

IDEAL CIRCUIT IN PROSPECT

Strong Probability Louisville and Indianapolis Will Be in Western League.

QUESTION WILL BE DECIDED AT ST. PAUL

Plan Proposes the Dropping of Denver and the Elimination of a Half-Loose Circuit—Magnates Meet Tuesday.

There is more than a remote possibility that Indianapolis and Louisville will be admitted to the Western League.

If these two cities are to have class A base ball this season the Western League alone affords the opportunity.

The Western League, after numerous postponements and adjournments, was called to meet in St. Paul last Thursday.

At the meeting the magnates were packing their grips and ready to light out for the meeting a telegram came from President Hickey.

As aforementioned, these two cities are in rather a peculiar position. It's the Western League or no class A ball—

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understood to be knocking at the door of the Western League.

Manager Rourke of the Omaha club has always been an ardent supporter of the league idea.

The influence of the league would be added to by the admission of these cities and the strength of the organization from an executive standpoint would be greatly increased.

In view of this latest development the meeting of the league at St. Paul this week will be watched with a great deal of interest.

The latter who gets anywhere near 400 with these new rules effective must be a crackerjack.

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be graded up to a level with the diamonds and the steep grade up and down which Eddie Lauson was wont to cavort last season will give way to a surface as smooth as a billiard table.

RYAN WINS GRUELING MATCH

Tommy West is Defeated in a Fierce Encounter at Louisville—His Skill Entangled in Legal Meshes.

That class of prize fighting enthusiasts who delight in seeing a grueling match where there is lots of gore and plenty of action would have been more than satisfied by witnessing the match between Tommy Ryan and Tommy West at Louisville Monday night.

Ryan was the victor. In the seventeenth round West found himself unable longer to stand the punishment meted out to him and Terry McGrew, one of his seconds, threw up the sponge.

At one stage of the struggle West looked like an easy winner. That was in the second round, when he sent Ryan to the floor for the full count twice.

Louisville is about the only city where the fighting game is not a hoodlum's long it will be permitted to run there is a question.

Harry Harris and Pedlar Palmer are to meet in London before the National Sporting club March 18.

Poor Joe Choyinski, always unlucky, is up against a fierce proposition in Texas. Joe went down to Galveston a short time ago to show a colored fellow, who was touted by the Galveston sports as a winner.

Contracts have been let for improvements at the Vinson street park which will add materially to the field. The right field will

SEASON DRAWS TO A CLOSE

City Bowling League Tournament Will End in Two Weeks.

CLARKSONS MEET UNEXPECTED WATERLOO

Krug Parks Take a Couple of Games from the Topnotchers—Exciting Struggle for Third and Fourth Places—Week's Gossip.

Table with 5 columns: Club Name, Played, Won, Lost, P. C. Rows include Clarksons, Omaha, St. Charles, Fremont, Krug Parks, and Nishnabotna.

It was the unexpected that happened in local bowling circles last week. The mighty Clarksons were made to bite the dust of defeat by one of the admittedly weak teams of the city league—the Krug Parks.

In the closing days of the league race the one ambition of the teams that are scheduled to meet the Clarksons is to defeat the topnotcher.

The members of the Clarkson team were all decidedly off-color. Brunke, Conrad and Denham bowled about as badly as they possibly could and seemed absolutely unable to piece and get into their usual form.

The teams participating in this match consisted of the regular membership. The Krug Parks were Conery, Nollan, Hansen, Creedon and P. Krug.

Only two weeks more remain of the league race. Tomorrow night the Nationals will meet the Clarksons and later the Omaha will do battle with the topnotchers.

The Gate City forged to the front last week and are now anchored in third place, with the prospects pretty favorable for the coming season.

At the Gate City Alleys H. Besell, H. M. Benedict and Frank Canon are tied for the monthly prize at tenpins, each having a score of 254.

A large number of 200 or better scores were made last week by Omaha bowlers at the different alleys.

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There is also considerable discussion about the formation of a tri-city league, with members from Omaha, South Omaha and Council Bluffs.

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as his prize. With the great number of expert bowlers in Omaha, however, it is considered about time that some one of the bowlers in Omaha should be crowned champion.

Among the games scheduled for the coming week outside of the regular contests are the following: Green Rivers against Paxton & Gallagher at Clark's this afternoon.

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state for the trophies to be awarded at the Grand Island meeting.

The principal features of the tournament will be a team contest for the Lincoln challenge cup trophy, in which four members from any club can participate.

The program arranged for the two days' tournament is a particularly interesting one. The first day's program opens with a business session in the morning.

The present officers of the Nebraska Whist association are: President, M. C. Standfield; Secy., W. A. Prince; Grand Island; treasurer, R. E. Samson; Greely; directors, E. J. Waddie, Aurora; A. Cahn, Omaha; H. Nunn, St. Paul; A. R. Humphrey, Broken Bow; Ed Sausrock, Geneva.

CARNIVAL OF BASKET BALL

Series of Contests Will Be Played in This City Next Friday Night.

A great deal of interest is being manifested in the basket ball carnival which will be held next Friday night at the Young Men's Christian association rooms.

The second game will be between the High school team and the High school faculty. The high school team is preparing for a state championship game with Lincoln and is putting up fast ball.

These games will be of full activity and good playing and will be worth witnessing.

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