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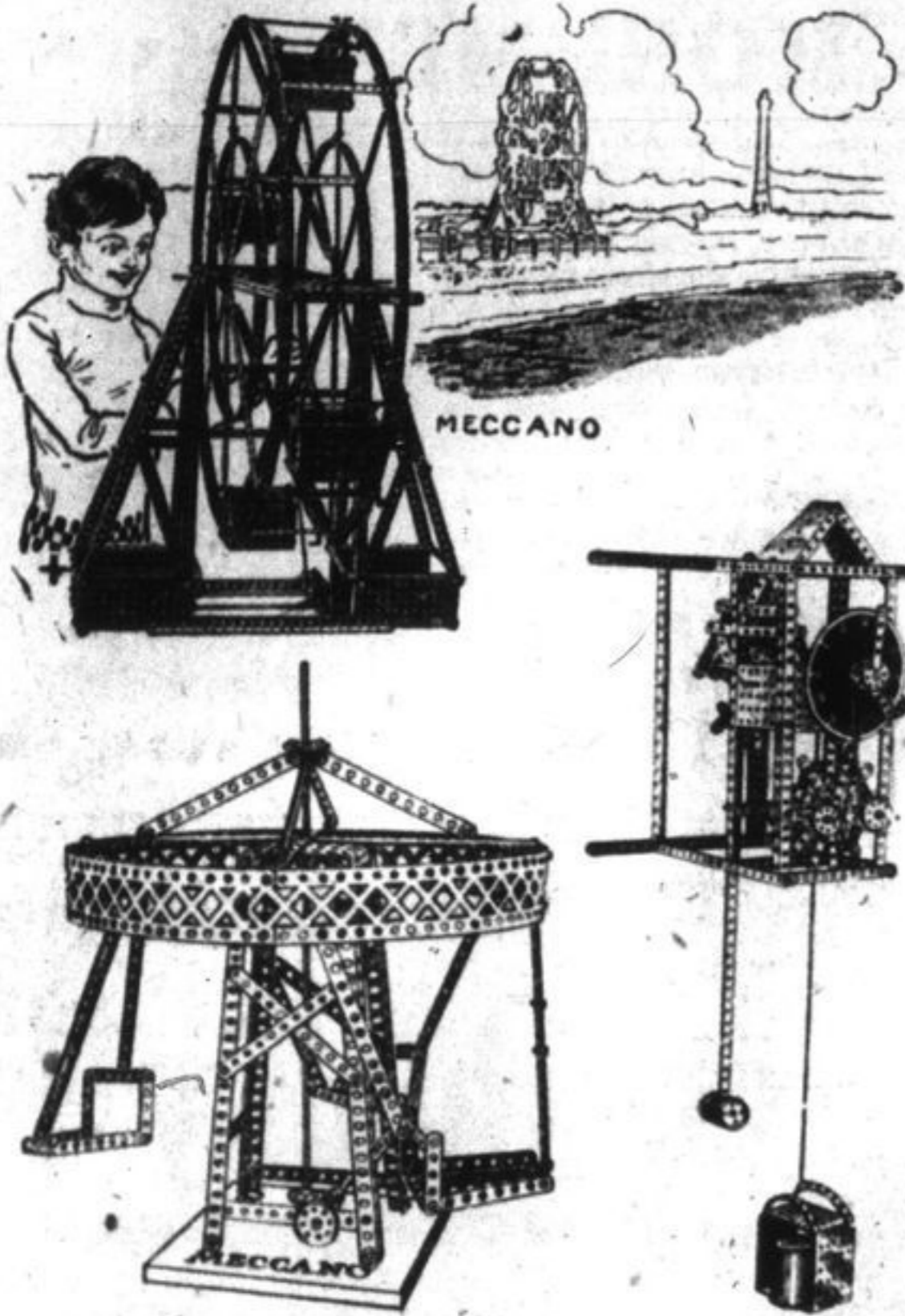
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PLAYERS' DEMANDS WERE REJECTED

National Association Voted to Lay Fultz's Communication on the Table.

Four demands of the Baseball Players' Fraternity, involving relations of players and clubs were, in effect, rejected at New Orleans by the National Association of Professional Baseball Leagues, when the delegates in convention voted unanimously to lay them on the table.

The demands included elimination of contract clauses empowering clubs to suspend without pay after a certain disability period of players injured in club practice, amendment of the National Board's rules to permit unconditionally released players to sign immediately, allowing traveling expenses to spring training camps to minor leaguers when reporting from home and revisions of the board's procedure in hearing players' claims.

STILL AT JOHN MCGRAW.

New York Giant Manager Causes Much Baseball Discussion.

