

William Tilden Again Tops Municipal Baseball Directors to Plan National Singles Ranking for 1925 Meeting

'Bill' Johnston Ranked Third; Richards Second

Helen Wills, Sensational California School Girl, Placed First in Women's List.

By VINCENT RICHARDS.
NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—William T. Tilden, national singles champion, again heads the national men's ranking list for the coming year. Helen Wills, sensational Berkeley school girl, is placed in first position in the women's list.

The most noteworthy change in the men's ranking is the placing of William M. Johnston in third place, and my being moved up to second position. This is just as much a shock to me as it has been to all the followers of the game.

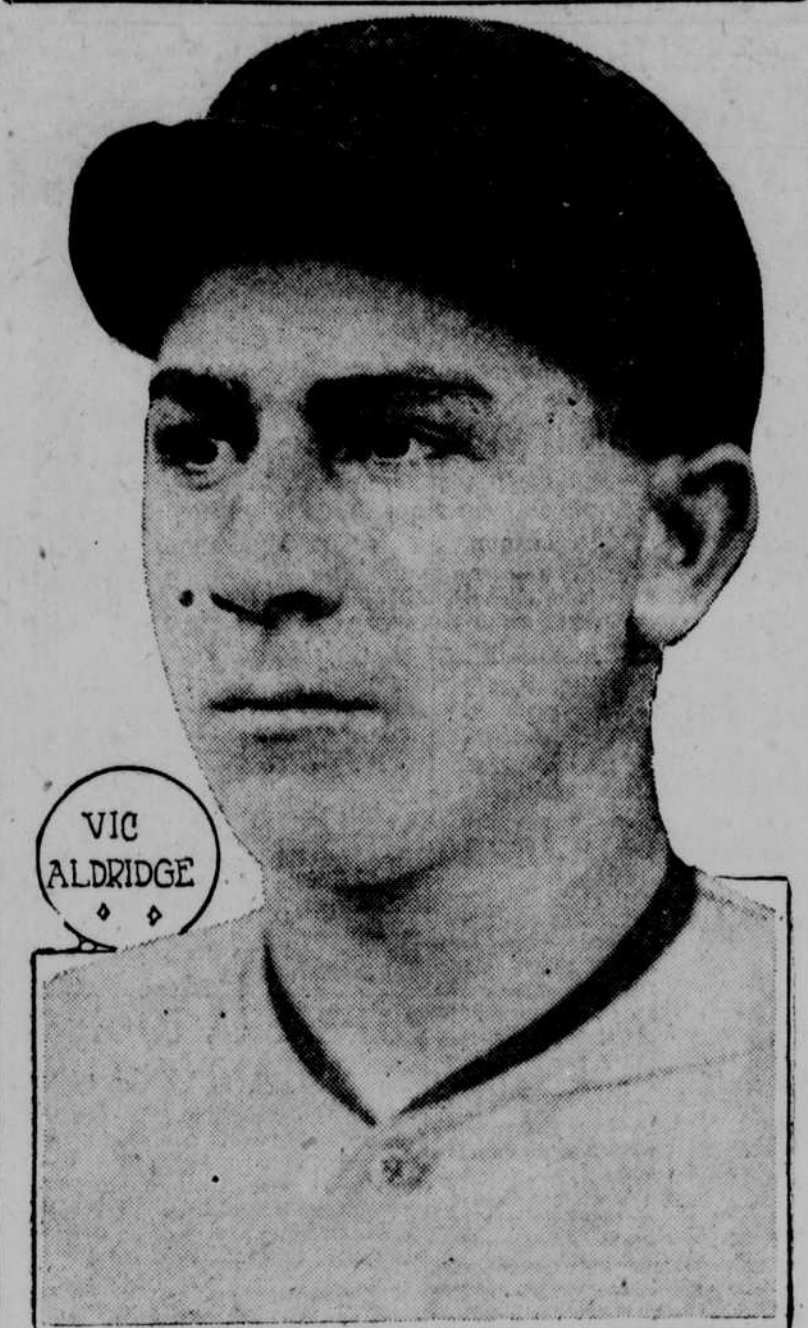
"Little Bill" has been rated second to the champion for the last three years and his sudden fall to third place on the list will be strongly criticized by his supporters.

Although the advancement of youth is noticeable in the annual list, the younger players have not the ranking field to themselves, for several veterans, who staged remarkable tennis comebacks in 1924, have succeeded in advancing their positions among the first five of a year ago, but three are listed in this year's list.

