

JOHNSON CHASTISED IN BALL WAR

Moguls' Decision Favors Landis—Ban Ousted As Adviser.

Chicago, Dec. 18.—(By The Associated Press)—Organized baseball, seething since last Fall's bribery scandal, exploded last night after a hectic series of conferences and secret meetings of major league club owners here but after the smoke had cleared Byron Baneroff Johnson still was president of the American League and Kenesaw M. Landis still was commissioner of baseball.

Most of the lying debris fell upon Johnson, who after 23 years as head of the junior circuit, which he founded, was repudiated and chastised by his own club owners. They replaced him on baseball's advisory council with Frank J. Navin of Detroit, agreed that his "misconduct" would cease, guaranteed that legislation would be adopted limiting his activities to the internal affairs of the American League, and threatened him with deposition. They pledged themselves to his removal of any other measure that might be considered advisable by Commissioner Landis.

But they named a committee consisting of Connie Mack, Tom Shibe and Clark Griffith to call on Johnson today, presumably to ask him not to resign. They said they felt that Johnson was needed in the national game and should not forsake it as a result of the controversy between him and the commissioner.

The letter denouncing Johnson for his criticism of Commissioner Landis' administration was signed by all the club owners except St. Louis.

Decision Against Bar.

Chicago, Dec. 18.—The following communication, addressed to Commissioner Landis, was presented to the joint major league meeting by Col. Jacob Ruppert, of the New York American League Club:

"We recognize that conditions have arisen that are gravely harmful to baseball and that must be intolerable to you and that these conditions have been created by the activities of the president of the American League. While you were dealing promptly and efficiently with a most deplorable exception to baseball's honorable record, our president sought to discredit your action and to cast suspicion upon the 1924 world series. One year ago you made known to us in his presence various of his activities and it was our expectation and hope that the unanimous action then taken certainly would operate as a corrective, but in this expectation and hope we have been disappointed.

"We do not extenuate these things or question their harmful effect on baseball. However, he has been president of our league since its inception and we ask you to again overlook his conduct and accept from us these guarantees:

"First, that his misconduct will cease or his immediate removal from office will follow. Second, that legislation will be adopted that will limit his activities to the internal affairs of the American League. Third, that any and all measures which you may deem advisable to secure the above will be adopted. As expressing our attitude toward your administration of the commissioner's office, we tender you herewith a copy of the resolution unanimously adopted by the American

GIRL PUPILS OF ONLY BROADSWORD SCHOOL IN COUNTRY DISPLAY THEIR SKILL WITH OLD-TIME WEAPON



Los Angeles has a gymnasium class for girls who claim the honor of having the first school that teaches the art of wielding the broadsword. Under the supervision of Carl Mettler, these California girls have become adept and he says the expert handling of the heavy sword, such as were used by knights of old, has done wonders in developing his charges. The photograph shows Martina Scheetz and Marguerite Scheelmer in a spirited bout.

League, at its annual meeting in New York, December 10, 1924: (Signed)

- "THOMAS S. SHIBE, Philadelphia.
- "CLARK C. GRIFFITH, Washington.
- "ROBERT QUINN, Boston.
- "CHARLES A. COMISKY, Chicago.
- "E. S. BARNARD, Cleveland.
- "JACOB RUPPERT, New York.
- "FRANK J. NAVIN, Detroit."

DIAMOND DUST

New York, Dec. 18.—(By The Associated Press)—Four redoubtable boxmen of American baseball will go to the new scenes for the season of 1925.

Four years ago one of them established a remarkable world series record by winning three games and allowing only two bases on balls during his entire term on the mound. That was Stanley Coveleski of Cleveland against Brooklyn.

In the series of 1923, another of this quartet carried the Athletics to victory over the Giants in the annual post-season battles. That was Bullet Joe Bush.

Still a third allowed but six hits and practically won his own game in his first appearance in a world series with two triples. That happened in the scandal days of 1919 and the pitcher was left-handed Dutch Ruether of Cincinnati, with the White Sox opposing.

Urban Shocker of the St. Louis Browns has pitched brilliantly in his major league career but has never been entered in competition for a world title.

Coveleski makes his second change since appearing in the major leagues. He was with the Athletics for a few months, then went to Cleveland where he established an excellent record. Now he has been sent to the world champions, the Washington Senators. Bush journeyed from the Athletics to Boston and thence to New York. Now he is headed for St. Louis as part payment for Shocker, who comes to the Yanks. Ruether has been with Brooklyn of late and goes to the Senators through a deal announced yesterday.

England's youngest duchess is the Duchess of York, wife of the second son of the King and Queen.

SEES NEED OF CURB ON ATHLETICS IN COLLEGE WORLD

Ann Arbor, Mich., Dec. 18.—College sport that seeks to elevate itself to competition with professional baseball and pugilistic contests "must go," Dr. R. C. Angell advised the president and deans of the University of Michigan yesterday in a report on student condition that stressed the athletic side of university life. Remedy for the condition was not abolition of university sports, Doctor Angell added, holding that this was "too radical a step."

"The better plan," the report said, "appears to be to undertake a gradual lessening of emphasis on athletics."

