

BRINGING UP FATHER

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PLESTINA TAKES UP TAYLOR DEFI

Omaha Grappler Puts Up Forfeit Money and Bellows 'Bring Him On.'

WRESTLE FOR ANY SUM

When Ray Page, manager of Jack Taylor, the Canadian champion, hurled his sweeping challenge to Mar- in Plestina, Earl Caddock or any other heavyweight wrestler who had nerve enough to accept, and to back up his deft sent a check for \$250 to the sporting editor of The Bee as forfeit money, he started something.

Thirty minutes after Taylor's challenge became known, Plestina charged into The Bee office about as playfully as a bull in a china shop and loudly clamored for the sporting editor. When that individual summoned enough courage to admit his identity Plestina showed another check for \$250 into his hands and belligerently bellowed "there's my \$250, now let this Taylor talk turkey."

Plestina says he would like nothing better than to lock horns with Taylor. The Omaha grappler says it is a joy and a delight to tear such birds as Taylor up from the roots. "I'll wrestle him for the \$250," says Plestina, "or I'll even raise the ante to \$500. On second thought, I might even make it \$1,000. Or I'll wrestle him for nothing if he doesn't want to cover the money. I'll wrestle him in public or in private, in Omaha or any place else. I'll only insist on one thing, that is he wrestles me within ten days after he meets Cutler at Lincoln on February 26."

The sporting editor of The Bee is now holding two checks, each for \$250. Mr. Taylor and Mr. Plestina are invited to get together and set a date.

Orders Special Probe of Midwest Grain Markets

Boston, Feb. 19.—United States District Attorney George W. Anderson, who is in charge of a nationwide inquiry into the high prices of food and other necessities, announced today that he would order a special investigation into the grain situation at Chicago, and other middle western cities to determine whether conspiracies existed to raise the price and delay shipments to eastern markets. He also said the high prices of potatoes, beans and onions are being investigated.

Signal Corps Will Build Stations in "Jog" District

El Paso, Tex., Feb. 19.—Company A of the United States signal corps left here today for Hachita, N. M., to establish telephone and wireless communication stations in the "jog" district, south of Hachita, where the Corner ranch raid occurred one week ago. Captain Edwin A. Hickman commanded the company.

Yuma, Ariz., Feb. 19.—Three duck hunters, supposed to be Americans, who crossed the border into Sonora, were reported today to have been seized yesterday and held for a time by Mexicans and two shotguns and a rifle confiscated and about \$1,000 taken from them. The men are returning here. Colonel Richard H. Wilson of the Fourteenth infantry is investigating.

Germany Did Not Order Whitlock to Lower Flag

London, Feb. 19.—A Reuter dispatch from Amsterdam says that it is denied in a telegram from Berlin that the German authorities at Brussels ordered Brand Whitlock, the American minister to lower the American flag over his legation.

The State department at Washington received advices last Thursday that Mr. Whitlock had been requested, but not ordered by the German authorities to lower the American flag from the Brussels legation.

Game Warden Destroys Prairie Chicken Traps

Niobrara, Neb., Feb. 19.—(Special.)—Game Warden George G. Koters destroyed a number of traps set to catch prairie chickens and appointed several new deputies during his recent visit to his former home here.

Drake Defeats Creighton at Des Moines, 39 to 27

Des Moines, Ia., Feb. 19.—Drake defeated Creighton college in a basketball game here tonight 39 to 27.

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Sport Calendar Today

Racing—Crescent City handicap will be run at New Orleans. Bench Shows—Annual bench show of Westminster Kennel club, New York City. Bowling—Annual tournament of Western Bowling congress opens at San Jose. Boxing—Terry Brooks vs. Ad Wolgast, ten rounds, at Boston.

EIGHT CUBS WHO HELD OUT SIGN UP

Chicago National Players Refusing to Come to Terms Because of Frat Do So Now.

NEARLY ALL ARE IN CAMP

Chicago, Feb. 19.—Eight members of the Chicago Nationals who had declined to sign 1917 contracts because of the Base Ball Players' Fraternity and unsatisfactory salaries offered them, came to terms with President Weeghman today.

Practically every member of the club, with the exception of Catcher Archer, is signed Weeghman said. Among those signing today were First Baseman Vic Sauer, Pitcher Al Demaree, Outfielders Mann and Flack and Infielder Zeider.

Shell Contracts Awarded to Three American Companies

Washington, Feb. 19.—Contracts for navy projectiles, which had been let to Hadfields Ltd., an English concern, were today given to the Midvale Steel company, the Washington Steel and Ordnance company and the Crucible Steel company.

