

## MOUNT CARROLL TOURNAMENT WINNER

Defeats Abingdon, Sterling and Monmouth in Successive Games.

### LATTER IN SECOND PLACE

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#### HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL.

AT MOUNT VERNON.  
Centralia, 53; Du Quoin, 22.  
Cairo, 26; Eldorado, 22.  
Granite City, 44; Benton, 26.  
Mount Vernon, 62; Sumner, 8.  
Granite City, 44; Centralia, 31.  
Benton, 35; Du Quoin, 21.  
Mount Vernon, 43; Cairo, 14.  
Benton, 50; Centralia, 14.  
Granite City, 30; Mount Vernon, 20.  
Granite City, 34; Benton, 24.  
Granite City, champion. Benton and Mount Vernon, tied for second.

#### AT DECATUR.

Lexington, 41; Dwight, 27.  
Streator, 78; Mansfield, 3.  
Bloomington, 30; Decatur, 27.  
Gibson City, 49; Taylorville, 28.  
Clinton, 76; Arcola, 1.  
Washington, 19; Champaign, 17.  
Peoria, 45; Lexington, 28.

#### AT SHELBYVILLE.

Paris, 31; Nokomis, 29.  
Shelbyville, 26; Charleston, 20.  
Paris, 36; Shelbyville, 26.

#### AT ROCK ISLAND.

Monmouth, 44; Clinton, 18.  
Abingdon, 47; Mount Carroll, 45.  
Monmouth, 44; Rock Island, 37.  
Mount Carroll High, 36; Sterling, 31.  
Mount Carroll winner, with Monmouth second, and Sterling third.  
Sterling, 37; Rock Island, 35.  
Mount Carroll, 48; Monmouth, 35.

#### AT ROCKFORD.

Rockford, 34; Freeport, 24.  
Rockford, 36; Batavia, 25.  
Freeport, 44; Joliet, 18.

#### AT JACKSONVILLE.

Jacksonville won the western district two days' tournament by defeating Pittsfield 29 to 15. Other games played were:  
Jacksonville, 76; Ipava, 17.  
Pittsfield, 28; Bunker Hill, 22.

The western preliminary state basketball championship tournament ended Saturday night with a dark horse as victor. The dope on the tournament was that Sterling should be an easy victor with Abingdon second. The Mount Carroll team sprang a surprise and in successive games defeated Abingdon, Sterling and Monmouth, the three strongest teams on the floor. Accordingly there could be no doubt as to the ability of the team, and for that time at least the elimination system of games resulted in the best team winning. As a result of its victory over Moline and Rock Island Friday, Monmouth was runner up in the tournament and gets second place. Sterling, which by a comparison of scores in the Mount Carroll games, looks better than Monmouth on paper, gets third place by defeating Rock Island Saturday night by a score of 37 to 35.

The Mount Carroll team that won the tournament was an aggregation of big men. They were in the best of training condition and kept their wind till the final gun was fired in each game. In the games with Abingdon and Sterling, they showed unusual ability to come back. At the end of the first half Friday night they led Abingdon by one point and Sterling had a two point lead at the same stage of the game Saturday afternoon.

**EVENLY MATCHED.**  
There was but one game played Saturday afternoon, but those who saw it felt that they were paid for attending. The Mount Carroll team had the best of the Sterling five, but it was a fight from start to finish. The final count was 36 to 31 in favor of Mount Carroll. These two teams were probably the best on the floor and it was a foregone conclusion that the victor in the afternoon game would win the tournament. The first half was an even fight, Mount Carroll getting the lead at first on four pretty field baskets by Smith, the big star center. Wilger and Wynn, the Sterling forwards, played star games, getting three and four baskets respectively during the first half. When the gun for the half was fired it was found that Sterling was leading 21 to 19. The Mount Carroll team came back, however, and played Sterling off its

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## CARNEY IS COMING

New Three-Eye Island Chief-tain Due to Arrive in the City Tomorrow.

