

# Minor League Magnates In Annual Meet

## TO BE IN EAST FOR TWO WEEKS

After Attending Own Meet at Hartford Will Probably Stop Over in New York for a Look-In on Majors.

By JOHN H. FOSTER  
Hartford, Conn., Dec. 3.—Minor league baseball men still were arriving here today for the big annual meeting of their clan, some of them having stopped off in New York to see the sights.

Dan O'Neill, president of the Eastern League, who talked the owners into coming to Hartford, despite the demurrers of some that it was too far from home, is making good early with the promises he made to see that the trip was made worth their while. Literally everything is being done for the minor magnates. Most of them will be in the East for two weeks, as they plan to drift down to New York to be on the scene of the major league meeting next week.

One of the most interesting topics up for discussion here, in the view of many of the owners is the general proposition of finding out whether the minors can make all club members live up to the salary limit which is the presumable backbone of all minor league structures. Ever since there have been minor leagues, there have

been salary limits and there have been violations of them. As a matter of fact, the salary limit, strictly speaking, is up to the individual league, but there has been much discussion regarding the high prices paid to players in 1924—not for players—and there are some who think a general regulation can be brought to bear which will result in enforcement of salary limits. It is extremely unlikely, however, that general legislation will be able to accomplish what the individual leagues have been powerless to bring about. Moral suasion—which will be forgotten when league races are hot—is about all that can be expected.

The American Association is very much in earnest about trying to help Walter Johnson settle down and acquire a minor league franchise. But the American is wasting its time. Johnson plays on the coast or he plays with Washington. The majors are not going to let him take an American Association franchise and step right into major league territory as a rival attraction. Chicago, St. Louis and probably Detroit, would put in claims for him if waivers were sought for any such purpose.

It is reported that owner Norton wishes to get rid of his St. Paul franchise and retire from baseball. Norton has been very successful in St. Paul. He has given the city more than one championship team, the latest an unexpected one in 1924, and St. Paul will miss him if he quits.

## MCCARNEY OFF SHOOTING BULL

Is Playing Up Charley Weinert as Next in Line for Dempsey's Crown but It's a Bum Steer.

By FAIR PLAY  
New York, Dec. 3.—Bill McCarney is off. The man who staged a bull fight in Philly with a Charley Chaplin actor has begun his campaign of shooting Charley Weinert to the heights. Charley Weinert, leading contender for the world's heavy-weight championship. So runs a two sheet poster in red and black type which McCarney has just broadcast throughout the land. Excerpts from articles by the leading sporting experts of the East relative to the Weinert-Firpo battle appear in such profusion and below is the following: "Weinert versus Dempsey? When?"

When? Will the writer will tell McCarney, and the world when. The above meeting will take place when Weinert has received hypodermic shots of corn

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