Col. Ruppert of Yankees Still Angling for Eddie Collins, Comiskey's Great Second-Sacker---Deal May Materialize

Chicago, Feb. 4.—Colonel Jacob Ruppert of the Yankees is a firm believer in the old saying "You can't be ruled off for trying." With this in mind he has served notice to the world in general and the White Sox in particular that he intended to make another effort to beg, borrow or steal Eddie Collins, Comiskey's great second-sacker. Ruppert will attempt this little thing at the American League meeting in Philadelphia, February 15.

Although the Collins deal already has broken all long-distance records—having been on the fire for close to a year—the possibilities of its going through are better now than at any time since the two clubs started their give and take talk. The reason for this is that Miller Huggins, manager of the Yanks, is in poor health. It is possible he may find himself unable to resume his duties. In that event Collins will succeed him, providing the peerless second-sacker can be pried loose from Comiskey's payroll.

In announcing his contemplated attack on the White Sox roster, Ruppert neglected to divulge the exact reason for the two clubs failing to come to an understanding after numerous conferences. It is presumed, however that the refusal of the Sox to take Pitcher Carl Mays and the reluctance of the Yanks to give Waite Hoyt in his stead is the stumbling block. While Sox officials, usually airtight in their activities, have admitted they won't consider Mays. They want ball players, not trouble.

The acquisition of Herb Pennock by the Yanks is another development that may swing Ruppert into accepting the Sox terms. The league champs have long been in need of a southpaw. Now they have one and a fairly good one at that so they are in a better position to part with one of their regular right-handers, like Hoyt, without disputing the staff as a whole.

If the Sox get Hoyt along with Bob Meusel and Aaron Ward, it is likely that one of Gleason's young hurlers will have to be tossed in along with Collins and Bob Falk. Because the Yanks could use another left-hander, even if he wasn't ripe for regular duty, they might take Joubert Davenport, the Arizona collegian. The impression, however, seems to be that Ted Blankenship will be the man selected.

Odds Against "Babe" Ruth That Sultan of Swat Never Again Will Smack Out 59 Homers in Season

There's Several Reasons Why King of Bludgeon Won't Crack Out Any Great Number of Four Sackers in 1923 Campaign—New Yankee Stadium One of the Causes, Says Scribe.

By FRANK G. MENKE.

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LOOKS like it's 4 to 1 and your own money back that "Babe" Ruth never again will bang out 59 four-sackers in a single season of effort. And it's 2 to 1 at this hectic moment in the whizz and whirr of winter-leagueing that the "Sultan of Swat" won't cross the 50-mark in 1923.

There's a reason—several of 'em.

Foremost is the fact that the Yankees no more will disport in the Polo Grounds where the average "Texas Leaguer" results in a four-base clout into the right-field bleachers. Ruth hit homers all around the circuit—but it was in those Polo Grounds where he created the most havoc with his mace.

But now—ah, those dear, old Polo Grounds will be no more for him.

Whatever hitting he does in Gotham in future years must be done in the New York Yankee ball park where, sad to relate from the Ruthian viewpoint, the arrangement of the stands makes home-running infinitely more difficult than in ye olden tymes.

The distance from home plate to the right field stands in the Polo Grounds, at a point just inside the foul line, is 258 feet. And that's exactly the same distance from the rubber to the stand in the New Yankee stadium. But where the sad stuff comes in for Ruth, and others who love their American league home runs, is this fact:

The stands in the new Yankee park fall away rather precipitately from the foul line.

At the Polo Grounds the distance from the plate to the right field stand just inside the foul line, is 258, but for a distance of perhaps 50 feet the fall away is extremely slight, the end of the stand being no more than 280 or 285 feet from the plate.

But at the new Yankee park—ah, that's different.

It's only 258 feet from the plate to the stands by foul line measurement. But the stand curves sharply away from the plate at that point, with the result that at a distance of 50 feet from the foul line, the total distance from the plate to that point in the stands is well over 300 feet—perhaps 325.

That means it'll be necessary for a fellow to hit a ball nearly 40 feet farther to accumulate a homer in the new park than is necessary in the Polo Grounds.

