NORTHWESTERN IS WORRYING STAGG

Chicago Mentor Tells Players He Fears Offense of Purple in Coming Till Next Saturday.

ARE STRONGER THAN INDIANA!

Coach Murphy Runs Men Till Long After Dark Under Arc Lights With the Ghost Ball.

Chicago, Oct. 17.—As the week of practice prior to the Northwestern game opened on the Midway athletic field yesterday afternoon, Amos Alonzo Stagg was found in his usual despondent state, telling himself how difficult a task lies before him in these next few days. The Maroon coach admitted that he felt better after his boys' showing against the Hoosiers, but shook his head with characteristic sadness as he contemplated the struggle of this week-end.

"Northwestern is very strong, and we shall surely have our hands full," he said, demonstrating again that he is cured of that optimism he showed at the mass meeting before the Carleton game. "The Purple is stronger than Indiana's, I believe, and the Northwestern back field is exceptionally good.

"Our men showed considerable improvement last Saturday, as almost everyone agrees, but they still lack a great deal. The play in spots was very ragged, and the team work was far from what it ought to be. I expect a program of pretty hard work this week in preparation for a battle that will be keen. Northwestern always does all in its power to beat us and with the fine offense they have our men will need to be up to the standard."

Purple Men Work.

Long after darkness had fallen on the field at the Purple camp yesterday, Coach Murphy worked his squad relentlessly up and down the field, drilling on the signals for the plays to be used in the Maroon game Saturday. Every Purple-clad warrior realizes that the coming struggle is a crucial battle and each man is doing his best to fit himself for the fray.

The ghost ball was used in the scrimmage with the freshmen, and with the newly established arc lights throwing their gleams across the field, the Purple backs shot through the freshman line for long gains. A number of new plays were tried. This afternoon the freshmen will be given the ball, using Chicago plays, and will test out the varsity with the enemy's plays.

On The Sidelines

Ray Schalk of the Chicago Americans, regarded by many critics as the premier catcher of the American league, is to be married to Miss Lavinia Graham of Farmersville, Ill., on Oct. 25. Admirers have started a plan to present him with a wedding present purchased by popular subscription. It is probable the gift will be an automobile.

Jack Graney, veteran outfielder of the Cleveland American league club, has enrolled in Central high school at Cleveland to prepare for a college course in medicine. Graney is determined to become a physician when his baseball days are over. He was unable to enter college at once because he needed additional preparation in latin.

Andre Anderson, Chicago heavyweight, has started training for his ten round contest with Fred Fulton of Rochester, Minn., which is to be decided in Eau Claire, Wis., Oct. 27. Anderson is one of the biggest heavyweights in the game. He recently returned from a successful campaign in the east.

So great is the demand for tickets for the Kansas-Missouri football game that applications for more than 1,000 have already been received, although the contest will not be played until Thanksgiving day, Nov. 30.

Guy Dunlap, a recruit third baseman, who will report to Pittsburgh National next spring, is regarded by Manager Callahan as a real find. Dunlap played in a trolley league with St. James, Mo., last season and had a batting record of 500 per cent in 36 games. His record is filled with extra base hits.

Charles A. Comiskey, owner of the Chicago American league club, concluded his forty-first season in baseball with the finish of the 1916 season. The "Old Roman" declared he would be willing to give up all the wealth he's made in baseball to land another pennant winner.

Young Ahearn, credited with being the middleweight champion of England, will box Leon Rowlands, Milwaukee, in a ten round no-decision contest at Milwaukee, Tuesday, Oct. 24. On the same card Frankie Callahan, Frankie Callahan, Brooklyn lightweight, meets Matty McCue, Racine.

Milwaukee promoters intend to engage boxers for the most part from other cities this season, it was announced. The policy, it is believed, will stimulate interest in the sport which has been on the wane according to attendance figures here.

The Kewanee Independents, who held the Rock Island-Moline Indians to three points two weeks ago, defeated the strong Pekin eleven Sunday, 13 to 0.

