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FRIAR-SAINTE SERIES TO OPEN THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13TH; HITCH ON CONCERNING FLOORS; ADVANCE IN PRICES

The start of the play for the city basket ball championship, that is the elimination series between the Saints and the Friars, will occur on Thursday evening, February 13th. The second game will take place on Tuesday, of the following week, and the third, if necessary, on Tuesday, February 25th.

Whoops my dear! It can hardly be said that all is set for the classic contests, as there is quite a dispute on concerning the place where the matches shall be staged. When the representatives of the two organizations met at the Friar rooms last night they failed to come to a compromise on the latter proposition and for a time it looked as if all previous headway would be overlooked and the series called off.

The Dispute. The Friars desire to put on the first two contests at Oleon and Library halls and the third, if necessary, on a neutral floor. The St. Mary's club on the other hand prefers to use Princess rink for all of the contests, declaring that neither will then hold an advantage over the other in a single contest. That people cannot be handled as satisfactorily at Princess rink, without elevating seats, is the contention of the Friar men. As a final recourse the delegates of the two clubs agreed to investigate the accommodations at each place within the next few days and then put the matter up to the athletic boards of their clubs. Another meeting will be held on Tuesday evening of next week. Messrs. Alter, Weigand and Hoffman represented the Saints, and Messrs. Pohnmeyer and Thomas the Friars.

Folks who witness games in this series will be forced to come across with at least two-bits more than has previously been charged for local basket ball games. General admission tickets will cost fifty cents and an extra charge of ten cents will be made for reserved seats. This matter was practically agreed upon at the conference several days ago and both managements were heartily in favor of it.

Sixty and Forty. The receipts of the entire series will be split sixty and forty per cent., the winner to get the long end of the coin. This method of division was taken as another means of rewarding the five which comes out on top. At first there was some talk of dividing fifty and fifty.

In event an agreement is reached concerning the place of playing the games and the series go through, each team will place a forfeit of twenty-five dollars as a guarantee that each will stick until the necessary games have been played. This will prevent a dispute from arising in event of any dispute which may arise before the conclusion of the play.

LYNCH ANNOUNCES DATE FOR NATIONAL MEET.

NEW YORK, Jan. 31.—President Lynch of the National league to-day sent notice to the presidents that the reconvened sessions of the league's annual meeting would be held at the Hotel McAlpin in this city on Tuesday, February 11, at 2 p. m. The annual scheduled meeting of the league will be held on the same date at the same place. An hour before the time for the league's session the board of directors will meet.

Live lobsters and bass. Hof Brau.

FORT WAYNE HIGH DROPS BIG EVENT TO THE ANDERSON QUINTET

ANDERSON, Ind., Jan. 31.—The Fort Wayne high school basket ball aggregation got a touch of real basket ball in its encounter with Anderson high here tonight and went down to defeat, before the crack local quintet by a score of 39 to 18. This game featured a great athletic carnival, put on by the local high school, and was witnessed by a large crowd.

The game was an interesting one in the face of the one-sided score, and was replete with exciting play. The visitors were in the main the greater part of the time, but were not hopelessly out of the running until just before the close, when the locals sprang. Anderson out-weighted the Fort Wayne aggregation, a fact which figured largely in the Anderson win.

Gerberding, a clever forward in the Fort Wayne line-up, played excellent ball for the visitors. He scored sixteen of their eighteen points, registering four times from the field. Koening's defensive play featured and but for this lad's work the locals would have run up a much larger total. Veach and Stanley, the Anderson forwards, were at their best and their scoring featured. The Fort Wayne crowd was tendered a banquet following the game and was shown countless courtesies by the Anderson crowd. The line-ups and scores:

Fort Wayne (18) Anderson (39)
Gerberding, F. Stanley
Edson, F. Veach
Sprang, C. Kessler
Ross, C. Bell
Koening, G. Byrum
Field Goals—Gerberding 4; Edson; Stanley, 5; Veach, 7; Kessler, 2.
Goals on Free Throws—Gerberding, 8.

COLLEGE ATHLETIC DIRECTOR CONFIRMS

CARLEISLE Pa., Jan. 31.—The announcement from New York that James Thome, the Olympic champion, had accepted a contract with the New York National league club was confirmed here tonight by Glenn Warner, physical instructor at the Carlisle Indian school.

