SPORTING NEWS OF THE WEEK

Opening Games of the Northwestern Cricket Association Tournament.

ONE OF THE SEASON'S IMPORTANT EVENTS

Local Club Prepares to Welcome the Visitors from Chicago, Denver, St. Paul. Minneapolis and Winnipeg in Royal Style.

The long-anticipated tournament of the the local cricket club has been making atrangements for months, has finally arrived. Commencing promptly at 11 o'cleck tomorrow morning the first games of the tourns- year ment will be called and on each day there-

the cricket event of all time in the west has been said before Denver is an unknown and the great amateur sporting event of quantity and is likely to be the dark horse the exposition year. During the tournament of the tournament. The players are the there will be more first class cricketers assembled on the field than on any previous
occasion in the history of ericket in the
country, is what the local followers of the
sport say, and they point to a long list
of contestants who are known as experts
that their representatives have little diffithe tournament. The players are the
sembled on the field than on any previous
Colorado. Some of their men from outside
bonald again and began to jabber at him.
"Ill have you appear before the board of
discipline for that talk," said the umpire.
"Get out of the game." Grady audibly
swore at McDonald as he went to the bench,
while the company of the learn subverse. toba team, either, by a long shot.

Viewed from other than a sporting stand-The members of the various teams that are much surprise felt in local circles if they coming here are invariably composed of the ended second. They have good bowlers, cream of social and business emerprise of good batsmen and good fields-a steady, allthe cities from which they hall. Their around team. Minneapolis is much in the words regarding the exposition will be more same class. effective than a considerable amount of letterpress. On this account the Omaha boys deserve encouragement in their endeavors not been neglected and every arrangement in this way to press forward the claims of has been perfected to give the visitors and the great game of base ball is more than the great show, in addition to increasing the friends-for the players will be accompanied | holding up its end in the state among the popularity of the game of cricket in the by many friends, men and women-a right west. The only way in which appreciation royal time. Tuesday night will be exposican be shown is by personal attendance at tion night, when they will be the guests of the matches and the members of the Omaha the local players on the midway and of ning to talk championship. Two of the Chricket club will feel well repaid for any efforts they may have expended in making the tournament a success if good at the Commercial club crowds come out. One hour's view of the great play that is certain to be in evidence during the coming week will alone be worth the price of admission if the spectators are unable to stay through the long matches.

The foreign contestants will be arriving in the city today. At midnight last night the Denver team came in over the Burlington. This afternoon at 1:25 the Minnesota team will arrive. Chicago is expected in the morning and on account of the long journey the Manitoba contingent will probably not reach this city until Tuesday morning. All these teams are in the best of condition and will be ready to at once engage in play. Except Manitoba, they will all play tomorrow. For the convenience of the cricket followers in the city the schedule of the week is published again: Monday-Omaha against Minnesota,

Denver against Chicago. Tuesday-Omaha against Manitoba, Minnesota against Chicago. Wednesday-Manitoba against Chicago,

Minnesota against Denver Thursday-Omaha against Chicago, Manitoba against Denver.

Friday-Omaha against Denver, Manitoba against Minnegota.

Saturday-United States against Canada. Two matches will be played at the same time each day.

The most exciting match from a local standpoint will be that between Omaha and Minnesota tomorrow. So far the two teams have about an equal number of matches to their credit and speciators will have an opportunity of witnessing what premises to be perhaps the most hotly contested match of the tournament. The rivalry between the two aggregations is intense. Since the teams met last year both clubs have been materially strengthened, but possibly the Omaha club has had the advantage in this . The local men figure that if the Omaha team can withstand the lightning deliveries of Godwin the chances are in their favor. The Minnesota team is com-

G. C. Saulez, captain, good bat and change bowler. Nash, steady bat and good field.

A. D. Stevens, one of the crack bats of the cleven; can take wickets. H. Edmunds, good bat, heady bowler, re liable field. M. R. Currie, another crack bat.

