

SPORTING GOSSIP OF WEEK

Harry Fulliam Again Chosen to Be the Nationale's President.

WESTERN LEAGUE MEETS IN CHICAGO

Expansionists Still at Work with a Cold Bunch of Hard Facts Opposed to Their Little Dreams.

Such a gentleman.

Harry Fulliam was re-elected president of the National league just as easy. The insurrections didn't succeed in even making a demonstration. Gorman showed himself to be a "gent" by refusing to vote saying he wouldn't obstruct the selection of Mr. Fulliam, and Johnstun voted the biggest "no" he is capable of producing at one mouthful. It would have been more than New York if the managers of the Giants had endorsed the motion of the man who tamed Muggsy the Umpire Eater. A banquet to Comant and Boden, the retiring hostesses, and the reception of Dovey of St. Louis, the new impresario of Beaumont, made up the rest of the proceedings of the National league's annual session at New York.

levelled off the Young Men's Christian association tennis courts at Twentieth and Farnam streets, hauled in a lot of clay to bank them up and are only waiting for the coming of continued cold to flood the rink and make a handy skating place. With all the thousands who are using the rink at the Auditorium for skating there are still more who like the ice skating better. The first freeze of the year last Sunday found Cut-Off lake covered with skaters shortly after the sun was up.

The entering wedge to a more reformed foot ball, but a game more in accord with the old style was made at the recent conference at Chicago when the big nine met to consider the new rules. Among the principal features the conference decided upon were:

- Football playing schedule extended from five to seven games.
Restrictive feature of three-year rule eliminated; all students entering college before September 1, 1906, eligible to play four years.
Uniform limit set on beginning football practice at a certain date.
Proposition to permit two freshmen intercollegiate contests in football voted down.
Committee to select football officials reappointed for another season.
Two-umpire system in football declared successful and voted to continue another year.
That all of these are for the benefit of the game none will deny and the probability as they were passed by the schools. The training table was not adopted, but many hope this will come in time. When Alonzo Stagg goes east to represent the west in the rules committee he will have these six definite propositions to present.

Reys the Princeton Alumni Weekly: "That play—the forward pass—originally proposed as a means of offsetting the ten yards for first down legislation and of opening up the game, was so hedged about with exceptions that, as the Yale-Princeton game has shown, any team is taking long chances in incorporating it as an important part of its attack."



Dear Santa:—

Please send Papa and Mamma something awfully nice—something they really like. Oh—I'll tell you—it's just the thing. Send them some bottles of



"The Beer You Like"

They like it so much—they say it is the finest beer brewed. They say it is such a nice light beer and so different. They say they can drink all they like of Luxus and it never makes them feel bad—it refreshes them so much when they're tired. They've only got two bottles left, and I just know they want another case right away, to help make Christmas happy.

Don't you want a glass of Luxus right now, Santa? You've been so busy and must be tired. It'll do you good.

If You're a Wise Santa

you'll take the little one's advice and send in an order at once for a case or two of Luxus—the "most exquisite refinement of the brewer's art." It is the ideal beverage for the home, and its unique piquancy of flavor is most inviting. Order direct or from your dealer.

Brewed and bottled in Omaha by the Fred Krug Brewing Company, "Exponents of the Fine Art of Brewing."

The Omaha Country club has extended an invitation to the Western Golf association to hold its annual tournament on the Country club course during the next summer. The meet last year was held at St. Louis, but no decision has been made as to where the meet will be held next summer. The Country club is proud of its golf course, and justly so, for it has been pronounced as one of the best in the country by a number of the experts who have played on them all. The course is marked with short holes and an approach with long and short holes and plenty of variety. A club house of sufficient size to accommodate the players at one of these large tournaments is one of the best in the country by many proud and every effort will be made to land the big meet. The Country club will outdo itself in the way of entertainment and show the visitors a little western hospitality.

The athletic board at the University of Nebraska will have a new coach, for Coach Foster has found in his resignation and will return to Cincinnati to study law. The athletic board will accept the resignation. Foster has not made good at Nebraska, but he had a hard row to hoe because of the conditions of the contract and because of the almost entirely new team with which he had to get into the big game. The new rules are such that old men have a great advantage over the new material, because the new rules require so much handling of the plunkin, which is a most difficult task for a beginner. The oval ball is an awkward contrivance to handle for a man who is skilled in the game and for a new man it is especially so. The new rules kept the ball in the air most of the time and required a large amount of leaving and catching. Under these conditions Foster had a hard job and his team has been up and down all season. Many men are being considered for the job, but the board has decided to act slowly and get a good coach which will put Nebraska back in the position to which it rightly belongs.

