

SPORTING PAGE

BASEBALL AUTHORITIES SAY CITY WILL SURRENDER CLUB

Keokuk Franchise and Players Will go to Rock Island When Club is Formed There.

MANY HAVE CONTRACTS

Keokuk Has Team Already Signed up, Showing That Dealings Were All in Good Faith.

Baseball authorities in Keokuk for the first time today made the official announcement that the Keokuk franchise would be transferred, bartered, sold, or given to Rock Island as soon as the Central association club had been organized in that city.

Although local fans have felt for some time that Keokuk's days were numbered, in the lack of official information, there were some who still hoped that the city would stick as it had always done before.

There is some criticism on the circuit that Keokuk has made no preparation for the season and that the local club was playing a game of bluff all the way through.

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The following from the 1915 team have signed contracts and returned them to Keokuk: Catcher Larry Brown, Pitcher Dean Ely, First Baseman Tommy Jiffin, Pitcher Clyde Semones and Outfielders Lowther and Lamb.

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JESS WILLARD TO FILL HIS COFFERS

Champion to Get Neat Sum of \$1,583.33 a Minute for His Go With Frank Moran in New York.

IS NO DECISION BOUT HAS SOME ACE CARDS

Record Sum to be Paid for Ten Rounds on March 17—Moran to Grab Healthy Amount Also.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—Pity Jess Willard. When he wears himself out battling Frank Moran for thirty minutes at Madison Square Garden March 17, he'll only get \$1,583.44 1/3 a minute.

Willard's share of the purse—\$47,500—is a record breaker for ten round bouts and in addition it's a no-decision go.

Frank Moran will have to give up thirty minutes of his perfectly good time for the mere pittance of \$666.67 every sixty seconds.

Willard's share alone is to be \$7,500 more than the original Tex Rickard \$40,000 offer for the bout.

Starts Training. CHICAGO, Feb. 4.—Jess Willard started on a campaign of preparedness today for his ten round battle with Frank Moran at New York March 17.

Half a dozen sparring partners were buffeted and glad to quit when Jess announced "enough for today."

Willard and his manager, Tom Jones, were like a couple of kids today, after sitting tight for weeks while promoters gradually boosted offers until Tex Rickard finally grabbed the match with his record offer.

Dave Lewisohn, a Chicago saloon keeper, and friend of Rickard, represented the promoters and put up the forfeit. In addition to the purse, the largest ever recorded for a ten round scrap, Willard is to get 51 per cent of the moving picture receipts.

By the terms of agreement \$20,000 to be paid Willard will be posted February 9 with Bob Vernon in New York and the remaining \$25,000 will be paid to the champion as he enters the ring. This, with the \$3,500 posted yesterday, is what Willard will draw down.

Johnson Won't Speak. [United Press Leased Wire Service.] CHICAGO, Feb. 4.—Ban Johnson today refused to discuss a report that Chicago capital would control the Cleveland Indians.

New Water Marks. [United Press Leased Wire Service.] CHICAGO, Feb. 4.—The Illinois Athletic club boasted four new world water marks today.

Wisdom Defined. Atchison Globe: Wisdom probably is knowing that you don't know much.

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Because Catarrh affects the nose and throat, causing sores in the nostrils, stoppage of air-passages and gathering in the throat, it has been common practice to treat Catarrh with salves, washes and sprays applied to these parts.

Will Claim Title. [United Press Leased Wire Service.] CLEVELAND, Ohio, Feb. 4.—If Manager Jimmy Dunn and Champion Kilbane persist in their resolve to call off the scheduled fifteen round bout for the featherweight title at Baltimore March 17, George Chaney, contender, will claim the title by default.

Platform: It Pays to Advertise. Des Moines Capital: How would this ticket do? For president, Estabrook; for vice president, Pastor Russell.

SITUATION IS STILL UNCHANGED

President Justice Has no New Statement to Make, But Says That Plans Are Progressing.

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Davenport and Rock Island Sport Writers Rap C. A. President, But Appear to be Puzzled.

There was no further statement forthcoming from President Justice of the Central association today concerning his Rock Island visit.

Justice states that he is fortified on all fronts and can stand the paper bombardment.

Although the Rock Island, Davenport and Moline newspapers are antagonistic to President Justice of the Central association, and the accounts published about his visit to Rock Island call it a failure in all of the stories there is a note of uncertainty.

President Justice told the baseball scribes that he was prepared and had secured sound financial backing for the new club, and although they deride this, they nevertheless are puzzled and apparently feel that President Justice has something yet to be revealed.

The Davenport Democrat says that the visit was apparently not successful although the statement is not made with any great degree of confidence.

Though Justice, before leaving, announced that he had secured financial backing in Rock Island, he also stated that he would await the decision of the national commission on President Tearnay's protest before taking any further action.

Mutiny in Committee. That Justice's opinions, however, are not shared by all the members of his committee, is evident from the statement made by Mr. Strube, who was decidedly outspoken in reviewing the trip to Rock Island.

Justice, however, took the stand that there would be a C. A. club in Rock Island in 1916, no matter what the local sentiment might be.

Scouts on the Trail. Representatives of the Rock Island Three-Eye club were on the trail of the C. A. committee during the entire day Wednesday.

She'll Miss Something. St. Joseph Gazette: Mrs. Pankhurst has been invited to come right in and make herself as much at home as she can feel in a perfectly peaceful country.

Work for Colonel Hepburn. Des Moines Tribune: Now that Colonel Hepburn has recovered from his recent serious illness, he might find occasion for writing at least a few biographical chapters, without taxing his newly won good health.

Wired National Commission. The only thing the committee did do while in Rock Island was to send a telegram to Garry Herrmann, chairman of the national commission.

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Keokuk Man Brings Checker Board Back From Hamilton Side

[Special to The Gate City.] HAMILTON, Ill., Feb. 4.—M. J. Stanton of Hamilton, the man who spent many a weary hour in making an invalid and highly artistic checkerboard that was to be better than all other checker boards, proved himself a better artist in delicate carpentry than in deep checker moves for he lost to J. M. Wright of Keokuk in a match played yesterday afternoon in Hamilton.

Wright won the first, second and fourth games, Stanton taking the third. The next match for the board will be played in Keokuk on Saturday, Feb. 12. Ralph Dee, the high school lad who is rated as one of the highest exponents of the game on the Hamilton side of the river will attempt to win the board back from Mr. Wright.

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For Preparedness at Home. Springfield, Mass., Republican: Another middle western congressman, who opposes the army increase program on noble idealistic grounds, has introduced a bill providing for the establishment of a government munitions factory in his district. He's for preparedness where the votes count from.

"It will not do to assume that any republican can be elected governor in a presidential year," says the Des Moines Tribune by way of advice to Iowa republicans.

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