

Now, the Question Is, Where Did Jeff Go?

Drawn for The Bee by "Bud" Fisher



JUDGMENTS

PAUL ROUBKE'S young men have shown they can play ball; better games than furnished the public on Thursday and Friday could not be asked. If quick and accurate fielding, snappy, dashing base running, hard and timely hitting, make up a good ball game, then Omaha is showing good ball. It is true the team has not won every game it has played; it is true the hopes of some of the enthusiastic fans have been dashed because the team is not now in a commanding position in the race, but it is also true the loss of games has been due solely to the inefficiency of the pitching staff, and that this is being remedied. At least three of the pitchers have shown class in their last appearances, and it isn't too much to expect that others of the list will also come through. Pa has secured a new man, press-agented as a winner, and is on the lookout for others, so that the one cause for complaint will soon be removed. When Omaha will get the string of victories so longed for by the man who wants the home team to capture every game, the city of it is, the home knocker is up and shouting these days, rejoicing that Omaha is not in front. If the Roubkes were leading the race, then the home knocker would have some other excuse, for he is bound to knock, and his ways are past finding out. Just what good he sets out of it is beyond mortal ken, but he keeps right on. What is needed just now is the presence of several thousands of the loyal supporters of the game at Roubke park each afternoon the team is at home. The weather man is doing his best to furnish base ball weather, and the team is surely putting up an attraction that ought to cheer the hearts of everybody. And one good way to help win a pennant is to show the boys by your presence that you appreciate their efforts.

The argument in favor of having a player as a member of the National League, specious as it is, might be better backed up than by citing the shortcomings of the commission as shown in the cases of Hal Chase and Ty Cobb. It is quite possible that selfish motives had more to do with the reinstatement of those young men than did any sentiment of generosity towards an erring youngster; but the game would have been the loser for the compulsory retirement of either, so the determination of the National commission may be looked upon, as the lawyers say, as "having accomplished substantial justice." As to other phases of the present condition of organized ball, with relation to the "slavery" under the reserve clause, and conditions growing from it, one is irresistibly inclined to turn back a matter of a dozen years, to the time when Ban Johnson, Charley Comiskey, Connie Mack and some others of the staunch upholders of "organized base ball" were encouraging the "slaves" of the National League to break their contracts and join in with the new American League. When you stop to think of what happened to Jim Hart's Chicago team, to the Cincinnati bunch, to Philadelphia and some others, and, on the other hand, of the spectacular shift that put John J. McGraw at the head of the Giants, you wonder if it wouldn't be wiser for the magnates to wait "till the shadows are a little longer grown" before they begin to insist on the absolute purity of motives of the owners. Real and concrete grandstands are a great feature of baseball, but it will take more than that to entirely wipe away all memories of the days of the "war." Hal Chase and Ty Cobb are not the greatest offenders in the history of the game, nor is Stovall.

The reinstatement of George Stovall will be accepted by the public as a gracious act on the part of Ban Johnson. Stovall's offense was serious, particularly so because he was a manager and should therefore be an example and inspiration to the younger men in the game, but it was so heinous as to demand his permanent retirement from base ball. He has had his lesson, and it is not likely he will again offend.

Charley Webb Murph's gyrations around the eastern circuit remind one very much of the parrot owned by the saloonkeeper; and some day it may be that Charley Webb Murph will come to the conclusion so tersely and so sagely announced by that same parrot.

What Ounboat Smith did to Jess Willard may have afforded the prospects of the latter to a very appreciable extent, but somehow or other the great and glorious public refuses to become unduly excited over it.

Poor old Ed Walsh! Run out of sept, and has to take lax off till his salivary glands work again. What a warning to the man who cheats!

Even Walter Johnson couldn't win 'em all, which ought to be some encouragement to the struggling youngsters.

AMATEURS DOING GOOD WORK

Local Sandlot Base Ball Teams Show Up in Fine Form.

WINNING HAS NOT BEEN EASY Nearly All of the Teams that Met Find that They Are Pretty Evenly Matched, with Result of Close Games.

By FRANK QUIGLEY.