So, therefore—

In 1923 Mr. Ruth will have to spank his baseballs considerably harder to convert them into homers than he used to do. Inasmuch as Ruth made at least eight home runs in 1921—his record year—by dropping them into spots in the Polo stands which will be portions of the Yankee playing field in 1923, it is rather reasonable to assume that Ruth will suffer a shrinkage in home run marks in the season to come—even if he is in real physical condition in 1923.

Yes, sir, 40 homers for Ruth in 154 games in 1923 will be a lot—quite a lot—unless all signs point wrong.

George Tebeau Dies at Denver

Denver, Feb. 4.—George Tebeau, minor and major league baseball player of note a few years ago, and later owner of the Kansas City American Association baseball franchise, died at a local hospital this morning, following an illness of more than two weeks' duration.

Tebeau was born in St. Louis in 1861. He spent the younger years of his life in the Goose Hill district, which has produced many baseball stars. When a young man, Tebeau came to Denver, where he played semi-professional baseball.

In the later 80s, together with William A. (Pa) Rourke, former owner of the Omaha Western league franchise, they formed the first Western league of organized baseball. Denver, Pueblo and Leadville, Colo., held the first franchises in the league.

In 1891, Tebeau, wha was owner and player on the Denver team, sold the majority of the club members to the major league, he himself entering faster company, as a result of the sale. He was a member of the New York Nationals while engaged in major league ball and also played with the Washington Americans. Ending his career as a major league player, Tebeau returned to Denver, where he held the Western league franchise until 1900.

In that year, Ban B. Johnson was in the thick of his fight with the National league, and he subsequently removed the entire Kansas City club to Washington, leaving Kansas City without a club. Tebeau then entered a team in the Western league from that city and the following year won the pennant.

The next year he went to Louisville, Ky., when the American association was formed, as owner, still retaining the Western league franchise in Kansas City. He remained in Louisville for three or four years and then sold his franchise and returned to Kansas City, where he devoted the greater portion of his time, that club during his absence in Louisville having entered the American association.

Will Shave Prices to Cubs' Games

Chicago, Feb. 4.—Despite an expenditure in excess of $300,000 for enlargement of the Chicago National league baseball park, club admission prices will be shaved slightly next season, according to announcement made today by William Veeck, the club president. The reduction will be brought about by the club absorbing the war tax, the same as Charles A. Comiskey, the White Sox boss, has done for several seasons.

Under the scale in effect at the north side park since the war tax was imposed the box patrons paid $1.65, the general admission $1.10, and the bleachers 55 cents. In the future the fans will pay $1.50, $1 and 50 cents, respectively. This means that the clubs' share from each of the different classes of admission will be $1.40, 90 cents and 45 cents.

Five Leading Women Bowlers Win Match

The five high bowlers in the Ladies' Metropolitan league, playing under the team name of the Greater Omaha No. 1, beat the second high five players, known as the Greater Omaha No. 2, in a special three-game match at the Omaha Alleys last night.

Team No. 1, composing Miss Mable Houseman, Mrs. Paul Stanton, Mrs. T. F. Jamison, Mrs. H. W. Huff and Mrs. Otto Ramer, defeated team No. 2 by a total of 2,243 to 2,131, a margin of 112 points.

The winners will journey to Wahoo Tuesday night to play a five-game match with the Dierke-Drum Lumber company five of Lincoln, which is composed of men.

Nadene Thompson of the second high squad bowled 210, the high single game of the match.

State Volley Ball Tourney Thursday

The annual Nebraskt State volley ball tournament will be held at the Lincoln "Y" Thursday. Seven teams have entered the class A championship and six squads in class B. Omaha, Lincoln, Grand Island, York, Beatrice, Fremont, Columbus, North Bend and Seward have entered the tourney.

Homer Hawthorne, Stanley Beranek, Carl Wilson, Everett Dodds, George Long and G. H. Halsey are members of the Omaha "Y" first team, while James Stine, Elmer Root, Frank Faux, Phil Ablen, Dr. Weeks, A. G. Kittell, R. Cain and H. Malaschock are on the second squad.

Omaha Athletic Club to Play Bluffs Volley-Ballers

The Omaha Athletic club volley ball team will meet the Council Bluffs Y. M. C. A. team at the club "gym" on Wednesday evening. The occasion is ladies' night and a large attendance of female volley ball fans is expected.

