

NEBRASKANS ARE CONFIDENT

Lincoln Foot Ballists Eager to Meet University of Minnesota Team.

INTERESTING GAME IS PROMISED

Home Team Thinks Its Showing Against Ames Sufficient to Warrant a Hope of Beating Gophers.

Manager Harry Tukey of the University of Nebraska foot ball team spent a day last week with his parents in this city and showed a just and proper jubilation over the recent showing of the varsity squad. The defeat of Ames on Saturday, 50 to 0, compared favorably with the Minnesota victory of 27 to 0.

The Nebraska fans are watching with interest the progress of their ancient enemies, the Gophers, although it will not be their privilege to meet them in this particularly favorable year, when the Lincoln men feel themselves sufficiently strong and skillful to make amends for a past humiliation. The game scheduled between Ames and Iowa for yesterday was declared off so that means of comparison between Minnesota and Nebraska was denied to the critics. In the game with Cornell college a week ago Iowa got no further than a score of 5 to 0, not a very stalwart figure.

PICK SMITH FOR THE WINNER

Local Sports Confidant that Colored Boy Will Beat Gardner.

IS GETTING IN PINK OF CONDITION

Management of Club Gives Its Guaranty that Faking Will Not Be Allowed in the Fight.

Conscientious training under the direction of an expert at the business and a determination suggesting the bulldog tenacity peculiar to many colored prize-fighters are the elements warranting the belief on the part of many that Hatch Smith will win his second fight with Oscar Gardner at Washington hall Wednesday night. Interest in the affair on the part of local devotees of the prize ring is becoming accelerated as the date of the contest draws near and the prospects are that the event will be a banner one in the history of Omaha sporting affairs. Not only will this be true in point of attendance, but as well in its inaugurating the revival of legitimate sport in this city, and that, too, under auspices that are altogether promising.

GOLFERS STILL HAUNT LINKS

Unrivaled Weather of Past Week Enjoyed to the Fullest Extent by Country Club Members.

The second contest for the championship cup offered by the extinct Omaha Golf club was entered into yesterday afternoon on the Country club links, sixteen members taking a hand. Leltoy Austin, who had one of the three triumphs necessary to complete his credit, has been absent from the city and failed to appear in person. The lineup for the first round was as follows: Kinsler against T. R. Kimball, Morison against Lemuel Haskell against R. R. Kimball, Leavitt against Foye, Lewis against Lawrie, Burns against Buckingham, Banger against Harris, Redick against Fairfield.

At a recent meeting H. Lawrie was appointed chairman of the greens committee, which has charge of all the athletic doings and appointments of the club. Mr. Lawrie has not only a good knowledge of golf, but also has several projects under way for the improvement of the golf facilities. There has recently been a revival of golf among the women after a period of lassitude and many are seen on the links these Indian summer afternoons whose faces have been tanned during the summer. An accident weight and their predictions have become the opinions of a wide circle of well-informed sporting men, as the result of the magnificent showing Smith had made in his training operations. Not one minute since he began his program for the fight with Murphy has he relaxed in his diligence, and a daily routine has been followed out under the direction of Eddie Robinson, an capable and conscientious trainer as Smith could possibly have secured. Today Smith is in splendid trim. His muscles are taut, his work is kneaded and massaged to give them elasticity and flexibility or hardened, wherever necessary, so that they will serve as protection to the frame of the fighter when Oscar Gardner chances to get in one of his sledge-hammer blows.

Smith has become an expert at sidestepping and has cultivated a natural short-arm punch which looks like a winner. He is the possessor of a remarkably good wind and above all has a grim determination to win or be able to go into his dressing room with a clean conscience. He is a fighter who is not a result in no measure from lack of effort. Wherein Smith is lacking is in ring generalship, but he is a cool-headed darkey, has his wits about him at all stages and his lack of experience may be offset by reasoning correctly. Appreciating all these conditions it looks, at any event, as though Smith were in position to meet his opponent upon a fairly equal level. If he were not the fight would lose its zest, but if he is, and such seems to be the case, there is no reason why the contest should not be eminently satisfactory one, whatever way it terminates. Of course Gardner has the best of it when one remembers his long ring career and the experience it has naturally given him. He is considered a ring general par excellence and goes in with a confidence of early in the struggle gaining an insight into his opponent's weak points and pursuing his warfare along the lines suggested by the knowledge thus learned.

