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Strong Midweek Basketball Attraction; Tallest Man in Visitors' Line-Up

In securing the Reading Eastern League basketball team for Thursday night the management of the Harrisburg Independents have booked a real attraction. Reading is one of the best teams in the country.

The Reading players are all big men, and in size alone will have a handicap over the locals. Haggerty and Kerr will probably alternate at the center position. Haggerty is the tallest man playing basketball, and is also remarkably fast. Dave Kerr, who was a big factor in the Garnets' victory over the Independents Thanksgiving night, is now making good in the "big show." Reading secured him to jump center when Haggerty was injured, and in his first game he outscored Bill Keenan, considered one of the best centers in basketball, six goals to none.

The locals are improving in their shooting and passing, and continued hard work will aid them in making a good showing against the "leaguers." Thursday night. They realize that this is the hardest game they will probably have this season, and will work their hardest to be in shape to play their best game.

Lebanon Valley to Play West Point Next Season

West Point, N. Y., Dec. 28.—Lieutenant Philip Hayes, the Army's new football representative, announced the football schedule for the cadets for the season of 1916 to-day. Several important changes are noted. The soldiers will have two intercollegiate gridiron battles next fall. Notre Dame from the Middle West and Washington and Lee University, from the south, will battle with the Army on the "plains."

The "Generals" are newcomers, as is also Lebanon Valley, which latter eleven opens the season with the cadets on September 20. Trinity, after an absence from the Point of six years, reappears on the program. Colgate, Georgetown and Gettysburg, three teams which played here last fall, will be missed from the Army's schedule.

The schedule follows: September 20 Lebanon Valley; October 7, Washington and Lee University; October 14, Holy Cross; October 21, Trinity; October 28, Villanova; November 4, Notre Dame; November 11, University of Maine; November 18, Springfield Y. M. C. A. College; November 25, Navy.

Thespians Play First Game With Alphas at Waynesboro

The Thespians, last season's amateur champions in class C, will tonight play the Alpha five at Waynesboro. A fast game is looked for. This is the first contest for the local tossers. On the Alpha squad are such notables as Grove, for years the mainstay of the Shippensburg Normal Noel and Ebsensnade, boys who have made an enviable reputation for themselves in collegiate circles. These three men take care of the forward positions.

At center is found Captain Frantz, who is one of the best forward working centers the Pennsylvania State College ever had, while at guard will be found Price and Stouffer, only a short time ago known as the "stone wall defense of Iowa."

Manager Washburn will put a team on the floor that, while not of the collegiate fame of the Alphas, local basketball followers will not doubt their worth, having at the forward posts Captain Steward and Krout, Crump at center and "Ba" Tittle and "Little Smoke" Devine at the defensive posts.

News From Sportland

The Albion A. A. will participate in the mummies' parade. Something original in costumes can be expected. The West End Juniors to-morrow will play the Globe Right Posture team. The game will be played on Hassett floor.

The Vincennes A. C. last night won from the Camp Hill five; score, 19 to 15.

The Salem Lutheran Juniors last night defeated the Baldwin A. C., of Steelton; score, 34 to 33. The game was played at Oberlin.

WILSON IS BIG STAR

Wilson was a big star last night in the Casino Match. He was a big factor in the Jolly Five victory over the Senators. The total scores were 2741 to 2522. Wilson made 247 and 409. To-night the Skippers play the Alphas. The standing of the teams follows:

W.	L.	P. C.	
Orpheums	19	14	576
Skippers	19	15	576
Crescents	18	15	545
Jolly Five	17	19	472
Senators	16	20	444
Alphas	13	20	391

THIS YEAR'S CHAMPIONS IN ALL BRANCHES OF SPORTS

Aeronautics—Aeroplane, Victor Carlstrom; hydroaeroplane, Oscar Brindley.

Angling—W. D. Mansfield, San Francisco.

Athletics—Indoor senior team, Irish-American A. C.; indoor junior team, New York A. C.; outdoor senior team, Olympic Club, San Francisco; outdoor junior team, Olympic Club, San Francisco; all-around, Alma Richards, Illinois A. C.; intercollegiate team, Cornell.

Automobile—Earl Cooper and "Gil" Anderson.

Baseball—World's champion team, Boston Red Sox; National League champion, Philadelphia American League champion, Chicago; batting, Larry Doyle, New York Nationals; "Ty" Cobb, Detroit Americans, and "Benny" Kauff, Brooklyn Federals; pitching, Grover C. Alexander, Philadelphia Nationals; Walter Johnson, Washington Americans, and "Eddie" Plank, St. Louis Federals.

