Milan. There were just 13 in the party. Doc Gessler has telegraphed that he will reach Norfolk on Tuesday, while a message from Bob Unglaub announced that he would leave Williamsport on Monday. Wires were also received from pitchers Groom and Foreman. The former is suffering from tonsillitis and will leave for Norfolk when he gets well, while the latter did not receive his notification in time to start with the rest, but will soon follow them into camp. All were in good condition and fine spirits, and predictions of a high finish this year were the rule. The

FIRST PLAYER TO ARRIVE

in Washington was Dixie Walker, the big right-hander who won three-fourths of his games in the American League last year. He led by a nose and Jack Lelivelt was a good second, although carrying extra weight, which he thinks he will easily get rid of at Norfolk. Dolly Gray was third, finishing in the money, despite the distance from Los Angeles. The first of the also-rans was the bright boy, Wade Killifer, who pushed the gray for third place. On Saturday they were arriving every minute, so it was hard to tell the order in which the others finished. Fine, warm, Spring weather has been the feature of the week, and Killifer, who reported two feet of snow on the ground at his Michigan home, was kept busy shedding overcoats and other Winter togs. Lelivelt brought his signed contract with him, and placed it in the hands of President Noyes. It is a document which is worth a tidy sum. Catcher Jack Hardy's signed papers were also received during the week.

Springs, Va., and was more than pleased when a division of the Athletics, under Harry Davis' charge, arrived at that resort. Cy Morgan joined the bunch by way of Washington, and passed Monday in this city, joining his teammates at the Union Station, which point they reached at 10.45 at night and left about an hour later. Morgan said he had never wintered quite so well before, and his appearance tended to confirm his statement. Judging from his work last year, and his present condition, he should prove a trump card for Connie Mack this year. Cy spent considerable time with his former manager, Jim McAleer, for whom he has ever a healthy boost. There are others, also, as the local critics, and there are some here of wide renown, have pronounced Mac's plans and tactics, so far as he has announced them, both practical and scientific. The National Commission's action as to

PITCHER HAVILOCK

was about as predicted a week or two ago, and dispelled any notion the Peoria Club may have had that it could sell the player to Washington and still keep him. The twirler has not reported, but is expected to do so as soon as he and the club can get into communication.

A HIGH TRIBUTE.

Base Ball Declared to be a Child-Saver by Philadelphia's Director of Physical Training in the Public Schools.

Indianapolis, March 5.—That base ball should be an important part of the education of children and that every schoolboy—and perhaps every schoolgirl—should play the game, is the opinion of William A. Stecher, director of physical training in the public schools of Philadelphia, expressed yes-

Where the Major League Teams Are Training.

With the major leagues' schedules for the 1910 season adopted, and the decks cleared for action, and all plans for the Spring training of the sixteen major league teams completed, no one can conscientiously maintain that the base ball season is not at hand when all of these preparations have progressed to a successful climax, and from now to October the plaint of the base hit and the yodel of the umpire will find a responsive echo throughout the land. Major league clubs have selected the following warm weather niches for their training camps for 1910:

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

Boston—Augusta, Ga. Warm in the day and cool at night.

Brooklyn—Hot Springs, Ark. Climate variable in early Spring. The new manager likes the place because he has some old players who will not be injured by a course in the baths.

Cincinnati—Hot Springs, Ark. Baths appeal to Griffith. Hasn't a lot of old-timers to work out.

Chicago—New Orleans. New place for the Cubs. Hot; usually good for exhibition games.

New York—Marlin Springs, Tex. Indorsed by the manager as being one of the finest training camps he ever has found. Likes both climate and the benefit of the springs.

Philadelphia—Southern Pines, N. C. Excellent climate, fine air and general conditions good. Claimed, players do not feel the transition so much to the Northern climate as when they train further South.

Pittsburgh—Hot Springs, Ark. Regular place for the champions for years. Players and management both fond of the quarters.

St. Louis—Little Rock, Ark. Near St. Louis, and the owner of the club thinks that it is plenty far enough South, considering that his players get a great many of their games in the early part of the year on their own field.

The longest trip to be taken by any major league team very naturally is that of the Chicago Americans, who go to the Pacific slope. They have their special train of six cars and this trip has really become one of the Spring functions of base ball. The next greatest mileage is that of the New York National League Club, which takes the long ride to southeastern Texas, with some thirty players or more, young and old ball players. All of them will be kept by McGraw in Texas until he is ready to make the long trip back to the East. Both the Cleveland and the Chicago Nationals do quite a little traveling over the country, Cleveland rather races away from Chicago because the players are divided into two teams and will take part in many exhibition games during the Spring. Those teams which will centre about Hot Springs, Ark., pair off with about the same mileage. For instance, Brooklyn and Boston must go about the same distance to make home again, and Pittsburgh rides but a little further than Cincinnati, although the champions will make their journey longer because they are going to try their skill in some exhibition games through the West before they camp down in Forbes Field.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

Boston—Hot Springs, Ark. Same reasons for Boston going there as for the other clubs. Plenty of good air and plenty of medicine in the natural baths.

Chicago—Annual tour to California and back. Now a regular thing with the Sox. Hard work, but seems to get the players in good condition.

Cleveland—Alexandria, La. Further South than usual and in a new quarter. McGuire will work his youngsters hard in the warm climate.

Detroit—San Antonio, Tex. Jennings likes the hot air of the Texas border. Has many old-timers and thinks that it does them good.

New York—Athens, Ga. Much the same place as New York has tried for a training camp for years. Near Stallings' home.

Philadelphia—Atlanta, Ga. All new for the Athletics. First time that they have been out of New Orleans for years.

Washington—Norfolk, Va. An experiment, but a mighty good place to select for training quarters if the Spring is mild and open. Players will not be bothered much by the change in climate when they return to Washington and quite sure to have excellent accommodations and a good field on which to play.

St. Louis—Houston, Tex. An ideal climate, according to the St. Louis folks, and one which has been popular with the management during the last few years.

One noteworthy fact about the Washington players is that they

TRAIN IN FOUR PLACES.

Johnson and Hendrickson are practicing in California; Schaefer, Conroy, Witherup and Reisling have been given leave to remain at Hot Springs, Ark., for some days yet, before starting for Norfolk; Elberfeld will stay at Hot Springs, Va., for a week longer; and the rest are en route to Norfolk as already stated. Work in the Virginia city will commence on Monday. The weather could not be better than it is just now, and the boys will find a nice grass diamond, one of the rarest and best assets of the training camp, awaiting them. A local fan recently returned from Norfolk, reports that the ball park is already covered with an abundant growth of grass. From these arrangements, it follows that the team will have only about two weeks of practice together in Virginia, before coming home for two weeks more of it, March 30. This should be enough. A player who will be missed is second baseman

"SPEED" KELLEY,

who has been sold to Denver. Washington will have the first chance for him at the end of the season, and President Noyes has no intention of cutting him adrift. He is a very fast man, hit far above the .300 mark with the strong South Bend team, and showed ability with the stick in the two or three games in which he overcame the decided nervousness which he showed in most of his appearances in major league company. Mike Kahoe thinks that Kelley will develop strength as a batter. Joe Cantillon intended to retain a claim on him, and Manager McAleer likes this dope. All Kelley lacks is confidence, and there were times when he gave indications that he will gain this with experience. He is a popular youngster and is pretty sure of another trial here.

KID ELBERFELD

is getting into grand condition at Hot

terday in the conference of hygiene of the National Education Association in this city. Each school should have a base ball club, and the clubs should visit each other's grounds in the fashion of a regular league, Mr. Stecher said. Increasing attention must be paid to strengthening the bodies of children if their mentality is to improve, he pointed out, and he declared that of all games base ball provides the best and safest exercise. Mr. Stecher added:

We hear much about the terrible ravages of death among those that enjoy themselves. They call it the result of the diseases of play, but the diseases of work will kill their hundreds of thousands, while only hundreds succumb to the diseases of play, even including dissipation and wine, women and song, says Dr. Woods Hutchinson, of New York, in urging that children in the schools should be taught to enjoy their life-work instead of making drudgery of it. Most men labor hard so that later they may play, he said. They should play and work together. More amusement should be found in life and play should be directed into healthy channels instead of into desperate seeking for distraction from strenuous work.

THE WORLD'S SERIES.

The Story of the Pittsburgh Pirates' Victory Over the Detroit Tigers.

"Sporting Life's" annual story of the great World's Championship Series is now out in book form. It is entitled "How the Pirates Won the World's Championship for 1910" and tells even to minutest detail everything worth reading about the great record-breaking series between the Pittsburgh National League champions and the Detroit American League champions, viz: The complete story and official score of each of the seven games played, the complete official averages of the series, the financial result of the contests, the official rules governing the series, and a lot of news, gossip and incidents pertaining to the series in whole and in part. An added feature is a biographical

sketch of each member of the two great teams. The book is neatly bound, in keeping with other volumes of "Sporting Life's" Base Ball Library, and well printed; and the whole forms a most attractive and useful book. The price is 10 cents the copy, and will be sent by mail to any of our readers on receipt of five two-cent stamps.

We have a few books of the 1907 and 1908 World's Series between the Chicago and Detroit Clubs, bound in similar style, at the same price, 10 cents each. Address this office.

NATIONAL LEAGUE NOTES.

The Chicago "Cubs" deserted West Baden, Ind., on March 3 for New Orleans.

Ed. Abbaticchio has signed his Pittsburg contract. He will be used as utility infielder.

Joe Tinker has been on the stage long enough to find that dramatic critics are "bad news."

The main squad of the Cincinnati Reds started from Cincinnati for Hot Springs, Ark., on March 3.

Pitcher Fred Beebe, the St. Louis acquisition, last week signed a satisfactory Cincinnati contract.

Catcher Archer has come to terms with the Chicago Club and has joined the team at West Baden, Ind.

The Cincinnati and New York Clubs have refused to waive claim on pitcher Kretzer, the Boston Club's Lawrence recruit.

Manager Bresnahan is so well pleased with his present Cardinal team that he will attempt no more deals for the time being.

John ("Dots") Miller will receive \$3,000 for his work with Pittsburg the coming season. Nice money for the second year in the big show.

Pitcher Beebe, of Cincinnati, has invested a goodly share of his base ball earnings for the past few years in a big fruit farm in Colorado.

Business Manager Frank Bancroft, of the Cincinnati Club, was operated on for appendicitis at Bethesda Hospital, in Cincinnati, on the 4th inst.

In London, O., the home of outfielder Bob Bescher, of the Cincinnati Reds, that player is regarded as the coming "Ty Cobb" of the National League.

Our esteemed Cincinnati correspondent, Mr. Ren Mulford, has been appointed corresponding secretary for Ohio of the Ohio Society of Sons of the Revolution.

Pitcher "Lefty" Leifeld, of the Pittsburg team, was married at St. Louis, February 28, to Miss Charlotte Schieler, who had been his sweetheart since childhood.

Infielder Zimmerman signed with Chicago on the 3d inst. The same day Manager Chance fined him \$100 for not having reported that day at West Baden, along with Hofman.

Pitchers Kretzer and Scanlon and outfielder Lumley signed with Brooklyn during the past week. Catcher Starnagle has been turned over to the Rochester (Eastern League) Club.

Pitcher Harry Camnitz, brother of hold-out Howard, has signed with Pittsburg. At last accounts "Hans" Wagner, Leever and Howard Camnitz were the only unsigned Pittsburg players.

Chicago's Western Association recruit pitcher, "Slats" Willis, is said to be a sure comer. He won 22 out of 28 games pitched last season. He is said to be a cousin of famous "Vic" Willis.

The veteran, Harry Wolverton, is established at Oakland, Cal., and already has the fans of that city rooting hard for a pennant. It is eight years since Oakland copped the Pacific Coast bunting.

Outfielder Beaumont says he heartily welcomes the change from the cooling Doves to the growling Cubs. He says that his legs are in good condition and that he will be able to once more "deliver the goods."

Manager Chance says that a catcher to be a real success must be an expert monologue artist. To distract or rattle the batsman is considered quite as important as coaching the pitcher and backstopping.

Pitcher Overall, of the Cubs, recently declined a liberal offer to serve as fashion model at a tailors' show in Chicago. After considering the labor of donning 40 suits a day he concluded to let some other Apollo have the job.

President Herrmann, of Cincinnati, expects to go to Hot Springs about the middle of March. He thinks the exhibition games between the Reds and the Boston Red Sox will be almost as exciting as the world's championship battles.

Dick Egan's failure to affix his signature to a Cincinnati contract is causing President Herrmann quite a bit of worry. Garry is anxious to start the season with the strongest possible team, and is wondering what is wrong with the California second baseman.

Gus Weyhing, former National League pitcher, will probably be made manager of the Tulsa Club, of the Western Association. Malachi Kittridge was to have had the job, but the owners have become tired of waiting on him. Kittridge is engaged in coaching at Harvard.

The Brooklyn team will remain at Hot Springs until March 20, after which these exhibition games will be played: At Memphis, March 22 and 23; Chattanooga, March 24, 25, 26, 28, 29 and 30; Nashville, March 31, April 1 and 2; Richmond, April 4 and 5; Washington, April 6 and 7; Baltimore, April 8 and 9.

President Stanley Robison, of St. Louis, says that "Double-headers do not cheapen the sport," and he says if he had his way he would positively stage a double bill every Sunday for the special benefit of a certain class of base ball enthusiasts who are unable to attend weekday exhibitions. He points to the fact that all of the double-headers played at St. Louis League Park last season drew enormous crowds—and Colonel Robison is for pleasing the public.

The Keokuk (Central Association) Club has purchased catcher Jack Reardon from the Battle Creek Club, of the South Atlantic League.

BALL PLAYERS' CARDS

Cards of eighteen words or less will be inserted for fifty cents each issue. All over eighteen words three cents for each word, initials and figures counting as one word.

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NEW YORK NEWS

THE LOCAL TEAMS DOWN TO WORK ONCE MORE.

The Giants in Two Squads Training and Playing in Texas—The Highlanders Now Gathered in Georgia With Manager Stallings.

BY E. H. SIMMONS.

New York City, March 7.—Editor "Sporting Life."—With March coming in like a lamb instead of a lion, and at the present writing with the temperature milder than is often the case in mid-April, the opening of the base ball season, a month or so hence, seems quite appropriate, and the fan is beginning to chafe with impatience for that event to occur. Our Spring climate unfortunately, however, is of such an uncertain quality that it is not well to bank too confidently upon what sort of weather we are going to get next month. A blizzard just as likely as not may strike this town on the opening day at either ball park, and while we may have many fine Spring days this year in March, just right for base ball, next month may be just the reverse and overcoats and ulsters the proper things for the shivering fans to wear while they are watching the game.



E. H. Simmons

"MIGHTY ONSARTIN"

is the weather hereabouts during April and May, and while all the fans are praying that they will have better luck in this respect than they had for the past three Springs, they are not any too confident about it. McGraw has got now 41 men in practice at the camp at Marlin, and of these, 18 are pitchers. This gives an idea of the weeding out process that must be gone through with by Manager McGraw before the season opens, for by the middle of May all the league clubs must cut down to 25 men. It is a big and difficult job that confronts McGraw, for there is always a chance that a good man will get away or remain undiscovered during the Spring preliminaries. And there are more still to come.

BILL TORREY

has been released by the Cincinnati Club to New York. Torrey is the pitcher and outfielder who was claimed by the Cincinnati and Springfield Clubs last Winter. There was a big row over him and Garry Herrmann finally agreed to turn the player over to McGraw. Torrey lives in Chicago and as soon as he can be located, will be asked to sign and report at Marlin. Then there are Willie Keeler and Mike Donlin among the possibilities—also Fred. Tenney and Louis Durham. If they all report there will be 46 players including McGraw, Latham and Robinson—the largest squad ever taken South by any club. "Wee Willie" Keeler has not yet signed a contract with the Giants, but it seems likely now that he will shortly do so. It is not often that a base ball player winds up his career with the same team as that with which he broke into fast company. In regard to the

CASE OF MIKE DONLIN,

the latest news is that the play in which he and Mabel Hite (Mrs. Donlin) are now acting, has made a big hit and is being performed to crowded houses. This being the case, there seems very little hope of "Sir Michael's" getting into uniform this season. Of course, the longer Donlin has kept on the stage and off the ball field, the smaller has been the chance of his getting back into the form of his old days on the Polo Grounds, in case he should finally decide to make that effort. It was a great pity from the viewpoint of the base ball fan that Donlin ever quit that sport to go into vaudeville. Mike Donlin as a base ball player was about the best in his class. As an actor, he is about the worst. The only way in which he is of value on the stage is because of the reputation he made as a great ball player and the prominence he still receives in the discussions regarding his future actions relating to the sport. This sort of thing, however, cannot go on indefinitely, and when it ceases, Mike's value as an actor will die with it. It seems pretty safe, therefore, in considering the chances of the Giants for the coming season, to dismiss Donlin as an element at all likely to figure in them. Tenney is not expected at all at Marlin and it is not likely that he will be ready for the opening game, if indeed, he plays at all this year. In the meantime McGraw is working

LUSH AND MERKLE

at first base and the one that shows best will get the berth until something more seasoned appears. Spencer, who came as a first baseman, is being drilled at third base. This means that Spencer is to be used in case of injury to Devlin. Herzog will be worked alternately in the infield and the outfield—he is a good utility man in either position. Herzog's weakness, as is well known of course, is his batting. He is being taught to stand at the plate differently and it is hoped that the change will improve his batting. Kommers, the young outfielder, continues to hit the ball harder than any other of the new men. He can play the sun field, too, which makes him a useful player in a pinch. McGraw has not yet decided on his regular outfield.

MURRAY AND SEYMOUR

are sure to have regular berths, but left field position is still an open fight; the man that hits the ball hardest will get that position. In the game with the Dallas team

last Sunday, that the Giants lost by a score of 11 to 8, Lush, the young outfielder, and pitcher Dickson, made the best impression. Dickson pitched five innings and aside from a little wildness in one inning, he showed that he had a strong arm and can put a lot of stuff on the ball. As far as Lush is concerned there need be no worrying—Lush is without doubt a fast outfielder and he can hit some. He knows how to stand at the plate and he swings at the ball in proper style. That which pleases most persons is his work on the bases. He is fast and quick to take advantage of every opportunity to advance. With all their pitchers showing now

IN GOOD CONDITION

the Giants hope to get an early lead this season in place of the bad slump they took last year at the start because of weakness in this respect. "Matty" continues to show up so far in great form and, as stated last week, expects to pitch, and of course win, the opening game. Wiltse is also in tip-top shape, and Raymond as well—although predictions in regard to the latter can never be safely made. If Ames gets into good shape early, and Torrey realizes the hopes of his friends, the Giants will have good reason to expect a most successful start. Marquard's work has been watched closely since he reached camp. Robinson is catching him during every session and for ten minutes at a time compels him to put the ball straight over the plate. Marquard, like Ames, has a fine assortment of benders, but in the heat of battle he loses sight of the plate.

SEVEN YANKEES

left this town Saturday afternoon at 1.15 for Manager Stallings' training camp at Athens, Ga. In the party were Hal Chase, the Yankees new captain, Mitchell, catcher, Ray Fisher, Jack Frill and Dick Carroll, pitchers; H. K. Lee, the team trainer and Michael Bergin, who is business manager of the team. At Philadelphia, the squad was joined by Jack Knight, Walter Manning, Jack Quinn, Tom Madden, Wilbur Roach and Frank Chunn. This party is due to arrive at Athens late Sunday afternoon. Saturday afternoon catcher Ed. Sweeney,

CHICAGO GLEANINGS.

Both Teams Are Working Hard—Cubs and White Sox Are Putting in Most Strenuous Efforts in the Training Camps—Gossip of Players, Old and Young.

By W. A. Phelon.

Chicago, Ill., March 7.—Editor "Sporting Life."—Both Cubs and Sox are at the far-off training quarters now, and the fans can satiate their eager souls upon the news wired almost hourly by the shoal of faithful scribes. Plenty of them, too—six with the Sox, four with the Cubs, and some due to join both teams as they draw nearer home. Of those who went to the coast with the Sox, it is understood, three and maybe four, will linger after the team returns. These happy ones are to stay till the Jeffries-Johnson fight, and are naturally regarded as favored sons of delightful fortune. Can you imagine anything softer? Going to the coast and seeing its big cities with Comiskey, and then spending a glorious interval in San Francisco, seeing the great fight, and all this at the expense of the home office? Oh, joy! oh, joviality!



W. A. Phelon

CUBS SIGNING FAST

When the Cubs got under way from West Baden to New Orleans, it was reported that the team was full of dissension, and that sundry star players were in the holdout list—that Chance would be lucky if he could assemble a majority quota, and that at least half a dozen crackerjacks would be rated with the missing till time for the opening gong. Archer and Overall, in particular, were talked of as holdouts, the noise about Brownie being an insurgent having subsided when the great pitcher signed up for three seasons. It was reported that

have been the case last season, because I expect to get in the game right along, but he'll be the handy boy to have around. He's a natural first baseman, and a born batter of the long distance, clean-up type. You can bet I'd never have stood for letting Del Howard go if I hadn't figured on a sure winner in his place." Jesse Orendoff, the catcher whom Chance insisted on having on the team, is with the boys at New Orleans. This is the same boy who used to be a star of the St. Louis Semi-Professionals, and afterward with the Boston Nationals, getting very little chance to show his speed. Since he went to the Coast, he has developed into a wonderful catcher. Chance thinks he is the making of one of the finest backstops in the business, but admits that he cannot bat. He is, in fact, a sad fizzle with the slapstick, but will get a chance to show what he can accomplish, just the same. Big Jeff Pfeffer will also have every chance to make good. Chance thinks he has learned a lot since he was traded to Boston three years ago, and that he is just as good as 50 pitchers on the big league circuits. Let's hope so, for Big Jeff is a swell good fellow.

WILD AS USUAL.

The mighty Reulbach is just as wild as ever, just as terrifying in his far and wide deliveries. This time, however, Bg Ed. has set to work in deadly earnest, and is determined to get it all fixed by April 10 instead of June 30, as his usual custom has been. Reulbach is one of the strangest propositions that ever threw a ball. Every Spring he is so wild and erratic that the croakers declare him all in, and excess baggage. Each season it is reported that he is to be let out or traded off, and it is a fact that two or three times Chance has been so rattled by his wildness that he has thought of making a deal for him. But each season he has suddenly, without warning or any special time-limit, settled down, begun to drive them square across the centre, and, from that time till the close, has been the marvel of the league. Reulbach in proper form, is one of the most wonderful pitchers that ever played the game, and his spring wildness is one of the unaccountable mysteries.

DELAYED SOX.

All sorts of washouts, freshets, snow-slides and rock tumbles delayed the special train of the White Sox on its trip across the continent. At one time the train was some 40 hours late—pretty nearly a record—but when it came to places where the going was half way decent, a lot of the lost time was made up. Even so, the boys were about a day behind their schedule when they lit in the land of sunshine. All along the route glad delegations greeted the Sox, and at several cities friends of sundry young recruits turned out to applaud their boys. At Des Moines, for instance, there was a regular outpouring of enthusiastic citizens, all eager to tell Comiskey what a wonder young Lang, the pitcher, will be, if he gets a trial. So far, it is too early to say what will be done with the new pitchers, or in fact, with any of the new men. The passing of

DAVIS AND ISBELL,

of course, opens two places for competition, but Gandil and Blackburn seem already to be on the inner rail and coming fast. Speaking of new pitchers, the details of the work done in the Northwestern League by Holm, a Chicago youngster who is with the Sox, have made the Old Roman sit up and stare. This boy was figured on simply as a filler-in for the training trip, but the record indicates that he is a whale. He got into 39 games, winning 25 and losing only 10, while his enemies could only make a base-hit percentage of .209 against him. According to wire from the scribes, the trip to the Coast was pleasant enough, but there was something lacking—The pleasures that once went the rounds when Isbell, Davis, Donohue and Altrock were with the gang. Ah, well—the old order changes, the old pals depart, but it takes quite a while to forget them and the fun they used to give.

THE TEXAS LEAGUE.

The Recently-Adopted Championship Schedule, and the Legislation All Quite Satisfactory to League Followers.

By T. M. Watlington.

Oklahoma City, Ok., March 2.—Little difficulty was experienced in the securing and adopting of a playing schedule for the coming season by the club owners of the Texas League, who met recently in Houston. Besides accepting the schedule the magnates adopted a list of regulations for umpires, ratified the sale of Waco and Galveston franchises, refused to remove the \$2,000 salary limit and elected a new treasurer, Mr. Cavalier, of Austin, at a salary of \$300 per year. Mr. Cavalier will also act as secretary. President Allen has announced the following as being official umpires: George Page, Robert Westervelt, Wilson Mathews, R. J. Glenalven, Garrett Bush and James D. Jeffries. The schedule adopted was prepared by Doak Roberts, of Houston, after consultation with several club owners. The league will open April 16 and close September 5. In the schedule selected Oklahoma City secured 10 Sunday games and three holidays, Decoration Day, Fourth of July and Labor Day. In a few days work will be commenced on the park and at least \$1,000 improvements will be made in order to accommodate the fans on special days. Though the grounds now accommodate about 6,000 people, on special occasions last year it was so crowded that standing room was at a premium. The local club is looking forward to a prosperous season and an increased attendance, and will put in the necessary improvements to take care of the large crowds anticipated.

News Notes.

Billy White, who played shortstop the last two seasons for the Oklahoma City team, has been sold to Houston.

"Kohly" Miller, second baseman and captain of the Hagerstown, Md., Club last season, has signed with Galveston.

"I'VE GOT TO KEEP MY BATTING EYE IN TRIM."

By Grantland Rice.

A Big League star stood up in court before the judge quite grim, And by him stood his wretched wife, a female, small and slim; Upon her features there were knots and many welts galore— Her "rat" was battered to a pulp and clotted up with gore. "What means this," spoke the wrathful judge unto that Son of Swat— "Why have you mauled this lady so, and hammered up her knot?" And as he glared upon him in a judge's glaring way The Big League star hurled back the glare and these words he did say:

CHORUS.

"I've got to keep my batting eye, Old Sport, in trim some how— And that is why I wallop her each day upon the brow; I take my trusty bat And I maul her 'round the flat And when I miss I yell out 'Strike' and let it go at that; Of course, I hate to do it, but I see no other way— It's much too cold for me to go outside the house and play— While I play the game with vim, Yet I rarely break a limb And I've got to keep my batting eye in trim, trim, trim."

II.

The judge looked down upon him like an umpire near the base; A big league glare was in his eye—a scowl upon his face; Although the judge was quite a fan he set the limit here Of standing for a lady being walloped in the ear; Said he, "I'll keep your batting eye in better trim, Old Socks, By giving you a chance to swat upon a pile of rocks; And when he murmured 'thirty days' the player shed a tear To think that he had given vent to this chorus here:

CHORUS.

"I've got to keep my batting eye in trim"—etc.

with Warhop and Foster, a new infielder, left Chicago for the South. Other players also set out on the same day from St. Louis and on Sunday there was a fine round-up of Yankees at Athens loosening up their stiff joints which have been inactive all Winter.

JOHN J. MCGRATH,

the well-known semi-pro manager as a discoverer of young talent, has some class. He has so far this season sent out from this burg third baseman Al Cassett to Tommy Dowd's New Bedford, New England, Club; third baseman Jack Hoag and southpaw Clauss, to Jack Warner's Birmingham, New York State League; short stop Malcolm, Dick Mahoney, Geo. Murray, brother of Jack Murray, Giants, (who is a pitcher), Cecil Carey, outfielder and Barnly, a protege of Henry Tuthill, Detroit's peerless trainer.

PROVIDENCE INVOLVED

In Suit Charging Mike Regan With a \$90,000 Fraud.

Special to "Sporting Life."

Providence, R. I., March 8.—The Providence Eastern League Club is involved in a bill in equity filed in the Superior Court here, Saturday, March 5, charging Michael J. Regan, of Boston, with having fraudulently obtained \$90,000 in money and property from the late Harriet N. Brown, of Boston. The bill is directed against Regan and also against the Providence Base Ball and Exhibition Company, which controls the local Eastern League club and the Rhode Island Exhibition Company. Regan is charged in the bill with having obtained the money by gaining complete domination over Harriet Brown and with having used this money to purchase some of the capital stock of the two concerns named jointly with him in the bill. A hearing was set for March 7. According to Charles J. Lavis, Mike Regan never had any interest in the Providence Club. Mr. Lavis says that Timothy J. Crowley, Hugh Duffy and himself are the sole owners of the Providence Club.

Archer wanted about twice the coin he got last season, and that Overall insisted on a huge advance. Good stuff for displays on the sporting page, but somewhat marred by the fact that Archer was among the first on deck at New Orleans, while Overall set down his signature Saturday. Steinfeldt, Tinker, and a couple of others will join late, but not on account of any dissatisfaction, and the whole Club crowd will be aligned for battle April 12—if Kling gets under cover by that time.

HOLDING KLING.

It really looks as if the National Commission were trying to hold Kling off till the latest moment, and that if they finally decide in favor of reinstating him it will not be until such a late hour that he will have to jump in half trained. This idea may fizzle, though, for John is taking light exercise in Kansas City, and says he will be perfectly fit when the time comes. If he were only half conditioned, it wouldn't matter—two weeks of morning practice and afternoon warm-ups should suffice, and the actual catching could be well handled for the first fortnight by Archer and Moran. Archer, by the way, surprised everyone last season by not only catching and throwing superbly, but by doing some nice, clean-cut batting. It will be remembered that one of the chief objections to Archer, which cost him his job, in all probability, with Pittsburgh and Detroit, was his painfully weak hitting. When Murphy suggested getting Archer he remarked to Chance: "This man is a great catcher, but he only hit .118 at Detroit." "I don't care," Chance replied, "if he only hit .007. I want him." So Archer came, and not only caught as well as was expected, but hit twice as hard as had been anticipated. This year, he ought to do even better, and should give Kling a tussle for hitting percentage, as well as catching laurels.

LUDERUS, THE YOUNGSTER

from the Wisconsin League, who has supplanted Del Howard as the official substitute for Frank Chance on first base, seems to have the confidence of the Big Bear right from the jump. "This fellow will make good," said Frank. "He may not get as many chances to show it as would

PHILLY POINTS

MANAGER MACK MORE OPTIMISTIC THAN USUAL.

Absolutely Confident That the Athletics Will be the One Team the Next Champion Team Will Have to Beat—Training Camp Notes.

BY FRANCIS C. RICHTER.

Philadelphia, Pa., March 7.—Before departing for the South with his collection of youngsters Manager Mack, of the Athletics, expressed himself with more openness and confidence regarding the 1910 American League race than ever before on the eve of a campaign.



F. C. Richter

Said he: "We will be in the hunt again this year, and if the additions I have made to the team turn out as I hope, we will be the club that the pennant winners will have to beat. It's going to be a close race, and I would not attempt to pick the winner, but I am sure that we will be on top or very near it. Detroit had to hustle last year to land the flag. The Tigers will have even a harder task on their hands this year. Boston may prove a surprise, and I look for Chicago to be much more of a contender than last year. All the teams have strengthened, and there may be a dark horse among the teams I have not mentioned which will do much to decide the outcome of the race. I am sure that we will show improvement, for we have added some young material that will help, and the team will work better together than it did last year. I am thoroughly satisfied with the material I have on hand, and all that we need is good weather to get in shape."

The Phillies Shaping Up.

The Phillies at Southern Pines were handicapped by a few days of bad weather upon their arrival, but the skies are clear now, and all hands are working hard under the energetic lead of the indefatigable Dooin—the veterans to get into condition, and the youngsters to show their class. Judging from reports the only youngster who has as yet shown big league form is Walsh, the Central League recruit, who is fighting with Joe Ward for an infield position. Walsh, it is said, handles himself like a future star, especially in fielding, and he looks like a find. The other youngsters who have given evidence of talent are outfielders Castle, catchers Cheek and McDonough and outfielder Welchance. The regular infield is almost sure to be made up as last season, and Walsh and Ward look good for substitute berths. Titus, Magee and Bates are booked as regular outfielders, leaving Castle, Welchance and Deininger to fight it out for the one substitute berth—with no positive indication as yet who will land. Of the pitchers it is too early to speak, except to say that southpaws Maroney and Brennan have made good impressions. However, as Manager Dooin will be satisfied to develop two new pitchers in addition to his regular staff, there is no need to lose any sleep over the pitching proposition. Catchers Cheek and McDonough have yet to demonstrate their value.

The Athletics Down to Work.

The Athletic veterans, under the lead of Captain Harry Davis, have been putting in their time at Hot Springs, getting into condition by degrees. Their exercise consists mostly of running and long walks over the mountains with a view to strengthening the muscles and improving the wind, which, coupled with a course of baths, should put the veterans into perfect physical trim for real training when they join the youngsters, now at Atlanta, under Manager Mack's wing. Judging from reports sent by local correspondents with the party at Atlanta, Manager Mack has some very clever youngsters in tow, but no one has yet shown sufficient class to warrant hope or prediction of a place on the regular team, with the possible exception of first baseman Houser, who is fielding and hitting in first-class style, and who may be selected as Captain Davis' understudy. Rath and McInnes look like probable infield substitute selections, and catcher Egan may also be given a chance in the regular season. Outfielder Jackson, it has been settled, will be turned over to New Orleans. Of the young pitchers nothing can be judged as yet, as the youngsters did not play a regular game until Saturday, when they defeated Georgia Tech. 5 to 2.

The Inter-Club League in Evidence.

The Philadelphia Racquet Club is going to present a base ball team this season which will make a trip to play a number of games with society men of other cities with a view to restoring base ball to favor and practice at country clubs. The Racquet Club Veterans will be the name of the base ball team and the trip will be taken in May. The team will be selected from the following members of the Inter-Club Base Ball League:

J. C. Fuller, president, Racquet Club; Norman McLeod, Racquet Club; John Potter, Racquet Club; George W. Elkins, Jr., Huntingdon Valley Country Club; W. Linton Landreth, Philadelphia Cricket Club; F. W. Pritchett, Merion Cricket Club; A. C. Colahan, Troop A; C. E. Kelly, Jr., Germantown Cricket Club; J. B. Townsend, 3d, Overbrook Golf Club; Allen Butler, Huntingdon Valley Country Club; P. McQuillen, Overbrook Golf Club; C. B. Jennings, Philadelphia Cricket Club; D. W. Koons, Huntingdon Valley Country Club; J. G. Whitesides, Germantown Cricket Club.

The Inter-Club League met at the Racquet Club last week and elected the following

officers for the ensuing year: President, L. C. Fuller, Racquet Club; vice-president, W. Linton Landreth, Philadelphia Cricket Club; secretary, George W. Elkins, Jr., Huntingdon Valley Country Club; treasurer, Norman McLeod, Racquet Club. The Princeton Club's resignation from the league was received and accepted; a resolution was passed that only league members should be eligible to play in inter-club matches; and President Fuller's offer of a cup for the batsman with the highest average was accepted. Norman McLeod, the treasurer, reported that the funds of the league were in a very flourishing condition. One or two members of the Racquet Club, including President Fuller, will join the Phillies at Southern Pines on March 10.

Athletics Win Commission Case.