O. A. C. to Stage Swimming Meet

The second big Midwestern A. A. U. swimming meet of the season will be staged at the Omaha Athletic club Thursday evening, March 4.

Championships in five Midwestern A. A. U. events will be decided. These events are: Senior, 100-yard free style; senior, 100-yard breast stroke; junior fancy diving (high board), and women's junior, 50-yard free style.

Entry blanks have been sent to all schools, colleges, universities, Y. M. C. A.s and athletic clubs in the territory, and a larege entry list is expected as a result. The Nebraska University swimming team will compete, as will the University of Iowa and Grand Island Y. M. C. A.

Leonard May Get Into Action Soon

New Yor, Feb. 4.—Negotiations are under way for two bouts next summer, in which Benny Leonard would defend his title as world's lightweight boxing champion.

One would be with Lew Tendler of Philadelphia, whom Leonard defeated last year, and the other with Charlie White of Chicago, whom Leonard also has beaten. Tex Rickard is understood to be arranging the matches.

Dave Shade Beats Eddie Shevlin

Boston, Feb. 4.—Dave Shade of California was awarded the decision over Eddie Shelvin Saturday in a 10-round bout, said to be a preliminary to a meeting with Mickey Walker, welterweight champion. Shade showed superiority at long-range fighting.

Husker Splashers to Meet Kansas

Manhattan, Kan., Feb. 4.—A swimming meet between Nebraksa University and the Kansas Aggies will be held at Manhattan February 27. The Aggie team is being appointed for the competition by E. A. Knoth, swimming coach. The two star members of last yea's team, Captain E. P. Colburn, Manhattan, and J. T. Mackay, Kansas City, Mo., are back on the team.

In the meet with Nebraska last year Colburn and Mackay scored 28 of the 32 points, which gave K. S. A. C. the victory over the Cornhuskers. In addition to Colburn, the Aggies this year have Frank Dilts, who is probably the best backstroke man in the middle west.

Other material on the team include: W. S. Magill, Manhattan; R. A. Hake, Kansas City; C. W. Schemm, Wakeeney, and L. M. Woodworth, Sedan.

Charley Hanson on Hospital List

Charlie Hanson, heavyweight wrestler of the "Farmer" Burns stable, is at the Mayo Brothers hospital at Rochester, Minn., where he is receiving treatment for his injured back.

As soon as Hanson returns from the hospital he will resume training for mat contests.

According to "Farmer" Burns, Hanson has been asked to enter the heavyweight mat tournament to be staged in New York early in March.

Earl Caddock, former champion, also has been invited to enter the tourney, according to his manager, Gene Melady. Earl has sold his automobile business at Walnut, Ia., and expects to go to California to make his home. The former champ has been offered a match in Des Moines as soon as he gets into condition.

Wins Squash Title.

Philadelphia, Feb. 3.—Stanley M. Pearson, Philadelphia, national amateur champion, today won the Pennsylvania state squash racquet championships for the eighth consecutive time. He defeated William F. Harcity, Philadelphia, three out of five.

Woods Loses on Foul.

Kid French of Lincoln won a decision over "Young" Goldie of Omaha in a bout at Central City Friday night. Frankie Woods lost on a foul in the semi-windup to Sid Soklyn. Ace Hudkins beat Ralph Spellman.

Blue and White Tossers Take Lead Early in the Contest

"Ike" Mahoney, Center, and Trautman Play Best for Omaha Quintet—Losers Put Up Hard Battle.

Sioux City, Ia., Feb. 4.—(Special Telegram.)—Morningside college basket tossers went down to defeat again at the hands of the fast Creighton university quintet Saturday night by the score of 41 to 26. The defeat was the third administered to the Methodists by the Omaha team this season.

The game was fast throughout, the Creighton machine showing its ability to maneuver the ball through enemy territory and deposit within the confines of the circular hoop with almost uncanny precision, despite desperate efforts on the part of the Morningsiders to break up the plays.

Mahoney, the big Creighton center, was the star performer of the contest, making a total of 12 counters for his team. Trautman and Murphy also played in great form for the visitors. Lovely, Creighton star, did not enter the game until the final period and then he was so closely guarded that he had little opportunity to show his wares.

