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EUROPEAN BOUT LOOMS UP FOR CHAMPION JACK

Dempsey May Fight Georges in England Next Summer After European Tour.

KEARNS TELLS OF OFFER

BY SID MERCER.

NEW YORK, Jan. 25.—A return match with Georges Carpentier in England next summer has been ruled out as next important ring engagement for Champion Jack Dempsey.

Unless a more worthy American opponent than those yet to appear can be found to match with the champion at Madison Square Garden in the early spring, Dempsey will be back in England for an international tour ending in another battle with the European champion in London. This is the news brought by Jack Kearns, who arrived in New York from Los Angeles where Dempsey is now resting after a strenuous tour of the West, during which he boxed daily.

"A champion is in splendid condition," assured the manager. "He wouldn't require more than two weeks training to bump off any heavy weight brave enough to get in the ring with him."

Kearns expects to keep Dempsey busy until midsummer. The bookings will depend on whether Jack makes his next fight here or abroad.

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Association Votes Down Draft Offer of Major Leagues

A. A. Follows Lead of Coast League—International Expected to Do Likewise.

CHICAGO, Jan. 24.—Club owners of the American Association declined late Wednesday to enter into any draft agreement with the major leagues. The proposal for the restoration of the draft, originally with a provision that amateur players drafted would be unanimously voted at a special meeting called to consider the subject. The major leagues, if they desire to obtain star players from the American Association, clubs will have to purchase them outright at whatever price demanded.

The proposal to amend the agreement between the major and minor leagues relating to the draft, came from Judge K. M. Landis, commissioner of baseball; President H. C. Johnson of the National League; and San Johnson of the American League, constituting the baseball advisory council.

The American Association is the second of the three Class AA leagues in organized baseball to reject a proposal for restoring the draft. The Pacific Coast League voted it down at its meeting several days ago.

The International League, according to baseball leaders here, is expected to follow the action of the American Association and the Pacific Coast League.

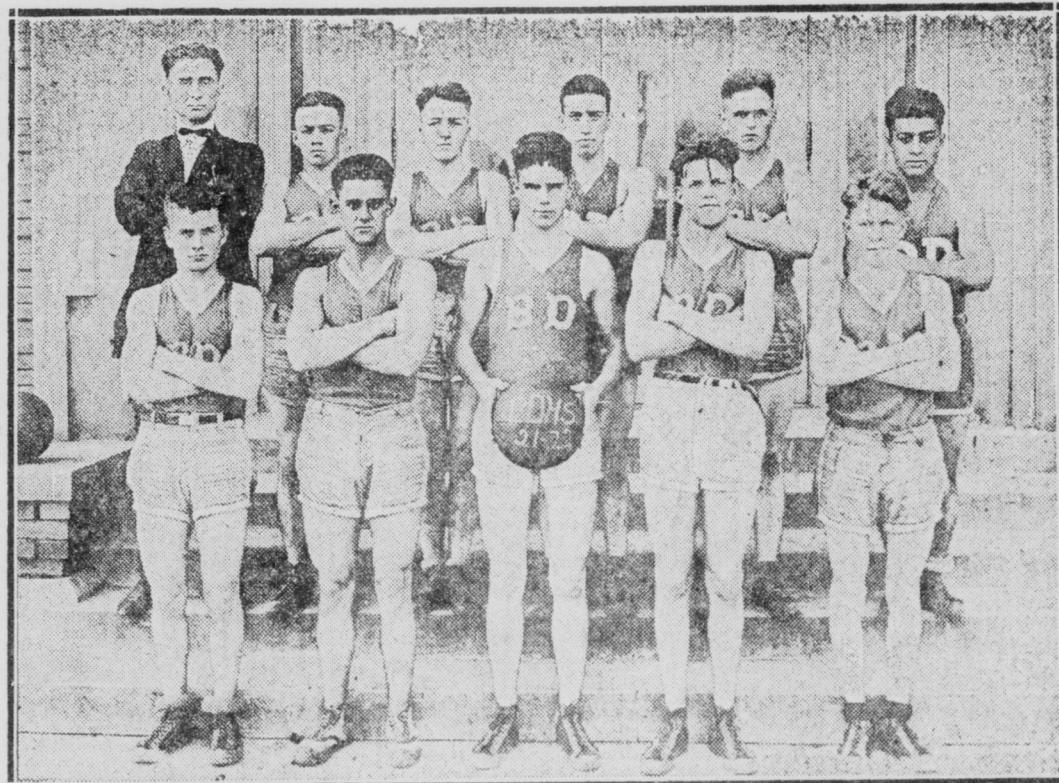
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BEN DAVIS IN OPENING COUNTY GAME



