

TEARNEY CHOSEN AS PRESIDENT OF WESTERN LEAGUE

John Savage of Joplin Club Withdraws and Election Is Unanimous; Schedule Committee Selected.

Special to The Bee. St. Joseph, Mo., Feb. 22.—A political fight between the W. A. Rourke faction of the Western league and the Jack Holland followers brought about no decision early in the day in the battle for the presidency of the league...

The Holland faction had called their candidate, John Savage, former owner of the Joplin club, to this city in expectation of winning the election...

A schedule committee, composed of E. J. Hanlon, Jack Holland and Frank Isbell, has been named, but cannot act until the magnates take action on the opening game and the number of games to be played.

Today's session was slow in getting under way and the magnates will hold sessions all day tomorrow in order to complete the business which must come before it at this session.

Chicago, Feb. 22.—A. R. Tearney, for nine years president of the Three I League of Base Ball clubs, in a telephone conversation with leaders of the Western league to-night accepted their offer of the presidency of that organization.

Stecher Meets Zbyszko at Sioux City Tomorrow Night Joe Stecher beat Jack Buckens of Chicago in two falls at St. Louis Friday night, and Saturday left for Sioux City where he takes on Wladek Zbyszko in a finish match.

The Sioux City promoters are expecting a delegation of Omaha fans to witness the match and Gene Melady will probably head one party to go over. Melady's interest is manifest because of his being the manager of Earl Caddock.

Detroit to Have Large Squad to Open Season By International News Service.

Detroit, Feb. 22.—Manager Hugh Jennings of the Detroit Tigers, announces that the club has sent out contracts to 50 players, the reserve list being unusually heavy this year.

Detroit Pair Wins Doubles Hand Ball Championship Detroit, Feb. 22.—William Micus and Michael Mauer of Detroit, won the national doubles hand ball championship tonight, defeating Sackman, singles champion, and Groden, the former champion, both of New York in straight games, 21-18 and 21-9.

Harvard Hockey Team Scores Another Victory New York, Feb. 22.—Harvard's undefeated hockey team defeated Princeton, 7 goals to 2, in Brooklyn tonight.

Benson Juniors Win. The Benson Juniors basket ball team won its sixth consecutive victory last evening, playing the Commerce freshman of their feet.

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Following Friday's victory over Bellevue, Boone College's greatest ever basketball team won the Oregonian's floor 60 to 54, Omaha's only score came when Phelps, on a toss-up after a held ball, threw a break shot.

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PESEK TO SEE SIOUX CITY MAT BOUT MONDAY

Winner Over Steve Savage Has Notion He Will Challenge Winner of Stecher-Zyb Go.

Wearing a smile like unto the storied grin that could not be effaced, John Pesek, conquerer of Steve Savage, announced that he would leave Sunday morning for Sioux City, Ia., to "take in" the Stecher-Zbyszko match to be held in that city Monday evening.

Former Omahan Writing Trapshooting Page for New York Sporting Sheet

The New York Telegraph has added another page to its Sunday sport news, making trapshooting a feature, in charge of L. Tracy Lewis, a former Omaha club member.

University Freshmen Team to Play Local Stars

The freshman team of the University of Nebraska, composed of former Omaha Central High and Lincoln High stars, will play the Omaha National Bank five on the "V" floor Saturday night.

Horse Show Dates Fixed. New York, Feb. 22.—The National Horse Show association announced today that its 34th annual exhibition will be here at Madison Square Garden November 17 to 21.

