SWARTHMORE'S BASKETBALL TEAM, UNSUCCESSFUL LAST YEAR, UPSETS DOPE IN 1916

"TOD" EBERLE RESPONSIBLE FOR GREAT IMPROVEMENT SHOWN BY GARNET TEAM

Old Central High All-round Athlete Has Developed Winner With Same Material Which Failed Dismally Last Year

THE playing of the Swarthmore College basketball team against Penn was a revelation. Few followers of collegiate basketball expected the Red and Blue team, which is vastly superior to the 1915 aggregation, to be beaten by the Little Quakers, who had practically the same five which was overwhelmed by Penn last year. The victory was not a fluke, as Swarthmore demonstrated to the satisfaction of 2500 spectators that it was the better team, and one of the best aggregations turned out in the East in several seasons.

Credit for the wonderful improvement in the work of the five men who represented the Garnet Saturday night must be given to "Tod" Eberle, former Central High School athlete and Swarthmore all-round star, who is serving his first season as a basketball coach. Last year Captain Harry, McGovern, Sproul and Donnelly were just as proficient as this season, but there was a painful lack of team play and knowledge of the fine points of the game. The result was that Penn made a runaway match of it.

The Swarthmore team which amazed Penn students and players Saturday accomplished its victory because of its team work and because it knew Just as much, if not a trifle more, then Penn. The Garnet has a team of brilliant individual players, just as it had in 1915, but Eberle has shown the value of combining individualism with team play. That is the secret of the team's success.

An odd feature of the victory was that it marked the seventh occasion in eight years where Swarthmore has trimmed Penn on its own floor, some of the victories being recorded over the Red and Blue's best teams. If Eberle can keep the team going at its present clip, Swarthmore has an excellent chance to perform the unusual feat of going through the season without a defeat, as the game with Penn is usually the hardest on the schedule.

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Smith an Ideal Man to Handle California Eleven

As predicted in these columns some time ago. Andy Smith, former Penn coach, who has handled the Purdue University cleven for the last three years. will coach the University of California gridiron team next fall, California hardly could secure a man better suited for the position, as Smith is admittedly the best teacher who ever coached an Eastern eleven.

There are many coaches ranked above Smith, but that is because they are tacticians as well as teachers, but Smith was king instructor, Incidentally he was the first of the string of coaches at Penn to be handicapped by ancient methods. Smith was merely a figurehead coach at Penn and was given no chance to plan his own offense or defense. He finally resigned his position after bitterly attacking the system in vogue at Penn, declaring that the Board of Coaches was given too much authority and that it refused to give him a free-hand.

Pennsylvanians were inclined to believe that Smith was trying to "alibi himself' for the poor showing of the team, despite the fact that the men who played under the fullback of the famous 1904 eleven declared that he was a great coach. It took three years to awaken the Red and Blue authorities to the true state of affairs, but the awakening occurred this fall. As California has only had one year of American football, a teacher is more necessary than the case of Ty Cobh had proved. played under the fullback of the famous 1904 eleven declared that he was a a tactician, and Smith is the ideal man for the position.

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Cassignol, French Billiard Champion, After Match With Hoppe

Local billiard enthusiasts are anxious to see Firmin Cassignol in action, and no doubt his matches in this city starting next Monday, with Welker Cochran as his opponent, will be well attended. Cassignol has issued a challenge to Willie Hoppe, and if the French champion can defeat Cochran decisively and then trim Yamada, Hoppe will give him a chance to lift the title,

Unless Cassignol can impress the public, it would not be surprising if Hoppe turned his attention to the three-cushion game after his return from Honolula as suitable balkline opponents are scarce. For years Hoppe refused to play the three-cushion or pocket-billard game, contending that it hurt his balkline work, but recently in Peterson's Academy, in St. Louis, Hoppe played 50 points a night at the three-cushion game, during a three-day stay in the Mound City, His work was a revelation. Moving over to Detroit Hoppe ran out a string vogue. of 50 points in 42 innings. If Hoppe will practice the three-cushion and pocketbilliard game, it is probable one man will hold every cue title,

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Tinker Probably Justified in Passing Up Fisher

Jimmy Isaminger points out that Bob Fisher, the hardest-hitting shortstop in either league, was released by the Cubs, despite the fact that managers are clamoring for shortstops who can hit. This is indeed unusual, and looks like another Tinker blunder, but the new manager of the Cubs probably was justified in passing up Fisher on the advice of Chicago scribes and former President Thomas

Last summer, when the Cubs were in Philadelphia on their last trip, Bresnahan remarked to the EVENING LEDGER that Fisher's arm was almost gone, and that his legs also were in such a condition that he moved too slow in the field and on the bases. At the time Bresnahan praised Fisher for his hitting head work and proficiency in sacrificing and engineering the hit-and-run play The climate probably will agree with Fisher on the Pacific coast, and should prolong his career on the diamond.



