

NORMAL TRACK TEAM NOT IN FAVOR OF MEETLESS DAYS

ONALASKA TRIMMED BY HOLMEN RIVALS IN TOSSING GAME

Pandemonium Reigns While Stars From Rival Schools Shoot Baskets for 15-14 Score
 ONALASKA, Wis., Feb. 9.—Holmen got Onalaska's goat on Friday night. The basketball team which has won every previous game this year, and which even won from La Crosse by a good safe margin, lost to their ancient rivals by one point. The score was 14 to 15. At the end of the first half it was 10 to 5 in Onalaska's favor.

This was the second game the two teams have played this year, and was staged on the Holmen floor. The first game, at Onalaska, was won by Onalaska, 18 to 23. The visitors Friday night took a grain of comfort in the defeat of the Holmen second team in a preliminary game, score 16 to 20.

The "big" game was simply a rough and tumble from start to finish; and while Onalaska had absolutely no fault to find with Holmen or the treatment that was given them, they feel that the match was not a fair test of the relative strength of the two teams. The score was too close to be satisfying. Holmen started the game with rather bad luck, shooting baskets, but redeemed themselves in the second half, while Onalaska took a sudden slump in the second half and missed scores of throws for the ring.

Feeling run high, and most of the time pandemonium reigned in the crowded hall. Nearly a hundred Onalaska supporters, including several sleigh loads and a number of automobiles, were present, which added to an equal number or more of Holmen people, kept the cheers ringing continually. The preliminary game between the second teams was intensely interesting at times, also, the score being tied for a while by the alternate shooting of a basket by the two teams.

Following the games, which were held in Progressive hall, the visitors were entertained at an informal dance.

Viroqua has sent a challenge to Onalaska to play them March 1 at either Viroqua or this city. Coach Apelin has announced that he will be glad to accept the challenge. The game will probably be played here.

The lineup and score of Friday night's games are as follows:
 Onalaska—20. Holmen—16.
 Klandrud, RF, Anderson, B. Anderson, LG, Wahl Peterson, C, Semb Foss, RG, Garlin Riabe, LF, Tolsted.

Goals: Klandrud, 2; Anderson (Holmen), 3; Tolsted, 3; Semb, 1; Riabe, 5. Free throws: Tolsted, 2.
 Onalaska—15. Holmen—15.
 Ronger, LF, M. Tolsted Davidson, RF, H. Tolsted Thompson, C, Mulder Bousack, LG, Wahl Evenson, H, H. RG, McHugh Goals: Ronger, 3; H. Tolsted, 3; M. Tolsted, 1; Thompson, 4; McHugh, 3. Free throws: M. Tolsted, 1.

BIG PLAN PROPOSED TO MAKE FOX RIVER YIELD MUCH POWER

APPLETON, Wis., Feb. 9.—A saving of 20,100 tons of coal, costing \$100,000 will, it is said, be made each year providing the plans worked out by Major Tomkins of the U. S. engineers' office at Milwaukee, to make the Fox river one of the most dependable power producing agencies of the United States, is approved by congress.

It is expected that definite and favorable action on the proposed plan will be taken at a meeting of the Fox River Valley Water Power Users' association in this city next Thursday.

LET 'EM BURN

NEENAH, Wis., Feb. 9.—Responding to fire alarms coming from points outside the town limits "is an act of charity," according to a decision arrived at by the council and they have also decided that charity should begin at home. Hereafter no attention will be paid to outside calls.

PLUNGING IN ICY WATERS KEEPS WORLD'S SWIMMING CHAMP IN TRIM



Charles Durburrow taking his dip amid the ice floes of the Delaware.

