

# Now Comes the Day When Performance Outweighs Promise

## BASEBALL CAMPS TO OPEN IN FOUR WEEKS

Major Leaguers Will Get Down to Hard Training Within the Next Month.

## PITCHERS WILL START SOONER

New York Twirlers to Begin Work Within Two Weeks.

## TWO TEAMS TOURING WORLD

These Will Be Delayed, but Players Are in Good Form.

## MANY EXHIBITION GAMES

Complete List of the Spring Training Camps of Teams of the Big Leagues—Chance Has Most Practice Games.

## BIG LEAGUE TRAINING CAMPS.

**AMERICAN LEAGUE.**  
New York—Houston, Tex.  
Athletics—Jacksonville, Fla.  
Boston—Hot Springs, Ark.  
Washington—Charlottesville, Va.  
Cleveland—Athens, Ga.  
Chicago—Paso Robles, Cal.  
Detroit—Gulfport, Miss.  
St. Louis—St. Petersburg, Fla.

**NATIONAL LEAGUE.**  
New York—Marlin, Tex.  
Brooklyn—Augusta, Ga.  
Boston—Marion, Ga.  
Philadelphia—Wilmington, N. C.  
Chicago—Tampa, Fla.  
Cincinnati—Mobile, Ala.  
Pittsburgh—Hot Springs, Ark.  
St. Louis—St. Augustine, Fla.

Only four weeks remain before all the American and National league teams, excepting members of the Giants and White Sox touring the world, will begin training at southern resorts for the annual struggle for pennants and the right to play in the world's championship series. In two weeks the Chicago Cubs, under Manager Johnny Evers, will leave the Wintry City for Tampa, Fla., to throw out arms and legs before resorting to more strenuous exercise. As a team the Cubs will lead their rivals in getting to the spring training camp, but Charles Webb Murphy believes in an early start, because he has arranged as many as twenty exhibition games.

Frank Chance has ordered several of the New York's pitchers to report at Hot Springs the middle of next month and Wilbert Robinson has issued similar instructions to the Brooklyn's star boxmen. Other big league managers have followed Chance's example and in all probability Hot Springs will attract as many as thirty noted curve fingers within the next two weeks. In general the big leaguers will arrive at the training camps on or about March 1 and after the players have rid themselves of winter kinks they will begin playing exhibition games, so arranged that they can work their way north gradually without suddenly jumping from warm to wintry weather.

**Chance Leads Them All.**  
In arranging exhibition games Chance has all other managers beaten. He has planned twenty-four of these contests for his regulars and recruits, eight of them in Texas. The New Yorks will report at Houston on March 1 and will not start north until the night of March 22. Then sixteen games will be played, five with the Brooklyn at Ebbets field, prior to the opening of the American league season at the Polo Grounds on April 14.

John McGraw, Larry Doyle, Hooks White, Fred Merkle, Jimmie Foxx and Bunny Hearn of the Giants will not arrive here from Europe until March 6. They will get on at once to Marlin, Tex.

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## STUDEBAKER ATHLETIC CLUB IS ORGANIZED

The local management of the Studebaker corporation, has set aside a portion of the fourth floor of its new building, size 40 by 75 feet, to be used by the Studebaker employees only as a gymnasium. The paraphernalia has been partially installed. It will consist of a hand ball court, wrestling mat, trapeze, horizontal bars, besides various wall exercisers and other gymnasium equipment. The hand ball league of five three-man teams has already been organized. The gymnasium is open to employees during the noon hour, also between 8 and 10 o'clock every evening. Membership dues will be used for the purpose of purchasing equipment, the space, light, heat, etc., being contributed by the company.

L. A. Keller, the local Studebaker manager, considers that this new arrangement will be of immense benefit to his entire force in keeping them in good physical conditions.

The club is called the Studebaker Athletic club and the officers are: Frank Hanson, president; H. G. Rehmeyer, vice president; C. M. Cain, treasurer.

## TELEPHONE BASKET FIVE DEFEATS THE ATHLETICS

The Commercial league team playing under the colors of the Nebraska Telephone company relieved the monotony of league contests Friday night by defeating the Athletics, one of the independent basket ball teams of the city, at the new gymnasium of the Nebraska School for the Deaf by the score of 27 to 14. Noland and Wilson of the Athletics were too accurate at basket shooting for any consistent scoring by the Athletics forwards. Torrey of the Athletics played a good game, making eight points for his squad and preventing his forward from making a single point.