To eradicate the present condition, he reported, one institution, acting alone, is powerless. He suggested a meeting of representatives of all universities of the Western Conference to agree upon a plan of action.

"It goes without saying," the report asserted, "that a conference called to better existing conditions would go on record as opposing any enlargement of plant designed to accommodate more spectators. It seems no more than just for a university to pay those who are engaged primarily to train the body no more than those who are engaged to train the mind. Present enormous salaries are due to competition among schools developing championship teams, and as a result of learning and culture Michigan has no interest in winning athletic titles."

As one method of eliminating from college those who have no academic interest, he suggested that "a sincere attempt by the Michigan alumnus to prevent alumni sending athletically capable, but intellectually apathetic men to college would help to purify the academic atmosphere."

Doctor Angell held no brief for the "book worm." The idea that the good student "is an individual with thick glasses and no interest in anything, but Jesmond does much to exalt the athletic hero, who is regarded as more of an all round man," the report said.

ADVERTISE IN THE CITIZEN.

MAROON PLAYERS RECEIVE LETTERS

Seventeen Colgate Football Men Are Honored With the Variety "C."

Hamilton, Dec. 18.—Seventeen members of the 1924 Colgate football squad along with Student Manager Harold Scott of Cranberry, N. J., were awarded variety "C" sweaters by the Students' Association at its regular meeting in the chapel yesterday. In the absence of Coach Dick Haffow, who was unable to be present, the awarding of the coveted sweaters was in the hands of Captain Save Crowther of this year's eleven.

Six of the men who were honored have played their last games for the Maroon. They are Captain Crowther, Rae Crowther, Morgan, Stratton, Knight and Hynes.

All of those athletes will graduate either in January or June. Eleven of the Maroon grid men are receiving their letters for the first time.

The following grid warriors were given sweaters: Captain "Save" Crowther, Rosemont, Pa.; Eddie Trron, Southwick, Mass.; Rae Crowther, Rosemont, Pa.; G. D. Hynes, Chatham, C. A. Knight, Pennellville, Pa.; John Dargosa, Atlantic City, N. J.; John Levenson, New York City; C. B. Seybold, Syracuse; C. W. Strack, Spring Valley; Joe Davidson, Ovid, Mich.; E. H. Holway, Buffalo, N. Y.; W. H. Mohler, Sharpville, Pa.; and W. C. Schmidt, Belle Vernon, Pa.

Win Major Sports Letter.

State College, Pa., Dec. 18.—The awarding by the Executive Sports Committee of a major sports letter to the four senior members of Penn State's great soccer team was announced today. This unusual honor was conferred on members of a minor sports team as a result of the brilliant record of the Nittany booters in completing the sixth consecutive season without defeat.

Captain Grupp, Russell, Hagenbuch and McVaugh, all Philadelphia boys, are the four seniors who were granted the variety "C". The regular soccer award was given to the other members of the team.

Intersectional Football Will Hold Unprecedented Sway During 1925 Season

New York, Dec. 18.—(By the Associated Press.)—Intersectional football, annually growing in importance, and cementing gridiron ties from coast to coast promises to hold unprecedented sway in 1925.

Already 24 games of major calibre have been scheduled, with indications pointing to this number being doubled by the time playing arrangements are completed for next Fall. One of the outstanding prospects is that afforded by increased rivalry between leading eastern eleven and western conference teams, six games falling in this category in 1925, according to lists so far available.

Chief among these games are the battles which Pennsylvania will stage with Chicago and Illinois on successive Saturdays at Philadelphia. The East will see two of the strongest western conference eleven in action then, with the famous Red Grange leading the Illinois into the fray.

Among the important intersectional games scheduled so far for next season are the following:

- October 3, Kentucky University vs. Chicago at Chicago.
- October 10, Georgia Tech vs. Penn State at New York.
- Navy vs. Marquette at Annapolis, Md.
- October 12, Haskell Indians vs. Boston College at Boston.
- October 17, Detroit vs. Georgetown at Detroit, Mich.
- Syracuse vs. Indiana at Indianapolis, Ind.
- Notre Dame vs. West Point at New York.
- Penn State vs. Marietta at State College, Pa.
- Columbia vs. Ohio State at Columbus, Ohio.
- October 24, Notre Dame vs. Penn State at State College, Pa.
- Fordham vs. Akron University at Akron, Ohio.
- Chicago vs. Pennsylvania at Philadelphia.
- October 31, KJoga College vs. Georgetown at Washington, D. C.
- Navy vs. Michigan at Ann Arbor, Mich.
- Illinois vs. Pennsylvania at Philadelphia.
- Colgate vs. Michigan Aggies at East Lansing, Mich.
- Harvard vs. William and Mary at Cambridge, Mass.
- Notre Dame vs. Georgia Tech. at Atlanta.
- November 7, Carnegie Tech vs. Notre Dame at South Bend, Ind.
- Penn State vs. Michigan Aggies at State College, Pa.
- Syracuse vs. Ohio Wesleyan at Syracuse, N. Y.
- November 14, Georgetown vs. Centre at Washington, D. C.
- Dartmouth vs. Chicago at Chicago.
- Tulane vs. Illinois at Urbana, Ill.