St. Louis Sporting News, which is generally accepted as being the mouthpiece of Ban Johnson, wants to know why John McGraw hasn't been hauled over the coals for his "break" during that game which gave Brooklyn the National League pennant. Editorially speaking, Sporting News says: "President John K. Tener, of the National League, suggested to President Byron Bancroft Johnson, of the American League, a couple of weeks ago that B. B. had plenty to look after in the case of Joe Lannin and that he would do it, then John K. himself would look after John J. McGraw in the National League's own way." Mr. Tener's attention is called to the newspaper reports detailing how Joe Lannin has been looked after. Mr. Lannin has departed as an American League club owner, and they do say that his departure was chiefly due to a remark made in a fit of excitement that Ban Johnson's other clubs were framing it up to beat him out of a pennant.

John McGraw hasn't apologized or retracted. Whose doorstep will be looked after next, Mr. Tener? In view of the fact that Johnson denied having forced Lannin to sell out, where does Sporting News get on?

"Dad" Stewart's Broken Leg.

A letter has been received in the city from "Dad" Stewart, former Canadian League ball player, who is a member of the 2nd Canadian Pioneers, stating that he has been in the hospital for a month with a broken leg. "Dad" also tells how the battalion grieved at the loss of Pte. Peter McDonald, who was killed in action. "He was the life of the whole camp, his Irish wit helping the boys to forget good old Canada, especially when they felt lonesome," says the letter. On the day Pete was hit "Dad" went into the fray kidding his pals as usual. He lived two days after being wounded.

Playing the Bigger Game.

Word comes from the other side to the effect that Miss Vera Ramsay, the Boston district champion, who went back to England early in the summer, has passed the first aid, stretcher bearing, driving and mechanic tests required of those who wish to drive Red Cross motor ambulances in France.

New York's Big Six-Day Race.

New York's annual six-day race will begin on Dec. 17th at Madison Square Garden, and will continue until the evening of Dec. 23rd.

NO CHAMPIONSHIPS.

For Speed Skaters Until After the War.

There will be no Canadian speed skating championships held this winter as a result of the Amateur Skating Association of Canada, held at the A.A.A. club house, Montreal. The meeting decided that owing to the greatly diminished number of skaters because of the war, they would not hold any championship events until after the termination of the war. Local meets will, of course, be sanctioned, with events for certain distances.

Markham will have a new hockey rink this winter, and it is expected to be one of the best in the district.

CANADIANS AT RUGBY.

Dominion Overseas Men Make a Hit With London Supporters.

London Sportsman: The Canadian Rugby Football Club, who expect to run two teams regularly all through the football season, look like being almost as good friends to the Public Schools as the Artists were. They played their opening trial game at the Old Deer Park, Richmond, on Saturday, as the guests of Rosslyn Park.

There are still many schools who are short of matches, and the Canadians, whose team is completed almost entirely of men who have been wounded or "gassed," a large percentage of them public school boys themselves, are anxious to visit the schools. This is a great chance for hon. secretaries of schools, who should write to Sergt. Byatt or Corp. Johnson, Canadian P.O., Millbank street, Westminster. Byatt is Otho Merchant Taylor, who played half-back for the African Banks, knows the game well, and has plenty of dash and a fine pair of hands, and is now recovering from gas. Johnson, a Canadian P.O., Columbia, went clear through him, stopped 26 pieces of shrapnel. Incidentally, he cleared 5 feet 10 1/2 inches in the high jump, but this was before he received the attention of the Huns. Now he plays forward.

The colors of the side are cardinal red jersey with the maple leaf on the left breast, while knickers and blue stocking with red and white tops, and, though at present the "boys" have something to learn about the R.F.U. rules, they gave evidence on Saturday that they know "to play the game." All through the game there was not the slightest sign of objectable play, and, even that most Shakespearean referee, F. H. Tysas, never pulled them up, except for an unwitting offside or a "chuck forward," especially from the line out, which is part and parcel of the Canadian game.

WILL BE SOMETHING DOING.

Giant Manager Ready to Back Up His Actions.

Joe Villa, writing in the New York Evening Sun, says: "The board of directors of the National League takes up the Giants' memorable game at Ebbets Field in which the New York team was charged with indifference, the chief witness will be Manager John J. McGraw. The leader of the Giants has deferred his vacation trip in order to appear at the inquiry, which will be conducted in this city on Dec. 11th. McGraw is prepared to give excellent reasons why he left the bench on Oct. 3rd, declaring that some of the Giants had disobeyed his orders. He will make it clear that, in his opinion, his players were not actuated by dishonest motives, but simply refused to play the game up to the required standard. McGraw, who has a close friendship with the offer in evidence a bundle of letters and telegrams received by him for a week or ten days before the final series with the Brooklyn, in which it was pointed out that unless the Giants won four straight games the honesty of the sport would be placed in jeopardy."