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EGOTISM OF KAUFF DIFFERS FROM CHESTINESS OF COBB

By GRANTLAND RICE

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"Baseball may soon be having its Masked Marvela." May soon be? What's the nutter with Jimmy Archer, Wally Schang, Frank Snyder, Bill Killifer? The chestiness of Cohi and Kauff is by no means the same. Ty may be sur-charact with confidence or exotism on the ball field, but once he sheds his barrant theory.

harness there is no sign of surplus bean-age. He doesn't care to talk about his playing, nor to have others tell him bow Willard deserves something from a nation for retiring Jack Johnson and dis-baring a school of White Hopes. But, unfortunately, the nation has no reward in its power to give which Wilhird deems goal he is. On Cobb's first trip East last spring he was having about .46. "What are you trying to do." we asked, "break up the leagne." Cobb's reply was characteris-tic. "Oh, I've been pretty locky so far. Everything has been breaking my way. The pitchers inven't got going yet or 1 wouldn't be anywhere near where I am." Deep down in his heart Cobb may be-lieve that he can hit any aitcher alive. even half way adequate. He wants all there is, plus something there isn't.

READY TO PLAY WEST PHILLIES'

School League Cage Game Tomorrow Will Decide Holder of Second Place

OTHER SCHOOL NEWS

Southern High School will meet West Philadelphia High School's basketball team in the games to decide which quintet will take second place in the High School Basketball League. Southern High has lost Captain Black and Lipkowitz, the two guards, but it is not expected that their absence will greatly weaken the downtown quinter, for in Lewbart and Gottleid Coach Ingber has two firstclass players

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class players. Southern High anticipated this loss, and in the game with Central Inst week the use of Lewbart and Gottleib as guards showed that they could be depended upon. Mondros will also be available, and from the reserves Dondero, Fisher, Sacks and Poland are all good, heady players. Wat-man and Bunnin will be the forwards, with Watson at centre, as usua! The West Philadelphia team will re-min intact. Coach Hughes anticipated the loss of Burritt and Berman, and the West Phillies lined up against Northeast with Captain Fred Bachman and Mear-kle, forwards: McCaskey, centre: Pinker-ton and Hubber, guards. Unless the mid-years prove fatal these players will all be in togs. It is the team that beat Northeast High will mate Central High. These old rivals both fear the loss of regulars, but it will be a do-or-die bat-tle, for Coach Walter Keating's proteges are hot after their lengue rivals this year, and are by no means discournged because of the reverses met in the games played to date. Coach Keating's con-didence that his men will pull through in leading position has not been shaken. Northeast loses Wallace, the centre, and Bodel, one of the reverves of the first spand. Sammy Asquith is expected to be eligible to take Wallace's place. This vetran has been out of the game, and his return would greatly strengthen the Northeast team. Schoppe may be lost because of the mid-years. The Northhis return would greatly strengthen the Northeast team. Schoppe may be lost because of the mid-years. The North-east students are hoping for the best, however, and hope to see their team line up with Auquith and Schoppe, forwards; Shelton, centrel Captain Johnny Heldelt and Sturgis, guards. The central Held-Northeast game will be staged at the Quaker City Athletic Club, where central and Northeast both play their home contests. These two whoels are hadde-grad in not having a guardant for basketball practice. Southern and West Philadelphila players have their own gym for atternoon cage with.

The Central High line-up may be shaken up the central the milloware, too. Rumor has it that taplath Powler and Schneiterman will be ander the bart of the Central High faculty.

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NOTES OF THE AMATEURS

Frichard A. C. desires to schedule a fini-class five for Saturday night, February 5. A team with a hall and paying a fair suarantes can book this attraction by writing L W. Fox. 5628 Premherton street, Philadelphis Other dates are open for February and Mark for first and second class teams.

Sporting Editor of the Evening Ledger:

President Elmer E. Dungan's announce- | this organization. and totaled 2588 for three armen.
William Knox, the best individual best of the second se ment that the tenth annual bowling tournament of the National Association will be held in New York beginning Saturday, March 18, completes the program of annual events which will attract local and surrounding tenpin knights who annually test their ability in the big championships. The other tourney which also will get local entries will be the second annual matches of the Atlantic Coast Asso-ciation, to be held in Washington, D. C., beginning April 3 next. The Atlantic tournament is unique in that the small hell howlers will have a chance to compete, duck and candle pin matches being

The fact that five teams have a change a win the championships of the quase of tourney and meet the winner of the yound of the Result survey of the team of the Result of the team of the tourney of the Result of the team of the Result of the team of team of the team of the team of team of the team of team of the team of t neluded in the championships In order to take part in the big national championships it is necessary to be a member of the city associations of the organizations. It costs 50 cents to get admission to the Atlantic Cost chapter

here, while the local National Association section charges 35 cents. George M. Moss is secretary of the latter and George Hill of the former. Both are conducted on the individual membership plan. To compete in the national champion-ship events, which include single, two and

Algonguin White Elephants Maneto Wyndham Colts Majestic Wyndham tive man team games, the entrance fee is \$5 a man in each class. The prize money, made up from the entrance fees, is distributed among the teams and individuals. rolling the best scores in three games. There is also a distribution of cash in the all-events class that is the aggregate number of pins knocked down by conestants in the individual, two and five

man games, Both of the local sections of the rival organizations are preparing to call meet-ings and discuss probable entries to the events.