## BOXING COMMISSION REPRIMANDS WOLGAST

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Jan. 31.—For hitting to clinches and indulging in roughing tactics not permitted under the law, Ad Wolgast was today reprimanded by the Wisconsin Boxing commission for committing these irregularities in the recent contest in Milwaukee with Joe Rivers of California. Wolgast was told that a repetition of the violations employed in the Rivers bout would result in more severe action being taken by the commission.

**Marshalltown Wins.**  
AMES, Ia., Jan. 31.—(Special Telegram.)—High school basket ball: Marshalltown, 36; Ames, 30.

## MAN WHO IS MAKING O. B. R. TAKE NOTICE.



James A. Gilmore, the energetic president of the Federal league, who is astounding the entire country by the inroads he is making into the preserves of organized base ball. Gilmore is managing the campaign of the outlaw Federals in a most capable manner and his organization, which, as a matter of fact, is an unknown quantity, has secured millions of dollars worth of free advertising as a result of his original methods of campaigning against the worried magnates of the two big leagues.

## CHRISTIANS STILL LEAD

Only Team that Has Not Lost Single Game in Church League.

## WILL KEEP UP ACTIVITIES

Players to Follow Other Seasonable Sports After Closing the Basket Schedule that is Now on Hand.

Standing of Church league teams:	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
First Christian.....	5	0	1.000
First Methodist.....	5	1	.834
Westminster.....	2	4	.333
Hanscom Park Methodists 2	4	2	.667
First Baptist.....	0	7	.000

With but a few weeks of play left in the Church league, the championship has finally narrowed down between two teams, the First Christians and the First Methodist Baracas. All through the season the First Christians were predominant in the race for supremacy, having up to the present time not lost a single contest. The only team in the organization that seemed to have the strength of the Christians was the First Methodist Baracas and they were defeated by the Christians during the early part of the season. The contest between these two teams was perhaps the hardest fought of the season, the Christians winning by two points. As these two teams are scheduled to play one more game against each other, it will be a hard matter to pick the champion until that contest comes off.

The three trailing teams never had much of a show against the leaders. When the basket ball season closes the churches are not to discontinue their teams. Instead they are going to use them as a nucleus around which permanent church athletics are to be established. Foot ball games, base ball and other outdoor sports are to be organized in leagues among the churches. Inter-church contests have been going on for some time, but no definite organization has been used. In having such athletics it is thought that the church attendance would greatly be increased and that the relation between the different churches would also be brought closer together.

Much talk has been heard about having a church league basket ball tournament at the close of the scheduled season. The plans for such a tournament have not been worked out at the present time, but Physical Director Maxwell of the Young Men's Christian association has given out that one would be held.

Players in the Church league will give a large banquet at the close of the coming season. Plans for a future basket ball organization and other such affairs will be discussed at that time.

## NATIONAL RIFLE BOARD TO HOLD DIVISIONAL MEETS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—The national rifle board has decided on a radical change in holding the annual competition. Instead of one great meet at Camp Perry, O., for all teams from the army, navy, marine corps, the national guard and foreign rifle organizations, there are to be divisional meets held in various parts of the country. It is believed that a larger number of competitors can be accommodated in this way, and there will be less expense and greater interest. The new plan will not go into effect until 1916, and the meet this year and next will be held at one central place.

The board consists of Henry Breckinridge, assistant secretary of War; Lieutenant Commander Thomas T. Craven, United States navy; Captain S. J. Bayard Schinde, United States army; Captain William G. Fry, United States marine corps; Brigadier General Charles D. Galther, Maryland; Brigadier General Bird W. Spencer, New Jersey; Brigadier General James A. Drain, Washington; Major General Clifford R. Foster, Florida; and Lieutenant Colonel S. W. Brookhart, Iowa.

**Beatrice Defeats University Place.**  
BEATRICE, Neb., Jan. 31.—(Special.)—In one of the fastest and most exciting games of basket ball ever played in Beatrice, the local high school team won from University Place by the close score of 25 to 19. Cook was injured and was substituted by Day. The Fairbury girls' team defeated the Beatrice girls by the score of 15 to 9. Six hundred people were in attendance.

**Stromsburg Wins Fast Game.**  
STROMSBURG, Neb., Jan. 31.—(Special Telegram.)—Stromsburg High school defeated Silver Creek High school in a game of basket ball with 39 to 12.

## OUTLAW LORDS MEET IN A SECRET SESSION

Federal Owners Consider Plans for New Grounds and Players at Chicago.

## CHIEF RETURNS FROM TORONTO

Gilmore Says Bradley of Canada Club Will Have Strong Team.

## ORGANIZED BALL HAS INNING

Three Players Sought by Federals Sign with Major Clubs.

