BASKETBALL FLAG FLUTTERS TONIGHT

Eastern League Closes First Season With Game Here and in Reading Cage

PENN MEETS DARTMOUTH

EASTERN LEAGUE STANDING

	W.	L.	Pc.		W.	L.	Pc.
Jasper	13	6	.684	Camden	11	9	.550
Greystock	12	7	.632	Trenton	10	10	.500
Reading	11	8	.579	De Neri	1	18	.053

TONIGHT'S GAMES

Jasper vs. De Neri at Musical Fund Hall and Greystock at the Reading Armory.

INTERCOLLEGIATE LEAGUE

Dartmouth vs. Penn at Weightman Hall

By SPICK HALL

This will be a large evening in basketball circles. The piece de resistance is the completion of the first season of the Eastern League with contests between De Neri and Jasper, at Musical Fund Hall, and Greystock vs. Reading, in the latter's armory. For those who prefer to see the game played without a cage, the University of Pennsylvania offers a neat attraction in a fray with Dartmouth, which is the local opening of the Intercollegiate League.

It is almost a foregone conclusion that the pennant in the Eastern League will be carried back to Kensington tonight by the Jasper team. In view of the fact that De Neri is the only obstacle in the way. Even if De Neri should pull the unexpected and defeat the Jewels, they could still win the flag provided the Reading team defeated Greystock.

Tonight's game at Musical Fund Hall will be started as usual at 9 o'clock. The Southwark management will put forth every effort to stop Jasper, and while the chances are much that they can accomplish this, it is not an impossibility. The line-up of the De Neri team is not definitely settled upon, but Manager Kennedy, of Jasper, will send into the case the same team that defeated Trenton Thursday night at Nonpareil Hall. Kennedy's line-up will be Sedran and McGregor, forwards; Kerr, center, and Fox and Friedman at the guard positions.

Big Disappointment

The one big disappointment of the Eastern League race has been the poor showing of the De Neri team. It was thought at the beginning of the campaign that the Southwark men would make a good showing, although even the most optimistic followers were not falling over each other in predicting that they would win the pennant. To offset the wretched work of De Neri, which has won but a single game, Greystock came to the rescue. Apparently out of the race, Joe Bailey got his men together when they were in fourth place and tore through the league, winning seven straight contests. This brilliant sprint put the downtowners within half a game of Jasper, the league leaders. However, Jasper showed no signs of weakness and came back strong enough to be one full game ahead of the club in second place at the beginning of tonight's games.

Several clubs were unfortunate during the first season. The Camden team, which had a fine chance to land the flag, was put out of the race by the temporary loss of Roy Steele, the speedy forward, who plays beside Jackie Adkins. After Steele came back he was not in the best of form, and the team went completely to pieces. Jasper lost Hough, but Dietzler has managed to fit into the team well enough to keep them at the top of the heap.

Colonel Kuser, owner of the Trenton club, was lucky in getting Doc Newman to join his team. The ex-De Neri forward has put a lot of pep into the up-State Jerseymen and they played brilliantly until tripped by Jasper Thursday night.

Taking everything into consideration, the first half of the Eastern League campaign has been a glittering success. The games have been well attended and there has been a gratifying lack of the rowdyism that has marked some of the contests in former years.

Penn Meets Green

The University of Pennsylvania's championship team will meet the big Green Dartmouth team from Hanover tonight at Weightman Hall in the local opening game of the Intercollegiate League season. This game will be preceded by a preliminary contest. The blue ribbon event is scheduled for 8:30 o'clock.

Lon Jourdet has apparently gotten his team into just as good condition as it was at this time last season, when the Red and Blue started on its triumphal march through the Intercollegiate League. It was thought by some that the loss of Lou Martin would be a severe blow to Penn, but Lavan came nobly to the front and proved in the games with Ursinus and Muhlenberg that he is able to hold his own with the best.

Little is known of the Dartmouth team. They finished next to last in the Intercollegiate League last season, winning three and losing seven of their ten games. Whether they have strengthened greatly since then is a question that tonight's game will partially settle. Thursday evening Dartmouth went over to State College and played. The result was an easy victory for State. This, however, does not mean much one way or another as far as the Intercollegiate League is concerned, as State is not in the circuit and is furthermore known to have a fine five.