Sporting Editor of the Evening Ledger: Sir-J have been reading your paper for some time and find that the De Nerl Reserve are claiming the characterization of downlows. They have not bestaal the South Philadelpha Roys' Club yet. We are popen to meet any frat-claus team in the south Philadelpha to meet the De Nerl Reserver in a series under the expension that the winner takes all after the expension that the winner takes all after the expension are paid. I guess that is cough to draw them into a game. The Accounting and Installation teams of the Philisdolphia Electric League who finished the first half of the season's matches lied for first place, each squad having won 24 games out of 42, will how a special three-game mich on ferminal Alleys (onight to determine the winner of the championship. The winner of the second half of the fourner of the first portion at the end of the season, and the victorious team will be the cham-pions. The Scholastics would like to hear from any second or third class teams at home or away. Address F. Sylvester, 116 North 63d street. West Philadelphia.

nions, Only two more series of games are to be bowled in the first round on Keystone Alleys. The matches will be rolled on Friday, Feb-nary II, the roll-off with the winners of the Keystone Club series being slated for Fri-day, February 18. Kentucky Futurity Entries Kentucky Futurity Entries Thirty-three Statos and Canada have tra-nished 561 entries for the Kentucky Futarity for foals of 1915. As is natural, Kentucky bads, with 274, while New York is second, with 100. Onio takes third place, with 67, illinois fourth, with 54, and Mamachustie fith, with 45. In 1914 698 weanlings were kept in the futurity, as against 761 in the fu-turity just closed. The progeny of more ba-tio sires is represented in the Int. with Pur-the Great leading, with 32. J. Malcolin Furder is second, with 46, and Manrico third, with 33, Wahuit Hall Farm, of Donerall, Ky., has the largest number of entries, the total being T. Fatchen Wilkes Farm, of Lexington, Ky., is as ond, with 41.

Pirates are present leaders of Keystone Club, Section A, and have been setting the pace

In the Artisans' League the Underdown No. 1 team finished first, while Northwestern No. 2 team topped the Section II competition is a result of the first round games. Secre-tary L. E. Knipo, who is a member of the Leight sound, has compiled some interesting figures on the first round of the secies in this association. Therdown No. Team knocked down a total of 18,541 sins in 21 games. This five-man team also registered a 163 bin game, the best single game acces of the season in



Landis Decision Awaited by O. B.

It might be well for certain magnates to find out just where Judge Landis stands before giving out interviews ridiculing owners of the Baltimore Federal League franchise for threatening to go into court with their claims. The Federal League suit against organized ball is still in the hands of Judge Landis and cannot be withdrawn without the consent of every Federal League club.

As fear of an adverse decision to both parties is believed to have been the cause for peace being made, it might be a good move to listen to the claims of the Baltimore magnates before allowing them to take a step which might threaten the very foundation of the great national game, and bring about a condition which can never be remedied concerning the much-discussed contract and reserve clause.

Herzog Wanted Bill Kopf for Third Base

Charley Herzog is peeved because he failed to have the waiver list submitted to him containing the name of Bill Kopf, of the Athletics. Herzog says that he has heard flattering reports about Kopf, and would not have waived on him. It was Herzog's plan, if Kopf had been secured, to use the former Mackman on third base and switch Heinie Groh back to second. This surely would strengthen the Reds, as Groh would be back in his regular position. With Kopf at third it would be a great improvement over Rodgers and Wagner, who played second last year.

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Defeat of Brooke and Wear Surprises Racquet Experts

The defeat of George Brooke and J. W. Wear, of the Philadelphia Racquet Club, at the hands of the Waterbury brothers in the national squash racquet doubles championship was a great surprise to followers of the game. It was admitted before the Boston tournament opened that the local stars would have a hard battle if Pell and Mortimer, the champions, were pitted against them in the finals, but no other team was considered seriously by Philadelphians. The Waterburys completely outplayed Brooke and Wear and the triumph was deserved. . . .

Jimmy Brown, of Camden, has earned the undisputed title of being the greatest "in and outer" in sportdom. After breaking all records for scoring field goals for five consecutive games, the Camden guard has gone to pieces completely. Brown has not tallied a field goal in the last four games, all of which were lost, and he has looked like a minor leaguer. He is likely to cut loose at any minute and break a few more records. It is all according to the humor he happens to be in whether he stars or disappoints.

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West Virginia selected Tobin, former State star, and McIntire, a West Virginia graduate, as its football coaches for next fall, succeeding Sol Metzger. It was generally believed that a Penn man would be appointed; but after considering many Red and Blue stars, the West Virginia Football Committee decided to give Tobin and McIntire a chance, as they proved themselves capable tutors when assisting Metzger.

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Havana, Cuba, wants to stage the Olympic games in 1920, promising everything under the sun if it is awarded the meet. Working on the same principle, Aurora, III., will ask the National Commission to stage the world's series in that city next fall. And it has just about as much chance as Havana.



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