

# IN THE GLARE OF THE SPORTLIGHT

## WEATHER HOLDS REYNOLDS' MEN AT THE BOTTOM

THE BOYS HAVE THE GOODS AND WILL DELIVER THEM WHEN CONDITIONS ARE FAVORABLE.

Fact That the Team is Now at the Foot of the Percentage Column Needn't Occasion Alarm—They'll Climb When Warm Weather Comes.

The deplorable weather conditions of the past week have caused considerable of a setback for the Racine club. Not only has it affected the gate receipts to an extent far beyond what is expected during the first week of a season, but it has prevented the players from striking the gait that wins games.

That the team is reposing at the foot of the Bi-State ladder should occasion no alarm among the team's supporters, because it is only a matter of winning a few contests to put Racine right on the heels of the leaders. The fact that the club is at the bottom does not indicate that anything is wrong. It must be taken into consideration that the other teams have been having better weather conditions to meet, while here the elements seem to have conspired to keep the boys from rounding into trim.

Weather Hurts Attendance Fans will not attend games when the weather is close to freezing, but once the sun comes out strong enough to make it unnecessary to wear north pole clothes, the crowd will come out and help make up the deficits which have been incurred every day since the season opened here.

Some criticism has been heard regarding the weakness of the pitching staff, but this is hardly merited so early in the season. Reynolds is sure that his slab artists will be able to deliver the goods, and if they don't, he will lose no time in getting the men who can pitch winning ball.

On Thursday, Reynolds closed a deal whereby a new hurler will be added to the pitching force. He is Pitcher Gruner of Marshalltown, Ia., in the Central association. Gruner comes here in exchange for Outfielder Lee Fortin. The new man is expected here some time during the day.

All the teams of the Bi-State league that have been here so far this season, speak highly of the local club, and they are practically a unit in saying that if the Racine players once get the benefit of real baseball weather they will make the others hustle.

Reynolds has some of the heaviest hitters in the league, but they have been a little slow in producing. However, within another week, the local fans will probably have an opportunity of seeing the Belle city team steadily climb to the top of the heap.

Trouble at Elgin "Actions of Manager Jack Herbert, veteran manager of Streator, on the Elgin Bi-State league grounds yesterday afternoon, promise to precipitate a fight which will shake the entire league," says the Elgin News.

Manager W. Sidney Bean of this city, and Manager George Hubser of Aurora, who were present at the game, are bitter in their denunciation of Herbert and admit that unless the league officials make an example of him, the attendance in this city will be greatly reduced.

"In the opinion of Hubser, Herbert ought to be thrown out of the league. He insists that the least President Parsons can do is to slap a heavy fine on the offender."

"It is men like Herbert that wreck baseball leagues," declared Hubser yesterday afternoon. "He is acting like a big baby. If I was umpire, I would feel the same."

Herbert became puffed at two decisions of Umpire Beck on foul balls. Beck, who is caretaker of the Elgin grounds, was selected to officiate the game by Blake of Elgin and Herbert, after Umpire McLoughlin, the regular official assigned here, failed to appear.

Umpiring to Blame "In fairness to Herbert, let it be said that he would be a poor manager if he had not kicked on the foul ball decisions. Both were so close to the foul line that the umps could have decided either way and been honest in so doing."

"However, there is another side to the story. Beck has his application into the league to become an umpire. He had everything to lose and nothing to gain yesterday, by being partial. On balls and strikes, he appeared to favor Streator in the first few innings. He had no mask or protector and was forced to umpire behind the pitcher. It is a difficult matter to judge foul balls from that position."

"In the fifth inning, Herbert demanded that Beck be taken out and two players used as umpires. Naturally, Manager Blake of Elgin refused."

Makes Farce of Game Herbert then attempted to spoil the afternoon for everybody present and succeeded admirably. It was one of the most disgusting exhibitions of soreheadedness ever seen on a local ball field. A few fans had joined Herbert in his protest on one of the

toul ball decisions. What few favored him, however, soon lost their friendship for him, and joined the fans, who jeered.

"Herbert's players joined him in his exhibition. The umpire's strike" was echoed by calls of "ball" from the Streator bench. The Streator ball players argued with spectators.

