

Boxing Wrestling Boxing Basketball

Schabinger Gives Creighton Team Hard Drill; Lovely Plays

HE chances of Creighton's basketball team beating the University of Nebraska here Saturday night took a big jump yesterday afternoon when Capt. Jimmy Lovely of the Blue and White quitted reported for practice.

Lovely, who is a star forward and a crackin' good player, has been out of the Creighton lineup for the past three weeks because of an injured knee. Said knee is reported to be in good condition now, and the presence of Lovely on the floor yesterday caused Ol Man Joy to make his appearance on the Blue campus.

The Creighton captain practiced with his teammates and his injured knee didn't seem to give him much trouble, although he took particular pains to see that it got the best of care.

Coch Schabinger will send the Blue and White hoopers through another practice with the freshmen this afternoon.

Tickets for the big game went on sale at Beaton's drug store and the Creighton gymnasium office yesterday. A large crowd is expected to witness the contest, which will mark the resumption of athletic relations between Nebraska and Creighton.

Scrambled Sports of Week

OMAHA UNIVERSITY. THE Omaha university athletic board may apply for a berth in the Nebraska state athletic conference.

The Maroons were formerly entrenched in the conference, but withdrew from the circle in 1921 when an argument bobbed up over a football game played at Fontenelle park between Omaha and Coach "Bob" Sisty's Midland college Lutherans.

During the basketball seasons Omaha always ranked high in the conference standings. The conference games, when played at the Maroons' gymnasium, drew large crowds and more than paid expenses.

Since they dropped out of the conference, the Maroons have been playing small institutions. A victory or a defeat by one of these small schools failed to dent the reputation of those involved, simply because no reputation was at stake.

Omaha university, in our opinion, would greatly benefit itself as a university if it got back into the conference. The publicity the Maroons would receive when they played conference teams would be worth something to the university, to say nothing of the part it would play in helping athletics among state schools.

Surely the Maroons gain nothing by playing such teams as Tabor, Western Union, Tarkio, Mo., and Trinity college.

Eleven teams make up the conference, Nebraska Wesleyan, Peru, Kearney, Grand Island, Doane, Hastings, Wayne, Midland, Chadron, Colver and York. Should Omaha re-enter the circle an even dozen teams would compose the conference. Have each member send a representative to schedule meetings and have the schedules arranged so that every member got a fair deal with each other, and there is no reason why the Nebraska state conference couldn't be as beneficial to athletics as the Missouri valley conference is to the valley.

Omaha university recently announced that it intended to grow with Omaha. Surely a university in a town the size of Omaha should belong to some sort of athletic conference. By joining the state conference it would be a step in the right direction, for athletics play an important part in the life of any university, college or high school.

Iowa Flipper Leads Big Ten

CHICAGO, Feb. 27.—University of Iowa, the only unbeaten basketball team in the Western conference title race, by virtue of its win over Minnesota last night, 29 to 24, not only strengthened its position in the championship race but won the right to claim in Funk, a forward, the leading individual score in the Big Ten.

Funk, who previous to last night's game, was the acknowledged leader in scoring free throws, added 11 more free goals to his credit and displaced Harrison Barnes of Chicago, who was leading the conference scoring with 116 points. Funk now has 123 points for the season, 91 being free goals.

Iowa's other forward, James, increased his field goal total in last night's game by three, making 31 so far this season and giving him undisputed possession of third place in the conference for caging field goals.

Colletti Challenges Winner of Villa Bout

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—The New York state athletic commission today accepted a challenge filed by Joe Colletti, flyweight boxer of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., for a match with the winner of the bout Thursday night between Pancho Villa, the champion, and Frankie Genaro, for the American flyweight title.

Jock Malone Wins

CHICAGO, Feb. 27.—Jock Malone of St. Paul was awarded a technical knockout over Johnny Klesch of Cleveland, in the sixth round of their scheduled 10-round battle at East Chicago Monday. Referee Dave Barry stopped the fight after Malone had punched Klesch into almost helpless condition.

