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East Washington Sunday School League to Apply Formally.

CHURCH LEAGUE IS YET UNDECIDED

Vice President Bolgiano's Successor Will Be Elected In Near Future.

At the next monthly meeting of the Amateur Baseball Commission, which will be held some time next week, all applications for franchises in that organization will be acted upon. Among the circuits to be considered is the East Washington Sunday School League, which will operate four teams that bear the names of prominent Sunday schools in that section of the town.

Although nothing official has been announced, it is understood that a verbal understanding exists between President Young, of the commission, and Secretary Love, of the East Washington Sunday School League, that the new circuit will be admitted. It will play its games on the grounds at Thirteenth and D streets northeast.

The old Sunday School League that flourished here in season is undecided as to what effort it will make to play organized baseball this summer.

Baseball player of the Government department who are not sufficiently proficient to perform on teams of the Departmental League will have the opportunity of joining a Subdepartmental League, which will be a farming circuit for the main body. The subdepartmental teams will not come under the commission, but will play independently with other teams of the District.

Of other business to be transacted at the next meeting of the commission is the election of a vice president. The resignation of Mr. Bolgiano, who served as well last season, is the cause of much regret to all of those who come in contact with him. Increasing personal business caused Mr. Bolgiano to retire from the presidency of the commission and he has informed his fellow-workers in the interest of amateur baseball that he must withdraw entirely from active life in the commission.

Pittsburg, of U. S. League, Holds First Practice

Manager Charles Phillippe of the Pittsburgh United States League club had a squad of fifteen or twenty catchers and pitchers on the grounds of Duquesne University yesterday afternoon. The playing field was ankle-deep with mud, and the young players who are eager to land berths with the club were forced to do their exercising in the fences, where the soil was not quite so soft and yielding.

There were tall players, short players, stout players and slender players; some who looked as if they knew what they were there for and some who didn't. The players came from all sections of Greater Pittsburgh, each provided with a uniform. Some of these fitted the forms of the players, others gave the spectators a fit. There were white uniforms, yellow uniforms, brown uniforms, combination uniforms, blue uniforms, clean uniforms and soiled uniforms, the latter predominating.

When the future Mat Johnsons, O'Tooles, Cammittees and other well-paired off with catchers they were told by Phillippe to take matters easy, as the air was not so hot as it would be when they began trying their benders, shoots and speed, each being told to report when he had something which he had been concealing in his sleeve all winter.

After watching the fooling fingers for a short time, Manager Phillippe remarked: "All right let 'em go ahead; I have cautioned them, but if they want to get gay that is their own business. I have an idea some of them will show up here tomorrow carrying their arms in slings, while others might not show up at all; they won't be able to get out of bed. If these pitchers only would understand that I do not expect any of them to use speed or curves until the weather gets warmer, but that all I want is to get a line on action, they surely would take things easier."

Phillippe was very favorably impressed with the showing by several candidates, but very properly refrained from giving voice to any opinion for a publican.

It is the intention to keep the pitchers and catchers busy during the remainder of the week, by which time Phillippe hopes to be able to get lines on those who look the most promising. Several twirlers of experience, who have signed, will not be asked to report until the team goes to Old Point Comfort.

Next week about thirty candidates for infield and outfield positions will be invited to Phillippe and be given every opportunity to show what they can do. Claude Ritchey did not put in an appearance yesterday and it is likely he will not be asked to report before next Monday. Claude is now in a lumber camp wielding an ax and writes Phillippe that the exercise thus obtained is doing him a world of good.

Devlin on First.

NEW YORK, March 25.—Arthur Devlin is making a serious study of first base play. He has bought a first baseman's mitt—which Fred Merkle is helping him to break in—except when ordered by McGraw to third, he is usually to be found on first. He is not yet a finished performer at the hot corner, but he is doing better work there than other men McGraw has broken into the place since Merkle was developed.

Arm Is Paralyzed.

CLEVELAND, March 25.—Joe Jackson's brother, Dave, whom Joe recommended to the Cleveland club last season, is out of baseball. His left arm was broken last winter and now is paralyzed. Joe asserts that Brother Dave would have been the star of the Jackson family but for the accident to his arm.

Work to Keep Title.

PHILADELPHIA, March 27.—Pennsylvania's half-milers are working hard, as they hope to retain the title on relay day. Foster, Church, and Becker are in the front, while several other men are running just enough to make a capable fourth runner.