"Herbert pitched a little over an inning himself. By luck, he retired Elgin without a run in the fifth. In the sixth, he was hammered all over the lot, and finally used a substitute pitcher, Harry."

"I will certainly protest the game," declared Herbert quietly down for a moment. "It will be thrown out. Blake slipped one over me on this umpire. He said he was a stranger to him, and I have found out that Beck is the caretaker here."

"Blake and other Elgin players denied Herbert's accusation. They state that Herbert knew who Beck was, when he agreed to let him umpire."

### Standings of the Teams

**RESULTS YESTERDAY**  
BI-STATE LEAGUE  
All games postponed; rain.  
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**AMERICAN LEAGUE**  
New York 4, St. Louis 2.  
Washington at Cleveland—Cold weather.  
Boston at Chicago—Cold weather.  
Philadelphia at Detroit—Cold weather.

**NATIONAL LEAGUE**  
St. Louis 3, Brooklyn 1.  
Cincinnati 6, Philadelphia 2.  
Pittsburg 6, New York 2.  
Chicago 4, Boston 2.

**FEDERAL LEAGUE**  
Buffalo 11, St. Louis 1.  
Baltimore at Pittsburg—Wet grounds.  
Brooklyn at Chicago—Cold weather.  
No other games scheduled.

**STANDING OF THE LEAGUES**

**BI-STATE LEAGUE**

Club	Won	Lost	Pct.
Streator	6	2	.750
Ottawa	4	3	.577
Elgin	4	4	.500
Aurora	4	4	.500
Freeport	3	4	.429
RACINE	2	4	.333

**AMERICAN ASSOCIATION**

Club	Won	Lost	Pct.
Indianapolis	19	12	.613
Kansas City	16	11	.593
Millwaukee	16	14	.533
Louisville	16	14	.533
St. Paul	14	15	.483
Cleveland	13	14	.483
Minneapolis	11	14	.440
Columbus	9	20	.310

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Washington	12	14	.462
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### MORIN MAKES A NEW HIGH RUN IN BILLIARDS

ST. LOUIS, Mo., May 21.—A new world billiard record was made here Thursday night when Charles Morin of Chicago scored a high run of eighteen in an inter-city tournament, three cushion game, with Frank Benson of this city. Morin won the game, 50 to 32. Pierre Maupome, who also made a run of eighteen in St. Louis during September, 1914, witnessed Morin's feat Thursday night and ceded the Chicagoan the record as Maupome's high run was made in an exhibition game.

### BADGERS TRIM GOPHERS, 8 TO 7, IN FAST GAME

MADISON, Wis., May 21.—In a thrilling ten inning game played on a field drenched with rain, Coach Slim Lewis' Wisconsin team defeated Minnesota, 8 to 7, at Camp Randall on Thursday. Moon and Galvin pitched great ball for the Badgers. Score by innings:

**B H E**

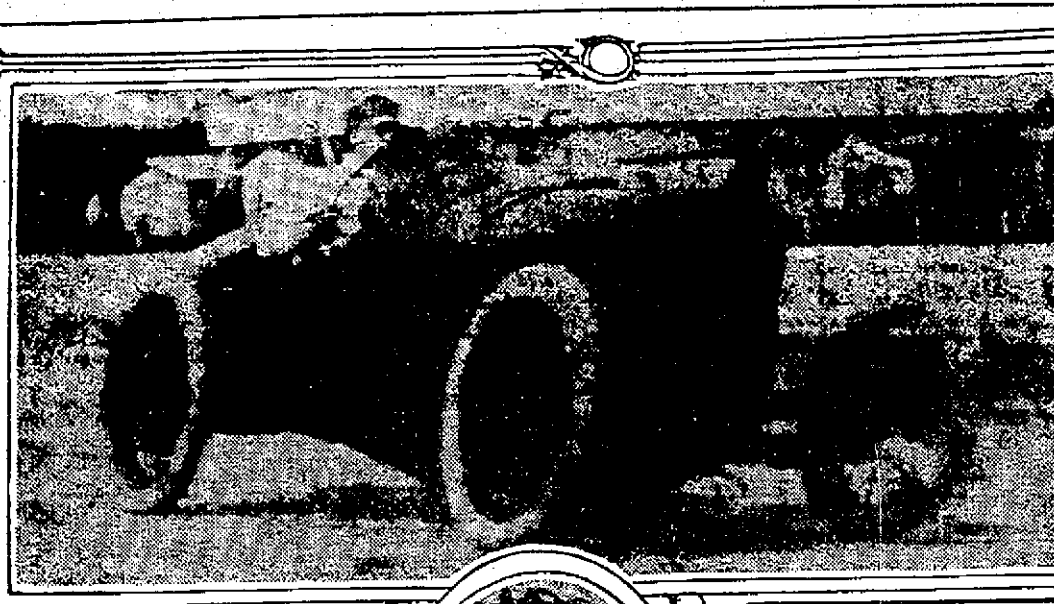
Wisconsin	003	000	030	2—8	11	1
Minnesota	300	030	090	1—7	11	6

