

# Amateur Ball Teams to Play Double-Header at League Park This Afternoon

## Murphys Clash With Iowa Champs in Opening Game

### Guarantee Fund Lives to Tangle With Carter Lake Nine in Second Contest.

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WO good ball games are in the cards for this afternoon at League park, with the first game at 2 p. m. between the Sevastopol Athletic club, champions of Des Moines, and the Murphy-Dids, Omaha title winners. The second game, which will be called immediately after the finish of the first contest, will bring together the Guarantee Fund Lives, Saturday amateur champions, and the Carter Lake club, winners of the second division of the Metropolitan league.

The first contest, between the Sevastopol Athletic team and the Murphys, gives promise of being a tight battle. The visitors have one of the strongest amateur teams that ever stepped on a ball field. The club men, by adding the championship of the Iowa city this season, raised their record to three consecutive wins of the title. In the hitting department, the club men are especially strong, with one player batting over the 500 mark and another over the 400 percentage. The team's batting percentage is .315.

Out of 25 games played the champions from our neighboring state have returned victor in 18. Joe Novotny, a big right-handed towler, who led the team of the Fourth of July, and who since that time has won 10 out of 12 games pitched, will do the flinging for the Omaha sandlot champions.

The Murphys, fresh from their 5 to 4 victory of last Sunday over the Sioux City Stockyards, are undaunted by the visitors' brilliant record and are laying their winning cards on this afternoon's contest. Manager Ike Mahoney announces that his men are all in first-class shape, and the Sevastopol will depart from Omaha this evening with another defeat hanging to their record.

Lefty Allen, portside hurler, who has spent the last week working out as a candidate for the Creighton university football team, will do the flinging for the Omaha sandlot champions.

The second game will settle a long controversy between the two participants as to whether the Saturday nines are as strong as the Sunday teams. The Guarantees proved the fact that the fourth day of the week outfits are pretty strong when they held the Murphys to the low scores of 5 to 2 and 2 to 0 several weeks ago. The Lakeside team does not agree with the Guarantees on the question of the relative strength of the Saturday and Sabbath teams and therefore will exert all its efforts this afternoon in order to hand the insurance men a trimming.

"Maney" West, the youthful hurler who proved to be one of the sensations of the Metropolitan league, will probably sling 'em over the platter for the club men, and he will be opposed by "Mentz" Semernd, the husky lad who has turned in some mighty good games in his last four starts.

The lineups for the first game:

SEVASTAPOL  
A. C.  
Gilligan, P.  
Nick, C.  
Freitag, S.  
Ryan, P.  
Yates, C.  
Krug, P.  
Suter, C.  
Shalzer, P.  
Allen, P.  
Mahoney, P.  
McGuage, P.  
Nelson, P.  
Goulden, P.  
Umpires: Gilligan and Sledge.

**SMITH TOPS LIST**  
With the pennant race settled in the Southern association, and "Red" Smith of Atlanta the batting champion for 1924, the remaining days will witness a hot scramble for second place honors among the batters. Dick Burrus, another member of the Atlanta club, at present is holding down this honor with an average of .374, compared with Smith's mark of .365. J. Stewart of Birmingham is the base stealing champion, his record showing 60 thefts. J. Anderson of Chattanooga ran his string of homers to 26, while Paschal of Atlanta ran his total of runs scored to 125 before he departed to join the Yankees. Nelhaus is leading in total bases with 345.

**HUSKER HARRIERS WORKING HARD**  
Lincoln, Sept. 20.—Nebraska's cross-country team is working out daily now under the guidance of Coach J. Lloyd McMasters. Ed Dickson's failure to return hurt the prospects. He was a letter man last year.

Captain Paul Zimmerman, Jim Lewis and Jake Schultz are the only letter men back. Jack and Dick Ross, brothers, and Jake Cohen, are among the most promising of the other squad members. Cohen was out last year but an operation forced him out of competition for the season.

**Hart Wins Golf Title.**  
Rye, N. Y., Sept. 19.—Claude M. Hart of Brookline, Mass., won the United States Senior Golf association's senior championship by defeating Henry S. Redfield of Hartford, Conn., by seven strokes in the playoff at the Apawamis club here today.

New York.—A change in the football rules regarding positions at the kickoff was announced by the rules committee.

