Bert Le Bron.

rofessional bicycle rider and made his

living this way. He raced at Chicago

with such men as Earl Cooper, who is

now one of the greatest racing auto

drivers of the country. This was in 1856

and 1897. In 1898 he wanted to go to the

front in the Spanish-American war, but

Then he came west and in 1903 became

the wrestling and boxing champion of

Nebraska at the welterweight. Then he

ecame a rifle and revolver shot. He

low holds the record for Omaha at re-

volver shooting, hitting twenty-nine and

se-half bull's-eye out of thirty shots

won the rifle shooting championship of

Omaha, Council Bluffs and South Omaha

at the old shooting gallery run by the

Le Bron was also the trap shooting

A record of adventure, surely, has this

late Billy Townsend and Sam Grayson.

champion at Carter Lake for two years.

has, that record will be augmented con-

Judgments



STERN LEAGUE magnates in session at St. Joe, put a stopper on the hard times tune sung by the president of the league, and have turned him fato a genuine booster.

As a matter of fact, at no time was here any real occasion for the remarkble interview O'Neill gave out in Chirago early in the month, and had he used a little judgment, it is hardly likely it didn't make much difference because he would have indulged in the talk he did. But that particular piece of fat has been in the fire for some time, and the different protests have been settled by task set before the magnates is to restore confidence in the league to a point directors were allowed to take life easy. where it will again have the support of Because the Townsends have been in poor the public as a permanent institution, and not as an evenescent thing that is from the Greater Omaha league. Prest- his trail. likely to vanish between any two days of the summer. It is going to take some little work to bring this about, but when it has been done, the "booster" day proposed for the benefit of the league will materialize without any difficulty. The St. Joe meeting started on the right track, and if the owners maintain the attitude there assumed, the success of their business will be much better assured, not only for this year, but for the seasons yet to come,

It has been a long time since a wrestling match attracted so much attention why the Townsends should lose their as is now being bestowed on the Stecher-Cutler meeting. Even the Gotch-Hackenschmidt affair did not take the hold on the public fancy that has been attained by the coming Omaha session. This Ducky Holmes' squad applied and were mainly because of the fact that the publie has confidence in the honesty of the No one questions that it will be decided on its merits, and that is a factor that must be present in order to get approval from the people, who will no longer give support where they can not give faith. Aside from this point, the match is of first-rate importance, as it is going a long way to establish a legitimate successor to Frank Gotch as e undisputed champion wrestler of the orld. The country has been alive for pars with claimants for this honor, all whom bowed before the husky lowan, who more nearly than any man whoever stepped on the mat, placed his name first among the contestants. Stecher has made a wonderful start, and if he succeeds in throwing Cutier, who claims the champlonship, he will be well on the way to the top distinction.

"Brother Jim" Rourke seems to be having something on his mind out at Grand Island, as matters in the Nebraska state league have gotten into a decided enarl. It wasn't enough that the league hould be cut from eight to six clubs after the season started, and then to have Fairbury go up because the newly arranged schedule was not satisfactory. Grand Island now charges that gamblers that the official undertook by the laying on of fines and other means to so cripple the Grand Island team that victory would be easy for Norfolk and bets its skirts right away.

Harness racing is taking on a new lease gostored, and it looks as if it might be.

sponding increase in the attendance at same Omaha contingents. the ball parks, and while none of the owners is as yet heard bragging about the large sums of money coming in, all quit the game. are teeling much relieved over the pros-pects for a season which a very little Hirst Memorials. while ago was anything but rosy in its The public dearly loves the sends, w game, and is willing to spend its money at the gates, when it has it to spend. With the interest in the several contests growing more intense as the days go on, the crowds are sure to flock to the parks.

omana saw some of the tightest base Rube Feltman and Edward Minikus, ball over exhibited during the short time formerly with the Townsends, have tied better and Des Moines got to exhibit up with the Luxus. here. Some remarkable fielding was done in each same, and in three of them, at least. Omaha was beaten because some athlete on the other side pulled a phenomenal play at a critical time. It was tough to see these breaks go against the home boys, but the patrons surely saw some classy base ball.

Somebody shot the sights off Krueger's big bat during the week, and Lejeune passed him in the batting averages. The worst thing that happened to Krueger was when he missed that straight one Mitchell sent over last Sunday, with a runner on first and another on third, and the score 2 to 1 in favor of Denver. That was a real heart-breaker.

