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HONAN HAS THE SPEAKERSHIP MAILED DOWN

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Garrard would lose more votes in other districts than he would gain by it and they concluded that it would be foolish for him to enter into such an arrangement. Then Garrard himself declared there was nothing in it and the talk subsided. It is known, however, that only a few days ago Garrard and Fleming met at the Denison hotel in this city and had a conference on some subject, and that the meeting was by appointment.

Fleming is Willing. Fleming, of course, would be willing to make almost any kind of a combination or deal that would defeat Kern, for he hates Kern and Kern hates Fleming, and it would not be at all surprising to see him try to line up with Shively as second choice. Earlier in the campaign it was understood that Fleming was about to form a combination with Slack to defeat Kern, but this seems to have fallen through. Fleming is a brewer and it is easy to understand why he would make a deal with Shively instead of Slack. If such a combination has been made it means trouble for Slack, for Fleming and Shively will make a strong team. It will also cause some uneasiness in the Kern camp. Shively has been in this city much of the time lately meeting the legislators as they come to town and getting acquainted with them. He is making a corking campaign for senator.

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PRESENTS GOMEZ AT A RECEPTION

Governor Magoon Takes First Step in Re-establishing Cuban Republic.

INAUGURATION JANUARY 28.

SPANISH MINISTER DEAN OF DIPLOMATIC CORPS, CONGRATULATES AMERICAN EXECUTIVE FOR WORK HE ACCOMPLISHED.

Havana, Jan. 2.—The inaugural step toward re-establishment of the Cuban republic was marked with the New Year's reception at the palace yesterday, when Gen. Magoon, for more than two years has been ruler of the island, formally presented the diplomatic representatives and consular officers, the supervisors of the governmental departments, the judges of the supreme court and the minor courts, the presidents of commercial guilds, the representatives of the foreign and native press, the officers of the Cuban armed forces and many prominent citizens to the president-elect, Gen. Jose Miguel Gomez, and the vice-president-elect, Alfredo Zayas.

The palace was beautifully decorated and Cuban military bands played in the court yard during the reception, which lasted from 10 o'clock in the morning until 5 o'clock in the afternoon. Governor Magoon received in the grand salon. He was attended by his aids in full uniform, with Gen. Gomez, Senor Zayas and the former American consul, Frank Steinhart, who was the official adviser of the governor during the whole period of intervention, standing at his right.

Governor Magoon Congratulated. The Spanish minister, R. Guyan de Ayala, the dean of the diplomatic corps congratulated Governor Magoon on the success of the provisional government, which was about to end. He said:

"The exactness in keeping the promises of President Roosevelt in behalf of the intervening nation to restore Cuba to the exercise of self government impresses us with a sense of high moral significance of the government which conferred upon you this difficult and high mission, and fills with joy the hearts of the Cuban people. Our sincere and best wishes accompany you wherever your government finds any adequate place to utilize your services."

The governor expressed his thanks, saying, after reference to the successful elections:

"The new administration, therefore, assumes office supported by the confidence of the country and the franchise of the people. The commercial industrial and agricultural situation is excellent. Law, order, peace, tranquility and prosperity have not only been established, but have prevailed for a sufficient period to justify the belief that such conditions will continue and are as permanent in Cuba as in any other country."

The reception was attended by politicians representing all parties, who united in extending to Gen. Gomez their warmest wishes for the success of his administration. Preparations for turning over the machinery of the government to the incoming president are practically complete. Not the least disturbance in the governmental functions will attend the transfer of authority immediately on Gen. Gomez taking the inaugural oath at noon on January 28.

The only important measures still pending is the decree relative to the loan of \$15,000,000, which probably will soon issue, and the promulgation of a civil service law and a law governing the executive power, which now is in the hands of the advisory commission and shortly will be presented to the governor for his approval.

Governor Magoon will depart tomorrow for an extended tour to the eastern end of the island, returning in ten days, when he will convene congress to scrutinize the vote of the electoral college. This will be followed by a session of congress on January 20, at which the formal declaration of the election of the president will be made.

Thursday the first detachment of homeward bound troops from the American army of pacification sailed for the Philadelphia navy yard on board the auxiliary cruiser Prairie. This consisted of 387 marines. The transport McClellan sailed yesterday with the families of the officers and the Sumner with the Twenty-eighth Infantry.

