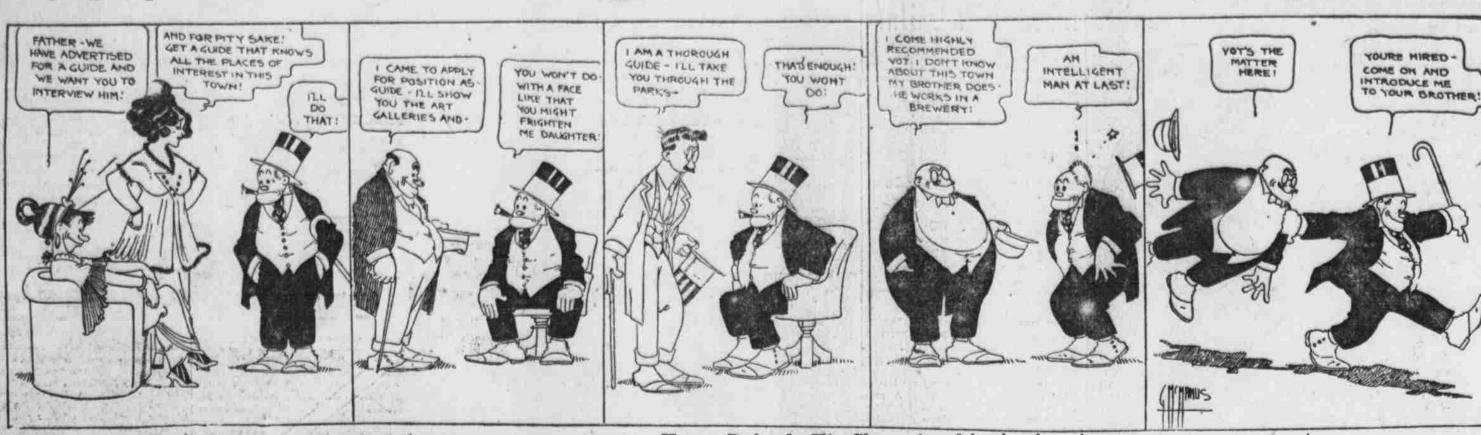
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LEADERS TAKE A TUMBLE

Some of the Crack Bowling Teams Change Positions During Week.

PREPARING FOR TOURNAMENT

Omnha to Send a Number of Teams to the Meeting that is to Be Held in Minneapolis Next

Week.

Last week was a disastrous one for the ending teams in the big leagues. The curve team was hit the hardest when t was forced to give up the lead of the leading teams in the big leagues. The it was forced to give up the lead of the Omaha league to the Wroth's Cafe team.

it was forced to give up the lead of the Omaha league to the Wroth's Cafe team. The Brodegaard's Crowns, Commercial league leaders, were administered a stinging defeat of three games by the Frank's Candy Kids.

In the Gate City league several teams are contesting over the lead of that organization. The Frank's Colts and Stors Triumphs both lost their matches, while their nearest competitors, the Mickey Gibsons, were winning their whole series. The Martin's Tigers lead of the Magic City league was cut down and the South Omaha Ice team and Jetter's Old Age are crowding in on them.

The smaller leagues are having exciting races and will be undecided until the

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No record breakers were rolled during the week, but the teams all rolled strong.

The best of these was the \$,108 rolled by the Chris Lycks Tuesday night. The Old Style Lagers, Mets and Wroth's Cafe teams also rolled good games.

For the Tournament. The announcement and preparation of attraction of the week. This tournament is to be held under the auspices of the Gate City league and is for the benefit of the second class leagues that are not strong enough to compete with the sharks in the Booster and City tournaments. A meeting was called last Sun-day by Mr. Hoffman to formulate rules and to set the date for the event. Repcaentatives were present from the Gate City, Fairmont Creamery, Clan Gordon, Kulshts of Columbus, Standard Ott. Omnha Gas, Bunderland Bros. and Lithographers leagues.glt was decided to close the entries at midnight, February 15. and to open the tournament Baturday night, February II. Entrance fee is to be 50 cents a man for each event. In order that the contestants be placed on an equal footing a handicap system will be used, with a basis of 165 to 170, no player used, with a basis of 165 to 170, no player to receive more than twenty-five plus a game. All the events are to be rolled on the Morrison alleys. The tournament officials expect an entry list of twenty-five five-man teams, seventy-five sets of doubles and 150 singles. This will make a large cash prize list and in addition to

