

ROOKIE RULE SAID TO BE BIG JOKE

W. H. FAHRELL MANAGERS--PLAYHOUSE GOSSIP

JUNIORS WIN OUT IN TECH SERIES

Take Final Game From Sophs; Good Material Found on Teams

Interclass basketball honors at Tech went to the Juniors yesterday. In their post-season contest with the Sophomores the third year lads won by a score of 38 to 14. As a result the numerals "1917" will be awarded to Manager T. Willis Patterson, Captain Holland, H. Miller, Huston, Frock, Lloyd and Cook. Yesterday's contest was a walkover.

At the end of the first half the winners had run up a total of 22 points to the second year lads' 3. During this half every Tech Sophomore had scored from the field, while Frock secured the lone field goal during the first 20 minutes of play.

According to Faculty Director P. L. Grubb more material has been developed by the class league this season than ever before. For the first half of the season the Freshmen led the race; then the Sophs took the lead; finally the Juniors headed the procession, and yesterday capped the climax by winning the pennant for the season. The line-up and summary follow:

Sophomores	Juniors
Bihl, f.	Holland, f.
Fortna, f.	Miller, f.
Ebert	Huston, c.
Frank, c.	Lloyd, g.
Moore, g.	Cook, c.
Frank, g.	Frock, g.

Summary: Goals from field—Holland 4; Miller, 3; Huston, 1; Lloyd, 3; Frock, 5; Frank, 1; Bihl, 2; Beck, 1. Fouls—Bihl 0 out of 8; Holland 6 out of 8; Beck 3 out of 8.

Referee—Prof. Grubb; scorer, McGinn; timer, Ramey.

KELCHNER FAVORS SPORT ACTIVITY

Myerstown, April 10.—Prof. Charles S. Kelchner, in charge of athletics at Albright College, who is scout for the St. Louis American League team, is not in favor of the abandonment by colleges of athletic sports on account of the war.

Coach Kelchner views with regret the action of some of the larger colleges, followed by many of the smaller institutions, in canceling all athletic contests because of the declaration of war between America and Germany.

In a statement yesterday Coach Kelchner declared college athletic sports should be encouraged rather than discontinued, more particularly at this time than any other, because of the fact that athletics develop the moral stamina, physical manhood and valor, quick thinking and strategy; hence, his conviction that the college boys should be encouraged to go in for athletics more so now than ever before. The combining of college athletics with military training can but mean better fighting men, he added.

Albright has already felt the action of some of the colleges in abandoning baseball for the season on account of the war. Syracuse was to have been here for the opening game of the season next Friday, but canceled.

"ROOKIE" RULE ONE BIG JOKE

Elmira Is Farm For Phillies According to Reports; Doings in Other Towns.

"Rookies" are being rushed to New York State League managers by major league clubs. The new rule adopted at Syracuse prohibiting the farming of players is being laughed at.

From the managers which New York State League managers are taking the "excess baggage" of the major leagues it is very evident that the rule is another case of the "rookie" rule, which is frequently classed as State League laws.

Rule Not Effective

The enforcement of this rule would mean that none of the players turned back from the major leagues could find a berth in the State League. The plan was to encourage the development of young baseball material.

However, it happens that the Elmira Club is a farm of the Phillies and then Manager Pat Moran is turning over a number of his players to Jimmy Jackson, who was chosen to lead the Elmira Colonels partly on the promise of Moran to help out with some of his youngsters. So far Jackson has received five players from the Phillies and the presumption is that they are turned back on an option to get more experience.

1,000 Murdered

To sum up, in Urumia alone the total losses of this period, from the first of January, 1915, to the first of June, of that year, were the murder of over 1,000 people who, could not reach the mission yards; the outraging of hundreds, and possibly thousands, of women and girls of every age, from the tender girl of eight to the old woman of eighty; the robbing of over five-sixths of the population; and the total destruction of about the same proportion of their houses. Hundreds of women and girls were carried off into a captivity—captivity that is worse than death; and many were forced to embrace Islam and accept Moslem husbands. In Salmas 500 people who had been unable to escape with the younger people to Russia, were gathered together by Djedvet Pasha before his withdrawal from Salmas and were hacked to pieces with sabers and hatchets.

