Announcement Has Been Made of Towns Selected for District Cage Meets

Semi-Finals, Finals to Be Held at Lincoln

Association Reinstate DeWitt High School—Committees in Charge Are Named.

York, Neb., Jan. 13.—Announcement was made today of the towns selected for the 16 district basket ball contests for the state tournament to be held March 5, 6 and 7 with the semi-finals and finals at Lincoln March 13, 14 and 15. The preliminaries in District No. 6 in which Lincoln is situated will go to Fremont, instead of Lincoln. While the board of the High School Athletic association, Supt. W. G. Brooks of York stated in giving out the information, tried to select the most central points, it saw fit to select Fremont on account of the state tournament being held at Lincoln.

Dewitt High school was reinstated at the meeting held by the board of the high school association Monday at the office of Superintendent Brooks where the schedules were arranged. Dewitt had been out of the association since last June and it was reinstated on the provision that hereafter athletics at the school would be handled exclusively by the school authorities and that the school pay a fine of $15. The school willingly complied with both provisions.

The towns at which the tournaments will be held, together with the counties of each district and the committees in charge are as follows:

District No. 1. At Wayne. Counties in district, Cedar, Dixon, Dakota, Thurston, Wayne. Committee: Supt. Conrad Jacobson, Wayne, chairman; Supt. H. H. Linn, Laurel; John Ludwickson, Walthill.

District No. 2. At Norfolk. Counties in district, Boyd, Rolf, Knox, Antelope, Pierce, Madison, Stanton, Cumming. Committee: Supt. W. E. Flake, Stanton, chairman; W. S. Cook, West Point; E. C. Nyrop, Neligh.

District No. 3. At Omaha. Counties in district, Douglas, Burt, Washington, Sarpy, Cass. Committee: Superintendent Beveridge, Omaha, chairman; Supt. H. H. Reymund, Tekamah; G. E. DeWolf, Plattsmouth.

District No. 4. At Peru. Counties, Otto, Nemaha, Richardson, Johnson, Pawnee. Committee: Supt. L. E. Holstead, Tecumseh, chairman; R. H. Graham, Auburn; A. C. Gwinn, Falls City.

District No. 5. At Fairbury. Counties, Gage, Jefferson, Thayer, Nuckolls. Committee: John L. McCommons, Superior, chairman; Supt. W. H. Morton, Beatrice; S. W. Liger, Fairbury.

District No. 6. At Fremont. Counties, Dodge, Lancaster, Saunders, Saline. Committee: A. H. Waterhouse, Fremont, chairman; Prin. H. P. Shepherd, Lincoln; R. H. Montgomery, Wilber.

District No. 7. At York. Counties, York, Seward, Polk, Filmore, Butler. Committee: O. L. Webb, David City; B. E. Andrews, Omaha; Supt. R. W. Kretsinger, Geneva.

District No. 8. At Hastings. Counties, Adams, Webster, Clay, Phelps, Franklin, Kearney. Committee: A. H. Daly, Hastings, chairman; J. C. Mitchell, Holdrege.

District No. 9.—At Grand Island. Counties: Hall, Hamilton, Merrick, Howard, Sherman, Valley, Garfield, Wheeler, Greeley. Committee: Superintendent C. Roy Gates, Grand Island, chairman; Superintendent J. H. Doremus, Aurora; Superintendent E. L. Novotny, Central City.

District No. 10.—At Albion. Counties: Platte, Boone, Nance, Colfax. Committee: Superintendent Myrtle E. Grice, Albion; Superintendent R. R. McGee, Columbus; Superintendent R. T. Foxnot, Schuyler.

District No. 11—At Kearney. Counties: Buffalo, Logan, Blaine, Loup. Committee: Superintendent O. A. Wirsig, Kearney, chairman; Superintendent E. E. Collatt, Lexington; C. E. Miller, Ravenna.

District No. 12—At North Platte. Counties: Lincoln, Pekins, Keith, Deuel, Garden, Arthur, McPherson. Committee: Superintendent R. O. Young, Ogallala, chairman; Principal G. R. Correll, North Platte; Superintendent F. W. Cyr, Chappell.

District No. 13—At McCook. Counties: Red Willow; Furnas, Gosper, Harlan, Frantier, Hays, Chase, Dundy, Hitchcock. Committee: J. H. True, McCook, chairman; Superintendent John S. Showalter, Alma; Superintendent C. E. Glaar, Cambridge.