When Connie Mack was on the Pacific coast he stated he had signed a promising young pitcher named Charles Friene, of the outlaw California State League. The latter organization, upon being admitted to the National Association, laid claim to the player and carried the case to the National Commission, which alone had jurisdiction, a major league club being involved. The Commission on Saturday last handed down a decision awarding the player to the Athletics Club. The text of the decision was as follows:

"Frank Herman, president of the California League, contends that this player belongs to that league, and that his name was included in the list now on file in Mr. Farrell's office, when that league was admitted to organized base ball. This not being a dispute between two clubs as to the services of a player, the entire Commission will pass on the case. An investigation of the matter shows that the Philadelphia Athletics, through its duly authorized agent, signed this player to a 1910 contract in July of last year, and that this contract was approved by the president of the American League and duly promulgated before the admission of the California State League to organized base ball. The title to this player is, therefore, vested in the Philadelphia Athletics, and Mr. Herman's complaint is dismissed."

Local Jottings.

"Kitty" Bransfield is the best golf player in the Phillies' squad.

Pitcher McQuillen, of the Phillies, is sick abed with grip down at Southern Pines.

Pitcher Bob Ewing, secured from Cincinnati, has signed a Philadelphia Club contract.

According to President Fogel, young catcher Speary is a "ringer" for the late "Doc" Powers.

Outfielder "Chick" Hartley, transferred by the Phillies to the Holyoke (Connecticut League) Club,

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Southern Pines today to see how the reconstruction of the Philadelphia Park is progressing and to sign contracts for the lease of the ball park to a hippodrome company headed by James S. McCartney, of the Hotel Majestic. President Fogel will return to Southern Pines about Wednesday, and if pitcher McQuillen, who is slowly recovering from a case of grippe, is not better Fogel will send him to Hot Springs for a few days to see if he can shake it off before going North.

AMERICAN LEAGUE NOTES.

The Tigers used 2,460 balls during the 1909 season. Outfielder McAleese, released by St. Louis to the

stands 6 feet 3½ inches in his bare feet. He weighs 200 pounds in playing condition.

Harvey N. Young, the Boston American pitcher, who was released to Denver, writes that he will endeavor to do so well with Denver that he will get a real chance with the Red Sox in 1911.

Manager Jennings says shortstop Bush is making a great mistake in holding out. He declares the little shortstop was offered a contract calling for \$1,100 more than he received last season.

Russell Ford, the highly-touted Jersey City recruit, has signed a New York contract. Manager Stallings has made the unusual statement that Ford will be the Highlanders' star pitcher before the coming season is two months old.

Pitcher Louis Brockett, of the Highlanders, sends out notice from Carmi, Ill., that he has decided to remain out of base ball this year. He has purchased a farm with the money earned on the diamond and will work it this season.

President Bob Hedges, of St. Louis, is making every overture to Steve O'Brien, the crack pitcher of the University of Iowa. O'Brien has promised to play with the Browns if he turns professional, but will not report in any event before June.

Jim McGuire, of the Naps, is one big league manager who has little faith in the "spit-ball." Not one of the Cleveland twirlers this season will boast the saliva delivery. This is a decided change from 1908, when about half Larry Lajole's heavers used the moist ball.

Manager McAleer, of Washington, believes he has dug up a pitching phenom equal to Walter Johnson in a young Californian named Bill Hendricks, of San Anita. He is a six-footer and only 19 years old. Walter Johnson recommended him to McAleer for a trial.

Shortstop Simon Nicholls, now with Cleveland, was an American League player once for a few days long before the Athletics secured him. Seven years ago, when Barrows managed the Tigers, they were short handed in Washington and Nicholls, then a semi-professional player, was pressed into service as second baseman for three days.

The Washington Club has sold shortstop R. C. ("Speed") Kelly to the Denver Club for \$1,000. Kelly, who hails from Goshen, Ind., formerly was captain of the Purdue University nine and hit at a .330 clip with the South Bend Club, of the Central League, last season, giving him third place among the Central League batters.

Manager McGuire, of the Naps, is in raptures over the resurrection of Elmer Flick. The once formidable outfielder of the Blues is showing every bit of his old-time brilliancy at Alexandria, La. The old fellow always looked good in the Spring. But standing the strain of a long campaign is another matter, once an athlete has broken down.

Statistics show that Ty Cobb made fewest hits last season off White Sox pitchers. Frank Smith, for instance yielded only two hits in 18 times at bat. Cobb made most hits off New York pitchers, against whom he batted for .476. Tyros hit over the .300 mark against every other club and was at his best when facing the New York, Boston and Washington gunners.

Manager Donovan, of the Boston Red Sox, with part of his team and a number of war correspondents started from Boston for Hot Springs, Ark., on March 3. They were joined by more players at Cincinnati, March 5. President John I. Taylor is now en route from the Springs from San Francisco with the California contingent.

Hughie Jennings, the clever leader of the Tigers, has been associated with eight pennant winners. As shortstop he assisted Baltimore to championships in 1894, 1895 and 1896. He was with the Brooklyn leaders in 1899 and 1900. His greatest achievement, however, has been his work in the American League. For the past three consecutive years Hughie has led the Tigers to victory.

EXHIBITION GAMES.

FEBRUARY 27.

At Dallas—Dallas 11, New York N. L. 9.

At Fort Worth—Ft. Worth 11, New York Colts 14.

MARCH 5.

At Atlanta—Georgia Tech. 2, Athletic Colts 5.

At Fort Worth—Ft. Worth 3, N. York N. L. Colts 12.

At Dallas—Dallas 4, New York Giants 6.

At Houston—Houston 2, St. Louis A. L. 8.

At Hot Springs—All-Stars 4, Cincinnati 15.

MARCH 6.

At San Francisco (A. M.)—Oakland 2, Chicago A. L. 4.

At San Francisco (P. M.)—Frisco 2, Chicago A. L. 3.

At New Orleans—New Orleans 1, Chicago N. L. 6.

At Dallas—Dallas 1, New York N. L. Colts 9.

At Hot Springs—All-Americans 10, Brooklyn 3.

At Los Angeles—Los Angeles 13, Chicago A. L. Colts 2.

At San Antonio—San Antonio 2, Detroit 9.

At Fort Worth—Ft. Worth 0, New York N. L. 7.

MARCH 7.

At Covena, Cal.—Covina 3, Chicago A. L. 5.

At Modesta, Cal.—Modesta 0, Chicago A. L. Colts 0.

At Hot Springs—Brooklyn 9, Brooklyn Colts 1.

At Atlanta—Marist College 0, Athletic Colts 15.

Major League Player-Shifts at a Glance.

Player.	Former Club.	Present Club.
Nicholls	Philadelphia American	Cleveland American.
Goode	Cleveland American	Philadelphia American.
Wolter	Boston American	New York American.
Lake	New York American	St. Louis American.
Demmitt	New York American	St. Louis American.
Criger	St. Louis American	New York American.
Elberfeld	New York American	Washington American.
Abstein	Pittsburg National	St. Louis American.
Oakes	Cincinnati National	St. Louis National.
Huggins	Cincinnati National	St. Louis National.
Corridon	Philadelphia National	St. Louis National.
O'Hara	New York National	St. Louis National.
Shaw	St. Louis National	New York National.
Beebe	St. Louis National	Cincinnati National.
Storke	St. Louis National	Cincinnati National.
Coveleskie	Philadelphia National	Cincinnati National.
Ewing	Cincinnati National	Philadelphia National.
Brennan	Cincinnati National	Philadelphia National.
Beaumont	Boston National	Chicago National.
Leise	Chicago National	Boston National.
Dahlen	Boston National	Brooklyn National.
Willis	Pittsburg National	St. Louis National.

has refused to sign with the latter at \$250 per month.

The Phillies are scheduled for an exhibition game in Reading, April 13, this being the Phillies first visit to Reading in many years.

Helne Heilmuller, of the Athletics, is working out a scheme to take a base ball team and several track men to Honolulu next Winter.

The veteran minstrel, Hughie Dougherty, who accompanied the Athletic veterans to Hot Springs, is prostrated with an attack of erysipelas.

Outfielder Amos Strunk, of the Athletics, seems to have benefited in batting style by his last season's experience in the fast American Association.

The Atlanta Club is negotiating with Connie Mack for one of the Athletics' spare pitchers to take the place of the hold-out pitcher, Bill Hartley.

Joe Ward is showing up strong at Southern Pines with his long suit, batting. If he could only field as well as he bats there would be no way of keeping him off the regular Philly team.

Pitcher Frank Sparks signed a five-months' contract with the Philadelphia Club in order to avoid reporting until May 15, when he promises to report in condition to go into action at once.

Maroney, the twirler who was purchased from Baltimore by the Philadelphia Club, gained his early base ball education in the Connecticut League. He has always been more or less hampered by the lack of control.

"Big Chief" Bender has been spending considerable time playing billiards at Allinger's this Winter. Instead of shooting, and he looks heavier than last year, when his outdoor work with the gun kept down his weight.

Base ball experts who are with the Naps at their training camp at Alexandria, La., report that Earl Bittling, the Philadelphia High School boy, will be a second Bill Bradley. They are unanimous in saying that this youngster will be a star third sacker in a year or two.

The "Record" makes a suggestion worth considering when it says: "When the Athletics and Phillies play their Spring series it would be well for them to adopt a rule that neither side should use one pitcher more than five innings. This would insure both clubs against the chances of having any of their men injure their arms, and at the same time would give the public a chance to see more of the players in action."

On Sunday morning lightning struck Pine Woods Inn at Southern Pines, and ripped a big hole on the side of the inn in which most of the Philly players were sleeping. Maroney, Bates, Shettler and Welchance were covered with plaster and debris from the ceiling. Shettler was blinded by the stuff and could not talk for two hours because of nervousness. Maroney only escaped death from the fact that a gas pipe directly over his head acted as a conductor to deflect the deadly current.

President Fogel, of the Phillies returned from

Denver (Western League) Club, refuses to sign at that club's terms.

Outfielder Burde Cree last week signed his New York contract.

Infielder Roy Hartzell has signed with St. Louis at a substantial increase.

Cy Young, the "veteran" Cleveland pitcher, will be 43 years old on March 29.

Manager McAleer has decided to develop outfielder Wade Killifer into a catcher.

Outfielder Jack Anthony, the Boston Club's Raleigh recruit, has signed with Worcester.

The Boston Red Sox and Harvard will probably play an exhibition game in Boston on April 12.

Davy Fultz, formerly of the Highlanders, now a New York lawyer, is coach of the Columbia University base ball team.

Manager Jennings has informed the Tigers that he will not tolerate dissensions among members of the team this season.

Catcher Beckendorf, of the Tigers, was recently married and his bride is the only woman on the training trip of the champions.

Former "Sporting Life" Cleveland correspondent, Mr. Elmer B. Bates, has shifted from the Cleveland "Press" to the Cleveland "Leader."

The Chicago White Sox special quickly ran into misfortune. After two narrow escapes from wrecks it was stalled for a week at Ogden, Utah, by floods.

Catcher Jack Hardy has re-signed with the Washington team. In the catching department Manager McAleer now regards his team as formidable.

The White Sox will play the Tigers on flag-raising day at Detroit on June 23, and the Browns will open the White Sox new park in Chicago on July 1.

According to San Antonio advices Harry Pernall, the Northwestern League pitcher, looks like the most promising left-hander Detroit has had in years.

It is announced that the American League's greatest individual star, Ty Cobb, has signed a new three-year contract with Detroit at \$9,000 per annum.

Ex-Manager Joe Cantillon, of Washington, for vindication points to the fact that only three of the many players he released or traded during his term are still in fast company.

The St. Louis Club has refused to waive on catcher Bemis, of Cleveland. It may land Bemis, but there is not a chance to land catcher Clarke, according to President Kilfoyl.

Ty Cobb did not go to San Antonio with the Detroit, but will train with Augusta and Boston and also play for Augusta in the exhibition games which that club has scheduled.

Joe Villa is authority for the statement that the New York Club turned down a \$10,000 offer by Detroit for second baseman Earl Gardner, before the deal for Delehanth was made.

Boice, a recruit pitcher of the Naps, is a second Falkenberg, so far as height is concerned. Boice



THE ROCHESTER TEAM, 1909 CHAMPIONS, EASTERN LEAGUE,

Holmes, p. Ragon, p. Erwin, c. Barger, p. Beecher, p. Henley, p.
Maloney, rf. Osborn, cf. Butler, c. Batch, utility. Anderson, lf. Simmons, 3b.
Pattee, 2b. Holly, ss. John H. Ganzel, Mgr. and 1b. Chas. T. Chapin, Prest. McConnell, p.

THE EASTERN LEAGUE.

Practically All the Clubs Have Their Spring Training Plans Completed, With All the Managers Confident—League News.

New York, March 5.—The next week or two will keep the managers and secretaries of Eastern League clubs on the move, as the time for the maturing of Spring training plans will then have arrived. The cold weather has little effect on the pennant buzzing bee. Everywhere throughout the Eastern League circuit the sound is heard. The managers of the organizations are looked to by the fans to develop a winner and all are bending themselves to do their utmost in this respect. The managers this season are all of pennant-winning stock. Without exception the men



P. T. Powers

who will direct the clubs have either landed pennants or been big factors in bringing the prized bit of bunting to the city their club represented. "Iron Man" McGinnity, who will guide the Indians, is as well known as any man in base ball today. His work while a member of the New York Giants was the means of landing the pennant and the world's championship. Manager Billy Smith, of Buffalo, is fresh from the South, where he landed four pennants in five years. John Ganzel, of Rochester, carried off the prize last year in the Eastern League and with almost the same team will represent the Flower City this season. Jimmy Collins, of Providence, won a world's championship with the Boston Red Sox. Ed. Barrow, who will manage Montreal, and Joe Kelley, of Toronto, won pennants in the Eastern League for the Maple Leafs, while Jack Dunn, of Baltimore, brought both the Providence and Baltimore clubs home in front. Jack Ryan, of Jersey City, while in the ranks, caught for pennant-winning teams in Buffalo and Columbus. The Indians are to do their Spring training at Danville, Va. Rochester goes to Anderson, S. C., which is the home of pitcher George McConnell; Buffalo will work out at Macon, Ga.; Montreal will hold sway in Columbus, S. C.; Toronto at Charlottesville, Va., and Jersey City will put on finishing touches at Atlantic City. Baltimore and Providence will go through their Spring stunts at home.

Points From Providence.

Our Providence correspondent, Mr. C. D. Chase, under date of March 3, writes as follows: "Interest in the local club's affairs is increasing rapidly. The departure of Hugh Duffy to become manager of the White Sox, after three years as pilot of the Grays,

was signalized by a dinner given at the Narragansett Hotel by his admirers, and the presentation of a handsome traveling bag, containing all kinds of toilet articles in sterling silver, from his local friends. Another event of the week was the announcement by Business Manager Reilly, of the Grays, of the schedule of exhibition games to be played prior to the opening of the Eastern League season. The men have been ordered to report to Manager Collins on Monday, April 4. After 10 days of hard work at the local ball yard the team will take its first trip of the season to Lawrence, where it will meet the New England League team of that city on April 13. This will be the opening game for Lawrence, and the following day the Grays will open the Brockton grounds of the same league. On April 15 and 16 they will play at Fall River and New Bedford, respectively. Sunday, April 17, the Boston Americans will open the Rocky Point season with the Grays. The next day there is a game at Hartford, and then two games on Patriots' Day at Worcester. The team will rest on the 20th, in preparation for the opening of the championship on the 21st. Those who have returned their signed contracts for the season are Manager Collins, Harry Arndt, Charles Matrinni, Raymond Scanlon, who played with the team last Summer as Wilson; Bill Sline, Patrick J. Sullivan, a colt signed by Manager Duffy, and Mike Welday, formerly of Chicago.

Jottings From Jersey City.

Our Jersey City correspondent, Mr. James B. Eagan, writes as follows concerning the outlook for the "Skeeters": "It is most probable that catcher Jack Ryan will remain as Jersey City's team manager. He has been hustling for talent and has his team pretty well made up, although he will not give out his complete roster as yet. Catchers, Ryan and Crist; pitchers, Sitton, Ferry, Milligan and Manser; shortstop, O'Hara; third base, Esmond; outfielders, Clement, Moeller and Hanford. A first baseman, second baseman, catcher and several young pitchers have been promised by certain major league clubs. Merritt and Spahr will be used in trades and Hannifan will be general utility man."

News Notes.

Pitcher Stewart Gurney, late of Aberdeen, has signed with Toronto.
Buffalo will report at Macon, Ga., March 24. The players are signing rapidly.
Third baseman Zimmerman, late of Wilkes-Barre, has sent in his signed Newark contract.
Secretary Thomas J. Martin, of the Newark Club, denies the rumor that the club is for sale.
Harry Hoffman and Jack Cronin are holding out on Jimmy Collins, the new Providence manager.
Catcher Hugh Hearne, for several seasons a member of the Baltimore team, has been sold to the Newark Club.
Larry Schady, the ex-National, who probably left

the big arena at a way-too-early date, has re-signed with Newark.

Baltimore has received the signed contracts of two youngsters, "Lefty" Russell, a pitcher, and Frank Hilt, a shortstop.

The Baltimore Club has sold first baseman Peter Noonan to Wilkes-Barre, and has come to terms with first baseman Bill Clancy.

The Rochester champion team will make its training headquarters at Anderson, S. C., the home of Rochester's star twirler, George McConnell.

Manager Jack Ryan, of the Skeeters, has signed Loudenslager, who was turned adrift by Rochester last Summer after he suffered a broken ankle.

Jack Dunn, owner of the Baltimore Club, declares that he is through with the playing end of the game. He will be a bench leader this season.

President McCaffery, of the Toronto Club, has received word that outfielder Joe Delehanty had left St. Louis for Hot Springs, Ark., to get into condition.

Infielder Charley Loudenslager, familiarly known as Louie, who played in a few games for Newark last season, has signed a contract to play with Jersey City.

Edward Frank, who played short field for Toronto a few years ago, is now in the employ of Uncle Sam, having been appointed a clerk in the Rochester post-office.

Manager Ganzel, of Rochester, has practically completed all Spring training plans and has signed Dave Cansdale, a local boy, as trainer for the coming season.

Manager Barrows, of the Montreal team, has taken steps to dispose of outfielder Mike O'Neill, of Minnasha, Pa., and recently offered to trade him to Newark for Meyers.

Infielder Starr, of Buffalo, has purchased a ranch in Idaho. He will live on the ranch in Winter time and devote his attention to the place when he is tired of base ball.

The Montreal team will do its Spring training in Columbia, S. C., according to a telegram received from Manager Edward Barrow, of Montreal. The Eastern Leaguers will arrive in Columbia about March 20.

Manager Billy Smith, of Buffalo, reports that the Cincinnati recruits, pitcher Dubuc and outfielder Johnston, purchased by him from the Reds, are holding out and have so far refused to sign their contracts.

Baltimore is shy a catcher, a second baseman, a shortstop and two outfielders. Jack Dunn is sick of chasing after the magnates, and will wait till the big fellows bring their teams North before going after his game.

President Jacob Stein, of Buffalo, is booked for the Eastern League presidency in the event of Pat Powers' retirement next year. No better selection could be made by the Eastern League as regards ability, fitness and popularity.

Manager Ganzel has bought a half interest in the Rochester score-card privilege. His partner is William Leahy, a printer. John is busying himself these days soliciting advertisements for his business venture. Some "Hustler," that boy John.

Manager Smith, of Buffalo, will have the veteran McAllister behind the bat. At first base Robertson and Johnson, two youngsters, will fight it out. Charles Starr, the Philadelphia castor, will play at sec-

ond, and Neal Ball, who is expected from Cleveland, may go in at short. Brain will hold down third and "Smithy" is well supplied with pitchers and outfielders.

George Smith, ex-Buffalo manager, who will help Ed. Barrows at Montreal next season, operates a big bowling alley at Buffalo. George always appears to be in condition and believes that bowling is good medicine for the base ball tosser.

Manager McGinnity, of Newark, has been playing ball this Winter in McAlester and has signed three Oklahoma men for next season. These players are Chris Holtz, a catcher; Clifford Patterson, a pitcher, and Claude Hawkins, an infielder.

Joe McGinnity, the Newark magnate-pitcher, who was about the best twirler in the Eastern League last season, is keeping his arm in shape by pitching Winter base ball in Oklahoma. The Iron Man has signed three Oklahomans for his Indians.

The Providence Club has purchased the release of Henry Perry from the Boston American Club. Perry was with the York, Pa., Club, of the Tri-State League, last season and did fine work. He clouted the ball for an average of .304 in 114 games and fielded for .955.

Five of the eight clubs in the Eastern League will do their Spring training in the Sunny South this year. Joe McGinnity will take his Newark Club to Danville, Buffalo goes to Macon, Rochester to Anderson, S. C., and Toronto to Charlottesville, Va. Baltimore, Providence and Jersey City will train at home.

Pitcher Bill Chappelle, who is carried on the reserve list of the Rochester Club, who is under suspension for failing to report as ordered by that club, is to be given a chance to sign a contract for 1910 by Manager Ganzel. Chappelle was sold to the Waterbury Club by Rochester last season and refused to report there.

An ardent admirer of the Jersey City Base Ball Club prepared this dope for the fans in that corner of the Eastern League: The Jersey City Club won the championship flag in 1905—seven years ago. Oh, you lucky seven! In 1908 Rochester was at the tail-end of the league. Rochester won the pennant in 1909. Last year the Jersey City bunch brought up the rear of the procession. The first shall be last and the last shall be first. Inasmuch as Rochester jumped from last to first, why can't Jack Ryan's team do as well? That's the dope that makes Jersey City a winner in 1910.

A NEW CURVE.

The "Sinker Bender" Alleged Discovery of a Giant Recruit.

Marlin Springs, Tex., March 7.—A new curve which promises to gain fame equal to that of the spit ball or Christy Mathewson's noted fade-away, is announced from the training camp of the New York Giants. The discoverer of the new ball is Keiber, one of McGraw's new pitchers. The ball has been christened a "sinker." With Keiber's delivery the ball starts high, apparently rises a few feet, and then sinks suddenly to about the height of the batter's knee. It can be curved a trifle, either out or in, and though a slow ball, is said to be very effective. McGraw fanned on it Wednesday.

JENNINGS' EYE

SWEEPS OVER THE AMERICAN LEAGUE FIELD.

In Reviewing the Teams for the 1910 Race, He Predicts Another Pennant for the Tigers, With Boston for the Place.

SPECIAL TO "SPORTING LIFE."

Detroit, Mich., March 5.—While Manager Jennings, of the Tigers, was here putting the finishing touches to the Spring training plans of the Detroit Club, he found time to receive the base ball writers and give them an elaborate line of dope on the 1910 league race, analyzing the strength of each club separately. He did not claim absolutely that the Tigers would capture another roll of bunting, but made a statement just as good. "Any club that beats out Detroit will have to be 20 per cent. stronger than last year," is the way he put it. He thinks Boston will be the hardest team to beat this year and that Chicago is a dark horse. Discussing the Athletics, the contenders of 1909, Hughie said: "I can't see where the Athletics will be as strong as they were last year. I don't think there is a chance in the world for Krause to repeat the record he hung up, and you take Bender and Plank, they are getting rather old and they may or may not be as good as last season. There are many veterans on the Athletic team—too many, in fact, to make the team as strong as last season. Boston should be



Hugh Jennings

A STRONG FACTOR

in the race this season. Patsy Donovan will make a great little manager, I believe, and he has many young, husky players who have speed and ambition, two great things in base ball. The boys all like him and they will work their heads off for him. He has a bunch of good men and he should show up splendidly. You ask about Chicago? Hughie Duffy should make a good manager, but the outfield of the White Sox is weak, the infield is doubtful, while the battery is good. I understand they will have an entirely new infield with the possible exception of Purtell. Their pitchers should show up strong, but if they have the same outfield they had last year, there is only a chance that it will be weaker. Cleveland is rather an uncertainty. Some of the pitchers are old, and that always makes them uncertain. I was much surprised to hear that McGuire will switch Lajoie from second base to the initial sack.

NOT DANGEROUS.

"New York is hardly strong enough to be a pennant contender. Don't think they or Washington or St. Louis will make much trouble, though the Nationals should show considerably stronger than they did last year. Take our infield. You see the men will know one another better and every man will have exact knowledge of the other's playing. There is much in that. Last year, when we reconstructed our infield, the men still had to get to working together. It takes men four or five months to reach that stage where they know each other well enough to work like a well-oiled machine."

THE NATIONAL RACE.

was lightly touched upon by Manager Jennings. Asked to pick the National League teams as he expected them to finish this year, Jennings made this prediction: First, Chicago; second, Pittsburg; third, New York; fourth, Cincinnati; fifth, St. Louis; sixth, Philadelphia; seventh, Brooklyn; eighth, Boston. "I don't see how Pittsburg can repeat," he said, and added: "Neither can I see how New York will beat out Pittsburg for second place."

THE TRI-STATE LEAGUE.

Manager Ramsey Has a Practically New Team Signed for Altoona—The Club's Spring Plans Now Completed.

Altoona, Pa., March 4.—Altoona's new manager, Hank Ramsey, has spent a very busy Winter signing players and booking exhibition games. "When I took hold of the Mountaineers," he said today, "there were only catcher Vorhis, pitchers Glaze, Steele and Teal, and some men I didn't want, available. Since then I have an entirely new infield signed and ready to report to me in Virginia on April 3. Carey, the veteran first baseman, who will also act as captain, should be a winner for me. I purchased him from Little Rock, Ark., and he should be a wonder in the



H. D. Ramsey

Tri-State. For second base I have Shortell, formerly of Syracuse, who is not only a lightning fielder, but a good left-handed hitter. Durneyer, who played with Wilkes-Barre last season, is one of the best young ball tossers that I have ever seen. I'll place him at short. Ingerton, obtained from Albany, should be the third base sensation of the league. The only reason I was ever able to get him was because he was one of those players who needed a change. For the outfield I have purchased Coulson, of Memphis, who is a former State College player. He comes to me highly recommended. Smith, of Buffalo, offered to trade Durneyer for Coulson, but I needed both men and would not stand for it. I traded Zollers to Bridge-

port for George Bannon, who hit at a .271 gait last season and stole 46 bases." Manager Ramsey has four catchers signed. They are Conroy, late of Troy; Mulvaney, Balar and an Indian named Stead. Vorhis, of last year's team, has not yet signed, but will likely do so soon. Altoona has 12 pitchers, 11 of whom are under contract. They are Steele and Teal, the two stars of last season's staff; Petty, of Long Island; Hagerdorn, of Jersey City; Omo, of Huntingdon, Pa.; Baird, of Tyrone; Dreyer, of Niagara University, New York; Hess, of Milwaukee;

1910 team now assembled, and it is said that the Johnstown nine this year will be made up of the most likely-looking bunch of material that the local association has had on hand since the team secretary Blough got together for the season of 1905. The Johnstown team this year will be managed by Bert Conn, whose release was recently purchased from Williamsport. In the choice for manager the club has made a wise selection, as Conn is a player with much experience and has always been a favorite with the local fans. The team for 1910 will be made up of the

H. Boyer, writes under date of March 5: "At a meeting of the Reading Base Ball Association, held last Wednesday night, it was decided that the playing grounds for the coming season will be announced within the next week. Lauer's Park is the most desirable, but in need of many improvements. W. A. Witman's grounds are the furthest away from Penn street, and the Reading Park can be used, if desired. Patrons are in hopes that the former will be chosen, as it is a three-minute walk from Penn street. Secretary E. J. Morris has a letter from Harry Barton, manager of this year's team, stating that he will be here, to remain permanently, about April 1. It was decided that the players should report for practice on Monday, April 11. Secretary Morris has strings out for no less than 20 players and in addition to the old members of the team, has signed these youngsters: Murphy, catcher; F. C. Lane, first baseman and outfielder; E. A. Ainsworth, William Schaeffer and J. McMann, pitchers; Fuller, first baseman; F. H. Wilson and E. Emery, infielders. Secretary Morris announced the receipt of a check of \$500 from the Holyoke, (Mass.), Club, for the release of Clarence F. Foster, who will manage Holyoke this season. Secretary Morris also announced at the meeting that Magoon, formerly of the Trenton team, has refused to sign. Magoon wants to be released so that he can play with the Savannah, (Ga.), team this year. The first exhibition game here will be with Ed. Aschenbach's Syracuse team on April 22 and 23. Several other games are in prospect and there will be no lack of practice for the Reading team prior to the opening of the League season."

News Notes.

Catcher C. L. Bailor, of Port Royal, Pa., has signed with the Altoona Club.

Pitcher Ed. George, another graduate of the Pittsburg Collegians, is balking at returning to York.

The York Club has signed outfielder Chester Shields, of Marietta, Pa., late of the Marion (Ohio League) Club.

Frank McCormick, last season with Syracuse, has signed with Altoona. Mack may be used as a catcher or fielder.

The Williamsport Club has purchased outfielder Billy Keister from the Wilkes-Barre (New York League) Club.

Manager Selbach will come to Harrisburg from his home in Columbus, O., on March 7, and will remain from that time until the end of the Tri-State season.

Joe Fogarty, the captain and manager of the Johnstown basketball team, has accepted terms with the Harrisburg base ball club. He will play the outfield.

Manager Heckert, of York, has signed for trial shortstop Jack Matthews, of Bordentown. He has also gathered in Quinn, a second baseman, and Dugan, an outfielder.

Manager Heckert, of Trenton, last week signed a "spit-ball" pitcher named Hitchcock, of whom a great deal is expected. Hitchcock is said to have more than enough speed and a very effective "spitter."

Manager Selbach, of Harrisburg, has added two more young players to his roster in pitcher Joe Stoup, purchased from the Lima (Ohio League) Club, and shortstop Savage, of the Huntingdon, Pa., Club.

The old players left with the Lancaster team are pitchers Stanislav Coreleskie, Brittsen and Reeder, third baseman Litschi, outfielders Kerr and Johnny Coreleskie, and third baseman Donovan, of last year's Johnstown team.

Outfielder Frank Swayne is still a member of the Trenton hold-outs, having written that he would not play in Trenton this season. Manager Heckert is of the opinion that he will, and says he is not worrying over the matter.

It is understood that "War Horse Bill" Clay is to captain the Trenton Club next Summer and get the \$25 extra per month. Outfielder Swayne is holding out for more money, and Heckert has threatened to trade him or let him purchase his own release.

The Lancaster Club, for the first time in its history, will start the season free of debt and with cash in hand, largely due to Manager Hogan's development and sale of players. The ladies of Lancaster intend giving the club financial help, too, by holding a big fair from April 2 to 12.

"Sonny" Price, shortstop for the Trenton Club last season, has written Manager Heckert from his home in Mercedes, Texas, to the effect that he is going to get out of base ball for good. Price has a large farm in Texas, where he raises cotton, potatoes, strawberries, alfalfa, beans and sorghum.

Pitcher Grover Reeder, one of the mainstays in the box of last year's Lancaster team, sent in his contract to Manager Hogan last week, and this pretty nearly completes the list of the old men who are retained on the roster. Hogan has ordered his big squad of players to report on Sunday, April 5.

Sunday, April 3, is the date set by Manager Marty Hogan, of the Red Rose champions, for his army of players to report in Lancaster, and Marty will have a small-sized regiment to direct if all his youngsters turn up. There are forty-some new ones, besides eight of the regulars—enough for five ball teams.

Manager Heckert, of the Trenton team, announced last week that he had received the contract of William Hitchcock, the big "spit-ball" artist of Binghamton, N. Y., and that of Jimmy Quinn, who is supposed to have been undisputedly signed and held by Scranton, has been awarded to Trenton. President Carpenter has also written Heckert that Quinn is the property of the Trenton Club.

Pitcher Reeder came to time last week and affixed his signature to a new Lancaster contract. Others of the old men who have signed are Schettler, Brittsen and the two Coreleskies, John and Stanny. Those still outside the fold are Louis Litschi, Donovan, obtained from Johnstown, and outfielder Kerr, but Manager Hogan is not worried about them, for they will all be there in due time.

The only Harrisburg hold-outs now are pitcher Van Dyke, who was with the club during the latter part of last season, and pitchers Gaskill and McKenzie, purchased from the Chattanooga Club, of the South Atlantic League. Van Dyke wants another chance with the Phillies, and claims Manager Heckert gave him his release at the close of last season, but no papers in the case were signed by Harrisburg club directors, and the matter was never placed before them.

Outfielder James O'Hara, formerly of the Williamsport team, has decided to give up base ball after several years' practice, and he will go to Canton, O., and hang out a sign labeled Dr. James O'Hara, and practice medicine. O'Hara played fine ball on Williamsport teams, then went to Georgetown University and played on the team there for three years. Afterward he coached the team for two seasons. Graduating from Georgetown he signed with the Haverhill, Mass., Club, and was captain of the team. The Boston National League Club drafted him. Later he played with Montreal, of the Eastern League, and last season he played in the Inter-State League.