Here then are over sixty thousand destitute, many of them homeless, people who are to be cared for and fed

Program Ready For Dorcas Society Experience Meeting

Marysville, Pa., April 10.—Tomorrow evening the annual experience meeting of the Dorcas Society of the Zion Lutheran Church will be held. An attractive program has been arranged as follows: Selection on pipe organ, Miss Azalea Wigfield, of Steelton; vocal solo, Mrs. D. D. Fisher; reading, Miss Adaline Byers; piano duet, Miss Victoria Hipple and Miss Leah Beers; violin solo, Miss Hazel Hain; recitation, Miss Jeanette Anspach; vocal solo, Miss Nina Ruth, of Highspire; piano duet, Miss Edna Bolze and Miss Margaret Deckard; reading, Miss Marguerite Weaver; selection on pipe organ, Mrs. Pearl B. Hipple; piano solo, Miss Katherine Kench; vocal duet, Mrs. Chester Sheaffer and Miss Elva Tracy.

Elihu Root Calls For All Men to Forget Politics For Duration of the War

By Associated Press
New York, April 10.—Elihu Root, addressing a meeting of the Republican Club last night called upon all Republicans to support President Wilson and "to submerge all partisan feeling, forget they are Republicans until the war is over, and to be Americans only."

"The club passed resolutions declaring it to be "the duty of all Americans to abjure partisanship and sectionalism and personal advantages and all petty jealousies and dissensions, and to unite in common loyalty and devotion to the support of the government of the United States, in the most vigorous and effective prosecution of the war."

Kitty Gordon in "Vera, the Medium" at the Colonial



Kitty Gordon will be seen in the first of the photoplay features produced by her own film corporation at the Colonial Theater to-morrow and Thursday.

The subject chosen for the first of Miss Gordon's new ventures is a sprightly and thrilling novel, "Vera, the Medium," by the late Richard Harding Davis. In "Vera, the Medium," Miss Gordon essays a role that affords her every opportunity to make the most of her rich and exotic beauty as well as to adorn herself in a bewildering array of startling costumes. The story deals in a highly dramatic fashion with the lure of woman and the folly of man.

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ORPHEUM — To-night — Jack Stern's Yiddish players presenting "Joseph and His Brethren."
Wednesday, April 11 — Municipal Band Concert.
Friday night, April 13 — War Relief Fund.
Saturday, matinee and night, April 14 — Henry W. Savage offers "Have a Heart."
COLONIAL—"The More Excellent Way."
REGENT—"Sapho."

At the Orpheum on Saturday, matinee and night, April 14, the attraction extraordinary will be Henry W. Savage's surpassing success "Have a Heart," the brilliant and tuneful musical comedy triumph that scored one of the biggest hits of recent years and enjoyed a prosperous run at the Liberty Theater, New York. The entire original company and production comes here direct from a prosperous engagement at the Forrest Theater, Philadelphia, where capacity attendance marked every presentation of the piece from the opening performance. Not in many years has a musical comedy offering scored such an instantaneous success or achieved so large a measure of critical and popular approval as has been accorded "Have a Heart" by the theatrical reviewers and the playgoing public of New York and Philadelphia. This up-to-the-minute combination of brilliant humor, tuneful music and strikingly original plot and story is the joint production of Guy Bolton, F. G. Woodhouse and Jerome Kern, that distinguished trio of master musical playmakers who have collaborated in the contriving of several of the most notable musical comedy successes of the past few years.

