SPORTING GUSSIP OF THE WEEK

Cracked the Ice. to see through, and it is all the more comforting because it was cracked on the Denver ground, where the Omaha team hasn't won a game before so long that the mind halts before the task of recalling when. It was done so neatly, too, showing that the boys can play ball when casion requires. Just a few more such wins as that and the home fans will be ready to do almost anything for the team. The real feature of the same so far is the way Denver and Colorado Springs people are not turning out to see the games. Five hundred is a big crowd in either town. Just what is the reason for this apathy isn't explained, but the attendance is far from encouraging. In providing Denver with a team that is better in every regard than any it ever had in the field, George Tebeau more than redeemed his and the team generally rearranged. Hoffer promise to the people there, and now if they do not support it, well. Denver will that he has been turned loose by Detroit, not get any. Maybe when the political tur- back in Des Moines before very long. moil has quieted down a little the citizens will have more time to go to the games. Att any rate, it's a cinch that Tebeau can't stand for 500 crowds very long at home.

in a week, and it's a cinch that that sort! win in time. experience of the Rourke family has not has hardly been worse than was expected. In fact, the batting has been a decidedly of last week were little more than pracable to hold its own, even with the "100 per cent" boys from Denver. In fact, there's a sneaking belief here that Mr. Burke will fore it gets home from its first trip. It doesn't look such a much from this distance, and barring its pitchers, can be duplicated several times without going out-

ing with both feet on the ground while in the act of delivering the ball. No rule repretation of the law laid down by the high cockslorums of the game, he had better give up right away. The pitcher is Allowed to lift one foot and take one step when in the act of delivering the ball. He must start with both feet against the rubber, but isn't required to keep them there all the time. Ryan may have been responsible for this vagary on the part of Cusack, for smooth Jimmy had his twirlers trained to stand in the attitude described. and this naturally gives him a shade the best of it on the go in. It's only another evidence that you've got to live and learn to keep up with the glorious game of base ball. And there's mighty few wrinkles in doesn't know something about. Just the same, he'll find out that he isn't the whole procession before the end of next September, and this isn't a threat; it's only a

the record it made during the games played up till Saturday of last week:

Batting Averages Henderson Velch Schafstall Gonding ... Howard ... Polan

Fielding Averages. Schafstall .000 .000 .000 .942 .931 .910 .909 .836 .830 .833 .700 Companior Liebhardt

Better things are certainly looked for. Th Just a little, tiny crack, but wide enough | batting is satisfactory, a team average of .271, but the fielding .905, is away below par.

Downs' work at second evidently didn't suit Papa Bill, for the redheaded boy was lifted out of the game in the third inning last Monday and Howard sent in. Howard has been playing second fairly well and Weish has been doing all that could be expected of him in the outfield, but the change has been one for the worse. Des Moines suffered even worse than Omaha, though, for Young Towne, the first baseman who went behind the bat to stop the gap there, and who was doing splen didly as a catcher, had a finger broken in one of the Denver games and left Hoffer high and dry for a backstop. Hoffman was moved from short to the windpad station hopes that Lee Fohl will come back, now have to take a place among the dead once. but Fohl professes to have a desire to stay The Colorado capital is too far out of the in Chicago and sue the Tigers for a season's way to ever get anything but Western pay, alleging that he wasn't treated right league ball, and if the people there won't by the management. Unless he would patronize Western league ball, why they'll rather work than play base ball he will be

Omaha players have been banging out and some of them three, and catchers, who of golf clubs, by the Omaha News commore hits in a game than they used to get were so plentiful a few years ago that the pany; fourth, box of cigars, given by Pax- but nobody has been hurt yet, so far as t sort poorest club could have two or three, are so ton & Gallagher. The Richardson Drug heard from, and there is very little scorchfew that some clubs haven't any, and none company also give a box of cigars for the ing on the part of the benzine burners so been exactly encouraging since it set sail is due to the practice that is being revived golfers at the club, and this season more big tourng cars seem to have the call for for the state of strikes and climate, but it in the big leagues of having a certain than 150 have already begun to warm up to the man who is able to own and operate a encouraging feature, and we all feel that This was all right in the good old days clip thus far are H. B. Morrill, who was with a little more practice-for the games when one or two games a week were as last year's champion by a wide margin and tice games for Omaha, even if they do but in these times when a careful catcher this season; C. R. Bone, Dr. Sumney, J. B. count in the standing-the team 'will be will go through an entire season without Rahm, Harry Lawrie, John Murphy and a are just learning the game and occasionally be willing to take 38.5 for his gang be- in order to get down to the legal limit of rosters, and then the little fellows will have a chance to get some needed players.