District No. 14—At Mitchell. Counties: Cheyenne, Kimball, Morrill, Scottsbluff. Committee: Superintendent J. L. Irwin, Mitchell; Superintendent G. F. Leibendorfer, Sidney; E. L. Rouse, Scottsbluff.

District No. 15—At Alliance. Counties: Dawes, Sioux, Box Butte, Thomas, Sheridan, Grant, Hooker. Committee: Superintendent H. R. Partridge, Alliance; Superintendent E. E. Engleman, Crawford; Superintendent James Skinkle, Chadron.

District No. 16—At Valentine. Counties: Cherry, Brown, Keyapaha, Rock. Committee: Superintendent C. A. Sheets, Valentine, chairman; Superintendent C. E. Bottenfield, Long Pine; W. D. Ireland, Ainsworth.

SPORTS POPULAR AT OKLAHOMA

Norman, Okla., Jan. 13.—Letters are awarded in 11 intercollegiate sports at the University of Oklahoma, according to the announcement of Ben G. Owen, veteran athletic director. More than 800 men, representing approximately one-third of the resident enrollment of men in the university, participate in these sports.

Participants in football, baseball, basket ball, track, wrestling, cross-country, tennis, golf, rifle, pistol and polo are awarded letters by the athletic association. The last three of these sports, and boxing, which has not yet been placed on the basis of intercollegiate competition, are sponsored by the university R. O. T. C. unit.

Twenty Entries for 1927 Futurity Stakes

The Westchester racing association has received 20 entries for its Futurity stakes of 1927 from Lady Sykes, whose Sledmore stud in Yorkshire, England, is famous throughout the racing world as a blood stock breeding nursery.

At New York—Izzy Schwartz, New York, won decision over Jimmy Russo, Grand Rapids, Mich., 10 rounds.

Tony Defate and Barney Burch Play Exciting Pool Game for Malted Milk

This is a yarn about an owner of a championship baseball club and one of the best shortstops in the Western league.

The owner of the ball club is Barney Burch The shortstop is Tony Defate, who jumped the Omaha club in 1923 to play outlaw baseball, but who is mighty anxious to get back into organized baseball.

Defate is spending the winter working at the Paxton billiard parlors. Yesterday Burch walked into the establishment and hurled a challenge to a game of pocket billiards or the like, right into Tony's face. A goodly crowd was in the room and Defate couldn't stand to be challenged before all his friends so accepted Barney's proposition.

The stake was a malted milk.

The game got under way and Defate, who wields a mean billiard cue, shot out in the lead. Before the pair reached 50 points, a large crowd surrounded the table.

Defate won the first game, 100 to 70. Burch couldn't stand to be defeated by one of his employes so challenged Defate to another game of 100 points. Defate felt sort of sorry for his boss so eased up and allowed Burch to win the second game, 100 to 96.

So that ends this yarn.

Owner of Lincoln Club May Buy Vernon Team

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 13.—Larry Arnold, owner of the Lincoln club of the Western league, and Fred Clark, former manager of the Pittsburgh Pirates, are interested in purchase of a Pacific coast baseball club, preferably Vernon, Josh Clark, manager of the Lincoln team, said here today. Arnold is in Los Angeles to discuss terms.

SCRAMBLED SPORTS

BY "WAG"

'TIS TOO BAD "BIG" MUNN WON WORLD'S MAT TITLE.

'TIS really too bad Wayne (Big) Munn won the world's heavyweight wrestling championship. Yes, 'tis too bad.

Just think, if Munn had not won the title Joe Stecher and Charley Hansen would not have anything to squawk about.

We agree along with a lot of other folk that the so-called wrestling trust might have had something to do with Munn winning the championship. The same trust probably had a lot to do with Joe Stecher when he was at the top of the heap.

We can also be listed among those humans who believe that Charley Hansen stands a mighty good chance of beating Munn in a finish match, although Charley hasn't thrown anyone who would lead us to believe that he could throw Munn, a man weighing in the neighborhood of 260 pounds.

As far as Joe Stecher is concerned he hasn't thrown any wrestlers of note since he quit the so-called "trust," following his losing the championship to the older Zbyszko some years ago.

Munn hasn't been in the wrestling game very long and naturally doesn't know all the finer points of the game. He probably didn't have to know them to win the championship. Anyway, Munn was strong enough to lift Lewis, a husky individual, off the floor and toss him about the ring. So, we say in all fairness to Munn, give "Big" credit for being strong.

