

TALKING IT OVER

WITH JOE WILLIAMS

NEW YORK, April 2.—Now that Mr. Tom Heeneey has snorted and slugged his way into a championship match with Mr. James Joseph Tunney, the same to be perpetrated sometime in July at the Yankee Stadium, what is he going to do about it, if anything?

If you listen to Mr. John Risko, who was out-slugged, if not out-slugged, in trying to get where Mr. Heeneey managed to get, the championship is destined to remain in America with practically no dissenting voices or violent objections.

Mr. Risko has fought both Mr. Tunney and Mr. Heeneey. This makes him a super-expert, an Eskimo, and two other fellows. It is Mr. Risko's belief, uttered in the native tongue, that Mr. Heeneey is too slow on his feet and with his hands to get anywhere against the champion, going in any given direction.



Williams

"I don't think he'll win a round against Tunney," muttered the Austrian-born dough kneader from the wind-swept banks of Lake Erie.

"Do you think Tunney can knock him out?" I asked.

Had Mr. Risko been obliged to crack-crack in his more obvious places he might have been tempted to inquire, "What with?"

But Mr. Risko is a plain, conventional person who runs mainly to single-jointed phrases and sparse statements of fact, and what he did say, with a shake of the head, was, "Uh-uh," meaning, I deduced, "No, no."

"Heeneey is just as tough as I am, so I don't see how anybody can figure Tunney to win by a knockout," says Mr. Risko.

Attention, Amateur and Independent Teams!

THE TIMES, as usual, invites managers and captains of city and state amateur and independent baseball teams to free publication of meeting and practice notices, game wanted, game played and other notes. Mail or bring notices and reports to the Times department. Write on one side of paper only. Pay strict attention to spelling of names, telephone call numbers and addresses.

This free service also goes for the organized amateurs, such as city, factory, church and league teams. Managers are advised to brush up on keeping correct box scores as the Times plans to use box scores every Monday of amateur and independent Sunday games. If said box scores are correct and in this office early Monday morning.

Butler to Open Baseball Season With Wisconsin

The Butler University baseball team will play the initial contest on its 1928 card against the University of Wisconsin nine at Irwin field at 10:30 Wednesday morning. The Bulldogs have been working hard for the contest and have hopes of taking down the Badgers.

The two college teams will witness the contest between the Indians and Cincy Reds at Washington Park in the afternoon. The probable line-up and batting order for the Butlers will be:

Moyers, cf.; Fromuth, 2b.; Cain, ss.; Hildebrand, p.; Freudenberger, 2b.; Collier, c.; Chadd, 1b.; Floyd, 1b.; Caskey, 1b.

Women's Tourney In Second Round

PINEHURST, N. C., April 3.—Second round of match play in the Women's North and South golf championship today will bring together Miss Glenna Collett, medalist, and Miss Betatrice Gottlieb in one of the feature matches.

Miss Collett eliminated Miss Jane Brooks, Rockland, N. Y., four up Monday while Miss Gottlieb advanced, defeating Miss Dorothy Richards, Cleveland, three up.

WILDCATS TAKE 'EM

EVANSTON, Ill., April 3.—Northwestern University defeated Leland Stanford University, Pacific Coast champions, 42 to 27, in a dual swimming meet here. The Northwestern water polo team defeated Stanford, 4 to 3.

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Indians Open Home Exhibition Card Wednesday With Cincy

Burwell, Boone May See Mound Action Against National Leaguers.

RIXEY TO OPPOSE TRIBE

White Sox Open Series Here Friday.

BY EDDIE ASH
Following a practice tilt at Washington Park this afternoon in which Manager Betzel hoped to trot out the larger part of his assemblage, the Indians will swing into their home exhibition schedule Wednesday in a conflict with Jack Hendrick's Cincinnati Reds. The Reds also will be played Thursday.

It is said Eppa Rixey, tall southpaw of the Cincy outfit, will do the opening flinging for the big leaguers Wednesday and there is a good hunch Bill Burwell and Danny Boone will be given the mound call by the Tribe, field pilot. The game will start at 3 o'clock.