"Honie" Rogers, the Morningside captain, was the high point scorer of the game, caging the sphere for a total of 16 points. Bartlett, playing his first year of basket ball at Morningside, continued to demonstrate all around ability. He is probably the best guard Morningside has had in years.

Morningside.	P	Creighton
C. Rogers	F	Murphy
Hauff	F	Trautman
R. Rogers	C	Mahoney
Dockson	G	Snetcker
Bartlett	G	Paynter

Substitutions: Rolston for Hauff, Hauff for Rolston, eMtcalfe for Dockson, Harris for Bartlett, Lovely for Murphy, Lane for Paynter. Field goals: C. Rogers, 6; R. Rogers, 3; Hauff, 1; Rolston, 1; Murphy, 4; Trautman, 6; Mahoney, 6; Snieckser, 1, and Lovely, 1. Free throws: C. Rogers, 4; Trautman, 3; Lovely, 4. Referee: Jack North of Des Moines.

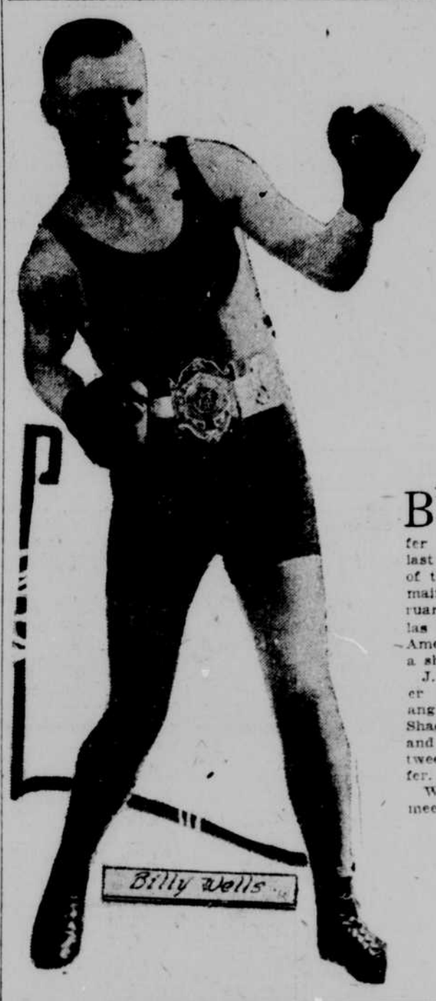
Eddie Roush May Furnish First Test Case Between Organized Baseball and Players' Union

Cincinnati, O., Feb., 4.—Eddie Roush and his annual money troubles, so it is generally believed, will furnish material for the first test of principles between the new players' union and the governing forces of organized baseball, according to a story published here.

In addition to his regular yearly demand for more money, so it is said, Roush asks for the money he missed by his holdout in 1922—asks for salary for the entire period of his layoff, with the naive remark that "it wasn't my fault I wasn't playing."

Total sum asked by Roush for the coming season, including this salary, which he didn't earn, is approximately $30,000. The union, it is believed, will say nothing as to the 1922 salary of Roush, but will hold that Roush, instead of being set down, as was the case last season, should be marketed to some club with which he can make satisfactory arrangements. It isn't so much the case of Roush himself that counts with the union—it is the definite settlement, one way or the other, of the clubs' right to lay a balky player off without any money at all.

May Battle Here Again!



BILLY WELLS, the English welter who met "Kid" Schlaifer at the Auditorium last Friday, may be one of the principals in the main event here February 15 when the Douglas County post of the American Legion stages a show.

J. J. Isaacson, promoter for the legion, is angling for a Wells-Shade, Wells-Schoell and a return bout between Wells and Schlaifer.

Wells is anxious to meet the "Kid" again.

Hughie Jennings Holds Record for Getting Hit in One Season

Year	Club	League	G.	A.B.	R.	H.	T.B.	S.B.	Pct.
1891	Louisville	American Ass.	81	316	46	95	128	14	.300
1892	Louisville	National	152	584	66	137	161	24	.232
1893	L'ville & Balt.	National	38	135	12	25	31	1	.192
1894	Baltimore	National	128	505	136	168	246	36	.332
1895	Baltimore	National	131	528	159	204	265	60	.386
1896	Baltimore	National	129	523	125	208	251	73	.397
1897	Baltimore	National	115	436	131	154	204	60	.353
1898	Baltimore	National	143	535	136	173	223	31	.325
1899	Brooklyn	National	63	228	44	67	92	18	.300
1900	Brooklyn	National	112	440	82	119	155	35	.270
1901	Philadelphia	National	81	302	38	83	114	13	.274
1902	Philadelphia	National	78	289	51	80	105	8	.277
Total 12 years			1251	4814	986	1513	1983	373	.314

By FREDERICK G. LIEB.