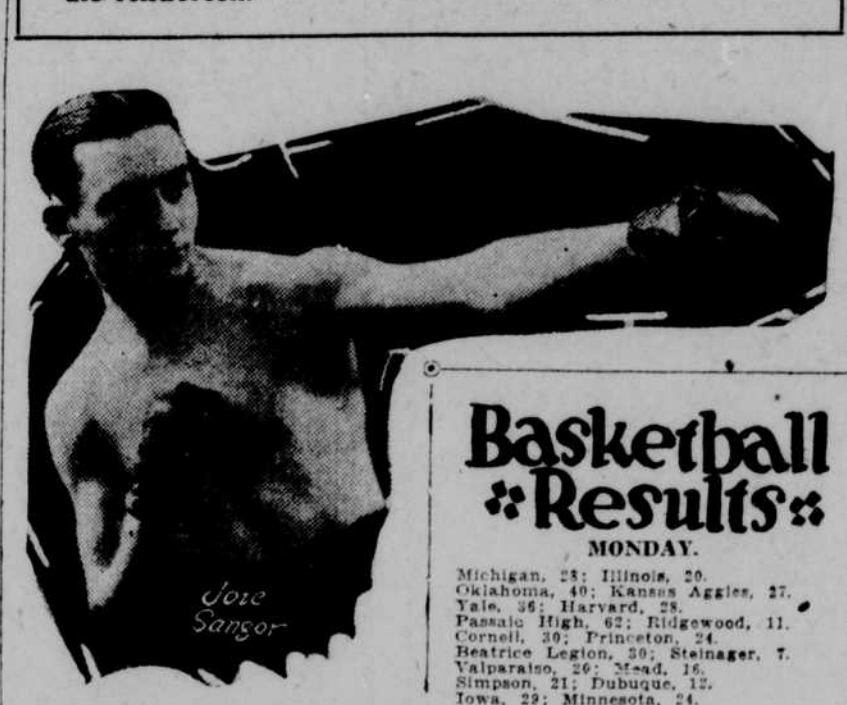
The long left hand of the St. Paul boxer proved too strong for Cleveland boy and Malone practically won the battle in the first round when he clipped Klesch in the stomach with a hard left drive. After that punch Klesch was slowed up to almost a snail's pace and Malone danced around his opponent peppering him with rights and lefts to the body and face.

Western League Roster for 1923

Following are the players from which will be selected the teams which will represent the various divisions in the Western league in the approaching campaign:

- Oklahoma City.** Pitchers: George Payne, Roy Allen, Russ Love, Eddie McEne, Emil Tice, Charles Schwaite, Arthur Fisher, C. Johnson. Catchers: Walter Truesdell, Bill Byers, Cowboy White. Infielders: Fred Luderus, manager, O. C. McDaniel, Joe C. Tate, Wally Windy, Walter Kruger, Walter Cook, Charles Weatherford, Glenn McElroy. Outfielders: Oscar Fisher, Henry Gindardi, Benny Bristow.
- Omaha.** Pitchers: Nick Cullop, Ted Odenwald, Frank Olin, Herbert May, E. Bally, P. H. Gerhardt, John Brandt, George Becker, Charles J. Ritz. Catcher: E. J. Wilder, Glen Stout, Oscar Siemer, Al Wallin. Infielders: Charles McDonald, Jimmy Wilcox, Clyde Defate, Ed J. Konechky, manager. Outfielders: Joe Benowitz, F. A. Griffin, P. J. Apperson, R. E. O'Connor.
- Wichita.** Pitchers: Man, Sellers, Hovlik, McDonnell, House, Abrigh, McManis, Gregory. Catchers: Griffin, Beal, McMullan. Infielders: McDowell, Goodwin, Butler. Outfielders: Smith, Binkley, Conlan.
- St. Joseph.** Pitchers: Bator, Ledner, Earl Young, Bugs Grover, Karl Adams, Frankie Fort. Catchers: Harry Kandler, Harold Pierce. Infielders: Miller, Art Olsen, Wally Nutter, Mortley Jennings, Art Brown, Lawrence Gilbert, McDonald. Outfielders: Lewis Phillips, Elmer Lewis, Miller.
- Des Moines.** Pitchers: Eddleman, Middleton, Cooper, Seibald, Jones, Martin. Catchers: Whalwe, Kenny, Rockshoff. Infielders: McLarry, Chebro, Brennan, Lee, O'Shaughnessy, Seibald, Worth, Horan, Naash.
- Tulsa.** Pitchers: Hollis, McLaughlin, Karl Black and Paul Sherman, the 1922 champions, and Bill Tatum, George King, Bob Clark and Tom Henry, newcomers. Catchers: Tex Crosby, Hank Dudley. Infielders: Paddy Bauman, Dudley Lee, Frank Thompson. Outfielders: Lymon Lamb and Yank Davis. Manager: Lake Stuart.

