

FRANKLIN COLLEGE GAME HERE IS CALLED OFF

SANDY SEEKS FAST BATTLE FOR HUSKIES

Trying to Get Clarksburg Here for Game Thursday or Friday.

Franklin college will not meet the Normal school five here Thursday evening of this week, owing to the fact that this game was dropped from the schedule several days ago by mutual agreement of the managers of the two teams. This being the case, the Normal is so far listed but for one contest this week, playing Salem at Salem on Saturday evening. Sandy Toothman, however is making every effort to secure a game with the Clarksburg Collegians to be played here either Thursday or Friday evening of this week, and expects to get a definite answer today or tomorrow. The Clarksburg bunch defeated the locals at Clarksburg and our boys want another shot at them in this city.

Next week the Normal team takes a trip. Two of the games on this trip have been called off, those being with Shepherdstown and Martinsburg. Y. M. C. A. Games are still scheduled with Terra Alta, Cumberland, K. O. G., D. & E. and Keyser. Sandy wants to have the Terra Alta and K. O. G. games moved up from the 16 and 17 to the 13 and 14, so that the trip will last but four days, taking in the 13th, 15th, 16th and 17th.

The high school will have a week end trip to make this week, playing at Terra Alta Friday and Grafton Saturday.

Varsity Lands Normal Battle

Locals Play Good Ball But Lose Out in the Second Half.

Coach Stadrold's West Virginia tossers barely managed to nose out Toothman's Normalites Saturday evening 28-19, while a crowd that taxed the capacity of the new gymnasium to the limit, rooted all the way for the local lads to gain the decision. It is only natural when the home team is being beaten to feel that the referee is a sort of detriment to the community, but so far as we could see there was no reason for any fuss about the referee Saturday night. He did not call them as close in the second half as he did in the first, but he was absolutely fair, and the box score shows that he called four more fouls on the visiting team than he did on the home crew.

Jimmie Knight played another of those spectacular games which has stamped him as one of the greatest basketball players in the country. Jimmie never fought harder in his life for a victory than he did against West Virginia, and it was a shame that he was denied the same. He only made three baskets, but they were all beauties and his general all-around work was in class all its own. Mike Hamilton also played brilliant ball at forward against superior weight on the opposition. All the Normal boys played good ball and their showing was such as to win them new friends among the great crowd.

Up until within two minutes of the end of the first half the Normal lads were playing the Varsity to a standstill, the count being 11-11 with only a little over a minute to play in the first period. In the short time remaining of the half, West Virginia managed to cage a couple of field goals and the score was 15-11. The Varsity outplayed the locals in the second half 13 points to 8 and the game was never in doubt after the first 10 minutes of the second period. This is only the second instance this year where the locals have been outplayed in the second half, the other time being the Bethany game.

For the visitors, Hawkins and Kiger were the big point getters, each making five field baskets. Morrison shot 8 out of 12 fouls for West Virginia and M. Hamilton 9 out of 16 for the locals. The score:

Normal	19	West Va.	28
Forward	.....	Hill	.....
M. Hamilton	.....	Hawkins	.....
Shuman	.....	Kiger	.....
Lough	.....	Morrison	.....
P. Hamilton	.....	Dawson	.....
Substitutions:	.....	West Virginia—	.....
Field baskets:	.....	Fairmont Normal—	.....
Knight, 3; M. Hamilton, 2; West Virginia—	.....	Hawkins, 5; Kiger, 5.	.....
Foul baskets:	.....	Fairmont Normal—	.....
M. Hamilton, 9 in 16; West Virginia—	.....	Morrison, 8 in 12.	.....
Referee—R. L. Underwood, Fairmont Normal.	.....	Time of periods—20 minutes.	.....

Fairview Should Have No Alibi if Conquered Here

One of the most desperate basketball games of the year will be staged at the Normal school tomorrow evening when Fairview and Coach Kahn's men will come together in the second clash between the two teams this season. Fairview having defeated the locals at the Fairview gymnasium several weeks ago by a rather large score. The local boys will be out for revenge tomorrow night, and despite the great record Boyer's men have been making lately, will have a fighting chance to win the contest.

There is great rivalry between the two schools, between the players and the rooters, but there is no reason in the world why the game should not be a clean one all the way, not only from a playing standpoint, but from the rooters' angle. Very good treatment was accorded the local players when they went to Fairview, and the visiting team and followers tomorrow night should be extended every courtesy by the local basketball fans. One thing we hope there will be none of is the stunt of yelling at a visiting player when he is trying to shoot a foul. There is little of it done here, but it is an old trick to worry the opposition in a close battle.

