

# Now Comes the Time When the Alibi Gets Into the Game Right

## WHITE SOX RECRUITS TRIM THE ROURKES

Yanigans Annex the Second Exhibition Game by the Score of Five to One.

## LATHROP SHOWS FINE FORM

College Lad Holds Omaha Boys to Three Little Hits.

## THREE OMAHA PITCHERS WORK

Hicks Holds Chicago Without Hit in His Inning.

## STORZ TEAM TO PLAY TODAY

Omaha's Leading Semi-Pro Squad Will Try Its Fortune Against the Rourke Players This Afternoon.

A tall, lanky, slender youth, who hails from Notre Dame university and answers to the name of Lathrop put an instant obstacle on all slugging aspirations of Pa Rourke's hopefuls yesterday and, while he did not succeed in securing a shut-out but for an unfortunate base, a ball and a two base drive by Crosby. As it was the rah rah boy held the Rourke to three hits and won the game, 5 to 1. Mr. Lathrop is a very strong pitcher. A few days ago he pitched a one hit game and yesterday he pitched a three hit game. He has not lost a game this year while on the training trip. Among other things he did yesterday was to whiff three batters. He also made a hit but it did no damage. According to the dope sheet Mr. Lathrop is booked to be one of the classy pitchers on the Sox squad, so it was no disgrace for Omaha to be beaten by him.

Rourke used a trio of twirlers, Stevenson, Cleoman and Hicks. Hicks did very nicely but only pitched the ninth inning. Stevenson and Cleoman were both hit freely and both were a hit too liberal with bases on balls. Lena Blackburne, famous \$12,000 "beast", landed on the duo four times out of four times up. But Lena fell down when he ran up against Hicks in the ninth. But at that, four hits out of five is pretty good. Kid Gleason and Sullivan, the two youngsters on the Sox team, both smashed two hits. It is feared that these youngsters are too feeble to ever don a uniform again.

**Bell in Right.**  
Joe Bell, who worked in right for Congalton, put up a nifty article of ball. He slammed out a corking single and made a shoe-string catch of Schreiber's drive in the seventh when three men were on and two were out. Bell saved Cleoman's life that time because Schreiber's drive looked like a sure hit.

The Sox opened the game with a score. Youngster Gleason rapped out a double and Blackburne sent him home when he smote the pill to left. In the second Sheehan singled, stole second and came home on Sullivan's safe clutch to left. In the fourth Mayer singled to left, stole second, went to third on Sheehan's infield out and scored when Stevenson got mixed up with the pill on Crosby's return and failed to pick it up until Mayer had romped over the platter.

**Stacy with Hits.**  
In the meantime all was quiet in the Omaha division. Lathrop was nobly whiffing the Omaha athletes and his mates did nice fielding whenever the collection allowed an Omaha to hit the ball. But one hit was made in the seventh innings. Bell soaked out a single to left in the second.

Just to please Kid Gleason who wanted more runs, the Sox made two more in the seventh. Sullivan opened with a hit, went to second on Gleason's hit, and made third on Berger's slug. Then Lena Blackburne stepped forth to the plate and smote a two bagger which gave Messrs. Sullivan and Gleason ample time to gallop past the scoring mark. Wolfgang was walked, filling the bases. Cleoman struck Mayer out and Bell performed the circus catch which made him solid with the fans.

**Omaha Scores in Eighth.**  
But in the eighth Omaha scored. Thomas worked Lathrop for a base on balls. Crosby swung his war club against the horseshoe with the result that Thomas rambled to third and Crosby reached second in safety. Ward, batting for Cleoman, went out, Berger to Mayer, but Thomas scored the tally when Congalton, batting for Clancy, went out via the same route.

