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AVERT SCANDAL IN MAJORS BY DROPPING TRIO

Unofficial Report Says Magnates Take Action After Uncovering Evidence.

NAMES ARE WITHHELD

CHICAGO, Feb. 24.—Three major league ball players have been quietly dropped by their respective clubs. According to unofficial information, the gambling evil is responsible.

The men behind baseball who are responsible for the game's cleanliness are determined to rid the sport of any tinge of suspicion. Two years ago some nasty gambling stories went the rounds of the major leagues. Players, it was alleged, were in league with certain crooked gamblers.

INVESTIGATION HAS BEEN LONG ONE.

One investigation was held, but there was no evidence to warrant a suspension. But the powers that be continued their investigations, and now the tip is sent out that three prominent ball tossers will be among the missing when the season opens. No names have been made public and none will be mentioned here. The fans, however, will soon discover the missing members.

One of the men involved has been a $7,000 a year performer for several seasons past. His contract for this season called for one-third that amount. It is easy to see that he will step down and out.

DECIDE TO DROP PLAYERS QUIETLY.

A "squealer" is said to have supplied the investigating committee with its desired information. He placed his cards upon the table, so the story goes, and the investigators were satisfied of the completeness of their case. It was decided to make no hurrah over the matter, but to quietly drop the players from the reserve lists of their respective clubs.

There will be no holler from the discharged athletes. They are well aware of the evidence against them and probably will be willing to go into retirement without a further fight.

With the report current that the major leagues have dropped three prominent players for alleged connections with baseball gambling rings, Indianapolis fans will be following gossip from the spring training camps closely this spring in an effort to learn in what direction the reported scandal suspicion points. Though there are few facts on which to base identity of the suspects at this time, there have been certain stove league pickups which would cast suspicion on Hal Chase of the New York Giants, Heinie Zimmerman of the same club and Lee Magee of the Chicago Cubs.

M'GRAW DENIES STONEHAM BREAK

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—The rumor that John J. McGraw, manager of the Giants, and Charley Stoneham, owner of the New York team, had engaged in a fistic battle recently in Havana was branded as absolutely false by the Giant manager in a cablegram to New York late yesterday. The story of the quarrel was based on a statement made in San Francisco by Jose Mendolos, a Cuban painter. Mendolos said that McGraw and Stoneham had come to blows following some bitter words at a Havana roof garden.

RED HOLDOUT RANKS BREAK

CINCINNATI, O., Feb. 24.—Outfielder Earle Neale late yesterday signed his 1920 contract with the Cincinnati Nationals. The remaining holdouts of the world's champions are Roush, Ruether, Eller, Kopf, Daubert and Groh. Roush, however, has intimated that he will go south with the team and President Herrmann believes the others will sign in a few days.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—President John A. Heydler of the National league expects to confer with Ban Johnson of the American league here before the end of the week for the purpose of naming a new chairman of the National commission, it became known today.

Indiana Anti-Boxing Workers Please Observe

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—There is a paradox in saying that when you knock a man down you help to build him up. But that's the way it is. Lawrence O. Murray, former controller of the currency under President Roosevelt, Taft and Wilson, has returned to the United States after two months service overseas as commissioner for the Knights of Columbus.

"I was once a member of Roosevelt's tennis cabinet," said Mr. Murray, "and tennis was about the extent of my liking for active sport. Mr. Roosevelt set a pace that required intensive energy to keep up with. But I've returned to this country a boxing enthusiast. I came to regard the thousands of dollars spent overseas by the Knights of Columbus on boxing equipment and bouts for the soldiers as one of the finest possible investments in American manhood. The K. of C. staged hundreds of bouts in Paris, Germany and London, and they were real, manly exhibitions. No boy was ever more than temporarily hurt in these fights, and scores of the pick of the army participated.

"I've sat at so many ringsides that I know the game and love it. Good, clean boxing, well-governed by men who know the difference between a bruiser and an artist, should be legalized in every state. It makes men better citizens because it teaches them the resources and application of wit and strength and the game of grinning and bearing it."

French Mat Champion Bids for Caddock Bout

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—George Kennedy, the Montreal promoter and manager of the French wrestling champion, Salvadore Chevalier, left last night for home. Kennedy is ready to match Salvadore with any rival to prove his right to a match with Stecher for the title. He is anxious to meet Caddock. Salvadore claims he forced Caddock to sidestep the tournament in Paris, at which the Frenchman won the championship.

Important Turner Practice

The South Side Turner basket men will run through a stiff drill at the Prospect street gymnasium tomorrow night and Capt. Rice requests that all players report, as some important business matters will be decided after practice. The Turners are after a game with a strong independent team for Saturday night and it is probable that the deal will go through. If so, the game will be played on the Turner court.

