

SPORTS

BEARS COMING ON WEDNESDAY

Berne high school basketball team will come to Decatur Wednesday night for the first of a two-game series with Catholic high school Commodores. The Bears started off strong early in this season but have taken a decided slump.

On the contrary the Commodores are hitting their stride better each week and indications are the Laurentmen will turn back the Bears invasion. Berne lost last Saturday to Petroleum, but the game can hardly be considered in summing up the ability of the two teams because three Berne regulars were on the bench for violation of training rules.

The game is scheduled to start Wednesday night at 8:30 o'clock. The two second teams will play at 7:30 o'clock and the two eighth grade teams will play at 6:30 o'clock. Bob Wemhoff, St. Joe coach said today that his squad was polishing for the Berne game, figuring the Berne graders as one of the contenders for the county title.

The gymnasium will open at 6:15 o'clock and a big crowd is expected to arrive early for the 6:30 o'clock game.

Coach Laurent is drilling his Commodores hard for the main go and a real scrap between the two natural rivals is expected. Berne fans report that about 75 to 100 will accompany the team to this city.



Decatur's two high school net teams have some sweet schedule for this week. The Commodores play Berne here Wednesday night and St. Rose of Lima, O., here Friday night. Both teams are rivals of the Commodores, and a packed house should greet the Commodores on each occasion.

Herb Curtis will take his Yellow Jackets to the west extreme of Decatur for a clash with Bluffton. The game will be interesting—and no matter if one team is rated at 20 points better (we don't know which) it will be a great contest—Bluffton-Decatur games always are.

Our first guess is that Decatur will win comfortably—Our second guess is that Bluffton will win—Take your choice.

On comparison of records the Curtismen should have little trouble with the Tigers—Decatur has won four straight since the disastrous early-season road trip. Bluffton has dropped games to Hartford City, South Side and Auburn in a row.

Catholic high school basketball fans are rightfully mad concerning the ruling that Indiana Catholic

teams cannot play in the national tourney at Chicago.

One news story stated that the schools sanctioned the ruling—We're still looking for the representative of Decatur Catholic high school who voted for the ban.

Anyway it's going to take a lot of fun out of spring basketball and our best guess is that it will be the crucial test for the state association—This year Central Catholic of Fort Wayne; Cathedral of Indianapolis, and Washington Catholic all have good teams—probably good enough to win the national tourney.—We'll just have to wait and see if they go to the tourney.

On the face of it, it appears as if the state Catholic group was getting ready for a merger with the I. H. S. A. A., and there are lots of arguments both ways concerning that point. No doubt, several sectional tourneys, now merely breaking even would make money if the Catholic schools were taken into the I. H. S. A. A.—but how about the national tourney?

Simon Tip-Offs at Berne says "We'd rather beat Decatur than anyone else." That's a personal message to Messrs. Lose, Kleinhenz, Omlor, Hain, Miller, Keller, and Bill Loss.

The Berne Review sports writer makes an appeal today for his town's high school net players to observe training rules—It's a fine plea which all high school players should observe.

MAT CARD TO BE PRESENTED

Fort Wayne, Ind., Jan. 5.—After a full occasion by the holidays wrestling comes back to Fort Wayne this week with a vengeance. The first card of the new year, promoted by Henry Steeff at the Strand theater, will be staged Thursday night. Four heavyweights have been signed on a program that has every indication of being one of the outstanding attractions of the indoor season.

The main bout brings together two such well known grapplers as Eve ett Marshall, marvel of the Pacific Coast, and Al Newman, outstanding challenger of the eastern seaboard. Marshall, appearing here shortly before the holidays, stole the show when placed in the semi-windup of a card, while Newman made himself solid with the fans in two great battles against Regis Siki, the giant Negro, and jumping Joe Savoldi, once the pride of Notre Dame's famous football team. Both are recognized throughout the country as leading contenders for the heavyweight championship.

In the semi-windup, Siki comes back to tackle Charles Stanton, another eastern wrestling question mark. Siki is well known to mat enthusiasts here, while Stanton gave an excellent account of himself on one card at the outdoor arena last summer.

The main go will be a three-fall match with a time limit of two hours. The semi-windup, also a three fall match, will be limited to 45 minutes.

PURDUE TRIMS CRIMSON TEAM

Chicago, Jan. 5.—(U.P.)—Purdue, Northwestern and Ohio State were away to a flying start today in the Big Ten basketball race. These three teams won their opening games last night, while Wisconsin, Indiana and Illinois received set backs.

Two of the three games were won by 1-point margins, and in one of them an overtime period was necessary to decide the winner.

Purdue scored a smashing 49-30 victory over Indiana and staked a strong claim as the outstanding championship contender. Northwestern, defending champion, was pushed to the limit to defeat Wisconsin, 31-30, in an overtime game. Ohio State scored a surprising 29-23 victory over Illinois, ranked as a title contender.