Batteries: For Wisconsin—Moon, Galvin and Roach; for Minnesota—Young and Solon.

### MATTY SMITH SINGS TO MEET BENNY CHAVEZ

DENVER, Colo., May 21.—Matty Smith of Racine, Wis., who has defeated every boxer in the feather weight class around the Rocky mountain region, has signed to meet Benny Chavez of Trinidad on June 9 for twenty rounds. The National A. C. of Denver decided to match the winner with Johnny Kilbane on July 1 for the feather weight title.

## Favorite for Hoosier 500-Mile Race in Action



Things begin to move whenever Dario Resta, winner of the last Vanderbilt and Grand Prize races at San Francisco, takes the track in the speed preliminaries for the next Indianapolis 500-mile race.

Resta is an absolutely fearless driver, of great expertness and skill, so that no chance looks too tough for him to take. Withal, he has one of the fastest cars ever built, and, consequently, can show to great advantage.

It is the ordinary thing for Resta to clock laps of 2 1/2 miles on the Indianapolis motor speedway in 1:35, or 95 miles an hour. Frequently, on the straightaways, he reaches 110. The above photograph shows him in one of these bursts of speed, stepping on the throttle for all it is worth, and fairly spitting the air in his hurry. In the next 500-mile race he is carded as favorite.

## NAMES UMPIRES FOR LAKE SHORE GAMES

PRESIDENT KLOCKSKIN ASSIGNS ARBITERS FOR SUNDAY'S CONTESTS—LEOPOLD TO UMPIRE RACINE-SHEBOYGAN GAME.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., May 21.—The umpires for Sunday's games in the Lake Shore league were assigned Thursday night by President Klocksmin. Nig Laabs will make his first appearance at the South Side park, Milwaukee, when he takes charge of the Kosciusko-Milwaukee Leader struggle. George Leopold will handle the Racine-Sheboygan contest in the Chair City, while the Manitowoc-Kenosha game in the last named city will be in charge of Louis Lippert. The crucial battle between the "Kosys" and the Fighting Hutton clan is the talk of the semi-pro followers, and a big crowd is predicted for the combat in the Grove street stadium. Harvey Stock, the north side boy who is pitching the ball, of his life, will face the acid test when he hooks up with Erwin Lange, the former Chief star.

George A. Davis, coach pitcher for the Boston Braves, reported as a member of the Harvard varsity squad. Davis plans daily workouts until the Stallings tribesmen return, when he will report. He will not, however, play until late in June, when his classes in the Harvard Law School close.

Catcher Adams of the Phillies, who was traded with Demaree and Stock by the Giants for Robert, reminds the old-timers of Deacon Jim McGuire, once catcher for the Philadelphia, Detroit, Brooklyn, Cleveland and other big league teams. Pat Moran says Adams has a brilliant future.

The St. Louis Cardinals, with Ham Hyatt on their list, will be about the only team in the National league to enjoy the luxury of a pinch hitter this year. McGraw of the Giants, however, will manage to keep a pinch runner for Chief Meyers, even if he has to sacrifice a utility outfielder.

