Fourth Annual Omaha Bee Grade School Cage Tourney Opens Today

Forty-Eight Teams to Battle for Cage Title

All Contests With Three Exceptions to Be Played in School Gymnasiums; No Admission Charged.

TODAY'S GAMES.
District No. 1.
Jungman against Madison, 7 p. m., at South high gym.
District No. 2.
Lincoln against Vinton, 4 p. m., at Lincoln.
District No. 4.
Franklin against Central, 4 p. m., at Franklin.

THE Omaha Bee's fourth annual grade school basket ball tournament opens the 1925 season today with 48 teams battling for the titular honors.

The tournament has grown from year to year until this year's entry list is double that of the list of 1921, the first year of the tourney.

The tourney will be a round robin affair. The teams in the four districts will battle for district honors, and the district winners will meet in the semi-finals and finals at the end of the regular season for the trophy.

All games will be played in the school gymnasiums with the exception of contests booked for the South High gymnasium, Christ Child center, and Florence Community house.

The Florence Community house gymnasium, located at Thirtieth and Calhoun streets, has been acquired for the use of the grade school cagers through the courtesy of City Commissioner John Hopkins, while the Christ Child association has very generously offered the use of its new gymnasium at Tenth and Williams streets.

All boys entered as representatives of participating schools must be regularly enrolled and doing regular grade school work in the school for which they are playing. Principals of the schools may hold boys off teams for scholastic ineligibility.

No admission will be charged for the regular league games.

Long won the 1924 tourney by taking a 36 to 11 game from the Lincoln five. It was Long's third consecutive grade school basket ball championship and, led by Ware, Lee and Love, the cagers from the north side went through the season without a defeat.

South Central, Long, Kellom and Lincoln were the district winners, and in the semi-final round played before a record-breaking gallery at the Technical High gymnasium. Long defeated South Central and Lincoln nosed out a victory over Kellom to get into the finals.

Teams entered in the tourney are:

District No. 1—Jungman, Madison, South Franklin, South Lincoln, Brown Park, Hawthorne, South Central, Corrigan and West Side.

District No. 2—Lincoln, Vinton, Bancroft, Castelar, Train, Mason, Park Columbian, Comenius, Field, Pacific and Windsor.

District No. 3—Clifton Hill, Lothrop, Lake, Monmouth Park, Central Park, Kellom, Sasatoga, North Junior High, Florence and Sherman.

District No. 4—Franklin Central, Benson, Junior High, Webster, Saunders, Henry Yates, Howard Kennedy, Beals, Dundee and Long.

Wayne Munn Will Defend Mat Title

Oklahoma City, Okla., Jan. 11.—Wayne Munn, newly crowned king of the wrestling world will defend the title he took away from Strangler Lewis last week in a finish match at the Coliseum here some time between January 20 and 25, Lou Cutler, promoter, announced today.

His opponent has been left to Cutler who has opened negotiations with several known to aspire to the championship.

SPALLA READY TO FIGHT FIRPO

Milan, Italy, Jan. 11.—Erminio Spalla, the Italian heavyweight fighter, announced today that he was ready to fight Luis Angel Firpo in Europe, preferably in Milan. He said he hoped Firpo would accept his challenge.

Spalla also has challenged Tom Gibbons for a bout in the spring.

HOLLOCHER MAY NOT START SEASON

Although Charley Hollocher, Chicago National shortstop, who was forced to retire from baseball last season, because of illness, has gained weight and looks better than he did a year ago, he probably will not start the season, William Veeck, club president, who recently visited Hollocher in St. Louis, says.

Bloomfield Breaks Even.

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee.

Bloomfield, Neb., Jan. 11.—Bloomfield broke even in the opening games of the season at basket ball, Wausa being the opponent. In the girls' game, the locals easily outclassed the visitors and won by a score of 17 to 10. In the boys' game, the Wausa team of veterans had little trouble in swamping Bloomfield, the final score being 26 to 4. A big crowd witnessed the contests.

High School Basketball

Chester boys, 27; Dreshler boys, 13.
Chester girls, 32; Deshler girls, 6.
Odell, 37; Steele City, 8.
Odell girls, 22; Steele City girls, 13.
Lawrence, 11; Nelson, 10.
Superior, 8; Hardy, 6.
Belvidere, 39; Bruning, 2.
Hebron, 33; Ruskin, 5.
Hebron seconds, 26; Ruskin seconds, 7.
Ohiowa, 12; Swanton, 11.
Carleton, 17; Shickley, 12.
Carleton seconds, 12; Shickley, 6.
Western, 8; Tobias, 4.
Alexandria, 13; Tobias, 11.
Bluehill boys, 26; Red Cloud, 3.
Bluehill girls, 28; Red Cloud girls, 2.
Cowles, 19; Eckley, 12.
Cowles girls, 10; Eckley girls, 8.
Clifton, 20; Haddam, 16.
Bladen, 33; Campbell, 6.
Brownville, 20; Phelps, 10.
Auburn, 19; Falls City, 3.
Auburn girls, 24; Falls City girls, 9.

