Fortune Favors the Judge for Once







"BUCK" WEAVER SLATED FOR SALT LAKE TEAM

Skyscraper Manager of 1912 Due for Return; Missoula and Great Falls Players Probably Are All "Free Agents."

LESS things get all twisted up, A. C. ('Buck'') Weaver will surely be with the Salt Lake team this year. All along there has been a sentiment in Salt Lake for 'Buck'' Weaver's return. The hope has often been expressed that the fans would see the foxy old backstop in a Skyscraper uniform once more. On his return from his home in Arkansas, Manager Herb Hester stopped in Denver and had a talk with Weaver. The Denver News of Wednesday says everything was arranged for Weaver's return to Salt Lake.

Any question as to Weaver's ability to join the Salt Lake team appears to be set at rest by the fact that he has all along had his release from Great Falls. He told the News reporter so, as is indicated by this little paragraph:

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"When the Grent Falls team disbanded Weaver secured his release unconditionally. The directors of the Great Falls team wrote Weaver that they were glad to be able to do something for him, and the granting of his release was without reservation."

Weaver will certainly be a wonderful help to Hester. The two are great friends and worked a fine bit of teaming for Great Falls last year. "Buck" should be invaluable in developing Hester's young pitchers. "Buck" is almost wholly responsible for the marvelous Barney Duffy, now Claude Hendrix's successor on the Pittsburg team.

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Speaking of "free agents," there is good reason to believe that every player on the Missoula and Great Falls teams is a "free agent." It appears that when the league directors met at Butte they slipped up just a trifle. Instead of permitting Great Falls and Missoula to "withdraw," the franchises of those two clubs should have been "transferred" to Boise and Murray, and so noted on the minutes of the meeting.

An effort yesterday by the Butte correspondent of The Tribune to get a ruling on the question of whether or not the players "belonged to the league" was not wholly successful Mr. Murphy was reported to be not clear on the point. According to Murphy, J. H. Farrell, secretary of the national association, which has charge of all mis-

Farrell, secretary of the national association, which has charge of all minor league affairs, left the Union association president somewhat in doubt, but Farrell's reply to Murphy's query seems to have given the Butte man the impression that the players were "free agents." The Tribune correspondent wired as follows: wired as follows:

Mr. Murphy said that he had wired J. H. Farrell, secretary of the National association, asking for information and that the latter's reply was not altogether clear, but it left the inference that a mistake had been made at the recent meet-ing of the Union league in Butte, when Great Falls and Missoula sur-

when Great Falls and Missoula sur-rendered their franchises.

'They should have been taken over by Murray and Boise then.'
said Mr. Murphy, 'to protect the reserved players, as I understand the situation.' Mr. Murphy is still working with Farrell endeavoring to get the question straightened out.

Automatically Released.

Mr. Murphy would not be quoted, but friends intimate that the league head is of the opinion that Great Falls and Missoula players are

free agents. The sch The schedule meeting, an-nounced Mr. Murphy, would be held in Ogden the latter part of

It is quite likely that Cliff Blanken-ship knew of this condition of affairs when he informed Dr. C. P. Harveille,

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association. The Miner expresses it views frankly, and to this effect.

Sait Lake, Murray, Ogden and Boise appear to be right in line. It looks as though McCloskey might handle the reins in Boise "Dad" Gimlin will be at the helm in Ogden, Hester in Sait Lake and Blankenship in Murray, which is really part of Sait Lake and means continuous ball for that territory, something we don't begrudge them for a minute. Holmes will handle Butte, and in "Ducky" it is believed the locals have a live and hustling manager. There is somewhat of a mystery resarding the captain of the good ship Helena, but they are right on the job over there, and while Jack Flannery is handling things now, it appears as though there would be a playing manager at the wheel when the season opens; in fact, the mere statement dropped by Bill Lussi the other night, that he had received his contract from Helena, indicates that the capital city magnutes are on the job and are after all the old good men and a lot of new ones.

It appears to be a cinch that the southern end of the circuit is strong. It has been hinted that the southerners put over something when Great Falls was ousted after Missonia had dropped out. It has been said that the control will rest with the southerning the matter a bit, what have they got to control? Sait Lake is going to be the financial backbone of the league as usual, and certainly cities like Sait Lake and Boise are entitled to something in so far as local receipts have figured in late years. Entite should not care the proper something the certainly cities like should not care the control of the certainly cities like should not care much of certains.

league as usual, and certainly cities like Salt Lake and Boise are entitled to something in so far as local receipts have figured in late years. Butte should not care much of a rap how much over Butte Salt Lake gets. It has been so often demonstrated that there can be no baseball here during certain periods of the playing season that no argument is forthcoming. Butte will get plenty of baseball and probably more baseball than the game will have patrons, so there can hardly be a kick coming from this city. Helena will fare just as well as Butte, and it is nearly a cinch that the gate receipts in Helena will be more than those of Butte. In fact, if you want the truth of it, Helena is possibly more entitled to baseball than Butte, on past showings.