In three practice games Minnesota overwhelmed South Dakota, 50-24, and kept its undefeated record intact. Iowa won from Drake, 24-18, and Chicago lost its fourth game in succession to Marquette, 36-21.

Ward Lambert's veteran Purdue team clearly demonstrated it has one of the highest-powered offenses developed in the Big Ten in several years by toying with a strong Indiana team. The Boiler-makers used ten men, and had their reserves in the game during the latter part of the second half.

The individual stars of the opening night's games were Johnny Wooden, all-America guard, and Charles Stewart, center, of Purdue; Capt. Joe Hoffer, Ohio State guard; Bobby Poser, Wisconsin guard.

Wooden and Stewart led Purdue's attack, scoring 14 points each. Hoffer scored three long baskets in the final part of the game to give Ohio State a 1-point victory over Illinois. Kamp was the leading scorer of the Illinois-Ohio game with six baskets and one foul throw for 13 points. Reiff led Northwestern in scoring with 12 points. Poser scored 13 of Wisconsin's points and tossed the basket which tied the score at 29-all.

The standings follow:

Team	W	L	Pct.
Purdue	1	0	1.000
Northwestern	1	0	1.000
Ohio State	1	0	1.000
Minnesota	0	0	.000
Michigan	0	0	.000
Chicago	0	0	.000
Iowa	0	0	.000
Wisconsin	0	1	.000
Illinois	0	1	.000
Indiana	0	1	.000

Last Night's Results
Purdue, 49; Indiana, 30.
Northwestern, 31; Wisconsin, 30 (overtime).
Ohio State, 29; Illinois, 28.

"East" and "West"
"Never the twin shall meet" is a phrase borrowed from the poem "The Ballad of East and West," by Rudyard Kipling. The full significance of the expression can be gained only by reading the entire poem. Juxtaposed from the text the lines are interpreted as meaning "that people of the eastern civilization, such as the Chinese and the Japanese, and those of the western civilization, such as the English and the American, cannot affiliate upon a truly friendly basis."

Hikers Protest
As a protest against the closing of the Sunningdale estate near Killybeggs, England, to the public, 200 members of hiking clubs and others climbed a fence and walked in single file across the forbidden land.

Two Contracts Let

Indianapolis, Jan. 5.—(U.P.)—One bridge and one paving contract were let by the state highway commission, it was announced by John J. Brown, commission director.

Contract for construction of a bridge on road 16, near Brook, was awarded to the Vincennes Bridge Company, Vincennes, on a bid of \$18,360.13.

Contract for paving 14.3 miles on road 18, in Grant and Blackford counties, was awarded to the Bigler Paving Company, Middletown, Ohio, on a bid of \$204,653.41.

SCHMELING TO FIGHT ANYONE

New York, Jan. 5.—(U.P.)—Just as a matter of record, Max Schmeling wants it known that he has no fear of Jack Sharkey.

"I'm not afraid of Sharkey," the German champion told the United Press today. "I'll fight him anytime Joe Jacobs makes the match. I've known ever since I took his best punches in our fight two years ago that I could beat him. I want to prove it to the public. But of course if Joe decides there is more money fighting Walker and Dempsey, Mr. Sharkey will have to wait until next year."

And Joe Jacobs, as manager of the champion, indicated that Sharkey's chances of securing a championship bout in 1932 were entirely up to the Bostonian's most hated rival—Jack Dempsey.

"If I have my way Max will fight three times this year—Walker in February, Dempsey in June and Sharkey in September," Jacobs said.

"However, if Dempsey wants to postpone his 'comeback' until September, Sharkey is out of the picture for 1932. I'd be a sucker to take Sharkey when Dempsey was available. If Dempsey is going to fight at all it must be this year. He still is the best drawing card in the game."

"Sharkey refused to fight Stripling in 1932 to decide who would get the first crack at the title. He flopped against Walker last fall. Then after beating Carnera instead of going out and licking Loughran, Walker and all the other claimants he decided he wouldn't fight anyone except Dempsey or Schmeling."

"You see Sharkey never has been very good but giving anyone else a chance. Where does he have any kick if we stall him off and pick up the easy money?"

Jacobs and his fighter are interested chiefly in signing contracts for the Walker match at Miami next month. Max, arriving in New York yesterday on the S. S. Europa after a six-month visit to Germany, appeared in almost perfect physical condition.

Asked if he expected difficulty because Walker is a small man, Max said it made no difference to him whether his foes were large or small.

Schmeling will make his first American ring appearance at Patterson, N. J., Thursday in a three-round exhibition against three sparring partners. After four additional exhibitions he will leave for Florida, Jan. 15, and start training for the Walker bout. He will train at Palm Beach, starting Jan. 20 and expects to be in top shape to meet Mickey on Feb. 25.

