

HIGH SCHOOL TEAMS IN BASKETBALL THIS NIGHT

MISSOULA SCHOLASTICS WILL TRY STRENGTH WITH PHILIPSBURG QUINTET.

LAST OF LOCAL GAMES

Home Team in Splendid Form and Anticipate Easy Victory—Much Improved in Basket Throwing—Wipe Out Old Score Tonight.

This evening at the university gymnasium the last basketball game of the season to be played here will take place between the Missoula county high school boys and a quintet from the Philipsburg high school. The game is the last time that the Missoula people will have a chance to see the local boys in action as they leave Tuesday night for a week in Bozeman, where the season will end. The local team had its final workout last night and were in perfect form. The teamwork is far better than that which has been shown during the year, while the basket throwing is great. The two forwards, "Hop" Prescott and "Red" Cummins are both old men at the game, having played on the team last year and all of this season up to the present time. The guards and the center, Edhart, Heaster and Clarence Prescott, are also members of the last season's cohort and the five lads lined up in action make a team that is hard to beat anywhere in the state. They can carry the ball down the field and drop it into the basket almost at will and tonight they will put on a classy exhibition, to say the least. Miller and Fox will play the bench and either is almost as fast and accurate as the first team men.

An Old Score. The team, as it was early in the season, was defeated by the Granite county lads but with the new men and the late experience and team work, they expect to take sweet revenge tonight by wiping out the former defeat. They are confident that while the game will be a hard one yet they will bring the scalp of their rivals into camp before the day is over. The Philipsburg team, it is understood, is in a rather crippled condition and that will facilitate the winning by the local boys. There will be a curtain-raiser between the Hollenbeck Colts and the second team of the university. This game will start promptly at 8 o'clock and after the two games there will be a dance in the gymnasium.

LEAGUE IS PROPOSED IN NORTHERN IDAHO

Kellogg, Feb. 29.—(Special.)—While the snow is still on the ground and baseball suits are still in mothballs Manager F. H. Brown of the pennant-winning Gardner-Kellogg team of 1911 is out looking around for a league for the coming season. Just what will be planned is a question, but that Gardner-Kellogg and Wallace will have teams is believed to be assured. "I have written to Spiesman at St. Maries regarding a league and have also taken the matter up with Jack Murray at Wallace," said Brown. "I do not know whether it will be advisable to get into a league with St. Maries, as the round trip cannot be made in one day, but we can work that out later. Couer d'Alene City is open and would make a good ball town if the transportation end of the deal can be worked out satisfactorily."

BASEBALL TONIGHT. The Mercantile and White House teams of the indoor league will battle in Bennett hall this evening. The game is a crucial one in the race for the cup and a large attendance is expected.

AGGIES ARE READY FOR THEIR GAME TONIGHT

COACH DOCKSTADER PUTS MEN THROUGH HARD TRAINING FOR THE MINERS.

CONTEST WILL BE CLOSE

Championship of the State in Basketball Depends on Outcome—Best of Mines Can Do is to Tie—Varsity is Out of the Running.

Bozeman, Feb. 29.—(Special.)—In anticipation of the hardest game of the season here Friday night when the state college basketball quintet meets the Miners, Coach Dockstader has been putting his men through hard training for the last few days. The same lineup as that which has been out for the rest of the games will be placed on the floor on this occasion. This lineup will be as follows: Hartman (captain) and Ross at forward, Wilcomb at center and Hodgskiss and Gosman at the guard positions. Hills will act as substitute. Taking the scores made by the two teams in their contests with the University of Montana as a basis, it can readily be seen that the contest will be a close one. The Miners scored 39 to the university's 11 points on Saturday and on the preceding evening the state college defeated the varsity by a score of 31 to 4. The college has three victories to its credit, so the best that the Miners can do is to tie them for the state championship if they should win the game Friday from the college. Owing to the three defeats of the university, two administered by the college and one by the Mines, that institution is out of the running for the state intercollegiate championship.

SANSOM'S MANAGER HERE AFTER MATCH

M. E. Lund, manager of Guy Sansom, who is now in St. Regis, where Mr. Lund is a prominent business man, arrived in Missoula yesterday to arrange a match with Tom Sontag, welterweight champion of the northwest. The men drew up a contract that is mutually agreeable and Mr. Lund deposited his forfeit money, which Sontag will cover before March 6. Sansom is touted as a whirlwind youngster and is challenging for the championship. The men will go onto the mat weighing 145 pounds. The match will probably be held on March 22.