Says the New York Sun of Saturday: "Fred Snodgrass has been sent home and put on the disability list with Merkle. With these two men laid up for repairs, the Giants are able to carry two extra men who otherwise would have been released owing to the 21-player limit rule."

The Boston Globe rises to remark: "The Dreyfuss-Clarke combination has slowed up until the men selected for the Pirate crew have shown no big league class. You must spend good money to secure winning ball players, and that money will not always accomplish the trick."

## POULTRYMEN PLAN FOR NEXT EXHIBIT

Local Association's Last Show, for Various Reasons, Wasn't a Financial Success.

Members of the Racine Feathered and Pet Stock association held a meeting this week. Reports of the last show at the Lakeside auditorium showed that some money was lost. This is attributed to the hard times all over the country, the fact that the hoof and mouth disease prevailed among cattle in this and other states, and that poultry owners were barred from entering their stock in the show.

There was a tendency among the members not to give another show, but after a great deal of discussion it was voted to try it another year.

Before the show, stock will be sold and subscriptions taken to raise at least \$200. With this amount assured there is no question but that the show will prove a success.

It was decided to engage George D. Northrop of New York state, one of the noted poultrymen of the country, as the judge for the show.

The officers, recently elected, are as follows:

- President—C. Elsner.
- Secretary—P. J. Buengers.
- Treasurer—Robert Burham.

## Say, By The Way

John Dare Roberts

Moon ain't shining,  
In the sky;  
Inky lining  
Blinds the eye.

Wind is sighing,  
Through the trees,  
Like souls dying,  
Makes blood freeze.

Owls all hooting,  
Solemn, deep,  
Shadows scooting,  
World's asleep.

Distant thundering;  
Dashing spray;  
So I'm wondering,  
WILL THEY PLAY?

Or will it be the same old story,  
"Wet Grounds, No Game." You will have to search us. Like a headache, this column is made the night before.

Some chicken, who has evidently skirted the mazes of this lofty tower of tulle indites a "pome" to us in which she offers us a jinye if we can discover her identity.

The "pome" which is a gem of purest rays serene, etc., starts off with a bang thusly:  
"Say, by the way, John, did you know that,  
I was thinking of you and Pat.  
I was wondering if you were ever thinking.  
(When the umpire cries "Play Ball")  
Of the little girl who was winking.  
At you one day last fall.

We hate like the dickens to confess it, but so many girls spend their spare time winking at us, that we kind a lose track of them. If the damsel will send the jinye, however, we will haul a bus and let her bask in our presence.

Or she might send the jinye to Pat. He is nice and gentle, and can be driven by any one, while we jump the traces once in awhile.

Well Known Saying, No. 4—"What are you going to have?"

What has become of the old fashioned man who used to whistle and stamp his feet at a banquet when the orchestra started playing? He got the indignation and doesn't attend banquets any more? Well, that's too bad.

It has rained so much lately that one is led to believe that the sky is weeping over the sins of the weather man.

Let the Saybythe Way do your work.

You send the dope, we'll do the rest.—(adv.)

How the fans yell:  
Here—"Get-a-way—Ottawa."  
In Ottawa—"At-a-way—Ottawa."

Hint to Chi Col. Cons: Your old friend Brodie, of White Sox fame, is here in the Lake Shore league.

Ho, Hum, guess we will hit the period.

Here goes.)

## DRIVERS DEMAND HALF OF GATE AT INDIANAPOLIS

CHICAGO, Ill., May 21.—And now the Auto Drivers' Protective association?

Speed demons who will participate in the 500 mile race at Indianapolis on May 30 and in all other automobile contests, on Thursday began the organization of an association that will be to the auto drivers what the Baseball Players' fraternity is supposed to be to the baseball slaves.

The drivers will demand that all gate receipts are to be split fifty-fifty between drivers and the speedway officials. Barney Oldfield, Bob Burman, Ralph De Palma and other stars of like fame are behind the new organization. One of the first demands will be that the race officials split even on the money taken in at the Indianapolis speedway during the trial races for the big May 30 event.