Win Cathedral Pennant

The Cathedral Mosquitos defeated the Scorpions, 16 to 14, and by doing so clinched the Cathedral Basketball league pennant. The Crickets defeated the Harps in the other game of Monday.

Stecher Works Fast

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Feb. 24.—Joe Stecher, world's heavyweight wrestling champ, today holds a victory over Tom Draak of Holland, whom he defeated in straight falls last night.

'WHY?'

Friday Ladies' Day as Usual at Tribe Park; Indians Change Dugouts

Jack Hendricks, Tribe manager, today announced that the H. C. L. would not prevent the Indianapolis ball club in offering its yearly bouquet to the feminine fans of the city in the way of giving free admission to women on Fridays during the coming season at Washington park. Women will be admitted to all Friday games without charge, other than what Uncle Sam collects on all amusement passes. They can come with or without escorts, it doesn't matter, and they will be passed through the gate to view the diamond proceedings as guests of the Indians.

Another interesting bit of news announced at the Tribe park today was that the home players will occupy the west dugout next season. In recent years the Indians have been camped on the north side of the diamond, but Manager Hendricks believes that he will be doing a good turn for those fans who like to sit near the Tribe dugout by moving his athletes across to the shade side of the grand stand. Therefore, fans who order season boxes are hereby tipped off to where the choice ones will be.

Champions Come and Go, but Kilbane Is Still Toting Crown

Cleveland Irishman in Ninth Year as Feather King as He Meets Valger.

Johnny Kilbane is in his ninth year as the featherweight champion. Since Washington's birthday of 1912, when he won the championship from Abe Atell, he has seen a long file of champions walking from the royal parlors to obscurity.

In eight years Jack Johnson and Jess Willard have come and gone as heavyweight champions, and Jack Dillon as light heavyweight title holder. The middleweight division has paid homage to Frank Klaus, George Chip and Al McCoy. Ad Wolgast, Willie Ritchie and Freddie Welsh have had their whirl at greatness in the lightweight ranks and the bantams have been ruled by Johnny Coulon and Kid Williams.

VALGER FINALLY GETS CHANCE.

Since 1917, when Kilbane left his class and ran into the lone knockout of his career by Benny Leonard, the lightweight champion, boxing fans have been adding the Cleveland Irishman to the ranks of the passing stars every time he faced any kind of opponent. Tomorrow night in Newark, N. J., he meets the best featherweight among the contenders, Benny Valger, the New York boy, who has been chasing him for two years. The usual floral wreaths and a space in the pugilistic obituary column have been reserved by some of the wise ones for the champion.

Kilbane may be through. Certainly at the age of 32 he has passed his prime, but it is doubtful that he has gone back enough to let Valger knock him out and as it is a no-decision bout nothing but a short period of sleep will remove the crown from his head. The New Yorker, who has taken upon himself the title of the "French flash," is aggressive, fast, rather clever, but he is not overladen with a punch. For that matter Kilbane seems to have lost his to some extent. But the champion has been milling around for a long time and he knows a few things about the game. He can fight many a no-decision battle with his head when the steam has all departed from his arms.

BOXING

STARS APPEAR IN DE PONTHIEU BENEFIT

PARIS, Feb. 24.—Georges Carpentier, European heavyweight champion; Jeff Smith, American middleweight; Frank Brown and K. O. Loughlin, who are here with the American manager, Al Lippe, are to appear in a special exhibition match here March 10, to be given for the benefit of Louis de Ponthieu, the French featherweight champion, whose arm was amputated recently.

BROSSEAN AND O'DOWD TO BOX

MONTREAL, Feb. 24.—Eugene Brosseau, the champion Canadian middleweight, knocked out Young Ahearn, once middleweight champion of Europe, in the first round of a scheduled ten-round bout here last night. After the fight Paddy Mullins, manager of Mike O'Dowd, world's middleweight champion, signed Brosseau to fight the Yankees here on May 24 for the world's championship.

MASON IN FINE FORM.

FT. WAYNE, Ind., Feb. 24.—Before a record crowd last night, Frankie Mason, who is to meet Jimmy Wilde for the world's flyweight title at Toledo March 12, showed the best form of his ring career when he made a punching bag out of Red Conant of Port Clinton, O. Mason drove his opponent all around the ring under a shower of rights and lefts in the first two rounds and in the third, with Conant hanging on the ropes in a helpless condition, Referee Mohler stopped the bout. Mason weighed 107¾ at ringside and Conant 117 at 3 o'clock.

DUNDEE SAYS HE'S CHAMP.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—Johnny Dundee has laid claim to the world's lightweight championship on the ground that Benny Leonard is unable to scale at 135 pounds ringside, the figure which prevailed when he won the title from Welsh. Dundee has engaged in more than 300 bouts and has suffered only one knockout in his career, and he afterward defeated Willie Jackson, who turned the trick.