T. R. Sisson, a very hard hitter and rapid Richardson, reliable bat; wicket keeper W. E. Rumble, slow left arm bowler; fair

W. Godwin, the fast bowler of the eleven; hard hitter and rapid scorer. 11. L. Rolyat, president of the club and

W. Clark, steady but and first-class long Opposed to this team will be the following

Omaha cleven: T. P. Bate, C. J. Tuffield. R. W. Taylor, G. H. Vaughn, W. R. Vaughn, Harry New, J. Dougal, J. H. Simms, Francis, H. Lawrie, J. Douglas, J. B. Rey-

Omaha will have a slightly different team in each day. On Tuesday against Manitoba it will be: Bate, Tuffield, Taylor, G. H Vaughn, W. R. Vaughn, New, Dougal Simms, Lawrie, Douglas, Reynolds, Guild. On Thursday the team against Chicago will be as follows: Bate, Tuffield, Taylor, G. H. Vaughn, W. R. Vaughn, New, Dougal, Cameron, Reynolds, Francis.

The team against Denver on Friday has not yet been selected.

One of the great matches of the tourns



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United States and Canada. The latter will be virtually the Manitoba eleven, and against it will be plited as the representatives of Paul and Milwaukee-will land ahead. The all the other contesting aggregations.

As to the probable outcome of the tournanent. Local cricketers certainly count upon Manitoba to capture first place. The eleven is not only the crack team of the tournament, but with its full strength on are probably the best exponents of the game on this nide the Atlantic. It is the only club which will bring down professionals, three imported direct from England appearing on its ide. Every man on the team will be good for runs, their wicket keeping is superb and the outfielding would do credit to the best professional base ball talent. They bring with them several tremendously hard hitters. Northwestern Cricket association, for which and some of the opposing teams will have "plenty of leather hunting" ere the week is out. The chances are that they will keep a firm hold on the championship for another

Chicago comes with an almost equally after during the rest of the week the new strong combination and they will endeavor ball grounds, at Twenty-fifth and Ames hard to win back the lost honors of last avenue, where the matches are to be played, year at St. Paul. Certainly they should have will see the great English game expounded a mighty aggregation, for they have a vast from the same hour in the morning until territory to draw from. The match on Wednesday between them and the Canadians This tournament will be without doubt promises to be "a buttle of the giants." As in the game all over the United States, culty in bringing up a series of surprises, These cracks are not confined to the Mani- but there are many glorious uncertainties in cricket-you can't always tell, you know. And Omaha? Well, the boys feel pretty point, the tournament will be a great fac- confident. They do not expect to carry off tor in the advertising of the exposition, the first honors, but there would not be

course other portions of the big show. On Wednesday night a big smoker will be given

FOOD FOR A FEW FANATICS

Base Ball and Its Struggle Against War Bulletins in the Various Lengue Cities.

Who will wear the title of champions this year? That is a question that ought to be earing solution, for already half the base ball season is over. The aggregations have turned into the last half of the race and vet, as it has been for the past month and more, the running is neck-and-neck. A single slip will send any one of the leaders into the rear as a result of the hot pace that is being set, but those who are in the lead now are running along in a way to ndicate that they can keep it up to the

It is not improbable that this year's fight or the pennant will go down on the records s the hardest fought contest in the history f the game. A year ago this time the first nd last teams were something over 500 points apart. Today there is but a difference of less than 275 points between Cininnati and St. Louis. This is partially due o the four-trip schedule, which knocks out he long losing streaks if the team is playng any kind of ball. Then again, the teams are more evenly matched and, as has already been said, a few defeats are suffiput a leader way down toward the econd division. There is not a positively reak aggregation in the whole league, for even the tailenders trip up the leaders now and then and cause consternation in their ranks. There is not a downright easy thing in the whole bunch.