THE THEATER

"East Lynne."

One reason for the undying popularity of "East Lynne," the great emotional drama, which will be presented at the Gennett theater Jan. 7, by a splendid company, is your interest is at once excited when Richard Hare is suspected by the villainous Sir Francis Levison. Richard's attorney is Archibald Carlyle, who has just taken as his bride, Lady Isabel, the pretty daughter of an impoverished earl. Isabel's jealousy is wrought upon by the clandestine meetings between her husband and Barbara Hare, Richard's sister. These meetings merely have to do with Richard's trial, but Lady Isabel, not knowing this, and being goaded on by the scheming Sir Francis, who loves her, consents to an elopement. Archibald is plunged into despair, but after a lapse of years, having secured a divorce, he rewards the unselfish love of Barbara Hare by making her his wife.

HAS JOLLY OLD TIME TO BE FORMED

Gotham Forgets Self-Satisfaction and Raises Very Old Ned.

BROADWAY HAS A FROLIC.

New York, Jan. 2.—Although New York held its real New Year's celebration Thursday night and in the early jubilation over the advent of 1909 was vented in a record breaking riot of noise and revelry, New Year's day proper was not wanting in features to mark it as a holiday that the city still observes with functions of a character distinct from those of any other of the year's feasts.

While the old fashioned custom of "paying calls" has practically died out in society of all grades, "open house" is still largely the order with the clubs and many other organizations which have homes of their own to which their friends may be welcomed.

Numerous such functions were on the program while in private homes New Year's dinner was the occasion for many family reunions, while the hotels and the restaurants, big and little, were crowded with holiday dinner parties.

Thousands Attend Theaters.

Unlike Christmas, the New Year's day is a gala day with the theaters, and capacity audiences were the rule in play houses all over the city, from the 5-cent moving picture places still operating under court dispensations, to the habitues of grand opera, where, as the homes of comedy, drama, farce, and vaudeville special matinees were given for the benefit of holiday makers. With the day witnessing the opening of the automobile show and with numerous sporting events indoors and out on the cards, other forms of amusement and relaxation for the business free multitudes of the metropolis were not lacking.

In many of the churches New Year's services and meetings were held, and institutions of all sorts gave their occupants as large a measure as possible of holiday cheer by serving special repasts and giving entertainments.

Offenders Shown Leniency. Special favors were extended to inmates of the jails and prisons, while the courts were lenient in their dealings with delinquents.

One of the organizations to keep open house from noon to midnight was the National Democratic club. Richard Croker was at the club nearly all day and numerous democrats of local and national prominence dropped in to pay their respects.

At the Twenty-third street branch of the Y. M. C. A. a reception was held in honor of Maj. Gen. Leonard Wood, U. S. A. commander of the Department of the East. More than a thousand persons shook the general's hand and tendered him the congratulations of the day.

BOWLERS ATTENTION!

There will be a meeting of the City League at the City Bowling Alleys Monday night. Everybody invited. Harry Buskin, Pres.

MEN FIGHT DOGS IN THE SICILIAN RUNS FOR FOOD

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Thousands of bodies still lie festering in the debris, and it will be some time before they can be reached.

Supplies Unequal to Demand.

The lack of water continues to be one of the main difficulties, and despite the continued arrival of fresh relief ships from several Italian ports the supply of foodstuffs and medicines still is far below the demand.

Italian soldiers and sailors and Russian, British, French and German sailors are working indefatigably under the most trying conditions, but the task is so enormous that their great and willing efforts seem sometimes almost hopelessly insufficient.

Urgent appeals for help from the ruined villages on both sides of the Strait of Messina are being responded to as far as possible, but in view of the immense demands in Messina itself it is difficult to spare either men or stores from that coast.

Efforts are now concentrated to attending and transshipping the wounded and feeding and sheltering the destitute. Search for the dead has been abandoned temporarily.

Archbishop Gives No Hope.

In the opinion of Cardinal Francisco Nava, archbishop of Catania, the Americans who have members of their family at Catania and the thousands of Italians in America with near relatives there about whom they are in doubt "unfortunately have little comfort."

