

Bringing Up Father



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BACK TO OMAHA FOR FRITZ SCHLIEBNER

Pirates Decide Wagner Is Enough of Germany on One Team, So Fritz Returneth.

EBRIGHT DREAMS A UTOPIA

The cruel Pirates have decided that Fritz Schliebner, favorite son of Prussia, is not wanted in Pittsburgh, so Fritz has been sold back to Omaha, to appear on the southeast corner of the diamond. It is probable that Fred Clark, who is one of our best little neutrals, feared war might be declared on the Pittsburgh club if Hans Wagner should receive any reinforcements, and Fritz would certainly be considered by the famous Hans to be a reinforcement.

However, be it as it may, Schliebner is welcome out here in the west. Fritz isn't a bad first sacker, at least he's a coming youth, and should fill the fans with gladness when the season gets going.

Gus Williams wafted through Omaha on his way to Houston, where B. Rickey has ordered Gus to report in advance. Gus claims Omaha, but has been spending the winter on a Nebraska farm. Gus is a well-sun-gardener. He can make some of the sweetest catches and some of the sweetest misses in the world, but it is his prowess with the warbler that makes him a desirable athlete in the big loop.

Scheme for Free Base Ball. Buck Ebricht, lawyer, minister's son and president of the Wichita club, has started something. Buck has conceived the socialist idea of free base ball. Sounds nice, doesn't it? Maybe it's not practical, but it's a neat little scheme, and to Mr. Ebricht for conceiving of such a thing must be given due credit for his prolific mind.

Ebricht has declared he believes it plausible to sell 75,000 tickets at four bits a throw before the season opens. Then if the time continues, it's a good scheme. It would mean money to Wichita, where the yearly attendance never reaches 75,000, let alone 50 cents a ticket. Figuring liberally for current expenses, Wichita would garner about \$2,000 profit on the proposition. Ebricht declares he will put the proposition up of the various commercial organizations of the Kansas village, and if they accord him the proper support he will make an attempt to turn the trick.

Athletes for Lincoln. Matty McIntyre, manager of the lowly Links from Lincoln, has signed a couple of athletes. Both are pitchers, one a normal man, the other a southpaw. Garland Barkle is from Joliet, Ill. Joliet is a good town for a southpaw to be from. The right-hander is Emil Johnson from Lockport, Ill. Lincoln has also obtained Nicholson, an outfielder, from Detroit.

High Tossers Trot To University Place

Coach Tommy Mills is taking his basket tossers to University Place this evening to play a game with the quintet at that place. The team suffered a slump last week and they seemed to be in a pretty much of a demoralized condition. They lost both the Lincoln and Sioux City games, but the boys have turned over a new leaf now and say they are not going to lose another game this season. A week from Saturday the team plays York High school at Omaha, the last game of the season at home. Following that will be a game with Red Oak and one with St. Joseph and then the state tournament.

Fix Up the Boxing Commission Bill

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Feb. 18.—(Special.)—When the athletic commission bill, house roll No. 28, comes back to the house from the judiciary committee to which it was referred on Wednesday, it will carry provisions placing all wrestling matches as well as boxing and sparring exhibitions under state regulations and control. Friends of the bill are confident today that in this form it would pass. The bill will be further amended so as to remove any possibility that its passage would act as a repeal of the law now enforced, prohibiting prize fights.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION WILL MEET SUNDAY

CHICAGO, Feb. 18.—The schedule meeting of the American association will be held in Chicago next Sunday, President Christy has announced today.

Beatrice, Neb., Feb. 18.—(Special.)—The Beatrice high school basketball team was defeated by Crest Wednesday evening by the score of 26 to 22. The first half ended 21 to 11 in favor of Crest and the locals were unable to overcome the lead.

TOUCHARD AND LOVBOND IN

They Win Their Places in Final Round in National Indoor Tennis Tournament.

PELL EASY FOR THE CHAMPION

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—G. F. Touchard, the playing through champion, and A. M. Lovbond, won their places in the final round of the singles in the national indoor championship tennis tournament today on the courts of the Seventh Regiment armory.

Touchard had no difficulty in beating T. R. Pell, a former champion, 6-3, 6-3. Pell was weak on his back hand. His drives were poorly timed and so lengthy as to overshoot the court and he did not threaten his rival at any time. Lovbond beat B. S. Printz, former Harvard champion, 6-4, 6-4, 6-2.

The feature of the semi-finals in the doubles was the smashing of Karl Behr, who paired with Pell. The Davis cup player was in fine form and he pulled Pell along with him to victory over J. M. Steinacher and Lincoln Reimer at 5-1, 6-4, 6-0.