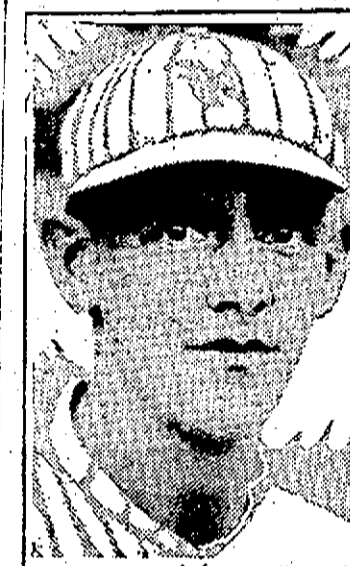
The man seems to be out of his mind, but he's not. That's just his way of keeping in good trim for his swimming matches. Charles Durburrow is the world's long distance swimming champion and he is in a bathing suit most all the year round. Taking a plunge in the Delaware river whatever the weather is a part of Durburrow's daily schedule. When the ice is thick he makes a hole and dips in somehow. He lives at Riverport, N. J.

Giants See Worth of Wilhoit After Two Clubs Pass Him Up

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—(Special.)—Joe Wilhoit, who recently turned in his signed contract for the approaching season, has made a hit with John McGraw after falling to find appreciation with two other National league clubs. Wilhoit was lunched by the Boston Braves after he had been unable to get along well with Stallings and Evers and when the Braves asked walters on him he was grabbed by Pittsburgh. Bezdek looked him over more or less hastily and decided that he had no use for him. When the Pirates asked walters on him the Giants grabbed him.

Wilhoit joined the Giants at a time when Dave Robertson was alluring and when Dave's batting took a slump he was given a rest on the bench and Wilhoit took his place in the line-up. In his first game against the Pirates Wilhoit played against the Pirates and slammed their pitchers all over the lot. He showed enough speed in the field to earn McGraw's approval and it is commonly wondered hereabouts why Bezdek or Stallings let an clever a youngster as he get away from them.

Wilhoit, though not a demon with the bat, is a very fair hitter, specializing in timely swats, and he will be a life-saver to the Giants this season. It is more than likely that both Dave Robertson and Bennie Kauff



Joe Wilhoit.

will be taken in the draft and as Joe has a wholly dependent family he will not have to march away. He noticed the Giants in the middle of last season.

BOSS OF THE CUBS IS READY TO SELL BUT NOT TO BUY

CHICAGO, Feb. 9.—Charles Weegman, president of the Cubs, will be at the National league meeting in New York Tuesday ready to listen to any offers, but not to make any, he said tonight.

Weegman figures he is the only owner with an over-supply of moundmen and the other moguls needing pitchers may be willing to advance an in or an out fielder as bait.

SOMEBODY SLIPPED IT OVER

MARINETTE, Wis., Feb. 9.—The loss of the Marinette Trading Stamp association through the cashing of more than 700 coupon books more than once it now appears, will be more than \$2,000.

The auditing committee which has been working on the books of the company has not been able to solve the problem. It appears from the examination that the association has already paid out money for 141 more coupon books than the records account for. Members of the association, it is said, still hold about 500 books which have not yet been cashed for which money should be in the treasury.

NED EGAN'S PLAYERS TO INCLUDE SEVERAL FROM FORD CIRCUIT

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Feb. 9.—Pete Brausen looks so good to President Timme of the Brewers that he is going to pass up Zinn Beck whom Miller Higgins of the Yanks is willing to loan. Brausen will hold the third sack. John Donahue, second sacker; Charles Reinhart, outfielder from Waterloo, Iowa, and Glen Cameron, first baseman from Marshalltown are also to work with the Brewers. It is announced.

PHILIPP ASKS SCHOOL WAIT

APPLETON, Wis., Feb. 9.—Deeming it to be the best interests of the people in general to defer public building until after the war. Gov. Philipp has sent a message here asking the city commission to put off the construction of the new \$75,000 industrial school, now contemplated. The commission has turned the matter over to the school board for consideration.

APPLETON LACKS SUGAR

APPLETON, Wis., Feb. 9.—The sugar supply in Appleton is nearly exhausted and as a result Food Administrator C. A. Pardee has issued an appeal to State Food Administrator Swenson at Madison for relief. The use of sugar has been greatly curtailed here the past few months.

