

Jim Thorpe's Good Example in Owing Up Will Not Revolutionize Sports

ROURKE PLANS TRIP FOR THE YANNIGANS

Second Team to Make Trip Into Small Cities on Way Home During Early April.

JOHN GONDING MAY GO SOUTH

Veteran Catcher May Take Charge of Recruits in Oklahoma.

PLANNING FOR THE OPENING

Omaha Team May Open Season at Home and Gala Day Proposed.

BILLS TO TRAIN IN OMAHA

One of Last Year's Twirlers Studying Medicine at Creighton College and Will Remain Here with Studies.

By C. MASON YOULD.

A joint, lasting over six days during the last week of the spring training trip is in store for the Yannigans, according to plans now in course of formation by Pa Rourke, president and owner of the Omaha base ball club.

Just what towns the Yannigans will visit and what teams they will play is not yet ready for publication, but Rourke expects that the trip will be one of much benefit to the players and will prove a money-maker. Last year the Yannigans played but three or four games in which players from the first team did not take part. Just who will take charge of the Yannigans on their trip has not been decided, but Rourke is trying to get Johnny Goding to go south with him and take care of the second team.

Goding May Go.

In addition to taking charge of the second team Rourke wants Goding with him to work with the young twirlers. Goding is considered one of the greatest catchers in the game today to bring out the good stuff stored up in the systems of recruits. Many young pitchers go to training camps, knowing they can make good, but do not get the right kind of encouragement and in most cases suffer from severe attacks of stage fright.

The regulars, or first team, which will represent Omaha on the diamond this season, will do little traveling during the training season. Rourke has arranged several games with major league teams and as many more with Western league teams, which will train in and about Oklahoma. In all, six Western league teams will train within a radius of 100 miles and it is possible that an ante-season schedule may be arranged.

The Rourkes will not leave Oklahoma City for home until one week before the season opens. Arriving in Omaha the team will stop at the Millard hotel until the opening of the season. Games have been arranged with Lincoln to be played here on the Saturday and Sunday prior to the opening of the 1913 season. These two games will give the home fans an opportunity to get a line on the Rourkes before the season opens. They will be the only games played in the city before the opening day.

Rourkes to Open Here.
It is now almost assured that the Omaha team will open the 1913 season at home and extensive arrangements are being made for a gala day, when business will be suspended and schools closed. The opening festivities are going to eclipse anything that has ever been put on before. If the Omaha team does not open at home the festivities will be pulled off on the first day Omaha plays here. The Knights of Ak-Sar-Ben, under the direction of "Dad" Weaver, are planning to pull off a real opening day, one which will make all former ones look sickly.

Pa Rourke believes that the attendance at ball games in Omaha this season is going to be greater than ever, owing to the caliber of the 1913 team, which, according to the Omaha magnate, will be such that the fans will not want to stay away from the park. Those who saw the Rourkes play last year will not hesitate to agree that it was some base ball team. Every man who played last year, with the exception of Mark Hall, will again wear an Omaha uniform and play this season. The same team will represent Omaha.