INDIANA NORMAL DEFEATS BUTLER.

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Jan. 31.—Indiana State Normal's basketball team defeated Butler in a rough game tonight, 43 to 37. The work of Captain Silvers, of the visitors, was noticeable. The score at the end of the first half was 31 to 21.

SPORTS—JUST COMMENT—SPORTS

Again we read that Infielder Bisland, a Central league favorite, has signed his Pittsburgh contract and is to be given a thorough trial by the Pirates in the coming spring. It is to be hoped that he will show class necessary for winning him a berth with the Pirates. Bisland is one of the finest chaps that ever wore a baseball uniform and is well liked in every city in this circuit. It takes baseball as a real business proposition and is always in the best possible shape physically. Managers declare him to be the easiest fellow in the world to handle and the fact that Youngsman desired him as a manager shows plainly how highly he is held by the business end of the game. He is a finished ball player and looked good for a major league position. In an accident at the local ball yard, that injury is said to have mended completely and his many admirers are confident that he will make good in better circles than the Central.

PREPARE FOR BIG GAME.

Members of the Friar basket ball squad are not idle even though it will be Friday night of next week before they again do battle. Three practices will be held in the meantime in anticipation of the hardest game of the season. The Lake Forest college team will be the locals' opposition next Friday night and this will prove one of the biggest attractions of the season. It requires a big guarantee to attract from the select little institution just outside of Chicago. The management is going to considerable expense to bring this five to Fort Wayne, but figures that the educated fans will flock to a contest of this sort. Previous to the holiday season, Lake Forest met such teams as Chicago, Northwestern and Wisconsin and in each instance put up a great battle, losing out by but small margins. In the small five conference, an organization of the crack colleges of this section, Lake Forest, as usual, is winning the championship.

HARD LUCK STOPPED BURKE.

When Jimmy Burke, who is coming back to manage in Fort Wayne, left this city and got the Indianapolis job several summers ago, few doubted but what he was going up to stay for some time. His stay in the association was rather short, but he hopes to again work his way toward the top. Genial James was the victim of all sorts of hard luck at Indianapolis, and it was that fact rather than a lack of class on James' part which caused his drop. The man he had counted on most strongly failed him. But even that was not all. There was a hitch between the owners of the club and, naturally, that proved a big drawback and hampered the manager considerably. Burke will be welcomed back to Fort Wayne and all are hoping that he will have a big year and receive an advance before another year rolls around. He knows baseball as few know it, and really is too big a man to be kept down in Class B company.

COULON TAKES HIS TIME.

There never was a champion who took life any easier than does little Johnny Coulon, Chicago's candy scraper. Johnny has had mighty few of those long and tiring contests and has the most part contents himself with ten-round battles. At that he has satisfied the majority of all critics, so completely has he outclassed practically every opponent over the short route. Nothing appears to worry Johnny. Tough boys throughout the land have been crying for a try at the championship which he holds and have even offered bonuses with hopes of tempting him into a fray. He simply hangs back and lets the others do the talking.

TWO VIEWS OF THORPE, WHO HAS BEEN STRIPPED OF HIS AMATEUR STANDING AND RECORD—TWO FAMOUS TROPHIES HE WON



NEW YORK, Jan. 31.—The amateur athletic world never received a greater surprise than when Jim Thorpe, of Carlisle, the greatest all around athlete of this or any other country has ever known—Jim Thorpe, the wonderful Indian football, basketball, baseball and lacrosse player, broad and high jumper, hurdler and sprinter—laureled by a king and acclaimed by millions—admitted he was a professional. One small indiscretion of his athletic youth has come forward at this late day, after he had won all the glories that could be gained in his chosen field, and he finds himself branded as a "professional," the most heinous offense that can be committed among ama-

teurs. It seems a very little thing that this great Carlisle star did. In the summers of 1909 and 1910 he played baseball for money with the Rocky Mount team of the Eastern Carolina association, as well as with the Fayetteville team of the same league—a league that stands for all the professional ball players means when he refers scornfully to the "bushes." Today this league, probably never very hale and hearty in its most prosperous days, is defunct, but it lived long enough to furnish a means for the amateur destruction of the greatest athlete of all times. All the material honors that Thorpe gained in the Olympic games of 1912—the trophies

