

NEWS of SPORT

REPORT THAT THIRD BIG LEAGUE WILL OPERATE

Fans Doubtful About Matter — Promoters Say Eight Big Cities are Ready to Support Clubs.

Pittsburgh, Aug. 22—Another attempt to launch a third major baseball league is in the offing.

This statement may be greeted with a loud "ha ha" by staid old attaches of organized baseball, but it is true, nevertheless. The new loop has five strong cities lined up at present and has turned down the proffer of a syndicate in a Canadian city to put \$2,000,000 behind a franchise, because it is desired to have the league a purely United States loop.

There will be eight clubs in the circuit and it will make its start in 1927. In fact, the five clubs which have taken franchises are ready to go at any time, but there has been some difference of opinion as to which other three cities are to be admitted although they are knocking for admission.

The above was learned today from a man who is to be connected with the movement, a man with practical baseball experience who said that Pittsburgh will have a place in the league and that already grounds for a park have been obtained.

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When asked what backing the Pittsburgh club will have, he replied that its financial status will be much more stable than that behind the club in the old Federal League which interested for a time several of millions.

SAY TY COBB WILL BE RETIRED

Rumors persist that Tyrus Raymond Cobb is through as manager of the Detroit Americans and that Owner Frank Navin will request his \$60,000 pilot to vacate his position at the end of the present season. Cobb, the best baseball player ever produced has not been able to get results. He has tried to teach his players the tricks he alone could perform, and in this way he paved the way for his own undoing as a team leader. The Georgian is probably the wealthiest player in the sport and if he is asked to step down in the City of Straits he will likely retire from organized baseball. It is interesting to note in this connection that Dan Howley, successful Toronto manager, is mentioned as likely to succeed Cobb.

SABBATH SPIRIT ABOUT BALL GAME ON SUNDAY

Philadelphia, Aug. 22—Sunday baseball has something of the Sabbath spirit about it, Manager Connie Mack of the Philadelphia Americans, told Judge Frank Smith in Common Pleas Court.

The veteran manager was testifying at injunction proceedings brought his club at prevent police interference with a proposed game.

A Sunday baseball crown "is a little bit different" from a weekday gathering, and "perhaps they have in mind they are attending a game on Sunday," Manager Mack testified. "Perhaps I might say" added Mack, "the people dress a little bit differently and they also seem to have in mind that it is Sunday and do not reprove the players."

"I have only ten minutes and I hardly know where to begin" said the speaker.

"Begin at the ninth minute," suggested a man in the audience.

CARDINALS PRESSING GIANTS IN NATIONAL

Frisch is Suspended by McGraw—Maranville is Given Release by Brooklyn—Sunday Game at Philadelphia.

New York, Aug. 22—The St. Louis Cardinals today won their eighth consecutive victory and advanced within a fraction of a percentage point of the National League leadership when they took the third of the series from the Giants, 4-2. Giant errors accounted for the Cardinals' runs with the exception of a home run by Bell.

Manager J. J. McGraw of the Giants, indefinitely suspended Captain Frankie Frisch, second sacker because he left the club Saturday without permission. He arrived in New York late today and declared his reason for absenting himself from the team at St. Louis was due to poor health, which was confined to trouble to his legs.

Playing Criticized.

"There's nothing else to it," he said. "I didn't have any run-in with McGraw and have nothing to say regarding my suspension." Travers Jackson is acting captain of the Giants. Baseball writers have criticized Frisch's playing throughout the season and he has been fined several times for not running out in field drives.

The Brooklyn defense went to pieces in the eighth inning and Chicago scored three runs to shut out the Dodgers, 3 to 0. The Brooklyn team contributed three errors in the eighth, which with a base on balls and two hits, netted three runs. Manager Robinson of the Dodgers has released "Rabbit" Maranville as a move towards a youthful majority on the Brooklyn roster next year.

American League.

Armed with a court injunction that prevented police interference, the Philadelphia Athletics played their first baseball game in Philadelphia on Sunday today and won from Chicago White Sox, 3 to 2.

It was the first professional ball game ever played in Philadelphia on Sunday. There were no demonstrations and no attempt was made by any action or element to prevent the contest.

Cleveland found Washington pitchers easy and the Indians took a double-header 6 to 2 and 6 to 0 at the Capitol. Uhle held the Senators in check, in the first game and Shaute shut them out with four hits in the second.

Rain prevented the St. Louis-New York game here.

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
	Won	Lost	P.C.
Pittsburgh	65	45	.580
St. Louis	69	50	.580
Cincinnati	68	51	.572
Chicago	61	57	.517
New York	58	58	.500
Brooklyn	57	64	.471
Boston	47	70	.402
Philadelphia	43	71	.377

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
	Won	Lost	P.C.
New York	76	45	.628
Cleveland	67	54	.554
Philadelphia	66	56	.541
Detroit	62	57	.521
Washington	59	58	.504
Chicago	60	60	.500
St. Louis	50	71	.413
Boston	42	81	.342

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE			
	Won	Lost	P.C.
Toronto	83	49	.629
Baltimore	78	51	.605
Newark	78	52	.600
Buffalo	76	56	.576
Rochester	65	66	.496
Jersey City	60	69	.466
Syracuse	51	80	.389
Reading	30	98	.234

"Meet any interesting people on your tour?" asked the neighbor.

"Well" replied the returned motorist, "we met quite a number of rural cops and squires—and spent quite a little time and money with them."

