

Officers For Bunny Club Will Be Elected At Conference Tomorrow Night

BELDEN HILL DETERMINED HE WILL QUIT PRESIDENT'S CHAIR

Several Candidates Have Been Mentioned As Successor If Hill Steps Out; Financial End Of Club Also To Be Discussed.

BY EARL COUGHLIN.

THE FIRST gun of the 1923 baseball season will be fired here tomorrow night when stockholders and other supporters of the Bunnies gather in the Chamber of Commerce for the purpose of electing officers and directors, and discussing ways and means of financing this year's club in the 'Sippi pennant race.

The conference will be momentous if for no other reason than it probably will mark the passing of the outstanding figure in the history of baseball in Cedar Rapids. Belden Hill, president of the Bunnies for several years, and for many years previous the leading light as player and manager, emphatically declares he will not be a candidate to succeed himself as head of the organization.

Really Wants To Quit. Hill has been the guiding spirit of the national pastime in this city for something like twenty-eight years, and he now wishes to lay down the reins so far as an official position is concerned. Whether the directors will comply with his wishes and permit him to step aside is a matter of conjecture, but it is the opinion of those well informed in the matter that Hill positively is determined to quit.

Since the first announcement that Mr. Hill desired to step out of office several men have been mentioned as possible successors. Harry Johnson's name frequently has been linked with the position while King Thompson, local attorney, and J. H. Henry, present secretary of the Bunnies, also have figured in the curb gossip.

Elect 15 Directors. Aside from the usual number of rumors that precede a baseball conference nothing of a very definite nature will be known until the Friday session is called to order. A board of fifteen directors will be elected and they in turn will select a president, secretary and treasurer to handle this year's business. Unless he goes to the president's chair, it is expected that J. H. Henry will be unopposed for the secretaryship.

It is expected that the Chamber of Commerce will be represented at the meeting. The body advises that it will probably institute a campaign to insure adequate finances for the ensuing season, and the important matter probably will be discussed during course of the evening.

The meeting is open to the public, and all interested in baseball are urged to attend. The conference will be called at eight o'clock.

MEWAN WILL COACH ARMY AGAIN IN 1923
NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—(By International News.)—Capt. John J. Mewan has been named to coach the army football team for another season, it was learned today. He served in that capacity in 1922 and 1924, and was a line coach before that.

Studebaker Makes Price Reduction; \$210 On Big Six

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—(By Universal.)—Sweeping price reductions on all closed models made by the Studebaker corporation include two cuts which manufacturers here attending the silver anniversary automobile show declare will affect the entire range of higher priced cars.

Several high priced cars have announced reductions to meet this situation and Studebaker's announcement of its first cut in a year has precipitated a new conflict of prices which will be of advantage to car buyers.

The new Studebaker prices are: Standard six coupe, \$1,345, reduction of \$50; coupe, \$1,445, reduction of \$50. Sedan, \$1,545, reduction of \$50. Special six victoria, \$1,895, reduction of \$155. Sedan, \$1,995, reduction of \$155. Big six coupe, \$2,450, reduction of \$200. Sedan, \$2,575, reduction of \$210. All prices are f. o. b. factories. The Duplex prices remain as before.

Railway Loading Records Are Set

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—(By Associated Press.)—Although a falling off in loadings of coal, coke and ore caused total loadings of revenue freight on American railroads last year to show a decline of 2 1/2 per cent from 1922, the totals for both the first and last quarters of the year were the greatest ever recorded for those periods, according to complete 1924 loading figures announced today by the American Railway Association.

Machine Made. Father comes rushing home from golf. With some nice potted chicken. Ma won a can of soup at bridge. Which makes her pluck quicker. Sister a jar of olives has. Thought she was late and trembled. Brother brings beans and says: "Dinner is now assembled."

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EDDIE'S FRIENDS The Deadbeats Have a Duet



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HOT SPORT CHATTER BY 'EARL'
Knutie Rockne's galloping, horsemen trotted nearly half the circumference of the earth in quest of football honors during the past season. They visited seven states in climates ranging from ten degrees above zero at Princeton, N. J., to ten degrees above at Pasadena. In winning ten games from representatives in every section of the country, Notre Dame traveled 10,500 miles. Approximately one-sixth of the season was spent in Pullman cars.

Tom Eck, Johnny Behr and Jack Mahan, all well known Chicago track authorities, have qualified as brave men. This trio is reported by a Chicago daily as predicting that Jole Ray will beat Paavo Nurmi when they clash in the Windy City, Jan. 18. In view of recent jockeying we don't see how they get that way unless they figure to equip Jole with roller skates.

'BO' McMILLAN WILL COACH GENEVA COLLEGE
BEAVER FALLS, Pa., Jan. 3.—(By Associated Press.)—"Bo" McMillan, football coach last season at Geneva college, and former ball star of Centre college, was chosen all-year athletic coach of Geneva college, it was announced today.

