

Indiana's Great H. S. Basket Classic Gets Under Way in 64 Centers

Indians Eagerly Await Arrival of First String Performers at Sarasota

Spencer Due in Camp to Talk Over Terms With Tribe Bosses; Manager Betzel Figures on Acquisition of Harry Riconda.

BULLETIN
SARASOTA, Fla., March 1.—Catcher Roy Spencer reported to the Indians today and signed a contract for the 1929 season. Immediately thereafter, Spencer donned a uniform and joined the other Indians in the day's drill.

BY EDDIE ASH
Times Sports Editor

SARASOTA, Fla., March 1.—Going into the fifth day of spring training the Indians now are at a stand still, more or less, awaiting the arrival of several seasoned pastimers for Manager Betzel to get into the business of getting together a baseball club.

The first squad has been pushed and punished enough to give the

Tourney Scores Over State

- AT BEDFORD**
Needmore, 22; Bedfordville, 12.
Mitchell, 17; Oolitic, 16.
- AT CLINTON**
Rockville, 26; Greene Township, 8.
Dana, 31; Bedford, 5.
- AT CONNERSVILLE**
Everton, 26; White Water, 15.
Fairview, 35; Waterloo, 15.
Connersville, 62; Springfield, 9.
- AT GARY**
Horace Mann (Gary), 20; Crown Point, 13.
Wallace (Gary), 18; Hammond Tech, 17.
- AT GARRETT**
Auburn, 38; Jefferson Center, 13.
Ashley, 19; Butler, 16.
- AT GREENSBURG**
St. Paul, 28; Westport, 13.
- AT HUNTINGTON**
Warren, 28; Jefferson Twp., 9.
- AT JASPER**
Cazo, 19; English, 15.
Petersburg, 24; Stencel, 22.
- AT LAFAYETTE**
West Point, 23; Buck Creek, 19.
Clarks Hill, 24; Wes, 20.
- AT LOGANSPORT**
Deacon, 19; New Waverly, 14.
- AT NEW ALBANY**
Silver Creek, 22; Hardinsburg, 12.
Pekin, 28; Georgetown, 25.
Henryville, 30; Posey Township, 16.
- AT NORTH JUDSON**
Center, 16; Monterey, 15.
Francisville, 39; Grovetown, 13.
- AT OAKLAND CITY**
Reitz (Evansville), 31; Newburgh, 11.
Millersburg, 32; Greenville, 9.
Linville, 21; Folsomville, 13.
- AT OWENSVILLE**
Hawletem, 23; Stewartville, 18.
Poseyville, 21; Princeton, 16.
- AT TERRE HAUTE**
Riley, 38; Fontanet, 29.
Ottawa Creek, 22; Prairie Creek, 17.
- AT VINCENTS**
Vincennes, 64; Edwards, 7.
Oaktown, 41; Sandborn, 12.
- AT WARSAW**
Van Buren Township, 23; Warsaw, 28.
North Webster, 20; Princeton, 20.
- AT WINCHESTER**
McKinley, 17; Losantville, 13.
Lincoln, 18; Jackson, 17.

Franklin Noses Out Methodists

By Times Special
GREENCASTLE, Ind., March 1.—Franklin college's Gleezies nosed out De Pauw university netmen here Thursday night, 34 to 32. The locals led at the half, 19 to 13.

A swift drive by the Baptists evened the count and near the end another spurt netted victory. Summary:

DE PAUW	G T P	FRANKLIN	G T P				
Ragsdale, f.	1	2	4	Wooden, f.	3	2	8
Stone, f.	4	1	9	Freeman, f.	1	2	4
Mouton, c.	2	4	10	Henderson, c.	1	2	4
Grayley, g.	4	2	10	Montgomery, g.	1	2	4
Bunker, g.	2	0	4	Shirley, f.	3	3	9
Loveless, f.	2	0	4	Shirley, f.	3	3	9
Costello, f.	0	0	0	Surace, g.	1	2	4
Totals	13	6	32	Totals	12	10	34

WRESTLERS INELIGIBLE

Gloom Settles on I. U. Campus as Stars Slide Out.

By Times Special
BLOOMINGTON, Ind., March 1.—Gloom settled in the Crimson camp today when it was learned that the wrestling team may meet Michigan Saturday night without the services of three regulars due to ineligibility because of grades and injuries.