ADAIR STOPS DENNY.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 24.—Barney Adair of New York was given the decision over Young Dennyof New Orleans at the end of the fifteenth round in their fight here last night. After the fifth round Adair was the aggressor and won every round. The men fought at welterweights.

HOLT KISSES CANVAS.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 24.—Tommy Holt of England made his debut in a ring here last night by losing to Battling Murray, Philadelphia. Murray knocked the Englishman down five times in the first round. After he had floored Holt twice in the second officials stopped the bout.

MOORE AND SHARKEY DRAW.

PORTLAND, Me., Feb. 24.—Pal Moore of Memphis and Jack Sharkey of New York fought twelve rounds here last night, Moore excelling in in-fighting, but Sharkey landing the harder blows. Under the state laws no decision could be given, but it looked like a draw.

BOY McCORMICK WINS.

VALLEJO, Cal., Feb. 24.—Boy McCormick, English light heavyweight, won a decision over "Sailor" Ed Petroskey in a ten-round bout here yesterday under the auspices of the Mare Island naval training camp.

TREMAINE SHOWS PUNCH.

AKRON, O., Feb. 24.—Carl Tremaine, Cleveland midget, knocked out Eddie Lavery, Akron, in the eighth round last night. The flashy Cleveland boy registered two knockdowns early in the fight.

SMITH SCORES K. O.

AKRON, O., Feb. 24.—Sergt. Ray Smith of Newark, N. J., knocked out Jack Connors of New York in the second round of a scheduled twelve-round boxing contest here last night. The men are heavyweights.

EASY FOR TAR BABY.

MEMPHIS, Feb. 24.—Sam Langford, Boston negro heavyweight, knocked out "Battling" Gahee, Memphis negro, in the second round of a scheduled eight-round bout here last night.

HURLEY BEATS BARRY.

DETROIT, Feb. 24.—Joe Hurley of Syracuse decisively outpointed Frank Barry, Milwaukee, in a ten-round bout here last night.

VITO DOWNS CARNEY.

QUINCY, Mass., Feb. 24.—Johnny Vito of Chelsea was awarded the decision over Billy Carney of New Bedford in ten rounds here last night.

BRAMER BEATS JACKSON.

HOT SPRINGS, Ark., Feb. 24.—In a no-decision ten-round bout here last night Harry Bramer of the Pacific coast administered a rather severe lacing to Nate Jackson of Oklahoma City.

OTHER MONDAY BOUTS.

At Philadelphia—Lew Tendler knocked out Allentown Dundee in the second round of a scheduled six-round bout.

At Bayonne, N. J.—Johnny Howard and Jack Clark fought an eight-round draw.

HAUGEN WINS SKI EVENT.

DENVER, Feb. 24.—Anders Haugen of Dillon, Colo., won the professional event of the interstate ski tournament here yesterday with a jump of 114 feet.

O. U. BUSHER

Ote Stubbs sez all big leaguers ware red flannel undershirts in the spring which in my opinyon has got the cooteys knocked for a dubble row of gools.

Hill and Ray Race Likely at Olympic Stirs English Fans

British Sport Authority Inclined to Give Yank Star Edge.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—In England they are already discussing the possible meeting of the Joie Ray, Illinois A. C. runner, and the English mile and half mile champion, A. G. Hill, in the 1,500-meter race in the Olympic games at Antwerp.

W. L. Sinclair, in writing of the merits of the two men in the Sporting Chronicle, does not agree with the contention that Hill's mile in 4 minutes 21 1-5 seconds, half mile in 1 minute and 55 seconds, and winning quarter in the mile relay at the English championships, was the best one-man-one-day performance of all times. He considers that Ray's 4 minutes 14 2-5 seconds for the mile, 1 minute 56 seconds in the half, and 4 minutes 34 seconds in a four-mile relay was the greater performance in one day.

AWARDS AT WABASH.

CRAWFORDSVILLE, Ind., Feb. 24.—The Wabash Athletic association will award honor sweaters and letters Wednesday morning at chapel to members of the 1919 track and baseball squads, and to the 1920 football men. Service stripe sweaters for seniors have not arrived yet, but all other men will receive sweaters who have been awarded letters.

BOWLING

LEAGUE LEADERS LAST NIGHT.

Star league, Stich (Newsboys)	240
Manuacturers' league, Strack (Wheeler-Schebler)	227
Rotary league, Clark (Bee-Vee-Dees)	226
Commercial league, Sheets (Marmon Boosters)	216

Strack was high single game man in the Manufacturers' loop again last night. He went about as big as a peanut in his first round but passed everybody with a 227 in the second.