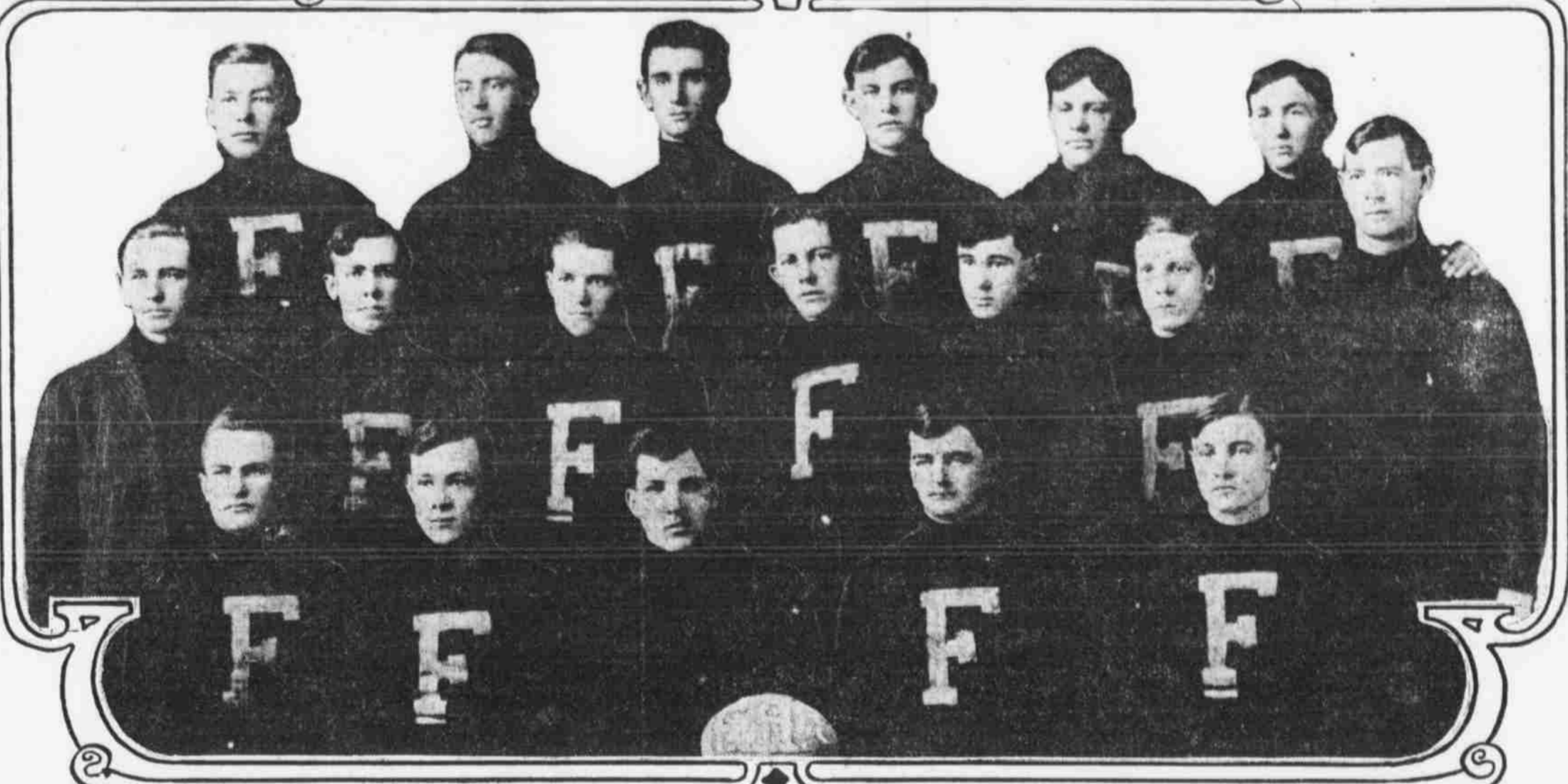
Omaha Team Strong.

With the same team and the experience they received last year by playing together it can readily be seen that the team which beats Omaha for the pennant this year will have to hustle all through the season. A recent letter received by Pa Rourke from Charley Arbogast, who will again manage the Rourkes, gives the refreshing news that Arbogast is going to secure a seat on the band wagon at the start and he says he expects to carry the whip all season. Arbogast certainly has the players to do it with and if he uses his head to advantage and manages only as a manager should, Omaha will come home with the season—and the pennant.

Bills to Train Here.

Joe Bills, one of the twirlers who will work for Omaha this year, will not make the trip to Oklahoma City. Bills is attending the Creighton medical college and feels that he will be able to get into condition here and at the same time continue his studies. He is the only regular member of the Rourke staff, who will make the trip south. Twenty-two new recruits will accompany Rourke on this year's trip. This number will include about nine pitchers and three or four catchers, six shortstops and three or four backstops. Rourke from Falls City of the Mink league at the close of the last season, will go south and Rourke expects the big fellow to give a good account of himself.