After directing the fortunes of the Boston Bell club for the National league for twenty-nine long years, Messrs. Boden and Comant have stepped down and out and George B. Dovey of St. Louis now owns the club. Mr. Dovey paid \$100,000 cash, which, with the deposit of \$5,000 made a few months ago, makes a total of \$105,000. He bought the club and grounds for \$23,000 and Messrs. Boden and Comant will hold a \$80,000 mortgage on the property.

The troubles of Eddie Graney, president of the tight trust and star witness before the San Francisco grand jury, are coming so fast that he is unable to sidestep them. He had his hands full with the jury, but a complaint of Marry Corbett has dropped upon him, and unless matters take a sudden turn Eddie will have to square himself with the former master of the Ellis street situation. Graney and Corbett were supposed to have formed a partnership to run the Tuxedo saloon between them, with a prominent liquor firm to back them up. But, so the story goes, Graney "got one over" on Corbett at the proverbial eleventh hour and succeeded in installing himself as master of ceremonies of the Tuxedo and leaving Corbett out in the cold. San Francisco had scarce forgot the earth-quake and fire when Graney announced that he was about to open up the Tuxedo saloon as a headquarters for the sporting fraternity and the "good fellows" all along the line. Graney and Marry Corbett were very close friends at this particular time. Graney said he needed Corbett in his business, and Corbett was only too delighted to take a chance at one of the most promising saloon corners of the city. So, according to reports, Graney consented to allow Corbett to get in on the Tuxedo and lend his name to the place in order to further the patronage. But when Corbett came around to settle up the final details he discovered, much to his amazement, that Graney had already installed himself as manager and master of ceremonies of the place. Corbett looked around for a little horsehair but had already secured the monopoly, he retired very gracefully.

The boxing game in Omaha received quite a setback last week when Kid Jensen, the plucky little Dane, broke his arm in a six-round bout with McMahon at O'Brien's hall. In spite of a broken arm, Jensen stayed the six rounds out and was given a draw by the referee. The promoters of the same are looking for a substitute for Jensen in the match which was arranged to take place next Friday between Jensen and Campbell. Jensen was rapidly going to the front as the favorite around Omaha, because of his plucky fight and the skill he showed in the ring. He is a quiet fellow and has plenty of friends who thought he could take care of himself with any one of his weight.

Christmas will soon be along and with it the youth of Omaha will have a new pastime. He will have more places than ever to skate in Omaha this winter, for the Park board is preparing the park lakes for skating and several new rinks will be opened. Will Reed and his partners have

likely candidates. The navy team will lose only four men by graduation. They are Captain Spencer, at fullback; Norton, at quarterback; Ingram, at fullback, and Bernard, at end.

Now that the foot ball has retired to hibernate for another twelve months, the pigeon reformer has again stepped into the foreground and is in his glory once more. Despite the success, which has greeted the code under which the game was played during the season just closed, the air is full of suggestions by which the originators believe the play can be improved. The proposed changes run the gamut from minor to radical, and if all were adopted the game in 1907 would certainly be a weird affair. Among the suggestions already made the more important follow: The suggestion which found general favor and which will be submitted to the rules committee, when it officially meets read, as follows: "The substitution of a fifteen yard penalty for the loss of the ball when a forward pass hits the ground. The abolition of the five-yard rule from center in the forward pass. The allowing of two forward passes in one scrimmage, if the first does not cross the line of scrimmage. No increase in the number of downs in which to make ten yards. The exchanging of positions between the 'hugmen' and backs, providing that such a shift does not produce mass plays. The abolition of the rule prohibiting tackling below the knees. The keeping of five men on the side line back three yards from the grid-

iron. The increase to the time of play to thirty-five minute halves and the taking out of time for distance penalties. The discard of the second umpire. The training of a rule protecting the player catching a punt. The giving of the control of the progress and condition of the ball to the referee and the directing of the umpire to look for after the players alone."

Other proposed changes by former players and coaches, who are not connected with the rules committee embrace a wider scope and include the reducing of the necessary gain of ten yards in three downs to five yards inside the ten-yard line; increasing the number of downs in case the ten-yard rule is retained from three to four or making the gain fifteen yards in four downs; permitting the side which fumbles the ball to retain possession of the spheroid at the spot, where they put the ball into play; increasing the time of halves from thirty minutes to forty minutes; compelling the player to wear numbers so that spectators can know what men are carrying the ball; preventing all but four players in the back field from advancing the ball; requiring both teams to play seven men on the line at all times; limiting the maximum weight of any one player to 155 pounds and score of others, both with or without merit.