At the gait with which the Reds are swinging along now there seems to be no of Mike Griffin's leaden-tooted troupe. alld excuse why they should not come out ahond at the finish. They have been the van practically the entire season, or in the early days of the year, when the ams were shifting every day, position did count. Not once have they been ousted out of the place. Once in the later part of June it did seem as if they were soing to lose their grip and would earn the of quitters that had frequently een bestowed upon them. On June 28 the Beancaters were but six points behind them and for three days only this difference exsted. Then the Reds picked up in their patting and even since they have been gradually forging ahead until they are now

gain fifty points to the good. But any sort of a slump like that from ow on would probably be more disastrous. The Beancaters form a scrappy, never-saydle team. They have been the most con isteut of the runners. Since the early part of the season their percentage has een a decidedly steadfast quantity. They have never been outside of the bounds of en points to the one side or the other o May 17 they were 62.5, on June 17 62.0, now they are 62.5. With none of the wavering that has occasionally been shown

verlooked by them. It certainly looks as if the result lay beween these two teams, even though Balti fore and Cleveland are hugging them close. Both these aggregations are a trifle erratic nto account that she has been greatly

may be expected to climb upward. By consecutive defeats of St. Paul the Her mainstay are her pitchers, for she batters. Yet for that matter, what team is there in the Western that Ifas a good batting average. With perhaps the exaverages at the end of the season will this prize. have a mark thirty-five or forty points ower than did Keeler last year. No one seems to be able to account for this in a shoot this afternoon, consisting of the satisfactory manner, but the fact remains handicap club events, sweepstakes and pos-

have them now. The Western league race is in reality at present, as it has been, except with one or two exceptions, since the opening of the day by the skin of his teeth. A few weeks a novelty, the two races at Hartford proved versity, secured in competition with the

and it is a warm guess to pick out which of the quartet-Kansas City, Columbus, St. the stars and stripes an eleven picked from St. Joseph team has again dropped back into the role of a tallender, for it would be impossible for them to get down below the making no effort to secure a position in the race, but is contenting itself simply with franchise.

The Brush rule seems to have little effect upon the Giants. There have been all sorts of scrapes there, in which the umpires have had a hard row to hoe, and not very long ago another outbreak took place. It is described by the Sun as follows:

Grady made an exhibition of himself at the Polo grounds yesterday and by his behavior added further disgrace to the New York club. In the eighth inning Kliroy of the Chicagos attempted to tie the score from chicagos attempted to the the score from third after Gleason had caught a fly ball. The throw was poor and as Kilroy reached the plate Grady, who deliberately tried to block the runner by standing on the base path, was pushed aside. The ball bounded a yard or so behind the catcher and two other Chicago base runners began to sprint. other Chicago base runners began to sprint. Without hesitating Grady and half of the New York team rushed at McDonald, who was behind the plate, and began to jostle him about. Grady took him by the throat and shook him, while Joyce grabbed the umpire by the shoulder and wheeled him around. Grady further lost his head then have the him at the state of the head and throat the state of the head and the state of the head then the state of the head and the head and the state of the head and by picking up the ball and throwing it wildly into left field, an error which allowed while the other members of the team sub-sided, and Zearfoss went in to catch. In the seventh inning Assistant Umpire O'Day called McCreery out at second, whereupor he was surrounded by Grady, Joyce, Davis Van Haltren, Gleason and McCreery, all of whom claimed that the umpire had been in the base runner's way. Hartman box ed with rage once because a strike was called

While there is a decided lack of interest n base ball pretty nearly all over the coun-The social element of the tournament has try, while teams are being transferred and minor associations are going to the wall. amateur and semi-professional teams. The preliminary games have all been played off and now the cracks of the bunch are beginleaders are the Wymore aggregation and the Originals, who are scrapping it out in this city this afternoon. But it matters not which one of the two wins out, there are ther teams in the state that are bound to challenge their title and a good many hot games will yet result before the matter will be definitely settled.

> Gossip of the Game. Not a home run has been made on the Cleveland grounds this season.

Fred Clarke, the Nebraska product with the Colonels, was married last week. The work of Gaffney and Brown is said to be the best seen in the east this season. Since Anson's retirement McPhee is the old man of the diamond. He is on the shady side of 40.

George Decker is disappointing the fans in St. Louis and the Browns are looking for a new first baseman.

