



SPORTING PAGE



DISTRICT BASKETBALL TOURNEY TODAY

ENTRANTS SWARM IN CITY HOTELS

Hammond Scene of Exciting Contests in Basketball Tournament.

Morocco eliminated Fair Oaks this morning in the opening game of the sectional tournament, which is being held at the Irving school gym in Hammond today and tomorrow, earning the right to take part in the finals. The score was 15-10.

A record-breaking crowd attended. The game was called promptly on schedule time at 9 o'clock. Both Morocco and Fair Oaks showed evidence of not being used to a regulation court and as a result the game was slow. Fair Oaks took the opening season by a close score of 7-5, outplaying their opponents. Morocco lumbered up in the second half however and piled up a lead of five points to the good.

WILL BE DIFFERENT TOMORROW.
It is expected they will put up a much stiffer game when they appear in the finals at 8 o'clock tomorrow morning.

In the second game which was called at 10 o'clock Medaville sprung a surprise when they defeated Francisville. They maintained the lead throughout the game taking the first session by a score of 7-5 and in a whirlwind finish notched 11 more points. The final score was 18-12. Medaville played a snappy variety of basket pegging and may prove themselves strong contenders in the finals.

Entries in the Sectional Basketball Tournament, Hammond, March 8 and 9:

ELWOOD.
Claude Herriman, center; Bernard Herriman, guard; Leland Hess, guard; LaVerne Staton, forward; Orville McCabe, forward; Harvey Bupp, forward; Shaver Lyons, guard; Harold Mather, guard; William Park, guard; Burford Lyons, guard.

CROWN POINT.
Robert Bruce, guard; Lester Westerman, guard; Edwin Eiting, center; Arthur Clausen, forward; Roy Eagen, forward; Harvey Henderson, substitute.

EAST CHICAGO.
Sam Brozowski, Herbert Jones, Kenneth Gavitt, Clyde Martin, Preston Murphy, Clarence Schwab, Ray Lochrak, Walter Williams, Harry Engle.

WINAMAC.
Harry Hoffmann, forward; Paul Wassner, forward; Cyril Fites, R. center; Charles Pedigo, guard; Edward Porter, guard; Kenneth Fites, guard; Bonnie Hair, Walter Shine, John Starr, Charles Reimunsneider, substitutes.

WHITING.
Robert Naef, guard; Milton Sugar, forward; Clifford Lauer, forward; Louis Moor, guard; Walter Bushler, center; Martin Benson, Ernest Lee, Benny Conroy, Harry Johnson, Jasper Glyertz, substitutes.

KENTLAND.
Glenn Guthrie, forward; Vincent O'Neil, forward; Charles Hendry, forward; James Hassett, center; Austin Arnold, center; Oliver Terry, guard; Henry Reinhart, guard; Harry Schmidt, guard; James Hendry, guard; Harry Hoover, forward.

FAIR OAKS.
Paul Barker, guard; James McKay, forward; Cecil Gundy, forward; Jennings Whiskow, center; Norman Hale, guard; Carol Burroughs, Russell Birchong, Howard Gilmore, Landis Wood, substitutes.

FRANCISVILLE.
Binehart, Orland, forward; Dwight Surber, forward; Willie Wolfe, center; Ralph Meyer, guard; Glenn Westphal, guard; Elmer Kopka, guard; Ronald Timmons, forward; Otto Leis, guard.

EMERSON.
Dewey Johnson, guard; R. M. Lennan, forward; Harold Harris, forward; Geo. Dunleavy, center; Glenn Smith, forward; Harold Skinner, forward; Ruman, Harold Cogley, sub; guard; Carl Johnson, sub; center or forward.

HAMMOND.
Russell Oitz, guard; George Poitz, forward; Arthur Black, forward; Lloyd Cearing, center; Glen Warns, guard; Bert Seales, forward; Eric Rhind, center or forward; Harold Palmer, forward; William Kovacs, guard; Alfred Phrommer, guard.