JOE SANGOR, claimant of the featherweight championship of Wisconsin, has been matched to meet Sammy Mandell in a 10-round bout in Minneapolis March 9. Sangor is one of the best featherweights of his country. He has battled such boys as Sammy Mandell, Stewart McLean, Saph McKenna, Joe Lynch, champion, and Eddie Anderson.



First Western League Club to Leave for South Monday

WESTERN LEAGUE TRAINING CAMPS. Club. Manager. Training Place. Date. Oklahoma City.....Fred Luderus.....Oklahoma City.....March 17. Tulsa.....Jack Lovell.....Mineral Wells, Tex.....March 5. Wichita.....Howard Gregory.....Wichita.....March 21. St. Joseph.....Walter Smith.....Clarksdale, Miss.....March 15. Des Moines.....John Corriden.....Ponca City, Okla.....March 20. Denver.....Billy Gilbert.....Excelsior Springs.....March 15. Omaha.....Ed Konechky.....Corsicana, Tex.....March 10. Sioux City.....Unamed.....Not decided.....Not decided. *First year as manager.

The annual exodus of Western league clubs to southern training camps will begin next Monday when Manager Jack Lovell of Tulsa will leave with his battery men for Mineral Wells, Tex., where the Oilers will begin the task of ironing out the winter kinks.

Omaha will be the second Western club to establish training quarters in the south. Barney Burch, Buffalo owner, and Ed Konechky, the new manager, will be on hand at Corsicana, Tex., to greet the advance guard of Buffaloes on March 10.

Of the eight clubs in the circuit five have selected southern points for training. Oklahoma City considers itself in a southern state and will train at home. Wichita also will remain at home. Sioux City will journey to some southern camp, yet to be selected. St. Joseph will train at Clarksdale, Miss., with the Minneapolis club. Manager "Wally" Smith has ordered the club to report March 15.

John Corriden will lead the Des Moines Boosters to Ponca City, Okla., to begin training March 20, and the Denver Bears will go to Excelsior Springs, Ark., March 15.

That a host of new faces will be seen in the Western league this season is evidenced by the fact that the majority of clubs have gone in for young blood. But of course good looking clubs on paper often prove grand busts on the field.

Down at Joctown there is no certainty of who will swing bats for that burg for it all depends upon what Pongo Cantillon has left to slip to Wally Smith after he gets done picking the cream of some fifty athletes for his Minneapolis American association team.

Players who served in Des Moines uniforms last year have worn a path to Texas where they will be found performing for Texas league cities while Johnny Corriden will have a new gang of Boosters to boss.

Giants To Help Grizzlies. An encouraging sign in the Sioux City situation is discouraging is that at Denver where Billy Gilbert is trying to rally a winning combination. It is said that he has established a direct line of communication with McGraw and his Giants from whom he expects to draw material needed to put teeth in the Grizzlies this season. Gilbert, a veteran major league scout and a personal friend of McGraw leaves today for the Giants training camp at Marlin, Tex., to look over the 20 pitchers which McGraw is giving a tryout.

The Boosters will present almost an entirely new lineup this year as a wholesale disposal of the 1922 team has been made. Only a few recruits will have been tryouts as the club owners plan to start the season with a veteran club.

The club is in the market for two good righthanded pitchers, and infielder and a catcher. It is probable that it will secure these men through the St. Paul club in the American association. Mike Kelley, St. Paul boss, who recently purchased Tom Fairweather's share in the club is now dickering with the men needed.

Runt a Manager. "Runt" Marr, who used to play on the Sioux City infield, has turned manager. He has charge of the Spring field club of the Western association.