Basketball—Olympic Club, San Francisco; intercollegiate, Yale; Eastern League ended in tie between Camden and Reading.

Billiards—William F. Hoppe (professional billiard); Alfredo De Oro (professional three cushions); and Joseph Mayer (class A amateur).

Bowling—Harry Cohn, Yonkers.

Boxing—Andrew Sheridan, Trinity Club, New York (amateur); "Jess" Willard, Pottowattomie, Kan. (professional); "Johnny" Kilbane, Cleveland, Ohio (featherweight); "Fred" Welsh, New York (lightweight); and "Kid" Williams, Baltimore (bantamweight).

Court tennis—Jay Gould (singles); Jay Gould and W. H. T. Huhn (doubles).

Clay court tennis—R. N. Williams, 24 (singles); G. M. Church and D. Mathey (doubles); Miss Molla Bjurstedt and H. S. White (mixed doubles).

Cross-country—Junior, Gaston Strobino, New York A. C.; junior team, New York A. C.; intercollegiate team, University of Maine; intercollegiate individual, J. W. Overton, Yale.

Curling—Utica (Gordon medal leaders).

Diving—Arthur McAleenan, Jr., Yale (fancy); A. E. Downes, Ndw York A. C. (high).

Golf—Robert A. Gardner, Chicago (amateur); Jerome D. Travers, Montclair, N. J. (open); Mrs. Clarence H. Vanderbeck (woman).

Gymnastics—Franz Kanka, Newark Turn Verein; Yale intercollegiate team (individual).

Hockey—St. Nicholas Skating Club. Horse racing—Roamer (colt); Regret (filly).

Ice yachting—The Imp.

Indoor tennis—Gustave F. Touchard, New York city; Miss Molla Bjurstedt, Norway.

Lawn tennis—William M. Johnston, San Francisco; W. M. Johnston and C. J. Griffin, San Francisco (doubles); Miss Molla Bjurstedt, Norway; Mrs. Wightman and Miss Eleanor Sears, Boston (women's doubles); R. N. Williams, 24, Harvard (intercollegiate singles); R. N. Williams, Ed. and R. F. Harte, Harvard (intercollegiate doubles).

Racing—Directum I.

Plunging—D. D. Hurtig, Cincinnati Gym. and A. C.

Pool—Benjamin Allen, Kansas City (professional); J. Howard Shoemaker, New York city (amateur).

Polo—Meadow Brook (senior); Bryn Mawr (junior).

Racquets—C. C. Pell, New York (singles); C. C. Pell and S. G. Mortimer, New York (doubles).

Roque—Harold and Edward Clark, Norwich, Conn. (tied).

Rowing—Robert Dibble, Don Rowing Club, Toronto (singles); Duluth Boat Club (eights); Cornell (intercollegiate).

Soccer, football—National cup champions, Bethlehem, of Bethlehem, Pa.; American cup champions, Scottish-Americans of Newark, N. J.; intercollegiate champions, Haverford College; American League champions, Bethlehem, of Bethlehem, Pa.; United League champions, Feltonville; Amateur cup champions, Wanderers; Philadelphia League champions, Diestons E. C. Squash tennis—Eric S. Winston, Harvard club (amateur); Walter S. Kinsella, New York city (professional).

Swimming—Luke P. Kahanamoku, Hawaii (sprints); Lady Langer, Los Angeles (middle distances); L. J. Goodwin, New York A. C. (long distances).

Trap shooting—Grand American handicap champion, Louis B. Clark, of Chicago; national champion, Charles H. Newcomb, of Philadelphia; Philadelphia Trap Shooters' League champion, S. S. White Gun Club.

Water polo—Illinois A. C.

Wrestling—Earl Caddock, Chicago A. A.; Alexander Berg, Esthonia, Russia (Graeco-Roman).

Yachting—The Josephine.

NO DECISION ON AS TO AMATEURS

Conference Adjourns Until Thursday; May Require Years to Decide

New York, Dec. 28.—Representatives of practically every sport participated in the United States met yesterday at the Hotel Astor in an effort to define and agree on the definition of an amateur athlete. After discussing the subject for several hours the meeting adjourned until Thursday afternoon without coming to any decision.

In the meantime the National Collegiate Athletic Association will hold its annual meeting and a printed report of today's session will be ready for the delegates, so that they will have plenty of time to digest the suggestions offered.