Today the Sox will battle with Des Moines, while the Rourke will pick on the Storz. The game will be called at 7 o'clock.

| WHITE SOX      | AB. | R. | H. | O. | A. | E. |
|----------------|-----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Gleason, 2b    | 5   | 2  | 2  | 1  | 1  | 0  |
| Berger, 3b     | 5   | 0  | 1  | 1  | 3  | 0  |
| Blackburne, 1b | 5   | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Wolfgang, cf   | 4   | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Mayer, 3b      | 4   | 0  | 0  | 12 | 0  | 0  |
| Schreiber, cf  | 3   | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Sheehan, lf    | 3   | 1  | 1  | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Sullivan, cf   | 3   | 1  | 2  | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Lathrop, p     | 3   | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Totals         | 38  | 5  | 12 | 17 | 15 | 0  |

| OMAHA         | AB. | R. | H. | O. | A. | E. |
|---------------|-----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Clancy, 2b    | 3   | 0  | 0  | 5  | 1  | 0  |
| Congalton, 1b | 3   | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Ward, 3b      | 0   | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Chas, 3b      | 3   | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Thomas, 2b    | 4   | 0  | 1  | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Stacy, 3b     | 2   | 0  | 0  | 1  | 0  | 0  |
| Krug, lf      | 3   | 0  | 0  | 2  | 0  | 0  |
| Schlipke, 3b  | 3   | 0  | 0  | 4  | 0  | 0  |
| Thomas, ss    | 2   | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Arosky, cf    | 3   | 0  | 1  | 1  | 0  | 0  |
| Stevenson, p  | 1   | 0  | 0  | 1  | 0  | 0  |
| Cleoman, 3b   | 0   | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Ward, 3b      | 1   | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Hicks, p      | 0   | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Totals        | 28  | 1  | 2  | 17 | 5  | 0  |

Congalton batted for Clancy in eighth. Ward batted for Cleoman in eighth.

| WHITE SOX | AB. | R. | H. | O. | A. | E. |
|-----------|-----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Runs      | 1   | 1  | 0  | 0  | 2  | 0  |
| Hits      | 2   | 1  | 1  | 0  | 4  | 1  |
| Omaha     | 0   | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 1  |
| Hits      | 0   | 1  | 0  | 0  | 1  | 0  |

Stolen bases: Schreiber, Sheehan, bases on balls: Off Stevenson, 12 off Cleoman, 5 off Hicks, 2 off Lathrop, 1 Two-base hit: Crosby, Gleason, Blackburne (2). Hit by pitched ball: By Lathrop, Chas. Struck out: By Stevenson, 3; by Cleoman, 4; by Hicks, 1; by Lathrop, 2 Passed ball: Crosby, 1. On time, 155. Umpire: Clarke.

**Telephone Men Defeat Armours.**  
The Nebraska Telephone company team defeated the Armours in a practice game at Fort Omaha yesterday afternoon. The score was 5 to 6. Batteries: Nebraska Telephone company, Kane and Long; Armours, Hiant, Gurness and Donovan.

**Harvard Beaten.**  
PHILADELPHIA, April 11.—The University of Pennsylvania soccer team defeated Harvard here today, 2 to 0.

**College Base Ball.**  
At West Point—Army, 8; Colgate, 6.

## MAY CHANGE WHOLE COURSE OF BASE BALL WAR.



Here's a picture of Earl Hamilton, whose bad case of rubberlegitis may result in changing the whole course of base ball law. Hamilton jumped from the Philadelphia Nationals to the Chicago Federals, and then jumped back again. An effort to secure an injunction resulted in a ruling by the court that knocks out the reserve clause, forbids the Federals to interfere, and brands Hamilton as a "person who has no regard for his pledged word."

## SPEND MILLIONS YEARLY

American Colleges Use Up Lots of Money in Athletics.

## NONE MAKE HEALTH AN ISSUE

With All of the Funds Available No Particular Type of Exercise is Given Students for Future Use.

NEW YORK, April 11.—A comprehensive investigation of collegiate athletic sports which has been made by a committee of the National Collegiate Athletic association reveals the interesting fact that 150 colleges in this country, which are identified with this organization, expend \$2,000,000 a year on athletic pastimes. As Yale and Princeton are not included in the figures, the total amount with these added would be much higher.

