Rain Stops Games in the Western; Pirates Turn Tables on the Cubs; Giants Win With Ease

TAFT SEES PIRATES WIN

President Watches World's Champions Beat the Cubs, Five to Two

GIVES WAGNER PRIZE BASE BALL

After Victory Distinguished Fan Writes Name and Best Wishes on Sphere and Presents It to the Pittsburg Idol.

PITTSBURG, Pa., May 2.—President Taft, Secretary of State Knox and Count Von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, were guests of the Pittsburg club at Forbe's field today, at a game in which the world's champions defeated Chicago, 5 to 2.

The distinguished guests kept their eyes always on the ball and the fans hardly passed a remark during the game. That they were quick to see the fine points was evidenced by the fact that they were first to applaud a brilliant play. Wagner, who is said to be the president's favorite, made a brilliant showing, scoring two runs, making a two-bagger and a double play.

Although the visitors hit oftener, the locals hit more effectively and took advantage of four errors by Chicago. Before the game the president wrote his best wishes and signature on two base balls and presented them to Wagner and Manager Clark of the Pittsburg club. Score:

*Batted for Sheckard in ninth.

Pittsburg .....0 2 0 1 0 0 2 0 *—6
Chicago .....0 0 0 0 0 2 0 0 0—2

Two-base hits: Wagner, Liefield, Chance. Three-base hit: Tinker. Sacrifice hits: Miller, Byrne, Tinker. Stolen base: Campbell. Double play: Wagner (unassisted). Base on balls: Off Adams, 2; off Leifield, 1; off McIntyre, 2. Sturck out: By McIntyre, 2. First base on errors: Pittsburg, 3. Left on bases: Pittsburg, 3; Chicago, 9. Hits: Off Adams, 7 in six innings. Off Leifield, 3 in three innings; off McIntire, 6 in six and a third innings; off Pferre, 0 in one and two-thirds innings. Time: 1:30. Umpires: O'Day and Brennan.

Philadelphia, 9; Boston, 8.

BOSTON, May 2.—Each team used two pitchers i the exciting game which Philadelphia won from Boston today. Boston tied the score in the first inning, when Moran stole home. In the second Collins hit a home run with the bases full. Score:

PHILADELPHIA.	B.	H.	O.	A.	E.	BOSTON.	B.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Titus, rf	5	3	2	0	0	Moran, rf	4	1	1	0	0
Bates, lf	4	1	1	0	0	Collins, lf	4	1	2	0	0
Grant, 3b	5	1	1	4	0	Sharpe, 1b	5	1	8	0	0
Magee, cf	3	2	2	0	0	Shean, 2b	4	1	3	0	1
Bransfield, 1b	4	1	8	0	0	Gtax, 3b	0	0	1	1	0
Knabe, 2b	4	2	0	3	0	Hoferog, 3b	4	1	2	4	0
Doolan, ss	4	1	0	1	0	Sweeney, ss	4	3	3	0	1
Dooin, c	4	0	3	2	1	Beck, cf	4	1	5	0	0
McQuillan, p	0	0	0	0	0	Graham, c	3	0	4	3	0
Moren, p	1	0	0	2	0	Brown, p	0	0	0	0	0
Moore, p	2	0	0	1	0	Mattern, p	0	0	0	1	0
						Frock, p	0	0	0	2	0
Totals	35	13	27	12	1	*Smith	1	1	0	0	0
						*Ferguson	0	0	0	0	0
						*Cooney	1	0	0	0	0
						Totals	37	10	27	19	2

*Batted for Mattern in second.
*Ran for Smith in second.
*Batted for Getz in ninth.

Boston .....1 6 1 0 0 0 0 0 0—8
Philadelphia .....2 0 0 3 0 0 0 0 0—9

Two-base hits: Titue (2), Magee, Beck, Bransfield, Home runs: Collins, Sweeney. Hits: Off Brown, 8 in one and a half innings; off Mattern, 4 in two-thirds inning; off Frock, 5 in seven innings; off McQuillan, 4 in one inning; off Moren, 4 in two and two-thirds innings; off Moore, 2 in five and a third innings. Sacrifice hits: Sharpe, Bates, Doolin. Stolen bases: Knabe (2), Graham, Moran, 2, Bransfield. Left on bases: Boston, 6; Philadelphia, 7. Base on balls: Off Brown, 1; off McQuillan, 1; off Moren, 1; off Frock 3; off Moore, 1. First base on balls: Boston, 3; Philadelphia, 2. Hit by pitched ball: By Brown, Knabe. Struck out: By rFock, 2; by Moren, 1; by Moore, 2. Time: 2:06. Umpires: Johnstone and Moran.

