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### **JUDGMENTS**

able condition for the Western league; in fact, it seems almost a disgrace to the game that the circult has been kept at six clubs for two seasons. But the suggestion made by President O'Neil at his called meeting in Chicago that St. Joe and Colorado Springs up a pair of live ones, it had better stumble as was the case in today's. along another year with its six clubs that | Coach Cole's job is still one of consider. made no bones about admitting that there

for the last two seasons ought to teach with the players, it's becoming harder reasonably assured. Unless this is done it will mean financial suffering, as it already has meant to some extent this year. There is no question that crowds in some cities on the circuit have not been as large as they would have been had some teams in the league been able to give the Chicago Cubs a semblance of contest for the pennant. The end of the season in the two big leagues is at hand and as a matter of fact it finds interest in the National league race dead, for the simple reason there is no race, while interest in the American league fight has reached a point eldom equalled in the history of base ball. True the finish in the latter league la one of the prodigies of the game, never have three teams come down to the wire with such nerve-racking rivalry as is he case with Detroit, Philadelphia and Chicago. And there is Cleveland a potential successor to the Sox for third place. This is what makes the interest in base ball grow and swells the gate receipts. This thing of having one team in a league comparably better than all the rest, like the Cubs of Chicago, is a bad thing for the game. This lesson was taught at considerable expense back in the '80's, when Comiskey had brought the old Browns up to the stage of surpassing greatness, where they won the pennant four successive seasons hands down. But it is a hopeful indication to see managers generally in the National set about thus early to the task of reorganizing their teams with the determination of making the race for the pennant next year a real contest and compelling the team that wins to play ball from the first to the last of the season. A revival of such conditions in the old National would be hailed with delight from one end of the far spotted by Cole on whom much reliance land to the other.

coming struggle for the cham the world, between the Chicago Nationals - (7). That's the all-absorbing question. Three teams still have some the Tigers. Those fans who are preaching and experience make him too valuable doctrine that either one of these facts and records for such conclusions. The Athletics might beat the Cubs, the Tigers is no doubt, but that Chicago Nationals, except their manager, were not sufficienty impressed with the powers of the Cominsky team is generally admitted by impartial men. Chance, himself, was unable now filled by them on the 'varsity. to make his men believe they had a fight on their hands. Do you suppose for one minute Chance will have that obstacle to meet this fall? Those Cubs will go into that fight as they never went into another and if they are defeated it will be because the best team in the world did it. But championship, old Pop Anson probably is right when he says that less than fourteen games is not enough to determine the suhigh grade teams.

All around the circuit they have been picking out star Western league teams. How does this combination strike you: Catchers, Gonding and LaBrand; pitchers, Neciey; first base, Dolan; second base, Graham; third base, Austin; shortstop, Franck: left field, Autrey; middle field. Welch; right field, Belden? Not a star in same, and that ought to count for something.

man, Muggay McGraw threw a dipper of burg the other day. This is something of an improvement over the quid of well chewed and thoroughly moistened tobacco, which Larry Lajois used to express his dislike to Umpire Johnstone's face at Cleveland a couple of season's since. Nothing like being a fearless leader, you

Des Moines is making a lot of cracks bet that the Rourke family was paid quite know they were much better treated. And, some of those fellows were paid at all.

According to a press dispatch, the American association closed its season with over \$255,000 in the treasury. This means that each game was played on the home grounds by each team had a paid attendance of almost 2,000 over and above the expenses. or an average valid attendance of almost

Heavens! What would become of Des Moines if Joe and Mike gave up the game there? It's too dreadful to think about.

and the rest of Charley Murphey's bunch of

CORNHUSKERS OPEN SEASON

Game with Peru at Lincoln Ends Practice Stage.

COACH COLE HAS DIFFICULT JOB

Material at Lincoln is Good, but it Needs Much Working Into Shape-Needs Ends and Backs.