This investigation was instituted to ascertain the number of students who really engage in and are benefited by this overwhelming indulgence in intercollegiate sports. The committee makes the surprising report that less than 40 per cent of the students in the colleges are engaged in any kind of organized or systematic sports. The object of the organization is to lessen intercollegiate sports and encourage intracollegiate and recreative sports in colleges so that all the members of the student body may take part in one branch or another of athletics.

The committee which has made the investigation was made up of H. Shindle Wingert, Ohio State university; Raymond G. Clapp, University of Nebraska, and Charles E. Hammett, Northwestern university. The research was further instituted because of the strong feeling in the association that the present methods in colleges do not reach the mass of students and do not provide them with practical means for exercise and recreation in later years.

**Yale and Princeton Not in List.**  
The \$2,000,000 expenditure announced by the committee does not include the cost of athletics of either Yale or Princeton, and in the cases of many colleges the committee was unable to ascertain what proportion was spent in intercollegiate athletics and how much for intracollegiate athletics. Their conclusions, however, reveal the great amount is not spent to promote athletics among the students themselves, but is expended in specializing the various varsity teams limited to a small proportion of the student body.

The case of Harvard is a striking example of the enormous cost of athletics. It really costs \$150,000 a year is spent on the varsity team. Not more than 40 students are varsity men, so that the cost of perfecting Harvard in athletics amounts to \$400 a man. This is the top-notch figure of any of the American colleges.

High expenditures at other colleges are: Cornell, \$75,000; Minnesota, \$30,000; Wisconsin, \$45,000; Pennsylvania, \$35,000; California, \$35,000; and Leland Stanford, \$35,000. Columbia's athletic expenditure is \$25,000 a year. Pittsburgh and Vanderbilt expend \$20,000 a year on varsity teams. Athletics at Brown cost more than at many larger colleges, \$40,000 a year.

The committee learned that of 148 colleges fifty-three, or 35 per cent, are doing nothing toward this end. About 63 per cent try to create a love of sport by playing different games, such as base ball, hand ball, volleyball, tennis and golf; 21 per cent give corrective exercises, 12 per cent give hygienic lectures, 5 per cent promote swimming, 5 per cent have "hikes" and two colleges teach dancing.

The conclusion which the committee reached after making this sweeping investigation is that there should be more attention given to sports among the students in each college rather than in intercollegiate competition. The committee goes so far as to recommend that academic credit should be given for a limited amount of elective work in intracollegiate sports and hygiene during the early part and training in the habit of physical recreation during the larger part of the student's college life. It advises that the intracollegiate sport should be planned with the constant purpose in view of usefulness in later life, and that the college authorities should be convinced of the imperative need of instruction and supervision in recreative sport and hygiene and rational exercises under a capable and enthusiastic director.

## DECLARES ST. LOUIS CAN'T HOLD HAMILTON

His Contract with Browns Invalid, According to Killifer Ruling, K. C. President Says.

## HE HAD SIGNED ON OLD FORM

Browns Unable to Go Into Court with Paper Asserted Void.

## PITCHER WORKS WITH FEDS

Hedges Eliminates Ten-Day Clause from Later Pacts.

## IRON CLAD ONE FOR LEVERENZ

Majors Consider Taking Action So No Loophole Left for Outlaws to Get Recruits Farmed Out to Minors.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., April 11.—That Earl Hamilton's contract with the St. Louis American league base ball club was invalid in the light of the decision given by Judge Sessions in Grand Rapids in the Killifer case was the opinion expressed here today by C. C. Madison, president of the local Federal league team. Hamilton last Thursday jumped from the St. Louis club to the Kansas City Federals.

"By invalidating the old style of contract, reserve clause and all," said Mr. Madison, "Judge Sessions has invalidated Hamilton's old contract. Hamilton had signed on the old form and the St. Louis club cannot go into court with this paper, which has once been declared void."

Hamilton was out with the Federals at their workout today.