Doc Unger, varsity heavyweight, is lost for the entire season due to his grades and it is likely that Conner, in the 125-pound division, and Buck Weaver, in the 145-pound division, will not wrestle at Ann Arbor Saturday night because of injuries received in practice.

ROY MECKER IS IDLE

Promising Reds' Southpaw Suffers From Attack of Neuritis.

By United Press
ORLANDO, Fla., March 1.—Roy Mecker, promising southpaw brought to the Cincinnati Reds from Columbus, was idle today, the result of an attack of neuritis in his pitching shoulder.

The same trouble forced him to remain on the bench during the latter part of last season. Manager Jack Hendricks sent the Reds through their first batting drill Thursday.

MAY BE BETTER HITTER

Uncle Wilbert Spends Time Coaching Del Bissonette, First Sacker.

Manager Wilbert Robinson is spending much time at spring training camp in coaching Del Bissonette, his first baseman, in certain batting weaknesses.

He hopes Del will raise his average of .320.

BASS BEATS ABAD
ST. LOUIS, March 1.—Benny Bass, Philadelphia, defeated Davey Abad, Panama, in a furious ten-round scrap here Thursday night.

754 Teams Comprise Starting Field in Huge Scholastic Event.

POINT FOR REGIONALS

16 Ultimate Survivors to Compete for Finals.

Sport fans drew a perfect day today to trudge to the sixty-four centers, where play in the nineteenth annual Indiana high school basketball eliminations were taking place.

Twenty teams lined up at the barrier at 9 this morning, the hour for play to begin in ten of the centers. At various times today play in other sections was to get under way and the mammoth classic that had 754 teams as a starting field was being reduced hourly.

Almost all of the centers where play in the sectional meets was held has a gymnasium capable of seating 5,000 or more and standing room will be at random in practically all of these, especially in the semi-final and final games Saturday.

Few state high schools do not have basketball teams and while the large majority of them have little hopes of winning the state title or even becoming a "dark horse," their attention is directed to the sectional honors. That means they are "champions" of their vicinity.

Play today and Saturday will narrow the field from 754 to 64 sectional winners. These teams will go through a week of practice and Saturday of next week will journey to sixteen regional points, distributed over the state and elimination play in these points will reduce the field to sixteen lone survivors.

The following Friday and Saturday will find these sixteen at the Butler university fieldhouse for the final games and as all tickets are sold for that event the teams are certain of displaying their wares before more than 15,000 fans.

One by one the teams will be eliminated hourly until on Saturday night the lone survivors will remain. Last year Muncie high school won a last second victory from Martinsville when Charles Scerist, tall Bearcat center, hurled one through the hoop from the center of the floor that changed impending defeat into victory for his team.

Muncie again this year has a strong team. Frankfort likewise has a powerful five and over the state one sees Columbus, Bedford, Anderson, Technical of Indianapolis, Froebel of Gary, Central of Ft. Wayne, Washington, Vincennes, Connersville and Martinsville as teams that may develop super power the next two weeks and romp home the winner of Indiana's biggest sport event.

Will Get Riconda
That third sack eventually will be billed by Harry Riconda of the Pirates, according to the bold prediction of Boss Betzel, who adds that his only infield worry is to develop a capable utility performer.

Of the absent outfielders, one of three has signed. He is Clyde Barnhart and he will doubtless be on hand during the week-end. Matthews and Layne have not accepted terms.

The crop of pitchers in camp is nothing to rave about and bodes ill for the Indians when they start playing big league opposition in exhibition tills. In other words there are not enough experienced hurlers here to carry the numerous rookies over the hard spots.

Bill Burwell is absent without leave, Ken Penner is absent without leave and Danny Boone is a holdout. In the matter of pitchers, however, Pilot Betzel sings sweetly of the future. Pittsburgh owes one in the Sweetonic deal and in a verbal agreement the Pirates also have promised to send a second sound chucker.

Shortstop Warstler was the first sick list victim in the Tribe training camp at Sarasota. He got too much sun Wednesday which resulted in a blistered neck, and after practice Thursday his stomach went out on him and he had a spell of dizziness. He was feeling better Thursday night.