The championship match in the singles will be played tomorrow and the championship in doubles decided on Monday morning.

National indoor championship singles, semi-final round: G. F. Touchard defeated T. R. Pell, 6-3, 6-3; Arthur M. Lovbond defeated Leo S. Printz, 6-4, 6-4, 6-2. National indoor championship doubles, semi-final round: Karl H. Behr and T. R. Pell defeated J. M. Steinacher and Lincoln Reimer, 5-1, 6-4, 6-0; Gustave F. Touchard and Watson M. Washburn defeated Leslie V. Robinson and H. W. Robinson, 6-1, 6-2.

Consolation singles, fifth round: P. S. Treas defeated Dr. J. W. Travell, 6-3, 6-4; King Smith defeated Paul P. Good, 6-3, 6-1; Preston Cumming, Jr., defeated Merit Johnson, 6-3, 6-1. Semi-final round: George S. Groesbeck defeated Preston Cumming, Jr., 6-3, 6-4.

MURDER, IS VERDICT IN ANTHONY'S CASE

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man is said to have made the statement that the British flag is the most respected flag afloat, while the Stars and Stripes is the most disgraceful. O'Donnell then said he slapped the man, and Kelleher told him to get out of the saloon, which he did.

Shook Him a Little. Upon leaving the saloon about ten minutes later O'Donnell said the Englishman attacked him and he picked the man up, shook him a little and then laid him on the ground. After this the Englishman got up and walked away, as did O'Donnell and two companions.

Other witnesses testified as to the truth of O'Donnell's statement, having seen the occurrence, and the four men separating and walking away from the spot on opposite sides of the street.

Helena Harrows, 418 North Twenty-fifth street, with three women companions witnessed the happening outside the saloon, and described the occurrence as did O'Donnell.

She also said that in passing the Lincoln home, 5311 Sprague street, later in the evening she heard moaning which seemed to come from the direction of the cistern. She says there was a crowd of small boys in the yard who thought somebody was down the cistern, but as the cover was over the opening, she gave no credence to the talk. The boys apparently knew nothing of Anthony's presence, as they went on about their play after making the remark.

HYMENEAL

Renner-Smith. MADISON, Neb., Feb. 18.—(Special.)—Otto Renner, son of Paul Renner of Enola, and Miss Melba Elizabeth Smith, daughter of J. M. Smith, deputy sheriff of Madison county, were married Wednesday afternoon at the Methodist parsonage. They will be at home to their friends on and after March 1 at the farm of the groom, seven miles northwest of Madison.

Stafford-Fanders. FAIRBURY, Neb., Feb. 18.—(Special.)—Miss Reginald Fanders and Fred H. Stafford were married at the bride's home in Diller in this county today. For the last three years the bride has been employed in this city and the groom is a Rock Island conductor. Mr. and Mrs. Stafford will spend their honeymoon trip in Los Angeles.

Carlson-Pagerquist. SHENANDOAH, Ia., Feb. 18.—(Special.)—Miss Mabel Pagerquist and Clarence Carlson of Essex were married at the Methodist parsonage here Tuesday afternoon by Rev. F. W. Simpson.

Apartment, flats, houses and cottages can be rented quickly and cheaply by a Bee "For Rent" ad.

OFFICIALS REPORTS OF NATIONS AT WAR

Germans Tell of Capture of Sixty-Four Thousand Prisoners in East Prussia.

FRENCH CAPTURE TRENCH LINE

Berlin, Feb. 18.—(Via London.)—The official report on the progress of the fighting, given out in Berlin today, says that the Russians taken prisoner by the Germans in East Prussia have amounted to 64,000 men.

The German army headquarters today issued the following statement: "On the road to Arras and Lille, fighting continues for a small section of a German trench which the enemy entered on February 15."

"The number of French prisoners taken yesterday to the northeast of Rheims has been increased. The French losses in this region especially were heavy."

"French attacks have ceased in Champagne. To the north of Perthes fighting continues. To the east of Perthes the French were repulsed, suffering heavy losses. The enemy has only in a few instances advanced to the German trenches."

"The number of prisoners reported to have been taken by us yesterday has been increased to eleven officers and 726 soldiers."

"The enemy's attacks against the German positions near Boureuilles and Vauquois to the east of the Argonne forest and to the east of Verdun, failed completely."

"Height 265 and the village of Norroy, to the north of Pont-A-Mousson, which were taken by the Germans on February 13, have been evacuated after the destruction of the French fortifications. The enemy had made no attempt to reconquer these positions."

"Otherwise there is nothing important to report on the western front."

