

**TWO
BASEBALL LEAGUES
TO OPERATE AGAIN
UNDER AGREEMENT**

Major Leagues Will Respect Contracts Of Minors During Coming Year

Chicago, Feb. 13.—The major and minor baseball leagues decided at their joint meeting here today to continue to work under the "gentlemen's agreement" of an arbitration board to handle all disputes.

The board will consist of two members, the chairman of the national commission and one representative from the minor leagues. A third referee, a man not connected with any baseball organization, will be chosen to cast the deciding vote in a case of a deadlock.

Will Upset Contracts.
John Heydler, president of the National league, suggested that the arbitration board be known as the baseball arbitration board of America.

Last year the major and minor leagues came to the parting of the ways, but it was agreed in New York at the league meeting of the national and American organizations that the minors would respect the contracts of the players in the minor organization. Under this agreement they operated in 1919.

Today's meeting merely approved action taken at the gathering last night with B. B. Johnson, president of the American league; John Heydler, president of the National league, and Barney Dreyfus, Pittsburgh, August Herrmann, Cincinnati, members of the National league committee appointed yesterday in attendance.

Action is Not Final.
The action taken at today's meeting, however, is not final. The president of the two major leagues told the committee from the minors that they would take up with the club owners the question of entering into an agreement with them either at this time or some future date.

The sentiment of the American league, it was said, was not to enter into written agreement until after the Baltimore Federal league suit has been disposed of.

The meeting also brings to a close one of the greatest gatherings of baseball leaders in the history of the game. From all sections of the country baseball men have been here since Monday.

The exodus began shortly after the American league peace pact was made several days ago.

**SECRETARY LANSING
RESIGNS HIS POST**
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gested that only urgent matters be brought to the President's attention. Thereafter until this week the cabinet met more or less regularly. During the coal strike it met twice a week in an effort to avert the walkout of the miners, and several weeks ago it was decided to have meetings every Tuesday and Friday.

During the coal wage controversy the President was said at the white house to have been advised of the meetings and to have been kept informed of the progress his advisers were making toward a settlement of the controversy. He finally took the matter out of the cabinet's hands and suggested a settlement which the miners accepted.

Conference With Tumulty.
The correspondence between the President and Mr. Lansing which resulted in Mr. Lansing's resignation was made public tonight at the state department an hour after under-secretary Polk had conferred at the white house with Secretary Tumulty.

Mr. Lansing in his final letter to the President said that "in thus serving our official association" he felt that he should make a public statement he had prepared recently showing that he had "not been unmindful that continuance of our present relations was impossible," and that it was his duty to bring them to an end "at the earliest moment compatible with the public interest."

"Ever since January, 1919," Mr. Lansing continued, "I have been conscious of the fact that you no longer were disposed to welcome my advice in matters pertaining to the negotiations in Paris, to our foreign service or to international affairs in general."

He added that had he followed his personal inclination he would have resigned while in Paris, but that he had refrained because he felt it his duty to "cause you no embarrassment in carrying forward the great task in which you were then engaged."

Suggestions Disapproved.
Again Mr. Lansing said that while he had been "surprised and disappointed" at the frequent disapproval of his suggestions, he had never failed to follow the president's decision, "however difficult it made the conduct of our foreign affairs."

Mr. Lansing accompanied the President to Paris in December, 1918, as one of the American peace delegates, but his friends have said that while Mr. Wilson was at the peace conference, Mr. Lansing was virtually without authority, and that naturally he felt this keenly, since the other allied and associated countries were represented by their premiers and not the heads of their governments.

Mr. Lansing finally returned from Paris before the work of the American peace delegation was concluded, being succeeded by Frank L. Polk, under-secretary of state. The friction between himself and Mr. Wilson continued after he came back to Washington.

During the President's illness the Mexican issue again came to the front with the kidnapping and subsequent arrest of American Consul General Jenkins in Mexico. After the case had been discussed at cabinet meetings presided over by Mr. Lansing, the state department sent a note to Carranza bluntly warning him that further "molestation" of Jenkins would "seriously affect the relations between the United States and Mexico, for which the government of Mexico must assume sole responsibility."

