RED MACK COMES WITH BASHANG READY TO PLAY

Team Guests of Bluffs Promoter See Burnham-Pesek Match; Late Arrivals Make Rourkes Look Good.

Two more Rourke players arrived yesterday morning and reported ready for spring practice. Outfielders Al Bashang and Red Mack landed early yesterday. Manager Jackson says they look to be in good physical condition. The rain prevented the boys using the field yesterday, but if it dries up any before 1 o'clock today, they will be out for the daily workout this afternoon. Last night the Omaha players were the guests of Promoter Al Fiori and the Bee sporting editor, and had a reserved section of their own at the ringside for the Burnham-Pesek wrestling match at the Council Bluffs auditorium.

The arrival of Bashang and Mack gives Jackson two outfielders, four pitchers, three infielders, including himself, and two catchers. Kranda looks like the goods at third base, Cable covers the keystone sack nicely and Jackson, as usual, will hold down the initial peg. A shortstop to shape up with the other infielders is all that's needed to complete a fine looking infield. Hale and Corderman can handle the backstopping nicely enough, and Hazen, former Murphy-Did-It player, may break into the outfield to complete a nine. Manske, Fuhr, Kopp and Robinson are likely looking box artists.

Fast in Practice.

If Corderman and Cable can hold the pace they set in practice on Tuesday, opposing base thieves will find it no easy matter to pilfer second sack, for Cable acts like it is his delight to stick the ball on a sliding runner, and he's not afraid of the shoe prongs, either. Corderman throws them down just high enough to allow Cable to slap them on their necks. Manager Jackson has warned all the players to be careful about throwing too hard this early in the game, but Corderman whips them down in mid-season style and still says he isn't throwing hard. If he throws harder and faster after the weather warms up, there isn't a chance in the world of base runners getting away with steals on him.

Amended Boxing Bill Is Defeated by State Senate

(By a Staff Correspondent.)

Lincoln, Neb., April 9.—The boxing bill, which has had many vicissitudes since its introduction in the house, and which had been so amended that its own parent repudiated it, was defeated in the senate this afternoon.

The bill has been considered in the light of a stepchild and was subject to all kinds of abuse since it first saw the light of day. It was so amended that it provided that boxing could be legally done in the state provided the conditions that surrounded the bouts were ladylike in the extreme.

Willie Ritchie Goes Into Training For His Scrap With Leonard

(By Universal Service.)

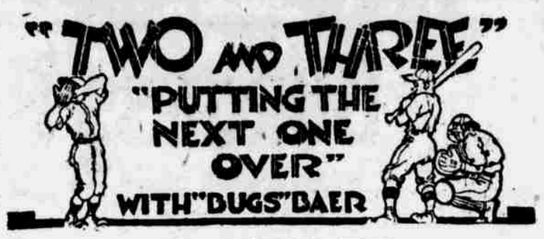
New York, April 9.—Willie Ritchie went into training yesterday for his scheduled return bout with Benny Leonard in Newark on April 28, 1919.

Ritchie has posted a forfeit of $1,000 to guarantee that he will make 142 lbs. ringside "I'm married now," he said, "and I can't afford to let a thousand slip through my fingers because of a few extra pounds. That's why I decided to start training at once."

Ritchie expects no trouble in making the weight. He said he scaled about 140 pounds when he met Leonard in San Francisco, although Billy Gibson had claimed he weighed 148 pounds.

Baltimore Federals' Case in Hands of Jury Tomorrow

Washington, April 9.—Justice Stafford, in the District of Columbia supreme court, today overruled motions for directed verdicts filed respectively by plaintiffs and defendants in the $900,000 damage suit of the Baltimore Federal league club against the American and National leagues. The case is expected to go to jury Friday.



GOLFERS LOOSE AGAIN.

WHEN you hear the golfers twittering on the lower bough of a spreading Morris chair you know that spring is here with both flatfeet. If the man with the hoe is brother to the ox, the gent with the cleek is brother to the bull.

We don't know what there is about suburban billiards that makes a citizen forget what made George Washington famous. But, at that, George hung up his record before they invented Scottish croquet and income taxes. It's dollars against buttons that George couldn't do it now. And the dollars would be as safe as a Home Guard.