Rickard Places Schlaifer Among Country's Ranking Welterweights

RACE-RESULTS

TIA JUANA.

First race, mile and 70 yards:
Martha L., 112 (McHugh) 4.80 3.20 2.60
Eunice Bailey, 99 (Steinhart) ..5.20 4.20
Allino, 106 (Whittingham) 4.20
Time: 1:45 3-5. Eye Bright, Leenrack, Rattan, Every Woman, Fireworth, Hal Wright also ran.

Second race, mile and 70 yards:
Sen. Donlan, 116 (Pitor) 16.00 6.20 5.00
Meteor, 110 (McHugh) 4.60 4.20
Navajo, 111 (Wilson) 7.00
Time: 1:47. Midnight Bell, Pembroke, Tennilee, By Right, Nacomee, Lone Pine, Reydo, Black Thong also ran.
Capt. Tom, lost rider.

Third race, mile and 70 yards:
Bronston, 111 (Craig) 8.60 4.60 4.00
Miss Jane, 106 (Ellis) 8.40 6.80
Pretext, 106 (Roberts) 7.00
Time: 1:46 4-5. Calithump, T. J. Pendergast, Aggie, Miss Paige, Lava, Chippendale, Calihan, Foster Embrey also ran.

Fourth race: 1 1-16 miles:
Gun Sight, 106 (Roberts) ...4.40 2.40 2.40
Zealot, 110 (McHugh) 6.40 3.60
Sportsman, 102 (Sylvia) 5.80
Time: 1:48. Fast Boy, Full of Fun, Mannikin II, Singapore, Pud also ran.

Fifth race: 5½ furlongs:
Runclar, 107 (Baker) 37.80 14.80 9.80
Right on Time, 112 (Smith) 6.20 4.80
Deputy, 93 (Hoagland) 5.40
Time: 1:05 3-5. Sunspero, Nancy Langhorne, Swing Along, The Mohawk III, False Face, Runolathe, Manzana, Thistle Wood, Kingman also ran.

Sixth race: Mile:
Cherry Tree, 107 (Barnes) ..5.40 2.60 2.80
Postillion, 96 (Fisher) 2.80 2.80
Paula Shay, 95 (McHugh) 4.00
Time: 1:38 4-5. Edmon, Tracer, Spread Eagle, All Over, Cano also ran.

Seventh race: Mile and 7 furlongs:
Jolly Cephus, 95 (McHugh) 19.20 10.40 4.40
Buck Horn II, 105 (Young) 4.40 3.20
Canute, 107 (Taplin) 4.60
Time: 3:16 4-5. Glanmore, Preservator, Louis, East Indian also ran.

Eighth race: 4½ furlongs:
Belle Wood, 101 (Schaefer) 41.40 17.40 3.60
Frank S., 116 (Barnes) 3.60 2.60
Bill McCloy, 111 (Corbett) 2.60
Time: :53 4-5. Hilarity, Cavest, Emptor, Zig Zag, Steve E., Duty Boy, Harry Rudder Miss Frauland also ran.

Ninth race: 5 furlongs:
Picric, 120 (Barnes) 5.80 5.00 2.40
Meddling Seth, 123 (Baker) 7.20 3.60
Timely Thoughts, 108 (McHugh) 2.40
Time: 1:00 4-5. Mountain Rose, Scamper, Sonny Bunny, Miss Nantura, San Grado, Norfield, Malacha also ran.

BADGER CAGERS WIN 16 TO 14 GAME

Minneapolis, Minn., Jan. 11.—The Minnesota basket ball team, battling like demons, edged into the Big Ten win column here last night b ya scant margin of two points, defeating the University of Wisconsin, 16 to 14. It was the opening Big Ten appearance for Wisconsin and the first home game for the Gophers.

The superior floor work of the Badgers counted for naught against the relentless fight of the smaller-sized Gophers. The half ended with Minnesota leading, 11 to 6.

Dakota City Cagers Lose, 13-to-5 Game to Newcastle

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee.