New York, 6; Brooklyn, 0.

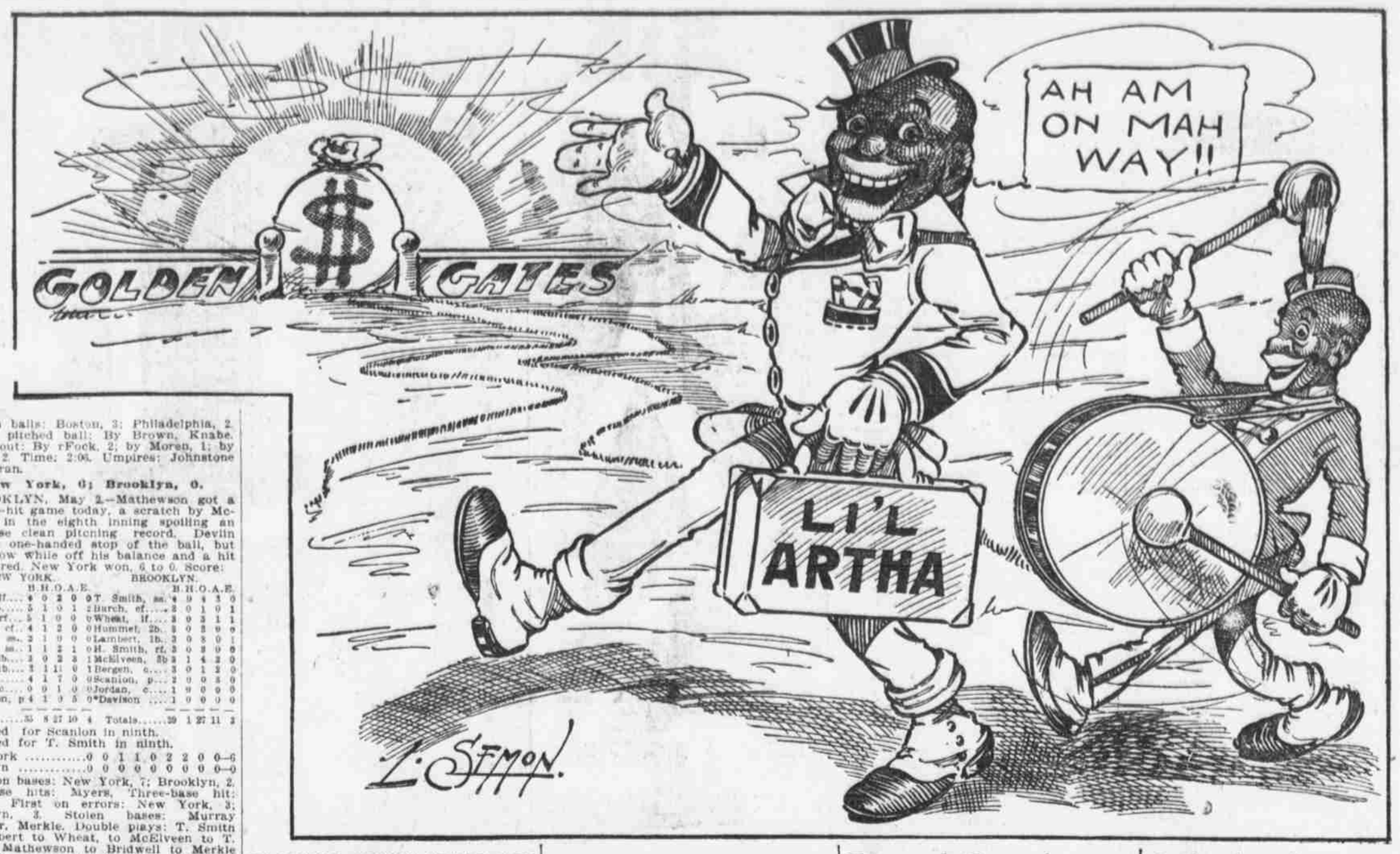
BROOKLYN, May 2.—Mathewson got a near no-hit game today, a scratch by McElveen in the eighth inning spoiling an otherwise clean pitching record. Devlin made a one-handed stop of the ball, but threw low while off his balance and a hit was scored. New York won, 6 to 0. Score:

NEW YORK.	B.	H.	O.	A.	E.	BROOKLYN.	B.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Devore, lf	4	0	2	0	0	T. Smith, ss	4	0	4	3	0
Doyle, 2b	5	1	0	1	2	Burch, cf	3	0	1	0	1
Murray, rf	5	1	0	0	0	Wheat, lf	3	0	3	1	1
Seymour, cf	4	1	2	0	0	Hummel, 2b	3	0	3	0	0
Bridwell, ss	2	1	0	0	0	Lambert, 1b	3	0	8	0	1
Fletcher, ss	1	1	2	1	0	H. Smith, rf	3	0	3	0	0
Devlin, 1b	3	0	2	3	1	McElveen, 3b	3	1	4	2	0
Merkle, 1b	1	1	11	0	1	Bergen, c	3	0	1	2	0
Myers, c	4	1	7	0	0	Scanlon, p	2	0	0	3	0
Wilson, c	0	0	1	0	0	Jordan, c	1	0	0	0	0
Mathewson, p	4	1	0	5	0	*Davison	1	0	0	0	0
Totals	35	8	27	10	4	Totals	29	1	27	11	3

*Batted for Scanlon in ninth.
*Batted for T. Smith in ninth.

New York .....0 0 1 1 0 2 2 0 0—6
Brooklyn .....0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0

Left on bases: New York, 7; Brooklyn, 2. Two-base hits: Myers. Three-base hit: Merkle. First on errors: New York, 3; Brooklyn, 3. Stolen bases: Murray, Archer, Merkle. Double plays: T. Smith unassisted; Hubert to Wheat, to McElveen to T. Smith, Mathewson to Bridwell to Merkle Devlin to Merkle. Base on balls: Off Scanlon, 4. Struck out: By Mathewson, 8. Hit by pitched ball: Scanlon, Devlin. Wild pitch, Scanlon. Time: 1:38. Umpires: Rigler and Emslie.



FARRELLS TAKE GAME HANDILY

Syrup Mixers Pile Up Twelve Runs in One-Sided Contest.

The curtain-raising game at Vinton Park Sunday was a one-sided affair. Lotz, for the Syrup Mixers, twirled superb ball, allowing no hits and striking out ten men. Though the score was one-sided the game was full of interest. Brodbeck started the game for the Americans, but retired after the first inning, being succeeded by Denny. The infielding by the Farrells was of the highest type and their batting was the cause of admiration. The work of Atkins and Quigley was a feature. Pat Kennedy captained the Farrells in fine style, while the hitting of Coughlan and Dick Kennedy was most effective. Score:

FARRELLS.	AB.	H.	O.	A.	E.	AMERICANS.	AB.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Caughlan, lf	3	2	3	1	0	W. H'ten, 1b-c	4	0	5	0	0
Atkins, 3b	4	1	2	2	0	Erickson, c-1b	4	0	9	0	2
D. Kennedy, c	5	3	10	0	0	Rapp, 2b	4	0	2	3	1
P. Kennedy, 2b	5	2	2	3	0	Collins, 3b	4	0	3	2	0
Brungardt, lf	5	0	0	0	0	A. Hachten, rf	4	0	0	0	0
Probst, rf	5	2	0	0	0	Denny, lf-p	3	0	2	2	0
Woodruff, ss	5	2	3	2	1	Smith, ss	3	0	4	4	2
Quigley, 1b	5	2	10	1	0	Dennison, cf	3	0	1	0	0
Lotz, p	5	1	0	1	0	Brodbeck, p	0	0	0	0	0
						Young, cf	3	0	0	0	0
Totals	40	15	27	12	2						

Totals	32	0	27	11	5						
Farrells	6	0	0	1	0	3	2	0	0	*	—12
Americans	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	—1

RANGERS DEFEAT NORTH SIDES

Meehan, Pitching for Winners, Struck Out Eleven Men.

