

BASEBALL Gessler Joins Nationals; Is in Fine Condition BOXING Plans for Big Fight Are Practically Complete TENNIS Meeting of Lawn Club Held

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NATIONALS SLOW UP

Eat and Sleep Well, but Have Sore Muscles.

DOC GESSLER IS ON SCENE

Outfielder Appears in Good Shape for a Trying Season—Kilmer Doing Well on Second—McAleer Much Pleased with Work—Break in the Fine Weather Now Feared.

Special to The Washington Herald. Norfolk, Va., March 9.—The practice of the Nationals will proceed for the next day or two at reduced speed. The pace that Manager McAleer has been putting them through is beginning to tell in some sore muscles. Of course, that was inevitable, but the general health of the men remains excellent. They look well, eat well, and sleep well. Trainer Quirk, who is closely watching the development of the team, told the manager to-night that some of them had sore muscles, and advised that work be not quite so strenuous. McAleer has much faith in the judgment of the trainer, and will be governed by his opinion.

Men Still Sick. In addition to their work on the field, most of the men walk to and from the park, a mile and a quarter from their hotel, twice a day. They enjoyed that until stiffness developed to-day. Most of the soreness, it is expected, will have disappeared before the end of the week. The third day of the training was equally as satisfactory as the two others. The squad was kept going fast on the field, the work consisting, as heretofore, of a morning and afternoon session of practice at batting and fielding.

Gessler Shows Up. Outfielder Gessler was the arrival of the day, and his appearance did McAleer good. He seemed to be in the pink of condition. He weighed in at 187½, about two pounds more than his playing weight, and that surplus was worked off during the day by Quirk.

Gessler himself says that he feels as fit as a fiddle, and only needs four days in which to get ready to play ball. Gessler came here from his home in Indiana.

Unglans, whose early arrival was looked for, is not now expected by Manager McAleer before the latter part of the week, when the other missing members of the squad get in camp.

The short time which the squad has been at practice may make predictions seem out of place, but it is improbable that McAleer has a star among the new material which he has here. The old men are showing much stronger than the new.

Kilmer Doing Well. Kilmer is doing well at second, and has captured that position. McAleer is pleased with his work.

Any improvement in the team, it would seem, must occur in the pitching staff. Of the pitchers here, Walker has probably shown the best form. He hooked some speed and curves this afternoon, and had fairly good control. The batting net is being used in the batting practice, and the catchers are doing no better.

Rapp, it would seem, would make an acceptable relief for Street in the catching department.

The boy Miller is making a showing in the outfield, but unlikely will capture a regular position.

The weather got cool and cloudy late this afternoon, and it looks as if there might be a break in the fine weather which has obtained since the arrival of the team.

TECH AHEAD IN SHOOT.

Outclasses Competitors in High School Rifle Tournament.

Four of the local high schools shot in the intercollegiate rifle tournament, under the auspices of the National Sportsman's Show, last night, the Tech team making the best showing. Central was second best, and the Business and Eastern teams tied for third. Technical is really out of the class with the other high schools, and is shooting at the same rate as the George Washington marksmen. There is a difference of 108 points between Technical and their nearest competitor, Central, in the high school match.

The difference in the scores between last night and the first night of the shoot is caused by the fact that Monday the Winchester targets were used, which allows a possible 600, while the National Association target, which will be used hereafter, only allows a possible 200, 300 standing and 100 prone. Last night's summaries:

Table with columns for school names and scores. Includes Central High School, Eastern High School, Business High School, and Gossip of the Boxers.

GOSSIP OF THE BOXERS.

The date of the P-Hy McGovern-Young Britt bout at Baltimore has been changed from March 15 to March 22.

Marty Baldwin will meet Battling Harley at one of the New York clubs after his date with Dick Hyland at Kansas City.

Jimmy De Forrest has Bobby Scanlon, of Philadelphia, under his wing, and will send him along at the New York clubs.