Gardner is a fighting machine, pure and simple, and he has the business down to a science. It has been a marvel to the fighting world how Gardner skips about the country, making long jumps, and keeps up almost a continuous performance within the roped arena. He tackles almost any one anywhere, and he does it with the coin and bags his share of the victories, too. When Gardner puts in his appearance at Washington hall Wednesday night the crowd will see a fighter who occupies a unique position in pugilistic circles for the very reason that he is a veritable whirlwind of endurance and his scrappy proclivities preclude none with whom there is the slightest opportunity of his making a creditable showing.

Gardner for the past month has been on the go most of the time. He has fought Tim Callahan in Philadelphia and is now aboard a train enroute for Omaha. The Kid has had no time for training, but has kept himself in trim by continual fighting. He carries along a punching bag and his sparring partner, and while enroute does active work on the outside of the train which is carrying him from one place to another.

Wednesday night's program will include a six-round bout between Murray and the "Yellow Hammer," a dapper fighter who has designs on Murray's honors as champion middleweight of Nebraska. It promises to be a red-hot struggle from start to finish. But the big preliminary event will be a ten-round affair in which Manager Farrah believes will take the crowd by storm. A half dozen colored lads, all of them of more or less ring experience, will be turned loose in the ropes and the one who stays on his feet the longest will be the victor. Another half dozen, all spelling bees, only the exercise will be a dead one.

VALUE OF LEADS IN WHIST

Omaha Player Has Heart-Breaking Experience with Partner Who Didn't Know the Game.

"What is one of the most scientific games of cards ever invented, and yet, how few people know the first principles of the game," said an Omaha player recently. "The other day, when at a small town in the state, several gentlemen, after having completed their business, were sitting around the hotel waiting for the train to come along, and which was not due for several hours. Another had a card play whist. As I was a devotee of the game, I was charmed at the opportunity to while away the time at my favorite pastime and told him I knew a little about it and would be glad to be one of four to make up a game. We started in and after a few deals had been played I could see that not one of the three knew anything about the game, and yet they said they could play whist. On my original lead of king—which also shows queen or ace—my partner, who had the suit, headed by another suit, of which he knows I am extremely weak. After the hand was played I asked him his reason for playing the ace on my lead and he replied, 'Well, a trick is a trick.' I said, 'You are being badly misled to question such a lead. I soon got enough and excused myself. "Sometimes in the future, and for the

WITH ROOKS AND PAWNS

Mississippians Lead Nebraskans in Correspondence Game Between the Two States.

EVANS' GAMBIT

White—Smith. Black—Ellis. 1—K-K 2. 2—K-K B 2. 3—B-B 4. 4—K-Kt 4. 5—P-B 3. 6—Castles. 7—P-K 4. 8—Q-R 4. 9—P-K 5. 10—P-K 5 (c). 11—K-K 5. 12—K-K 5. 13—B-Kt 5. 14—K-K 5. 15—K-K 5. 16—K-K 5. 17—P-K 5.

Whom he seeks to meet, and he is now up against a roughabout proposition. Basing his claim upon the showing he made against Champion Jeffries, Corbett now claims another fight with him, but the champion has advised him to meet McCoy again, whip the "guaranty" man, and then come to him, if he wishes to talk business.

Whether or not Corbett will take this timely advice remains to be seen. It is an odds-on bet, though, that he won't be seen in the ring again until the theatrical season is over and all this advertising he is getting gratuitously will be turned to good advantage by his press agents.

The first scores are only now being submitted in the Nebraska-Mississippi match begun nearly two months ago. The long intervening distance naturally puts a time barrier on the play which no promptness in response can altogether overcome. At Omaha, where the Nebraska team, Hill and Crosby were engaged, the latter being Nebraskans, the games were declared a tie because of a misunderstanding added to by an irregularity in the mail service which threw the contestants nearly a month behind. This is the first match ever won by the Nebraska team at a further distance than Kansas and many difficulties are encountered which on future occasions may just as easily be avoided.