The Baseball Fan's Blushing Bride

Drawn for The Times

By Goldberg



THIRD NIGHT OF MATCHES TO BE HELD AT BARRACKS

Boxing and Wrestling Between Engineers Tomorrow Evening.

Finals in the wrestling and boxing matches between engineers at the Washington Barracks will be held at the barracks tomorrow night, commencing at 8 o'clock. The boxing matches will be for six rounds each.

The second carnival of athletics was witnessed by a large and enthusiastic audience last night, when five boxing bouts and three wrestling matches were contested. An exhibition match was seen between Pedroll and Morinski, the event having been called a draw.

In the boxing bouts two out of five were draws and all of the wrestling matches were declared draws.

Results: BOXING. Cook, Company B, 117 pounds, won over Lawson, Engineer School, 142 pounds. McCormick, Company D, 134 pounds, won over Davis, Company D, 134 pounds. Spozza, Company C, 153 pounds, vs. Mikulski, Company B, 142 pounds, draw. Bergeron, Company B, 129 pounds, won over Brack, Company B, 147 pounds. Dorf, Company D, 150 1/2 pounds, vs. Pilkington, Company C, 149 pounds; draw.

WRESTLING. Brittle, Company A, 146 pounds, vs. Hogan, Company D, 156 pounds; draw. Smakal, Company B, 127 pounds, vs. Simmons, Company B, 120 pounds; draw. Helwegen, Company A, 145 pounds, vs. Smith, Company B, 145 pounds; draw. EXHIBITION. Pedroll vs. Morinski, draw.

Woodberry Announces Baseball Schedule

ORANGE, Va., March 27.—Woodberry Forest School has announced its baseball schedule for the coming season. All of the best scholastic teams in this section have been included in the dates and many good contests should be seen.

The schedule: March 27—University of Virginia, second team. April 1—Miller's School, April 15—McGuire's University School, April 19—University of South Carolina, April 23—Eshburn Military Academy, April 27—Episcopal High School, at Alexandria, April 30—Cluster Springs Military Academy. May 4—Technical High School, May 6—Jefferson School, at Charlottesville. May 11 or 12—Culpeper, at Culpeper. May 18—Episcopal High School.

Bill Kelly Shows Well In Field and at Bat

ST. LOUIS, March 27.—Bill Kelly is certainly showing up fine in practice. He is burning them across the diamond with unerring accuracy. At the bat he is also doing some hitting. Bill is being used as a pinch hitter. He is out of baseball. His left arm was broken last winter and now is paralyzed. Joe asserts that Brother Dave would have been the star of the Jackson family but for the accident to his arm.

BINGLES AND BUNTS

By Grantland Rice.

To the Profess. (Modelled a trifle after F. P. A.'s advice.) Scribbles of the sinner who trails each other, Hurling the office-boy bag with a flag, Makes no diff. if she is a grandmother, You gotta stop killing her every spring.

As Georgia Has Remodeled It. Tide, Time, and Ty for no man wait— Hank Still True to Old Times.

Taking up the question with Henri O'Day, the well-known Frenchman from Killarney, the only thing a ball club gets by kicking at a judge of play's decisions is something else to kick about later on in the game. "There are certain managers and players," opines Hank, "who'll slip you the bunk that kicking paves the way for close ones later on. There isn't any argument to a debate of this sort. Suppose you were umpiring—or any fan in the stand was umpiring—if he was inclined to give either club the edge, would he favor the team which was accepting his decisions without complaint, or pass the shade along to the club attempting to make his life miserable at every turn of the fight? In other words, would you feel more friendly to a guy who came up and shook your hand, or to one who came up and attempted to stamp on your toe nails? That's the answer to it all. And that's why neither I nor any member of my squad will go out after umpires this season, no matter how the umpires may go after us, which they won't do if we leave them alone."

Redland Prospects. The job which confronts Mr. O'Day this season is full of knots and unseemly knots. To finish in the first division he must beat out New York, Chicago, Pittsburg, or Philadelphia. To head the second division, he must nose out St. Louis, a ball club that with an improved pitching staff is liable to raise merry hell again.

And, just back of Hank, the bolstered up squads of Brooklyn and Boston are strong for the uplift, and loudly demanding loftier elevations. This frames a highly technical situation for the ex-ump., who may do good work as a leader and yet fail to improve Redland's 1911 abode.

