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LOCALS GET PLAYER

V. TROUTMAN IS AWARDED TO SOUTH BEND TEAM.

WILL BEGIN WORK THURSDAY

Grant's Aggregation Expected Here Tuesday or Wednesday—Dolans Signs With Wheeling—Singles A's Reporting.

A. V. Troutman, of Lebanon, Ind., as mentioned several weeks ago in The Tribune, was awarded to the South Bend team by President Farrell yesterday. The Cubs, fla., team did not have sufficient claim to hold him so he was awarded to the locals. Troutman is an outfielder and will give the youngsters who are trying for the team a run for their money.

Only about three more days until the dyed-in-the-wool fans can hear the crack of the bat and be able to lift their hats to the 1906 South Bend team, probably the best that has ever represented this city.

Thursday Captain Grant will lead his men to the big Notre Dame gymnasium and to Carlisle field. When the locals go to the university several old ball players will be among them. Grant will have a few men in the college this year, but will train and practice there and board at the Sherman hotel where arrangements have been made to accommodate them. The men who have not yet reported, but are expected to arrive Tuesday and Wednesday.

Wheeling Players Report.

Manager Charles S. Shriver, of the Wheeling, and most of the other members of the team who are to play with the Wheelers, are expected to arrive here to arrive in that city today. Fifteen players are to report. All are expected to settle down to consistent practice work, so as to be in fit-ness shape by the time the season opens, or even by the time the entertainment of the Wheelers begins.

Jimmy Austin, new writer for the Dayton, announced that he will be satisfied with only $10 increase over last year's salary, but as $25 is the most any club can give, he has already been allowed him he will have to be satisfied. It is hinted that he will sign a contract in a day or so.

Pitcher Andrews, Wheeling's crack third baseman, has at last accepted terms with the Singles and signed the 1906 contract.

The new uniforms for the Springfield Singles are on exhibition in the window of a store adjoining the depot. The uniforms are very neat and will wear well, and they will stand some show.

Manager Edward P. Lennon, who will manage the Dayton team this season, is a man who is well known in this state, he will give the Vets a wonder in the gymnasium of the Dayton Gymnastic club.

Played With Fort Wayne.

The Wheeling Register is authority for the following:

Oberlin, one of the young twirlers trying for a permanent place on the Pirate pitching staff, will be remembered as one of the corps of sixty-fours with Fort Wayne in 1902-4. In 1903 he was the best pitcher in the league he pitched against Wheeling in 1904 that he quit and left his club. He had been overworked, and was sent in when his arm was extremely sore, and his bad pitching, Mautner refused to relieve him, and he deserted the club. He was a good pitcher when he was played. During the winter he wrote to Mautner to find if there were any strings on him, as he had received one or two offers. Mautner replied that if he wanted to play with Fort Wayne he would write him out a swing (Mautner) and the letter to Secretary Farrell, who replied that he had not been reserved, that Mautner had no claim on him, and that it was simply an attempt to hold him up. His story illustrates the difficulty of a player who has been let from the Central league after failing in his attempt to bully the magnates.

Cleveland Would Bat.

The Cleveland club Saturday announced that it is willing to put up $1,000 that Cleveland finishes in front of Detroit in the race or, if this isn't satisfactory, that the clan of Napoleon will with the Tigers, if the latter accept from Arcadia's tribunal. From time to time the Detroit players and spirit have been known to make such statements that Cleveland's army is not in the Tiger class, and that Detroit is coasting in the world between these two clubs, anyway, so at a gathering of the "boys" Saturday it was stated that Detroit is on the level in its effort to finish before it winds up calling this $1,000 bet.

Plan New League.

A central Illinois baseball league is being planned to take in cities of Tuscola and Mount Carmine, Pittsburg, Moline, Lincoln, Danville, Decatur, Springfield and Bloomington. Balls and Pubin have been prepared for membership. Sunday games only will be played.

Dust of the Diamond.