LINCOLN, Sept. 28 - (Special.) - This afternoon's game with Peru marked both been tried out thoroughly, and each has for 1907, and the actual opening of the proven beyond chance for argument that season. From now on the chief concern of It is a dead one as far as base ball is the coaches will not be the assembling of concerned. For three seasons St. Joseph a squad sufficiently large to permit the giving slaughter. As a result of the sudden dragged through with the help of the selection of a score of genuine foot ball other teams, and Colorado Springs was players, but the development of the players doing but very little better. It would be already selected into a machine which may suicide to invest these towns with fran with some assurance of success tackle the chises again. Pueble is enough of a load. hard schedule ahead of it. Occupying, as it With one of the best teams in the league, did the first place on the schedule, the playing ball all lihe way and making the Peru game was consequently one of the best of them hustle, the attendance at most important of the year, despite the rangements can be guaranteed the change Pueblo was a joke last season, and no score resulting. It is probably true that in reason exists to think it will increase an- no other game will the work of the players night that the matter had not gone far other year. If the Western can not pick be so carefully scrutinized by the coaches

considerable emphasis that instead of be- up of wealth is the principal thing. Mr. The experience of the National league coming easier as he becomes acquainted Eager intimates. the magnates of the oldest of base ball Since the opening training both Cole and COLUMBIA'S TWO SETS OF BACKS organizations a fesson; it ought to lead his assistant, "Dog" Eager, have been atto the reorganization of certain teams so tempting to discourage the idea that the that a close race for the pennant may be future of the team is a roseate affair Both admit that material is on hand that gives considerable promise, but the holes The Tigers are having good weather for that existed in the team before it was even ned up, are still yawning. At the end of tage of it. The first scriminage of the year three weeks of hard work and strenuous was held last Tuesday, when the 'varsity skirmishing by the coaches, it is apparent squad was divided into two teams and that both ends are inefficiently guarded. One good set of backs is available, but that is all. With the requirements of the new life depended upon it, and when it was over not only must the ends be better guarded Nixon, both guards of the 'varsity, received than they ever were before, but a generous wise be available to fill gaps both at the wings and in the backfield.

Trouble With Ends and Backs. Although most of the enthusiasts who have watched the work of the warriors every fternoon refuse to take so gloomy an outgranted that the two mentors of the team can be depended upon to hold it to the fullback; Morrow, left half. satisfaction of the coaches. Harvey, last Lincoln man, showed some promise at end, gineering department. but was out only two or three days during the week, while Mike Denslow is busy radicating the summer kinks. Weller and Burnett at the two halves,

has been placed for a job with the rear-guard. This is not at all satisfactory, so If there is one thing in which base ball Cole asserts. He wants two sets of backs, If there is one thing in which base ball cole asserts. He wants two sets of backs, franker and williams are not ent Detroit-Philadelphia series that is the as the other. From present indications he hope to be before long for they are all being especially in demand on account of the foot ball team and it is not known vill have a hard time to find the other set. Aside from these two problems, however, the team still looks good. The fight between Cooks and Minor for the quarterchance, perhaps, but that of the White Sox | back position seems to have been won by is so slight that even the grittlest Com- the latter, who has been holding it down inskey boosters view the situation with all week, while Cooke has been set to meloncholy misgivings. The one subject of work with the second team. This dees discussion is the relative strength of the not mean that Cooke is to be discarded Cubs and the Athletics or the Cubs and as a member of the first squad. His speed man to lose, and he will be worked with American league teams would eat up the Minor, either man being capable of taking Cube, must be reckoning without much the place in the absence of the other. study, for certainly there is no warrant in Of the two Minor runs the team much more smoothly, and appears to be the better general, his rival being a triffe might, but neither would have a walk- erratic both in directing plays and in Last fall Manager Chance and his executing those participated in by himmen learned a lesson by which they pro- self. Minor also has the advantage of pose to profit this fail. That the victory of working behind Collins, the big center, the White Sox was fair and genuine there who has taken the job held by Harvey last year. Both were members for several seasons of the Lincoln high school team. and attracted considerable attention during their scholastic careers in the positions

Dale Perrin Gets Out. Another unexpected recruit to the squad arrived yesterday, when Dale Perrin made his apearance on the campus. Perrin was good material for tackle last year, and in case he gets to work next week, his addition will perhaps relieve Chaloupka or after all this talk of deciding a world's Harvey for work in the back field. The former is properly a full-back anyhow. Perrin has been busy getting his registration fixed since his arrival in town. premecy between any two evenly matched and has not been able to take an active part in practice.