Spiffy Sports

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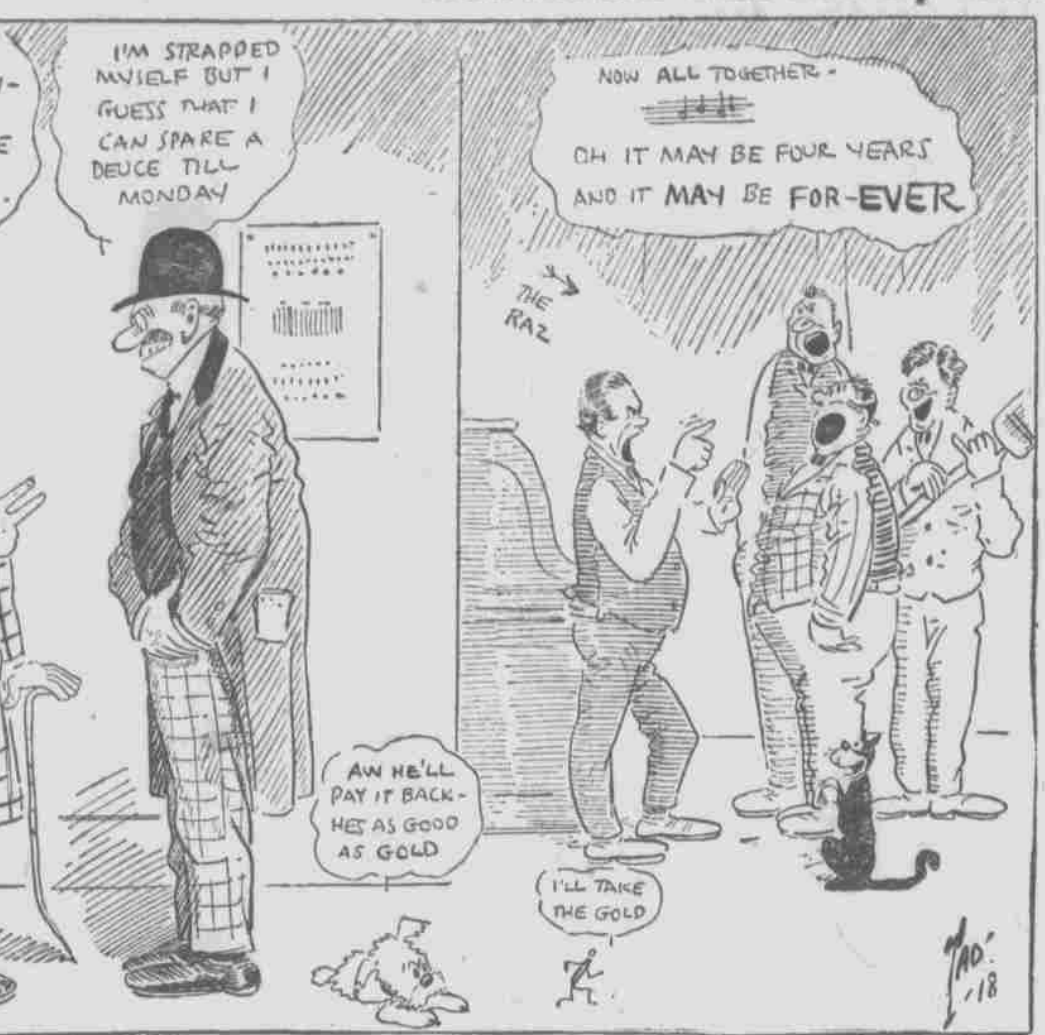
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Drawn for The Bee by Tad



Champion Billiard Player to Entertain at Omaha A. C.

Upper-World's champion billiardist, Willie Hoppe, executing a difficult shot.

Lower—Hoppe's \$50,000 left hand guiding his cue for a master strike.



Lincoln Five Beats Central in Fast Battle

Team from Capital Outclasses Local Quintet; Victory Practically Assures State Championship Title.

Lincoln, 26; Central High, 10. Playing a wonderful game and completely outclassing their opponents Lincoln High's basket ball team smothered Central High, 26 to 10, in a one sided game played on the Creighton floor last night.

Spapers, Lincoln's lanky right forward, was the star of the fray, shooting five field goals with ease and scoring on four out of six fouls.

The Lincolinites, towering above the locals, had things their own way during most of the game despite the fine team work exhibited by Coach Mulligan's men.

Central Weakens. The Purple and White flippers played a neat game, and during the first few minutes of play seemed easy victors, playing rings around their opponents.

When Spapers, for only the second time during the game, got a chance at the basket he registered the initial counters. Central's defense seemed to weaken, then, allowing several scores.

Konecky, Burnham and Clements made Central's only score during the first period within a few minutes. Hopes of the Central supporters fell when the Lincolinites initiated a drive on the basket concluding it when the half ended, 14 to 6, in their favor.

Second Half Slow. The second half was unexciting save for the few times when a score appeared possible. Lincoln kept the ball down on its end of the floor most of the period and made several pretty baskets from difficult angles.

Possibility of victory disappeared when Captain Art Logan sprained his knee. Despite the injury, he played until the final whistle blew.

The victory practically assures Lincoln the state title. Lineup and summaries: OMAHA. F.L.T.P. LINCOLN. F.L.T.P.

Burnham, 11; Spapers, 11; Clements, 11; Logan, 11; Konecky, 11; Swoboda, 11; Mansold, 11; Totals, 42 to 10.

Fouls—Lincoln: Spapers (3), Smith, Wyncoop (2), Omaha: Logan (2), Konecky, Swoboda.