HOLLOCHER MAY COME BACK
PAAVO NURMI's first performance in the United States in the mile race marked the third time he has run this distance in competition. The last time he ran the mile in an open competition was in August, 1922, when he set the world's outdoor record at 4:10 2/5. Thus in two successive mile races he shattered the outdoor and indoor standards.

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GRINNELL PREPARES FOR KANSAS BATTLE

Coch Black Seeks A Smooth Combination; Team Looks Good On Defense.

Special to The Gazette. GRINNELL, Jan. 7.—A short light drill today completed the two weeks of intensive training the Pioneer cage squad has been going through preparatory to opening the Missouri Valley basketball season against the Kansas Jayhawkers here tomorrow.

Coch Black has been working his men hard since the close of football season, in an effort to get a combination that can make a good showing in the coming conference race. The team showed up better defensively in the pre-season game against Wisconsin, than did last year's team during the whole season, but the offense had many ragged edges which Coach Black has been endeavoring to smooth over since that game.

Captain Gelvin seems to be a fixture at one of the guards, but the other positions are more or less uncertain. Wing and Winger, both lettermen, are fighting for the other guard position, with the former having a slight edge, while Bogo, a lanky center of two years experience, appears to be the logical pivot man, although he is being hard pushed by Seeland, a new member on the varsity squad.

The lack of forward material is causing the coach the most trouble, and he is undecided as to who will start in those positions. Moran seems to be the best of the candidates, but he will have to reckon with Deffins, Chase, Larson, and Stotts, new men, but who have shown considerable speed and ability in practice.

Grinnell followers do not expect a victory from the speedy Jayhawkers in the initial encounter of the season, but hope to see the Pioneers hold down the Valley champs to a close score.

CREIGHTON MAY PLAY OCCIDENTAL ELEVEN

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 3.—(By Associated Press.)—A football game during the 1925 season between Creighton university of Omaha, Neb., and Occidental college of the Southern California Intercollegiate conference is under consideration here by Occidental authorities, an invitation having been received from the middle western institution.

IOWA ATHLETIC TEAMS BILLED FOR 61 CONTESTS THIS SPRING

More Tentative Dates May Bring Total Over Seventy; Minnesota Will Be Met In Nine Meets; Illinois Second With Eight.

IOWA CITY, Jan. 8.—(Special.)—Olympic preliminaries have been stricken from the list, but Iowa athletes have one of the busiest sessions before them that has ever been mapped out for a set of Iowa teams. Sixty-one separate meetings have been scheduled for Iowa teams this spring and it is probable that with additional baseball games and a tennis card, the number will be raised well above the seventy mark.

Part of the increase in the Iowa competition is doubtless due to the appearance of Hawkeye teams in previously unpatronized sports, but it is also partially due to a policy of drawing heavy schedules all along the line. Basketball, baseball, swimming, golf, track, wrestling, fencing and gymnastics are included in the totals compiled.

HORSEMEN GUESTS OF NEBRASKA UNIV.
Old Rivalry Will Be Revived At Banquet; Crowley And Rockne Absent.

LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 8.—(By International News.)—Another post-season meeting—featuring the football teams of the Universities of Nebraska and Notre Dame—was scheduled to take place here today. The occasion will lack the traditional gridiron atmosphere of other Cornhusker-Notre Dame encounters, as rivalry between the teams will be confined to after-dinner speeches.

With the exception of Knute Rockne, the coach, and Jim Crowley, star halfback, who are reported to have remained in Cedar Rapids, the entire Notre Dame squad will be guests of honor at a banquet here this afternoon arranged by the Nebraska football team—that team that unhorsed the Irish cavalry two years out of three. The intercollegiate championship will arrive in Lincoln early this afternoon and resume their homeward journey late this evening.

The Jumping Creper.
The expedition to British Honduras has brought back a pair of strange animals that crawl along the ground like alligators, have the armor of turtles, and can spring six feet. It sounds to us as the perfect pedestrian had been discovered at last.—Punch.

Success must mean what many business men find lacking in our youth today: reliability, dependability, punctuality, regularity, honest work, willingness to do hard work, the ability to understand and to do exactly what one is told to do.—Dr. H. H. Horne.

IVAN PARKE'S KIN TAKES TO JOCKEY GAME

BURLEY, Idaho, Jan. 18.—(By International News.)—Parker Marshall, local jockey and cousin of Ivan Parke of international turf fame, left today to ride on the New Orleans track. He will wear the silks of Payne Whitney.

Marshall is 18 years old and weighs 90 pounds. He had considerable racing experience at Southern Idaho fairs with good percentage of wins. Ivan Parke, who was here recently on a visit, interested his manager in the Idaho kid and Marshall will sign up with the Whitney stable on reaching New Orleans.

Ralph Hitchcock, football halfback, track star and regular guard on the Tiger basketball five will be lost to Washington high at the end of the first semester, according to Coach Novak. It is possible he will remain in school until June, but the eight semester rule will make him ineligible for further participation in athletics.

