

NEW YORK STATE LEAGUE MANAGERS READY---WILKES-BARRE LEAGUE TEAM HERE

ALUMNI TEAM WINS FIRST GAME

Outplay Regulars in One-Sided Battle; Varsity Boys Show Lack of Practice

Tech High Alumni handed the varsity candidates an awful walloping last night. It was the opening match of the season and was played in Tech gymnasium. The score was 60 to 10.

The Alumni five included several Rosewood stars and outplayed the Tech tossers at every stage. Every member of the Alumni team was in evidence. The line-up and summary:

Table with columns: Players, F.G., Fts., Pts. for the Alumni team.

Table with columns: Players, F.G., Fts., Pts. for the Technical H. S. team.

Some Surprising Scores in Local Bowling Games

Table listing bowling scores for Academy Duckpin League, Bankers League, Casino Tenpin League, and others.

Table titled 'STANDING OF TEAMS' showing wins and losses for various leagues.

Table titled 'Allison Hill' showing wins and losses for various teams.

Table titled 'Bankers' showing wins and losses for various teams.

JUMBO PEANUTS STILL 12c LB. No advance in prices. We also have on hand a full line of Xmas nuts, crop of 1916, and prices right.

Steelton High Star Next Season Leader



The election of "Hank" Morrison as captain of Lebanon Valley College eleven for next season is causing much favorable comment. Morrison played with Steelton and was a clean-cut player.

Bits From Sportland

Tex Rickard is after a long lease on Madison Square Garden.

York high five defeated Hershey five last night, score 88 to 20.

York County Academy defeated Camp Hill high five last night, score 35 to 23.

The S. S. C. five won over the Dragon A. C. tossers, score 27 to 18.

The Galahads last night defeated the Hershey Men's Club five, score 49 to 23.

Middletown Big Five defeated Bethlehem Steel Company tossers last night, score 46 to 23.

Joseph Chabok and William Reynolds have been paid their claims against the International League.

CURLEY IS WILLARD'S BOSS

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 9. — If anybody wants the services of Jess Willard within the next few months, they will have to consult Jack Curley. Curley has signed the heavyweight champion of the world to a set of articles calling for a battle with anybody Curley may select, the champion to receive the fat sum of \$60,000 for his services.

LONG DISTANCE RUNNERS

New York, Dec. 9. — A representative field of distance runners will strive for individual honors in the National Amateur Athletic Union 'Cross-Country' Championship run over the Van Cortlandt Park course here to-day.

TINKER'S DAYS NUMBERED

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 9. — Charles H. Weeghman, president of the Chicago National League club, admitted yesterday that he was after a manager to succeed Joseph B. Tinker.

STATE LEAGUE ALMOST READY

O'Neill's Return to Syracuse Assures Resumption of Business at Old Stand

Scranton, Pa., Dec. 9. — With the announcement from Syracuse that Mike O'Neill of this city, again had been signed to manage the champion Stars, every club in the New York State League is equipped with a leader and the race for players soon will warm and interesting.

O'Neill last season gave Syracuse its first pennant since 1904, and at the finish of the campaign notified the owners that a decided increase in salary should be forthcoming if they desired him to try to repeat his achievement.

Cockill to Return

George Cockill, who owns the major portion of stock at Harrisburg, likely will lead the Islanders in the 1917 campaign, while Scranton has retained Bill Coughlin, and Dr. Tate, owner of the Reading Club, intends to give "Hooks" Witse another chance.

Salary Limit No Bar

The general opinion around the circuit is that the 1917 happenings in Binghamton will be no exception to the general rule. Hartman is expected to fall with Calhoun, and the treasury of the Johnson shoe factory then will be at his disposal in the hunt for tried talent.

Carlisle Indian Eleven to Have Hard Games Next Year

Carlisle, Dec. 9. — The Carlisle Indian School will next year go to the same football plane in point of the importance of games scheduled which was in vogue until a few years ago.

ELECTS MT. CARMEL STAR

Carlisle, Dec. 9. — Enoch Gdanic was elected captain of the Conway Hall football team. Gdanic, whose home is in Mt. Carmel, was one of the best men on the hurling end of a forward pass in preparatory ranks and the past season reported as the main Conway scoring vehicle during the season.

