

SPORTS

By LAWRENCE PERRY

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—On the eve of baseball's migration to the southern camps, Judge Landis, in his capacity as supreme head of the game, it was known today, has received requests from various managers of big league clubs to apply his legal learning to the solution of the question—always a burning one at this time of the year—when is a contract a contract?

Just at present the matter does not involve so much the attitude of the players, who say they are holding out, as it does the attitude of the contract. As for ball tossers, who at this time of the year affirm that they are not going to play ball unless they receive more money than is all in their contracts, it may be said that they are not seriously regarded. That is, they are held by the managers to be evils as necessary and inevitable as mosquitoes and mumps among whippersnappers and things are to children of temperance. That's the way George Grant, of the Boston Braves, put it yesterday. They will come back, he said. Then, sadly he added, that it was the only come back some of them would do.

But there are other phases of this contract business that do pinch just now. One of them is the physical condition of the players. All contracts read that players shall report at early spring practice "in good physical condition." Do they? They do not. Long have added useless tissues to their bodies, softened their muscles and cut their wind. If most players ever lamped that clause about physical condition they give no evidence that they have.

The result is that much of the time which should be devoted to polishing up for the opening of the season is spent in working the players into shape. As a matter of fact, the average big leaguer regards these southern training spells as a junket, a vacation trip for his own pleasure. The skill manager succeeds in keeping this illusion depends upon his strength of mind and tenacity of purpose. But whether the player is awakened or not, the fact remains that a general thing he reports for spring practice better qualified to sit in at an all-night poker session than to play hard and fast baseball.

Just in the case of the players already in the south, the matter, as said, has been brought to his attention and the chances are that next winter will see a lot of our big leaguers going to the south with a different attitude. Rural communities in the south have proved this year that they possess efficient boards of health. They can't though like states that ever money for training expenses and the result is that the big towns have pretty largely passed up. Brooklyn, for example, will go to New York and do the French quarter at night—but for the most part the big league outfits will do their work amid the cactus and the sticks. The back country of Texas holds the Giants, Detroit, Cincinnati Reds, Boston Braves, Cleveland Indians and Cardinals and the White Sox. The St. Louis Browns, Athletics and the race track and gambling when they arrive and the money they don't have to spend. They are broke when they arrive and the money they don't have to lose on games of chance.

Still the names of the towns get into print in the papers throughout the country and the men who run the hotels do very well.

INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS MUST BE WIDENED AT ONCE

By WALTER CAMP

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—There has come to be a decided feeling among colleges that the inter-collegiate amateur athletic association of America must be broadened out at once if the great meet is to hold its place in the estimation of the college world. Today, with the action of the national collegiate athletic association in spreading upon its minutes at the Chicago convention a resolution to inaugurate a N. C. A. track and field meeting this year.

The answer to both these projects is the importance—already vast and growing—of the University of Pennsylvania relays, which, according to recent announcement, will be marked this year by the presence of a squad of French, as well as British champions. The chances, thus, are that

among all the 1921 track and field meets the Penn relays will assume a status as one of the world's greatest meetings, second only to the Olympic games.

Few track followers realize what a giant relay carnival has come to be. Beginning as a small venture at the University of Pennsylvania, it attracted at first school boy runners and college athletes who were entered merely that their trainers might get a line upon the ability of the men under actual competition. Then automatically it began to broaden. College athletics took on greater importance. Finally, in addition to the relay events, special features were added in the shape of invitation sprints, hurdles and field programs, until now it has all the aspects of a great track meet, overshadowing all other events.

This year the chances are, that given good weather, the stadium on Franklin field will be packed and persons turned away at the gate. Now if these relay races are so attractive in Philadelphia, is it not possible for the mid-west and the Pacific coast and the south to inaugurate similar events? It might detract a little from these at Philadelphia, but there should be room for a greater spread of this interest. Perhaps, along these very lines, may come the development of the new plan of the national collegiate association. At any rate the program is to spread the track and field possibilities more largely among the colleges from Maine to California and from Minnesota to Texas.