For the first time in his life, Eddie Smith, the "Frisco" referee, is being spanned. He is alleged to have given Tommy Murphy the better of the verdict with Owen Moran, but the reliable critics say that Murphy won cleanly.

GALLAUDET BOYS OUT

Kendall Green Collegians Working Hard.

NINE WILL BE STRONG ONE

Pitching Department Formidable with Birck and Battiste in Line. Craven to Play First and Capt. Hower at Third—Schedule Contains Games with Two New Teams.

With a squad of twenty-five candidates out for places on the team, and with seven veteran players to fill the regular positions they held last year, the Gallaudet College baseball candidates are practicing every afternoon on their diamond under the instruction of Capt. J. T. Hower. The men are hustling to get into form as soon as possible, and are running a merry race among themselves in their individual endeavors to win a place on the nine which will represent the Kendall Green Institute in the first practice game of the season, to be played with the Central High School in a short time.

With Birck and Battiste on the mound for the college, both of whom displayed their ability by the excellent article of ball they put up last year, the coach need fear nothing in the pitching department. Morris, another veteran of last year, will undoubtedly pitch a good share of this season's games, as he is doing most excellent work as far as seen yet this spring. The team has been out for only a few days, and very little opportunity has been given to get a line on the different candidates except from their work of last year. Holiday, a new man, wants to try pitching, but with the full staff accessible to the team at present, it is probable that he will be put in the outfield for most of the games. Rockwell, the man who will likely do the backstopping for the team this year, is making a good showing in the preliminary practice, and should do well in a regular game.

Craven to Cover First. Craven will cover first base this spring, his work last season precluding the possibility of any new man getting the job. Mason, a new man, has practically clinched his place at second, and will play in that position in the earlier games at least. Capt. Hower will do the stunt at third base for the team, and holds down the sack with ease, very few of the "hot ones" ever getting by his station.

At shortstop another new man to the team makes his appearance in the person of Durlan, who is certainly a good one for the place, covering a lot of ground in a characteristic, snappy style. In the other garden positions the veteran Arras is left in the field, Blanchard in right, and Holiday in center, will make a trio of players that will be hard to beat.

With no practice games as yet, there is no basis on which to figure the ability of the team in batting, but the men will get a thorough workout in that branch of the sport in their practice games, a series of which with the local high schools and the Georgetown Preps has already been arranged by Manager Elmer Talbert.

Schedule a Good One.

The complete schedule has been arranged for the regular games of the season, with four games to be played out of town, the Maryland Agricultural College, Eastern College, at Manassas, Va.; Mount St. Joseph's College, at Baltimore, and St. John's College, at Annapolis.

Two new teams appear on the schedule, which was published in The Washington Herald some time ago, that with Loyola College and with Eastern College. In these games the Kendall Green diamond artists expect their hardest struggle of the year, and are anxious to make a good showing.

BALL GAME ON WHITE LOT.

American Idea Company Trounces Burlesquers, 7 to 4.

In a close and interesting baseball game on the Monument lot yesterday the "American Idea" company, of the Columbia Theater, defeated Fred Irwin's burlesque company by 7 to 4. This game was the first played on the grounds this season.

The feature of the game was the pitching of Fay for Irwin's company and the batting of Conner for "The American Idea" company. Score: American Idea Co., 7; Irwin's Co., 4.

American Idea Company—Mechan, second base; Lebold, first base; Greenstone, third base; Whitton, shortstop; Tabler, left field; White, right field; Haverly, center field; Conner, catcher; Doyle, pitcher.

Fred Irwin's Company—Per, pitcher; Row, first base; Hicks, second base; Ringer, catcher; Gene, third base; Sylvie, right field; Curtis, center field; Mack, left field; Shullman, shortstop.

EXHIBITION GAMES.

AT MARLIN SPRINGS. R. H. E. Robinson's team, 2 0 0 1 0 0 1 2 7 7 2; Devlin's team, 0 2 0 0 1 0 2 1 6 3 0 9.