Newcastle, Neb., Jan. 11.—In the first scheduled basket ball game of the season here last night, the Dakota City High school team defeated the Newcastle team, 13 to 5. The next game will be played here with Waterbury Wednesday evening. The schedule also includes games with Ponca, Wynot and South Sioux City.

In a preliminary contestest, marked by brilliant plays and hard fought from beginnigg to end, the juniors, girls' champion team this year, were defeated by an all-school team which they challenged. The score was 8 to 6.

Joe Salas Wins Decision.

Los Angeles, Jan. 11.—Joe Salas, former national amateur featherweight champion, won a decision over Bill Hogan of Long Beach in a 10-round bout here Saturday night.

Important Boxing Bouts This Week

Jan. 12—Eddie (Cannonball) Martin against Tommy Murray, 10 rounds in Philadelphia.
Jan. 12—Bobby Garcia against Terry McHugh, 10 rounds in Philadelphia.
Jan. 12—Andy Martin against Joe Nelson, 10 rounds in Philadelphia.
Jan. 12—Tommy O'Brien against Tony (Lefty) Thomas, 10 rounds in Buffalo.
Jan. 13—Charley O'Connell against Archie Walker, 10 rounds in Cleveland.
Jan. 13—Bennie Gershe against Frankie Jumnatti, 10 rounds in Cleveland.
Jan. 13—Sid Terris against Jimmy Goodrich, 12 rounds in New York.
Jan. 14—Young Stribling against Mike Wallace, 10 rounds in St. Petersburg, Fla.
Jan. 15—Bill McGowan against Leo Leonard, 10 rounds in Augusta.
Jan. 15—Eddie Anderson against Stewart McLean, 10 rounds in Duluth.
Jan. 16—Tiger Flowers against Jack Delaney, 15 rounds in New York.
Jan. 16—Lou Bognsh against Mike Burke, 10 rounds in Hazleton, Pa.
Jan. 16—Jackie Gordon against Terry Parker, 10 rounds in Hartford, Conn.
Jan. 17—Pancho Villa against Young Sencio, 20 rounds in Manila.

Admirers of Lloyd Hahn Believe Championship in Store for Nebraskan

Falls City, Neb., Jan. 10.—Falls City friends of Lloyd Hahn now see a world championship in sight for the Nebraska Olympic star as a result of his sensational race at Madison Square Garden last Tuesday night despite the fact that he finished third to the great Paavo Nurmi, with Joie Ray a step ahead.

Local admirers hailed the results of Tuesday's race as a great victory, for in finishing in third place Hahn broke the previous record of 4:14 3-5 held by Joie Ray. They believe that it is not entirely impossible that Hahn will take Nurmi's measure before the Finnish superman's American campaign is over. They point out that Hahn is still improving, having clipped nearly 5 seconds from last year's mark of 4:19, while the Finn is probably at the peak of his career. In two years Hahn has clipped 6 seconds from his record, running the mile in 4:20 in 1923, 4:19 in 1924 and 4:14 1-5 last Tuesday night.

Falls City admirers of Hahn insist that the title of "superman" should be applied to the Nebraskan even more so than to the Finn. Nurmi is a tried veteran of many campaigns, having been an Olympic winner as far back as 1920. Hahn, on the other hand, never ran a distance race until 18 months ago and did not go into training for last Tuesday's race until about two weeks ago. If he can run an indoor mile with only two weeks training in less than 4:15, what ought he do after a few more races!

Hahn, in a letter received here last week, declared that he was in the best shape of his career and expected this to be his greatest season, after which he will probably hang up the spiked shoe for good. It is quite likely, however, that if Hahn is to make any records the performances will take place on any track but Madison Square Garden, for the Garden has always been a "jinx" to the Falls City flyer.

Hahn does not fear Joie Ray any more. It is believed by many that Ray primed himself for his big race with Nurmi and he shot his bolt last Tuesday night, putting all he had into the race. While Hahn also ran his best last Tuesday he has never run himself to the point of exhaustion, always running under instructions from Coach Jack Ryder to hold some in reserve for future races.

Entries for 1927 Futurity Stakes to Exceed 1,520 Recorded Last Year

New York, Jan. 10.—The entries for the Futurity stakes of 1927, valued at more than $100,000, will exceed the 1,520 recorded last year. According to the early entries it is a foregone conclusion that a record will be set when the nominations close.

Secretary Schaumburg reports new breeders as patronizing this fixture which is easily the leading classic for juveniles raced for in the United States. The race dates back to 1888 when it was wone by Proctor Knott in a bruising finish with Salvator at Sheepshead Bay. The Futurity was the pride of the Coney Island Jockey club, and when that organization ceased to exist, it was passed on to the Westchester Racing association, and it has been an object of solicitude on the part of the management of that racing body ever since.