VALPARAISO.
Leon Church, forward and guard; Robert Findling, forward; Walter Hillpold, forward; Mark Lorenz, center; Jesse Pratt, forward; Arthur Stewart, guard; John Stevens, guard; William Sergeant, forward-center-guard; Rossman Sawyer, guard.

RENSELER.
Lawrence McClain, guard; Ronald Pullins, center; Leland Collins, forward; Paul Collins, forward; Halley Phegley, guard; Frank Babcock, Harold Weiss, substitutes.

MOROCCO.
Ernest Purkey, Chester E. Travis, Leonard Carlson, Charles Bassett, Raymond Rust, Walter McGregor, LaVerne Harris, Vane Smith, Ansel Webster, Lloyd Brunton.

MEDARVILLE.
Ralph Douglas, forward; L. Thomas, forward; Harold Bremer, center; William Record, guard; Clarence McKillop, guard; Jesse Coburn, guard; Carl Beckwell, guard-center; Norman Firochaug, guard; Orville Robinson, forward.

LOWELL.
Fred Minninger, forward; Earl Little,

From Tow-Boy to World's Champion A History of the Life of John L. Sullivan



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CHAPTER XIV.
A huge crowd was on hand when Greenfield and Sullivan entered the building for their fight, for Greenfield had received practically the same endorsements that had preceded Sullivan's meetings with Tug Wilson and Charley Mitchell. Sullivan, as usual, was not fit, while Greenfield had trained to the minute.

Greenfield had no trouble at all in landing on Sullivan during the first round. It was certain that, unless Sullivan could drive home one of his terrible punches the decision would go against him, but not daunted in the least, he kept doggedly after his man, swishing out whenever the opportunity offered with one of his great blows. Greenfield's constant activity to keep out of the way of the numerous jabs, and his constant dancing in and out tired him considerably, and when he went to his corner at the end of the first round he was puffing hard. He came out, however, for the second round, apparently still in good shape, and started again on his whirlwind campaign. He waded into Sullivan with a right-hand jab that landed behind Sullivan's left ear and cut the skin. He followed this with a left-hand smash over the champion's eye which cut the skin.

Greenfield was one of the first exponents of the hit-and-get-away system of fighting that in the present day, has made such a wonderful boxer of Mike Gibbons, Paddy McFarland, Freddy Welsh, and others of the type. When the fight was on he rushed inside Sullivan's guard, tapped him lightly, danced out of harm's way, and repeated the stunt often. He wasn't a bit afraid of his larger opponent, a fact largely in his favor, for one of Sullivan's greatest adjuncts to his fighting was his ferociousness, by which many of his opponents were cowed before they really got started.

"Then Sullivan went after his man in earnest, catching up with him, he stood and banded away at the Englishman, who refused to break ground, but stood and hammered back. They were in the midst of a furious session of slugging when a squad of police entered the house, climbed into the ring, and stopped the mauling. Sullivan and Greenfield were both charged with prize fighting and placed under arrest, but at a trial both were discharged.

"Dominick McAfferty, a man Sullivan had always claimed for a friend, began then to clamor for a chance at Sullivan. He claimed Sullivan had mistreated him. He was finally obliged through the failure of another man to take a match offered in Ohio.

The Great Western Trotting Association will award purses aggregating \$12,000 at the eight race meetings, 1918, from September 21.

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OWLS WIN FROM GARY LAST NIGHT

By JIMMIE RAY.
WHITING, IND., March 5.—Whiting discovered on Wednesday that Gary has a real basketball team even though they were on the short end of a 35 to 23 score in a game with the Whiting Owls. Gary surprised itself in holding the class Whiting five to an even break in the first half of the game. Some of the fans that came from Gary felt after this half that the Gary "Y" team would open up in the second stanza and full the Oil City boys to sleep. But the reverse was more or less true.