tional tournament which opens at Min-neapolis next Wednesday night. Teams neapolis next Wednesday night. Teams The Chris Lycks are signing all comers. The latest additions to their ranks are from all the large cities of the middle west have entered. Chicago has entered rule in the Booster league prohibiting sixteen teams. Milwaukee twelve, Duluth leaguers, these two have been protested. their strongest teams. Moines has entered two teams and Yankton, S. D., will be represented. In addition to these Minneapolis and St. Paul have entered teams. All of Minnesota's many bowling towns will send at least one team and Winnipeg, Canada, will send two teams.

Omaka to Be There. Omaha will also contribute its share of teams. Three strong lineops leave in s special car over the Northwestern next Saturday night. They are the Mets, with Captain Conrad. Denman, Firestone, C. Weekes, C. Johnson and Neale; Storz Triumphs, with Captain Dober, Shaw, Fits, O. Johnson, Cumings and Cain; Wroth's Cafe, with Captain Fanton, Learn, K. Sciple, Terrell, J. Jarosh and

Next Friday night the Jetter's Old Ago of South Omaha leave with Captain son, Koch and Kelley in the line up. The Jetter's roll their five-man match Saturday night and their doubles and singles

and singles on Monday.

These lineups contain the best bowlers in the city and they will well be able to hold up Omaha's name as a strong powling town.

visiting bowlers' wants and needs-

for the visiting teams. Association Alleys.

Knights of Columbus League-Monday; rowning-King Co. against Murphy Did Bourge o.s Co. against Furillan Laun-ry, McQuillan Hate against Hanley

spainst Leisys. Brandes Highballs sgainst Mutual Life Insurance Co., Elks Tub against Chris Lycks, Clara Belles trainst Fleid Cub.
Funderland Bros. League—Wednesday; Regular team schedule.

mint team schodule.
maha League-Thursday: Lexus
ainst El Faxon.
Gardow's Alleys, South Omaha. City League-Monday: Cutkins against Block Yards National South Omata Ice Co. against

Hinchey Lads. Thursday: Jetter's Old Age against Uncle Sam's Vets, Martin's Tigers against the White Sox.

Fairmont Creamery League—Monday:
Better Butter against Diadem, Liquid
Gold against Puritan Broilers, Delicia
against Fairmont Farms.
Gate City League—Tuesday: Ragan's
Faistaffs against X-Rays, Frank's Coits
against Mickey Gibsons. Thursday: Fraternal Order of Eagles No. 35 against
Stors Triumphs, Pete Lochs against Field
Club.

Club.
Lithographers' League — Wednesday:
Rees Printing Co. against Epsten Transfers, Epsten Press against Omaha Printing Co., Klopp Bartlett against Lyon En-

Metropolitan Alleys,

The Standard Oil all-stars are looking for sames with any other second class brigade. Since rolling 6M Thursday night, Carl Johnson has decided to stick to the ten-pin game.

That 3,105 score piled up by the Chris Lycks last Tuesday night was rolled by four players and a straw man.

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With Martin declared the Booster league champion, this makes twice in succession he has wen the big city tournament.

Joe Dober is up and around again ready to lead his Storz Triumphs team back into the lead of the Gate City league.

Jack Cobry announces that his Browning-King team is in the field for special matches with any team in their class.

It is about time those Grand Island bowlers were playing their return games with the Clara Belles and the Storz Triumphs.

Indifference seems to be the cause of making the showing that they are capa-ble of making.

Wood Hartley is out with a challenge to play any bowler in Omaha on the Metropolitan alleys any number of games for a little side bet.

for a little side bet.

King, alias "Bing," the peer of all
bowlers, left town last week as quick as
he came. He has started a school of
instruction on bowling out in Denyer.

It seems as though everybody is taking
an interest in file bowling game. The
Council Bluffs and Omaha Deef schools
had an interesting match last week, and
intend to roll another at an early date.

