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Five Linemen Will Captain Football Teams in Western Conference

Linemen Come Into Own as Grid Leaders

Indiana, Purdue, Ohio State, Illinois and Wisconsin Are Big Ten Elevens to Be Bossed by Forward Wall Men.

1923 "BIG TEN" LEADERS.

University.	Captain.	Position.
Michigan	Harry Kipke	Halfback
Iowa	Glen Miller	Halfback
Chicago	Jimmy Pyott	Halfback
Wisconsin	Marty Below	Tackle
Minnesota	E. Martineau	Halfback
Illinois	John McMillen	Guard
Northwestern	Wm. McElwain	Halfback
Ohio State	Boni Petcoff	Tackle
Purdue	Ralph Claypool	Center
Indiana	Stewart Butler	Guard

By WALTER ECKERSALL.

Football warriors who served their respective universities to good advantage on the gridiron last fall have been honored with the captaincies for the 1923 season. Players so selected are about equally divided between linemen and backfield players.

In the western conference five backfield men will lead their teams next fall and as many will direct their eleven's play from line positions. While many believe a back is the proper player to lead a team because he is in better position to size up situations, linemen are gradually being looked upon as capable leaders.

Kipke Leads Michigan.

Michigan, which tied with Iowa for western conference honors last fall, will be led into battle next fall by Harry Kipke, one of the best backs in the country. The new Wolverine leader is a natural football player and should make an ideal captain. He is of the type which will set a good example for his teammates, who should have another successful year if they keep up the offensive and defensive pace set by their leader.

Glenn (Doc) Miller, halfback, will be responsible for Iowa's general play on the battlefield. Miller is not a flashy player. He is of the type who is in the game at all times and doing the things which make it possible for his teammates to gain ground. He is an excellent interferer and a strong defensive player.

Wisconsin Honors Lineman.

Marty Below, one of the best tackles in the west last fall, will be captain of Wisconsin. The Badger played one of the most consistent games of any lineman in the Big Ten last year and was deserving of the honors. If his style of play is changed next fall by the new coach, Below should show to even better advantage than he did last fall.

Jimmy Pyott, an aggressive halfback, will lead Chicago. For the last two seasons this Maroon has been one of the mainstays of the Midway eleven and with proper support should be a great player next fall. His two years of experience should aid him immeasurably in his efforts to bring a conference championship to Chicago.

Martineau Great Halfback.

Minnesota will be captained by Earl Martineau, one of the best running halfbacks in the west, if not in the country, last fall. With little support and a marked man in every struggle, the Gopher always came through with his share of gains and played equally as strong on defense. With promising material, especially from the freshmen team, Coach Spaulding should be able to build some strong plays around this great player in 1923.

John McMillen, a guard, will be Illinoi's leader. Desipte the weak team developed by Coach Robert Zuppke last fall, McMillen's work always was a feature. In fact, his ability was so respected that Illinois' opponents seldom sent plays at him. He was rarely injured and was in there fighting all the time.

McElwain Purple Pilot.

William McElwain will captain Northwestern. The Purple warrior is a halfback, but was prevented from showing his best last fall because of injuries sustained early in the year. The Purple leader is fast and should be one of the best punters in the conference next fall. He has all the qualifications which go to make up a great leader, and Northwestern students and Coach Thistlewaite respect his ability.

Ohio State, which is expected to make a strong bid for Big Ten honors next fall, will be led by Boni Petcoff, a tackle. The Buckeye played good football last fall and was the best man in line, which was not strong enough to give the back necessary support on ground gaining attempts.

Claypool Aggressive Center.

Purdue will be captained by Ralph Claypool, a center of great possibilities. The Boilermaker is aggressive, fairly fast, and an accurate passer. Coach Phelan looks for him to develop into one of the best pivot men in the conference next fall.

Stewart Butler will guide Indiana's football fortunes from a guard position. This Hoosier was about as strong a player as there was on his team last season and his election met with approval of all who knew gridiron conditions at Bloomington.

Boost Prize Money for Texas Open Golf Tourney

New York, Jan. 6.—(Special.)—Going on the principle that each year should bring increases, both in the amount of prize money and the number of awards offered, those in charge of the Texas open championship to be held in San Antonio have arranged to put up a purse totaling $6,000, to be divided among the first 30 players, with several extra prizes for the best rounds returned each day, and so on. The meeting is scheduled for the municipal links January 25, 26 and 27.