This season the amateurs are kicking through with the goods and their efforts to date have proved prolific from a financial standpoint, as well as in every other way. As long as the teams continue to play mediocre base ball and keep the rough stuff in the cellar, the army of fans will increase. From present indications it looks as if the rowdy base ball players have all been eliminated from the ranks and as the managers have promised to tie the hardware on to any new candidates that bob up, things ought to run as smooth as a well oiled machine this year.

The best card in local circles will be jerked off at Fort Omaha this afternoon when the Wagnmans meet the Shamrocks at one ring and a half and the Ancient Order of United Workmen team tangle with the O. D. Kiplingers at 2:30. Last Sunday the Ancient Order of United Workmen figured that they were up against the stiffest proposition in Omaha when they bucked up against the Alamitos. Said tussle resulted in a 2 to 2 knotted argument. Since the Alamitos failed to grab the winning number the lodge representatives are of the opinion that they can and will wait away with the championship. Today's game will out considerable ice and it is a cinch the Smoke factory lads will prove tough antagonists; the Ancient Order of United Workmen combination will have to put on oodles of steam to garner the winning penny. Holland or Cass will be on the mound for the Ancient Order of United Workmen, while Moran or Rathke will work for the opposition. Following is the lineup for the second game:

Lineup for the second game:

A. O. U. W.	O. D. KIPLINGERS.
Quigley..... First	Guinn
Walsh..... Second	Nelson
Stephan..... Short	McGrath
McAndrews..... Third	Platts
Mengerson..... Left	Belman
Frederick..... Right	Chadler
McCreary..... Catch	Lightell
Coe..... Pitch	Dippen
Cass..... Pitch	Rathke
	Moran

Double-Decker at Luxus Park. Out at Luxus park a double-decker of some importance is on the bill of fare for this afternoon. The first encounter will be between the Chris Lycks and the Bol-Phils and the second squabble Stars Triumphs against the Luxus. Last Sunday the Luxus band proved that they didn't belong to the Jefferys camp and came back by defeating the O. D. Kiplingers in a hard-fought battle by the score of 9 to 2. Either Olson, Kelly or Alderman will lead them for the Stars and the Luxus have a trio of slabsters to pick from, namely, Dyck, Nelson and Fox. Following is the lineup for the second game:

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STARS	LUXUS
Drummy..... First	Hachten
Grabner..... Second	Ralph
Daugherty..... Short	Penny
Durkin..... Third	Tracy
Freeman..... Left	Denney
Falconer..... Center	Smith
Welch..... Right	Kucera
Creighton..... Catch	Dunne
Olson, Kelly..... Pitch	Dyck, Fox
Alderman..... Pitch	Nelson

Game at Concess Bluffs. Over across the waves the Alamitos try and whip the Council Bluffs Merchants this afternoon at three singles and a half. Before this tussle the Ecoros Drummers and the Council Bluffs Merchants will fight it out. A couple of weeks ago the Alamitos tangled with the Merchants and the game resulted in a 9 to 3 victory for the lads across the river. The Omaha boys say that they are coming home with the bacon this trip. Following is the lineup for the second row:

Lineup for the second row:

ALAMITOS	MERCHANTS
Vanous..... First	Dempsey
Hall..... Second	Wahl
Dougherty..... Short	McLean
Minkus..... Third	Phillips
Front..... Left	Seaton
Murray..... Center	Goff
Haido..... Right	Duff
Cavanaugh..... Catch	Peterson
Morarty..... Pitch	Probst
Adams..... Pitch	

Other squabbles. At Florence park a pair of nifty squabbles are expected this afternoon, when the Florence Athletics buck up against the Ramblers and the Alambras clash with the Emil Hannans. These four teams are all fast, so a couple of slappy teams are anticipated. The first game will start promptly at 1:30 o'clock and the second will ring in at about four bells. The Moose club will jump down to Dietz park and endeavor to wallop the M. E. Smith herd. Said jungle will commence at four whistles. Their last quarrel was a close affair so something interesting is looked for today.