ANOTHER famous bird on the old Orioles was the brick-topped Hughie Jennings, former "Ee-yah" manager of the Detroit Tigers and now assistant manager of the world champion Giants.

Jennings was not a natural hitter when he came into the big leagues, and weakness with the mace brought about his transfer from the Louisville to the Baltimore club. They taught Hughie to hit and run, bases on that famous congress of hitters and speed boys. Jennings hit .192 and stole one base in 1893, his third year in the majors. Two years later he hit .336 and stole 60 bases. What an improvement!

Jennings was born at Pittston, Pa., on April 2, 1870, and broke into the majors at the age of 21, playing his first game on June 1, 1891 at Louisville, the Colonels playing the Washington club. Hugh started in his big league career with three sacrifices and a perfect day at short.

Hughie hit an even .300 in his first year, but his batting fell off badly when Louisville entered the National league in 1892. Hugh hit .232 in 1892 and slumped to .192 in 1893. Then followed the trade which sent him to Baltimore, and opened the way for Hughie's illustrious career.

Jenning's average jumped to .332 in 1894, leaped to .386 in 1895 and reached its high mark of .397 in 1895. Hughie also became a dreaded base runner and in the three years from 1895 to 1897 he stole 193 bases, half of the bases that he pilfered during his big league career.

Hughie hit over .300 in seven of his 12 years as a big leaguer, scored over 100 runs five years in succession and twice cracked out over 200 hits a year. He closed his big league career with a life-time average of .314.

Hugh Jennings holds the major league record for getting hit in a season, having 49 to his credit, which he compiled in 1896. He also is tied with Evans of the St. Louis Nationals and Daniels of the Yankees for the most hit by a pitcher in a single game, having a total of three when with Baltimore, on May 11, 1894, he was hit a trio of times by Philadelphia's pitchers.

Former Hawkeye Now Buckeye Coach

Athens, O., Feb. 4.—John Heldt, center of the 1922 University of Iowa football team, has been chosen coach of football at Ohio university here, it was announced here.

Earl Puryear and Jack Lewis May Land in Court

Earl Puryear, bantamweight boxer, and his manager, Jack Lewis, prominent Omaha sportsman, are about to clash in court battle.

Earl Puryear.

According to Puryear, Lewis has violated his contract. Puryear says that the contract he signed with Lewis calls for $100 a week salary and that the latter is behind in his payments to the extent of $1,000. Puryear said last night that he would take the case to court in order to collect the back payments.

Busy Week Ahead for Nebraska Basket Ball Teams---Creighton to Play Marquette Squad

Valley High School Cage Meet in March

Manhattan, Kan. Feb. 4.—(Special.)—Announcement of the first annual Missouri valley interscholastic basket ball tournament at the Kansas State Aricultural college March 23 and 24 was made here today. The big high school tournament will be sponsored by the K. S. A. C. physical education department, and held in Nichols gymnasium on the campus here.

Nichols gymnasium here is admirably fitted for the staging of a big interscholastic tournament. Two small courts are available to run off the matches down to the semi-finals and finals, which will be played on the big court, one of the best in the west.

Invitations to the high school and other secondary school teams of the Missouri valley ranking highest on the basis of the season's play will be sent out between March 1 and 15.

A handsome team trophy will be presented to the champion five, and a banner to the runners-up. The high point man of the entire tourney will be awarded a gold watch, suitably engraved. The members of the championship team will receive gold basket balls, the runners-up silver basket balls, the team placing third, gold-bronze basket balls, and the fourth ranking team, bronze basket balls.

Arrangements for the tournament have been delegated to a committee of student athletes.

