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DATE OF CLOSING BASEBALL SEASON TO BE SET TODAY

Magnates Meet at Cleveland to Discuss Situation; Johnson Opposed to Any Games After September 1.

Cleveland, O., Aug. 2.—At special meetings here tomorrow of the American league and the National Baseball commission a decision will be reached regarding the closing of the major league base ball season and the question of playing a world's series. Several owners of the National league are expected to attend.

The National commission meeting is scheduled for 11 a. m. Chairman August Herrmann and Ban Johnson, president of the American league, will probably be the only members to attend as President John K. Tener of the National league has expressed his intention of not attending.

Favor September World Series. New York, Aug. 2.—The National league base ball season of 1918 will end not later than September 2. Immediately afterward, the winning club will participate in a world series with the American league flag winners, provided arrangements for such a contest can be made with the rival major league.

These were the outstanding decisions reached at a special meeting of the National league club presidents held in this city late today. The conference, which had been originally set for tomorrow, was advanced 24 hours in order that the senior organization might be in a position to present its plans to the American league magnates, who are scheduled to meet in Cleveland Saturday.

Opposes Playing After September 1. Chicago, Aug. 2.—President Ban Johnson of the American league, on his departure for Cleveland tonight to attend a special meeting of the league tomorrow, said he would not be a party to a base ball game played after September 1, the date stipulated by Secretary Baker for the application of the work or fight order as it affects professional base ball.

President Johnson's statement strongly indicated that he would not consent to staging the world's series after September 1 as contemplated by club owners of the National league. The American league executive left for Cleveland with the vote of six of the eight club owners in favor of his plan to close the championship season on or about August 20 and then play a world's series within the 14 days remaining before the first of the month.

James C. Dunn, owner of the Cleveland club, and Charles A. Comiskey, president of the Chicago Americans, accompanied President Johnson. Dunn is strongly in favor of ending the season in accordance with President Johnson's suggestion. Mr. Comiskey, while opposed to the early closing, said he would cast his vote with the majority.

Offers Millard Chance To Meet Jack Dempsey. Milwaukee, Aug. 2.—Tom Andrews, night promoter, tonight wired Jesse Willard, asking him whether he would agree to meet Jack Dempsey at the auditorium here any time this fall, the entire receipts of the bout to go to the war fund, less actual expenses. Dempsey, Andrews declared, already has accepted the offer.

TODAY'S CALENDAR OF SPORTS. Trotting: Opening of Grand Circuit meeting at North Randall track, Cleveland. Shooting: Annual Grand American Hunt and tournament opens at Chicago. Tennis: Georgia state championship tournament opens at Atlanta. Washington state championship tournament opens at Seattle. Western Michigan championship tournament opens at Grand Rapids. Invitation tournament of Seabright Lawn Tennis club opens at Seabright, N. J.

Congressman Kinkaid To Visit Nebraska. Washington, Aug. 2.—(Special Telegram.)—Representative Moses P. Kinkaid left today for Nebraska, his first stop being at Kearney. It is his intention to pay a visit to the western counties of his district which is one of the largest in the union.

Bank Vault Rifled. Pueblo, Colo., Aug. 2.—The Olney State bank of Olney Springs was robbed last night, according to information received here today. The robbers entered the vault and rifled all of the safety boxes, taking away thousands of dollars worth of Liberty bonds, war savings stamps, thrift stamps, bonds of other sorts and jewelry.

Archangel Frontier Closed. Amsterdam, Aug. 2.—An official statement received here from Moscow says that the Archangel frontier has been closed for 14 days for military reasons.

Standing of Teams

Table showing standings for National League and American League. Columns include team names and statistics like wins, losses, and percentages.

CLEVELAND CUTS BOSTON'S LEAD IN PENNANT RACE

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Burns Outfights Moore. Jersey City, Aug. 2.—Frankie Burns of this city outfought Pal Moore of Memphis, Tenn., in an eight-round bout here tonight. Burns weighed 120 pounds and Moore 118.

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NEW YORK FALLS BACK AS CHICAGO INCREASES LEAD

Cubs Gain Another Easy Victory Over Giants; Braves Win as Northrop Holds Pirates to Four Hits.

New York, Aug. 2.—Chicago won another easy victory over New York today by a score of 11 to 1. The Cubs now lead the Giants by five and a half games in the pennant race. Score: CHICAGO. AB.H.O.A.E.

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SPEED DRIVERS TAKE WHIRL AT DUST AT BENSON

Dasback, Epperson and Lampkin Step Off Fast Laps on Half-Mile Oval at Benson in Test Spins.