Howard O. Kinsey takes quite a jump when his name is placed in fourth position. Wallace F. Johnson, veteran of many tournament campaigns, is placed No. 5, while Watson M. Washburne, Davis cup star, is given the sixth position in the coveted circle. This selection will also be criticized on the ground that Washburne spent most of the past summer playing in Europe as a member of the Olympic team. R. N. Williams and F. T. Hunter, both members of the Olympic team, were not ranked because of insufficient data.

Williams suffered an injury to his ankle during one of the early rounds of the Olympic championship and played very little tennis after his return to America.

This "Hoosier Schoolmaster" to Teach Pitching on New Hill



THE Hoosier Schoolmaster expects to have a good year this year.

Meaning Vic Aldridge.

Few persons know that the pitcher the Chicago Cubs traded to the Pittsburgh Pirates over the winter started his life as a school teacher in the rural districts of Indiana. It was his week-end pitching that won him the attention which ultimately altered his whole life. Aldridge was born in Indian Springs, Ind.

The Indianapolis American association club gave Vic his first real chance in baseball. It also gave him his first long train rides.

Deciding that Vic had the makings but was a bit green the Indians sent him to Denver under option, only to recall him and farm him to Erie, Pa. The following season, however, he produced. After he had won 16 and lost 14 games for the Hoosier team in the Chicago club bought him.

The Cub bosses decided after two years that they didn't need him in their pennant plans, so Vic was sent to the Los Angeles club soon after the start of the 1918 campaign. He spent the next three seasons convincing the Cub owners that they needed him. In 1922 the club paid a fairly big price for him.

Aldridge won 16 and lost 15 games for the Cubs in 1922 and collected the same number of victories while losing but nine games two years ago. Last season he won 15 and lost 12.

With the Pirate outfit the coming season Aldridge should have a bigger year than any he has enjoyed to date. Last season Bill Killefer had Alexander, Jacobs, Ben and Kaufman, all going good. Aldridge did not receive as many chances to work as he will at Pittsburgh, where Bill McKeehan has Yie, Kremer and Morrison as his main hopes, in addition to Aldridge. Vic should have a chance to work every fourth day,

High School Basketball

David City, Neb.—David City walloped Waco, 29 to 7, in an interesting game.

Chillicothe, Neb.—The Chillicothe high school defeated the Wentworth Military Academy in the first of a two-game series, 29 to 23.

Valentine, Neb.—Valent at high school cagers hung up their eighth straight victory by defeating A. Lincoln, 13 to 2, and Atkinson, 23 to 8.

Big Springs, Neb.—Grant put up a great fight against Big Springs, but the final quiet won to Fairbury, 20 to 21.

Shenandoah, Ia.—Shenandoah annexed another basket ball contest by defeating Greenfield, 22 to 18. The score was tied at the end of the first half, but the Shenandoah Greenfield quiet to one goal in the final period.

Nelson, Neb.—Geneva trounced the Nelson High school five, 23 to 4, in a fast 45 min.

Hine Hills, Neb.—The Hine Hill high schoolers defeated the Hastings Junior high five, 17 to 5.

Hunter, Neb.—The Consolidated High school of Hunter, Neb., defeated the Alma boys five, 28 to 13, but the Hunter girls lost, 14 to 6.

Holdrege, Neb.—The Consolidated High school of Holdrege has organized a basketball team for the season.

Callaway, Neb.—Oconomowoc, 20 to 15 victory over the Callaway five.

Guernsey, Neb.—Guernsey women have organized a women's cage five, and are anxious to secure contests with women's teams throughout the state.

Henry, Neb.—Morrill high school's cage five put up a stiff fight against the local high school quint, but Henry won out, 10 to 7.

Harvard, Neb.—Harvard registered its first win of the season by taking a close 12 to 10 victory over the Hastings boys.

Bluejays Outplay Visitors in All Periods of Game

Trautman Tops Scorers With Eight Field Goals—Injured in Final Half and May Be Unable to Play.

By setting a fast pace in the early stages of the game and increasing it as the contest progressed, the Creighton University Bluejays basketball team, before a well-filled gymnasium Friday night, walloped, trounced and decisively defeated the Notre Dame quintet by the score of 24 to 21.

The light and speedy Bluejay hoopers not only out-scored the South Benders, but out-paced and out-generated the visitors in both halves of the contest. The count at the end of the first half was 22 to 9, with the Bluejays enjoying the long end of the score. So well did the Blue and White hoopers outplay the visitors from Indiana that not once after the first five minutes of play did the spectators harbor any idea that the pride of the Hilltop would fall in basket ball defeat.