Tri-State League 1910 Schedule

Season Opens May 4; Closes September 7

TRENTON AT HOME

With Reading	May 5
With York	May 6, 7
With Lancaster	May 9, 10
With Altoona	May 11, 12, 13
With Johnstown	May 14, 16, 17
With Reading	May 20, 21
With Harrisburg	June 1, 2, 3
With Williamsport	June 4, 6, 7
With York	June 15, 16
With Lancaster	June 17, 18
With Reading	June 20, 21
With Johnstown	June 22, 23, 24
With Altoona	June 25, 27, 28
With York	July 4, A. M. and P. M.
With Williamsport	July 13, 14, 15
With Harrisburg	July 16, 18, 19
With York	August 1, 2
With Lancaster	August 3, 4
With Reading	August 8, 9
With Johnstown	August 10, 11
With Altoona	August 12, 13
With Williamsport	August 15, 16
With Harrisburg	August 17, 18
With Lancaster	August 20, 21
With Reading	September 7

READING AT HOME

With Trenton	May 4
With Lancaster	May 6
With Johnstown	May 11, 12, 13
With Altoona	May 14, 16, 17
With York	May 18, 19
With Harrisburg	May 23
With Williamsport	May 30, P. M., 31
With Lancaster	June 1, 2, 3
With Harrisburg	June 4, 6
With Reading	June 15
With Altoona	June 22, 23, 24
With Johnstown	May 25, 27, 28
With York	June 20, 21
With Trenton	July 1, 2
With Lancaster	July 4, A. M.
With Harrisburg	July 6, 14, 15
With Williamsport	July 16, 18, 19
With Trenton	July 27, 28
With York	August 3, 4
With Lancaster	August 6
With Altoona	August 10, 11
With Johnstown	August 12, 13
With Harrisburg	August 15, 16
With Williamsport	August 17, 18
With Trenton	August 31, September 1
With York	September 2, 3
With Lancaster	September 5, A. M. and P. M.
With Trenton	September 6

ALTOONA AT HOME

With Johnstown	May 4
With Harrisburg	May 6, 7
With Williamsport	May 9, 10
With York	May 23, 24, 25
With Lancaster	May 26, 27, 28
With Johnstown	May 30, P. M., 31
With Trenton	June 8, 9, 10
With Reading	June 11, 13, 14
With Johnstown	June 15
With Williamsport	June 17, 18
With Harrisburg	June 20, 21
With Johnstown	July 4, A. M.
With York	July 6, 7, 8
With Lancaster	July 9, 11, 12
With Reading	July 20, 21, 22
With Trenton	July 23, 25, 26
With Harrisburg	July 27, 28
With Williamsport	July 29, 30
With Johnstown	August 2, 9
With York	August 19, 20
With Lancaster	August 22, 23
With Trenton	August 24, 25
With Reading	August 26, 27
With Johnstown	August 30
With Williamsport	August 31, September 1
With Harrisburg	September 2, 3

LANCASTER AT HOME

With York	May 5
With Reading	May 7
With Harrisburg	May 12, 13
With Williamsport	May 14, 16, 17
With Trenton	May 18, 19
With York	May 20
With Reading	May 30, A. M.
With Altoona	June 1, 2, 3
With Johnstown	June 4, 6, 7
With Harrisburg	June 8
With Reading	June 16
With York	June 20
With Williamsport	June 22, 23, 24
With Harrisburg	June 25
With Trenton	June 29, 30
With York	July 2
With Reading	July 4, P. M., 5
With Johnstown	July 13, 14, 15
With Altoona	July 16, 18, 19
With Harrisburg	July 25, 26
With Trenton	July 28
With York	July 29, 30
With Reading	August 1, 2, 5
With Harrisburg	August 9
With Williamsport	August 11
With Johnstown	August 12, 13
With Trenton	August 15, 16
With Altoona	August 17, 18
With Harrisburg	August 27
With York	September 1
With Trenton	September 2, 3
With York	September 7

WILLIAMSPORT AT HOME

With Harrisburg	May 5
With Altoona	May 18, 19
With Johnstown	May 20, 21
With Trenton	May 23, 24, 25
With Reading	May 26, 27, 28
With York	June 8, 9, 10
With Lancaster	June 11, 13, 14
With Harrisburg	June 15, 16
With Johnstown	June 20, 21
With Altoona	July 1, 2
With Harrisburg	July 5
With Trenton	July 6, 7, 8
With Reading	July 9, 11, 12
With Lancaster	July 20, 21, 22
With York	July 23, 25, 26
With Harrisburg	August 1, 2
With Altoona	August 3, 4
With Johnstown	August 5, 6
With Reading	August 19, 20
With Lancaster	August 22, 23
With Harrisburg	August 24, 25
With York	August 26, 27
With Harrisburg	August 29, 30
With Altoona	September 5, A. M. and P. M.
With Johnstown	September 6, 7

YORK AT HOME

With Lancaster	May 4
With Reading	May 9, 10
With Williamsport	May 11, 12, 13
With Harrisburg	May 16, 17
With Lancaster	May 21
With Trenton	May 30, A. M. and P. M., 31
With Johnstown	June 1, 2, 3
With Altoona	June 4, 6, 7
With Harrisburg	June 13
With Reading	June 17, 18
With Lancaster	June 21
With Harrisburg	June 23, 24
With Williamsport	June 25, 27, 28
With Trenton	July 1
With Lancaster	July 5
With Altoona	July 13, 14, 15
With Johnstown	July 16, 18, 19
With Harrisburg	July 20
With Lancaster	July 27
With Reading	July 29, 30
With Trenton	August 5, 6
With Lancaster	August 8
With Williamsport	August 10, 11
With Harrisburg	August 13
With Altoona	August 15, 16
With Johnstown	August 17, 18
With Harrisburg	August 24
With Reading	August 29, 30
With Trenton	September 5, A. M. and P. M.

JOHNSTOWN AT HOME

With Altoona	May 5
With Williamsport	May 6, 7
With Harrisburg	May 9, 10
With Lancaster	May 23, 24, 25
With York	May 26, 27, 28
With Altoona	May 30, A. M.
With Reading	June 8, 9, 10
With Trenton	June 11, 13, 14
With Altoona	June 15
With Harrisburg	June 17, 18
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With Trenton	July 9, 11, 12
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With Trenton	July 29, 30
With Altoona	August 1, 8
With Lancaster	August 19, 20
With York	August 22, 23
With Reading	August 24, 25
With Trenton	August 26, 27
With Altoona	August 29
With Harrisburg	August 31, September 1
With Williamsport	September 2, 3

HARRISBURG AT HOME

With Williamsport	May 4
With Lancaster	May 11
With York	May 14
With Johnstown	May 18, 19
With Altoona	May 20, 21
With Reading	May 24, 25
With Trenton	May 26, 27, 28
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With Johnstown	September 5, A. M. and P. M.
With Altoona	September 6, 7

Whipple, of South Dakota; Young, of Farnsworth, Pa.; McCloskey, of St. Bonaventure, N. Y. Ramsey says he has sold infielder Hooper to Trenton, and thinks that Heckert got a good man in him. Ramsey will come to Altoona on March 7 and stay here until reporting time, which will be at the National Soldiers' Home in Virginia on April 3.

Jottings From Johnstown.

Our Johnstown correspondent, Mr. C. F. Horan, writes us under date of March 2 as follows: "Secretary J. Allie Blough, of the Johnstown Base Ball Association, has his

following promising material: Catchers—Knotts, Bradley, Stryker, Krings, McGinley. First base—Follansbee. Second base—Conn. Shortstop—Wilkie. Third base—McClelland or Groh. Utility infielder—McClelland or Groh. Pitchers—Slave, Skillman, Goettel, Coleman, Hine, Coveleskie, Cummings, McInnis, Sheesley, and a right-hander to be turned over by a National League club. Outfielders—Marshall, Johnson, Bradley, Bunting, Turner.

The Situation at Reading.

Our Reading correspondent, Mr. George

PEITZ'S PRIDE

IS THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION CHAMPION TEAM.

The Veteran Manager Leaving no Stone Unturned to Make His Team Strong Enough to Retain Its Championship Honors.

BY JOHN J. SAUNDERS.

Louisville, Ky., March 5.—Editor "Sporting Life."—Owner Grayson spent the past week in Louisville. His presence, together with the news of the transferring to the team of Stanley and Del Howard, of the Chicago Cubs, has stirred up base ball here more than it has been stirred since the season closed. It now looks like the new Colonels will be made up as follows: First base, Howard; second base, Soffel; shortstop, Smith or Charles; third base, Moriarty; left field, Woodruff; center field, Stanley; right field, Smoot; catchers, Peitz, Hughes and Hart; pitchers, Decanniere, Selby, Halla, Higginbotham, Bushelman and Baker; utility infielder, Sullivan; utility outfielder, Kay. Leaving these possibly to be turned adrift—Salm, Dunlevy, Olsen, Casey, Callahan, Putnam, Watson, Clayton, Coakley, Lattimore, Baber and White. This should make a strong team and it will be noted some of the boys who helped to win the pennant last year will be among the missing. Tate has already gone, as has Fenlon and Dehanty, together with pitcher Packard, and it will be noted Salm, Dunlevy and Putnam, of the same crowd, are likely to be left out of the new make-up.

THE ONLY REGRET

seems to be the loss of pitcher Packard, who made many friends here by his good work toward the end of last season, and there are many who give him most credit for winning the pennant. The management, however, must have some good reason for the change, and it is hoped they have some one of the new men who is fully capable of taking his place. The outfield seems to be stronger than last year, which was very weak most of the season. This year they have an abundance of good material and the outer garden ought to show up with the best in the Association. The fans, however, are still not satisfied with the infield. Even should Howard sign the contract that has been sent him, second base and short stop are to be filled by new men who are yet to show their worth, and more confidence would be felt in the team if more settled men were assigned to these positions, particularly as it seems doubtful that Cincinnati will let us have Charles, who is so far merely a remote possibility.

DEL HOWARD

has not told Mr. Grayson that he would not sign but there are newspaper reports to the effect that he is dissatisfied with the trade that has sent him to Louisville, and his father-in-law has said he is willing to start him in business and that he shall not play in Louisville. It would be a great disappointment to lose him and to have our hopes shattered after they had been raised so high and we hope he will sign, as Mr. Grayson says he is willing to pay him quite as much as he could earn with any major league team. But there will still be some uneasiness until his contract is safely filed away. If he don't agree to come over, there is still Sullivan and Salm who are quite up to the average and the team will not be greatly weakened by depending on either, but of course Howard is preferred. Sullivan, however, will be kept, as he is good at either of the corners and will doubtless find plenty of work to do before the season is far advanced.

THE PITCHING CORPS.

Halla, Selby, Decanniere, Higginbotham and Bushelman are counted upon as being sure of positions on the twirling staff. It is likely that six pitchers will be carried which means that the other pitchers under reserve will fight it out. Putnam is almost sure to be released. Coakley will not report as he objects to playing in the West and Baber and Clayton are almost certain to be farmed. This leaves Baker as the most likely candidate for the other vacancy unless some of the old timers fail to show up in good form, although Fisher, who played with Wheeling last year is said to be a marvel and will make a place for himself among even the best of the veterans. Should he be able to do this, the staff ought to be even stronger than last year.

THE INFIELD.

If Howard signs he will play first base, which means that Salm will be traded or released. New Orleans is dickering for Salm, and it is probable that he will be turned over to them, an arrangement being made whereby Louisville is to get first call on the New Orleans players. Soffel is the most promising candidate for first base, and it is practically certain that he will start the season in that position. Soffel played last year with the Wheeling Club, of the Central League, and made a fine record. Barney Dreyfuss says he is a finished player and had not Miller turned out as he has, Soffel would now be playing first base for the Pittsburgh team. The management is also dickering for a new shortstop. It is said that Charles, now with Cincinnati, and formerly with St. Louis, is likely to be obtained, but the news seems too good to be true. If not he, then Tony Smith, of Chicago, may be secured. Either would fill the bill acceptably. S. Olson, and Sam Callahan, are also candidates

for the position, and will be given a trial. Should none of the above be able to fill the position, we still have Moriarty, who played the position last year. He can be shifted back there again for next season, and either Sullivan or Woodruff assigned to third base, therefore, the indications are that Louisville will have a corking good infield.

NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS,

so it happens that Soffel makes good. The said thought, however, is that numerous tin cans will be tied to promising candidates among the younger element unless some of them make good during the Spring practice. The outlook for Louisville, however, seem to be that they will give a good account of themselves from the start, and little doubt is felt that Mr. Grayson will spare no expense in keeping together a team that will make a strong pull for the pennant. If the boys he has now on hand are not able to do it, he will get some who can, and it is this confidence in him that makes the fans look forward to a good season.

THE SOUTHERN LEAGUE.

Manager Johnny Dobbs, of the New Southern League Club, Chattanooga, Has His Team Now About Made Up.

Chattanooga, Tenn., March 5.—Some of the papers around the Southern League circuit are publishing lists of players of the different clubs, and from the Chattanooga line-up it would appear as though Johnny Dobbs had already picked his team. The dope is all wrong. The Chattanooga in and outfield is given by position, and only a list of about half the pitchers has been secured. Also, several of the best in and outfield candidates were overlooked. Here is the list of the men who will report to Johnny Dobbs. There are 24 in all; two catchers, six infielders, six outfielders and 10 pitchers. It follows: Catchers—Carson, from Augusta; Beeville, from Rochester. Infielders—Patterson, from Pittsburg; McCrone, from Duluth; Alcock,

South. Should Fritz get rid of his hoodoo he could command more pay. As to Lafitte, it is doubtful if he can stick in this league. His batting last season in the South Atlantic League was not any too good. Macon wants him back and this may be a cause for his holding out. As to Channel fearing the heat of the South, he ought to know that warm weather here is conducive to good ball playing, and that Cobb and Speaker, the sensational outfielders of the country at present, both came out of the South. Our entire infield has signed, and Whitney at first base, Warner at second, and Altman at third are considered fixtures. This leaves shortstop and utility man to be decided between Babb, Crandall and Scanlon. The outfield, held down by Baerwald, Farrell and Channel, should be the best we have had in years.

The Montgomery Outlook.

Our Montgomery correspondent, Mr. John W. Bailey, writes under date of March 3 as follows: "With 23 men on the string and at least one more pitcher coming, President Joseph and Manager Greminger feel that they have a good start for the new year. The only hold-out is Shannon, who says he does not want to come South again. Manager Greminger is disappointed, as 'Spike' was always a star when he felt like work. He can be had for the price, but will not be sacrificed. He is one of the best backstops that ever played South. Of the old men the good ones coming back are Thomas, who is regarded as a heady pitcher, and Guese, who can be depended upon. Hart, who came near leading the league in 1909 batting, will return. Greminger at first, Osteen at second, and Phelps at short are the old men for the infield. Pratt, a college boy from the University of Alabama, about whom there is much talk in the base ball world, will try for third. Whiteman and Daley are the only old outfielders, Kerwin having been traded to Mobile. The new men are Miller, secured from Mobile, and Cribben, an O. and P. man, who has a good record. Nolly, an old Mobile player, a Montgomery native, however, comes to the pitching staff on draft from Wheeling, and a college boy brother of Thomas will have a try-out. McCreery, Van Hummer, semi-prof. from Kansas City; Dugleby, Eastern League; Smith, semi-prof., and Torrey, secured in trade from Mobile for Bliss, will be the new slabmen. Phillips, an O. and P. League man, and Burnett, of Spokane, traded for Rockenfield, will be strangers in the outfield."

News Notes.

The Nashville Club has signed outfielder Harry Bay and infielder Tim Flood, and has received the signed contract of pitcher John Fisher, the Wheeling recruit.

The Birmingham Club has elected its officers for 1910 as follows: A. H. Woodward, president; W. D. Smith, vice-president, and R. H. Baugh, secretary-treasurer.

Lafitte, the catcher obtained from the Macon Club, of the South Atlantic League, has sent in his contract, leaving only two men remaining unsigned by Manager Babb, of Memphis-Fritz and Channel.

Reports from Mobile say that Manager George Reed is going along with a contented smile and not saying much, but the impression prevails that he thinks he has enough talent on hand to stir up some trouble when the others go out in the chase for the pennant.

All but four of the men ordered to report to Nashville have been signed, those not having sent back their signatures being Perdue, Case, Viebahn and Wiseman. Bernhardt has ordered the following men to report: Catchers, Seabough, Elliott, Pratt; pitchers, Perdue, Case, Viebahn, Kemper, Anderson, Lambert; first basemen, Cohn and Kelly; second basemen, Flood, Morton, Murch; third basemen, Bronkie; shortstop, Lynch; outfielders, Bay, Seigel, Vinson, Morgan, Wiseman and Perrott.

TIM HURST'S BROTHER

Shoots and Seriously Wounded a Young Girl During a Quarrel.

Pottsville, Pa., March 3.—Miss Viola Curry, aged 18 years, was shot in the chest yesterday afternoon by Thomas Hurst, of Ashland, a brother of "Tim" Hurst, the base ball umpire. The girl is in a critical condition at the Miners' Hospital. Hurst went to the Curry home to collect rent, and in an altercation, it is asserted, he was struck on the head with a stove lifter, and that he shot to defend himself. Hurst is held to await the result of the wound. The girl is unconscious.

Apologies to the above our readers will be interested to know that Tim Hurst, the most witty, original and famous of all umpires of this generation, is out of base ball for good. Our old friend is now a New York business man and may not get to the ball yard all season. Among other things, Hurst has launched a sure-enough real estate boom out in Long Island. He is also looking time for a theatrical act and planning a big show in Madison Square Garden. Those are a few of the things Timothy is doing at present, and there are others. He didn't like to be thrust on the outside when President Johnson cancelled his contract with the American League, but now he is glad of it.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION NEWS.

A new club house is being built at Nell Park, Columbus.

Pitcher Jim Baskette, the Chattanooga recruit, has refused to sign with Toledo for less than \$800 per month.

Catcher Schreck has sent in his signed Columbus contract with the statement that he "has been on the water-wagon all Winter, and intends to remain thereon."

Mrs. Patrick Cantillon, the mother of the Cantillon boys, died at Milwaukee, March 1. Besides Joe and Mike Cantillon she left three more sons and two married daughters.

Columbus has on its roster 11 players who were formerly with Cleveland. They are: Pitchers Liehardt, Sliton, Upp and Winchell; outfielders, Clarke, Congalton, Hinchman and Reilly; first basemen Rossman; third basemen Friel, and catcher Schreck.

The Kansas City Blues will spend only ten days at Excelsior Springs and these ten days will be used for conditioning purposes. Manager Shay says that his candidates will do little else than drink the spring's water and do road work while at Excelsior. The latest ailment of first sackers seems to be aggravating callous growths on the feet, induced by the jolt of the spikes in tagging a base. Fred Tenney a few weeks ago underwent an operation on the heels from this cause. First basemen Claude Rossman, of Columbus, has just been discharged from a Detroit hospital, where he had a growth removed from the ball of his foot.

American Association 1910 Schedule

Season Opens April 13; Closes September 25

LOUISVILLE AT HOME

With Indianapolis	April 21, 22, 23, 24
With Toledo	April 25, 26, 27, 28
With Columbus	April 29, 30, May 1, 2
With Minneapolis	May 1, 2, 3
With Milwaukee	June 4, 5, 6, 7
With Kansas City	June 8, 9, 10, 11
With St. Paul	June 12, 13, 14
With Columbus	July 2, 3, 4, 5
With Indianapolis	July 5, 6, 7, 8
With Toledo	July 9, 10, 11, 12
With Milwaukee	July 13, 14, 15, 16
With Kansas City	July 17, 18, 19
With St. Paul	July 20, 21, 22, 23, 24
With Minneapolis	July 24, 25, 26, 27
With Milwaukee	August 17, 18, 19, 20
With Kansas City	August 21, 22, 23, 24
With Milwaukee	August 25, 26, 27, 28
With St. Paul	August 29, 30, 31, September 1
With Columbus	September 6, 7, 8, 9
With Toledo	September 10, 11, 12, 13
With Indianapolis	September 22, 23, 24, 25

TOLEDO AT HOME

With Indianapolis	April 13, 14, 15, 16
With Louisville	April 17, 18, 19, 20
With Columbus	May 20, 21, 22, 23
With Louisville	May 24, 25, 26, 27
With Indianapolis	May 28, 29, 30, 31
With Kansas City	May 31, June 1, 2, 3
With St. Paul	June 4, 5, 6, 7
With Minneapolis	June 8, 9, 10, 11
With Milwaukee	June 12, 13, 14
With Columbus	July 5, 6, 7, 8
With St. Paul	July 13, 14, 15, 16
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With St. Paul	August 17, 18, 19, 20
With Milwaukee	August 21, 22, 23, 24
With Kansas City	August 25, 26, 27, 28
With Minneapolis	August 29, 30, 31, September 1
With Louisville	September 3, 4, 5, 6
With Indianapolis	September 6, 7, 8, 9
With Columbus	September 22, 23, 24, 25

KANSAS CITY AT HOME

With St. Paul	April 25, 26, 27, 28
With Minneapolis	April 29, 30, May 1, 2
With Indianapolis	May 4, 5, 6, 7
With Louisville	May 8, 9, 10, 11
With Toledo	May 12, 13, 14, 15
With Columbus	May 16, 17, 18, 19
With Milwaukee	May 28, 29, 30, 31
With Toledo	June 16, 17, 18, 19
With Columbus	June 20, 21, 22, 23
With Indianapolis	June 24, 25, 26, 27
With Louisville	June 28, 29, 30
With Milwaukee	July 2, 3, 4, 5
With Minneapolis	July 5, 6, 7, 8
With St. Paul	July 9, 10, 11, 12
With Columbus	July 29, 30, 31, 31
With Toledo	August 1, 2, 3, 4
With Louisville	August 5, 6, 7, 8
With Indianapolis	August 9, 10, 11, 12
With Minneapolis	September 6, 7, 8, 9
With St. Paul	September 10, 11, 12, 13
With Milwaukee	September 22, 23, 24, 25

MINNEAPOLIS AT HOME

With Kansas City	April 13, 14, 15, 16
With Milwaukee	April 17, 18, 19, 20
With St. Paul	April 22, 23
With Toledo	May 4, 5, 6, 7
With Columbus	May 8, 9, 10, 11
With Indianapolis	May 12, 13, 14, 15
With Louisville	May 16, 17, 18, 19
With Kansas City	May 21, 22, 23
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With Toledo	June 24, 25, 26, 27
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With St. Paul	July 3, 4, 5
With Indianapolis	July 29, 30, 31, 31
With Louisville	August 1, 2, 3, 4
With Toledo	August 5, 6, 7, 8
With Columbus	August 9, 10, 11
With St. Paul	August 13, 14, 15
With Milwaukee	September 4, 5
With Kansas City	September 14, 15, 16, 17
With Milwaukee	September 18, 19, 20, 21
With St. Paul	September 22, 23, 24

INDIANAPOLIS AT HOME

With Columbus	April 25, 26, 27, 28
With Toledo	April 29, 30, May 1, 2
With Louisville	May 20, 21, 22, 23
With Milwaukee	May 31, June 1, 2, 3
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With Kansas City	June 12, 13, 14
With Toledo	July 2, 3, 4, 5
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With Kansas City	July 13, 14, 15, 16
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With Louisville	August 13, 14, 15, 16
With Kansas City	August 17, 18, 19, 20
With Minneapolis	August 21, 22, 23, 24
With St. Paul	August 25, 26, 27, 28
With Milwaukee	August 29, 30, 31, September 1
With Columbus	September 3, 4, 5, 6
With Louisville	September 14, 15, 16, 17
With Toledo	September 18, 19, 20, 21

COLUMBUS AT HOME

With Louisville	April 13, 14, 15, 16
With Indianapolis	April 17, 18, 19, 20
With Toledo	April 21, 22, 23, 24
With Indianapolis	May 24, 25, 26, 27
With Louisville	May 28, 29, 30, 31
With St. Paul	June 1, 2, 3
With Kansas City	June 4, 5, 6, 7
With Milwaukee	June 8, 9, 10, 11
With Minneapolis	June 12, 13, 14
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With Kansas City	July 20, 21, 22, 23
With Milwaukee	July 24, 25, 26, 27
With Toledo	August 13, 14, 15, 16
With Milwaukee	August 17, 18, 19, 20
With St. Paul	August 21, 22, 23, 24
With Minneapolis	August 25, 26, 27, 28
With Kansas City	August 29, 30, 31, September 1
With Indianapolis	September 10, 11, 12, 13
With Toledo	September 14, 15, 16, 17
With Louisville	September 18, 19, 20, 21

MILWAUKEE AT HOME

With Kansas City	April 21, 22, 23, 24
With Minneapolis	April 25, 26, 27, 28
With St. Paul	April 29, 30, May 1, 2
With Louisville	May 4, 5, 6, 7
With Indianapolis	May 8, 9, 10, 11
With Columbus	May 12, 13, 14, 15
With Toledo	May 16, 17, 18, 19
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With Indianapolis	August 1, 2, 3, 4
With Louisville	August 5, 6, 7, 8
With Kansas City	August 9, 10, 11, 12
With St. Paul	September 6, 7, 8, 9
With Milwaukee	September 10, 11, 12, 13

ST. PAUL AT HOME

With Milwaukee	April 13, 14, 15, 16
With Kansas City	April 17, 18, 19, 20
With Minneapolis	April 21, 22, 23
With Columbus	May 4, 5, 6, 7
With Toledo	May 8, 9, 10, 11
With Louisville	May 12, 13, 14, 15
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American Association Bulletin.

Chicago, Ill., March 5.—President T. M. Chivington, of the American Association, issued the following bulletin last week:

Contracts—With Louisville, John Halla, Suter Sullivan, George W. Watson, Gus Soffel, Homer Smoot, Offa Neal, Ambrose Putnam, John J. Hughes, W. J. Kane, W. J. Moriarty, Frank Decanniere and John T. Sullivan.

With Toledo—Fred Lamline, Grover Land, Clarence Miller, H. G. Otis, Ray Hancock, William Elwert, James West, Joseph McCarthy, D. Callahan, John W. Downing, Harry Hinchman, Harry Bailey, Karl Robinson, Earl Yingling, Frank Owen, William Ross and Fred Abbott.

With St. Paul—E. A. Donald.

Releases—By Indianapolis to Hartford, O'Brien and Davidson; to Hannibal, Forney; to Saginaw, Wagner and Rafferty.

By Columbus to Akron, Lee A. Fohl and E. Y. Brown.

By Louisville to Sioux City, Fenlon; to Wheeling, Hugh Tate.

last year with Chattanooga; Yerkes, from Worcester; Perry, from Little Rock; utility man, name not announced. Outfielders—McLaurin, from Augusta; Sentez, from Little Rock; Collins, from Little Rock; Rickert, last year with Chattanooga, and Manager John Dobbs. Pitchers—Helm, from Columbus; Miller, from Columbia; Pope, from Raleigh; Schlitzer, from Boston (if he reports); Keith, Fullenwider, Toren, Rhodes, Hart and Buchanan, all from Little Rock.

Matters at Memphis.

Our Memphis correspondent, Mr. Thilmony, under date of March 2 writes as follows: "In less than two weeks from this date our boys will report and will be busy in getting into shape for the exhibition games which start in three weeks from now. All but three of this season's team have signed and apparently are satisfied with conditions, consequently we can expect the best they have to deliver. The three hold-outs are pitcher Fritz and catcher Lafitte, who both want more money, and outfielder Channel, who says he does not want to come

A BALL EXPO

REDLAND FATHERS A BIG DIAMOND SHOW.

Cincinnati, Cradle of Professional Game, Recognizes the '69ers—Fans Talk Over 1910—Mike Donlin's Good Acting.

BY REN MULFORD, JR.

Cincinnati, O., March 5.—Editor "Sporting Life":—Redland is the cradle of professional ball. That's a record you can't take away from the old town. Cincinnati has its only team of All-Conquerors ever recruited, and the glory of the Red Stockings of '69 will ever remain a brilliant chapter in the story of the greatest game in the world. There's an idea in the incubator of the directors of the Ohio Valley Exposition that looks good. It will interest every fan in the land. Although base ball is the national pastime the heroes of the horsehide have never cut much of a swath in the exposition of the country. I can't recall any Halls of Diamond Fame at Chicago or St. Louis. Neither did I hear of any out on the Seattle trail. Cincinnati, where professional ball was first nurtured, is to be the earliest city to give recognition to relics of the game. The '69ers are to have a room to themselves. Undoubtedly the old guard can resurrect many trophies of the days when the name of Cincinnati was emblazoned across the continent from the Atlantic to the Pacific as the home of the Only Real Thing in base ball. One of the veterans of that famous cross-country campaign is still in the city. Charley Gould, who played first base for the Cincinnati of 41 years ago, doesn't look like a patriarch. If he could be secured as director of that room the historical interest would be increased. Garry Hermann, who is taking much interest in the plan, has lined up Harry Ellard, author of "Base Ball in Cincinnati," and son of George B. Ellard, the secretary of the '69-ers. Ellard has personal possession of many souvenirs, badges, balls, bats, streamers and colors—enough to form the nucleus of an exhibition—that would draw the Bugs in droves. Cincinnati is out to prove that something unusual can be pulled off in the way of an exposition attraction and the Old Guard is at bat. It might be possible to widen the scope of the display and land some relics of the first days of the game at Cooperstown, N. Y., where the first game is credited as being played in 1839.

Tales from the Ozarks.

Just now, however, the fans of 1910 are far more interested in the yarns from the Red training camp at Hot Springs than they are in '69 memories or relics. Its fight which commences in a few brief weeks which holds the attention of the whole Bug family—young and old. The Redbirds are winging their way there in separate flocks. Hans Lobert was in town a few days, and the lad from Beltschover has an idea that before Allan Storke or any other son of the desert takes third away from him that worthy will have to go some. Training camps are always places of great cheer. The reign of optimism is always thicker than a strike of coal in the Blue Ridge. One thing which has elevated the fans here to the heights of Mt. Joy is that forecast of "Billy" Phelon, who sees in the Reds the dark horse of the National stable. If this should prove true fandom will see in Cincinnati the nuttiest, happiest bug on all Uncle Sam's map.

A Bit of a Fanning Bee.

Once or twice a year Henry D. Wilson rolls into Redland. He's a charter member of Polo Chapter of Harlem Bugs, and knows base ball from backstop to centre field fence. Col. Wilson has been with the Cosmopolitan for over a quarter of a century and he is recognized as one of the big calibred guns among magazine advertising directors. When he dropped into my office this week there was a fanning bee for fair. The Col. is a National Leaguer and seems to think that the old organization has it "on" the younger body. "I'm convinced," said he, "that any one of the first four National teams could have done what Pittsburg did last fall—lay out the Detroit."

The gossip that Cincinnati and Pittsburg might be inclined to flirt with the Americans seemed to disturb this good-natured New Yorker. "The Reds and Pirates wouldn't be happy in that company," said he. And he continued: "Ban Johnson is the dominating personality in base ball to-day. He is a strong man. Without him the American League would not occupy the position it does." For me these are simply personal views of a man high up in his field of endeavor and it shows how this old Cincinnati boy has won a place in the confidence of the top notchers. The American League acts wisely in honoring Ban Johnson. He is worthy of the high place accorded him in the councils of the organization which has grown from the roll of a Western infant into the shoes of a base ball giant.

Joe Tinker and Don Allen.

Frank Bancroft was the star at a "Tell It to Me" session of the Bug Club the other afternoon. After Joe Tinker's recent vaudeville engagement at the Columbia, Manager M. C. Anderson came out in an interview in which he declared that next season base ball actors would be barred from his circuit. Don Allen, the new Times Starling, had a few facetious observations to make during the

sojourn of the club shortstop. The "stuff" evidently didn't make a three base hit with Sir Joe. At least this is the tale and it is claimed that late in the week Tinker and Allen met. "I'll see that you won't get fat on any news you get out of the Chicago Club this year," is what Tinker is said to have told Allen. And there were other torrid observations which proved the Allen estimate of Sir Joe's Thespian efforts were unwelcome and unappreciated.

"Say," finally broke in Allen, "who put up the coin and bought the Chicago Club?" "Charles P. Taft," responded Tinker. "And who owns the 'Times Star'?" was Allen's further inquiry.

"Charles P. Taft," I say, Allen; "come on, let's have some buttermilk," is what "Tink" is alleged to have said when it dawned upon him that he had been kicking against the "pricks."

Mike Donlin's New Role.

Speaking of diamond stars in Thespian uniforms, Mike Donlin is a three-base hit. Redland had a chance to size Mike up in the role of Detective-Sergeant James Barrett, in the comedy remodeled for Mabel Hite and entitled "A Certain Party." Those who went to the Lyric to give Donlin a friendly hand were able to double their applause and add the extra steam to the credit of appreciation. Mike was a delightful surprise as an actor. He was as easy as an old shoe and even if he hadn't a bit of prestige as a hard-hitting outfielder, his work in the role entitled him to a place in the cast on merit alone. If you fans get a chance to see Mike act don't overlook it. Mabel Hite is a cute sprite. You know, Frank Bancroft called her the "Queen of the Animal Tamers" after she took Mike under her wing. There's plenty of neat little love scenes in this "Chimney Fadden" creation between the ser-

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SECURES DAMAGES.

A Ball Player Awarded Compensation for Injured Pitching Hand.

New York, March 5.—For the injury inflicted on Earl Proctor, of Rockville Centre,

tary will tabulate the figures to draw up the season's batting averages. The secretary will also keep tab of the games won and lost and at the conclusion of the season a trophy emblematic of the championship will be awarded to the club making the best showing. The park owners are awaiting a reply from the Chicago City League as to the proposition to hold a conference regarding the possibility of a working agreement between the two organizations.

South Atlantic League 1910 Schedule

Season Opens April 11; Closes August 27

SAVANNAH AT HOME

With Jacksonville	April 11, 12, 13, 14
With Macon	April 25, 26, 27, 28
With Macon	April 29, 30, May 2, 3
With Augusta	May 9, 10, 11, 12
With Columbus	May 18, 19, 20, 21
With Augusta	June 6, 7, 8, 9
With Macon	June 10, 11, 13, 14
With Columbus	June 15, 16, 17, 18
With Columbia	July 4, 4, 6, 7
With Jacksonville	July 8, 9, 11, 12
With Augusta	July 22, 23, 25, 26
With Macon	July 27, 28, 29, 30
With Jacksonville	August 5, 6, 8, 9
With Columbus	August 10, 11, 12, 13
With Columbia	August 19, 20, 22, 23

JACKSONVILLE AT HOME

With Augusta	April 15, 16, 18, 19
With Columbia	April 20, 21, 22, 23
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COLUMBUS AT HOME

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geant (Mike) and the Nora (Mabel), and in the course of exchange of sweetened compliments, the sergeant tells Nora "You'll make a good wife" and quick as a flash comes the rejoinder: "Well, I'll make YOU a good husband!" You ought to hear the applause that this gets. Fandom doffs hats to Mabel Hite. She has won a lieutenant, all right, and brought out all that is best in Mike Donlin. Here's to her! And all good women like her!

A Voice From Little "Rhody."

There comes to me from the Benedict House, Pawtucket, a message from Thomas L. Lyons, who says "I am writing this message at the hotel where the deal was made between Fall River and Philadelphia, which landed Nap. Lajoie and Phil Grier in the Quaker City." The Rhode Island man is a staunch supporter of "Sporting Life." He has a line on a youngster who he thinks can catch the mitts off any kid he ever saw in action behind the bat. His name is Paddy O'Connell and he hails from North Attleboro, where Billy Maloney, "Hobe" Ferris and Dan Murphy all first won their spurs. Says he: "O'Connell is a grand backstop, a good thrower and strong batter. He is really the best catcher I ever saw on foul flies." Cincinnati is well stocked up with backstops, but everyone thinks a manager-like Clark Griffith would quickly transform O'Connell into a winner. O'Connell is at liberty—not very heavy for his height—185 pounds and 5 feet 7 inches tall, with 22 years on his shoulders.

Mulfordisms.

The way Bob Spade is working shows that he'll be able to dig the ditch wide and deep for some of the slobos who made him look like a goat last year.

Harry Covaleski brought a fat lot of fan-joy with him when he declared that his wing was once more O. K.

L. I., by reducing him from the proud estate of a base ball player to a mere bank clerk, the Supreme Court has awarded \$2,750 damages to the young man. He sued the Rockville Centre Milling and Construction Company for the loss of his thumb in a buzz saw, alleging that the accident had deprived him of his principal opportunity to achieve fame and fortune.

CHICAGO'S LEAGUE

Will Have Official Scorers, and Trophy for the Champion Team.

Chicago, Ill., March 5.—Members of the Chicago Park Owners' semi-pro. base ball organization, in an effort to raise the standing of their organization, will appoint official scorers to officiate at all games and the secre-

THE NORTHERN ASSOCIATION.

The Circuit of This New League Brought to Eight-Club Basis—Veterans in Control of the Various Clubs.

By W. I. Tilton.