**THE PROPOSED SALE
OF GERMAN LINERS
STOUTLY OPPOSED**

Several Resolutions Were Introduced Intended To Block Such Action

Washington, Feb. 13.—Vigorous opposition to shipping board plans for the sale of thirty former German passenger liners broke out in the senate today, expressed in sharply critical debate and presentation of several resolutions proposing to block the action. While the debate was in progress other developments came thick and fast.

John Barton Payne, chairman of the board, appeared before the senate commerce committee to explain the whole affair, and after hearing him the committee, through its chairman, Senator Jones, of Washington, reported to the senate that no immediate action was necessary. No action accordingly was taken.

Attack on Shipping Board
At the white house there was made public a letter concerning the proposed sale sent by Mr. Payne to the President, which remarked on the "vicious but characteristic attack against the shipping board emanating from a certain quarter regarding the sale of the ex-German passenger ships."

In the District of Columbia supreme court, William Randolph Hearst, of New York, appearing as a taxpayer, filed an application for an injunction to prevent the proposed sale of the ships at auction Monday. The court issued an order requiring the board to show cause Monday why a temporary injunction should not be issued.

Receive Bids Monday
Chairman Payne assured the senate committee, and his assurances were repeated to the full senate, that the board would merely receive bids Monday for the vessels and would report the results to the senate before acting. He met charges that the sale of the vessels to a single purchaser for \$28,000,000 was intended with a flat denial, but repeated his own conclusion that the sale of the vessels to American private owners at the present time was to the advantage of the government.

**TO ADVERTISE
AUTO SHOW**

Merchants' Association Will Aid

The Merchants' Association met last night to discuss ways and means through which they could contribute to the greater success of the automobile show to be put on here April 6th to 10th. It was decidedly the spirit of the meeting that the role of the merchants for those days was that of hosts rather than that of salesmen.

The merchants who attend the show to feel perfectly at home in any store in the city but do not wish them to feel that they are under any obligation to deal.

A committee appointed at a previous meeting made the following report embodying the sentiments of the organization which was unanimously adopted:

It is the sense of your committee appointed to discuss means and devise plans for the week of the automobile show on April 6th to 10th, that the merchants of this city make this week a period of hospitality to those from out of town who visit the city. To this end they recommend that the merchants of the city unite in advertising this feature through the country papers in the surrounding territory and in the local papers stressing in particular the fact that the visitors make the stores their headquarters while in the city and pointing out that everything will be done by the merchants to aid their comfort and welfare while they are here.

**TEXT CORRESPONDENCE
WITH THE PRESIDENT**

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In the past, I have the honor to be, Mr. President, sincerely yours,
"ROBERT LANSING,
The President, The White House,"
Resignation Accepted.
"The White House, Washington, 13 February, 1920.

"My Dear Mr. Secretary: "Allow me to acknowledge with appreciation your letter of February twelfth. It now being evident, Mr. Secretary, that we have both of us felt the embarrassment of our recent relations with each other, I feel it my duty to accept your resignation, to take effect at once; at the same time adding that I hope that the future holds for you many successes of the most gratifying sort. My best wishes will always follow you, and it will be a matter of gratification to me always to remember our delightful personal relations.

"Sincerely yours,
"WOODROW WILSON,
"Hon. Robert Lansing,
Secretary of State."

TROLLEY ON RAMPAGE.

A Carolina car left the tracks on Princess street last night near the "Electric Center" and crashed into a power pole, destroying the fire light, and smashing a crate of bottles on the sidewalk. No one was injured. It was several hours before the car was pulled back on the tracks, but owing to the fact that the accident occurred on the siding, traffic was unhampered.

WORK IS BEGUN.

Work of laying the foundations for the new high school building on Princess street has begun.

contended was the only tribunal which has jurisdiction. No further action has been taken by the American government, so far as has been announced.

While a few members of the cabinet have conferred with Mr. Wilson since he was taken ill, it was said tonight that Mr. Lansing had not seen him and that whatever business he had had with the President had been carried on by daily correspondence.

Before the President left on his western trip, however, Mr. Lansing, after his return from Paris, had a standing engagement to see him daily, and he visited the white house each noon to discuss foreign and other affairs.