France. PARIS, Feb. 18.—2:45 p. m.—The French War office this afternoon issued a report on the progress of the war as follows: "From the sea to Oise nothing new was recorded last night. It has been confirmed that the successful surprise movement which made us master of the lines of German trenches to the north of Arras, northwest of Rolla Court, inflicted heavy losses on the enemy. We captured a bomb thrower and several hundred bombs."

"In the valley of the Aisne and in the section of Rheims there have been artillery engagements in which our batteries had distinctly the advantage."

"In the campaign in the region of Perthes all the territory conquered by us yesterday and the day before has been retained. Among the numerous prisoners made by us February 16 and 17 are found officers and men of the Sixth and Eighth corps of the active army and of the Eighth, Tenth and Twelfth corps of the reserve army."

"In the Argonne we have also maintained the advances won in the forest of La Grurie to the south of Fontaine Aux Charnes. Furthermore, we have been making progress in the vicinity of Boureuilles at Hill No. 263."

"Our success between the Argonne and the Meuse reported in the official communications of the evening of February 17 have made us masters of a forest located to the south of the forest of Cheppy. We have furthermore made an advance of about 400 yards to the north of Malancourt, and we have made almost as much a point to the south of the forest De Forêt. All these gains have been maintained by us."

"From the Meuse to the Vosges there is nothing to report."

Russia. PETROGRAD, Feb. 18.—The general staff of the Russian army has issued a report on the progress of the fighting as follows: "On the right bank of the Vistula the fighting has been going on in almost the same localities with great ferocity in certain sectors."

"In the region of the Nieman river we have found only patrols of the enemy."

"On the left bank of the Vistula there has been no change."

"In Galicia we repulsed an attack on the Knava-Vikrotach front with great loss to the enemy. Further to the east the enemy endeavored to attack us in the region of Lubow-Siodobank but without success. In repelling this attack we made prisoners of ten officers and 1,800 soldiers and captured three guns."

"On the front from Kosouka to Mount Wyszoff the Germans delivered a series of determined and spirited attacks directed themselves vigorously in the direction of Mount Wyszoff. All these advances were repulsed with heavy loss to the enemy. Almost an entire battalion was put to the bayonet; the rest of the Germans were made prisoners."

"There is no change in Bukowina."

W. J. Blair. PASCAGOULA, Miss., Feb. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—W. J. Blair of Linwood, Neb., who has been visiting here, died suddenly today.

TRAFFIC FROM GREAT BRITAIN TO HOLLAND TIED UP

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Notwithstanding its intense interest in the important questions which now involve shipping interests, England has not lost sight of the military operations now in progress on both fronts. The fighting in East Prussia and Bukowina, where the two extreme wings of the Russian army are heavily engaged by Austro-German forces, is considered the most important actively now going on either in the east or west.

Petrograd dispatches insist that the Russians carried out in perfect order their retirement in East Prussia.

An important battle is raging in the vicinity of Augustow, where in the fall the Russians succeeded in stopping a previous German attempt to invade Russia. Now, however, the Muscovites have a much more serious threat to deal with for besides having sent a new army into East Prussia, the Germans are in strong force in the district between East Prussia and the lower Vistula. Their continued advance there would jeopardize the Russians, who are holding the trenches to the south of the Vistula and who succeeded in frustrating Field Marshal Von Hindenburg's attempts to reach Warsaw from the west.

The German plans are not quite clear, but it is believed probable they still have their eyes on Warsaw and hope by taking that city to break the Russian power to resume the offensive so that they may be free to take more energetic steps against the allies in the west.

Anticipating this policy the allies during the last few days have made a vigorous attack against the Germans in Flanders and France. The outcome of this effort cannot be stated as the French and German reports are in direct conflict.

In Bukowina the Austrians are reported to have partly anticipated the Russian advance before Chernowitz, but the battle still is in progress and reinforcements are reaching the Russians, who have the advantage of undamaged railways both to this point and to Nadworna, further west, which the Austrians have recaptured. The Russians report continued progress in the Carpathians.

British Capitalists Not Allowed to Buy Bonds in New York

LONDON, Feb. 18.—One of the first effects of the treasury regulations promulgated with the intention of keeping British capital at home will be felt in the field of American railroads.

The committee of the London stock exchange has issued a notice saying that the treasury refuses to allow British shareholders in the New York Central railroad to participate in the subscription to the new bonds issue of \$200,000,000, nor will it allow dealings in these bonds on the London exchange.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—The action of the British treasury in refusing to allow British competition in the new \$200,000,000 New York Central bond issue and in keeping these bonds out of the London exchange was anticipated by international bankers in this city. This action was regarded as confirming the recent statement of the chancellor of the exchequer to the effect that British capital would not participate in the capital issues of other countries during the war.

