THE BEE, OMAHA, THURSDAY, APRIL 4, 1918.



Bosing-Billy Miske against Tom Cowler, 10 rounds, at Minneapolis. Bryan Downey against Jack Malone, 10 rounds, at Fort Sheridan. Frankle Britt against Phinney Boyle, 12 rounds, at Lawrence, Mass. Average of Strength Is

# Below Normal.

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MERICAN LEAGUE.

	Offensive, Defensive,		
State State	Value.	Value,	1
Detroit		452	
Cleveland		437	1
New York		418	
Boston		419	1.3
Chicago		411	1.3
St. Louis	746	404	
Washington i	732	410	
Philadelphia		385	
	ONAL LEAG	UE.	
St. Louis		432	
Philadelphia		455	108
New York		456	
Boston		451	
Brooklyn		446	
Cincinnati		388	
Chicago		378	57
Pittsburgh		372	

# By HUGH S. FULLERTON.

There is a saying in base ball that more pennants are won and lost at shortstop than at any other position on the field. If that be true there is and eastest natured fellows on the slight indication that it will apply field, he is turning crab and battling either in the American or the National the umpires, the opponents and himleague this season, unless perchance, the St. Louis Cardinals win, in which event the shortstop element probably will be the strongly decisive one. The shortstops of the two leagues

are not, on the whole, up to the short-stop standard that has prevailed in the major leagues for years. With the single exception of Rogers Horns-shortstop prospect. Ward appears to the single exception of Rogers Horns-by, not one of this last generation is on a par with the older short stoppers, and he has yet to prove himself the equal of Wagner. Sum and the has prove himself the could glove and is not up to standard anyhow. Sum and he has yet to prove himself the could glove and is not up to standard anyhow. Sum and he has prove himself the could glove fight, under Marquis of Queensberry rules on May 14, 1883. The British boxer surprised the 12,000 spectators by meeting Sulli-Hughies Sulli-

of tocomotor ataxia. Charley Mitchell was born at Birmtrial in the majors. Blackburn should have been a great ball player. He has ingham, England, November 24, 1861.

everything and is a hard working, Although he fought many ring battles intelligent fellow. He had hard luck against big men like Sullivan, Corbet, at the start and never has lived it Cardiff, McCaffery, Kilrain and down. His weak leg, which put him Burke, Mitchell was a middleweight back in the minors twice, appears to have strengthened. He had a great year last year, and the faith of the fect condition. His remarkable fast majors in his ability to come back foot work and skilful boxing efffiset seems to have been restored-at least, this advantage in weight and he three clubs wanted him, and even one proved to be equally effective as a wants to make a trade, which may punisher when fighting either with or without padded gloves. Used Bare Knuckles. • 1 with bare nuckles when at the age of 18 he knocked out Bob Cunning-

go through before this is printed. Matty is well fixed for infielders now. With Lee Magee added to his now. With Lee Magee added to his infielding staff he can brace the weak hitting spots at second and short at hitting spots at second and short at hitting spots at second and short at

this season. The strain of the games in bouts in England and on the continent. After winning the middleweight and heavyweight championship of England in 1882 Mitchell came to America in 1883 with the intention of self. His nerves were too taut in the world series and such strain affects the work of any man after a he was then called, did not impress time. However, from present indicathe American followers of pugilism, tions there is not much cause for him to worry this season unless McGraw's

but, when Mitchell me and defeated Mike Cleary, a New York heavyweight, in three rounds, he was quickly accepted as an opponent for Sullivan. These two men at the

long. Just as soon as he decides the sideboard needs a little silverware, Mitchell, one time middleweight sideboard needs a little silverwar, champion of England, died here today he brings the trophy home again.

#### Apropos of Denver.

D ENVER-will get the Willard-Fulton fight, Fulton's advance agent says. For Denver's sake we sincerely trust he is correct. The only thing Denver has been able to land lately was a checker, match and unless the big fight is sent to Colorado, the mile high city will soon become a mere prairie dog village.

#### All for Dempsey.

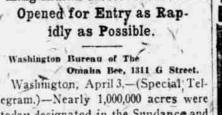
A NOTHER set-up has been roped and caged for the benefit of Jack Dempsey's record and incidentally, Jaek Kearns' bank account. Porky Flynn is to meet Jack at St. Louis April 8. Porky is an old warhorse and a nice chap, but he doesn't belong to the lodge any more and what Jack wil do to him is a plenty.