RACING RESULTS

At Juarez. Juarez, Feb. 29.—Hawthorne proved himself the champion two-year-old in the meeting when he easily won the Mexican stakes at three and a half furlongs at Juarez today. It was his first start in nearly a month, but he won by four lengths. He took the lead at the start and won breezing. Summary: First race, six furlongs—Fundamental won; Prince Winter second; Clint Tucker third. Time, 1:13 1-5. Second race, five and a half furlongs—Free won; Zool second; Aeguin third. Time, 1:05 2-5. Third race, six furlongs—Phil Conner won; Light Knight second; Gus Hartbridge third. Time, 1:13 1-5. Fourth race, three and a half furlongs—Hawthorne won; Molloer second; Vested Rights third. Time, 1:09 2-5. Fifth race, six furlongs—Decussarian won; Sidon second; Mycene third. Time, 1:13 3-5. Sixth race, mile—Dangerous March won; Dutch Rock second; John Louis third. Time, 1:39 4-5. Al Belmont and Tommy Shea have been matched to box in Waterbury, Conn., March 14.

INSTITUTE SESSIONS IN MISSOULA

TUESDAY IN ORCHARD HOMES AND WEDNESDAY AT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

The farmers and fruitgrowers in the Missoula valleys are being interested in the institute sessions which have been announced for next week. On Tuesday, March 5, the first meeting will be held at the Orchard Homes Country Life clubhouse. There will be two sessions—morning and afternoon. Through the efforts of the chamber of commerce arrangements were made for a meeting in Missoula at the chamber's rooms on Wednesday. This will be more convenient for those living in and east of the city and in the Rattlesnake district although the programs for the meetings at both places will be arranged so that there will be no conflicts and those who attend the first day's meeting will find it equally interesting and profitable to be at the second day's sessions. All of the speakers and lecturers who have been at the meetings throughout the state will be at these meetings. In addition to the general subjects pertaining to farming, dairying, poultry, swine and livestock, there will be lectures by Horticulturist M. L. Dean. He will specialize blight and illustrate one lecture to show all stages of this disease from the development of the germ to the control and eradication of the disease by the use of the ax. Many charts will also be shown covering orchard insects and diseases. There will be demonstrations of pruning and grafting and much that is of interest to fruit growers who have a desire to produce good fruit.

BASEBALL NOTES

The South Atlantic league season will be divided, making two pennant races to be run for the benefit of the "Salle" fans. President Garry Herrmann of the Cincinnati Reds, is now a newspaper publisher, having purchased the Cincinnati Commercial Tribune. George Stovall looked good to several American league clubs, but President Somers decided that George looked his best when wearing a Cleveland uniform. When it comes to the latest style in men's scenery, Rebel Oakes, of the Cardinals, has the other big leaguers looking like Happy Hooligans under a truck. On the eve of his departure for the Giants' training grounds at Marlin, Texas, Fred Merkle was tendered a banquet and presented with a diamond scarfpin by Toledo fans. Another "Combs Day" is scheduled at Colby college next commencement, with the pitcher of the world's champions in the box for the alumni nine against the varsity. It is said the Philadelphia Nationals will drop their nickname "Quakers" and be known as "Eagles" the coming season. Looks like someone put one over on the Elks and Moose. "Gene" Foster will again be in charge of the grandstand at the Boston National league park. Foster is 74 years old, and the season of 1912 marks his 33rd year at the old grounds. Manager Callahan believes he has a real understudy for Billy Sullivan in Catcher Kreitz. It was a single by Kreitz that won the first game for the White Sox in the Chicago series last fall. The Chicago Cubs have signed Pitcher Marshall of last season's Rockford team in the Wisconsin-Illinois league. The youngsters, who weighs 200 pounds and stands six feet three inches, won 13 of the 18 games pitched for Rockford. "Assistant manager" is a new wrinkle in baseball, but it is catching on fast. Among the former big league stars who will "assist" the coming season are: Willie Keeler with Brooklyn; Monte Cross with the St. Louis Browns; Dick Gleason with the White Sox and Duke Farrell with the Boston Nationals. What league his Rochester Hustlers are champion of gets the goat of O'waller Chapin. Rochester won the pennant in the Eastern league last season, and then the name of the league was changed to International. How a team can be champion of a league that has not had a season, and how it can be champion of a league now out of existence, caused Chapin's nanny to beat it. Coach Wilbert Robinson declares that Louis Drucce of the Giants will be one of the star pitchers of the season. If the national commission gives permission the Blue Grass league will place teams in Louisville and Covington, Ky. Youngstown, now in the Central league, claims to have played to 112,000 persons in the Ohio-Pennsylvania league last season. Manager Wallace of the St. Louis Browns has engaged Lou Criger, the former big league catcher, to coach the young pitchers. This season all American league teams will dress at the grounds, which will save the clubs several thousand dollars in tailcoat bills. Pitcher Blaine Durgin, formerly with the Chicago Cubs and Cincinnati Reds Coast league team. With Tony Harrel acting as pilot, Toledo fans believe the Mud Hen will be there or near in the American association race. With "Gabby" Streets and Ed Sweeney working behind the plate, the New York Yankees are well fixed in the backstopping department. The Pittsburgh club paid \$35,000 for minor league players last fall and will have to pay \$5,000 additional if the players are retained. Jack Lewis, who will be given a trial at second base by the Boston Red Sox, lives in Pittsburgh, where he conducts an undertak'ng of the St. Louis Cardinals, will receive \$1,000 for three months' work, and is said to be the highest priced man in baseball.

