

BRINGING UP FATHER

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NAKENS WIN LEAD IN CAGE LEAGUE: TRIM TOWNSENDS

Clothing Store Quintet Captures Great Extra-Period Game From Gunners by Score of 20 to 19.

The deadlock in the standing of the teams of the Commercial Basket Ball League was broken at the Young Men's Christian association last night, when the Nakens upset all the dope and shot their way to victory over the Townsends to the tune of 20 to 19.

Nakens Work Up. At the start of the second half the Townsends got away fast and garnered six points and thereby a five-point lead before the Nakens woke up.

Drawings for First Round For Curling Title of Omaha

Drawings in the competition for the Robert Malcolm trophy, emblematic of the curling championship of Omaha, are as follows:

Fred Hamilton's "Eldorado" Takes Third in Dog Trials

Grand Junction, Tenn., Jan. 4.—Old Joe's White Sox, owned by John S. Speer of St. Mary's, Pa., and handled by Luther Hadley, won the amateur field championship in the dog trials here today, held under the auspices of All-American Field Trial Club.

War Stops Field Meet.

New York, Jan. 4.—The annual indoor track and field meet of the Intercollegiate Amateur Athletic Association of America will not be held this winter, according to an announcement today by Romyen Berry of the graduate advisory committee of the organization.

Contracts Minus "War Clause."

New York, Jan. 4.—No "war clause," whereby the owners will be relieved of their contractual obligations in the event the base ball season is not finished, is contained in the contracts sent to players reserved by the New York National league club, it was learned today.

Today's Sport Calendar

Automobile—Opening of National Automobile show, in Grand Central Palace, New York.

FIVE RUNNERS WIN BIG STAKE EVENTS

Old Rosebud, Hourless, Khayyam, Sun Briar and Papp Are Big Money Getters of Year.

Five crack race horses, of which two were 2-year-olds, two 3-year-olds and one a 6-year-old, won a majority of the rich stake events which were offered throughout this country and Canada by the different racing associations during the season just closed.

The five horses which led the list in stake winnings were Old Rosebud, Hourless, Omar Khayyam and the 2-year-olds, Sun Briar and Papp.

Michigan's 1918 Gridiron Team May Be Captainless

Ann Arbor, Mich., Jan. 1.—Michigan's 1918 foot ball eleven may again be captainless. "Tad" Wieman of California, who recently was elected, has announced his intention of entering the aviation corps.

Chattanooga Begins to Gather Athletes for 1918

At the Southern league meeting held in Birmingham, Manager Mike Finn of the Chattanooga team let it be known that he had secured four more good looking athletes in Pitcher Lohman from Rochester, First Baseman Graham from Toronto, and Outfielders Walker and Miller, secured through the Detroit club.

Revival of Grand Prix and Other French Races Likely

A report has reached this country that racing will be revived at tracks near Paris next spring. French officials who visited American race courses last summer are said to have reported to the French government that racing was for the best interests of the thoroughbred—particularly the army mount—and that racing was a good thing for the spirit of a people at war.

Federal Court Sustains Arizona Blue Sky Law

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 4.—Constitutionality of the Arizona "blue sky" law was upheld today in an opinion handed down in the United States circuit court.

Donlin in Movies

Mike Donlin, once a National league ball player of some prominence, later an actor, is now in the movies. He has been featured in the "Raffles" picture, in which he took the part of the thief. He is said to do some thrilling work in his role.

Big Four Heads Confer With President Wilson on Rail Wages



Officials of the four brotherhoods of railroad trainmen who have conferred with President Wilson regarding the government operation of the railroads of the country. At the time of the seizure of the roads the railway unions were awaiting action by the railway executives on their demands for increases in pay.

Tigers and Reds to Make Spring Exhibition Tour

Dates for the tour of the Detroit Tigers and Cincinnati Reds in the south next spring have been arranged as follows: Beginning April 6, at Fort Worth, the games on successive days at Dallas, Oklahoma City, Tulsa, Little Rock and Memphis.

Bowler Seeks to Tumble Boches Instead of Pins

Rudi Meyer, a star bowler of St. Louis, has joined the aviation corps. He took part last year in the doubles with L. W. Waldecker at the American Bowling Congress tournament in Grand Rapids, Mich., and they hung up a new world's record for a single game on new alleys under American

Omaha Floor Quintet to Invade Iowa on Saturday

Dr. Balderson, manager of the Central Furniture basket ball five of the Commercial league, will lead his charges to Silver City, Ia., Saturday night for a clash with the town team there.

Tesreau Signs Up, By Heck!

New York, Jan. 4.—The New York National league club announced today that Charles M. Tesreau, veteran pitcher of the team, had signed a contract for 1918. Tesreau is the first major league player to sign a 1918 contract.

OUR FIRST CLEARING SALE SUITS & O'COATS SAVE \$10.00--BUY SHIRLEY'S CLOTHES

RUSS AND TEUTON ARMIES TO MARCH AGAINST KAISER

Litvinoff, English in Sympathy, Says Trotzky Helps Downfall of Kaiserism.

London, Jan. 4.—Maxim Litvinoff, who has been appointed Bolsheviki ambassador to Great Britain and who said yesterday that he probably would return to Petrograd, has decided to remain in London pending the receipt of his instructions.

Will Accept. M. Litvinoff's wife is an English woman and he is an old friend and associate of Lenin. He is declared to be a whole-hearted supporter of the Bolsheviki, with whom he apparently is in close touch.

Dr. Connolly Sells Wyoming Farm For \$380,000; Cost Him \$2,000

Dr. J. P. Connolly, member of the Board of Public Recreation and former county commissioner, told members of the Omaha-Wyoming Oil company, at a meeting in R. E. Sunderland's office, that he received \$380,000 for half of a 160-acre farm in Wyoming for which he paid \$2,000 three years ago.

American Fliers Soon to Battle Front

With the American Army in France, Thursday, Jan. 3.—The first group of young pilots and observers to take a course of instruction in the American flying school nearest the battle front in the Weovre, completed its work today. After a rest of a week the squadron will be sent to the front, where the finishing touches will be added under actual battle conditions.

Captains for Basket Ball Play.

Class captains and managers have been chosen for the annual Central High inter-class basket ball tourney. Captains are Newton Woodward, seniors; Arthur Burnham, juniors; Arthur Logan, sophomores; Herman Swoboda, freshmen. The faculty coaches are: Fred Spinning, seniors; A. J. Wedeking, juniors; Irving Garwood, sophomores; Louis Bexton, freshmen.

Power Plant Burned At Casper, Wyoming

Casper, Wyo., Jan. 4.—Fire of suspected incendiary origin today destroyed the plant of the Natrona Power company here, shutting off heat and electric light supplies to the business section of the city. The damage is estimated at \$150,000.

Joe Tinker Tries to Land Major Job for Hamilton

Joe Tinker, manager of the Columbus club of the American association, is angling to land a major league berth for Earl Hamilton, formerly with the St. Louis Americans. Hamilton still is a pitcher of major league ability, Tinker believes.

Three Cities in the Field For 1918 Meet of A. A. U.

New Orleans, Los Angeles and New York are applicants for the 1918 annual Amateur Athletic union track and field championships. A committee of the organization will decide where the big event will be staged.



SHOE SALE YESTERDAY we started a live, rousing sale of every pair of shoes in our stock—new shapes, new colors, leathers and patterns—all the season's live styles.