It is rumored today that Mawerkurth and Wright have accepted steady jobs with the Davenport A. C. Both men did valiant work against Evanston Sunday.

Albert Woodyatt has announced his intentions of remaining with the Moline Indians the remainder of the season.

INDEPENDENT MEN MAY LOAF SUNDAY

Manager Flanigan Cancels Game With Spring Valley—Out to Beat Davenport Within Two Weeks.

The Moline Indians lost to the Davenport Athletic club, 7 to 0, yet outplayed the Iowans all through. The Rock Island Independents lost to Moline Sunday, 3 to 0, yet played rings around Kemmering's men. According to this dope, critics figure that Flanigan's men have a good chance to whip Davenport, and this is to be the sole purpose of the Independents when they meet Davenport in two weeks. Coach Davenport is on the look out for a heavy backfield man to alternate with Bredimus. Flanigan announced that he had cancelled his game with the Spring Valley Moose for next Sunday because of an insufficient guarantee. Unless the Spring Valley management comes back with a more substantial offer Flanigan's men will loaf until the Davenport game in two weeks. The first workout of the Independents will be held tomorrow night at the Twenty-fifth street playgrounds.

The Rock Island-Moline Indians are scheduled to meet the Aurora Greyhounds at Island City park next Sunday. The Greyhounds need no introduction to local fans, as they have played here on two previous occasions. Manager Roche announced that the initial workout of the squad would be held tonight at Augustana field.

Rock Island high school goes to Sioux City, Iowa, to play on Saturday.

Moline faces a tartar Saturday, when they meet the speedy Freeport high school team at Moline. Kemmerling's Indians will take on St. Charles at Moline Sunday. Davenport has three games on tap for the week. Friday, St. Ambrose takes on Upper Iowa at Davenport. Saturday, Davenport high meets Dubuque at home, and Sunday the Davenport A. C. meets the Peru (Ill.) Independent eleven.

PROSPERITY MARKED YEAR SAYS JOHNSON

Chicago, Oct. 17.—Prosperity marked the American league season just closed, according to B. B. Johnson, president of the organization. Only one club—Philadelphia—lost money, he said, and some clubs practically made up what money they lost through the invasion of the Federal league.

EDDIE ROSS—WITH O'BRIEN MINSTRELS

SWEDISH RUNNERS DEFEAT MEREDITH

Bolin Downs American Champion in 800-Yard Meter Run at Stockholm —Loomis Is Victor.

Stockholm, Oct. 17. [illegible] Ted Meredith, former American amateur mile champion, went down to defeat again today, the third day of the international track and field contests held here. Meredith was defeated in the 800-meter run by the Swedish star, Bolin. However the American team the second time won the 400-meter relay race while Loomis was victor in the 60-meter dash and Simpson carried off the honors in the 200-meter hurdle. Fred Murray of California being second.

The summaries—800-meter run (874 yards, 22 inches)—Bolin, first, 1:56 1-10 seconds; Meredith, second.

60-meter dash (65 yards, 10 inches) —Loomis, first, 6 9-10 seconds; Rustad, Sweden, second; Simpson, third.

400-meter relay (437 yards, 18 inches)—American team (Murray, Ward, Loomis and Simpson), first, 43 9-10 seconds; Scandinavian team, second.

220-meter hurdle (240 yards, 21.4 inches)—Simpson, first, 25 4-10 seconds; Murray, second.

The prizes were distributed by Ira Nelson Morris, United States minister to Sweden.

Grand Circuit at Atlanta.

Atlanta, Ga., Oct. 17.—"The Governaux" for 2:15 trotters, with a purse of $2,000, was the main event carded for today's grand circuit racing here.

STRIKE A SNAG IN DILLON-GIBBONS GO

Chicago, Oct. 17.—It was learned yesterday that Promoter Harry Sherman, who has matched Jack Dillon and Mike Gibbons for a 10 rounder at St. Paul, has struck a snag. Sherman planned to stage the contest between Nov. 10 and 15, so as not to conflict with the national election.