It is said that the decadence of Gleason and Davis has been responsible for at least half a dozen defeats at New York. Algy McBride seems at last to have atruck his Western league gait. His fielding is

his Western league gait. of the finest and he is now batting above the 30.0 mark. Manager Selee of the Boston team is try ng to sign Rice of Minneapolis for utility

man. Rice leads the Minneapolis team a the bat and is a clever shortstop. The best batting team in the league would be McGann, first base; Lajoie, second base Cross, third base; Dahlen, shortstop; Hamilton, Keeler and Lange, outfield; Thornton

pitcher; Farrell, catcher. Tony Mullane asks President Young twice a week by wire for a place on the Sational league's staff of umpires. Tony evidently likes the saying: "If you don't at first likes the saying: succeed, try, try again." Tom Tucker and George La Chance ar

numerous points below the 350 batting notch. The slump of the Trolley Dodger during the past two months is due to the sad, hungry, cadaverous record at the bat Flick of the Philadelphia team made four hits, including three three-baggers, a of ten bases, the other day. This is within one of Sheckard's total for Brooklyn made early in May. Four hits for eleven bases early in May. Four hits for eleven bases was the record, which stands for this sen-

"tumblers of top-notchers" this year. They have taken three out of seven from Bostons, three out of seven from the Baltimores, and two out of four from the Yorks and three out of four from Cincin

If there is one young pitcher in th country who is attracting more attention than another it is Jesse Tannehill of the Pittsburgs. Not only is he doing excel-lent work in the box, but his batting is assistance to the Pittsburgs in winning

FOR LOVERS OF GUN AND ROD

Omaha to Have a Couple of Purely Amnteur Trap Tournaments Soon.

The Dupont Gun club is arranging for quite a torunament in the early fall, either by the Reds, they have moved steadily in the end of September or the beginning long, and another slump on the part of October. It is to be a purely amateur the leaders would probably not again be affair, professionals and manufacturers agents being barred. The matter was definitely settled upon at a meeting of the club last week, but nothing but the outline was mapped out. The details will be left to a committee of the following, who have promand it is questionable whether they would ised to devote all their energies to the sucbe able to hear the strain of a close finish. cess of the tourney while it is in progress Chicago is to be counted in, too, in the Joe Goldsmith, George Moore, C. C. A sature of a dark horse. She is 100 points Bauercamper, W. D. Townsend, Frank behind the leaders, but it must be taken Dworak, Charles Curtis, Henry McDonald, John Lewis, John Bauman, B. W. Schnel weakened on account of injured players, and | der and F. F. Dow. It was so far settled, when these get into the game again she however, that there is to be about four days of shooting, mainly at the traps, although some live bird events may be pulled off on the last day of the tournament. There is to ncinnati adjunct. Indianapolis, has again be \$500 in added money to be divided among taken a substantial lead over the others in the five daily highest averages and \$500 ad the race in the Western league. After ded in merchandise, which will be divided her decided slump she is again in nearly up into booby prizes. The date and other as good a position as she was a month ago. matters connected with the tournament will be settled upon at another meeting to be has a poor fielding team and but mediocre held at Townsend's store tomorrow night.

Billy Hardin will have a nice amateur be the strongest with the stick, and yet three days commencing with Wednesday. which may not be an exception, there is There are to be ten events each day at fifnark, and those who are any distance up and four moneys if less. On the last day diet that the man who leads the batting is preparing to send a team to compete for

The Dupont Gun club will have its usual least, if the scheme reaches a culmination. chaps who compose the club membership.

season, over second place. Milwaukee has ago the sheriff was a little chesty over interesting.

and he opined that smashing twenty straight was as easy as rolling off a log in frosty weather. He gave expression to this opinion in a rather audible tone of voice and he was snapped up by a fellow member of the club, who let him down easy Millers. The Minneapolis management is by betting him a box of cartridges that he could not smash twenty in the following four shoots. John's hat band got big running along well enough to hold its as he got his bumps Sunday after Sunday, but finally on last and the fourth Sunday he cut the caper and he has not stopped

> "Snapper's" Monday physiognomy is at ndex in direct ratio to his Sunday per formance. If the sticking plaster on his starboard cheek bone is a pancakelike affair, "Snapper" on the day before had applied a strangle-garrote hold to his weapon and had made it nineteen or twenty. If the patch is smaller, ditto "Snapper" score and so on up and down the scale.