DUCKS COME NORTH

RHINELANDER, Wis., Feb. 9.—A flock of 15 ducks passed over Newbold recently. They are the first of the season to be seen. Ducks usually stay away from northern Wisconsin until the latter part of March and their early arrival is considered an excellent sign of an early spring.

SCOUTS SELL MANY STAMPS

ESCANABA, Wis., Feb. 9.—Boy scouts of Escanaba recently sold more than \$600 worth of savings stamps in one day, according to reports to County Chairman A. O'Malia.

BRAND NEW SPORT

IS FINGER PULLING DAKOTAN IN A DEFI

SIoux FALLS, S. D., Feb. 9.—Charles Zaubert tonight challenged the world to a game of finger pulling. It's a great indoor sport here and it is highly scientific, he says. The game consists of clapping the middle fingers of either hands. The loser is the one whose finger straightens out first.

GROVER ALEXANDER WILL NOT HAVE TO GO TO ARMY CAMP

Secretary of Exemption Board Announces Star Pitcher is Not in First Call
 OMAHA, Neb., Feb. 9.—Grover Cleveland Alexander will not be called in the next draft, was the definite information given out tonight by the secretary of the exemption board at St. Paul, Nebraska, Alexander's home town.

Howard county, in which St. Paul is located, will not be called on to furnish a quota for the next draft, having already supplied its share by voluntary enlistment, according to the secretary.

Alexander has not filed further claim for exemption and his name still appears in Class I-A, the secretary said.

Quips and Whips

"One might have expected atrocities from the Germans. They perpetrated them many years before this war began. Several of the best known German atrocities are:

Sauerkraut.
 Limburger cheese.
 A certain brand of sausage.

Suggestion to paragraphs after reading Hindenburg's statement that he would be in Paris by April 1: Why not say something about an April fool's joke?

Every day is meetless day with some husbands so far as their wives are concerned.

But Brother Willie cannot understand why they don't have a soapless, washless day at least once a week.

There is a certain club in La Crosse where it is getting to be well nigh impossible to play the sixth hand at Kelly pool unless one uses a cue.

"Germany and Austria Clash Over Poland," says headline. For all the world like a couple of crooks fighting over the dirty!

Heard During the Week
 Voice on the Phone—Is Mr. Roosevelt dead?
 Busy Reporter—Only politically.

Speaking of Col. Roosevelt we orb that he has announced he will bar himself from "public functions, interviews, speeches and newspaper statements of every name and nature for the period of the war" and yet Sherman said war was hell.

The Winona Republican Herald is slowly developing a reputation for reliability so indispensable for newspapers. During the week that paper said "This change was made necessary by the continued disability of Captain Leers as he is still suffering from his old malady, lumbago, and rheumatism or something like that."

Dates are dangerous. We see by the papers that some at a military camp in Aurora had ground glass in them. Others lead to matrimony.

There seems to be no way of stopping these six day bike races; the contestants are all of age.

A lot of our pugilists will see a familiar thing in battling for the Red Cross; before it was the Double Cross with them, or merely one more cross.

Cruel and Unusual
 Picture house advertises "The Awakening of Ruth in five parts." How do you prefer to wake up?

Gables Mondays are a thing of the past; barber shops are now permitted to operate Monday mornings.

We've heard of a well known automobile running on everything, even its reputation, but Ashland paper is the first to have it running on rumors.

WANTED—Some patriotic girl to knit an effective muffler for T. R.

Nice, ba'my weather we're having, eh. Almost time to predict an ice famine and iceless Fridays.

Buy some thrift stamps. Be not a miser; Spend your money. And swat the Kaiser.

J. E. D.

BOOST CITY PAY
 NEENAH, Wis., Feb. 9.—The high cost of living has impressed itself so fully upon the council members that city employes will receive liberal increases in pay during 1918. The biggest raise was granted to Chief of Police Watts, who now draws \$100 instead of \$80 per month.