Coach "Zip" Hill's Central High school basket ball team will crack open its 1923 season next Thursday night at Creighton university gymnasium when it bucks up against Council Bluffs high. Central is represented by a good team this winter and should rank well up in the city cage race. Basketeers who posed for the layout are: (1) Marrow, (2) Robertson, (3) Captain Reynolds, (4) Gerlick, (5) Percival, (6) Lawson, (7) Howell, (8) Galloway.

Following the Horses

Tijuana Results

First Race — Five furlongs: Angela (Ralls), $8.20, $5.00, $4.00; Sweep Up II (Glaver), $3.40, $3.00; Don Jose (Molter), $5.80. Time: 1:02. Mayflower, Joe Tag, Thirty Seven, Silver Maid and Dota also ran.

Second Race—Five furlongs: Hazel Dale (Ralls), $17.00, $5.40, $3.40; Robert Lowen (Gargan), $3.00, $2.40; Full Moon (Stevens), $3.00. Time: 1:02. Dancing Girl, Stanley H, Duc Deguise, Fond Hope and Cuba also ran.

Third Race—Five furlongs: Icon (Petzoldt), $6.40, $5.20, $3.40; Candorosa (Stevens), $10.80, $4.20; Zindo (Long), $2.40. Time: 1:01 4-5. Ollie Wood, Theresa, Lady Small, Muriel's Pet and Tutt also ran.

Fourth Race—Five and a half furlongs: Bowsprit (Taplin), $2.20, $2.50, $2.20; El Roble (Carter), $3.40, $2.80; Lady Leonide (Ralls), $2.40. Time: 1:08. 3-5. Miss Edna, Miss Jane, Gilliflower, Pretty Dodd and Norford Honey also ran.

Fifth Race— One mile and 70 yards: Lou Anna (Thomas), $5.60, $3.60, $2.80; Black Betty (Long), $8.00, $4.40; Breeze (Pool), $3.00. Time: 1:46. Woodie Montgomery, Frank Fogarty, Bill Head and Marcella Boy also ran.

Sixth Race—One and 1-16 mile: Shore Acres (Stevens), $8.40, $3.60, $3.80; Lariat (Pool), $4.60, $3.60; Rhymer (E. Gator), $5.20. Time: 1:49 4-5. Rey do Starlike, Steve, Judge David and Little Gink also ran.

Seventh Race—Five furlongs: Phrone Ward (Thomas), $7.20, $6.20, $3.80; Horinga (Ralls), $20.20, $5.40; Pay Off (Molter), $3.00. Time: 1:02. Do Admit, Florence Dean, Sister Suzie, Aryanna and Caunzel also ran.

Tijuana Entries

First Race—$600, 2-year-olds, three furlongs: Miss Leggo, 114; Seth's Flower, 115; Al Hotfoot, 118; Bert Dennison, 118; Josephine Newell, 115; Wiki Jack, 118; Seth's Aksarben, 118; Double Shot, 118.

Second Race—$500, claiming, maiden 3-year-olds and up, 6 furlongs: Melchior, 94; Jane A., 99; Twin Ruby, 109; Woolday, 112; Lena's Boy, 114; Controit, 112; Peace Flag, 94; Malseavena, 109; Lawrence Manning, 111; Santhia C., 112; Charlotte Smith, 114; Jim Parmer, 119.

Third Race—$500, claiming, 3-year-olds and up, 5½ furlongs: Searin, 90; Frenchnurse, 106; Seven Seas, 108; Delancey, 108; Right Angle, 113; Kirkwood, 113; Beasie Young, 103; Perfect Day, 106; Old Homestead, 108; Myrtle A., 111; Vera's Choice, 113; Lava, 113.

Fourth Race—$700, claiming, 3-year-olds, 5½ furlongs: Tule, 101; Reap, 107; Athanna, 108; Sir Leonid, 107; Power, 108; Faber, 116.

Fifth Race—$500, claiming, 4-year-olds and up, mile and 70 yards: York Lassie, 105; Cafeteria, 105; Laura Cochran, 108; Dolph, 110; Chick Barkley, 110; Lavaga, 113; Orleans Girl, 105; By Right, 108; Vio, 108; Horace Lerch, 110; Tomowens, 112; Madge F., 114.