Creighton was outwheeled, but what the Bluejays lacked in beef they more than made up in speed and scoring ability. The Blue and White tilters galloped up and down the court much like the "Four Horsemen" of Notre Dame football fame galloped up and down the grid fields last fall. Notre Dame was after the ball and not carrying or passing the leather, which is something out of the ordinary for a Notre Dame athletic team.

Little Johnny Trautman, captain and forward of the Creighton quintet, topped the hoopers in ringing up field goals. The frail little Bluejay leader chalked up eight field goals, six of them coming in the first half. Toward the end of the game Trautman collided with one of the Notre Dame players and had to be carried out of the court.

The teamwork displayed by the Bluejays was good to look at from start to finish. The advance of the Creighton hoopers down the floor swept the visitors before them in rapid fashion, while the defense of the winners broke up many Notre Dame plays before they got past the center of the court.

Nebraska's New Football Coach

ERNEST ELMER BEARG, assistant football coach at the University of Illinois, has been selected head football coach at Nebraska for next season. He will take up his new duties at Nebraska March 1.



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Intensive Intramural Athletic Program Planned for Bluejays

Creighton university's winter and spring intramural athletic program has received its first impetus with the formation of an intramural basketball league, and Athletic Director Schabinger plans to follow up the success of this league with a handball tournament, swimming meet, golf and tennis tournaments.

The enthusiasm manifested by the participants in the basketball league leads Schabinger to believe that intramural athletics at Creighton have arrived to stay and he is certain that the proposed meets and tournaments will be successful.

Schabinger announced that the university would back a tennis team at the Hilltop this spring, provided enough men of the right caliber turned out.

If a team could be organized the Bluejays would compete in dual meets with other schools in this section of the country, and in the North Central conference net meet.

Amateur Body to Prepare for Coming Season

Outlook for Game Appears Better Than Last Year's Record-Breaker; South Side Gets New Park.

MATEUR baseball again becomes a leading topic among the followers of the national pastime with the announcement of the first meeting of the amateur board of directors which is scheduled for Thursday evening in room 306 of the city hall.

At this time the board will make arrangements for the annual mass meeting and entertainment which will be held some time in February.

According to John Dennison, secretary of the Municipal Baseball association, this year's entertainment will surpass anything which has ever been arranged for the amusement of the sandlot players.

Many entertainers have been found in the ranks of the players and even a number of fans and fanettes have volunteered their services in order to make the entertainment a success.

On account of the interest taken in the mass meeting it may be necessary to obtain the use of the City auditorium in order to accommodate the number of persons who have signified their intentions of attending.

Organize New Athletic Club in Bluffs---to Hold Boxing Show

A boxing program and vaudeville entertainment will feature the first monthly smoker of the newly organized Hawkeye Athletic club of Council Bluffs, to be held Tuesday evening in the Majestic theater.

Everett Strong and Jack Menio will meet in the main bout, 10 rounds, to decide the middleweight championship of Iowa. Other boxing bouts on the program include: Joe Bowman against Young Gilliam, eight rounds; Danny Kralk against Joe Burko, four rounds; Ross Miller against Frank Gusman, four rounds; Jack McGurran against Sallor Liston or Royal Coffman, four round exhibition.

It is the purpose of the new organization to secure representation for Council Bluffs in amateur as well as professional sports of all kinds. Membership is open to anyone in Omaha or vicinity, as well as to residents of western Iowa. Dues are \$1 per year. Memberships may be obtained at the following places in Council Bluffs: Paris and Sportsman billiard parlors, Kuhn's Flower Shop; Adolph Hober's and Harry Roach's barber shops.

Tijuana Results

Seventh race: Five and one-half furlongs. (Copyright, 1925.)

Interer, 55 (Hoagland).....4.00 2.50 2.00
Belle of Ebbesen, 111 (Roberts).....2.00 2.40
Khan Isabel, 106 (Giccardi).....1.50 2.20
Time: 1:12.5.

FAIR GROUNDS
Sixth race: 114 miles.
Vestition, 112 (Pool).....11.5 5.10 2.1
Profound, 117 (McAnally).....5.5 3.2
Rock, 109 (McAnally).....5.5 3.2
Time: 1:12.5.

Nebraska Bulek Auto Company bowled high single game for the Omaha club on the Omaha alleys by shooting 1,613.