Jacksonville, Ill., March 3.—Editor "Sporting Life":—With the admission of Streator, Ill., as the eighth city the circuit of the new Northern Association is complete. As organized it consists of the following cities: Freeport, Elgin, Joliet, Streator, Decatur and Jacksonville, Ill., and Clinton, and Muscatine, Ia. This is a most compact circuit and the population will be well over the 200,000 mark, which will entitle the league to Class C, though it is organized under Class D. The president of the league, C. A. Burton, is a wealthy land owner and a thorough base ball man. The management in Jacksonville will be in the hands of Con Strouthers, who in 1894 was manager of the team that represented Jax in the old Western Association. Ted Sullivan has the Clinton franchise. Ed Siever, the old Detroit pitcher, will guide the Elgin team. Billy Moran is Joliet's leader. Kid Lewee is wanted as Freeport's manager. The other towns will be in good hands. From the enthusiasm displayed the new league should make good from the start. Decatur is about ready to enter the field. Dal Williams is their manager. The season will open about May 10 and close September 25. In conversation with President Burton he requested mention be made of the fact that schedule makers are invited to compete for a prize of \$50 for the most satisfactory chart. Here's a chance for somebody who is wise to schedule making to add a little to his bank account. Muscatine raised \$1,800 in a few hours. They will have a new park, modeled after the one at Davenport. Muscatine has been after a berth in organized ball for years, as has Streator. This will be the first experience for both towns. No fear is felt over their not making good. Representative business men are back of the clubs in both cities. Jacksonville sold "Foxy" Morris to Keokuk and Balusser to Galesburg. Pitchers Akers and Glass were disposed of to Dubuque. The latter two are valuable men.

BLUE GRASS LEAGUE

Decides Upon a Schedule to Open May 5, and Close September 18.

Lexington, Ky., March 7.—The Schedule Committee of the Blue Grass League agreed at a meeting here last week that each of the six teams shall play 130 games, the season to open May 5 and close September 18. The opening games will be: Paris vs. Lexington, at Lexington; Winchester vs. Richmond, at Richmond; and Frankfort vs. Shelbyville, at Shelbyville. President USSery has signed two umpires, F. V. Laughton, of Wisconsin, and Harry E. Taylor, of West Virginia. Laughton was last year an umpire in the Wisconsin-Illinois League. Taylor comes from the South Atlantic.



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PACIFIC COAST

PERSONNEL OF THE TEAMS FOR THE 1910 SEASON.

Only San Francisco and Los Angeles Present Teams Without Radical Alteration, the Others Being Experimental.

BY R. S. RANSON.

Los Angeles, Cal., March 1.—Editor "Sporting Life."—Manager Berry is all ready for the tap of the gong and the umpire's call of "Play Ball."



He is well satisfied with his line-up for 1910 and confident that the bunch will be "in the game" from start to finish. The men already here are out daily at Chutes Park for preliminary practice work, and an additional attraction for the enthusiastic fans is the appearance daily among the players at morning practice of Jim Jeffries, who aims to keep in condition while the afternoon. Jeffries is considerable of a base ball enthusiast and thinks the game one of the best sports in which an athlete can indulge when in training for hard work. All the players, with one or two exceptions, who will form the Angel band, have been tried and tested here or elsewhere and "look good" to those who are familiar with their records.

ONLY TWO OLD TEAMS.

When the Pacific Coast League teams line up for the coming season the San Francisco and Los Angeles teams, especially the latter, will be the only clubs to send practically the same teams on the field that represented these cities last year. Los Angeles will be minus the services of outfielder Beall and catcher Orendorf, but in the place of the former "Pa" Dillon will introduce Curtis Bernard in a Los Angeles uniform once more, which virtually means that, outside of catcher Grindell, a new man, and possibly one or two new twirlers, the Angels for 1910 will line up in the same old way. Dillon is a formidable base ball leader, for his record with the Los Angeles Club stamps him as the most successful of the California managers of the circuit. He always has a team of top-notch players who have shown themselves capable of keeping the Angel band well in the fight, and this year, with a team practically intact, he may be more troublesome than ever.

THE SEALS' STRONG TEAM.

The San Francisco Club loses Rollo Zeider, but the place of that speed marvel seems likely to be filled most acceptably by Howard Mundorf, the Seals' trusty and competent little utility player of last season. Tom Tennant, "Kid" Mohler and Harry McArdle will form the balance of the San Francisco infield, as last year, and this means that the other Pacific Coast League clubs will have the same crafty bunch to deal with as the victorious pennant-winning bunch of last season. Manager Danny Long will have six good outfielders to select the Seals' trio, for Jimmy Lewis, Harry Melchior, Jimmy Williams, "Sluggo" Miller, "Ping" Bodie and Davis are Class A players of considerable ability. All are good base runners and reliable hitters. While the Seals lose Brown, and possibly Henley, Long has several live ones in Ames, Durham and Stewart, and in addition Eastley, Willis and Griffin, of last season's team, will again be on the Seal payroll, which will help that team's pitching staff out nicely. "Foxy" Claude Berry will again be behind the bat, and Calude has not yet had occasion to take his hat off to any catcher in the Pacific Coast League.

WOLVERTON'S TEAM.

The Oakland Club will not, as far as known at present, change its complement to any marked extent, though Manager Wolverton will no doubt have some announcement to make as soon as he arrives at the city by the mole. Catcher Mitze, infielder Claire and Manager Wolverton himself are about the only new names added to the Oakland roll thus far. Don Cameron, "Happy Bill" Hogan and Cutshaw, infielders of last season's team, are again in line, and Carroll, Maggert and Kelly are announced as outfielders. Harry Wolverton expects to land a nifty outfielder to take the place of Duffy Lewis, and also has hopes of getting Jimmy Wiggs away from the Toronto Club. Oakland has "Slim" Nelson and Tonnerson, the left-handers of last season, and Billy Christian, of the old-timers, as well as several promising youngsters.

THE VERNON CLUB

will make the most changes of any club in the league, for "Happicus" Hogan has practically made a complete sweep of the infield, Bernie McCay being the only remaining infielder of last season's club. Hogan has released "Truck" Eagan, and is contemplating disposing of Norman Brashear, Johnny Haley and Anson Mott. In place of Brashear at first base Hogan has signed a player named Fisher, who comes from the Tri-State League. Roy Brashear, a brother of Norman, has been bought from Kansas City, and will succeed Johnny Haley at second base. For third base Manager Hogan is fortified with a promising youngster named Cockman in the event the Sheehan deal falls through. Drummond Brown and a young catcher named Hasty will help "Happicus" out behind the bat, while in the outfield the Vernon Club will have Ted McCoy, Martinke, Jesse Stovall, Carlisle, McKechie and possibly Swalm, of last year's Aberdeen team.

AT SACRAMENTO

the visiting ball teams will be surprised when

they visit the new park that is now in the course of erection in the capital city. The grand stand is practically completed by the present time, the diamond is being whipped into shape by Bill Johnson, the old San Francisco groundskeeper, and the management promises to have everything in ship-shape by the time the first games are played with the White Sox. The old park was half an hour's travel by street car, and the new park, with the good street car service that has been promised, will be seven minutes from the center of the business section. Ed. Kripps is putting up the new grounds that will be leased to William Curtin and Charles Graham, who control both Sacramento clubs. The bleacher seats will not be covered as was the case in the old grounds, but the grand stand will afford plenty of protection against the rays of the sun.

THE LINE-UPS

of the Pacific Coast League teams for the coming season, as far as announced to date are as follows:

PORTLAND.

Catchers—Gus Fisher, Charles Armbruster and Tom Murray.
Pitchers—Jesse Garrett, Howard Guyn, Tom Seaton, William Steen, Phil Lezie, William Wright, Charley Hartman, Gus Kratzburg, John Garber, Hall, Fyfe and Krapp.
First base—Monte Fyfe, William Rapps, George Ort and Lodell.
Second base—Perle Casey (captain).
Third base—Miles Netzel, Joe Smith and Turk.
Shortstop—Ivan Olson.
Outfielders—Walter McCredie (manager), William Speas and John Ryan.

SAN FRANCISCO.

Catchers—Claude Berry and Nick Williams.
Pitchers—Ralph Willis, Ed. Griffin, Rex Ames, Eastley, Durham, Stewart and possibly "Slivers" Henley.
First base—Tom Tennant.
Second base—Ernest Mohler.
Third base—Howard Mundorf.
Shortstop—Harry McArdle.
Outfielders—Jimmy Lewis, Jimmy Williams, Harry Melchior, "Ping" Bodie, Davis and Miller.

LOS ANGELES.

Catchers—H. Smith and Grindell.
Pitchers—Walter Nagle, Ralph Tozer, Harry Briswalter, Elmer Thorsen, George Origer, Ike Butler and Delhi.
First base—Frank Dillon.
Second base—Del Howard.
Third base—Jud Smith and Ed. Roth.
Shortstop—Bert Delmas.
Outfielders—Pete Daley, Godwin, Bernard, Murphy, Wheeler.

SACRAMENTO.

Catchers—Mickey LaLonde, Johnny Four-nier and C. Graham.
Pitchers—Fred Brown, Jimmy Whalen, Hunt, Heister and Fitzgerald.
First base—Harold Danzig.
Second base—Fred Raymer.
Third base—Darringer, Boardman.
Shortstop—Jimmy Shinn.
Outfielders—Briggs, Zamlock and Bauer.

OAKLAND.

Catchers—Mitze, C. Lewis, Thomas and Kinkel.
Pitchers—"Slim" Nelson, Tonnerson, Christian and Johnson.
First base—Cameron.
Second base—Cutshaw.
Third base—W. Hogan and Wolverton.
Shortstop—Claire.
Outfielders—Carroll, Maggert and Kelly.

VERNON.

Catchers—"Happy" Hogan, Drummond, Brown and Hasty.
Pitchers—Roy Willett, Jesse Stovall, Roy Hitt, Harkins, Schafer, Baldwin, Bracken-ridge and Miller.
First base—Fisher.
Second base—Roy Brashear.
Third base—Bernie McCay, Cockman and Sheehan.
Shortstop—Lindsay and Allen.
Outfielders—Carlisle, Coy, Martinke, McKechie and possibly Swalm.

News Notes.

Ralph Willis is touted as the coming star of the San Francisco slab artists.

Catcher Richard Carman, of Susansville, Cal., has signed a San Francisco contract.

The Portland Club has sold pitcher Joe Haggins to the Vancouver Club, of the Northwestern League.

Shortstop McArdle, of Fresno, considered the star of this league in his position, has accepted terms for next season.

Catcher Claude Berry, of the Seals, plans to spend a couple of weeks at Paso Robles before the training season opens.

Catcher Claude Berry, infielder Howard Mundorf and pitcher Stewart, a Texas recruit, have signed San Francisco contracts.

The Oakland Club has received the signed contracts of pitcher Tonnerson and of shortstop Wares, purchased from the Philadelphia Athletics.

The Sacramento Club has secured from the Portland Club Deacon E. E. Van Buren and "Babe" Danzig, of the defunct Portland Northwestern League team.

Walter Johnson, who spent the Winter at Fullerton and played on the Santa Ana team, made a remarkable record for himself in the strike-out column, having fanned 68 men in the six games in which he twirled.

Charley Graham, manager of the Sacramento team, has landed an outfielder named Parson for the coming season. As Charley already has "Deacon" Van Buren in line, the Senators will be well supplied with "long-faced" chaps.

Paul Browning, the "score card man," who has been doing advance work for Louis Paulhan, the aviator, has returned to Los Angeles after an absence of two weeks. Browning is now getting out the score card forms for the White Sox series.

Fred Raymer, second baseman of the Sacramento Club, of last season, announces that he will not return East at the order of the National Association. Raymer says he will play on the Pacific Coast or not at all. The Lancaster Club, of the Tri-State League, has a claim on him.

Catcher Orendorf, formerly of the Los Angeles team, in the Pacific Coast League, had returned to him the unsigned contract which he sent to the Chicago Cubs. It contained the same old figures and was accompanied by a letter asking him to sign, which he probably will not do.

It has been definitely decided that the Coast League will continue to use Freeman's Park in Oakland for its games. Cy Mordecai wanted the Coasters to use

the State League grounds, but the latter decided that as the man who owns Freeman's Park had stayed by them they would continue to use his park.

The Portland Beavers will have a number of new faces this year. They include R. L. Lisle, a pitcher, drafted from the Western Canada League; Netzel, a third baseman from Peoria; Garber, a pitcher, from Galveston, Tex., and Baron Turk and Al Lodell, a couple of Portland boys who are to be given a try-out.

Portland fans will have practically a new grand stand and bleachers from which to watch the efforts of its Coast League team in chasing the 1910 pennant. The seating capacity of the old stand will be increased several hundred and the bleachers are to be materially enlarged. Portland is a good base ball town, and the improvements are the result of the increasing attendance in the last two years.

Unless a late change is made in the program the Chicago White Sox No. 2 will play the opening game of the Spring exhibitions with the Vernon on March 3. Manager Berry and Col. J. W. Brooks have agreed that the Angels have the opening day with White Sox No. 1, who probably will open in Los Angeles two weeks later, the same as last season. All local games will be played on the Los Angeles grounds.

Walter Nagle, one of the premier twirlers and star all-round players on Manager Berry's Angelic staff, has showed up for the season's work and has good news for the fans, with whom he is a favorite. Nagle says that this Spring he will be able to play in the White Sox series for the first time in a long while. He is in better health and condition than at any time since he began playing professional ball, and he says he will be very much in the game all season.

THE VIRGINIA LEAGUE.

The Richmond Club to be Well Supplied With Pitchers—The Umpire Staff Completed by Secretary Gregory.

By Orlo B. James.

Richmond, Virginia, March 4.—J. J. Lawlor, who will be manager of the Richmond Club this season, is determined not to be handicapped by a scarcity of pitchers, and it is possible he will have a list of eight or nine to report on March 21, which is the day the men must show up under their contracts. Lawlor writes from Middletown, N. Y., that he has about completed the roster of names and is impatient to begin the fight for the championship of the Virginia League. There will be 20 men to report, from which 13 regulars will be selected. Jack Verbout sent in his contract



Jake Wells

and the only men not ready to report are Ison and Titman. Their contracts are expected at any time. The staff of umpires of the Virginia League for the coming season will be composed of Harry Mace, Robert Pender, Edward B. Burroughs, of Brooklyn, N. Y., and Henderson Travis, of Norfolk. Secretary Gregory has announced that the four men have accepted terms and all of the contracts have been received. The umpires will report for duty three days before the season opens, or April 21, but Mace and Travis, and possibly Burroughs, will be here for the exhibition series, when Travis will be assigned to Norfolk and Mace will officiate here when the big clubs come through for practice contests with the Colts. Pender is in business and will probably not report until the last moment.

News Notes.

The Lynchburg Club has signed utility player Owen Jackson, of Frostburg, Pa.

Roanoke has signed a pitcher named R. J. Reynolds, from Spray, N. C., for a trial this Spring.

The Portsmouth Club is still the property of the interests which bought it last season from Mr. Bland, and Mr. F. Thomas Briggs is still president of the club.

Jesse Reynolds, three years one of the best twirlers in the Roanoke squad, goes shortly to Mobile to join the Southern League team, having been drafted by that club.

John J. Grim, of Cincinnati, former owner of the Lynchburg franchise, is making an effort to buy the Portsmouth Club as are William M. Hanna, Jr., of Norfolk, and John W. Owens, of Portsmouth.

It is understood that President Wells has mailed to all club owners in the Virginia League circular letters calling their attention to the salary-limit question and notifying them that the salary limit will be strictly enforced this season.

President Bradley, of the Richmond Club, has protested to President Wells against the appointment of Henderson D. Travis, of Cape Charles, Va., on the executive staff of umpires for the 1910 season on the ground that Travis is an inexperienced amateur umpire.

Manager Lawlor is after pitcher Stone, of the St. Joseph College base ball team, of Baltimore. Stone is said to be a promising youngster and during the past season made a great record with that club. His contract, it is expected, will be signed in a few days.

While all clubs in the Virginia League have been requested to prepare and submit schedules, only two clubs as yet have done so—Richmond and Norfolk. The schedule submitted by Richmond provides, of course, for the giving of all the week-end games to Richmond, as heretofore.

Secretary Elmore D. Heins, of Roanoke, gives the roster of the Tigers for the coming season as follows: Catchers—Schmidt, Fisher and Farrell. Pitchers—Andrada, Touchstone, Ferrell, Pritchard, Reynolds and Willis. Infielders—Doyle, Newton, Pressley, Short, Painter and probably others. Outfielders—Powell, Holman, Tom Robertson and Shaughnessy.

The Lynchburg Club has to date arranged these exhibition games: April 5, New York Nationals; April 6, New York Nationals; April 7, New York Americans; April 9, Rochester, of the Eastern League; April 12, Toronto, of the Eastern League; April 13, Greensboro, Carolina Association; April 14, Greensboro, Carolina Association; April 18, Montreal, Eastern League.

Peaster, a pitcher who won many games for Vicksburg, of the Cotton States League, has forwarded his contract to Richmond, where he will play the coming season. Peaster refused to sanction a deal made for his services last year and played independent ball. He bought his own base ball freedom during the Winter, and he is expected to make a valuable twirler for Richmond.

Advices from New York announced that Manager Stallings, of the New York Americans, has turned back to Richmond pitcher "Dutch" Revell, who was drafted at the close of the past season. Revell could easily have gone to some higher class league

than the Virginia State had he desired, but he much prefers to play in Richmond to any other place, so when he heard that the Yankees would let him go he started in motion machinery that landed him back in Richmond.

Owner Bradley, of Richmond, will not endeavor to have the diamond at Broad Street Park turfed this Spring. Some time ago it was announced that a "skinned" diamond would no longer be used, but the fierce Winter has practically killed all chances of getting a grass diamond for Richmond. It would be impossible to get the field in shape for the practice games, and as some of the best teams in the country are scheduled to play there, including five National and American League teams and three Eastern League clubs, the management wants to have things in good shape for their reception.

Unless Manager Lawlor should run across a phenom and pick him up the roster of the Richmond Club for the season of 1910 is now complete, pitcher Charles G. Peterson being the last man to sign. Some days ago Manager Lawlor announced that he was ready for reporting time, feeling satisfied that with the list of players he had signed up he could select a winning team for the coming season. It seems that the pitching department is the only concern now and Manager Lawlor believes that from such a list of slabs as Revell, Edmuntson, Waymack, Hale, Verbout, Brooks, Jackson, Archer and Jeter—nine of them—he should be able to pick out four that would keep the Colts among the topnotchers.

WISCONSIN-ILLINOIS LEAGUE.

President Moll Declares That the Organization Is in Excellent Condition, and Predicts a Successful Season.

Milwaukee, Wisconsin, March 5.—That the wonderful prosperity which has boomed major league base ball for the last two or three years will touch leagues like the Wisconsin-Illinois this season, is the prediction of Charles Moll, president of the sturday little Badger circuit. Said he to-day: "With Aurora in the circuit, I do not think I am taking a too hopeful view of the situation when I predict that the attendance this year will exceed that of '09 by 40 per cent. Aurora has a population of close to 50,000 and with a downtown park, and interest at a high pitch, the attendance there ought to triple that of Freeport, which was never much of a success. Never before, at this time of the year, has there been as much interest displayed as right now, so if the indications are right, the season will be a wonder. All the clubs are lining up strong teams and seven of them are ready to take the field right now. Madison has been a trifle slow in getting its men lined up, but you can depend on 'Howdy' Cassiborne to get a fast bunch signed up. No doubt he has some men under cover and will be in the field with a crack club when the bell rings. The schedule adopted at a recent meeting here is the best we have ever had. It is absolutely fair to all clubs, with few long stays at home for any of the teams nor any long ones on the road. I think my umpire staff is an efficient one; I know it is the best the league has ever had. Judging from the players being signed, the standard of ball played this year will be as good as that given in a Class B league. All the clubs are being strengthened and dozens of new faces will be seen when the season starts. Altogether, the outlook is most promising. The Wisconsin-Illinois League will be one of the strongest minor organizations in the country this year."



Chas. F. Moll

News Notes.

The Fond du Lac Club has purchased from Des Moines outfielder Dan O'Hare and pitcher Kirwan. O'Hare will be team manager.

Manager Cassiborne, of the Madison team, is finding it rather rough work getting his team in line for the 1910 season. Catcher Ott Kempf is the only veteran of the 1909 championship team who has signed.

The Rockford Club, of the Wisconsin-Illinois League, has traded Frank Richards, shortstop, to Wheeling for pitcher Jerger and catcher McGinley, who were with the East Liverpool, O., team last season, and has given Tom Starke, catcher, and Clyde McNutt, outfielder, to Winona for catcher Clappen.

BRIEF HISTORY OF BASE BALL.

A Concise Yet Exhaustive Review of the Birth, Rise, and Development of Our National Game, in Booklet Form, by Editor Richter.

"Sporting Life" has just placed upon the market a "Brief History of Base Ball," from the pen of Editor Richter, which will be found to be—to anyone sufficiently interested in the National game to be versed in its history and records—a most valuable little book, alike for the mass of historical matter it contains, for the interesting manner in which that matter is put before the reader, and for the comprehensive yet concise manner in which the great subject is handled. As a book of ready reference it will prove invaluable to the managers, players and fans, and last, but not least, to the writers. This "Brief History of Base Ball" contains a chapter on the origin of Base Ball, the records of the first organized league, the National Professional Association; the complete history in 1876 to the present year; the entire history of the vigorous young American League; the history of the two big wars of the base ball world; the record of minor league development through the great National Association; the story of the Rise, Progress and Death of the old American Association; and the record of the World's Championship Series from 1884 to the present year—in short, a complete history of all that is really worth while knowing of the origin, rise and progress of our National game. The book should be on sale at all news stands at ten (10) cents the copy. If your newsdealer cannot supply you, send 10 cents (coin or stamps) to this office and a copy will be sent you by return mail.



F. C. Richter

IN PITTSBURG

THERE WILL BE NO DALLIANCE
WITH HOLD-OUTS.

President Dreyfuss Has Fixed His
Figures Liberally, and Will Not
Recede—Spring Training to be
No Holiday Sport—General News

BY A. R. CRATTY.

Pittsburg, Pa., March 7.—Editor "Sporting Life."—It's going to be a hard row for kickers on salaries to beat down the Pittsburg management this Spring. Barney's first offer is the only one the men will get. The owner of the world's champions announces that the period for palaver is over. He will not temporize with any man. They must come to him hereafter. He forwarded to them the terms he reasoned were most fitting. This salary is based on their work for 1909. It's a generous sum, according to the Pittsburg magnate. Men declining to accept are foolish, that's all. They will have to come to the club or not play ball. When the team starts South on March 14 the unsigned players will not be taken. The club will go ahead and pursue its work regardless of the men out of the fold. They will not be considered.



A. R. Cratty

Business-Like Action.

Col. Barney was most emphatic when explaining this position to "Sporting Life's" representative. He gave utterance in response to a query about the report that Camnitz was still unsigned. The Pirate owner was asked if he had heard anything from Victor Willis relative to his transfer to the Cardinals. "Nothing. What could he say?" was the reply. Then he declared that the Pittsburg Club would have no more dealings with the veteran. Willis must talk with the St. Louis management hereafter. Notice had been sent to the pitcher, telling him of his transfer. This was sufficient for the Pittsburg Club to do. The world's champions' owner was asked if Victor had gained by his shift. "Am sure that I don't know. We sold the man and he can make his own terms with the new club."

Get Into the Game.

"Time for talk is over. Action is wanted now," continued the Pirate boss. Then he spoke of the Spring trip plans. It will be work for the men from the hour of their arrival in Hot Springs. Clarke realizes that he must get going from the initial bell this coming race. Champions are ever a target for seven other clubs to shoot at. With a solid front, both on offense and defense, the Pittsburg leader will start right in to win a second banner from the getaway. Feels that he has the team to do it. Young twirlers, best in the business, a classy outfield, a sparkling infield, and a catcher second to none, why shouldn't the Pirates be in the push from the gong?

Junkets Not Wanted.

Heap of twitting about Pirate headquarters over the large social excursions inaugurated by several clubs, notably the Chicago Americans with 70 persons in their party, and the Philadelphia Nationals, 57 strong. Don't look for anything of this sort when the Pirates get away. The Pittsburg management may have once catered to this social side, that is, was willing to accept as fellow travelers to the training grounds outsiders who wanted to go along for pleasure, et al. Four years ago and less the trip was boosted in that way by railroads having the jaunt in charge. Not any more for the Pirates. "Reduce this society side" has been the edict for more than one season. Too many cooks tend to detract from the real issue. Pittsburg men go South to work. Also-rans with the party dig up diversions and may suggest to the players that they would not mind having them along, etc. Sort of jars discipline, to Cap. Clarke's mind.

A Happy Family.

The action of the Philadelphia and Chicago Clubs has a reminder. Recall the Fall of 1902, when the Baltimore American League Club went on a Western trip with President Mahon, half a dozen directors and their wives, et al., on the train. Big happy family. The writer thought there was something wrong with this way of running a base ball team. Even John Murphy, the club groundkeeper, clad in gorgeous togs, was with the party. He stopped at Pirate headquarters and told of the way the club was traveling. If memory serves well several local photographers wrote stories commenting on the lack of base ball judgment in running a team that way. Wasn't businesslike. There was something doing not long afterwards. Sam Crane tipped it off to the undersigned that Brush had executed a "great coup." It was a master stroke, this Brush break-up of the Orioles. Put the old union on its feet in one season.

Good Old Has-Been.

One outsider going to the Springs with the Pirates is most welcome. William Phillips is his handle. Old Billy is a base ball vet with a count of a quarter-century on the diamond. Cap. Clarke likes Bill, not only as a man, but admires his base ball judgment so much so that he has often permitted Phillips to work the Pirate pitchers. Another fine point recommending the sage of Allentown is the fact that he "keeps his mouth shut, is never in the road." Coming down to cases let me make a prediction: Before two years are over William Phillips, this year's leader

of the Nail City nine, will be holding down a National League berth. The old man has shown that he possesses base ball reasoning far in advance of most men. Gets work out of players, picks up good boys, drills the rough spots off them and displays tactics that have attracted the attention of Col. Dreyfuss and his pilot, P. C. Clarke. You know most every season or two the undersigned has noted a disposition on the part of the Pittsburg officials to listen to the base ball wisdom of a minor commander or two. One year it was Billy Murray, then came Jimmy Burke, Billy Clymer and now it's Billy Phillips. You must say every man on the list has goods to show. Mark my word about Phillips. When a twirler, Billy, with his "floater," was ever giving displays of shrewdness. It's in him. The old league cannot get too many classy pilots. The manager's the thing in up-to-date base ball.

Pratt Will Be a Guest.

Col. Dreyfuss has invited a veteran of the sixties to accompany him to the Arkansas resort. Uncle Al Pratt will go with Barney. Pratt has been devoting himself to business affairs too closely, needs a rest. Pratt was with the boys in the jaunt of 1905, the year of the undersigned's last jaunt to the Ozarks. Uncle was the life of the party. A pitcher on the old Forest Cities, when Deacon Jim White was a youngster, Pratt has ever kept pace with the great diamond sport. He is now turning into the sixties, but he does on the game he so long figured in. Professional base ball in this city was fostered by Pratt. He was one of the original stockholders of the revival of Pittsburg's professional nine in the late seventies; in fact, managed the club when Billy Taylor, Mike Mansell and others of renown were on it.

Worth Trying.

Every season the local club profits by experience gained on Spring trips. To give you an idea. The matter of meal promptness to a ball team is of import on a training tour. When the spirit of getting down to work pervades the players it's not wise to keep them outside of the dining room until 1 P. M. waiting for the dinner signal. Same thing in the morning, when waiters are scarce. Tossers chafe at delays of this type more so than when the race is on. It is well for the club to profit by that ambition to get a-going. Chances are that this Spring the Pittsburg Club men will be served by a corps of special waiters, also that they will have an open sesame to the "chow room" in advance of the regular patrons. Splendid idea and a time-saver beyond doubt.

Advance Guards.

Col. Dreyfuss was tickled to receive a copy of the souvenir of Commy's White Sox triumphal trip. "That's going some," remarked Barney, as he gazed at a wash print of Commy's new grounds. "Looks just like Forbes Field."

John Lobert paid headquarters a visit before leaving for Arkansas. "Lob" is going after third notch this season. Feels confident that he will show better than in 1909. "That's the way of the world," writes Clarke. "People make sport of Kansas farmers raising pork, but just the same whenever the Kansas man has a chance to earn a dollar selling his wares they holler." Cap. is going to be a pig breeder.

Claude Ritchey is leaner than ever as a result of an attack of enteric fever. He will join the Pirates and try to pick up lost flesh at Hot Springs. Will remind the boys of old times to see Ritch on the field. "That's the life for me," fairly shouted Deacon Phil as he came into headquarters with the ruddy cheeks of a farmer. Phillippe vows he never felt better.

SOUTH ATLANTIC LEAGUE.

Manager William Breitenstein, of the
Columbia Club, Gives Out the Personnel
of His 1910 Team.



W. R. Joyner

Columbia, S. Car., March 5.—President Banks, of the local club, has given out the roster of players signed by Manager Breitenstein for the ensuing campaign. Catchers—Kahlkoff, Massing, Colby and possibly Lonnie Evans. Pitchers—George Lewis, Breitenstein, Hale, Bonno, Hazleton, Redfern. First base, Wohleben, who, Mullaney says, will lead the league this year. Second base, Bonner, who hit .271 with Norfolk and stole 50 bases last year. Third base, Tim Dwyer. Shortstop, Keating and McMillan, both try-outs. Outfield, Bob Fisher, Marshall and Mullen. The utility men are Fred Lanham, obtained from Spartanburg; Massing, Colby and Lonnie Evans. Columbus and Columbia are on a trade for Waite Hamrick, the young catcher who woke up the State League in 1908 and refused to report to Columbus last season. Hamrick is now managing his father's store at the Hamrick Mills at Gaffney, but his father, Senator Hamrick, may get a bill through the Legislature to compel his son to report to Columbia. These are the players who belong to the Columbia Club and, of course, all cannot be used. Columbia has offers for Fisher, Colby and Kahlkoff, and some deals may be made in the near future to reduce the salary limit by getting men of endurance, so that it will not be necessary to carry the full 13 men. Breitenstein thinks that he can get twelve men who will put the club in first place. Jacksonville did it in 1908 and won the pennant.

News Notes.

The Augusta players will report about March 15. Augusta will start the season with Coles, Viola and Norcum in the outfield. The veteran members of Augusta's pitching staff will be Wagner, Pierce and Hannifan. Manager Frank Norcum, of the Augusta Club, has started training in Augusta with several Augusta amateurs who want a trial. The Savannah Association has appealed to the pub-

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lic to help it get grounds and erect a base ball grand stand and bleachers for 1910.

The Buffalo team, of the Eastern League, managed by Billy Smith, will arrive in Macon about March 20 and will start regular Spring practice.

Billy Ebner, of Cleveland, will have as a fellow umpire in the South Atlantic League this year Harry Colliflower, who pitched a few games for the Cleveland "Mildts" in 1899.

At a meeting of the directors of the Savannah Club last week it was decided to go ahead and erect a park on the place known as the Meinhard Tract, provided the Savannah Electric Company will co-operate with the owners of the ball club in building the park.

Johnny Bierkotte, of Cincinnati, refuses to sign with Augusta. Furthermore, he says Cincinnati looks better to him than the Southern climate, and he has about decided to accept a tempting position with a well-known business concern and play Saturday and Sunday ball.

Manager Perry Lipe, of Macon, announces the engagement of the following new players: Weems, Shultz, Clyde, Becker, Millions, pitchers; Chauncey, Kossuck, and Tittle, catchers; Foster, Weber and Lipe, infielders; Eubanks, Echols and Rodgers, outfielders. The unsigned veterans are Bill Clarke, Whitney, Morse, Jack Lee, Shaw and Jack Robinson.

The Savannah management has forwarded contracts to the following players: Joseph De Bald, Cleveland, O.; C. D. Flowers, Dovesville, S. C.; E. P. Lauzen, Mobile, Ala.; Harry Kane, Douglass, Ariz.; A. Schulz, Toledo, O.; John A. Wagnon, Waycross, Ga.; J. E. Pelkey, El Paso, Tex.; H. Schultz, Toledo, O.; E. E. Howard, Vicksburg, Miss.; A. Pettit, Jackson, Miss.; Buck Thiel, St. Joseph, Mo.

CONNECTICUT ASSOCIATION.

A Four-Club Organization Formed in the
Nutmeg State, Under the Lead of Mayor
Daniel P. Dunn, of Willimantic.

Willimantic, Conn., March 2.—A meeting of the base ball promoters in this part of Connecticut called out a good attendance in the office of Mayor Dunn, in Willimantic, on February 18. The interest taken and the enthusiasm displayed augers well for the sport hereabouts the coming season. The Connecticut Base Ball Association effected organization as follows: President, Mayor Daniel P. Dunn, of Willimantic; vice-president, Charles H. Humphrey, of New London; secretary, George J. Fisher, Middletown; treasurer, Dennis J. Hayes, Norwich. Team managers: D. P. Dunn, Willimantic; Charles H. Humphrey, New London; C. N. Burdick, Middletown; Dennis J. Hayes, Norwich. It was decided to confine

THE SALARY LIMIT

to \$600 per team. It was the consensus of opinion that each team could carry ten to eleven men on its players' list, this of course to be optional with the club owners. The championship season will open, in all probability, the week commencing Monday, May 9th, and close the Saturday after Labor Day, making the schedule of 18 weeks. The clubs are to play two games each week at home and two abroad. Counting the double headers on the three holidays, it will make a total schedule of 78 games. The Connecticut Base Ball Association will apply for Class D protection of the National Association. It was decided to hold

THE LEAGUE OPEN

for the entry of two more clubs representing towns convenient to the circuit as embodied in New London, Norwich, Willimantic and Middletown. Rockville and South Manchester are the towns that would be most cordially welcomed to the new league. It was voted that the next meeting be subject to the call of the secretary, George J. Fisher, of Middletown; the meeting will in all probability be held in that city. All officers were elected without a dissenting vote.

THE CENTRAL LEAGUE.

Managers of This Powerful League Now
Busily Engaged in Weeding Out Surplus
Material, Preparatory to Spring Practice.

Terre Haute, Ind., March 5.—The new Central League managers are busy now eliminating some of those who were told they might report for practice. This was before signed contracts began coming in as fast as they were sent out. Every manager now is assured that he will have less trouble than ever before in the Central in ascertaining what players he can depend on weeks before the season opens. There are really no holdouts. The clubs which lost good men by sale or draft will get others without difficulty from the major leagues or from the Class A quality. Manager Grant, of Evansville, changed his place of residence last week from South Bend to Evansville, and is encouraged by promises of several players from the American Association and Western League, whose meetings he attended in Chicago. The schedule meeting in Dayton, March 8, will find the league preparations for the season better advanced, notwithstanding the delay in several cities signing managers until late.



Dr. F. R. Carson

There is hopefulness everywhere, and the players, when sending in their contracts, write of their desire to help make the season a success. Improvements are to be made on all the ball lots, as a rule, to provide for greater seating capacity. The need of this is for Sundays and holidays, for at week-day games there is no city which has an average attendance large enough to fill a third of the seats. If it were not for the Sunday games the Central League, conducted on the present scale of expense, would fall short many thousand dollars a season. Perhaps not half the cities show a week-day attendance large enough to pay the visiting club's guarantee money and the park expenses.

News Notes.

The schedule meeting of the Central League has been postponed until March 8, when it will be held at Dayton, O.