## Will Play Murphy-Dids at League Park Today



MATEUR champions of Iowa's capital city for three successive years is the record that the Sevastopol Athletic club of Des Moines, who meet the Murphy-Dids at 2 p. m. this afternoon at League park, have hung up. Last Sunday at Des Moines the clubmen shut out the West L. Improvers, runners-up to the Murphy-Dids for Omaha's amateur

## Bluejay Grid Squad Stages Final Preliminary Workout of Season

A SAMPLE of what is in store for the Creighton university 1924 football squad in the way of scrimmage was dished out to some 45 huskies yesterday afternoon in the final preliminary workout of the season.

Head Coach Chet Wynne sent his "giants" against each other in preliminary scrimmage in breaking through the line on punts.

The opinion on the hilltop seems to be that the Bluejay line and backfield will be up to the standard of past seasons, but one thing is lacking to make the team a really great aggregation, a dependable punter.

Since the days of Leahy and Condon, renowned Bluejay punters, few men capable of booting the oval consistently and accurately have been turned out from the institution.

Wynne tried Mahoney, FitzGibbons, and "Sas" Keane at punting, but none of the trio showed up to advantage.

First scrimmage of the season scheduled for this afternoon at 3

o'clock, by the score of 5 to 0. Brooks, right fielder for the visitors, who is the "gent" in the lower right hand corner of the picture, is playing his third season with the clubmen and has been in every game this season. The strength of the visitors can be gathered from the fact that three of their players were members of the fast Herring Motors Co.

## Woman Tennis Champion Wields Clever Pen

Berkeley, Cal., Sept. 20.—Miss Helen Wills, the youthful tennis champion, who returned to her home here recently from a triumphant tour during which she won the Olympic championship and successfully defended her American title, had a pen and ink drawing of a tennis scene in a late issue of Pelican, the campus comic magazine at the University of California.

Miss Wills is majoring in art at the university, where she is a sophomore.

team which defeated the strong semipro Murphy team in 1919.

In the picture are, reading left to right, back row: Ed De Young, business manager; Savory, pitcher; Polson, pitcher; D. Case, third base; Allen, utility; D. Gale, shortstop; Gendeman, catcher; and Gale, Jr., young manager. Middle row, left to right: Jackson, first base; Holich, fielder; B. Gale, second base; Peterson, pitcher; O. Peterson, utility. Sitting in the front row are: Goulden, utility; R. Robinson, utility; Chuck Robinson, mascot; V. Case, center field; and Brooks, right field.

## Leading Batters WESTERN LEAGUE.

Player Club	G. AB. R. H. Pct.
Lelivelt, Tulsa	142 541 112 297 .382
Miller, St. Jos.	141 509 102 192 .377
Lamb, Tulsa	154 643 135 241 .372
Giugliardi, De'no	151 594 144 221 .372
Washburn, Tulsa	155 596 163 215 .360

Player and Club	G. AB. R. H. Pct.
Hornsbey, St. Louis	135 509 114 215 .422
Wheat, Brooklyn	134 537 89 199 .371
Cuyler, Pittsburgh	123 449 94 162 .361
Cuyler, New York	126 502 109 180 .359
Poush, Cincinnati	120 478 66 167 .349

At New York.—Paul Berlenbach, Astoria, N. Y., knocked out Jack Redick, Canada, eighth round. Billy Britten outpointed Charley Nashert, 10 rounds.

## Catching 'Em on the Fly

Those West L. Improvers showed plenty of "zip" and speed before last Sunday's game against the Sevastopol Athletic club at Des Moines. The Omahans arrived in the capital city at 11:35 a. m. and at lunch changed clothes, traveled about a mile and a half to the ball park and were ready to play ball at 1 p. m. According to Manager Sotoba of the Improvers, his team showed all of their speed before the game, with the result that during the game the boys were all tired out. Anyway, the players all reported having a good time.

The Murphy-Dids added a big feather to their record last Sunday when they took the fast Sioux City Stockyards to a 5 to 4 trimming at Fort Omaha. The Sioux City nine recently won the southwestern Iowa tournament held at Council Bluffs.

The Omaha Western league ball team will play Wilkeson's Chicago Union Giants at League park on Saturday and Sunday, October 4 and 5.

The fast All Nations ball team will play the Murphy-Dids at League park on Sunday, September 22.

The William Street Merchants, who will play the Junior champions of Minneapolis or St. Louis, are expected to give a good account of themselves. The Merchants, who are the junior champions of Omaha, have one of the best aggregations of youngsters that has ever been assembled on any team.

The West L. Improvers were badly handicapped last Sunday by the absence of Wills from their lineup. For some reason the big shortstop was not able to make the trip.

George Bernstein, amateur baseball player, who in years gone by has been a star on independent football teams, has decided to retire from the platoon game. Managers of many fast oval aggregations are angling for the services of the former Tech High star, but the hefty boy turns them all down.