The race in the aGte City league s one of the best ever witnessed in Omaha. The first four teams are all in a bunch and even the last team of the list could win the flag if it showed a burst of speed. ther prizes have been secured.

In Another Week.

one week more and the Omaha
will be rolling in the hig Interna-

The Gate City league officers in handling their tournament intend to profit by the very few mistakes made by the Booster league officers. They expect to have a regular schedule, and to stick to it throughout the tournament, regardless of conditions. If a bowler is scheduled to bowl and does not show up, he will forfeit his chance to roll.

Hupmobile Agent Advances a Brand New Sales Theory

W. H. Huffman, Omaha distributor for the Humpmobile, has a theory that breaks down the false barrier of "class" in selling motor cars. Mr. Huffman conducts his business on the basis that a man who has bought a high-priced car not only migh, buy a low-priced car, but actually

"The man who owns a big, coetly car," said Mr. Huffman, "must pay more to He advocates the return of a player once operate it than the man who owns a in any period subsequent to the one in small car. Although the car may har- which he is removed, believing such a monize with his social position, it costs a change would permit the use of more The Omaha teams roll their team good deal more money to run it, and even players and reduce the possibility matches Sunday night and their doubles if the man can afford it, there is no reason why he should not effect an econ-

omy if possitte.

"Perhaps much of the service of the car is rendered to the man's wife in trips around town and in shopping. But The Minneapolis and St. Paul bowlers it does not require much argument to have held this tournament for seven convirce a man that it costs less to run consecutive years and are familiar with a small car and that it is a very desirable vehicle to use in short trips around On account of their long experience they town. Of course, when the owner and in play on the forty-yard line. Stiehre will provide the best of entertainment his wife want to take what you might believes this would do away with a lot call a 'regular ride,' they probably can of horse play which is now seen in colsee nothing but the 'classy' car, but for lege games. errands about town and short trips, a little car fills the needs. Of course, we know that the little car will do the big car's work on all occasions, but we would not recommend that to the owner, for it goal is another change he suggests. He

might result in no sale at all. "In proof that this sales theory is correct, we have made quite a number of from where the ball was carried over. sales to men who are willing to supplement their large cars with smaller ones."

Manager Huggins of the Cardinals has now signed nearly all of his players and ectares he will not lose a man.

BENSONS ARE REAL PIRATES

Make Big Jump to Top of Commercial Basket Ball League.

OTHERS DROP DOWN THE LIST

Inable to Meet the Terrible On slaught of the Suburbanttes and Sink Lower in Percentages.

Standing of the Commercial league

Magee & Deemers ... Nebraska Telephones. Omaha High school... Bellevue college Omaha National bank... Bee Publishing company Last week was not a merry one for

local basket ball fans who take things to heart, for at the end of the week a team that started the season bad is now at the head, with excellent prospects of copping the championship. The Pirates are now leading the league and are going at a break-neck clip, playing in better form than any team in the organization. Six straight victories in a row, and most of them by decisive scores, has given rise to the feeling that the Pirates are more than a match for any of their opponents. Not only are the Pirates playing to-

rether in stellar fashion, but the Nebraska Telephone five have also started to climb the ladder. The wire-talkers have acquired George Parish, the sensational forward, who has been playing with the University of Omaha, and as a result have started in digging harder than ever to take a place near the top of the leagues before the season comes to an end Every day last week the telephone men engaged in the hardest kind of practice, benefitting their team work and goal shooting. Parish took the place of Hutchinson, former University of Ne braska basket ball captain.

Ever since the season opened the Malast Saturday the Pirates put a crimp in their championship aspirations by taking them down to defeat."

Those in Hard Luck. Trouble of all sorts has hit the Omaha High school, the team that looked as if ig would have an easy race of it this year. Mark Hughes is out of the game because of serious knee injury. Several others of their man are not playing up to the best of form and a number of minor Burts have hampered the school lads. They have by far the most aggressive ways. but the nights when they display excellent team work, it seems as if their goal shooting is particularly bad. In several of their games they have lost out only by the narrowest margin.