Plan to Develop "Sandlot" Tennis

New York, Feb. 4.—Development of "sandlot" tennis players—applying that baseball term to the court sport—will be one of the features of the administration of Dwight F. Davis, as president of the United States Lawn Tennis association, to which position he was elected today.

A national campagin to stir up interest in the tennis played on municipal courts with a national championship tournament for public park players late this season, are among Mr. Davis' immediate plans, the Associated Press was informed today. Mr. Davis proposes a national survey of park tennis conditions in the larger cities of the coutry in his aim to improve the playing facilities of those centers not now up to the standard of the more progressive "tennis cities," such as Philadelphia and St. Louis.

Sectional bodies of the association will be asked to start soon their canvass of conditions and to solicit the co-operation of municipal governing bodies, such as boards of aldermen, park commissions, playground associations and similar organizations. Court literature, moving pictures and other "educational material" will be supplied by the association.

Omaha Western Union Bowlers Win Match

Ten Omaha Western Union Telegraph company bowlers won over the same number of Denver telegraph pin tumblers Saturday in a "wire" match by the score of 5,767 to 5,040. The Omaha bowlers won their match by a total of 727 pins.

Bouton of the Omaha team rolled a game total of 644, scoring 183, 214 and 247 in each game. Seven Omaha bowlers had higher game totals than any Denver maple smasher.

The Omaha scores follow:

Western Union No. 1.				
Bouton	183	214	247	644
Hoag	214	187	170	565
Askelof	222	170	181	573
Barker	166	195	205	566
Yelvington	189	201	206	596
Totals	984	961	1013	2958
Western Union No. 2.				
Watt	203	214	214	679
Norwald	230	196	156	576
Saunders	185	147	201	533
Donnelly	225	158	225	608
Winn	191	141	181	513
Totals	1033	798	977	2909

Harvard and Yale Accept

Cambridge, Mass., Feb. 4.—Harvard and Yale accepted the invitation of Oxford and Cambridge to an international collegiate track meet to be held in England in July, it was announced today, following a meeting here yesterday of committees representing the athletic bodies of the two American universities.

American-made automobile tires are being exported at the rate of more than a million a year, an estimated worth of $20,250,000.

All High School Hoopsters Get Into Action Before Saturday—Central Meets Sioux City and Fremont—Omaha Maroons Have Games.

By RALPH WAGNER.

LOOKS like it's going to be a pretty busy week for Nebraska basketeers, judging from the number of university, college and high school games on the card.

All Omaha quintets will get into action sometime this week, the majority of them, however, will reel off scheduled games Friday and Saturday.

Coach Schabinger's Creighton university team, fresh from a victorious three-game trip at Brookings, and Sioux City, will resume practice this afternoon in preparation for nonconference games Friday and Saturday night with the Marquette team of Milwaukee.

Creighton showed its mettle as a basket ball team last week when it trimmed South Dakota State at Brookings in a pair of contests and then turned right around and defeated Morningside college at Sioux City for the third time this season. These three victories for the Blue stamps the team as one of the foremost, if not the foremost contender for the North Central Intercollegiate basket ball championship of the season.

The coming games with Marquette, while not a pair of conference contests, should prove interesting. The marquette squad plays a fast game; handles the ball well and guards its opponents like a hawk, all of which Will make the Blue step out and play good basket ball.

The University of Nebraska quintet after defeating both Grinnell and Iowa State college on the latter floor two weeks ago, allowed the Pioneers and Cyclones to invade Lincoln last weekend and trim them. Grinnel won from the Huskers Friday by the score of 32 to 17 and then Ames managed to win from the Nebraskans Saturday by the score of 21 to 17.

Greene Good Player.

The ability of "Red" Greene, Ames forward, to make good on gift shots, helped defeat Nebraska Saturday. This Iowa State player is one of the best basketeers in Iowa and is sure to get some place when the all-valley teams burst forth in print.

The Omaha university team under the coaching of Ernie Adams, managed to break even on its trip to Le Mars and Sioux City, Ia., last week. The Maroons trimmed Western Union Thursday, 25 to 15, and then lost to Trinity college at Sioux City Friday.

This week the Maroons will play return games with the Western Union quintet. The Le Mars teams invade the Pratt street gymnasium Thursday and Friday for a two-game series.

Busy Week Ahead.

