

BRINGING UP FATHER

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TENER TO HEAD NATIONAL CLUBS: VOTE UNANIMOUS

1917 Pennant Is Officially Awarded to New Yorkers; Postpone Joint Confab With Chicago.

(By Associated Press.) New York, Dec. 12.—The re-election of John K. Tener as president of the league for a period of one year and the transaction of routine business occupied the attention of the magnates of the National league yesterday. When they adjourned until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning it was said that there was no possibility of a joint meeting with the American league in Chicago until late in the week. Such a conference was announced by Chairman Garry Herrmann of the National commission for Thursday, but the other National league club owners apparently desired more time for the consideration of their own affairs before meeting with the American league magnates. President Tener's name was the only one considered for the position of league executive. The vote was unanimous and President Tener accepted with the understanding that he was not to be required to devote his entire time to the position in view of the fact that he had previously accepted a position as president of a business corporation which will open offices in the same building with the National league suite. Secretary John A. Heydler also was re-elected for a term of four years. The regular meeting of the league was preceded by a conference of the board of directors, at which the 1917 pennant was officially awarded to the New York club; financial reports read and adopted; several pensions continued, and the pending suit of the Baltimore Federal league club discussed. This was immediately followed by the regular session of the league as a whole. The board of directors' report was adopted and discussion of the proposed joint conference with the American league was next in order. It was the unanimous opinion that such a meeting should be held, but the date will not be fixed until tomorrow. President Tener said that he thought that such business as was before the league should be settled before the club owners went to Chicago.

Golfers Elect Officers: Make Gift to Red Cross

New York, Dec. 12.—Delegates from 18 clubs assembled here today for the annual meeting of the Metropolitan Golf association. Cornelius J. Sullivan of Garden City, N. Y., will succeed J. B. C. Tappan as president, while E. Mortimer Barnes of New Englewood, N. J., was made vice president, A. H. Pogson of New York secretary and George H. Barnes of New York treasurer. There was no discussion concerning the resumption of championship events, though it is possible that the executive committee later will encourage two-day events. The treasurer has on hand a trifle more than \$59,000 raised on Decoration day for the ambulance fund, which will be turned over to the American Red Cross.

International League Puts Over Question of Play in 1918

New York, Dec. 12.—The International league, in annual meeting today decided to postpone until February 12 a decision of the question of suspending playing for the season of 1918. The Buffalo club franchise was declared forfeit for non-payment of players' salaries.

Funston Floor Five to Play Cornhusker Quintet

Camp Funston, Kan., Dec. 12.—A basketball schedule for the 89th divisional team is taking form and already four games have been scheduled. The contests arranged are: Kansas university, January 10; Nebraska Wesleyan college, January 18; Nebraska university, January 19; Henry Kendall college, January 25.

Kansas-Funston Gridiron Conflict is Called Off

Camp Funston, Kan., Dec. 12.—The football game between the eleven representing the 89th division of the national army and the Kansas university team, which was to have been played today, has been called off, it was announced last night.

Howard Laslett Elected Captain of Kansas Team

Lawrence, Kan., Dec. 12.—Howard Laslett, left end, was elected captain of the Kansas university football team for the 1918 season tonight.

GROVER AND HIS FAMOUS SMILE—Nebraska boy who is principal item in largest base ball deal ever transacted in history of the national pastime. Alex now is in Omaha for the winter.



GROVER ALEXANDER ©INTL. FILM SERVICE.

NATIONAL GAME TO GO ON AS USUAL NEBRASKA SPEED STAR GOES TO WAR

So Declares Ban Johnson at Meeting of American League Magnates at Chicago. Charlie Dawley of Lincoln, Holder of Lincoln-to-Omaha Record, Joins Navy Air Corps.

Chicago, Dec. 12.—American league club owners met here today in one of the most important sessions of recent years to take up war-time conditions. The session will end tonight or tomorrow. The club heads then will mark time pending the arrival of National league owners for a joint conference, probably Friday. "The game will be continued as usual," Ban Johnson, president of the league, said before the meeting. "The general run of players should join the colors as quickly as possible; we can find plenty of men to take their places," Clark Griffith, manager of the Washington team, declared. A general cut in salaries is predicted, although it is believed the league will retain the 154-game schedule.

Church Basket Ball Bug Contest for City Honors

The Church Basket Ball league started the 1917-18 season at the Young Men's Christian association last night. Hanscom Park Methodists, First Methodists and Williams' Wops were winners. The Hanscom Parkers defeated the Benson Methodists 16 to 13, the First Methodists licked the Pearl Memorial Methodists 19 to 15 and the Wops cleaned house with the Walnut Hill Methodists 25 to 5. Following are lineups for Tuesday night's games:

Table listing basketball players and their teams, including Benson M.E., Lucas R.F.R.F., and others.