After being idle for a week the Chicago White Stockings were able to get a game with the Memphis Southern pick. Tom Before 1,200 fans they trounced the Memphis Southern league club yesterday by a score of 3 to 7, but they were forced to the extreme limit of their ability to do it. The game pleased the big crowd thoroughly by indicate it was not certain but that some Memphis would swat the ball on the nose at any moment and turn the contest in favor of the southern leaguers.

The New York Nationals defeated the Louisville American association team in a rather uninteresting game Saturday afternoon. Sunday was a dull Sunday well considering the condition of the grounds. Punched based balls were responsible for most of the tallies. The score was 7 to 4.

Ed Hanlon, president of the Brooklyn club, has finished one of his last and in the American association and who played with Toledo last season, has announced his personal resignation from the diamond. He is going into the engraving business at Toledo.

The crowd rooted hard for the Cincinnati American association team yesterday, but they did not have a chance, as they could not hit Pittsburg's pitchers, Leever, Kitch, Doubrich and Fritzer. The games were: Chicago, 8; Columbus, 1. Most is the stickler scored by Murphy from the Brooklyn team.

Billiard Experts to Hold Meeting.

New York, April 1.—The seven billiard experts who will compete at Madison Square garden beginning Monday, April 9, in an international three-cushion tournament, will meet in Boston early this week to discuss the playing rules and to make such changes as will eliminate possible chances for disputes. Several important changes will be made in the discussion, which will be brought up for discussion, which will be brought up for future consideration at the meeting on June. The players who are scheduled to compete are William Hoppe, Cyrille Dion, Jerome Keller, Jacob Schaefer.

Peter Elks Tournament.

The first team to enter the Elks Bowling tournament, which will be held during the fair, is a new team, E. P. Gaffney is captain of the team. The other members of the team are J. Schwartz, Jr., Hoffmann, F. Whitaker and E. H. Gaffney.

Local Bowlers to Enter.

Marvin Carlstrom and Fred Hart, of this city, may enter with the Dowagiac team in the annual elks tournament of Michigan bowlers at Detroit, Mich., April 16 to 21. They will enter the Dowagiac contest.

Will Meet Brenon Hall.

The South Bend High school track team will meet Brenon hall April 13. The meet will be held at Notre Dame.

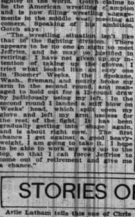
Rare Birds are Shot.

Rarely seen so far north, a rose flamingo and an Egyptian flamingo were recently shot on the sands near Calais.

S. S. Williams Removed to Home.

S. S. Williams, who was operated upon at Epworth hospital recently, was removed to his home, 121 South Main street, this morning. He is much improved.

WRESTLER WHO HOPES TO BECOME CHAMPION FIGHTER.



Frank Gotch will has hopes of becoming the champion heavy-weight wrestler of the world, which claim he has made on the strength of a match and is now still unknown. Gotch is a native of Iowa and is a farmer by occupation. Speaking of his ambition, Gotch says:

"The wrestling situation has been that I have been ready and willing to prepare to be no one but Frank Gotch, Jeffries, and he may be justified in letting I have not been ready or inclined to take up the shows. I have been ready to take up the fight in Hackenschmidt's Wrestle, I am ready, Wash. Brenan, and many boys my arm in the second round. I was engaged to hold off for a 15-round drop-down with Hackenschmidt, but in the second round I knocked a good boy on Weeks' head, which spoil some my chance and I lost the fight. I was beaten, and is about right now I have a chance I get against a good boy, tonight, I am going to knock it, I ought to able to work my way up to the top. I am not certain but I may give notice out of retirement and give me a chance."

GRANT IS REGARDED AS BEST SECOND BASEMAN.

Unless some unknown player comes into the limelight of the Central league this year, Grant, of South Bend, will continue to carry the honors of the premier second baseman on the circuit.

SKINNER DEFENDS STAGE.

Actor Declares Purpose of Modern Production is Good.

New York, April 1.—Otis Skinner talked about "The Stage" before a large audience at Carnegie hall. He stood up strong for his profession, and hit at the sort of carpers who have been described "as making vicious criticism by constantly screaming for it."

