# TERS "OVER HERE" WILL DO BIT TO HELP SUPPLY SMOKES FOR THE FIGHTERS "OVER THERE"

# REE PUGILISTIC CHAMPIONS D NOTED REFEREES READY TO PPEAR IN BENEFIT RING BILL

my Leonard, Mike O'Dowd. Pete Herman and Jack McGuigan and Matt Hinkel to Volunteer for Smoke Fund Show

#### It's Up to You

not in the war for excitement; He was bombed as he gobbled his breakfast.

I ho's doing it, son.

I ho ho's streaked with the blood of his bunkie who crouched in the hole.

I hole.

I ho's been strafed by the Huns with their shrapnel

All night—with no let-up at dawn,

And he con't was the joke.

hole.
He's been strafed by the Huns with their shrapnel
All night—with no let-up at dawn,
And he can't see the joke
When he yearns for a smoke
And discovers his 'baccy's all gone.

Three thousand long miles to the westward Are smokes by the millions, he knows, Are smokes by the millions, he knows,
As his battered nerves twitch
While he squats in a ditch
With a cold pipe to comfort his woes.
And he's banking on YOU to supply him
While he's doing the fighting for YOU.
Here's a hole that just fits
Any fellow's four-bits.
Come across, then! You know what to do!
—Meigs O.

-Meigs O. Frost.

OXING fans in Philadelphia will have an opportunity to see three orld's champions perform on the same night next Wednesday when my Leonard, Mike O'Dowd and Pete Herman appear in the big tobacco fund show at the Olympia A. A. under the auspices of the Sports Editors' station of Philadelphia. It will be an unusual card—the first of its and that ever was presented to a local audience. The champions have nteered their services and the entire receipts will go to charity.

"I was figuring how much that show would cost a promoter if the rs demanded their usual pay," said Jack McGuigan, as he dropped in contribute \$25 toward the fund. "That show would cost almost \$10,000 put on, and the prices would have to range from \$1 to \$7.50 if any money to be made. Even then it would be hard to get the men together, for the champions usually are kept busy and they don't care to appear on a bill

"I am glad to be able to do my bit and pleased to notice that I am be one of the referees. In my time I have officiated in more than 5000 ring battles, and on Wednesday night I will have done something to be and of. I only wish I could do more to help the boys in the trenches

McGulgan has been in the boxing game for twenty years, and is one the best referees in the business. He has officiated all over the country and had many important battles to decide. It was he who gave Stanley shel his first championship when Ketchel defeated Billy Papke in ten ide in Milwaukee. The decision was well received and none of the usual ments followed. In his career McGuigan never has had a decision

JACK has a record which should stand for some time. He has chased three world's champions out of the ring for stalling and got away with it. One night when Tommy Ryan was boxing Jack Root, Tommy loafed through a couple of rounds before he was chased. Sam Langford, the recognized light-heavyweight champion, stalled in a fight with Blackburn, and Jack Johnson was canned because he put on a brother act with Sandy Ferguson.

### Matt Hinkle Also Volunteers His Services

NOTHER referee of national reputation has offered to assist in any way sible to make the show a success. Matt Hinkle, the millionaire proof Cleveland, is one of the most enthusiastic boosters the game ever known. He has staged many shows in Cleveland, and recently was inted by the Government to conduct boxing bouts at Camp Sheridan, Montgomery, Ala. This shows more than anything else Hinkle's standor in the boxing game. Yet Matt has found time to dash off the follow-

"I have read of your boxing show for the benefit of the tobacco fund d wish to congratulate you on the splendid idea. The boys need tobacco. and I am sure the public of Philadelphia will give its hearty support. er not. I wish to offer mine, in any capacity, and I will be glad to make the trip from Cleveland to help you."

Hinkle is the only Westerner to volunteer. Johnny Kilbane, who is ucting the soldiers at Camp Sherman, at Chillicothe, O., was unable get away, as he is confining himself to army work during the war,

There have been many contributions, but none could equal the offer de by Steve Moroney, who runs the refreshment stand at the Olympia. came to the front and offered to aid the fund by turning over his re receipts for Wednesday night. He did not mean the profits, but ry cent taken in over the counter. This was too much and Steve said would pay the printing bill or any other expenses that did not exceed \$50.

CONTRIBUTIONS have been received from the following: Jack McGuigan, Johnny Burns, H. W. Perrin, J. V. Horn, C. A. Daniel, William F. Baker, \$25; Charley Weirmuller, \$10, and Hotel Walton, \$10. It is expected that \$7000 will be raised.

