

Belden Hill Is Paid Glowing Tribute By Mississippi Valley President

ONE OF FINEST CHARACTERS IN RANKS OF NATIONAL GAME

Bunny Head Mainly Responsible for Organizing Three-Eye And 'Sippi Leagues; Cites Some Examples Of Belden's Methods.

THE APPENDED letter received today from M. H. Sexton, president of the Mississippi Valley league, is a glowing tribute to Belden Hill, president of the Bunny club, who expects to retire from office at Friday's meeting when officers for 1925 will be elected.

Mr. Sexton's letter evidently was prompted by a newspaper article which he refers to in the first paragraph. The letter in full follows:

"Apropos of the item, recently going the rounds of the press, regarding the retirement of Belden Hill as president of the Cedar Rapids Baseball club, I feel incensed at the slightest reference. He has been at the head of the Bunny club for several years, as a reward for the valuable and unselfish service that he has rendered to his home city, and to the people of Cedar Rapids, for a period of more than twenty-five years.

"Belden Hill, now well advanced in years, and a successful merchant in comfortable circumstances, as a boy and a young man, was one of the best ball players, most exemplary in conduct and habits, most cheerful, willing and ambitious in his profession and one of the most honorable and truthful men I have ever seen in my pleasure to know in the ranks of professional baseball. At the close of his playing career he entered the managerial field, and for many years conducted successfully clubs in various cities throughout the country.

"Finally he retired from active service on the diamond, established himself in a successful business at Cedar Rapids, and, because of his great love for the game, immediately became active on behalf of his home city, interested the local people in the benefits and advantages of professional baseball, secured a franchise for Cedar Rapids in the Big League, was elected president of that club and for many years has been the moving spirit which controlled the destinies of that splendid city in the ranks of organized baseball.

"To Belden Hill belongs the greater share of credit for the organization of the Three-Eye league and the Mississippi Valley league in the Big League. It was his vision, his perseverance and his dominant character which builded so well in both of those instances. Absolutely straight-forward, outspoken and vigorous in argument his policies usually prevailed. With a well established reputation for honesty, integrity, ability and knowledge of the game, Belden Hill's opinions and judgment were always respected.

"Two incidents, coming under my personal observation, were characteristic of the man. Once, when a major league club was about to purchase his players, he notified the club owner that the player was not worth the price offered. On another occasion, quite recently, a major league club scout purchased one of his players at a handsome figure, and later, when this player went bad, Mr. Hill immediately wrote the club owner

detailing the fact and actually returned the purchase price. "Being fully conversant with this brilliant record and achievement, I deem it fitting that his valiant service to our great national game be attested.

"M. S. S. Sexton, President."

CORNELL HAS PAIR OF TOUGH BATTLES

Purple Tossers Will Meet Ripon And Monmouth With Diekof Out Of Action.

Special to The Gazette. MOUNT VERNON, Jan. 7.—Facing two of the toughest games of the season against Ripon and the classy Monmouth quintets this weekend, Coach Saalwaechter will send his cagers into the fray without the services of Diekof, clever 202 pound Cornell center, who has been forced from the game due to ill health.

Captain Warren Kasch is back in uniform after recovering from a knee injury received during the football season. The Purple captain was used for a while in the Illinois Wesleyan game and proved that he can still hit his stride that last year made him one of the most feared men on the Cornell five. Kasch will get into the games this weekend and Cornell basket followers are anxious to see what he can do.

Saalwaechter is expected to start Clemmer at center, but that yet remains to be seen. Clemmer has been displaying spurs of speed that have put him in the running as a clever floor man. His deadly basket eye will be a menace to the opponents. Captain Kasch may work the pivot post, although he is equally as clever at forward. Hines and Hartwell are the shining lights at the guard positions. Hartwell has a reputation as being a wearing ace, while his running mate stops everything coming his way. Dean and Green form a good pair of forwards. Both men are speedy and can locate the hoop.