"There is no exaggeration of the accounts sent from here," said the cardinal in Catania tonight.

"What we know of the losses at Pompeii and Herculaneum is surpassed by those today of Messina and Reggio, not to speak of the innumerable small villages which are materially damaged."

All Catholics applaud the initiative of King Victor and Queen Helena in coming to us and personally I wish to add my testimony that their presence had the most beneficial effect in calming the excitement and encouraging the people.

The personal observation of my lieutenants is that it would take a lifetime for Messina and Reggio to recover. The small towns probably never will be rebuilt.

Not One Whole Family Saved.

The serious problem we now face is to provide for many orphans and

POLO LEAGUE IS TO BE FORMED

Meeting of Semi-Professional Teams to Be Held at New Castle.

RICHMOND IS INCLUDED

PROPOSED DRAFT OF SCHEDULE OF TWENTY-FOUR GAMES, TWO OF THEM TO BE PLAYED EACH WEEK.

Plans for the organization of the semi-professional polo league will be completed tomorrow at a meeting of the representatives of the seven proposed towns at New Castle. Who will represent this city has not been determined upon, but whoever does will demand that for this season the importation of stars will not be made by any team, but that the teams be composed of players living in or near the town which they represent.

This is to be advanced for two reasons. One, and the most important, to educate the people to professional polo again, and the second to keep expenses at a minimum. The personnel of the local lineup has not been determined, but will include players of the best ability in the city league.

At the meeting tomorrow a schedule of twenty-four games for each team, or two games a week, one at home and the other abroad will probably be drafted. Up to date the proposed teams include Richmond, New Castle, Anderson, Elwood, Muncie, Marion, Martinsville and Hamilton, O. The league representatives will perhaps decide which one of these latter two places are to be admitted. Martinsville is favored among some of the managers.

From reports made by local parties who have participated in or seen games at the different cities in the gas belt, these towns are represented by former Ohio league players. It will be insisted on by the local managers that the other towns be represented by semi-professional players.

widows. Men probably in time will pick up spirit and provide for the remnants of their families, although of the many survivors who have come under my personal observation I have not yet seen an entire family saved. Invariably one or more members were lost.

"The holy father has been most lavish in his instructions to see that funds are not entirely lacking. The question now is to organize our efforts in some way to reach the most needy."

The cardinal appeared to be overworked and depressed. He remarked that so much misery, accompanied by a lack of necessities to relieve, was an almost insupportable burden.

American Relatives Unappeased.

"I have received several dispatches from America from Sicilians," he went on, "asking about relatives whom I find it impossible to trace; also I have had many offers of money from there, some of general charity, but more frequently to trace and succor some specified persons who, alas! are never found."

Die From Hunger and Cold.

The relief work at Reggio now is under way on an organized plan. Many there who survived the earthquake since have died from hunger and cold. The mortality among young children from these causes has been great.

Many of the injured, maddened by their wounds and by hunger, despair of aid and committed suicide.

The stronger survivors first began looting whatever stores of food they could find, but it seems that this was checked much sooner in Reggio than in Messina.

A large number of police and soldiers were hurried from Teramo. They established order and dealt out such food as was available in small doses.

The first outside help was brought by a torpedo boat on Dec. 29, which landed a limited supply of food and medicines, but the debarkation of these and subsequent supplies of all kinds has been most difficult owing to the shattered coast and submerged buildings.

How a Snake Sheds Its Skin.

The human skin is shed in such minute pieces that it ordinarily comes away unnoticed. But the skin of a snake comes away whole two or three times a year and is drawn off inside out from the head backward as the creature creeps through some bush, to which it is left attached. Before it is shed the skin loses its color, and the eyes become dim, because their outer skin is cast with the rest. The snake emerges very brightly colored from its old skin, and its markings are then most distinct.

A prominent New York contractor recently undertook to build a six-mile barge canal through a Louisiana wilderness in ninety days. His force of engineers, commissaries and laborers were transported, encamped and governed along army lines, even in the matter of clothing. Army uniforms that had been rejected because of slight variation from the prescribed cut were bought from the Government at about a dollar apiece.

MAY MEET TURK WINTER BALL TALK.

Charley Olson Will Challenge Mahmout If He Defeats Fred Beell.

