# Federal Ramparts Are Guarded by Real Fighting Men High School Lads Are Watched for Future Cornhusker Stars

# Men of Millions and Grit as Its Backers

CHICAGO, Jan. 3 .- (Special Telegram.) - Talk of base ball war has been the principal topic of conversation among the fans lately, and while the forces on each side have been gathering quietly for the fray that is sure to follow, a peek behind the barracks of the Federal league, the young "outlaw" body causing all the fuss, proved of great interest.

Instead of hangers-on, adventurers and soldiers of fortune, such as generally follow revolutionary armies, one found the ramparts guarded by keen and industri-

and who are equipped for the coming struggle with guns of modern structure and ammuntion in considerable abun- NATIONAL LEAGUE EXECUTIVE

Since the Federal league fired the first real gun of the war a week ago, when it took into its rank Joe Tinker and Mordecal Brown, the fans all over the country have been wondering just who were the men behind the gun. They have been wondering if these men have the financial substance to carry on war against the men of wealth in the ranks of organized base buil.

Backers Are Well Fixed. With the hope of gaining enlightenment on the subject, an appeal was made to James A. Gilmore, president of the new league, and in a few minutes he had written down the names of eighteen men, including himself. These, he says, are the backers of the Federal league, though there are a great many others, who hold small bits of stock in the various clubs. Mr. Gilmore has visited every one of the men, tested the

financial standing of each, and pronounced it sufficient. With one or two exceptions, every man still is young in the business world. Their careers are ahead of them, and according to their leader, every man in the venture has absolute faith in its success,

Chicago Owners Hustlers. Gilmore, himself, is a steckholder in the Chicago franching, though he gave as chief backers the names of Charles Weeghman and William M. Walker. The former is known as a restaurant man of that he made his wealth in his business. Weeghman still is in his thirties, and about fifteen years ago started to learn the restaurant business, when he did not have a dollar. As floor manager of a lunch room and popular-priced esting he laid schemes to get a place of his own. When he finally succeeded, he made such a success of it that one

several other projects, William Walker, Weeghman's partner in the Federals, is a man of the same type, although a bit farther advanced in Cupid Disrupts the years. He is conducting a fish and oyster and it was in that business that he gained

his wealth. Gilmore is president of a manufacturing concern, besides being interested in the coal business.

One Real Millionaire.

the Mound City is Otto Stifei, whose on a rampage. triends declare he is several times a of thoroughbreds.

franchise and will put it in Toronto. Be- Danlel "sold" T. E. Byrne, another memsides coming from one of the oldest her of the sales department. families of the province of Ontorio, Hepthe great lakes. The Toronto magnate is and besides being a man of note in the financial world he is known as a great

Bad for Jimmy McGill.

President Gilmore is enthusiastic over prespects in the city of Indianapolis, because he thinks he has a live set of men running the club there. The chief stockholder is J. Edwin Krause, a man 41 years old, who went to Indianapolis some years ago with absolutely nothing and recently completed the construction of a twenty-two-story hotel. Besides that one, he owns several smaller hotels. Associated with Krause are E. E. Gates, a prominent and wealthy lawyer, and John A. George, owner of a big wholesale coal and ice business.

Over in Buffalo the chief owner Walter Mullen, a man about 37 years of age, who has done wonders in that city in the real estate business in the last fifteen years. Associated with him in the ball club are R. T. Carroll, another 542. real estate man and a former professional ball player, and Owen B. Ausperger, a

Base Ball Men Concerned, Baltimore, another addition to the Federal league this year, is backed by three men, two of whom have had long expe- \$21. rience in major league base ball. One is Ned Hanlon, former National league manager in Brooklyn and Cincinnati. Hanlon is considered a man of wealth taoday. The other pracaical man is Harry Goldman, a former judge and a man who helped start the American league when it expanded and went into Baltimore. With these two men is John S. Wilson, jr., a banker of wealth

Down in Kansas City the club is owned principally by two men, the president being S. S. Gordon, a big clothing merchant and real estate dealer. His associate is C. C. Madison, once a ball player on the Commercial league of Omaha, desires to same team with Joe Tinker, but now a

None Wenkhenried. The other club is in Pittsburgh and is owned by William A. Kerr and John B. (Continued on Page Two.)