Hester—Marquand, Dickson, Klavitter, and Curtis; Keller, Brodie, Parsons, and Myers.

AT HOT SPRINGS. R. H. E. Brooklyn Regulars, 2 0 2 1 2 0 0 2 5 4 2; Brooklyn Colts, 1 1 0 0 0 2 0 1 0 5 11 2.

Batteries—Huber, Bell, Wilhelm, and Erwin; Miller, Scheinberg, Rucker, Deana, Ulrich, and Berg. Umpire—Mr. Dahlin.

RICKARD TURNS ACE

'Frisco Hold-ups Are Handed Lemon by Nevada.

BIG FIGHT ON RACE TRACK

Sam Fitzpatrick Not to Have Hand in the Game—Battleground Close to San Francisco—All Appears Clean Sailing for Jeffries-Johnson to Meet in the Ring.

New York, March 9.—The selection of the Emeryville race track near Oakland, Cal., which is across the bay from San Francisco, for the Jeffries-Johnson fight on July 4, is the result of some fine wire-pulling by Rickard and Gleason, the promoters, who have refused to be held up in road agent style by certain individuals in the Earthquake City.

It is understood that Rickard was informed ten days ago that he could have a permit to hold the fight in 'Frisco for \$5,000 cash and 20 per cent of the money in excess of the purse and expenses. Rickard refused to be held up in this manner, with the result that when Thomas H. Williams, owners of the Emeryville track, received a hint that he could get the fight, he jumped at a chance to recover the losses incurred by the race meeting, which has been running a local and all-winter meeting.

Can Go Forty-five Rounds. Emeryville is a township which includes the race track property. It has its own mayor and police force and enjoys the favor of the officials of Alameda County.

The track can be reached by large boats running from 'Frisco in about twenty-five minutes, the battleground being about as far from the Earthquake City as Staten Island is from the Battery. The boats are equipped with dining-rooms and can transport many passengers.

New stands will be constructed to accommodate 30,000 people. As the track is outside the city limits the law permits a 45-round fight without a chance for a lull.

Jeffries and Johnson, when notified today that the battleground had been selected, each was pleased with the plans. Jeffries, who is in Los Angeles, said he would have refused to fight outside of California. He confirmed the report that he had chosen a place in the mountains near Santa Cruz for his regular training camp, and said he would begin active work there on April 1. Johnson has already engaged quarters near San Francisco and will begin training on May 1.

"Big Tim" Sullivan, the permanent stakeholder, received a telegram to-day from Rickard stating that Emeryville had been finally chosen, and that work on the big arena would begin as soon as the winter race meeting ends early in April. Rickard also declared there was nothing left to be done except the posting of the entire \$100,000 purse and the selection of a referee.

Welsh as Referee.

Charles Eytan, of Los Angeles; Jack Welsh, of 'Frisco, and Eddie Smith are the foremost candidates for the position of third man in the ring. It is well understood that the referee must be a "native son," and as Johnson is strongly in favor of Welsh, he may be the man. It is conceded that 'Frisco failed to get the fight because of the attitude of John L. Hebert, one of the police supervisors.

It is a well-known fact that Hebert tried to dictate to Rickard and Gleason by insisting that a club managed by Sam Fitzpatrick should stage the mill. As Rickard did not care to have outsiders cut into the affair he decided in favor of Tom Williams, whose terms were more reasonable, it is reported.

So, after months of senseless wrangling the battleground has been fixed and it looks as if no further obstacles can be thrown in the way of the big fight for the heavy-weight championship of the world.

TUCKERMAN IN TOURNEY.

Chevy Chase Golfer Tied for Second Place at Pinehurst.

Pinehurst, N. C., March 9.—One hundred and eighty-nine players started in the qualification round of the sixth annual spring golf tournament to-day and all but one or two returned cards.