## JOHNSTONE GOES TO THE CUBS

Chicago Nationals Have Secured All Players with Exception of Bridwell, Who is Still Holding Out.

CHICAGO, Jan. 31.—An executive meeting of Federal league owners was held today to consider new grounds and players. President Gilmore returned today from Toronto and presided. Gilmore said the new grounds in Toronto were excellent and that Bradley, manager of the Toronto club, would have a strong team. He refused, however, to state the location of the Toronto grounds.

Organized base ball had an inning yesterday in the contest with the "outlaw" Federal league Jimmy Johnstone, who established a stolen base record on the Pacific coast last summer, was induced to sign a Cub contract, and Jacques Fournier and Russell Blackburn have agreed to accept the terms offered by the Chicago Americans. All three of the players were sought by the Federals, it was reported.

A telegram from Chattanooga brought the news that Empire Henry O'Day, acting as emissary for the Chicago Nationals, had induced Johnstone to sign and Manager Tinker of the Chicago Federals said that the agreement had been made just in time for the Cubs, because he expected to make an offer Johnstone could hardly refuse.

**Drafted Last Fall.**  
Johnstone was drafted last fall and, according to the rules, his salary for the first forty-five days as a Cub would include a 25 per cent increase over that drawn from the Pacific Coast league club. The point at variance, which was finally adjusted, was the amount he was to receive after forty-five days if he made good.

The Chicago Nationals, with Johnstone in the fold, have signed practically all their players except Bridwell, shortstop, who is still holding out.

Manager Brown of the St. Louis Federals recently made an offer to Bridwell and the latter is wavering between his two chances, it is understood.

**Assertion of Ebbets.**  
NEW YORK, Jan. 31.—Charles H. Ebbets, president of the Brooklyn Base Ball club, asserted last night that his club never had refused to accede to Tinker's demands and in sending the contract

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## Meet of National League to Be Held On February Tenth

NEW YORK, Jan. 31.—President John K. Tener of the National league sent notices tonight to all club presidents advising them that the reconvened annual meeting of the league will be held here Tuesday, February 10, at 2 p. m. The annual schedule meeting of the league will be held on the same date and at the same place.

A meeting of the board of directors will precede the league gathering by an hour.

President Tener issued the following bulletin:

The following contracts have been approved: With Boston—Thomas H. Griffith. With Chicago—Charles E. Smith, Thomas W. Leach, Herman C. Bronkie, George T. Pierce, 1914-15-16; Arthur T. Phelan, 1914-15-16. With Cincinnati—Armando Marsans, 1914-15-16. With New York—Al Demaree, 1914-15-16 (new form); Milton J. Stock, 1914-15-16 (new form); With Philadelphia—Ben Tincup, J. C. Haldell. With Pittsburgh—A. Wilbur Cooper. With St. Louis—Zinn Beck, Arnold J. Hauser, William M. Steele, John E. Miller, 1914-15, W. D. Ferritt, F. Snyder, Leo A. Drosson.

## KILLIFER MADE A BIG MISTAKE, SAYS DOON.

Mr. Killifer, who holds some kind of a soft job in Liberty, Mo., also appears pleased, because he has affixed his John Hancock on an Omaha contract. Needless to say Pa is just as pleased as are several thousand fans. Fred Thomas, the shortstop who is scheduled to collect fares from all the fast ones which float toward the half-way house, has followed the other lambs into the fold, while several others are reported to have signed and several more have written Pa stating that the terms are satisfactory. Schipke and Gooding have been signed for some time.



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# SPORTS SECTION of THE OMAHA SUNDAY BEE

OMAHA, SUNDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 1, 1914.

## Tinker Continues the Roundup for the Feds



In the center we see Joe Tinker, renowned lariat tosser of the new big league, and surrounding him are some of the mavericks Joe has roped and branded.

On the left is the "Kentucky Rosebud," Howard Camnitz, who was traded along with Bobby Byrne by the Pirates to the Phillies for Cozy Dolan last season. The "Rosebud" is now scheduled to hunt for Bob Geesler's Pittsburgh combination. He always has been a favorite in the city of smoke. Just below Camnitz is Edgar Willett, the big pitcher, late of the Detroit Tigers, who also has decided he has had enough of organized base ball and is American-National. Willett will be a member of the St. Louis team next season.

It is appropriate to speak of the other two shown, Ted Sweeney (above) and Russell Cole (below) together, for they have been inseparable. They are not only a star battery which has done valiant work for the Highlanders, but they are the closest of friends.