The Rangers won from the North Sides, a colored aggregation, Sunday, by the score of 10 to 2. Meehan, who twirled for the Rangers, struck out eleven men and held his opponents to two hits. The score:

RANGERS.	AB.	H.	O.	A.	E.	NORTH SIDES.	AB.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Knee, 1b	5	3	7	1	0	Davis, c	4	0	1	1	0
Grossman, ss	5	3	2	2	2	L. H'b'back, 1b	4	0	0	0	0
Hartman, lf	5	2	0	0	0	Smith, lf	4	1	7	0	0
Overman, c	5	0	12	4	0	Johnson, cf	3	0	0	0	1
Meehan, p	4	2	0	1	0	G. R'b'back, 2b	4	0	5	2	1
Bart, 2b	4	4	2	0	0	Gorring, rf	3	1	2	0	0
Schaffer, 3b	4	0	2	2	1	Jackson, 3b	3	0	5	2	1
Shaw, cf	4	0	2	1	0	Washington, ss	3	0	3	3	0
Myers, rf	4	0	0	0	0	Letty, p	3	0	1	0	0
						Peterson, p	1	0	0	1	0
Totals	38	14	27	11	2						
						Totals	31	2	24	8	3

Rangers	1	4	0	1	0	2	0	2	*	—	10
North Sides	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	—	2

Home run: Knee. Three-base hits: Grossman (2), Hartman, Smith. Two-base hits: Meehan, Bart, Grossman. Hits: off Letty, 10 in seven innings; off Peterson, 4 in two innings; off Meehan, 2. Struck out: by Meehan, 11; by Letty, 5; by Peterson, 3. Bases on balls: Off Meehan, 1; off Letty, 2; off Peterson, 1.

CONTRACTS AND RELEASES

American Association Announcements Made with Respect to Players.

CHICAGO, May 2.—The following contracts and releases in the American association were announced here today:

Contracts:

With Indianapolis—John Clayton.

With Kansas City—C. M. Brandon.

With Louisville—Walter Haim, F. O. Schreck, O. M. Selby.

With Minneapolis—Jesse Tannehill, Frank Owens.

Releases:

By Indianapolis—To La Crosse, H. W. Connell.

By Minneapolis—To Topeka, John Henry.

By Louisville—To Hartford, Conn., Gus Soffel; to Danville, Ill., J. Sullivan; unconditionally, J. Clayton, P. J. Casey.

By Columbus—To Louisville, F. O. Schreck; to Enid, Okl., R. H. Bowman; to Akron, O., Ellis Perkins, Harry Katz; to Joplin, Mo., Robert B. Ross; to Zanesville, O., W. J. Kenworthy; to Williamsport, Pa., George Upp.

By Kansas City—To Rochester, Minn., Charles Holt; unconditionally, Jake Beckley, Otto Krueger.

BENSON EAGLES WIN HARD ONE

Defeat the Townsends by a Score of Seven to Six.

The Benson Eagles defeated the Townsends in an interesting ten-inning game at Benson, by a score of 7 to 6. Harry Sage umpired. Score:

TOWNSENDS	AB.	H.	O.	A.	E.	BENSON EAGES.	AB.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Dougherty, 1b	6	2	3	1	2	Anderson, lf	5	1	4	0	1
Barr, lf	5	0	2	1	0	Buck, ss	6	2	2	1	3
Faber, ss	5	3	2	5	1	Hanke, cf	5	3	2	0	0
Spellman, c	4	1	9	1	0	Erickson, 2b	4	1	4	1	0
Elliott, 2b	4	3	4	1	0	Fox, 1b	5	0	9	0	0
Beck, rf	5	1	0	0	0	Mohr, 3b	4	0	2	3	0
Hamilton, c	5	1	9	0	1	Metherly, rf	5	3	0	0	0
O'Connor, 1b	3	0	5	0	0	Rice, c	4	1	8	0	0
Moriarty, 1b	2	1	1	0	0	Beatty, 1b	5	2	8	1	1
Mullen, cf	5	2	3	0	0	Gander, p	2	0	0	2	0
Totals	46	13	9	10	4	Totals	41	14	20	10	4

Monmouth Park, 7; Alamito, 6.