Omaha high school quintets will have a busy week. All the teams have scheduled games, some playing out of town, while others engage in contests on their own courts.

To start the week with, Creighton high plays Tech on the Creighton university floor and Nebraska City plays South Omaha on the Packers' court Tuesday evening. Creighton high trimmed Waterloo last week, 44 to 12, while South lost to Central, 35 to 23.

Friday, Central goes to Sioux City to play the Sioux City high. The Iowans have a pretty strong five this season and will give the Purple a hard game. Thus far this season Central has played eight games and lost one, that being to the Council Bluffs quintet. Central defeated the Bluffs' hoopsters earlier in the season, however.

To Play Lincoln.

Coach Drummond's Tech cagers go to Lincoln Friday to meet the "Links" on the latters' floor. Last week Geneva defeated Tech on the former's small court.

The final high school game of the week for an Omaha team will be played Saturday evening at Fremont when Central meets the out-staters.

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Sutton Drops Another.

Hastings, Neb., Feb. 4.—(Special Telegram.)—Hastings high handed Sutton high their second defeat of the season here before a crowd of 1,000 persons. The score was 22 to 13. Hastings led by one point at the half, and came back strong in the final period. Marvel caged four goals for the locals.

York Defeats Kearney.

Kearney, Neb., Feb. 4.—(Special Telegram.)—York high basket ball team defeated Kearney high here by the score of 26 to 15.

Council Bluffs Loses.

Denison, Ia., Feb. 4.—(Special Telegram.)—Denison high trimmed the fast basket ball quintet from Council Bluffs high here by the score of 27 to 25 in a close game.

Seward College Winner.

Seward, Neb., Feb. 4.—(Special Telegram.)—Seward college won from York college here in a game of basket ball by the score of 35 to 17.

Kimball Town Team Victor.

Kimball, Neb., Feb. 4.—(Special Telegram.)—The Cheyenne Independent basket ball team fell before the local town team here. The score was 31 to 24. John Pickel, formerly of the University of Nebraska, was the star for Cheyenne. Kimball will meet the Tagers, fast Denver team, here the 8th.

O'Neill Wins Three.

O'Neill, Neb., Feb. 4.—(Special Telegram.)—The O'Neill high school teams won three games. The O'Neill boys defeated Tilden, 29 to 9, and won from Inman, 28 to 21. The O'Neill girls were winners over the Inman girls by the score of 16 to 15.

District Tourney at Glenwood.

Glenwood, Ia., Feb. 4.—Some of the strongest contenders for the state high school basket ball championship will compete in the district tourney which will be held here March 2. Seventeen teams will play. They are Carson, Council Bluffs, Elliott, Emerson, Essex, Hastings, Henderson, Randolph, Malvern, Pacific Junction, Sidney, Silver City, Strahan, Tabor, Thurman, Corning and Bartlett.

Football Sked Complete.

Geneva, Neb., Feb. 4.—The athletic department of the Geneva high school announces the following schedule to be complete for the coming football season:

September 28—Clay Center, there.
October 5—Fairbury, there.
October 12—Aurora, here.
October 19—Hastings, here.
October 26—York, there.
November 2—University Place, there.
November 9—Sutton, here.
November 16—Friend, here.
November 16—Crete, here.

Randolph Wins.

Randolph, Neb., Feb. 4.—Randolph high smothered Plainview here in a one-sided game of basket ball by the score of 41 to 10.

Houses Swallowed Up by Crater of New Volcano; Town Believed Doomed

Milan, Feb. 4.—A huge crater suddenly burst open in the center of Francenigo, near Zacile, in the Venetian district, and swallowed up several houses. Many buildings have been knocked down and it is believed the town is doomed.

It now appears that the village, which is hundreds of years old, was built directly over the crater of a volcano. After a terrific explosion, which opened the crater in the central square of the village, yellow fire, dark smoke and gases issued from the earth, which the townspeople feared came from infernal regions. Almost all the natives have fled.

It was not known that a volcano existed in the immediate vicinity of Francenigo, which is on the Livenza river.

Win Indoor Tennis Title

New York, Feb. 4.—Karl H. Behr and Dean Mathey of New York won the doubles championship of the indoor tennis tournament of the Heights Casino today, defeating R. Morris Williams of Philadelphia and Watson M. Washburn of New York, 6-2, 4-6, 6-1. Williams and Washburn entered the final round by defeating Vincent Richards of Yonkers, N. Y., and Samuel Hardy of New York, former Davis cup team captain, 6-1, 6-3.

