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STONEHAM REMAINING WITH GIANTS

Heydler Denies Rumor of Reported Transfer — No Negotiations for Sale of Club.

New York, Dec. 5—Pres John A. Heydler of the National League issued a formal statement denying reports that he has discussed with Kenesaw M. Landis commissioner of baseball transfer of the ownership of the New York Giants.

During the visit of Commissioner Landis to New York last week reports were circulated that negotiations were proceeding for the sale of the stock in the Giants held by Charles A. Stoneham who has been indicted on a charge of perjury in connection with the failure of E. M. Fuller & Co., a brokerage house. It was said that Commissioner Landis and Pres Heydler had discussed the situation several weeks ago.

"I cannot see why I should be placed in such a position," said Mr. Heydler. "There is no basis whatever for such an inference. In simple justice to Mr. Stoneham and myself I believe this impression should be corrected. As executive of the league it would absolutely be outside of my province to attempt to enter into a scheme that has to do with the transfer of property rights of club owners or even to suggest such a highhanded plan."

EIGHT YEAR MYSTERY

Jersey City, Dec. 5—The little skeleton of Jimmy Glass brought here from Greeley, Penn., where it was found in a deep swamp will be buried with as much privacy as is possible, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Glass his parents have decided.

Mrs. Glass, the widow of Jimmy's disappearance eight years ago reopened by the discovery of his skeleton is in bed suffering from shock. Today however Mr. Glass said that both he and Mrs. Glass were relieved that the long years of suspense aggravated with a very wild clew were at an end.

SYDNEY MAN ACADIA RUGBY CAPTAIN IN '24

Otto Noble, Fullback, Selected to Lead Garnet and Blue—Sydney Men Prominent in the Colleges.

(Sydney Record)

Otto Noble will captain the Acadia football team in 1924. He was elected to that post last week by the members of the 1923 Acadia football squad. Noble has developed into one of the best back division players in intercollegiate football and was one of Acadia's stars this past season. He is a son of Capt. D. A. Noble, of the Besco police department, and a graduate of Sydney Academy. Last season Otto played full back for Acadia and doubtless will again be at this position with the Garnet and Blue fifteen in 1924. Flood who played full back for Mount A. this past season is the new captain of that fifteen, and Second, U. N. B.'s retiring captain, was also a full back. Apparently the intercollegiate teams run to full backs for leaders.

Others Prominent.

It is interesting to note how prominent Sydney athletes continue in Maritime colleges. Lately the Sydney stars at three different colleges have been elected to important berths on athletic teams. Fable Bates is the Dalhousie hockey captain for this coming winter. Otto Noble is to lead Acadia's football squad in 1924 and Dr. Eugene Mullins is to have complete charge of the St. F. X. hockey squad. And besides these leaders Sydney has sent some of her foremost athletes to the Maritime colleges and every one of the local boys has made good.

EIGHT SEND CHALLENGES FOR M'LELLAN CUP

A Bathurst despatch says: So far six challenges for the McLellan Cup have been received—Campbellton, Chatham, Newcastle, Dalhousie, Carleton and Oxford. Halifax and Sackville have also sent challenges.

CANADIENS AT GRIMSBY

Montreal, Dec. 5—The Canadiens' hockey team of the National League has left for Grimsby, Ont., where they will start their training for the 1923-24 season at the artificial ice arena there.

The following members either went with the main guard or will join the party in Grimsby today: Geo. Vezina, Sprague Cleghorn, "Billy" Coutu, "Bill" Boucher, Aurel Joliat, Ogie Cleghorn, Joe Malone, J. S. Mantha, Rene Joliat, "Bill" Cameron, Lafrance and Fortier.

TREASURE TROVE IN HARVARD STADIUM

Boston, Dec. 5—As a result of excavations made in the mud collected at the Stadium during the Yale game Dennis Enright has amassed a great collection of lost articles that are now on view at the Harvard Athletic Association offices waiting for their owners to come and claim them.

The list of articles follows: Eight women's umbrellas, four men's umbrellas, four raincoats, one poncho, one fur neckpiece, one scarf, one auto robe, three blankets, one steamer rug, two pillows, one wicker seat, one rubber belt, one gentleman's kid glove, one pair of ladies' rubbers, one pair of glasses and one stop watch.

The Athletic Association still has, as well, a collection of relics of the Holy Cross, Dartmouth and Brown games. Instead of raincoats and umbrellas, the list includes large numbers of coat belts, gloves and steamer rugs, as well as one fraternity pin.

OVERBLOUSES HAVE NO WAISTLINE.