Willard to Open Training Camp

CHICAGO, Feb. 27.—Big Jess Willard, who is seeking a return heavyweight championship match with Jack Dempsey, plans to establish a training camp at Excelsior Springs, Mo., to condition himself for his contest with Floyd Johnson, the Iowa heavy weight, scheduled for New York, May 12.

The former champion said here tonight that he wanted to do as much outdoor training as possible and that climbing the hills around Excelsior Springs would help to get him into shape. He intends to spend at least six weeks in camp before moving on to New York to finish training.

Willard spent an hour and a half in a gymnasium this afternoon. He boozed four rounds, besides going through other exercises. The big Kansan said he weighed about 258 pounds; that he had reduced about 12 pounds in the last 20 days and intended to get down to about 245 for his match with Johnson.

Charley Schmidt to Join Robins

MODESTO, Cal., Feb. 27.—Charley Schmidt, a brother of Walter Schmidt, formerly catcher on the Pittsburgh Nationals and himself a former major league baseball catcher, signed a contract with the Brooklyn National league club. He will leave Modesto tonight, he announced, to join the Brooklyn club at their spring training camp at Clear Water, Fla.

Schmidt has been employed in the capacity of a scout and trainer of young pitchers. He was formerly a catcher for the Detroit club of the American league from 1905 to 1912. He asserts he has caught in 2,363 games of professional baseball, which he says, is the record for catchers in service today.

Jess at Sioux City. Jess Willard, former heavyweight champion will appear in an exhibition match in Sioux City tomorrow night.

On the same card will appear Homer Sheridan, middleweight. Sheridan has been matched to meet Jack Menlo in a 10-round bout.

Nucleus for Great Eleven at Creighton

As classy a squad of football players as ever donned Blue moleskins will report to Chet Wynne, new Creighton coach, this fall.

According to veteran Hilltop followers and alumni members, the school should have the strongest team in its history. Virtually all of last year's performers, together with many promising players from the freshman ranks, will be at Wynne's command.

McAleer Is Captain. Elmer McAleer, who will play his last year of football this season, will pilot the Creighton team from the left guard position. Stuart Neary, his running mate, will be back at the other guard.

Logan and Nolan, both centers of ability, will fight it out for the first string berth. Van Ackeran, Kean and Gayer, all veterans of this year, will be back again at tackles.

The ends will be the only place where Wynne will be forced to resort to his freshmen squad. Paynter, Bendage and Herzog, last year's ends, have all played their last game of football.

For halfbacks, Speicher, Kelly, Doyle and Tevlin will all be back. Yechout will be out after the fullback job, while Lang and Fisher are two vets who will attempt to win a place at quarter.

Freshmen Have Class. In addition to these gradsters, who are all letter men, Wynne will fill the following freshmen: Bertoglio, full back; Tryba, Leupke and Fitzgibbon, halfbacks; Hickey, Carroll and Lower, quarterbacks; Flynn and Mahoney, ends, and an abundance of linemen.

Fitzgibbon and Tryba, who played halfback for the freshman squad last fall, were said to be as fleet a pair of runners as has ever been seen on the hill. Bertoglio is one of the best defense men that Creighton has ever possessed, and should give Yechout a hard run for his position.

Jimmy Valenti Dies. Duluth, Minn., Feb. 27.—James Valenti, 22, known as Jimmy Valenti in boxing circles, died today from double pneumonia. Valenti, a bantamweight, had appeared in bouts on 74th the east and west coasts.

The St. Joseph News-Press defines an educated man as one who can name the cabinet members and give a reasonable explanation.

Barney Burch, Omaha Magnate, Is Friend of "Knothole Fraternity"

BARNEY BURCH, Omaha magnate, announces kiddies will be admitted free to Western league ball games here this season except on Saturday, Sunday and holidays.

And behind this announcement is an interesting little yarn. It concerns a resolution made some score or more years ago. In a small Texas town there was a town team. But the team played inside a high board fence. The magistrates in the village were very alert that no one entered the confines of the high boards except those armed with a passport—a 50-cent piece.