Bell, sub forward, is expected to break into the limelight soon as he is giving the regular forwards a tough run. Bell is small, but his speed and scrap make up for his lack of weight.

Dykeman, sub guard, is another one of the most promising men on the team. He is a scrapper and has the speed to go with his fight. Boylan has been making the trips and will be a likely candidate to fill in at center.

WALKER FORECASTS KAYO FOR M'TIGUE

Welter Champion Installed As Favorite Over Bigger Foe In 12 Rounder.

NEWARK, N. J., Jan. 7.—(By International News.)—Mickey Walker, world's welterweight champion, predicted today that he would win by a knockout tonight in his fight here with Mike McTigue, light-heavyweight title holder. Victory by that route would make Walker a dual champion.

The bout is scheduled for 12 rounds, but Mickey is confident it will not go beyond ten, at most. No relation is served under the New Jersey law and only by stopping McTigue can Walker achieve his ambition.

McTigue's weight edge on Walker and his ability on the defense, many experts believe will enable him to stave off the Jersey man's attack. Walker rules favorite, however. Irrespective of the outcome, Walker said he intends to try later for the middleweight title now held by Harry Greb.

A wager of \$250 has been made by "Babe" Cullen, Newark boxing man, against \$1,000 that Mickey Walker will win the knockout. "Little Jack Dempsey," as friends of Walker call him, was "in" on the bet to the extent of saying "Go ahead to Cullen, an expert, if he didn't put Mike away. In case he does, Walker wants no part of the bet. It's a friendly thing."

Bowling

MATCH GAME Iowa Fruit Co.

J. Laslo	214	212	208	634
Karres	160	142	142	444
Starry	168	187	142	497
Hardiman	225	172	189	586
Montillon	165	145	221	531
Totals	932	878	882	2692

Lincoln Hotel.

Leatherberry	146	180	158	484
Slmütz	190	145	187	522
Kroulik	184	145	175	504
Voemek	186	168	166	520
Nigg	212	175	188	575
Totals	918	813	876	2607

COMMERCIAL Turner Studio.

Porter	127	134	174	435
Cartier	138	123	145	406
Blattler	178	149	180	507
Treadwell	175	161	196	532
Sheridan	215	181	190	586
Totals	795	719	858	2372

Sve's Market.

S. Sveo	156	220	163	539
Wilson	185	147	187	519
Rebelski	171	171	171	513
J. Sebatia	174	174	169	517
M. Sveo	169	164	181	514
Totals	825	886	810	2521

Duffy Dills.

Maloney	148	173	205	526
Dearbe	148	173	172	493
Hensley	186	192	170	548
Donnewald	191	182	161	534
Hoppee	169	150	147	466
Totals	828	868	855	2551

Outler and Starman Fm. Agency.

Belderman	169	170	165	504
Rasch	156	142	161	459
Starman	158	148	189	495
Cuttler	166	171	166	503
Simits	194	166	171	531
Totals	883	797	791	2471

Lincoln Shoe Shop.

Scolaro	186	169	190	545
Belchert	188	141	147	476
Duncan	199	188	179	566
Hansen	191	165	182	538
Leatherberry	188	194	191	573
Totals	862	847	889	2602

Chadina Coal.

J. Voemek	187	170	167	524
Gregory	189	169	169	527
Novak	184	164	184	532
Col	186	186	166	538
Trout	173	172	172	517
Totals	839	841	838	2517

3-Minute Cereal.

Thenhouse	185	165	155	505
Courtesy	142	174	129	445
Milligan	120	160	165	445

RED PEPPERS

HOT SPORT CHATTER BY 'EARL'

A few months ago the name "Paavo Nurmi" meant about as much in the life of the average American as that of some stevedore on the docks at Hoboken does today. Yet, last night, some 15,000 souls gathered at Madison Square Garden to cheer the record-smashing Finn, and this morning this writer found 25 pages of copy on his desk relating the details of Nurmi's great performances.