#### Have a Care, Bill.

B LLL Jackson says he has signed a third baseman who can hit. If William has put anything like that over he's likely to be suspended from the league. Western league challenging John L. Sullivan. The from the league. stature of the "Brummagen Lad" as rules won't stand for third basemen who can hit.

#### What Topeka Got.

T OPEKA may have obtained no. Hal Chase when Bill Bradley was snared for the first sack, but the Kaws now will at least be able to



today designated in the Sundance and Buffalo land districts as subject to entry under the stock raising home-stead law.

This is in fulfillment of the promise maed to Congressman Mondell recently, that as far as possible designations would be made early this spring. The Wyoming congressman will continue to urge further designa-tions tions as fast as reports from field parties are received.

This is the first Wyoming designation made under the stock-raising homestead law, and will be of especial interest to Nebraska and Iowa live stock growers.

# Hearing on Live Stock Measure.

The hearing on the Sloan amendment to the agricultural appropriationbill relating to an appropriation of \$500,000 for the control and suppression of tuberculosis in live stock,

will be held on Thursday afternoon. E. Z. Russell, formerly editor of The Twentieth Century Farmer, and Live Stock Commissioner Smith of Illinois will be heard on the merity of the amendment, as will others interested in live stock, both on the range and in the dairy.

#### Senator Hitchcock to Speak.

Association Players Are

the government.

Senator Hitchcock has accepted an invitation to address the convention of Chambers of Commerce of Missoufi, Oklahoma and Kansas, to be held at Kansas City on April 24. C. H. Walrath and son, Fred B.

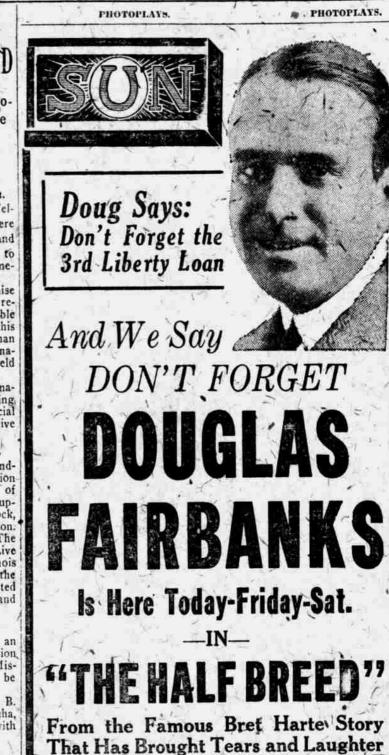
Walrath, lumber dealers of Omaha,

are in Washington on business with

Purchased by St. Joseph-Club

St. Joseph, Mo., April 3.-Cliff Curtis, pitcher, and Glenn Witter, outfielder of the Columbus American

association team have been purchased,



to Millions. Set Among California's

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In attack the shortstops are not strong, in defensive work they are good. In studying the dope we find that the grand little veteran, Donie Bush, still heads the American leaguers, due entirely to his increase in swatting power last year, and his usual ability to draw bases on ballsat which he remains the best of them all. He is on bases a greater per centage of times than almost any player in the world and in this respect his figures since he has been with his figures since he has been with Detroit show well with those of such men as Keeler, Slage and others of the old school.

#### Cleveland Second.

Cleveland, with Chapman returning to his true form, holds second rank, with the next five closely bunched. They are a clever fielding, but light hitting outfit, and only one-St. Louis --shows much promise of increasing its hitting power. This fellow Gerber, who cut into short in closing stanzas of last season, cracked the American league pitchers for .308, and hit as if they looked soft after what he had faced in the association, where he hit .266. He is a nice looking ball player and ought to improve

Washington, of course, slumps far down the list because of the weakness in attack, no matter who is chosen to play. Lavan, who was se-cured from the Browns, probably will be lost as he is on the edge of mili-tary service if not already in.