A. L. H.—Different nationalities represented in ball-dom include Wagner, German; Lajoie, French; Knott, Irish; Pole, Italian; Almeida, Cuban; Callahan, Irish; Severud, Norwegian; Johnson, Swede; Bender, Indian; Ford, Canadian; Mathewson, Scot. And then, again, there's Mike Finn, who isn't.

Election of Officers At Interclub Canoe Ass'n. Foolish Plays Peeve Manager Harry Davis

NEW ORLEANS, La., March 27.—No Cleveland player need have serious fear of a call-down from Manager Harry Davis after booting one, or maybe two, but the man who pulls a bone is destined to hear about it in no unmistakable terms, according to Paddy Livingston. A foolish pitcher on the diamond is the only thing which will actually ruffle Davis' disposition.

While on that line, it may be well to recall a few remarks dropped by the chief a few days ago. With two strikes on one of the New Orleans batsmen and one ball, one of the Nap hurlers shot the ball over the plate with high, Davis said nothing then, but that night within the hearing of some of his men he declared: "I don't mind seeing a fellow put an occasional ball over the plate, but when conditions require that a ball should be pitched wide and it is not, I am going to know the reason why, and I will know whether the responsibility rests with the pitcher or catcher. A pitcher may fail to locate the proper spot occasionally, but if he falls often it is time for him to start to acquire control."

Brown Enters Meet. PROVIDENCE, R. I., March 27.—Brown University, is the latest college to enter the Penn relays. It will not have a relay, but will enter its best men in the special events. Bartlet, its weight thrower, is the star.

Marquard to Pitch. NEW YORK, March 27.—Ball fans are betting that Marquard will pitch for the Giants in the opening game in Brooklyn on April 11. They figure that the uncertain weather may keep Mathewson bundled up in sweaters.

Powell Is Confident. ST. LOUIS, March 27.—Jack Powell, of the Browns, in spite of the fact that he weighed 225 pounds when he reported for duty, says he has no doubt as to his ability to pitch as well as ever.

Central Victorious. Central High School won over the Naval Medical School by 10 to 4. Taggart and Kimball were both given trials in the box for Central, and both look promising. Yoho, Snyder, and Burns pitched for the Medical nine.

Autrey Has Rheumatism. BOSTON, March 27.—Chick Autrey, the former Boston National first baseman, who is now with St. Paul, is laid up with rheumatism here and will be unable to get into the game for two or three weeks.

MONDAY-MACKEY MATCH TONIGHT AT GAVETY THEATER

Veteran Wrestler Lost But One Out of Seven Bouts Last Year.

Washington's wrestling interests are to be centered at the Gavety Theater this evening when Bob Roy Mackey, of this city, makes his reappearance on the mat having as his opponent Young Monday, of Brooklyn.

The match was arranged only after Mackey had issued a sweeping challenge to wrestle with any man of his weight Monday took up the deal and both men posted a forfeit which goes as a side bet. In addition to this the winner will receive a purse of \$50 which has been offered by the theater.

Mackey lost but one out of his seven matches last season and as he has been taken on considerable weight and considers himself in excellent shape he is backing himself to win. In Young Monday, however, the Washingtonians have an opponent who has made most favorable impressions in the bouts in which he has shown in this city.

The articles of the best two out of three and P. F. O'Connor will officiate as referee.

Georgetown Will Not Run in Penn Relays

It has been definitely decided by the track authorities of Georgetown University not to send a team to the University of Pennsylvania relay carnival, which is to be held in Philadelphia on April 28 and 29. This action is directly opposed to the plans which Manager Kingsley had formulated during the winter for the outdoor campaign, but the board of trustees, which is unable to train because of baseball work.

Both of these men are needed for the success of the diamond squad and therefore it would be impossible for them to take up active training on the cinder paths at this time.

City done away with, the work of the outdoor track squad will be devoted to the training of the South Atlantic Intercollegiate Association, which is to be held in Baltimore in May.

The squad will be ordered to report here Monday, for the initial outdoor practice, and from then on until after the meet the men will work every afternoon in the baseball field track which will go into training for track, just previous to the meet, if capable substitutes can be found to fill their positions on the line. If no one is found to replace them, they will probably enter the big games without any special preparation, which they will not be able to perform as well as they should have trained for track work, they should be able to win a few second or third places for the Blue and Gray aggregation.