It was their brilliant work that won a pennant for Atlanta in 1907. Sweeney was with the Yankees two years before Ford, who was farmed to Jersey City in 1909, but in those two years Sweeney did little but warm pitchers. He gained a reputation under Stallings in 1910 as a battery mate of the young pitcher who started his career with twenty-six victories and only six defeats his first year out.

Chance's pitching staff that has been weaned over by Tinker. A few weeks ago the veteran shortstop named "King" Cole, who had been drafted from Columbus, Colo. was as much of a sensation in the National league in 1910 as was Ford in the American. He led the pitchers of his company with twenty victories and only four defeats.

Sweeney is reported to have accepted terms with Tinker. His friendship for Ford alone has not influenced him in this direction. Edward is in the garage business in Chicago, his home town. His father, who is wealthy, has many times tried to influence the big catcher to quit the game. As a member of the Tinker Feds Sweeney will be closer to the home fireside.

## Contracts Coming In on Every Mail Signed Up by Pa Rourke's New Team

"It's a gay life," quoth Pa Rourke as he broke open a long envelope from Indianapolis and found therein a letter from Chase, the whirlwind first baseman, stating that Chase wished Pa to make it public that he would be on hand with bells on when the first wind blew from the south in March, and that he would be there "to tell 'em all I'll make good on the job, too."

"Come on, you spring," chortled Pa when another official-looking letter arrived this time from Oshkosh. Enclosed was a contract from the latest addition to the pitching staff, Stevenson. In Stevenson's letter was a declaration of supreme happiness, because no longer would the torrid climate of the southland take delight in putting Mr. Stevenson's arm on the bum. Stevenson announced he was tickled to death to come to Omaha and that he would prove to be a much better twirler under favorable climatic conditions than under disagreeable ones.

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## Cornhusker Booster Club Would Help Out Athletics at University of Nebraska

By JAMES E. LAWRENCE.  
LINCOLN, Jan. 31.—Within the next two weeks Manager Guy Reed of the University of Nebraska will send out letters to "N" men in all branches of sport, inviting them to become members of the "Varsity club." At the same time he will give notice of the first monthly dinner of the organization, which will be held in Lincoln in the near future.

The Varsity club, which is a pet of Manager Reed, was outlined last summer in the university athletic publication, but owing to the rush of work Reed has not been able to do much towards organizing it. Now he is eager to get it started and will not delay in sending out the invitations to the old letter men to be present for the initial meeting.

Reed feels that in time past there has been some lack of harmony among the old letter men, which has reacted to the detriment of the organization. He thinks the organization will tend to produce harmony and better fellowship among the athletes. In all branches of sport and that it will give the university alumni an active body working in the interest of athletics for the Cornhusker institution.

## Warrentown Still Leading Class in Washington Shoot

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—Warren, Pa., still leads class "A" in the interclub championship rifle match with six straight wins, closely followed by the District of Columbia and Cleveland, each with five wins and one loss.

King's Mills, O., and Stillwater, Minn., are tied for first place with six straight wins in class "B." The high score of the week was made by the District of Columbia, 204 out of 1,000. Scores:

Class "A":  
Warren, Pa., 995, against Dickinson, N. D., 988; District of Columbia, 994, against Youngstown, O., 985; Bridgeport, Conn., 980, against Tacoma, Wash., 964; Cleveland, 962, against Milwaukee Rifle, 953; St. Paul, Minn., 958, against Birmingham, Ala., 950; Boyrus, O., 948, against Manchester, N. H., 935; Milwaukee Old Guard, 924, against Adrian, Mich., 909.

Class "B":  
King's Mills, O., 991, against Madison, Wis., 978; Stillwater, Minn., 973, against Bedford, O., 961; Walden, Colo., 979, against Minneapolis, 969; Boston, Mass., 962, against Rochester, N. Y., 959; Marion, O., 972, against Louisville, Ky., 921; Hopkins, Minn., 960, against San Francisco, 939; Helena, Mont., 928, against New Orleans, La., 922.

## NEXT SEASON LOOKS GOOD FOR HORSEMEN

Owners of Both Trotters and Pacers Are Pleased with the Present Outlook.

## EXCELLENT CHANGES MADE

New Rules Expected to Help Many of the Classy Horses.

## JUMPS ARE ALSO SHORTER

Two Horses Last Year Won Over Twenty Thousand Dollars.

## NAME SIRE OF THE WINNERS

Mating of the Entries Will Be Given a Wider Latitude and the Jumps on the Circuit Will Be Shortened.