The game started slowly. The Gary boys seemed to have Schaefer's number and the Owls' Club pivot man had his difficulty in keeping out of the way of Kenzie the Gary center. He managed, however, to push one in that added a couple of points to the club's score. Both Weiss and East were somewhat off color so that Rhodes slipped thru for five pretty baskets in the fore half. This enabled the "Y" team to stay in the race for one-half the game.

Whiting fans knew, however, that better ammunition was in store for the steel city boys and were not surprised when Eddie Pond began putting them from all angles. Gary fought all the way, but it availed them naught as Ernie injected sufficient pep into the boys to run the score up a bit. Fouls were numerous but nothing serious was reported.

The game between the Bessemer Park Lightweights and the Polarinas was a farce. The Chicago team ran away from the locals by a score of 59 to 10. Failure to play the ball and the absence of Ben Weiner at forward were responsible. The score:

- OWLS (35).**
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| Felsma, rf. | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Erieling, rf. | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Pond, lf. | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Schaefer, c. | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Weiss, rg. | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Egan, lf. | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
- GARY "Y" (23).**
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| Rhodes, rf. | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Sotoch, lf. | 1 | 3 | 1 | 0 |
| Kniesley, c. | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Kellus, lf. | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Cecil, rg. | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
- Referee—Gilroy.

The Sport Spyglass

Brooklyn Polytechnic preparatory swimming team has been Brooklyn scholastic title holders for four years. They promise to repeat this season. The team won the University of Pennsylvania interscholastic meet recently.

Over 2,000 soldier athletes crossed the finishing line in the recent cross-country race pulled off at Camp Devens, Mass. John J. Moore won the 2 1/2-mile race in 18 minutes 27 seconds over two covered fields.

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McKeesport (Pa.) soccer team by defeating Celtic, of Rochester, N. Y., earned the right to tackle Bethlehem Steel Company football team, ex-national cup holders, in the fourth round of the country-wide competition, being run off under the auspices of the United States Football Association.

The World's champion White Sox baseball team departs for Mineral Wells, Tex., on Saturday. They will play their first exhibition game March 21.

center: Harold Love, guard; Harold Brownell, forward; Harry Ault, forward-guard; Ernest Baker, guard; Burdette Hayden, forward; Gerald Childress, forward; John Mulay, center-guard.

As Future Prospect Siser Is Greater Asset Than Cobb

"I would not trade George Siser for Ty Cobb."

If Bobbie Quinn had done nothing else to make himself known to the baseball world that declaration would have done it.

Ty Cobb, the super-ball player, Tyran, the king of swat, the greatest of them all, not good enough for one side of a baseball bat?

At first blush the idea is preposterous. Ty Cobb is the greatest attraction in baseball. He draws thousands of dollars at the gates. He is personally responsible for the winning of more ball games perhaps than any other ball player.

But—Ty Cobb is thirty-one years old. He has been playing major league ball for thirteen seasons. Cobb has not started to go back yet, but his greatest years are behind him.

George Siser is twenty-four. He has played big league baseball for three years. Last year he was outranked only by Cobb and Speaker as a batter in the American League. He would make a splendid outfielder. He is a remarkable pitcher. His base running is superb.

Unless all signs fail his greatest years are ahead of him.

How many years of stellar baseball

LITTLE GIANTS TO PLAY ELEVEN GAMES

CRAWFORDSVILLE, IND., March 5.—Eleven games are included in the Wash college basketball schedule, just completed by coach Townsend. Four of the games are with DePauw, two here and two at Greencastle. Purdus will be met twice. In all five colleges will be met by the Little Giants. Baseball practice has been in progress in the new gymnasium for the past fortnight. Coach Townsend has been giving special attention to the battery men. The schedule follows:

- April 16—Purdus, at Lafayette.
- April 18—Notre Dame, at Crawfordsvill.
- April 22—DePauw, at Greencastle.
- April 27—Franklin, at Franklin.
- May 4—Rose Poly, at Crawfordsvill.
- May 8—DePauw, at Crawfordsvill.
- May 11—Franklin, track and baseball, at Crawfordsvill.
- May 20—DePauw, at Greencastle.
- May 21—Purdus, at Crawfordsvill.
- May 24—DePauw, at Crawfordsvill.
- May 25—Rose Poly, at Crawfordsvill.