MICHIGAN'S NEW GOVERNOR WILL SQUELCH RING GAME

LANSING, Mich., Jan. 6.—Boxing promoters who planned a revival of the game in Michigan as soon as Albert E. Sleeper was inaugurated as Governor are doomed to disappointment, as the new Chief Executive does not look with favor on fighting.

"If I have been quoted as being in favor of boxing bouts I am afraid those who have quoted me have been given a wrong tip and will be disappointed," declared Governor Sleeper today.

"I am not in favor of it and will do as Governor Ferris did. I will veto any bill that makes prize fighting legal in this State."

Swarthmore Five Wins

SWARTHMORE, Pa., Jan. 6.—Swarthmore opened the basketball season on the home floor by handing the Allright quintet the small end of a 41 to 25 score. The Garnet, with what was thought to be a green team, pulled through in great shape and was able to maintain a big lead after the beginning of the second half.

NEW OUTBREAK FEARED IN CAPITAL OF GREECE

Athens Government Planning Desperate Stroke, Dispatch Says

BERLIN, Jan. 6.

Allied war vessels are each day shelling Greek coast towns between the Struma and Metso Rivers, it was announced today by the War Office in a statement on the Macedonian front.

LONDON, Jan. 6

The situation in Athens is again becoming critical, according to belated news dispatches received here. Outbreaks similar to those of five weeks ago are feared, it is stated, as a result of power in the Greek capital shifting to the reservists. Only one news dispatch from Athens has come through, and it is understood this was censored. The Morning Post prints a dispatch from its correspondent there under date of Wednesday, saying the position of the Entente is such as to indicate that the Athens government is considering some desperate stroke.

The Government, acting in harmony with the King, has decided to reject certain clauses of the Entente note demanding reparation in consequence of the recent fighting at Athens, Reuter's correspondent at Athens telegraphs.

King Constantine has consulted with former Premiers, who agreed unanimously that the note in its present form was not acceptable, inasmuch as compliance with the demands would be equivalent to admission that Greece contemplated attacking the Entente forces on the Macedonian front from the rear and also that there was foundation for the charges of unjust treatment of former Premier Venizelos's supporters. In regard to the imprisoned Venizelists, it is stated that the King is ready to pardon some or all of those convicted, but under the Constitution is unable to interfere with judicial procedure before these men are tried.

Penrose "War Board" to Fire at Governor

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preferred against Governor Brumbaugh soon after the Legislature reconvenes January 22.

STERN TO PRESENT BILL

Representative Isadore Stern, who threatened during the campaign a year ago to introduce a resolution in the House this session demanding the impeachment of Governor Brumbaugh, last night said he intends to carry out his threat.

"I said I would," declared the McNichol floor leader, "and I never go back on my word. I will do what I said I would do."

While Senator Penrose was issuing his statement threatening a thorough probe of the State administration, plans were being made for the defense of the Governor in case the impeachment charges are pushed.

It was rumored today that the Governor had retained a former District Attorney named as his counsel. Mr. Beck, with Louis J. Kolb, who Penrose yesterday said was the contributor of a large part of $36,000 which Penrose charged the Governor of having failed to account for during the campaign of 1914, and Albert E. Turner, another friend of Governor Brumbaugh, secretly conferred last night with William J. Burns, head of the Burns Detective Agency. The conference was held in the Bellevue-Stratford.

The Vares, Attorney General Brown and Beck all emphatically denied that Beck had been retained as Brumbaugh's counsel. It is known, however, that late last night the Governor came down from Harrisburg and conferred at the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel with the Vares.

Senator Penrose last night added to the statement he issued late yesterday afternoon, by stating that he controls two-thirds of both branches in the Legislature. This includes most of the Democratic legislators, he admitted.