Sixth Race—$1,000, handicap, mile and 70 yards: Hal Wright, 90; A-Mollie Barnes, 110; Glen Well, 89; B-Prince Direct, 107; Pixra, 110; B-Regreso, 114; Van Patrick, 85; A-Katherine Rankin, 101; War Penny, 106; Woodie Montgomery, 109; Sam Reh, 110; A-Cales, entry; B-Irwin, entry.

Seventh Race—$700, 4-year-olds and up, 5½ furlongs: Bluebell, 109; Krippen, 111; Messines, 111; Krewer, 114; Mollie Barnes, 109; Incognance, 111; Black Deer, 113; Gliman, 116.

Eighth Race—$500, claiming five furlongs, 3-year-olds and up: Kimono, 108; Cascade, 110; Sister Susie, 111; Donatello, 113; Corn Cutter, 113; Settle, 102; North Shore, 111; It, 111; Don Jose, 113.

Clear, fast.

New Orleans Results

First Race—Six furlongs: William of Corotman (McCoy), 1 to 1, 4 to 1, 2 to 1; Jacobina (Doyle), 5 to 1, 5 to 2; Logarno (Owens), 7 to 5. Time: 1:14 3-5. High Tea, Pinard, Stamp, Vlan, Promising Tout, Herald, Carmencita, Sam McBride, Consolation and War Pennant also ran.

Second Race—Six furlongs: Wireless, (Mein), 5 to 1, 2 to 1, 1 to 1; Chas. J. Craigmile (Shillick), 6 to 5, 3 to 5; Millard Ruth (McCoy), 7 to 5. Time 1:15. Dr. Little, Stock Pin, Rekab, Tunangee, Babylonian, Frend Kinney, Wrangler, Hindoostan, Ormont and Sandy H. also ran.

Third Race—Six furlongs: Paul Micou (Sharpe), 20 to 1, 8 to 1, 4 to 1; Elmer K. (Smallwood), 7 to 10, 10 to 3; Sewall Coombs (Doyle), 6 to 5. Time 1:14 1-5. Knight of The Heather, The Lamb, L'Eclaire, Orlova and Neddam also ran.

Fourth Race—One mile and a sixteenth: Lilie Annmie (Crone), 10 to 1, 4 to 1, 2 to 1; Encrinite (Wallace), 8 to 1, 4 to 1; Kirah (Scobie), 2 to 1. Time: 1:49. Natural, Gem, Dimples, Bagian Queen and Chateau Gay also ran.

Fifth Race—One and one-sixteenth miles for 4-year-olds and upward claiming, purse $1,000: Tan Son (R. Doyle), 9 to 2, 8 to 5, 7 to 10; Slippery Elm (Spillick), 6 to 1, 2 to 1, 1 to 1; Lampus (McDermott), 8 to 1, 3 to 1, 7 to 5. Time: 1:48. Zone D'Arle, Goaler, King John and Blue Brush also ran.

Sixth Race—One and one-sixteenth miles, 4-year-olds and upward, claiming, purse, $1,000: Matinee Idol (E. Smallwood), 3 to 1, 1 to 1, 1 to 2; Magician (Doyle), 3 to 1, 1 to 1, 1 to 2; May Roberts (Mein), 9 to 2, 8 to 5, 4 to 5. Time: 1:48 3-5. Phelan, Tulsa, Merchant, Handful, Grace Daugherty, Ailliro and Mabel Curtis also ran.

Seventh Race—One and one-sixteenth miles for 4-year-olds and upward, claiming, $1,000: Winneconne, (Chalmers), 5 to 1, 2 to 1, 1 to 1; Gen. Cadorna (Bruening), 12 to 1, 5 to 1, 5 to 2; Mountain Rose, II (J. Bell), 6 to 1, 5 to 1, 6 to 5. Time: 1:44 2-5. Leochares II, King Trojan, Exhorter, Johnnie Overton, Scottish Chief, Atto, Trooper, Thornhedge, Tanlac also ran.

New Orleans Entries

First Race—6 furlongs, 3-year-olds and up, claiming; purse, $1,000: Green Gold, 122; Firing Line, 107; Kirtle, 100; Financial Rooster, 107; Joseph Brant, 102; Flip, 109; Rochambeau, 105; Oraleggo, 109; Ruggles, 105; Flibberty Gibbs, 114; Col. Livingston, 107; Margaret White, 95; Leo Fisher, 107; Reliability, 107.

Second Race—5½ furlongs, 3-year-old fillies, chatterbox, purse, $1,000: Kirk Lady, 116; Allie Ochs, 106; Contour, 110; Layol, 106; Lady Myra, 106; Manicure Maid, 106; Sweet and Pretty, 102; Untried, 106; Miss Meise, 110; Spinning Flax, 102.