### TAKES UP DUTIES AT ONCE

Has Big Task on Hand, as Comparatively Few Men Are Under Contract—Bob Coyle Signed.

A telegram received by L. M. Casteel, treasurer of the local baseball association, from William Carney, the new Islander manager, says that he will be in the city tomorrow morning to take up his new duties. He has been expected for several days past, but nobody knew just when he would get here, as he had a long distance to come, his winter home being in Seattle. It is rather an unusual coincidence that Rock Island's manager of last year should go to Seattle and this season's leader should come from that city. Carney has a big job on his hands to get the local club in the running. Nearly all the other cities have been busy for months signing up men, while Rock Island was occupied in disposing of the men on the reserve list. Things will not be so bad, however, if Carney is able to land the men he says he can, for with what is left of last year's squad the whole looks pretty good.

#### HAVE SOME SIGNED.

Most of last year's players have already affixed their signatures to contracts for the coming season, although there are still three or four who are prospective holdouts. As they have nothing to gain by refusing to sign, it is felt that there will ultimately be no difficulties on this score. Just who the holdouts are the baseball officials refuse to tell. Treasurer L. M. Casteel announced today that a number of "unknowns" and "young phenoms" have been signed during the last few weeks, but he declined to make their names public until Manager Carney passes judgment on them and decides whether or not to call them in for spring training. According to Mr. Casteel, however, a majority of the new men are catchers. One of these is undoubtedly Bob Coyle, as a dispatch from Sterling states that Bob has signed with Rock Island. Coyle was with the Islanders in 1909 for a time, but while he attracted some favorable attention, he could not break in and was given his release. He went to Sterling and made good, and has asked for another chance.

## SOX TO PASS HERE

Chicago American League Team Due Tonight on Way to Texas.

### TRAIN AT MINERAL WELLS

Paul McLean With Bunch—Second Squad Due to Return Here for a Game April 10.

In the early hours of tomorrow morning the Chicago White Sox will pass through this city over the Rock Island road on their way to do spring training at Mineral Wells, Texas, which will be the permanent spring home of the club. There will be 50 men in the party, including players, scribes and trainers. Ted Sullivan will go along as pilot. Paul McLean will be the only graduate of the Three-Eye who will be with the party. Rock Island will see the Sox, or part of them, again this spring, the second team

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By request of my friends I was induced to become a candidate for commissioner.

My campaign so far has been clean and is going to be. My work has been with individuals, with one exception, which is this, the order of B. R. O. of A., a railway order, called me to their lodge room and in-dorsed me by consent, not request, this being done for services I rendered the order while a member. I am not affiliated with other organizations, church or otherwise, in the city, but my work shall be done in the interest of the good and order and law of the city, whether I get your support or not.

My plumb line in the interests of the city of Rock Island is this: I am going to hew to the line in the interest of law, order, justice and decency. My motto is this: A city of the people, by the people and for the people has to prosper.

C. L. CARPENTER.

playing an exhibition game here April 10.

#### CUBS ON THEIR WAY.

The Chicago Cubs left yesterday for West Baden, Ind., where they will do their first work. Toward the close of the week they will move on south, arriving at New Orleans by Sunday. The spring training will be done at New Orleans. Several games with southern Three-Eye teams have been booked for early in April.

The Rock Island road, following its custom, has gotten out a folder giving an outline of the spring tour of the Sox and mentioning the places at which the team will stop. Rock Island comes in for a paragraph.

## MAHMOUT VISITOR

Bulgarian Wrestler Makes His First Tri-City Appearance This Evening.

### MEETS TOMMY THOMPSON

Agrees to Throw Des Moines Cyclone Twice in 45 Minutes in Davenport Tonight.

