

SPORTS---WEST END TOSSERS MOVE INTO THIRD PLACE IN CITY LEAGUE RACE

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Victory Over Methodist Club Breaks Tie in City League; Arrows Win

The West End Athletic Club tossers triumphed over the Methodist Club five last night, in a City Amateur League game, and thereby broke the tie between the two teams for third position. The final score read 53 to 17. The contest was staged on the Technical High school gymnasium floor and followed a contest between the Y. M. H. A. quintet and the P. R. R. Arrows. The latter team was victorious by a 22 to 20 tally.

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BASKETBALL



"Eddie" Harris is the star all-around athlete at the Technical High school and this season he has been playing a clever game on the basketball team. He has been one of the leading scorers in the Central Pennsylvania Scholastic League since its organization two years ago. This season, although the Tech team is near the bottom, Harris is well up in the scoring. Last season he captained the basketball team.

Casino Tenpin Bowlers Show Championship Form

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The SPORT LIGHT by Grantland Rice

Copyright, 1917, by the Tribune Association (New York Tribune) The Fallen For those who have fallen the living weep; Are they not asleep? They wait beyond where the shadows creep, But their dreams are deep. Since the way is short and the day is brief, Why shout the world so waste its grief? For those who have come to the end of the play In the old, brave way? "They have come to die!" you cry, asgape At the rolling drums. What if they have? Will you escape When the Hour comes?

If this widespread universe has been shy of one thing, that thing has been service unattached to any thought of reward. Even a calamity which will improve this situation cannot be entirely devoid of use.

Developing the Batting Eye Just how far is the Batting Eye a developed instinct? Can a weak batsman ever be turned into a strong one through training? Is batting a natural or a developed function?

Take the four leading batsmen of the present epoch. Their names are Cobb, Speaker, Jackson and Collins. These men all started in as regulars with the .300 gilm. Which is to say that as regulars they were batting .300 from the jump, and have never struck below that figure for any season.

The same was true of Wagner. He broke in batting .300, and he traveled for seventeen years without slumping below this mark. Cobb, his first year as a regular, batting .325. Last year he batted .371; so he has advanced in his art.

Collins, his first year as a regular, batting .346. Last season he fell away to .308. Collins has only improved his first year's mark twice in eight seasons. Hans Wagner started out batting .344. You can figure from this how much development he needed.

Lajoie, in his first complete season, began with a mark of .363 as a kid. It would be hard to say that he was developed into a good hitter.

Most of the great hitters were born that way, not made over, most of them batting over .300 in the minors, and stepped into major league training with the .300 mark still under control.

The answer is, they simply know how to hit—the knack was there—and no training was needed to bring them out of it. None of the great batsmen that we can recall, ever spent a year or two as weak hitters in the big league, to be lifted by instruction and training into the altitudes of swat.

Hal Chase, Sherwood Magee and Jake Daubert all broke in below .300, to lead the league at later dates, but none of these could hardly be classed as batsmen with Cobb, Speaker, Lajoie, Wagner, Jackson and Collins. Frank Baker batted .305 his first year out, and Baker is another of the natural entries, belonging to those with the knack.

Improvement in the Weak Only upon rare occasions have batsmen who were poor hitters their first year ever improved to any noteworthy extent. Big league managers have long recognized this fact. They have turned back many a fielding star who was fast and skillful around infield or outfield in the knowledge that weak batting in the minor leagues generally means a lack of knack that can't be supplied. Managers have taken good hitters and turned them in first-class products. But a man in the minors who can hit, unless he is abnormally slow, is always a prize. And most of those—not all, but the majority—who can hit in the minors can hit in the majors.

The Duffer to the Expert You think of golf as a stretch of green And the waiting pin, Where it takes you 3 or 4 or 5 To reach the tin; I think of golf as traps and pits Across the land; Or a niblick beating, blow by blow, Against the sand.

You curse your luck when you get around In an 82; You couldn't putt and your work was punk From off the tee; But if I should gather a 91 Or a 92— Do I rant and rave and curse the luck? You bet I do!