BOUT WITH BEELL MONDAY

Chicago, Jan. 2.—Charley Olson, the Indianapolis wrestler, said last night if he defeated Beell Monday in their match at the Coliseum, he would make overtures for a match with Yusif Mahmout. "Beell and Americus failed with Mahmout because they didn't have the strength to follow up their tricks," Olson said. "I believe I am stronger than either of them, and as tricker, so I figure I can beat the Turk."

Promoter Jack Curley, who was punched accidentally by Raoul de Rouen, the Frenchman, Wednesday night, and lost two teeth, says he has forgiven the giant, who Monday night meets Jess Westergaard. De Rouen equaled Pardoello as a rough house champion, and is unpopular enough to be a good attraction.

Olson was a victor over the Italian Leo Pardoello, in a hard bout in this city last night, winning in straight falls.

RYAN BASKET BALL STAR.

Columbia Captain Three Times Chosen as All American Center.

One of the best all round athletes in the colleges today and one whose career is a refutation of the statement that one cannot follow sports and study successfully at the same time is John J. Ryan, captain of the Columbia university basketball team.

Ryan was born in New York city on June 8, 1882. He prepared for college at the public schools and at Cooper Union and throughout his school days



JOHN J. RYAN, CAPTAIN OF COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY BASKET BALL TEAM.

was active in competitive sport, winning a number of victories for the St. Bartholomew A. C. of New York. The most notable of these was the Junior National A. A. U. shot put championship at St. Louis in 1904.

During his freshman year at Columbia Ryan showed his versatility by making the football, basketball and track teams. The following year when Columbia abandoned football Ryan sought new fields to conquer and went out for the crew and wrestling team, making both. He also played on the basketball team again, making center on the All American team.

In his junior year he was elected captain of the basketball team and led the blue and white through a victorious season. He crowned his athletic endeavors for his third year at college by rowing in the varsity eight at Poughkeepsie. Ryan is tall and spare limbed, but clean muscled and powerful, a typical athlete. He stands six feet one and a half inches and weighs 197 pounds.

As a basketball center there are few, if any, that can compare with him. He easily outjumps his opponents, and few centers can claim to have scored only one goal scored against him during the entire season in the intercollegiate league.

He has been the unanimous choice for All American center for three years. Besides being a good student and a splendid athlete, he is also one of the most popular men at college. He is president of the senior class as well as chairman of the student board of representatives.

Anson Proposes New Baseball League.

A city league under national protection and a party to the national agreement is the latest project planned by prominent Chicago semiprofessional men. Captain A. C. Anson of Anson's Colts is the originator of this new scheme, the object of which is to give Chicago a minor league of its own and the big leagues a sort of farm from which to select likely young recruits. Anson, Jimmy Ryan and other Chicago baseball men will ask the national commission for protection and appear to be confident their petition will be granted.

MAGNATES HAVE TRADING STOCK, BUT FIND IT HARD TO SWAP.

EVERS TALKS OF RETIREMENT

Chicago Nationals' Second Baseman Says He Will Devote His Time Hereafter to Editorial Work—Managers Chance and Jones May Quit.

Baseball magnates of the American and National leagues are in a tangle of proposed trades at the present time such as has never existed before. There is hardly a team in either league that hasn't some trading stock on hand, and it seems impossible for any two of them to come to an agreement. No club seems to have what the other fellow wants. It would seem almost advisable to have a board of arbitration appointed of noninterested parties to arrange the trades.

So far this fall and winter the two St. Louis clubs have been more active on the market than any others, and the trades that brought Bresnahan to the Nationals as manager and Criger to the Americans as catcher have been the gossip of the fans the past few weeks. At the same time the other clubs have been pulling numerous wires to land some favored player, but have generally been unsuccessful.

Probably by the time the leagues get together in February a definite basis will have been established, so that by forming a few three or four handed deals the desired effects may be attained. At present each club owner and manager is trying to slip something over on his neighbor, and when they have all learned that such a thing is practically impossible they will get down to genuine business.

An effort to strengthen the New York and St. Louis clubs in the American league and the Cincinnati, St. Louis, Brooklyn and Boston clubs in the National league has been the cause of much of the stir so far. It would be a splendid thing for the American league if the St. Louis club or the Cleveland club or the New York club could win the pennant next season.