NEENAH COMPANY SAFE
 NEENAH, Wis., Feb. 9.—"All well and happy—enroute to camp." That was the message flashed home by Capt. B. L. Smith of Co. I, which set at rest rumors to the effect that the local unit had been on the ill-fated transport Tuscania.

IN THE SPORT MIRROR

By J. E. DAHLGREN



YESTERDAY was Ad Wolzast's birthday. He was 30 years of age so far as years are concerned but considerably older than that in other respects. If he celebrated at all he did so at the Sacred Heart sanatorium in Milwaukee, where he has been confined for almost a year as an incompetent, a victim of the ring, its temptations flaunted in his face because of his success and his lack of will power. Blessed by nature with a wonderful constitution, the Michigan wildcat lived a riotous life after he became champion. Wine, women and song spelled defeat for him. Sickness laid its withering hand upon him affecting first his wonderful body and then his active brain. Today he is a wreck of his former self and an object lesson to all young men. Adolph is 30; he should be entering upon the most useful period of his life; instead he is through, counted out by his own folly and so-called friends who were anxious to help him spend the thousands he made with his wonderful hands.

THOSE Platteville boys could not withstand the artillery of the La Crosse Normal; wasn't it a Cannon who put over the winning point?

THOSE High school boys slapped another defeat onto Eau Claire, thus evening up that little fracas here a few weeks ago. It is so much sweeter to obtain revenge in the territory of the enemy.

LOST celebrities: Arthur Nelson, the bantamweight pugilist from Sparta, whom Spartans thought better than Fred Fulton at one time. What has become of Arthur?

DO your shopping early; it's only 89 days to the opening of the fishing season.

George Cutshaw Has Fielding System That Seldom Fails Him

PITTSBURG, Feb. 9.—(Special.)—George Cutshaw, who came to the Pirates from the Robins in the recent Pittsburgh-Brooklyn deal, is counted on to do a great deal in the way of building up the Pirates' infield. Local experts regard Cutshaw's appearance in a Pirate uniform as an indication that Pittsburgh will have a much stronger infield defense this season than for several years past.

Cutshaw is not the most spectacular player in the game, but he is one of the most dependable. He has never been celebrated for brilliant hair-raising stops, but his assists are as many as players who are thought to be more finished fielders.

Cutshaw has learned to use his head and knows how to be in the right place for anything that is coming his way.

He has been able to do this by studying every batter in the league and learning the tendency of his hitting. He also watches the catcher's signals and usually knows what sort of a ball the batter is going to hit. Cutshaw's system seldom fails him and though he may not have the reputation for speed and fielding cleverness that other infielders have he is known by the players to be one of the headiest infielders in the game.

A veteran of Cutshaw's brains and experience will not only steady the youngsters about him in the Pirate infield but he will teach them a lot of science while he is at it. Few enough veterans have the fielding game doped out as scientifically as Cutshaw has and the average youngster of course depends almost entirely on his natural speed and agility in reaching the balls that come his way. Just where the ball is going to go is usually a mystery to the fast young-



George Cutshaw.

ster who has not learned to use his head. Knowing the hitting tendency of the batter and the kind of ball he is going to hit Cutshaw's system will tell him just about where to be in order to receive it. Cutshaw has been seen at times to place himself far over behind second base, leaving an opening between second and first that would give the batter a wonderful chance, or so the average fan would think. But Cutshaw knew just where the ball was coming and he has seldom been fooled. Pittsburgh fans are going to find him well worth the price of admission.

GREAT CELEBRATION PLANNED IN K. C. HUTS FEBRUARY 22

On February 22nd the Knights of Columbus auditoriums in the great cantonments and encampments will be welded into a magnificent chain of patriotic assemblages, from Annapolis to Linda Vista, from Great Lakes to Atlanta. Members of the order, eminent in their respective callings, will address the crowded gatherings, not with the object of arousing the patriotism of these thousands of fighting men, for with the aim of carrying to them such a message of admiration and encouragement, of fraternal affection and devotion as the great Washington himself would deliver to them were he present in the flesh at these celebrations.

