Branch Rickey's Cardinals Look Good to Scribe

Missourians Are Well Balanced Outfit; All Set for 1922 Debut.

By IRVING VAUGHAN.
Omaha Bee Leased Wire.

Orange, Tex., March 17.—Rookies in the camp of the St. Louis Cardinals are wondering why it was necessary to bring them south. Apparently, with the possible exception of pitchers, they have no chance to bust in simply because Manager Branch Rickey intends to stand pat with his 1921 machine and he is so well satisfied with it that he is not willing to concede the Giants are going to run off with the pennant.

As for hurlers he has great possibilities. Whether or not these fellows hit a winning stride remains to be seen, but if they do, the Cardinals should scoot away from the field.

The Cardinals have a remarkable store of power in their outfield. Rickey owns about seven fly chasers who can wallop in excess of .300. Most of these capable gents will find work during the season because the manager intends to continue his scheme of switching left and right-hand batters in accordance with the style of pitching offered by the enemy. This is rapidly becoming a fad in big league circles but only a few clubs are in a position to adopt it.

Sure of Position.

The one outfielder who is sure to play regularly is McHenry, a right-handed hitter. He will hold down left field. The center garden probably will be shared by the veteran Leslie Mann and Clarence Mueller. The latter bats from the left side of the plate. He is a mere kid, picked up by Rickey in St. Louis. He gives evidence of becoming a real star. Jimmy Smith, left-handed swatter, and Del Gainor, the one-time Tiger will take care of right. In addition to these Rickey has Schultz and Heathcote.

Jack Fournier, the hard-hitting Frenchman, is destined to first base for another year. Gainor can sub for Jack, if necessary. Second, of course, will be looked after by the famous Roger Hornsby, Johnny Lavan will be at short and Milton Stock at third. This is the same inner defense used last season and in view of these men having contributed to the remarkable drive of the Cardinals during the latter half of the race one must admit they are the goods.

Some of the Cards have an idea that their pitching strength will not decide the race, but that everything depends upon the catching, or to be more exact, on Eddie Ainsmith. The lad who caught Walter Johnson for many years is looked upon as a real find and if he takes care of himself he is going to do most of the catching. When in condition he is a valuable man. If Ainsmith does not attend to business, the team still has Vernon Clemons, who himself is no lubber brain back of the plate.

Experienced Hurlers.

The team has 10 experienced hurlers, but a couple may not be retained. Doak, Haines and Pfeffer will do the heavy work unless the unexpected happens. Pfeffer has been doing a lot of heavy toil down here and is confident he will prove stronger than when he was with Brooklyn. Doak also thinks he will be better than last season and that means he will win a lot of games.

In addition to the above three, the team possesses Bailey and Sherdell, left handers, and Pertica Walker, North, Goodwin and Riviere. This list does not include a couple of new men who look promising. Bailey came back to the majors after a 10-year absence and has an excellent chance to stick. Up to now Sherdell could not do much except against the Pirates, but Rickey believes he is about due to become a regular. Goodwin has returned after a year at Houston and he thinks he is a greatly improved artist. He hurls a spitter.

Women's Indoor Tennis Tourney Starts Monday

Boston, March 17.—The draw for the national women's indoor tennis championship tournament, to begin on the covered courts of the Longwood Cricket club next Monday, was held today. It will be the first in a title event since the "seeded" draw was authorized. Only four of the 38 entries were arbitrarily placed—Mrs. Molla Bjurstedt Mallory of New York; Mrs. Marion Zinderstein Jessup of Wilmington, Del., and Miss Leslie Bancroft and Miss Edith Sigourney of this city.

Announce Davis Cup Tennis Drawings

New York, March 17.—The draw for the 1922 Davis cup matches for the world's tennis team championship, made at the office of the United States Lawn Tennis association here today, follows:

First round, lower half: Spain against France; Belgium against Australia; Hawaii against Czecho-Slovakia.

First round, lower half: Spain against Philippines; Rumania against India; Italy against Japan.

Second round, upper half: (By E) Denmark.

Second round, lower half: (By E) British Isles.