# Federal League Has Cornhusker Manager Will Keep Records of State School Athletes

By JAMES E. LAWRENCE.

LINCOLN, Jan. 3 .- (Special.) - Manager Guy E. Reed of the Cornhusker athletic board will endeavor to keep in closer touch with high school athletics than has been the custom in the past, and as a preliminary move in this direction has this week mailed out letters to all of the high school superintendents in the state.

Reed expects to secure information in this manner which will permit him to catalogue the complete athletic records of every school in each athletic branch.

played by every high school in the state during the last season and will be followed up with the basket ball, track

and base ball records. In addition Reed in his letter asks the superintendent to supply him with the names of all of the players, the number of years they have played on the high school teams, their ages, weights, size and number of years remaining in the high school.

For Annual Report.
All of the data will be incorporated in the annual report which Manager Reed prepares during the summer, containing the records of the Cornhusker athletes in all branches of sport. The details of the report on the high schools have not been definitely decided upon by Reed, but he will probably arrange the record of each school in accordance to the standing in the high school foot ball, basket balt and track championship

At the close of his letter Reed calls attention to the fact that the high school basket ball tournament, which determines the championship in this branch of sport, will be held March 12, 13 and 14, probably, although these dates are not absolutely settled. He asks the superintendents to forward their entries as soon as possible.

Reed's latest move to get in touch with Nebraska high school athletics is the logical conclusion of the state tournament, which was started by former Athletic Manager Earl O. Eager. Since Eager inaugurated the basket ball tournament, the Cornbuskers have been able to compete with the larger-universities in the east in retaining the services of the state's best athletes.

Helps Secure Recraits. More high school athletic stars have been content to remain in Nebraska for their collegiate training since the Cornhuskers have evinced some interest in high school athletics. Reed's move to further popularize the work of the Nebraska high schools will meet with ap-

After a lull since the close of the foot ball season, athletics will again come into its own at the State university next week, when the basket ball season opens. for over a month, but Stiehm has not even attempted to pick a team and has been giving the candidates floor work and practice in goal throwing.

Immediately with the opening of school Monday Stiehm will prepare his squad: CLOSE IN THE FIRST HALF for the practice games. Cotner and some of the other secondary schools inby more money than any other in the siderable force. In fact, a review of the Lincoln will provide preliminary skirleague. The owner of the franchise in last few weeks makes it look like he was mish for the Huskers, while the baskets ball season will formally open with two John A. Murphy, assistant secretary, games with Missouri in Lincoln Januarys

Prepare for Big Games. will be followed with Wesleyan, the Methodist school always putting out a strong basket ball five. Stiehm expects by that time the squad will be in shape to follow its Missouri Valley schedule, which opens the following week with Drake.

Nebraska has copped three Missour Valley championships in basket ball since Stiethm Ctook charge of affairs and Stiehm is anxious to repeat. The loss of all but one veteran has seriously threatened his chances, but even at that Stiehm has a likely looking bunch of goal tossers. The chances of developing a great scoring mechine are especially good, for in Captain Haskell Stiehm has one of the most reliable goal tossers developed at Nebraska, outshining even the brilliant Walsh.

Rutherford, the foot ball star, falls little below Haskell in point of scoring ability, being a member of the championship Beatrice High school five when it Suthers .... Substitutes: captured the state championship the first year of the high school tourna-

Muny Try for Team. Howard of Omaha is trying hard for guard position and may make it, but he has a lot of competition and will have to beat out at least two good men. Stiehm was afraid he would be short of material for developing his banket ball team, but there are all the way Park Methodists, 44 to 31. from three to six casedidates fighting for each position on the five.

of the Nebraska Collegiate association, the Bluffs. next Monday. The Cornhusker leader stopped off in Chicago before going to New York, and conferred with some Big Nine representatives. He expected on his return to complete the work of drafting the Cornhusker foot ball schedile, which as yet is very indefinite. Foot Ball Schedule.