**Ten-Day Clause Cut Out.**  
ST. LOUIS, April 11.—Bert E. Shotton, Sam Agnew, Clarence Walker, George Baumgardner, D. B. Pratt and Gus Williams have signed 1914 contracts with the St. Louis Americans without the ten-day clause, it became known today. The elimination of the ten-day clause is considered a move by President Hedges to guard his team against further Federal league raids. Walter Leverenz, the left handed pitcher, it is said, has signed an iron clad contract which prevents him being released during the season.

**May Abandon Rule.**  
CHICAGO, April 11.—The rule by which major league teams send to the minors all but twenty-five of their players on or before May 15 may be abandoned, according to dispatches received here today from Columbus, O.

Manager Hank O'Day of the Chicago Nationals is reported to have outlined a new rule by which the majors may each carry under contract as many players as they see fit and thus leave no loopholes for the Federals to get promising recruits farmed out to the minors.

**Will Be Decided Today.**  
Just what measure organized base ball will take in regard to the action of Earl Hamilton, the pitcher, in jumping his contract with the St. Louis Americans to play with the Kansas City Federal league team, probably will be decided tomorrow at a meeting in St. Louis between B. E. Johnson, president of the American league, and President Hedges of the St. Louis Americans.

President Johnson held a conference yesterday with Chairman Herrmann in Cincinnati. He refused to comment on possible action in connection with the Hamilton case, saying he did not know enough of the details.

## Superior Will Stay in State League

HASTINGS, Neb., April 11.—(Special Telegram.)—President Miles has notified that Superior will stay in the State Base Ball league, the days having aided in making up what contributions were lost when the town went dry by one majority. Aurora stood ready to buy the franchise and had part of the money raised. The schedule committee will meet here next week.

## Washingon Wins Pacific Rowing Title

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., April 11.—In a driving finish the University of Washington eight easily drew away today from the Leland Stanford, Jr., and University of California shells, and won the intercollegiate rowing championship of the Pacific coast by five lengths. The Stanford finished second, four lengths ahead of California.

## GEORGE CLARK TO UMPIRE IN THE WESTERN LEAGUE

Jack Haskell, chief of umpires of the Western league, announces that George Clark, formerly an umpire in the circuit, will be appointed to officiate in the same capacity this year. Tip O'Neill, president of the league, has announced some of the umpiring staff, but is yet to make public his further appointments. While Clark's appointment is not official there is little doubt, but he will soon be given the position. Clark is at the present time in the employ of the city and he has been umpiring at the exhibition games, which have been given here this spring.