Arthur Watson, outfielder and catcher of Fond du Lac, has sent in his contract to play with South Bend.

The South Bend Club has purchased first baseman "Buck" Connors from the Spokane Club, of the Northwestern League.

President Carson is at Hot Springs for a brief sojourn for the benefit of his health, which has not been very good of late.

President Carson last week announced that the schedule meeting of the Central League would be held at Dayton, O., March 14, instead of March 8.

Mark Campbell, with Erie last year, who has been sold to Zanesville, is spending the Winter as a clerk in the register's office at Brookville. His father, Ira J. Campbell, is register of Jefferson county.

Fred Smith, the pitcher whom Dayton bought from Harrisburg, cannot come to terms with the club. Dayton is willing to sell his release. Smith was with Cincinnati two years ago. Smith is a first-class Class A league pitcher.

Robert Hampe, a youth who made his debut into base ball as a pitcher while with the Canton High School team last season, has been signed by Zanesville. Hampe has lost but a few games and in the Canton City League never lost a contest.

Manager Eddie Wheeler, of South Bend, has signed third baseman Doggett, of the Panhandle White Sox, on recommendation of Bobby Quinn. He is a brother of catcher Doggett, who starred around the semi-pro diamonds a few seasons ago.

ROSY ROBISON

TAKES AN OPTIMISTIC VIEW OF THE CARDINALS.

Believes His Team Will Prove Strong Enough to Finish in the First Division—Regrets Defeat of the 168-Game Schedule.

St. Louis, Mo., March 5.—Editor "Sporting Life."—After spending a week at French Lick Springs, Ind., President Robison, of the Cardinals, has returned to this city to put the finishing touches to the Spring training plans. Not in years has the owner of the Cardinal team appeared so enthusiastic over the prospects of his ball club. It is the opinion of Mr. Robison this year that his players have an excellent chance of breaking into the first division. "We pulled off a deal while in New York," says Mr. Robison, "that may have surprised many of the St. Louis fans, but one which Roger and I had figured on for some time past. Every club in the league was more than anxious to get the services of Victor Willis, Chicago, and New York especially. However, Barney Dreyfuss, owner of the Pittsburgh Club, promised me some time ago, that he would give me the first chance at Willis. The Cardinals this year should make every team in the National League hustle. Where we had practically no ball club at all last season to speak of, every position on the team will be filled this year."

S. M. Robison

The catching department could not be improved upon, and the infield looks exceptionally good to both Roger and I. The four outfielders who will try for positions down in Little Rock next month are all fast and clever ball players. Our one weak department was our pitching staff, and this, I am glad to say, has been strengthened by two veterans of the game who should help out immensely. With such twirlers as Willis, Corridon, Lush and Sallee, Roger, as well as myself, have considerable more confidence. Willis and Corridon are men who can be sent in at any stage of the game and can be relied upon to hold an opponent in check—something which was badly lacking in the team's general make-up last season." Mr. Robison added: "We have on our list to go South a total of forty-five players. I have been offered goodly sums for several of the youngsters, but have turned all the offers down. Of the 45 men, only one—Enright—may not be on hand for the Spring work. Of this number there are 22 pitchers to be tried out. Should Bresnahan be lucky in discovering a good youngster or two, he will have easy sailing, and the Cardinals will bear watching. Every man of the big squad will be given a thorough trial before being returned to the minors. It was for this reason that we had scouts out last season scouring the country for talent, and what's the use of rounding these men up if they are not to be given a trial?"

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THE LONG SCHEDULE.

After touching upon the recent National League deadlock over the proposed and defeated 168-game schedule, President Robison said: "Regarding our schedule of 154 games, I don't think the best thing was done when the magnates got away from the 168-game draft. It leaves entirely too many open dates. Some few of the club owners brought up the argument that, should the long schedule be adopted, the public would say we were out for the money, else why should we be in the game. I pointed out to every club owner present at the New York meeting that they were all out for the money. Aren't they all building new stands with enormous seating capacities? And don't every owner round up all the promising young ball players for his club in an effort to win pennants and furnish his patrons with first-class ball? What is all this done for? In every business, the world over, at some time or other, inducements are offered in order to interest the public. The big railroads of the country have excursions and compete against their own prices in order to get the public to make trips. The large retail and wholesale merchants cut the prices of their goods at certain times during the year in effort to interest people into buying. Then why not owners of ball clubs offer some inducements to the fans?"

DOUBLE BILLS ON SUNDAY.

"If I had my way in the matter, we would play a double-header every Sunday of the year. There are many enthusiastic fans who can come to but one game a week—Sunday. Would it not be better to offer these fans some special inducement by letting them witness a double-header? Most every time a double-header was played last season National League Park fairly overflowed with enthusiastic fans. Mr. Ebbets was criticised by every one simply on account of the fact that he drew up the 168-game schedule. In my opinion, Mr. Ebbets deserves great praise for the wonderful fight he put up to have his draft adopted. At the Pittsburgh meeting the long schedule went by the boards by a unanimous vote, and the Brooklyn magnate was instructed to draw up his draft. This he did, but in perfectly good faith. Why shouldn't he make the fight he did? I am sure I would have done the same thing had I been in his place."

Ball Player's Skull Crushed.

Shamokin, Pa., March 1.—George Edwards Excelsior, a well-known non-professional base

ball player, was found near a foot bridge crossing Shamokin creek on February 27 with his skull crushed and a number of ribs broken. He was removed to the Miners' Hospital in a senseless condition, in which state he has remained ever since. Doctors there this evening stated there was small chance for his recovery.

CREAHAN'S CHAT

ABOUT MEN AND AFFAIRS IN THE BILLIARD WORLD.

BY JOHN CREAHAN.

Philadelphia, Pa., March 6.—Editor "Sporting Life."—When the young professional experts of this country were doing battle in the interest of extending the time of playing for the championship from one night to three, which is physically entirely in favor and in the interest and to the advantage of the young experts, I ventured to point out a danger which the majority of experts did not think of, in their desire to not only violate time honored rules and laws, but to play the box office for all that it is worth. That was the expenses of a great public hall for three nights instead of one. Were professional billiard players business men—which they never have been as a rule, and probably never will be—they would not be professional experts, as vanity and business, like lawyers and the devil, rarely if ever go hand in hand together. But vanity cannot be divorced from professionalism in any branch of professional life, unless perhaps you strike at the professional pocket, and even then as a rule a concession is only made when it is too late, or when the professional has "lagged superfluously" too long on the professional stage—or before the public.

The recent contests in Chicago and Pittsburgh between Hoppe, Morningstar, Demarest and Cline, which were played in the interest of youth and the box office, to the detriment of wisdom and time honored rules and laws, being the first experiment of the box office, if I am not in error, cannot but be of interest to the public, but little less so than to the experts responsible for so remarkable an innovation. I have heard nothing of the financial result of the contests in Pittsburgh between Hoppe and Morningstar, but, thanks to the generosity of Harry Davis, of that city, who in all probability made no charge for the use of the hall, and the masterly work on the part of the experts, it is more than probable that the Pittsburgh venture or experiment was more than a financial success.

Every city, however, has not a man with the generosity of Harry Davis. On the contrary, cold-blooded commercialism is the rule and not the exception at the present day, as Demarest and Cline discovered in Chicago, and as Hoppe and Morningstar, with them, are likely to discover in all other cities in their desire and anxiety to play for three nights in the interest of youth and the box office. The Chicago hall, where Cline and Demarest played, as far as I have been able to learn, cost \$900 for three nights. This, presumably, was but for rent alone, to make no reference to other expenses. The attendance on the first night should have been large, as Chicago is essentially a billiard-loving city. Owing to the very indifferent playing of the first night there was one reason why the house should have been large on the second night, and that was the hope that Demarest would play such billiards as to compensate for his weak work on the first night.

At the same time the playing of the first night must have thrown a "damper" on the second night's attendance on the part of the general public; or those who take no stock in hero worship. The second night's playing was of such a character as to justify an empty house on the third night. I am now referring to what should be the work of two men who pose as first-class masters of the game. From the most reliable authority that I have seen, the attendance was probably fair for the three nights, which is rather a stretch of imagination on my part, just as it seems that the Chicago public is easily pleased.

At the same time there has been no proof shown to warrant or justify the bombast resorted to in this city as to the financial results of the Chicago contests; netting to the winner, including Demarest's \$500, "from \$1800 to \$2500." It is "Shaun the Post," who says in one of Dion Doucault's plays: "It's a lie—but what of it?" The truth is, that it is very much to be doubted if any two of the greatest experts now before the public can engage in a series of three nights' contests and make the same a financial success, when such contests take place in great public halls; where they undoubtedly should. Were both players to play masterly billiards on the first and second nights, it is more than probable that such a venture might be a financial success, but billiard players as a rule know no more about the work that they are going to do than the public, until the game is actually over. The late H. W. Colender lost \$10,000 in the Centennial tournament, which he gave in this city in '76, and that, too, at a time when the rent of Horticultural Hall, then one of the finest public halls in this country, cost but \$150 a night. I refer to these matters now to show young experts who seem to be so anxious to violate past rules, laws, traditions and billiard history, that in their own interests they have much to learn after they become great masters of the game.

One of the most interesting amateur tournaments that has taken place in this city for some years past, which will compare very favorably with any given in the past by the Union League or the Schuylkill Navy Athletic Club, was given recently by the Columbia Club, the opening game of which commenced there on the night of February 14. The most perfect arrangements were made for the tournament, which took place in the

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large hall of the second story, where erected seats for 400 spectators furnished ample accommodation. The tournament was at the 18.2 balk line, a handicap affair, Joseph Mayer, J. E. Cope Morton, and Dr. Walter E. Uffenheimer playing 300 to R. E. Switzer and Charles W. Connors' 250, while J. E. Miller and B. M. Brookfield had to play 225 each.

The opening game was between Dr. Uffenheimer and Charles W. Connor. It was won by the former by a score of 300 to 104. High run for loser, 14; average, under 3. Best run for winner 43; average, under 8.

The second game was between Dr. Uffenheimer and Robert M. Brookfield. The score was 300 for Uffenheimer to 148 for his opponent. High run for Brookfield, 14; average, under 3. Winner's average, under 6; high run, 32.

The third game was between J. E. Cope Morton, and C. W. Connor. The score was 300 for Morton, to 238 for his opponent. Loser's best run, 20; average, under 6. Winner's best run 47; average, under 7.

The fourth game was between Uffenheimer and Brookfield, and was won by the former by 300 to 148 for his opponent. Winner's best run, 32, with an average of nearly 6. Loser's best run, 14; average, not 3.

The fifth game was between J. E. C. Morton and C. W. Connor, the score was 300 for Morton to 238 for the loser. Winner's best run, 47; average, under 7. Loser's high run, 20; average, not 6.

The sixth game was between Dr. Switzer and J. E. Miller. The score was 250 for the former to 172 for the latter. High run for winner, 52; average, not 7. Loser's average, not 3; high run, 19.

The seventh game was between Joseph Mayer and J. E. Miller. The score was 300 for Mayer to 83 for Miller. Winner's average, under 11; high run, 55. Loser's average, not 3; best run, 11.

The eighth game was between Morton and Brookfield, and was won by the former by 250 to 225 for his opponent. Winner's average, not 6; loser's, under 5. High run for winner, 33, and 18 for loser.

The ninth game was between Joseph Mayer and Dr. Switzer, and was practically professional billiard playing on the part of Mayer, who made a run of 86, and an average of nearly 11. The score was 300 to 152 for Dr. Switzer, whose average was under 6, with 28 as high run.

The tenth game was between Joseph Mayer and Robert M. Brookfield. It was an easy victory for the former, who scored 300 to 154 for his opponent. Mayer's average was not 7. His best run was 39.

The eleventh game was between Miller and Brookfield, each man having to play 225. It was one of the best games of the tournament, and was won by Miller, who made a fine run of 39 and an average of nearly 5. Mr. Brookfield's best run was 11. His average was under 5.

The twelfth game was between Cope Morton and Dr. Uffenheimer and was probably more than a surprise to all present. The score was 300 to 276 for Uffenheimer. Winner's average 6. High run 45. Loser's average under 6. High run 30.

All tournaments have their surprises and this is no exception to the rule. The thirteenth game was between Joseph Mayer and

C. W. Connor. It was won by the latter by 250, while Mayer, who had to make 300, scored but 245. Winner's average not 7. High run 23. Loser's average under 7. Best run 43.

The fourteenth game was between Cope Morton and Dr. Switzer. The game was close and interesting from the outset, and in this respect was one of the best of this tournament. The score was 250 for Morton to 248 for his opponent. High run, winner, 39. Average under 5. Loser's best run 27. Average not 5.

Joseph Mayer was practically the only man in the contest in fifteenth game. His opponent was Dr. Uffenheimer. The score was 300 to 184 for Uffenheimer. Mayer's best run was 86, which is practically professional billiards.

The sixteenth game was between Captain R. M. Brookfield and C. W. Connor. Although both men seemed to be out of form, or not up to their playing ability, the game was closely contested from first to last, and as such was one of the most interesting of the tournament. The score was 250 to 198 for Connor. Average for winner not 5. Best run 31. Loser's average under 4. High run 20.

Dr. Switzer and R. M. Brookfield played the seventeenth game. It was a finely-contested contest, and was won by Switzer by a score of 250 to 205 for his opponent. Winner's average not 5. High run 35. Loser's average under 4. Best run 43. Referee, Dr. Davis.

The closing game of the tournament proper was between Joseph Mayer and Cope Morton, and was a very remarkable display of fine amateur billiard playing. Early in the game Morton got a commanding lead by making runs of 52, 24, 14, 21, 16, 15, 23, 18, 12 and 11. But later on Mayer turned the tables by making runs of 14, 10, 33, 17, 35, 15, 30, 19 and 21, winning a great contest by 300 to 293. Winner's average under 7. Loser's not 7.

The tie and concluding game of the tournament was between Dr. Uffenheimer and W. Connor. It was won by the former by a score of 300 to 126. Winner's average not 5. Best runs, 32, 11, 11, 19, 19, 10, 21, 39, 10, 31, 10, 17 and 23. High run for loser 26. Average under 5.

SOUTH MICHIGAN NEWS.

Pitcher Lamelein, of Saginaw, has signed with Toledo, and catcher Hugh Stringer, of Battle Creek, has signed with Galveston.

The Battle Creek Club has signed second baseman Ernest Baxter, of Yale. Pitcher Clinton Rogge, now attending Adams College, will also sign with Battle Creek.



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THE NEW LEADER IS SOMEWHAT HANDICAPPED.

Because He Has No Personal Acquaintance With Most of the Players, With Whom He Must Reconstruct His Team.

St. Louis, Mo., March 4.—Editor "Sporting Life."—The Browns, under the eye of Manager Jack O'Connor, are now at work down at Houston, Texas. Apropos to this, the fans should be made acquainted with the important fact that the new manager of the Browns has a harder task rounding out his team than any other major league manager, owing to the fact that he knows but few of his players outside of the old-timers who were members of the team when Jack was acting as official coach a year ago. O'Connor is, indeed, placed in a peculiar position. Unlike any of the other leaders of the league, with the possible exception of Hugh Duffy, of Chicago, O'Connor must



John O'Connor

ACQUAINT HIMSELF

with his men before starting work. Since the league season of 1909 closed there has been quite a few changes in the managerial berths of the American League clubs. James McAleer, formerly of St. Louis, will endeavor to put the Washington Club on the base ball map the coming season. McAleer's task, however, seems much easier than that of O'Connor's. McAleer was in the league throughout the entire season last year, and is entirely familiar with the players whom he is taking charge of. McAleer is also acquainted with the players of the seven remaining clubs; that is, unless some radical changes are made in the various line-ups.

HAS ONLY FIGURES.

Patsy Donovan, although he acted as scout of the Boston team last year, nevertheless, spent considerable time with the team toward the latter part of the season, both at home and on the road. As to records, dope of every description on every player of the big squad who will try for a position, there is no question but that O'Connor is perfectly familiar with their past performances on the diamond. Figures and facts, therefore, will not play nearly so important a part, even with some of the old men, as will good, classy ball playing. Every one must "show" O'Connor before being placed on the Brown team this year as a regular. Last year on the final Eastern trip of the Browns, many of the young players were taken along and given their first trial in big league company. O'Connor at that time was doing scouting duty for Mr. Hedges. Hardly an afternoon passes when the regular fanning bees are in session in the American League office but O'Connor does not ask many questions concerning this or that man's work in those games. Three of the players who made the trip—Killifer, Gilligan and Shotten—have drawn very favorable comment by those who witnessed their work against major leaguers.

KNOWS BUT TWO RECRUITS.

Of the many recruits, O'Connor knows but two personally—Gilligan, whom he met for a few minutes in the American League office recently, and Hetling, formerly of Kansas City, and a St. Louis boy. Arthur Griggs, who has been praised by every one to Jack, is not known and has never been seen in action by the new Browns' leader. The same can be said regarding Demmitt, secured from New York. It would not be at all surprising to see both those men holding down regular positions in the outfield. However, that outfield problem is going to prove a hard one for Jack to solve, he having no less than seven first-class players from which to make his final selection. Then, too, Jack will have a great time in

TRYING TO FIGURE OUT

who will play the infield for him. The pitching staff is also a source of worry, and last, but not least by any means, O'Connor will find his hardest work in trying to develop a reliable catcher for the team, to help Jimmy Stephens out. So in all, it might be safely said O'Connor's task with the Browns is a hard one. Jack must start right from the beginning and mould a team together capable of playing major league ball and knowing but a few of the men with whom he has to work with.

OFF FOR TEXAS.

The St. Louis American League team, in charge of Manager Jack O'Connor, departed last Tuesday night, for Houston, Tex. The party numbered 39, and will be increased by five others, who have been at Hot Springs, Ark., for the last ten days. George Stone, the veteran outfielder, whose \$5,000 salary has been cut, is holding out for the old figure, and was not a member of the party. Olsen, an infielder, recruited from Louisville, and Wilbur Smith, a catcher, also have joined the holdouts. Twenty-three Browns boarded the train here. They were joined at Benton, Ark., by Powell, Howell, Waddell, Hetling and Gilligan. Pelty joined them that night at Bismarck, Mo. Those leaving here were: O'Connor, Griggs, Graham, Abstein, Hartzell, Schweitzer, Lake, Bailey, Hoffman, Stephens, Wallace, Allen, Corridon, Demmitt, Fisher, Kinsell, Kusel, Love, Frough, Shotten, Stremmel, Truesdale. At Houston, Criss, Jackson, Killifer and Newman will report. The Browns are to travel 4,718 miles, visit 13 towns and play 28 exhibition games. They will not be seen at Sportsman's Park until April 21, when the local American

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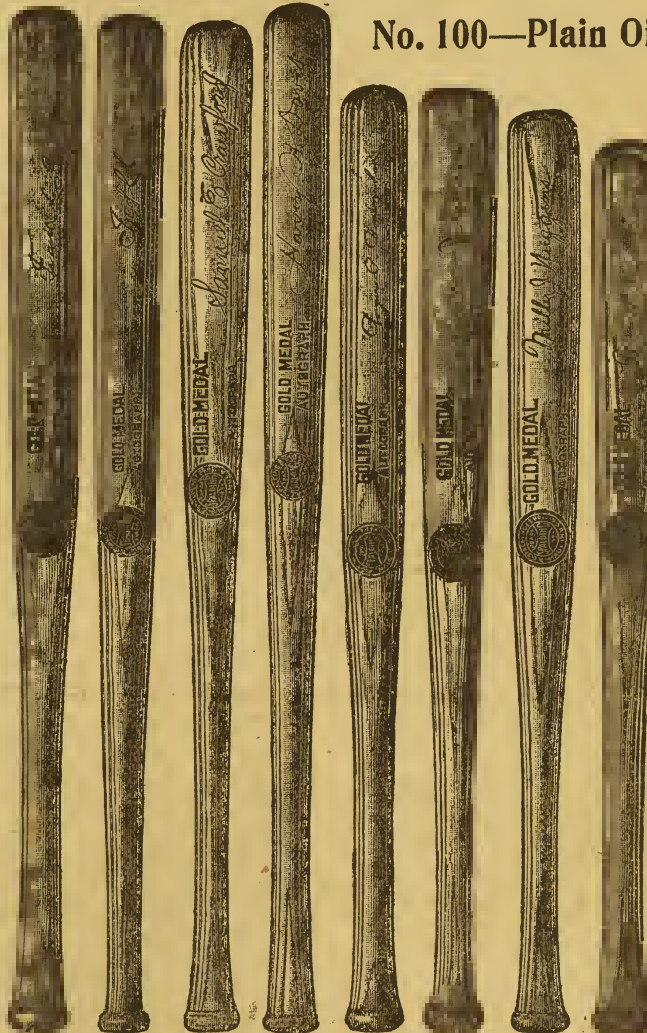
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A "JAP" SELECTED

For a Try-Out With the Harvard Base Ball Team.

Boston, Mass., March 4.—Nobyno Masuda, a sophomore at Harvard, was among those selected from the untried candidates who have been practising in the Harvard base ball cage for the past fortnight for a thorough tryout with the 'varsity base ball squad.

Masuda, who is a Jap, has had experience in his prep school days as an outfielder and he is also a regular on the 'varsity soccer team. His chances for making the outfield are good if he can hold his end up in the batting line. The Jap is 5 feet 2 inches tall and weighs 148 pounds.

INDEPENDENT LEAGUE.

Pittsburg, Pa., March 5.—The Western Pennsylvania Association of Independent Base Ball Clubs was formed here on February 27

at a meeting attended by the representatives of about 20 different towns. It will be a 10-club league and applications have been accepted from Connellsville, Duquesne, Brad-dock, McKeesport, Beaver Falls, Wilkinsburg and Millvale. The other three towns will be selected at a meeting to be held in two weeks. Richard R. Guy, a Pittsburg sporting editor, was elected president of the new independent league. He was formerly president of the Pennsylvania, Ohio and Maryland League. Extra infielder William McKechnie, of the Pittsburg champions, appears as the financial backer of the Wilkinsburg Club.

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IN CLEVELAND

THEY ARE WATCHING THE NAP-OLEONS' WORK IN CAMP.

No Indication Yet as to Who Will be Retained for the Regular Team, and for Further Try-Out by Manager McGuire.

BY ED. F. BANG.

Cleveland, O., March 5.—Editor "Sporting Life."—Although the Naps have been in camp at Alexandria, La., for only two weeks the reports about the small army of recruits picked up by Engineer Jim McGuire are of the most flattering nature. This fellow is a second La-joie, another has Hans Wagner backed off the boards, a third outshines Ty Cobb, while all the pitchers are second Mathewsons or have the earmarks of developing into Mordecai Browns. It's the same story over again each Spring. The scribes permit their enthusiasm to run away with their better judgment. They know as well as the fans up in this snowbound city that Jim McGuire will cut loose from a goodly number of youths who are now labeled phenoms, and it seems it would be wise on their part if they sought to pick out the "stickers," that is, the men who appear to have the best chance of



Ed. F. Bang

WEARING NAP UNIFORMS

when the season is under way. Something like 12 or 15 Naps now in camp will hang on until the season starts and will then be sent to pastures new. This fellow will be shy of the size, another's throwing arm will be a little weak, a third may be too footed to get around fast enough, while some of the pitchers will possess the ability to deliver in Class A company but will be a little shy of American League class. Then, too, some of the star fielders will lack that which every manager is on the lookout for, the ability to hit the ball hard and often. From this far-away point it is hard to tell just which of the recruits will walk the plank, but it won't be long until the war correspondents will keep the wires warm with "McGuire thinks" is a little shy of big league class and will send him to a Class B club, but he has the earmarks and the Nap boss will keep a string on him, the chances being that he will be recalled next season. It's the

SAME OLD STORY—

"Many are called but few are chosen." Of all the suggestions that have been made for an increase in batting averages Joe Birmingham, the Nap centre fielder, comes forward with the one best bet. Recently Clark Griffith, manager of the Cincinnati Reds, advocated a sacrifice hit for a batter thrown out at first who succeeded in advancing a man a base. Griffith held that inasmuch as the present rules give a batsman credit for a sacrifice in the averages if he succeeds in scoring a runner from third on a long fly to the outfield which is caught or should have been caught, the Rules Committee should go still further and stretch a point by crediting every batter with a sacrifice hit that succeeds in advancing a runner a base. Griffith insists that no batter ever goes to the plate with a man on third with the intent of driving out a long fly. His ambition is to slap out a clean hit, and holds that his suggestion is as good as the present sacrifice rule.

OUTFIELDER BIRMINGHAM,

however, believes that if the batter's intent is manifest on an infield out the batter should be entitled to a sacrifice hit. It is his opinion that the man at bat who is retired on the hit and run play should be thus credited. Birmy holds that crediting a batter with a sacrifice hit when he is retired on the hit and run play would be an incentive for all teams to try this great play more often. Team work is the secret of success in base ball and there is not a better bit of team work or a play more difficult to pull off than the hit and run. Often the opposition

CALLS THE TURN

on the batter and the pitcher offers up a ball far on the outside of the plate or high in the air. The play has been signalled for and the batter goes through with his part of the program. Generally he hits the ball at an infielder and is retired at first base. Had the pitcher delivered a ball more to his liking the batter stood a good chance to drive out a safe hit. The contention of Birmingham is that the batter sacrifices his chances of making a safe hit in attempting the hit and run play as much as the man who deliberately bunts the ball in an effort to advance a runner a base, and it looks as if Birmy's point is well taken and should be food for thought by the rules committees of the major leagues.

VIRGINIA VALLEY LEAGUE.

President John A. Spinney, of Cincinnati, at Last Completes the Circuit of This New Minor League.

By John C. Bond.

Charleston, West Va., March 4.—That the Virginia Valley League will be launched in the base ball world was an assured fact last week when the town of Montgomery put up a forfeit and got the franchise heretofore offered Marietta, O. For the past month President John A. Spinney, of the proposed league, has been working hard on the

proposition and is now so well satisfied that a meeting to prepare a schedule for the season will be held within the next 10 days. The league will start with six clubs and before the season opens there may be eight in it. The

PRESENT LINE-UP

of clubs is Charleston, Huntington, Montgomery and Parkersburg, W. Va.; Ashland-Catlettsburg, Ky.; and Ironton, O. Later if the Ohio State League does not hold on to Portsmouth that town and perhaps Newport, Ky., will be taken in. Already stock companies are being formed in the six towns and players are being sought. Manager J. Benny, of the Charleston Club, has been scouting for a week and has already signed a number of players. Reports recently published to the effect that Charleston and Huntington have made

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

in the Ohio State League are without foundation. The clubs in these two towns consider it out of the question to make such long jumps as would be required to get into that league and will not consider it. It is understood that there is room in that league and that the other towns represented would like to have the two clubs, but the management of each has decided to stand up for the new Virginia Valley League and believe it will be a success.

NEW ENGLAND NEWS.

Manager Steve Flanagan Purchases a Southern League Pitcher, Thus Bringing His Quota to Twenty-Four Players.

Brockton, Mass., March 5.—The list of promising twirlers that Manager Steve Flanagan, of the Brockton team, is getting together to reconstruct the pitching staff that after last season was largely disrupted through sale and draft from major leagues, received an addition this week when pitcher Thomas Gilroy, the Taunton boy, was secured for the 1910 Brockton Club. The local club completed a deal with Nashville, of the Southern League, to which club Gilroy belongs, whereby the clever southpaw is to play here next season. Gilroy is at present wintering at Emporline, Sonora, Mexico, working every day and pitching ball Sundays. Manager Flanagan also announced that he has signed George W. Corbett, of Norwood, a catcher; accepted terms with David Sederquist, of Haverhill, a pitcher, who reported here last season, but was not used; and has decided not to have catcher Dave Shea come North to report. There are twenty men already in line who will report, and there will probably be in the neighborhood of twenty-four men show up at reporting time, April 11. The players in line besides the battery candidates include Captain McGovern, Tom Stankard, Shannon, Dulin and Kimball for the infield, and McLane, Henriksen and Burnham Brown for the outfield. Eberly, Smith and Norris can all play the outfield well, and might be used in right field.



S. D. Flanagan

Affairs at Haverhill.

Our Haverhill correspondent writes us under date of March 3, as follows: "Tom Fleming, who will manage the Haverhill (New England League) team next season, has announced that he will play in the outfield. He will have to build practically a new infield and outfield. Michael O'Tool, Raymond Freil and Thomas Lessard, who were with Haverhill last year, will be retained on the pitching staff, and William Toomey and Frank Kelley has been signed as catchers. Other catchers signed are James Groux, of Danvers, and George Shultz, who played with Akron last season. John Hole, who has played in the Texas League, will cover first base, and Peter King, from Bay City, Mich., has been signed to cover second base. Al Kuback is slated to play third base and William Merrill or Raymond Hagan, who was with Connellsville, Pa., last year, will be the shortstop. George Henderson, of Bay City, and Ed Fallon, of Hagerstown, have been signed for the outfield. President W. R. Rich has also signed several youngsters, and it is planned to have two nines play practice games during the tryout season."

News Notes.

Outfielder Peter Burg has re-signed with the Lynn Club.

George Tyler, pitcher, has been traded by Lowell to Youngstown, O., for Lawrence, a shortstop.

Cliff White, of Attleboro, has been signed to play with the Fall River team. Last season White was in the Interstate League.

Jesse Burkett wants Walter Norton, the Dartmouth captain, to become one of his Worcester infielders at the close of the college season.

Henry Rondeau, right fielder and catcher of the champion Worcester team last year, during the week forwarded his signed contract to that club.

Secretary Morse has declined to release Umpire Rorty from his contract in order to enable Rorty to become a substitute on the National League staff.

Willie Delehanty, shortstop for Wilkes-Barre in 1907 and part of 1908, is now a free agent, having secured his release from the New England League.

Upon recommendation of Captain Harry Lord, of the Boston Red Sox, the Lowell Club has signed a 19-year-old Maine shortstop named Hammond Ordway.

A signed contract for 1910 has been received by Manager Steve Flanagan, of Brockton, from Charles A. Kimball, of Whitthrop, a clever young infielder who comes highly recommended.

Contracts have been received by the Lawrence management from Belis, Jolly, Almsmith and Warner, of last year's team. As yet no contracts have been signed by Hess, Maybohm, Reynolds or O'Brien, of the former players held in reserve.

Arthur Lavigne, the catcher secured by the Brockton Club in a trade with New Haven, of the Connecticut League, by which the latter team secured Mike Donovan, the hard-hitting outfielder, has forwarded his signed contract to Manager Steve Flanagan.

Myron Elliott, formerly a pitcher with New Bedford, in a letter states that he is doing exceptionally well at the mill which he purchased a year ago in Athens, Me. He writes that Josslyn, a pitcher who once seemed destined for fast company, is now in the grocery business in Pittsfield.

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The Club Owners Adopt a New Constitution, and Formulate a 140-Game Schedule for the 1910 Campaign.

Chicago, Ill., March 5.—The Indiana-Illinois-Iowa League magnates met here on March 2, and adopted a new constitution, and voted for a four-trip schedule of 140 games, with May 4 as the probable opening date. The club owners outlined a skeleton of the new schedule, but left the perfection of that precious document to Schedule Maker Wilson Bering, of Decatur, who will iron out the wrinkles and return the season's bookings to President Tearney within three or four days. The latter then will ask a mail vote on its adoption, and unless the unexpected happens, all will send back a carefully penned "aye." As in the past, receipts of holiday games will be pooled, while a change was made in the matter of postponements, the president being empowered to set the dates for the play-offs. A concession was made to fans by the adoption of a rule that money will be returned unless four and one-half innings are played. Three innings was the former limit. The new constitution adopted is better adapted in its minor points to the growth which base ball has enjoyed in recent years. One new feature is that hereafter clubs seeking membership will be compelled to pay \$1000 for a franchise, in addition to one-eighth of the amount of money in the league treasury at the time of admission. New cities seeking membership also must show a regular organization, a plant, and a cash balance of \$2,500 in the club treasury. No player will be allowed to take part in any championship game until he has signed a club contract. Those in attendance were: J. T. Hayes, Davenport; Richard Kinsella, Springfield; Sam Swift and Joe Palen, Dubuque; Ed. Holland and E. E. Pierson, Bloomington; W. E. Lewman, Danville; Richard Johnson, Peoria; Warren Reck, Rock Island; Frank Boyle, Waterloo.

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News Notes.

Pitcher Frank Willis, of Peoria, has signed with Dubuque.

Pitcher Bill Jacobson has re-signed with the Rock Island Club.

The Peoria Club has purchased pitchers Guernsey and Oritz and second baseman Moore from the defunct Aberdeen Club, of the Northwestern League.

This gives the club two Moores, Fred and Charles, to fight it out for the second sack.

Marion Keys, an amateur pitcher from Lexington, Ill., has signed with Danville.

Walter Wilson, of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., has been picked up as one of the Three-Eye umpires.

Pitcher Toner, of Muskogee, who refused to play last season, has been bought by Springfield.

Manager Rowan, of Peoria, has received the signed contract of William Myers, the Webb City, Kan., second baseman.

Manager David Rowan has purchased a half interest in the Peoria Club and has been elected president, as well as manager, of the club.

Monmouth is counting upon having Omer Hardgrove, the pitcher whom Rock Island has tried out a couple of seasons, on the staff this season.

Catcher Guy Harrington, of Muskogee, has been bought by Waterloo, which seems to be long on backstops. Harrington batted .268 last season.

Peoria will have a feast of big league ball in April. In addition to the White Sox, who play there April 11 and 12, games have been booked with the Chicago Cubs for April 9 and 10.

Limit of Masculine Subserviency.

Although he is married now Scott Collins, a Hazleton, Ind., ball player, will not let matrimony keep him off the ball field this Summer. In his marriage certificate he had inserted, with the approval of his wife, a clause to the effect that it should be optional with him as to whether or not he would play base ball. Collins is an enthusiastic player, being the catcher for the Hazleton Club for several seasons. His bride was Miss Bertha Dunn, daughter of a stock-raiser. Youngstown, O., "Dispatch."

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SPECIAL TO "SPORTING LIFE."

Cincinnati, O., March 7.—Charles H. Ebbetts, president of the Brooklyn Club, during the past week demonstrated beyond the shadow of a doubt that he is the majority stockholder in the Superbas, and that not a share of stock is held by either Charles P. Taft, of Cincinnati, or Charles W. Murphy, of Chicago. A Cincinnati newspaper man last Sunday asked whether Taft or Murphy owned any stock in the Brooklyn Club, and, as scribes have unfeelingly said that Mr. Ebbetts for a long time had been trailing along with Murphy, the rumor gained credence in certain circles that Messrs. Murphy and Taft had some interest in the Brooklyn Club.