It will probably be some time yet before the schedule is publicly announced as Stiehm is desirous of securing games which will bring additional prestige to Nebraska. His Missouri Valley battles will include the leaders in this section and his big games will be with the strong-TELEPHONE BASKET BALL

TEAM WANTS SOME GAMES

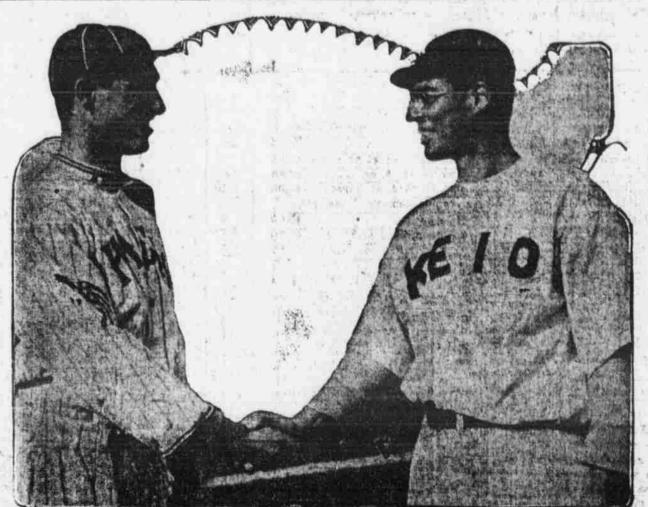
The Nebraska Telephone basket ball three, of the big-teams in the middle west next fail. An oddity which will present itself in the Nebraska schedule will be the lack of games at home. Except for the big-teams and the lack of games at home. Except for the karsas game, it is not certain that a single big game has been claimed the Auburn slumni. scheduled to be played in Lincoln, but Stiehm will endeavor to close the season at home with a game which will draw equally with the lows contest. The Huskers play the Hawkeyes in the clos-

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# SPORTS SECTION of THE OMAHA SUNDAY BEE

OMAHA, SUNDAY MORNING, JANUARY 4, 1914.

#### Big League Base Ballers in Japan



photograph was twirler of the White Sox, shaking hands Giants and the V. " Sox. The Japa put taken soon after the arrival of the New with Captain Sugase, pitcher par ex-York Giants and Chicago White Sox in cellence of Keolo university nine. The but did not class in the last two innings Japan, on their barnstorming tour of the two teams played a preliminary game when the Yankers got really sore.

### BELLEVUE WINS BY POINT Good Scores Are

Trims Council Bluffs "Y" Team by Twenty-Six to Twenty-Five.

Closer Still in Second, Due Changes in Lineup and Better Playing on Part of Bluffs .

Quintet. The Bellevue college five defeated the cuncil Bluffs Young Men's Christian association quintet last night at the Bloffs "Y" gymnasium in a fast game

by the score of 26 to 25. Both teams went at it for all they were worth, the college five having the advantage in passing the ball. Richards for the Bluffs played a star game while the Quackenbush brothers were the best for the college boys.

team playing its best, but the half ended T in favor of the College boys, 14 to 12. The Bluffs "Y" team made a number of changes in their line up in the second half, which strengthened their five, A. though they made more baskets than their opponents in this half through the basket shooting of Thomas, but could not overcome the lead of the Bellevue team

C. B. Y. M. C. A.
Thomas L.F. L.F.P. Quackenbush
Richards R.F. R.F. Stookey
Philips C. C. Ohlman (C.)
Grow (C.) L.G. L.G. Evans
Suthers R.G. R.G. R. Quackenbush
Substitutes: Council Bituffs Young
Men's Christion association. Glies for Philips; Philips for Suthers; Gertsen for
Thomas; McIntosh for Philips Baskets
Thomas (6), Richards (5), Glies, Gertsen
R. Quackenbush (5), Ohlman (3), P.
R. Quackenbush (5), Ohlman (3), P. and lost by one point. The score: Thomas (9), Richards (5), Giles, Vetschi, R. Quackenbush (5), Ohlman (2), P. Quackenbush (5), Stookey, Free throws: Richards (3), Score, first half: Council Bluffs Young Men's Christian association, 12; Bellevue College, 14. Referee: Owens Timekeeper: Montgomery, Time of 90 minutes.