Basket-Ball Facts You Should Know

By Ed Sharp

Q. A player with ball, holding one foot on floor, steps around in circle with the other foot. Is this a foul?—C. E. W.

A. Yes, if he takes more than one step while turning around.

Q. In amateur rules, can a team be charged with time out for substitution?—E. R.

A. Yes, if it consumes more than 30 seconds accept for injury.

Q. On time out, ball is out of bounds. When play resumes, does it go back to center?—J. A. L.

A. It is put in play as out of bounds. In amateur rules. In professional rules, it goes back to center.

Q. If player out of bounds with ball steps into court with one foot before throwing ball in, what is penalty?—H. A. S.

A. Ball goes out of bounds to player on opposite team.

Q. Is a team allowed two free throws when a player is fouled while shooting for basket if the player is 28 feet away from basket when shooting?—A. G.

A. In amateur rules, two free throws are allowed if player was fouled while in the act of throwing for basket.

Will Sub for Babe Ruth

Elmer Miller, the New York Yankees' fast outfielder, will take the place of Babe Ruth in right field until the famous slugger gets into the lineup. Last year, his first with the Yanks, Miller batted .296 and had a fielding average of .940.

Snedecor, Wilder and Gislason Join Buffalo Herd at Victoria

Victoria, Tex., March 17.—(Special.)—Ten day's of training has brought the Omaha Buffaloes out wonderfully. Aided by the southland's salubrious climate and abetted by scorching sun every day, the athletes have been put through two stiff sessions of practice each day. The players are rapidly rounding into shape, and Manager Barney Burch is more than pleased with everything in general, according to his own statements.

Pete Snedecor, first baseman; Wilder, catcher, and Garrie Gislasson, second baseman, joined the squad during the last week, and in their first few days out looked mighty good. Okrie has joined the squad, and Lee, Kopp and Peterson are the only ones who are missing.

In the various encounters with the regulars, the yannigans have been able to hold their own pretty well. Every meeting of these two teams is hard fought and productive of good baseball.

On Injured List.

Treon had the misfortune to sprain his ankle in a practice game and has been hobbling about on his crutches. Newkirk has a blister on his foot and cannot don a spiked shoe while Walters sustained an injured foot when some one stepped on it during the San Antonio-Omaha series. These injuries are healing rapidly, however. Buff, the recruit catcher, had a split finger, but has been catching every day. "Snipe" Boddy, "Mutt" Wilson, Treon, Wiginton, Jelsma, Coffindoffer, Drugmand, Smith, Newkirk and Burch, have started cutting loose as their pitching arms are becoming thoroughly loosened up. All of them are showing a world of stuff and Manager Burch admits that it is going to be a hard proposition for him to weed out the hurlers.

To Play Houston.

This afternoon the Buffaloes will play the Victoria baseball team and Saturday Manager Burch will divide his squad and go to Houston for a two-game series with the Houston (Texas league) Buffaloes. Sunday afternoon the yannigans will play the Victoria baseball club at Rio Vista park in this city. The Victoria club is conceded to be the fastests amateur baseball team in this section of the state.

Kline and Stephens Win in State Tourney

Roy Kline defeated Paul Winters in the afternoon game of the state three-cushion tournament at the Academy billiard parlors yesterday. The score was 35 to 34 in 103 innings.

In the evening Ralph Stephens beat "Bob" Williams, 35 to 19 in 61 innings. Stephens scored his victory in 40 minutes' of playing.

Roller and Winters play this afternoon and Stephens and Usher tonight.

Los Angeles Sportsman Member Olympic Committee

Geneva, March 17.—William May Garland of Los Angeles has been elected an American member of the international Olympic games committee. This announcement was made today by Baron de Coubertin, president of the committee. The election of Garland fills the vacancy caused by the resignation of Allison Armour of Chicago some months ago.

Jim Flynn Scores K. O.

Fort Worth, Tex., March 17.—Jim Flynn, Pueblo fireman, knocked out Ben Sheff of Kansas City in a round and a half here last night. A small crowd witnessed the bout. At first it was proposed to call it off, but Flynn then agreed to fight, despite the meager gate receipts and quickly ended the battle with two heavy wallops to the chin.

A. B. C. Standings

Toledo, March 17.—Bowling standings in A. B. C. tournament today:

FIVE MAN.

Koors, Dayton	2916
Mineralite, Chicago	2904
Hamilton Club Reds, Chicago	2902
Smith's Arcade, No. 1, Cleveland	2902
Ed Tancel, Chicago	2891
Livestock Press, Chicago	2891

TWO-MAN.

C. Degen-F. Degen, Buffalo	1297
G. Biddell-L. Lucke, New York	1272
F. Ochs-F. Spreitzer, Joliet	1269
E. Hartman-W. Fawcett, Detroit	1248
J. Blouin-P. Wolf, Chicago	1248

INDIVIDUAL.