Gantner and Thomas also pounded the pins fairly well for the Wheeler-Schebler quintet and they eventually won the odd game from the Kingans.

Noffke and Leary gave the Imperials all they had and an 866 total, the best in the loop, was forthcoming.

The top count is the only one that won a game for the Imperials. The National Forties walloped 'em by one pin in the second and won the third without trying.

The National and Marmon Autos clashed and the Marmons got what Patty gave the drum. Lovick was the big National.

Capt. Pauley of the Marmon crew fired himself after he saw what he did in the first game.

Stritt got a 222 and a little bit more, but he just happened to be riding the wrong boat.

The Western Unions were not sure of their match with the Langsenkamps until the last pin bit the dust. They managed to get the odd game.

Krag of the Langsenkamps came near upsetting the best laid plans of men and beasts when he put the skids under a 204, but he quit after giving his team one win.

There was only one prominent starlight in the Star circuit. The feature bowler was Stich, granting him the title by virtue of the 240 he got in the closing act.

Stich shot with the Newsies and with Bulach's assistance he trimmed the ears off of the Pressmen.

Kelly's Operators finished the night with a clean slate. The Admen forfeited to them.

The Piedups pied the Makeups three times in a row and didn't have to do anything spectacular to put over the deal.

The Bee-Vee-Dees of the Rotary league didn't give the Deuces Wild a chance to get in out of the cold until after they had won the first two games.

Clark had a large evening. He kicked in with a 226 the first thing off the bat,

CUBANS BET HEAVILY ON JAI-ALAI GAME.

By LEE J. SMITS,
Special Correspondent of The Times.

HAVANA, Feb. 24.—While supporters of baseball in the United States are convinced that the taint of gambling must be removed if the game is to continue to thrive, in Cuba the national sport of jai-alai is chiefly a device for heavy betting.

If there exists here any of the reform element always active in the United States, certainly it is not in evidence.

Jai-alai, pronounced "high-a-lie," is one of the sights which every American tourist is urged not to miss. The game resembles handball on a big scale. The players were strapped to their right hands narrow, curved baskets, or cestas, with which they scoop the ball out of the air and fling it against the end wall of a court 210 feet long. Most of the players come from Spain. The game is learned by children, bouncing balls against the walls of buildings. Unbelievable skill and swiftness are displayed.

Three nights a week the great black-walled concrete jai-alai building is thronged. Seat prices range from 50 cents to $12. The attendance averages 4,000. Thousands of dollars in wagers change hands. Opposing teams are distinguished by blue and white blouses, and on the score board are marked the changing odds, which are determined after the mutual system. Betting commissioners in black jackets and red caps circulate among the crowds soliciting wagers. One continuous uproar, which sounds more hysterical than the rooting of baseball fans, gives to the jai-alai building the nickname "Palace of Noise."

The players, many of whom remain topnotchers for more than twenty years, despite the fact that the game is far more strenuous than baseball, refresh themselves with rum and brandy in the rest periods. Jai-alai professionals all wear mustaches and resemble the photographs of big-league baseball stars taken thirty years ago. Rumors of crookedness are numerous and elaborate efforts are taken to prevent the "fixing" of games. The umpires are players and every match is watched by three of them, one of whom has the deciding voice in a dispute between the other two.

Jai-alai was introduced into Cuba from Spain shortly after the Spanish-American war. Gen. Wood, when governor of Cuba, was an enthusiastic devotee of the game and an accomplished player.

BILLIARDS

HOPPE-PETERSON TEAM COMING

Willie Hoppe, world's champion balkline billiardist, will be seen in exhibition matches here Monday and Tuesday of next week, according to an announcement by Harry Cooler yesterday. Along with Hoppe will be another champion, Charley Peterson, wizard at fancy shots. The two will be seen at the Occidental parlor in afternoon and night contests at three-cushion and balkline billiards. Hoppe and Peterson have traveled together for several seasons, but the exhibition is always new, for Peterson is usually on the heels of the champion in either balkline or three-cushion and sometimes is able to take the number of the champion.

Manager Benjamin is handling the tour of the "champs." Hoppe recently copped the balkline tourney at New York, settling all doubts as to his being the best billiardist in the world. Charley Peterson, although not the master of the 18.2 balkline, can outclass the champion when it comes to making fancy shots. His fancy shots probably create more talk and attention than the playing of the champion. Both Peterson and Hoppe are great favorites in Indianapolis and their coming will be greeted with approval by the billiard fans in this city.

AMATEUR CUEISTS START.

BOSTON, Feb. 24.—The seventeenth annual Class A 18.2 balkline billiard tournament opened here last night at the Boston Athletic association with David McAndless of Chicago, the present Class A champion, paired with Julian Rice, who recently won the Class B championship in Brooklyn. McAndless won his match by a score of 300 to 137, his high runs being 50, 49 and 33. Two matches will be played daily for ten days.