In the preliminary game the Fifth Avenue Methodists defeated the Hanscom

It was a fast game an only won by the Biuffs five in the last ten minutes Stiehm is due to geturn from New of playing. Bauman starred for the York, where he attended the meeting Omaha bunch, McIntosh and Giles for

Fulmer L.G. L.G. Partrids Substitute: Putnam for Fonda. Bas kets: Owens (3), McIntosh (5), Giles (5) Fulmer (2), Putnam (4). Sandberg (4) Bauman (4), Reel (2), Willard (4). Fresthrows: Owens (4), Fulmer (2), Bauman Reel, Willard. Score, first half: Fifte Avenue, 21: Hanscom Park, 16. Referee De Vol. Timekeeper: Peterson, Scorer: Gross. Time of balves: 20 minutes.

Newman Grove Defeats Alliance. NEWMAN GROVE, Neb., Jan. 2.—(Spe-lal.)—The people of Newman Grove wit-essed one of the fastest high school asket hall games ever played in this

J. W. Catron of Los Angeles made an overland trip from Los Angeles to Chius ng Firestone tires entirely.

#### LEAGUE EXTENDS SEASON Churchmen Playing Basket Ball to

Add to the Schedule. PLANNING BIG TOURNAMENT

At Close of Regular Senson, Matches Are to Be Arranged Between

Fastest Aggregations in the City.

Standing of Teams. So successful has the Church league basket ball games become that the league schedule har been extended three weeks Starting the league with but a schedule for six weeks all the teams in the organi-

ration have unanimously decided to continue the organization for a longer period. Three new church teams have applied or entrance in the organization and should they enter at the present time they would bring the league up to a total of eight teams, making it the largest basket ball league in the city. The new cams that have applied for entrance are Kountze Memorials, Walnut Hill Metho-

atits and the Central Presbyterians. All the scheduled contests in the leagu have been changed from Tuesday to Thursday, 'The change was made so as not to interfere with the Commercial eague. Two games will be played each Thursday evening, the first starting at 7:15 o'clock and the second at 8 o'clock. At the close of the Church league basket ball schedule a tournament to tournament were announced today as be played at the Young Men's Chris-

tion association consisting of all the church teams in the city. Each team entering will put up a \$5 entrance fee, the money to be used in buying cups and medals for the best individual players, as well as the best team. It is hoped in this manner to pick the best church team in the city. By interesting a number of cutaide churches in basket ball it is also hoped to put a stronger church league in the field next year and to make it an satisfied, but it would be supreme conennual event. So far about twelve churches have expressed their willingness to enter into the tournament. Admission is also to be charged to help defray the been made by fans and some are very expenses of officials, balls and such reasonable, but the most logical guess things. Mr. Maxwell of the local Young appears to be that Pa himself and Men's Christian association is back of the Johnny Gonding will do the work. Eddle affair and expects to make it the greatest Justice, who handled the reigns last basket ball tournament ever held in the year, will probably not be given that city.

Quiet Last Week.

As in Omaha, Council Bluffs has a teams than there is in Omaha.

Beginning next week a number of basket ball matches are scheduled to take place in the city. One renson that basket ball has been at a standatill dur- could do it better than any manager ing the lat few weeks is the lack of Rourke might spenre. While some athsuitable places to stage games. The Uni- letic trainers are training record-breakversity of Omaha and the Nebraska ing sprinters and runners and by so do-School for the Deaf has been closed for ing receiving a large amount of pub-the holidays and as the amateur teams licity, it is the belief of nearly every

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### **NEW BLOOD READY** TO INSTILL SPIRIT IN WESTERN RACE

Pa Rourke Has Already Signed Some Good Material, and Has More in Sight.

'PEP" WILL BE THE NEW MOTTO

Fans Are Demanding Teams Which Will Fight to Last Inning.

ROURKES MOSTLY NEWCOMERS

Rourke Will Have Four New Infielders for Coming Season.

OUTFIELD TO REMAIN SAME

Bell is the Only Recruit to a Garden Position.

EXHIBITION

Pittsburgh and Minucapolts Will Surely Play Here and Chicago and St. Paul Are Expected to Stop in Omaha.

The Western league during the 1914 conflict for the cherished pennant emblem is bound to be almost an entirely new league because of the extraordinarily large number of players who have gone to the majors or been discarded in favor of newer and younger blood. Even the bat boys are going to be new in order to change the luck and two new umpires have already been signed for next season.