Basket-Ball Facts You Should Know

By Ed Story

Q. How many substitutes may be used in a game?

A. **In amateur game there is no limit. Team may use three in pro game.**

Q. If referee calls two fouls on one team in same play, is it a double foul?

A. **No.**

Q. If player out of bounds with ball steps into court with one foot before throwing ball in, what is the penalty?

A. **Ball goes out of bounds to player on opposite team.**

Q. Can team which has not taken time out during game do so in extra period?

A. **In amateur game yes. In professional game no time out is allowed during extra period.**

Q. In case of a tie game do teams change goals for extra period?

A. **No.**

How to Play Basket Ball.

Out of bounds play. We will assume one of your forwards has the ball out of bounds in your offense territory, about half way between the center and the end line. The other forward takes a position about 15 feet in front of him and about 10 feet nearer his goal. The center takes a position about 15 feet in from him and about 10 feet nearer the center of the floor. Both these men face the man with the ball. The back guard takes a position about 10 feet from the sideline and about half way up the court. The running guard is about 15 feet directly behind the center circle. The forward cuts in for the ball. The center starts in, but changes his direction and cuts for the basket. The back guard starts in for the ball, but reverses and goes to the back court. The running guard after waiting for the play, cuts down the left side of the court. The ball is passed to either the foward, center, or running guard.

The Turf

TODAY'S ENTRIES
NEW ORLEANS.

First Race—$1,000; claiming; 2-year-olds; maidens, three furlongs:

Patsy Howe	122	Castilla	112
Homer	110	Ink	109
Rehrah	107	Idle Thoughts	119
Nancy McKay	111	A. J. Buja	110
Mabel Van	107	Belle Isle	107
Easter Bonnet	114	Bonnie Jack	110
Ruth S.	109	Saisie	107

Second Race—$1,000; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; six furlongs:

Silence	108	aTingling	108
Clarkson	102	Tom Cassidy	101
aDumbfounder	96	Bee's Wing	108
Skooter	108	Neapolitan	101
Tex	101	aHysteria	91
aCol. Taylor	108	Bengalla	103
Mandolier	101	Dumpsey Bumps	96

Third Race—$1,000, claiming, 3-year-olds and up, six furlongs:

Irish Dream	116	aKewpie O'Neil	112
aWhalebone	108	Sagamore	105
aOrlova	102	Wolfe's Cry	114
aGolden Floss	112	aAblaze	108
MacBeth	103	Tender Seth	93
aOrcus	113	aPaul Micou	110
aCamouflage	108	aTheo	102

Fourth Race—$1,000; Tally-Ho purse; allowances. 3-year-olds, one mile and 70 yards:

Chiva	105	Brunnell	104
Mayer Carrel	102	Kent L.	102
Bosh	97	aL. Stebler	106
Briand	102	Prince of Umbria	102
Superbum	106	Eu alie	97
Golden Crest	108	Wa, wayssimo	102
Slanderer	102	Winner Take All	97

Bosh and Waywayssimo—Applegate and Burnbury entry.

Fifth Race—$1,000; claiming 3-year-olds and up; one and one-sixteenth miles:

Brotherly Love	113	Devonite	102
Hot Foot	96	Biff Bang	112
aTricks	101	aDay Lilly	96
aHermis Kemble		aTody	100
	111		

Sixth Race—$1,000; claiming; 2-year-ds and up; one and one-sixteenth miles:

Tulalip	96	aNeddam	106
Citation	96	aWaukesa	98
Quesada	103	aWaukesa	98
Rep	105	Kebo	96

Seventh Race—$1,000; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; one and one-eighth miles:

Ettahe	115	Johnny Overton	109
Tulsa	105	aMountain Rose	
aAllire	100	II	103
aPhelan	107	aLord Herbert	110
Freeay Sneezy	102	Scourgeman	105
Booneville	109	aMaize	99
Wadsworth's Last		aAmaze	107
	108	aGen. Caderna	100

a—Apprentice allowance claimed. Weather, clear; track, fast.