Papa Bfli Rourke hopes to introduce t the Omaha public very soon another pitcher. He will give no tip as to the name Pa Rourke's first letter home contained of the lucky boy just now, but admits that the looked-for roar on the umpire. He his negotiations with a big league club are says Cusack insisted on the pitchers stand- about to bear fruit. Bill has been working on this deal for a long time and believes he has the matter cinched now. quires this, and if that is Cusack's inter- With this man and Brown, who will be here about the first week in June, he thinks he will be in good shape on the pitching proposition. Root, who did not accompanying the team on its western trip, has been given his release along with Downs, so as to bring the team down to the fourteen men limit.

The team will get home from Des Moines next Friday evening, and on Saturday will entertain the Hawkeyes at a reception at in Omaha in fitting out various members the Vinton park. No parade will be indulged in, but Mayor Moores will pitch the first ball, as he has done every season since the present Western league was called the business that good old Jimmy Ryan into existence. An orchestra will play during the afternoon and the affair will be made as pleasant as possible for everybody in attendance, including the Des Moines team, the members of which will be considered the guests of Omaha, and will be treated as such, except that they Just to show that the Omaha team isn't the will be gloriously beaten in the conflict. It the worst thing that ever happened, here is is not known who will be assigned as umpire here, but this will be a small item.

Some little consolation exists in the thought that we nearly won a game off Pop Eyler on the Denver grounds, and that it wasn't his pitching that beat us. We hammered the old boy for an elegant bunch of safeties, but the muffs of Carter and Welsh were enough to lose two games instead of one. Eyler has been fortunate as well as skillful in his long string of victories over Omaha, and it seems that his luck is going to hold out until the end.

The team at Sloux City has received support that augurs well for the financial success of the team. On the opening day nearly 2,000 people were present. It was the greatest incentive to good work that Captain Jay Andrews could receive. Several players didn't show up until just before the opening game. Zeigier, a heavy batting outfielder, died of pneumonia which was a sad blow to the Stoux. Bert Dunn, the second baseman, split his hand in preliminary practice for the opening game and could not participate in any of the home series, average of 94 per cent. Carter made but three of four games at home in the first racer will not divulge many facts concern been producing since the season started, the four games here against Chinn of St. opinion the lighter car stands the better

game he pitched the last inning and in still another he was placed in left field. Parker played second in one game and caught another. Umpire Keefe gave good satisfacere in all his decisions.

Though Des Moines has seen no championship games and the team has been hithome-coming of the team anxiously. There exhibit to its various admirers. is a rivniry felt in Des Moines between Sloux City and Des Moines for state honors. If Des Moines has to be at the bottom the local fans hope that Sloux City will be just beneath. On the other hand, if the Politicians are at the top the same feeling exists that Sloux City be just one notch underneath.

The plans for the opening day of the Field club, next Saturday, are now practically complete, and appearances indicate that the golf tournament, with which the event will be signalized, will be a good one to go by for the rest of the season. It is to be a handloap race over the new course of eighteen holes, and is in charge of the tournament committee, of which E. P. Boyer is chairman, with Walter B. Wilkins and instructor A. J. Christy accessories before and after the fact. The handicaps will be given at the time the players are paired off by this committee, and some very attractive prizes have been donated for the best net scores by various concerns This matter of supply and demand in base around town. The first prize is a golf bag. ball is a queer thing. Last season third donated by the Lee-Glass-Andreesen combasemen were as scarce as hen's teeth; now pany; second, a pair of golf clubs, given every day. The honk of the new chaffeur almost every team in the country has two, by the Townsend Gun company; third, pair has more than it really needs. Part of this best gross score. Last year there were 115 far as observed within the city limits. The catcher to work with a certain pitcher, and the game, with still more to follow. to lay off one when the other isn't working. Among those who have shown the fastest big one as well, so there are ten of the tor many as a pitcher or catcher could stand, who bids fair to hold onto the laurels won, having so much as a fingernall taken off, it lot of others who are not so far behind but try to climb the sides of the buildings and seems a little faddy. But the big clubs will what they can hear the remarks of the have to commence to weed out pretty soon leaders when things don't drive just right.