Every loyal Fairmonter will be pulling for the high school lads to win tomorrow evening, and we don't want our victory, if secured, to be discounted a little because the fans did not give the visitors a fair deal. Let's give Fairview an honest-to-goodness beating. Treat them right and beat them on the level. That's us. Here's how.

MEETING TONIGHT OF BALL LEADERS

Diamond Moguls Will Gather Tonight to Discuss City League Affairs

Baseball leaders are listed for a session at the Y. M. C. A. this evening when the problems of the city league will again be given discussion and an effort made to reach a definite agreement for conducting the league this summer. Letters were sent out several days ago by the Y. M. C. A. inviting many of the local baseball leaders to the conference this evening and it is hoped that some definite action can be taken.

While nothing definite is stated in election of permanent officers, it was generally understood some time ago that at the next big meeting of the baseball moguls the temporary officers elected at the first session this year would be relieved of their duties and permanent officers elected. The meeting is called for 7:30.

Three and Two

Hurling Jimmy Ring gives credit for his pitching success to Christy Mathewson. Jimmy says Matty can certainly show a fellow how.

"When I broke into the big show the lack of a curved ball handicapped me. Of course, I had a curve, but not one that would fool the batters. When my speed died out I was gone. Matty was quick to diagnose my case. My grip was worthless and he showed me the proper one. First it interfered with my control, but Matty kept me plugging away, and eventually I was able to locate the plate again. The grip Matty taught me made me a pitcher."

W. E. Neal, business manager of the Louisville Colonels, is "sweet" on southpaws. If he had his way he'd dig up a whole staff of portersiders. "I would just as soon have a good staff of southpaws as a flock of right-handers. Look at the left-handed batters in the American Association, especially that Kansas City crew. Any good southpaw can turn 'em back in 1, 2, 3 order."

New York sport scribes have been charged with starting most of the sensational baseball stories emanating from that town and they're credited by many baseball men and sport fans with having hatched this Rogers Hornsby talk themselves, but there is something besides talk behind this proposed deal. There is a stack of iron men held by John McGraw. John wants Hornsby badly and the St. Louis club probably can afford to let him go in exchange for four suitable players and a bunch of cash. Branch Rickey said "No," but they've said that before and still found it possible to change their minds. The deal has more than an even chance of going through.

Charley Ebbets says he has raised the salaries of his players from 30 to 33 per cent, in each case. Ebbets will want more double headers now.

The price of baseballs goes to \$2.50 this season, so you think the kids will exchange a foul for admission to the bleachers?

A baseball star slipped on the ice and broke his collar bone; He woke up in a hospital and voiced an awful groan.

The doctor set the busted bone, Whereat he groaned some more; And then a bold insurance man Came bustling through the door.

"It's well you got," remarked this gent, "A policy from me; For now you'll get a bunch of coin To soothe your injury."

"Just make an application and you will be fixed up fine; Just put your signature right here Upon the dotted line."

The player shuddered once or twice And slowly nodded "no"; "I will not sign a thing," he said, "I am a hold-out, bo."

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PRIDE GOETH BEFORE FALL; GOOD ADVICE

Fairview May Run Into a Snag With Locals Tomorrow Night.

There is something uncanny about the way the Fairview high floor team has been cutting up the last few days. These suburbanites have been cavorting around in a manner that has made the people in the city sit up and take notice. And these same birds will be in the big city tomorrow night to tackle the Fairmont high school team at the Normal floor. Right now the best chance the locals have to win is the fact that seemingly they have no chance at all. That is to say that after a long run of sensational victories, Fairview is liable to come down here and fall flat on its face.

Among the baseball players who have been attending the races in Cuba this winter and who are due to start homeward soon, are Larry Doyle and Ross Young, both of the New York Giants.

Senator Knute Nelson thinks the sport pages should be abolished to conserve white paper. The sporting editors profess themselves willing to go before the people on the issue of abolishing either the Senate or the sport pages by popular vote.

Miller Huggins has shaken up the batting order of the scrubs team at Yankee headquarters. Bill Farnsworth now hauls off, but doesn't hit anything. Tom Thorp is the clean-up guy.

Billy Evans, American league umpire, is not a candidate for any job now held by Ban Johnson, president of the circuit. Evans was recently boomed for a berth at the head of the junior league's umpire department, by Harry Frazee, the hostile Boston manager. Evans recently declared he would prefer to remain "one of the staff" regardless of the outcome of the Johnson-Frazee-Ruppert-Comiskey tangle. Johnson is the man who gave Billy Evans his first opportunity to hold an indicator in the American league, and the premier "ump" was brought to Ban's attention by James R. McAleer, former owner of the Boston Red Sox. In the winter months, Evans is a physical director in one of the big Cleveland plants of The General Electric Co.