In two clashes in Florida, Indianapolis downed Cincinnati, 3 to 2, and 3 to 1, and the Cincy pastimers are out to even up matters in the series here. On the other hand, the Indians are eager to grab one of the contests here and thereby advance the series. Of course, if the home boys can take 'em both it will be just that much sweeter, for any time an A. A. team trips up a major aggregation the achievement is worth crowing about.

When the Reds move out Thursday night the Chicago White Sox, piloted by "Crackers" Schalk, will invade Washington Park for tilts with the Indians Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The Betzelites will take light practice Monday and also a session of skull practice in final preparation for the opening of the A. A. championship season Tuesday with Mike Kelley's Minneapolis Millers.

The gates at the Tribe lot were thrown open today as the Indians staged a practice tilt among themselves. Betzel was to boss one side and Coach Corriden the other. A spirited contest was expected and many fans planned to take advantage of the free gate to see the home pastimers go through spring training routine.

For two and one-half hours on Monday the athletes were kept busy exercising their throwing arms and sharpening their batting eyes. Infield drill and outfield practice followed a long session of batting drill.

Ralph Miller, utility member of the 1927 team, donned a "unier" for the first time this season. He did not go South with the Indians because of his professional basketball engagements.

Catcher Paul Florence, who spent only a few days in Florida, was on hand when the Indians galloped on to the field Monday. He has been having salary differences with the club.

Fred Haney and Emil Yde, who left Plant City by auto Friday morning, surprised everybody by being present Monday. Catcher Roy Spencer, who brought Owner Jim Perry's machine up from Plant City, was not on hand for Monday's drill.

Lefty Morrison, former Indian outfielder and H. E. Miller, former Indian pitcher, are pitting to resist the diamond lure and they took light exercise with the Tribe Monday. Morrison will play with the Elmira (N. Y.) team this year. He is one of the best fly catchers in baseball, but is light with the bat.

Owner Perry is putting much money into repair work and painting at Washington Park. And he also is making improvements. He has spent \$3,500 already and still is writing checks. His aim is to please the fans regardless of cost.

Manager Betzel and Secretary Clauer said a few words over WEFM Monday night and promised the fans the Indians would play hustling ball at all times regardless of the score. Betzel said the team is much stronger than the aggregation lined up for the 1927 campaign.

Opening day boosters and parade directors are booming things for opening day. Everybody promises it's going to be a whale of an opener.

Defending Champ Takes First Tilt

CHICAGO, April 3.—Otto Reisel, Philadelphia, defending champion, defeated Arthur Thurman, Chicago, in the opening match of the National Three-Cushion billiard tournament here Monday night. Reisel won 50 to 27 in 49 innings.

In the second and only match of the night's program Len Kenney, Interstate champion, defeated Augie Kieckhefer, former national champion, 50 to 49. The match went 62 innings.

WHITE AFTER RECORD

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla., April 3.—Bench conditions permitting, an attempt to break the world's speed record will be made here Thursday in the 36-cylinder Triplex racing car of J. M. White, Philadelphia manufacturer.

TENNIS MEET STARTS

ASHVILLE, N. C., April 3.—The annual western North Carolina tennis tournament opened here today with an entry list almost identical with that in last week's south Atlantic tournament at Augusta, Ga.

Those Boston Braves From Boston Town



The Boston Braves, with Rogers Hornsby in their fold, are keeping a stiff upper lip these days and are of the opinion that they won't be an easy mark for rival National League clubs this season.

Cards' Pilot Predicts Hot Race on Tap

St. Louis Will Be Hard to Beat, McKechnie Says.

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NASHVILLE, Tenn., April 3.—William B. McKechnie, former manager of the Pittsburgh Pirates, who will lead the St. Louis Cardinals this season, made the following statements exclusively to the United Press here today.

"The club that beats Pittsburgh will win the pennant."

"I believe the Cardinals capable of doing that."

"Do not discount the New York Giants because Hornsby isn't with them. The Giants will be tough, very tough."