In one of the best amateur games of the season the Monmouth Parks defeated the Alamito team at Florence Sunday by the score of 7 to 6 in ten innings. Baker pitched excellent ball for the Parks. He struck out eleven men and passed three. All the new men of the Parks showed up well. For the Alamitos "Ted" Cross showed that he is returning to his old form by striking out twelve men and passing four. The game was hard fought from start to finish. The score:

Monmouth Parks 2 2 0 1 0 1 0 0 0 1—7
Alamitos .....4 0 0 1 1 0 0 0 0 0—6

Two-base hits: Johnson, Edson, Howley. Three-base hit: Whistler. Bases on balls: Off Cross, 4; off Baker, 3. Hit by pitched ball: By Baker, 1. Struck out: By Baker, 11; by Cross, 12. Left on bases: Monmouth Park, 7; Alamitos, 5. Double plays: Lightell to Anderson to Kaer. Drummy to Cross.

Glidden Car at Oklahoma City.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okl., May 2.—The pathfinder in the Glidden tour left Oklahoma City this morning for the north. The car, driven by D. H. Lewis, reached here last night from Lawton after a rough experience. Roads generally are in poor shape.

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HOOSIERS ANNEX CLOSE ONE

Indianapolis Men Trounce the Mudhens, Four to Two.

GAME CINCHED IN THE EIGHTH

Three Hits and Two Bases on Balls Send in Trio of Runners—Senators Whip the Colonels.

INDIANAPOLIS, May 2.—Indianapolis defeated Toledo today, 4 to 2. The locals won in the eighth when three hits and two bases on balls scored three runs. The score:

INDIANAPOLIS.	B.	H.	O.	A.	E.	TOLEDO.	B.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Chadb'rne, lf	3	1	6	0	0	Sullivan, cf	0	0	1	0	0
Delehanty, cf	2	0	0	1	1	Holmes, cf	4	1	1	0	0
Milligan, 2b	4	1	2	2	0	Hitchman, 2b	3	1	2	3	0
Carr, 1b	4	1	8	0	0	Bailey, rf	4	0	2	0	0
Hayden, rf	4	3	1	0	0	Freeman, 2b	4	2	1	0	0
Murch, 3b	4	3	5	2	0	Hickman, lf	2	0	0	0	0
Higgins, c	3	1	4	1	0	Elwert, 3b	1	0	1	4	0
Lewis, ss	3	0	1	0	1	Butler, ss	4	1	2	1	1
T. McCarthy, p	3	0	0	0	0	Rand, c	2	0	3	1	0
						Abbott, c	1	0	1	1	0
Totals	31	10	27	11	1	Kirsch, p	3	1	0	5	0
						*Yingling	1	1	0	0	0
						*J. McCarthy	1	0	0	0	0
						Totals	29	7	24	17	1

*Batted for Elwert in the ninth.
*Batted for Kirsch in the ninth.

Indianapolis .....1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 3 *—4
Toledo .....0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—1—2

Two-base hits: Freeman (2). Struck out: By McCarthy, 4. Double plays: Chadbourne to Higgins to Murch; McCarthy to Murch to Carr. Bases on balls: Off McCarthy, 7; off Kirsch, 3. Sacrifice hits: Delehanty, Hinchman, Bailey, Hickman. Hit by pitched ball: Higgins. Time: 2:00. Umpires: VanSyckle and Byerhalter.

Columbus, 9; Louisville, 6.

LOUISVILLE, May 2.—Columbus won today from Louisville, 9 to 6, by a ninth-inning rally. O'Rourke's home run in the final sent home three runs. Woodruff also made a home run. The score:

COLUMBUS.	B.	H.	O.	A.	E.	LOUISVILLE.	B.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Reilly, lf	5	2	3	0	0	Dunleavy, lf	3	0	2	0	0
Odwell, cf	4	3	1	1	0	Woodruff, 2b	5	2	2	3	2
Downs, 2b	5	2	2	3	0	Stanley, cf	2	2	0	1	0
Rossman, 1b	4	3	12	1	0	Smoot, rf	5	1	4	0	0
Hitchman, rf	5	0	2	0	0	Howard, 1b	4	0	8	0	0
O'Rourke, 3b	4	2	0	2	2	Sullivan, 3b	4	2	0	2	0
Quinlan, ss	4	2	3	5	1	Konnick, ss	4	0	1	2	0
Arbogast, c	4	0	4	0	0	Schreck, c	4	1	10	1	1
Sitton, p	4	2	0	0	0	Richter, p	4	1	0	2	1
						H'gin'b'am, p	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	40	14	27	12	3	Totals	36	9	27	9	4