The national collegiate association now enrolls representatives from a large majority of all the prominent institutions of learning throughout the country and once it gets its hand to the plow there will be no looking backward. Meanwhile, the immediate prospects of a record entry at Philadelphia grow against the French team, which pick and flower of our college quarter-milers. The Penn team with Eby and Brown, has just shown that the addition of Rogers and Lewis has not been a detriment. Then, with Allen Woodruff, Maxam to count upon, Syracuse, not yet at top form, has a good team and Tom Keane is not at all averse to pulling off this prize in the same fashion as he made good with Allen Woodruff at the Olympics. Yale showed some decided promise at the Boston arena, even when with Campbell under a pull, she romped away from Harvard by more than half a lap. But outside of this star event no less than 75 colleges are making entries, and the high school list is larger.

Commander Howard, of Annapolis, has before the naval authorities a request to be allowed to enter teams and there is just a possibility of West Point and Annapolis meeting there an event that would give unusual and decided spice to the day.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—Differences in the Fordney emergency tariff bill as it passed the house and senate amendments smoothed out today by conference committees of the two branches of congress and the battle-scarred measure was sent back to the house for final action.

Although the bill has a parliamentary right to consideration tomorrow, it was deemed unlikely that it would be called up before Saturday. Some of its enthusiastic supporters, however, may compel earlier consideration in an effort to hasten its arrival at the white house and enable an attempt to override the President's veto if such is necessary.

As the bill went back to the house it carried a flat rate of 2 cents a pound tariff on the ordinary household brand of sugar. The senate amendment, which was considerably higher, was slashed to pieces in the threatened deadlock of the conference and a new rate, in substitution for the present tariff on sugar, was accepted by both delegations. The proposed tariff, therefore, amounts to a doubling of the import duties on sugars of all grades, making Cuban sugar pay a duty of 1.40 per 100 pounds and a similar rate on molasses and kindred sugar products.

While agreeing to the tariff on sugar, the house conferees stood not on a refusal to put on a tariff on hides and leather products. They likewise forced a reduction of 50 cents per pound from the rate fixed in the senate amendment on certain classes of cherries. The senate rate of 4 cents per pound on cherries was compromised at 3 cents per pound.

Some difference in the provisions originally in the bill for a rice tariff was rewritten of that item, with a flat rate of 1 cent per pound on all except cleaned rice and rice used for the manufacture of canned food.

There was speculation tonight whether the house would concur in the agreement of its conference committee on the sugar duty. Three attempts were made in the list when the bill was up in the house and all were voted down overwhelmingly. Several members of the conference committee said privately there was no reason to anticipate a changed verdict this time, although many members are eager to get a tariff measure through that will give relief to the farming interests.

Schedules changed in conference and the rates agreed to are: Wheat, 35 cents per bushel; rice (cleaned), 2 cents per pound, 1 cent per pound on other; olive oil (in bulk), 50 cents per gallon, in less than five gallon lots, 50 cents per gallon; cotton (staple of 1-1.5 inches or longer), 6 cents per pound; sugar, 5 cents per pound; butter and substitutes, 4 cents per pound; wrapper and filler tobacco, the product of two or more countries when mixed, \$3.35 per pound; if unstemmed, and \$4 per pound if stemmed; filler tobacco, unstemmed, 35 cents per pound; stemmed, 30 cents per pound; cherries, 3 cents per pound; olives, in solution, 25 cents per gallon; not in solution, 3 cents per pound.

NEWSPAPER MEN TO MEET (Special to The Star)

ROCKY MOUNT, Feb. 24.—Editors from seven counties in northwestern Carolina will gather here Saturday afternoon to attend the second regional meeting of the North Carolina Press association, which will be held at the Hicks hotel that afternoon and night. The counties embraced in this immediate region of the association include Nash, Edgecombe, Warren, Halifax, Northampton, Bertie and Pitt.

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