Butler to Face Earlham

Butler will meet Earlham instead of Wabash at the Butler gym Friday night. The Scarlet team has canceled the contest for that date, but it is probable the game with the Little Giants will be staged Tuesday night of next week. The contest with Earlham will be one which was canceled two weeks ago when the flu epidemic was raging at Richmond.

The Irvington team was sent through a light workout yesterday, consisting of passing and basket shooting. Several members of the squad were absent, having gone to their homes for the week-end. However, a full squad was expected this afternoon with the idea in view of checking the Quakers.

Swiss Olympic Teams

GENEVA, Feb. 24.—Fourteen national Swiss sport federations have joined the Swiss committee for the Olympic games. Twelve of the federations have announced their intention of sending teams to participate in the trials for the Swiss national teams.

pounded out a 191 in the second round and so on and so forth.

If Hall and his 101 had stayed at home where they belonged the "Beevers" would have made it a clean win.

The Bell Hops stayed up over the 800 mark and won from the Pork Chops every time.

McElwaine got a double century and two other clever counts for the Pork Chops, but his work didn't look so very good when stacked up with that of Field, Bell Hop anchor.

The Shoe Strings had no easy time winning the rubber contest from the Worry Chasers.

Reitzell went to second in the one-game class with a 221 count.

The Marmon Boosters had a close call in their match with the Central Union Telephones. Two big scores by Dibble and Sheets pulled them out on top.

The Langsdale Gas forgot their prayers and the Hoosier Oil slipped it over on them two times.

The Keyless Locks tried starting at the bottom and going to the top, but they didn't get there until slow music was being played. They were bucking he Hoosier Oils.

Mescall was good every time, and he topped his work with a 212.

Piez tried hard to do something for the good of the Gibson Autos, but the Link Belts wouldn't give him a bearing.

The Prospect Gas outfit fought the Midwest No. 1 shooters off their feet, winning by a hair's breath in the odd game.

The Citizens Gas opened with a loss to the Martin-Parry Corporation, but came back and took the gravy in the next two.

LOCAL ELKS CLEAN UP.

DETROIT, Feb. 24.—Indianapolis and Port Huron bowlers were the gold medal winners in the Elks' national bowling tournament just finished here. Indianapolis No. 3 five-man team with a score of 2,993, took down the medals for this event, while M. Walters and C. Allen of Port Huron rolled 1,211 in the doubles. John Maney of Detroit with 659 topped the list of individuals and J. Pritchett of Indianapolis landed the high prize in the all-events. In the class A doubles M. Waters and C. Allen, Port Huron, won first with 1,211; Rassmussen and Harshman, Indianapolis, won third with 1,190; Miller and Blue, Indianapolis, won seventh with 1,164, and Westover and Pollard, Indianapolis, won ninth with 1,163. In the five-man teams, Indianapolis No. 3 won first with 2,993; Indianapolis No. 2 won fifth with 2,809, and Indianapolis No. 1 won seventh with 2,787. In the all-events J. Pritchett, Indianapolis, won first with 1,889, and A. M. Pollard, Indianapolis, won fifth with 1,807. In the singles A. M. Pollard, Indianapolis, won ninth with 620.

ST. PAUL IN HOCKEY WIN.

ST. PAUL, Feb. 24.—St. Paul Athletic club hockey team took the Monarchs of Winnipeg over the ice last night for a win of 20 to 9.

County Legion Men Start Sports Boom at Meeting Tonight

Eight-Club Baseball League Planned by Former Service Men.

Members of the athletic committee of the Marion county American legion posts will meet in the Law building at 8:15 tonight to discuss sport plans for the coming outdoor season. Thirty-seven posts are included in the county legion, and it is believed that athletics on a big scale can be worked up. Baseball will be the chief sport discussed at the meeting tonight, and the idea now is to form at least eight teams among the posts of the county and organize an official Legion league.

Many prominent athletes, including baseball, basketball, tennis, football and track men, are included among the county legion members and the possibilities of developing strong teams in all branches are unlimited.

If the sport program of the former service men goes through as planned the athletic calendar of Indianapolis and Marion county in general is bound to receive a popular addition. If a baseball league is organized it will, in all probability, become affiliated with the Indianapolis Amateur Baseball association. Members of the legion athletic committee are William Deery, chairman; Thomas Hendricks, Jack McKay, Ray Bonsib, Sidney Rose, Paul Fechtman, Frank McCann and W. J. Ash.

Amateur Baseball Call Sent Out for Gathering March 2

Players and Managers Urged to Attend First Organization Session of Year.