As we stated earlier, Hansen may be able to throw Munn. Stecher might do the same, but that remains to be seen. Stecher and Hansen are no second Gotch's. Hansen comes nearer to being a Gotch than any one else, if you want to believe "Farmer" Burns.

Of all the sport fraternity the wrestlers do more barking back and forth among themselves and get less results than any other set of athletes, and that includes fighters and their managers.

OMAHA FIGHTERS SEEM TO BE POPULAR IN CALIFORNIA.

CALIFORNIA fight promoters and fans seem to think quite a lot of Omaha leather-pushers.

"Tiny" Herman, Jack Lewis' heavyweight, visited the coast late last year and made a hit. In fact, he made such a hit that he and his manager are going back to sunny California.

Ace Hudkins, the Nebraska lightweight, has had only two fights in California but those two scraps put Ace right in the center of the spotlight. Now there is talk of Hudkins meeting Joe Benjamin, the class of the California lightweights.

The latest fistic news from Hollywood, Cal., deals with Morrie Schlaifer. Larry Hunt, manager of the Culver City stadium, in an article appearing in a Los Angeles newspaper, states that he has Morrie Schlaifer under contract and is endeavoring to land Jock Malone as an opponent for the Omaha scrapper.

COMMISSIONER KAVAN MAKES GOOD SUGGESTION.

"BILL" KAVAN, city boxing commissioner comes forth with the suggestion that instead of having one boxing commissioner here there should be a committee of three.

In our opinion, Kavan's suggestion is a good one. No one knows any better than Mr. Kavan how hard it is to rule the boxing situation in this town. The opposition the commissioner received from numerous parties made the job hard to handle.

With a committee of three acting as a boxing commission, Kavan opines that the game in Omaha would be run on a much better basis and that better shows would be the result.

ART GRIGGS EXPECTS BIG SEASON WIT HBUFFALOES.

ART GRIGGS, the popular manager of the championship Omaha Buffaloes last season, in a letter to the writer says he is having a good time in Los Angeles and wishes all his Omaha friends a happy New Year. In the letter Art also says that he expects to pilot another championship team in 1925 and at the same time have a good year playing first base.

Chicago Anxious to See Nurmi and Ray Run

Chicago, Jan. 13.—Because of the demand for tickets for the Illinois A. C. indoor meet Friday in which Paavo Nurmi and Willie Ritola, the Finns, compete with Joie Ray, it may be necessary to shorten the track from 10 to 12 laps, Charles A. Dean, chairman of the I. A. C. athletic committee, has announced.

The 10-lap track, longer than the one which Nurmi recently made his record-breaking performances in New York, was considered as likely to bring about faster time by the runners. Distances of the dashes and hurdles have been shortened from 60 to 50 yards.

Athletes numbering 261, will compete in the various meets.

Cards Drill for Kearney Game

WITH their spirits still rankling under the defeat received at the hands of Doane college last Thursday night, the University of Omaha Cardinals tore through a hard practice game against the Calvary Baptist church league team Monday night with a fire that looked good to Coach Adams and the onlooking fans.

The Cards displayed the same kind of snappy passing that featured their work against Doane, and shots dropped through the basket so frequently that Coach Adams was heard to wish a few of them had been made last Thursday at Crete.

The Calvary team played a clever game, but were unable to pocket their shots, most of which were taken from the sidelines, due to Omaha's close guarding.

Maurice Vest and Cletus Heinisch looked good against the Calvaries, and displayed a clever brand of teamwork in getting the ball through the defense of the opponents. Bill Howard and Cliff Hansen also showed up well and are liable to get in for a while against Kearney Friday night.

Anderson had his eye for the hoop polished up bright last night, and dropped in baskets from all parts of the floor, while Slater and Cowan dropped in some pretty shots, as well as playing a good floor game. Meek was in the fray with his usual scrap, but was a little off form on basket work. Krogh covered the back guard territory in good shape, and looks better there every day.

Coach Adams did some figuring after the Doane disappointment, and found that if the Cards had made all the free throws awarded them, the victory would have been dangling at their belts. As a consequence, he has ordered that 150 free throws be made between now and Friday night by every man on the squad. Adams realizes that games are won and lost through free throws, and he means to have every man able to take advantage of this means of boosting the Cardinal score sheet.

Important Boxing Bouts This Week

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 Bogash 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.