Bruno Schnelder is sawing a whole pile f wood in the weekly arguments. He is unning a sort of catch-as-catch-can race with Frank Dworak of South Omaha in the natter of steadily improving shooting.

The tournament of sharpshooters which as in progress at Glendale Park, L. L., until last Tuesday and commenced on July 3, as quite a shooting event. It was the econd triennial tournament of the National Sharpshooters' Union of America. As in pretty nearly every other sporting event these days, the entires and attendance were not up to the standard, but some excellent shooting was done, higher marks being nade than at the first scheutzenfest of the mion. There was an excellent prize list, the cash money alone amounting to \$30,000 Together with the gold and silver medals, some \$50,000 was expended in prizes.

During the last week a party of shooters rom towns along the Elkhorn road were in the city trying to induce some of the hunters in this city to co-operate with them n breaking up illegal chicken shooting by inching the express and railroad companie that transport the game. Last year the shooters along the line mentioned formed an association for this same purpose and did good work. They landed on the commother protective association this year to ance of twenty yards, won, ee to it that none of the chickens are killed here to watch this end of the line and appre- | 3 iend any consignments as they come in Hunters hereabouts are ready to fall in with

Hundreds of young quail are piping and ahistling away in the parks of the city hese bright summer days. This is particularly so in the early mornings before he birds have been frightened off by the requenters of the city's breathing places. Even a spot so close to the heart of the of birds. Elmwood park and Riverview are lows of Bill Paxton's great colt: these parks if one takes the trouble to be about shortly after dawn one can see byles of the birds scurrying across the paths and walks and drives as if they were on the stretches of the wild and rolling prairies. The nusic of their whistling is interesting to the construction of the c it is to be heped that the park commissioners will see to it that ample protection is given to the birds. In the parks, also, rabbits are not at all scarce. park, particularly, seems to be well stocked

Next Wednesday a considerable batch of ocal sportsmen will go up into the Big Horn country for several weeks' outing. The ger of giving Omaha something of a black party includes Judge Ives, Frank Gaines and eye in a tennis way by dropping the tenuis his brother, M. A. Hall, Dr. Conner, Charles fixture that was established in this city A. Goss and Judge Keysor. They will stay by the National Tennis association. The from three to six weeks as they individually sporting editor has been in receipt of a desire. The party will be equipped with number of communications from different all sorts of fishing tackle, as the trout in sections of the western country, in which the mountain brooks is the object they are inquiries are made regarding the date and after, although game will not be entirely details of the event. For example, a con-

Billy Townsend, Doc Owens, Albert visitors were coming to take in the fair Scholm and Harry Rhodes are going to and would have selected their date so as to Onawa tonight for several days' fishing. have also taken part in the tourney. By Billy Townsend has received a letter from entirely giving up the event, Omaha loses Jim Hart in which the latter says that the not only the fixture, in all probability, but

Henry Homan and his wife spent several the city. not passed the lips of a true-blue sportsand the fish were so voracious that they snapped them as soon as the book struck water.

Bill Simeral and Dr. Worley have had great luck at Cut Off lake during the past week. They caught a particularly nice mess

Frederick Metz, Charley Metz and Fred codrich last Monday went to Lake Quinnebaugh, where they will spend a couple of weeks catching bass and croppy when they are not folling about the comfortable Mctz

The well known fishermen, Neal of Tekamah and Hops of Nebraska City, are spending a few weeks at Onawa.

WITH HORSES AND HORSEMEN

Running Meet at Council Bluffs is Being Worked Out in Detnil.