CLUB OFFICIALS WHO ATTENDED THE BIG FIGHT AT MIAMI BEACH REJOINED THE SQUAD AT NOON THURSDAY AFTER A TRAIN JOURNEY THAT LEFT THEM EXHAUSTED. IT WAS A FIFTEEN-HOUR RIDE. DUE TO VARIOUS DRAWBACKS COMING BACK, THE HOOSIER PARTY SPENT ABOUT NINE HOURS ON THE RAILS. TOO MUCH GRIEF FOR A TEN-ROUND BOUT WAS THEIR VERDICT.

The Indians practiced under difficulties Thursday, the reason being a stiff wind from the gulf. Some fear is felt now that there is too much breeze in this coast town for the athletes. No ill effects to date, however.

SOME OF THE PASTIMERS HAVE NOT MISSED A THING AND ALREADY HAVE RAMPED IN THE SURF, UREA THE GOLF LINKS AND JOINED OUT WITH FISHING PARTIES. ROOKIE PLAYERS MAKING THEIR FIRST TRIP SOUTH THINK THEY ARE IN A DIFFERENT WORLD.

HUG WORK ON INFIELD

Koenig and Lary Faced With Opposition from Durocher, Robertson.

By United Press
ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., March 1.—The left side of the infield is holding the attention of Manager Miller Huggins as he sends the New York Yankees through their daily workouts here.

Koenig at third and Lary at shortstop have been his choices thus far, but Durocher is a candidate for short and Robertson is trying for third.

M'LARNIN VS. GLICK

Vancouver Junior Welter 8-5 Favorite Over Brooklyn Pug.

By United Press
NEW YORK, March 1.—Jimmy McLarnin, junior welter from Vancouver, B. C., fights Joe Glick, Brooklyn, at Madison Square Garden tonight. McLarnin continued to rule an 8-5 favorite over Glick, despite the fact he found it hard to bring himself below the 138-pound limit agreed upon.

Tonight's battle will be McLarnin's third with Glick. He won the decision in both previous bouts, the last by a rather narrow margin.

FOURNIER IN BUSINESS

Jack Sells Insurance in St. Louis; Through With Baseball.

Jack Fournier says he is through with baseball. The former major leaguer who last year played with Newark, is selling insurance in St. Louis.

BURIAL AT LIVONIA

NEW YORK, March 1.—The funeral of John Conway Toole, president of the International League, was to be held this afternoon at Livonia, N. Y. Toole died Thursday.

Carry Columbus Colors in Tourney



Top Row (left to right)—Carl Schaefer, back guard; Henry Everroad, forward; Beverly Tooley, forward; Milton Michael, forward; Chester Beck, floor guard. Lower Row—Paul Fehring, center; Robert Holland, forward; Ray Eddy, forward, Coach Frank Newsum.

THIS smiling group of young men comprise the highly touted Columbus high school basketball team which has high hopes of living up to the expectations of its followers. The Bulldogs were to open the Shelbyville tournament at 2 this afternoon against the snappy Waldron aggregation.

Ray Barbuti Says His Piece; A. A. U. Moguls Step in and Suspend Him

'What I Said Goes,' Declares U. S. Olympic Star, and Claims He's Through With Track Game.

BY GEORGE KIRKSEY.
United Press Staff Correspondent

NEW YORK, March 1.—Ray Barbuti, who won the only flat race captured by the United States at the Amsterdam Olympic games, has been suspended from amateur competition until he proves or retracts statements attributed to him in Thursday's newspapers.

Leaving the A. A. U. offices Wednesday night after being cleared of charges growing out of his failure to appear in the New York A. C. games, Barbuti severely criticized the A. A. U. and its methods.

"I'm tired of lining their pockets with money," Barbuti said. "They want us to run and they take all the money and what we get out of it? If they'll support me like I did, I'll run for them the rest of my life, but I'm not going to run and let them take all the money."

Momentarily Stunned
When Barbuti learned of his suspension he was stunned momentarily, but said his original statements would stand.

"What I said stands," he said. "I'm only sorry it got into the papers, as I wasn't talking for publication. I'm not going to retract what I said."

"If a person thinks the A. A. U. makes a mess of its management of things, evidently he can not say so if he is in amateur runner. I have always lived up to the letter and spirit of the A. A. U. laws. I believe in amateur sport, but I do not approve of A. A. U. methods."

Through With Running
Barbuti, who beat Jimmy Ball of Canada by inches in the Olympic 400-metre race, reiterated today that he was through with running forever.