The average young democrat, who couldn't spank a grapefruit with a bass fiddle, will perch a gutta percha pimple on a stylish little heap of ashes and then gum the afternoon swinging at it like a fanning soup with his hat. There's more than one way to spoil a summer. He hires a boy to follow him with an umbrella rack full of golf crutches.

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Practice Makes Perfect.

Every time he tries to swat the little rubber pimple and misses he squawks for another crutch. Most players are very particular about what kind of club they miss with. F'r instance, a foozle with a mashie is poor form when the rules call for a miscue with a putter. In golluf, when you do anything wrong you must do it wrong right. The first few million swings tire a cuckoo out, but after a while he gets so that he misses the pockmarked pill much easier.

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Rural Tiddlywinks.

The idea of the game is something like tiddlywinks, but on a worse scale. Any field where there are 18 field mouse nests is an ideal golf sanitarium. You try to pop the ball into one of the nests. It all seems silly, but we must give credit where credit is postage due. There is more to golf than you would think by looking at most of the players.

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Administration may be wise in not bringing the troops home before next election day.

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If you don't believe in spooks and things, what do you make of the phantom of the Fed league suing for 900,000 smackers?

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Pitchers have two kinds of control. Good and government.

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Yale's football trainer gets a varsity "Y." Up to Vassar they stake the college hair curler to a "V."

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Imagine some of those geeks flying across the ocean would long for a nice safe church steeple to light on.

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Bullshevik navy is out of commission. Some beezark swiped the oars.

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Looks like those Paris diplomats are waiting for a few more wars, so that they can sign all the peace treaties at once.

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The president almost got the "flu" in Paris. You could do that right here in Washington.

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The sad part about it is that the shoeless cannibals in Africa don't know how much they are saving. A pair of bunion cases that nicked you four berries in 1915 now cost 14 smackers. Manufacturers are using the best linoleum leather, too. For one dozen iron men you can buy a pair of fine oilcloth shoes that won't even last long enough to give you a corn.

The old-time shoes were good for at least 11 corns.

CHARLEY PESEK DOWNS BURNHAM AT BLUFFS SHOW

Barney Injures Side and Is Unable to Continue Match After First Fall and Concedes the Victory.

The inclement weather kept the wrestling fans at home last night and only about 250 or 300 fans saw Charley Pesek win his match from Barney Burnham of Council Bluffs after one fall, Burnham conceding the second fall and match on account of an injured side. Pesek clamped a body scissors on Barney and with the aid of a half-Nelson pinned his shoulders in one hour, 14 minutes and 4 seconds. Ernie Holmes of Omaha was the referee.

Featherweight champion, Vernon Breedlove, was billed to referee the match, but the Pesek followers heard that Vern had been working with the Bluffs wrestler and insisted upon another referee. Holmes agreed to take the job and he made a good third man. Young Holzhauser of Council Bluffs beat Kid Sage of Omaha, winning two falls while Sage won one fall. Ray Wood was unable to go on with Young Gotch in the semi-windup, on account of an injured knee, and Young Richmond of Nebraska City was substituted. Gotch pinned him with a body scissors and half nelson in 17 minutes and 33 seconds.

It was announced that Vernon Breedlove and Walter Smith of Grand Island would meet in the Bluffs auditorium on April 22 in a finish match for the featherweight title with Denny Ryan as referee. Ten members of the Omaha Western League ball club were present as guests of the Omaha Bee and Promoter Fiori and cheered for Burnham to win, unavailingly.

President of Former State League Wants Re-Organized Circuit

Fremont, Neb., April 9.—(Special.)—C. J. Miles, president of the Nebraska league when that organization became extinct in 1914, has written to Fred Wheeler, former president of the Fremont State league team, asking about sentiment in Fremont for a resurrection of the league. Mr. Miles says six of the eight towns that formerly comprised the league have signified a willingness to get back in the game. Lincoln is looking for a berth, now that it has lost out in the Western league, Mr. Miles says. Local fans have the matter under consideration, but it is unlikely that any action looking toward the organization of a league team will be taken here this season.

