

JUDGMENTS

IF MADNESS is an indication of impending destruction by the gods, then Tebeau and his partners are almost on the very verge of extinction. Their madness is so apparent as to need no signpost.

Such action would render Tebeau supreme in base ball, even to a point where he could dictate to the managers of the major leagues, for, with the minor leagues completely under his control he could easily defy the majors.

Tebeauism has been the most disturbing and destructive feature in the base ball world for the last five years. Inspired by Dan Johnson's success, this Colossus of Minors has sought to place himself on a pinnacle equally eminent.

While this madman is rampaging around in organized ball, it is well to remember that W. A. Rourke of Omaha is the man who saved the Western league and averted Tebeau. For this offense Rourke has never been forgiven, and the spite of Tebeau and his associates has often been visited on Omaha as a result of his ungrateful spirit.

The athletic association at Lincoln is in need of money again. This is assigned as the reason for going to St. Louis on Thursday.

Winter racing is again beginning to look like a money game. The grand division of the bookmakers' millions will soon be going on simultaneously at New Orleans, San Francisco and Los Angeles.

An English foot racer, who has been in this country but a few months, is already some thousands ahead of the game. Needless to say, he has operated altogether in the effete east.

By the way, have you noticed how the enthusiasm boiled over at the Omaha High school as soon as the lid was taken off? All the Omaha youngsters needs is half a chance, and he'll do the rest.

Shaefer's experiment in training foot ball players on vegetable diet is attracting much attention. It isn't easy, though, to say "nuts" instead of "beef" when referring to the big men in the line.

King Cole is doing mighty well with his Cornishers in the face of an unusually heavy schedule. No other western team has so many hard games in succession as Nebraska.

One thing is sure: If the American association busts the outlaw banner, the Washington-Den Moines-Minneapolis shift will be worked an often as it was last season.

Omaha bowlers are a little slow in locating the grooves. Not a 300 score has been reported yet this season. Wait till after the first of year, can't you?

In the meantime Cleveland, Chicago and Pittsburgh go serenely on, as if they were not threatened by a disruption of Tebeauism.

WEIGHTS ARE SET TOO LOW

American Jockeys Are Forced to Go Abroad Under System.

CLAMOR NOW FOR HEAVIER LIMIT

One Hundred Pounds Suggested as the Irreducible Minimum and 115 for All Races Except Handicaps on Aged Horses.

NEW YORK, Nov. 2.—Owing to the pernicious practice of racing associations of the metropolitan circuit in so framing the conditions of their races as to keep the weights at a ridiculously low amount, four excellent American jockeys will probably have to quit the saddle this fall or follow in the footsteps of Mahr, Taral, the two Refitts and Tommy Burns, and go abroad. The jockeys in question are Nicol, Radtke, Knapp and Jack Martin.

Even now, when they reduce to their minimum, they weaken themselves to such an extent as to impair their efficiency. Some of them actually become light headed from the waste of vital energy in this process. These jockeys are loath to admit that their retirement from American racing impends, but it is a fact. Finished horsemen, who should be at the summit of their careers, they must give place to a bunch of precocious brats, who are game, but who know little more than to sit still and let a horse run as fast and as far as he can.

Willie Dugan, the jockey whose admirable horsemanship won the Suburban for Nealon, gave up trying to reduce to irreducible weight as far back as July 1. Mountain, after a vain attempt to make a living in the east, departed for the west three or four weeks ago. Mountain is about dugged. He is thinking seriously of buying horses with the money he has saved and turn trainer. Dugan and Mountain were never better than they were this season, but because of their weight they got winning mounts rarely.