# Sergeant Berry, When in Distress, Calls "Signals"

HOWARD BERRY, JR., noted all-around college athlete, is no longer ermed "Nig" by those with whom he has been associated on and off sthictic field for the last four or five years. J. Howard, who enlisted June with numerous other headliners in sports with the Base Hospital No. 20, the other day was promoted to drill sergeant. Hereafter it be Bergeant Berry. It will be remembered that Berry jumped from a ill uniform into military togs over night when the unit mobilized.

Serry, after going through the duties of orderly and other vocations "buck" private, was assigned to drill a squad of rookies. He set out ted by the sudden change of conditions to impart military tactics spany which included Jack Kelly, Tom Crooks, Walter Dunn, George Charles Smith, Heinie Miller, Bert Bell, Bill Quigley, John Scott, Weldon, Caleb Fox, Jr., and other privates more or less acquainted the gridiron game.

ry marshaled his forces into column formation and the boys were step in a march straight toward the Armory wall. Berry, in his to give a right-about command in order to bring the company into 6. for a second forgot the command and shouted "signals." While have been out of order to laugh, the members of the company red a hearty ha ha with J. Howard when all were dismissed

#### Large Crowd of Thirty-three Saw Penn Soccer Game AN attraction for the sporting public, collegiate soccer football at this

of the year is a flat failure. Pennsylvania and Haverford strugs same upon which hung the championship of the Cricket Club ated Franklin Field Saturday afternoon, and a large crowd nt. About ten of the onlookers were connected with the teams pacity of coach, manager, assistant manager or something, three papermen, about a dozen were simon-pure spectators and the rest was made up of small boys of the neighborhood who match because it didn't cost them anything to get by the gates. an be no doubting the cleverness of the players involved in They could play soccer and play it well, but few care to know can or not with the mercury hovering far below the freezing jority of the players had their knees bare at the start, but at contest they had a "beautiful" coating of blood and snow d by the frequent falls on the slippery covering of the field.

is trying to win its way into the hearts of the American but it never will be done if the authorities continue to ander such conditions. The matches of Saturday and the when Bethlehem and Disston played in a down our training up to their ankies are enough to wean some of

### THEY'VE ALL GONE, RUBE; THEY'VE ALL GONE.



# **PUNCH ON CHIN BEATS CALLAHAN**

Jackson Rocks Foe in First and Piles Up Big Lead in Four Rounds

FRANK'S STRONG FINISH

#### By ROBERT W. MAXWELL

Willie Jackson and Frankie Callahan did not act like a pair of friends from the same neighborhood when they mingled in the wind-up at the Olympia A. A. Instead, they had every appearance of a 8. For six sizzling, strenuous sessions they argued with their fists and at the end Jackson emerged with the long end of the verdict-whatever that was.

It was a scrap well worth seeing be cause it had a big league opening and a swell closing act. At the start Callahan waded in to finish Jackson, but in the middle of the first frame Willie clipped him on the chin with a hard right. Frankie became quite woozy, he sand for a time it looked as if he would hit the mat for a time it looked as if he would and Collins. rocked like a canalboat on a heavy sea hit the mat for keeps. He weathered the storm, however, but for four rounds still felt the effects of the cruel blow which parted his whiskers.

# Jackson Gets Early Lead

It was in the first four rounds that Jackson piled up enough points to win. He had Callahan in a very bad way, forced the fighting and grew so consider that he indulged in some faver steps just to make things interesting it really leoked like, a cinch until the opening of Stanza 5, and then the scene changed.

Frankle acted like a very irate person who was out for revenge. He forgot

Frankle acted like a very irate person who was out for revenge. Fe forgot all about the haymaker which he so cleverly blocked in the first and started in to settle matters then and there. He rushed Willie all over the ring, landed some stiff punches and forced the fighting, and Dan McKetrick began to breathe easier. Dan took lots of punishment in the first four rounds.

Johnny was too far behind his rival at bat.

Collins, through ten years, has averaged 270.

Collins, as a hit maker, base stealer and run getter, has a big buige over Evers, who has achieved most of his first four rounds.

WILLIAMS GETS DRAW

# Callahan Gets Revenge

It was the same in the sizth, only more so. The rushing, tearing, plunging battler from Brooklyn kept up a steady fire on Willie's head and body and finished like Houriess in his race with Omar Khayam.

# Jackson Deserved Verdict

Jackson descreed the verdict, but had the battle gone a few rounds longer there might have been a different story to tell. But it was a six-round bout and the argument ends right there, In the semiwind-up Benny Valger wo from Al Nelson after six hard rounds from Al Nelson after six hard rounds.
Reddy Bell put Frankie Mckee, of Kensington, to sleep in the second frame of
the opener. Kid Scatton, who looks
like a pocket edition of Willie Mechan,
won from Jimmy Devine, and Frankie
Clark shaded Andy Burns.