At Thursday's meeting it is hoped that some tangible definition of the question, together with the punishment for infractors of rules and suggestions for a partial or complete restoration to amateur standing of such offenders, may be agreed upon.

Tommy Burns Is Boss; Will Stage Fight Alone

Chicago, Dec. 28.—The situation involved in the proposed Willard-Fulton fight for the world's championship at New Orleans, March 4 next, was further clarified yesterday by the receipt by Tom Jones, Willard's manager, from Tommy Burns, co-promoter with Dominick Tortorich of the proposed bout, of the following telegram:

"Tortorich didn't want to go through with the match, so I have taken over his interest, and I will go through with the Willard-Fulton match myself. Get here yourself soon as possible. We can sign new articles when you arrive."

"TOMMY BURNS."

Special to the Telegraph

Cincinnati, Ohio, Dec. 28.—August Herrmann, chairman of the national baseball commission, said yesterday that the question as to whether Charles Weeghman, who is the prospective purchaser of the Chicago Nationals, and Phil Ball, of the St. Louis Americans, could dispose of their former Federal League players without asking for waivers from the league in which they will be members has not yet been decided. The question will be taken up next week at the national commission meeting.

In the Amusement World

A FOOLHARDY NEW YORKER!

Once upon a time there lived a man in New York who foolishly took upon himself the responsibility of caring for himself.

If it was necessary for him to go uptown when everybody else wanted to go uptown, he made the best of an annoying congestion of migratory birds, sought to stand on his own feet, refrained from denunciation of the transportation companies, and restrained his impulse to crowd and shove his fellow sufferers.

On the occasions when his desires led him to the theater, he did not charge the curtain rose. If the Demon Rum called him between acts, he kept his seat until the curtain fell, and was punctilious about returning before it went up again. His seat being in the middle of the orchestra, he had a chance to arrange unobstructed passage for him. By means of his conduct he tread on several thousand toes, and in all his life he never knocked a woman's hat to the floor.

Following the announcement that Roger W. Babson would teach statistics by means of the screen, it is now stated that J. R. Bray, the man who is credited with having originated the motion picture, will draw solely for the big company; that film director Babson, curator of the Bronx Park Zoo, who teaches every variety of animal from monkeys, birds and insects to porcupines, snakes and iguanas to act for the motion picture camera on stages ranging from the square, will be seen in film through its efforts.

COMING ATTRACTION

The concert which Fritz Kreisler is to give at the Orpheum, January 28, will be a most interesting one. In particular, in the world of music, it is a most interesting one. Kreisler, a peculiar place. Technically at least the equal of any violinist before the public, he matters how great, or how trivial, may be his programs are models of their kind and constitute as far as possible within the limits of one concert a view of the best music that has been written for the violin.

AT THE ORPHEUM

"Students of psychology," says Emma Dunn, star of "Her Price," which is the attraction at the Orpheum, "are told that the New Year's Day, with a matinee New Year's, must give their thoughts to that peculiar undertone of the few years of our present-day civilization that so inevitably make the woman pay, no matter how great, or how trivial, may be her contribution to the working out of any great problems in our lives. The question of equal rights for women is the question of the future of the coming generations how best this life may be lived. Equal rights' the fragments claim. When I review the life shared by Doris Fenton, or rather, the portion meted out to her in the few years spent on this earth of ours, I am prone to agree with them. I am not a socialist, nor am I an anti; just this—I have not had the time to conclude which is the better course for women in this world movement, but if the life of Doris Fenton is one to which any girl is subject, then without doubt, equal rights is the inevitable answer. Miss Dunn plays the part of Doris Fenton in "Her Price."

ORPHEUM

Thursday, matinee and night, December 30, "The French Models," (burlesque); Friday and Saturday and Sunday matinee, December 31 and January 1, "Her Price," with Emma Dunn.

AT THE VICTORIA

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The story of "Tables Turned" is, briefly as follows:

Howard Sherbrooke, a wealthy senior at a law university, is infatuated with Ethel Stratton, a beautiful girl, who is a favorite with the students. Dick Leslie, his chum, is also in love with her. Dick is from the West, working

ALTOONA BOOSTS PENN HIGHWAY

Chamber of Commerce There to Assist Local Organization in Project

The following extract of a letter from the manager of the Altoona Chamber of Commerce shows the interest that other cities along the William Penn Highway are taking in the efforts of the Harrisburg Chamber of Commerce to get the different communities interested together at a meeting in Harrisburg in the Spring.