Third Race—6 furlongs, 3-year-olds and up, Johnny Powers' memorial handicap, purse, $1,000: My Reverie, 117; Mercre, 106; Marvin May, 116; Boy From Ore, 105; Wolfs Cry, 108; Translate, 117; Queen of Umbria, 96; Parader, 110; Leifar, 112; The Franciscan, 100.

Fourth Race—One mile and 70 yards, purse, $1,200; The Old Town handicap, 3-year-olds and up: Comic Song, 122; Wapiti, 101; Blarneystone, 102; Bidi Barton, 107; Sweep Hawk, 92; Wynnewood, 105; Trevelyn, 109; Calcutta, 99; Colondo, 101.

Fifth Race—One mile and one-sixteenth, purse, $1,000; claiming, 4-year-olds and up: Crack O'Dawn, 118; Ramkin, 109; Servitor, 113; Pantechs, 107; American Boy, 112; Uncle Velo, 107; Woodtrap, 112; Gentleman Jousett, 104; Hello Pardner, 110; Plucky, 103; Bridesman, 110; Fannie Bean, 103.

Sixth Race—One mile and one-quarter, purse, $1,000; claiming, 4-year-olds and up: British Liner, 103; Rib Grass, 110; Helen Atkin, 95; Johnnie Overton, 103; Ballybal, 100; Doctor Jim, 103; Serbian, 103; Booneville, 106.

Seventh Race—One mile and one-quarter, purse, $1,000; claiming, 4-year-olds and up: Fit, 105; Troltus, 100; Tulsa, 103; Freezy Sneezy, 103; Hounee, 103; Sagamook, 110; Walnut Hall, 110.

Weather, clear; track, good.

Havana Results

First Race—Three-quarters of a mile: Confederacy (Pickins), 2 to 1, 4 to 5, 2 to 5; Bantam (Kaisu), 8 to 5, 4 to 5; Our Tellie (Nolan), 7 to 10. Time: 1:15 1-5. Moonlit Way, Pandine, Gupton, Grim Bonnet, Conundrum, Courtier, Polite and Wild Cat also ran.

Second Race—Five and one-half furlongs: Mark De Nuzio (E. P. Barnes), 3 to 1, 1 to 1, 1 to 2; Lady Heart (Walls), 1 to 1, 1 to 2; Chevalier (Hernandez) 7 to 5. Time: 1:09 1-5. Josephine K., Navisco, Two Eyes, McMurphy, Parole, Shorty Change and Frasculo also ran.

Third Race—Five furlongs: Discussion (Grace), 7 to 5, 2 to 1, 1 to 4; Valentine D'Or (Bruen), 7 to 5, 3 to 5; Memphis (Wakeoff), 6 to 5. Time: 1:09. Miss Caltha, Foul Weather, Applejack 2d, Advance and Deer Trail also ran.

Fourth Race—Five and one-half furlongs: Max Gold (Burns), 5 to 2, 1 to 1, 1 to 2; Ruth Wehle (F. Horn), 2 to 1, 1 to 1; Col. Murphy (Gröse), 7 to 10. Time: 1:08 4-5. India, Riposta, Little Son, All Airlow, Orchard, King and Mannchen also ran.

Fifth Race—Mile and 50 yards: The Pirate (Stutz), 6 to 5, 2 to 5, 1 to 4; Col. Chile (Grace), 5 to 2, 6 to 5; Fincastle (Lancet), 2 to 5. Time: 1:45 1-5. Tamber, Ollie, Potmer, Colossus and Uncle Sonny also ran.

Sixth Race—One mile: Hohokus (Sandstrum), 8 to 5, 1 to 3, 1 to 6; Goldenchance (Taylor), 1 to 3, 1 to 6; Nelle Yorke (A. Kaiser), 3 to 5. Time: 1:43 4-5. Nig, Berretta, King B., Mont Perri and Doc Mills also ran.

Havana Entries

First Race—Six furlongs, 3-year-olds, claiming, $500: Venio, 100; Courtiers, 102; Rockabye, 105; Viola Mercerau, 102; Queen Mazonia, 105; Gonwithim, 110.