Sherman's new league, that the St. Paul auditorium, in which building he planned to hold the bout, cannot be had between Nov. 10 and Dec. 1, so he will have to get Dillon for an earlier date or postpone the contest until December. Sherman is now in New York, where, it is said, he is talking the matter over with Dillon.

MANAGER ROBINSON HANDED OVER $5,000

New York, Oct. 17.—Charles H. Ebbets, president of the Brooklyn National league club, has given $5,000 to Wilbert Robinson, manager of the club, for his services in directing the Brooklyn players in their pennant winning season.

Veteran Announcer Dies.

Yountville, Cal., Oct. 17.—Billy Jordan of San Francisco, famous prize fight announcer, died here yesterday in the Veterans' home. He was 84 years old, born a sailor and soldier veteran of the Civil war, and was once wealthy. "Billy" was known to fight fans throughout the United States and had been the announcer in virtually every great ring battle on the Pacific coast. In his younger days he was successively boxer and sporting writer, coming to San Francisco from Boston, his birthplace, in 1850.

SHOWING OF CUBS NOT JOE'S FAULT

Chicago Critics Declare That Tinker Did Not Have Enough Material to Build Up a Winner.

HOODOO AFTER JIM ARCHER

Catcher Kept Out of Game Most of Year and Manager is Forced to Buy Wilson of Pirates.

Chicago, Oct. 17.—Another question baseball fans are asking every hour is why Manager Tinker of the Cubs didn't win the National league pennant with two teams to pick a winner from in the spring, when the local National and Federal leagues consolidated.

The answer is that Manager Joe did not have enough material in both the west and north side teams to make up a major league pennant winner. In spite of the fact one of the aggregations won the Federal league championship.

Tinker made one mistake, which he had to rectify later on, by letting Arthur Wilson go to Pittsburgh and keeping Bill Fischer and Jimmy Archer for his catching staff. Not one of the other men whom he let go or traded in the spring was good enough to have kept the Cubs out of the second division.

The Wilson mistake was due to Tinker's unfamiliarity with what had happened in the National league during the two years he had been fighting for the Feds. He did not know Archer had picked up a hoodoo which pursued him relentlessly and kept him out of the game most of the time.

The Cub manager had to choose two backstops from Wilson, Archer, and Fischer. It would have been like waving a red flag in the faces of the west side fans to dispose of Archer and keep Wilson and Fischer. It looked like good baseball sense to retain Fischer instead of Wilson, so as to have a right handed and a left handed batsman on the catching staff, instead of two men who batted right handed. And Fischer had looked pretty good in the Federal league.

Fischer Proves a Bloomer.

Up against National league batters, Fischer fell down hard and Archer's hoodoo kept him out of the game with injuries so much he was of little use. Finally Tinker had to give up Schulte and Fischer to get Wilson back because Pittsburgh did not want Archer.

Although Doolan and Yerkes did not prove strong enough to hold down short and second, they were as good or better than the Cubs whom Tinker discarded from those positions. Flack certainly was an improvement on Kennedy in the outfield, and none of the pitchers discarded from the combined staff gave Tinker any cause for regret.

Saier had a very bad year and Zimmerman simply couldn't or wouldn't behave, so it was better to trade him for almost anybody than to try to discipline him into submission. And there you are.

BOXER GOES BLIND; DIRTY MITTS CAUSE

New York, Oct. 17.—The danger to young boxers who are compelled to use old gloves in their preliminary bouts at boxing matches is emphasized by the physician who attended Tommy Houck, once local boxer of some note, now blind. The physician says Houck lost his sight because of contact with unclean gloves in the days when he was a preliminary boxer.

Shoot for President's Cup.