Perrin's arrival was offset by the loss of Miller Benedict, substitute quarter last year and one of the best-known foot ball. The announcement was made that the old end on the freshman team last year. Hubmen at the university. Benedict is hampered by his lack of weight and small the abolition of the game the college had cially and will lay out one year for that Ragan, Sanders, Hall. Thompson and Mc- stature, but was a valuable man on ac- the making of a very strong team, as reason. He would undoubtedly have made his willingness to do more than his share playing together, with speed and precision, coaches have more big men this year than of work. At the time of his entrance into they had weight and were gaining experithe university, after graduation from the ence in the game. At the close of the gates were opened one day during the past the lot, but they won the pennant, just the Lincoln high school, great things were 1906 season it was predicted that they week for the enthusiasts, and a large crowd anticipated for him, but his physical handicaps proved to be too much to make his work on the squad entirely a success. abolished. Since that time the members of the closed gates during the coming week Just to show that he's a real gentle. He left school early in the week to engage in outside work. On account of his wide water in the face of Umpire Kiem at Pitts- acquaintance and general popularity his loss was much regretted

Hard work will be the program during the coming week, in order to get the team whipped into shape for the South Dakota game. The northerners scared the cornhuskers well-nigh silly last year by holding them to a score of four to nothing. Nebrasks going into the game with the idea that Whittemore's pupils would prove easy money. Instead of that they pushed the shout its big salary roll and the small size cornhuskers to the utmost to win at all. of the Omaha pay roll, but it's not a bad | Coach Cole doesn't care for any surprises of this sort, and whatever the result of as well during the season as any of the al- the game, no over-confidence will have to leged expensive teams, and the players be shaken this time. Nothing at all is known of the strength of South Dakota. as for Denver-it's a shame to think that but it believed the northerners will present a strong front, Whittemore having demonstrated an uncomforting ability to develop high grade team of limited materials.

Watching Creighton's Schedule. Considerable interest has been aroused in the cornhusker camp by the announcement that Creighton university will play St. Louis next month. It is probable that Nebraska will have a man on the inside lines son. No; there are no liars in the base to witness the game in the Missouri mefropolis, in order to get a line on the style of play adopted by Cochem's pupils. Note that purpose of the organizations, namely, the development of the team must come the development of the development of the team must come the development of the development braska's game with St. Louis will be only to develop local athletes. Many of the second in importance to the one with Minmost rabid of the kickers wished the colnesota, according to present indications. The lege men barred from all contests but inter-Creighton game will be perhaps better for Plank and Dygert will pitch against on account of the fact that whoever is sheckard. Schults. Slagic. Steinfoldt, Kling sent to watch the struggle will probably sent to watch the struggle will probably moderate restriction. be well acquainted with Creighton's work. The St. Louis-Creighton game is not the

sots two weeks from today is another which will probably be watched with considerable anxiety. The following Saturday the goph ers will be tackled by Nebraska, and the Ames game will provide the first oppor tunity the cornhuskers will have to contest with Dr. Williams' men. Ames will not be played in Lincoln till November 2, but the Minnesota game will see them at their best, and will not be permitted to pass without interested onlookers from Nebraska.