Time is still moving along. Of the \$100,000 fence-busting Athletic infield of 1914 only one batted over .300 last year, and he barely managed to take the hurdle in the last two weeks.

Tennis fires the first shot in the inter-sectional program for 1917. The West, with Johnston and McLoughlin, has the advance edge, but, with George M. Church in the offing, the Eastern barrier is no light one. Church dropped McLoughlin last summer at Forest Hills, but beating the Native Son upon his native heath is another rendezvous.

There are still countless tennis followers pulling for Red Mac's return to the summit, but the odds against him now are almost hopeless. The terrific amount of fuel he burned in 1914 will hardly be replaced.

LARGE ENTRY LIST FOR MEADOWBROOK

Philadelphia, March 7.—More than 900 entries, representing college athletic associations in many sections of the country, have been received for the eighth annual indoor carnival of the Meadowbrook Club, to be held here next Saturday night. In the 50 yards handicap 110 men are entered, which probably means that 22 heeled and a number of semifinals will have to be run off. Sixty-nine runners are entered in the quarter-mile run and 56 in the 1,000 yards handicap.

One of the features of the meet is expected to be the intercity relay race for the McGowan trophy between teams representing Boston, New York and Philadelphia. Boston has twice won the race and a victory Saturday probably means that it will have permanent possession of the trophy.

PROMISE PRIZES FOR DRILL HONORS

Chicago, March 7.—Baseball clubs of the American League now receiving military instruction in their training camps are to compete for drilling honors. Captain Franklin R. Kenney, U. S. A., in command of recruiting in the central department of the army, announced last night that the \$400 will be distributed as the players decide, but it is probable that the fund will be used to purchase a pennant emblematic of the honor.

The competition will be decided in July. A board of army officers will be selected to review the players and make the award. The \$400 will be distributed as the players decide, but it is probable that the fund will be used to purchase a pennant emblematic of the honor.

It is almost a certainty that Eddie Foster will be seen at the keystone corner, which would mean that Joe Leonard will be found cavorting around the hot corner.

EXTRA SESSION BEFORE JUNE IS OUTLOOK (Continued From First Page) which failed at the last session is regarded by officials as imperative. Nearly all of the executive departments of the government will suffer, particularly the army's defense plans, unless Congress supplies the necessary funds.

In addition there are other measures that the administration regarded as almost imperative which failed to pass. They included amendments to the shipping and federal reserve laws, legislation to strengthen the Adamson law, conservation, foreign relief combinations and enlargement of the Interstate Commerce Commission. The President himself has not definitely indicated whether he has given up hope that an extra session may be avoided, but many members of Congress still insist that he will call Congress together soon should he decide he lacks authority to arm merchant ships.

MORDECAI BROWN WITH TINKER Terre Haute, Ind., March 7.—Mordecai Brown, three-fingered twirler, announced today that he had cast his lot with the Columbus American Association Club and will join the team Saturday for the spring training trip. Brown has signed the contract offered by the club, and will be assisted by the former Chicago National League Club manager in conditioning the Columbus pitchers.

SOPHS TAKE LEAD IN TECH LEAGUE

First Year Lads Handicapped by Loss of Wilsbach and Lingle Lose Fast Game

Tech high school Sophomores went into the lead yesterday afternoon in the interclass series when they took the Freshmen into camp by a 23 to 15 score. The first year lads were without the services on Lingle and Wilsbach, who have been promoted to the Varsity. Minus these two players a victory was easy for the second year boys.

At the end of the half the Sophs lead 15 to 9. Frank was again high scorer for the winners, while Snyder secured four two-pointers for the losers. The line-up and summary: Freshmen. Sophomores. Snyder, f. Bihl, f. McCord, f. Richards, f. Runk, e. Frank, c. Smith, e. Beck, e. Pleam, g. Moore, g.

Summary.—Field goals, Bihl, Richards 2, Frank 4, Beck 2, Snyder 4, McCord, Smith, Foul goals, Bihl 5, Smith 3.