Caught in Act. Fifty-cent pieces were even scarcer with the kiddies in those days than they are now, and as a consequence this little town had its knothole gang. A freckled-faced, agile boy belonged to this group. He carried a large jackknife like the rest of the knothole fraternity, and when the blue-coated chaps who carry large clubs on their arms were not looking, he would apply the knife to the board and carve out a hole big enough to get an "eye-full" of what was happening inside those towering, sinister looking walls.

Makes Good Promise. One day a big policeman caught the little chap in the act of whittling an "eye-hole." He was given a good shaking and warned never to do it again. When the big policeman left, this lad exclaimed: "Just wait until I get big and own a ball club, I'll let all the kids in free."

And so, the kid, matured into manhood and known in baseball as Barney Burch, owner of the Omaha club, has made good his promise. He's a friend of the knothole gang.

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First of Robins Off for South

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—Taking up the legira to the southland already started from all sections of the north by major league baseball players, a trio of Brooklyn pitchers, the first members of that club to start, will embark on the steamer Lenape today en route for Jacksonville, Fla. There will be a general assembly of the team there March 8.

Metrolipton admirers of Babe Ruth, the Yankees' home run king, were reassured today when word reached them from Colonel Huston, half owner of the Yankees, who arrived at Hot Springs yesterday, that the Bambino really is on the verge of his best spring condition of several years. Colonel Huston, who will remain with his players officially a few days, was satisfied with the work of those of the team there "boiling out."

The sun shone yesterday on Martin, Tex., for the first time since the Giants went there to train and the world's champions held their first real workout.

Mercede, Cal., Feb. 27.—Ray "Lefty" Francis was en route today to join Ty Cobb's Detroit Tigers at their training camp at Augusta, Ga. Francis, a pitcher, was with Washington last year, but was traded to Detroit.

To Play Bellevue

The Paxton Billiards will meet the Bellevue Vocational school's cage team at Bellevue Friday evening. The ex-soldiers have not yet been defeated on their own floor. The Paxtons have not been defeated this year, and are credited with a victory over the O. A. C.

Short Shots Sports

Huskies Won't Go West

Because of the Missouri Valley ruling prohibiting conference members from playing more than eight football games a season, the University of Nebraska has declined the invitation of the University of Southern California to play on the coast December 8.

Deaf Game Thursday

The game between Kansas School for the Deaf and Nebraska Deaf Institute will be played Thursday Institute of Friday, Coach J. W. Jackson announces.

"Pee Wee" to Fight

"Pee Wee" Smith, the Omaha Eltho-pan flyweight, who went east the other day to make a name for himself in the pugilistic world, writes he has landed a fight at Buffalo.

Omaha Girl Tank Star

Miss Gladys Brooker of Omaha, a student at Iowa university, broke the pool record in the 20-yard breast stroke event at the Women's Athletic association meet last night. Her time was 16.7 seconds.

Cue Tourney to Start

A three-cushion invitational billiard tournament will be held at the Holmes Recreational parlors, starting March 10. The majority of the contestants will be elderly men.

Big Leaguer a Coach

Los Angeles—George Wheeler, formerly a major league pitcher, has been signed as baseball coach at the University of Southern California. Gwynn Wilson, graduate manager, announced.

Grab Challenges Tunney

New York—Harry Greb, Pittsburgh boxer, who lost the American light-heavyweight championship to Gene Tunney of New York, Friday, issued a challenge for a return bout.

Fraank Troch Winner of Midwinter Trap Title

Los Angeles, Feb. 27.—Frank Troch of Vancouver, Wash., here for the third consecutive year, won the annual midwinter registered trap shooting tournament of the Vernon Gun club. He made a total score of 441 out of a possible 450. Troch also made the high run of the meet, 151.

Bob Bunday, Venice, Cal., was second with 439, and Lou Reed, Los Angeles, third with 457.

The annual Pacific zone tournament will start Thursday.

Hoppe Practicing

New York—Followers of billiards today were keenly interested in the attempt Willie Hoppe is making to regain his ability at line nursing for his match with Jake Schaefer of San Francisco, who has challenged for the world's 182 ball line title which the New Yorker regained from him last November.

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