"Altoona, Pa., Dec. 25, 1915. 'Edward L. McCollin, Secretary, Chamber of Commerce, Harrisburg, Pa.'"

"My Dear McCollin:—The Altoona Chamber already is committed to the William Penn Highway project as a result of a recent trip through here of State Commissioner Cunningham and a meeting at Harrisburg as suggested by you is the proper thing, count us in."

"It's a mighty nice thing of the Harrisburg Chamber to take the initiative in this movement and the rest of the organizations along the line will get tight behind you. Am sending you these days, proving out next week will have it officially confirmed by our Good Roads Committee. With the support of the Governor and the Highway Commissioner, there is no doubt that the William Penn will be put over and be an equally as popular a trunk thoroughfare as the Lincoln Highway. Besides it will pass through more populous territory, with better hotels, and put Altoona on the map as well as Harrisburg."

Dr. S. E. Whitmer of Newport, vice president of the Newport Good Roads Association has also written in stating they would like to send a representative body of citizens to the meeting when it is held.

GOOD GAME TO-NIGHT

On Cathedral Hall floor to-night the Hassett Boys' Club five will meet the Tech High tossers. The game will start at 7.45. The teams will line up as follows:

Tech High.	Hassett Club.
Harris, f.	McCurdy, f.
Killingier.	E. Sourbier, c.
(Lloyd), f.	Weitzel, g.
Beck, c.	Yoffee, g.
Miller.	Gerdes, g.
(Pollock), g.	

BROWNS WIN MATCH

In the P. R. R. Y. M. C. A. bowling league last night the Browns took the match from the Superbas, scores 223 to 2325. Felker and Hostetter divided the honors. The former had 222 and the latter 553. The Cardinals and Keystones will play to-night.

The Winkle Kids Are Very Cute

Two of the cutest little kids in town are the Winkles, youthful brother and sister, who are singing and dancing and doing a little talking at the Matinee Theater, occupying a peculiar place of the most pleasing bits of the bill. They do a sort of conversational skit and their vocal numbers, which they sing back and forth to each other, are especially pleasing.—Advertisement.

Fred Mace has ample opportunity for comic facial and bodily activity in "A Janitor's Wife's Temptation," the Triangle comedy now being produced at the Colonial Theater. Just as Fred Mace is preparing to cook a meal, a piece of steak in his basement home his wife (Marta Golden) makes him go out in the hall and dust some rugs. She sends the meat up to Gibbon, a hungry artist on an upper floor, who has gotten a whiff of the cooking meal, and sends down a burry call to the janitor's wife.

A party of models come into the hall and start talking to Mace. Marta Golden break up this pleasant session by her sudden appearance, but her anger is nothing compared to his when he discovers the piece of resistance of his meal has disappeared.

The film goes on to show the flight of Gibbon with the janitor's wife, which gives the opening for the infusion of considerable human interest that appeals to everybody.

JACK HUNTER DIES

Philadelphia, Dec. 28.—Jack Hunter, well known in local baseball and basketball circles, died yesterday after a long illness. Hunter a few years ago was regarded as one of the best independent ball players in the city and also was a fairly good basketball player, although he did not play the cage game as much as he did baseball. Hunter was a capable catcher and good hitter and during his career as a ball player he played on many of the prominent teams of the northeast and suburban sections of the city.

YANKEE AFTER CUBS

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 28.—The New York American League club wants Catchers Archer and Fischer and Outfielders Plack and Zwilling, according to a telegram signed by Colonel Ruppert, of the New York team, received yesterday by Charles Weeghman. The message was one of a dozen from various managers proposing to trade players to follow the amalgamation of the Cubs and Whales.

WELLY'S CORNER

This year brought but one new champion. Jess Willard won the title from Jack Johnson. Titles in other weights failed to come because there were few bouts longer than 15 rounds. Keeping a title brings money to the holder. Once more it should be said that fighters should be forced to fight.

It looks as if Connie Mack knew what he was doing when he broke up his famous star aggregation last season. When the season starts the Philadelphia Athletics will have a bunch of youngsters who look like comers. While other managers are picking teams Connie Mack will be whipping his bunch in shape.

The American Association will lose its team in Cleveland. Ban Johnson says there must be no opposition to the American League from minor organizations. The Naps have not

been a big drawing card lately. According to reports the baseball offered by the American Association team was far superior.

