

Caps, One Down In Playoffs, Hope To Even Count Tomorrow

Jeeps May Go to Gridiron Wars, Too



Now here may be a post-war use for the jeep. A Toledo university coach watched the vehicle perform on the nearby Willys-Overland test grounds. An idea! He was convinced it could furnish an effective mechanical mule to train his forward wall. He borrowed one, outfitted it with a bucking board on the bumper and proved that because of the jeep's low silhouette it can be used to develop a low charging line.

SPORTS... By Eddie Ash

THROUGH their connections with the St. Louis Browns, the Toledo Mud Hens have more ball players around than any other club in the American association. . . . The management expects about 40 players in camp by the time outdoor workouts begin.

The Hens, who open in Indianapolis on April 19, are going through the indoor paces at Cape Girardeau, Mo. . . . They are sharing the training facilities there with the Browns. . . . Ollie Marquardt, the Hens' new manager, greeted a good sized contingent Monday and he was forced to do double duty. . . . So many players reported that he had to split the squad. . . . One bunch worked out early and the "second section" took over later in the day.

Marquardt thinks he has a "find" in George Corona, outfield candidate sent to him by the Browns. . . . The player is a husky youngster who slams the ball hard, according to Luke Sewell, manager of the Browns.

The Mud Hens finished fourth last season and fully expect to be a pennant contender this year.

A. B. C. to Have Complete Control

AT HAND we have some news notes from the American Bowling Congress headquarters in Milwaukee. . . . Complete control of its tournament is the plan of the A. B. C. when its annual event is resumed after the war.

The broadened scope of operations will include management of the building, concessions, admissions, decorations, checking, employees and all other details pertaining to the staging of the huge tournament. . . . Local promoters no longer will share in the profits, as many have in the past.

The A. B. C. representatives in the tournament city will merely make contacts for one of the Congress' advance men.

THE A. B. C. proposes also to strengthen its territorial contacts by establishing offices in the East, with New York as the likely city, and the Far West, possibly Los Angeles. . . . The seat of power is still to be the Milwaukee office.

160-Bowler Sets Loop Record

Another bowler has reached the coveted goal of all leagues—a 700 series. Don Glass, rolling with Heat Treat of the Stewart-Warner loop at the Central, entered the select class last night for the first time in his tenpin career with 243, 226, 241—710, a league record. He carries a 160 average.

Red Estle was runnerup for the evening's individual honors with 230, 204, 226—660, the top series of the West Side Classic loop.

He rolled with Tompkins Ice Cream Conkle Funeral Home manipulated the best team score in the West Side session, 3018, when Luke Schwitzer connected for 198, 248, 213—659 and Jess Montague posted 224, 236, 190—650.

Five Women Pass 550

Ralph Gale with 180, 230, 248—658 for Stout Jewelers of the Speedway league, Rex Marmaduke with 208, 201, 246—655 in the Employment Security mixed at the Central, Bill Gook with 186, 224, 247—657 for Lukas-Harold Bomb Fighters in Fun Bowl Social and Kenneth Darrell with 201, 255, 197—653 in the Stevens Mortuary loop at Dezelan's were other outstanding scorers.

A quintet of feminine bowlers passed 550 in league appearances. Mabel Skinner was the top scorer with 574 for Goodwin Shell Service in the Marrott Shoe wheel at Pritchett's. Frances Clark had a 555 in the same loop. Helen Dysert with 565 and Paddy Striebeck with 563 were the leading scorers of the Klee-Coleman matches at the Pennsylvania. Margaret Skilton tossed a 560, the top series of the Bemis Letter Service at West Side.

OTHER 500 BOWLERS (MEN): Jake Reeder, Pennsylvania Recn. 616; W. Trout, Link-Belt No. 2 614; Walt Conner, Pennsylvania Recn. 614; Harry Tepler, Pennsylvania Recn. 614; Monte Davis, Curtis-Wright Major 614; Cliff Holt, Pennsylvania Recn. 614.

OTHER 500 BOWLERS (WOMEN): Margaret Skilton, Marrott Shoe 563; Helen Dysert, Marrott Shoe 563; Paddy Striebeck, Marrott Shoe 563; Frances Clark, Marrott Shoe 555; Mabel Skinner, Marrott Shoe 574.

