

INDOOR PASTIMES IN FAVOR

Athletes Are Driven Into Gymsiums by Advent of Cold Weather.

HOME-MADE SPORT BECOMES POPULAR

Hoop Ball, Product of Local Talent, Spreads Through the Country—Interest Grows in the Whist Contest.

Basket ball and hoop ball, the latter the same game in a more advanced stage, are the recognized winter substitute for foot ball and are coming to have a considerable patronage of their own at other seasons.

Hoop ball is entirely a production of local talent, having been conceived two years ago by William H. Hastings, physical director of the University of Nebraska.

The first regular game in Lincoln was played on Charter day, 1897, and since that time the sport has become a permanent feature of the university curriculum.

And, together, hoop ball is being adopted by colleges, men's and women's Christian associations and athletic clubs in various parts of the country.

The positions in the game are the first and second centers, first and second forwards, first and second guards and first substitutes.

The game is, in many respects, similar to basket ball, but the roughness and contention arising in that game when the ball passes out of bounds has been eliminated.

Hoop ball has not yet been experimented with to any extent in this city, basket ball being found a sufficiently absorbing pastime.

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Their scores, are as follows: Frank Brown, 27.5; George S. Nash, 27.4; R. P. Duff, 27.7; George P. Cronk, 27.3; G. R. Renze, 26.8; H. B. Wheeler, 26.4; Guy Ledgett, 26.3; Goodley Braker, 26.2; G. A. Schoedack, 26.2; W. H. Nelson, 26.1; George E. Abbott, 26.1; L. W. Scheble, 25.4.

After January 1 it is intended to play duplicate whist in order to equalize more nearly the chances of success.

One of the features of the new year will be a woman's night, the first one being on January 2. The committee in charge of the occasion is George Cronk, James Atwood, Moses O'Brien. The evening will be devoted to whist, but the scores will not be counted in the tournament.

GOLFERS MAKE THEIR ROUNDS

Enthusiasm Takes Advantage of the Mild Weather to Improve Their Game.

The continued mild weather has enabled the Kautzke Place Golf club to secure almost daily practice on its links on the Kautzke reserve.

Begin with a short, wooden club. My advice as to the length of the club you should afterward adopt I offer with all confidence as being of a kind that the young golfer should acquire.

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ALL-DAY CHRISTMAS SHOOT

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But few local hunters have been out after game during the past week. It is expected, however, that all who possibly can will take a trip into the country during the coming week, as it marks the closing of the season.

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