STANDING IN THE LEAGUE Sophomores W. L. Pct. Freshmen 3 1 .150 Juniors 1 2 .333 Seniors 0 4 .000

Bits From Sportland

The Enhaut Ex-High school five continued its winning streak last night at Steeltown when it defeated the Baldwin Junior five by the score of 51 to 20.

To-night the Olympic basketball team will play the Pittsburgh Scholastic five in the Smoky City. The local tossers left at noon to-day. The squad consists of Fields, P. and W. Taylor, Shaw, Layton and S. Marshall. The squad will be in charge of Dr. Forrest.

In two contests played on the St. Paul floor last night both the first and second Tarsus teams were victorious. The first five defeated the Whites, of the Hick-A-Thrift League, by the score of 33 to 22, and the second team trimmed the Hummelstown High school team by a 39 to 9 tally.

NEW HEAD FOR CARDINALS St. Louis, March 7.—Ben G. Brigham, vice-president of a bank, today was elected president of the St. Louis Nationals.

His election is part of the reorganization plan fostered by J. C. Jones, who has paid Mrs. Helen Britton, principal owner of the club, \$25,000 as earnest money of his intention to organize a syndicate to buy the club for \$350,000. J. C. Reid was elected vice-president to-day and W. C. Anderson, secretary. The board of directors will consist of the three officers and also J. C. Jones and Lon Hocker, attorney for Mrs. Britton.

"CHIEF" WILSON QUITS St. Paul, Minn., March 7.—John ("Chief") Wilson, the outfielder traded to St. Paul by the St. Louis National League Club for Walter Cruise, has decided to quit the game and will not report to the local club, according to a letter received from him to-day by William MacMicking, secretary of the St. Paul Association Club. Wilson plans to spend his time on his ranch at St. Paul with Tex. It is said that St. Paul will receive another player from St. Louis.

WELLY'S CORNER

The annual convention of the United Sportsmen of the State will be held in Catesville during week of August 5. Harrisburg sportmen are planning to be present. These conventions are always full of interest. The reports this year promise to be of special interest.

Baseball in Cuba has proven a big failure. Curley Brown, who was running the Cuban-American Baseball League, says the patronage was small. The league did not wind up the scheduled and there was no winner. The grounds, it is said, were too far from the City of Havana.

The Intercollegiate Football Committee will get together in New York this week to discuss changes in rules. It is likely to be a session of talk only. None of the officials favors any important changes. The general belief is that the game is where it should be, and that further alterations in playing rules are unnecessary.

The military training plan for ball players has spread to other leagues. The Milwaukee and Indianapolis clubs are among the American Association teams that have taken up the movement. Drill sergeants will be taken to the spring training camps to instruct the players.

Manager P. L. Grubb ordered all candidates for the Tech Faculty basketball team to report to the gymnasium for secret practice this afternoon. The "Profs" are scheduled to play the winner of the interclass series.

Over a score of candidates for the Tech Gun Club reported to Professor H. B. Shreiner yesterday afternoon. Before an election of officers is held a written consent from the parents must be secured by all of those who join the organization.

SCHOLASTIC TOSSERS PREPARE FOR CLASSICS; SEASON'S BIG EVENT

Central High school five will play one of its most important games of the season on Friday night, when it will meet the Steeltown High school quintet, in the annual cage classic. The contest will be played at Steeltown.

This game attracts a marked amount of interest in scholastic basketball circles, in this city each year. Last season the Central tossers triumphed over the Steeltown team and should duplicate the feat again this season if past performances may be used as a comparison.

At the present time Steeltown is in the dungeon in the Scholastic League race, but has been showing improvement in recent games. Central, on the other hand, has taken a slump, greatly due to the fact that Gregory and Fields were declared ineligible because of studies. Wolf and Malone, the two second string men who have taken their place, are gradually becoming acquainted with the playing style of the other varsity men and Coach McCord anticipates a victory for his proteges.