"I can't take the time to keep in shape to run and earn a living at the same time," he said. "Not one of the leading stars of the last several years is making a good living. The A. A. U. isn't concerned over any athletes who have run their legs off for them. I'm going to devote all my time to business in the future."

Illinois Commission Expected to Sanction Loughran-Walker Tangle

Chicago Stadium Corporation Strives to Patch Up Difficulties With State Boxing Heads.

By United Press
CHICAGO, March 1.—The Illinois Boxing Commission and the Chicago Stadium Corporation were expected to reach an agreement today which will permit Tommy Loughran to defend his light heavyweight championship against Mickey Walker here this month.

The stadium has signed both fighters but the commission has refused to sanction the bout because it believes Walker should defend his middleweight championship, or guarantee that he has signed to defend it, before fighting a light heavyweight.

Walker has not complied with the boxing rule which provides that champions defend their title every six months.

Jack Kearns, Walker's manager, spent most of Thursday afternoon with the commission but no agreement was reached. Kearns explained that Walker had signed to meet Ace Hickins in Las Vegas, Nev., July 4, in defense of the middleweight title.

The commission countered with a demand that Walker post a forfeit guaranteeing that he will go through with the Hickins fight. Kearns termed this demand "unreasonable" and left the meeting while the commission conferred with Promoter Paddy Harmon.

Harmon spent some time with Kearns Thursday night after he had talked with the commission and it was believed an agreement will be reached today.

PLADNER 7-5 FAVORITE

By United Press
PARIS, March 1.—Spider Pladner, European flyweight champion, was a 7 to 5 favorite today for his match Saturday night with Frankie Genaro, New York Italian, recognized as world champion by the National Boxing Association.

Both fighters rested today after final workouts Friday in which Genaro went four fast rounds and Pladner two.

ATTUCKS PLAYS OLIVER

Crispus Attucks, local Negro high school, basketball team will meet the Oliver high school five of Winchester, Ky., Saturday night at the Attucks' gym.

Attucks defeated Oliver recently at Winchester by a 4 point margin. A curtain raiser contest will open the bill at 8 p. m.

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Two Knockouts Feature Card

Two knockouts featured Arol Atherton's semi-pro boxing show at the Atherton gym Thursday night. Leo Landrigan knocked out George Johnson in the first canto of a scheduled three-rounder and Ted Sowers stopped Bob Sedan in the third round. Other results:

Joey McHugh defeated Bobby Ferracane, in three rounds. McHugh looked good.

Charley Bohart defeated Vance Boyd, three rounds.

Eddy Manning defeated Kid Hoke, three rounds.

Ray Manning shaded Billy Sheehan, three rounds.

Olin Cross shaded Harry Babrick, three rounds.

In a three round exhibition, Happy Atherton threw too many gloves for Kid Woods.

TO OPPOSE STANFORD

Dartmouth Signs Contract for Grid Games in '30 and '31.

By United Press
STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Cal., March 1.—An agreement has been signed by Dartmouth university of Hanover, N. H., and Stanford university for football games between the two schools in 1930 and 1931. It was announced here tonight.

The contest next year will be played here on Nov. 29, a week after Stanford's "big game" with California.

SANDWINA STOPS TODD

LONDON, March 1.—Ted Sandwina, Jewish-American heavyweight, won a technical knockout over Roland Todd of England in the fourth round of a scheduled 15-round fight here Thursday night.

Court Order Stops Move of I.H.S.A.A.

Temporary Injunction Is Taken Out Against Trestler in Henry County.

By Times Special
NEWCASTLE, Ind., March 1.—A temporary restraining order was issued here today by Judge John H. Morris of Henry circuit court preventing A. L. Trestler, secretary of the Indiana High School Athletic Association, Christopher Cory, Prairie township trustee and others from barring Verlon Shaul as a player on the Mt. Summit high school basketball team, one of those entered in the sectional tournament held here today.

As a result of the order, Shaul will appear with his team in a tournament game tonight, when it plays Mt. Vernon.

Trestler sought to bar Shaul on the claim he no longer was connected with the Mt. Summit school, due to recent removal of his father, the Rev. C. Floyd Shaul, to LaFontaine. The secretary's order would have taken Shaul out of high school athletics for the remainder of this year and all of 1930.

Following the court action, the player's father announced that unless the restraining order is made permanent, he will file suit for damages against Trestler. The Rev. Mr. Shaul is a former pastor of the Mt. Summit Christian church.

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