



SPORTING PAGE



STAGE IS SET FOR TOURNEY IN HAMMOND

Fifteen Basketball Teams Will Participate Friday and Saturday in Annual Sectional Classics for Honor to Go to State Meet

Fifteen basketball teams of northwestern Indiana will participate Friday and Saturday in the annual sectional tournament to be held this year at the Irving school in Hammond. While Emerson school of Gary is the favorite of half a dozen schools little known in Lake county make it uncertain who will be in the finals with Emerson. At any rate, it is expected that Valparaiso, Whiting, East Chicago and Hammond will be eliminated. At least the deposters have arrived at that conclusion.

But basketball tournaments are not decided until the last whistle blows. The final game will take place Saturday evening at 8 o'clock.

The officials are Ora L. Walters and H. R. Rockenbach and they alternate, beginning with Walters.

Morocco, Fair Oaks, Medaryville, Franciscus, Winamac and Kentland are the downstate teams and it is feared one of these may be a dark horse.

The schedule: Friday morning—9:00, Morocco and Fair Oaks; 10:00, Medaryville and Franciscus; 11:00, Crown Point and Rensselaer.

Friday afternoon—3:00, Valparaiso and Whiting; 3:00, Hammond and Brook; 4:00, Emerson and East Chicago.

Friday evening—7:30, Winamac and Kentland; 8:30, Lowell and winner 9:00 a. m.

Saturday morning—8:00, winner 10 a. m. and winner 11 a. m.; 9:00, winner 2 p. m. and winner 3 p. m.; 10:00, winner 4 p. m. and winner 7:30 p. m.

Friday afternoon—2:00, winner 8:30 p. m. and winner 9:00 a. m.; 3:00, winner 9 a. m. and winner 10 a. m.

Saturday evening—8:00, winner 2 p. m. and winner 3 p. m.

Promoter John Wagner, who will stage another boxing show March 11, has booked Red Russell and Dennis O'Keefe for one of the bouts. If Russell wins this scrap he may be put on with Bryan Downey.

FOOD WILL WIN THE WAR.

From Tow-Boy to World's Champion

A History of the Life of John L. Sullivan



H.C. HAMILTON Sullivan had the bad judgement just at this time to get himself patched up with "Prof." John Laffin of New York, a fine young boxer, but a man without a great deal of game. Had the last attribute been among the virtues of Laffin he would have become champion of America the night of No. 19, 1884.

In the first round of their bout in Madison Square Garden Sullivan flung himself around to such an extent and used up his energy so much by beating the air with his hands that he was almost out from exhaustion when the second round began. He rushed his opponent, however, and soon was on the ropes, his arms hanging limply at his sides, while Laffin stood and pounded at the Sullivan jaws. Sullivan was clever enough to duck every time one of the punches started and they landed, for the most

part, on his skull, where they did no damage. Laffin was terribly rattled, but his seconds were worse. They were paralyzed with anticipation and shouted madly at Laffin to work on Sullivan's middle. He could not hear the clamor of voices, and soon his opportunity had passed. If he had been able to hear and had calmed down enough to realize his own mistake, he would have become, that night, the champion of America, with the assistance of John Harleycorn. As it was Sullivan was given the decision after the scheduled four rounds of milling, for he had landed the greater number of effective blows.

Richard Fox was still hunting for some one who would be able to remove the crown of championship from the brow of the husky new champion, and he hit, this time on Alf Greenfield, another Englishman. Advanced notices hailed him as the peer of Charlie Mitchell and Jim Maco. He was considerably smaller than Sullivan, but was a very shifty boxer. His blows, however, as is the case with most fast boxers, were light and ineffectual. Sullivan agreed to meet him, and the date for the bout was set as March 18, 1884, only a short time after Sullivan's disappointing meeting with Laffin. The bout was scheduled for four rounds and was to be in Madison Square Garden. It really was a bad match for Sullivan, for he was out of condition. He refused, however, to take counsel, and did his best to get in some kind of condition.

The Sport Spyglass

Cornell university has five crews at work, directed by coach Courtney.

New York State registered 411,566 automobiles last year. The Empire state has 122,855 chauffeurs and 28,775 motorcycleists. The total tax receipts for 1917 was \$4,254,114.

Dartmouth college will add wall sailing, obstacle races and tugs-of-war and other military features to novice race meets this year.

After an intermission of ten years, rugby football is to be played by Kansas City (Mo.) high school athletes next fall.

Delaware college will cut out the Thanksgiving day football games.