DEMPSEY LEAVES NEW YORK STATE FOR NEW JERSEY

Atlantic City Site of the Training Camp for Bout with Tunney—The Champ May Pace Horses.

Saratoga Springs, N. Y., Aug. 22—"We are going to shake the dust of New York from our shoes for good as far as fighting is concerned."

This was the general comment Saturday at the training camp of Dempsey, heavyweight champion, as preliminary plans got under way for breaking camp Sunday night. In deference to the wishes of Tex Rickard, promoter of the champions match with Gene Tunney in Philadelphia next month, the Dempsey camp is to be switched to Atlantic City.

There is much speculation in camp today over the report that Dempsey, who last night attended the yearling sale in connection with the August racing meet, purchased two colts. Some professed to see the possibility of the champion entering the racing game before long.

The new training quarters at Atlantic City will be in the dog park, which is now empty, there being no whippet races scheduled before September 23, the date of the battle.

WAS ONE OF THE RICHEST WOMEN IN THE WORLD

London, Aug. 19—Baroness Strathcona, only child of the first Lord Strathcona, the Canadian pioneer, died today, aged 72, at her Park Lane home. Her title, which she inherited from her father through a special provision, goes to her son, Captain Donald Howard.

Baroness Strathcona was one of the world's richest women, having inherited the bulk of the fortune of her father, who was one of the builders of the Canadian Pacific Railway. In 1922 the Baroness came into prominence by practically to save the giving away half a million dollars in a fruitless effort banking firm of Sir McGrigor from bankruptcy. It was said then that McGrigor had paid Lord Strathcona's way to Canada when he went there to seek his fortune.

Lady Strathcona was Margaret C. Howard, receiving her title on the death of her father in London in 1914. Her father, Sir Donald Alexander Smith, later raised to the Baronetcy, played a prominent part in Canada for many years during the last century, becoming a member of Parliament in the Canadian House of Commons, and later being appointed High Commissioner in Great Britain for the Dominion.

Baroness Strathcona was married in 1888 to Dr. Robert Jared Bliss Howard of Montreal. He died in 1921. Three sons and two daughters were born to them—Donald Sterling Palmer Howard, M. P., heir to the Baroness Strathcona; Robert Henry, Arthur Jared, Frances Margaret and Edith Mary.

The sons all served in the war as officers of British regiments, and Robert Henry was killed.

Arthur Jared Howard is a son-in-law of Premier Stanley Baldwin, having married Lorna Stanley Baldwin in 1922. Frances Margaret Howard is the wife of Commander James Buller Kitson of the Royal Navy, and Edith Mary is the wife of Baron Congleton.

HOW IT HAPPENED.

"How does it come that Yvonne is so happy in her marriage?" asked Blonde of the rapid fire restaurant.

"Before she fedded she said her husband must be tall, handsome eloquent, strong, healthy and brainy," replied Heloise the head waitress. "By and by she married a fellow about as big and smart as a mushroom and is so delighted with him that whatever he does is wonderful."

EARLY START AT RUGBY PRACTICE IN MONTREAL

Paul Fraser Out Last Week With Montreal A. A. A. Squad Formerly Montreal English Club.

English Rugby practices start in Montreal last week. As stated by The Mail previously Paul Fraser turned out.

The Montreal Star says:—

The Montreal English Rugby Club, who this year for the first time will play under the colors of the Montreal Amateur Athletic Association will get their season under way this evening with their first practice at the Westmount Grounds.

Officials of the club visited the field house at the grounds this week and were assigned quarters in the building which they will use throughout the coming season. The first work-out tonight will draw most of last year's team which were finalists for the MacTier Cup with the champion University of New Brunswick team.

Many new faces are also expected to try for regular places with the squad. One of these is Fraser captain of the New Brunswick team of last season. Any players wishing a chance to try for the team are asked to send the name to secretary Van Dette of the M. A. A. A.

President Gunn, of the Montreal Club, is well satisfied with their affiliation with the Winged Wheelers and anticipates a fine season for the English game. The Hamilton, Bermuda, English Rugby Club which is to tour Eastern Canada this fall, will arrive in Montreal for games with local teams on October 2nd.

BIG FOUR AGAIN U. S. CHOICE

New York, Aug. 22—The "Big Four" of American lawn tennis—William T. Tilden, William M. Johnston, Vincent Richards and R. Norris Williams—were reappointed members of the Davis Cup team by the Selection Committee of the United States Lawn Tennis Association.

Defense of the trophy held since 1920 by the United States thus will be entrusted to the same quartet which beat back the challenge of France a year ago. They will face one of the three nations at Philadelphia on Sept. 9, 10, and 11 with France to still meet the winner of a series between Cuba and Japan for the right to challenge the cupholders. Williams again has been selected captain of the team.

GOLFERS RANG FIRE ALARM WITH LONG DRIVE

Philadelphia, Aug. 21—An unidentified Philadelphia player is believed to have set a world's record here yesterday by securing a "fire alarm-in-one." With one mighty swing of his driver he succeeded in summoning a score of fire trucks and engines to the links of the Philadelphia Country Club, where he was playing.

It happened this way:

The distance between the second tee and green is about 440 yards. The player was determined to get as near the green as he could with one powerful swing. The club marked the ball with tremendous force. It went in the wrong direction.

The ball smashed the glass of the fire alarm box at Belmont avenue and Monument road summoning three West Philadelphia fire companies.

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