New Orleans backers looked upon the proposed battle between Jess Willard and Fred Fulton, as too easy money for the champion. When people pay big money to see a heavy-weight battle they want something real. Willard's refusal to take on Moran as a substitute is looked upon as an indication that Fulton might spring a surprise.

That Lebanon Valley College had something good in a football eleven, is proven in the make-up of next season's schedules. The Annville contingent is in great demand. All big colleges want a chance to see Coach Guyer's boys work, but they cannot have them. The Army was lucky in getting a date with Lebanon Valley.

TADPOLES TAKE HONORS
The Tadpoles last night won over the Lizards; scores, 1874 to 1650. Rigling, of the winning team, was the high man with 190 and 519 scores.

AMUSEMENTS.

COLONIAL

The Home of Triangle Films. DOUGLASS FAIRBANKS

Double Trouble

Five-reel comedy drama. FRED MACE "A JANITOR'S WIFE'S TEMPTATION" Two-reel Keystone comedy.

ORPHEUM

Thursday Matinee Dec. 30, FRENCH MODELS WITH MONTE CARTER Special Feature

THE JANSSEN

THE GREAT JANSSEN

REGENT

To-day the last of "THE MASQUERADERS" (thrilling photo-adaptation of Henry Arthur Jones' internationally famous drama, featuring HAZEL DAWN. Large crowd saw it yesterday.)

PARAMOUNT NEWSPICTURES. Wednesday and Thursday LASKY-BELASCO Presents LAURA HOPE CREWS and CLEO RIDGLEY in "THE FIGHTING HOPE"—Paramount

PARAMOUNT TRAVEL SERIES. Admission—Adults, 10c; Children, 5c.

AMUSEMENTS

MAJESTIC

GALA HOLIDAY VODEVIL. 5 EXCELLENT KEITH FEATURES CHARLES CHAPLIN in "MEN OF NERVE" Vaudeville carnival Friday night at 10:30—acts on sale now.

Vaudeville Carnival

At the Majestic Theater Friday night, Dec. 31, at 10:30, to royally welcome the New Year. A BARREL OF FUN AND A LOAD OF ENTERTAINMENT. The regular vaudeville show and a dozen added fun features.

15 PIECES—Special Orchestra. Prizes for local features.

\$5 for best Charles Chaplin. \$5 for best artistic dancer. \$5 for funniest costume. \$5 for most artistic costume. \$5 for tallest man in audience. \$5 for heaviest woman in audience.

Other special prizes for lucky ones. The whole audience takes part in show.

AT THE REGENT

To-day Daniel Frohman presents the beautiful Hazel Dawn in a thrilling photo-adaptation of Henry Arthur Jones' internationally famous drama, "The Masqueraders."

Hazel Dawn appears as Dulcie Rondine, the girl who becomes a barmaid to keep the family out of the poorhouse. Circumstances make her the wife of a nobleman of great wealth, dolls occupy the stage, and a social position does not in any way militate against her simplicity of character. Then comes days of terrible trial and suffering, as her husband proves to be nothing but a gambler and a drunkard. At last this high strung, sensitive woman actually faces the degrading situation of being gambled for by her husband, who stakes her against the entire fortune of the man who really has loved her since she was a child.

To-morrow and Thursday Lasky-Belasco presents the famous American dramatic star, Laura Hope Crews, in a picturization of the Belasco dramatic success, "The Fighting Hope," by William J. Hurlbut. It is the story of a heroine woman's struggle to believe in her husband, who has been convicted of robbing the bank that employed him, but the evidence against him, she still holds to her faith in his innocence until she is finally confronted by the "other woman" for whom the crime was committed.

In addition to Miss Crews herself, the cast includes Cleo Ridgley, Theodore Roberts, Tom Forman and Gerald Ward.

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COMING ATTRACTIONS

All productions presented at the Victoria are obtained through the Stanley Booking Company, of Philadelphia, Pa., in conjunction with 49 other theaters of the higher class.

To-morrow's Blue Ribbon Feature THE NATION'S PERIL THURSDAY—"The Sins of Society"

"Song of a Wage Slave" "The Yellow Streak" "Pennington's Choice" "The House of Tears" "Barbara Frietich" "What Will People Say"

The Victoria is the home of the \$25,000 Hope-Jones Unit Pipe Organ and is the equivalent of a 50-piece orchestra. Special musical programs are rendered every week by Profs. McBride and McIntosh.