The Futurity of 1927 is for the produce of mares bred in 1924. Among the new breeders represented by one or more entries are A. Morris Harkness of Philadelphia; Fal de Saint Phalle of New York; Hamilton Farm, Gladstone, N. J.; Marshall Field of New York; H. E. Hupp, Lexington, Ky.; Mr. and Mrs. Baylor O. Hickman, Louisville, Ky.; Mrs. Henry T. Halladay, jr. of Virginia; Frederick M. Alger, Detroit; Goodstone Stable, Hartford, Conn.; George H. Burwell, jr., Millwood, Va.; A. C. Bostwick, N. Y.; Dr. A. C. Randolph, Bluemont, Va.; Horace N. Davis, Lexington, Ky.; Col. Dorsey Cullen of Virginia; L. A. Rosenberg, N. Y; Richard Whitney, New York; Thomas H. McCaffrey, Cincinnati; M. J. Barrons, Kansas City; A. H. Cosden, Southhold, L. I., and T. F. Cadzow of Edmonton, Alberta.

Dempsey Says He's Estelle Taylor's Manager, Not Prospective "Hubby"

Los Angeles, Jan. 10.—"I'm her business manager, not her prospective husband."

This was Jack Dempsey's comment today on the fact that Estelle Taylor, film celebrity, had been granted a divorce at Philadelphia. Dempsey denied that he and Miss Taylor intended to be married immediately.

"We are not engaged," he said. "Miss Taylor is going ahead with her motion picture work, in which I am interested, naturally, as her business manager. And I'm going to try to stage a few fights soon. I'm building a new gymnasium and when it is finished I am going into active training. I hope to fight some one early in the summer."

Miss Taylor was equally noncommunicative regarding any nuptial plans which included the champion.

"I think it would be very bad taste," she said, "for me to make any statement right now when the ink is scarcely dry on my divorce. It is possible I may have a statement to make later."

All this is to be taken, however, with possibly a small grain of (four-letter word meaning preservative). Friends of both Dempsey and Miss Taylor declare they still are very devoted and that a wedding within the next few weeks would not surprise them.

MAROON QUARTER JOINS RENTAL FIRM

Robert "Bob" Curley, quarterback of the University of Chicago football team, western conference champions, has started learning a new set of signals as a member of a firm of rental agents. He finished his college course in December.

College Rivals to Meet.

Traditional college rivals will battle it out for indoor running honors at the Millrose A. A. carnival in Madison Square Garden January 27 and 28. In two of the intercollegiate features, Rutgers will race Lafayette, while Syracuse will oppose its up-state rival, Colgate.

ENGLISH RUNNERS INVITED TO RELAYS

An invitation to compete in a special set of races at the Pennsylvania relay carnival April 24 and 25, has been sent Eric Liddell of the University of Edinburgh and Abrahams of Oxford university, Dr. George Orton, manager of the carnival announced today. Both were Olympic winners at Paris last year. Liddell in the 400-meter event and Abrahams in the 100-meter race.

Lutheran Seminary Wins.

Seward, Neb., Jan. 11.—The Lutheran seminary defeated the Lincoln Business college, 38 to 3, in an uninteresting basket ball game.

Race Entries

FAIR GROUNDS.

First race, $1,000, 2-year-olds and up, claiming, 6 furlongs:
Boots & Shoes 107 xLast One 109
xSea Wolf .....104 Gee 102
Wu Hu .....109 xGeorgia May...97
Hubb & Pudd..87 Good Morning 102
Patrick S'field 87 Chasseur 109
xCobham .....102 Battle Man 92
xSteve .....102 xDenial 102
Orlova .....104 Ivory 95
Futuro .....107 Sunny Girl 104

Second race, $1,000, 4-year-olds and up, claiming, 1 1-16 miles:
Booneville .....96 Soviet 104
xFete Foy .....96 xPermarco 99
xCasey .....106 Bush Buck 106
xAbearven .....91 xZanzibar 101
Trooper .....108 Viennese 96
xBoy I'm Home 108 xPhenol 98

Third race, $1,000, maiden 2-year-olds, 3 furlongs:
Fern .....115 Sepoy 114
Degrado .....118 Nat Evans 114
Pretty Bill ....114 bPleasure Sands 118
Gen. Ginochio..114 Take a Chance 114
Northern Miss 115 Gunnysack 114
Bombshell ....115 aNeroli Abbey 118
Bulse Ross ....111 bAndry 118
Hawkeye .....114 aBilliken 114
aDaniel entry; bLooney entry.