#### Chicago In Air.

The Chicago shortstop problem still is in the air. I have figured shortstop as 100 games, Risberg, and 50 games Weaver, which is not quite as strong as it would be with Weaver there all Channe A Davies in Channe State the season, although if he was there the third base figures would show more than corresponding decreases. If Rowland makes his final decision before the final figures are compiled I will be compelled to alter the figures to show the complete team strength. Rogers Hornsby, of course, leads the National leaguers far and away. And at that I have had to deduct considerably from his figures to allow for his dissatisfaction-which, perhaps, will extend over a considerable portion of the season. How much Hornsby's playing will be affected by the Weeghman assault upon the integrity of the Cardinal team last win ter is uncertain, but it is certain that the effect will not be for good. I find that we are going to be

compelled to deduct points from the Cardinals at several places in the lineup because of the anger and resentment of the players on account of the salary cutting which marked the spring. No team, with the excep-tion of the Chicago Cubs, was as was in good shape. much hurt by salary-cutting as the Cards have been. In the Chicago case the cuts were not heavy, but the men resented them more because of the wholesale advertising that the of the wholesale advertising that the club was willing to spend a quarter of a million dollars for new players. The St. Louis cuts were heavy and some of the players who had good seasons last year and thought they were entitled to advances were cut

#### as hard as were the others. Strength at Cincy.

Cincinnati shows additional strength at short. Kopf played good ball last year and hit a bit better than he does year and hit a bit better than he does usually, but he is not as strong as a pregnant infielder should be. The addition of Magee helps the Reds a lot. He showed that he can play the infield fairly well and should im-prove. Besides that they have Lena Blackburn, who is back for his fourth

No Speed.

Chicago, which is mostly a series of interrogation marks anyhow, will start with a youngster-Hollacher, who is one of the highest touted youngsters that ever came into the big show. That he is a magnificent fielder is beyond doubt. When he was playing with the semi-pros around St. Louis as a kid he was tipped to major league clubs as the greatest fielder down that way and better than the Hoffma . boys were at their best. He hit .266 in the Coast league and stole only 33 bases, which does not make him out a speed demon by any means.

The new shortstop material is not down twice in the third round and heavyweight, but it is more promis- with another left he had Mitchell heavyweight, but it is more promis-ing than usual from the defensive standpoint,

We will tackle the third basemen in the next article and by that time we can commence to gain some idea of team strengths by adding up infields. (Copyright, 1918, by The Bell Syndicate, Inc.)

# Jess Willard Starts to

Chicago, April 3.-Jess Willard, kles for \$2,500 a side and the bout Train for July 4 Fight champion heavyweight pugilist, who-is just back from Baltimore, where he held a conference with Colonel J. C. he intended to do his heavy training at his home in Lawrence, Kan., where

he has plans for a gym on his farm.

Charge of Boxing in Army

Camp Sherman, Chilicothe, O., Apri 3.-Johnny Kilbane of Cleveland, feather weight boxing champion, who has had charge of boxing instruction here, has been placed in general charge of boxing instruction in military camps all over the country, ac-cording to word received today.

Kilbane will install the Camp Sherman system in the other camps and will go personally to Camps Custer and Grant.

# "Reb" Russell Signs White

## Sox Contract; Joins Club

Chicago, April 3.—Albert "Reb" Russell today signed his contract to play with the Chicago Americans and left tonight to join the club at Mineral Wells, Tex. Russell was the only staged. member of the world's champions who returned his contract unsigned. He came to Chicago and his differences were adjusted. Russell said his arm

**Tom Dennison's Saddle** 

## Horse Dies in Missouri

Tom Dennison's prize winning sad-dle horse, "Lady of Fashion," died the other day at Mexico, Mo. The horse was a high school saddle horse and at one time the Omaha man refused an offer of \$1,000 for it. The horse was 11 years old and was at the Missouri town in charge of

## Trainer Tom Bass. Advance on Petroleum.

H Eddie Colins stands alone among van's terrific rushes in the opening second basemen. After this startling rounds, and after some heavy exdisclosure we may expect Hughie to down with a perfectly timed right smash to Sullivan's jaw, sending the Boston man to the floor amid-the even assure us that Ty Cobb is a pretty fair outfielder and Grover Alexander a tolerably good pitcher. wildest excitement.

#### Sullivan Bout Stopped. Former Western League

This was Sullivan's first experience Player Dies of Typhoid of a knock down by an opponent and it happened toward the close of the Minneapolis, April 3--Louis Ruther, first round. Sullivan rushed and roughed the visitor during the second outfielder, who was to have reported to the Minneapolis team of the Amerround and threw Mitchell over the ropes twice. Sullivan with left swings to the jaw, knocked Mitchell ican laegue this week for spring practice, is dead at his home at Manitowoc, Wis., according to word rel ceived here today. Typhoid fever hanging over the ropes when the caused death. Ruther formerly police stopped the bout. Mitchell always insidel that he played in the Northern and Western

eagues. He finished last season with would have been able to continue had never ceased to challenge 'Sullivan Wichita. until the latter consented to another encounter which took place five years later at Chantilly, France, on March 10, 1888. Bee. Want Ads Bring Results.