It is possible that the game with Kansas scheduled to be played at Lawrence, may pulled off at Kansas City. Missouri and Kansas were billed to play their andisruption of the plans for the Jayhawk-Eager, and if satisfactory financial armay be made. Mr. Eager declared last enough to permit any definite announcement to be made concerning it, but he

Dr. Monilaw Hopes to Evolve rustest Tenm Missouri Has Had. COLUMBIA, Mo., Sept. 28 -- (Special.) their practice, and they are taking advanplayed against each other for thirty minutes. Each man went into it as though his was on last year's squad, played like a mer. demon, and if he keeps it up he will, beyond a doubt, make a position on this year's

ook as do the coaches, it's pretty generally an equal basis, and it is very hard to tell the season advances much further. At know what they're talking about when they He says if something does not turn up he ponents of the pigskin that cannot be get on the subject of backs and ends, will have the fastest team in the state this beaten. The linesmen, and more especially ular scrimmage work is slated for the Buck Beltzer during the week made a bet- fall. He also says he is figuring on using the guards, are seldom seen with the ball, ter showing at the wing guarded by him two "backfields" in each game. The back- and hence they seldom do anything very than did any other candidate for the job. fields he is using now are; Dulver, left spectacular. Without two such trusty men At that, however, he is new to the position half; Nee fullback; Crain, right half; and as Wagner and Bloedhorn, however, it and will require much coaching before he on the other, Sigbee, right half; Axilne, would be impossible for the men in the

year's center, who was placed at the other every day doing what they can to help man. "Big Mac" was right there all the end last Monday, proved somewhat of a the team. The Tigers will be weakened by time last year and so it is not strange that disappointment there although it was real- the loss of La Rue at center, who played the fans are delighted to see him out in ized that he was unaccustomed to the re-quirements of the place and would probably as the "all southern center" of last fall. Among the backfieldsmen mprove with using. Hugo Birkner, a big and who is now an instructor in the en-

The lineup of the two teams at present is: 'Varsity Second. P. Roberts 'Varsity. Groves. L. T. Cr'thers & Kurty L. G. Rustine. R. G. and Kroger at full make up a fast backfield, but Craig is the only other man so

The game with Westminster college has been called off, and the first game will be

SIMPSON WILL HAVE A TEAM before Thanksgiving. Flanigan, Jewett,

by Announcement. IOWA CITY, Ia., Sept. 28 .- (Special.) -- A practice. sensation has been created in athletic with the city team, but the first interscholastic contests will be scheduled for 1908. The announcement was made by President Sheldon at the opening convocation. Foot ball was abolished at Simpson college in the spring of 1906, after one of the most successful seasons in the history of the association. At that time it was stated that as a sport it had no place in To This End He Will Bar Out Everythe undergraduate life of the institution. After the revision of the rules the faculty still refused to reinstate the sport. Under date of October 6, 1906, Prof. John L. Tilton the objections which had been raised and the way in which the team will eventually just at this time an unexpected situation ened by the addition of Tom O'Brien, who developed. The athletic management found for several seasons past has taken care of italef without funds with which to carry the physical condition of the Chicago Maon the rest of the athletic life of the institu- rooms and the Chicago White Sox. He tion. Basket ball, base ball, tennis and comes to Iowa with the best of recommen track showed the same annual deficit and dations and will take charge of work which there was no foot ball team to carry over has been neglected for several years. a surplus with which to meet the running expenses of the college. After one season fall by Coach Catlin have reported fer the authorities of the institution backed up. work with the exception of Hubbard, a big sport was to be reinstated. At the time of bard could not see his way through financount of his knowledge of the game and strong teams go in lows. The men were a valuable man for the Hawkeyes, but the would make the leaders of the sport in unknown squad that they will come into

FIRST STEP TO BAR THE COLLEGE

Student May Represent An Athlette Club During His Course. NEW YORK, Sept. 28 .- (Special.)-The Metropolitan association of the American Athletic union has taken the first step in the fight to bar coilege athletes from the American Athletic union competition during their undergraduate career. No students of any college, school or university may represent an athletic club during their college year. The college year is defined as the full twelve months, or from the beginning of one col lege term to the beginning of the next term. The cause of this action was primarily the dissatisfaction of the local athletes over the preference shown to college mep. The regular members of the clubs after being trained for the greater part of a year by the leading conches of the colleges and who represent those clubs during the summer, getting the greater part collegiate affairs, but the Metropolitan as-

The Hee for Complete sporting news.