Jacksonville, Fla., Oct. 17.—The president's match for the individual military championship of the United States featured the National Rifle association shoot today. The Wimbledon cup match, hardly less important, also is to be shot off.

Red Sox Sale a Dream.

Boston, Mass., Oct. 17.—"Somebody must have had a dream," said President Lannin of the Boston Red Sox yesterday when asked if it was true his ball club is to be sold to a syndicate composed of Boston business men headed by J. J. McCarthy.

NEWS NOTES from MOVIELAND

by DAISY DEAN

Harry Benham has been selected to play opposite June Caprice in the latter's fourth Fox photoplay, on which work was recently begun.

Mr. Benham is especially well adapted for his new lead. He has had six years' experience in moving pictures, and previous to this entry into the silent drama he had a long stage career, particularly in musical comedy. "Madam Sherry," "Woodland," "Sultan of Sulu," "Pinafore," "Wang," and "Floradora" are among the plays in which he appered.

Mr. Benham was born in Valparaiso, Ind., 30 years ago.

Harry Benham.

Artist Goes Dippy Over Theda Bara.

Jose Ruchil, the distinguished Cleveland artist who has painted the royal family of Germany, the Archduke Franz Ferdinand, assassinated in 1914, and many other notables, is now in New York City to make a great canvas painting of Theda Bara.

When asked what he, as a famous portrait painter, thought of the William Fox star, he said:

"I see in her an angel, luminous in the full, healthy spirit of woman, abundant in muscular strength. I see her as she will be on my canvas. Her naked arm poises before it a flaming sword, the red flames of which flash on the sunlit earth. The left hand rests upon the hip.

"Straight ahead shine the curious, lowering glances from burning eyes, which blaze forth from a beautiful and noble head. And around it all, light—light like a storm sea."

Reform.

William A. Brady says it came to his notice that one of his stars wore the same gown in three movies, and he promises vehemently that "it won't happen again."

As one commentator writes, "No longer will audiences at this company's productions be pained to see their favorite heroine fall upon her knees and beg forgiveness in a gown three weeks old."

At E. Christi's new picture, "Brute and Gloom," ought to be funny, if nothing more. Harry Ham is taking the juvenile lead, and Billy Rhodes and Eddie Barry make up a fun-loving trio. Harry says that Al gave them an easy beginning, a pretty marriage scene, but that he took the bride away from him and he has been tumbling over roofs, sliding down water pipes and passing through other strenuous adventures to regain her. Harry hopes that when the real times comes things will be a little more peaceful.

Marguerite's Reason.

Marguerite Clark, it was once rumored, would return to the stage this winter. The rumor was not without ground, as the dainty little Famous Players-Paramount star herself admits.

"I am frank to confess," she said, "that I went through a long 'thought spell' before I decided definitely upon continuing as a photo player.

"The footlights are my first love and I seriously contemplated returning to them," said Miss Clark, "but as I thought over the question from every viewpoint, I finally [illegible] the sacrifice [illegible] in returning to the stage [illegible] great, so I [illegible] renew my contract with the Famous Players and continue to be a photo player.

"While Miss Clark [illegible] she loved the stage [illegible] from the screen she found [illegible] ing with the motion [illegible] that she had [illegible] fallen under its spell.

"Though I had not [illegible] personal contact [illegible] over the footlights and [illegible] thrills of the applause, I could [illegible] had won an [illegible] host of personal friends all over the country.

"As the realization [illegible] that I would be forced [illegible] ber of friends in order to satisfy my own desire to appear on the stage and that I was, in so doing, [illegible] merely for the few, the future of my contemplated action [illegible] upon me and I was in duty bound to [illegible] the wisdom of such a plan."

"Tillie's Night Out," featuring Marie Dressler, promises to be a funny film indeed. There are [illegible] involuntary [illegible] in the vast and a few things of that kind in addition to the humors of [illegible] where most of the scenes are taken.

Marguerite Clark is at work on "Miss George Washington," the story of a girl who could not tell the truth. Miss Clark should make a [illegible] little fibber.