Second Race—Five and one-half furlongs, 4-year-olds and up, claiming: Carreur, 100; Mary Erb, 105; Spods, 106; Huron, II, 110; Ras, 110; McLane, 113; Bobbed Hair, 101; Puffball, 106; Melvin, 110; Wedgewood, 110; Black Top, 112.

Third Race—Five and one-half furlongs, 3-year-olds and up: Palm Lee, handicap, $800. George Kuffan, 102; Chief Sponsor, 110; Dr. Hickman, 107; Belle of Elizabethtown, 102.

Fourth Race—Mile and 50 yards for 4-year-olds and up, $500, claiming: Ashlin, 95; Milly Puff, 101; Perfect Lady, 105; Fair and Warmer, 107; Afternight, 110; Kathleen K., 100; Jack Healy, 105; Sun Turrel, 105; Bloomington, 110.

Fifth Race—Mile and 50 yards for 4-year-olds and up, $500, claiming: Swift Cricket, 100; Miss Rankin, 102; Job Thayer, 105; Pierrot, 110; Fair Virginia, 100; Jap Muma, 105; Homan, 105; Prunes, 110.

Sixth Race—Mile and 1-16 for 4-year olds and up, $600, claiming: Dainty Lady, 108; Huen, 110; Duke Ruff, 110; Shortstop, 113; Mallowmot, 108; Randell, 110; Blazonry, 113; Prospector, 113.

Weather, clearing; track slow.

Basketball Results

Kansas, 30; Nebraska, 20.
Missouri, 28; Grinnell, 17.
Yankton, 17; Omaha University, 15.
Creighton High, 14; South, 10.
Iowa Teachers, 22; Cornell college, 21.
Fremont, 37; Schuyler, 4.
Hastings, 31; Clay Center, 4.
Pawnee City, 22; Humboldt, 4.

List of Contenders for Dempsey's Crown Increasing Each Month

EVERY day sees the heavyweight situation improving. Jack Dempsey still is without a match, but the list of contenders is increasbound to be some action before long. A few months ago Harry Wills was the only man whose name was worth connecting with that of Demp-Dempsey. Now there are no less than six big fellows more or less in the spotlight.

The men talked of at present are Harry Wills, Tom Gibbons, Jess Willard, Luis Firpo, Floyd Johnson and Bill Brennan. Brennan gets in because he is matched with Johnson this month and if he wins it is possible he will be allowed to face Dempsey again, especially if he should succeed in beating Firpo also.

At any rate, Brennan hopes to get a Dempsey match in that way, but it is likely that if he beats the two youngsters the veteran will not get as much credit as he expects. It will be said that they were two false alarms, which will be hard on Brennan. He has a chance to lose prestige, but may find it difficult to gain any.

The Brennan-Johnson bout will be the acid test for Johnson. The fans naturally will root for the youngster to make good, as that would furnish more action. Brennan has gone as far as he can go and there is no hope that he will get any better, but a Johnson victory would help things considerably. The winner will be matched with Firpo when the latter arrives here.

Speed Tests Postponed.

Los Angeles, Jan. 6.—Garfield A. Wood of Detroit, Mich., who had planned to attempt to break the international mile record for dual motored speed boats today with the Miss America I, has decided to postpone the speed trials until tomorrow. This will give an additional day in which to tune up the two liberty motors of the Miss America.

Says "Bugs" Baer: FAMOUS CLOWNS OF BASEBALL

Their Purpose Is to Keep Players in Good Humor Between Errors.

THIS generation of rain check grabbers knows little about Arlie Latham and his stuff that made him famous. But many of his stunts have descended to present day pantomimists.

Top buffoon of all modern clowns is Nick Altrock. When Nick takes his place in line, all others howl and fall back. Nick stole his jester's crown from Germany Schaefer.

Both of them worked for Clark Griffith. Queerly enough, Griff seems to have diamond monopoly on clowns. Schaefer, Altrock, Shact and Carl Sawyer all capered for Griff.

Some seasons it seems that Griff has nine comedians on his team. But he doesn't sign 'em all up. Ban Johnson signs some up for umpires.

Day that Nick annexed foolish honors from Germany was on training trip in Charlottesville, Va. It was in 1912 and had been snowing two weeks without opposition.

Griff was determined that his team was going to get some practice if it was only in wild throws and sore arms. So he had them out early shoveling snow. That afternoon they batted fungoes. Germany was coaching them on snowshoes. He had a parlor stove strapped on his back, but Griff refused to take any hints.

That same day, one of Virginia's numerous college fraternities was initiating freshmen into their mystic circle of fraternity pins and hatband ribbons.