## CAMPBELL IS CAPTAIN OF CHICAGO TRACK TEAM

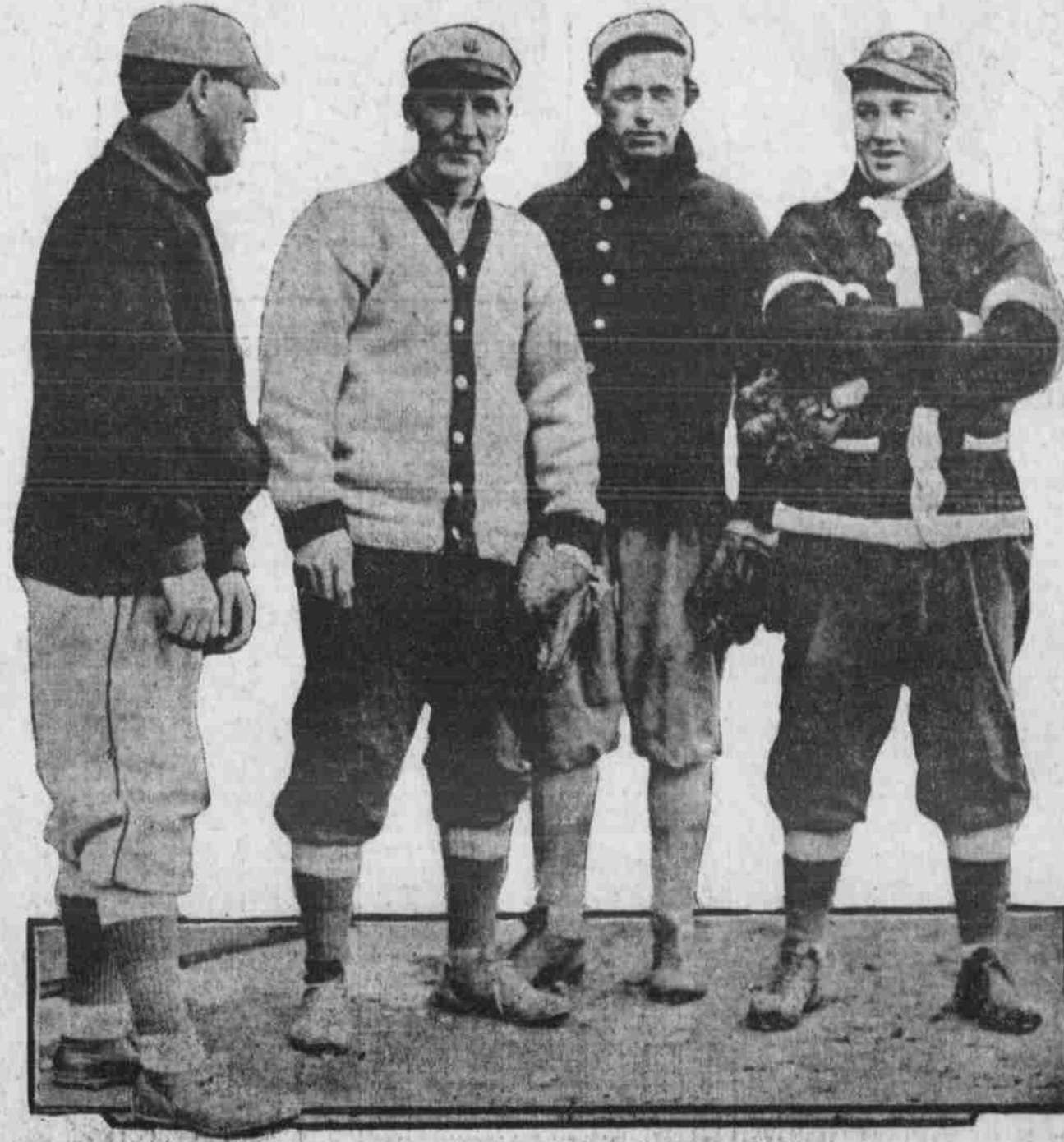
CHICAGO, April 11.—Leroy Campbell was elected captain of the University of Chicago track team today, succeeded Charles O. Parker, who was declared ineligible by the faculty. Campbell has been competing in meets as a half-miler. Lately Coach Staggs has been trying to make a miler of him with a fair degree of success. He is a graduate of University High school, Chicago.

**Coast Defeats Lexington.**  
COZAD, Neb., April 11.—(Special Telegram.)—The first track meet of the season was held here Friday between Lexington and Cozad schools. The Coast team won by 72 points against Lexington's 21 points. Brownfield, for Cozad, was in right stead, taking the first, one second and in one tie, making thirty-two of Cozad's points.

# THE OMAHA SUNDAY BEE

OMAHA, SUNDAY MORNING, APRIL 12, 1914.

## Veteran and Three Pitchers He is Training for Future Greatness



HARRY HICKS, JOHNNY GONDING, ART CLOSMAN AND BERT BRENNER.

Johnny Gonding has for years been recognized as a leader in the profession when it came to bringing out the best there was in a new pitcher. The list of those who have made good and forged to the front under the tutelage of Gonding is long and includes such household names as Miner Brown, Jack Pfeister, Pat Ragon and numerous others. Gonding knows the game of base ball and if a recruit has the goods Johnny is sure to find it out and to give them a chance to show what they are worth.

For years it has almost been axiomatic that Rourke has a good pitching staff and for years his team has kept well to the top, even if there was a time when he was short of heavy hitters. The secret of this has been Gonding, who has seen to it that the pitchers were in good shape and who has largely been instrumental in making them the class of the league.