Chas. H. Ebbetts

President Ebbetts, who is always up to date, invited the newspaper men, to Washington Park and there flashed before them all the certificates of stock issued by the Brooklyn Club. There are 2,500 shares, and Certificate No. 1, calling for 1,499 shares is in the name of Charles H. Ebbetts. Certificate No. 2, representing 250 shares, is the property of Charles H. Ebbetts, Jr., the club's secretary. Henry W. Medicus, treasurer, holds Certificate No. 3, and is the owner of 749 shares. A. C. Wall, of Jersey City, has one share and Robert A. Wright, of Brooklyn, one. Wall and Wright are directors of the club, which, under the laws of New Jersey, where it is incorporated, must have five directors, one of whom must be a resident of that State. Not one share of the Brooklyn Club's stock is held by any bank for loans, all the men who have certificates of stock having these documents locked up in safe deposit vaults. President Ebbetts declared himself as unalterably opposed to what is denominated as "syndicate ball" (see National League constitution). The time has gone by, according to Mr. Ebbetts, when it is necessary for one man to hold stock in two clubs. The president of the Brooklyn Club is a warm advocate of the idea that the stockholders of a club should be residents of the city which it represents. Ebbetts has been connected with the Brooklyn Club for 28 years, and now owns, without incumbency of any kind, three-fifths of its stock issue. In exhibiting the shares of stock of his club Ebbetts has set a good example for other men who control major league teams.

BROOKLYN BUDGET.

The Case of Ex-Manager Lumley, Hold-Out—An Old Yarn Exploded—The Brooklyn Club's Skirts Clear of Syndication—News From the Team's Training Camp.

By John B. Foster.

Brooklyn, N. Y., March 7.—Editor "Sporting Life."—What this, "Judge" Lumley not signed? Here we have been leaning back in the easy chair, quite satisfied with the general make-up of the team for 1910, and looking forward to the delightful days when Lumley would begin to bat the ball over the right-field fence, now that he is no longer round-shouldered carrying the job of manager between his shoulder blades, and news comes from the front that the "Judge" is not even so much as hitched up for the Summer. Why this bashfulness? Can it be possible that difference between the salary which was received in 1909 and that which has been offered for 1910 is behind it all? Or is the "Judge"



John B. Foster

PEEVED AND GRUMPY

because he is not to be the head of the team in the season to come? Almost everybody thought that he was well glad to get rid of a task which brings everything but glory if you don't happen to make much of a success of it. No one hears that William Dahlen is pounding the midnight air with deep bass growls of grief because the "Judge" has not appeared on the scene. "Bill" isn't that kind of a ball player. If Lumley doesn't wish to play ball with Brooklyn it will matter little to Dahlen. He will go ahead according to program and the first thing that the Brooklyn folks and Lumley know there will be another "kid" playing out in right field who will make some of the young folks forget that Lumley once was a member of the team.

A STORY KILLED.

John J. McGraw put an end to one silly story which has been going the rounds of the space machine in the East for a long time in reference to Lumley and Jordan. It has been reported that the Brooklyn Club had turned down an offer of something like \$80,000 from New York for the players. McGraw told Charles H. Ebbetts that not only had the New York Club not offered that amount, he being the man who makes the purchases of players for the Giants, but it had never thought of doing anything of the kind. More than that it isn't hard to help

confirm that story, for when it first appeared in public McGraw told the writer that it was nonsense from beginning to end and that he never had the slightest intention of attempting to obtain the services of either man. "They are too slow for New York," was his comment, quick and brief. When somebody was trying to prove that New York was making an effort to buy up the championship of the National League this Lumley-Jordan yarn may have been manufactured out of whole cloth, just as other yarns have been put together to fit the emergency in which the writer happened to find himself placed for a moment in order to make his story "read strong."

LENNOX ON SICK LIST.

Another of the Brooklyn players who failed to make his appearance with the team at Hot Springs is Lennox. There is reason for his slowness. He is ill at his home in Camden, N. J., and the moment he is able to get around he will "hike" away to Hot Springs and make earnest efforts to get into condition. It isn't very often that a ball player is ill in the Spring of the year. It is easy enough to find a lot of them who have all kinds of aches and pains toward the end of the year, but it is a novelty to find one who is unable to get around to take early practice and to avoid the cold Northern Spring, and it is pretty certain that something must be the matter with Lennox more than sore throat, or he couldn't be kept in New Jersey when the birds are singing in Arkansas.

GINGER IN EVIDENCE.

Barring these young men most of the Brooklyn players are on the firing line. They started in well. The war correspondent who is with the team began his first bulletin from the front by stating that Dahlen whooped up things in practice like McGraw. That's hopeful. For two reasons. First, that Brooklyn can concede that McGraw does whoop things up, and second, that "Bill" is working the players on the same basis as his one-time manager. If the Brooklyn Club at the first day of May can show three parts of the energy and vim which the Giants put into their work Dahlen will have done enough to entitle him to his position for next year if he gets no further. That's one thing more than all in which Brooklyn has been lacking. If there has been one team, both in the National and the American Leagues, which has given every indication of being hired hands and not athletes who were trying to win a championship in one of the biggest sporting organizations on earth, that same team was Brooklyn. It is hopeful to hear that the players have been ordered to move around. More power to Dahlen's orders.

AS TO "SYNDICATE" BALL.

The other day some Cincinnati newspaper—perhaps it is a newspaper which bothers unnecessarily about the trust end of base ball—it isn't worth bothering about, for the old game manages to get along pretty well with its several thousand advisers—went after Brother Ebbetts on the syndicate racket. Save the mark! Say, there isn't any more chance of any syndicate creeping into Brooklyn than there is that the Jersey City Club will win the championship of the American Association. Mr. Ebbetts called the boys over into his office in Brooklyn to prove that such is the case. He needn't have gone so far, although his motives were good enough. The majority of the stock is held in his name. That was as plain as jumping off the end of a freight train on the B. & O. Any one who has tried it knows that he is as likely to land along in company with the engineer as he is to do anything else.

PROOF POSITIVE.

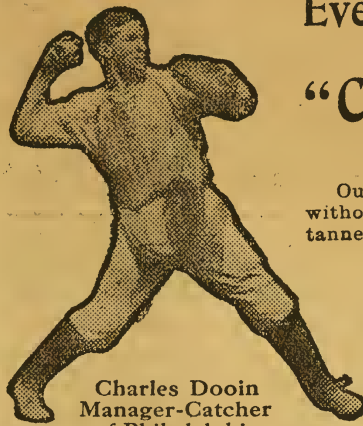
If Mr. Ebbetts did not control the stock of the Brooklyn Club many things would not be as they are. If there happened to be any syndicate about the matter the chances are that—well, what's the use? Look at the Brooklyn Club and imagine for a moment that an organization with such a striking personality as that of Brooklyn could be anything but Ebbetts. There is no more syndicate base ball in Brooklyn than there is in some of the newspapers of the United States which make so much fuss about syndicates and other things. If four or five newspapers wish to enter into a combination and publish in four or five cities there seems to be nothing which can prevent them, and if they wish to keep certain other newspapers and newspaper men out of business, if it is possible to do so, usually they are not over-scrupulous about protecting their business interests. The base ball organization is only for

MUTUAL BENEFIT AND PROTECTION.

It is no begee, gosh-darned, hydra-headed trust. It has interests which are identical and in order to keep in line many young men of diverse and different minds it must exercise over them a control which shall be for the benefit of all who are concerned. Inasmuch as base ball salaries haven't ceased to climb ever since there has been professional base ball it is pretty safe to say that no one has been much hurt. Now and then some young player who stays out until 5 o'clock in the morning when he should have been in bed getting ready for the next day may have his feelings hurt, but so does the boy who goes to school and puts a tack in the seat of the teacher's chair.

THE OTHER STOCKHOLDERS

who are associated with Mr. Ebbetts in the Brooklyn Club are his son and Mr. Medicus. Mr. Medicus is an estimable gentleman who is in base ball for the fun of it. I think that the first year he was in he didn't find much fun in it. Since then he has heard the birds sing once or twice and he likes base ball better than he ever did. The players like to have him take the road with them. There is nothing short of sponge cake and strawberry jam while he is with the team, and the quality of cigars which he enjoys after breakfast, and which he is particular to hand around to his friends, is so extra good that most of the players hide theirs away so that they will have a chance to enjoy them after dinner. If he happens to come around after dinner with more and better cigars—if it were possible to find better cigars—the players congratulate them-



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BROOKLYN SKIRTS CLEAR.

Everybody in Brooklyn will stack his faith on the no-syndicate matter. Ebbetts is clear of that. Perhaps there have been times when he would have preferred to have a syndicate. He couldn't be blamed if such were the case. There have been days when anybody would willingly trade the club for any old syndicate. A syndicate which was frayed at the edges and run down at the heel would have been preferable to the Brooklyn team. But this was not always the case, and in recent years Brooklyn really has shown something more substantial at the end of the year than receipts for salaries to players and bills still due to the man who furnished eggs for the lemonade.

BROOKLYN'S OUTFIELD.

Mr. Dahlen carefully notes that there will be some outfielders with the Brooklyn Club this year who will be superior to any of which we have boasted for some time. It's pretty certain that the Wheat young man is to be a regular. Wheat and Burch are both likely to be regulars. Wheat and Burch are a good vegetarian diet for any outfield. If we could only ring in Mr. Rye, or Oats, or some old chap something like that, I guess that the Brooklyn Club would commend itself to the simple livers all over the United States.

"BILL" DAHLEN

also affirms that he is getting into some condition himself, which would indicate that he will be playing ball on our team this year if he feels that he has a call to do so. Don't ever get the notion that Dahlen is all through as a ball player. I don't know that he cares for a regular job, but that old boy let go some pretty fair fielding last year for Boston when he was at his best, and he's so good a substitute that any young man who doesn't seem to be hitting things up just right is likely to be surprised by hearing a call to rest while the boss goes on the job on his own account.

REACH'S 1910 GUIDE.

In the Twenty-Eighth Yearly Official Hand Book of the American League the Reach Company Excel All Previous Efforts.

Reach's Official American League Guide for 1910, published by the A. J. Reach Company, of Philadelphia, and edited by Mr. Francis O. Richter, of "Sporting Life," is out, and is, as usual, first in the field, thus making it the harbinger of the base ball season. It can be said without any qualification that, excellent as all of the editions of the Reach Guide have been in recent years, the 1910 Guide is the best hand book of the kind ever issued by this or any other publisher. The special distinction of the 1910 Guide is, next to the text, quality of paper used and the number and beauty of the engravings furnished, the world's championship series being specially well dowered with splendid action pictures. The American League Guide for 1910 is in all respects a first-class hand book for the National game and a decided credit to the American League and to the publishers, the Reach Company. This is the ninth annual issue of the Reach Guide as the official handbook of the American League and the twenty-eighth consecutive year of its publication as a book of record and reference for the entire base ball world.



A. J. Reach

THE AMERICAN LEAGUE FIELD.

The book gives a complete review of the American League's ninth eventful season as a major league; complete records and averages of the American League 1909 race and players; a graphic story of the American League's part in the memorable post-season world's championship series of 1909; a synopsis of all remarkable American League pitching feats and also of all the noteworthy games of the 1909 season; and a general review of all matters affecting the American League during the whole of 1909 and 1910 up to publication. In this section is also given a review of the remarkable happenings during the 1909 season, including the dedication of the new Shibe Park in Philadelphia. The illustrations comprise portraits of President Johnson, Publisher A. J. Reach, Editor F. O. Richter; a group picture of the American League umpires; pictures of the champion batsman, Ty Cobb; of the leading

base runners, Cobb, Collins and Bush, and of the leading pitcher, George Mullin; and specially designed action pictures of all the American League teams of 1909. It may be justly said that these illustrations alone are worth more than the modest price of the volume.

THE FIELD AT LARGE.

The National League race of 1909 is also fully treated and exhaustive averages of the National League players are furnished, together with portraits of players Wagner, Bescher, Leach and Leever; and especially designed action pictures of all 1909 National League teams in the order in which they finished. The minor league field has been more exhaustively covered than ever before, and the records and averages of no less than thirty-four minor leagues are given in full, together with group pictures of champion teams of nearly all leagues. These leagues are the Eastern League, Western League, American Association, New York State League, Southern League, New England League, South Atlantic League, Central League, Pacific Coast League, Northwestern League, Connecticut League, Indiana-Illinois-Indiana League, Ohio-Pennsylvania League, Texas League, Tri-State League, Western Association, Virginia League, Eastern Carolina League; Western Canada League; Atlantic League; Wisconsin-Illinois League, Illinois-Missouri League, Pennsylvania-West Virginia League, Kansas League, Central Kansas League, Northern Indiana League, Northeastern Arkansas League, Blue Grass League, Wisconsin-Minnesota League, Central Association, Carolina Association, South Michigan League, Ohio State League, California State League.

THE 1909 WORLD'S CHAMPION SERIES is once more made the great special feature of the 1909 Reach Guide—and deservedly so, as it has become the great annual crowning event of the base ball season. In the Reach Guide is given the official account of all the wonderful games in the Pittsburgh-Detroit series of 1909, together with the official scores and averages, all from the pen of Editor Richter, who was the Official Scorer of the World's Series, by appointment of the National Commission. To this is added a series of illuminating action pictures and remarkable half-tone pictures of panoramic views of various games in the greatest world's championship series yet played. In addition there is given a special article containing the records of all of the players comprising the great Pittsburgh Club, champions of the National League and winners of the world's championship; and of the champion Detroit Club, of the American League.

OTHER SPECIAL FEATURES.

In addition to the above there is a great deal of general information contained in special articles, namely, the Chronology of 1909, a record of all major inter-league games of 1909, details of numerous record-breaking events in 1909. Special chapters are devoted to the no-hit games of 1909; the deaths of 1909; and a review of the many wonderful extra-inning games of 1909, several new records having been established. The work of the great minor league body, the National Association, and of the supreme National Commission is also detailed. Other special articles deal with the dedication of Shibe Park in Philadelphia and Forbes Field in Pittsburgh; the death of President Harry P. Williams, of the National League; Krause's wonderful pitching record; the record-breaking attendance in 1909; and a unique Congressional ball game. The Guide also contains the new uniform Playing Rules Code for 1910, and the 1910 championship schedules of the American League and National League. In short, everything of interest or value either for record or reference will be found within the covers of this great book. The Reach American League Guide for 1910 is for sale by all newsdealers at 10 cents the copy.

A GIANT CLAIMED.

Toledo, Ohio, March 7.—President Armour, of the Toledo (American Association) Club, sent first baseman Spencer to Portsmouth last spring for seasoning, and according to an agreement held by Secretary Farrell, of the National Association, recalled him at the end of the Ohio State League campaign. In the meantime Portsmouth sold the player to the New York Nationals, while the Toledo magnate had traded him to Canton in the Ohio-Pennsylvania League. Canton now demands the player, and in a communication received from Secretary Farrell Armour's right to Spencer is unquestioned, and it is believed he will report to Canton at once. Spencer is now with the New York Giants at Marlin Springs, Texas.

THE WORLD OF SHOOTING

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DEATH AT TRAPS

GRIM REAPER TAKES NOTED PORTLAND TRAPSHOOTER.

Charles F. Jordan, Famous Shooter, Stricken With Heart Disease at Paleface Gun Club—Big New England Tournament Called Off.

Wellington, Mass., March 5.—Charles F. Jordan, secretary of the Portland Gun Club, of Portland, Me., and a well-known business man of that city, was stricken with heart failure on the grounds of the Paleface Trapshooting Association about 2 o'clock this afternoon. He died in the arms of Gilbert Wheeler, of Brunswick, Me., with whom he was talking in the club house at the time. The sudden death of Mr. Jordan, who was one of the best known and most popular followers of trapshooting in New England, deeply affected the hundred-odd shooters assembled from all over New England and elsewhere, who were just starting on the big 100-target team match. The match was stopped and indefinitely postponed. The death put a damper on what promised to be one of the biggest and most exciting competitions held at the Paleface grounds since the Great Eastern Handicap shoot.

JORDAN WAS ON HAND

with a number of Maine shooters, and was to have participated in the team match as one of Horace Kirkwood's team. Although death must have occurred almost instantly, Dr. E. E. Gleason, of the B. A. A.; Dr. Foster, of Lawrence, and Dr. Funk, of Washington, who were present, tried every possible method of restoring the stricken man to consciousness. Almost as soon as he fell into the arms of "Gil" Wheeler, with whom he was talking about a setter dog, Dr. Gleason, aided by the other physicians and shooters, commenced to work on the unconscious man. After laboring incessantly for about an hour, it became apparent beyond all possible doubt that their efforts were in vain and that Jordan was dead. The only warning of the attack of heart failure to which he succumbed was his complaint to Wheeler just before he collapsed. He said to Wheeler, "Gil, I feel faint," and then fell against him. Wheeler, aided by others,

CAUGHT THE FALLING MAN,

who weighed nearly 200 pounds, and word was sent to the other shooters, who were outside, preparing to take their places on the firing platform. After the doctors gave up all hope word was sent to the Medford police headquarters and the medical examiner viewed the body, pronouncing death to be due to heart failure. The body was taken to the rooms of a Boston undertaker and was shipped on the train for Portland this evening, accompanied by the Portland men who came down with Mr. Jordan to take part in the big match. In the death of Mr. Jordan the trapshooting sport loses one of its most ardent and most popular devotees in the Eastern part of the United States. He was secretary-treasurer of the Portland Gun Club and was the captain of the team which met the Paleface team last August in Portland. At the time he entertained the visiting shooters royally and was known as a prince of good fellows among all followers of the sport. He was 49 years old and is survived by a wife. Arrangements were made this evening by Horace Kirkwood, governor-general of the Paleface Association, for the attendance of a delegation of that organization at the funeral.

Moore High at the B. A. A. Traps.

Boston, Mass., March 7.—G. C. Moore, with a handicap of 10, was high gun with a score of 98 in the 100-bird weekly handicap shoot of the B. A. A. Gun Club at Riverside on March 5. The scores:

100 TARGETS.

	B. H. T.
G. C. Moore	14 14 19 12 13 16 88 10 98
P. H. Richards	11 10 17 11 11 13 73 22 95
F. Whitney	10 12 16 12 12 15 77 16 93
F. H. Owen	15 14 12 12 12 16 81 10 91
D. Dewey	12 10 20 13 11 13 79 12 91
N. F. Green	11 11 18 9 12 13 74 16 90
G. Cornett	12 14 17 11 14 19 83 4 87
S. A. Ellis	12 14 17 11 12 17 83 2 85
H. W. Knight	10 11 17 12 10 13 73 12 85
E. C. Carney	10 10 16 11 11 11 69 15 84
C. B. Tucker	11 13 15 7 9 11 66 10 78
J. H. Daggett	8 10 13 10 8 15 64 10 74
A. A. Knights	7 7 11 6 10 14 55 18 73

Marden-Burns Team Wins.

Wellington, Mass., March 3.—Besides the regular weekly match of 100 targets at the Paleface traps here on February 26, a two-man team match, arranged by Charles and Sibley—the first of a series of four shoots—was shot. In fact the principal object of the day was to score high in this team match, and thus meet the challenge that was hurled at the Paleface brother guns by Charles and Sibley. Marden and Bobby Burns, with a score of 158—36—194, won the first shoot. Throughout the program the interest was keen and the scores were exceptionally good. The summary:

Targets	20 20 20 20 20 Ttl.
Kirkwood	19 17 19 19 19—94



SIM GLOVER,

A Professional Shooter of Reputation and Ability.

Sim Glover, of Rochester, N. Y., has been a shooter these many years and the back files of any paper will bear testimony to his frequent winnings. Eleven years ago "Sporting Life" recorded the fact that he had been shooting for 15 years, so that at the present time Mr. Glover can consistently celebrate a silver anniversary. His string of average wins and match victories is therefore of formidable length, though in some of the years he has experienced a few off periods, in common with other experts. In those good old days, when sweeps bid fair to decimate the ranks of amateurs, Sim Glover awoke to find himself famous as a "mercenary" shooter who came boldly forth and declared for the money. This was before his professional days and he admitted that he could not afford to shoot otherwise, being a shoemaker by trade. His declaration for cash reward in exchange for shooting skill within the amateur ranks was harshly criticized, but when the turmoil subsided more than one gave him credit for openly and honestly standing by his heartfelt opinion. Mr. Glover is a representative of J. H. Lau & Co., who handle Ballistite powder. He is a popular figure at all shoots, where, in addition to giving a fine exhibition of shooting, he fraternizes with the shooters and aids in making the tournament pleasant.

Burnes	18 19 17 18 19—91
Clarke	18 18 19 15 19—89
Charles	17 18 15 19 19—88
C. F. Morse	14 16 19 18 20—87
Climax	17 16 19 16 18—86
Sibley	19 16 19 17 15—86
Rule	17 17 15 19 17—85
Edwards	16 17 17 17 16—83
Hassam	14 18 14 18 18—82
Wheeler	16 12 16 17 17—78
Dickey	14 17 16 15 15—77
Webster	16 17 14 15 15—77
Daggett	11 17 16 16 16—76
R. Smith	15 15 16 12 16—74
Cole	9 13 13 15 18—68
Marden	14 12 16 11 14—67
E. E. Clapp	14 12 14 15 11—66
C. E. Clapp	16 9 13 13 14—65
Boland	13 11 9 12 11—58

TEAM MATCH.

	Broke.	Hdcp.	Score.
Marden and Burnes	158	36	194
Clarke and Hassam	171	16	187
Charles and Sibley	174	12	186
Cole and Kirkwood	161	20	181
Webster and Daggett	153	28	181
Climax and Rule	171	8	179
Dickey and Wheeler	155	24	179
E. E. Clapp and R. Smith	140	36	176
C. E. Clapp and Edwards	143	24	172
C. F. Morse and Boland	143	24	167
E. M. Morse and Emerson	119	48	167

Faye at Scratch Was High Gun.

Boston, Mass., March 3.—The weekly 100-bird handicap shoot of the B. A. A. Gun Club was held on February 26, at Riverside. R. A. Faye, scratch, was high gun with a score of 94. The weather conditions were bad, a strong wind blowing in the face of the shooters. The scores:

—100 Targets—

R. A. Faye	24 25 20 25 94 0 94
R. A. Richards	17 17 16 19 68 22 91
S. A. Ellis	21 18 20 21 80 2 82
J. E. Lynch	15 19 15 21 70 8 78
C. B. Tucker	19 17 18 14 68 10 78
C. C. Clapp	20 14 19 19 70 6 76
D. Dewey	13 10 18 21 62 12 74
J. D. Daggett	16 13 15 19 63 10 73
G. Cornett	18 17 15 15 65 4 69
F. Whitney	12 14 13 12 51 16 67

Clarke and Burns Paleface Leaders.

Wellington, Mass., March 7.—In a 100-

bird handicap match held at the Wellington traps of the Paleface Shooting Association on March 3, Clarke won high score for scratch man with an actual breakage of 87, and Bobby Burns led in the handicap event with a score of 104. Scores:

100-BIRD MATCH.

Targets	B. H. T.
Clarke	20 20 20 20 20 87 8 95
Burns	18 19 15 18 14 84 20 104
Morse	15 17 16 14 19 81 8 89
Bartholf	19 20 12 15 14 80 8 88
Higginson	17 11 17 17 17 79 8 87

BRYDEN CLUB'S EVENT.

Bi-Monthly Shoot Draws Good Field of Contestants.

By A. K. Ludwig.

Catasaqua, Pa., March 4.—Excellent scores were made at the bi-monthly shoot of the Bryden Gun Club, on Saturday, February 26. John L. Englert broke straight his 50 targets shot at. There is no use trying, none can beat John. If "Slim" would have been here this would have been a close race. They will meet some day. President Brown showed excellent ability, but no wonder, after being presented with that 13-pound little girl a week ago. This will soon add another crack shot to the Bryden list. R. Peacock shot a very good clip when he broke 52 out of 75. J. O'Neill broke 43 out of 75. That's going some for a beginner. W. Hepner followed the boys pretty close with 49 out of 75. Well done, Billy. C. Croller broke 34 out of 75. A little more clam chowder will help you some. A chicken and waffle supper will be tendered by the club on Saturday, May 30, 1910. A program of 100 targets will be arranged for this day and followed by the supper. Secretary J. B. Girard received the registration certificate from Elmer E. Shaner, Secretary-Manager, to hold the tournament on July 7 and 8, 1910.

Sh. Bk.	Sh. Bk.
R. Peacock	75 52 W. Hepner
J. O'Neill	75 43 J. L. Englert
J. Haines	50 29 G. E. Brown
C. Croller	75 34

QUAKER LEAGUE

PHILADELPHIA TRAPSHOOTERS HOLD FOURTH SERIES.

As a Result of Contests and Settlement of Dispute, Florists Have Lead in Race With Highland Close Second—Tie for Third.

BY THOMAS D. RICHTER.

Philadelphia, Pa., March 7.—The fourth scheduled shoot of the series of six for the championship of the Philadelphia Trapshooters' League was decided on Saturday, March 5, the contests taking place over the traps of the Highland Club, at Edge Hill, Pa., and the Haddonfield Gun Club, at Haddonfield, N. J. As a result of these contests and the decision of the League at its meeting on the night previous to the shoot, in regard to the disputed standing, the Florists now occupy first place with 11 points, being followed by Highland with 10, Haddonfield and South End, of Camden, are tied for third with 9, and S. S. White and Meadow Springs follow in order. It was a fine day for shooting, and the traps at Edge Hill and Haddonfield threw targets much to the liking of the contestants, with the result that the scores reached record figures. The Highlanders carried off the honors of the day with 443, setting a new team scoring mark. The ten members of the Edge Hill Club all shot above the 40 mark. The Whites reached the fine total of 437, while the Florists and S. S. White each wound up with 433. The

TWO JERSEY LEADERS

in the race, Haddonfield and South End, were displaced by the Florists and Highlands. The Florists succeeded in winning the match at Haddonfield by beating the home team and Meadow Springs, while Highland won from the S. S. Whites and South Ends after a spirited race. This gave the Florists the lead by one point over Highland, the points scored being 11 to 10. Haddonfield and South End are on even footing for third place, with the Whites in fourth and Meadow Springs last. The recent controversy between the Florists and Highlands over the tie shoot last month at Holmesburg Junction has been settled, according to announcement. At a meeting held by the organization on Friday night the following motion was made and passed upon by the members in session: Dr. George Gobell, of the Florists, moved that Brown and Worthington be declared eligible to shoot from February 4 and thereafter. This motion was seconded by V. V. Dorp, another Florist member, and it was passed.

SHOOTERS MADE ELIGIBLE.

With the passing of that motion both Brown and Worthington were made eligible to shoot in the league match the next day, which was the tie between the Florists and Highlands, and which now gives the Florists a victory over the Highlands by a score of 422 to 416. On the day in question Worthington's score was not counted, he breaking 45 for the Florists, but inasmuch as he has now been declared eligible for that shoot it gives Florists the victory and three points, Highland getting second place and two points. The scores follow:

At Edge Hill—Highland 443, S. S. White 437, South End 433.

At Haddonfield—Florists 433, Haddonfield 427, Meadow Springs 399.

The points scored and the targets broken

	Points.	Targets Broken.
Florists	11	1699
Highland	10	1704
Haddonfield	9	1642
South End	9	1638
S. S. White	5	1671
Meadow Springs	4	1516

HIGHLAND'S RECORD SCORES.

Edge Hill Team Makes Big Total Against South End and Whites.

In the heaviest scoring match of the Trapshooters' League the Highland Gun Club won the match scheduled at Edge Hill by outshooting the South End, of Camden, and the S. S. Whites. The three teams shot at a remarkable high average, the Highlands leading the way with a total breakage of 443 targets, the Whites finishing second with 437, and South End bringing up the procession with 433. The marksmanship was without doubt the best that has featured any of the championship shoots this season. Every gunner who made his respective team had to do 40 or better, and even that score, which is usually considered above the average for many of the gunners, was lowly when considered what the majority of the 30 shooters accomplished during their stay at the traps. The Highlanders' score is a record-breaker for the league. Not a gunner on the Highland team fell below the 43 mark; 41 was the lowest among the Jerseymen, while the 40 total was registered by three of the Whites. Sidebotham, of the Whites was the highest individual scorer, he breaking 49 of

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HOLD FOURTH SERIES.

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his 50 targets. Newcomb, of the same team, finished with one less, and Griffith, another White, got 47. Scores:

HIGHLAND.						
	B.	B.	Tl.	B.	B.	Tl.
Mink	25	21	46	Bender	23	21 44
Pfeffer	22	23	45	N. Clark	22	22 44
G. Clark	24	21	45	Mooney	20	23 43
Herman	21	24	45	Alman	20	23 43
Cooper	22	22	44			
Franklin	23	21	44			443
S. S. WHITE.						
	B.	B.	Tl.	B.	B.	Tl.
Sidebotham ..	25	24	49	Harper	21	20 41
Newcomb	24	24	48	Pontain	19	21 40
Griffith	23	24	47	Appleton	16	24 40
Severn	22	23	45	St. Clair	21	19 40
Taney	23	21	44			
Mathews	20	23	43			437
SOUTH END.						
	B.	B.	Tl.	B.	B.	Tl.
Hinellins	23	22	45	Cordery	19	24 43
Pechmann	21	23	44	Rotheral	20	22 42
Cross	24	20	44	Goodfellow	23	19 42
Muller	22	23	45	Green	19	22 41
Radcliffe	22	22	44			
Felming	22	21	43			433

The scores made by the gunners who failed to make their respective teams follow:

HIGHLAND.						
	B.	B.	Tl.	B.	B.	Tl.
Roache	21	15	36	Brooks	21	20 41
Ringold	18	21	39	Lober	13	11 24
Brown	23	22	45	Lohr	13	11 24
Mercer	19	17	36	Davis	23	19 42
Hibbs	17	13	30	Perry	16	15 31
Lutz	20	16	36	Laurent	13	16 29
Ludly	13	18	31	Wright	16	13 29
Denham	19	19	38	Harkins	17	13 30
Biddle	20	19	39	W. Dalton	18	19 37
W. Dalton	21	21	42	German	22	25 47
Hoover	21	19	40			
SOUTH END.						
	B.	B.	Tl.	B.	B.	Tl.
Reron	18	17	35	Keating	15	18 33
Holloway	15	13	28	Soestman	18	14 32
Eisenhardt	20	16	36	Waheman	21	20 41
Williams	18	23	41	Butler	21	20 41
Firth	16	20	36	F. Soestman	6	4 10
Homer	17	20	37	Murphy	16	17 33
Simpkins	13	11	24	H. Bartlett	13	14 27
H. Johnson	12	20	32	Barrington	19	15 34
W. Johnson	12	19	31			
S. S. WHITE.						
	B.	B.	Tl.	B.	B.	Tl.
Mathews	17	20	37	Heite	13	11 24
Byer	19	18	37	Robinson	18	19 37
Kendall	17	20	37	Firth	20	15 35
Whittherton	11	20	31	Hinkson	16	15 31

FLORISTS' FINE VICTORY,

The League Leaders Down Haddonfield and Meadow Springs.

The league match at Haddonfield was bitterly contested all the way through, and it took the last squads to swing the victory to the Florists, who made a total of 433, with the Haddonfield Gun Club second with 427, and Meadow Springs third, 399. The perfect weather made the scores more than ordinarily high, and the match was keenly fought from the opening squad until the last sheet had been turned in. First one club and then the other led, and when the Meadow Springs was out of it the rivalry between the Florists and Haddonfield was intense, and a big crowd watched each score as it was posted on the club house. The Florists luckily had Sloan and "Butch" Landis to qualify in the last squad, and though the tail end of the Haddonfield Club made a heroic effort, the two men named clinched the victory for the Florists. All three clubs had out nearly the full strength of their membership, and the stars of each shot true to form. Yet with all the high scores at each trap there was only one straight, and that singularly fell to Meadow Springs, Soley running his 25 without a miss over the first trap. There were quite a few 24s and scores of 20 and better were numerous, but more than once a good total was punctured by the erratic flight of the targets thrown by the second trap. Scores:

FLORISTS.							
	B.	B.	Tl.		B.	B.	Tl.
Bwling	23	21	47	Westcott	23	19	42
Buckwalter	23	23	46	Sloan	21	21	42
Cook	24	22	46	Landis	20	21	41
Frank	20	24	44	Goebel	21	20	41
Shew	24	19	43	Massey	22	19	41
Westcott	23	19	42				
Total							433

OTHER SCORES.			
Hamlin	B. B. Tl.	B. B. Tl.	
23	17	40	Duffy
23	17	40	21 16 37
Schnepf	22	18	40 Little
22	18	40	19 18 37
Young	21	19	40 Reynolds
21	19	40	19 16 35
Lewis	20	19	39 J. Ladomus
20	19	39	16 18 34
Skelly	18	21	39 Fulmer
18	21	39	19 15 34
Copple	19	19	38 Doremus
19	19	38	15 16 34
Coleman	21	17	38 Sweeney
21	17	38	18 13 31
Pennington	20	18	38 Anderson
20	18	38	19 12 31
Lee	19	19	38 Thomas
19	19	38	17 11 28
Boyer	19	18	37 B. Ladomus
19	18	37	15 13 28

HADDONFIELD.							
	B.	B.	Tl.		B.	B.	Tl.
Lawrence	24	23	47	Webster	23	19	42
Gaskill	24	21	45	Cozzens	21	20	41
Bates	22	21	43	Thomas	21	19	40
Holloway	23	20	43	Shreve	22	18	40
Peacock	24	19	43				
Bergen	21	22	43	Total			427

OTHER SCORES.			
J. Heiss	B. B. Tl.	B. B. Tl.	
20	20	40	Lichtenstein
20	20	40	17 18 35
J. Tomlinson	20	20	40 Clark
20	20	40	17 17 34

FORTHCOMING SHOOTING EVENTS



APPENDED will be found a complete and correct list of all shooting events scheduled for the near or remote future. The list comprises tournaments registered under the auspices of the Inter-State Association; tournaments not registered but listed by independent organizations; and fixed club events. Secretaries of gun clubs are requested to see that any events scheduled by their clubs are entered in this standing calendar and any corrections are promptly announced.

A Week's Registrations.

Since our last issue the following additional registrations for shoots have been received by Secretary-Manager Elmer E. Shaner, of the Interstate Association:

April 14—Salem, N. J. Salem County Rod and Gun Club. H. W. Bossler, secretary.	May 12—Laverne, Minn. Laverne Gun Club. A. O. Moreaux, secretary.
April 15—Jacksonburg, W. Va. Monongahela Valley Sportsmen's League. Ed. H. Taylor, secretary.	May 17, 18—Omaha, Neb. Benson Gun Club. F. T. Lovering, secretary.
April 16, 17—Madera, Cal. Madera Rod and Gun Club. P. C. Thede, secretary.	May 26, 27—Janesville, Wis. Janesville Gun Club. J. H. McVicar, secretary.
April 19—Lawrence, Mass. Lawrence Fish and Game Gun Club. W. W. Bradbury, secretary.	May 28—Trenton, N. J. Trenton Shooting Association. Fred W. Mathews, manager.
April 26, 27—Paden City, W. Va. Paden Park Shooting Club. T. M. McIntire, manager.	May 30—New Haven, Conn. New Haven Gun Club. H. A. Barnes, secretary.
April 26, 27—Jacksonville, Ill. Nichols Park Gun Club. Jas. A. Groves, secretary.	June 3—Morgantown, W. Va. Monongahela Valley Sportsmen's League. Ed. H. Taylor, secretary.
April 27, 28—New Orleans, La. Tally-Ho Gun Club. G. H. Brockman, president.	June 10, 11—Hudson, S. Dak. Hudson Gun Club. W. P. Iverson, secretary.
May 12—Manning, Ia. Manning Gun Club. E. E. Breckenridge, secretary.	June 13, 14, 15—St. Paul, Minn. St. Paul Rod and Gun Club. L. J. Piess, secretary.
May 12, 13—Laverne, Minn. Laverne Gun Club. A. O. Moreaux, secretary.	July 8—Clarkburg, W. Va. Monongahela Valley Sportsmen's League. Ed. H. Taylor, secretary.
May 17, 18—Omaha, Neb. Benson Gun Club. F. T. Lovering, secretary.	July 26—Fairmont, W. Va. Monongahela Valley Sportsmen's League. Ed. H. Taylor, secretary.
May 26, 27—Janesville, Wis. Janesville Gun Club. J. H. McVicar, secretary.	August 9—Morgantown, W. Va. Monongahela Valley Sportsmen's League. Ed. H. Taylor, secretary.
May 28—Trenton, N. J. Trenton Shooting Association. Fred W. Mathews, manager.	September 5—Clarkburg, W. Va. Monongahela Valley Sportsmen's League. Ed. H. Taylor, secretary.
May 30—New Haven, Conn. New Haven Gun Club. H. A. Barnes, secretary.	October 6, 7—Jacksonburg, W. Va. Monongahela Valley Sportsmen's League. Ed. H. Taylor, secretary.