Western League Turns Blaeholder Into One of Minor's Best Hurling Prospects

TWO of the leading pitchers of the Western league the last season were twirlers loaned to Tulsa by the St. Louis Browns. They were Billy Bayne and George Blaeholder, Blaeholder is a youngster with his "future before him," as the saying goes, and if he steps along the path of progress for the next year or two as fast as he has in the last two years his name will be more familiar than it is today.

Also if Blaeholder develops in his pitching as fast as he has in the ways of the world in general he will make the baseball world sit up and take notice, putting it that way.

Probably no greener kid or rawer baseball prospect ever showed up in a big league's spring training camp than was this young German boy when Jimmy Austin dragged him in for inspection in the spring of 1923. Jimmy had picked him off the sandhills in California, was struck with something about him, so loaded him on a train when reporting time came.

It was the first time Blaeholder ever had seen the inside of a Pullman and the waggish Austin pulled the old joke of making him believe the hammock in his berth was to rest his arm in while sleeping on the train. George fell for it. He was just as innocent of baseball culture. They say he did not know how to stand on the pitcher's plate, which was not surprising, as he confessed he never had seen a "regular slab" before.

He furnished a lot of comedy in that spring's camp with his odd ways and his German dialect. When the season opened he was sent to Terre Haute in the Three-I league to have some polish put on him. He did well enough, though he came back complaining they didn't show him "noddings" about how to pitch.

The Browns took him to camp again in the spring of 1924 and he was put through another course of sprouts. Then out again he went. This time he came to the Oilers and made a record of winning 18 games and losing but six. The season in the Western ended he made a trip back to the Browns for his winter orders.

"You must have learned how to pitch," was said to him as a compliment.

"Yes," he answered, "and I learned odder things, too; I, am city broke now already."

To prove it George displayed a gorgeous wardrobe—and a date book.

He got his "warnings," and was told to go to his home in California and be sure to report in good shape in the spring.

Blaeholder is a six-footer, weighs 180 pounds and is not yet of voting age. Thus he has all the advantage of youth and physique and he is ambitious.

"I want to stick in the big league," he says, "those leedle towns don't have the life enough for me."

TABOR COLLEGE TO PLAY KEARNEY

Tabor, Ia., Jan. 13.—Coach Ben Newman has his Tabor college Cardinals working overtime in anticipation of a hard game with the Kearney Normal team of Kearney on the Tabor floor Thursday evening.

The Tabor five is composed of two veterans and three new men and have thus far shown up to good advantage.

The return of Bobby Mawhor, veteran forward and former captain, to the lineup has greatly pleased Coach Newman as well as basketball fans. Wawhor has been unable to report thus far due to a recent operation and although he is not able to cut loose in his old flashy style of play as yet, it is hoped that he will be able to play in Thursday's game. Other starters will probably be Captain Carl, forward; Crookham or Lennox at center, and the veteran Aistrope and McFarland at guards.

Oklahoma University Schedules Rifle Matches

Norman, Okla., Jan. 13.—Telegraphic matches between the University of Oklahoma rifle team and expert riflemen of eight other colleges will be held this spring, according to announcement of Sergt. F. C. Goodwin, rifle coach.

Six matches will be staged, four of which are dual meets and two triangular affairs. From 10 to 15 men will compete in each event. The contestants will fire 40 shots each, 10 from each of four positions, using the regulation army .22-caliber rifles.

The dates of the matches were announced as follows: January 17, Cornell university, Ithaca, N. Y.; February 14, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minn.; February 21, West Virginia university, Morgantown, W. Va.; March 7, University of Kentucky, Lexington, Ky., and University of South Dakota, Vermillion, S. D.; March 14, University of California, Berkeley, Cal., and Northwestern university, Evanston, Ill.; April 8, Western Maryland college, Westminster, Md.

RICKARD IGNORES KID PANCHO IN LIST

San Antonio, Tex., Jan. 12.—The sporting editor of the San Antonio Express tonight, in commenting on the rating of prize fighters by Tex Rickard, said that the list had ignored Kid Pancho of San Antonio, who he said had knocked out Jimmy Russo and fought a draw with Corporal Izzy Schwartz, both of whom are among the 10 leading flyweights named by Rickard.

Pancho knocked out Russo here in 1922 on a card staged by Jack Shelton, local promoter, in the 12th round. Pancho has fought Russo four times, beating him twise on decisions. In El Paso Russo knocked out Pancho in the 12th round after Pancho, who was recovering from influenza at the time, had floored Russo in the 10th. Pancho fought Schwartz a four-round draw at Fort Sam Houston in 1918 when Pancho was a youngster weighing only 100 pounds.

