

MORE THAN RUMOR IN 3-LEAGUE TALK

Would Bring Opposition In to Certain Cities of Both Big Leagues but Not New York or Boston.

By JOHN B. FOSTER
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New York, January 22—There is more than rumor behind the reports that the National League is planning to bring the rounds of the major leagues down to New York and Boston. The proposal has been made by the National League, and the American League, the two leagues which have been talking for some time to an extension of the present season of the major leagues, and some of the players who have been heard what is going on, for some of them have already been to visit a contract for the new season.

The proposed new circuit will bring up into the cities of both present and past, and may dip into the territory of the class of AA leagues. Four Western cities in which capitalists have investigated and decided they could make a club pay are Detroit and Cleveland, which have American League clubs, and Pittsburgh and Cincinnati, which are National League cities. The most sought after class AA city is Kansas City, but it is doubtful if a club could be maintained there, if the league has eastern members, because of the mileage between Kansas City and the east. That was one of the reasons why Kansas City was not included in the National League.

What a new circuit would do in the East is a question, but there is little reason to believe that New York, Boston or Philadelphia would be touched by it. All three have enough baseball as things stand. In addition, the problem in New York is complicated by absence of a good location for another ball park. Nor is Brooklyn likely to be included.

Baltimore probably would be wanted, as it still craves big time baseball. Rochester and Buffalo would be acceptable, and Toronto and Washington might be considered. It is also possible that an eastern circuit might be made up with Pittsburgh added as a member of the Eastern group, which would permit expansion in the West and then Kansas City would have a better chance, or Indianapolis might be swung in if a new ground was leased and high class accommodations built.

The promoters of the new league are not a bit flustered about any lack of baseball talent. The major leagues at present have 640 players actually under contract, and are seeking to add five more per club, which would make a total of some 720.

It takes only 144 players every day to play a full schedule in both of the major leagues. That leaves 496 players who are outside the pale of activity. In addition, there are some 400 more ball players who are dominated in one way or another by the major leagues. Some of these may get in and some may never get it. Out of this 400, a new league would feel free to help itself.

No contracts are to be undertaken with players who have signed contracts, but naturally the reserve rule would not be respected, and the player's option in his contract probably would come in for another test in court, since the player may still be released by ten days' notice, although he cannot give his club notice that he is going to sever relations with it.

MARY PICKFORD TO AROUSE NEW INTEREST IN FILMS

The announcement that Mary Pickford will be seen at the Alkrama Theater, Tuesday and Wednesday in "The Love Light," is one that is bound to prove of great interest to her admirers since the "World's Sweetheart" announced her policy of avoiding the conventional and hackneyed forms of photoplay, and trying not only to advance herself but the motion picture industry as well, her productions have aroused new interest among the fans.

"The Love Light" is the story of a little Italian girl in an Italian fishing village among the cliffs bordering on the Mediterranean in Northern Italy. How the little girl presides over the family of her orphaned brothers, how a great tragedy comes into her life, the final realization with its accompanying sacrifice, makes not only an unusual story for the screen, but it is a startling innovation for Mary Pickford herself.

Frances Marion, the scenario writer, is not only author of the story, but through Miss Pickford's insistence is the director as well. Charles Rosher, whose photography will be remembered in all Miss Pick-

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ford's recent productions, is said in this picture, to have devised new lighting and photographic effects. Stephen Gordon is responsible for the settings, many of which were reproduced from actual photographs taken by Mrs. Pickford and Miss Marion in Italy.

AN ALL DAY SERVICE AT SHILOH NEXT SATURDAY

Next Saturday, January 26, an all day service will be held in the Methodist church at Shiloh. There will be preaching at 11 o'clock by the visiting Elder C. B. Culbreth, and by S. H. D. Wilson, pastor of the First Methodist Church, and Rev. Daniel Lane of the City Road Church are expected to make addresses. Dinner will be served on the ground after which the quarterly conference will convene.

Mah-Jongg Party

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hughes entertained a two tables of Mah-Jongg at their home on Main street Saturday evening. After the game the guests enjoyed dancing, ice cream and cake were served. The guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Thorburn Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Kramer, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kramer, and Miss Virginia Kramer.

HAPPY NOVELTY IN SEMI-FINAL.

That's What New York Garden Patrons Are Looking Forward to in Stribling-Berlenbach Bout.

By FAIR PLAY
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New York, January 22—Seldom is it that New York fans look forward to a semi-final bout as promising anything other than the settlement of a question of superiority as between two mixers of no great prominence. Thus the semi-final bout that seems to have been arranged between Young Stribling, and Paul Berlenbach, the promising New Yorker, will come as an agreeable novelty to the Garden patrons.

Stribling's age prevents him from participating in long bouts in this state, but there is no objection on the part of the state boxing authorities to his appearance in the shorter preliminaries. Hence the Stribling-Berlenbach bout, promised for the near future, in point of interest will probably outline any final that may be carded.

The Southerner has gone 12 rounds against Dave Rosenberg and ten rounds against Mike McTigue, hence there appears no real reason, except fear of establishing a precedent, for barring the Georgian from going the 15 round route. On the other hand, six rounds against such a punishing wallop as Berlenbach seems to be—he turned in his twentieth straight knockout last Friday night at the Garden—may be plenty long enough to suit Stribling.

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FOOTBALL GIANT PROVED NO BOXER

Two Hundred and Fifty Pound Nebraska Football Star Put to Sleep in Two Rounds by Jack Clifford.

By LAWRENCE PERRY
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New York, January 22—According to a story from Nebraska, W. H. Munn, six feet five inches tall, tipped the beam at 250 pounds, who was star forward on the University of Nebraska eleven and because of his size as a set up for the top-notch heavyweights, went to sleep in two rounds. So much for his ambition.

Every man to his trade, Jack Deasey says there isn't money enough to induce him to play football. Probably Jack Clifford, playing opposite to Munn in a football game would fare as badly as did Munn in the ring. There are too many rules that protect a man in the ring combat. The writer recalls

that Pete Francis, the former Yale center, while serving in the Navy in the war, swept some deck wash down the beam of a fellow seaman, who in peacetime was rather a well known scrapper. Pete apologized, but the fighter wanted revenge. He led with his left, whereupon Pete made a football tackle, picked up the man, rapped his head against a stanchion and threw him overboard.

Perhaps if Munn of Nebraska had been permitted like latitude, Jack Clifford might have been in a similar plight after their meeting than proved to be the case.

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