Contracts for the Walker bout probably will be signed Wednesday.

Chemical Terms

Isomerism refers to substances which are made up of the same chemical elements in the same proportion, but in which the atoms are differently arranged so as to produce substances having different physical and chemical properties. Examples are methyl ether and ethyl alcohol. The formula for both of these is C₂H₆O. Alotropism is the occurrence of the same chemical substance in different forms. For example, carbon appears as a diamond, as charcoal, as graphite, etc.

Scientific Fruit Treatment

The way in which science can deal with fruit is astonishing. It can change the flavor, its color and size; it can improve its keeping qualities; it can produce earlier or later ripening. Take apples for instance. Scientific treatment has now given us a ripening season for English apples which extends from June, when the earliest are ready until the following March, when the latest come to perfection. Before long we may have home-grown apples at their best the whole year round.—Exchange

Noted Scenic Route

The Indian river is a long lagoon to the eastern part of Florida, to Brevard and Volusia counties. It connects with the Halifax river at Titusville and extends 100 miles southeast to the ocean at Indian Inlet. The width of the Indian river varies from 300 feet to 3 miles, and it is navigable for vessels drawing 5 feet. The river is famous for its beautiful tropical scenery and for the oranges which are grown on its banks.

CHICAGO FACES MONEY TROUBLE

Mayor Leads Citizens In Fight For Finance Plan For Schools

Chicago, Jan. 5.—(U.P.)—Militant leaders of the nation's second greatest city, aroused with the desperate appeal of its citizenry, today opened the "battle of Chicago."

It was a fight to provision an empty treasury against the myriad demands of a metropolitan government. The ominous threat of bankruptcy groaned from Chicago's broken-down tax machinery.

"I am not an alarmist," Mayor Anton Cermak told a mass meeting that packed the Chicago stadium—where the republican national convention will meet next June, "but I am frank to say that unless we act immediately there is no telling where we may end."

The mayor who today led a band of determined officials and citizens for a last plea to the reconvened state legislature at Springfield, addressed 30,000 teachers, pupils,

parents and their sympathizers. Even as civic leaders heartened the teachers, many of whom said carfare to the meeting mean scripping on their lunches, plans went forward for radio classes as the schools close.

Leaders fear action by the legislature may come too late. Announcement was made that regular classes would be conducted by air for the 500,000 school children facing an enforced vacation.

Cooperation of parents would be enlisted that the children might not be too heavy losers through a long period of idleness. For families without radios, neighborhood groups would be formed.

For the first time since Chicago started its rise on the mud-flat shore of Lake Michigan schools in the metropolitan area are closed for lack of funds.

Amethyst Once Believed Charm

Worn as an amulet or charm, an amethyst for centuries has held to ward off the evil of witchcraft. "If the name of the sun or moon were engraved on it," says a recent writer, "and the stone hung about the neck from the hair of a baboon or the feather of a swallow, it's wearer would be safe from hail-storms as well as intemperance."

CLOVERLEAF PLAY TONIGHT

Decatur Cloverleafs will play the fast Pennville Independent basketball team at Decatur high school gymnasium at 8 o'clock tonight. Pennville has not lost a game in 15 starts this season and is regarded as one of the fastest independent teams in this part of the state.

In a preliminary starting at 7 o'clock, Decatur high school girls will play an alumni team, using the two-court system of play.

Manager Bob Hill stated the Cloverleafs would use their regular lineup tonight which last Saturday defeated the House of David team, 96-13.

Vehling Faces Charge

Indianapolis, Jan. 5.—(U.P.)—Fred W. Vehling, Marion county coroner, will go on trial in criminal court here January 19 on a charge of soliciting a bribe, Judge Frank P. Baker ruled. Although Vehling's arraignment was set for today, he announced he would plead not guilty. The trial date was decided

upon in conference between Baker and Vehling's counsel. Vehling will appear in court Monday to answer charges of impeachment, filed by Prosecutor Herbert Wilson. He announced would not resign his post, but a demand for his resignation to county commissioners.

Holy Land Trees

Dr. Henry Van Dyke, in his book called "Out of Doors in the Holy Land," speaks of the olive, cypress and eucalyptus trees for Van Dyke, in his chapter on "Going Up to Jerusalem," says "There were few trees except the end then an olive orchard, a round-topped carob, with its silver pods."

Good Riddance!

"Burial" of the traditionally caldus, or cloak, and veil, worn by 200 women at Teheran, Persia. A grave was dug and cloaks were placed in it, under an epitaph: "Here lies the cloak, emblem of women's servitude, curse be upon it."

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"Mohawk" Cases 42x36 **29c**
Ticking, 8 oz. narrow stripe, yard **18c**
Challis, 36 inch, Comforts Best Made yard **12 1/2c**
3 lb. Cotton Batts stitched, each **50c**
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