Comparing Nurmi, a foreigner, with another foreigner, Louis Firpo, one finds a vast difference. Being an amateur, the Finnish runner will receive his expenses, and the honor and glory that goes with a champion while the other, Firpo, on the other hand, doesn't want, nor doesn't get honor and glory. All he wants—and he got plenty of it—is money.

Laudatory remarks often times are nothing more than mockery. Sometimes, however, they hit the

Brink	183	161	181	478
Michealek	162	120	137	419
Totals	762	770	720	2252

Sinclair's.

Montillon	203	102	206	612
Rejman	183	156	170	509
Whitlull	153	144	162	459
Ely	149	167	166	482
Voemek	149	190	204	543
Totals	837	599	908	2344

Ooca Cola Co.

Polich	163	182	180	525
Stick	162	170	142	474
Maxwell	119	142	138	400
Soderland	153	153	153	459
Walker	180	171	193	544
Totals	727	773	703	2203

Lauran's Press.

J. Laslo	155	138	163	456
Dodds	155	118	178	451
Coll	162	167	157	486
Smith	182	166	181	529
Nigg	182	206	181	569
Totals	824	787	864	2465

Schaefer Jewelers.

Zoble	166	150	190	506
Schaefer	155	132	147	434
Doubbrasky	100	182	175	457
Richard	100	182	175	457
P. Leigh	190	160	148	498
Totals	810	858	813	2481

Raney & Scollers.

Novotny	144	178	151	473
Drew	208	168	140	516
Ingram	147	148	185	480
McAllen	192	145	184	521
McAllen	188	183	160	531
Total	862	820	802	2484

CORNELL HAS EIGHT GAME GRID SCHEDULE

MOUNT VERNON, Jan. 7.—Coach "Polly" Wallace arranged a stiff eight-game schedule for his 1926 grid eleven when in Chicago attending the Mid-west conference meeting. The Purple mentor fixed dates with five of the strongest elevens in the combine and also took on three Iowa teams who are not in the conference.

Captain-elect "Tudor" Dean and his Purple teammates will have a chance to show what they can do next fall when they play Knox, this year's conference leader who was tied with Cornell for first honors but held the advantage as Cornell was tied once during the season. This game with the Galesburg team will take the place of the Beloit game. The schedule is:

Oct. 3—Grinnell at Mount Vernon.
Oct. 10—Hamilton at Mount Vernon.
Oct. 17—Ripon at Mount Vernon.
Oct. 24—Watrous at Fairfield.
Oct. 31—Knox at Galesburg.
Nov. 7—Monmouth at Mount Vernon (homecoming).
Nov. 14—Dubuque at Mount Vernon.
Nov. 21—Coe at Cedar Rapids.

Cattle owners have one advantage over automobile owners. Ford can not become Rolls-Royce when hit by a train.—Little Rock Arkansas Gazette.

KOHAWKS KEVED UP FOR RIPON TUSSLE

Lineup Will Be Unchanged Unless Brown's Feet Keep Him Off Floor.

The second opportunity to see Coe's basketballers in action will be afforded followers of Burt Jenkins Kohawks tomorrow night when the Crimson tossers stack up against Ripon in the opening tussle of the Mid-west championship race for both teams.

Since reporting back for practice the day after Christmas, the Kohawks have been putting forth every effort to trim their sails for the opening gun, but to what extent they have succeeded will not be known until they enter the lists with the Badgers.

Granting that Stanley Brown's frozen feet do not prevent him from playing, the Crimson battlefront is likely to be the same as the one used in the only pre-holiday game with Dubuque. Brown has been taking things easy because of his pedal troubles, and Van Eiman has been worked considerably as Captain Stuelco's running mate at the basket shooter, but his defensive qualities are not on a par with Brown's.

In scrimmages the last few days Harris Lamb has held down the pivot post with Tullis and Willis Lamb at the forwards. Jenkins has been working this trio hard in an effort to improve their shooting which at present constitutes the main weakness of the team.

The game will be played in the Y. M. C. A. at 7:30.