The announcement that Sam Mertes, the Giant's famous outfielder, has decided to quit base ball for good is not hard to be-

lieve, in view of the fact that Mertes was practically declared a dead one by Manager McGraw when he traded him to St. Louis for Shannon in an attempt to strengthen the Giants. Mertes was very much discouraged by the lack of confidence shown by his old manager, and was on the verge of quitting at that time, but after a few days' thought decided to be game and stick the season out with the Cardinals. Now that "Shannon" is at home in Frisco with his dog "Harry," he thinks that traveling with a tallifer, after his experience as a world's champion, would be too painful, and he has decided to invest the big wad of coin that he has been accumulating for the last thirteen years in a planing mill in the big coast town. Sam is to retain the business in partnership with his brother and expects to make big money helping to rebuild "Frisco."

Business Judgment. "Are you the proprietor of this store?" asked the young man with the sample case. "I am," said the druggist. "Is there anything?" "Have you any clerks besides that young man behind the counter?" "No, sir." "Then I can't do business with you. I am introducing a preparation guaranteed to make thin people plump, but you are so skinny here to handle it. Sorry. Good day."—Chicago Tribune.

Newsy Gossip for Owners of Automobiles

California now has nearly 2,000 miles of oiled roads.

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An eleven-ton alcohol-driven locomotive has been built in Germany. It has thirty-two horse-power and a speed of seven miles an hour.

A company is being organized at Montevideo, Ind., by James Stanley, who has invented an automobile which he says can be sold for \$100.

Always keep three well inflated. A tire run partly flat will become weak on the sides near the tread, making blow-outs frequent occurrences.

foot or so, that the parts that rest on the hangers will not become worn.

Competent judges declare the display of automobiles at the show of the Automobile Club of America, in New York, has never before been equalled.

A French senator whose daughter is a four-mile circular track is under course of construction.

The Automobile club of Detroit has closed its country home at Pine Lake for the winter.

Philadelphia dealers have agreed to hold but one show this winter, from January 21 to 25.

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stances in which automobiles and horse-drawn vehicles could be stopped the former won at every point.

The seventh national automobile show, to be held January 13-18 at Madison Square Garden, New York, promises to far surpass any exhibition of automobiles ever gathered together before.

Henry J. Casey, "copy boy" of the Seattle Times, has just completed a cross-country automobile of about two and one-quarter tons, at a cost of \$200. It will run twenty-five to thirty miles on a gallon of gasoline.

It is probable that a meeting of the American Motor league will be held during the Chicago show in February to discuss building from Chicago to New York the first line of a transcontinental national highway.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Parkford of New York have just completed a cross-country tour, begun in October, from Los Angeles to Boston in their car. Mrs. Parkford did most of the driving, and a compact carriage outfit was carried.

New models seen at the shows exhibit the benefit of present price. They are more formerly. But manufacturers seem to have striven to build of the best materials and give the purchaser more for his money than heretofore.

A steam roller will be presented as a Christmas present to Queen Alexandra on her 53 birthday, which occurred recently. It was an American automobile which won high honors at the London show.

The new \$50,000 club house of the Automobile Club of America, on Fifty-fourth street, just off Broadway, New York, is expected to be ready for occupancy by New Year.

A large number of French makers are opposing a continuance of racing, holding that it no longer brings results commensurate with the outlay of time and money.

Edward J. Schroeder, recently elected commodore of the Motor Boat club of America, will enter his boat in the international races at Cowes, England, next summer.

Miss Pousy, the noted French actress, is to marry the hospital surgeon who attended her in her recent motor accident. Six daily sends him boxes of perfumed cigarettes.

"Everyone in the Party Bought Land" advertisement for Texas Gulf Coast land, including contact information for John Sebastian.

In the Texas Gulf Coast Country farmers are doing even better than \$400 per acre, right now. Crops are certain, because you have plenty of pure artesian water on your own property for the cheapest irrigation.

Send me coupon or drop me a postal and I will give you every opportunity that I give him, for the most careful investigation.

TEXAS GULF COAST advertisement with a map of the region and contact information for John Sebastian.

DEAFNESS CURED advertisement for a scientific discovery, including a testimonial and contact information for John Sebastian.