The scheme of holding a running meet vicable to postpone the opening day a couple shoot on the grounds of the Omaha Gun not commence until September 1. The eight cars; swimming, racing, diving, water ception of Kansas City, which seems to club across the river this coming week for management is gradually getting into cor- polo, cycling, polo, foot ball (Rugby associaand in fact all the signs point to the likeot an agregation that has more than two teen targets. Five moneys will be hung up lihood that the exhibition of bangtalls will or three men that are batting above the 30.0 if there are more than twenty-five entries be a go. There is a good party of solid, representative Council Bluffs citizens, inthat stretch are scarce as hen's teeth. In there is to be a shoot for teams of three cluding E. A. Wickham and Charles Stewfact, this is true to a smaller degree of from any clubs. The entrance fee for this art, behind the plan. Despite the fact that His scheme, as it is being gradually worked the big league. There has been a slump will be \$5 with \$25 added. The shoot will sports do not seem to be securing much sup. out, is to invite the best athletes of all in the batting all around. Old-timers pre- be at twenty-five targets. The Dupont club port in this section of the United States countries to come together for competition

nevertheless. The evidences were on hand sibly a team shoot or two and a live bird jected into the program at the Charter Oak the seat of the coming games. at the opening of the season, but at that event. These weekly shoots are not only park races at Hartford furnished a decided. The first celebration of the games octime it was said that the tossers did not resulting in some excellent shooting at the innovation in American harness racing curred at Athens in 1896. At that time have their batting clothes on yet. If they traps, but they are proving to be a most methods. The idea was borrowed from they were entries from quite a number of ever assume them, they certainly ought to enjoyable outing for the congenial batch of Europe, where such races have been in countries of the world, including the United John Lewis copped out a wager last Sun- popular in this country, though, viewed as the Boston Athletic club and Princeton unl

managed to push forward into this scrap some scores that his gun was giving him In the races the horses were handicapped American sporting mind. The crown prince

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according to their last public performances of Greece acted as chairman at those games pany with consignments of young chicken in their possession out of season and prose-ceiving the largest allowance was at the It is quite possible that the games to be uted and convicted the offenders. The re- wire and the others were placed back of held in 1904 will occur in this country. It sult was that the practice of sending the him in order. The start was necessarily a has always been understood that the games game to market and consequently a nice standing one in order to preserve the handi- were to travel around the world, and at proportion of the illegal shooting was done cap distances. Each heat was a race, but the Paris conference in 1894 Athens was away with. The sportsmen report that the horse best placed in the two heats of named as the place for holding the first there are any number of young chickens which the two events consisted were given meeting. Paris for the second and a strong now flying about, and they are anxious to added money. In the trotting race the horse sentiment prevailed that the third celebraprotect them until the shooting season opens who got the biggest allowance-115 yards- | tion should take place in New York. If n order that there may be sport a-plenty in got first money. In the pacing event the the games should be held on this side of the fall. They not only propose to form horse next to the scratch, with an allow- the water in that year the American repre-

and sent away to market by the pothunters, capping is done, the event including all dent as early as 1900. out they also desire the shooters living animals in the classes from the 2:10 to the

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ity as Bemis park seems to be chuck full | The Western Horseman speaks as folboth thickly inhabited by them. In all When the yearling colt, The Merchant, cessant. As the day advances they become fillies of his age at the Omaha meeting. A great many fast miles were trotted at Denplaying more of the contempt that comes with familiarity with the park frequenters, with familiarity with the park frequenters, it is to be keped that the park commissions by The Merchant all the more strength. He met the very best wrestlers creditable.

SOME WISCELLANEOUS SPORT What he lacked in science he made up with Lack of Interest in Lawn Tennis

Likely to Cost Omaha Dear

This Year. Local tennis players are running a dantingent of half a dozen Denver players proposed to take part in the tournament. These

also the chance of holding the biggest tournament that would have ever been held in

days at Onawa during the past week and | The whole trouble seems to lie in the had great luck. In three days of fishing fact that there is no one to take hold of they captured about 100 pounds of bass, the matter. The older players who have Fully fifteen of the fish weighed from two been engineering the tournaments of the Showalter and a half to three and a half pounds. On past have given up the game and appear to Wednesday from 11:30 in the morning until have lost all interest in it. And there does :30 they pulled out forty pounds of the not seem to be enough gumption in the gamey fish—a rather dubious story if it had | younger lot of players to take held of the matter. In fact, tennis appears to be at a man like Homan. Frogs were the bait used very low ebb in this city this season in comparison with past years. None but the smaller courts are running and these are not doing a great amount of business.