Franklin Academy Team Has a Good Record



UNIVERSITY GAME A BIG ONE

Meeting Between Omaha and South Dakota Very Promising.

BOTH SWIFT BASKET TOSSERS

While Dakotans May Have Edge on Local Team, They Will Have to Earn Everything They Carry Away.

Next Friday night, February 14, will be the big basketball event in the annals of the floor game at the University of Omaha and will be the most attractive thing on the program of the local basketball season. On that night the University of Omaha will meet the much heralded South Dakota five at the university gymnasium. The Dakotans are fast and it is said that their team, with the exception of the Portage, Wis. team is the best that has ever been scheduled in Omaha. Among the scintillating northern light are Sheeks and Imlay, who made such a favorable impression on the sporting public of Omaha last Thanksgiving day.

Notwithstanding that, they are going up against a tartar, and the local team is hopeful of playing the game of the season and of pushing the Coyotes for every point they secure. After the victory over Bellevue Friday night Coach Nagel, instead of letting up on the work, began a course of more strenuous practice than has been given so far this season. Last night the team journeyed to Council Bluffs to work out against the association team there. Monday night the second team of the university will be pitted against the varsity quintet and on Tuesday the Nebraska Alumni will scrimmage with the Shellands.

An Attractive Game.

It is thought that one of the biggest crowds of the season will see the game Friday and as a result the seating capacity of the gymnasium is being greatly increased. Warren Ritchie, who has made a very favorable impression as an official in the Tri-City league, will referee. Ritchie, while not permitting any deliberate fouling or unnecessary rough play, is not overly strict and allows the game to progress so that it has interest for the spectators. C. E. Reed, director of athletics in the Omaha high school, will keep time and Will Kiewitz will be score keeper.

Base ball will get its first tryout at the university this season. Sam Stolecky, the hustling manager of the second base ball team, has charge of the ball schedule, and has already two or three good trips arranged. There are several good ball players who have played on some of the best of the local amateur teams. The captain of the team has not been selected as yet, but the prospects are that Al Adams, catcher for the Baum Iron team last season, will be elected to lead the line. What will be done with track is still problematical. There are two or three real good track men in the school, but not enough to make a well balanced team, so it is likely that attention will be centered on base ball and that the school will be represented in only a few events at the state meet.

FOOT BALL RULES WILL BE GIVEN THE REST CURE

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Foot ball rules are almost sure to get the "rest cure" this year, according to authoritative sources. Although the Intercollegiate rules committee has arranged for its annual meeting here on February 14, it is expected that its fourteen members will have little to do. The revised code adopted last winter was generally approved in reports at the recent meeting of the National Collegiate Athletic association and in all probability the changes in rules, if any at all, will be along clarifying lines, with nothing new or radical.

The Franklin Academy Foot Ball Team claims championship of Southwestern Nebraska. It defeated Red Cloud, 21 to 6; Arapahoe, 40 to 0; Red Cloud, 9 to 0. It was defeated by Beaver City, 12 to 0. Top row, left to right: Deselms, center; Broughton, fullback; Worsham, left tackle; Larson, left guard; Lindsey, right tackle; Hagerman, right guard. Second row: Davis, coach; Strong, left guard; MacQueen, quarterback; Wohlgenuth, left halfback; Johnson, left end; Chadwick, left halfback; Groves, assistant coach. Bottom row: McLain, left end; Robinson, right end; Harwood, (captain), fullback; Andrews, right guard; Shuck, right halfback.

WANT TO CONTROL ALL SPORT

English Club Manager Believes in International Control Board.

TOO MUCH EXPLOITATION NOW

Interest in Boxing is Subsiding Because Contests Are Becoming Too Commercialized and Benefit of Actual Sport.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—A. F. Beetsinson, manager of the National Sporting club of London, which is the most notable boxing club of the world, came out strongly a few days ago, in the course of a speech delivered at a banquet in his honor, in favor of an international board to control the sport. His remarks have been generally accepted with much favor in the press and in sporting circles of England, and it is not unlikely that the promoters in the latter country will soon take steps to arrange conferences, such as the boxing boards of France and the United States have had.