and whatnots—have been stripped from the Indian holder, and they will be returned to the donors. None of his marvelous records will stand. They will be wiped out completely, as if they never existed, although it is rather doubtful if this summary method will remove them from the memory of the people who follow athletic events. Picture on right shows Thorpe in baseball uniform. Bust of king of Sweden was captured by Thorpe when he won the pentathlon at Olympic games. The Viking ships given by the czar of Russia, was turned over to the Indian when he captured the decathlon. Thorpe may take up professional baseball this summer. Several big clubs are after his services.

Indian Accepts Giant Contract And Will Be Paired With Chief Meyers

NEW YORK, Jan. 31.—James Thorpe, called by the king of Sweden "the greatest living athlete," recently declared a professional, accepted a contract to-day to play baseball with the New York National league club. He will report to Manager McGraw on February 16 and will go to Marlin to train with the rest of the team.

The announcement that Thorpe had accepted the contract at the offices of the club this afternoon was made. With the addition of Thorpe the Giants will have an Indian battery—Meyers and Thorpe.

John B. Foster, secretary of the club, issued this statement this afternoon: "I received a telegram this afternoon from Thorpe saying that he accepted the contract we offered him. He is, therefore, our player. A telegram added that Thorpe would come to New York with the contract at once and would formally sign it tomorrow afternoon."

Mr. Foster declined to say what salary had been offered the Indian. It is understood, however, that Thorpe would be paid approximately \$7,500 a year.

"Thorpe will be here to-morrow at 2 o'clock when at the club's offices he will sign a contract to play with the Giants," said Manager John J. McGraw to-night. He added that the first thought of capturing Thorpe yesterday when the publicity given the Indian's dismemberment from the Amateur Athletic Union and the statement that several western managers were trying to sign him, put the idea into the manager's head.

"I got Thorpe on the long-distance telephone in Carlisle, Pa.," said Mr. McGraw, "and he accepted my offer. Later I got a telegram from him confirming his verbal acceptance. He preferred to come to New York and I offered him more money than the others."

Mr. McGraw said the salary was a private transaction and he would not discuss it.

"Thorpe ought to make a good all-around man," McGraw added. "I expect he will accompany the team south when the spring training season opens and then we'll try him and see where he can do his best work."

TEXAS LEAGUE CLUB HAS CLAIM ON THORPE

BEAUMONT, Texas, Jan. 31.—The Beaumont baseball club of the Texas league has a reserve contract claim on James Thorpe, the Indian athlete, who was secured to Thorpe in the cletic park games.

Schwartz Wins In Tournament

First place in the individual tournament of the Brunswick alleys last night went to Schwartz, who totaled 614 in his three efforts. Fred Volmer was second with 628 and Sanders third with 601. These were the only three to go over the 600 mark.

Schwartz failed to get into the 500 class in his first two games, but his 257 in the final game earned the title for him. Volmer, on the other hand, got 202 and 231 in the first two contests, but dropped to 190 in the third. Sanders' 230 in his opening try pulled him into the select circle. The entry list was a large one and contained the city's crack shots. The scores follow:

Name	1st	2d	3d	Total
Neynolds	184	172	161	517
Fornan	176	189	222	587
Berghoff	148	199	199	486
Reine	155	214	225	601
Tullio	142	177	175	494
Volmer	202	231	190	623
Siedler	174	184	204	562
Wain	158	172	180	510
Jorain	183	163	187	533
Crowe	185	167	148	499
Kramer	155	222	201	578
Swain	158	178	182	518
Schwartz	191	186	237	614
Merix	168	192	146	496
Buehner	135	144	170	449
St. Harbinger	172	201	174	547
Sanders	230	194	180	604
Jackson	156	167	176	499
Bender	207	169	188	564
Swain	158	178	182	518
Doehrmann	211	163	194	573
Kelley	191	168	151	510
Recht	153	200	180	533
St. Harbinger	172	180	195	547
Bookes	164	187	173	524
Tegeter	177	169	152	498

WASHINGT. BARNS WIN THREE.