Louisville	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	—6	
Columbus	2	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	4	—9	

Two-base hits: Rossman, Sullivan. Three-base hits: Downs, Quilan. Home runs: Woodruff, O'Rourke. Stolen bases: Rossman, Odwell, Sitton. Sacrifice hit: Dunleavy. Double play: Woodruff to Howard. Struck out: By Richter, 7; by Sitton, 4; by Higginbotham, 1. Bases on balls: Off Richter, 2; off Sitton, 4. Hit by pitched ball: Odwell. Wild pitch: Sitton, Higginbotham. Hits: Off Richter, 12 in eight innings; off Higginbotham, 2 in one inning. Left on bases: Louisville, 8; Columbus, 7. Time: 2:15. Umpires: Gusack and Guthrie.

PERU TAKES A FAST GAME

Bellevue Defeated After Eleven Innings of Good Ball.

In a game that was anybody's up to the end in the eleventh inning, Peru defeated Bellevue, Monday, by 3 to 1. It was the first game played on the Bellevue field this season. The score by innings:

Peru .....0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 2—3
Bellevue .....0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0—1

Batteries: Peru, Stevens and Mohr; Bellevue, Sweetland and Johnson.

Carters Clean Up Steinbergs.

The N. E. Carters defeated the Steinbergs by the score of 4 to 3 in a hard-fought game from the first inning on. Donohue hit like a tiger and Cissna knocked the winning run in the ninth. Smith also pitched a fine game, allowing only four hits and striking out ten men. The lineup:

Collins	Position	Steinbergs	
Kelly	Third	C. Bowley	
Wiemer	Second	Hiatt	
J. Brown	Right	Bolejeck	
D. Brown	Catch	Yost	
Baker	First	G. Bowley	
Tracy	Short	Grtener	
Cissna	Center	Crawford	
Donahue	Left	Doud	
Smith	Pitch	Pike	

The Carters are without a game for next Sunday and any team wishing a date should address Ben Cissna, manager, 1522 North Twenty-fourth street, South Omaha.

Amateur Cyclist Wins.

NEW YORK, May 2.—Christopher Scheller, the California amateur cyclist, a recent arrival here, won both the five-mile and one-mile events at the Vailsburg track near Newark, N. J., yesterday.

The principal event for professionals was a match race in heats of half a mile each in which Tyler Lawson, of Salt Lake City defeated Fred C. West of San Francisco handily. Lawson also won the half mile open. Fred Hill of Boston won the Australian pursuit race.

There was a small riot when, after winning a two-mile invitation for professionals, Peter Drebach of Boston was disqualified on the ground that he had accepted pace from "Jumbo" Wells of New Zealand.

Wilber Loses to Girard.

WILBER, Neb., May 2.—(Special.)—Wilber lost yesterday to the Girards, principally through some long hits by the visitors and loose fielding of the locals. Every one of the seven errors of the local team resulted in a run for the visitors. Washer's batting was the feature, making four hits out of five times up, including a triple and a four-sacker. Score:

	R.	H.	E.
Girards	2 0 0 0 0 2 0 7 0—11	10	1
Wilber	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1—1	6	7

Batteries: Wigg and Dobbs; Shimonek and Prucha.

Standing of the Teams

WEST. LEAGUE.	W.	L.	Pct.	AMER. ASS'N.	W.	L.	Pct.
Denver	6	2	.750	St. Paul	11	4	.733
Wichita	7	3	.700	Minneapolis	9	6	.600
St. Joseph	6	3	.667	Columbus	9	7	.563
Topeka	6	4	.600	Toledo	8	8	.500
Sioux City	4	3	.571	Indianapolis	8	9	.471
Lincoln	4	6	.400	Louisville	8	9	.471
Omaha	2	8	.200	Kansas City	5	9	.357
Des Moines	2	8	.200	Milwaukee	3	9	.250