> The members of the Field club felt that they were fortunate in securing the services of such a man as Christy for an instructor from the time of his engagement, but he has already made good in a manner that makes their assurance doubly sure. His record, so far as golf is concerned, is one to conjure by, and while he has as yet taken time to play over the course only once or twice, on every occasion he has played so close to the bogey of 82 that his game has looked large to all who have seen it. Christy is a member of the St. Andrews Golf club of Scotland, and one has only to hear him talk and see him handle a club to be convinced that he is to the manor born. For the last six years he has been with the Riverside and Home wood clubs, both of Chicago, and holds the course record of both. Best of all, he is an expert club maker, and has, in fact, spent much of his time since he has been of the club with sticks that have in every instance proven more than satisfactory. A completely equipped shop for the manufacture and repair of all golf rigging has been installed at the club house and breakdowns have thus far been largely robbed of their

The Creighton second team went to Believue the other day and took a tumble heavy weight teams of the city that have gone against these youngsters thus far have given them a drubbing and yet the Bellevue lads have a good team and play good ball on occasion. It must be a case of stage fright when it comes to lining up against an Omaha combination. Come to think of it, though, this rule seems to hold good as to all kinds of athletics in which Omaha is concerned. The High school banket ball team, both of boys and girls, have lowered the colors of Bellevue and at the track stunts held at the Young Men's Christian association, a few weeks ago Bellevue was also found wanting.

Considerable interest is evinced among local automobile drivers in the coming international cup race from the fact that the Winton concern has decided to enter it's famous "Bullet No. 2." until recently driven with such great success by Barney Oldfield, and that the Peerless company will also put one of its machines into the competition. Probably more than 90 per cent of Omaha machines are of one or the other of these makes and the interest and and Captain Tommy Hess was unable to rivalry is perfectly natural. When Oldcatch in the St. Joe series here. Of the field drove the Winton car it beat all four games played at Sioux City "King" world's records up to fifteen miles, with a . 145 74 23 242 .935 Kelley, the little shortstop who with Omaha one mile straightaway at Ormond beach in These statistics are not at all satisfac- last year caught two. Jay Parker, a forty-three seconds. It has an eight tory, but it is the best that can be given pitcher, caught one, and in the last of the cylinder engine and though rated at only Carr, "there is no reason why the matter just now. It is just as unnatural to have series Baerwald, who has been all around eighty horsepower, is believed capable of Bobbie Carter fielding 70 per cent as it is the circuit already this season, caught. In developing 120. The car is now slightly to have Henderson batting 100 per cent. none of the four games played was the in-Last season Henderson was at the bat field or the outfield the same. With all to get within the requirements. On the mixty-four times and made six hits, an these afflictions to contend with Sloux won other hand the owners of the Peerless seven errors during the entire season, play- series. And all the fans are satisfied. Upon ing it but it is known to be lighter and of ing in 108 games. This pair is cited as an Pitchers Jarrott and Parker has fallen the less horse power than the other. Oldfield illustration of the erratic game Omaha has most of the work. Jarrott pitched two of is authority for the assertion that in his

Joseph, winning both games. In one other chance over a long road with grades and tion at Sioux City and promises to be sin- of each and whichever comes out ahead in the great event will not make the slightest difference in the opinion of either class. Fredrickson, by the way, the agent in Omaha for both these makes, has ing a losing galt in the west, the fans are ordered a Winton "Bullet" for his own In no way disheartened and awalt the use and will have it here in a few days to

> One of the notable auto excursions by Omaha people this season will be taken by Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Wilkins, who will leave for New York City the first of July, intending to make the entire trip there and back in their touring car and be gone two months, or as much longer as it takes to go, see all the sights en route and come back again. They will be accom panied by Louis Bostwick and his camer. and anticipate a journey long to b remembered. They will tour the New England states while absent and get a sto over ticket for St. Louis exposition o their way back. Mr. and Mrs. Wilkins went to Buffalo by the same means last season and so have no misgivings as to the pleasure to be derived from their coming jaunt.