The Theatre

ILLINOIS THEATER.

Oct. 18.—Neil O'Brien's Minstrels.
Oct. 24.—Woodrow Wilson club.
Oct. 29.—"A Pair of Queens."

COLUMBIA.

Vaudeville—Two shows daily at 2:45 and 8:15 p. m. Three Saturday and Sundays at 3:15, 7:30 and 9 p. m. Change of bill Sunday and Thursday.

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IN THE MOVIES. TONIGHT

Spencer Square—Sheldon Lewis in "Pardoned Vengeance."

Majestic—"The Unwelcome Mother," second chapter of "The Scarlet Runner."

Colonial—Charley Chaplin in "The Count"; Mary Pickford in "Tess' Promise."

Black Hawk—Mabel Normand in "Saved From Himself"; using news.

WEDNESDAY

Spencer Square—Aubrey Smith in "Jaffery"; Burton Holmes travel pictures.

Majestic—Clara Kimball Young in "The Dark Silence"; Marguerite Gibson in "Tangled Heart."

Colonial—"When Justice Won"; Sa-ing news.

Black Hawk—Blanche Sweet in "The Temporary Truce"; "The Kaz[illegible]."

AT THE ILLINOIS.

Neil O'Brien and his Great American minstrels will be the attraction at the Illinois tomorrow evening. This organization is now the leading one of its kind in America and it is promised by its manager, Oscar F. Hodge, that for the present season endeavor has been made to surpass all former efforts and that everything will be found new and strictly up to date. Some of the promised novelties are a sketch by Mr. O'Brien himself called "The Jitney Joy Bus," a new monologue by Eddie Ross, a singing and dancing number by James Gorman named "The Ebony Yacht club" and a one-act play called "The Bold Brave Black and Tans," written by George M. Cohan for the recent Friars' Frolic and which enlists the entire strength of the company. There will of course be a street parade of the minstrel boys which will take place on the day of the performance at high noon and which is said to be well worth seeing.

AT SPENCER SQUARE.

Thomas H. Ince will present his masterpiece "Civilization," at the Spencer Square all next week. "Civilization" is the great motion picture spectacle which astonished New Yorkers early last spring when presented at the Criterion theater, where it still remains the rage. Any attempt at a verbal description of this stupendous screen success would necessarily be common failure, as it is beyond description, it is claimed. The spectacle must actually be seen to have its proper appreciation can be [illegible].

AT THE MAJESTIC.

Clara Kimball Young, who was last seen in this city in "The Foun[illegible] Life," is coming back to the Majestic theatre on Wednesday and Thursday in "The Dark Silence," [illegible] picture, directed by [illegible]. It is in this part [illegible] the situations and [illegible] feature throughout.

HATCH TO START ON LONG RUN TONIGHT

Chicago, Oct. 17.—[illegible] grueling tests of [illegible] and stamina were made will be [illegible] tonight and tomorrow morning over the highways between Milwaukee and Chicago, under the auspices of the Mystic [illegible]. The principal subject will be [illegible] whose reputation as a [illegible] is known and has been [illegible] many miles of [illegible].

Hatch, who is [illegible] run 100 miles, starting [illegible] Milwaukee city hall at [illegible] following to the Mystic [illegible] born and Madison, and then [illegible] on to Grant Park, until he has [illegible] 53 miles in the [illegible] arrive upon his reaching [illegible]. He is expected to finish [illegible] and 10 times today.

To Be Quite Frank.

Peoria, Ill., Oct. 17.—[illegible] with all bearing on the [illegible] college football championship [illegible] this week. This [illegible] Decatur between Bradley [illegible] of Peoria and Millikin university. Neither team has met defeat, and comparative scores indicate that Millikin is a shade the best. There are now three other undefeated teams in the [illegible] Illinois college at Jacksonville, Eureka and St. Viator.