The latest agitation has brought out a long article on the subject in the London Daily Mail warmly endorsing the plan, which seems to be regarded as a necessity for the preservation of the sport. The Mail agrees that the New York athletic commission has done good work, but charges it with ultra-restrictiveness. The writer suggests championship belts for the various classes to correspond with the Lord Londale belts in England, the compelling of world and national champions to defend their titles within certain reasonable periods, and he makes several other suggestions that might do much to put the same on a sounder basis. The Mail says in part:

In England the control of amateur boxing is in perfectly safe hands. It is on the professional side—the side from which the great mass of the public derives its knowledge and its appetite—(Continued on Page Two.)

Must the Cornhuskers Always Humble Themselves Before the Gophers?

Clyde Elliott Thinks the Minnesota Philosophy is All Wrong

By CLYDE E. ELLIOTT.

From a Minneapolis foot ball writer, whose respect for Cornhusker athletics has never been too great, has come the suggestion that University of Nebraska foot ballers and their supporters be content with conditions as they are, and that they do not try to remedy the defects in a coaching system which was produced at the best but mediocre eleven during recent years. The philosophical scribbles of the Milling City's paper is certain that the Cornhuskers have no more chance of licking the Minnesota eleven next fall than a snow ball has of remaining intact in that place all bad little boys are supposed to go. The northern gentleman would make pragmatics of all Cornhuskers. He would have them go at their gridiron task with cheerful effort and accept cheerfully the fate which is to be handed them in the arena. He wants the Cornhuskers to prepare to fight hard and to take no shame in honest defeat. There is to be defeat for the Cornhuskers, of course, at the hands of the Gophers, so why not be prepared—that's the Minnesotan's philosophy. Rather interesting, anyway, this northern suggestion that one should recognize that the honor and the reason for the sport are in the fighting of the battle—that the outcome is not to be considered and why should the result be of importance when

Impertinent Minor Leaguer Predicts Thorpe is a "Frost"

What's this? Some impertinent minor leaguer with the temerity to say that the New York Giants drew a lemon in Jimmy Thorpe, who, though the king-crowned champion of the world in all-round athletics, is no good as a ball player. Well, consign him to the dungeon for lese majesty, and, while you're at it, chuck a rag down his throat to prevent the escape of more such talk. Of course, we all hope—and maybe believe—that such a thing could not be true; that Thorpe, but only suppose he were not and this impertinent chap were correct. Can you imagine the consequence?

WHITE SOX SPECIAL TO GO THROUGH HERE FEB. 21

The itinerary of the White Sox provides for their passing through Omaha when they go to southern California, where they go into training prior to the opening of the ball playing season. The White Sox and a bunch of fans, eighty persons in all, will have a special train from Chicago to California. They will arrive here February 21 over the Northwestern and will go west over the Union Pacific. This train will go as a section of No. 1, the Overland Limited, at 9:15 in the morning.

BASE BALL THIS YEAR WILL PROVE PROFITABLE

We are quite sure that the fortunes of base ball this year will, from the box office and diamond, vindicate the wisdom of keeping the game in the limelight of gossip throughout the winter, as has been so ably done this season. And why not, what could give the fans more interest and pleasure next to the game itself?

AWARDS OF PLAYERS MADE

Claims of Portland, Ore., Get Much Consideration.

PLAN WORKS SUCCESSFULLY

Seventeen Players Out of Twenty-Seven Claimed Under Waiver Rule Advance in Profession.

CINCINNATI, O., Feb. 8.—The National Base Ball commission announced here today the result of the drawing of lots of players by major league clubs for 1913, who have been claimed by more than one national association club. These players will not be available to the minor league clubs except in cases where their services are no longer desired by major league clubs. The list of all players claimed was made public in February 4, by Secretary Farrell of the National association.