CENTRAL BASKETBALL PRACTICE

Basketball practice will start Monday for candidates for both the boys' and girls' teams at Central High. Practices will be held in Chestnut Street Auditorium. Morning students will report at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, other students reporting at 9 o'clock in the morning.

ST. LOUIS RELEASES BUTLER

St. Louis, Dec. 9. — Arthur Butler, for three years pinch hitter and utility player for candidates for both the boys' and girls' teams at Central High.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

First Church of Christ, Scientist—Board of Trade Hall, Sunday, 11 a. m.; 7:30 p. m. Testimonial meeting, Wednesday, 8 p. m. Free reading rooms, Kunkel Building, 11:30 a. m. to 5 p. m. daily, except Saturday, 11:30 to 3 p. m.—Adv.

Fine Players Who Violate Post-Season Game Rules

Cincinnati, Ohio, Dec. 9. — Fines by the wholesale were inflicted by the National Baseball Commission here yesterday on major league ball players who have taken part in various exhibition games following the close of the season of 1916.

Fifty-one players from 13 of the 16 major league teams were fined amounts ranging from \$25 to \$100. However, the commission was lenient to an extent, and suspended the fines on 23 players, allowing only 13 fines to stand.

Davis was fined as the manager of a team which played in various Eastern cities. The fines of the remainder of the team were suspended because it was brought out in the testimony that Davis had assured his team-mates that he had the word of President Johnson.

Surplus of \$5,200,000 in Post Office Department; Many Improvements Urged

Washington, Dec. 9. — Postmaster General Burleson's annual report, declares there was a Post Office Department surplus of \$5,200,000 during the present year and enumerates as among the year's accomplishments improvements for improvement of the service. Some of the most important are these:

That early action be taken by Congress declaring a government monopoly over all utilities for the public transmission of intelligence and that as soon as possible the telephone and telegraph facilities of the United States be incorporated into the postal establishment.

That second class postal rates be revised to make second class matter pay more of its share of transportation expense and that the one cent rate be applied to all so-called drop letters.

That \$100,000 be appropriated for experiments in aerial transportation of mail.

Under a law passed last July the department on November 1 put parts of the railway mail service on the space basis of pay, using rates which are the maximum provided by the act.

These rates, the report says are excessive, and under the law the department will on January 1 file with the Interstate Commerce Commission a comprehensive plan of service which will embody a recommendation looking to a reduction of the rates.

Bet on Hughes; Feeds 900 Voters of N. H. Town

Meredith, N. H., Dec. 9. — Seventy-five gallons of oyster stew, 225 pounds of corn, 300 pounds of system crackers, 110 mice pies, 75 dozen rolls, 30 gallons of coffee and several bushels of apples were eaten by 900 voters here last night when Fred Heede, president of the Meredith Savings Bank shire Republicans, paid his election bet.

Nation Is Wealthiest in World, Report Declares

Washington, Dec. 9. — Unprecedented growth of the country's foreign trade, the commercial advantages which will accrue from peace and the opportunity presented for a heavier export business and greater investments abroad are set forth by Secretary of the Department of Commerce, in his annual report. The report gives figures showing the nation's trade expansion of two years and sums up the country's commercial dominance.

DIRECTORS AT INSTITUTE

New Cumberland, Pa., Dec. 9. — B. F. Garver and H. W. Buttorf, members of the board of education, H. A. Fixler and John Watts, directors of Lower Allen district, were at Carlisle on Thursday attending the teachers' institute.

FAST BUNCH TO PLAY LOCAL FIVE

Independents to Have Horace Gisel Back in Line-up Tonight Against Barons

Basketball fans of this city will see one of the best teams that ever appeared in this city to-night when the Independents play the Wilkes-Barre State League team. The Barons play a hard, fast game and a battle royal is looked for.



After a hard work-out yesterday afternoon, all the local players are in the best of condition for the game this evening. Norman Ford has recovered from his illness and will play at his regular position.

The teams will line up as follows: Independents, Wilkes-Barre: N. Ford, f. Cooney, f. G. Ford, f. Dunne, c. Foster, g. Geisel, g. McCarter, g.