There is no earthly reason why the jockey club should not permit or even finally fix upon 100 pounds as the irreducible minimum of weight to be carried by any horse past five years old in any race, and at the same time proclaim that in no race for horses of mature age, barring handicaps, shall a horse of 4 years old or over shoulder less than 115 pounds. Such a regulation could have a most wholesome effect. It would prolong the usefulness of the jockeys of skill and experience already in this country from six to a dozen years, and the prospect of finding remunerative occupation at home would expatriate from abroad a score or more of expatriated jockeys, who were driven abroad by the operation of the schedule of keeping the weights down. Such a regulation would exert a greater influence for the improvement of American racing than anything the stewards have done for four or five years.

On these days of lightly harrowed tracks horse handle weight much more cleverly than their forebears used to. Also they make brilliant time. That carrying big weight does not break a horse down more quickly than does carrying light weight is proved by the careers of Hermis and Roseben.

BIG STABLES AT EMERYVILLE

Owners and Straggs Arrive from East

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 2.—The string of Thomas H. Williams, in charge of Dr. H. E. Rowell, has been out on the track and looks exceedingly well after the long trip from the east. There are seven on the list, including Firestone, Creation and Walter Miller. Colonel White, a recent purchase, belongs to Dr. Rowell. This horse belongs to M. Buckley (a well known sport hereabouts) who is to ride it. Also there is a spring at odds of 100 to 1. Firestone's last races would indicate that he needs a rest, also that he is a sprinter. The \$2,000 beauty, Walter Miller, did nothing to distinguish himself in the racing line, and Walter Miller, the riding celebrity, under contract to Mr. Williams, has probably "gone stale" and been advised by his employer to take a rest after the close of the season around New York. Tommy Sandy will ride Dr. Rowell's charges until the premier jockey arrives on the scene. Only about three boys rode better than Sandy around New York this season—Miller, E. Dugan and W. Knapp.

Four carloads of R. F. Carman's horses, in charge of James Blitt, have just arrived at Emeryville. On the same train were the remainder of the E. C. Hildreth string, fifteen in number, including Montgomery, Meelick and Uncle.

Andy Blakely, who is anything but a stranger in this part of the world, will have charge of six horses that will race at Emeryville during the coming season. Frank Trolan, who has been a jockey in California several times, will train the big Thomas string now in Kentucky. The Chinn, who has been a visitor to the coast since the Hay District days, will leave this month with a carload of flyers for Emeryville. Billy "Hot Foot" Oliver and Pat Sheehy will make up a carload of gallopers with winning ways and start for Emeryville shortly.

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STAKE RACES AT SANTA ANITA

Card for Winter Announced at Los Angeles.

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In speaking of the work that has been done in remodeling the fair grounds, Mr. White said: "Work on the fair grounds course has been completed and the contractors who have charge of affairs within a short time will turn the course over to the Crescent City Jockey club. Since the racing season closed last spring a large force of men has been at work on the old course and now it compares favorably with any in the country. When it was decided to tear up the old grandstand and old paddock and offices the entire steel framework of the Union park racing plant at St. Louis was purchased at a cost of \$50,000 and brought to New Orleans. The grandstand is 300 feet long and its tiers of seats may easily be increased, although at present it will easily accommodate from 8,000 to 4,000 people."

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Advertisement for State Medical Institute. Features the text: "DOCTORS FOR MEN", "The Reliable Specialists", "FIRST WARNING OF DANGER", "STATE MEDICAL INSTITUTE", "1308 Farnam St., Between 13th and 14th Sts., Omaha, Neb."

Advertisement for Omaha National Bank. Features the text: "Many Men.", "Recognize the value of a bank account, but keep putting off starting one from week to week.", "Omaha National Bank", "Capital, \$1,000,000.00", "13th Street, Bet. Farnam and Douglas"

Advertisement for The Overland Limited. Features the text: "A California Train", "PERFECT IN APPOINTMENTS", "Electric lighted throughout and unexcelled for comfort and convenience", "The Overland Limited", "UNION PACIFIC", "Inquire at CITY TICKET OFFICE, 1824 FARNAM ST., PHONE DOUGLAS 1828."