Henry W. Savage is sending here the

BINGOS START THURSDAY

Binghamton, N. Y., April 10.—Chic Hartman, leader of the Binghamton team, of the New York State League, has set next Thursday as first reporting day for his team, and on that day the catchers and pitchers meet Hartman at Johnson Park. Among the candidates for places are: Catchers, Wheat, Murphy, Holmes and Fleigens; pitchers, Gahart, Barnhart, Braithwood, Miljus, Ancker, Frock, Williams, Quinn and Rapp; first base, Hain; second base, Shannon; shortstop, Hartman; third base, Gahart; outfielders, Bill Day, Gene Foley, Senno and Will Buckley.

TELLS HOW FLAG PROTECTED 20,000

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recently and has been spending a few days in Harrisburg as the guest of Samuel W. Fleming, 104 South street.

Wants to Stay Neutral

Dr. Coan said:
Persia at the beginning of the war and ever since has done all it could to remain neutral, in spite of every effort on the part of Germany with its money and emissaries to stir up trouble there and draw her into the great war.

Disturbances along the western border of Persia began in October, 1914, when a determined attack was made on Urumia, ostensibly by Kurds, but it was afterwards proved that the force was made up of Turkish troops. The timely arrival of Russian reinforcements saved Urumia. The Turks were driven back. About one month later war was declared between Russia and Turkey. In the month of December two engagements took place about 20 miles south of Urumia between Kurdish and Russian soldiers in which the latter were successful; the other at Meandub, at the southern end of the lake of Urumia resulted in the defeat of the Russians. At the same time Enver Pasha invaded Trans-Caucasia from Armenia at Sarikamish in the Kars region.

Russ Ordered to Withdraw

As this threatened to cut off Russia's communication with Persia, orders were given for the withdrawal of all Russian troops in Northwestern Persia. The Russian forces withdrew in January, 1915, and on the following day over twenty thousand Syrian Christians in the plain of Urumia fled to the mountains and the west and French mission, about seventeen thousand of these being in the American compounds. The next day the Turkish Kurdish hordes poured into the plain, coming from the west and south. The local Mohammedan population was aroused and for five months the plain and its villages were plundered and looted, property and buildings were destroyed. About one thousand of the Christians who were unable to reach the mission yards were massacred and many women and girls were outraged and a large number of them were carried off into captivity.

For nearly five months the small force recruited from the eighteen American missions, stood between the twenty thousand helpless Christians who had sought protection and the wild, cruel enemies who thirsted for their blood outside.

The American flag was raised over the mission gates and over the gates of other Christian yards that had been annexed to the mission yard, and there it floated for five months, backed by the moral force and courage of that small band, who risked all to save the people they loved.

We thanked God that the flag was respected, and while there was always the danger that a fanaticism and rage might prevail, and the yards would be invaded, the flag was respected. At one time the French mission was invaded and six men were taken out, and after being tortured were shot down. For five months the mission had the care of feeding, housing and protecting this large number of helpless natives, besieged and cut off from all communication with the outer world.

Started North

After remaining a few days in Urumia, the Turkish and Kurdish forces went on further north against Salmas and Khol, joining Turkish forces under the cruel Djedvet Pasha, the instigator of the massacres. The campaign lasted until the first of March and the Russian forces finally drove the Turks out of that region.

The Turkish forces were finally withdrawn from Urumia in May and the Russians returned a week later. With this reign of terror ceased, the poor people who had been crowded into those narrow quarters, where one thousand died from the epidemic that was inevitable under such conditions, were able to return to their villages again. But everywhere they saw only the ruins of their former homes. Every thing of value had been taken and all that could not be taken was ruthlessly destroyed, including hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of food. But they were glad to sit in the ruins of their homes rather than endure longer the terrors and sufferings of the past, and only prayed that the Turks and Kurds would not come back again.

More than ten thousand of the 35,000 Christians of Urumia and Salmas perished by massacre and disease during the five months of Turkish occupation. Sixty thousand Syrian Christians living in the mountains have also



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