Annual Basketball Classic The annual basketball classic between Central High and Technical High school fives, for the championship of the city, will be staged on the Chestnut Street Auditorium floor on Friday night, March 18. This battle will attract even more attention than the Steeltown-Central contest. A bitter rivalry exists between the two school teams and the game has in years past made basketball history in this city.

Should Central defeat Steeltown on Friday night and repeat the dose on the following Friday night she will have attained the height of her ambition—the City scholastic basketball championship. Should Tech win she will be awarded the championship, which at present is held by Central.

ROSEWOOD TOSSERS TOO MUCH FOR LEWISTOWN

The Rosewood five, City Amateur League leaders, went to Lewistown last night and completely outclassed the Lewistown five by the score of 54 to 20. The local lads took the lead from the first whistle and retained it throughout. The first half ended with the score at 20 to 11 in favor of the Rosewoods.

The local shooting of Kline featured the contest, he throwing 12 out of 13. The summary: Rosewoods. Lewistown. Kline, f. Monohan, f. Kent, f. Lower, f. Tittle, c. Davis, c. Gossard, g. (Noble) E. Killinger, g. Riddle, g. Field goals, Kline, 4; Kent, 2; Trump, 5; Tittle, 4; G. Killinger, 4; E. Killinger, 2; Monohan, 3; Lawler, Foul goals, Kent, 12 out of 13; Monohan, 10 out of 21. Referee, Curry; umpire, Smith.

TENNIS WIELDERS START WESTERN TOURNAMENT TODAY

Los Angeles, Calif., March 7.—The three matches marking the opening to-day of the East vs. West tennis tournament found some of the leading racket wielders of the United States opposing each other. A doubles match between Theodore Roosevelt and Willis E. Davis, former national champion, and Willis E. Davis, clay court champion, representing the East, and Maurice McLoughlin, former national champion, and Willis E. Davis, clay court champion, representing the West, was scheduled as the opening event of the tournament.

In the second match a special mixed doubles event, Miss Mollie Bjurstedt, national turf, clay court and indoor champion, and Geo. M. Church, Orient and Metropolitan champion; representing the East, are to play Mrs. May Sutton Bundy, former national woman champion, and Thomas C. Bundy, former national doubles champion, representing the West.

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HOURLY LIMIT FOR SENATE DEBATORS

(Continued From First Page) hour of debate instead of unlimited time, by each Senator, even after adoption by two-thirds of Senators present, of a motion to bring debate to a close. At both Republican and Democratic Senate caucuses yesterday there were indications that a rule to limit debate would be approved.

President Indignant President Wilson emphasized in an informal talk before the Democratic national committee here yesterday his indignation over the success of a few senators in preventing passage of the neutrality bill.

Secretary Lansing was called to the White House to see the president just before the departure of the Senators.

Look For Action The Senators agreed that the prospects were good for quick action. Senator Owen said he desired a rule under which the Senate rules could be changed by a majority vote. All of the senators agreed, however, they would not haggle over details if a reasonable censure plan could be agreed upon.

The conference lasted an hour and a half and all the details of the Senate situation were gone over. The President told the Senators he was anxious for action as promptly as possible. He said the country was deeply aroused over the situation and that a few senators should not be allowed to interfere with the welfare of the country.

Although Mr. Wilson has been advised by some government experts that he has the authority to arm ships without waiting for action by Congress, others among his advisers believed it would be the better policy to wait to see whether the Senate will act.

SOCIALIST'S ACTIVITIES

An entertainment by Miss Gladys Garbers, of Lacawanna county, an organizer of the Socialist party, consisting of a variety of songs and readings, will be given Friday and Saturday evenings, at 8 o'clock, in Maennerchor Hall. Socialists of Harrisburg will hold a business meeting Friday night at 7 o'clock.

Advertisement for Goodrich Silvertown Cord Tires. Features include: Fair List Prices, Fair Treatment, 400 Tires, The Speedway But One, and a list of 10 Silvertown Cord X-cels benefits.