A record-breaking crowd is expected to attend this afternoon's double-header at League park when the Guarantees Punks, Saturday champions, do battle with the Carter Lakes at 1:30 p. m., and the Murphys, city champs, meet the Sevastopol Athletic club, amateur title holders of Des Moines, at 2:30 o'clock.

## NORTH OMAHA CLUB TO MEET

George Parish, president of the North Omaha Athletic association, has called a meeting of the body for Monday evening at the Olivet Baptist church, Thirty-Seventh and Ames avenues.

Election of officers, routine business, and plans for the coming basketball season will be on the program for members of the organization.

That a new president will be elected is assured, as Parish announced yesterday that he would not be a candidate for the honor this year.

Increasing business obligations caused Mr. Parish to make this decision.



Friday the fraternal hurler, pitching for Valley, lost a close game by the score of 4 to 4 to Hannington. Last Sunday Krupski took the mound for the West L. team at Des Moines and pitched four and two-thirds innings. More than a week's work for a five-foot hurler.

"Sikes" Williams, lanky first sacker, and Carl Grimm, second sacker, provided the West L. players with plenty of amusement during the wait for the start at Des Moines. This pair should be on a vaudeville circuit instead of playing amateur ball, according to their teammates.

## Regulation of Golf "Galleries" Appears Problem

London, Sept. 20.—Harry Vardon says that the regulation of "galleries" at important golf meetings is a problem which is constantly arising. There have been some enormous golf crowds in this country, and their control has been praiseworthy in the extreme. Obviously, it has never been other than very difficult to shepherd a concourse of from 10,000 to 20,000 people round four miles of hills and valleys, especially when about half of them insist on running to try and secure a good position to see the next shot.

I would not go so far as to say, he continues, that the fate of any championship has been changed as a result of the distractions and interferences of spectators, but there have certainly been many disconcerting experiences for golfers engaged in playing in these human maelstroms.

It has always seemed that sooner or later there must be established a first-class course close to a big and easily accessible center at which great events could be decided, and which would be laid out with due regard for the easy management of crowds.

## CENTRAL TO HAVE STRONG 2D TEAM

Coach "Skipper" Bexten of Central has been teaching the fundamental points of the football game to his promising second stringers. Bexten will probably have a strong second team this year.

Bleicher, one of the promising halfbacks, is again with Bexten's fold. Bleicher is a consistent line plunger. Sam Bender, who starred with the freshmen last year, will probably get a regular berth on the second team.

Ernest Weismuller, another aspirant for Bexten's squad, is showing up good at the quarterback position. Fetterman is also going great on the line.

## Rickard Through Promoting Big Fight Shows

Tex Rickard has washed his official hands of the big timers in pugilism for many months to come and will daily only with enterprises of a comparatively modest nature. It is alleged that Rickard failed to realize the profit expected by him during the present season and that an era of retrenchment is at hand. Dempsey, Leonard, Mickey Walker and other gentlemen of the profession who think in terms of hundreds of thousands or not at all, are not likely to appear, it is said, in any bout promoted by Rickard for some time.

Rickard, however, does not deny a report in circulation to the effect that Dempsey and Tom Gibbons would meet at Madison Square Garden early this winter. Our Mr. Rickard never denies anything that might start idle tongues in motion.

The fact of the matter, however, is that he has no intention of matching Gibbons and Dempsey for an indoor show. He got a great plenty of that sort of thing at the Dempsey-Brennan affair four years ago, the champion getting a guarantee of \$100,000 and our Mr. Rickard getting a severe pain in the wallet. Dempsey is still the same young man who is alleged to fight for money.

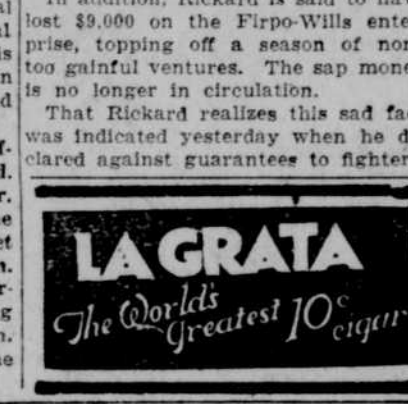
In addition, Rickard is said to have lost \$9,000 on the Firpo-Wills enterprise, topping off a season of none too gainful ventures. The sap money is no longer in circulation.

That Rickard realizes this sad fact was indicated yesterday when he declared against guarantees to fighters.

At Denver, Col.—Teddy Gartin, Omaha, decided Frankie Darren, Salt Lake, three rounds.

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