A sort of Jim is on the Bellevue team. It is well known that the collegians have the best passing team in the league, and also one of the closest guarding teams Rut somehow they have a lot of trouble in winning a game, even though several of their players are leading the individual averages in the number of points made. The Omaha National team and the Bee ublishing five have not had much of a ook-in up to the present time. Though they have battled gamely they have been worsted in nearly all their contests. Both teams have made wonderful improvement in the floor during the last few weeks, but with the close of the season in month their improvement has come too

the referee. The casual spectators have on more than one occasion given their opinion of the referee, as have also many of the players. There is less crabbing going on in the sames, the teams getting down to play from the first whistle until

For the first time of the season admission was charged last Saturday. About \$50 was taken in, which will be used in buying a trophy for the league winner.

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to the game after he has withdrawn. serious physical injury because of ex-

The foolishness of the rule giving the opposing team the ball to kick off after the first team had failed to kick off properly in the first two trials was demonstrated in the Iowa game last fall. Stiehm declares, and the Nebraska mensuggests that after failing to kick off properly in two attempts the opposing side be given the ball to be put

The practical abolishment of the rule permitting the punt out from the far corners of the field for an attempt at

made from a point twenty yards out from where the ball was carried over.

Commenting on the forward pass, Stiehm says the headiness of players was domonstrated in their quickness to take advantage of the rule regulating the penalty for the pass. In case no one receives the ball, the player of the rule resource of the players will report at Augusta, (is.)

Hoppe Defends His Championship Again



which Hoppe won in 17 innings, by the a side and a purse of \$700.

Willie Hoppe, champion billiardist, who score of 500 to 264. Regardless of the outdefended his title at 18.2 balk-line against come of this contest. Sutton and Hoppe the veteran, George Sutton, in a match that took place at the Astor hotel, in New York City, last Tuesday night, the Hamilton club in Chicago, for \$1,000

Opens Basket Ball Season with Vic-

tory Over Normalites.

TO FRONT THIRTEEN TO SIXTEEN

Kapitaliats Unable to Shoot Baskets

When They Had Chance, Though

Their Team Work Was Far

the Superior.

ome basket ball season last evening by

defeating the Kearney Normal school at

the former's gymnasium, 13 to 16. The

Omaha team took the lead after a few

minutes of play and held it by a narrow

margin throughout the first half, the

equally matched as to weight, but the

Kapitalists were far superior in their

team work. They more than outplayed

the University five but their inability to

shoot bankets when they had the oppor-

tunity kept them from a victory. The

visitors played an exceptionally clean

game making only four fouls as against

In the second period the Omaha team

showed up much stronger, both in team

work and in goal shooting. After sev-

within one point of their contestants. A

sensational basket by Parish and a free

Jenkins and Parish played stellar games

ward played the best game. Davies also

distinguished himself by throwing sensa-

A fair crowd was present, including a

O'Toole in the Fold.

OMAHA.

encouraged their players by rooting.

Keil R.F. R.F. WarehamL.F. L.F.

six for the Omahans.

period ending 5 to 10. Both teams were

O. TRIMS KEARNEY

to throwing the ball on the ground, thus U. gests a change so the present rule would apply only within the ten-yard line of the opponents, baying the ball put in play from the place where the pass was attempted. He declares that in all othe particulars the forward pass is most satisfactory and is to be commended for encouraging generalship, altertness, and

quickness of action. Stiehm thinks the agitation for the removal of coaches from the sidelines is all uncalled for. He thinks the question of sideline coaching is entirely a mat ter of personal integrity with the coaches conduct of the players and fans toward and action prohibiting them from reon their integrity. The need of the coach on the sideline to watch substitutions, ac cidents, rules, officials and all other de tails of the game is obvious.