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PURDUE HOPES TO JOLT IOWA'S BASKET QUINTET FRIDAY NIGHT

Hawkeyes Must Win To Remain On Top Of Big Ten Table; Boilermakers Have Pair Of Great Guards In Robbins, Wellman.

IOWA CITY, Jan. 7.—(By International News.)—Purdue hopes to avenge a pair of defeats at the hands of the Hawkeye quintet last year when it does battle with Barry's cagers Friday night in the second game of the 1924 Big Ten season.

"Piggy" Lambert, Boilermaker coach, was so interested in seeing the Hawks in action that he came all the way from Lafayette to watch Iowa trample Minnesota Monday night.

Although the Old Gold five showed strength in downing the Gophers Monday, Coach Sam Barry found much to criticize in a talk to the men last night. There were some examples of bad passing and traveling with the ball, also failure to handle the sphere cleanly. Iowa's two new guards, Van Deussen and McConnell, showed improvement on defense and worked well into the offense. Raffensperger played a great floor game.

Purdue has two veteran guards—Captain Wellman and the shifty Robbins, one of the best running guards in the conference. He is a strong defensive man and a clever dribbler. He is leading his team in scoring so far this year. Crampor, new center, is said to rival Guillon, star pivot man for Purdue for the past three seasons. Jolly, Wright, and Neuman, new men, have been leading the battle for the forwards.

If the Hawks continue in front in the conference race it will be necessary to win from Purdue this week. By virtue of their victory over Minnesota, Barry's tossers top the Big Ten standings, but a defeat at the hands of Purdue would push the Old Gold back to a 60-50 basis. No changes are anticipated in the team and the same combination that operated against the Gophers doubtless will start Friday. It was significant that Barry used only five men during the opening conference game.

NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL.

State of Iowa, Linn County, ss In the District Court. To all whom it may concern: Notice is hereby given that on the 14th day of January A. D. 1926, at 9 o'clock a. m., an instrument purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of Elizabeth F. Morey, late of said county, deceased, will come on for hearing before the District Court for the proof and admission of same to probate.

Dated, Marion, Iowa, January 5th, 1926.
HARRY S. JOHNSON, Clerk District Court.
S. M. Hall, attorney.

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FINN JAVELIN THROWER ARRIVES

JOHN MYRRA of Finland, world's champion javelin thrower and winner of that event in the 1920 and 1924 Olympic games, has arrived in San Francisco from Japan. He says he will make San Francisco his home, and has joined the Olympic club, under whose colors he probably will compete hereafter.

WHEN ABB MITCHELL and George Duncan, British professional golfers, finish their Southern California tour at San Diego, Feb. 8, they will leave for the north carrying about \$10,000 more than when they arrived. Their Southern California program calls for more than twenty exhibition matches at about \$500 an exhibit.

RAY FEE, a flyweight boxer who represented the United States in the Olympic games at Paris, has decided to turn professional and is seeking matches in California. He home.

LEW PATUHO, Utah's newest and greatest aspirant for ring fame in the featherweight class, meets Noble Cervantes of Denver in a 10-round bout, an entertainment feature of the Ogden, Utah livestock show tonight. Patuho was a contender in the recent elimination tournament for the world's featherweight championship in New York.

TY COBB, who in 1924 batted over the 300 mark for the nineteenth successive season, will have a chance to equal the all-time major league mark established by the late Adrian C. "Pop" Anson. If he again enters the select batting circle at the end of the 1925 campaign, Cobb's achievement, in reality, will be better than Anson's, for the Tiger leader's record would represent an unbroken string while Anson, in batting over 300 for twenty years, had a break in his record. Anson clubbed for 300 or more fifteen straight years, beginning in 1876, but he presented tonight to members of the University of Chicago team. Captains of team of past years will attend the presentation banquet.

GOLD FOOTBALLS, emblematic of the 1924 Western conference football championship will be presented tonight to members of the University of Chicago team. Captains of team of past years will attend the presentation banquet.

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