Great Falls and Missoula are out of it, and with the lukewarm support in both towns, it is well they are. That long tiresome jump to the Falls is one thing cut out that will be appreclated by the players and the club owners, but there wouldn't have been so much objection to it if there had been a little fire for the teams to toast their sains before when they got there. Great Falls, for the past two years, has been as dead as Butte, and with a one, two team at that.

HONEST JOHN' WOULD SUIT BOISE FANS

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BOISE, Idaho, Jan. 30.—The divorcing of baseball from local management and the turning of the Bolse Franchise, club, park and good as a somewhat G a surprise to local fans. They are pleased however, to learn that Union league bail is to be served and that Evans is a man who makes good his word.

Just what disposition Evans will make of the players Bolse holds, who, with the exception of "Babe" Reama, constituted the 1913 pennant-winning club of the Western Tri-State league, is not known. If free territory when this city. It is also taken for granted that President Murphy of the Union association.

In many ways, fans here look upon the league having dropped this city. It is also taken for granted that President Murphy of the Union league made application to Secretary Ferreil to annex Bolse to the Union association. Under the continuation of the Mark and they not the club, and, as a result, it is believed that many of them have not felt as though they could afford to attend as many games during the season as they would had they not made the donations. Under an independent management this will be done away with. It is also taken for granted the club, for Belse is a make would had they not made the donations. Under an independent management this will be done away with. It is also take though the proport by an angel of the Union association. The possibility of the Cubb. They will support Evans also. What they want is good bail, properly handled, and they are now inclined to the belief that they are going to get it.

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SCHAEFFER-MALONE GO MONDAY FEATURE

Clever Lads Should Put Up

BEST OF BANTAMS TO BATTLE TODAY

Campi Promise Great Bout at Vernon.

By H. M. WALKER. By International News Service.

will get into a California ring tomorrow Johnny Williams of Baltimore and Ed-

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Johnny Williams of Baltimore and Eddie Campi of San Francisco will come face to face for a scheduled twenty-round contest before the Pacific Athletic club at Vernon. The referee named for this important event is the reliable Charles F. Eyton.

The articles of agreement call for "Its pounds ringside." The private agreement is that the little chaps shall weigh in the dressing room at 3 o'clock, enter the ring at or before 3:15 and that the opening bell must sound not later than 3:30.

The bantams came before the club's physicians at 11 o'clock this morning for a most rigid physical examination. Campi was declared to be in perfect condition. Williams was told that he had a slight stomach disorder, but that it was nothing that would affect him in the least.

Of Different Types.

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The rivals are of two separate and distinct types of battlers. Campi is fast and scientific to an almost freakish degree. Coast critics declare the French youth to be the equal of men like Welsh, Kilbane, Attell and McFarland in cleverness. The one fault found in Eddie's work has been his inability to "find" a knockout wallop.

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"I have the punch all right," said Campi white discussing this point today. "But why should I take a chance of any kind if by boxing cleverly I can outpoint may men? I'll prove one of these days that I can hit as hard as any lightweight in the game."

Williams is best described as a heavy-weight cut down to bantam size. He possesses the stamina and buildog aggressive spirit of "Battling" Nelson when the great Dane was in his prime. Also he has the "wallop," his record being featured with forty-one knockouts.

NEW YORK, Jan. 30.—A conference was held at the National league offices today, at which the legal status of the war between organized baseball and the Federal league was thoroughly discussed. The meeting was attended by Attorney General John C Rell of Pennaylvania, personal counsel for Governor John K. Tener, president of the National league; John C. Toole, attorney for the National league; John C. Toole, attorney for the National league; John A. Heydler, secretary of the league, and Leroy Reeves, secretary to President Tener.

The legality of the old and new forms of National league contracts was discussed. Mr. Toole drew up the new contract two years ago, and Mr. Bell expressed his opinion that the clause by which a player is paid 25 per cent of his sainty as an option on his services the following year would hold in any court. Both lawyers asserted that the reserve clause was legal and constitutional and would be upheld by any jurist. In the event that it shall be necessary to take legal action, the lawyers said, the case will be taken to the highest court in the United States, and they were positive that the supreme court would hold the reserve clause valid and uphold organized baseball.