W. Lundgren, Chicago	729
J. Sublowsky, Chicago	691
S. Thoma, Chicago	682
T. Drewhagen, Detroit	676
G. Nienaber, Cincinnati	672

ALL EVENTS.

W. Fawcett, Detroit	1875
A. Bamberg, Detroit	1872
Frank Degen, Buffalo	1851
J. Ostwunder, Cleveland	1851
L. Lucke, New York	1851
M. Freitag, Chicago	1847

Athletic Club Wins Cage Title

Final Standings.

	Won	Lost	Pct
O. A. C.	8	3	.667
Beddeo	5	4	.556
Hughes-Parmer	5	4	.556
K. of C.	2	7	.222

By virtue of its 24 to 11 victory over the Hughes-Parmer team Thursday night at the O. A. C., the Omaha Athletic club won the championship of Greater Omaha league. The game proved to be a rough and tumble affair, many personal fouls being called.

At the half way mark the club men were leading, 15 to 5. Spear and Maxwell starred for the winners, while Mellor and Supernois played best for the losers.

The Beddeo team, by beating the K. of C.'s, 25 to 17, went into a tie with Hughes-Parmer for second place. The entire Beddeo team played well while Slane and Eibner starred for the K. of C.

The lineups:

O. A. C.

	G.	F.G.	P.F.	T.F.	T.P.
Spear	2	0	2	0	4
Patty	2	4	0	0	8
Maxwell	2	0	3	0	6
Paynter	1	0	1	0	2
Bailey	2	0	0	0	4
Total	10	4	6	0	24

Hughes-Parmer.

	G.	F.G.	P.F.	T.F.	T.P.
Mellor	3	0	1	1	6
Supernois	1	0	1	0	2
Larson	1	0	0	0	2
Christenson	0	0	1	0	0
Barret	0	0	0	2	0
Haynes	0	1	0	0	1
Total	5	1	3	3	11

Beddeo.

	G.	F.G.	P.F.	T.F.	T.P.
McFarland	0	0	3	1	0
Pressly	6	1	1	0	13
Phelps	3	0	2	0	6
Adams	1	0	1	0	2
Lane	2	0	0	2	4
Clements	0	0	0	0	0
Parish	0	0	0	0	0
Total	12	1	7	3	25

K. of C.

	G.	F.G.	P.F.	T.F.	T.P.
Camero	1	0	0	0	2
Perdergast	0	0	0	0	0
Eibner	2	7	0	0	11
Wickham	0	0	0	0	0
Slane	2	0	1	0	4
Haley	0	0	0	0	0
Total	5	7	1	0	17

High School Girls' Ball League Formed

Philadelphia, March 17.—A baseball league is being organized among the high school girls of this city. In announcing the plans for the organization, Miss Janet B. Walker, supervisor of athletic activities of the high school girls, today said that a regular scchedule of interschool games would be arranged. She predicted that in the near future hockey and basket ball leagues also would be formed at the girls' high schools.

Sprint Races Planned

Los Angeles, March 17.—Plans for a series of automobile sprint races on the Los Angeles speedway at Beverly Hills, Sunday, April 2, were announced here today.

There will be four races of 25 miles each and a final event of 50 miles. Points in the national championship contest will be awarded. Eleven racers have signified their intention to enter.

Wladek Zbyszko Wins.

Springfield, Mass., March 17.—Wladek Zbyszko, Polish wrestler, defeated Laurente Guerstmans, champion of Belgium, two falls in three here last night. Guerstmans won the first with a headlock in 44 minutes 30 seconds. The second went to Zbyszko in 32 minutes, 15 seconds, with a Cornish back-heel. A double arm lock after 18 minutes gave him the third fall.

Former Giant to Coach.

Haverford, Pa., March 16.—Harry McCormick, former New York Giant player, scout and coach, today signed a contract to coach the Haverford college baseball team.

Today in Ring History

Twenty-Four Years Ago.
Kid McCoy knocked out Bert Bowlby, Springfield, O., one round.

Twenty Years Ago.
Pedlar Palmer lost to Harry Harris, London, 15 rounds.

Eighteen Years Ago.
Philadelphia Jack O'Brien won from Hugo Kelly, Chicago, six rounds.

Nine Years Ago.
Wildcat Ferns (Clarence McCubbins) and Jimmy Perry, draw, Atlanta, Ga., 10 rounds.
Danny Goodman knocked out Chuck Larson, Terre Haute, Ind., three rounds.