Yussif Mahmout, the giant Bulgarian, is paying his first visit to the tri-cities today. At the Curtis opera house, in Davenport tonight, he will demonstrate his skill in a series of wrestling matches that will put his prowess to the test. Mahmout has agreed to toss "Cyclone Tommy" Thompson of Des Moines twice in 45 minutes or forfeit \$100. Thompson is a warm favorite in the tri-cities, as he made two previous appearances in Davenport, and on each occasion has shown such speed and agility that he won a host of admirers. There are many who think that his superb defensive ability will help him to hold off the Turk in tonight's bout. At any rate, the sympathy of the crowd will be in Tommy's favor, as it generally is when the "under-dog" tackles a giant of Mahmout's proportions. But the Turk has agreed to do more. He has challenged every wrestler in the three towns, and has offered them a chance to make a piece of his money. He has agreed to forfeit \$10 per minute for every minute over ten that any local grappler can stay with him. It is said that several of our home products are grooming themselves to tackle the big foreigner, and the results will certainly be interesting to watch.

#### DOES NOT WEAR SHOES.

Mahmout is an unique character in the wrestling world. He refuses to wear shoes, and always wrestles in his bare feet. Those who keep informed on such affairs will recall the fact that two years ago in Chicago when Mahmout met Gotch, there was a great argument on this bare-footed stunt. Gotch feared that he would be unable to secure a toe-hold on the Turk if he came on shy of shoes. Finally a compromise was reached, but it cost Mahmout \$500 of the purse to ease Gotch's feelings and to carry out his own desires. Mahmout will insist on wrestling barefooted tonight, as he always does everywhere.

#### FAT MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP.

Promoter John A. Hall has arranged some interesting preliminaries. Hugo Beckmann of Davenport, weighing 204, and Fred Gruby, weighing 208, will fight it out for the tri-city fat men's championship. Young Englund of Moline is ready to tackle any light-weight for the championship in his class, and there will be other short bouts beginning at 8:15 o'clock.

#### HARD TEST FOR F. GOTCH

Wrestling Champion Will Try to Down Three Topnotchers. New York, Feb. 27.—Frank Gotch, the champion wrestler of the world, the only man who ever has obtained a decision over Hackenschmidt and Zbyszko, will meet Yankee Rogers, Demetral and Link, Mohl or Henderson at Sulzer's Harlem casino tonight. This will be Gotch's first appearance in Manhattan after an absence from the arena for several years. It promises to be a hard try-out for his skill and strength. Gotch will have to be in his best shape in order to win.

#### CENTRAL HAS A DEADLOCK

Circuit Unable to Pick by Mail Vote Between Two Schedules. Burlington, Feb. 27.—Efforts to adopt the 1911 schedule of the Central Baseball association by a vote has resulted in a hopeless deadlock, and President Justice of the association announced that he would issue a call for a meeting to clear the situation. The meeting probably will be held within a fortnight. Two schedules have been drafted, but because of conflicting holidays, the clubs failed to agree on the adoption of either of them.

Hofman Signs for Two Years. Chicago, Feb. 27.—Arthur Hofman, star center fielder with the Chicago National club, Saturday night signed a two year contract.

#### Tortured for 18 Years

by a cure-defying stomach trouble that baffled doctors and resisted all remedies he tried, John W. Modders of Moddersville, Mich., seemed doomed. He had to sell his farm and give up work. His neighbors said "He can't live much longer." "Whatever I ate distressed me," he wrote, "till I tried Electric Bitters, which worked such wonders for me that I can now eat things I could not take for years. It's surely a grand remedy for stomach trouble." Just as good for the liver and kidneys. Every bottle guaranteed. Only 50 cents at all druggists.

## BLOOMINGTON TO SELL CLUB?

Claimed That Offer of \$3,000 for Team From Decatur May Be Accepted.

### IF FUNDS ARE NOT RAISED

Davenport Has Expended \$2,000 for Players Since the Close of Last Season.

Bloomington's financial difficulty has come to such a serious pass that the business men have been told that if they do not come across the Three-Eye club, it is claimed, has offered \$3,000 for the outfit. There is little doubt that Decatur is willing to pay that sum to get back into the league, and there is a likewise small chance that Bloomington will sell for that figure or even a considerably larger one. The business men will come to the front with the necessary, all right, as they have done in other years.

