

# SPORTS

## JACKETS PLAY FIRST GAME OF YEAR TONIGHT

New Haven Will Oppose Yellow Jackets On Local Hardwood

Five veterans, four of whom were regulars last season, are expected to draw the starting assignments for the Decatur Yellow Jackets tonight when they open the season, with the New Haven Bulldogs appearing on the local floor.

Coach Hugh Andrews indicated that his starting lineup would be composed of Hurst and Peterson, forwards; Meyers, center; Barker and Huffman, guards. Huffman was sixth man on the squad last year and saw service in practically every game of the season.

Butler, another veteran from last season, will not be available for the first few games as the result of a broken bone in his hand, suffered in the final football game of the season.

New Haven, in past seasons, has proven exceptionally tough for the Yellow Jackets practically every year. With several games experience this season, the Bulldogs are expected to make the Yellow Jack-

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### WEEK'S SCHEDULE OF BASKETBALL

Friday

New Haven at Yellow Jackets. Berne at Hartford City. Geneva vs. Pleasant Mills at Commodore gym. Monmouth at Bryant. Kirkland vs. Jefferson at Berne.

Saturday

Berne at Montpelier. Monroe at Portland.

Kids step at a fast pace to chalk up a victory in their first start.

New Haven is coached by Paul White, captain of the Franklin high school "Wonder Five" when the team won its first state championship, and later starred at DePauw.

The first game this evening, between the Yellow Jacket and Bulldog reserves, is to start at 7:15, with the varsity encounter getting underway at 8:15 and 8:30.

Officials for tonight's game will be Gunnar Elliott, Fort Wayne and Von Crowe, Markie.

### Wells County League Plans Shoot Sunday

A skeet and trap shoot will be held at the Wells county conservation skeet field two and one-half miles north of Bluffton Sunday at 9 a. m. Poultry and turkeys will be given as prizes.

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Sunday School, 9:30 a. m. Morning worship, 10:30 a. m. Evening worship, 7:00 p. m.

Sunday evening will be the final service of the revival meetings now in progress. Cora Hathaway is the evangelist and the Fort Wayne Bible institute students have charge of the music.

The public is invited.

## AL SIMMONS TO LEAVE CHICAGO

### White Sox Outfielder Reported Headed For Detroit Tigers

Dayton, O., Nov. 22.—(UPI)—The baseball world's problem today was to separate the rumors from the facts. The strange psychology of most major league officials is to cloak their activities with the greatest secrecy and when a leak occurs deny all.

Take the case of Al Simmons. Unless Detroit's new owner, Walter O. Briggs upsets manager Mickey Cochrane's plans, Simmons, Chicago White Sox star outfielder, will play with the world champion Tigers next season. But try to get any official of the Tigers or White Sox to confirm the deal.

Jimmy Dykes, White Sox manager, comes closest to confirming the transaction by predicting that Simmons will play with the Tigers next season, but he does this only in a whisper. Cochrane today was enroute to Miami Beach, Fla., to get Briggs' official approval of the purchase of Simmons.

The terms of the deal are believed to be outfielder Gerald Walken and \$50,000 in cash.

Whatever happens, Simmons will not play with the White Sox.

Simmons sealed his fate last week when he tore up his 1936 contract in anger, when he saw the sum of \$12,500 mentioned. Simmons was a \$25,000 a year man for the past two seasons. With a life average of .354 up to last season, Simmons' batting dropped below .300 in 1935 for the first time in his major league career.

After the Giants-Cardinals "invisible deal" of Wednesday, two National league clubs temporarily abandoned "round-around" tactics and openly announced a trade. The Pittsburgh Pirates gave catcher Earl Grace and pitcher Claude Passeau, last year with the Des Moines western league club, to the Phillips for catcher Al Todd.

Manager Pie Traynor of the Pirates thinks that if he can put over another deal for a starting pitcher he'll have a serious pennant com-

tender on his hands. He is said to have his eye on Si Johnson of the Cincinnati Reds. Ralph Birkoff, Pirate southpaw, may figure in any other deals Pittsburgh makes.

Back of the rumors, the destruction of the Philadelphia Athletics appeared more certain, with at least three clubs likely to figure in the division of Connie Mack's stars for badly needed cash. One person's guess is as good as another but it is generally believed outfielder Roger Cramer and shortstop Eric McNair will land with the Red Sox, third baseman Frank Higgins with the Yankees; first baseman Jimmy Foxx with the White Sox. Pitcher Johnny Marcum may land with any one of the three clubs. Some insist part of these deals already have been completed.

The Chicago Cubs are making strong efforts to land another pitcher and are dangling any one of Freddie Lindstrom, Tuck Stainback, or Chuck Klein, as bait.

The mysterious dealings between the Cardinals and Cardinals and Giants continue to keep baseball observers up in the air. The latest report is that several stars are involved in a trade between those two clubs, in addition to Whitehead and Parmelee. One report had Parmelee and Carl Hubbell going to the Cards for Whitehead, Wild Bill Hallahan, and Jimmy Collins.

The Yellow Jacket fans are hoping for a highly successful season with a host of veteran material available. Four members of last year's regular five are back in uniform, while two other members of the 1934-35 varsity squad are also available.

While the Yellow Jackets are tilting the lid on the season's menu, the Decatur Commodores are idle this week after their impressive victory in the opener last week. The Commissies will not see action again until Wednesday, when they appear at Portland. The next home tilt for the Commodores will be December 11, when St. Mary's of Anderson appears here.

Other games on the Adams county schedule tonight are: Berne vs. Hartford City at Taylor university; Geneva vs. Pleasant Mills at Commodore gym; Monmouth vs. Bryant at Portland; Kirkland vs. Jefferson at Berne.

Two games are carded for Saturday. Berne will tackle another Blackford county quintet when they play the Pacers at Montpelier. The other clash is strictly intra-county, with Monroe playing at Hartford.

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Well, well, another sports columnist is 'made'.

We note that Ben Tenney, sports editor of the Fort Wayne News-Sentinel, has just announced he took the vows with Miss Audra Dalton last June.

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BITTER FIGHT

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arsenic, although it accented the theory that the mystery resulted from carelessness rather than an insane plot.

While prime interest of local investigators centered in this squat barrel of the contaminated compound, sold to the department store by the Manno Salvage company, promising developments appeared in the east.

Dr. J. C. Geiger, San Francisco city health officer, reported 1. Schwartz, chief chemist for the Bendler and Schlesinger chemical laboratories, had informed him he had made similar findings two years ago in a poison soda case in New York. Samples of the sodium bicarbonate submitted to him contained 30 per cent sodium fluoride and arsenic, the New York chem-

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