It would be a splendid thing for the National league if the Nationals could get a winning club in St. Louis, for there is a lot of money for baseball in the Mound City going to other purposes simply because the fans will not spend so lavishly on a loser. Cincinnati, too, is a fine baseball town, but has never had a winner, and the fans in the Queen City would show up all others if the Reds once landed on the top.

There has been some talk of a deal between Washington and St. Louis. Manager Cantillon is after Hobe Ferris, the Browns' third sacker, and has offered Pitcher Bill Burns in exchange for Ferris. It is not likely that the trade will go through, as McAleer wants Pitcher Walter Johnson, Washington's star twirler. McAleer's objection to Burns is that the big south paw is one of those easy going, gigantic youths who can even sleep on the players' bench while a contest is on.

Honestly, the ball player's retirement stunt is getting funnier than the farwellspiel of some pugilist.

Johnny Evers, the Chicago Nationals' star second baseman, is out with the announcement that he intends to forsake the diamond for the sporting editor's chair in Troy, N. Y., for at least a year. Now, the honorable position of sporting editor in Troy would cause Johnny to drag down about twenty or thirty plunks a week during the summer, while as second baseman on the Cubs he can command just about six times that much.

No one has ever accused Johnny of being a philanthropist, and there is no evidence to show that Johnny ever endowed any charitable institutions, so it's pretty soft matter to guess what

he will do. Just now Johnny is saying: "No chance for me to return," with emphasis on the no. About February Johnny will say, "If my health would permit I certainly would play."

About the latter part of March Johnny will be packing his belongings for the trip south.

Another report tells us that Frank Chance, manager of the Cubs, has bought an orange or fruit farm or something like that in California and adds that he has no intention of returning to Chicago. Mr. Chance knows just about as well as any one that it takes a rather fine prize farm to clear \$30,000 a year, and, according to Murphy, that's what Chance gets for managing, captaining and playing first base for the Cubs.

A dopestier gives the information that Pitcher Frank Smith will never again play under Comiskey. Frank has made so many threats and then returned to the Chicago Americans that it really hurts our lips to smile at his joke.

Manager Fielder Jones of the Chicago Americans has announced that he must give his attention to his oil wells. Fielder gave out the same talk last year, but soon affixed his signature to a contract when Charlie Comiskey inserted a bunch of figures that looked very much like \$7,500 with a bonus.

At least a dozen others have talked of retirement, but we intend to make a winter book very shortly that will give big odds on them to show in the gentle spring.

Driver Goes Still in Fern. The veteran driver Ed Geary, during his recent campaign on the turf has driven twenty-four trotters to records of 2:10 or better, the fastest one being The Abbot, 2:03 3/4.

COMING SPORT PLANS.

Wisconsin will not send a crew to the Pacific coast regatta in 1909.

Jerome D. Travers has decided to take part in the British amateur golf championship at Muirfield next May.

Fordham university, New York, is negotiating for games with several of the big eastern football eleven for next fall.

Chicago is to have an artificial ice rink having a skating surface of 250 by 115 feet and able to accommodate 4,000 spectators.

Billy Turley, the British boxer, who has twice won the Canadian championship in the bantam class and the Ontario title in the 115 pound class, will box in the English championships.

Miss Lillian Maud Smith, captain of the Tottenham and Ladies' Perseverance Swimming club, England, will come to this country in a few weeks to swim against Annette Kellerman.

Jockey Eddie Dugan is planning to desert the American turf March 1 for the English game. He is under contract to ride Priscillian, the great unbeaten racer, in the Lincolnshire handicap early in the spring.

Seven former students of the Chicago Training School are among the missionaries appointed by the Bengal Methodist Conference for 1908 to do woman's work. One is an evangelistic worker, two are in charge of the Girls' School and Widows' Home at Pakur, another has charge of the Anglo-Indian orphanage in Calcutta, and three are connected with the Lee memorial.

One of the great transatlantic steamship lines has added trained nurses to the medical personnel of its vessels. This opens a sea career for the trained nurse. Undoubtedly other lines will do the same and the nurse will become as indispensable an adjunct to the first-class passenger as the ship's doctor.

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