

SPORTS

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MAY EXPEL MARQUARD FROM PLAYERS' FRATERNITY

By Associated Press.

New York, Dec. 5.—The announcement yesterday that "Rube" Marquard, the New York National pitcher, had signed to pitch next season with the Brooklyn Federals brought a statement last night from David Fultz that if it were true Marquard would be expelled from the players' fraternity, of which Fultz is president.

Fultz's statement reads: "Information has reached me that 'Rube' Marquard, in spite of the fact that he is under a binding contract with the New York National League club for the season of 1915, has signed with the Brooklyn Federals. The report is hard to believe, as I feel that the Brooklyn would not knowingly sign a player under these circumstances. 'If Marquard has done this, he unquestionably will be expelled from the Baseball Players' Fraternity, as the directors will not countenance any such disregard of their obligations by its members."

CARLISLE PLAYS AUBURN TODAY

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 5.—Football eleven representing Carlisle and Auburn met here today in the last collegiate game of the season in the south. Although Auburn has not lost a game or been scored on this season, the Indians ruled as slight favorites.

Today's game will be the second southern contest for Carlisle this season, the Northern school having defeated the University of Alabama twenty to three last Wednesday.

The probable line up:

Carlisle	Position	Auburn
Walleter	Left end	Kearley
Weimas	Left tackle	Steed
Busch	Left guard	Taylor
Winnesbick	Center	Pitts
Hawkeye	Right guard	Thigpen
Martel	Right tackle	Louiselle
Bird	Right end	Robinson (C.)
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Peatt	Right halfback	Hart
Calae (captain)	Fullback	Harris

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JUNIORS CHAMPIONS AT TRINITY

Special to The News.

Trinity College, Dec. 5.—A double-header last night ended perhaps the most successful inter-class basketball series that has been played since the introduction of basketball here. The Juniors won from the Freshmen by a score of 28 to 25. Marr, at forward, played an excellent game for the Freshmen; and Ferrell was the Junior star.

The Sophomores won the second game from the Seniors 34-15. The Seniors, having lost all chance at the championship, sent in a scrub team, which the Sophomores easily defeated. Carr, of the Seniors, played a good game, and was especially good on foul shots. Martin, Sophomore captain, played an excellent game.

Prof. R. N. Wilson, chairman of the faculty committee on athletics, presented the interclass pennant to Captain Matton, of the Junior team.

The standing of the teams at the close of the season was as follows:

TEAM:	W.	L.	P.C.
Juniors	6	0	1.000
Seniors	3	3	.500
Sophomores	3	3	.500
Freshmen	0	6	.000

Coach Clay is putting the varsity men through some hard practice and expects to have the team in good shape when the season opens with a game with the Durham Y. M. C. A. on next Tuesday night.

GAME POSTPONED UNTIL MONDAY

Special to The News.

Huntersville, Dec. 5.—The Huntersville football team has practically completed its preparation for the game with the Asheville high school and Huntersville's newly-converted football enthusiasts are bubbling over with interest as the time for the game approaches.

The game was scheduled for Saturday, December 5, but on account of Jupiter Pluvius' abundant weeping, the Sprunt Athletic Field at Davidson, where the game is to be staged, is one vast mudhole, and therefore the game is postponed 'till Monday, at 3 p. m. The postponement of the game is much regretted by the local enthusiasts because practically all of them had arranged to attend the game. A large number of the high school students had arranged to make the trip in wagons. They will regret the postponement because the possibility of their attendance on Monday—regular school day—is less. It is a safe bet, however, that there will be a meager attendance at the Huntersville high school Monday afternoon.

The Huntersville team is confident of victory, though not over-confident. It realizes the strength of its opponent and is going to Davidson expecting a hard fight. Those who witness the game will see two well-trained teams fight a battle to the finish.

Reich Scores Knock Out.

By Associated Press. Helena, Mont., Dec. 5.—Al Reich, of New York, knocked out "Sailor" Delaney, of Brooklyn, in the third round of a 10-round match here last night. Reich was aggressor from the start. He weighed 207 pounds and Delaney 205.

GILMORE SAYS JOHNSON IS FREE TO SIGN

By Associated Press.

Chicago, Dec. 5.—"The best legal talent in the country examined Walter Johnson's 1914 contract with the Washington Americans and advised us Johnson was free to sign with any club he pleased for 1915," President Gilmore of the Federal League, said yesterday in reply to the threat of the Washington club officials to appeal to the courts to prevent Johnson from jumping to the Federals. "If the Washington club insists on spending money for litigation we will meet them. Johnson will play with the Chicago Federals next year and the year after as his contract with us is legal and will stand every test," said Gilmore.

Becker and Hunter Meet in Final Round

By Associated Press.

Pinehurst, Dec. 5.—C. L. Becker, of Auburnsdale, Mass., and Robert Hunter, of Stamford, Conn., will meet today in the final round for the first division trophy of the eleventh annual autumn golf tournament here.