## GRAND CIRCUIT SCHEDULE.

Cleveland, O., July 20 to 24.  
Detroit, Mich. (Blue Ribbon), July 21 to 25.  
Grand Rapids, Mich., August 3 to 7.  
Kalamazoo, Mich., August 10 to 14.  
Pittsburgh, Pa., August 17 to 21.  
Fort Erie, Ont., August 24 to 28.  
Syracuse, N. Y., August 31 to September 4.  
Hartford, Conn., Sept. 7 to 11.  
Detroit, Mich. (state fair), September 14 to 18.  
Columbus, O., September 21 to October 5.  
Lexington, Ky., October 5 to 13.

The week of July 8 was awarded to New York and the following week to Salem, N. J., but these dates are not likely to be accepted and the circuit doubtless will open in Cleveland.

By FRANK G. MENCKE.

NEW YORK, Jan. 31.—The 1914 trotting and pacing season promises to be the best and the most successful in the history of the harness game.

Circuit that eliminates long jumps will save thousands of dollars in railroad mileage, a reduction in the entrance fees for horses, and two new rules which solve the handicap problem that has perplexed for so many years were brought about through the recent meeting of the Grand circuit stewards at Grand Rapids, Mich.

Another big factor that makes for a successful season is the reawakened enthusiasm in the trotting fraternity and the certainty that because of the new rules many of the men, prominent in trotting circles years ago, who had retired, will do a real "come back."

One of the new rules, received with delight by harness horse owners, provides that if a horse with a 2:10 mark fails to win in the class he may be entered in his next start in the 2:11 class. If he fails to win a race in the 2:11 class he can go back to the slower classes until he wins a race, no matter if it carries him back to the 2:30 class.

"Such a rule certainly will be a great help to the trotting and pacing game," declared S. S. Tomlin, editor of the Trotter and Pacer magazines and one of the best versed men on trotting affairs in the country. "They often a horse that cannot go better than 2:15 on an average, through some phenomenal burst of speed will travel a mile in 2:10. Perhaps never again will he duplicate that mark, yet, under the old rules, he was forced to travel ever afterward in the 2:30 class, where he was outclassed and never had a chance for the money."

**Out of His Class.**  
"Admiral Dewey, the great stallion, went a heat in 2:05 1/2, where his winning race record was 2:05 1/2. Yet he has had to travel in the 2:04 class. Peter Jackson ran a heat in the Kentucky Futurity in 2:06 1/2, but his winning race record is nearly five seconds faster. Flower D. Direct went a heat in 2:01 last year, yet lost her race, and may never again travel as fast as she did then.

"The injustice of the old rules, and the

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## CHANCE HAS ALL THE PLAYERS HE WILL NEED

NEW YORK, Jan. 31.—With the signing of Pitcher Schults and Catcher Reynolds today the local American club has twenty-six players under contract. Including all the men Manager Chance will need this year. President Farrell said he would have the services of "King" Cole, who has jumped to the Federal league, when the American season begins, or Cole would not play at all.

"I have a legal right to Cole's services, which can be shown by documentary evidence at any proper time," Farrell said, "and I intend to protect my rights in the matter."

## BEACHEY RACES WITH AUTO; PLANE HITS TREE

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Jan. 31.—Lincoln Beachey, the aviator, was slightly injured late today when his aeroplane fouled a tree in a "race" with an automobile. The aeroplane was smashed, but the aviator escaped with slight bruises.

**Newman Grove Defeats Genoa.**  
NEWMAN GROVE, Neb., Jan. 31.—(Special.)—The Genoa High school basketball team was decisively defeated by the Newman Grove team Friday evening, 25 to 12. Genoa had previously won eight out of nine games played and the defeat came as a big shock to them. The Newman Grove team, averaging 18 points per game, has scored 75 points in seven games. They have defeated Columbus, Genoa, Genoa Christian association, Elgin, Alliance and Auburn Alumni.

**Townsend's Gun at Council Bluffs.**  
The Townsend Gun company basket ball squad, composed of five youthful athletes, averaging 15 years of age, severely trounced the Council Bluffs Juniors yesterday by virtue of excellent team work and superior basket shooting. Crofton and Bekins were the particular stars of the Omaha team.

**Stecher Throws Donkey.**  
DODGE, Neb., Jan. 31.—(Special.)—In a wrestling match at Oakland, Neb., Friday night before a large crowd of fans Joe Stecher of Dodge defeated Paul Donke of Fremont, Minn., in two straight falls. The first in 2:30 and the second in 2:50.

**Fallerton Wins from Schuyler.**  
SCHUYLER, Neb., Jan. 31.—(Special.)—The Schuyler High school basketball team was defeated in its own hall Friday night by the Fallerton High school team in a game in which the Schuyler team was outclassed from the start. The score was 21 to 21.