New York—In the latest overblouse there is a conspicuous absence of belt or even of defined waistline of any sort. Luxurious though the fabric may be the lines of the blouse are those of a middy.

FATALITIES IN U.S. FOOTBALL

Chicago, Dec. 5—Eighteen football players, of whom nine were high school students and five from colleges and universities, died this fall as a result of injuries received in gridiron games over the country, according to unofficial records to date. The first casualty came on October 2, when Buell Crawford, of the Western State College of Salina, Colo., died from blood poisoning in a broken leg.

Fractured skulls and backs caused a majority of the deaths. One died from strangulation. He was chewing tobacco when tackled and died on the field.

MONCTON STILL AFTER N. B. PRO. LEAGUE

The Moncton Transcript talks of the pro hockey situation as follows:—

The local moguls have not given up the idea of a league made up entirely of New Brunswick teams. While no definite word either one way or the other has been received from Fredericton or St. John, it is understood that the work of organizing the independent forces is quiet going ahead in those places.

Regarding the Nova Scotia teams which may participate in the league, it is said that both Springhill and Dartmouth are possibilities. In the former town there are a number of men banned by the Amateur Union and they are understood to be anxious to get into the game again. In Dartmouth there are rumors of dissatisfaction over the rules of the Amateur Union passed at the recent annual meeting held in Vancouver.

Whatever the prospects are in the other towns and cities, Moncton fans are assured of a good team if the league is formed. Berlinguette will not come down to this country as he is playing with Lalonde in Saskatoon. They both starred against the Vancouver Maroons. However, it is hoped that a suitable substitute can be found to pilot the local team to victory. There is no lack of material and it only wants a man to get it into shape.

Tonight's meeting in the City Hall is important and all those who have taken shares in the organization are asked to be on hand and to bring their best brains along that the solution of the hockey problem in this city may be solved to the best advantage.

BEAMS IN TUT'S TOMB SOUND

Luxor, Egypt, Dec. 5—Howard Carter chief of the expedition engaged in uncovering the mysteries of Tut-Ankh-Amen's tomb expects to have finished demolition of the portion wall between the anteroom and the mortuary chamber. The barrier of planks erected to protect the wooden canopy over the sepulchre in the latter room will then be removed, prior to the delicate work of taking down the outer canopy or shrine.

The manner in which the builders of the tomb partitioned off the sepulchral chamber after building up the nest of shrines around the sarcophagus now is apparent. In the solid rock on the left when facing the shrine they hollowed an irregular niche to carry the plaster which held the wall in place and the loose stones of the latter were supported at intervals by short wooden beams. A sort of buttress was thus built up to the right and left forming a door, which was subsequently filled in and sealed. The beams which are about the shape and size of small railway ties are darkened with age and splintering at the sides but within they are firm and hard notwithstanding the great lapse of time since they were put into place.

Mr. Kay—But dear don't you think you are punishing Tommy rather too severely by sending him to bed without dinner?

Mrs. Kay—Oh no. I carry his dinner up to him later.

Each year sees mechanical toys more and more intricate, and harder for Dad to manipulate.

HEILMAN LEADS AMERICAN LEAGUE BATTERS

Average of .403 — Second Time This Detroit Player Has Led His League — Other Figures.

Harry Heilmann of the Detroit club, for the second time in his career leads the American League batters in the official records compiled by Irwin M. Howe for the season of 1923 and given herewith with a percentage of .403. Last season Heilmann finished fourth.

He and "Babe" Ruth fought for the honor throughout the past season and owing to a slump in mid-season, Ruth overtook and passed the Detroit slugger but near the end he also slumped and finished with percentage of .393.

In the appended list only those players who participated in 15 or more games and who had an average of .290 or better are given since the official figures do not differ materially from the unofficial figures which were printed in the Globe at the end of the season.

Out of 173 players whose records were furnished by the official statistician 38 hit for .300 or better the veterans being conspicuous in this group which includes Harris, Burns and Flagstead of the Red Sox. Out of the leading ten eight were seasoned players and eight out of ten were lefthand hitters.

Prominent among the star performers were Ty Cobb, Tris Speaker, Eddie Collins and Kenneth Williams, Cobb completing his 18th successive year with an average of .300 or better. Speaker set a new record for doubles having punched out 59. Ruth led in number of runs scored with 151 and his 205 hits included 42 doubles, 13 triples and 41 home runs.