Becker won from Stuyvesant LeRoy, of Newport, R. I., four up and three to play this afternoon. This morning he defeated T. J. Moran, of Providence, R. I., by the same score.

Hunter defeated Samuel Beckman, of Providence, four up and three to play this afternoon and Frank Rhea, of Washington, six up and five to play in the morning round.

McKinnon Elected To Pilot Davidson

Special to The News.

Davidson, Dec. 5.—"Big" McKinnon was elected captain of next year's eleven last night by the wearers of the "D." The record that McKinnon has made this year speaks for itself and he is recognized throughout the state as being a star at fullback. This is his second year on the team and the fact that he will pilot next year's team is the assurance of a fast and snappy squad.

The men whom the athletic association awarded their letters are: McKinnon, Black, Kessler, Laird, Walker, Walker, R. Howell, Anderson, White, Vandevanter and Crayton.

CHICAGO CLUB SIGNS CHINESE PLAYER

By Associated Press.

Chicago, Dec. 5.—A full blooded Chinese baseball player has been signed by the Chicago club of the American League, it was announced today. He is Lai Tin, captain of the Honolulu Chinese team. Manager Callahan of the local club said Tin had been ordered to report for practice when the training season opens at Paso Robles, Calif., in February.

McCoy Shades Wagner.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Dec. 5.—"Al" McCoy, of New York, shaded "Kid" Wagner, of Wilkesbarre last night in a 10-round bout. Both men lacked steam in their punches.

JOHNSON GLAD TO GET AWAY FROM WASHINGTON

By Associated Press.

Chicago, Dec. 5.—"I'm glad to get away from Washington and glad that I am to play in Chicago."

This quotation from Walter Johnson, at Coffeyville, Kas., was brought here today by Joe Tinker, manager of the Chicago Federals, as a greeting from the greater pitcher to Chicago followers of baseball.

Tinker had nothing to say regarding the salary to be paid Johnson, and he reiterated that the best legal advice obtainable assured them that Washington will not be able to prevent Johnson's appearance in a Chicago uniform.

VIOLATION OF GAME LAW IS BEING RUMORED

Charges of violation of the game laws are being rumored on the street, and in some instances there is considerable indignation expressed relative to the condition which is alleged to prevail. A local sportsman discussing this condition with a representative of The News today made the following statement:

"One thousand birds—quail on toast. This sounds big. It is reported that one pot hunter has been offered 30 cents apiece for 1,000 quail. This sounds like it is time for some legislation on the sale of birds in this county, like other counties have."

"It is said that the thousand birds will be furnished as a result of the demand. The man to whom the offer is said to be made is not a land owner. He trains dogs sometimes. His specialty is the sale of birds during the open season, so it is reported."

"Unless the sale of quail is prohibited in this county, it will be but a short while until there will not be a covey of birds in the county, at the rate of a thousand birds in a bush. 'Think of a thousand birds from the lands of the farmers in this county at the rate of 30 cents apiece. This is \$300. This is pretty employment for one man if he can deliver the goods. The party making this statement says he will get the birds.'

"These 1,000 quail must be killed in 20 days. This is at the rate of 50 birds a day. The law only allows one person to kill 15 birds in one day. The law does not allow any one to hunt on the lands of another except with written permission. Then how is this man to get 1,000 birds, except he violate both provisions of the bird law."

"Why don't our officers enforce the law as it is written? What is the use to have a law on the books? Why not repeal the whole thing if we are not going to enforce what we have? Unless the sale of birds is prohibited in the county, only the law breakers will hunt birds and trespass and take birds unlawfully and sell them. It is time for the people of the county to wake up and protect their game, what little is left."

AUDITORS HAVE FINISHED CHECK OF CITY BOOKS

The annual audit of the books of the city of Charlotte has been completed and turned over to Mayor Charles A. Bland. The work was done by Messrs. Scott & McCullough, and is said to be unusually complete and explicit.

The audit will go to the board of aldermen at its regular monthly meeting Monday night at which time the findings of the auditors will become public property. The audit is addressed to the mayor of the city and today in company with the gentlemen who did the work Dr. Bland went over the document at the city hall, for the purpose of acquainting himself with the details of their findings so that he may discuss its provisions intelligently when the matter is laid before the board Monday night.

The auditors declared today that the audit is in the hands of the mayor and that it should go to the board of aldermen before its provisions become known to the general public and for that reason no detailed information was given out.

"We have gone into every department and transaction of the city government for the past year," said Mr. Scott this morning, "and when this audit goes to the board of aldermen Monday night I am of the opinion that they will have complete and comprehensive record of the financial affairs of the city of Charlotte." Beyond this statement he would say nothing.

At the office of the mayor Dr. Bland stated that the audit had been received and that he was going over it preparatory to laying it before the board Monday night. "The report of the auditors should come to the public through the board of aldermen and not from the mayor," he said, and for that reason the findings of the auditors were not given out today.

In fact, the board of aldermen is the proper forum before which the document should come to be accepted by the city, says the mayor, and therefore nothing concerning the audit itself will be given out until the meeting Monday night.

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