Hadfields was prevented by the British government from accepting the contract for 4,400 projectiles which had been awarded by the Navy department at a much smaller price per shell and with quicker delivery than the American offers.

Award of the contracts today to the three American firms terminates a controversy between the navy and American munition makers. Representatives of the companies and department officials reached an agreement on a flat price of \$500 per shell. That is an increase over the price on similar orders in previous years, but aggregate \$447,500 less than the former total bid.

Smoke Generating Device Conceals Vessel at Sea

Baltimore, Md., Feb. 19.—Donaldson line freighter Lakonia of Glasgow, provided with the smoke device of the British admiralty to render shipping immune from submarine attacks, arrived at this port yesterday. The ship also carries a three-inch gun mounted astern and several trained gunners to man it.

According to one of the gunners today, the new device, perfected by British chemists and scientists, can generate enough smoke in several minutes to mask a vessel from the enemy's view for several hours.

The Lakonia encountered no enemy craft on the trip to this port, but it was twice chased for several hours on the last outward bound voyage, first by a ship thought to have been the commerce raider Vineta and again by a submarine in the Bay of Biscay. The Lakonia escaped because of its superior speed.

U. S. Will Protest Against Seizure of Mines in Mexico

Washington, Feb. 19.—One of the first official acts of Henry P. Fletcher, the new American ambassador to Mexico, will be to protest against a confiscation of mines not in operation on February 14. Mr. Fletcher's arrival at the Mexican capital yesterday was reported today, to the State department. His formal presentation to General Carranza probably will not be later than Thursday, and immediately afterward he will begin taking representations on various questions at issue between the two governments.

Mexican Takes Pot Shots at Utah Guards

Tucson, Ariz., Feb. 19.—Charged with taking "pot" shots at the Utah cavalry stationed at Arivaca, Francisco Garcia was arrested and brought to the Pima county jail here today by Deputy Sheriff Cy Broome. According to the deputy sheriff, Garcia took possession of an adobe house on the Arivaca road recently and shot at stray troopers as they rode past.

SEA FOODS Received Direct From Coast Twice a Week Live Lobsters a Specialty HOTEL ROME

M'COY REAL CHAMP ON TENPIN ALLEYS

Ties in Singles and Wins in All Events in the City Tourney.

WINDUP OF THE ROLLING CITY TOURNEY WINNERS.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Score. Jetter's Oms 2,785; Goff and K. Sciple 1,219; Al Wartchow 635; H. L. McCoy 625; H. L. McCoy 1,503.

The city championship tournament came to an end on the Farnam alleys Sunday, after a series of hotly contested matches. The team champion: remain the same, the Jetter's Oms team, which rolled 2,785 in the Omaha alleys Saturday night. The doubles' championship was won by Walt Goff and "Ken" Sciple, with a 1,259 score. The individual championship honors were tied up by Al Wartchow and H. L. McCoy, who rolled 635 each. A rolloff for the titled position will be played soon. The all-event winner and real individual champion, is H. L. McCoy, who rolled a grand total of 1,803. By winning this event he gets possession of the Burgess-Nash trophy for a period of one year. This trophy has been in the possession of Art Pederson, last year's champion.

Scenes were low throughout the tournament, due to shooting across six alleys, which is a real test for the bowlers. The matches were conducted by Secretary Harry Eidson.

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Chief Bender Released On Habeas Corpus Writ

Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 19.—Charles A. (Chief) Bender, the Indian base ball twirler, who accidentally killed a man with his automobile here Saturday night, was today held without bail by a police magistrate to await action by the coroner. Later counsel for Bender secured a writ of habeas corpus in common pleas court and he was released on bail pending the coroner's action.

Herd and Moshell Will Meet in Final Round

New York, Feb. 19.—Clifton B. Herd of Los Angeles and S. H. Moshell of this city will be the final contenders for the national indoor tennis championship, each by winning today having eliminated all other competitors. Herd defeated A. H. Man, jr., of New York, 6-4, 9-7. While Moshell eliminated Dean Mathey of Cranford, 6-4, 7-5.

No Grand Juries in England. London, Feb. 19.—A bill suspending grand juries for the period of the war and six months thereafter has been adopted by the House of Commons.

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Baker Thanks All Commanders of National Guards

Washington, Feb. 19.—Secretary Baker sent a letter of thanks today to the commanders of all National Guards units which saw service on the Mexican border.