About the best thing that could happen for the theater as well as for the public, in Mr. Skinner's opinion, would be the teaching of dramatic art in the public schools to be supplemented by the establishment in large cities of chairs of dramatic art. Mr. Skinner admitted that the public taste was not what it should be, somebody stepping forward from the ground up.

"The purpose of the stage is plain," said he, "it is to amuse, to inspire, to teach, to mirror. Although such things as Lewis Sunderland and others must not be shown for their sake alone, they are needed to illustrate a moral, to arrange. They must be shown in order that the public may change her jaded appetite and seeing them are those who say the stage does not request real life always enough."

"There is the charge that the theater represents life too realistically. It does not. On the other hand, it frequently strips life. Take Jefferson Bell's rule remember Joe Jefferson as Rip Van Winkle, Joe Jefferson, a typical character, a typical character. Yet we weren't disgusted with him. We didn't think him, in Rip Van Wi-kle, as a sot, a drunkenness is not an attribute to an American character." Saying flatly that it was a mistake to represent life as it is.

"Yet I do not mean that the stage should not be the mirror of life. Where is such said these days about cheap and vulgar plays? Take Lillian Russell, the first lady of the produces of the vaudeville.

"They are more want to furnish trashy plays than a self-respecting people would stand for if they understand, are tempted and fall. Therefore the public must be educated, and the process must begin in the public schools. Then, the very best

HOLD LIFE CHEAP

GANGS OF TOUGHS MURDER FOR PALTRY SUM.

Peaceful Citizens is Always in Danger While Walking at Night in New York.

New York, April 1.—There are gangs in New York which make a regular business of murder and assault for just sufficient the price of a beverage on some one who has the money you it will cost only 1906 to have your man murdered outright. For less money than the price of a pint price will be less.

Two murders were in New York well as suspicious circumstances, yesterday, one of which was witnessed by a prominent citizen of police, who made the foregoing observation. The trouble had been going on for some time, and many are in the street thinks the murderers of the gangs.

"I've got a man at the head of the police department who knows New York and knows the conditions the performance of breaking up the gangs and sending their leaders to prison. A good citizen is hardly safe walking the streets night and day, and the time has come for the best to keep the bugger from doing business."

PROTEST GOES TO MR. BRICK

Street Railway Employes Object to Chinese Exclusion Law Changes.

Division No. 317, Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employes of America, the city employes, have sent a protest against the proposed changes in the Chinese exclusion law and has sent to Congressman A. L. Brick a vigorous protest. The text of the protest is as follows:

"Resolved, That we protest against the congress of the United States passing bill 12878, commonly known as the Pierce bill, which proposes to change the Chinese exclusion law so as to allow the admission of Chinese, which means quite a number of people, and the murdered of wages but the depreciation of Gotch agree."

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One Night is Billable.

STORIES OF DIAMOND.

Artie Latham tells this one of Chief Von der Ahe and the old St. Louis Browns:

"During one of our visits to Washington Von der Ahe was accompanied by Mike Scanlon, the oldest promoter of baseball in that city. He gave a delightful evening sightseeing and drinking expedition, and when he returned to the hotel it took quite well how we got him in his bed to bed. As soon as the boys saw his condition they decided to play a joke on him. Early morning a little group of early hour would bring close the door early mirror before taking his company in cocktails. Now, Washington was the place where we had to play the Senators and that old-timer, Tom, as, as, "good do age" had just been elected. We used to sing it:

"Tu, ra, ra, ra, boom de ay."

Slip barrel for Von der Ahe! and we really thought that were the boys responsible for it. We had a song written in his honor. We used to sit around town until we found a saloon with a piano and persuade him to be at the hotel at 1:30 sharp and play which we, the boys, and Mike would sing. We would sing it for him. We told him if he would do it for a time for five dollars we would give him $1. He agreed, so we rounded in the hotel and rehired for the night. We rehearsed the song, and at 1:30 sharp the fellow came on time, and we had a good time. We had a good time, and we had a good time. We had a good time. We had a good time. We