Nick borrowed some of their implements. When he scampered back to Griff's playgrounds, he tied Spring practice up into hilarious cramps.

He was riding one Georgia mule backward. Mr. Mule was painted every color of some idot's private rainbow. Nick was steering him by his tail and also wearing the mule's Sunday blinkers. Mule had four spiked shoes on and a Washington baseball cap. There were four sleds harnessed to him, each sled loaded with rapidly freezing pickanninies.

After that exhibition Griff had to call off practice.

It was Nick's initial bust into the show business. Anything that Germany did that afternoon faded nowheres. That evening, the two of 'em got together and organized the famous firm of Altrock and Schaefer, which continued in business until poor old Germany checked out.

Manager

The New York Giants have given Davey Robertson unconditional release in order that the hard hitting outfielder may obtain berth as manager of the Norfolk team in Southern League.

Running in Mud Is a Lost Art

By LALLY COLLYER.

"This reminds me of the days when Guttenberg, Alexander and Gloucester were in their prime," remarks an old-time turfite as he gazed upon the sea of muddy water that covers Jefferson park and which forced the management of that New Orleans track to cancel racing for 24 hours.

"The only difference is that nowadays you couldn't get a corporal's guard to turn out, yet under the same kind of conditions at Guttenberg and Clifton they raced just the same for New Yorkers, in those days, were crazy for any kind of racing. If the track froze over during the night two large truck loads of rock salt were scattered over the course and by race time the track was mud and water again. Yep, and it remained that way all winter.

"Two things can be credited to Guttenberg. It brought more recruits to the sport than any other ten tracks and it made more mud horses than any four. When a heavy fall of snow came along Joe Marrone, who was a padrone in those days, would get a couple of hundred Italians to work shoveling it off into the infield. Marrone made so much money during one winter at Guttenberg, in that way, that he bought a stable of race horses and he owns one to this day."

All of which brings one to a full realization of how things in racing have changed. A quarter of a century ago people flocked to such crude places as Guttenberg, Alexander, Clifton and Newport and there underwent extreme hardships just for the chance of seeing the "gee-gaws" perform. Today a particularly muddy track is enough to cause a postponement because track managers have learned to their sorrow that the public not only won't stand the least bit of inconvenience in traveling to and from the tracks but that the people who pay the fiddler also positively refused to turn out in paying numbers on days that are gloomy or when the horses are likely to race in the mud. Verily this is the day of glass enclosed, steam-heated grandstands, extravagant purses and fast track horses.

Grantham to Get Try at Second

Chicago, Jan. 6.—There's going to be a hot time on Catalina island this spring when "Bil" Kellefer's Cub infielders get on the trail of regular positions. Two of the berths are settled right now, so far as can be seen, but the other two—third and second base—are liable to be matters of dispute even after the championship race gets under way.

Grantham

Although the Cub pilot has not intimated how he will endeavor to solve his two inner defense puzzles it is practically certain that George T. Grantham, purchased late last season from Omaha, will be given first call on the keystone corner.

The men Zeb Terry will have to battle at third, provided Grantham proves a success as a second sacker, are John Kelleher, Earl Adams, the youngster from Wichita Falls, Tex., and Robert Barrett, a big fellow drafted from the Little Rock, Ark., club.

To Hold Handball Tourney in March

The first annual middlewestern Amateur Athletic union handball singles and doubles championship tournament will be held March 23 and 24, at Creighton gymnasium.

Nebraska, Iowa and North and South Dakota, members of the Middlewestern A. A. U., are eligible to compete in the tournament. Teams will be entered from the Omaha "Y" and the Omaha Athletic club and various Y. M. C. A.s throughout the four states that are members of the union.

The annual Omaha Athletic club handball tournament will be held a week before the championship affair at Creighton gymnasium. The winners of the O. A. C. tourney will represent the club at the A. A. U. tournament.

Ambidextrous Hurlers

Few Freak Pitchers Make Good in Baseball

FOLLOWERS of baseball oftimes have heard of the type of hurler who could pitch a fast ball with either arm and make it curve. However, few have seen one of these freak hurlers in action. Baseball history tells of a hurler named Owen Keenan who was with the Youngstown club in 1885. Keenan could pitch equally well with either hand. It was July 4, 1885, that this wonder hurled two games of ball against the New Castle team and won both. This double action phenom worked his left arm in the first game and used his right wing in the afternoon session with the odds slightly in favor of the right whip. Keenan won both games and it is said that his work was high class. This is where one of these ambidextrous chaps made good.