Rejoices at Sinking
 APPLETON, Wis., Feb. 9.—Charged with saying "I don't give a— if all the ships are sunk," an employe of the Tuttle-Press company was discharged by Superintendent C. E. Badger. The man was discussing the Tuscania sinking with several other employes when he made the remark. The matter was brought to the attention of District Attorney Mark Catlin. When the police attempted to apprehend the man he could not be found.

WISCONSIN ATHLETE MAY BE MISSING IN TUSCANIA SINKING
 Ben Szyver of Milwaukee, left end on the Wisconsin University football eleven last fall, and for one summer a student at the La Crosse Normal school, is believed to have been on board the transport Tuscania when she was sunk by a German under sea shark. Ralph M. Scott, La Crosse, tackle on the team, Moosa Gardner, Ashland star Badger athlete, and Robert M. Wiley, Appleton, star of the freshmen team at Madison a year ago, are also believed to have been on board at the time of the sinking.

WILL ASK BARRING OF "SPITTER" BALL IN MAJOR LEAGUES

Spit Ball, Slippery Elm Ball and Licorice Ball Doomed for Brisk Trial

ED BARROW TO RESIGN SALARY NOT BIG ENOUGH

International League Bosses Expect Plan to Work

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—The spit ball, the slippery elm ball, the licorice ball, and all other camouflaged baseball deliveries will go to the bar in New York next week, to put up the strongest fight for existence they have ever been called on to make.

The National league, with Barney Dreyfus and President Tener the outstanding figures, will take the spit ball by the face and suggest that it be eliminated from the repertoire of National league flingers. The American league will have the same request thrown up to it and the chances are the International league will have something to say on the subject.

Some folks seem to think the National will take no action, owing to strong opposition in the American league against the radical rule, but there is nothing to indicate such a thing.

The annual schedules will be unloaded on the public during the schedule meeting. The National league will plant its O. K. on the efforts of John Heydler, Barney Dreyfus and Ban Johnson Tuesday in New York at the Waldorf. The American league will go through the same motions Thursday at the Wilcoit.

The International league plans to have something resembling a walk, although certain influences are striving to put the old minor organization back in harness for next summer probably as a six club league. Ed Barrow's resignation undoubtedly will be accepted with gusto, for it was in this end that three merry gentlemen in the league conceived the idea of paying Ed a paltry \$2,500 a year.

Schedules are only in the way with things in their present condition in the International league, for it is a toss-up whether the circuit even will make an effort to begin business again. With these facts in view, it is hardly probable a playing program will be submitted.

There is a chance that Connie Mack, leader of the Athletics, will attempt a come-back at the American league meeting, by announcing the names of the men he will lift from the Red Sox in return for Ames Strunk and Stuff McInnis.

Mack will be able to build a foundation for another baseball club in this transaction, but the outlook is certainly gloomy.

Miller Huggins has been on the trail of a new outfielder and may have something new to announce.

APPLETON MEN ENLIST
 APPLETON, Wis., Feb. 9.—Twenty men have been enlisted during the past week by the exemption board here. Twelve have entered the aviation section of the army and six have gone into the engineering corps. The contingent left this city Wednesday night for Vancouver barracks, Washington. A contingent of four went to Fort Leavenworth Feb. 8, entering the signal corps. At present the board is making up another contingent to go some time next week to Vancouver barracks.

STATEMENT OF THE SECURITY SAVINGS BANK December 31st, 1917

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts \$384,144.98
 Overdrafts 106.97
 Bonds and Securities 56,274.99
 Furniture and Fixtures 4,000.00
 Cash and Due from Banks 115,375.00
 Total \$572,332.77

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock \$ 30,000.00
 Surplus and Undivided Profits 8,201.03
 Dividends Unpaid 885.00
 Deposits 533,246.56
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