This was Mitchell's greatest ring

Dallas, Tex., April 3 .-lasted three hours and eleven minutes. Mitchell drew first blood in the eighth round, but Sullivan got the Schang; Marquard, Mitchell, Coombs credit of the only knock down during and Krueger. the fight which was declared a draw by Referee B. J. Angle, of London. After James J. Corbett had won Houston, Tex., April 2 .-Batteries: Williams, Shellenback and Schalk, Lee; Hoffman and Noyes, Hiatt.

the world's championship from Sul-livan in 1892 Mitchell challenged him Parsons, Kan., April 2.4 R. H. E. St. Logis Nationals 4 8 0 Kansas City American Association 7.41 2 for the title and at Jacksonville, Fla., on January 25, 1894, Corbett knocked Batteries: Waison, Ketzeinick, Walker and Jonzales, Breck; Smith, Hubbell and On. out the Englishman in the third roud. This was Mitchell's last fight Jacksonville, Fla., April 2 .- R.H. E

i the rig, as e retured to England and engaged in business tere up to the time of his demise. ONLY TWO SPRING

# GAMES CARDED BY OMAHA BALL CLUB

Omaha fans will have only two opportunities to see the Rourkes in action this spring before the regular season opens. Heretofore the Rourkes always have played a number of 'exhibition games before the season started, but this year only two have

been scheduled. One of the exhibition games will be

when the big military carnival will be Plans for the military game are now being made and Rourke expects April

21 to be the biggest day of the year at Rourke park. The main attraction will be a game between the Rourkes former professionals. In admition, had another attack and wondered ting.

into service. The entire gate receipts on this day will be turned over to the Camp Dodge athletic fund.

Batteries: Hamilton, Miller, Jacobs and Schmidt; Gregg, Myers and Perkins. 

Batteries: James, C. Jones and Yelle; Schneider, Brossfer and Wingb, Smith.

**Exhibition** Games

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Mike Gibbons, middleweight boxing champion, and Earl Caddock, heavy-weight wrestling champion, will give exhibitions. Fort Crook soldiers will below to the blood must be driven out of the blood must be driven out of the blood must be driven out of the Company will below to the blood must be driven out of the company will below to the to the to the to the company will below to th

Fort Crock soldiers will help to make the day a gala one. Colonel Pickering has promised the co-opera-tion of the entire camp and the Sort Crock band already has been pressed over fifty years, will drive the ca-Swift Laboratory, Atlanta, Ga.

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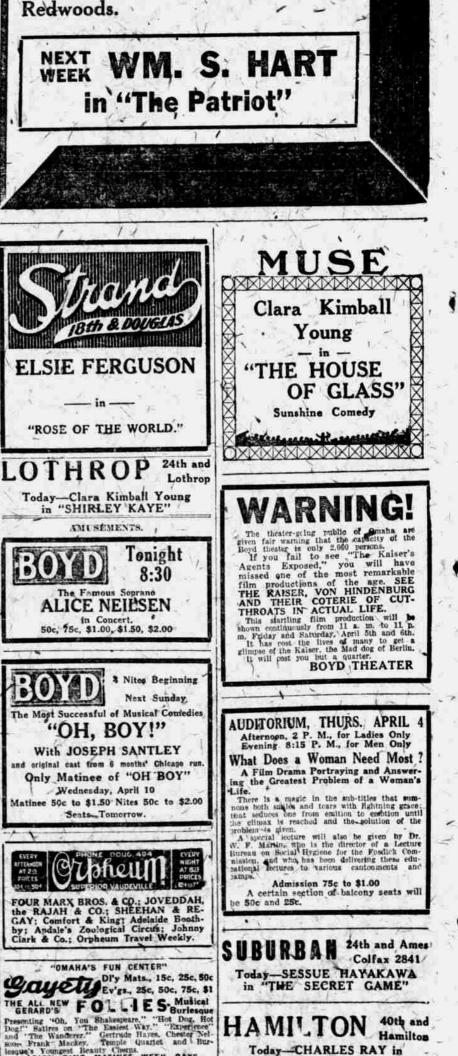


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