The famous Larry Corcoran of the Chicago Nationals in the early eighties was one of the great hurlers of that period. Larry's wonderful right arm went back on him in 1885. This almost broke his heart for Larry wasn't old in years. It dawned upon him that he might make a left-handed hurler for he was clever at throwing with his left and used to amuse the fans when working out by shooting them through with his fork hand. In 1887, Corcoran signed with a Southern league club in order to practice left-handed throwing. In the spring of 1887 Larry worked hard to gain control for he had developed rare speed. He didn't do so badly in the few exhibition games he worked in. After hurling a few games in the regular season he kinked his arm in one of them so that he had to give up the notion of making a southpaw hurler. Yes, the great Larry had to quit the hurling game for he had run out of pitching arms.

Mrs. C. B. Irwin Personally Directs Training of Horses That Fly Irwin Colors at Tijuana

WOMEN are fast entering every field of sport, some of them go so far as to even participate in the rougher games, such as soccer, football and even boxing.

We have women who train and manage a stable of boxers, we have captains and managers of girls' baseball and basket ball teams, but it has remained for Mrs. C. B. Irwin, the wife of the noted Wyoming horseman, who brings his string of runners to the Ak-Sar-Ben races each year, to gain the distinction of being the only woman trainer of thoroughbreds on the American continent.

If you don't believe that this is so, we'd suggest that you hop aboard the Sunset limited and wend your way to San Diego, "the land of perpetual flowers and sunshine."

After reaching there it would not take you long to get to Tijuana race track, just across the Mexican border.

There in the early hours of the morning you'd find one of the biggest bands of thoroughbreds, now racing, in direct charge of a woman, and that woman is Mrs. Irwin.

Good Stable.

The stable includes such well known campaigners as Motor Cop, Hazel Dale, Clear Lake, Corncutter, Regresso, Rajah and Harry D, which has won five of his last six races and is one of the greatest sprinters living.

Mrs. Irwin has spent the major portion of her life roaming the plains. She is the mistress of one of the largest of Wyoming's many ranches, where thousands of cattle, sheep and horses are raised and cared for. Therefore, it is only natural that she should take an active interest in horses and learn to know their very selves.

To everyone about the race track Mrs. Irwin is "Mother Irwin." And in her own household there are four girls, all of whom are corking horsewomen, that can do anything with a rope, horse or steer that is done on the plains. They ride relay horses, exercise the running horses, and still are just as talented along other lines, including music and arts.

Leading Jockeys.

The Irwin stable boasts of two regular jockeys, Bob Martinez and Davis Hurn, and Mrs. Irwin mothers these boys like an old hen does her chicks. Hurn was raised by the Irwins, having been with them since he was three years old and quite naturally learned to ride on the Irwin ranch, taking to the horses at an early age like a duck to water.

Martinez besides being a good race rider probably is one of the cleverest lariat swingers in the world and when the racing season is not on, cops his share of prizes at rodeos and such contests.

Both Martinez and Hurn are winning many races at Tijuana and there is little doubt but what they will be up among the select list when the meeting ends April 1.

Directs the Training.

Mrs. Irwin personally directs the training of the horses and coaches the boys prior to the races, as to just what kind of a race they should ride, on the particular horse they stride. She superintends the feeding and general care of the string and she must be doing a good job of it, for the Irwin horses are topping summaries every day of the meeting.

During her visit to Omaha last spring Mrs. Irwin said, "I have grown to know every one of them so well that I shall hate to give them up, as of course in course of time I shall be obliged to do. Did you ever see Motor Cop looking so fine? Wouldn't Commander Ross, his former owner, be glad to see him now?" she said enthusiastically.

Busy Year Ahead for High Athletes

1923 HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM.

March 8-9-10—State basketball tournament, Lincoln.
April 5 to 15. — Relay championships (home grounds).
April 10 to 28—Pentathlon championships (home grounds).
May 12—Track and field championships, Lincoln.
October 20 to 30—Cross-country run (home course).
All Season—Honor roll in track (home grounrds).

Thte program for State High school athletes in 1923 announced by the Athletic department of the state university provides plenty of activity to keep Nebraska youth up to taw during the entire year. Probably the biggest event of the calendar and one which is now holding the center of attraction, is the State High school basket ball tournament to be held in Lincoln March 8, 9 and 10.

