

EASTERN LEAGUE MAY BE ENTIRELY REORGANIZED NEXT SEASON

COMPLETE CHANGE IN BEARS' LINE-UP

Ed White Already Signed and Other New Men Will Be Landed

Statistics of Intercollegiate and Eastern Cage Leagues

INTERCOLLEGIATE LEAGUE			
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Yale . . . 4 1 1 1	Dartmouth . . . 3 1 1 1	Princeton . . . 3 1 1 1	Columbia . . . 2 1 1 1
SCHEDULE FOR WEEK			
Friday—Pennsylvania at Columbia; Dartmouth at Princeton.			
Saturday—Yale at Cornell.			
EASTERN LEAGUE			
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Greentock . . . 3 1 1 1	Reading . . . 2 1 1 1	Jasper . . . 2 1 1 1	Camden . . . 1 1 1 1
SCHEDULE FOR WEEK			
Tonight—De Neri at Camden.			
Thursday—Camden at Jasper.			
Friday—Reading at Greentock.			
Saturday—Greentock at De Neri; Trenton at Reading.			

Basketball is destined to undergo a complete reorganization ere next season rolls around, and while it will prove a big surprise, it is a fact, nevertheless, that the Reading Eastern League team will be dismantled.

Looking forward to this move, the owners of the Bears have already signed Ed White, an Interstate League, and some new young blood is expected to get into the games before the present season terminates. As has been stated before in this column, Andy Sears is on the sidelines not necessarily because of injuries, but the players themselves have heard the whistle and are prepared to seek positions elsewhere. Those on the inside, who really know the beginning of Andy Sears' trouble, realize that the big fellow was certainly a victim of circumstances, and the writer knows this to be a fact. There is no use of mentioning just what began the downfall of the Reading leader, who is one of the most popular players connected with the game.

May Figure on Trades

Just the plan uppermost in the minds of the Reading management is not known, but if a trade or trades with other clubs are figured on the chances are they will possibly be balked.

From what is learned, and it is said the Reading owners are aware also, their veterans have not been making money and are seeking berths elsewhere. When one player on Reading goes the whole team goes with him. The men on the up-State five are a bunch of attackers and always stood together. Of course, Huges and Beckman are not included in this number.

Sears and O'Donnell have been playing with each other since 1908 in McKeesport and George Morris joined them in 1909. Haggerty was "found" by Andy and has been a member of Reading since 1913.

Chance for New League

From all accounts the promoters of the new league will make a strong bid for their services. There is one good city that they would fit in to a nicety, but how many could be used is the problem faced.

Those backing the new basketball enterprise are figuring on having teams composed of three professionals and two amateurs. It stands to reason that it would be hard to get six players for eight teams or forty-eight in all, and the Bears could muster three men it is likely that they may be found together in the new organization.

Bobby Winskill Wild

Bobby Winskill is on the warpath, and maintains a terrible mistake was made in the account of the game played at Germantown Y. M. C. A. Saturday night. Bobby, together with the manager of Germantown, has been busy visiting newspaper offices in an endeavor to have Rookwood set right. Here's the way Bobby explains the situation, and his account looks good.

"The team that played at the Germantown Y. M. C. A. on Saturday night was not the Rookwood team and was never supposed to be. The game was booked under the name of the Rookwood Veterans and was composed of the team that represented Rookwood in 1916. The Rookwood club last played at White Haven on Saturday night, February 17, and since that time the club is and has been composed all season of Hill, Murphy, Hugs, Deal, White and Wichter. They are to play Germantown later in the season."

De Neri at Camden

There should be a fast basketball game at the Camden Armory this evening, when Camden meets De Neri. The skaters are chafing under the setback they received at the hands of the Musical Fund warriors the other Saturday evening and are desirous of seeking revenge.

It will mark the first time Myers's new squad has played across the river with Ernie Reich in action. From all accounts Joe Dreyfuss will be on hand to play. The last time Camden and De Neri contested, Adams, Steele and Deitz were all shut out, marking the first time the latter pair were blanked in the second half.

CHAMPION GARDNER WINS IN BILLIARD TOURNAMENT

BOSTON, Feb. 28.—Edward F. Gardner, of New York, champion in Class A 18-2 ball billiards, last night defeated E. L. Millburn, of Memphis, 400 to 277, in the national championship tournament at the Boston Athletic Association. J. Klinger, of New York, played remarkably fine and defeated Edward Rein, of Chicago, 400 to 201.