# LEONARD STOPS BROWN

Lightweight Champion Scores Technical Knockout in Fifth

NEW HAVEN, Dec. 18.—Benny Lear

# Harvard's Nine in Service

CAMBRIDGE. Mass. Dec. 18.—All the regular players on the Harvard varsity base-ball nine of 1916 now are in the service of their country. Several of the substitute players also are enrolled. The men are scattered in various branches of the army, navy and marine scorps.

#### **Evening Ledger Decisions** of Last Night's Ring Bouts

Divino, Reddy Reil stormer Leonard stopped New HAVEN—Benny Leonard stopped Chirk Brown in fifth Williams awarded drum by referee with Johnny Erife.

CINCINNATI — Harry Greb beat Gos

# RICE SELECTS EDDIE COLLINS, OF LANSDOWNE, AS THE LEADING SECOND BASEMAN OF ALL TIME

Not a Slashing Hitter Like Lajoie or a Fighter Like Evers, Yet He Tops Them in Other Branches of Playing the Game

By GRANTLAND RICE

THERE was no great argument about

second base. The vote here was almost unanimous From the days of Ross Barnes, a great hitter and a good second baseman, on brace of stevedores taking a fall out of through 1917 the game has known many each other for the championsnip of Pier stars. But for all-around ability the game has known only one Eddie Collins.

Back in the early stages there were such men as Ross Barnes, Fred Durlap, Pfeffer and others who ranked high. Then came Bobby Lowe, Claude Richey -and then Napoleon Lajoie, one of the greatest of them all.

After Lajoie came Johnny Evers, the remarkable Trojan-and then came Col-

In the last fifteen years the three great

Of these Lajole was the greater hitter and the most graceful workman. Of these Evers was the greater fighter

and the more eterrally mentally alert. But for batting and base running, fielding skill, speed and the entire com-bination Collins was voted on top.

# From the Past

Frankie continued on his wild and merry way, and Jackson broke ground time and again. He could not get going because Callahan wouldn't let him. He showed a superb defense, however, and was not seriously injured.

The batting record of Ross Barnes ranges above Collins. But oldtimers admit that Collins was his superior in every other way.

Other oldtimers will tell you that Pfeffer could field with Collins. But as

On the right is Frank L. Poth, who paid the second highest price for tickets at the Olympia A. A. last Monday night. Mr. Poth gave \$100 to Judge Rogers, the auctioneer. Eugene C. Miller of Hotel Walton (left) purchased the first ticket for the big show next Wednesday night.

Few Late Stars
In late years, outside of Collins, Lajoie
Paul boxer when he stepped into the Few Late Stars and Evers, there have been few star sec- ring, but they cheered him when he left.

# MANY TEAMS OPEN **SEASON THIS WEEK**

Germantown High to Play Media High on Clivden Floor

ARCHIVES START WORK Somebody Erred Here

#### By PAUL PREP

Undaunted by its defeat at the hands of the Girard College five in the opening second period made a new club game of the season, the West Philadel. They be a season the season that the Brotherhood crowd. They game of the season, the West Philadel-

EDDIE COLLINS

Honors in Eight of Twelve Rounds

Germantown High School will open its basketball season this Friday afternoon, when it lines up against the strong Media High School team on the Cliveden floor. The candidates for the Green and White five have been practicing daily for more than a week and are rounding into first-class shape slowly but surely. Coach Lewis is building his team around Captain Boyd Burnett at guard. The coach Lewis is building his team around Captain Boyd Burnett at guard. The Germantown leader is one of the best schoolboy players in the city and unless guarded closely all the time he is apt to score many two-pointers from the floor. Caging the oval from the fifteen foot mark is another of Burnett's specialities.

Compared to the big crowd that turned out at Traymore Hall.

It only serves to show what can be secomplished when the proper combination is used, and the minor leaguers apparently have struck the keynote of success. The Industrials also contemplate dancing, but have only decided on plate dancing, but have only decided on this social feature at the conclusion of sames played on Saturday evenings. BUT LOSES TO ERTLE St. Paul Bantamweight Earns

Bobby Surgeson, veteran from last season, will be back in school for half the season. Lewis will play Surgeson at one of the forward positions, but one of the second-string men will be trained to jump into Surgeson's place at the half-way mark. The injury which Surgeson to determine the stop for the Cincinnati Reds. "Blacky" played in the Eastern League for Billy received in an early football practice this

Other olditmers will tell you that Pfeffer could field with Collins. But as a batsman he was far below the Philabel and Chicago star.