NAT'L. LEAGUE.	W.	L.	Pct.	AMER. LEAGUE.	W.	L.	Pct.
New York	10	3	.769	Philadelphia	7	4	.636
Pittsburg	8	3	.727	Detroit	8	5	.615
Philadelphia	8	4	.667	New York	6	4	.600
Chicago	7	5	.583	Cleveland	8	6	.571
Cincinnati	5	6	.455	Boston	7	7	.500
Boston	4	9	.308	Chicago	5	5	.500
Brooklyn	4	10	.286	Washington	5	10	.333
St. Louis	4	10	.286	St. Louis	3	8	.273

Yesterday's Scores.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

New York, 6; Brooklyn, 0.
Philadelphia, 9; Boston, 8.
Cincinnati, 9; St. Louis, 4.
Pittsburg, 5; Chicago, 2.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

New York, 3; Washington, 2.
Cleveland, 2; St. Louis, 1.
Boston, 6; Philadelphia, 2.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION.

Columbus, 9; Louisville, 4.
Indianapolis, 4; Toledo, 2.

Games Today.

Western League—Lincoln at St. Joseph, Sioux City at Denver, Omaha at Topeka, Des Moines at Wichita.

National League—New York at Brooklyn, Philadelphia at Boston, Chicago at Pittsburg.

American League—Detroit at Chicago, Cleveland at St. Louis, Washington at New York, Boston at Philadelphia.

ROLLER STRICKEN AGAIN WITH "PTOMAINE POISON"

Seattle Physician Uses Same Excuse to Keep from Meeting the Big Pole.

Over at Chicago the other night Dr. B. F. Roller pulled off another one of his "ptomaine poisoning" stunts just before he was to get on the mat with Zbyszko and Jess Westergaard, who went in and wrestled the big Pole for fifty minutes to the delight of the crowd, ended up with another strained tendon.

Roller, of course, is understood, but Westergaard has the making of a great wrestler in him and, while he is not a match for Zbyszko on the merits of the two men, he is a much better wrestler than the Seattle physician.

They are making great preparations for the Gotch-Zbyszko wrestle at Chicago probably May 30. Gotch, it is said, is holding out for 60 per cent of the gate receipts, win or lose. And he knows he has about as much chance to lose as Zbyszko has against Westergaard.

STANDINGS OF THE BOWLERS

Equitable Life Club in Lead, Gas Company Second—South Omaha Standings.

The score for the end of the eighteenth week of the Mercantile Bowling league shows that the Equitable Lifes are in the lead with a percentage of .759. The Omaha Gas company team is second with .608. Scott leads the week's scores with 183 pins, while Bland runs him a close second with 182.

The standings of the teams and individuals at the close of the eighteenth week are as follows:

Individual averages:

Scott	183	Seline	156
Bland	182	Howell	156
Neely	176	Nipsell	155
Pickard	169	McDonald	155
Arnstein	166	Sanders	153
Reed	166	Grant	152
Weeks	165	Wilcox	151
Dean	163	Heller	150
Stockwell	161	Martin	150
R. Smith	161	Mentz	147
Pickett	161	Titterington	147
Howell	160	Bishop	146
Birkeland	160	Nelson	146
Slaughter	160	Newton	145
Nicholson	160	Christensen	144
Smith	159	Grossman	141
Imley	159	Durkee	140
Ritchie	158	Worthington	139
Walter	157	Cramer	138
Younger	157	Meyers	134

South Omaha League.

The South Omaha Bowling league completed its season last week and the percentage of the teams and the individual scores of the men have been compiled as

Individual averages:

Blakeney	182	Yousem	159
Hunt	174	Winters	158
Pitcher	173	White	158
Davis	173	Kalei	158
Chadd	171	Nolan	157
Hemleben	170	Roth	157
Lepinski	16.	J. Usher	156
Pegan	167	Baker	156
W. Usher	167	E. Smith	154
McConnell	165	Chase	151
Sherwood	165	Thomas	152
Decker	164	Sporvin	1.
Frye	164	Cissna	151
Kennedy	164	Larkin	150
Clark	164	Park	150
Peschek	163	Briggs	150
Tanner	16.	Talbot	150
Mann	161	Harry Koll	149
Cavanaugh	161	Pehnell	149
Vollstedt	160	Zoeck	148
Floyd	160	Melcher	148
R. Smith	159	Turner	148
Tumbrink	159	Swift	139
Bando	159	Culkin	138
Fitzgerald	159	Schellberg	132
Toman	159		

The Key to the Situation—Bee Want Ads!