Last year the 12th annual Nebraska tournament broke all known records for the number of teams competing and it appears like the 1923 tournament would be even larger.

Next in importance comes the pentathlon, which is entering on its third year under the direction of Coach Schulte. It has brought to the front a wealth of all-around athletes, notably Doug Myers of Beatrice; Wier of Superior, and Rhoades of Ansley.

Then in May comes the track and field championships to be held in Lincoln. Coach Schulte asks that all county and sectional meets be held sometime other than the 12th, the date of the state meet.

In the fall, October 20 to 30, the second home course cross-country run will be held. The initial attempt proved very sucessful, Milford winning the trophy, while Evans of Hastings was individual champion.

'Wahoo Sam' Crawford Baseball 'Professor'

It is now Prof. Sam Crawford, if you please, no longer Wahoo Sam, of the big league days. The former star of Detroit has been selected to head the National College of Baseball, the purpose of which is to develop ambitious youngsters who have designs on the big leagues. The College of Baseball was first suggested by Frank Chance. The board of directors and the instructors in the various features of play are all men who have won their spurs in the big leagues.

Bookies Go Back to Work at Havana Race Track

New York, Jan. 6.—(Special.)—The restoration of the bookmakers at Oriental Park, Havana, was dictated by necessity. Frank J. Bruen, general manager of the track, was confident that the bookies no longer were desired at Havana, and when the track was opened this year the machines were the only facilities provided for those who wanted to wager on the ponies. It appears, however, that Bruen was in error. The Cubans have been educated to place their bets with bookmakers, and in so doing to see the odds plainly posted in front of them. They have no liking for the uncertainties of betting in the machines. This has been attested by the small crowds at Oriental Park this year. It is expected that with the return to the old order will come a boom in attendance figures.

Frigerio, Great Italian Walker, to Compete in U. S.

New York, Jan. 6.—(Special.)—America's track and field fans are going to see the great Italian walker, Ugo Frigerio, in action this winter after all. The Olympic sensation of two years ago has consented to compete here in at least five meets in and around New York City. An invitation to compete in their games was sent the brilliant heel and toe artist by the Millrose Amateur Athletic officials last summer, but this was declined by Frigerio when he learned that he was to make the journey from his sunny homeland for one race only.

New York Athletic Club to Hold Swimming Meet

New York, Jan 6.—(Special.)—A swimming meet will be held by the New York Athletic club Wednesday night, January 10. The events to be contested are as follows: Fifty-yard swim, novice; 100-yard swim, handicap; 100-yard breast stroke, handicap; fancy dive, handicap, and water polo.

The solid gold New York Athletic club die medal will be awarded for first place, silver medal for second and bronze medal for third in each event. Entries close with Paul H. Pilgrim today.

Yankton Turns Tables on Omaha

ERNIE ADAMS' University of Omaha basket ball cagers and the Yankton college tossers went 50-50 on their two-game series which came to an end at the Maroons' 'gym' last night when the visitors captured the final game of the series by the score of 17 to 15. Yankton lost the first contest, 11 to 15.

Last night's game was again featured by the close guarding of both quintets. The teamwork of the Maroons improved over Thursday night's play. Long shots were resorted to by both quintets, with first Omaha and then Yankton chalking up a tally.

Captain Falk, left forward for the Dakotans, was again the star of the game. This speedy Yankton flipper has a canny eye for the rings and it was his accurate basket shooting last night that helped victory climb to the top of the Yankton banner. Falk was good at breaking up the Omaha teamwork and his speed on the hardwood floor assisted his teammates in playing a short-passing game during the first half.

Wade Reeves, lengthy guard on Coach Adams' quintet, was the star of the Maroons' defense. It was Reeves who busted many of the Yankton plays. L. Konecky, who scored 12 of Omaha's 15 points, also played a good game at right forward.

In the preliminary game the M. E. Baracas lost to the Beddeos by the score of 10 to 11. Smith and Paynter starred for the Baracas, while Slane was the star for the Clothiers.

Ames Trackster to East.

New York, Jan. 6.—New York City track fans are going to have the opportunity of seeing one of the middle west's greatest middle-distance runners in action on the boards this winter.

The track star in question is Harold Wolters of Iowa State college, the 1922 western conference 440 and 880-yard champion. Several promoters in and around New York have extended invitations to the western runner, and it is felt that he will come on about the last of the month for his first indoor race in this section of the country.