OTHER LEAGUE LEADERS (MEN): M. D. Hill, Foreman Recn. 580; Alex. Roser, Indiana Recn. 585; D. Yell, Curtis-Wright Major 584; Thad Tedrow, Allison Office Mixed 580; Paul Bradshaw, R. C. A. 576.

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Bisons Speed From Behind And Win Riotous Game, 5-2; Shore Pulls Referee's Hair

By FRANK WIDNER

BUFFALO, March 22.—The Indianapolis Caps today found themselves one down in their four-out-of-seven series with the Buffalo Bisons in the American Hockey league playoffs between second-place teams, but awaited tomorrow night's encounter with the Shoremen confident of evening the series before returning home Friday night.

For 31 minutes and 56 seconds the Caps were ahead and it looked like they would go right on without any trouble. Bill Thomson had caged one in the first period and Moose Sherritt had hit another in the second to give them a 2-0 lead. But when the game was over, they were on the short end, 5-2.

There were 7563 fans in the Memorial auditorium to see the game.

Shoremen Parade Goalward
Walter Atanas gave the Bisons their first goal in the second period and that started the big parade for the Shoremen. Freddie Thurier tied it up before the heat was over and Buffalo then went on to score three times in the final period.

Home ice opened up with its usual home ice rough tactics but their first misdeed in which Larry Thibault knocked Winky Smith out of the ice, Referee George Hayes socked the Bison player with a two-minute penalty for hooking. The opening line of Winky Smith, Coach Johnny Sorrell and Thomson was unable to score and the Caps switched to Nakina Smith, Alex Ritzon and Dick Kowinski. Jerry Olinski and Hymie Buller replaced Moose Sherritt and Red Kane on defense. No scoring occurred during the penalty.

Eldy Kobussen and Buller started fistfights when Buffalo got its first real shot at the Indianapolis nets, but Hayes stopped the boys before any real trouble developed.

Only 3 Caps on Ice
Kowinski tripped Roger Leger and went to the cooler with 10 minutes remaining in the first period. Leger seemed to be Mr. Hayes' pet player in the opening period as he sent Sherritt to the penalty box for charging him when the two players came together near the blue line, giving Indianapolis a disadvantage of two men less on the ice than the Bisons. Only Buller, Kane and Sorrell remained on the ice for the Caps at this stage.

Offside penalties hampered the Shoremen while they had the advantage and the penalties kept them from getting into Indianapolis territory. Morey Rimstad, during a fast play, rammed headlong into Kane and was knocked cold. He was back on his feet after play had been delayed a full minute.

Kowinski's penalty was up and Thomson came in for him on the Caps' line.

Thomson Tallies First
Thomson scored the first goal at 19:11 of the first period on assists from Sorrell and Winky Smith. Sorrell, taking the puck from a faceoff at the side of the Indianapolis nets, passed it across the rink to Winky, who shot it ahead to Thomson at center ice. Thomson broke away from one of the Buffalo defensemen and, outflanking the two remaining Bison players, fired hard from beyond the red line at Besette's left to catch the corner of the nets for the score.

Thurier tripped Thomson at the start of the second period and drew a penalty to put the Bisons at a disadvantage.

Sherritt, after being knocked into the boards in back of the Indianapolis nets watched Thomson get clipped viciously at center ice, then came all the way down the rink with Sorrell and Winky Smith. On Sorrell's shot at Besette, Sherritt came from behind the Buffalo nets and took the rebound for the score at 2:55. Thurier was in the cooler when the score was made.

Atanas made the scoring gem of the game so far, catching the disc deep in Indianapolis territory and speeding up the left side of the rink so fast that the Caps couldn't keep up with him. He outkicked Morri-son and Kane came over to check him, but too late. The assists went to Davidson and Leger and the time was 6:26.

Olinski tripped Rimstad and drew two minutes. Buffalo, against a league ruling which calls for a penalty if either team has seven men on the ice at one time, was

caught in that situation. Max Kaminsky being the player, but Hayes refused to call a penalty. He claimed that Linesman Bob Reed had dropped the puck too soon, starting the play before Kaminsky got off the ice.