McGraw has finaly passed one team in the race, but it is the one presided over by Charley Hersog, which doesn't arouse much foy in Gotham. If there were a ninth place in the league, Cinwould have it. The surprise in the National is to see St. Louis up there making a fight for first place.

Omaha is getting back on the sport map in real form, with its hig speedway and its little stadium, its wrestling matches and the like, a sign that some life still exists in this part of the

It may be a little early to make up final judgment, but it looks now as if Chicago, instead of winning three pennants, is gomg to do mightly well to win any.

Ps didn't hire any new pitchers during the week, but if you wan't to do business with him, steer him onto the

train of a good righthander. Monday of next week is going to be some day in Omaha, all right, and the

home folks are going to be in on it. Tex Jones is some man to have on a team. If you doubt this, ask any of the Omaha pitchers.

Ty Cobb is slipping again. The poor devil is hitting under 400.

Poor Shape of Team Compels Greater Omaha League to Set Them Adrift.

HOLMES SQUAD GETS PLACE

By FRANK QUIGLEY.

Only seven of the thirteen directors of the Omaha Amateur association appeared. at the regular meeting held at the council hamber last Wednesday night. This trip several protests that the directors anticipated failed to roll in. Lately all the the various leagues, consequently the shape for several weeks they were dropped P. Mullen took the Townsends in hand last Sunday and on Monday he decided are lost.

President Cook advised the writer that the Townsends would lose their \$35 forfeit. He said that his action in the matter might be reconsidered when the managers of the Greater Omaha league con-The writer is unable to conceive forfelt dough when they didn't drop out of the league. According to reports the all in their power to finish the season. granted the franchise left open by the departure of the Townsends. They will for their franchise.

Anderson Resigns. Mr. Anderson, president of the Inter-City league and also connected with the South Omaha Midgets, resigned and Ernie of an adventure-seeking disposition. McKee of Gentleman's Athletics was fore. As the aforementioned was all of week from Wednesday.

plonship tickets can get some from Jake Isaacson or Louis Cook. These tickets are going fast and from present indications the ones interested will easily dispose of 1,000 tickets. In the event that 1,000 tickets are sold everything will be lovely for the Omaha Amateur associa-

Indiana Have Hard Luck. Last Sunday the Omaha Indians, the dudes that represent the Indian motorcycle house, had, although it happened unexpectedly, what would be called a mad picnic. They hired a Jitney carryall to cart them to Arlington, Neb. Naturgot control of an umpire at Norfolk, and ally they thought the country roads placed at heavy odds would be safe. holes they arrived where they were If these charges can be substantiated, the scheduled to play, namely, Arlington, State league directors have a serious Neb., at 5 whistles. The Arlington ball

duty before them, and the sooner they tossers and their supporters had abanperform it, the better it will be for doned the field and the "nothing doing" the game. Base ball, from top to bottom, placard greeted the Omaha Indians. They must be kept free from the taint of lost a chance to cop a game, they lost gambling, or it can not endure. It is their expenses, and some of them started up to the Nebraska State league to clear to walk back and lost their way. Taken all in all, wasn't this a profitable trip? Recently the Ancient Order of United

of life in these parts, and with the es- Workmen team, which has been fighting tabilshment of a track in the bottoms hard for the cellar berth of the Greater some splendid sport is promised the pub- Omaha league, has been strengthened and lic. It hasn't been so many years since now they are going after the bacon. Mcthis section was noted as the home of Guire, formerly with the Storz, is their many celebrated trotters and pacers, and stronghold on the mound. Today, down the harness horse industry was thrifty on the turf at Luxus park, the Ancient and popular. Now that the excitement Order of United Workmen children will occasioned by the automobile has sub- do their darndest to land three wrangles, sided slightly, it is not too much to ex- They will finish their seven-inning strugpere that a little attention be given to gle which ended in an argument with the the horse, and particularly to the horse bases intoxicated and two out with Verin the sulky. Some of the departed glory non at bat last Sunday. When this arof the half-mile track may easily be gument is settled they will play a postponed game with the Alamitos, and then play their regular game booked with the With the general revival of business Alamites for today. This will be the throughout the country comes a corre- first triple-header indulged in by the

Diamond Dust. Comfort of the First Methodists has

Dutch Platz, formerly with the Town-sends, will hereafter wear an Armour

George Graham of the Stors whacked four on the kisser out of four times up last Sunday. The Stars and Stripes would like to book games for July & Call Roy Stacey at South 1238.

paper, but they fail to produce when they buck against the Storm.