"Chappie" Dasback, Cowboy Epperson and Burr Lampkin, three of the dirt track speed stars who will take part in the clash for fame and fortune at the Benson Park speedway Sunday afternoon, took a few whirls in the dust Thursday afternoon to test out the little half-mile track.

All three of the pilots negotiated some fast laps in spite of the dust; which lay inches thick on the track. Blindly cut dust clouds, following the path of each speeding car, made it impossible for more than one car to take the track at a time.

Dasback, in Eddie Rickenbacher's old 450 Maxwell, was the first on the track and had the dust clouds rolling and Epperson appeared. "Jash" took a dozen shots at the track and turned the hazardous oval in 40 seconds or all over the track before Lampkin better each time. Lampkin and Epperson who gathered how easy it is to side-slip the turns without taking down part of the fence. Lampkin turned one lap in 36 and 1-5 second fast time, considering the short track the fat and narrow curves and the soft dust.

Much faster time is anticipated Sunday during the races, when the drivers will be up against competition and thus forced to extend their selves. Also, the track will be oiled so as to settle the heavy dust.

Dirt track racing is considerably different than the speedway brand. The speed is much less, but the flying dust, the side-slipping and skidding cars, the maneuvers on the turns and other elements which do not enter into speedway racing, make it none the less thrilling.

Calendar of Sports

Automobile: Track races at Uniontown (Pa.) speedway. Golf: Opening of summer championship tournament at Cowanda, Cal. Tennis: Northwestern championship tournament opens at Lake Minnetonka, Minn. Central West women's championship tournament opens at Kansas City, Missouri. State championship tournament opens at Kansas City, Oklahoma city championship tournament opens at Oakland, Cal.

ANTE GUY WINS 2:15 TROT AFTER DELL JOLLA TIRES

Seventeen Heats Required to Complete Program on Last Day of Columbus Grand Circuit Meeting.

Columbus, O., Aug. 2.—It took 17 heats to complete the final day's program of the mid-summer Grand Circuit race meeting here today. The card was rather a cheap one, but long drawn out owing to the split heats in the 2:15 pace and 2:15 trot, it taking six heats to decide the winner in the former and five heats in the latter.

The 4-year-old filly, Ante Guy, had a real battle with Dell Jolla. Erskine's mare tired the last two heats and Ante Guy to put her ahead at the wire. Ante Guy was almost a prohibitive favorite.

In the 2:15 pace Hal H. for a time looked to be a winner but he broke his hobbles in the fourth heat and then went very lame the fifth heat and was distanced. Charley M., who sold for \$5 in the field in tickets totalling \$125, finally went over as the winner for one of the longest shots of the meeting.

Belle Alcantara had no difficulty in winning the 2:18 pace in straight heats. Binland, the crack trotter, easily disposed of his field in the 2:15 trot for his fifth victory of the year. Sis Bing won second money. Walter

Prices Fixed for Bituminous Coal for the Middle West

Washington, Aug. 2.—Prices for various grades of bituminous coal to take the place of anthracite, which has been withdrawn from the middle west, were fixed today by the fuel administration.

The mine price for prepared coal will be allowed for all special sizes more than one-half inch in size, while for sizes from one-quarter to one-half inch in size, the mine price for run of mine coal will be allowed. For all fine sizes passing through a mesh one-half an inch or smaller 30 cents per net ton less than the prevailing price for standard screenings will be charged. For fine screenings, mixed with other coal, the price cannot exceed the applicable government price less 30 cents a ton.

Plans for conducting an extensive campaign to increase bituminous coal production were also announced today by the fuel administration.

Contribute to Army.

Washington, Aug. 2.—For having on hand more flour than food administration regulations permit, the Horlick Malted Milk company has contributed \$50,000 worth of its products to the army and navy, the food administration announced today.

Kirby Denies that Pine Men Are Ship Lumber Slackers

San Francisco, Aug. 2.—John H. Kirby of Houston, Tex., who a few days ago was relieved of his position as lumber administrator of the emergency fleet corporation following assertions by shipping board officials at Washington that the wooden ship building program was being hampered because southern pine interests have not more promptly met the demand for timber, left here today for Washington to meet the charges.

In denying that the wooden ship building had been held up by a lack of yellow pine, Mr. Kirby said that every order for timber had been fulfilled and that in addition he had put aside some 45,000,000 feet of yellow pine in storage to meet any emergency.

All Qualified Officers To Be Sent Overseas

Washington, Aug. 2.—Under an order from the chief of ordnance, announced today, service in the listed personnel of the ordnance department, except at arsenals and proving grounds, will be restricted to men physically disqualified for general military service.

All others in the service will be sent overseas.

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