Creighton Players Go Groggy and Require Attention of Coach.

what they are to encounter in their annual LINE MEN ARE IN GOOD SHAPE guarded secret

General Interest is in Tarkto Game Saturday, the Team for Which Has Not Been Selected

Creighton foot ball work has progressed nicely during the last week and every even- almost entirely of rudimentary nature, and be given franchises received only the hoarse the end of the preliminary practice stage but have encountered serious objections to full swing. The back field has become a ling punts, tackling, blocking and other the usual plan, George Tebeau having trifle groggy and Coach Bell is not at all boosted sky-high his rental for the associa- pleased with their loss of speed. Until on an average over forty candidates out tion park, hitherto the scene of the Thanks- Wednesday the back field was working in for practice each evening, and others anxgood shape, but suddenly it lost all ambi- lous to come out as fast as they can be tion and the coach had to repeatedly urge supplied with uniforms. Indications now Tiger game, Kansas City is in a fair way the back on in the remaining practices. are that by October 1 the squad will be be without a single big football contest The line, however, is showing up fine. All this year. It is understood that the matter of Creighton's linesmen are heavy, most of spirit shown among the Tigers or as many of shifting the Kansas-Nebraska game to them are fast and if the back field but re-Kansas City has been broached to Manager gains its form the combination will be a a fight for a position on Doane's foot ball mighty good one. Tarkio Negt Saturday.

Tarkio comes next Saturday and just what men Bell will line up against the heavy Missourians is as yet undetermined, against all comers. Johnson will in all There are several applicants for some of probability play quarter and in a pinch can keep going from April till September. able difficulty. In fact, he asserts with might be money in the plan. The piling will all be worked against Tarkio. The half. Maresh will doubtlessly be able to work done in a game quickly shows a land his old position at left half, but at Tarkio game will bring forth merit from be flerce, as each place has from three t

pick his 'varsity. end position in good style. Erhart has guards are at a premium as there are but played end for several years and has the ize the successful end. Stevens, on the other end, continues to show speed and ing candidate for the position of left tackle should be able to put up the game that to be a running mate to Captain Sloninger made him such a favorite last year. Hurmon, at tackle, has the required goods and game to be met, Coach Cole declares that a few had minor injuries. Crouthers and is a suitable running mate for Morgan- of material as was the condition then, injuries in the knees that will lay them out play tackle while the giant is recuperating ing for the wing position. At present supply of dependable substitutes must like- of practice for a few days. Stivitzer, who from an injury received during the sum-

> Marrin May Be Shifted. When Morg. returns to the game Marrin

probably will be shifted to the back field Dr. Menilaw is having a hard time pick- or an end. Bill Sucha, who also has been ing the team. All the men seem to be on laid up, will be back and hustling before who will be picked for the 'varsity eleven. guard Wagner and Bloedhorn are two exback field to pull off any stellar stunts Many old Missouri men are on the field McCormick at center is another valuable

Among the backfieldsmen - Captain 'Chuck" Brome stands first and foremost. Brome possesses all the points essential to a successful quarterback and never fails to do the right thing at the right time. looked upon as the mainstay of the White and Blue. Magirl is another from whom much is expected and, although he has not lost several of its star players this season been in many of the scrimmages, he is and the make-up of the new team is problooked upon as the most reliable ground lematic. Coach Griffith will have charge his strong right boot

New Men Show Up Well. Of the new bunch Beck and Casey seem to be the goods and both probably will have many chances to show their nerve Corrigan, Meegan, Coad and T. Lamphier Sensation Caused in Athletic Circles also are good men and make up a team that gives the 'varsity some mighty good

Everyone is looking forward to the games circles by the announcement that foot ball with Drake, St. Louis and the Haskell would be revived in the fall of 1908. A Indians. While, practically speaking, every team will be organized at Simpson college game on the Creighton schedule is a big this fall and several games will be played one these are the gigantic attempts and every effort will be made to make them successful. While very dublous about the outcome of these games Coach Bell feels that he has a team that will make a mos creditable showing.