In order to avoid a recurrence of the Munn-Lewis match, in which the former was accused of deliberately throwing his opponent out of the ring, rules have been drafted to govern the match in Chicago between Allen Eustace of Wakefield, Kan., and Stanislaus Zbyszko, former heavyweight champion. The rules provide for disqualification of the offender and awarding of the fall and match to the victim if either deliberately throws his opponent out of the ring.

AT THE THEATERS

Dorothy Donnelly, who reached her zenith as a theatrical star under the management of Henry W. Savage, in a portrayal of the name part in "Madame X" in Breton's famous melodrama of like title, is entering the exclusive coterie of millionaire playwights and librettists. Her "Blossom Time," which comes to the Brandeis for a week, starting next Sunday night., has bracketed her with Rida Johnson Young, the librettist of "Maytime," as one of the two most successful adaptors of musical entertainment in the country. Dorothy Donnelly has been a producer of plays and stage director as well as author. But it is as actress that the public, who remember her charm as well as power in the practice of her craft best like to remember her.

Ten years ago Deno Dall'Ollo, with his parents, emigrated to this country from a little farm in Bologna, Italy. Today Deno is an exceedingly popular dancer in vaudeville. With his partner, Miss Rochelle, he is giving Orpheum patrons this week a genuine specimen of the famous Parisian Apache dance. After coming to this country Deno was not satisfied to remain quietly on the farm in New Jersey. He invested his first frugal savings in the Winter Garden dance hall of Vineland, N. J. There he met Blanche Rochelle, who was the prize dancer of the community. Four years later this youthful couple won the national dancing contest at Atlantic City.

The destruction of Tokio by fire, earthquake and tidal wave is realistically brought before your very eyes in the miniature spectacle, "The City of Yesterday," at the World this week. H. Armand, inventor of the act, has devised a mechanical setting that gives the spectator a thrill. As a vaudeville novelty it is one of the best attractions the World has offered. A seven-act bill headed by the well-known comedienne, Nellie V. Nichols, is scheduled for Saturday.

Joe Marion is at his best in the character of the country boy at the Empress this week, where the Empress Players are offering a musical comedy version of the well-known novel, "Lena Rivers." The title role is played by Helen Burke, who gives a good performance of the part. An unusual added feature is announced in connection with amateurs Friday evening. It is the Fort Calhoun band of 32 boys and girls under the direction of W. L. Dodson, who has organized similar bands in a number of Nebraska cities.

A real Columbia burlesque treat is presented patrons of the popular Gayety theater this week twice daily in Joe Hurtig's sensational new revue, "Nifties of 1925." Featuring two of the best known and liked comics appearing under the Columbia banner, Danny Murphy and Will H. Ward, an enjoyable evening is bound to be the result. Ward appears this season in a new and original character known as the "Wise Cracker." A new

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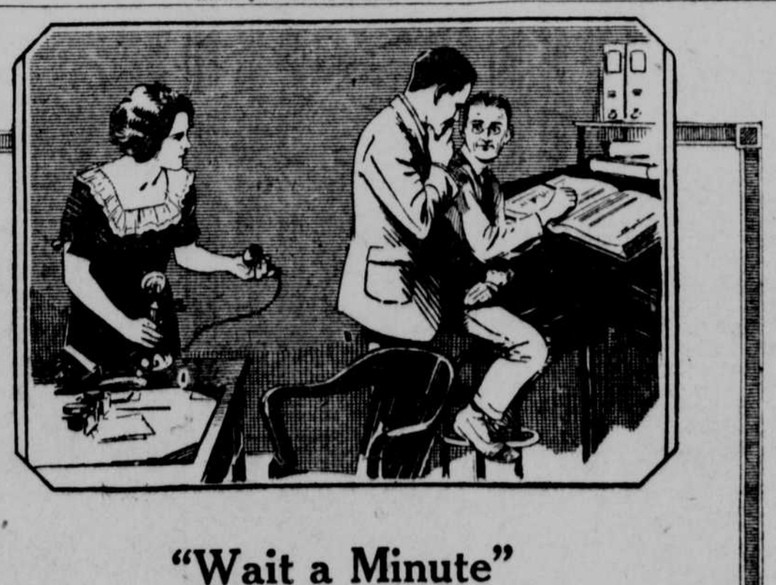

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