In 1960, at the same time with the great exposition games, the second celebration of the modern Olympian games will be held in Paris. Quite elaborate plans are being made for the games, the idea being kept in the foreground constantly that no miscellaneous crowd who will stand by and cheer the champions is desired at the event, but rather a gathering of first-class athietes in every line of sports. Amateurs alone will be allowed to compete and consequently there will be no money prizes. The Vicomite de la Rochefoucalt, the well known founder and president of the Paris Polo club, has undertaken the task of making the games success and will be assisted by Baron de Coubertin, the originator of the revival of the Olympian games. According to their plans the program will include flat and hurdle races, running, broad and high jumps, pole vaulting, putting the weight, throwing the disc and pentathion, gympasover the river is being gradually worked | ties, fencing, boxing, English and French out in detail. It has been deemed ad- wrestling, yachting-with small yachts on the Seine and larger ones at Havre-row of weeks and consequently the meeting will | ing, scuiling with pair oars, four oars and respondence with running meet promoters (ion), cricket, golf, lawn tennis, croquet, hockey, court tennis and longue paume.

The modern Olympian games are the outgrowth of an idea of one of the best of Prance's sportsmen, Baron de Coubertin. at the present stage of the game, it is be- in events which are common all over the lieved that good crowds will turn out to world. The management of the games see the runners. It is to be hoped so, at rests with a paramount international committee, each of which represents a different country. The president is the resident The trotting and pacing handleaps in- of that country which has been selected as

vegue for several years. It is not generally States. The high positions that the repre believed that this style of racing will prove sentatives of this country, the teams from world's champions are still fresh in the

sentative on the international committee. Here is a sample of the way the handi- Prof. Sloane of Princeton, would be presi-

Yousouf, the mighty wrestler, is gone. He was one of the passengers of La Bourgogne and when the illfated French liner went down he sank with it. It is said that his death might have been the result of his avarice. Round about his waist was strapped \$8,500, the amount of money he secured as a result of his tour of this country. He is said to have loved this money far better than his own life, and it is believed that this it was that prevented his escape, for with his enormous strength he surely would have succeeded in pushing himself to a place in one of the boats in the frantic hand-to-hand struggle that occurred on the steamer. It is related of him that he always carried his money in the belt around him-even in his bouts, until William A. Brady tokk hold of him and compelled him to divest himself of it. Then the big Turk is said to have been in agony until he had placed his hands on his gold once more. He was on the steamer on his

in this country and not one was able to plain brute strength. And his visit to this country has had a good effect. It has resulted in a revival of interest in wrestling, which has been dead for years as a result of the questionable methods that have predominated the sport. It remains to be seen whether this, one of the best of all sports, is to be covered with disrepute again.

Pillabury has been making a great showing in the chessmasters' tournament that Problem No. 30 also done by C. Q. DeFrance. has been going on for several weeks now in Vienna. He is ahead of all of them now by a narrow lead. The standing of the players is shown in the following table:

Contestant.

WHIST.

It is usually accepted in practical whist that one should play for the longest suit not only because it is the one in which you are likely to get a number of tricks, but because it is the one which your adversaries are the least likely to bring in against you, It is obvious, however, that there is a limit to the carrying out of this theory in practice, because, to take an extreme example, if a player holds thirteen eards of a plain suit, it is absolutely impossible for him to take a trick with them, no matter what the distribution of the other cards may be. With twelve cards of one suit nothing short of a miracle would bring in such a suit, but lower down in the scale a number is arrived at which makes it reasonably probable that tricks will be taken. The location of this number has been variously arrived at different whist writers. In the 10,000 nds sorted by the New York Sun, there are no plain suits longer than nine cards. and only two of these. In the first 5,000 hands there are seventeen, in which the leader holds a plain suit of eight cards, The Sun has taken up the experiment of leading from each of these suits, in order to determine scientifically the probability of success or fallure from opening from the long suit under those circumstances.

The most important business which came before the executive committee of the American Whist league in session in Boston last week was in the conference regarding a league system of play. The time when long suit or short suit described the method of a stranger playing is past and the systems have become so complicated and atricate that whist seemed on the verge of disintegration. The appointment of imilar committee two years ago was looked forward to with hope of results, but no satisfactory report was made. That of the present committee, which has not been as yet fully outlined, is thought to comprise an adequate league system.