Missouri Intercollegiate A. A. may use Jake Beckley and Kid Nichols as umpires in the organization baseball games this year.

Manager Connie Mack of the ex-cham-

pion Athletics of the American League now plans, according to Quaker City reports, to get the best players available, whether they are eighteen or forty years of age.

March 19, 21 and 23 has been suggested as dates to play the world's hockey championship and Stanley Cup, between the winners of the National Hockey League and the Pacific Coast Hockey League. The games may be played at Toronto.

The King's Plate race, one of the big feature races of the Canadian turf, will be run in connection with the open air horse show by Toronto Hunt Club upon the grounds of the Ontario Jockey Club at Woodbine park, Toronto, May 24. Although horse racing has been stopped in Canada because of the war, it is permitted to run this event in order that some slight encouragement may be given breeders of thoroughbred horses in the province of Ontario, and also that the continuity of the oldest fixture on the continent of North America may not be broken. The purse, amounting to \$3,000 in addition to the 20 guineas donated by King George will be awarded the winner.

Sir Thomas Lipton hopes to challenge for the American cup at the conclusion of the year. His yacht Shamrock IV has been laid up in South Brooklyn since the beginning of the war.

Balkline billiard champion William F. Hoppe, who has reached the eastern states in his annual tour, is a model of careful living. His manager at 1409 W. 11th street, Toronto, says that his continuous work to lack of distraction, no breaking of training and no freak training courses. A long walk every morning, a rubdown and then four to five hours' practice with the isories is the youthful champion's usual daily program.

Fifteen college championship races will be run off at the Penn relay races April 25 and 27.

FIGHT DECISIONS

- Decisions of fight representatives Monday were:
- At Toledo—Harry Greb beat Jack Dillon (12); Kid Gilman beat Cal Tremaine (8).
- At Pittsburgh—Joe Lynch beat Eddie Wimler (10).
- At Akron—Johnny Griffiths beat Joe Welling (15).
- At New Orleans—Frankie Nelson beat Mel Moran (15).
- At Philadelphia—New Tessler stopped Pete Hartley (4).
- At Wilkesbarre—Frankie Callahan beat Scanton Willie Ritchie (10).
- At Boston—Young Britt beat Billy De-foe (12).
- At Columbus—Dick O'Brien stopped Jack Root (4).
- At Cincinnati—E. O. Mars beat Benny McKrell (10).
- At Salt Lake City—Helnie Schuman beat Harry Gibson (6); Harry Sexton knocked out Billy Smith (2).

NO SUNDAY BALL FOR NEW YORK

ALBANY, N. Y., March 6.—Death knell of professional baseball on Sunday was sounded yesterday when a conference of Republican senators voted against any legislation at this time. The senators held that all non-essential sporting legislation would be out of place during the war crisis.

Bouts Now Legal In New Jersey

TRENTON, N. J., March 6.—The Hurley boxing bill, which permits eight rounds of boxing in New Jersey with eight ounce gloves, under the supervision of a commission, was signed yesterday by Gov. Edge. The new law specifically provides that bouts must not be held in any place where liquor is sold.

The ten-round bout scheduled between Sailor Freedman and Johnny Nose tonight before an Illinois downstate club, has been called off.

HOLDOUT PLAYER IS NOT A HIT AT ALL THIS SEASON—NOT AT ALL.



The ball player who holds out for more dough this season is soon going to find himself very "persona non grata" and all that sort of thing. At a time when the game is hardly able to stand on its pins the player with a demand for more money isn't likely to be loudly applauded.

HARBOR TRIANGLES TO HAVE RAFFLE

Club Will Raise Funds for Coming Baseball Season in That Way.

The Indiana Harbor Triangles held a successful meeting and decided to hold a raffle as the means of raising funds for the coming baseball season. There will be the second annual raffle by the Triangles and they hope to make it a still larger success than the one held last year. The club will endeavor to raise enough money to meet the expenses of the year, that is to buy uniforms, bats, balls, gloves, etc. It was argued that there are already too many other causes calling for the people's money and that a raffle would be a useless effort. However, it was decided that the people of Indiana Harbor and Lake county need amusement and that they are willing to pay for it if it is the right kind. The members of the club know from the large number of sales last year that baseball is the one amusement of Indiana Harbor, and so when the votes were counted it was unanimously decided that a raffle it should be. The success of the team depends upon the support it receives from the people of Lake county and the members will heartily thank the purchaser of any number of tickets which will be on sale from March 4th to March 23rd. All members of the Triangles are requested to attend the meeting Wednesday night and get their share of the tickets. FRANK SHELTER, Secy-Treas.