"Lefty" Leifeld Goes to St. Louis Americans

St. Louis, Dec. 12.—Business Manager B. Quinn of the St. Louis American league base ball team announced today that "Lefty" Leifeld has been signed to pitch for the St. Louis Americans during the 1918 season. Leifeld pitched for the St. Paul association team last season.

CHICAGO ACQUIRES FAMOUS ALEXANDER

Philadelphia Lets Loose of Grover and Catcher Killifer for Cub Battery and Excess of \$50,000.

New York, Dec. 12.—The biggest base ball deal in some seasons was completed yesterday when the Philadelphia National League club sold Pitcher Grover Alexander and Catcher William Killifer to the Chicago Nationals for a cash consideration and a Cub battery. The money involved is said to be considerably in excess of \$50,000, and the two Chicago players who will wear the Philadelphia uniforms next season are Pitcher Prendergast and Catcher Dilhoefer. There is a war-time clause to the deal, which presents a remote possibility that the contract might fall through as the agreement contains a rider to the effect that in case that either Alexander or Killifer is drafted any time previous to 30 days before the opening of the 1918 National league season, the deal shall be automatically cancelled. Neither President Charles Weegman of Chicago nor President William F. Baker of the Philadelphia club would state the amount of money involved in the transaction. Biggest Deal Yet. From other sources, it was reported that the sum was in excess of the \$50,000 that changed hands when Eddie Collins was sold to the Chicago Americans by the Philadelphia Athletics and a similar amount paid by the Cleveland Americans for the services of Tris Speaker. Alexander and Killifer have been the star battery of the Philadelphia club for several seasons and Alexander's work in the box has been little short of phenomenal. It was due in part to his work that the Philadelphia club has been a pennant contender until the closing days of the past few seasons. Killifer ranks almost as high as a pitcher. Base ball authorities expressed the opinion here tonight that the acquisition of this battery was worth close to 20 games a season to Chicago as long as Alexander and Killifer maintain their form. Fans Sorely Disappointed. Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 11.—The sale of the Philadelphia National league club's star battery to the Chicago Cubs came as a great surprise not to say disappointment to the fans of this city. There had been rumors that the club would dispose of Killifer, but there was not the slightest intimation that Alexander was to go. It was known the management was not satisfied with Killifer's actions last season in regard to increased salary demands. The club had trouble in signing both men to contracts at the beginning of the season, Killifer finally accepting a reduction and Alexander signing a two-year contract for a salary which was said to have made him the highest paid pitcher in the league. He wanted \$15,000, but the club offered him \$10,000. The salary demand was compromised, but the figures were never officially given out. Base ball fans believe the sale of Alexander and Killifer means the breaking up of the club, which was a pennant contender several years, winning the championship in 1915. Alexander Nebraska Man. Alexander came to the Philadelphia club from the Syracuse, N. Y., State league team in 1911. He began his base ball career in 1908 with the Central City (Nebraska) club. Alexander this year equaled Christy Mathewson's record of winning 30 or more games in three successive seasons. His best season was in 1916, when he won 33 and lost 2 games. Alexander was born in Elba, Neb., February 26, 1887, and is subject to the draft for the national army. Catcher Killifer was born in Paw Paw, Mich., April 13, 1886. He came to the Philadelphia club from the Buffalo Eastern league team in 1911 and developed into one of the best back stops in the National league. His best batting average since coming to Philadelphia was this year, when he hit .271. Alexander now is in Omaha spending the winter. His first intimation that he was about to be transferred to Chicago came when he was notified Tuesday night that the deal had been made. He said he had no objections to pitching for the Cubs. Spain May Seek Indemnity For Sinking Vessel. Bilbao, Spain, Dec. 12.—The directors of the company owning the Spanish steamer Claudio, which was shelled recently by a German submarine with the loss of eight men killed and several wounded have sent a protest to the Spanish government asking that "You lodge an energetic protest with Germany and to exact an indemnity for the families of the victims, payment for damages to the ship, and apologies to the Spanish flag."

"Strangler" Lewis Throws Russ After Long Bout

New York, Dec. 12.—In the international catch-as-catch-can wrestling tournament here tonight "Strangler" Lewis, American, defeated Ivan Linow of Russia, with a head hold after one hour and 16 minutes wrestling. Yussuff Hussane defeated George Manich, Serbia, in 15 minutes and two seconds, with half nelson and leg hold. Looking for work? Turn to the Help Wanted Columns now. You will find hundreds of positions listed there.

Today's Sport Calendar

Athletics—Annual business meeting of Illinois Intercollegiate Athletic association, at Peoria. Base Ball—Club owners of National and American leagues confer in Chicago on policy for next season.