COPPER LEADS WAY IN WALL STREET

AMALGAMATED LEADS UPWARD MOVEMENT AMONG TRADERS OF WALL STREET.

New York, Feb. 29.—Irregularity and dullness again were the dominant features of the stock market today until the afternoon, when prices of the speculative favorites moved upward under the lead of Amalgamated Copper. In the early part of the session the movement was checked by conflicting advices from London, respecting the coal strike situation. Domestic news was varied, embracing the reply of the federal government to the answer of the United States Steel corporation, negotiations for the voluntary dissolution of the International Harvester company, greater firmness in the copper market, conflicting reports regarding steel and iron trade and reports of railroad earnings for January. Additional gold exports to South America were reported, as well as a further drain upon the resources of local institutions which are likely to result in a heavy loss of cash at this center for the week. Earnings of the Union Pacific for January showed a decrease in gross of \$528,000, which by reason of increased cost of operations, increased total net loss of \$791,000. Southern Pacific, however, managed to increase its gross returns by a slight margin, but the net returns decreased \$321,000. Chicago & Northwestern lost \$280,000 in operating income, its deficit after fixed charges being increased by \$557,000. The bond market again was featureless aside from its steady tone. Total sales (par value), \$2,471,900. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

NEW YORK STOCKS

New York, Feb. 29.—Today's closing quotations on the exchange follow:	Close
Amalgamated Copper	67 1/2
American Smelt. & Ref.	72 1/2
do preferred	102 3/4
Anacosta	38 1/4
Atchison	101 1/4
Atlantic Coast Line	137 1/4
Baltimore & Ohio	102 3/4
Canadian Pacific	239 1/4
Chesapeake & Ohio	71 1/4
Chicago & Northwestern	112 1/4
Chicago, Mil. & St. Paul	105 1/2
Colorado Fuel & Iron	24 1/2
Colorado & Southern (bid)	43
Delaware & Hudson (bid)	189
Denver & Rio Grande (bid)	21
do preferred (bid)	42
Eric	31
Great Northern preferred	31 1/2
do One City (bid)	37 1/2
General Electric	161
International Harvester (bid)	105 1/4
Illinois Central	136
Louisville & Nashville	154 1/2
Lehigh Valley	159
Missouri Pacific	39
Missouri, Kansas & Texas	28 1/4
National Lead (bid)	52 1/2
New York Central	110 1/2
Norfolk & Western (ex div.)	109 1/2
Northern Pacific	117 1/2
Pennsylvania	122 1/4
Reading	154 1/4
Rock Island	23
do preferred (bid)	42 1/2
Southern Pacific	108 1/2
Southern Railway	28
Union Pacific	168 1/4
United States Steel	61 1/4
do preferred	107 1/2
Wabash (bid)	6 1/2
do preferred (bid)	18
Western Union	84

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

Chicago, Feb. 28.—Discovery that an error of 20,000,000 bushels had been made in computing farm reserves caused a sharp break today in the price of wheat. The close was a full cent under the top point of the session and 1/2 cent below last night. Heavy commission house selling of wheat preceded the corrected report. The statistician found on checking over his details a mistake of between 20,000,000 bushels and 25,000,000. This meant that the reserve should be 120,000,000 to 125,000,000 instead of 28,000,000. In a few minutes all the fresh advance since last night faded away. Attention in the crowd centered on the fact that the July delivery had passed May in the strongest swell of the year and remained at a premium. It was a nervous irregular market in oats. In the provisions pit for cigners buying laid off to a considerable extent the influence of the hog run being larger than expected. May wheat opened at \$1.02 1/2, with a range between \$1.03 1/2 and \$1.01 1/2. May corn opened at 69 1/2 to 69 3/4, closing at 69 1/2 and 69 3/4. May oats opened at 52 1/2 to 57 1/2, ranged between 53 1/2 and 62 1/2, and closed at 62 1/2 to 62 3/4.