Bowling News

Walter G. Cook was re-elected president and Matthew Handley vice president. F. Clayberger, Jr., was chosen treasurer. George M. Stone, who has been the regular promoter for the last seven years, tendered his resignation, which, regretfully was accepted. The matter of securing a successor was left in the hands of President Cook and Mr. Stone. President Cook also will shortly announce the appointment of committees to look after the membership and tournament matters which will develop in connection with the tournament.

Philadelphia League matches, rolled on Keystone alleys last night, resulted as follows: Keystone won three from Jenkintown. Liberty Bell won two from Hudd Manufacturing Company. Crescent won two from Toga. Melrose, rolling in splendid form, won the odd game from Pennsylvania Railroad.

Melrose totaled 3016 for its three games, smashing the maple for scores of 1087, 1093 and 1036. Liberty Bell rolled the best game of the night, hitting the pins for a 1080 score in its third game.

Trick, Radcliffe, Beck, Farrell, Elliott, Gust, Muller, Cook and Mack, rolled one or more big double century scores, Presley leading the onslaught with 212. The Halley was close up with 212, following it up with 212 and 201 for a total of 625 pins.

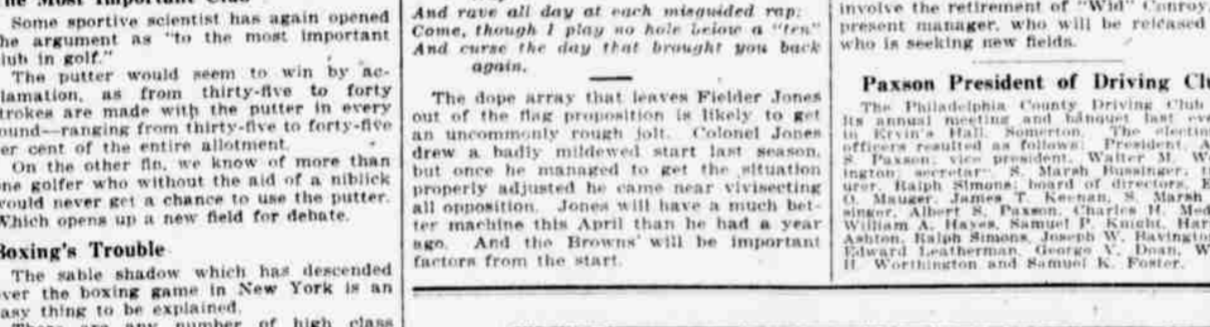
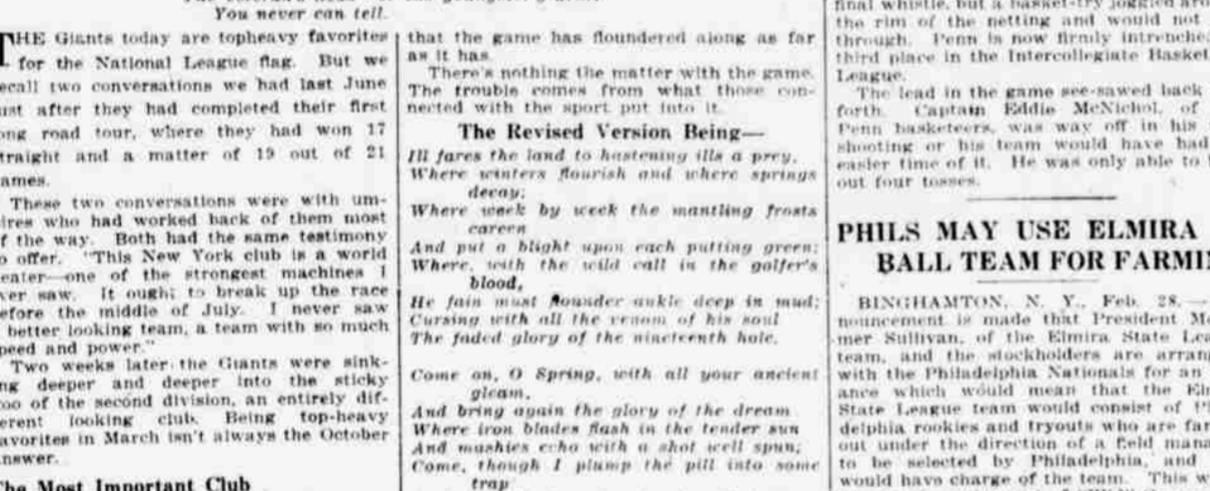
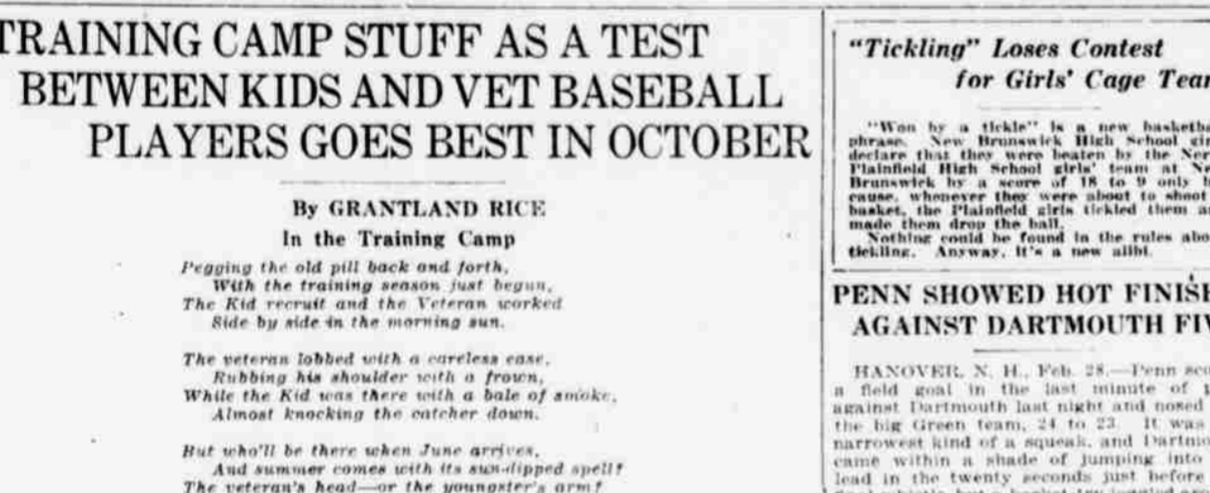
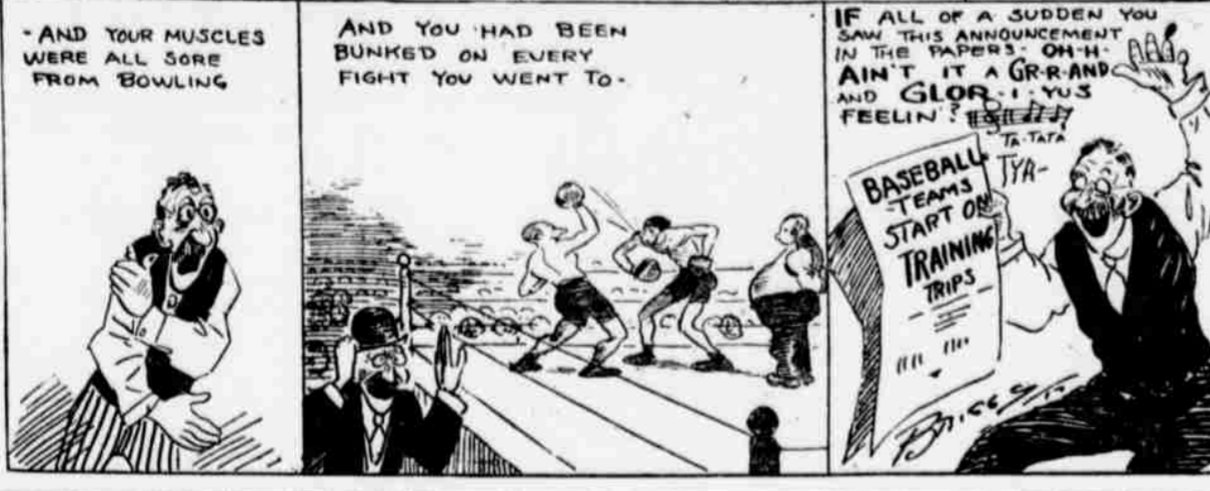
In the Insurance League series, Mather & Co. won two games from Trax-Mutual. The latter squad won the final game by seven pins, with a total of 625 pins.

In the "Crescent" game, Cummins 210 in his first Barnes 194 in first game. In Mather's game, Cummins 210 in first game. In Mather's game, Cummins 210 in first game. In Mather's game, Cummins 210 in first game.

Azra, of Roasters, broke the former high-game record with 266 in his second game. The former record was 241, by Barnes, of Mather & Co.

The Catholic Young Men's Archdiocesan Union teams occupied the Casino Alleys last night. St. Elizabeth's beat John two games. St. James' of St. Elizabeth's, getting 200 in his third game. Victor beat Incarnation two games. Incarnation won the second game by three pins with a 718 score. St. James' won two from Carley. St. James' won the second game by two pins with a 631 total. St. Elizabeth's captured the last seven pins, with a 662 score.