Most of the defunct Townsend squad have been picked up by other teams of the Greater Omaha league. Berth number one of the Greater Omaha league is still the property of the hearly unbeatable Armours.

Bob Foran, formerly a local star, just shot in from Fremont the other day, Call Harney 1949 for his services. With the exception of four, all the cams of the Omaha Amateur association have turned in their contracts. Back of the hit station, Butler is do-ing nicely for the foe Smiths. He has a perfect peg, good with the stick and his roof plays a conspictous part in all

Although Lee Kline, the boy wonder, tinked 'em for the Bourgeois trouge last Sunday, they failed to cop the bacon. Since Billiam Fox jumped to the arena as an umpire in the Greater Omaha league, he has had oodles of trouble.

Fred Jungman, manager of the H. Juniors, poled out a three-base hit off Hoffam of the South Omaha Midgets. Williamson, Grant, Carmody and Sanan, formerly with the Townsends, have When in need of a good umpire call Walnut 253 and squawk for Harry Wright He knows the game from A to Z.

Cromen Coady is still on the sick list with a bum pedal. Apparently Coady's base ball and foot bell days are over. Black's Kats hit their stride last Sun-day and played the ball they are capable of. All season they have been below par. The catching and batting of John Pavlik, who took Koubsky's place as catcher for the B. P. Juniors, improved the team. Last Sunday for Schuyler, Neb., John Andrews, an Omaha youth, struck out twenty of the Rogers, Neb., congrega-

Madam Rumor has it that Manager Graham of the Bourgeois squad is after Mart Planagan, for nerly with the Town-

Manager Storm of the Council Riuffs Jos Smiths, has signed Jack Lacey of Woodbine, Ia., to hold down an outer

Mr. Tripp says he will make the trip with the Ancient Order of United Work-men aggregation to Pierce, Neb., on July 3

TOWNSENDS TAKE THE COUNT Wants to Ride 100 Miles an Hour and Also Loop the Loop

"If anybody else can do it, I can do it, too." And there you have the motto of one Bert Le Bron, president of the Omaha Auto Speedway company and the e Bron Aviation company.

Among his friends Le Bron has the reputation of being a dare-devil. matter what the danger may be-and generally the more the danger the more Bert likes It-Le Bron is the one man in Omaha who is eager to perform the undertaking. To most people the ambitions of Le Bron are both reckless and foolbardy, but Bert is the kind of a chap who is born with a horseshoe in his left mitt and his luck never leaves

dent Cook didn't think it advisable to Bert now has two major ambitions in keep them on the payroll when matters life. One is to travel in a racing motor looked so gloomy for the Gunners. James | car on the Omaha speedway at a rate of over 100 miles an hour. As soon as the drivers arrive here to try out the track to throw up the reins. When Mullen lets Bert intends to see the accomplishment loose it is generally considered among the of his ambition. The other is to loop locals that all hopes for reorganization the loop in a flying machine. Le Bron almost had a chance to see the realization of this latter hope, but his luck wasn't with him-or either it was with htm-for he couldn't make the trip.

It was to be with Art Smith at the speedway last Thanksgiving day. Bert had framed it so that he and Art would go up, turn three loops and then Smith was to descend and go up again alone. Townsends were willing to stick and do But a dense fog came up and Smith refused to take any chances with a passenger.

But some day Smith or De Llayd Thompson will come to Omaha, Le Bron have to roll in with twenty-five bucks declares he will see to that, and then he will make his perilous flight in the clouds as a passenger with one of these daring aviators.

Ever since a little tot Le Bron has been When a boy he rigged up a flock of at thirty-seven and a half feet. He also elected to fill his boots. Under the super- trapezes and slides in his barn on the vision of McKee, the Inter-City league farm where he was born, in Trego should be more progressive than ever be- county, Kansas. One day he saw a cireus in town and saw a slide for life by the business that required the attention one of these red-righted, iron-jaw genof the directors they adjourned until a tiemen. He decided to make one of these sildes. He took some wire used Any manager or player that wishes to to bind hay bales and made his slide. dispose of some of the elimination cham- That is, he started. Of course the light young Omahan and when he sees the wire broke and Bert was precipitated realization of the two ambitions he now to the earth with more or less force. When 15 years of age Le Bron was a siderably more.