Fourth race: Purse, $1,000; 2-year-olds; claiming, 6 furlongs:
xJed Abbey ....110 xCarrier 99
Winnie O'Wynn 99 Taudlane 107
Boo Boo .....103 xIn L've W' L've 94
Candystick ....107 Red Seth 104

Fifth race: Purse, $1,000; Carrollton purse; 2-year-olds and up; 1 1-16 miles:
Everbold .....102 Pirate Gold 97
Huonpine .....100 Al Boyd 102

Sixth race: Purse, $1,600; 2-year-olds, claiming; mile and 70 yards:
xIlinois .....98 xClique 99
xSancy .....98 Doc McMahon 100
xSincere .....90 xFrightful 104
xBad Luck ....98 Donna Santa ..101
xGrace Troxler 104

Seventh race: Purse, $1,000; 4-year-olds and up; claiming; 1 1-16 miles:
xTantalus .....96 Whirling Dun ...96
Fleet Monroe 99 xDon Juan 106
Vexation .....111 Gladys V. 84
Anniversary ...108 xOwasco 91
Demijohn .....96 Warren Lynch 94
xWar Prize ....102 Vulnad 94
xApprentice allowance claimed. Cloudy, muddy.

OHIO WINS FIRST BIG TEN HOOP GAME

Columbus, O., Jan. 11.—Ohio State defeated Indiana in the first Big Ten conference game of the Buckeyes here last night, 30 to 22. The first half ended with Ohio leading, 18 to 16, and was close all the way, Ohio never leading by more than six points and Indiana generally trailing about two points behind.

Ohio scored eight points at the opening of the second half, Indiana failing to make any baskets for 12 minutes. Then the Hoosiers closed up the score to four points behind with five minutes left to play. Ohio scored two more baskets in the last two minutes.

BEATRICE WINS FROM LINCOLN

Lincoln, Jan. 11.—Beatrice High school basket ball team won from Lincoln High here last night, 22 to 21, in a game that was exciting from the start and nip and tuck all the way. The score was tied, 14 to 14, at the half. Worley for Beatrice, with four field goals and two free throws, was the star of the game.

Farnam Cagers Win.

Farnam, Neb., Jan. 11.—The Farnam boys' and girls' basket ball teams scored a brace of victories over the Cambridge boys' and girls' teams. The Farnam boys won, 21 to 8, and the girls, 40 to 14.

Sutton Loses Cage Game.

Sutton, Neb., Jan. 11.—Sutton dropped a 12 to 10 basket ball game to the fast Aurora five. The game was a spirited one throughout.

Cager Shoots 50 Baskets in Single Game

Chicago, Jan. 11.—Caging 50 baskets in a basket ball game may give Frank O'Connor of the Inland Electric company five, joint title to the world's amateur record for scoring the most baskets in a single game, the record now held by Hugh S. Boyland made in 1919 at a local armory. O'Connor's performance enabled his team to defeat that of the Western Association Electric company, 130 to 20 in a game played at the Central Y. M. C. A. yesterday.

Coyotes Defeated in First Contest

Failure to Count From Foul Line Costs South Dakotans Victory—Lose, 25 to 24.

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee.

Vermillion, S. D., Jan. 11.—Failure to cash in on free throws probably cost the University of South Dakota its chance to defeat the Nebraska Wesleyan cagers in the North central conference opener here last night and the Coyotes were forced to content themselves with the short end of a 25 to 24 count.

Although the invading Methedists led the Vermillion outfit at practically every stage of the game, the statistics show that South Dakota had 18 chances to score via the free throw route, and in only 10 instances were the Coyote hoopsters able to make their shots go home. The game was rough, 21 fouls being called and two players put out of the game.

After the score had been tied at 11 all, at the end of the first half, the Wesleyan team spurted at the start of the new period and piled up a big lead. With 10 minutes left to go, the count of 25 to 21 in favor of the visitors, and Hinman and Redfield, South Dakota aces, began a clever demonstration of floor work which brought the count to 25-23. Redfield caged a free throw and put the Vermillion five within one point of the invaders, but the Coyotes were unable to make the last basket and lost by a 25-24 margin.

Hurlburt, the star center of the Wesleyan team, and Gembler, a forward, were the best bets for the winners, while Captain Hinman and Redfield starred for the South Dakota team.