Players claimed by more than one club of the same classification, were awarded as follows:
Drohan, from Washington to Columbus, O.
Bettis, Cleveland to Portland, Ore.
Williams, Washington to Portland, Ore.
Bates, Cleveland to Portland, Ore.
Reed, Cleveland to Milwaukee.
The following clubs exercised the privilege of reclaiming the player drafted from it, viz:
Dolan, Philadelphia Nationals, by Rochester; Balent, St. Louis Nationals, by Chattanooga.

Statistics of Year.

In 1912 8137-strike players were drafted by the major league clubs. Twenty-seven of these players have been claimed by clubs of Class AA and A in case they are released during the season of 1913 by the major league clubs now having 410.
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CORNHUSKERS SIGN IOWA

Contract is Signed for Three Years with the Hawkeyes.

OLD ENEMIES TO BATTLE

Annual Game Is to Close the Season Each Fall—Gives Nebraska Two Games with Big Nine Teams.

By CLYDE E. ELLIOTT.
After an interim of three years the Universities of Nebraska and Iowa are to meet in foot ball again at Lincoln on Saturday, November 22, the closing day of the 1913 foot ball gridiron season. These two schools, because of location in neighboring states, are natural rivals, and their resumption of relations will be a pleasure for the students and alumni of the two schools. They never should have dropped their annual contest, and would not but for the misunderstanding which arose between the managers who had the arranging of the foot ball schedules in hand during the year 1910.

Nebraska Won Most.

In the history of foot ball at these two state schools, there have been many games played between them, and in a majority of these the Cornhuskers have been the winners. The last contests were played in 1908 and 1909.

The first of these two engagements was played at Lincoln on a day which was ideal for the great sport. The Cornhuskers, then tutored by "King" Cole and captained by Jim Harvey, came out a winner, the score being 11 to 9. The mighty Kirk, famous for his kicking stunts, was the chief asset of the Hawkeyes that day, and all points made by Iowa came through the airline route. The Cornhuskers failed on touchdown. In the final moments of play the Hawkeyes tried a drop kick from the thirty-yard line, but old Bill Chaloupka broke through the line and blocked the kick. Had this attempt been successful, the Cornhuskers would have lost, 12 to 11.

The next season the Hawkeyes went to Lincoln and there succeeded in getting a 6 to 6 draw through some miserable work by the Cornhuskers. In the early history of the sport Iowa and Nebraska met in Omaha. The last game played here was in 1897. Then the teams took their game to Council Bluffs and later to their home towns.

Students Are Pleased.

By the agreement which the two schools have now entered into, the annual game will close the season each fall, alternating between Lincoln and Iowa City. With Iowa on their schedule, the Cornhuskers will now meet at least two "Big Nine" elevens, Minnesota, which comes to Lincoln on October 13, being the other western conference opponent. Information from Iowa City is to the effect that the Hawkeye students are delighted over the agreement of the boards of control which will permit the two institutions to clash on the gridiron each fall. Nebraska alumni in Omaha are pleased and will look forward to going to Lincoln for the game next fall and to running over to Iowa City the following season.

Iowa's Prospective Schedule Now Looks Something Like This:

October 2—Iowa State Teachers' college at Iowa City.
October 11—Cornell at Iowa City.
October 20—Ohio at Columbus, Northwestern at Evanston or Minnesota at Minneapolis.
November 1—Indiana at Iowa City.
November 8—Ames at Iowa City.
November 22—Nebraska at Lincoln.

GOTCH SAYS HIS MATCH WAS NOT A FIASCO

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—Frank Gotch, who was here today, said that he agreed with Mayor Harrison that the sport of wrestling must be kept clean.
"So far as I am concerned, my match with Hackenschmidt was no fiasco, as the mayor calls it," said Gotch. "I trained regularly for the match, but I must admit that my victory over the Russian was easier than I had expected."

DAVIDSON TO TRAIN UNI BASE BALL TEAM

Former Rourke Outfielder Secured by Reed to Teach Tenement Dwellers the Game.

OUTDOOR TRACK WORK BEGINS

Call for Work Outdoors Will Be Issued Tomorrow Night.