"I wish to thank you and the officers and men of your organization who went to the border in response to the call of the president," wrote the secretary, "for the valuable service which you have rendered to the country. The National Guard was called into the service of the federal government, the lives of men, women and children were in great danger owing to the formidable bandit raids from the Mexican side of the boundary. It is not too much to say that had these raids continued there was danger of international war. From the time of the arrival of the units of the National Guard on the border, the raids ceased and the tension between the two countries began to relax.

It is the hope and belief of the government that the presence of the units of the National Guard, together with the units of the regular army on the border and in Mexico and the presence in mobilization camps of the units of the National Guard in readiness for such service has made possible a peaceful solution of a difficult and threatening problem."

Amateurs to Hold Mass Meeting at City Hall

A mass meeting of all amateur base ball managers, players and fans will be held in the council chamber of the city hall this evening. Every sandlot enthusiast in Omaha is urged to attend the gathering, at which plans for the approaching season will be discussed. A number of speakers will make short talks. The board of directors of the Omaha Amateur Base Ball association will hold a short business meeting immediately following the mass meeting.

OFFICERS PRESENT TOKEN TO COL. PAUL

Commander of Fifth Regiment Given Gold Fob at Final Service.

DAKOTA TROOPS ON WAY

Officers of the Fifth Nebraska regiment presented Colonel Paul with a gold watch fob at the farewell devotional service held at Fort Crook Sunday morning. Attached to the fob was a gold canteen on which was engraved Colonel Paul's initials. The week previous he was presented with a gold watch, the gift of the soldiers. In his farewell speech Colonel Paul said that he had never commanded a better regiment than the "Flying Fifth" and that if it was ever his lot to command a regiment during any trouble, he hoped that it would be made up of men as good as those of the Fifth.

Lieutenant Colonel Hollingsworth praised the behavior and discipline of the men. "No regiment that served on the border has a better record than the Fifth," he said. Other speakers were Majors McCormack and Sterrick and Adjutant General Hall. Chaplain Jean Cobey presided.

Practically all of the routine work necessary for the mustering out of the regiment February 21 has been completed.

Word received by Captain James Everington, senior mustering out officer, is that the hospital detachment, the only Nebraska troops not on Cornhusker soil, left the border Sunday for Fort Crook to be mustered out. Word was received that the Fourth South Dakota regiment left San Benito Sunday for Fort Crook. Both organizations are expected to arrive February 22, one day after the Fifth Nebraska leaves.

William Kerr, Former Base Ball Magnate, Dies

Pittsburgh, Pa., Feb. 19.—William Kerr, aged 70, formerly president of the Pittsburgh National League Base Ball club, is dead at his home here following an illness of one week. Mr. Kerr was owner of the Pittsburgh club of the Brotherhood league, which was organized by players who had revolted from the National league until the former organization failed. He then secured an interest in the National league team, disposing of his holdings in 1900.

Contracts of Reulbach and Smith Received by Braves

Boston, Feb. 19.—The signed contracts of Edward Reulbach, pitcher, and J. Carlisle, third baseman, were received today by the Boston National league club.

Olaf Henriksen, outfielder, has then signed contract to the Boston Americans.

Friend Piles Up Biggest Score. Friend, Neb., Feb. 18.—(Special.)—Friend basket ball team defeated Clay Center quintet on the floor of the local gymnasium Saturday evening, 122 to 6. This is said to be the highest score made by any team this year.

Beatrice Beats Cortland. Beatrice, Neb., Feb. 18.—(Special.)—The Cortland High school basket ball team lost to the second basket ball five here Saturday night, 32 to 8.

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Rheumatism an Insidious Disease; Begins With Insignificant Pains

Real Torture Bound to Follow If the First Warnings Are Not Heeded.

Anyone afflicted with the pangs of Rheumatism will tell you that the first pains were hardly noticeable. Slight at first, in fact too insignificant to be heeded, pains increasing very gradually, the disease had them firmly in its grasp before they realized that they were its victims.

Those who have been trying liniments and other external applications will find that they have not reached the cause of the trouble and that their Rheumatism is back with them again, increasing in severity as the days go by.

Don't overlook the first signs of Rheumatism. Prompt treatment is

highly important, but the right treatment is the only kind that will do you any good. Have you ever known of Rheumatism being cured by liniments or other external applications? Most certainly not. Do not, therefore, make the mistake that many have, but bear in mind that external remedies positively cannot reach Rheumatism. It cannot be rubbed out of the blood. S. S. S. can be relied upon to cleanse the blood and has been giving relief from Rheumatism for more than fifty years, and some of the most severe cases have yielded to it. Write today and give full information about your case, and our medical adviser will give you advice without cost. Address medical department, Swift Specific Co., 32 Swift Laboratory, Atlanta, Ga.

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