This year Pa. Rourke has another bunch of youngsters, and that he might make no slip the first thing he did in signing up his 1914 team was to secure the services of Gonding, who may not play in many games, but whose duty is to be to work up the youngsters to league caliber.

In Hicks, Cleoman and Brenner Rourke has three good ones who with the aid of the others on the list are expected to give the Omaha team a good start and to keep it at the top of the list from the opening of the season.

## Rourke Boys Beginning to Show Signs of Usefulness Under Steady Field Work

While many of the sensational stars, who performed so creditably in the Western league last year, are now members of ball teams of the major and AA leagues, and others have become affiliated with the Federal league, a glance at the training camp activities of the various teams in the race indicate that the prospects for successful season in the Western circuit this year are more than ordinarily bright. Every team in the league has managed to scrape up a number of recruit players who promise to ably fill the shoes

## Frank Chance Says Spring Trade to the Ball Player

NEW YORK, April 11.—The general impression among base ball fans is that the spring training camp is a school for ball players; but Manager Frank Chance of the Yankees doesn't share this belief. Men who are good enough to be taken south in the spring with a major league club, Chance claims, should be well equipped with a knowledge of base ball. The training camp is no place to learn the game, the Peerless Leader points out, for the time in the south is limited and every minute is needed for conditioning athletes.

## PROMOTING NOT ALL VELVET

Gibson of Madison Square Garden Tells of Boxing Game. EXPENSES ARE VERY HIGH

Famous Matchmaker Declares that In Time the Excessive Demands of Government Will Kill Off Clubs.

NEW YORK, April 11.—"Promoting boxing is not all pleasure and profit," said Billy Gibson, who recently resigned from the position of matchmaker at the Garden Athletic club, when asked to tell of his experience while conducting bouts at the big arena.

"Although Madison Square garden is the largest arena licensed under the Frawley law it has been a failure financially, notwithstanding that the recent report of the State Athletic commission shows that boxing is in a flourishing condition. In explaining why the club failed to make money Gibson disclosed something of the difficulties that confront the promoter of boxing on a large scale.

"In the first place there are not enough big matches to carry a place like the garden," said the promoter. "There are a profit for the club in the usual run of bouts. The expenses are too high. Only matches of championship caliber draw well enough to offset the extra running expenses and there are not enough of them to be had. In fact, there are not more than a dozen matches in a year that stand out as real big attractions.

"It costs about \$4,000 to run a fight at the Garden. An extra large force of clerks and ushers must be engaged and the advertising and incidental expenses are high. Why a set of tickets alone adds \$25 to the total.

"During the two years I was connected

with the club I have been a manager 'd I go to the training camp with the idea that it was an instructor. My business has always been to superintend the physical conditioning of the men who are supposed to know base ball. Of course, there are inexperienced players who have to be taught the finer points, but I am talking of the team as a whole, understand.

**Must Take It Easy.**  
"When I first started out as a manager I had the idea that it was necessary to drive players as soon as they were got to camp. I soon learned that this was more harmful than beneficial. To make a training season successful a manager must take things easy. McGraw never rushes his men; neither does Connie Mack, and both are fine types of successful leaders. When their clubs re-

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## SOCCER FOOT BALL AT THE STATE UNI

Season Will Be Inaugurated Tuesday and Practice Will Be Held Regularly.

## EXPERT COACH IS EMPLOYED

V. W. Simpson, English Professional, Takes Charge of Work.

## FETE DAY TO BE HELD IN MAY

High School Students to Be Guests of University That Day.

## COLD HURTS THE TRACK TEAM

Recent Chilly Weather Makes Practice on Cinders Almost Impossible, but Relays for Drake Meet Have Been Picked.

BY JAMES E. LAWRENCE. LINCOLN, April 11.—(Special.)—Soccer foot ball has come in at the University of Nebraska and promises to become one of the most popular sports. Coach Fuchs, who this week completed arrangements for a season of soccer, and next Tuesday will see the first active work in that department.