Tournaments Registered.

MARCH.

March 16, 17—Baltimore, Md. A. G. Alford Sporting Goods Company Gun Club. Geo. P. Mordecai, president.	June 2—Milton, Wis. Milton Gun Club. E. R. Starks, secretary.
March 17, 18—Brampton, Canada. Brampton Gun Club. J. S. Beck, secretary.	June 2—Mt. Horeb, Wis. Mt. Horeb Gun Club. James Brown, secretary.
March 23, 24—Jewell, Ia. Jewell Gun Club. W. S. Hoon, secretary.	June 2, 3, 4—Atlantic City, N. J. New Jersey State tournament. A. H. Sheppard, secretary.
March 24—Allentown, Pa. Lehigh Valley Shooting Association. Allen Hill, secretary.	June 4, 5—E. St. Louis, Ill. Progressive Gun Club. N. R. Hilt, secretary.
March 25—Exeter, Ont., Canada. Exeter Gun Club. W. Johns, secretary.	June 7—Hoopeston, Ill. Hoopeston Gun Club. Edw. Erickson, secretary.
March 28—Atlantic City, N. J. Atlantic City Gun Club. A. H. Sheppard, secretary.	June 7, 8, 9—Syracuse, N. Y. New York State Sportsmen's Association tournament. Under the auspices of the Syracuse, N. Y. 53d annual tournament. Chas. G. Blandford, secretary.

APRIL.

April 1, 2—Troy, N. Y. Laureate Boat Club. J. J. Farrell, manager.	June 10, 11—Wellington, Mass. Paleface Gun Club. H. C. Kirkwood, secretary.
April 6—Roselle Park, N. J. Interborough Gun Club. L. O. Bogart, secretary.	June 10, 11, 12—Missoula, Mont. Montana State Sportsmen's Association tournament. Under the auspices of the Missoula Gun Club. G. C. Mapes, secretary.
April 6—Marion, Ia. Queen City Gun Club. Frank Howard, secretary.	June 15, 16—St. Albans, Vt. Vermont State Trapsportsmen's League tournament. Under the auspices of the St. Albans Gun Club. A. S. Head, president.
April 7—Atglen, Pa. Atglen Gun Club. Lloyd R. Lewis, manager.	June 16, 17—Rogers Springs, Tenn. Rogers Springs Gun Club. E. B. Coe, secretary.
April 7—Dublin, O. Dublin Gun Club. W. H. Doming, secretary.	June 16, 17—Charleston, W. Va. West Virginia State tournament. Under the auspices of the Charleston Gun Club. Dr. Gwynn Nicholson, secretary.
April 7, 8—West Frankfort, Ill. West Frankfort Gun Club. W. C. Rains, secretary.	June 21—Chicago, Ill. The Interstate Association's Eleventh Grand American Handicap tournament. On the grounds of the Chicago Gun Club. The amount of added money at the G. A. H. tournament will be announced later. Elmer E. Shaner, secretary-manager, Pittsburg, Pa.
April 9—Phillipsburg, N. J. Alert Gun Club. E. F. Markley, manager.	June 28, 29—Butler, Pa. Butler Rod and Gun Club. Geo. J. Elliott, secretary.
April 12, 13—Harvard, Neb. Harvard Gun Club. O. Hoffman, secretary.	June 28, 29, 30—Redfield, S. Dak. Redfield Gun Club. Dr. E. E. Giltner, secretary.
April 13, 14—Blue Mound, Ill. Blue Mound Gun Club. J. W. Robbins, secretary.	June 29—Lanesboro, Pa. United Sportsmen of Pennsylvania. J. F. Meehan, secretary.
April 15, 16—Reading, Pa. South End Gun Club. Howard Melchior, secretary.	
April 18—San Jose, Ill. San Jose Gun Club. Wm. Wolf, president.	
April 18, 19—Atlantic, Ia. Atlantic Gun Club. P. I. Appleman, secretary.	
April 19—Springfield, Mass. Springfield Shooting Club Spring tournament. C. I. Klites, secretary.	
April 19, 20—Beaver Crossing, Neb. Beaver Crossing Gun Club. J. C. Evans, secretary.	
April 20, 21—Thompsonville, Ga. Thompsonville Gun Club. Ira Galbraith, secretary.	
April 20, 21—Circleville, O. Ideal Gun Club. E. M. Stout, secretary.	
April 26, 27—Centerville, Iowa. Centerville Gun Club. J. A. Koonitz, secretary.	
April 27—Greensboro, N. C. Greensboro Gun Club. T. G. Proctor, secretary.	
April 26, 27, 28—Pawnee, Okla. Oklahoma State tournament. Under the auspices of the Pawnee Gun Club. D. B. Herriman, secretary.	
April 30, May 1—Bellairs Grove, Mo. Peerless Rod and Gun Club. N. M. Hobbs, secretary.	

MAY.

May 1, 2—Watertown, Wis. Watertown Gun Club. Ben H. Rieck, secretary.	July 3, 4, 5—Galveston, Tex. Texas State Sportsmen's Association tournament. Under the auspices of the Galveston Gun Club. E. D. Chadick, manager.
May 3, 4—Spirit Lake, Ia. Spirit Lake Gun Club. L. S. Williams, secretary.	July 4—Roanoke, Va. Roanoke Gun Club. A. H. Boyd, president.
May 3—Columbus, Ga. The Interstate Association's Fifth Southern Handicap tournament. Under the auspices of the Columbus Gun Club. \$1,000 added money. Elmer E. Shaner, secretary-manager, Pittsburg, Pa.	July 7, 8—Catasauqua, Pa. Bryden Gun Club. A. B. Girard, secretary.
May 3, 4, 5—Hutchinson, Kan. Kansas State tournament. Under the auspices of the Hutchinson Gun Club. C. T. Rankin, secretary.	July 10, 11—Fargo, N. Dak. North Dakota State Sportsmen's Association tournament. Under the auspices of the Fargo Gun Club. Albert E. Rose, secretary.
May 4, 5—Benton, Ill. Benton Gun Club. W. H. Foulk, secretary.	July 13, 14, 15—Columbus, O. Columbus Gun Club. Lon Fisher, secretary.
May 5—Temple, Pa. Hercules Gun Club. A. K. Ludwig, secretary.	July 19—21—Philadelphia, Pa. The Interstate Association's fifth Eastern Handicap tournament. Under the auspices of the Philadelphia Shooting Association. Elmer E. Shaner, secretary-manager, Pittsburg, Pa.
May 8, 9—Atholton, Kan. Forest Park Gun Club. Joe Fusselman, manager.	July 19, 20—Peoria, Ill. Peoria Gun Club. Chas. L. Portman, secretary.

T. Tomlinson	20	20	40	Delmer	16	17	33
E. Holloway	19	20	39	Pedler	19	14	23
C. Holloway	20	19	39	Padlock	18	13	31
Vaughan	21	18	39	Tompkins	21	9	30
Stafford	21	17	38	E. Gaskill	14	16	30
Logan	20	18	38	Albertson	14	14	28
Jones	20	18	38	J. Heiss, Jr.	11	15	26
Tule	20	17	37	Dungan	16	7	23
K. Peacock	22	14	36	Garrett	11	11	22

May 10—Pillow, Pa. Pillow Gun Club. J. A. Bingham, secretary.

May 10, 11, 12—Boise, Ida. Idaho State Sportsmen's Association. Frank M. Eastman, secretary.

May 11—Maple Park, Ill. Maple Park Gun Club. M. J. Beverly, secretary.

May 11, 12—Eagle Grove, Ia. Eagle Grove Gun Club. A. L. Yearous, secretary.

May 11, 12—St. James, Mo. St. James Gun Club. R. W. Carpenter, secretary.

May 11, 12—Camden, Ark. Camden Gun Club. J. P. Wright, secretary.

May 13—Berwick, Pa. Berwick Rod and Gun Club. W. I. Shrader, secretary.

May 14—Lansdale, Pa. Lansdale Gun Club. L. L. Swartz, secretary.

May 14—Bethel, Conn. Bethel Gun Club. C. K. Bailey, secretary.

May 17, 18, 19—Edge Hill, Pa. Pennsylvania State Sportsmen's Association tournament, under the auspices of the Highland Shooting Association. J. Franklin Meehan, secretary.

May 17, 18, 19—Chicago, Ill. Illinois State Sportsmen's Association tournament, under the auspices of the Chicago Gun Club. C. P. Zacher, secretary.

May 17, 18, 19—Walla Walla, Wash. Sportsmen's Association of the Northwest tournament under the auspices of the Walla Walla Rod and Gun Club. T. D. Barclay, secretary.

May 18—Garden Prairie, Ill. Garden Prairie Gun Club. H. O. Sears, secretary.

May 18, 19—Auburn, N. Y. Cayuga County Gun Club. Jos. N. Knapp, secretary.

May 18, 19—Gallons, O. Gallons Gun Club. U. E. Campbell, president.

May 24, 25—Montpelier, Vt. Montpelier Gun Club. Dr. C. H. Burr, secretary.

May 24, 25—Des Moines, Ia. The Interstate Association's Fifth Western Handicap tournament; \$1,000 added money. Elmer E. Shaner, secretary-manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

May 25, 26—Herrin, Ill. Southern Illinois Trapsportsmen's League tournament under the auspices of the Herrin Gun Club. O. H. McNeill, secretary.

May 26, 27—Crandall, S. Dak. Crandall Gun Club. W. A. Brown, secretary.

May 27—Canandaigua, N. Y. Canandaigua Sportsmen's Club. W. J. Kibbe, secretary.

May 30—Pittsfield, Mass. Berkshire Gun Club. John Ranshousen, secretary.

May 30—McKeesport, Pa. McKeesport Gun Club. L. W. Cannon, secretary.

May 30—Carriack, Pa. Carriack Rod and Gun Club. C. E. Eades, secretary.

May 31—Buffalo, N. Y. Buffalo Audubon Club. Dr. W. C. Woodton, secretary.

May 31, June 1, 2, 3—Cleveland, O. Ohio State tournament under the auspices of the Cleveland Gun Club. F. H. Wallace, manager.

May 31, June 1, 2—Columbus, Neb. Nebraska State Sportsmen's Association tournament, under the auspices of the Columbus Gun Club. Dan Bray, president.

May 30, 31—Portland, Me. Portland Gun Club. C. F. Jordan, secretary.

NEW YORK NEWS

ATHLETIC CLUB BEATS YALE IN TEAM SHOOT.

Collegians Lose to Clubmen at Travers Island in 500 Point Match, 415 to 401—Results at Crescent A. C. and Other Traps.

New York, N. Y., March 7.—Shooting only a shade worse than their rivals in a 500 point team match at Travers Island on March 5, gunners of Yale University lost their annual competition against the representatives of the New York Athletic Club by the close margin of fourteen points. At the conclusion of two hours of erratic shooting on both sides, the five men of the home club had a total 415 to their credit to 401 for the collegians. While the "Mercury Foot" gunners led practically from the start, their advantage was never large enough to preclude the possibility of defeat. The New Havenites, after a mediocre start in the first round, improved on their second string to the extent of 26 targets, but the New York A. C. team maintained its lead by showing a corresponding increase. In the third round the collegians again shot below form, and the clubmen followed suit. Then came the final string, and again, strange to say, both sides improved almost to the same degree. To M. V. Lenane, of the winning team, fell the honor of being high gun in the match, his score being 92 out of a possible 100, while M. Hebard, the Yale captain, returned the top score for his side. Both Lenane and Hebard made perfect scores of 25 during the competition, as did also F. H. Schaffler and O. C. Grinnell, of the New York A. C. The regular club events brought out the largest field of the season, 30 trapshooters, aside from the Yale men, being on hand. Two extra traps were pressed into service at one o'clock, and the firing continued without interruption until dusk. In the most closely contested event, O. C. Grinnell won the Haslin Cup after a shoot-off of three perfect scores with M. V. Lenane and F. H. Schaffler. The summary:

NEW YORK ATHLETIC CLUB.				
Targets	25	25	25	Tl.
C. W. Billings	21	24	20	21
G. F. Pelham	17	19	15	51
M. V. Lenane	23	25	20	21
O. C. Grinnell	16	25	21	23
F. H. Schaffler	21	25	18	21
Totals	98	118	96	415

YALE UNIVERSITY.				
Targets	25	25	25	Tl.
L. S. Morrison	17	23	20	23
G. E. Dimock	14	23	19	20
M. H. Noel	19	22	18	20
M. Hebard	17	25	21	21
D. C. Thompson	22	22	17	18
Totals	89	115	95	401

CLUB SHOOT EVENTS.				
Westley Richards gun, handicap, 25 targets.				
H. T.	H. T.	H. T.	H. T.	H. T.
W. B. Ogden	3	25	R. Debacher	5
G. L. Bready	4	24	W. Stone	2
M. V. Lenane	1	24	O. C. Grinnell	1
J. G. Batterson	2	23	F. Pelham	1
Dr. C. L. Culver	0	22	C. L. Edey	5
T. Lenane, Jr.	5	22	E. A. Wilson	1
G. J. Corbett	4	22	D. Scoble	2
J. Brandreth	0	22	Dr. Wilson	5
C. W. Billings	1	22	J. V. A. Cattus	4
F. H. Schaffler	2	21	W. Minford	0
T. J. O'Donohue	2	20	P. Beale	3
E. Eckart	4	20	J. Wellbrook	0

Haslin cup, handicap, 25 targets.				
H. T.	H. T.	H. T.	H. T.	H. T.
O. C. Grinnell	0	25	G. F. Pelham	1
M. V. Lenane	0	25	T. J. O'Donohue	2
F. H. Schaffler	0	25	E. A. Wilson	1
W. Stone	2	25	G. O'Donohue	2
C. W. Billings	1	25	D. Scoble	2
G. J. Corbett	4	24	T. Lenane, Jr.	5
J. V. A. Cattus	4	24	G. L. Brady	4
Dr. D. L. Culver	0	23	J. Wellbrook	0
W. B. Ogden	2	22	C. L. Edey	5
E. Eckart	4	22	W. Minford	0
P. Beale	3	21	R. Debacher	5
Dr. Wilson	5	21		

Shoot-off—O. C. Grinnell, 0-23; M. V. Lenane, 1-21; F. H. Schaffler, 0-18.				
Stoll cup, handicap, 25 targets.				
H. T.	H. T.	H. T.	H. T.	H. T.
G. M. Thomson	3	25	T. J. O'Donohue	2
J. G. Batterson	2	25	D. Scoble	2
G. J. Corbett	4	23	J. Brandreth	0
T. Lenane, Jr.	5	23	W. B. Ogden	2
O. C. Grinnell	0	23	J. V. A. Cattus	4
G. Lembeck	2	23	F. H. Schaffler	0
R. Debacher	5	22	W. Winford	4
Dr. D. L. Culver	5	21	E. A. Wilson	1
Dr. Wilson	5	21	W. Stone	2
C. L. Edey	5	21	E. Eckart	4
C. W. Billings	1	21	G. F. Pelham	1
M. V. Lenane	0	21	D. Hinds	0
R. Spotts	0	21	A. Tilt	3
O. Reynolds	2	21	P. Beale	3
G. L. Bready	4	20	J. Wellbrook	0
Shoot-off—G. M. Thomson, 3-23; J. G. Batterson, 2-22.				

Twenty-five birds, handicap, Accumulative cup.				
H. T.	H. T.	H. T.	H. T.	H. T.
T. Lenane, Jr.	13	17	T. J. O'Donohue	12
W. D. Hinds	19	20	H. H. Wells	24
K. R. Hooker	15	16	W. J. Elias	18
J. G. Batterson	24	24	E. A. Wilson	22
W. B. Short	21	22		
Won by J. G. Batterson.				

Twenty-five birds, handicap, Sauer gun.				
H. T.	H. T.	H. T.	H. T.	H. T.
E. G. Unit	18	22	W. J. Elias	20
W. D. Hinds	18	18	A. B. Alley	17
K. R. Hooker	22	22	E. A. Wilson	14
J. G. Batterson	23	23	David Rait	12
W. B. Short	20	21	L. Spotts	15
H. H. Wells	21	21	T. Lenane, Jr.	13
Won by J. G. Batterson.				

Twenty-five birds, handicap, March cup.				
H. T.	H. T.	H. T.	H. T.	H. T.
T. Lenane, Jr.	14	18	H. H. Wells	23
W. D. Hinds	21	22	W. J. Elias	22
K. R. Hooker	21	22	E. A. Wilson	16
J. G. Batterson	20	20	A. B. Alley	16
W. B. Short	15	17	David Rait	10
Won by W. J. Elias.				

Twenty-five birds, handicap, Baudouine prize.				
H. T.	H. T.	H. T.	H. T.	H. T.
T. Lenane, Jr.	12	16	W. J. Elias	20
W. D. Hinds	19	20	E. A. Wilson	20
K. R. Hooker	21	22	A. B. Alley	13
Won by J. G. Batterson.				

Piercy Wins at Crescent.
New York, N. Y., March 7.—Under the excellent weather conditions of March 5, the gunners of the Crescent Athletic Club did some good work at their traps at Bay Ridge. Full scores were made in six of the ten matches decided, and there was some close shooting done in some of the contests. The attendance was quite as good as upon

any other day this season. Shooting from scratch, G. E. Piercy won the leg for the March Cup. He shot against 18 others and he broke all but one of his 25 targets. He was also the winner of the scratch contest, in which 16 competed for the prize. Mr. Piercy shot a full score in this match. The summaries:

March cup, handicap, 25 targets.				
H. T.	H. T.	H. T.	H. T.	H. T.
G. E. Piercy	0	24	Dr. Burtis	0
C. R. James	3	23	L. M. Palmer	0
W. W. Marshall	4	23	W. W. Green	0
H. M. Brigham	0	22	F. S. Hyatt	2
F. B. Stephenson	0	21	W. Lang	4
A. G. Southworth	0	21	A. E. Hendrickson	1
J. J. Keyes	1	21	C. R. Lockwood	2
H. W. Woodcock	1	21	D. T. Leahy	1
J. H. Vanderveer	1	20	J. F. James	4
M. Stiner	1	20		
Leg won by Piercy.				

Trophy match, handicap, 25 targets.				
H. T.	H. T.	H. T.	H. T.	H. T.
J. J. Keyes	2	25	J. P. Fairchild	0
F. B. Stephenson	0	22	M. Stiner	1
H. M. Brigham	0	22	L. S. Hyatt	2
L. M. Palmer	0	22	J. D. Burtis	0
G. E. Piercy	0	21	W. Lang	4
A. E. Hendrickson	1	21	D. T. Leahy	1
W. W. Green	0	21	J. F. James	4
C. R. James	3	20	W. W. Marshall	4
J. H. Vanderveer	1	20		
Leg won by Piercy.				

Trophy match, handicap, 25 targets.				
H. T.	H. T.	H. T.	H. T.	H. T.
D. T. Leahy	1	25	C. R. James	3
H. M. Brigham	0	24	G. E. Piercy	0
M. Stiner	1	24	W. Lang	4
F. B. Stephenson	0	23	J. D. Burtis	0
J. P. Fairchild	0	23	L. M. Palmer	0
J. H. Vanderveer	1	22	W. W. Marshall	4
J. J. Keyes	1	22	A. E. Hendrickson	1
W. W. Green	0	22	J. F. James	4
Won by Leahy.				

Team shoot, handicap, 25 targets.				
H. T.	H. T.	H. T.	H. T.	H. T.
L. M. Palmer	0	22	J. J. Keyes	2
H. M. Brigham	0	22	H. W. Woodcock	2
Totals	44			38
A. G. Southworth	0	22	A. E. Hendrickson	1
J. H. Vanderveer	1	19	W. C. Dawson	3
Totals	41			41
F. S. Hyatt	2	21		
C. R. Lockwood	2	17		
Totals	38			38

Team and trophy shoot, 25 targets, handicap.				
H. T.	H. T.	H. T.	H. T.	H. T.
W. C. Damron	3	23	C. R. James	3
H. M. Brigham	0	22	J. J. Keyes	1
A. G. Southworth	0	22	A. E. Hendrickson	1
G. E. Piercy	0	22	W. Lang	4
J. D. Burtis	0	21	C. R. Lockwood	2
F. S. Hyatt	2	21	D. T. Leahy	1
L. M. Palmer	0	20	J. P. Fairchild	0
H. W. Woodcock	1	20	W. W. Marshall	4
F. B. Stephenson	0	19	J. F. James	4
J. H. Vanderveer	1	19		
Won by Damron.				

Scratch shoot, 15 targets.				
H. T.	H. T.	H. T.	H. T.	H. T.
G. E. Piercy	15	J. P. Fairchild	12	
J. H. Vanderveer	14	J. J. Keyes	12	
D. T. Leahy	14	W. C. Damron	12	
A. G. Southworth	14	H. W. Woodcock	12	
H. M. Brigham	13	F. S. Hyatt	11	
F. B. Stephenson	13	L. M. Palmer	9	
J. D. Burtis	13	C. R. James	8	
W. Green	12	W. W. Marshall	8	
Won by Piercy.				

Stake trophy, handicap, 25 targets.				
H. T.	H. T.	H. T.	H. T.	H. T.
W. C. Damron	3	24	F. S. Hyatt	2
F. B. Stephenson	0	24	W. W. Green	2
J. J. Keyes	2	24	M. Stiner	0
J. D. Burtis	0	23	M. Brigham	0
L. M. Palmer	3	23	J. H. Vanderveer	1
A. E. Hendrickson	1	23		
Shoot-off—Damron 25, Stephenson 22.				

Marine and Field Club.				
New York, N. Y., March 7.—Nine gunners competed at the Bath Beach traps of the Marine and Field Club March 5. A leg on the president's cup was captured by C. B. Ludwig and E. H. Lott was high gun in a special shoot at 100 targets. A 50-target shoot was taken by J. M. Knox and a 25-target event fell to the steady aim of E. H. Lott. The scores:				

President's cup, 50 targets, handicap—C. B. Ludwig, 10, 38; C. D. Fayre, 10, 35; J. M. Knox, 8, 33; J. H. Emanuel, Jr., 8, 33; W. S. Pardoner, scratch, 32; C. M. Camp, scratch, 30.				
Special cup, 50 targets, handicap—J. M. Knox, 10, 40; W. S. Pardoner, 2, 30; C. B. Ludwig, 8, 32; E. H. Lott, scratch, 32; E. H. Osborn, 6, 31; C. D. Fayre, 10, 30; C. M. Camp, scratch, 25; H. W. Fisher, 4, 22.				

Special shoot, 25 targets, handicap—E. H. Lott, scratch, 23; C. D. Fayre, 5, 19; W. S. Pardoner, 1, 18; J. M. Knox, 5, 17; C. M. Camp, scratch, 17; H. W. Fisher, 4, 14.				
SPECIAL SHOOT, 100 TARGETS.				
Targets	25	25	25	Tl.
E. H. Lott	17	18	23	20
C. M. Camp	17	20	17	16
W. S. Pardoner	18	16	12	10
H. W. Fisher	18	16	12	10
J. H. Emanuel, Jr.	15	13	12	12
C. D. Fayre	10	14	14	13
E. H. Osborn	13	12	11	14

Larchmont's Sunday Shoot.				
New York, N. Y., March 7.—In the shoot of the Larchmont Yacht Club gunners yesterday J. G. Batterson carried off the honors of the day, breaking 104 out of 125 clay targets shot at. He won two events, as did W. J. Elias. K. R. Hooker and W. B. Short were the other winners. Scores:				

Twenty-five birds, handicap, Accumulative cup.				
H. T.	H. T.	H. T.	H. T.	H. T.
T. Lenane, Jr.	13	17	T. J. O'Donohue	12
W. D. Hinds	19	20	H. H. Wells	24
K. R. Hooker	15	16	W. J. Elias	18
J. G. Batterson	24	24	E. A. Wilson	22
W. B. Short	21	22		
Won by J. G. Batterson.				

Twenty-five birds, handicap, Sauer gun.				
H. T.	H. T.	H. T.	H. T.	H. T.
E. G. Unit	18	22	W. J. Elias	20
W. D. Hinds	18	18	A. B. Alley	17
K. R. Hooker	22	22	E. A. Wilson	14
J. G. Batterson	23	23	David Rait	12
W. B. Short	20	21	L. Spotts	15
H. H. Wells	21	21	T. Lenane, Jr.	13
Won by J. G. Batterson.				

Twenty-five birds, handicap, March cup.				
H. T.	H. T.	H. T.	H. T.	H. T.
T. Lenane, Jr.	14	18	H. H. Wells	23
W. D. Hinds	21	22	W. J. Elias	22
K. R. Hooker	21	22	E. A. Wilson	16
J. G. Batterson	20	20	A. B. Alley	16
W. B. Short	15	17	David Rait	10
Won by W. J. Elias.				

Twenty-five birds, handicap, Baudouine prize.				
H. T.	H. T.	H. T.	H. T.	H. T.
T. Lenane, Jr.	12	16	W. J. Elias	20
W. D. Hinds	19	20	E. A. Wilson	20

CURRENT COMMENT

By
Gun Editor Thomas S. Dando

PHILADELPHIA, MARCH 12, 1910.

DODGING GAME LAWS.

FROM Baltimore we have received advices to the effect that it is planned to hold a joint meeting of Game and Fish Commissioners and deputy wardens of Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia and Delaware to devise an arrangement for the better protection of game. Chief Deputy Game Warden Sidney Jones, of Maryland, is making the arrangements. He has a plan to prevent the many violations of the law. According to Mr. Jones the game protectors at present are powerless to bring those who violate the laws of Maryland to justice, as they jump to other States. He cites an incident that recently happened at Delmar, Md., where one side of the street is in Maryland and the other side in Delaware. At that place the violators of the law can step from one side of the street to the other without fear of being arrested. On this occasion, Mr. Jones says, the violators of the law in Maryland carried their game over the line into Delaware, where they shipped it to New York. Though he made strenuous effort to have the railroad company back the train into Maryland, so that he could punish the offenders, the railroad company refused to comply with the request on the ground that a damage suit might result. Consequently the gunners were permitted to escape. It is not the idea of Mr. Jones to have the laws in the States mentioned changed, but it is his aim to have it so arranged that extradition papers can be served on the violators and they be returned to the State in which the offense is committed. Mr. Jones has taken up the matter with Talbott Denmead, secretary of the Maryland State Game and Fish Protective Association, and he is planning to have a meeting of representatives from the different States in the near future.

RANDOM SHOTS.

FOX HUNTERS of Pennsylvania are much pleased with the opinion which they recently obtained from Dr. Joseph Kalbfus, Secretary of the State Game Commission, in answer to a letter from Oscar Torrance, president of the Lehigh County Fox Hunting Club. The Torrance letter was due to criticism of the fox hunters by people who said it was illegal to take out foxhounds. Doctor Kalbfus compliments the club, saying its action has not only been legal, but commendable, and recommends the chase and destruction of foxes, raccoons, skunks, weasels, minks and other animals that prey upon game. Mr. Torrance and some companions, who chased a fox and ran it to earth, found that it had killed seven rabbits and two pheasants within a very recent period. Doctor Kalbfus says that since there are no deer in Lehigh county, fox chasing is not only harmless, but a beneficial sport.

THE New York Legislature now has before it a bill to increase the number of game protectors from 85 to 105, and provide five fire patrol districts instead of four as at present. The open season for bucks is reduced so as to be the same as that for does, the season for lawful possession being September 16 to November 5, both inclusive. Shooting ducks, geese, brant or swan from sailboats or powerboats is prohibited. The buying, as well as the selling of grouse, woodcock and quail taken in the State is prohibited. Violation of the game law by a non-resident is made a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of \$100, the present sixty-day optional imprisonment penalty being repealed.

RECENTLY Senator Hubbs introduced into the New York State Senate two bills concerning deer and wild fowl which will, no doubt, create much interest among New York city sportsmen. The deer measure provides that there shall be no open season on Long Island for three years. It also strikes out the provision permitting taking of dogs into forests inhabited by deer. The wild fowl bill changes the open season for ducks, geese, brant and swan so that they may be taken from September 16 to February 1, instead of September 16 to December 31, as under the present law, and also that they may be possessed from September 16 to February 10.

THE sportsmen of the State of Arkansas are making an experiment that ought to command the interest and sympathy of their friends throughout the country. For four months the State has had a warden, and this office has been kept up by public subscription circulated among the sportsmen. They hope in this way to educate the people to realize the great necessity of game and fish protection, so that at the next meeting of the legislature enough pressure may be

brought to bear to assure a bill that will create the office of game warden at the expense of the State.

THE preliminary trapshooting season is now at hand and for the next two months shooters will spare no opportunity to go out to the traps for a little brushing up in preparation for the coming Interstate Handicaps, the State championships and the various large shoots. The schedule list seems unusually heavy this season, and there is every indication that the entry lists and scores will be exceptional.

ASSEMBLYMAN PINE, of Burlington, has introduced in the New Jersey House of Representatives two game bills, one making it unlawful to use a gun on the Delaware River from one hour after sunset to one hour before sunrise, and the other making it unlawful to place a "blind" in which to lie in wait for duck until one hour before sunrise and one hour after sunset.

THE Philadelphia "North American" pensively remarks: "Back of Gifford Pinchot in solid array stands the united base ball interests. Where are the bats of the future to come from if the nation's wooded preserves are to be wantonly wasted?" Leave it to Taft and Sherman, who are genuine lovers of sport.

HARRISBURG SPORTSMEN'S EVENT.

Target and Live Bird Shooting Attracts Crowd for Two Days.

By Karl Steward.

Harrisburg, Pa., February 26.—The twenty-third annual live bird handicap shoot of the Harrisburg Sportsmen's Association consumed two days, February 21 and 22. The weather was rainy and disagreeable, but despite this, the entry list almost reached a half hundred. When the rain finally ceased, a terrific Northwestern gale played havoc with the targets. The target and live bird scores follow:

150 TARGET PROGRAM.

	Sh. Bk.		Sh. Bk.
*Glover	150 141	May	140 90
*Lewis	150 111	Senseng	70 26
Herrold	150 118	Smith	100 83
Clymer	150 117	Sours	100 71
Graves	150 117	Pomy	100 71
Worden	150 128	Henry	35 22
Eisenhour	150 123	Egolf	60 54
Stoll	55 38	Miller	60 47
Broadhead	150 111	Haines	10 7
Alan	25 15	Rishell	10 9

*Professionals.

LIVE-BIRD HANDICAP.

Shoot-off for the Pennsylvania State Challenge trophy.			
Stephens, H. C.	20200	01022—	5
Wertz, Lee	02222	20121—	8

TEN-BIRD RACE.

Snow	7	Jebb	10
Flurie	5	Mattson	7
Ice	9	Bollman	7
Oliver	8	Baldwin	8
Schmidt	8	Breakstone	6
Ryman	6	Rehrig	8
Klippel	5	Somers	8
Fulton	9	Coyle	7
Rishel	4	Hansell	9
Shugars	5	Ramsey	7
Yost	8	Graves	5
Trafford	9	Rader	5
Stoll	9		

TEN-BIRD RACE.

Snow	9	Fulton	8
Oliver	10	Rehrig	10
Eisenhour	9	Bollman	8
Baldwin	7	Sommers	9

MISS AND OUT.

Snow	11	Snyder	11
Oliver	2	Baldy	8
Fulton	8	Hepler	6
Trafford	11	Hunter	5

ANNUAL LIVE-BIRD HANDICAP.

Baldwin, A. H.	15	Rubendall, Chas.	13
Bollman, Wm.	15	Ryman, G. H.	18
Clymer, Otis E.	17	Sommers, James	16
Eisenhour, Harry S.	17	Seltzer, C. F.	17
Coyle, P. J.	12	Schmidt, H. O.	16
Confer, Fred	14	Sebold, H. E.	17
Dinger, Fred	16	Stephens,	20
Eames, F. M.	15	Schwayer, A. R.	12
Eisenhour, C. W.	17	Shugars, Wm.	12
Fulton, Wm.	15	Trafford, Geo. S.	18
Graves, J. H.	17	Wertz, Lee	20
Groff, Jacob	11	Weik, W. B.	15
Hahn, C.	16	Wilson, W. H.	15
Haines, Geo.	14	Yingst, H. A.	17
Hansell, Geo.	16	Yost, H. Y.	15
Hepler, G. W.	13	Rishel, D. R.	13
Jebb, F.	17	Park, W.	15
Klippel, E. L.	15	Breakstone, A. B.	17
Pomrang, Jos.	15	Mattson, P. J.	10
Porter, James	15	Buckwalter, Jas.	17
Pyle, P. S.	16	Millard, H. E.	16
Rader, Frank S.	14		
Rehrig, J. L.	17		

EAST MILLSTONE'S BIG SHOOT.

Fifth Annual Event Leaves the Trophy Contest a Tie.

By C. H. Van Nostrand.

East Millstone, N. J., February 28.—The fifth annual shoot of the East Millstone Gun Club was held on their grounds on Washington's Birthday. The day opened up very stormy, which fact detracted very much from the attendance, but in the afternoon the sun came forth, and after all, the affair proved a success. Ten sweepstake events of 15 targets each were shot off, and the program of the day was concluded with the very interesting shoot for the championship of Somerset County, open only to residents of that county. The prize, a sterling silver loving cup, was donated by Mr. Charles M. Fleischmann, a member of the club, as a trophy to the winner. There were only nine contestants, 50 targets each, and the result was a tie, which will be decided later. The high wind in the afternoon was responsible for the low scores made. The following is

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Targets	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15
G. S. K. Remsen.	11	14	14	15	14	15	12	12	13	135
Arthur Van Cleef.	12	9	13	13	14	14	11	15	14	124
R. C. Stryker	15	12	12	14	11	14	14	15	14	136
Frank W. Remsen.	10	11	9	13	12	11	10	12	10	110
Chas. E. Welsh.	13	8	11	13	15	12	15	14	13	129
*L. S. German.	14	15	15	14	15	15	15	13	15	146
L. F. Townner	11	15	14	14	12	15	15	11	13	135
*C. B. Brown	10	13	13	14	11	13	14	12	11	124
*S. Glover	14	15	15	15	15	15	14	13	14	143
*H. H. Stevens	14	13	14	14	15	13	14	15	15	140
Fred A. Jackson.	13	11	10	10	13	8	12	11	12	9
Edward Welsh	12	8	10	8	7	9	8	9	8	11
B. L. Welsh	10	12	9	8	5	6	6	6	6	50
Chas. Higgins	11	7	13	9	9	4	5	5	3	71
Geo. N. Metz	8	9	9	9	9	7	7	9	9	40
Ed. H. Wyckoff	10	9	5	13	13	11	11	11	11	61
C. Van Nostrand	10	11	8	13	11	12	12	12	12	65
Fred Ruppert	6	13	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	29
Wm. H. Cortelyou	11	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	25
John R. Nevins	7	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	19
Wm. T. Jackson	7	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	16
Geo. L. Welsh	10	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	40
A. V. C. Nevins	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Irving Hoagland	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	35
Matthew Suydam	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	9
William Laird	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9
Luther Stryker	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6

*Professionals.