Record Crowd Will Attend the Opening Game

Boxes at Vinton Park in Demand by Fans Who Will Greet the Omaha Team May 10.

Indications point to a record breaking crowd at the opening of the base ball season in Omaha, May 10. Already more than half of the boxes in the grandstand have been reserved and it is expected that all will be sold before the end of the week.

The Ad club is making great preparations for attending the game in a body, having arranged for automobiles to take the members to the Vinton street park and hired a band for its special use.

Although the matter of the Commercial club attending the game as a body was not approved by the executive committee at its meeting last week, it is though that the plan will be taken up at the meeting next Tuesday and re-considered.

H. E. Frederickson has offered the use of six Chalmer-Detroit automobiles for the players, officials of the club and newspaper men and other automobile owners have assured the management that they will have their machines in the parade that will be formed down town. Judging from the offers that have been received, it is expected that more than 100 autos will be in the procession.

Mayor Dahlman will pitch the first ball and is reported to be limbering up his throwing wind in preparation for the event.

Lincoln, Des Moines and Sioux City are making great preparations for the home opening day and the four cities are striving to out-do the others in making the occasion a gala affair.

JACK JOHNSON READY FOR WORK

Friends Say He Will Be Able to Get in Good Trim.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 2.—Jack Johnson, heavyweight champion of the world, is installed in his training quarters at the Seal Rock house on the beach, where he is to prepare himself for his fight with James J. Jeffries at Emeryville, July 4.

Practically all the training apparatus has been installed and Johnson will devote his time for the first few days to light preliminary training.

Johnson weighs 228 pounds and seems to be larger and stronger than ever before. Experienced ringmen who have seen the big negro say they believe he will have little difficulty in bringing himself to the best possible physical condition.

When the champion begins training he will take to the road for eight or ten miles each day, will do light work in the gymnasium and spend his spare time in short walks and beach rides in the inevitable automobile.

In a week he will begin his daily sparring routine and will gradually increase his activities in this line until he has reached fifteen rounds daily.

On four days out of each week Johnson will box in his gymnasium. The ring will be arranged on the stage at one end and the defender of the title will give exhibition sparring matches to audiences for paid admissions. The pavilion seats 1,000 and the box office department is optimistic.

"I like the ocean beach," said Johnson today. "The fresh salt breeze adds vim to a man's work and gives one life and he can always be in good fettle. Watch me climb up to the fighting notch. This is the greatest place in the world for a training camp."

Johnson was in conference today with Tex Rickard and Jack Gleason, the promoters of the contest, and the result of the talk has been a promise on Johnson's part to be extremely careful during his training.

RAINS ON WESTERN LEAGUE

Showers and Muddy Fields Prevent all Teams from Playing Monday.

Rain at St. Joseph, rain at Denver, rain at Topeka, rain at Wichita—the scene for all teams in the Western league Monday. All games for the day were postponed because of wet grounds, none of them even getting a start. Rain, however, was confined to the west as most of the other league games were played according to schedule.

Base Ball at Superior.

SUPERIOR, Neb., May 2.—(Special.)—Superior's State league team will play Falls City's Mink league team here tomorrow. Superior has about twenty-five men here now ready for the try out games. A game was played here Saturday between the players and it was a very interesting one, the score being 8 to 5. Nearly every man, woman and child in Superior is a fan and all are coming out this season to boost for the home team.

Hailstorm Strikes Balloon.

MACOMB, Ill., May 2.—William Schmiddlin, who left the Aero club grounds in the balloon Missouri at 7:30 last night, landed safely two and a half miles northeast of Macomb at 11:30 last night. He ran into a severe hailstorm, which made the descent [illegible]

New Pole Vault Record.

[illegible] was announced [illegible] that Leland S. Scott, captain of the Stanford university track team, broke the world's pole vault record in the track meet held under the auspices of the Big C society of the University of California on he Berkeley oval yesterday. According to the official figures Scott cleared the bar at 12 feet 10 3-16 inches.

Agitation is on Against the Fight

Preachers of California Begin Campaign and Will Try to Stop