National Tennis Rankings

Men's National Singles.
1. William T. Tilden, Philadelphia.
2. Vincent Richards, New York.
3. William M. Johnston, San Francisco.
4. Howard O. Kinsey, San Francisco.
5. Wallace M. Johnson, Philadelphia.
6. Watson M. Washburne, New York.
7. Harvey Snodgrass, Los Angeles.
8. Shubert Weaver, Good Night, Blanders.
9. B. J. C. Norton, St. Louis.
10. George M. Lett, Chicago.
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12. Alfred Chapin, Jr., Springfield, Mass.
13. Robert Kinsey, San Francisco.
14. Nathan W. Niles, Boston, Mass.
15. Dean Hatley, New York city.
16. Manuel Alonso, F. T. Anderson, Carl.
17. Manuel Alonso, F. T. Hunter, A. W. Jones, Wallace Scott, and R. N. Williams were not ranked because of insufficient data.

CRACK BILLIARD STARS IN TOURNEY

Chicago, Jan. 24.—Entries for the international championship 18.2 ball billiard tournament, to be held here February 23 to March 5, closed tonight with six of the greatest players in the world in the competition, making one of the strongest combinations that has ever competed for the title.

Willie Hoppe of New York, the present champion, tops the list of entrants. The others are: Young Jake Schaefer of San Francisco, Walker Cochran of Hollywood, Edouard Horemans of Belgium, Erich Hagelacker of Germany and Kamatara Suzuki of Japan.

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Dempsey-Gibbons Match Planned

Chicago, Jan. 23.—Frank Flounroy, matchmaker at Madison Square Garden, New York city, is expected here tomorrow morning presumably intent upon closing negotiations for a match between Jack Dempsey, the champion, and Tom Gibbons, in New York in May.

Paavo Nurmi Loses First Race

Brooklyn, N. Y., Jan. 24.—Paavo Nurmi, the peerless Finn, suffered the first defeat of his American campaign tonight when Gunnar Nilson, a Finnish teammate, led him to the tape by a yard in the 2,000-yard invitation special, the feature event of the Brooklyn college games in the Thirteenth regiment armory tonight.

Bluejay Gridsters Workout in Gym

Spring practice for the Creighton university football team will commence as soon as the present indoor and outdoor track season is completed, Coach Chet Wynne, announces.

Northwestern University Tankers to Compete Here on Western Trip

The Omaha Athletic club will be the first stop for the Northwestern university swimming team, national collegiate champions, when the famous Purple squad meets the O. A. C. next Friday night in the opening dual meet on their barnstorming tour which will carry Northwestern's colors the length of the Pacific coast.

Cards Prepare for Schedule

With Wednesday the last day of final examinations, the University of Omaha basket ball squad will plunge into a heavy schedule. Fort Omaha will play a regular game against the Cards either Wednesday or Thursday night, and the night following, Dana college of Blair will probably be seen in action on the Omaha court.

Howard Jones to Teach Coaching

Greeley, Colo., Jan. 24.—Announcement of the opening of a summer school for coaches at Greeley Teachers' college was made here today when it was announced that Howard Jones, grid mentor, will teach football at the summer session.

American Legion Basket Ball Quintet Boasts of Good Record

The American Legion basket ball team, representing the largest post in the world, in combined weight and age, stands out as one of the heaviest and oldest teams in this part of the country.

Reclassify Class "B" Cage League at Y. M. C. A.

At the conclusion of the qualifying round of the Y. M. C. A. class B basket ball league, eight teams were placed in class B, and seven in class C.

Women's Singles

1. Helen Wills, Berkeley, Cal.
2. Miss Mary K. Browne, Los Angeles.
3. Mrs. Molla Mallory, New York.
4. Miss Eleanor Goss, New York.
5. Mrs. M. Z. Jessup, Wilmington, Del.
6. Miss Martha Macard, Short Hills, N. J.
7. Miss Maxine MacDonald, New York.
8. Miss Molly D. Thayer, Philadelphia.
9. Miss Leslie Bancroft, Boston.
10. Mrs. E. H. Rosser, New York.
11. Miss Helen Jacobs, Berkeley, Cal.
12. Mrs. J. D. Corbier, Boston.
13. Miss Anne B. Townsend, Overton, Miss.
14. Miss Katherine Gardner, Buffalo.
15. Miss Robert LeRoy, New York.
16. Mrs. A. F. Riese, Saginaw, Mich.