OMAHA AUTO CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS

W. B. Cheek Will Serve as President for Ensuing Year; Secretary "Loaned" to Red Cross.

Directors of the Omaha Automobile club elected officers at the annual meeting in club headquarters in the Hotel Fontenelle yesterday afternoon. The following will serve for the ensuing year: W. B. Cheek, president; Randall K. Brown, first vice president; J. S. White, second vice president; A. C. Kugel, treasurer; S. E. Smyth, secretary; P. A. Wells, counsel. On the request of Gould Dietz the directors voted to "loan" the services of Secretary Smyth to the Red Cross. Mr. Smyth will act as publicity director of the hospital committee. The directors voted to keep up the vigorous campaign against automobile thieves.

Make Legitimate Profit. "Nevertheless we are selling a lot of butter at that figure, and we are not running a charitable institution. We are making what we consider a legitimate profit at it. Besides we are not selling it in combination with other produce. I understand that it is our right to continue selling butter at that figure since the food administration merely fixed a maximum price and said nothing about a minimum. "No, Mr. Wattles did not ask us to cancel the butter advertisement. I decided of my own volition to discontinue it."

SELL CREAMERY BUTTER UNDER THE FIXED PRICE

David Cole Company Retail 1,000 to 1,500 Pounds Daily at 46-47 Cents Per Pound.

R. A. Stewart, manager of the David Cole Creamery company, said today that the company is retailing daily from 1,000 to 1,500 pounds of butter at from 46 to 47 cents per pound in spite of the fact that the state food administration has decided that 51 cents per pound is the fair price for the best creamery butter. Mr. Stewart gave this information when asked by newspapermen whether the food administration had interfered Tuesday with his advertising of butter at 46 cents. "No," he said, "the administration called up David Cole about our advertisement, but as he has nothing to do with it, he called me up and asked that I take the matter up with the food administration. I talked to Mr. Wattles about it, and after a conference decided I did not want to embarrass the food administration, and would withdraw my advertisement. Make Legitimate Profit. "Nevertheless we are selling a lot of butter at that figure, and we are not running a charitable institution. We are making what we consider a legitimate profit at it. Besides we are not selling it in combination with other produce. I understand that it is our right to continue selling butter at that figure since the food administration merely fixed a maximum price and said nothing about a minimum. "No, Mr. Wattles did not ask us to cancel the butter advertisement. I decided of my own volition to discontinue it."

Former Pioneer Druggist Of Beatrice Is Dead

Beatrice, Neb., Dec. 12.—(Special.) John Quincy Thacker, at one time a druggist of this city and a pioneer of this section, died yesterday at St. Louis. He was the father of Mrs. D. W. Cook, jr., and Mrs. John Mumford of this city. The body will be brought here for interment. The Gage county war fund committee met yesterday and organized by electing J. A. Reuling of Wymore, chairman, and Dr. F. E. McCracken of this city secretary.

The Gage County Anti-Hog Cholera association held a meeting yesterday and approved the work of County Agent Rist in vaccinating hogs in the county for the purpose of eradicating the scourge. The following officers were elected for the coming year: F. C. Crocker of Filley, president; G. A. Wiebe of Beatrice, vice president; L. Boyd Rist, Beatrice, secretary-treasurer. The executive board comprises the officers, Jack Whalen of Cortland and Lake Brintnall of Wymore. Mrs. Pearl Hamilton of this city was granted a divorce by Judge Pemberton from Shelby E. Hamilton on the grounds of alleged cruelty and non-support. At the commercial luncheon yesterday talks on war savings certificates were made by Ward Burgess, state director of the campaign, and Harry O. Palmer, secretary of the campaign in the state, both of Omaha.

South is Blanketed By Heavy Fall of Snow

Richmond, Va., Dec. 12.—Virginia, North and South Carolina and northeast Georgia were covered today by one of the heaviest December snowfalls in history. From the mountains to tidewater snow was reported to have reached a depth of from eight to 10 inches.

Advertisement for Tom Moore cigars. Features a cartoon of a man smoking and writing, with text: 'Here's "Luck" to your smoking', 'When you hear of men being "lucky" ascribe their luck to dogged perseverance. Luck, after all, is unconscious ability. Success attends the "lucky" man because he fights for it, throwing himself into his task head, hand and heart and soul. Lucky is the man who has found his cigar—the cigar that suits him. In many cases the quality of mildness in Tom Moore, "a light-hearted Havana," finds favor with men whose judgment stands behind their "luck."', 'LITTLE TOM - Tom Moore quality in a 5c size', 'TOM MOORE (HAVANA FILLED) CIGAR - TEN - CENTS A light hearted Havana', 'LITTLE TOM 5 CENTS STRAIGHT', 'Rothenberg & Schloss, Kansas City. Local Trade Supplied by Branch House, 1715 Douglas St., Omaha.'