The victory gave Nebraska Wesleyan a .500 per cent standing in the North Central loop, as they were defeated last night by the Morningside college team, 29 to 25. The lineup and summary:

WESLEYAN (25)		S. DAKOTA (24)
Gembler	F	Sturgeon
Calvert	F	Deklotz
Steeves	C	Redfield
H. Boell	G	Hinman
J. Boell	G	Zellhoeffer

Summary—Scoring field goals: Sturgeon, Redfield, Hinman (4), Coopersmith, Gembler (4), Steeves, J. Boell (3), Hurlburt (2). Free throws: Sturgeon (2), Deklotz (2), Redfield (6), J. Boell (3), Hurlburt (2). Referee: Hartwell, Cornell.

Flowers to Meet Jack Delaney

New York, Jan. 11.—Tigers Flowers, Atlanta (Ga.) negro middleweight, and Jack Delaney of Bridgeport, Conn., conqueror of Paul Berlenbach, will meet at Madison Square Garden Friday night in a 15-round match. Flowers, who recently beat Johnny Wilson, former middleweight champion, is one of the most promising middleweights in the game and for the last three months his rise has been rapid.

Delaney, a polished boxer, and a clever and hard puncher, sprang into pugilistic prominence by knocking out Paul Berlenbach when the latter was riding on a wave of success.

Another fight likely to arouse popular interest this week is the appearance of Sid Terris, leading contender for the lightweight crown, who meets Jimmy Goodrich of Buffalo, in a 12-round match.

Eddie (Cannonball) Martin, world's bantamweight champion, will meet Tommy Murray of Philadelphia in Philadelphia tomorrow night in another top-notch attraction for the week.

AMES GRAPPLERS GET "SHOT IN ARM"

Ames, Ia., Jan. 10.—Wrestling rehearsals will be held up for a couple of weeks at Iowa State college while Coach Hugo Otopalik plays nurse for his men instead of driving them through their daily workouts. Practically the whole squad is laid up with sore arms, the result of vaccination for smallpox.

Coach Otopalik is not taking chances on having any of his matmen laid up later in the season. Smallpox is prevalent in the state although there have been no cases at Ames, and Coach Otopalik sent his men all to the hospital for their shot in the arm. The first meet will be on January 30 with Kansas university so that Otopalik has nearly a month to get his men back in shape.

BEATRICE STAR TO ENTER NEBRASKA

Lincoln, Jan. 11.—Lawrence Ellis, former Beatrice High school football star, has registered at the University of Nebraska and it was said last night will be eligible for football. Ellis is a tackle, tipping the scales close to 200 pounds. He played one year at DePaum and was captain of the University of Michigan freshman team. Ellis was an all-state high school player with Beatrice.

Michigan Wins, 29 to 16.

Ann Arbor, Jan. 11.—With both teams stressing defense and showing only mediocre offensive power, Michigan defeated Northwestern, 29 to 16, in the Western conference basket ball inaugural here last night. Haggerty was Michigan's scoring star, throwing five baskets, most of them from the center of the floor. Kershaw, Northwestern forward, was one of the fastest men Michigan has met this year.

Telephone Bowlers Win.

The Northwestern Bell Telephone team won two out of three games from the Tecumah All-Stars in a special match rolled on the Omaha Recreation Parlors alleys Saturday night. Huff, Kester, and Ellis broke the 200 mark.

Tex Rickard's Ranking Pugilists

FLYWEIGHTS.
Pancho Villa, Manila.
Frankie Genaro, New York.
Al Brown, Panama.
Jimmy Russo, Grand Rapids, Mich.
Tommy Milton, New York.
Izzy Schwartz, New York.
Lew Perfetti, New York.
Emil Paluso, Salt Lake City.
Young Sencio, Manila.
Kid Wolfe, Philadelphia.

BANTAMWEIGHTS.
Eddie Martin, New York.
Abe Goldstein, New York.
Bud Taylor, Chicago.
Carl Tremaine, Cleveland.
Amos Carlin, New Orleans.
Harold Smith, Chicago.
Pete Sarmiento, Manila.
Vic Foley, Vancouver.
Bushy Graham, Utica, N. Y.
Johnny Brown, England.

FEATHERWEIGHTS.
Louis Kaplan, Meriden, Conn.
Babe Herman, San Francisco.
Mike Dundee, Rock Island, Ill.
Danny Kramer, Philadelphia.
Jose Lombardo, Panama.
Bobby Garcia, Camp Holabird.
"Red" Chapman, Boston.
Joey Sangor, Milwaukee.
Ray Miller, Chicago.
Bud Ridley, Seattle.

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS.
Kid Sullivan, New York.
Jack Bernstein, Yonkers, N. Y.
Solly Seaman, New York.
Lew Paluso, Salt Lake City.
Eddie Wagner, Philadelphia.
Joey Silvers, New York.
Mike Ballerino, New York.
Tony Vasarelli, New York.
Johnny Leonard, Allentown, Pa.
"Pepper" Martin, New York.