## BELOIT REGULATES JINNEYS; MUST CARRY INSURANCE

BELOIT, Wis., May 20.—Mashing and other questionable conduct in Jinney buses operating in Beloit are to be stopped by the new Jinney bus ordinance, which goes into effect June 15. One requirement is that the Jinney operators must provide an interior lighting system. Also, they must carry liability insurance or a surety bond for \$10,000 to protect pedestrians and city against accidents; cannot carry passengers on the running boards of their cars; must pay an annual license of \$50 for a five-passenger car and \$75 for a seven-passenger car; must come to a stop within two feet of the curbing and must have signs on the front and rear of their cars.

## WANTED TO BE HOSPITABLE

"When I went to Paris," said Gen. Horace Porter, "I told my friends that any of them who got within a mile of the embassy must come to see me. The latchstring, I told them, was out; there was always a spare seat in my pew at church. The latchstring was often pulled; the seat in church remained vacant. One of my friends who visited me stopped his subscription to the Christian Observer. He said he didn't want any observers while he was in Paris."

## Another difference between genius and talent is that talent gets a haircut once a month.

## BIG CROWD SEES STROMBOLI WIN

AUGUST BELMONT'S 4-YEAR-OLD GELDING CAPTURES THE METROPOLITAN HANDICAP RACE FROM FIELD OF TEN HORSES.

NEW YORK, May 21.—August Belmont's 4-year old gelding Stromboli, by Fair Play-St. Priscilla, carrying 113 pounds with Jockey Turner in the saddle, won the Metropolitan handicap at one mile, the feature of the card at the opening of the eastern racing season at the Belmont park race track on Thursday.

A huge crowd watched the twenty-second running of this classic event, for which ten horses started, one of them being Rockview, a stable companion of the winner, which finished last, after running out at the turn into the stretch. Jockey Dugan refraining from forcing him to further effort.

Schuyler L. Parsons' Sharp Shooter finished second, three-quarters of a length behind the winner, with Capt. E. B. Cusatt's Flying Fairy third, five lengths away. The time, 1:29 3-5, is just two seconds slower than the track record for this race, made by Fashion Plate five years ago and equaled by Buskin, last year's winner. The Belmont entry was the public choice and both jockey and horse were vociferously cheered when they returned to the judge's stand after the contest.

The field got off fairly well aligned. Charlestonian was the first to show in front, making the pace with Flying Fairy, with Rockview and Tartar in close pursuit, while Stromboli was well up in the bunch. Before the head of the stretch was reached Charlestonian dropped back. Rockview bore out badly, carrying Tartar with him coming into the stretch, and this gave Stromboli the opportunity to rush through on the rail into the lead with Flying Fairy second.

In the final furlong Sharp Shooter came very fast, gaining on the leader at every stride, but he could not overtake Stromboli, which won by a scant three-quarters of a length. Sharp Shooter was five lengths in front of Flying Fairy at the finish, and heads only separated the next three, Tartar, Slumber II, and Sam McMeekin. The others, Addie M., Charlestonian and Fair Play, an added starter, finished several lengths back, with Rockview last, almost pulled to a walk.

## WESTERN COLLEGES BREAK OFF ATHLETIC RELATIONS

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., May 21.—The University of California and Leland Stanford university broke off athletic relations on Thursday, and Rugby football, played nowhere else among American major colleges, thereby went into the discard. Whether it will be revived if the schools get together again was admitted to be questionable.

Rupture between the schools was caused by California's insistence that freshmen be not played in varsity competitions. To this Stanford, with a student body one-fourth as large as her rival, would not accede. It was said there was no chance for an agreement for at least a year.

The schools began playing Rugby in 1906. Stanford has won five games, California three, and one was tied. Attendance has run about 20,000, being limited only by the size of the stadiums.

## 315 ATHLETES COMPLETE IN CONFERENCE GAMES

CHAMPAIGN, Ill., May 21.—Five hundred and fifteen athletes are entered in the annual Western conference meet to be held on Illinois field, June 5. In addition to the "big nine" institutions, all of which will send teams, Drake, Oregon state, Iowa state, Coe, Colorado, South Dakota, Kansas, Missouri, Michigan agricultural, Lake Forest, Notre Dame and De Pauw will be represented.

The man who is killing time is also assassinating his opportunities.

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