Thurier tied the score with the Caps short-handed. Davidson and Thibault drew the assists at 11:56. Thurier pounded the puck into the nets after Davidson's shot had rebounded off of Lumley's pads.

Some Hair Pulling, Too
Olinski was injured when he crashed into the boards with two minutes to go in the second period and Kobussen was jailed by Hayes for high sticking when an argument ensued as the Caps and Bisons gathered around the prostrate Olinski. Eddie Shore became so infuriated by the penalty that he grabbed Hayes by the hair in a conversation near the Buffalo bench but the referee ignored the incident.

Kobussen sent the Bisons ahead, 3-2, with a close-up shot on the net. Lumley had saved five times in the final period. The Indianapolis goalie, however, was sucked out of the nets and Atanas and Rimstad drew the assists at 5:08.

Beer Bottles Hurling
Thurier was called by Hayes for holding Kane, and the resultant outcry by the Buffalo fans resulted in a near riot as paper, popcorn, peanuts, etc., came flying on the ice and Hayes got soaked in the head with a cup of beer by an irate fan in uniform. The game was delayed for several minutes while the ice was being cleared. Again, in spite of five forwards, the Caps couldn't hit with the Bisons a man short and the boys resumed their blood and thunder battle on equal terms.

With only a minute and 50 seconds left and the Caps one goal behind Sorrell threw five forwards on the ice again but the net result was another Buffalo score, Atanas hitting the nets on an assist from Rimstad after Sorrell had tried in vain to play a one-man defense. The time was 18:04.

Buffalo turned the game into a rout in the final seconds, Thurier hitting from close up with a neat fake on an assist from Thibault at 19:55.

BASKETBALL SCORES
—Professional Tourney—
Cleveland Chase Brass 55, Indianapolis Pure Oil 22.
Oskosh, Wis., All-Stars 51, Rochester, N. Y., 46.

Cuban 'Iced-Tea Kid' Hottest Pirate Rookie
MUNCIE, Ind., March 22 (U. P.).—The Pittsburgh Pirates were arising from breakfast before reporting to the Muncie fieldhouse for a workout when a worried waitress buttonholed Manager Frankie Frisch.

"Mr. Frisch, you'll never win the pennant unless you get your players in shape, and that Cuban boy drinks two glasses of iced tea for breakfast every morning."

A few hours later Frisch watched the "Iced-Tea Kid," Antonio Ordanana of Havana, cavort around the fieldhouse.

"As long as he keeps hustling around that shortstop position, I don't care if he keeps a thermos jug of iced tea in his hip pocket, the old Fordham Flash said. "He looks mighty good, but of course Frank Zay is in the race for shortstop, too."

The lithe, bronzed Ordanana ran quickly to his left to spear a hard bouncer. He was cheered by a string of gibberish emitted by Al Lopez.

"All that rookie can say in English is 'O. K.," Frisch said. "We use Lopez as an interpreter."

That set off a string of questions, with the bi-lingual Lopez making with the words in English and Spanish.

"Ask him why he drinks iced tea for breakfast in the winter time," Lopez was told.

OLD HONUS WAGNER, Pirate coach.

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Lush Money Makes Indoor Sports Season Success at Gate, but May Not Aid Baseball

By JOE WILLIAMS

Script-Howard Writer

NEW YORK, March 22.—We suppose it's only natural 'here are times when the promoters are disposed to subordinate the pure sporting ideal to sordid considerations of the bank roll.

In this connection the baseball promoters are wondering how they are going to fare at the turnstiles this season, the third under the clouds of war.

Most of them are reasonably optimistic. Having committed themselves to start in the face of mounting uncertainties they must make this attitude to be consistent. But privately they aren't too sure.

The indoor sports season is coming to a close. It has been phenomenal, locally and nationally. A steady golden stream of pleasure money has rolled into the box offices. The addicts haven't demanded high standards.

THE PRIZE FIGHTS have been largely second rate, yet they have attracted the addicts in overpowering numbers. In 12 appearances in the Garden Beau Jack, the Negro lightweight, has drawn close to a million dollars. Basket-

ball has had one sellout after another.

Most amazing of all is the way the hockey team, the Rangers, has drawn. This is the most egregious ice group ever to represent the big town, and incidentally, a puzzling libel against the organization talents of Mr. Lester Patrick, outstanding in the sport for years.