LIGHTWEIGHTS.
Benny Leonard, New York.
Sid Terris, New York.
Sammy Mandell, Chicago.
Sid Barbarian, Detroit.
Johnny Dundee, New York.
Louis C. Vicentini, Chile.
Tommy O'Brien, Milwaukee.
Charley O'Connell, Cleveland.
Basil Galiano, New Orleans.
Archie Walker, New York.

WELTERWEIGHTS.
Mickey Walker, Elizabeth, N. J.
Dave Shade, San Francisco.
Willie Harmon, New York.
Lew Tendler, Philadelphia.
Pete Latzo, Scranton, Pa.
Morris Schlaifer, Omaha.
Billy Wells, England.
Jimmy Jones, Youngstown, Pa.
Eddie Shevlin, Boston.
Jack Zivic, Pittsburgh.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS.
Harry Greb, Pittsburgh.
"Tiger" Flowers, Atlanta, Ga.
Jimmy Slattery, Buffalo, N. Y.
Jack Delaney, Bridgeport, Conn.
Johnny Wilson, New York.
Frank Schoell, Buffalo.
Jock Malone, St. Paul, Minn.
Bert Colima, Oakland, Cal.
"Allentown" Joe Gans (Joe Hicks), Allentown, Pa.
Ted Moore, England.

LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHTS.
Gene Tunney, New York.
Young Stribling, Atlanta, Ga.
Kid Norfolk, New York.
Mike McTigue, New York.
Ad Stone, Philadelphia.
Jeff Smith, Bayonne, N. J.
Paul Berlenbach, New York.
Tony Marullo, New Orleans.
Tommy Loughran, Philadelphia.
Jimmy Delaney, St. Paul.

HEAVYWEIGHTS.
Jack Dempsey, Salt Lake City.
Harry Wills, New York.
Tom Gibbons, St. Paul, Minn.
Charley Weinert, Newark, N. J.
Quintin Romero, Chile.
Jack Renault, Montreal.
Luis Angel Firpo, Argentina.
George Godfrey, Philadelphia.
Jim Maloney, Boston.
Erminio Spalla, Italy.

Big Ten Cagers Start Season

Chicago, Jan. 11.—Illinois, Ohio State, Michigan and Minnesota were in the win column of the Western conference basketball race tonight as a result of their opening games Saturday. The other Big Ten quintet starting the season with a percentage of 1.000 is Iowa university, which has won two games, with two games won and none lost Iowa leads the conference, all ten teams having played at least one game.

Opening the conference season in Chicago last night the Illinois defeated the Chicago Maroons by a score of 27 to 16.

After being tied 12-all shortly after the beginning of the second half, Minnesota nosed out a victory over Wisconsin at Minneapolis, 16 to 14, and the Michigan five had the advantage from the start in its contest against the crippled Northwestern team at Ann Arbor, winning 29 to 16.

Ohio state exhibited a perfectly oiled and smooth working machine at Columbus, O., winning from Indiana by the score of 30 to 22.

Six Big Ten contests are scheduled for this week. Ohia state will meet Wisconsin at Madison Tuesday and on Wednesday Michigan will play Purdue at La Fayette and Illinois will mix with Northwestern at Evanston. Three games are to be played Saturday: Minnesota against Chicago at Chicago; Indiana against Illinois at Urbana, and Ohio state against Michigan at Ann Arbor.

WALKER, BARNES WIN GOLF MATCH

St. Petersburg, Fla., Jan. 11.—Cyril Walker, American open golf champion, paired with Jim Barnes, runner-up in the 1924 national professional golfers tournament at French Lick, Ind., defeated Walter Hagen, British open champion, and Joe Kirkwood, Australian golf star, one up in an 18-hole exhibition match here Saturday. The match was played as a part of the opening day program at the Boca Ciega Country club course here, of which Hagen is president.

Harvard Loses, 13 to 12, to Clay Center Cage Team

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee.

Harvard, Neb., Jan. 11.—Clay Center High basket ball team nosed out Harvard High here last night, 13 to 12, in a fast and furious battle, during which the local men surprised followers of both teams by giving the county seat team a mighty run for their money, after leading the victors until the last few minutes of play. It was the locals' first conflict of the season. Summary of the game follows:

CLAY CENTER (13).

	F.G.	F.T.	P.F.	Pts.
Wolfe, c-f	4	1	0	9
Rautzel, f	0	0	0	0
Johnson, f	1	0	1	2
Sanderson, g	0	0	1	0
Lewein, g	0	0	0	0
Mills, f	1	0	0	2
Thorpe, g	0	0	0	0
Totals	6	1	2	13

HARVARD (12).