American league managers are chucking over the fact that Huggins of the Yanks has two of baseball's hardest-men-to-handle on his roster in Babe Ruth and Carl Mays. However, Huggins has always seemed to be able to get along with his men and he may surprise the other managers.

Rivesville Takes Game on Saturday

In a well played game at Rivesville Saturday evening, the Rivesville five took the measure of Smithfield, 25-18. Jackson and Spencer were the stars for the winners, while Flanagan and R. Scott played well for the vanquished. The score:

Rivesville 25	Jackson 18
Jackson 18	H. Cross
Forward	R. Scott
Spencer	Forward
Tetter	Center
Straight	Guard
Post	Merrifield

Field goals: Jackson, 5; Spencer, 4; Straight, 1; R. Scott, 3; Flanagan, 4; and L. Cross, 1. Fouls: Tetter 1 out of 5; Jackson, 3 out of 4; Flanagan, 2 out of 5.

Another High Game For Freshies Team

MORGANTOWN, Feb. 9.—The West Virginia University Freshman basketball team will meet Morgantown high at the high school gym here on Tuesday night of this week. The Freshmen won from Fairmont high at Fairmont on Friday and Saturday lost a thrilling battle to Fairview high on the latter's floor 34-33. Previous to these games a contest had been dropped to the Terra Alta Athletics at Terra Alta, making the count two defeats and one victory to date. The Freshmen are anxious to win from the local high school in order to bring their percentage up to .500 for the season.

The Varsity plays but one game this week a contest being carded with Carnegie Tech for Friday night. Next week the team leaves on the big eastern trip which is an annual feature of the Mountaineers schedule and it is expected that a better record than ever before will be made. Syracuse, Colgate, Cornell, Rochester, Central, Lafayette and Rutgers are played in the order named.

NO ARGUMENT!

THE PLAYER SHUDDERED ONCE OR TWICE AND SLOWLY NODDED "NO"; "I WILL NOT SIGN A THING," HE SAID, "I AM A HOLD-OUT, BO."

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BROOKLYN—"Girls wanted," says a newspaper advertisement here, "Females only need apply."

Some Local Sport Chatter

The players who compose the Varsity squad at West Virginia represent right well the state at large. Hill and Hawkins both come from Fairmont; Cutright from Elkins; Kiger, New Martinsville; Morrison, Sutton; Dawson, Clarksburg; Gaines, Charleston; Parker, Buckhannon; Aikins, Wadesboro; Woods, Princeton; and Snyder, Martinsburg. Coach Stadrold comes from Minnesota. He was captain of Minnesota for a year and captain of the All-Conference five in 1917. Stadrold has a most pleasing personality, and has marked ability as a floor coach.

The University of Pennsylvania has blundered badly and is guilty of base ingratitude in allowing the athletic council at that institution to drop Bob Polwell as head football coach, without so much as a decent explanation for the action by the athletic council. Polwell took hold at Penn when the school was in a bad rut in a football sense and made good on the job. Now he is cast out by a bunch of ivory-headed boobies who don't have football sense enough to come in out of the rain. In Polwell's place, John W. Heisman, who had right good success with Georgia Tech and the Heisman shift until he started north and stepped off in Pittsburgh two years in a row and took two sound beatings, has been appointed. Taking Heisman for Polwell is just about as brainy a stunt as it would be to trade Tyrus Cobb for a bat boy. Sooner or later the athletic council will have to face the music for this "bone." This is not the first time such a thing has been done at Penn much to the discredit of the institution.

There certainly was a big turnout for the game Saturday night, and the Normal was warmly supported all through the contest.

Longfellow Shuman was playing a hard game. He was necking the Varsity birds right and left, and by the middle of the second half had three personal fouls called on him, one less than enough to retire him from the contest. Lough and Pete Hamilton played good ball at guards. In fact, the entire team played a brand of ball that was deserving of a better fate than defeat.

Local fans who know Lan Daugherty will regret to hear of the shooting scrape in which he got mixed up in Pittsburgh Friday night and made it impossible for him to work the game here on Saturday evening. From all accounts it seems that the popular referee was forced to shoot in self defense and that he will likely be cleared of all blame shortly.

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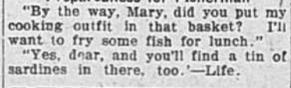
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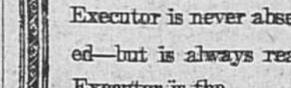
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