The Barns won three games from the Tails at the Dix alleys last night. The scores:

Player	1st	2d	3d	Total
Van Meter	168	168	177	513
Noll	141	155	172	468
Centlivre	151	187	125	463
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Nussbaum	138	186	134	458
Totals	716	833	772	

JOHN HENRY SIGNS.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—John Henry, the Washington American league team's star catcher, who was laid up for a time by an operation on his knee, has entirely recovered and to-day signed his contract for the coming season.

FORT WAYNE LASSIES TRIUMPH OVER THE LIMA SEXTET; PLAY IS ROUGH

More power to those fair ones. The girls' team representing the senior class of the Fort Wayne high school last night added more laurels to its ever-increasing string when it won from the Lima high school girls' team at the James Smart school. Score, 6 to 4.

As the low score would indicate the contest was marked with some excellent defensive play with the guards of both teams in the limelight throughout. Especially was this true of the work of Miss Poole and Jeffries, of the Fort Wayne aggregation. The play was somewhat rough and showed plainly that the girls from the Buckeye state were accustomed to this style of play because they unconsciously wanted the battle on pretty lively terms. The visiting girl athletes had an advantage in size which supporters of the home guard feared would prove disastrous to the latter, because of the hard play resorted to by the Limas.

Much credit for the Fort Wayne win is due Miss Wilkins, who put up an excellent game although she was stacked up against a girl considerably taller than she. The former's floor work aided her teammates a lot. Miss Eble played her usual stellar game and did well to slip through two from the field when it is remembered that she was up against some strong guarding throughout. Miss Priest and Miss Graham played the best games for the visitors. At the close of the first period the locals were on the long end of a three-to-one count. The line-ups and score:

Fort Wayne (6)	Lima (4)
Thompson	Wilkins
Spinnaker	Stohe
Priest	Priest
Graham	Eble
H. Spinnaker	Jeffries
Morrison	Moore
Field Goals—Eble 2; Graham 2; Goals on free throws—Fetzer 2; Priest 2.	

CONCORDIA MAY BE DEPRIVED OF SERVICES OF TWO STARS TO-NIGHT

Concordia college may take the floor at the local gym to-night against Defiance college without the services of two of the club's most formidable members—Center Schubacher and Guard Dau. Both are in bad shape with injuries, but will attempt to enter the game.

Schubacher is again bothered with a bad knee which has slowed him up considerably this winter. The member went out on him again yesterday during practice, but every effort has been made to repair the damaged knee, as the big fellow is needed badly. Dau has been having his troubles with a "sick" thumb which has refused to heal. Doctors and Gremol, two clever substitutes, have been groomed for this game and will be worked if the two stars cannot participate.

To-night's game is one of the most important on Concordia's schedule. Turners has a powerful five and, according to teams from that section which have played here this winter, the club is stronger than ever and going at a great clip. No one doubts but what the Buckeye aggregation will prove a formidable aggregation. Defiance has a powerful five and, according to teams from that section which have played here this winter, the club is stronger than ever and going at a great clip. No one doubts but what the Buckeye aggregation will prove a formidable aggregation. Defiance has a powerful five and, according to teams from that section which have played here this winter, the club is stronger than ever and going at a great clip. No one doubts but what the Buckeye aggregation will prove a formidable aggregation.

CHALLENGES KID BEARD.

Young Eleanwood hereby challenges Kid Beard for a boxing contest before any local club. Answer through these columns.

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Peil Will Not Go To South Bend

The St. Mary's Athletics leave this afternoon at four o'clock for South Bend, where they play the St. M. S. team to-night. All of the regulars excepting Louis Peil will make the trip, the little star being forced to remain in this city to attend to professional duties. As usual, Hoffman and Hafner will be paired as forwards in Peil's absence, and Tom Harkender will be called in as a guard.

Considerable interest is attached to this contest in South Bend athletic circles. The Saints have already won from South Bend's pick, ex-exceptional Notre Dame, including Corby Hall, the Commercial Athletics and the H. N. S. club. Benders have learned to respect the Fort Wayne crowd and will turn out in large numbers to witness to-night's encounter.

Locally it is to be regretted that Peil will not be in the game. There is no denying the fact that the team is twenty-five per cent. stronger with the professor in the line-up and his absence is always felt keenly.

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