	F.G.	F.T.	P.F.	Pts.
Brennemen, c-f	1	0	0	2
Kreutz, f	1	0	0	2
Scheer, f	3	2	1	8
Evans, g	0	0	0	0
Keller, g	0	0	1	0
R. Yost, g	0	0	0	0
Totals	5	2	2	12

Referee: Peterson, Ong. Substitutions: Clay Center: Mills for Rautzel, Thorpe for Lewein. Harvard: R. Yost for Keller.

The Lebron Electrical Company team went into second place in the Ladies Greater Omaha bowling league last week. The Thompson's team droped to fourth place.

Promoter Names Ten Leaders in Each Division

Mike McTigue Fails to Head Light Heavyweight Class; Flowers' Climb Features Selection.

By Associated Press.

NEW YORK, Jan. 11.—For the first time in history of boxing in this country, an international ranking list of the "First Ten" in each of the nine divisions has been compiled. The selections have been made by Tex Rickard, internationally known promoter, in a copyrighted article for the February issue of The Ring, national boxing publication. It is intended to make Rickard's ranking list an annual feature along the lines of all-star selections already made annually in baseball, football, golf, and tennis.

Recognized champions head all Rickard's selections except the light heavyweight division, in which Mike McTigue, world's title holder, is rated only fourth. Top position is given to Gene Tunney, American 175-pound king, with Young Stribling, sensational Georgia school boy, second, and Kid Norfolk, New York negro, third.

The sensational climb of Tiger Flowers, Atlanta negro, who is ranked next to Champion Harry Greb in the middleweight division, is an outstanding feature of the list while other important developments of 1924 are listed by Rickard as follows:

"1. The collapse of Firpo through defeats by Wills and Weinert and the rise of Romero Rojas and the further development of Gibbons in the heavyweight class.

"2. The success of Young Stribling, who may have a lot to say in boxing during 1925.

"3. The rise of Sid Terris, a runner-up in the lightweight class.

"4. The decline of Johnny Dundee and his resignation of the world featherweight championship due to inability to make the weight."

Rickard gives only complimentary positions to Jack Dempsey and Benny Leonard at the top of the heavyweight and lightweight divisions, respectively, because of their inactivity during 1924. Dempsey did not defend his title at all, while Leonard was injured in his only important match, a bout at Cleveland with Pal Moran. Rickard makes it plain his rankings are based on last year's actua lperformances and, on this basis, puts Harry Wills at the top of the heavyweights and Terris first among the lightweights.

Rickard ranks Tom Gibbons next to Wills among the heavyweights because he feels that Gibbons' money-making powers are in that division rather than the light heavyweight ranks, where he has done considerable fighting.

Latin-America's bid for pugilistic fame is reflected in the assignment of five Central and South Americans to place on the list. Luis Firpo, who was considered Dempsey's closest rival at the end of 1923, drops to seventh place in the 1924 list, while Quintin Romero Rojas, Chilean heavyweight, is placed fifth. Luis Vicentini of Chile is sixth among the lightweights; Jose Lombardo of Panama, fifth among the featherweights, and Al Brown, Panama flyweight, third in his division.

Eight nationalities are represented in Rickard's list. The United States has the bulk of representatives with 76, while the Philippines and England are each represented with three fighters; Chile, Panama and Canada with two each, and Argentina and Italy with one each.

STAGG CREW DROPS OPENING CONTEST

Chicago, Jan. 11.—The University of Illinois opened the local Western conference basketball season Saturday night by defeating the quintet of the University of Chicago, 27 to 16, in a game marred by numerous personal fouls on both sides.

The famous five-man defense that has carried the Staggmen to many former victories, failed them tonight, the Illini penetrating it and scoring almost at will. Illinois led the scoring fro mthe outset of the game and at the half the tally stood 12 to 8 in their favor.

Daugherty, speedy left forward, was the outstanding star, making four baskets and scoring five free throws out of six attempts. Weiss, Chicago left guard, played the stellar role for Chicago, blocking try after try for goal.

New Orleans.
1. Sunny Girl, Furturo, Sea Wolf.
2. Bush Buck, Pete Foy, Athgarven.
3. Nat Evans, Billiken, Gen Ginockio.
4. JEDBURGH ABBEY, Carrier, Taudlane.
5. Ever Bold, Pirate Gold, Huon Pine.
6. Clique, Bad Luck, Grace Troxler.
7. Demijohn, Gladys V, War Prize.