**Let's do
the square thing**

North Carolina Children Want an Education

The percentage of enrollment of children from 5 to 18 years tells the story. In 1916, 84% or 660,000 young folks applied for an education. North Carolina stands among the highest of the States in percentage of enrollment.

How Are We Helping To Meet This Demand?

Collegiate Institute this year has 172 students. It has a dormitory capacity for only 40. Mont Amoena Seminary has 122 students and facilities for only 80.

-BUILDING COSTS HAVE INCREASED 200-300%

Let's Do the Square Thing by the Children of North Carolina

The Monthly Labor Review, November, 1919, reports that the average North Carolina family spends--

- \$21.85 per year for tobacco
- \$20.04 per year for laundry
- \$15.25 per year for street car fares
- \$14.53 per year for amusements
- \$9.11 per year for the barber
- \$8.71 per year for automobiles
- \$7.41 per year for schools

Let's Do the Square Thing by our North Carolina Schools

Think this over! Since 1914 wages have increased in North Carolina:

- Bricklayers from 40c. to 75c. per hour
- Carpenters from 33c. to 70c. per hour
- Hod Carriers from 31c. to 75c. per hour
- Plumbers from 43c. to 75c. per hour

Shall we drive our professors out to laying bricks, driving nails, shouldering hods, and clearing cesspools in order to make a LIVING WAGE. In 1916 the average wage of a North Carolina teacher was 18c. per hour.

Let's Do the Square Thing by our North Carolina Professors

North Carolina Stands 45th Among the 49 States in Per Capita Appropriation for Schools

Wise father William Penn said long ago: "For their learning be liberal. Spare no cost for by such parsimony all is lost that is saved."

Have you done the square thing by the Christian Schools of North Carolina? Economy here is wretched economy. Come, let's do the square thing.

Let Your Dollars Make Better Men and Women

**Education Campaign
\$150,000**

February 15th

February 22d

Collegiate Institute Mont Amoena Seminary
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SPORTING SNAPSHOTS

Some Live News and Timely Gossip for the Fans

Catcher Hank Gowdy, of the Boston Braves, hero of the world's series in 1914, and the first major league ball player to enlist in the world war, today reached an agreement on salary with the Boston club. He had been a holdout.

Two more members of the Cleveland baseball club are reported to be holdouts. Word received here from Pennsylvania indicates that Joe Harris, first baseman, has returned his contract unsigned. Similar advices have been received from St. Louis regarding Harry Lunte, sub-infielder.

The eight-round bout between Jimmy Wilde, English flyweight champion, and Mickey Russell, a local bantamweight, which was to have taken place at the fourth regiment armory, Jersey

City, N. J., next Wednesday night, has been postponed until the following night.

Joe Jackson, the Chicago White Sox outfielder who spends his winters in Savannah, has announced that he has returned his contract for the coming season unsigned. Unless he can get the money he wants for the coming season, he says he will quit the game and continue in business in Savannah.

WON PRESIDENT'S TROPHY.

(Special to The Star.)
Pinehurst, Feb. 13.—Miss Eleanor T. Chandler, of Philadelphia, won the tournament at Pinehurst today, defeating Mrs. John D. Armstrong, of Buffalo, by 1 up at the nineteenth hole of a great up-hill battle. Miss Chandler was 2 down going to the thirteenth hole and 2 down going to the seventeenth.

**WILMINGTON GOLFER
WINS PROMINENT PLACE**

Augusta, Ga., Feb. 13.—In the professional open golf championship tournament at the Country club today, Wilfred Field, of Wilmington, won first place, with a score of 143. Charles Hofner, of Philadelphia, was second, with 149. There were twenty-eight entries.

**SHIPPING BOARD STEAMER
IS REPORTED IN TROUBLE**

New York, Feb. 13.—A wireless message from the United States shipping board steamer William Henry Webb, received here tonight, stated that the steamer was on fire and in need of immediate assistance. The William Henry Webb reported early today that she was in trouble off Tucker's Beach, New Jersey, with a broken engine and boiler trouble.

SUFFERS FUEL SCARCITY
Washington, Feb. 13.—Arrangements were made today by the railroad administration to divert additional coal to New England from Hampton Roads by water, on representations that New England was suffering a scarcity of fuel which threatened a serious shortage.



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