If there is any real disposition on the part of Bloomington to sell out, why not give Quincy an option and put the Three-Eye imbroglio on the road to a settlement?

#### DAVENPORT SPENDING MUCH.

Davenport has expended \$2,000 for new material for the team since the close of last season and the fans are feeling good. They figure, as they have done in other years, that there will be "nothing to it" this season. Here's the way the money has been spent: First \$500 was paid Rock Island for Dan O'Leary. The drafting of Brown from Madison and Koepp from Winona necessitated an expenditure of \$300 each or \$600 in all. The sum of \$100 accompanied Johnstone to Ottumwa in exchange for Finney, the leftfielder. Infielder Chapman and Catcher "Red Pepper" Walsh were both purchased in the tag end of last season for the coming year. Springfield was enriched \$500 for Chapman's release and Jacksonville acquired \$300 for the title to Walsh, making the \$2,000. It is also probable that a first baseman of experience will be purchased. It is understood that a bunch of ducats will go to Winona for Crangle, the outfielder.

#### HERE AND THERE.

Lanky Lauder milk will be given an other trial by the St. Louis Cardinals, despite his disastrous experiences in fast company in other years.

Manager Stark of Monmouth has signed Harry Swalm, the pitcher who once won a pennant for Dubuque and who has not amounted to much since.

## LOMBARD IS LOSER

Augustana Girls' Basketball Team Wins from Galesburg Team 13 to 12.

### LOCALS IN FAST FINISH

Highland Park, Des Moines, Five to Be Here Tomorrow to Meet Collegians.

In a game which had a drowsy beginning, but a very spectacular and wideawake finish, the Augustana coeds beat the Lombard girls at basketball Saturday evening at the local gymnasium by a score of 13 to 12. The closeness of the score tells the tale of the game and it was not till within the last minute of play that the winner was decided. This was Lombard's first defeat at the hands of a college team this season.

The playing of both teams in the first half was slow. The game, however, was livened up by exclamations of exasperation by the fair ones for

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## Candidate For Commissioner

Being unable to personally see all the voters of Rock Island, I take this liberty to place myself before the people for commissioner. If elected, I will endeavor to fill the office satisfactorily to the people and with credit to myself.

Yours for Greater Rock Island.

**BENJ. E. ROBB**

failure to puncture the baskets. It was not until nine minutes of playing had elapsed that the first point was made. Miss Abrahamson for Augustana threw a foul basket. She quickly followed with a field basket. The Lombard coeds now got busy and managed to cage two foul baskets and one field basket in rapid succession. The half ended with the score 4 to 3 in their favor.

#### CHANGE IN THE LINE.

A change was made in the Lombard lineup the second half. Miss Pugh, center and captain, was forced to retire from the game because of a sprained ankle sustained during the middle of the first half. She showed much gameness by staying in the game as long as she did. The playing in the second half was fast and full of excitement. Through the brilliant playing of Miss Abrahamson, Augustana was able to keep its end up. The Lombard girls played splendid ball too and the result of the game was in doubt till the last minute of play. With a little more than a minute to play, the score was 12 to 11 in favor of the visitors. Miss Noyd, Augustana's scrappy little guard, then broke away and threw a pretty field basket, blasting Lombard's hopes for victory.

Although the Galesburg girls excelled in team work, Augustana's tenacious and never-give-up playing was too much for them. Miss Abrahamson's basket throwing and the guard work of the Misses Wilson and Noyd were especially commendable.

#### LINE AND SCORE.

AUGUSTANA LOMBARD  
Miss Abrahamson C. Misses Pugh and Thourne  
Miss Swendsen F. Miss Trench  
Miss Lind F. Miss Behringer  
Miss Wilson G. Miss Numan  
Miss Noyd G. Miss Mabae  
Field baskets—Miss Abrahamson.

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