In the lead was E. B. Humphreys, of the Camden Country Club, with a card of 76; W. R. Tuckerman, of Chevy Chase, G. H. Crooker, of the Alpine Golf Club, and Col. J. E. Smith, of the Wilmington Country Club, bunched in a triple tie for second place at 79 each.

Capablanca Wins Title.

New York, March 9.—By defeating C. Jaffe in the third game of the supplemental match to break the tie in the annual tournament of the New York State Chess Association, at the rooms of the Rice Chess Club, yesterday, Jose R. Capablanca, the Cuban expert, won the title of New York State champion. The series resulted in favor of the Cuban by the score of 2 to 0, with one game drawn.

Y. M. C. A. Reserves Deny Story.

The Y. M. C. A. Reserves basketball team wish to deny the statement recently that the Reserves were defeated by the Pounding quint. The Reserves claim to have a victory to their credit against this team.

Columbia Crews to Go on River.

New York, March 9.—If the present favorable weather continues, the Columbia crews will have their first real row of the year on Monday afternoon, when Jim Rice, the coach, plans to get his men on the water. The Hudson is free of ice, and there will be no danger of smashing boats on stray cakes. The boathouse at Edgewater is ready for the crews. The new launch will be officially named on Monday afternoon by a delegation of the class of 1910, which gave the boat.

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RACING CARDS FOR TO-DAY.

Table with columns for Jacksonville, Tampa, and San Francisco. Lists race times and participants.

JACKSONVILLE RESULTS.

Table with columns for Jacksonville race results, including race numbers, names, and times.

JULY 4 PAGEANT DEFERRED

Procession of Suitable Character is Substituted for Demonstration. Tableaux Scenes from Washington History to be Enacted on Historic Sites of City. Washington will not have a Pan-American pageant on next July 4. After a discussion yesterday by the joint committee of the celebration of the safe and sane Fourth of July the situation, and consideration of the fact that while ambassadors and ministers of South American republics have indorsed such a demonstration, not enough replies have been received. It was therefore decided to defer the event until next year.

TAMPA RESULTS.

Table with columns for Tampa race results, including race numbers, names, and times.

SAN FRANCISCO RESULTS.

Table with columns for San Francisco race results, including race numbers, names, and times.

McGOVERN MEETS BRITT.

Crack Boxers Matched for Baltimore March 22. Baltimore, March 9.—Young Britt, the local champion, will have the greatest opportunity of his career to become famous on Tuesday night, March 22, when he is to meet P-Hy McGovern, of Brooklyn, in a fifteen-round bout in this city. It will be the most important match for the Baltimorean, as during the past year McGovern has been simply invincible, and he promises to become just as famous as his brother Terry, who far a long time was the premier man in the feather-weight division.

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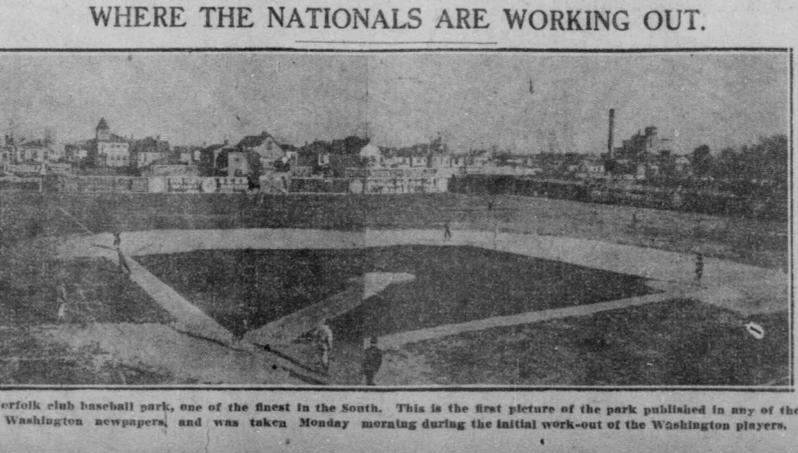
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