LEWIS BATTLES BRITTON EVEN

ATLANTA, GA., March 8.—Ted Lewis of England, welterweight champion, and Jack Britton of Indianapolis, former champion, fought a ten round no-decision exhibition bout Tuesday night for the benefit of the Camp Gordon athletic fund. Lewis fought cautiously throughout, but showed considerable speed towards the end. Britton was aggressive from the first and apparently was trying for a knockout. Newspaper opinion gave Lewis the third, fourth, fifth and seventh rounds, while Britton was conceded an edge on his opponent in the second, eighth, ninth and tenth rounds, with the first and sixth even.

DOCTORS CALL MOHA OUT OF DANGER

MILWAUKEE, WIS., March 8.—Eddie Moha, Milwaukee welterweight boxer, who sustained a cerebral concussion when knocked out by Jack Malone of St. Paul near the end of a ten round bout today is said by physicians to be out of danger. Moha collapsed after repeating consciousness last night and was taken to a hospital.

SAVE BACON UNTIL BERLIN IS TAKEN

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GIANTS EXPECT MUCH OF BARNES



The Giants appear to believe that Jess Barnes, the large right-handed hurler they got from Boston in a deal a while ago, will be a great worker for them this season. Barnes, who will be starting his third season in fast company, is still a youngster and is expected to develop rapidly with the Giants. His record with the Braves is not remarkable, but he has shown lots of promise.

K. O. Mars Comes Back

CINCINNATI, O., March 5.—Kayo Mars of Cincinnati last night was awarded the decision over Beany McNeil, Canadian featherweight champion, in one of the best ten-round battles staged here for some time. It was Mars' battle throughout, the fast little boxer taking the offensive from the start. He centered his attack on the head and jaws of his opponent, who fought gamely, but lacked speed.

EARL PURYEAR GIVEN DECISION OVER CEPEK

Earl Puryear, Deater bantam, made good on his first appearance in the Chicago fight district when he had the better of Billy Cepek, Chicago, in a flashy ten-round bout at Fort Sheridan last night. Puryear's good defensive and strong finish gave him the referee's decision.

Cepek was on the aggressive throughout, but Earl caught a big majority of his punches on glove or shoulder.

Puryear fought with a bad hand after the third round, spraining his left on Billy's head. He gave the Chicago lad a bad lacing about the body and kidneys and had Billy's frame glowing like a live coal from belt to neck.

Cepek started strong, taking the first and second rounds. Puryear copped the third and fourth. The fifth was Cepek's, the sixth even and all the rest belonged to the Deaterite, except the ninth, which also was even.

Cepek had a three-pound advantage in weight, weighing 121 to 118 for Earl.

About 200 Chicagoans made the trip. These, with 300 officers and soldiers, formed the crowd. Officers' wives were in the balcony overlooking the ring.

In the soldier bouts Griesky and Rodgers fought a draw and Rodgers knocked out Maloney in one round.

Jack Ballis and Hirschle Miller of Chicago ploughed through four rounds. Miller got the decision. They weighed 150 pounds.

The bell saved Spider Wolf of Aurora from a knockout at the hands of Red Russell, the South Side welterweight, three times in as many rounds. He was still coming for more punishment in the fourth when the referee stopped the fracas. Both weighed 148.

Fletcher and Perritt Sign Giant Contracts

NEW YORK, March 5.—The New Nationals were notified last night by Manager McGraw in St. Louis that he had signed Captain and Shortstop Art Fletcher and Pitcher William (Poll) Perritt. McGraw had made arrangements to meet these two holdouts at that place. The signing of Fletcher and Perritt leaves the Giants with only two holdouts, Robertson and Thorpe.