"The race is going to be a hot one all the way, with every club except perhaps the Phillies figuring in it. I haven't formed an opinion on the Phillies."

"The Cubs, Braves, Reds, and Robins have strengthened and are going to be fighting all the way."

McKechnie's task with the Cardinals is to improve a club which won ninety-two games last year and finished only a game and a half behind the Pirates.

"I believe I can predict that the Cardinals of 1928 will prove harder to beat than last year's team," he said. "Our lineup hasn't been changed much, except at third base. The Cardinals will not be hampered by injuries, barring accidents that may happen, of course, and even if we should meet a mishap we are better fortified with reserve strength this year."

EARLY BASEBALL GOSSIP

GIANTS VS. SENATORS

ATLANTA, April 3.—Playing in mid-season form the New York Giants went after their tenth straight victory in today's exhibition game with the Washington Senators.

LOU HITS, BABE SLUMPS

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., April 3.—With Lou Gehrig starting to hit the ball, Babe Ruth has started to slump. Gehrig made three triples Monday against Atlanta, while the Babe went hitless.

ART NEHF LOOKS GOOD

PHOENIX, Ariz., April 3.—Art Nehf, veteran southpaw, is making a successful comeback with the Chicago Cubs.

EXHIBITION BASEBALL

Washington (A. L.) vs. New York (N. L.), at Atlanta.
Detroit (A. L.) vs. Waco (T. L.), at Waco.
St. Louis (A. L.) vs. Tulsa (W. L.), at Tulsa.
Chicago (A. L.) vs. Memphis (S. L.), at Memphis.
New York (A. L.) vs. Chattanooga (S. L.), at Chattanooga.
Brooklyn (N. L.) vs. Macon (S. A. A.), at Macon.
St. Louis (N. L.) vs. Nashville (S. L.), at Nashville.
Cincinnati (N. L.) vs. Louisville (A. A.), at Louisville.

MONDAY'S RESULTS

Atlanta, 10; Yankees, 9.
Giants, 12; Senators, 1.
Robins, 12; Jacksonville, 4.
Tigers, 7; Waco, 2.
Athletics, 8; Phillies, 5.
Brown, 8; Memphis, 3.
Cardinals, 9; Knoxville, 8.
Reds, 6; Louisville, 0.
Cubs, 6; Pirates, 4.
Braves, 16; University of Florida, 1.

IN CRITICAL CONDITION

YUMA, Ariz., April 3.—Lonnie Tryon, one of the most noted trainers of the American world, was in a critical condition at a hospital here today. He was operated on twice Monday for appendicitis.

OPERATE ON MULLEN

CHICAGO, April 3.—James C. Mullen, Chicago boxing promoter, underwent a minor operation here Monday. He was taken ill at a theater Sunday night.

Would Beat Gene 'Out of America' Says Heeneey; Wants Plenty Action

Challenger Reported as Saying He Would Fight Six Times a Year If Crowned Champ.

Gene in Trim

MIAMI BEACH, Fla., April 3.—Gene Tunney went through ten rounds of light practice today beginning his training for his fight with Tom Heeneey next July.

The champion went three rounds with the rope, punched the light bag three rounds, took three with the heavy bag and shadow-boxed a round.

Tunney perspired freely during the workout but breathed easily. He had turned a berry brown from his sunbaths on the beach and swimming. Lou Fink, trainer, said Tunney was within seven pounds of his fighting weight.

He said that if he won the fight with Tunney this summer he would be willing to give Paulino Uzcudun, Johnny Risko, Jack Sharkey or any of the other heavyweights, a chance whenever they asked for it.

"Absence from the ring does any champion more harm than overwork," Heeneey said. "Purses and gates, of course, would be proportionately smaller if I fought six times a year."

He said he had learned in his last nine fights a little something about his profession every time he fought and this was an added reason for wanting to fight.

Bernard Mortimer, Heeneey's British manager, will go to London Wednesday, after which he will cable Tex Rickard as to the advisability of staging the Tunney-Heeneey fight in London.

