

# Close Race is Expected in Scholastic Basket-ball League--Opens Friday

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### Followers of Basket-ball Circuit Are Looking for Real Competition—Army and Navy Preps Are Not Contenders.

By "BUCK" HOWARD.

The followers of scholastic basket-ball are in line for some real competition when play is started in the championship series next Friday at the "Y."

Never before in the history of the indoor sport in the local schools have the teams been so evenly matched, and although the redoubtable Business five, scholastic champions of last year, has several veterans on hand, it is almost impossible to predict a winner.

The Army and Navy prep quint appears to be the only combination that is not generally considered a real contender. This is due to lack of material and being forced to lose the services of several veterans of last year's successful quint.

The loss of Joe Wise will undoubtedly weaken the Stenographers. Wise has been the backbone of his team's defense for the past three years, and during that time has outplayed almost every rival center. The weakened Business five will serve to make the outcome of the series all the more uncertain. With Wise in the lineup, Business would probably be dubbed the favorite, but with the giant center out of the way Western, Cathedral, and Eastern all have a glorious chance to top the honors.

The various teams have been showing remarkable form in every department to date and although there have been many reversals in form, the series is expected to bring out the comparative strengths of the teams which should afford many thrilling contests. An improvement in the passing game and the accurate goal shooting have been the real features of the anti-season games and as a result better exhibitions have been staged.

The first game of the series on Friday will bring Western and St. Albans together in what should prove a thriller. Western is representing a better team than has been the case for many years, and has shown to a good advantage on many occasions in this season. In Peck the Red and White has one of the best free tossers in the schools while Peck is a marvel in cutting goals from floor. If the Western guards can do a little better covering up and break up the opposition with more regularity, the followers of that school will find their team well up in the race.

In the first contest of the season St. Albans was a hair-raising exhibition from Friends and in doing so gave promise of offering a good account of themselves at any time.

Peaton March and Holmes, both of whom are tall and racy chaps, are expected to star for the Churchmen in the coming campaign. Both men have had considerable experience in the game and are able to give a good account of themselves at any time.

The newly organized basket-ball league is a life-saver to the lovers of the sport at Tech. For many weeks Mark Stowers and several other Tech boys interested in an organized indoor sport have put basket-ball back on the agenda.

However, until last Friday, when a meeting at Georgetown completed all arrangements for the scholastic league, all had been in vain. This in itself is one of the real features of the league in that Tech has a chance to show its speed in the indoor sport. From the material on hand it looks as though the Manual Trainers ought to be in competition and should

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## IN CHARGE OF INDOOR COURSE.



HOWARD H. BECKET. HENRY OBER.

Veteran professional golfer, and popular manager of the Saks & Co. sporting goods department, who will have charge of the indoor golf course, which has just been installed at the Seventh street haberdashers.

## Becket in Charge of Saks & Co.'s Links

### Noted Professional Golfer Will Be Instructor at Indoor Course at Seventh Street Store. Practice Driving.

Although the New York hotels and clothing stores were the first to inaugurate indoor golf courses the local firm of Saks & Co. have installed the largest indoor links in the country which are the very latest and up-to-date methods of playing the ancient game while the snow and sleet lay upon the green at the country clubs.

The nets have been in the store about two weeks and the local professional players and amateurs can be seen almost every day driving and putting on these well-equipped links. Many beginners at the ancient game are pupils at the school which is being conducted, and even the best of the veterans are frequenters of the course, so as to keep in practice their much-declined driving powers.

The idea was originated by the northern hotel proprietors, and nearly all of the large hotels in the "Big City" have installed the indoor course and have also placed in charge of the leading professionals of the country, who give instructions at the different strokes and drivers of the ancient and honorable game.

## ALL GIANTS NOW SIGNED; M'LEAN'S CONTRACT IN

### New Yorkers Also Add New Receiver Named Wendell to Their Player List.

New York, Jan. 9.—Every member of the New York Giants is now signed. Larry McLean, the star, is the last man to be signed. McLean's contract is for one year only. Larry will play the track for a minute during the entire twenty-four hours. Other contestants, much younger than Carey, were the result was that Carey finished twenty miles ahead of his nearest competitor.

In Brussels Carey defeated nearly fifty contestants in a minute during the sprint during the last hour of the grind. As it was, Carey's team finished near the top and grabbed off a nice slice of money.

### Y QUINT FAILS TO SHOW.

### Midshipmen Divide Squad and Have Good Game.

Annapolis, Md., Jan. 9.—There was no regular basketball game at the Naval Academy this afternoon. The Washington and Annapolis teams were scheduled to meet, failed to get to the academy before the game was scheduled to start. The game was postponed to the start of the game, the Navy manager, received a telephone message stating that the Annapolis team had missed the car on which they had planned to make the trip.

### Railroaders Win Two.

The R. E. Y. M. C. A. basket-ball quint easily defeated the first Harty team of the National League in a slow and uninteresting game the first round being 42 to 36. In the preliminary round, the R. E. Y. M. C. A. defeated the M. C. A. and the Kendall School, the former was victorious, winning by the decisive score of 37 to 23. The game was a real contest, and it is supposed that Smith, the regular captain, was one of the winning team. The game was hard fought from start to finish and afforded much interest to the spectators.

### Baseball Men Outdoors.

Philadelphia, Jan. 8.—The University of Pennsylvania baseball candidates had their first outdoor practice of the year yesterday afternoon. Taking advantage of the balmy weather, Coach Roy Thomas led his entire squad of a dozen pitchers and catchers out on the field, and they worked out there for nearly an hour.

### Claim "Hold-up" Game.

New York, Jan. 9.—A man in close touch with International League affairs declared yesterday that Richmond and Syracuse are trying to "hold up" the big Class AA organization before it will be allowed to establish clubs in those cities. This is the alleged cause of all the delay in announcement of the expected circuit changes.

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## CHARLEY BRICKLEY NOW TO ASSIST HAUGHTON TO TRAIN WILLARD

### Crimson Star and Former Captain Will Help Drill Grid Candidates Next April.

According to a dispatch from Boston, Charley Brickley, captain of Harvard's football team, will be in the city next April, when he will be assisting Coach Perry D. Haughton at the spring practice that will be held for all the varsity football men.

### ST. DOMINIC'S PRACTICE.

### Southwest Churchmen Are Looking for Games.

### Five Past Quint to Start Second Series Tomorrow Night.

### Tigers' Passing Features.

### Championship Tourney in Philly.

### JUAREZ RESULTS.

### National Quint Wins.

### Ritchie-Welsh Matched.

### Aggies Trim Army.

West Point, N. Y., Jan. 9.—The Aggies defeated the Army at hockey today in the opening game of the local season by a score of 1 to 1. The Aggies started all around the "Y" and had things pretty much their own way through all of the first half, which ended 9 to 1 in their favor. The rest of the game was a struggle and the score was tied throughout.

From left to right—Messrs. von Stade, C. C. Rumsey, C. F. Beadleston, M. Stevenson.