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Knute Rockne III, South Bend, Ind., Dec. 18.—Knute Rockne, Notre Dame football coach, is confined to his home with a severe cold and it is doubtful whether he would be able Friday to supervise the team's workouts in preparation for the New Year's Day game with Leland Stanford. He expects to announce the personnel of the squad for the western trip on Friday.

New York, Dec. 18.—Fordham University has joined intersectional football competition, having scheduled a game with the University of Akron in the Ohio city October 24. The official schedule for 1925 follows:

- October 2, Providence; 10, Gal.

MAROON QUINT DISPLAYS FORM

Coach John D. Amey put his High School basketball charges through a strenuous workout at their practice held on the Armory court yesterday afternoon. With the first game with Newark High only two days away, the professor-mentor is making every effort to assemble a smooth-working combination to take the floor against the Wayne County team Saturday night.

Coach Amey tried out several lines in yesterday's lengthy practice session. All 20 men on the squad were divided and re-divided into teams, and pitted against similar opposition. The outfit that seemed to work the best found Phil Lower and Walt Stawick, the Connecticut flash, in the forward positions; Capt. Lou Smith at center; Avery Nesgle and Don MacKenzie in the guard berths.

According to an old Christmas superstition, if a girl puts three leaves of holly under her pillow, giving to each the name of a possible husband, the one that has turned in the morning will reveal her marriage destiny.

THREE PLAYERS ARE BRACKETED AT TOP OF FRENCH TENNIS

Paris, Dec. 18.—Jean Borotra, Henri Cochet and Rene Lacoste are again placed together as the ranking No. 1 tennis players of France on the basis of their performances during the 1924 season. The French Tennis Federation, as was the case last year, has felt itself unable to make a choice among them for the No. 1, No. 2 and No. 3 positions, on the basis of the season's record.

All three of the leading players are rated at minus 40. Jean Cochet and Paul Faret, with minus 39.1 come next, while Louis Asteangou, Francois Blanchey, Jacques Brugnon, Marcel Guerin and Jean Senechal fill the positions from sixth to tenth. Alain Gerbault, of trans-Atlantic cruising fame, is placed sixteenth.

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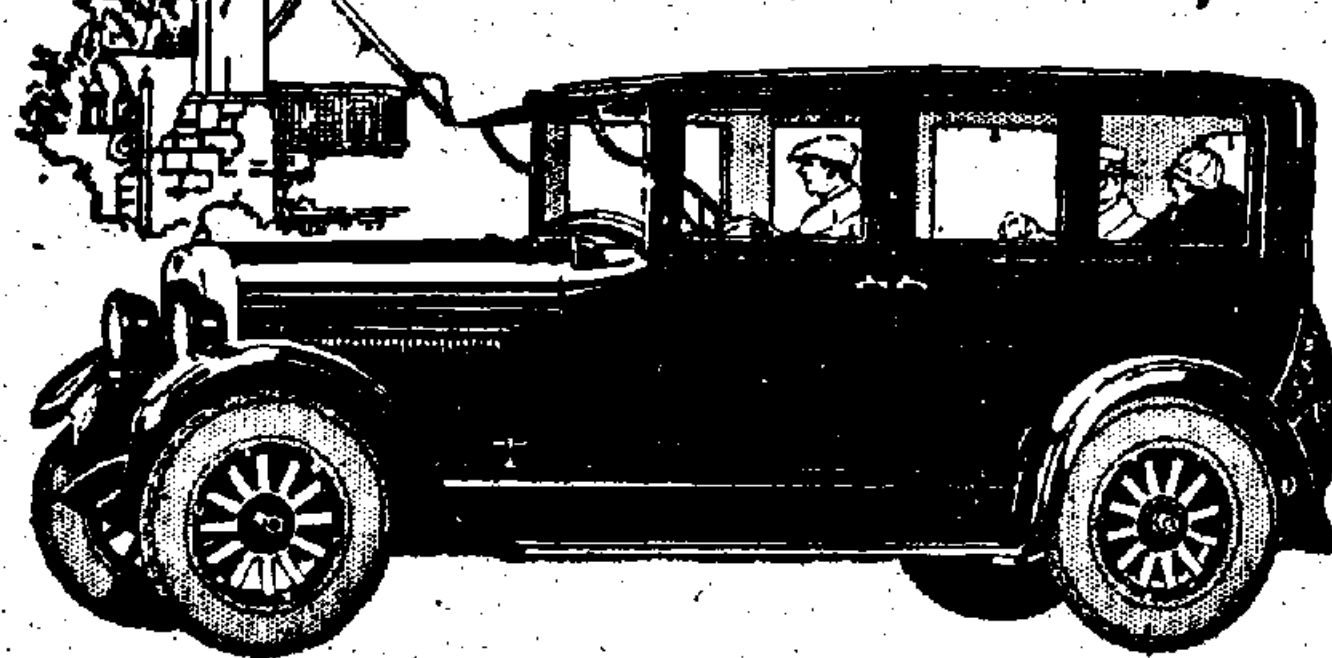
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