Collins's value lies in his all-around worth—his fine batting, his great base running, his brilliant fielding and his shown in the last world series, when he fielded in faultless style, and then proceeded to bat around 450, against a group of star left-handers. This makes three world series engagements where Collins has batted well above 400.

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 18.—Despite way mark. The injury which Surgeson received in an early football practice this year has healed satisfactorily.

The candidates for the Northeast High School five will hold their first workout this afternoon in the North Branch Y. M.

C. A. The new practice hall is only a few squares away from the Northeast of the fans. In the eleventh session, when Ertle had Williams in distress for the second time, some of the spectators yelled for Ertle to be given the verdict.

Northeast left only high school in the interscholastic league which is forced to Northeast is the only high school in the interscholastic league which is forced to go outside its school walls to practice baskethall. The gymnasium which is being built on the lot in back of the Archive buildings will be finished by next season. PATRONS OF THE TOBACCO FUND SHOW

This season the teams in the league will use six-inch extension baskets in-stead of the former twelve-inch exten-sions. This action was decided upon at the meeting of the basketball committee of public bids. of public high schools last week. 's the baskets at the North Branch Y. M. C. A are only six inches from the backboard.

#### LAJOIE TO JOIN RED SOX American Association Manager Says Report Is True

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Napoleon Lajoie has gigned with the Boston Red Sox, according to information divulged at a meeting of the American Association magnates here yesterday. One of the association men dropped the information after asserting he tried to sign the former Cleveland star.

### SUITS \$1 1 80 OR OVERCOATS REDUCED FROM \$10. 825 and PETERMORAN & CO. March

S. E. Cor. 9th and Arch Streets CAMBRIA A. C. Burns & Feeney, Mars Sengington Ave. and Sameraet St. TOMMY CARRY vs. TEXRY MedioVERS

# ST. COLUMBA AND HANCOCK ARE TIED FOR THE FIRST POSITION IN AMERICAN BASKETBALL LEAGUE

Former Captures Fast Game From Y. M. H. A. Through Good Work of Joe McNamee. Latter Wins From Beth Israel

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Girard. W. L. F.C. X. St. H. A. L. 255
Hancock J. 1250 N. St. H. A. 1 355
K. Columbia J. 1350 Pf. Rickin'd 0 1 355

As close and exciting as has ever been witnessed in our fair city were served to American League fans at Traymore Hall last evening, and the largest crowd of the season was in attendance to witness the excitement. The first contest was decided in favor of Hancock, with 33 points to 20 for Brotherhood Beth Israel, and St. Co-

lumba defeated Y. M. H. A. by 24-19. St. Columba owes its victory to Joe McNamee. The former Vincome star was shoved into the line-up with the Saints one point behind at 16-15 and five minutes to play. But in that final five minutes the Saints played like antheir opponents, getting five of their eight baskets in that time. But while McNamee was starring for the winners it was a pity to see Y. M. H. A. go down, especially after such an exhibition as was given by Schneiderman. The former high school boy was far the best man on the floor. He was an entire team in himself.

The figures were close during thirty-five of the forty minutes of play. They ran 6-4 St. Columba, 9-5, 10-2, 12-9, end of first half. The second period opened up with Fisher counting for St. Columba, and when Schneiderman landed two long and when Schneiderman landed two long ones Y. M. H. A. went ahead at 16-15. Then Jim Coffey benched Midge Moore, sent Lennox back to guard, put Sam Moorhead at center and ordered McNamee into action. Five baskets, two each by Fisher and McNamee and one by Lennox, put the issue beyond doubt. The baskets were St. Columba 2, Y. M. H. A. 4, and were scored by Lennox, 2; Fisher, 2; Detrick, 2; Moore, 1; McNamee, 2; Schneiderman, 3; Posson, 1.

Somebody in Brotherhood of Beth Israel fell down in the game with Han-cock. The first half ended 13-4 and the substitution of Swartz for Blaw in the game of the season, the West Philadelphia High School basketball squad has now turned its attention to winning the second game of the schedule with the Catholic High School quintet on Friday in the "Speed Boys" gymnasium.

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mark. The injury which Surgeson played in the Eastern League for Buy worked in an early football practice this has healed satisfactorily.

Morgenwick and with a bad ankle went in one night to help out. He only worked a few minutes when he was hurt and his a few minutes when he was hurt was short. career as a major league star was shortened. Russell was playing for the White Sox at the time and the fact that sev-

eral other high-priced stars had been injured during the winter resulted in a bar being placed on basketball by hig league managers.

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WEDNESDAY'S SCHEDULE
Y. M. H. A. vs. Port Richmond. Girard
Alumni vs. Brotherhood Beth Israel.