PENROSE TO GO THE LIMIT

The senior Senator, in his statement, openly declared that the charges he made against the Governor of bribery, malfeasance in office and perjury, will be pushed in the Legislature. The proceedings will take the form of impeachment proceedings, he said, "if public sentiment demands it." Penrose also charged that the Governor had received approximately $36,000 during the 1914 campaign, for which he failed to account. This sum, he said, included the Oliver check for $1000 and large contributions from Mr. Kolb. In the postscript to his statement, to show that the charges could be backed up with votes, Penrose said:

> For all purposes looking toward the enactment of progressive legislation and for investigation of maladministration and malfeasance in public office under the present administration, a majority of more than two-thirds can be counted upon. This majority will also prevail in the passage of appropriation bills over the Governor's veto.

This estimate, of course, includes a great bulk of the Democratic vote, because the question of such investigation will appeal to all good citizens, regardless of party, and the same observation will apply to the passage of appropriation bills and progressive legislation. All the members, whether Democratic or Republican, breathed a sigh of relief in feeling that they had been emancipated from the Brumbaugh-Brown control.

State Senator Edwin H. Vare would make no comment on the late developments. Attorney General Francis Shunk Brown, simply said, "Let him rave; let him rave."

Louis J. Kolb said that the Penrose statement was "the same old stuff."

"I can only repeat," he said, "what I said when the charges were made before. The Governor has never misused my money and never abused my confidence."

There was as much spirited debate over the selection of a place where the deliberations of the "war board" will be held as there was a year ago over the selection of the city in which the advertising convention would be held. Senator McNichol, who has an unbroken record of twenty years of winter sojourns at San Lucie, Fla., wanted the board to meet there. Another member wanted the Penrose board to go to New Orleans to hold its conferences, and still a third held out for the New Jersey seashore. The shore won and Atlantic City, the scene of scores of important political conferences, was chosen.

Every member of the "war board" has been told by Senator Penrose that the fight against the Governor will be pushed to the limit. The Vare-Brumbaugh-Magee faction will be excluded from all patronage in both the Senate and House, according to the present program, and the followers of the State administration will be placed in the position of having to ask the Pennsylvania legislative leaders for the appropriations for their districts, if the threats made today by members of the Penrose board are carried out.

The first move toward giving the Penrose faction absolute control of the patronage of the Legislature was made today, when the Vares and the Governor were excluded absolutely from the state committees of both the Senate and House.

The Vare recommendations for members also on the state committee of the House, which is composed of one Republican from each congressional district, were ignored in drafting the tentative slate committee, and the word went out in political circles that only outand-out Penrose members of the Legislature would be placed on that powerful committee. The same is true in the Senate, according to the advance word from the Penrose camp.

The bill was killed for the Vare-Brumbaugh-Magee forces, because they control a majority of the congressional districts in the State. In excluding their followers from these committees, Senator Penrose is forcing the factional fight.

Congress Urged to Probe "Dope"

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to do so could establish themselves in the habit-forming drug business."

Distraction in the sale of hypodermic syringes to purchasers on physicians' prescriptions only, and the restriction of the manufacture and sale of opiates to the crude opium, to laudanum and paregoric, are suggested as means of meeting the habit-forming drug problem. Mr. Foster calls attention to the manner in which the point of using drugs is frequently brought on by the overprescription of patent medicines and "proprietaries." In suggesting that the use of opiates be restricted to crude opium, laudanum and paregoric, he said physicians should be held to a strict accounting of all drugs by prescription or administered.

"We can dispense with morphine and all the opium alkaloids," he said. "I can go back to the time in the South when there was an old rosewood medicine chest with a ball of opium and a vial of paregoric and these easily put every possible need where opiates were considered necessary to alleviate pain. The medical profession would not be in the slightest degree be such a restriction and it would at once eliminate every unfavorable hazard that has grown out of the use of habit-forming drugs for medical prescription."

In advocating restriction of the use of syringes Mr. Foster said: "Governor of New York State thereby can be bought in any drug store and in most department stores as easily as a package of chewing gum."

TWO DRUG VICTIMS DIE; ONE BELIEVED ROBBED

Two men, found unconscious from drugs in different sections of the Tenderloin, died shortly after being admitted to the Hahnemann Hospital today. One is believed to be William B. Whittaker, thirty-two years old, of 170 Union street, West Philadelphia. The other man has not been identified.