Although he has been afforded an op-portunity to hitch up with the Storz, nevertheless West Baker will probably muchage himself to the Alamitos.

Frank Welch has throwed up the reins as manager of the Ancient Order of United Workmen squad, but he will still hold down the middle bag for them.

On corner three Lismend is playing great ball for the Stars and Stripes. He gobbles everything that tickles his territory and he is there and back again with

Suilivan, the chief kinker for the Hollys, nailed another no-hit, no-run game last Sabhath when, with the excellent support of his teammates, he shut out the famous Waiter G. Clarks.

Hal Driscoll, well known among the

James Mullen is now the main cheese of the Townsends. He ought to be able to do something to keep this gang away from the cemetery. He run the Townsends last Sunday and then resigned but his resignation has not been accepted.

irguments.

has twirled for the Stars and Stripes he has allowed only three hits. Going some. HEAVYWEIGHT CROP - LIGHT eh, boys?

was too young.

First Christians and H)rst Memorials will play July 3 at Elmwood park. This game will practically decide the league Jim Coffey and Charles Weinert Only Pugs Who Would Have a John McAndrews of the Hollys is field-Chance with Champ. ing his position like a regular hig league cavorter. He is also rather pugnacious

COFFEY HAS THE EDGE ON JESS The Kohout Coits defeated the DeVol Victors and not the Council Bluffs Im-perials. The Imperials have never played the Kohout Colts. NEW YORK, June 26.-Reports from

the west that a young heavyweight of Morey Miller slid back in town the other day from Grand Island and inci-dentally signed with the Ancient Order of United Workmen. great promise has been discovered calls attention to the fact that new material for that division never was more scarce than at the present time.

The B. P. Juniors' infield, which consists of Cecetks, Povondra, Jungman and Shramek, showed up well against the South Omaha Midgets. Following the defeat of Jeffries a swarm of "white hopes" sprang up overnight. Among the number were Carl Vernon, the Alamito twirler, was the chief hitamith during the Aiamito-Ancient Order of United Workman tussie. He clipped a .867 average. Morris, Jim Stewart, Jim Savage, Al Palzer, Frank Moran, Luther McCarty. Gunboat Smith, Arthur Pelky and many Edward McDermott of Gentlemen's Athletics, who holds down corner one, is their most reliable hitter. He is espe-cially good in the pinches. others of less standing. All were full of ambition to avenge the downfall of Jeffries and incidentally win a fortune for

On July 4 and 5 the oride of Omaha, namely, the Storz, will endeavor to cop a pair of wrangles at Red Ouk, Ia., and incidentally a wad of green. Since the advent of Jess Willard, however, no new men have appeared on the horizon, and although Willard is free to On account of the bum condition of the diamond at Chris Lyck park, the Armour-Chris Lyck contest scheduled for last Sunday, was postponed. fight in any of the boxing centers of the country when he feels so inclined, it seems highly probable that soon he will The writer is unable to figure out one real good reason why the Townsends blew up, unless because their crack kinker, Baker, flew the coop.

Only Two Blyals.

At the present time Willard's only rivals worth consideration are Jim Coffey and, possibly, Charley Weinert, When he has disposed of this pair there will be nothing more for him to do but wait for some new men to come to the front. Erickson is now picking the pills behind the willow for the Ancient Order of Unked Workmen band. His knowledge of the game ought to help some. And as it usually takes at least three years' campaigning before a boxer is ready for a championship match, it is apparent that Willard's reign will not be

In all probability John Dennison will have to hold down the bench for a few moons, on account of putting one of his fingers on the blink last Sunday. a stormy one. Even Coffey and Weinert, the only ones of the present set who have not yet On Saturday, July 3, Pierce, Neb., will celebrate. At this celebration the Woodmen of the World and the Midland Glass and Paint company teams, will taugle. reached their best form, will not be ready to do their best work for at least a year to come. Since both are still improving rapidly, only time will show whether Up to date Harry Daily, formerly a shining light on our local sand lots, is out in the rain. He can still dig enout of the dust. Webster 224 will catch they are of championship calibre. At the present stage of their development matching them with Willard would be to risk sacrificing their future.