INDUSTRIAL LEAGUE

Dobson. 3 0 1.000 Barrett 1 2.333
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H. But'rth 3 0 1.000 Eanston M. 1 2.333
Hister. Non. 2 1.607 Elliott-f.ew. 1 2.333
Quaker C'y 1 2.333 U. G. L. 0 3.000

SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK

Thursday. J. & J. Dobson vs. Lanston
Monotyne, Burrett vs. Inter-Non.

Priday. Elliott-Lewis vs. H. W. Butttrworth, Quaker City vs. U. G. L.

TWO games of basketball just about
as close and exciting as has ever

Goals From Every Angle

Goals From Every Angle

R. G. Dun & Co. has a chance to win the West Philadelphia League title as result of its 14-13 victory over Yours Truly. The league leaders were held to only two field goals, both made by Harry Kleinberg.

St. James has won every game played in the Darby Intercourch League. Six vic-tories have been recorded. Boneall, Playing quard for Darby Methodist, made fitten field goals in a game against Sharon Hill.

The prediction made almost a month ago by the writer that the State League would not raise its professions) limit above two has writually been sarred upon by the mag-nates. The State I—ague may just as well

other team and completely bewildered ave professionals.

The John Price Wetherlll Juniors put a crimp in G. A. Nahm's winning streak on line straint by winning a well-played game at the Central V M. C. A., 3x to 80. Lefster, with five field genie, and Cambpell, with four, surred for the winners.

#### Chance for Fulton to Prove His Claim

CHICAGO, Dec. 18 .- Jess Willard, champion heavyweight of the world, announced today that he would re-enter the prize ring for the benefit of the Red Cross. He declared he would defend his title against any person anywhere and any time, the sole provision being that all of the receipts should go to the Red Cross.

Willard said he preferred that a match be made for next spring so that it could be held in the open air. He also declared he would manage his end of the arrange ments himself in order that no part of the proceeds could be diverted from the purpose for which he planned.

#### Scraps About Scrappers By BILL BELL

the West Philly five was handicapped in the game on Saturday through the absence of Jimmy MacIntosh, who twisted his knee in a practice scrimmage last week. As the game was lost by the score of 32-26, the students of the school across the river believe that Mac's presence would have turned the tide, as he is one of the best shots in the Scholastic League. Last year lie finished high among the leaders in the individual scoring in the second league. It is doubtful if McIntosh will start the game against Catholic High.

Toner, who started the Girard game in MacIntosh's place, played a fine game. It is as did Rhoades and Adams. The latter gave one of the best exhibitions of center work that have been seen on the Girard floor, helding his opponent, Klotz, scoreless while he caged the ball three times.

The West Philly five was handicapped in the game at that. The absence of Jimmy MacIntosh, who was peculiar game at that. The teams battled for the first fifteen minutes and the figures were 5-3. Both sides had an abundance of opportunities to count, but they were all rear line, between the figures were 5-3. Both sides had an abundance of opportunities to count, but they were all rear line, between the figures were 5-3. Both sides had an abundance of opportunities to count, but they were all rear line, between the figures were 5-4. Both in will sate with the start of the second period, but when ling and the admitted that Benny shook him up at the end of the fifth, but added, "I fought him hard, didn't I?" We agreed that he did. The fans still be the start of the second period, but when lingier was compelled to quit the team the fifth of the fifth hard one of the best exhibitions of center work that have been seen on the floor the totals were 16-15 and in the last eight minutes Hancock caged and one each by Powel and Wood and one each by Powel and Trautwell. Brotherhood played a far better game than the 33-20 score indicates. The gaals were, Hancock, 12, and Brotherhood Beth Israel, 6. They

good things given them on Thanks-giving Lay and the same can be ex-spected today a week—yes, Christmas

Phil Glassman travels to Beaton with Lew Tendler tonish. This champion was beoked with Johnny Dundee, but Johnny to on the side lines—reported to have ptomaine poisoning. Jack Russe, a statlemate of Dundee's, will face the local key. Law will be home in time to beat at the tobacce show. The show card calls for him to meet Russo here. There may be a switch, but both boys will appear.

Gussie Lewis has been working faithfully and is ready to meet any body his weight. Lewis tankles a tough haby at the hig show tomorrow night in the person of Joe Lynch. Joe is the boy who showed so well sgainst Eddie O'Keete. Lynch intends to keep busy here, and, like Lewis, was pleased to box for the fund. Joe Welsh, a popular boy here, tackles a tough proposition. Joseph believes in charity. All he has to do is box frish Patsy Cline four rounds. Joe is sure doing his "bit."