The first meeting for the organization of the Indianapolis Amateur Baseball association for 1920 will be held on Tuesday evening, March 2, at 7:30 o'clock in the council chamber of the city hall and R. Walter Jarvis, director of recreation, requests every amateur ball tosser in the city and others interested in the sandlot game to put in his appearance at the gathering.

Indianapolis, with eight leagues of eight teams each, ranked with the leading amateur baseball cities of the country last season and, in view of the fact that many sandlotters have been discharged from the United States service since that time, the recreation department plans to double the number of entries in the association this year and send Indianapolis to the front of the amateur list.

MANUFACTURERS STRONG WITH FOUR LOOPS.

The manufacturing concerns of the city got behind the amateur association last year and were big factors in its success, putting four snappy leagues in the field. Mr. Jarvis earnestly urges the support of the concerns who entered teams in the organization last year and of all others who were not represented.

James H. Lowry, superintendent of public parks, has informed Mr. Jarvis that the park board will do everything in its power to boost amateur baseball this year, the same as it has done in previous seasons. All of the old park diamonds are to be gone over and arranged in the most up-to-date manner. Several new diamonds are to be built in the parks and new fields will be layed off on the public playgrounds and on vacant lots throughout the city if the demand for them is great enough. The success of the association last season was due partly to the excellent condition in which the diamonds were kept.

TEAMS START LINING UP.

Several amateur pilots have already announced their intention of entering clubs in the association, and Herb Cambel, manager of last year's Militaries, champions of the Civic league, states that he will send three teams out to fight for championships. The El Dallos, Dick A. C's, Rupp Juniors, South Side Turners, Christamores and several other fast outfits are dropping into line and it is planned to organize five independent amateur loops, to play on Sunday afternoon. The Manufacturing leagues will play on Saturday.

SPORTS-DANCING

MARION CLUB BASEBALL DANCE.

The Marion Club Baseball association will give an entertainment and dance at the Marion club, March 11, and the committee in charge is planning a great time for the members and friends of the organization.

The Marion club ball tossers will start training in their gymnasium this week and all members of last year's D. A. C. team are requested to report at the club to Mr. Ulrey or Stanley Feezle as soon as possible. Rex Dawson, Joe Meo, Bab Mattern, Erule Huhn, Reagan Nanney and all other fast amateur and semi-pro players in the city are also requested to get in touch with Feezle at the Marion club or the G. H. Westing sporting goods store. The Marion club team will play most of its games out of the city, and state nines desiring games are requested to address the baseball manager, care of the Marion club.

MILITARY A. A. DANCE.

R. Walter Jarvis, director of public recreation, will act as floor manager at the Military A. A. dance to be given at the Riverside dancing pavilion, March 8. Mr. Jarvis has conducted dances at the Lauter Boys' club for several years and is a big favorite with persons who have attended them.

The proceeds of the military dance will go toward supplying three baseball teams to be organized in the western section of the city with uniforms this year. The Military baseballers, champions of the Civic league, formed one of the fastest amateur outfits in the city last year, but owing to lack of funds they were unable to buy uniforms and did not make as flashy appearance as some of their rivals. This season they are appealing to their hundreds of followers to give them a lift and they expect a big attendance at the dance, March 8.

STATE PRIZE WALTZ FRIDAY.

A big entry list is forming for the state championship $50 prize waltz to be given at the Athenaeum the coming Friday night and all the thrills of high-class dancing are promised when the star waltzers of the city and state take the floor. Paul Gibson and Ida Abbott, partners in several previous prize events, are threatened with having their prestige lowered, according to gossip heard among the city's dancers. Several experts of the light fantastic who claim better rating than Gibson have entered, and they are out to capture the big honors. Johnson's orchestra will supply the music and dancing will start at 9 p. m. and continue until 1 a. m. There will be dancing for both the prize contestants and others, making a full evening's program. In addition to the city's star waltzers there will be prominents there from Ft. Wayne, Evansville, Vincennes and Terre Haute. No entry fee is charged, the admission price of 50 cents, or $1 a couple, covering everything.

Pell Defends Title

BOSTON, Feb. 24.—Clarence C. Pell of New York, playing through in the national amateur racquets championship tournament, yesterday retained his title by defeating Stanley G. Mortimer of New York in the final match. The scores were 9-15, 15-9, 15-2, 15-3.

TWELVE IN TOURNEY.

WARSAW, Ind., Feb. 24.—Twelve high school teams of Kosciusko county are entered in the annual county basket tournament to be staged in Warsaw next Friday and Saturday, Feb. 27 and 28.

10,000 Francs Awarded Carpentier for Boxing Prestige Won for France

PARIS, Feb. 24.—For the prestige he has given boxing in France, and the help he has lent in the progress of physical training, Georges Carpentier, French heavyweight and challenger for the world's championship title, has been awarded a grand prize of 10,000 francs by the French academy of sports.