In Omaha the change is going to be more than apparent. When the 1913 season closed. Pa Rourke instantly announced his intentions of securing a bunch of new players, who fight at the drop of the hat, if he had to trade his whole team to do it. Fight is what the Omaha fans are after and it makes little difference if Omaha wins the pennant or not, if the fans are satisfied that their representatives on the diamond are going to work every last minute and make their opponents labor overtime to get a score, then it is a safe gamble that Pa will find his wooden stands a bad investment because it would then take huskler concrete stands to hold safely the hundreds of bugs who would swarm through the gates so fast that Brother Dave and Dick wouldn't be able to count the dollars without the aid of

an adding machines Aiready Rourke, has nailed half a dozen youngsters to the mast and has his optics casting friendly overtures to everal other speed boys who would look well in Omaha uniforms. The players he has secured are youngsters, with all the youngster's ambition and nerve, but at the same time all have had sufficient experience to know the finer points of the game without more than a month or two of tutoring under the peerless instructor, Johnny Gonding. One player in particular will be more than welcome. That is Martin Krug, who was secured from the Boston Red Sox. Krug is fast enough for an AA league, but Rourke was first on the job when Boston announced willingness to sell him and

thus Omaha gets the prize. But Rourke has a half a dozen more players he is after and he has deals pending which will bring to Omaha the brand of players who win games in the eighth and ninth inning, when pessimistic fans get up to go home. He will soon have a catcher, a pitcher or maybe two, and a couple of infielders to swell the ranks. All of these players are young fellows with a future ahead as well as a brilliant past behind. With Krug occupying one sack and Jimmie Kane on first and two other first-class infielders Omaha should have an infield that would be almost unsurpassable for a minor league. It is possible that a new figt baseman will replace Kane, as Rourke plays no favorites, and would just as leave trade Kane as any other man on the team if he thought it would benefit Omaha's chances to cop the rag next full.

#### Outfield Sufficiently Strong.

The Omaha outfield will stand as it is. Thomason, Coyle, Payne and Congalton will all be back and Bell, from Superior, Wis., will compete for a steady job. Ecil's chances for one garden are excellent, as he comes so Omaha with quite a record and if he can hit Western league pitchers with any degree of consistency he is almost certain to be given a position, as that is one requisite in an outfielder which Pa demands. The pitching staff still needs bolstering

and Pa has his eye out for deals which will involve twirlers. If he can obtain one good dependable pitcher he will be tent if he could obtain two

Who will manage the local team is still an open question. Several guesses have privilege this year. Rourke, if he can spare the time along with his execu-The last few weeks witnessed little tive duties, would manage the team in basket ball among the amateur teams of tiptop style, as he knows more about the city. In some manner it seems hard base ball than the ordinary player or for some of the local fives to secure manager. His long experience in the game would prove invaluable, and it has proved invaluable before when he church league. For the size of the town, has fanaged the team in the absence of the Iowans have a great many more managers. Several other times Rourke has been the boss and the team has al-

ways done remarkably well. Gonding a Goo dTrainer, Gonding could do the training and he

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# ous men, who have been fighting from their youth up. The record will contain scores of foot ball games WHO WILL FIGHT FEDS.



Governor John C. Tener, president of the National league of professional place led to another until today he owns base ball clubs, who has intimated that ten cating places in the downtown dis- his organization will resort to legal protrict, besides owning a billiard room and cedure to prevent Joe Tinker and Mordea moving picture theater and interests in cel Brown from Repeing their contracts several other projects, with the Federal Jeague.

## Sales Force of Cole Motor Car Company

Cupid has found time to elbow his way into the ranks of the Cole Motor company Probably the St. Louis club is backed and has made his presence felt with con-

millionaire. He is owner of a big brewery started the riot. Then Ed F. Harris, 16 and 17. and director in several banks and treat field sales manager, looked longingly at companies. At one time he raced astring the state of married bliss. He slipped off to Los Angeles. In a few days word The newest magnate in the league, and came that he had joined the ranks of one of the richest, is Bernard Hepburn, the married men. Not content with thus who recently took over the Cleveland digrupting the sales organization, genial