This gets us back to the baseball promoters. They have studied the astonishing lull returns of the indoor sports season and are hopeful the hysteria, enthusiasm, escapism, or whatever it is, will carry over into their season—for they aren't going to have much to offer in the way of quality, either.

ONLY A semblance of the traditional big league pattern will be left by mid-summer. The promoters' chief hope lies, it would seem, in a tight, scrambled race shot with dizzy turns and twists, a competitive tonic might lift lagging spirits.

The fact that everything is relative points up the importance of tight competition. It has been demonstrated the fight addict isn't concerned whether he's look-

ing at great battles; if they manage to make it close and spirited enough that's all he asks. It probably will be the same in baseball.

But baseball faces other problems, too. It became a week-end game last season. No great losses would have been suffered if the parks had been closed on week days. Whether this is a temporary condition growing out of wartime hours or whether it has deeper implications is anybody's guess.

THERE are millions of young men in uniform. It probably isn't an exaggeration to say 90 per cent of them are baseball addicts. That represents a loss of revenue which nothing can be done about. On the other hand, the baseball promoters are the most generous in admitting men in uniform free.

And then there are the race tracks. They've cut into baseball attendance in Boston and Chicago and are doing the same thing here. Mutual betting has made it simple for the sucker to toss his dough away. He has money these days that cries out for quick action, so it's off to the race track. Looks like a critical year for baseball all right.

THE sale of the best day of the city's economy though it is so unfortun-

ally, it must be played. The Power & Light Co. prepared for the factory survey part of the party to know wherefore any intelligence.

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Barons Gain Edge on Bears

CLEVELAND, March 22 (U. P.).—The Cleveland Barons defeated the Hershey Bears, 2-0, here last night in the American Hockey league playoffs.

Center Tommy Burlington scored the first goal at 13:15 in the initial period on a freak play. His shot was deflected into the net by right wing Penny O'Neill of Hershey.

At 10:36 in the second period Earl Bartholome netted the second Barons goal.

The four-out-of-seven game series will be continued at Hershey, Pa., tomorrow and Saturday.

Swedish Angel and Longson Matched

FARMER Jones, the Arkansas hill-billy grappler tossed Gorilla Grubmeyer of Des Moines, in straight falls to win the feature wrestling match at the Armory last night.

Jones used 37 minutes to win the opening fall but rushed Grubmeyer at the bell starting the second session and surprised the Gorilla with a leg breaker. The time was 50 seconds flat.

Frankie Hart, Chicago junior heavy, was the semi-windup victor over Bob Castle, of Memphis. Heavyweight Frank Taylor took the opener from La Verne Baxter of Memphis.

A title bout between heavyweight champion "Wild Bill" Longson and the Swedish Angel will feature next Tuesday night's card. It will be a finish match with no time limit.

EVANSVILLE, Ind.—The Detroit Tigers squad numbered 14 players under contract and in camp today, with veterans Finky Higgins and Doc Cramer expected this week-end.

The Tigers ran through a long batting practice yesterday in preparation for an intra-squad game today and the opening of the exhibition card with the Chicago White Sox Saturday and Sunday.

LAKEWOOD, N. J.—President Horace Stoneham of the New York Giants said he was unable to predict where the team would finish, but expressed confidence it would beat out the Dodgers.

"If all we had to do to win the pennant was to beat Brooklyn, I wish we could play them every day," he said.

186 Entered in Purdue Relays

LAFAJETTE, Ind., March 22 (U. P.).—Nineteen schools have entered 186 track athletes in the second annual Purdue relays, Coach Hermon Phillips said today.

Michigan was favored to unseat Notre Dame as university champion, but Iowa Pre-Flight, with several star performers including Bob Steuber, the much-traveled athlete who has starred at Missouri, DePaul V-5 and Marquette; Leonard Alkon, the 1943 Big Ten sprint champ, and Tom Judge, one-time Indiana university distance runner, was highly regarded.

Win at Archery

Sgt. D. E. Nepper defeated William Ashby, 633-628, and Mrs. James Walden outscored Mrs. John Barr, 263-188, in the first of four archery matches at the Y. M. C. A. last night. The next meet will be held April 4.

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