V. W. Simpson, an Englishman, an ardent soccer player, was engaged by the athletic board this week to take charge of the soccer squad at the university. Simpson played four years at Ashby, England, and the soccer team there as "right inside," but he was credited with being one of the stars of the squad.

Two years he played on the Ashby college team, and then for two years he was identified with the professional team at Ashby. Simpson will have complete charge of the squad as coach on three days of the week.

Simpson has, fixed Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday afternoons of each week from 2 until 5 for the soccer practice. He believes these hours will allow a larger number of the undergraduates to participate in the soccer games. During the last week Simpson has had the field laid out on the athletic grounds, has erected the goal posts and all of the arrangements are now complete for the opening practice.

**Fete Day in May.**  
Later on in May, possibly on fete day, when all of the high school students are visiting the university, Simpson will arrange an exhibition soccer match between two teams in Omaha, which have volunteered their services for an engagement. Simpson has a letter from Charles A. McGuire of Omaha, one of the soccer players in the metropolis, who says that he has noticed that the university is taking up soccer and as an ardent supporter of the game is ready to assist in any way he can.

He suggests that Omaha has three good soccer teams already, and that it might not be amiss for two of the teams to give an exhibition of the fine points of the game for the benefit of the university squad.

**Base Ball to Be Revived.**  
Base ball is not to be an entirely dead sport at the university, although the Cornhuskers will not have a team for (Continued on Page Four.)

## Teeth Pullers Win Another Stiff Game

The freshmen dental team of the Creighton university annexed another victory yesterday by defeating the Creighton annex team, 11 to 10. This is the second victory for the Dents as they defeated the Freshmen Medical Friday.

The game was fast and tight from start to finish. The Annex secured a good lead in the early part of the game and held it until the seventh inning, when Ryan advanced to the plate and smote the pill for a two-bagger, clearing the bases, which had previously been choked by his teammates. A moment later he scored the winning run on Schaefer's single. Schaefer, Walters and O'Brien were the stars for the Annex. Each secured three hits out of three times at bat. Dolan and onley did nice work at the bat for the annex team, the former getting a two-bagger and a three-bagger and the latter two two-baggers.

Savery, Blouiss, Kanne and Conley were batteries for the Annex, while Deines, Schaefer and Walters acted for the Dents.

## Chivington Opens His School for Umpires

INDIANAPOLIS, April 11.—With four umpires present, President T. M. Chivington of the American association opened his annual "school" for umpires here this afternoon. Those present are O'Brien, Johnstone, Johnson and Connelly. Murray, Westerville, Barr and Irwin were expected during the day. Each rule will be taken up separately and discussed.

President Chivington said the rule permitting a base runner to turn to the left when he reached first base, without being liable to be put out, would be ignored. He said the rule left too much to the discretion of the umpire to say whether the player intended to go on to second base. He stated further that a special rule of the association would compel base runners to turn to the right at first base.

## Alamitos Win First Game of the Season

In the first game of the season, yesterday the Alamitos defeated the Omaha National Bank 9 to 0. Lefty Jim Suty was on the mound for the milkmen, and held the bankers to two hits and struck out eleven men, also driving out a home run and a single in four times up. Score: R. H. E. Alamitos..... 9 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 2 3 Batteries: Alamitos, J. Suty and Spellman; Omaha National Bank, Hawkins and Westring. Home run, Spellman; First base hit, Suty; Two-base hit, G. Suty. Struck out: By J. Suty, 11; by Hawkins, 5. Score on errors: Old J. Suty 2; Hawkins, 2. Time: 1:55. Umpire: Backett.

**Games Postponed.**  
At St. Louis—St. Louis Nationals and St. Louis Americans, west grounds. At Columbus—Cleveland Americans and Columbus Indians, west grounds. At Cincinnati—Boston Americans and Cincinnati Nationals, east. At Indianapolis—Columbian Americans and the Indianapolis association team, west grounds.