McGraw will testify that before the game of Oct. 3rd he addressed the Giants in the clubhouse at Ebbets Field and urged them to play their best. He offered to give each member of the team a suit of clothes and an overcoat, together with a cash bonus, if the Giants finished in third position. It is said that McGraw will show that \$5,000 or more would have been distributed among his men if they had beaten out the Boston Braves. In other words, McGraw is ready to convince the directors that he did his best to make the Giants play winning ball against the Brooklyn.

SEEK APPROVAL

For Eight New World's Athletic Records.

Eight world's records and three records equalling world's marks will be presented for adoption by the Amateur Athletic Union at its annual convention to be held at the Hotel Astor Monday.

These records are listed in the Applications for new standards which have been filed with F. J. V. Delaney, Chairman of the Record Committee of the A.A.U. and made public yesterday.

Three of the new world's records claimed are in track and field events and the remaining five are in swimming. The new world's marks all of which will probably be adopted are 47 2/5 seconds for the 440-yard run by James E. Meredith at the intercollegiate championships last spring; 1 minute 52 1/5 seconds for 380-yard run by James E. Meredith at the Pennsylvania-Cornell dual meet last spring, and 14 3/5 seconds for the 120-yard high hurdles by Robert Simpson of the University of Missouri at the intercollegiate conference meet at Evanston, Ill.

The new world's swimming marks are at the 150 and 220 yard and 200 and 500 metre distances, all by Herbert Vollmer, of the New York A. C. and at 1,000 yards by Luly Langer.

The world's records equalled were the two-mile and four-mile relay marks made, respectively by Yale and Cornell at the University of Pennsylvania carnival last spring.

TURN DOWN FOOTBALL

Do Not Like the Game as Played by The Soldiers.

Alleging that it had entered the intermediate O. R. F. U. series believing that the "games would be for sportsmen and gentlemen" and finding that "such is not the case" Western University withdrew from the London district series on the eve of its game with the fast fourteen of the 118th Battalion.

Western University played the 149th, the third team in this district intermediate series, last Saturday afternoon, and allege that the Varsity boys were used so roughly that they do not propose to permit them to be again subjected to the chance of such treatment. Last Saturday Western and 149th played a tie game, 12-12, in which a good deal of the keenest rivalry was displayed. Referee Vic Smith had a rough job handling the game, and it is stated that he has declined to officiate again in any game played by the 149th. Western University regret not being able to play the 118th, and make no allegation against this team—which lost by a 7-0 score to the 149th a fortnight ago.

GIANTS' PROFITABLE YEAR.

Made More Money Than Any Other Major League Club.

Conservative baseball men believe that the Giants made more money than any other major league club this year. The profits of the stockholders who pay the Giants' salaries are estimated at about \$300,000. It is said that the New York Club was on velvet—that is to say, enough money had been taken in to pay all expenses for the season—on July 4, 1916 when the Giants began their record-breaking run of twenty-six straight victories. During that sensational streak, which took place at the Polo Grounds, the club's profits reached \$200,000 additional. It is believed, so that the stockholders enjoyed their most prosperous year. The expenses of the Giants were enormous. More than \$100,000 was paid out for new players, the salary list amounted to \$120,000, it is said, while rent, taxes, travelling bills, advertising and other items consumed \$80,000 more. The total expenses and profits resulted from more than 1,000,000 paid admissions.

YALE-HARVARD GAME

Attracts a Crowd of 77,000 Football Fans.

The greatest crowd that ever gathered in an enclosure to witness any sporting event in this country will be on hand for the Yale and Harvard game in the Yale Bowl, November 25th.

Approximately 77,000 persons will watch the Crimson and the Blue struggle for supremacy, and that the number will not be greater is due to lack of area on which to construct extra seats. High-water mark was reached in attendance figures in this country when 70,000 spectators saw Yale and Harvard play in the Bowl two years ago.

The demand for tickets this year so far exceeded the normal capacity at the Bowl, some 50,000, that more than 16,000 extra seats were erected. It was decided to limit the application of non-graduates of the university to two tickets each, and the same rule was applied to the graduates of the professional school of the university.

Will Get Roasted.

In adopting the new rule regarding the throwing of the stick, in which the referee is now called upon to award a goal, the N. H. A. officials will be sure to come in for some roasting this winter, especially as only one man will handle the games. Of course, it is a hard thing to overcome this throwing of the stick, and if the new rule leads to trouble, the N.H.A. will probably adopt another one before the season is over. Rules are easy to make, and the N. H. A. magnates are the busy little makers.

A Third Major League.

Joe Villa, in the New York Sun, says that organized baseball's intention to establish a third major league to embrace Toronto, Buffalo, Balt-

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