The police have started an investigation into the causes leading up to the deaths.

Mystery surrounds the death of the unidentified man. He was found on the pavement at Willow street, just east of Eighth, by Policeman Loughrey of the Tenth and Buttonwood streets station. Loughrey tried to arouse the man, believing him to be asleep. Then, discovering he was unconscious, Loughrey sent him to the hospital. He died within fifteen minutes.

The fact that a small bottle containing opium and a watch were found in a coat chute near the body led the police to believe the man may have been drugged and robbed.

The victim's pockets had the appearance of having been rifled. The police have learned that three men were seen late last night attempting to take a man into a stable, near which the body was found.

The man is described as being about twenty-five years old, five feet ten inches in height, and weighing 180 pounds.

The supposed Whittaker was found unconscious in a room of a hotel at 830 Race street. He was admitted to the hospital at 3 o'clock and died half an hour later without regaining consciousness.

Whittaker lived with his widowed mother, Mrs. Hanna Whittaker, at 170 North Union street. They occupied several rooms in the house. He leaves a wife and seven-year-old son, but has not been living with his wife for some time. The son is now in Nottingham, Pa. He worked in the Remington Arms Company's Plant at Eddystone. According to several neighbors, he was cured of the dope habit in a hospital in New York, but since he came back to Philadelphia had again become addicted to the habit.

Physicians say both men were suffering from overdoses of narcotic. They expressed the opinion that it was morphine.

In their effort to break up the drug traffic in the Tenderloin, the police of the Eleventh and Winter streets station raided a house at 915 Winter street early today. They arrested George Stone, twenty-two years old.

A search of the room occupied by the prisoner revealed several hundred packages, such as are sold to habitues. The packages were in three colors—blue, white and slate. The blue packages are said to have contained cocaine, the white heroin and the slate morphine.

12 Cents on Dollar for Bank's Depositors

SCRANTON, Pa., Jan. 6.—Depositors of the Blau Bank, which failed in June, 1915, are to receive twelve cents on the dollar. The affairs of the bank are about wound up in Federal Court. Adolf Blau, the head of the bank, is serving six years in the Eastern Penitentiary for his misappropriating funds of the institution. There was almost a half million dollars involved in the Blau Bank failure.

Manayunk Man Held for Embezzlement

Raymond Horn, twenty-four years old, agent of the Manayunk branch of the Adams Express Company, at 4528 Baker street, was held in $500 bail for a further hearing January 20 by Magistrate Harris today on the accusation of having embezzled $519 from the company by failing to turn in payments on C. O. D. packages.

I MINISTRI DELL'INTESA IN CONFERENZA A ROMA

Lloyd George, Briand, il generale Palitzin ed Altri Ministri in Consiglio di Guerra

VERSO LA FASE DECISIVA

ROMA, 6 (ritardo).

Una conferenza di ministri delle nazioni dell'Intesa si è riunita oggi a Roma. Il segreto più rigoroso è mantenuto intorno alle discussioni che vi si svolgono, ma in tutti i circoli politici si ritiene che siano di quelle riunioni che si fanno a ogni piè sospinto degli alleati dell'Intesa per una più stretta unione e per portare a guerra ad una data prestabilita.

Un uomo di stato italiano che in avvenire ne avrebbe parlato ci ha detto: Non sono che sei mesi che siamo in guerra e cominciamo una nuova fase della guerra. Non ho mestieri di dirvi quanto parole sono buone per la Serbia, per il Montenegro, per il Belgio, per la Rumania, per la Grecia, per la Russia, per la Francia, per l'Inghilterra, per il Giappone, per gli Stati Uniti, per il Portogallo, per il Brasile, per il Siam, per la Cina, per il Perù, per la Bolivia, per il Guatemala, per il Nicaragua, per il Costarica, per il Panama, per Haiti, per Cuba, per l'Honduras, per il Salvador, per il Messico, per l'Uruguay, per l'Ecuador, per la Liberia, per la Persia