Cupid's pranks were not confined excluburn is a member of the Canadian Par- sively to the male members of the Cole. liament, representing the country of No, indeed. Murphy doubly crippled the Prince Edward in the governmental body. force by taking as his wife Miss Alice His home is in Picton, Ont., a small city Wilson, secretary to H. C. Lathrop, head near Toronto. In the pioneer days of the of the Indiana sales department. And province the Hepburn family became right after Byrne stole away 6 Cincinwealthy by conducting steamboat lines on nati to get married, Miss Roeder, who used to take charge of the promotion deone of the youngest men in Parliament, partment when Jay D. Riker absentehimself, yearned for the continuous companionship of her beloved one. She showed no more consideration than the rest of them, so she "resigned to get

#### Two Cities Divide Gallery Rifle Honor

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.-Results of the second week's competition for the gallery rifle shooting championship of the United States show the high score honors went to Bridgeport, Conn., and Cleveland, O. Scores, class At

Cleveland, 989, against Euryrus, 980 Dick nson, N. D., 979, against Birming-ham, Ala., 923 District of Columbia, 988, against Mil-waukce Revolver club, \$42. Bridgeport, 389, against St. Paul, 965. Bridgeport, 889, against St. Paul, 965. Adrian, Mich., against Youngstown, O.,

alanchester, N. H., 967, against Taoma, 909. Milwaukee Old Guard, 360, against War-

Bedford, O., 948, against Madison, Wis., Marion, O., 917, against New Orleans, Colo., 820, against Helena, Stillwater, Minn., 945, against Minne-Hopkins, Minn, 939, against Louisville,

#### TELEPHONE BASKET BALL

Kindsmill, O., 985, against Boston, 921.

vicinity having their own floor. For games call R. B. Johnson, manager. Douglas 2

Branch Manager R. L. Harpham of the Barbour, who recently purchased the Firestone Tire and Rubber company, made holdings from the men who conducted a business trip to Nebraska City this ing same of the year at lowa-the first

### Made at Trap at Cedar Bluffs Shoot

CEDAR BLUFFS, Neb., Jan. 3,-(Spe. cial.)-The Cedar Bluffs Gun club held a shoot at their grounds here Thursday and today, which was a success; in ever way. The scores follow:

George Boulier, Cedar Bluffs... 350 216
Albert Olsen, Cedar Bluffs... 250 212
J. J. Martin, Cedar Bluffs... 250 196
A. Robertson, Scribner... 150 133
L. Ranslem, Morse Bluff... 180 121
L. Roucher, Wahoo... 120 119
J. Reetz, Hooper... 150 117
R. Vicek, Wahoo... 150 108
G. Laddenburger, Morse
Bluff... 150 108
Konelin Kopelin, Houper Orge Krause, Morse Bluff H, Ranslem, Scribner Cook, Wahoo R. Black, Wahoo the Quackenbush brothers were the best of R. Black, Wahoo....

The first half was nip and tuck, each team playing its best, but the half ended to the color of th This shoot was the so-called "jack

#### of the Cedar Bluffs Gun club. Scores Run High in Revolver Tourney

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.- The official scores in the third and fourth matches of the United States revolver association indoor

MATCH NO. 3. Spokane, 1,003, against St. Louis Colonial, 82 Philadelphia, 1.075, against Providence. Manhattan, 1.125, against Troop D (Syra-Dallas, 1,014, against Chicago, 994. Portland, 1,128, against Youngstown Roston, 1.667, against Belleville, 1.617. Olympic, 1.133, against Scattle, 1.676. Engineers (Cleveland) against Citizens,

Pittsburgh, 1,136, against Shellmound Portsmouth, 252, against Oaborne, 279, MATCH NO. 4.
St. Louis Colonial, 1,089 against Providence, 1,079.
Spokane, 1,199, against Troop D. 840
Manhattan, 1,128, against Youngstown. Portland, 1,127, against Seattle, 1,076. Boston, 1,047, against Citizens, 258.

#### UNI OF OMAHA RESUMES BASKET BALL MONDAY

Beginning Monday, basket ball at the iniversity of Omaha is to be urged harder than ever and a varsity team which seemed uncertain during the last few weeks will be put in the field. The forming of a school five at the university has been delayed considerable this season by a number of unexpected things which gave rise to the belief among the students that it would be impracticable to put a five in the field.

The chief cause for delay has been caso and back to Omaha; and was a in securing a coach for the varsity squad. visitor at the local branch of the Fire- Had a coach been secured a month or stone Tire and Rubber company. He is so ago practice could have been under on his way back to Los Angeles and is way and by now a team could have been formed.