AIN'T IT A GRAND AND GLORIOUS FEELIN'?



TRAINING CAMP STUFF AS A TEST BETWEEN KIDS AND VET BASEBALL PLAYERS GOES BEST IN OCTOBER

By GRANTLAND RICE
In the Training Camp

Pegging the old pill back and forth,
With the training season just begun,
The kid recruit and the Veteran worked
Side by side in the morning sun.

The veteran lobbed with a careless ease,
Rubbing his shoulder with a frown,
While the kid was there with a bale of smoke,
Almost knocking the catcher down.

But who'll be there when June arrives,
And summer comes with its sun-dipped smell?
The veteran's head—or the youngster's arm?
You never can tell.

"Ticking" Loses Contest for Girls' Cage Team

"Won by a tickle" is a new basketball phrase. New Brunswick High school girls declare that they were beaten by the North Plainfield High school girls' team at New Brunswick by a score of 18 to 9 only because, whenever they were about to shoot a basket, the Plainfield girls tickled them and made them drop the ball.

Nothing could be found in the rules about tickling. Anyway, it's a new alibi.

PENN SHOWED HOT FINISH AGAINST DARTMOUTH FIVE

HANOVER, N. H., Feb. 28.—Penn scored a field goal in the last minute of play against Dartmouth last night and tossed out the big green team, 24 to 23. It was the narrowest kind of a squeal, and Dartmouth came within a shade of jumping into the lead in the twenty seconds just before the final whistle, but a basket-try jogged around the rim of the netting and would not fall through. Penn is now firmly entrenched in third place in the Intercollegiate Basketball League.

The lead in the game saw-sawed back and forth. Captain Eddie McNichol, of the Penn basketball, came way off in his foul shooting or his team would have had an easier time of it. He was only able to hole out four times.

The Philadelphia County Driving Club held its annual meeting and banquet last evening at Kirtin's Hall, Norristown. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Albert S. Paxson; vice president, Walter M. Worthington; secretary, S. Marsh Bussinger; treasurer, Ralph Simons; board of directors, Edgar O. Mauger, James T. Keenan, S. Marsh Bussinger, Albert S. Paxson, Charles H. Medford, William A. Hayes, Samuel P. Knight, Harry S. Austin, Ralph Simons, Joseph W. Ravitt, A. Edward Leatherman, George V. Dean, Walter H. Worthington and Samuel K. Foster.

GERMANTOWN WINS IN EXTRA PERIOD

Dinsmore Scores 5 Points. Frankford Will Improve in League Basketball

It took an extra period of five minutes for Germantown Academy to win the basketball game with the Chestnut Hill Academy quintet at St. Martin's yesterday, and had it not been for Dinsmore, the Mannheim forward, the Hilliers would probably have won. Dinsmore scored five points in the extra session, thereby winning the game for his team.

With the exception of the field goal scored by Dippy, who replaced Henson as forward, Dinsmore scored all the points for Germantown Academy. Darrow, Henson, Beck, Smith and Gentilli put up a great battle and helped to win for Germantown. Captain Bob Martin, Dickens and Wharton excelled for Chestnut Hill.

It was a great finish to a spirited game. When the whistle sounded the score was 24 to 24. Dinsmore made two field goals and one foul and in the same time Bob Martin made three foul goals. The result, Chestnut Hill was on the short end of a 29 to 27 score.

Frankford Will Improve

Frankford High's team is in the making. The Frankford High players will play a much better game next season, for this was their first experience in the High School League. Ten defeats and no victories is a rather discouraging ending, but the Frankford boys are not disappointed and they hope to be out early next year with a team of experienced players.

Central High and Frankford meet in a league game tomorrow, the last of the season. As Central is the favorite to win, it is quite likely that a tie among Central, Germantown and Northeast will result for second position. South Philadelphia has the championship clinched, and the downtown boys have ended their league season.

School Athletic Notes

The West Philadelphia High School nonletter swimming team ran win from a local school in a dual meet, 49 to 4. It would be interesting to know what the score

of the meet would have been if the letter athletes had competed in this event.

Southern High beat Pedagogy 39 to 28, but had to trim former Southern athletes to gain a verdict. Deason, Blain, Lieb played for the Pedagogy to wear the colors of the school and Jackson streets.

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Here is a lesson—call it that—to be remembered when we're rushed and impatient, sometimes forgetful that at the other end of the line is a man ready to adopt the same friendly, cordial attitude we would assume if he entered at our office door.

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