In the following position clubs are trumps, North to lead, and with South, to make eight tricks

CHESS.

The following is a choice game played between Walbrodt and Schlechter in the recent international tournament at Vienna:

8 GAMBIT.

Black—Schlechter.
1—P to K 4.
2—P takes P.
3—P to Q 4.
4—Q to R 5 (ch.)
5—P to K Kt 4.
6—Q to R 4.
7—B to Kt 2.
8—P to K R 3.
9—Kt to K 2.
10—P to K K 5.
11—P to B 6.
12—P takes P.
13—B to Kt 5.
14—Q Kt to B 3.
15—Kt takes P.
15—Q to Q B 4.
17—P to B 3.
18—Kt takes P.
15—Q to Q B 4.
17—P to B 3.
18—Kt takes R.
19—Q takes Kt.
20—P to K R 4.
21—Castles (Q R.)
22—B to Q 5.
23—B to Q 5.
24—B takes R.
25—K R to K 8q.
25—K R to K 8q.
25—R to Q 4.
28—Q R to Q 8q. BISHOP'S GAMBIT. -Walbrodt. -Q to B 1.
-K to K 2.
-R takes B.
-P to K 5.
-K to B 2.
-Q takes P.

Problem No. 32; White to play and mate in three moves. The following variation was substituted by a correspondent and is believed to be in all respects a perfect three-mover.

WHITE Problem No. 31, with the necessary substitution of black bishop for black pawn at Q 8, was done by Q to B 2. Solved by D. F. Logan and Mr. Brooks of Woodbine, In.

Questions and Answers. NEBRASKA CITY, July 12.—To the Editor of The Bee: Are there any guns as large or larger than the 13-inch gun in our navy used in any other navy? If so, which?

Ans.-Other navies carry 13-inch guns, but none larger. A bigger caliber is occa-sionally found in land fortifications. Several Inquiries—Schley's name is pronounced very much like the common word "sly," with the long I sound.

FLIES' FAVORITE TIPPLE.

Investigations of a Bartender Indi-cate that it is Good Fresh Beer. A bartender of this city has spent many of his spare moments lately in studying the tastes of flies, relates the Hartford Courant, and he has come to the conclusion that they love intoxicants and delight in becoming intoxicated. He says that he has seen whole armies of flies intoxicated in his

place. All flies that are found in the saloon, the bartender said, are usually about the bar or on the ceiling over the bar, and usually all other parts of a saloon are without the pests. This caused the bartender who tells the story to investigate why the flies preferred the vicinity of the bar to other parts of the room. He claims to have put a quantity of different kinds of liquors and beer on the bar for the benefit of the flies in the room. Pretty soon the bar was all covered with flies and from the observations of the bartender beer was their favorite drink. They seemed to have a preference for the foamy beer, too, for they partook of it more liberally than they did of any of the other samples that were placed on the bar. The gin, whisky and wine and other spirituous liquors which were put cut for their benefit were not patronized very liberally, and as soon as the foam had disappeared from the beer it was noticed that the flies would leave and go to other beer

After the flies had partaken of the liquors for some time without being disturbed they flew from the bar to the ceiling over the or and the bartender thought he noticed evidences of intoxication about them. They appeared less active than before they drank the liquor, and there were more of on the ceiling. To distinguish the flies which had drank of the beer from the other flies he threw white powder over many of them as they lay on the ceiling asleep. They were disturbed by this action and left the celling, but soon returned to it, and for several hours they remained in the same place on the ceiling sleeping off the jags.

After the flies had slept of the effects of the liquor they again returned to the bar, and the ceiling soon became clear of the white backs and the bar was covered with The bartender gave them another reat, but this time he only put out beer, stale beer without a "head" and some fresh drawn beer. The fresh drawn beer was given the prierence, and it was covered with powdered-back flies in a short time. After the flies had filled up a second time they again went to the ceiling, where they remained. All the time they were watched by the bartender, and his experiments led him to believe that flies are users of intoxicants to excess and that they delight in getting drunk.