Seven Years Ago.
Battling Nelson knocked out Young Donnelly, Havana, Cuba, three rounds.

Four Years Ago.
Harry Greb against Willie Langford, no decision, Buffalo, N. Y., six rounds.

Eight Trophy Cups in Annual State Basket Ball Tourney Won by From One to Three Points, Records Show

Lincoln, Neb., March 17.—The championship trophy in eight of the 15 divisions making up the annual Nebraska Interscholastic Basket Ball tournament held here last week, were won by from one to three points, while 11 of the semi-final contests were won within the same ratio of points, according to a review of the scores made during the tournament. More than a score of other games after the second round were won by margins of from four to six points. Fifty-six contests in all divisions were won within the same figures.

The highest score registered during the three days' play was set up by Goehner, running up 46 points against Dawson in a class N game in the second round. Alma, a class H team with 39 points, scored second highest, followed by Waverly, class G, 36; Mead, class K, 35, and Nelson, class G, and Trumbull, class K, 34 each. The remaining scores in all divisions were 30 or below.

The lowest score of the tournament was fixed in the final game between Clarkson and Chester for the class F championship. Clarkson nosed Chester out of the cup by a bare point, 4 to 3.

Tournament officials see in these results one of the best classifications of teams that has been made in the history of the affairs. The closeness of results in practically all games also is pointed out as indicative of the high caliber of opposing teams and the competitive playing standards that have been developed by quintets having wide margins of territory from which material can be drawn, as well as differences in training equipment. Several of the teams that returned to their home towns were composed of all the eligible male basketeers in its vicinity.

South Omaha scored the highest number of points in class A, registering 29 points against Beatrice. Grand Island, with 27, was second, and the others all were below 20.

Carpentier Declared a "Very Sick Man"

Paris, March 17.—(By A. P.)—Georges Carpentier, the world's light heavyweight champion pugilist, may never fight again. This was the opinion expressed by medical men in close touch with Carpentier as he left yesterday for La Guerche, his country home, where he purposes to recuperate for a few weeks and then go into training for a bout with Ted "Kid" Lewis in May.

"The boy does not realize the shape he is in," said one doctor who examined him. "His great courage and utmost confidence in himself are responsible for his plucky attitude, but he is a very sick man."

The actual weight of Carpentier after the recent operation he underwent was given as 160 pounds, but close friends say he was below 150 pounds.

Vancouver, B. C., March 17.—Tom King, Australian middleweight, fought 10 rounds to a draw with Al Winters of Seattle here last night.

Lewis Throws Foreigner Without His Headlock

Nashville, Tenn., March 17.—Ed (Strangler) Lewis demonstrated that he could defend his title as heavyweight champion wrestler without using the dreaded headlock in his victory here last night over Joe Petroff, Bulgarian heavyweight, whom he agreed to grapple with this hold barred.

By using the double crossbar the champion pinned his opponent for the first fall in 1 hour 33 minutes. The second fall was secured with a hammerlock in 13 minutes.

Farrel Wins at DeLuxe.

"Scotty" Farrell, claimant of the Iowa state pocket billiard championship, continued his superior playing at the De Luxe parlors yesterday when he defeated Jake Schleisman and O. D. Olsen by the scores of 100 to 24 and 100 to 31, respectively.

Morrie Lux Some Cook, Says "Bob" Evans---Washes Dishes, Too

If Morrie Lux ever loses out as a boxer, there is one vocation he can always turn to, according to his manager, Bobby Evans.

Morrie is about the best cook in these parts, avows Evans, and the latter should know, for the manager of the crack Kansas City welterweight has been eating Morrie's cooking for a week now and is gaining weight.

When Lux moved here from Kansas City about three weeks ago, he rented an apartment and Evans joined him shortly afterwards. Not only does Morrie do the cooking, but he also washes and wipes the dishes and looks after the rest of the housework.

Lux, who meets Battling Ortega of Portland, Ore., in the main bout of an all-star boxing card at the Auditorium next Tuesday, is one of the niftiest boxers to ever grace an Omaha ring, according to fans who have been watching him work out at the Orpheum gymnasium. Much of Lux's prowess was gained from the greatest of all lightweights, Benny Leonard, who took Lux under his wing for six months in New York and taught the Kansas Cityan many of the tricks which have made Leonard invincible. Leonard declares Lux is a finished boxer.

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