The auto fad is certainly assuming gigantic proportions in Omaha and bids fair to outstrip all other forms of sport by those who have the wherewithal. And there are heaps of them who have, or did have, for new machines are shying into the street keeps pedestrians stepping sideways and motormen and teamsters on the qui vive small one can handle and, usually, buy neau variety to one of the runabouts. The garage-that's the swell name for benzine buggy shop-corner is a busy place these days, and what, with the amateurs wh the telegraph poles; the ones who hav learned it to such good purpose that they have broken down, and the machines being exhibited by the experts anxious to sell it is little wonder that this particular pays ment is pretty much given over to th horseless, and shunned by the nervou citizen. Apropos of the horseless is the following, which seems to about express from the standpoint of the horse;

I have no differential clutch And no pneumatic tire;
I guess I don't amount to much,
For none comes to admire
My form or speed—I have no cam;
And, to my deep remorse,
I must confess I only am
A one horse power horse!

They used to stroke my sorrel side And tell how I could go; Today they speak in tones of pride Of some bright red tonneau. But, though my sorrow is so great
And anger is so keen.
I'm glad to have a chance to state
I don't cat gasoline.

I don't know how to carburet,
Nor how to radiate—
When I wished to get up and get
I simply struck my gait.
"Tis true, in casting out the beam
For fairness I should try—
But, lectric, gasoline, or steam,
The "mote" is in my eye!

I have no wondrous steering gear—
But still they rush to see
A thing that has, I'm pained to hear,
A horseless pedigree.
They used to pet me all the time,
But now they only shrug
Their shoulders, and pass by, for Im
A poor old sparkless plug!
—W. D. Nesbit, in the Chicago Tribune.

The April number of the Auto Era conains a half-page cut und the magic words, "Mr. William H. Crane rapher or the engraver has given Mr. Fredrickson the appearance of having his wires crossed or else being in the unenviable postvitals and has been the cause of much Crane did not fare much better in the ploture. He has a siant on, literally speaking, and a look-pleasant-please smile that certainly won't come off. But the likeness of the machine is excellent, and of course that is the main thing under the circumstances.

dawn out negotiations between the Omaha Driving association and the men who now control the driving park this week. In speaking of the matter the other day Secretary James W. Carr of the association said that the organization he represents has been waiting, since its meeting in March, at Mr. Dennison's request, on the ground that he was too ill to transact any business and not because they had no and shot for at any time within a year, alternative but to wait.

"Now that he is recovered," said Mr. should not be closed up one way or the other, and it will be so far as we are We have made Tuthill and concerned. Dennison two propositions, one for the purchase of their rights and one for the lease of the property. They have also told us what they would take on the purchase proposition, and it is more than the property is worth and more than the association can or will give. If they do not materially decrease this figure or decide to lease the property to us at a fair price, we shall not bother with the matter any more, but will make other arrange-The only other plans we can make at present are to hold our meets on the speedway south of Hanscom park or go to the Council Bluffs track. Either of these arrangements, of course, places the association at a disadvantage, but that would be only for this season. is the aim and purpose of the association to ultimately own its own grounds and to have a club house and all the accessories thereon, but this acquirement has got to be worked up to gradually. We cannot do it at one jump, and will not make the mistake of trying to. Our first neeting is set for May 31 and will be held on that date somewhere, with a meet-ing every two weeks thereafter during the Of course we hope and I may say that I believe it will be on the track at the driving park; but the half-mile straightaway at the speedway is not so

It is more or less well known among the ocal drivers that the club has offered Tuthill and Dennison \$900 for their interest at the driving park, and that the price set by the owners is \$2,000, though Mr. Carr would not deny or affirm these figures. Tuthill says the buildings alone, which comprise his interest, are worth more than the driving association offers for the whole shooting match and that, on the other hand, he does not want to lease, but wants to get rid of the property at a fair, reasonable price and wash his hands of the game and the mixup as it now exists, and the way it looks from the road no one can blame him. Dennison is noncommittal. Carr says it will be settled this week