Delegation to Vienna.

Paris April 9.—Dispatches from Vienna today announce the arrival there of a German delegation which has opened negotiations for the incorporation of Austria in Germany.

ATHLETIC GAMES TO BE PLAYED IN AUDITORIUM

Community Centers to Hold Sportive Contest Tonight Under Auspices of Recreation Board.

Atheltic prowess of Omaha's women's and men's gymnasium classes will be exhibited at the third annual community center athletic carnival to be held in the Municipal auditorium tonight. Features of the event will be the married women's championship relay race and folk dances and games by gymnasium classes. The carnival will be under the auspices of the Board of Recreation, J. J. Isaacson, superintendent. Bronze medals will be distributed to the winners of the various events. Wand drills, relays, novelty races and quarter-mile runs will be staged by men and boys as well as by girl members of the community classes. The events are to begin at 8 o'clock sharp. The Omaha Musicians' association will furnish music.

Oklahoma Boxer Gains Decision in Peoria Bout

Peoria, April 9.—Early Puryear of Tulsa, Okl., gained a popular decision over Jack Wolfe of Cleveland in a 10-round bout here in which he showed a great exhibition of scientific boxing and was the aggressor most of the time. There was not a knockdown.

Eddie Behan Finds New Heavyweight Title Contender in Wright

By Universal Service.

New York, April 9.—Eddie Behan, former sparring partner of Bob Fitzsimmons and now in service as a Knights of Columbus secretary with the American expeditionary force, has discovered a new fistic prodigy. His find, he thinks, may be the logical contender for the heavyweight title against either Jess Willard or Jack Dempsey.

Behan's information regarding the new ring marvel, as communicated to Knights of Columbus headquarters here, is rather meager. "His name is Wright," he says. "He weighs 205 pounds, trained down to fighting condition, and he hails from the far west."

Behan says Wright has shown tip-top form in bouts with army heavyweights.

Physical Culturist Wants to Match Marin Plestina Against Zib

New York, April 9.—(Special Telegram.)—Bernard F. McFadden of New York has challenged the world, in behalf of Marin Plestina, against an heavyweight wrestler, preferably Zbyzsko, Lewis or Stecher for any sum up to $25,000. McFadden is convinced of the correctness of Farmer Burns' contention that Plestina is the greatest wrestler in the world. He will hold a tournament in Madison Square Garden, May 2, to determine the rightful ownership to the title of heavyweight champion. If challenge is not accepted by above dname date. No one is barred from the tournament.

Britton and Downey Box to 12-Round Draw at Canton

Canton, O., April 9.—Jack Britton of New York, welterweight champion of America, and Bryan Downey, of Columbus, O., boxed a 12 round draw here last night according to newspaper critics. In the 11th round Downey floored Britton for a count of nine.

Exhibition Base Ball.

Columbia, S. C., April 9.—Score:

	R.	H.	E.
Boston Americans	2	8	2
New York Nationals	7	9	2

Batteries—Caldwell, Quinn and Walters, Mayfield, Winters, Jones and McCarty.

Philadelphia, April 9.—Score:

	R.	H.	E.
Baltimore Internationals	6	5	2
Philadelphia Americans	8	10	3

Batteries—Frank, McClellan and Carroll; Perry, Kinney and Perkins, McAvoy.

Houston, Tex., April 9.—Score:

	R.	H.	E.
Chicago Americans	6	12	2
Houston (Texas league)	5	12	4

Batteries—Cicotte and Schalk; Duffy and Noche, Myatt.

Historical Society Is Organized at Kearney

Minden, Neb., April 9.—(Special to The Bee.)—A meeting was held Tuesday evening to organize a historical society in Kearney county.

In this society the idea will be to perpetuate places of historic interest in the county, and to obtain matter in the way of relics of pioneer days, papers, etc., which may be gathered and placed in safe keeping.

Count Commits Suicide.

London, April 9.—Count Festetics, formerly Hungarian minister of war in the cabinet of Count Michael Karolyi, has committed suicide, according to a German government wireless message.