PREPARING FOR BIG TOURNEY

Many High Schools Enter for Basketball Meet on March 1.

READY FOR BIG TRACK MEET

High Indoor Athletic Event of the Year Will Be Held Next Friday Night in the Large University Gymnasium.

By JAMES E. LAWRENCE.

LINCOLN, Feb. 8.—(Special.)—"Davy" Davidson, formerly a member of the Lincoln and Omaha Western league base ball clubs, has volunteered his services to coach the Cornhusker base ball squad for its first real season of base ball since the summer base ball rules of the Missouri valley conference put the game on the black list among Cornhusker students. Manager Guy E. Reed last night announced that he had secured the services of Davidson. The Auburn-haired outfielder has had much experience as a member of the Lincoln league team for three seasons, with the Brooklyn National league team for two seasons in the role of a utility player and with the Rourke tribe for a part of the season last year.

Reed says that base ball practice will start within a few days. If the weather proves a trifle too wintry for the squad then the gymnasium will be utilized to allow the pitchers and catchers to work the soreness out of their arms.

Stiehm has determined to give base ball a thorough tryout this season and see if the Tenement Dwellers really want to back a team. He is considerably delighted that Reed was able to secure the services of Davidson to teach the collegians some of the finer points of the game. Stiehm, himself, will be much too busy to pay attention to the base ball squad with spring foot ball training and with basket ball on his hands. He will turn this department of sport over entirely to Davidson and Reed.

Track Work Begins.

Regardless of snow or cold weather Reed said last night that he would issue a call for outdoor track training next Monday night. If the weather remains cold then the squad will be furnished with heavy clothing and the training will continue regardless of the attempts of Old Man Winter to keep the track athletes inside.

There is very little snow on the cinder path and the track is in ideal condition. Reed figures that with the amount of new material he has to develop for his team this season, the early start will be a most necessary feature of a successful season.

Thirty-five candidates have been reporting regularly for the track squad for the work in the gymnasium and while the number is liable to fall short a few next Monday night when the practice is transferred to the cinder path, Reed figures that he will still have enough men to keep him busy.

Dr. J. C. Clapp of the physical education department and Roy Dunlap, a former university track man, who holds the records in the hurdles with Dale McDonald, are assisting Reed.

Reed received a letter from Oklahoma, challenging the Cornhuskers to a relay race at the big indoor meet in Kansas City, March 1, to which the Dwellers will send a number of representatives. Reed immediately accepted the challenge. The Sooners possess two remarkably fast track men in Reed and Courtright, who also played foot ball on the Oklahoma team. The Cornhuskers will have to develop an entirely new relay team, but Reed has a number of good quarter milers at his command and does not anticipate a very hard job.

High School Meet.

Nebraska high schools who intend to enter the basketball tournament for the championship of the state, conducted under the auspices of the university, must make entry by March 1. The entry must include a list of the team members, with a certified statement as to scholarship and eligibility under the Nebraska interscholastic rules.

Reed has already received replies from a dozen Nebraska schools, and in four instances has received the entry list, properly certified. Those schools which Reed has heard from include York high, Lincoln high, Omaha high, University Place high, Central City high, Holdrege high, Geneva high, Aurora high and Henkelman high.

In addition to this he has received other inquiries regarding the meet. Reed expects that between thirty-five and forty schools will compete during the three days of the basketball championship. Omaha high carried off the pennant last spring. The tournament will be held at the university gymnasium March 13, 14 and 15. Greek letter societies will be allowed to entertain the visiting high school athletes during the tournament, and in this manner the care of many of the visiting teams is arranged for.

Local Indoor Met.

The big indoor meet of the university year at Nebraska will be held next Friday night at the university gymnasium on charter day. The events will be the same as last year, including the twenty-five-yard dash, pole vault, fence vault, high kick, rope climb, shot put and high jump. In addition to this there will be an inter-class relay race.

All indoor men are allowed to participate in the meet, regardless of whether they have won letters in university athletics. The charter day meet always affords the coaches an opportunity to get a line on the available track material for the Tenement Dwellers' squad.