The Nebraska coach does not believ there is an occasion for the revival of the old position of field judge. He be lieves the present system is satisfactory and declares there were no games in Missouri valley where complaints could fairly be made against the officials

With the Bowlers

eral minutes of hard play Jenkins and Dow of of the Omaha team made goals. Paxton & Gallagher League. KAMO. throw by himself placed the Omahans out TotalsDENBYS. of danger. The score ended 13 to 16. for the Omahans, each making eight 194. 184 198 146 points. For Kearney Kell at right for-1,205 tional field goals. believes the attempt for goal should be

Field goals: Kell (2), Davies (3), Saunders (4), Jenkins (4), Parish (3). Foul goals thrown. Kell (4), Parish (2). Fouls committed: Hearney, 4, Omahas, 6. Referes; Burford, Umpire: Ritchie, Timekeeper; High. Time of halves: Twenty minutes. Substitutes: Randolph for Saunders: Pitchers Report Early. Marry, the "high-priced one," the Appendixiess," or otherwise known as larry O'Toole, was the twenty-fourth ira s to have affixed his signature to

ATHLETICS LOOK THE BEST PUG OUTGROWS HIS CLASS

Stand Out Now as Probable Winners in American League.

FOR THEMSELVES Bugbear of Every Manager's Exist-

ence is to Get His Men to Forget Their Personal Honors.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.-In scanning the American league prospects as they loom up now it is hard to see anything but the Athletics. The Senators no doubt must be considered. St. Louis would have to be considered if it had Walter Johnson -not inferring that without Johnson the Senators are not a better ball club than the Browns, because they are by several blocks, but Walter Johnson is just about 50 per cent of the defensive strength of any organization that he is associated

Give Griffith another top notch pitcher to help out "Joe" Boehling, who should do just as good if not better work this year than he did last, and Johnson, and the Senators would be in a position to make the Athletics do a Highland fling all along the pennant highway. But without this extra pitcher it is hard to see how any assortment of American league players as they are now distributed can stop the onward rush of Edward Collins, J. Franklin Baker, Charles Bender, Joseph Bush, Edward Plank and some half a dozen others whom Mr. Mack has imbued with a lot of useful base ball knowledge.

Cleveland won't be any stronger than t was last season and possibly not as strong. It was fortunate to finish as well as it did, considering the erratic style of game it played. It would not be surprising, however, to see the Boston Red Sox show some of the same form that caught the Athletics napping in 1911 and carried the Sox through to a

world's championship. the Red Sox were a lucky team to win the title in the American league. Lote of critics have vouchsafed the opinion that there were at least two other clubs. in the same league that were stronger lage would overtake them before either than the Red Sox Individually and collectively. That may be true and it may not. It stands to reason, however, that a*team to grab a title and then beat the best that the National league could send against it had to have at least an inkling of what bats and gloves are

The Red Sox were not in their stride last season. There was too much internal dissension-too much team politics-to permit of base ball being played. Everyone seemed to be pulling in the wrong direction. Things are different now, "Bill" Carrigan appears to be popular with the players and that means a great deal. If a manager stands ace high with his ball players he can get them to do a lot of work on the ball field that they might otherwise shirk without jarring their reputations. In other words, when a manager is liked by his players it is found that there are fewer "average players" on the

Play for Themselves. "Average players," as they are pailed, are players who are always playing for their own averages. In the field they will not try for the hard ones because they realize that if they don't get near the ball they can't be very well charged with The University of Omaha opened its an error. Whereas, if they do try hard for it and get in front of the ball and then boot it the official scorer is apt to charge a miscue opposite their names. At but they don't like team play when it is essential to do something that will not boost their averages. In this way they may be able to bat near the .300 class, but they are not as valuable to a club as the player who is only hitting .270, but "plays the game." They are not good batters for hitting behind the base

Of all the teams, however, Washington has the best chance of overthrowing the Athletics, if their throne is to be pulled from under them during the coming sea-The Senators "pack" a lot of base ball ability around with them, and if they can get away a little better than they did last season they make quite a fuss. If they had started like they he was when merely a private in the finished last year "Connie" Mack would ranks. The visitors then brought their total have needed every ounce of strength in a final drive to pull through.

FEENEY OF ST. LOUIS TO MANAGE SUPERIOR

SUPERIOR, Neb., Feb. 7 .- (Special Telegram.)-President Roy King of the Superior league base ball team received a message today from James Feeney of St. Louis accepting terms as manager numebr of Kearney alumni, who greatly here. He comes with the recommendation of Scout Barrett. George Stephens. pitcher, who was sold to Omaha last year, is visiting here. He has signed up with Omaha and will report as soon as

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 7.—Jay Gould of New York and W. H. T. Huhn, the national court tennis doubles champions, were defeated here today in a special match with Joshua Crane and G. R. Fearing of Boston by three sets to one. The scores were 6-6, 6-2, 4-4, 6-2. Gould and Hubn recently defeated Crane and Fearing in Boston.