Out at Pontenelle park, the Central Parks will bump up against the Pontenelle Parks. Up to date these two bands have been putting up a high grade article of base ball so the same is predicted for today.

The Brodegaard Crews will hook a steam boat for Elkhor, Neb., this a. m., where they will endeavor to trim the Elkhor Eagles. The Townsends will

Chance May Yet Come Back



RAY KEATING.

NEW YORK, May 24.—Weak pitching and raged infield defense have been the two great barriers which have kept Frank Chance from coming into his own. So rickety have been these joints in his machine that he and his followers have often despaired of his ever getting out of the bottom groove. During the first month of the season he had to rely almost solely for his pitching strength on Ray Keating. This recruit is the newest star in major ballroom. His twirling thus far has been one of the great surprises of the year. Within one month Keating has secured a position alongside the best hurlers in base ball, and it is predicted by experts that before the season is over he will make them all look to their laurels.

On the pathetic other hand, the old star of the Yankees, Russ Ford, made a miserable showing during the first four or five weeks of the season. It looks now as if Ford was returning to his old form of the 1911 season, which said form is practically invincible. With Ford and Keating going at top-notch, and Hal Chase again the second of old, with the managerial acumen of the Veterans Leader to back them up, the Yankees be-



RUSSELL FORD.

come a team of great potentiality. But the fans have become so skeptical of the Yankees' ability to settle down to a uniform excellence that the recent desisting trip through the west, in which the Chance aggregation worsted the first division teams of the American league, did not seem to revive any great amount of hope in the breasts of the Chance fol-

lowers. A star game today and a bush-league performance tomorrow has been the Yankee program so long that their friends have all become naturalized Mis-sourians. But despite these doubts and haunting fears, it looks as if Chance was beginning to show his great quality, and the first thing the fans know a miracle will have been performed.

quick breaking kinks and an excellent roof.

Decoration Day Games. The big game Decoration day will be between the Orkin Bros. bunch and the Auditorium Pharmacy crowd at Fort Omaha. Both teams have a large crowd of followers, as a consequence some lively rooting is anticipated. Oodles of sour stuff exists between the two herds, so a hair raiser of a mix is predicted. Following is the lineup for the Decoration debate:

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ORKIN BROS. AUDITORIUM PHAR.	
Tripp..... First	Vanous
Ryan..... Second	Welch
Somers..... Third	Somp
Corcoran..... Short	Dougherty
King..... Left	Morarty
Garnes..... Center	Fulman
Elliot..... Right	Mullen
Knutson..... Pitch	F. Quigley
Donovan..... Catch	Overman
Gurness..... Pitch	Quinn

Diamond Dust. "Heck" Carter is now associated with the Ramblers. For trouble with the Wagnmans call Cecil Lehr at South 17th. The Jabes Cross team will play at Cornish, Ia., on Decoration day. For games with the Independents call John McDermott at Harvey 17th. Manager Horne of the Alambras is about ripe for class "A" company. Coffman recently fell in love with the S. A. C. gang and eloped with them. Crowe, the leader of the Council Bluffs Merchants, isn't doing much growing. Swingwood of the Council Bluffs Imperials knows how to swing the wood. All our Omaha teams so far have failed to find the road strewn with easy victories. McCormick of the Ramblers sure shows his Irish when he gets hot under the collar. Eisenhart looked like Hank O'Day in the umpirical garb at Fort Omaha last Sunday. For debates with the Sherman Avenue

Marchants call Harry Davis at Webster 6th.