LIVESTOCK MARKET

Chicago, Feb. 29.—Cattle—Receipts, 9,000; market slow to 10 to 15c down. Beves, \$4.90@5.00; Texas steers, \$4.60 @5.90; western steers, \$5.07; stockers and feeders, \$4.60@5.20; cows and heifers, \$2.15@6.65; calves, \$5.75@8.25. Hogs—Receipts, 11,000; market dull, generally 1c off. Light, \$8.15@8.45; mixed, \$8.15@8.45; heavy, \$8.15@8.45; rough, \$8.15@8.25; pigs, \$4.60@6.25; bulk of sales, \$8.30@8.45. Sheep—Receipts, 20,000; market steady. Natives, \$3.75@4.80; western, \$3.75@4.80; yearlings, \$4.90@5.75; lambs, native, \$4.00@6.95; western, \$5@7.

METAL MARKET

New York, Feb. 29.—Standard copper steady; spot, \$14.10@14.17 1/2; May, \$14.17 1/2@14.27; electrolytic, \$14.50@14.67 1/2; casting, \$13.87 1/2@14.12 1/2. Lead quiet, \$4@4.10. Spelter steady, \$6.65@6.75. Bar silver, 58 1/2c.

MINNEAPOLIS WHEAT

Minneapolis, Feb. 29.—Wheat—May, \$1.06 1/2; July, \$1.07 1/2@1.07 1/2. Cash—No. 1 hard wheat, \$1.07 1/2; No. 2 hard, \$1.06 1/2@1.07 1/2; No. 2 northern, \$1.04 1/2@1.04 1/2; No. 3 wheat, \$1.02 1/2.

WIFE OF RANCHER TAKES POISON

WOMAN LIVING NEAR BOZEMAN SWALLOWS STRYCHNINE AND DIES SOON AFTER.

Bozeman, Feb. 29.—Telling her children that that would be the last supper she should prepare for them, Mrs. William O'Connell, a farmer's wife living near Bozeman, this evening took a heavy dose of strychnine and was dead in less than an hour. Just after taking the poison her husband came into the house. "I have taken poison and am dying," she said. Already the convulsions were upon her. The husband called aid immediately, but his wife was dead long before physicians could reach the ranch. It is said that Mrs. O'Connell had frequently threatened to take her life and was of a morbid disposition. So far as known there was no particular aggravation that drove her to self-destruction and the theory of the coroner and county physician is that insanity was the cause. The five children of the dead woman, ranging from 2 to 12 years in age, were in the room when the act was committed.

SHEEP BOARD ASKS LEGISLATURE TO ACT

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serious as this to the stock interests; therefore, be it Resolved by this board, That we are opposed to the withdrawal of any more of the lands of this state for the purpose of preserving game at the cost of a reduction of a number of domestic animals that the state can maintain and, be it further Resolved, That we, as the representatives of an industry in which more than 10 per cent of the people of this state are directly interested and depend upon for a living, respectfully request the forestry officers to take no action in this matter at this time until the legislature which meets next January, shall have a chance to pass on the matter and, be it further Resolved, That the legislature is hereby petitioned to take such action, as shall be necessary to prevent the creation of any additional game preserves, and that some arrangement be made to transfer the increase of all over and above what the range will support in the park, to other suitable wild range where they will have a chance, an where it will require a good sportsman to kill them, instead of being slaughtered by the hundreds by 'pothunters' as they were last fall, there being no more sportsmanship required than there would be in the killing of cattle in the pens of a slaughter house."

NEW YORK MONEY

New York, Feb. 29.—Money on call steady, 2 1/2 @ 2 3/4 per cent; ruling rate, 3 1/2 per cent; closing bid, 3 3/4 per cent; offered at 2 1/2 per cent. Time loans, firmer: 60 days, 2 3/4 @ 3 per cent; 90 days, 3 @ 3 1/4 per cent; six months, 3 1/4 @ 3 1/2 per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 3 1/4 @ 3 1/2 per cent. Sterling exchange steady at decline, with actual business in bankers' bills at 48 1/2 for 60-day bills and at 48 1/2 for demand. Commercial bills, 48 1/2. Government and railroad bonds, steady.

WITH THE BOXERS

Jimmy Jarvis, who won the 125-pound national amateur boxing championship in Boston last year, is now boxing professionally in New York. Carl Morris and Jim Stewart will do it all over again, having been re-matched for a 19-round bout to take place in Brooklyn, March 29. Boxing and wrestling have got a strong hold in several of the large universities of the country, and tournaments between the students in the different classes are held frequently.

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