Annual National Interscholastic Basket Meet Starts at Chicago

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CHICAGO, April 3.—The University of Chicago's tenth annual national interscholastic basketball tournament opened here today.

Forty teams, thirty of them State champions, were entered in the meet. By 7 p. m. Wednesday

twenty of them will have been eliminated in the first round of the tournament.

The two survivors of elimination rounds meet in the finals Saturday night for the title which was won last year by Cicero (Ill.) High School.

Past performances gave the teams from the South the favor of early choices for the title. From the South were Vienna, Ga., State champions and winner of the Cotton States tournament; a sturdy team from Spartanburg, S. C., and a squad of six-footers from Austin, Texas. The Texans came to the tournament with a record of thirty-seven victories and no defeats.

The East was better represented than in any previous tournament, with teams from Naugatuck, Conn.; Bristol, Conn.; Berlin, N. H.; Holyoke, Mass., and South Portland, Me.

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Purdue Baseball Nine Wins First

LAFAYETTE, Ind., April 3.—Purdue University baseball team opened its season here Monday afternoon with a 6 to 5 triumph over De Pauw. The winning run was scored in the last half of the ninth by Eddie Eickman of Indianapolis. Boilemaker catcher, who crossed the home plate when Heberer singled.

Maxton, ace of the Purdue mound staff, went the whole route, letting the Methodists down with five hits. Score by innings:

De Pauw..... 300 100 010-5 5 3
Purdue..... 140 000 001-6 10 3
Batteries: (Purdue), Fletcher and Scheimer; (Purdue), Maxton and Eickman.

FIGHTS POSTPONED

Monday night's Belle View A. A. boxing card to have been staged at the Princess Theatre, 2702 W. Tenth St., was postponed until Friday, April 13. Kid Mitchell will meet Young Wilson in the six-round main event.

League Play Opens Today in Far West

Four Games Starts Season's Program in Pacific Coast Circuit.

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SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., April 3.—With a split season to be tried out for the first time in these parts, the Pacific Coast League, Class AA, was scheduled to open today with four games carded. Weather was threatening this morning.

Today's schedule was:
Seattle at San Francisco.
Hollywood at Oakland.
Portland at Los Angeles.
Mission at Sacramento.

The first season will end July 1 and the second season Oct. 4, each section being of thirteen weeks' length. A \$20,000 bonus has been posted for the winners.

Oakland won the pennant last year and expects to make a strong bid for the title again for the line-

Tonight's Armory Fistic Program

Ten Rounds—Al Foreman, London, England, vs. Jimmy Hackley, Indianapolis; 130 pounds.
Eight Rounds—Nick Taft, Chicago, vs. Jimmy Klump, Newport, Ky.; 160 pounds.

Six Rounds—Harry McCarthy, Newport, Ky., vs. Larry Pruitt, Indianapolis; 125 pounds.
Six Rounds—Royal Cox, Indianapolis, vs. Tony Phillips, Pittsburgh; 133 pounds.

Four Rounds—Mickey Williams, Indianapolis, vs. Joe Levy, Indianapolis; 122 pounds.

EMANUEL VS. M'TIGUE

SAN FRANCISCO, April 3.—Armand Emanuel, coast light heavyweight, and Mike McTigue, New York light heavyweight, will meet in a ten round bout at the State Armory, April 16. Papers have been signed and the match waits the approval of the State athletic commission.

up of that club is about the same. Hollywood and San Francisco also stack up formidable. All clubs spent much money adding strength over the winter and during spring training. The Coast League is the first circuit in organized baseball to swing into action for 1928.

Chicago Bowlers Cop Most Honors in A.B.C. Event

KANSAS CITY, Mo., April 3.—The annual American Bowling Congress championships closed here Monday night, after one of the most successful tournaments since the event was initiated twenty-eight years ago.

Chicago and other Illinois bowlers carried off the major portion of the \$70,000 cash prize money. With a competing list of 11,225 bowlers, including 2,251 five-man teams, this year's tourney exceeded all past records.