Eddie Collins 49 stolen bases and 39 sacrifice hits and his batting average for the season of .360 in 145 games, would not indicate that this veteran is slipping to any noticeable extent. In club batting Cleveland as first with an average of .301, Detroit second with .300, New York third with .291 and Boston last with .261.

PET PICKEREL IS BACK IN ITS WINTER HOME

O'Neill, Neb., Dec. 4—(United Press)—"Scar Face Billy" is home again. He is a monster pickerel that spends his winters in the tank reservoir on the ranch of Frank Barrett, near here.

Annually "Scar Face Billy" wends his way to the huge reservoir in the fall and lazily rolls around in the sunny spots of the pool during the short days of mid-winter.

His name comes from a long scar across his head received from a spear fisherman. Billy was found eight years ago by Barrett. At the time the pickerel was lying half-dazed in shallow water, crimsoned from his wound. Barrett took Billy to the tank home of the fish and nursed him back to health.

In the spring the fish set out down stream for a summer's wandering. That fall he came finning his way against the current back into the reservoir.

Billy is appreciative of attention. Barrett said. Scratching of his sides and back and occasional rubs on his nose will win favor with the pickerel especially if they are accompanied by an occasional frog or other tasty fish tidbit.

"Scar Face" shows a great dislike for carp and continually fought with them when quartered in a small pond where the "leather-backs" were kept. The pickerel has immense teeth, sleeping backward, and has been known to successfully hold his own in combat with muskrats and beavers.

When Barrett rescued "Scar Face Billy" eight years ago the fish weighed two and a half pounds. Since that time he has grown until he now tips the beam at seventeen and three-quarter pounds and measures thirty-three and a quarter inches in length.

Lady—Aren't you the same man to whom I gave that glass of elderberry wine last week?

Tramp—No mum, and I don't think I ever shall be.

SHOCKER HAS ASKED LANDIS TO DECIDE

If Ruling is Against Him Player Will Go to Courts — Infringement of Personal Rights.

Chicago, Dec. 5—Urban Shocker of the St. Louis Browns, one of the greatest pitchers in the American League, has carried his fight to be declared a free agent to Commissioner Landis on the plea that his liberty had been infringed upon because officials of the St. Louis club had refused him permission to have his wife accompany him on a trip with the club.

Shocker was fined \$1000 and suspended on Sept. 12, when he refused to join the Browns on their last Eastern trip after being denied permission to take his wife along. Shocker asks that Commissioner Landis have the \$1000 fine refunded, his salary paid him from Sept. 12 to the end of the season and he be declared a free agent.

The St. Louis pitcher, who won 20 games and lost 12 during the 1923 season, appeared before Commissioner Landis with his attorney, Jerome F. Duggan of St. Louis, while attorney S. W. Swarts and Business Manager William Freil represented the Browns. After two hours' argument, Commissioner Landis requested the Browns' attorney to file an answer to Shocker's charges, with the understanding that the pitcher's attorney would be given time to offer testimony in rebuttal.

Attorney Swarts contended for the Browns that a rule was in effect that no player could take his wife on any trip. This was countered by the assertion that along the way the wives of other players had joined the teams although they did not travel on the same train as the team.

Stripped of its legal verbiage, the case simmered down to the question whether a club had a right to discipline a player as it saw fit.

It was strongly intimated that should Commissioner Landis rule against him, Shocker would carry the case into court.

CAMPAIGN ON SALACIOUS PERFORMANCES

New York, Dec. 5—The campaign launched recently to rid Broadway of salacious plays assumed a formidable legal aspect when Dist. Atty. Banton announced he would ask the Grand Jury to indict the producers when evidence warranted.

Acting on instructions from the District Attorney, General Sessions Judge Collins instructed the Grand Jury now in session to investigate all formal and responsible complaints.

Mr. Banton said that instead of asking the Grand Jurors to attend the plays against which complaints were lodged he would detail stenographers to take down transcripts of what was said on the stage the spoken words to be accompanied by a description of the action accompanying the speeches.

The district attorney places most of the blame for indecent plays upon producers, declaring that the actors usually had no choice.

A "Ten Commandments Week" would be rather a novelty.

A Severe Attack of Heart Trouble WAS RELIEVED BY MILBURN'S

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Mr. S. E. Barnes, Athens, Ont., writes: "Four years ago I had a very severe attack of heart trouble. I consulted my doctor; he treated me for some time, but I only seemed to be getting worse. I finally went to our druggist and purchased three boxes of Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills and derived immediate relief from their use, and I can truthfully say they are a wonderful medicine. I always keep a box on hand, and if I feel out of sorts I take a few pills and feel all right again."

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