TROPHY EVENT.

Championship of Somerset County.			
	Sh. Bk.		Sh. Bk.
Arthur Van Cleef	50 38	C. Van Nostrand.	50 25
Frank W. Remsen	50 39	Matthew Suydam.	50 18
Chas. E. Welsh.	50 32	William Laird	50 34
Fred A. Jackson.	50 24	Ed. H. Wyckoff	50 39
Geo. N. Metz	50 37		

Freehold's Tournament.

Freehold, N. J., February 26.—The Washington's Birthday shoot here was well attended, a number of noted professionals shooting through. Scores:

Events	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Targets	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20
*H. H. Stevens	18	19	20	17	19	17	19	18	19	185
W. A. Kennedy	16	19	18	18	15	20	19	19	19	181
P. M. Kling	19	20	18	19	15	19	19	20	19	183
*Slim Glover	19	20	18	17	16	16	20	19	20	184
*C. B. Brown	17	19	17	19	19	20	19	17	16	183
E. L. Vanderveer	18	16	18	18	18	17	18	19	19	179

F. Muldoon	17	16	18	17	16	8	14	17	14	19	156
W. K. Matthews.	12	14	17	12	13	10	10	10	12	15	125
Wm. C. Dausser	16	16	15	17	17	16	12	15	9	10	143
*H. S. Welles	20	19	20	20	20	19	18	20	19	18	193
Schreyvogel	18	17	10	14	18	11	11	11	11	11	77
Wm. Higgins	14	7	12	9	11	14	13	14	11	11	77
James White	7	7	7	11	10	17	16	12	11	11	84
C. H. Clayton	10	16	15	19	16	18	11	11	11	11	94
M. Johnson	15	15	14	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	44
W. Sharewood	16	17	15	17	11	11	11	11	11	11	65

*Professionals. MALTBY CONOVER.

TRAP IN CANADA.

The Stanley and Balmy Beach Clubs Hold Regular Shoots.

Toronto, Can., March 3.—The fifth high-average shoot of the Stanley Gun Club was held Saturday afternoon, February 26. The shooting was not up to the average owing to the easterly wind that blew across the traps. Mr. Walter Ely and Mr. Phil Wakefield were high gun in high-average shoot, with 19 out of a possible 25. The final shoot of this series will be held Saturday, March 12. Scores:

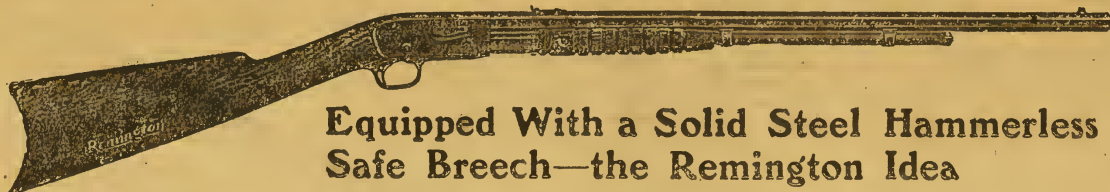
Shot at B.		Shot at B.	
W. Ely	60 44	F. Scheibe	45 30
A. Hulme	60 37	Dr. Ten Eyck	45 30
P. Wakefield	50 36	T. Sawden	70 53
P. Buchanan	75 56	J. Massingham	45 29
F. Hallford	55 36	A. Edkins	45 28
G. Scheibe	50 33	F. Fritz	50 39
T. Thomas	35 19	Mr. Kidd	10 6
J. Douglas	80 52	Mr. Pyne	10 6
F. Hogarth	70 52	Mr. Stevenson	10 7

BALMY BEACH CLUB SHOOT.

The Balmy Beach Gun Club cut loose from their regular shoot on Saturday, February 26, and held an open day for all. The day was fine and good scores were made, George Mason winning the silver shield as high man for the day. The scores:

Shot at B.		Shot at B.	
McDuff	55 43	Lyonde	45 42
Mason	55 47	Baldwin	20 16
Shaw	50 37	Heron	55 45
McGaw	55 45	Johnson	45 30
Craig	45 26	Burgess	45 31
Ross	60 50	Walton	45 22
Boothe	35 28	Singer	50 33
Davis	35 19	Tomlin	25 19
Hambly	35 26		

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By Thomas D. Richter.

Secretary H. T. Tengen, of the Danville, Ill., Rod and Gun Club, writes that the weather has been so cold and stormy this winter that shooting has suffered in his territory, but that plans are now under way for the big spring shoot in May.

A gun club has been organized in Greenville, Ala., and the following officers elected for the ensuing year: President, Dr. T. E. Green; vice president, A. B. Long; secretary-treasurer, Robert Winkler.

Secretary Ed. L. Markley, of the Alert Gun Club, of Phillipsburg, N. J., writes that the Seventh Annual Spring Registered Tourney of his club will be conducted for the benefit of the participants, and that the club will throw targets at 1 cent each, give cash and merchandise prizes, a free lunch to all shooters, and several other features will be included which can be read in the program, which will be sent to anyone asking for it.

The Redfield, S. D., Gun Club, has elected officers as follows for the ensuing year: President, Dr. E. E. Giltner; vice president, Fred Ober; secretary, H. E. Johnson; treasurer, C. R. Damuth.

Secretary-Manager E. R. Starke, of the Milton, Wis., Gun Club, announces that his club will hold its second annual registered tourney on June 2. The event promises a big entry list.

The Sunbury-Selinsgrove Gun Club members had a sleighing party to Freemont, Pa., recently, followed by a live-bird shoot. Siegfried and J. A. Schoch tied with ten straight kills, while Foster had 9, Leffler and Inch 8, L. Herrold and A. Uplinger 7 and Bottiger and G. S. S., 6.

The Belmont Gun Club held its regular weekly live-bird shoot over its traps at Narberth, Pa., on March 1. N. Sloan won the honors of the day with 14 straight, after missing his first bird. He won the cup offered by Manager S. J. Deviney. Metzger only missed two birds. In a five-bird match between Sloan and Kohler, under Rhode Island rules, the former won with 3 kills to his credit.

Frank Hardenberg carried off the honors in the shoot of the Scranton Rod and Gun Club, on February 28, the scores being: Hardenberg 160—135, Highfield 125—83, Mason 100—75, Dawes 100—72, Von Storch 100—65, Geiger 100—58, Smith 100—53, Lewis 75—33, Dairs 50—35, Snowdon 50—29, Ammerman 25—22, Dr. Moylan 25—13, Llewellyn 25—8; Bohn 10—7.

At the annual meeting of the Davenport, Ia., Shooting Association officers as follows were elected for the ensuing year: President, D. Wilkens; vice president Fred Nasbtedt; secretary, E. Berg; treasurer, O. B. Schmidt; shooting masters, Frank Berg and Chris Jansen. Dr. C. Matthey was elected trustee for seven years. P. J. Stelling and H. J. Wittenberg were elected to fill two vacancies on the Board of Trustees.

At the recent live-bird and target shoot held at Germantown, Ala., there were eight contests which resulted as follows: First, won by John Williams, of Dawsonville; the second, by Richard L. Waters, of Germantown; the third by Reverdy M. Purchem, of Cedar Grove; the fourth by Wetherald, of Sandy Spring; the fifth by David Hersely, of Comus; the sixth by James Viers, of Rockville; the seventh by Wetherald, of Sandy Spring; the eighth by Wetherald, of Sandy Spring. Reverdy Purdum, of Cedar Grove, was in charge of the contest.

At London, Ohio, February 24, C. D. Coburn won first amateur average, scoring 141 out of 150, with U. M. C. steel-lined shells.

At a two-days' shoot held by the Columbus Gun Club, Columbus, Ohio, February

22-23, Charles Shell, of Thornville, Ohio, in competition with a number of excellent shots, won high amateur and high general average, breaking 277 out of 320 targets, with U. M. C. steel-lined shells.

With Arrow Shells and Remington Gun, Linn Towner was high amateur at Laurel Springs, N. J., February 26, breaking 90 out of 100 targets.

Secretary T. E. Clay, of the Onondaga County Gun Club, writes that the club has elected the following officers for 1910: H. E. Mills, president; W. E. Hookway, vice president; T. E. Clay, secretary and treasurer. Directors—J. S. Dey, H. W. Smith, J. Montgomery, Leroy Peck. The club has chosen the first Wednesday of each month for the club shoot. A prize cup will be given for highest per cent, and a medal to the one winning it the most times during the year. Prizes will also be offered for first, second and third places. Twenty-five cents will be charged each shooter for the prizes in following shoots, so come along with your gatling or any other kind. Let us see your smiling faces. We are going to hold a small shoot March 12. The club has taken up the prize question for the coming State shoot, and some good ones are expected.

UMC-Remington products are popular at Curtis, Neb. At a tournament there February 22, the first three averages were won by Earl Christensen, P. C. Simpson and George Wachholtz, respectively, with U. M. C. steel-lined shells and Remington guns. All of the contestants in the regular program used U. M. C. shells and over half relied on Remington arms. Shooting on the same grounds on February 27, Rush Razez scored 124 out of 125, breaking his last 118 straight, with the UMC-Remington combination.

Peltz and Fisher, with 13 kills out of their 15 birds, shared the honors in the weekly live bird shoot of the Penrose Gun Club, of Philadelphia, on March 2.

Albert L. Ivins and "Ed" Von Katten-gill shot a hundred clay birds match for \$100 a side at Red Bank, N. J., on March 3, the latter winning by a score of 89 to 73. Charles Green, of Long Branch, refereed. At the seventh bird Ivins broke his gun, but finished the match with another gun. By mutual agreement all bets were declared off. A number of sweeps were shot, George Schenck, of Holmdel, and Charles Green being the winners.

Mr. R. E. St. John, of Green Bay, Wis., was high over all at Stevens' Point, Wis., shoot, February 27. Mr. St. John broke 134 out of 150 targets with a Remington auto-loading shotgun and Nitro Club shells.

Howard Brokaw, of New York, at the Florida Gun Club shoot, at Palm Beach, Florida, on March 3, won the cup presented last week by the Duke of Manchester. The event was a handicap at 15 live birds. Mr. Brokaw and Gerald Livingston tied with a straight score. In the shoot-off Mr. Livingston missed his second bird.

On the grounds of the Avondale Gun Club, Chicago, Ill., February 27, H. E. Peck, of Kenmare, N. D., won high amateur average shooting 180 out of 200 with Nitro Clubs.

A gun club was recently organized at Orion, Ill., and officers as follows elected for the ensuing year: President, F. S. Fullerton; vice president, George P. Wilson; secretary-treasurer, C. H. Schneider; directors, J. E. Gustafson, Asher Love and J. A. Gustafson; Committee on Rules, O. B. Johnson, George P. Wilson and William Rohrbach.

When Dr. W. G. Hudson broke the world's record at 200 yards on the Standard American Target, on February 22, at Greenville, N. J., he used a combination load of "Sharp-shooter" and "Schuetzen" smokeless, the well-known du Pont brands. His second shot was a nine, all of the rest being tens. Dr. Hudson's score in the Standard American Record Match was 916 out of a possible 1000, made up of the following strings: 91, 90, 91, 87, 91, 94, 88, 92, 99, 93—916.

To encourage trapshooting among the prep schools of the country L. M. Palmer, Jr., of the Crescent Athletic Club, of New York, has offered a set of medals for a match to take place either over the traps of the Bergen

Beach or the Jersey City Gun Club traps some time in May. Invitations already have been sent to St. Paul's School, of Concord, N. H.; St. Paul's School, of Garden City; Andover, Exeter, Lawrenceville, Hotchkiss and Pawling School. The last named institution will manage the shoot.

Secretary Edward Winslow, of the Montclair, N. J., Gun Club, writes that the fourth annual championship of metropolitan clubs will be held this year on Wednesday, April 6, under the auspices of the Montclair Gun Club. As in previous years it will consist of 100 targets, scratch, and will be open to all amateurs residing in the metropolitan district. There will be three trophies for the first, second and third high guns. The first prize will be a heavy gold medal with fob (14-kt.) set with fourteen pearls; the second and third prizes will be similar in design, but not of as great value. In addition to these, there will be five 14-kt. gold stickpins for the club whose representative team shall make the highest aggregate score. In response to many requests the grounds will be open on Tuesday, the 5th, and what will be known as a preliminary handicap of 100 targets will be run off. Four sets of traps will be used both days. In past years, because of the hearty support received from the officers and members of the competing clubs, this has been the most largely attended tournament held in the East, over one hundred and eighty taking part last year. Programs may be had by addressing the secretary of the Montclair Gun Club, Mr. Edward Winslow, Montclair, N. J.

Felix was the only gunner in a field of 12 who finished up with a straight score in the weekly live-bird event of the Eagle Gun Club, at Manoa, Delaware county, Pa., on March 5. He killed ten straight.

Secretary C. G. Blandford, of the New York State Sportsmen's Association, sends the following interesting information: "As the New York State Sportsmen's Association is running its own shoot this year, much local patronage will be lost in the way of donations of merchandise prizes. An appeal has lately been sent out to constituent clubs for prizes, returns from which are most gratifying. A letter was received yesterday from Mr. W. E. Hookway, secretary of the Onondaga Gun Club, of Syracuse, and one of the Association's most enthusiastic 'boosters,' containing the welcome news that we will again have a fine piano for first prize in the merchandise handicap. A number of gentlemen of the Onondaga Gun Club will donate it by subscription. The above club, through its secretary, wishes delegates of other Association clubs, to come to the convention prepared to submit game protection recommendations to the Legislature. Clubs that have not as yet sent notice of merchandise donations are earnestly requested to do so at their earliest convenience."

Fisher, Paull and Peltz tied for high gun in the weekly live-bird shoot of the Penrose Gun Club, at Philadelphia, on March 5, each getting eight birds.

Secretary Maltby Conover, of the Freehold Gun Club, N. J., Gun Club, announces that the Freehold Gun Club will hold an all-day tournament on Wednesday, March 23, and another Thursday, April 21.

At the tournament given by the Iroquois Rifle Club, of Columbus, Ohio, February 22, Mr. J. H. Snook won the Peters cup, emblematic of the championship of Ohio and Indiana, his score being 121 out of a possible 125. A. D. Rothrock won the Class B Peters cup, scoring 119; both gentlemen using Peters .22 caliber semi-smokeless cartridges. Mr. Snook also won the Iroquois Rifle Club handicap trophy with a total score of 238 out of 250.

LANCASTER'S GALA OCCASION.

Pennsylvania Sportsmen Hold Big Shoot, and Banquet Follows.

By W. T. Krick.

Lancaster, Pa., March 3.—The Lancaster Gun Club celebrated its fifth anniversary on Washington's Birthday, by holding a shoot in the afternoon and a banquet in the evening. The banquet was held at Highland Inn. There were 30 members present and a

few invited guests. They had a royal good time, and Proprietor Houser prepared an excellent turkey supper that everybody enjoyed. Neaf Appar won high professional average and Miss Annie Rieker high amateur, for which she received a handsome setter pup, which was christened Marty Westy Hogan in honor of Lancaster's popular base ball manager, and the popular Westy Hogan Shooting Organization. The scores of the day are as follows:

Targets	20	20	20	20	25	TL
Hogan	14	17	13	12	8	20 84
Brown	12	15	16	14	14	19 90
Ranck	10	9	17	14	13	16 79
Phillips	14	14	19	15	14	18 96
Mumma	11	14	16	13	13	13 80
Krick	13	12	15	15	16	17 83
Moore	13	13	15	19	14	19 93
Lutz	13	12	14	15	15	20 83
Martin	15	13	15	12	14	68
Armstrong	15	17	15	14	19	18 98
Apzar	18	20	19	19	18	25 119
Bonham	17	18	16	18	14	19 102
Rieker	17	17	19	17	16	18 104
Hull	15	13	17	14	18	22 90
Young	14	14	14	14	14	21 40
Mayer	12	14	14	14	14	7 12 45
Jeffries	14	14	14	14	14	18 32
Herr	14	14	14	14	14	18 32
Ranck	14	14	14	14	14	16 16

HUDSON GUNNERS AT TRAP.

Schortey Lands High at Jersey City Club's Monthly Event.

By Thomas H. Kelley.

Jersey City, N. J., March 3.—The Hudson Gun Club held its monthly shoot February 27, with 19 entries. The weather was of a mixed variety. We had sunshine, high winds, showers and dark clouds to contend with. Schortey was on the grounds this morning before the trap boys arrived and immediately got busy in the culinary department, for when the rest of the boys arrived there was a steaming pot of hot coffee awaiting us, the club house cleaned up and the traps in readiness for the day's programme. He was also a very busy man with several beginners, trying to teach them how to hold and load, and when the smoke of the day had cleared away, by good, consistent shooting, he was high gun for the morning's work, with 91 per cent. Mr. Engle, who was second high, also seemed to have his eye on them, as he finished only five points shy of high gun. Event No. 2 was the club handicap, and the prize was carried off by Mr. Hopkins after a shoot-off with Messrs. J. Pape, Kurzell and Malcomb, who tied for it in the main event. Our next shoot will be held on March 13. Take Turnpike Car, from P. R. R. Ferry at Jersey City, or any point in Newark, and get off at the West side of the Hackensack River bridge; then walk North to the D. L. & W. R. R. bridge, where the club house is situated. Scores:

Events	1	2	3	4	5	6
Targets	25	25	25	25	25	10
Schortey	22	23	23	25	23	7
Engle	22	21	23	20	..	6
Lawton	12	12	14	14	..	7
Thoben	21	17	11	..	..	4
Williams	16	15	16	17	..	6
Hopkins	13	21	18	20	..	5
J. Pape	13	16	19	22	18	9
H. Pape	14	12	17	18	19	6
Chaffee	..	18	15	18	18	..
W. O'Brien	20	20	22	21	..	..
R. H. Strader	16	12	13	14	17	..
Groll	18	16	15	18	16	..
Kurzell	..	10	11	15	12	..
Gillo	16	11	15	12	..	..
Malcomb	11	12	17	14	..	..
"Jackson"	18	20	..	..	..	..
Day, Jr.	22	..	..	..	..	..
C. Brewer	16	..	..	..	..	..
Boyce	6	4	..	..	..	..

Fairmont Club's Shoots.

Fairmont, West Va., March 7.—The Fairmont Gun Club held its regular shoots on Saturday, February 26, and March 5. Scores:

FEBRUARY 26.		Shot at Bke.		Shot at Bke.	
Ed. H. Taylor	100	97	J. F. Phillips	100	92
W. A. Wiedbusch	100	96	G. M. Lilley	100	85
MARCH 5.		Shot at Bke.		Shot at Bke.	
W. Wiedbusch	125	120	G. M. Lilley	100	75
J. F. Phillips	125	119	F. Helwick	100	43
Ed. H. Taylor	125	116	J. Merrifield	25	21
T. A. Neill	100	91	W. C. Mawhinney	25	18
H. Hickman	100	89

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AT THE CHICAGO TRAPS.

Three Shooting Days Keep Members of
Noted Club Busy.

By C. P. Zacher.

Chicago, Ill., March 3.—The Chicago Gun Club Traps were in use three days last week, the contests on Washington's Birthday and on Saturday and Sunday, February 26 and 27, drawing the shooters. Early on Washington's Birthday the bright sunshine and moderate temperature gave promise of a splendid day for target-shooting, and we were in expectation of a big turnout of shooters, but before noon the conditions were reversed, a strong wind from the west making it quite cold and bringing with it a light snow, which no doubt kept down the attendance to 17 shooters. Before the shooting had got well started a genuine blizzard was raging, the wind blowing a gale, driving and whirling the snow in all directions, and one does not have to stretch the imagination to realize how it kept the marksmen guessing where to hold on the targets. Not only do they deserve credit for the scores hung up, but also for their staying qualities under such trying conditions. Houghton, a visiting shooter from Winnipeg, was high amateur, putting up 91 per cent. at singles. He also did well on the doubles. Pack, our genial friend from Kenosha, N. D., went along at an 88½ per cent. clip at singles. Graham pulled down 92 per cent. in singles. Frewelling made high score on doubles, he losing only three birds out of 24 shot at. Hagenbrucher and Ernst are two new members, who were out for the first time, and from the scores they put up on a day like this we expect they will develop into topnotchers very soon. Fraunholz and Thorsell were two visitors whose scores show up well. It is a pleasure to note the pleasant and friendly rivalry between those two boon companions, Holtz and Riley, it being nip and tuck to see who pays for the suppers. Today Holtz beat Riley by two birds in a 175-bird race, this evening up for last Sunday, when Riley got Holtz's "goat." All enjoyed the afternoon, as we had a good warm fire in the club house, which was appreciated especially by the shooters after shooting a frame of 20. Scores:

Events	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Targets	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25
W. F. Riley	16	17	22	21	21	18	20	...	...	...	...
W. F. Holtz	15	22	21	19	21	18	...	...	...	...	...
F. B. Fox	4	9	18	16	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
E. Oliver	9	16	12	17	15	...	...	...	...	...	...
O. Kausche	18	14	13	15	15	...	...	...	...	...	...
C. Hagenbrucher	18	21	16	19	16	...	...	...	...	...	...
C. Ernst	12	14	19	12	17	...	...	...	...	...	...
F. K. Eastman	22	13	15	19	21	...	...	...	...	...	...
H. Thwaite	22	17	15	21	20	...	...	...	...	...	...
H. E. Peck	19	21	23	30	24	23	21	13	17	19	18
R. Knight	19	22	14	17	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
E. H. Houghton	23	23	21	22	25	...	...	...	...	...	...
E. S. Graham	23	24	22	23	23	...	...	...	...	...	...
W. W. Frewelling	23	19	23	19	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
A. J. Fraunholz	23	19	14	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
S. Thorsell	21	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
L. M. Fetherston	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

SATURDAY'S EVENTS.

Saturday was another day when the weather man had an inning at the expense of the trapshooting game, as he dished out rain good and plenty, and not content with the rain alone, he speeded up a "cross-fire" wind which did not by any means help to make good scores for the four marksmen who braved the downpour, which lasted all day. Parker and Graham were the first pair to show up, and were just finishing their sixth frame, when the second pair arrived, our good friends Harpham and Caldwell, so there was nothing to it for Parker and Graham but to start in again, and while they had been pretty well soaked by the rain, they were game, and shot out another hundred. Scores:

Events	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Targets	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25
J. G. Parker	16	20	18	20	15	19	18	13	21	22	...
E. S. Graham	21	21	19	22	20	20	21	20	22	...	...
J. Caldwell	8	11	7	12	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
E. L. Harpham	20	19	20	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

SUNDAY CROWD LARGER.

Considering the cloudy, dark day, we had

a good number of shooters face the firing line Sunday. In event No. 1 the honors went to Frewelling, A. J. Anderson and Seelig, Sr., each breaking 24, Quade and Stockley following close with 23 each. P. W. Caster, a visiting shooter from Chicago Heights, was high gun on Event No. 2, with a score of 48 out of 50, and in competition for the diamond trophy in this same event Thwaite broke 46 of the flying discs. Frewelling and Caster each pulled down 24 in Event No. 3. Frewelling duplicating this score in Event No. 4, and Thwaite did the same in Event No. 5. It tickled Miller when he ran off 22 in his last frame. Stick to it, Phil; there are more where that one came from, and better ones, too. Caster felt rather proud of his 94 per cent, and well he may. We hope to have him with us oftener in the future. Wehmhofer took a run over from Beecher, Ill., and while he gave a fairly good account of himself, he was not up to his usual form. W. D. Stannard was out to-day for the first time in three weeks, he having been laid up with rheumatism and being confined to his bed part of the time; his wife and daughter are also on the sick list.

Winners for February in the merchandise shoot, five best frames of 25 in the month to count.

CLASS A.	25	25	24	24	24	122
W. W. Frewelling	25	25	24	24	24	122
H. Quade	24	24	24	23	23	118
CLASS B.	25	24	24	23	23	119
C. R. Seelig, Sr.	25	24	24	23	23	119
H. Thwaite	25	24	23	23	23	118
CLASS C.	24	23	21	20	20	107
J. G. Parker	24	23	21	20	20	107
P. Miller	22	21	21	20	19	103

Frewelling is a three times winner in Class A, he having walked away with the honors three months in succession.

Quade is also doing fine work with his new Levever gun, which he won in the summer season shoot.

Eck and Stockley were close up to the winners. This month we find in Class B that our good natured "Big Bob" Seelig has nosed Thwaite out of first place by one bird. Pretty close race between these two. Hunt, Wolfe and Anderson were also close at their backs. Parker and Miller repeated their wins of last month. This also makes Parker a three times winner. Scores:

Events	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Targets	25	50	25	25	25	25	25	25	12
W. W. Frewelling	24	23	22	45	24	24	23	...	...
A. J. Anderson	24	19	22	41	19	23	21	...	...
P. W. Caster	22	24	24	48	24	...	...	...	...
H. Wehmhofer	21	21	22	43	22	21	...	...	...
C. Seelig, Sr.	22	22	16	38	22	23	...	...	...
Geo. Eck (19)	22	22	21	43	21	23	...	...	...
H. Quade	23	24	19	43	22	21	23	...	...
C. Johnston	21	21	20	41	16	...	...	...	...
H. Thwaite (18)	10	22	24	46	20	21	24	23	22
W. D. Stannard	10	20	23	43	22	...	...	...	...
P. Miller	14	19	20	36	16	22	...	...	...
O. W. Crocker	19	21	16	37	16	...	...	...	...
R. Knight	18	16	13	29	...	...	...	...	...
L. M. Fetherston	18	18	19	37	...	...	...	...	...
M. Hunt	20	17	22	39	22	20	...	...	...
H. Wolfe (18)	21	19	21	40	22	22	20	...	...
L. Stockley (19)	23	20	14	34	17	18	23	21	...
R. G. Gerhardt	16	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
A. Francis	18	18	22	40	...	...	...	...	...
C. Dressler	6	13	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
A. Quade	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
N. Anderson	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

Hauger High at Indianapolis.

Indianapolis, Ind., March 3.—W. B. Hauger proved high gun on February 26, at the Indianapolis Gun Club meet in the trials for the Comstock trophy. He made 41 out of a possible 50 targets. The attendance was light yesterday owing to the rain. The regular spring tournament will be given on Tuesday and Wednesday, March 29 and 30. It will be a money-back sweep-stakes trial. Scores:

Targets	25	25	25	Sh.	Bk.
Moller	18	21	...	50	39
Carter	19	19	...	50	39
Hauger	20	22	*22	50	42
Brennan	24	17	...	50	41
Barr	22	19	...	50	41
Hymer	20	19	...	50	39
Britton	22	20	*19	50	42
Wilson	14	11	...	50	25
Prodigal	18	15	...	50	33

*On tie.

GUNNERS MOURN PLEISS.

The Death of Noted Easton Sportsman
Regretted by All Shooters.

By George Stubblebine.

The trap shooting fraternity will learn with deep sorrow of the death at his home in Easton, Pa., on February 22, 1910, of Jacob Frederick Pleiss. Mr. Pleiss was in his forty-sixth year and was a native of Germany, having come to America with his parents when he was three years old. Although stricken with the malady that at last proved fatal, he gave it such a battle for more than two years as few men would have the pluck and stamina to give it. None outside the members of his immediate family ever learned from him how nearly the battle often was lost to him for many months past, for he was a stoic of heroic type. His name adorning the page of "Sporting Life" now, perhaps for the last time, has been a great frequenter of such space for over a fourth of a century. While a mere youth Mr. Pleiss demonstrated his prowess as a marksman over the traps of the old Easton Gun Club, long since defunct. To the time of his death he was the undisputed champion of his home city and the entire Lehigh Valley—unexcelled with the shotgun, with a few peers at rifle shooting and none at pistol shooting. Though he excelled in all these, trap shooting was his boon favorite, and he played his favorite strong. He finished one-two-three in almost every target tournament he ever entered, and for many years he was practically a fixture with all such tournaments held in his home section, as well as many at distant places. Though strictly an amateur it was no uncommon happening for him to shoot high-gun over all professionals. Always a deep student by nature, his knowledge of arms and ammunition was most profound and practical; and his experience was always at the disposal of any who wished to share its benefits. He was a great shot and he was a mentor of great shots. The man who outshot him never failed to make note of it. He was a real member of the Independent Gun Club, of Easton, Pa., and the Alert Gun Club, of Phillipsburg, N. J. In both there is a vacancy that can never be filled. His memory will long be cherished and his traits, which endeared him to all, will remain with lustre undimmed until we shall again be called with him to the final score.

NEWS FROM SALEM CLUB.

Famous Jersey Club Has Holiday Shoot
and Much Diversion.

By W. H. Harris.

Salem, N. J., March 4.—The Washington's Birthday shoot on the grounds of the Salem County Rod and Gun Club, was one of the finest local tournaments ever held on the ground. The prizes were awarded as follows: Class A, H. G. Hart; Class B shooters, John J. Hart, Ernest Schubert, Chester Gaspey, Walton Stewart, L. D. Compton. The club cup having been won three times by Stewart, now remains his property. The score follows:

Event No. 1—Compton 10, Schubert 7, Hart 11, G. House 9, A. Lawrence 9.	Sh. Bk.	Sh. Bk.
Event No. 2, Class B—E. Steelman 6, P. Erhardt 6, C. Harris 7, J. Hart 9.	200 170 Ingalsbee	200 137
Event No. 3—H. G. Hart 6, Compton 7, Schubert 10, G. House 7, W. Stewart 9, W. Tice 10, A. Lawrence 3, Snellbaker 3.	200 168 Campbell	100 35
Shoot-off of tie—Schubert 2, W. Tice 1.	200 161 Welling	80 37
Event 4—C. Gaspey 9, H. G. Hart 8, E. Schubert 8, Compton 6, G. House 4, Snellbaker 4, C. Sooy 6, A. Lawrence 3.	200 145 Vickery	60 23
Event 5—H. G. Hart 20, W. Crispin 17, C. Sooy 18, W. Tice 20, A. Lawrence 17, C. Tice 19, W. Stewart 25, Gaspey 24, Schubert 19, Compton 14, G. House 18, P. Erhardt 13.	200 143 St. Louis	40 23
Event 6—G. House 12, Schubert 12, Compton 13, H. G. Hart 12, A. Batton 11, C. Gaspey 11, A. Lawrence 10.	200 142 Weinbeck	40 20
Event 7—Compton 6, Schubert 7, House 8, J. Hart 3, Snellbaker 5, C. Sooy 9, A. Batten 7, W. Tice 7, W. Crispin 7, A. Lawrence 4, Stewart 9, H. G. Hart 9, C. Gaspey 7, C. Harris 2.	200 139 Kirkpatrick	...
Shoot-off of tie, 6 targets—H. G. Hart 5, W. Stewart 6, C. Sooy 5.	...	...

Following the shoot a genuine diamond-

back terrapin supper was served to the members in the club house. Covers were laid for 45. The club house was handsomely decorated with flags, bunting, Japanese lanterns, pictures of George Washington and the legendary hatchet and cherry tree. After a few toasts the regular monthly meeting was held. New members were elected and Senator William Plummer and Assemblyman Ridgway, who were present, discussed the various bills now before the Legislature and made notes regarding the changes necessary to suit the conditions in this section. They both promised their support to the Club in the good work it is doing to protect and propagate the game and secure suitable legislation for South Jersey.

CLUB NOTES.

The members of the Salem County Rod and Gun Club were highly pleased in being able to secure a consignment of Northern Bob White for propagation purposes. The State Game Commission have about given up the idea of liberating quail owing to their scarcity in the market and the risk of transporting them through the States. The members of the club, however, still think that Bob White is the king of the game birds and through persistent efforts of some of the members they were able to secure some birds from the Clifton Game and Forest Society, of New York. They were nice, large strong birds and were liberated on a large tract of ground leased by the club, where they will be carefully protected during the mating and breeding season.

For years the sportsmen in this section talked about the streams in Salem county being good streams for trout. One asked the other "Why wouldn't trout live and thrive in the streams?" It remained for the Salem County Rod and Gun Club to try the experiment and last year several of the streams were stocked with fry from the Government hatcheries. They did live and thrive and this year several thousand more yearling, five or six inches long, were liberated from the State hatcheries. The members are looking forward to some good sport with rod and reel in the future.

The Spring tournament of the Salem County Rod and Gun Club is looked forward to by a large number of the shooters in New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Delaware as the "Red Letter Day" in shooting events in this section. A feeling of true hospitality seems to prevail when the boys get down to Salem, and when they leave the hearty "come again" seems to mean more than the usual stereotyped phrase that generally follows good bye. Well, the date for the tournament has been fixed for Thursday, April 14. Put it down on your calendar. The club will have something new, down to date, and the members promise to send every visitor away with thoughts of a pleasant day spent in Salem.

LAUREATE STARTS CAREER.

Boat Club at Troy Takes Up Trapshooting
Successfully.

By J. J. Farrell.

Troy, N. Y., March 2.—The Laureate Boat Club, which recently decided to take up trapshooting, began its career at the traps on Washington's Birthday, and followed this up with another shoot on Saturday, February 26. On Washington's Birthday the weather was very severe. A fierce blizzard prevailed all day, and was the cause for the small attendance. Valentine was high gun, scoring 170 out of 200, Roberts scored 168 out of 200, Hurd 161 and Nial 145. These scores were considered very good. Scores follow:

Sh. Bk.	Sh. Bk.
Valentine	200 170
Roberts	200 168
Hurd	200 161
Nial	200 145
Sanders	200 143
Crowley	200 142
Kirkpatrick	200 139
Sh. Bk.	Sh. Bk.
Sanders	100 91
Hurd	100 88
Nial	100 69
Crowley	100 66
Welling	100 65
St. Louis	100 48

FIRST SATURDAY SHOOT.

The first regular weekly shoot of the club was held on February 26. A strong south-west wind made it somewhat difficult for the shooters to locate the targets. Sanders carried off the honors by breaking 91—100. Hurd was second with 88—100. L. Haug also shot very well, he scoring 61—75. The scores follow:

Sh. Bk.	Sh. Bk.
Sanders	100 91
Hurd	100 88
Nial	100 69
Crowley	100 66
Welling	100 65
St. Louis	100 48