With Davis and Chapman eliminated, Bob Eller, Brewer, Landon, Golden, McGrath, and Costello will be depended on to gather the points for the West End school, and if their work during the indoor season can be taken as a criterion for their performances on the track paths, the Hilltoppers stand a brilliant chance of adding the South Atlantic outdoor track championship, the premier honors they have already won in their career, to their list of titles.

Eller can be counted upon to win first place in all of the hurdle races at the S. A. I. A. games, while he, Brewer, and Costello should be able to collect a goodly number of points in the dashes. Harry Costello won the pole vault at the Georgetown games on March 2, and Manager Kingsley is confident that the Meriden athlete will not be found wanting when opposed to the other collegiate vaulters of the South Atlantic States in May.

Callahan, Devlin, Mulligan, and Hurley will most likely be entered in the mile run, and although they failed to place in any race during the winter season, they displayed the form which warrants the belief that they will acquit themselves more creditably during the outdoor campaign.

Has Powerful Pitchers. BROOKLYN, March 27.—Bill Dalhin says he has a powerful staff of pitchers with Rucker, Berger, Stack, Knetzer, Hixon, Schardt, and Allen to depend upon.

BOB THAYER'S Sporting Gossip

"Every Knock In A Boost."

Now for some real baseball.

Clark Griffith and Company are sure to receive a hearty welcome during the series of exhibition games that has been scheduled for National Park. For years there was a cry for the elimination of the veterans and the signing of youngsters. Griffith has followed out this idea and it will be interesting to see what results he can obtain.

Amateur Commission ready to meet.

Robert Roy Mackey is once more with us tonight, when he endeavors to prove that he can come back in his match with Young Monday. Mackey has been training faithfully for weeks and if confidence counts for anything he can be named as the winner even at this hour.

Denning easy for Gibbons.

The Nationals are pretty fortunate in being able to obtain such a competent umpire as Eddie Handiboe for the early games. Handiboe does not have to report for his work in the American Association for about two weeks, and in the meantime he can get into good condition by officiating in the preliminary contests.

Wolgaat after Kilbane.

Georgetown can be counted upon to fight it out to the wicket with the Nationals today. Although the relations between the Washington club and the university are most cordial, nothing would please the collegians more than to slip one over on the pros.

Central High takes opener.

Coach Gargan was well pleased by the showing made by his Central High team against the Naval Medics. Although composed mostly of newcomers, the Centralists expect to cause considerable trouble in the interscholastic series.

Royals roll well.

It is good news to hear that all the Detroit Tigers escaped serious injury in that railroad wreck in Mississippi. Eddie Summers' wrenched knee is about the worst, although young Maloney has a sprained ankle.

Wrestling tonight.

Wildness cost the Catholic University that game with Swarthmore, for when the fireworks started the Brooklanders were even and playing better ball. For so early in the season and the short time they have had to practice, the Catholics have been putting up a pretty high-class game.

Hemphill trims Yankees.

Griffith had his whole squad out at National Park early this morning assigning lockers and arranging things generally. Superintendent O'Day, Groundkeeper Fitzgerald, and the rest of the attaches of the park have been so busy of late that the players found everything in excellent condition. The manager seemed especially pleased with things.

Fox hunt Saturday.

The board of faculty athletic advisers of the high schools has acted wisely in obtaining Union Park for the baseball field. This grounds is a much better place for the contests as considerable money can be made at the gate, something that was impossible at the Y. M. C. A. field.

Kilonis ready for Barnes.

Several golfers of this city are included in the handicap list which has just been announced by the United States Association. L. M. Harban is rated under handicap 5; John Davidson, E. B. Eynon, F. O. Horstmann, G. C. Lafferty, Allan Lord, and O. McCammon under handicap 6; Charles Evans, Jr., Herreshoff, Seckel, Travis, and Travers are the scratch men on the official rating.

Kilbane to Witness Bouts at Empire A. C.

NEW YORK, March 27.—Johnny Kilbane, feather-weight champion of the world, will witness three bouts tonight at the Empire A. C. as the guest of the McMahon brothers, who are promoting a series of elimination fights.

The bouts tonight will be between Tommy Houck and Patsy Kline; Johnny Dundee and Young Warner, and Eddie O'Keefe and Joe Coster. Excepting Kilbane and Abe Attell, the boxers who will meet tonight are said to be the "fastest and most scientific featherweights in America."



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