Edwards, Australian Lightweight Champ, Starts After Yanks

Boy From Antipodes Plans Hop Through Ranks Here, Opening With Mitchell.

The land of the kangaroo has sent some wonderful boxers to America. Somehow the boys from the Antipodes no sooner step down the gang plank than they begin making good. The latest gem is the "Benny Leonard" of the Antipodes. He is smiling Lew Edwards, who has cleaned up the fighters in his division at home and picked the bones.

"America next"—is his slogan.

This crack 133-pounder comes with both a gilt-edge reputation and a passion for the glove-dangling game. Whether he will rise to the top rungs of the lightweight ladder or be compelled to hop back to kangaroo land as a failure in the American boxing ring, is a story the future alone holds. Such critics as Tom Andrews of Milwaukee believe that Edwards can do to Benny Leonard what no other lightweight has succeeded in doing. Leonard was at one time signed

to box Edwards in Australia for a good-sized guarantee, but the affair fell through. Now the Australian comes to the champion's own hearthstone.

Edwards is tagged as being as fast as any lightweight that ever lived, clever with his dukes, cool, marvelously resourceful and a hard hitter. En route to the states he trained hard on the boat all the way. On landing at San Francisco he immediately went to a gymnasium, while his friends went sight-seeing. His manager and trainer, George Ballilieu, rubs Edwards for a solid hour after each workout.

First, he will have to meet some of the lesser lights in his division to prove himself. There is a pretty healthy crop of lightweights in the United States at present, too. Then if the Kangaroo Land boxer survives, a Leonard-Edwards attraction may cause the promoters to get excited and they will hold a bidding bee similar to the one now going on over the Dempsey-Carpentier cash register.

The Australian is either wise or has been put wise. He has announced that he intends to inquire into the weight of Leonard before consenting to meet him, and that Benny must weigh in public. The invader can make 130 pounds, if necessary. If he should continue to insist on the weight proposition a controversy similar to the Tendler-Leonard affair may arise. Leonard has gone to the Pacific coast to do some moving picture work and speed up in the four-round game a bit. The champion is treading the path of gold these days. Ahead of Edwards lies the same trail to fame and wealth if he can blast his way through, for Americans love those who climb the dizzy heights and also love to shower their heroes with golden coin. Edwards will get his first chance at Milwaukee Thursday when he meets Richie Mitchell.

DePauw Repeats Over Aggies in Rough Play

GREENCASTLE, Ind., Feb. 24.—In a fast game, marred by rough play, DePauw again decisively downed the Michigan Aggie five here last night, 31 to 18. Capt. Cannon played a stellar game for the winners and Rigbie and Kurtz divided the honors there was for the losers. The game saw Curtis, a DePauw veteran, reinstated through an examination. He went to center when Gipson was taken out on fouls, Miller going back to back guard.

Miller and Cannon set the crowd wild with a repetition of their famous underhet play, the half ending 16 to 10 in favor of the Old Gold. The second half frequently rivaled a football game for roughness. Three men were taken out, both Gipson and Garrett having gathered the necessary four personal fouls. Referee Evans sent Rigbie out of play for alleged fistics tactics. DePauw's offensive was overwhelming in the second period.

Canoe Club Goes After Women's Swim Tourney

Should the Indianapolis Athletic and Canoe club be granted the sanction for the national 500-yard women's free-style and men's 150-yard back stroke swimming championships, some of the country's foremost water stars will be seen in competition here during the latter part of next month.

The Canoe club is forming a swimming team under the direction of William S. Merriam, one of the best and most widely known coaches in the country. For several years he was connected with the Independent Athletic club and before coming here was a member of the world's championship team of the Illinois Athletic club. If the I. A. A. C. is awarded the above events they will be staged in the Marion club pool, as the proposed Canoe club pool will not be completed until the latter part of June.

Goullet and Egg Arrive

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—Alfred Goullet and Oscar Egg arrived here today on the French liner La Savoie, Goullet's arrival being a surprise to the promoters of the six-day bicycle race, which will take place here March 7 to 13.

ILLINI FINISH FAST.

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 24.—Illinois basket shooters last night beat the Gophers, 26 to 20. At the end of the first half Minnesota was leading, 9 to 8. Illinois maintained a terrific pace in the last session and Minnesota was unable to meet it.

SPEEDY RAYLS HERE FOR TEST WITH EM-ROES

Locals to Put Forth Big Claims if They Beat Detroiters Tonight.

If the Detroit Rayls fail to defeat the Em-Roes when they clash at the Y. M. C. A. tonight, their campaign through the middle west and their claims to the independent basket championship of this section of the country will have been made in vain. If they fall before the Em-Roes they must turn around and go home, with nothing more than a wonderful record of eighteen victories against four defeats to talk about, while it will be the duty of Capt. Feeney's team to hoist the basketball flag of honor of the middle west and defend it against all comers.