HOLDOUTS HEAR CALL; GET ON BAND WAGON

Several Major Clubs to Train Near Military Camp.

NEW YORK, March 6.—The flock of holdouts is decreasing in major league circles, for within two weeks at the most, every club will have gone to work in its training camp. The lineup of camps this year is practically the same as in preceding years. The few changes are due to the desire of clubs to get close to military training camps and play for the entertainment of soldiers. The Cincinnati Reds, for instance, will do their conditioning at Montgomery, Ala., near one of the big cantonments. Expenses will be greatly decreased for the Reds, and in addition they will be cheering up the soldier folk. Return to Texas. The Giants, Cardinals, White Sox and Tigers will be back in Texas. The Red Sox and Dodgers will return to Hot Springs, Ark. The Braves will continue to stick to Miami, Fla., after a brief period of conditioning at George Stirling's plantation in Georgia. The Cubs will make another trip to Pasadena, Cal. The Pirates return to Jacksonville, Fla., where they went last year after forsaking Hot Springs. The Phillies will be at St. Petersburg, Fla. The Yankees and Senators are the only American League clubs to go to Georgia. The Browns will be at Shreveport, La., this year, a new spot for them. The Cleveland Indians will be in New Orleans.

FUTURE GREAT TO HAVE A LEAGUE

Indiana Harbor Man Has Eye on the Coming Ty Cobb.

Because of the requests of prominent baseball fans of Indiana Harbor Mr. Boone will endeavor to organize a league for all baseball teams of Lake county averaging from 14-16 years of age. Mr. Boone has stated that he wants all teams wishing to join the league to send in their applications before April 16, so as to have time to arrange an adequate schedule for the season. All applications should be addressed to Mr. Boone, Inland Hotel, Indiana Harbor, Ind., and one dollar enclosed for which a large pennant will be purchased for the winning team.

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WHITING CONFIDENT OF GAME WITH GARY TONIGHT

By JIMMIE RAY. WHITING, IND., March 6.—They will tell you in Gary that they have the best school system in the world. And because they have, many people in Gary would have others believe that everything with the name "Gary" attached to it is the best thing going. There are those in Gary today who say, and say it honestly and sincerely, that the basketball team now representing the Gary "Y" is the equal, if not the superior of the Whiting Owls.

But the fans of Whiting do not believe it. So tonight we will find out for ourselves what the outcome will be. We do know that Manager Cecil and Jack Gitroy who has been coaching the boys of the "Y" have been putting in some very good ticks in the past week.

Emil Thiry has lined up two bouts for his scrappers. Lee McMahon will meet Jimmy Allen before a downstate club March 7 and Charley Sully will tackle Bobby Waugh at Des Moines the following day.

Earl Puryear and Billy Cepak, who will collide Thursday night, worked out yesterday. Puryear spent a busy afternoon with Benny Vogel, Milwaukee bantam.

Eddie McGeography is working hard at the Arcade gym, Chicago, every day. Eddie showed a large gathering yesterday that he still has old-time speed. Barney Furey is assisting Eddie in his training.

with the sole idea in mind of trouncing the Whiting lads. Manager Griffith of the Owls has also had the men lined up for stiff workout and snuff practice was indulged in last night, with Harry Friedman doing the leading.

The Owls will again have the same team in the field ready to show both fans and the visitors what real basketball is like. The Owls boys feel that they have the best team anywhere, but while they have all this confidence, they are not letting up on either practice or desire to put forth the best they have in them.

The lineup of the Gary "Y" team is uncertain. The Owls will start with Frieling and Polmsa at forwards, Fred Schaefer at center, and Egan and Wells at guards. Zepp, Pond and Will Schaefer will be in the points when needed. Gus Greisel, former I. A. C. star, who was to play with the Owls is now laid up with pneumonia.

The Polanszes will play a preliminary game. Their opponents cannot be announced as yet owing to a last minute cancellation. A large delegation is expected from Gary to attend this game.

Greb Whales Jack Dillon in Twelve Round Contest

TOLEDO, O., March 6.—Harry Greb of Pittsburgh handed Jack Dillon of Indianapolis everything in the way of punishment Monday in twelve rounds. Dillon landed heavily on Greb just eight times. At no time did Dillon make any effort to mix matters. He was outclassed in every round.

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