Perulatent Advertising is the Road to

Willie Ritchie Unable to Train

Down to Required Weight.

NONE IS A KNOCKOUT STAR Not a Lightweight Before Public at

Present Time Who is Consistent Enough to Down All Opposition.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.-It is now intimated by those close to Willie Ritchie that inability to make the weight is the one and only reason for the champion's prolonged idleness. As already pointed out, this seems to be the most logical and probable reason for Ritchie's strange actions. Ritchie dreads to acknowledge that he has outgrown the class, as that would mean sacrificing the title. In setting the date of his match with

Murphy in April, Ritchie hoped to encounter more favorable weather for veight reducing. It is probable also that he figures that Murphy, becoming impatient at so many delays, will finally consent to meet him at catch weights rather than lose the match altogether. A strange state of affairs will come to pass if Ritchie is forced to step aside without being defeated. Electing a new hampion seems to be a most difficult

takes to fill the vacant welter and middleweight thrones. Were the lightweight division also without a leader championship matches would be decidedly scarce While it is true that there are more good lightweights than there are stars in he heavier divisions, there is no lightweight before the public at present who is consistent enough to tear through all opposition. None of the present stars

matter, judging by the length of time it

is a knockout. Leach Cross is the nearest approach to one, but he would make small headway against Freddle Welsh

Consistent Winners. Britton and Welsh are consistent winners of "popular decisions." but they seldom score decisive victories, and old could hope to obtain referees' verdicts

over all the contenders. Still, as difficult as it is to become champion through popular acclamation, tt has been done. Gunboat Smith has waded through all the white hopes until none can deny his right to the leading honors in that class. But Gunboat accomplished this by knocking out his victims. Decisions were not necessary with him. Had he been forced to depend on popular decisions his claims would not amount to much.

The exact rating of Battling Levinsky is a question still unsettled to the satisfaction of ring followers. He lost prestige when outpointed by Bob McAllister, but the latter's victory was merely a technical one. Levinsky was not hurt in the least, and there is little doubt that e would have won had the bout been long enough for his superior endurance to count. The affair merely proved that Levinsky is not the greatest boxer in the world. How good a man it will take to put him down for the count remains

Gets Few Scratches. So far he has come through all his battles without suffering anything worse than a few scratches. It is on this account that placing Levinsky is so putsling. Levinsky not only has a strong defense, but also the ability to withstand the hardest kind of knocks when he falls to escape all that comes his way. On the offense, however, Levinsky is not in the least impressive and unleas he can develop a more convincing wallop he is not likely to become a serious

factor in heavyweight affairs. Apparently Gunboat Smith intends to make himself as exclusive as any of the champions. Gunboat now claims the right to exact guarantees and to investigate the rating of all opponents to see whether they are worthy of his distinguished consideration before signing articles. In fact, he means to exercise all the prerogatives usually conceded a title holder. All of which makes it apparent that Gunboat is going to be far less interesting as a champion than

Next to his unique hitting ability. Gunboat's willingness to take on all comers without unnecessary fuss has been his biggest aget. As long as he pursued that course and won all his bouts he could afford to laugh at his critics. He had only to point to his record to refute all that might be said against him. He should think twice before changing his ways.

A Hint to Bridegrooms.

A Hint to Bridegrooms.

The mercenary marriage is detestable, but the union which is entered into without proper provision for future family support is almost as bad. And included in this provision should be a complete understanding between the bride and her husband of the amount to be placed weekly or monthly at her disposal. No matter how generous the man may be he should not place his wife in the humiliating position of a pauper, who has to ask for every cent which she receives—and who often has to account for the way in which she spends it. Or if she has the money, as sometimes happens, she should be equally considerate of him.

Outside of the allowance for the house, she should have a sum set aside for her own personal use, for which she should be accountable to mobody. — Laste's Weekly.