Omaha and Nebraska shooters didn't do thing at the Kansas City shoot last week, out came pretty near copping out all the prize money and cups and things that were n sight. Charite Thorpe scooped in and took home with him the Schemelzer sliver trophy, which was the bright particular star of the meeting, besides getting next to

chance over a long road with grades and turns such as will characterise the course in the international race. Meantime the Omaha owners of both makes of machines will continue to brag of the relative merits of each and whichever comes out ahead in the great event will not make the THE BEST LEGACY

> Riches take wings and fly away-are squandered and lost in extravagance and speculation, and more often prove a curse than a blessing. A foolish desire to accumulate wealth for the benefit of posterity, has led to the physical undoing of thousands. Health is lost in the mad pursuit of riches, diseases are contracted, the vitalizing, nutritious properties of the blood are almost exhausted by demands of the nervous system, and it is little wonder that children born of such parents are sickly, weak, anæmic and illy developed. Better to be born poor and healthy than rich and sickly.

Good blood is the best legacy, for that means strong, vigorous bodies, well nourished systems and nerves, muscles and all the machinery of the body in perfect condition. When handicapped by some inherited disease, not only is life's struggle made harder, but existence becomes a lingering misery, and even if blessed with riches, sickness is a hindrance to their enjoyment. Through the blood, diseases are carried from one generation to another. Parents transmit

them to their children, and so it goes on for years unless the taint is removed from the blood. Cancerous Ulcers, Rheumatism, Blood Poison, Scrofulous Sores and Swellings, Skin Eruptions of various kinds, are all evidences of a depraved and poisoned blood. "Like begets like" is true of the vegetable world, and is true also of the animal kingdom. We know that certain seeds produce certain plants, and sickly parents or those in whose blood is a taint of some old family ailment or blood poison; diseases are apt to develop in their children, either in infancy or later on in life. If you can't leave a legacy of riches, at least start them out in life with pure and unpolluted blood; this they can with reason expect, for

it is their rightful inheritance. Often some old chronic illness that might have been uprooted and driven out of the blood is neglected, and posterity is made to suffer the consequences of this neglect. If you have any disease for which bad blood is responsible, to neglect it is almost a crime-you are unjust to yourself and false to your offspring to do so. Purify your blood; get rid of the taint and leave to others good blood which, after all, is the best legacy. No remedy ever discovered is so reliable in diseases of the blood as S. S. S. Experience and a thorough test have proven its efficacy. It has been in use for nearly fifty years and has been growing in

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two or three second and third moneys in other events. He won the cup with a score of 46 kills of a possible 50 in the main event of the meeting. Gus Schroeder annexed first money to the extent of about \$50 in the team race, with 24 dead ones out of 25 live ones, and killed 23 birds in the sweepstakes, which let him in on a division takes a spin in Mr. H. E. Fredrickson's The possession of another cup got down to Winton at Omaha." Either the photoga question of superlority between Veach and Townsend, both making 25 straight kills in the first round. In the next Veach dropped 24 inside the line and Townsend 23, tion of a man with a flea gnawing at his making the score for the fifty birds 49 and 48 respectively and landing Veach winner good-natured "kidding" on the part of the but bringing the money Omahawards just well known chauffeur's Omaha friends. Mr. the same. But Townsend didn't feel bad, for he got five first moneys, as it was, and lost only six birds out of the first 120 he banged at. He killed 20 straight in one event and 15 in another, and to top off with, was elected treasurer of the interstate association, so that now he has all the money of the whole shebang anyhow and doesn't need to waste any more powder to get it. But he probably will, just the same. The only big prize that got attached to Kansas City was the T. L. Coombs trophy, won here last winter by Sliver Sieverson, which went to C. Dixon. It might be stated in passing that one reason why the Kawville man beat Sliver out of the Coombs trophy was because the aforementioned Sliver wasn't there to protect it. Incidentally, it may be challenged

> The St. Croix Tennis club will be heard from within a few weeks in a way that may surprise the people hereabouts. Six courts are being constructed on this organization's grounds at Thirty-second and Center streets that will, when completed be second to none in this part of the country. More than all that, a little bird is persistently circulating the report that before many more seed times and harvests have come and gone the club will have a house to go with the grounds and a lot of other things will add to its price and popularity.



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