Admirals Declare For Great Increase in Size and Power of New Ships

Washington, D. C., Dec. 9. — Preliminary work on the 1918 national defense program moved forward again yesterday in both the naval and military committees of the House, with Rear Admirals Badger and Fletcher, of the navy's general board, before the former, and Quartermaster-General Sharpe again before the latter.

The two admirals told of the board's recommendation for an enormous increase in size and power and a smaller increase in speed for the battleships to be provided for at this session of Congress.

Admiral Badger said the board had recommended main batteries of twelve sixteen-inch guns, an increase of 50 per cent in gun power over 1917 ships, and a speed of twenty-three knots an hour.

A statement issued by Secretary Daniels indicates that the recommendations of the board will be approved when the department's opinion is laid before the committee. The new dreadnaughts will displace probably more than 40,000 tons, as against the 32,000 for the California class and succeeding ships.

Commission Reports on Plans For Unification

St. Louis, Dec. 9. — Important movements of church unification in America have advanced during the last four years and will have a far-reaching effect upon the mission field, according to the Commission on Foreign Missions which reported at today's session of the quadrennial meeting of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America. The report is an exhaustive review of mission work abroad, laying stress upon the great advance that has been made in co-operation. Discussing church union, the commission says:

"The proposed union of the Methodist, Presbyterian and Congregational churches in Canada will not only deeply affect foreign missions in many fields. The movement toward the unification of Methodism will completely change the missionary situation in Latin America and Asia and Africa, and is rightly stirring profoundly the thought of the missionary leaders."

ONE-CENT POSTAGE FAVORED

Washington, Dec. 9. — The Post-office Committee of the House yesterday recommended favorably the measure advocated for several years by Congressman Griest, of Pennsylvania, reducing the rate of postage on drop or local letters from two to one cent per ounce at all offices where there is letter carrier service, the one-cent rate to extend to rural delivery routes starting from such offices.

EASIER AMENDMENT METHOD

Washington, Dec. 9. — A joint resolution proposing a constitutional amendment for an easier method of amending the constitution was introduced today by Representative Chandler of New York. It provides submission of any proposed amendment by a majority of both houses of Congress and ratification by a majority of the voters in a majority of the States. For ratification it would be necessary also to receive an aggregate majority of all votes cast in the United States. Conventions would be held every thirty years to consider proposed amendments.

WELLY'S CORNER

Those Casino bowlers are tearing up things this season. Two more new records were hung up last night. The Calumets bowled 1920 for a team total several weeks ago. Last night the Rovers made a total of 1049. The total for the match by the Rovers was 2366. This was 16 more than the Orpheums bowled recently. These sensations are pulling big crowds to the Casino games.

Dave Fultz denies the charge that he said the Yankee managers were not fair to players. On the other hand the Fraternity leader says Ruppert has always been fair.

Pottsville has a boxing commission. Harrisburg ought to have a good organization for handling ring exhibitions and governed by a commission. This city is ripe for good ring sport.

In order to get more seasoning Jesse Buckler, the Scranton twirler, has been returned to Bill Coughlin by the New York Americans. Indications are that all the New York State League stars who were purchased or drafted will be back home next summer.

In the selection of William R. Winn to manage the P. R. Y. M. C. A. basketball teams, a good choice has been made. Manager Winn as leader of the Methodist Club has won much popularity.

Official averages announced by Elmer Shaner, secretary-treasurer of the Interstate Association of Trapshooters show President J. G. Martin of the Harrisburg Sportsmen's Association leading. He fired at 6,010 targets in registered tournaments and broke 6,725. His average was .952.

MECHANICS TRUST COMPANY HARRISBURG, PA.

Advertisement for Mechanics Trust Company, featuring 'The Safe Side' and '3% PAID ON SAVINGS ACCOUNTS'.

Advertisement for King Oscar 5c CIGARS, featuring 'There's no hocus-pocus nor leger-de-main in the popularity of KING OSCAR'.

Cartoon titled 'Bringing Up Father' by McManus, showing a conversation about prohibition and dry states.