Officials—Vernon Moore, referee; Gene Russom, scorer; Paddy, timekeeper. Time of halves—Twenty minutes.

Willie Hoppe, Present Champion, to Play Exhibition Match Game Against Former Champion, George Sutton. Both Master Cue Artists.

Arrangements have been made for Willie Hoppe to stop off in Omaha for a day during his tour of the country and play a match game with the former champion, George Sutton, on March 1. In fact, Hoppe and Sutton will play two games, one at 3 p. m. and the other at 8 p. m.

The games will be played at the New Omaha Athletic club. The O. A. C. harbors a number of billiard enthusiasts and it is expected that quite a number of them will be present to witness the exhibition.

The exhibition will be one between two masters of the art, Sutton having been one of the greatest players of the game ever known and who would probably be the champion if it wasn't for Hoppe. The latter is considered the greatest player of billiards in the world, and his manager, R. B. Benjamin, declares Willie is improving daily.

There is no athlete in the world that takes better care of himself than does Willie Hoppe. He trains only on the billiard tables with a course of calisthenics before going to bed to keep down any excess weight, goes to bed early and rises early, and then plays about eight hours of billiards every day.

Hoppe likes golf and base ball, but cannot indulge in either game, for he finds that handling a golf club or base ball bat is entirely different from handling a billiard cue and destroys the deliberate touch necessary to a successful billiard player.



Willard, to win, must be in old time condition

Carrying Excess Weight Will Mean Loss of Circus Owner's Drawing Power and Championship.

By KID GRAVES. The eyes of the entire sporting world are upon Tex Rickard, white he is hunting for a site for his new famous heavyweight championship battle, between Jess Willard, the champion, and Jack Dempsey, the challenger.

Jennie was a singer. Anyway, the president had nothing to say and didn't say it. When Bill has nothing to say—he always says it. He is an orator. An orator is a bird who talks all day Tuesday just because it's Tuesday.

On the other mitt, the democratic manner in which Woody hung over the rail on the third day out convinced us that if Willard ever stretches a knuckle octave on Dempsey's profile the world is going to look very horizontal to Jack for about ten seconds.

Clemenceau, Balfour, Lloyd George and the other outfielders on Woody's team were too busy winding up the political barbed wire to chirp much about the two-man war on the Weehawken ferry.

The Chink envoy to the convention hasn't anything to warble, either in Chinese or Weehawken. His papers were swiped while coming through Japan. He doesn't know who to suspect. A few years ago he would have been Doc Cook.

Balfour thinks that Willard will hang Dempsey over the hawyers like the week's wash. Don't know how Bally gets that way. You can't blame it on the hot sun in the winter time.

When surrounded in Holland, the kaiser was boring holes in his wooden shoes to let his corns out. Refused to hoot anything about the big scuffle unless he got a medal for it.

Prominent Bullshewists are knocked coo-coo by the Willard-Dempsey goaty. The fact that each man has an equal chance is what makes them goaty. They don't do things that way in Bullrussia.

Until the president decides what twig he is going to light on for the summer, dope on the big tussle is going to get all wet. The proxy is going to touch second in Washington and then gallop to third base in Europe.

Ring experts here figure that Woody won't sprain his chance of a third crack at free White House coal by not being present when Jess and Jack try to knock each other absent.

"Little Nap's" Power May Soon Rival Czar Ban

J. J. McGraw Has Only Self to Thank for His Continued Success in Base Ball Affairs.

By JACK VEIOCK. New York, Feb. 15.—John Joseph McGraw is getting to be a regular power in base ball.

After years of hard plugging, from the time he broke in with the Olean, N. Y., Independents until the present day, McGraw has never once let the fires of his ambition die down.

Today, as vice president and manager, as well as part owner, of the New York Giants, he is drawing down an annual stipend that flirts around \$40,000, and all the while he is laying lines to make himself more powerful and more successful in the National League.

South Omaha Basket Ball Team Defeated at Fremont

Fremont, Neb., Feb. 22.—(Special Telegram.)—The Fremont high school basket ball team continued its winning streak by defeating the South Omaha five here last night, 30 to 20.

Holke Traded to Braves. Boston, Feb. 22.—George W. Grant, owner of the Boston National League Base Ball club, announced tonight that he had obtained First Baseman Holke from the Cincinnati club, giving in exchange James Smith, a utility infielder, and a cash consideration.

Great Lakes Swimmers Win. Detroit, Feb. 22.—Great Lakes naval training station swimmers carried off the honors in the Central A. U. swimming championship meet here tonight, winning three of the four events for men, and one new association record went to a sailor entry.

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