Don't suppose the goose eggs could be laid by the fouls that are in a game of base ball. George Kennedy, the main squeeze of the Shamrocks, has doctored up his twirling department. Wonder when those Advos are going to tangle at Luxus park. This game ought to be a humdinger. Baker, who hails from the land of cotton, is now a member of the Moon-mouth congregation. Red Penry, the Tekamah wonder, is still in the ranks of the unsigned League managers, take notice. Now that Dago Jimmie Danse is back on the steering wheel for the Luxus brigade they ought to show some speed. Ray Byrne was ventilated, or rather operated on for appendicitis recently. He says he won't don the spancies this season. Drummy of the Stars Triumphs clubbed one higher than those Advos are going to lose a game in the water bucket. They are sure stepping some. Umpire Linn, who works for the Council Bluffs Merchants, was in Omaha last week. He is still all together. The Luxus gang knocked all predictions to smithereens last Sunday when they escaped with a 4-0 victory. Now that Dago Jimmie Danse is back on the steering wheel for the Luxus brigade they ought to show some speed. Ray Byrne was ventilated, or rather operated on for appendicitis recently. He says he won't don the spancies this season. Drummy of the Stars Triumphs clubbed one higher than those Advos are going to lose a game in the water bucket. They are sure stepping some. Umpire Linn, who works for the Council Bluffs Merchants, was in Omaha last week. He is still all together. The Luxus gang knocked all predictions to smithereens last Sunday when they escaped with a 4-0 victory. Now that Dago Jimmie Danse is back on the steering wheel for the Luxus brigade they ought to show some speed.

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bunch used a couple of ringers against the Gas company squad. No, they weren't centrals, just ringers.

Glillepie is doing excellent work behind the pole for the Council Bluffs Imperials this season. He makes the base pilferers love the cushions. A couple of discrepancies made by the Ancient Order of United Workmen with bets on the bag is what allowed the Alamitos to tie the score last Sunday. The S. A. C. gang and the Stars and stripes will meet at Twenty-fourth and Vinson streets this afternoon. Both teams' advance agents are claiming a victory. That Alamito-Ancient Order of United Workmen tussle which resulted in a tie at the break away was some match. The teams were approximately evenly hooked up. Probably some of our other fast teams couldn't defeat Bennington, Neb., but I know Orkin. The Orkin Bros. squad landed the Bennington blow followers a lemon last Sunday. That Orkin Bros. band is always looking for a change of scenery. They are especially desirous of meeting out-of-town teams. Address Mr. Weiss, in care of Orkin Bros., for games.

Jawn Goding, the manager of the Columbus leathers, wanted the Stars Triumphs to lunch with him today, but manager Bradford had to turn down the invitation because he promised to dine at Luxus park. Lynn Young, who formerly played with the Ancient Order of United Workmen, is now associated with the Crescents of Cedar Rapids, Ia. He writes that they have a doodle of a twirler named Kool. Suppose he lives up to his name. Tripp, the manager of the Woodmen of the World team, says his team would like to take a trip. Some out-of-town team that would like to see them make a trip can address E. C. Tripp in care of the Woodmen of the World building.

In a pitchers' battle last Saturday the Pagnons and the Paxton & Gallagher Grocery team played a 0 to 0 game. Andrews, who opposed Paul Kelley on the mound for the grocery team gave two hits and struck out twenty-seven men. The high cost of living is something terrible. Everything is going up except the reputation of some of our local teams. With Bacon first, Ham on second and Mutton third, the Rabbit at three, the Pork chops at three times and the next animal was Fish. If Apricot and there

was a Lemon on first could the Turnip hit him?

Some of those tongues that have been knocking the Stars Triumphs have stopped wagging since the Omaha crew cleaned the All Nations. Purkos of the Stars club to be in the big leagues. He is as fast as chain lightning, can hit, throw and has some thought reservoir. The factory defeated the Moose lodge team last Sunday by the score of 1 to 0 in a seven-inning contest. A decision of the umpire stopped the row in the seventh. The Hoopers are without a game for Sunday, June 1 and would like to hear from some fast out-of-town team for that and future dates. Write or call D. B. Geyer, 67 South Twenty-ninth street, phone Harvey 6484, Omaha, Neb.

The Wagnmans is the name of a new fast amateur team that is looking for games. Anton Ostroick, Cecil Lehr, Logan Barr and Frank Mokry, four printers, are members of the team and declare they can beat anything in Omaha when it comes to playing base ball. The Wagnmans play the Shamrocks at the Fort Omaha grounds this afternoon at 1:30. Any team wishing games with this fast bunch can be accommodated by calling up Cecil Lehr at Phone South 17th.



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