FRONT ROW, LEFT TO RIGHT—VANCE, GUARD; BURNETT, GUARD; WAKEFIELD, FORWARD; DOWDEN, CENTER; STREBE, FORWARD, BACK ROW, LEFT TO RIGHT—JOHNSTON, COACH; BRIDGES, GUARD; WEST, FISHER, GUARD; DAVIS, GUARD; FREJLE, FORWARD.

The Ben Davis High School basketball squad is practically a new outfit this season with only two of last year's team to build around. Five first string men of last year and one substitute were graduated. Twelve games have been

played this season with a record of seven wins and five wins. Two of the contests that were lost went on the wrong side of the ledger by margins of only two points.

In the Marion County tournament at Tomlinson Hall tomorrow Ben Davis pries off the lid with West Newton as an opponent. Although West Newton is the favorite in this scrap, Ben Davis hopes to give the dope bucket the first kick of the tourney.

The International aviation meeting will be held at Zurich on Sept. 3 or 4, according to the weather. The program will be an air racing meet and the meeting will be followed by an international aeroplane exhibition.

NEWS AND NOTES OF COLLEGE AND H. S. BASKET ACTIVITIES

West Newton Looms as One of Favorites Here in County Tournament

WEST NEWTON, Ind., Jan. 26.—The Franklin squad will have to travel fast at Terre Haute if it would come through with a Normal scalp.

The Cathedral team started out Tuesday in the stormy sea of Indiana high school basketball and won its first for the Cathedral team of Terre Haute. Feeney's boys made a very creditable showing, considering that they had not played before. Some of the players seemed to improve better with each game with the experience of more games will develop fast. There is only one way to learn basketball and that is by actual playing.

Minnesota, which has been setting such a fast pace in the early season games, does not play Purdie this year. The Gophers have eight more games to play than Indiana, Northwestern, Iowa and Wisconsin in return games. After playing in Chicago, the Gophers will take on two consecutive Saturdays, Feb. 11 and 12, in contests that may mean much in the conference net race.

Another error can be charged against Old Man Do-Pye—Yale defeated Knob against one point the other day. The Eyes rolled counts of 936 and 944 in their winning games. Knob rolled in great form for the Eyes with scores of 266, 257 and 192.

Blue led the way among the individuals with counts of 251, 249 and 213 for a three game total of 693. King totalled only 638 with the aid of his big 237 game.

The Crimson increased their lead in the King's loop by taking three straight.

A new name suggested for Indianapolis is the Tournament City. The county basketball meet starts this rolling on Saturday at the Indiana State Fairgrounds.

The second high school tourney, then the proposed national intercollegiate, after that the final High School Tournament, and somewhere in between, or earlier, or before is the Independent Amateur.

The Beartots, three from the Woburn First Baptist League and the Tigers won two from the Lions. King was high with 213 in his effort. French of the Lions had 210.

Tramblasters and Farred Checks fives were three-time winners in the Indiana Union Railway League. The Engineers and Car Service teams were the victims. It was quite a shock to the Car Service fives, who had not smacked out quite as many pins as usual.

The Valuation and General Office won two from the Transportation and Executives respectively. Linderman of the Tramblasters was high with 219 in his first game. Saunders was a good game with 213.

The Four-Cylinders continued their good work in the Stutz circuit and down the line of the times. The Postmen also won three from the Indiana Union Railway League. The Engineers and Car Service teams were the victims. It was quite a shock to the Car Service fives, who had not smacked out quite as many pins as usual.

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