Olympic Fields country club of Chicago, the largest golf club in the world by virtue of its four championship courses, has taken under consideration a plan to make the club an all-year golfing place by installing an indoor course in the new million dollar club house which recently was finished.

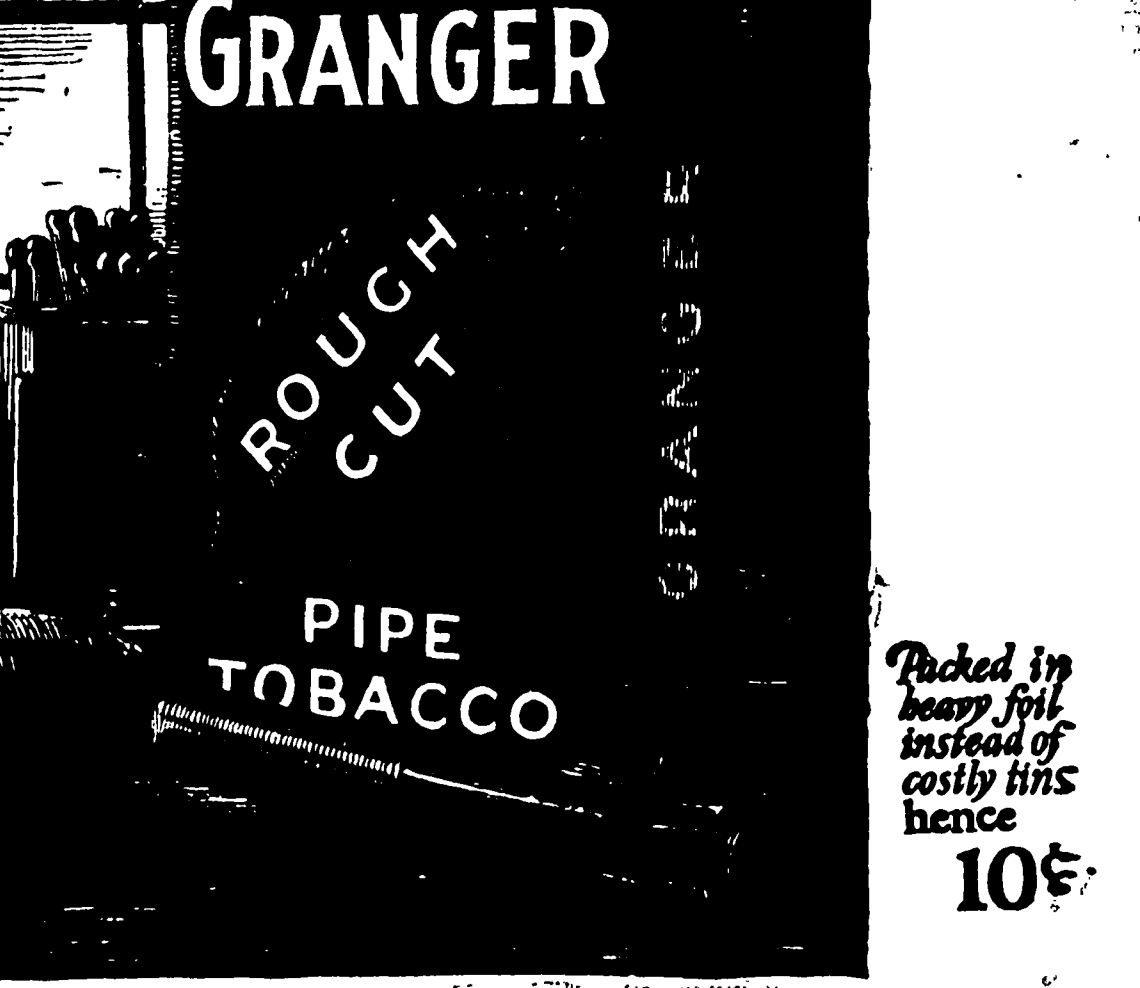
Oldest Subscriber Quits Paper When Puzzles Get Hard
SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Jan. 8.—(By Associated Press.)—The crossword puzzle craze has cost a local daily newspaper one of its oldest subscribers. A victim of the puzzle fad, he wrote from his home near Garrettsville, O., and declared:

"I have taken your paper for twenty-four years and hitherto have found no fault with it. When you began running crossword puzzles they were good and possible to work but lately they have been harder and harder and now are almost impossible to solve. Having written about this matter and received no satisfaction I am compelled to abandon your good newspaper and take another which prints puzzles which can be worked without staying up all night, inasmuch as I can take only one daily paper and no other crossword puzzles than those I get in newspapers are available, am compelled to find a paper which is satisfactory in this department."

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BULLARD TO TAKE OIL JOB.
MEXICO CITY, Jan. 3.—Information received here today said that Gen. Robert Lee Bullard, retiring from service in the army, will represent oil interests in the capital.

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