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National league is prepared to go to any length to prevent the Chicago Federals from trying to get the catcher away from the Philadelphia club, it was said.

HUNDRED BOYS WILL RUN IN TODAY'S RACE

This afternoon at 2:36 o'clock, the relay team composed of fifty boys of the Y. M. C. A. will race a like number of boys representing the Deseret gymmasium on the Deseret gym running track. Each boy will run two laps, or about 220 yards. The entire distance will be between six and seven miles.

The Y. M. C. A. team is composed of intermediate and junior classes, while the Deseret team has been picked from the Junior class only. Ten boys may weigh over 110 pounds, but not more than 120. The remaining forty runners must not weigh more than 110.

Homer Holsington of the Y. M. C. A. has been giving his boys much advice and coaching. They have held two practices on the Deseret gymnasium track and are familiar with the turns of the track. The "Y" team is confident of the result, and that is, that they will win.

The Deseret boys are equally sure of being the victors, with Robert Richardson at the head of the Deseret gymnasium team. He has made a careful selection of the team and expects a speedy race.

The officials will be Freeman Bassett, starler; W. E. Day of the Deseret gymnasium, George H. Marshall of the Y. M. C. A. and D. A. Callahan, timers.

BASEBALL MEN GET CHANCE TO SMILE

Johnny Williams and Eddie "Feds" Have Banquet, and Old Leagues Hook Some Fast Players.

By International News Service.

CHICAGO, Jan. 30 .- All the local base-LOS ANGELES, Jan. 30.—Two of the ball folks were happy today. The Federal bantamweight boxers in America eral moguls were entertained at a luncheon by the Advertisers' club; C. W. Murphy, talkative commander of the Cub forces, received word from Chattanooga

Federal League Boosters.

Nearly 1000 persons, all of whom seemed to be Federal league boesters, lunched at the Ad club between 12:30 and 1:30 o'clock. Short speeches were made, and it could clearly be seen that the gathering was strong for the Federal league. Well wishes were bestowed upon Weeghman, Tinker and the Federal league.

league
The announcement of the signing of
Russell Blackburne, the sensational
shortstop last season with the Milwaukee pennant winners, was given out by Ban Johnson Blackburne, according to ru-mors, has been doing some flirting with the Federal people recently. For that reason there was considerable uneasiness manifested by south side enthusiasts.

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PHILADELPHIA. Jan. 20.—Signed contracts of Charles L. Boardman, a pitcher of Waterbury, Conn., and W. Wille, an outfielder, of the Beaumont, Tex. team, were received today by Connie Mack, manager of the Philadelphia Americans.

ED SWEENEY, star Yankee catcher, who, with Russell Ford, will compose Buffalo Federals' battery.



nied that he had signed a contract with Tinker's Chicago Federal team. He also asserted that he has not signed a 1914 contract with McGraw.

Cases Decided.

AUBURN, N. Y., Jan. 30.—The national board of arbitration of the National Association of Professional Baseball Leagues today gave out the following decisions, among others:

Claims allowed — Umpire Pontius against Nobraska State league.

Services awarded—J. E. Cock to Omaha: Player Erhard declared a free agent.

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Wilson Undecided.

DECATUR, Ill., Jan. 30.—In a letter to his parents here today, Arthur Wilson, catcher for the New York Giants developed the Political State of the St

Catering Only To The Better Element

Miller's Lads Take ing Game by Scor

The L. D. S. basketball of feated the Granite team yes noon in the Deseret gyn score of 45 to 32 The first quarter was deck

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Spectacular playing on se the throwing of field baskets ing opponents held the man their respective booths of the tense excitement. In fact, osity of the game at times pects of foothall in its extra and-tumble characteristica. During the second half the came somewhat shock and of the interest of the first ever, the latter part was devor of the L. D. S. aggregat Williams and Olsen were the L. D. S. team and M. wonderful work for the Gr. This was the first baskets tween the two schools. O. Miller of the L. D. S. U. game a complete triumph sand he doesn't hesitate to men will carry away the plouship game if the spirit yesterday is carried through. Coach "Wid" Ashton of Quike very much to meet the again at the Granite gymna. Homer Holsington was ted day. The L. D. S. band; tunes by way of accompanion of the students.

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