Charles Kane, the big noise of the Hotel Castle crew, stepped off the bridge and fell into a life partner. Although hitched up. Charles will still play base This of course is on the supposition that Willard in the future will show his true form instead of hanging back, as At the hot corner, Phillips of the Joe Smiths, is starring this acason. They don't tap them too hard for him and his peg is as strong as iron and as true as steel. he did in most of his bouts before winning the title. Otherwise it is by no means certain that anything very serious would happen to either Coffey or Weinert in ten rounds. For anything over that Now that Tom Noone, the leader of the Chris Lycks, has been afforded ample time to reconstruct this aggregation, he ought to cough up some real base ball distance it would be foolish to think of pairing either of the youngsters with the gigantic Willard, but a ten-round hout mbight be a differte matter.

Coffey Is Faster, Just how Willard will act in these tenround affairs, now that he is champion, emains to be seen. On the form he has displayed so far, the only thing reasonably sure is that he would be in no danger of being knocked out, thereby lozing his title. But to say that Coffey would have no chance of outpointing him in a short bout is taking too much for granted. In Willard's short career he has encountered no one who had more speed and endurance than the Irish giant. Right Just because the Storz vtilize the services of George Clark, is it imperative that the other local amateurs should hire him? He is a good umpire, but has he ever stepped out of his way to help the local amateurs? now Coffey seems to be a better man than Gunbest Smith, who outpointed Willard in twenty rounds. Coffey also seems to be a few notches higher than Luther McCarty was when the latter met Willard and carried the fighting to his scal pill manipulators, is now visiting of comana. He used to be assistant with a farrells, but since becoming Senator fitchcock's secretary he has let base ball all by the wayside.

Willard and carried the fighting to giant opponent for seven of the rounds. Then, too, Coffey defeated fitchcock's secretary he has let base ball all by the wayside. rounds. Then, too, Coffey defeated Carl Whenever any of the local teams stage a row where there is a chance for the umpire to plok up a five spot, they always forget about the fellows that on other occasions donate their services and

Morris far more decisively than Willard That Willard with his tremendous hitting power, ought to make short work of the inexperienced Coffey goes without saying. But what Willard ought to do other occasions donate treir services and they hire an outsider.

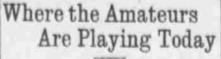
Kriebs, president of the Commercial league, says if the Balleys would muciliferent things. Like many other boxers have a few more dudes that used to grab the nicks among the salaried children they would be sure to cop the grapes in the Commercial league.

Saying. But what Willard ought to do and what he does accomplish are two different things. Like many other boxers who otherwise would be great fighters, willard is handicapped by his temperature they would be sure to cop the grapes in the Commercial league. is a fatal fault so far as short bouts are concerned, although in a long fight it works the other way. But unless Willard can overcome his tendency to hold back,

with the Ancient Greer of United Worksman aggregation to Pierce, Neb., on July 3.

Some of the Class B teams prove more of an attraction than the Class A speeds merchants of the Greater Omaha league. The base when Wahl of the Balleys stantly on the aggressive and never stops his residual to the fielders back up when he steps to the Balleys has no mercy on the ball. All the fielders back up when he steps to the plate. Smith of the Balleys is the Ty Cobb of the Commercial league. Guinners sure his days are the fielders back up when he steps to the plate. Smith of the Balleys is the Ty Cobb of the Commercial league. Guinner flexible ground. Graham of the Balleys aure the ground. Graham of the Balleys aure flexible and hits them in big league fashion.

In the last three games that Hec Carter.



South Diamond-Armours against Bour-gools at 1:30, Armours against Chris Locks at 3:30, North Diamond-Nourse Oil company against Mandy Lees at 1:30, James Corr Electrics against Riversides at 3:30.

Alamitos against Ancient Order of United Workmen in triple-header, begin-ning at 1:26

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sgainst Twenty-fourth Street Merchants at 1:30, Fontenelles against Krajiceks at 3:30.

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THIRTY-FIRST AND BOYD.
Tradesmen against Auto Row at 3.
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