Thus far the score stands: Mississippi, 3; Nebraska, 1. There are seventeen games scheduled, however, so the northwesterners have an abundance of opportunity to make good their shuntage. The Mississippians have had their club organization in effect for a number of years and are to be respected as a worthy and stalwart adversary. The southerners have so far shown a spice and dash which the Nebraska team, from correspondence games and have sprung a number of surprises.

N. J. Smith of Jackson, Miss., made short work of W. R. Ellis, Bloomfield, Neb., announcing mate in four moves. The second Nebraska defeat was at the hands of Prof. J. J. Evans, Kentucky. Missions played a Scotch gambit in spirited style much too fast for D. B. Kimball of Adams, Neb. The Smith-Ellis game is below with notes by Secretary DeFrance of the Nebraska Chess association.

The charm of October days, which a few years back, brought out countless numbers of wheelmen and wheelwomen in these parts now draws out scarcely a corporal's guard. About the loneliest spectacle nowadays is the wheelier spinning over superb roads, drawing health and inspiration from autumn colors and atmosphere. Here and there the wheel encounters a bunch of fallen leaves and breaks the silence. How marked the change! Where formerly clubs and quartets and tandems and singles made an almost continuous procession now the lone wheelman pumps his weary way, whistling betimes to keep his courage up.

The National Cycling association has just issued the contract entry blanks for the grand international professional six-day team race for the cycling championship of the world, which will take place at Madison Square Garden, December 19 to 25. The rules which will govern the contest are as follows: Race will start at 12:05 a. m., December 19, and will finish at 10:05 p. m., December 25. It will be a continuous 142-hour contest, the contestants having the right to rest and ride as they may see fit, except that no rider may be on the track more than twelve hours in any twenty-four hours. Each team must select and name their official colors, and under no circumstances will contestants be allowed to start or ride in other colors. In addition to these colors, each team must wear the flag of their country, the emblem of their state, or other distinctive mark which will make apparent the country, state or city which they represent. Contestants must use only safety bicycles, whose driving mechanism does not exceed thirty-six inches in diameter, and it shall be within the jurisdiction of the referee to determine whether a machine is eligible or not. A change of machine may be made at any time during the race. In case a change is necessary, contestants shall show up on the outside of the track on either of the two straight-aways (no change to be made on the turn).

The contestant's attendant may aid him in dismounting and mounting and may give the contestant a push-off, but no attendant may run with his charges on the push-off. Each contestant may have two official attendants, whose names shall be handed to the management. Contestants who are guilty of unfair riding, or who are ungenerously in dress, language or conduct, may be disqualified by the referee at any time of the race, and upon such disqualification of the contestant forfeits all rights to prizes, entrance fees or any returns or prizes whatever.

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An ardent good roads advocate, who has been a prominent worker in the cause for a number of years and who is also interested in the bicycle trade, makes an interesting comment as follows: "It may seem strange, but it is a fact that we bicycle men who have been perfecting the machine and furthering the cause of good roads are now suffering from the good roads work has been a boomerang for the carrying dealers, having borrowed the idea of bicycle wheels, ball bearings and pneumatic tires, have practically created a new game. The revival of the last two years in driving is directly traceable to the spread of good roads and the introduction of pneumatic-tired wagons and there is no doubt that it has hurt the bicycle game."

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benefit of those who think they can play whist, I will give a few of the proper leads and what they show to your partner. To know these is one of the first requisites of the game."

The following score was made at the regular meeting Wednesday night at the Omaha Whist club:

Table with columns for North and South, and list of players and scores.

IN THE WHEELING WORLD.

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Advertisement for Dr. Bennett's Electric Belt. Includes a portrait of a man and text describing the benefits of the belt for various ailments like rheumatism, neuralgia, and general weakness.

Advertisement for If Rheumatic, featuring an image of a person and text describing a treatment for rheumatism.

Advertisement for Compete for Meyer Trophy, detailing a golf tournament and the prize.

Advertisement for Value of Leads in Whist, discussing the importance of leads in the card game.

Advertisement for Omaha Player Has Heart-Breaking Experience, sharing a story about a bad whist game.

Advertisement for Dr. Bennett's Electric Belt, repeating the details of the medical device and its benefits.