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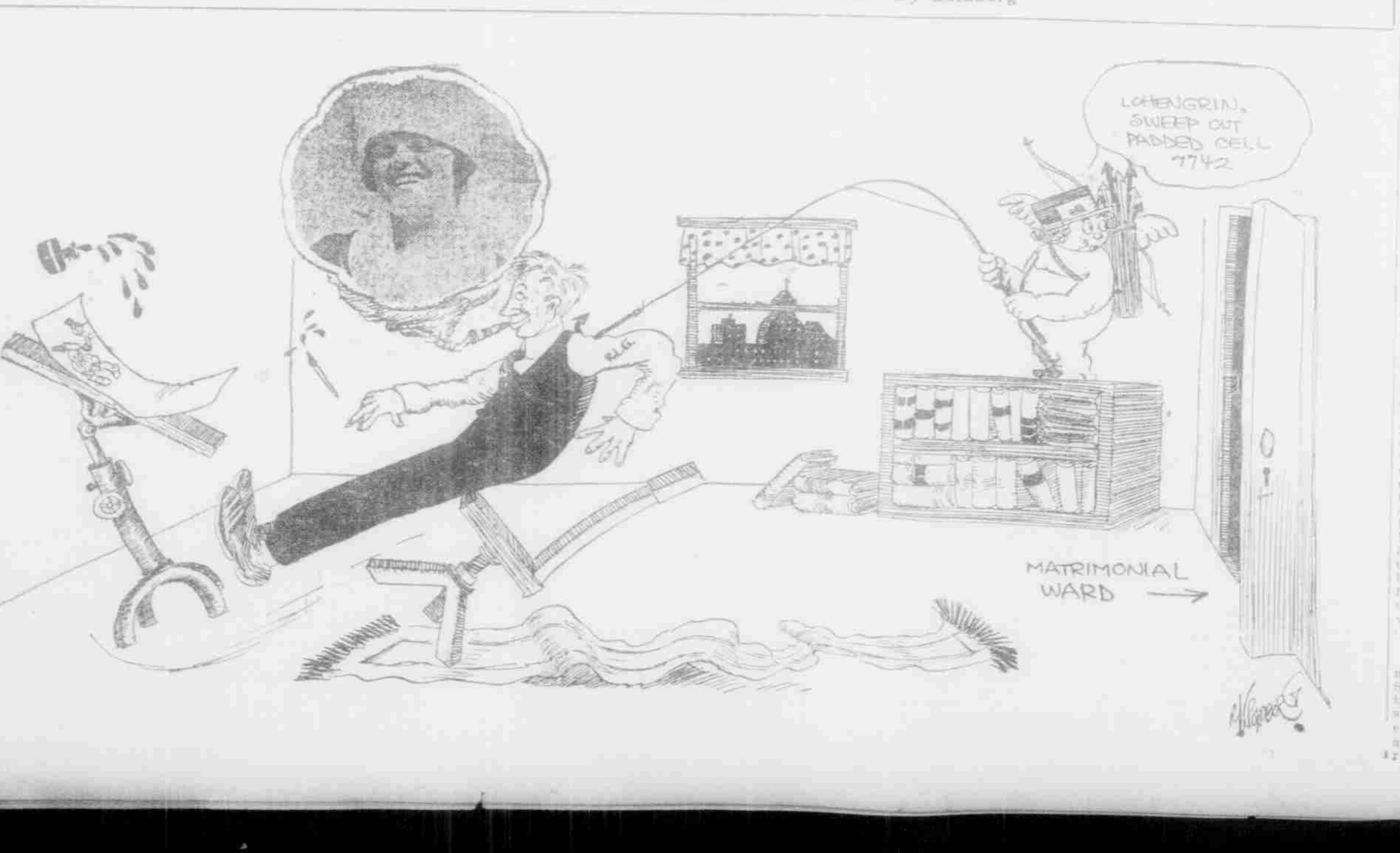
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