Winners were:

Five-Man—Oh Henry Cande, Chicago, 3,037; Minneapolis, Chicago, 3,019; Red's Aene, Chicago, 3,018; Caruso's, Buffalo, 3,001; and Meister Insurance, Omaha, 2,999.

Singles—H. Sumner, St. Louis, 703; Schmitz, Chicago, 702; York, Chicago, 697; Pepinski, Erie, Pa., 696; and Freitas, Milwaukee, 692.

Doubles—Will-Hradek, Cicero, Ill., 1,569; Matak-Wolsiefer, St. Paul, 1,347; Schertel-Ezer, St. Louis, 1,332; Dingwell-Schubert, St. Louis, 1,316; Krebs-Road, St. Louis, 1,298.

All-Events—Wolf, Chicago, 1,937; Kraut, Cleveland, 1,931; Scribner, Detroit, 1,925; Surfer, Erie, Pa., 1,916; Herman, Chicago, 1,916.

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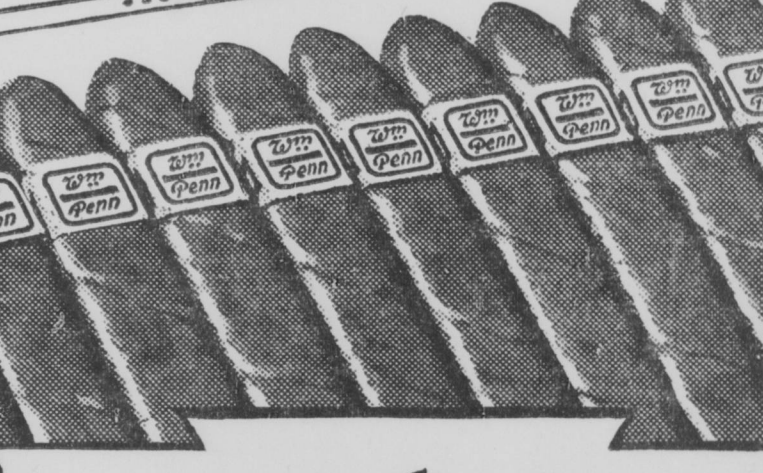
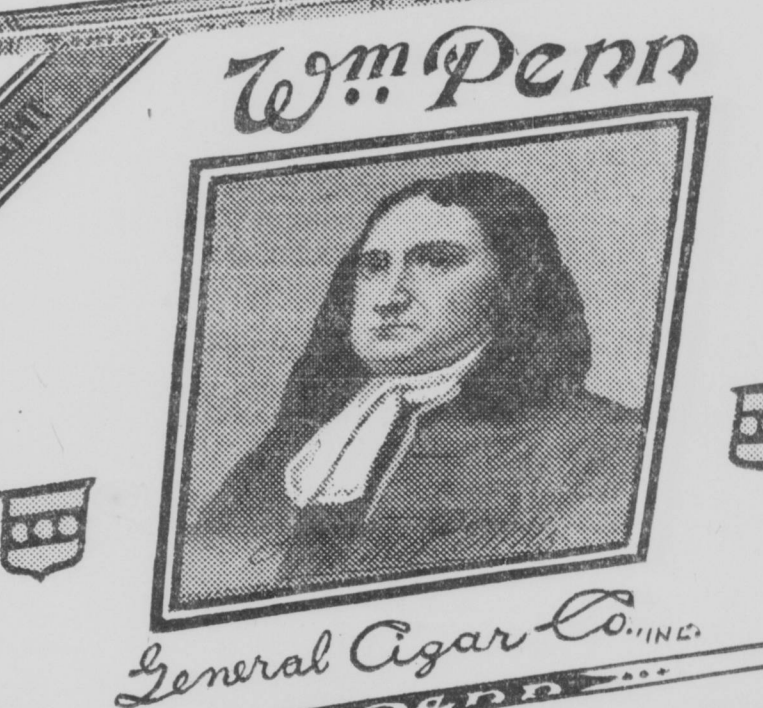
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