Shortly after the season opened the Rayls sailed out of Detroit and have been going ever since. In their travels they have met and defeated the crack independent teams of the country and their claim to the title of the middle west seems to have more punch to it than any other presented. They will start here tonight with Boosey and Runkel, forwards; Kline, center, and Wasmund Kavanaugh, guards. This is a combination that will be hard to beat and local fans are not to sure about the outcome of the season's most prominent independent clash.

Capt. Feeney is sure of a victory. The local lineup will include Klein and Schoeneman, forwards; Rice, center, and Feeney and Behrent, guards. Fans throughout Hoosierdom know of the power of the forwards and guards. Johnny Rice is a new addition to the squad. He is a youngster, just out of high school, but a whale of a player on the defense and easily one of the best basket shots in the state. Rice has gone great with the Em-Roes in two out-of-town games this week and his many friends here are pulling for some star-light stuff from him tonight.

Debonairs Swing Back Into Action Tonight in Clash With Pair-O-Dice

The Denbonairs, champions of the city amateur loop, will be seen in action on a local court tonight for the first time in two weeks when they stack up against the Pair o' Dice at the Marion club. Two strong amateur quintets will play a curtain-raiser at 7:15 and the big game will start promptly at 8:30. Coach Squires has worked hard to get his outfit into shape for tonight's scrap, and with Starbuck and O'Cain, forwards; Ettris, center, and Schafer and Anderson, guards, he feels that they will have the choice side of the count when the curtain drops.

Anderson is a new addition to the "Deb" squad, but in the few games he has played he looked like a phenom and evidently has the stuff to step out with the best guards in the state amateur ranks before the season closes. The Pair o' Dice have had only one defeat checked against them this season, that by the Leaders in the local district of the state 150-pound tourney, and there is no doubt but that they will show the Squires crew a good time before taking the bitter dose.

Manager Evans has entered into negotiations with two fast Louisville (Ky.) amateur quintets and stated today that the Debonairs probably will visit the home of the Colonels for a series of games before the season closes. R. Walter Jarvis, director of public recreation, has also asked the Louisville park board to arrange a series of games between the Louisville amateur champs and the local title bearers.

The second meeting of the Debonair Home association will be held at the clubhouse tomorrow evening. The stock sales for the new athletic home are increasing daily and it is planned to start work on the building as soon as weather permits.

College Card This Week

TONIGHT.

DePauw vs. Notre Dame at Greencastle.
Wabash vs. Michigan Aggies at Crawfordsville.

WEDNESDAY.

Purdue vs. Indiana at Lafayette.
Notre Dame vs. Wabash at Crawfordsville.
Dentals vs. Rose Poly at Terre Haute.

THURSDAY.

St. Joseph vs. Valparaiso at Valparaiso.

FRIDAY.

DePauw vs. Franklin at Franklin.
Earlham vs. Butler at Butler Gym.

SATURDAY.

Indiana vs. Ohio State at Bloomington.
DePauw vs. Lake Forest at Greencastle.
Nebraska vs. Valparaiso at Valparaiso.

Basketball Games and Track Meet at Wabash

CRAWFORDSVILLE, Ind., Feb. 24.—Wabash college athletes face a heavy program this week with a full schedule of track and basketball games. Two basket games and an indoor track meet with DePauw are carded.

The week opens with the Michigan Aggies here in a basket argument tonight. The Michigan team defeated Wabash early this month while it was on its northern road trip, by a 2-point margin, and local fans are slightly dubious about the outcome of this battle.

Notre Dame steps upon the Wabash court Thursday night in a scheduled bout with the Scarlet basket gladiators. The Irish quintet was also a team which took the Cavemen into camp on their northern pilgrimage this month, and it is also one of the teams for whose scalp Coach Vaughn is baiting on the home floor. Track men will have their first opportunity to display their stuff before a home crowd in the meet against DePauw Friday night. Knee, football half back and promising sprinter, has recovered from an attack of the flu and will be in the squad.

Former Soldier Wins Race

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—From a field of thirty-seven starters, Frank Zuna of Staten Island, won the twenty-five mile road race through the streets of Brooklyn Monday in 2:57:53 1-5. The greater part of the route was covered with slippery frozen snow, and the winner's time was remarkable considering the condition of the course. Zuna is a member of the Frank B. Whitney post, American legion, and after he returned from active service in France won the Trenton-to-Camp Dix marathon run last year.

ROSS STILL WINNING.

ADELAIDE, Australia, Feb. 24.—Norman Ross, the American, swimming under the colors of the Illinois A. C., won the Australian 440-yard championship yesterday.

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