CATLIN WANTS SECRET WORK for three years at an increase of \$500 a year

one from lows's Field. IOWA CITY, Ia., Sept. 28 .- (Special.)-After the close of the first week's real work on the Iowa field. Coach Catlin is as stated that the new rules failed to meet little prepared to give any indication of it has been presumed that Simpson would take form as he was when he returned this never place another team in the field. But fall. The training squad has been strength-

All of the men who were counted on this followed the work, which consisted of all Iowa hustle in 1907, and then the game was of the preliminary training stunts. Back of this team have graduated or left the Catiin will uncover some of the plays he has institution and it is with a comparatively been framing up this season and the first real work of the campaign will begin.

Big Pete Elliot returned the last of the week, giving Catlin two of his center trio back again this year, Hastings having also returned. St. Clair, formerly with Northwestern when that institution was in the game, has reported for work and Catlin has worked him at guard. The weakest point in the team will be in the quarterback position, made vacant by the absence of Kent, who is let out under the three-year rule. better Catlin has Bruggerman and Bemis, two sub quarters of last year's team; to work with and he is looking for more material. It is supposed that the quarterback will for occupy a prominent place in many of the of 5 new plays to be sprung this season, and the

lished that did not accord with the policy of the athletic management, but Catlin from him personally, and that absolutely no one is to be permitted on the field. All summer long the ex-Muroon player has been working out new plays from the old formations which his many foot hall friends in the middle west and his own knowledge has placed at his disposal. Just what these plays are to consist of is a matter of speculation in the training camp, sa they have

not been revealed yet in any particular. But it is a foregone conclusion that Catlin will attempt to show the followers of the game in this state something new in the formations. Meanwhile the large squad of athletes have been kept running through their preliminary stunts on the field and the way in which the men will line up is a closely

DOANE TEAM FULL OF GINGER Gridiron Band More Numerous and Energette Than Ever.

Each day's practice shows a marked in provement on the Donne college gridiron, and never were as many players as eager for the fray. So far the work has been preliminary stunts. Last week there were forty strong. Never was a more wholesome men clamoring for suits in order to make

Most of the positions on the varsity seem to be in question. Captain Sloniger will hold down his position at right tackle man's worth and the coach hopes that the all the other positions the competition will nexpected quarters and enable him to six promising aspirants, and to make good against that outlay will require a vast During the week's practice Erhart was amount of hard work. Dutch, Stewart and able to prove that he could hold down an Swanson are out for center, but good three of likely calibre making the fight for rangy build and speed that ever character- these positions. They are Hanson, Gray and Gunnels. McClung is the most promis-Far different from last season is the situation at the ends, for instead of a dearth thaler, the big tackle of '06. Marrin will there is now a most promising bunch try-Arnold and Korab are holding down the places. In the back field several are making a good showing, among them are Hall, Maresh, Mediar, Hartwell, Griffiths, Dick inson and Barber.

Followers of the Orange and Black are most hopeful of a strong team this fall. The signal practices have been light so far but they show the old time dash which characterized the teams of '04 and '05. Regcoming week, and this will give the new men a better opportunity to show their

MORNINGSIDE HAS GOOD TEAM Games Have Already Been Arranged with Drake and Ames.

SIOUX CITY, Ia., Sept. 28.-(Special.)-The schedules of Morningside college indicates that the athletic authorities of that institution are going to make a strong bid for high honors in the state this fall. Games have been arranged with Drake university and Ames, to be played at Sioux The players have implicit confidence in City, and in these two contests the local Brome's judgment and Brome is therefore team will have an opportunity to show City, and in these two contests the local its class against the best that the Hawkeye teams have to offer. Morningside has how many of the old players will report for work. The schedule for the coming season is as follows:

September 23, Cherokee High school at Sloux City. September 25, Sheldon High school at Sloux City. October 5. Drake university at Sloux

October 19, Ames college at Sioux City. November 2, Hamline university at Paul. November 16. Creighton university, at

Omaha. November 28, South Dakota university at Sloux City. COLUMBIA RE-ENGAGES COACH

Big Rise in Salary Will Hold Rice for Three Years.

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