In the opinion of J. P. Morgan & Co., underwriters of the New York Central issue, if English investors desire to purchase American securities they will probably find a way to do so.

Garrison Asks for Aeroplanes, Autos, Guns for Defenses

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—Aeroplanes the European war has demonstrated, are absolutely essential for scouting, Secretary Garrison says in a statement made public today by the house appropriations committee. He points out, however, that air machines have not played any valuable part in the war, but that automobiles are important in war transportation. The secretary reported on the progress of modernization of the sea coast defenses of the country and said: "We should place as soon as we can do so, guns where we do not feel we have guns of sufficient range and power, but there is no occasion to rush into that now and scatter fourteen or sixteen-inch guns all over the continent."

"Guns for the present coast defense project have been 91 per cent provided for, and under the latest revision the estimated cost to complete the fortifications is approximately \$40,000,000."

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TURKS REPORT BIG VICTORY IN EGYPT

Placards Posted in Jaffa and Jerusalem Tell of Capture of Ismail and Suez.

BRITON CRUISERS SINK IN CANAL

ALEXANDRIA, Feb. 18.—(Via London.)—Passengers by the American cruiser Tennessee, which has been bringing refugees from the coast of Syria to Egypt, are authority for the statement that while no actual atrocities have been committed by the Turks in Syria, a number of persons have been maltreated. The population of Syria, although fanatical, is remaining calm.

The Tennessee arrived here yesterday from the Syrian coast. Refugees on board say that Hassan Bey, the commander at Jaffa, has a rather overbearing manner and that he treats natives of the interior powers with great rigor. Reports of a Turkish victory in Egypt, printed in letters of gold, have been posted in Jaffa.

The people have been told that Ismail and Suez have been occupied by the Turks who are now marching on Cairo. Graphic descriptions of the alleged sinking of several British cruisers in the Suez canal caused the greatest jubilation. The Turkish casualties in these engagements were given as ten men killed and twenty-five wounded.

There was great rejoicing at Jerusalem, where a large amount of ammunition was expended in the firing of guns to celebrate the event. Nationalists of the entente powers, Great Britain, France and Russia, were insulted by the populace and compelled to remain indoors. Six wounded German officers have been brought to Jerusalem, where Bach Pasha, the German commander, has his headquarters.

Some of the Arabs rebelled against the recruiting order and several of them had to be shot before they would advance. It appears, according to the information brought by these refugees, that while

FEW HAMBURG LINE SHIPS FOR SALE

Vice President Sichel Testifies His Company Has Had No Negotiations with Government.

REFUSED A LOAN IN NEW YORK

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—Only nine of the Hamburg-American line's smallest and oldest vessels are for sale, William G. Sichel, one of the two American vice directors of the corporation, today told the senate investigating committee.

Advices from headquarters in Hamburg, he said, showed the corporation was able to stand the losses of the war for five years. He said he and his assistants had positive instructions to make no sacrifice because of financial conditions in Germany.

Sichel testified he had no reason to believe any of a hundred or more persons who had inquired if the company wanted to sell ships since the outbreak of the war represented the United States. At no time, he said, had any Hamburg-American ships been offered for sale.

Prior to last October, he added, the American directors had considered selling twenty of the forty ships laid up, but instructions came from Herr Ballin, managing director of the company in Hamburg, to withdraw all but nine out-of-date boats.

Under Senator Burton's questions Mr. Sichel testified he sought a loan of \$2,500,000 through Kuhn, Loeb & Co. of New York and other bankers soon after the outbreak of the war, but was refused.

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Canadian Roads Ask For Permit to Raise Freight Charges

MONTREAL, Feb. 18.—The Canadian Freight association, acting on behalf of all the Canadian railway companies, forwarded today to the board of railways commissioners of Canada, the principal boards of trade and the Canadian Manufacturers' association an application for permission to make a general increase in freight rates.

In support of the application, the association cited the recent authorization of the Interstate Commerce commission of the United States for an increase in freight rates there. Other reasons upon which the application was based included declarations that revenues had declined and the borrowing powers of the companies had been curtailed.

An advance of 2 cents a hundred pounds on all first-class freight is sought and 1 cent a hundred weight of all fifth-class matter, rates for other classifications to be figured on the usual basis.

Vienna Announces Czernowicz Taken

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—Occupation of Czernowicz, capital of Bukowina, by Austro-Hungarian forces was officially announced in a Vienna foreign office dispatch received tonight by the Austro-Hungarian embassy here.