

OMAHA BEE SPORTS ARE BEST

Many Important Gridiron Contests to be Played by State High School Elevens

ITULAR aspirations of the strongest football teams in the state high school circle will be definitely settled this week-end when Lincoln and Omaha Central, two of the contending aggregations, meet on the Capital City gridiron.

Lincoln, winners of the championship bunting last year, is trying to repeat last year's feat. Central, with one of the strongest teams of recent years, will attempt to capture the coveted bunting.

While the championship will not be definitely decided during the Saturday clash, it is probable that the winners of the tussle will successfully carry on to the end of the season.

Central High school has defended its claim for premier honors against four state teams. These elevens include Beatrice, South Omaha, Creighton Prep and Kearney. The Buffalo county youths alone of the opposing gridlers have been able to put the Purple goal line. Coach Schmidt's proteges across the Purple goal line while the combined efforts of the other four teams have scored but 12 points.

Lincoln has gone through six state battles, totaled 236 points, and has eliminated each opponent without having the Red and Black goal line crossed once during the season. In the coming tussle with the metropolitan gridsters, Lincoln will be a slight favorite, having played a heavier schedule and having pitched the annual fight on the home grounds. The Capital City line will have to show more strength than it did during the last week game with York, or the result will not come to the liking of the winners of last year's bunting.

Among the other teams in the state which are gazing wistfully in the direction of the state championship are the Neligh, Central City, Crawford, and Chappell elevens. Each team is undefeated and gets in action against one of the others, Neligh at Central City, and Chappell at Crawford. Two strong contenders will be eliminated in the fray. Neligh is a favorite over Central City on account of the strength of the teams over which each team has won. Similarly, Crawford is a favorite of the Chappell aggregation. The winner of the game at Crawford will undoubtedly be hailed as the western Nebraska champion.

Broken Bow, Custer county aggregation which had to battle last week to win from Columbia, will be forced to extend to keep Grand Island from putting the first blot on an undefeated eleven. Grand Island has been playing good football and fights through consistently. However, the team lacks the ability to score. With a record behind it, Broken Bow is favored to pile up another win.

Hastings should be an easy favorite over Aurora. Coach Dick Newman has been bringing his proteges through successfully. Considering the fact that Aurora fell to Central City, 12 to 0, Hastings should romp away with another victory. From a comparative score standpoint, Cambridge should defeat North Platte. Gothenburg administered a 15 to 0 drubbing to the Lincoln county youths but was able to win from Cambridge with only a three-point margin, 9 to 6.

Omaha Tech should have little trouble trouncing Beatrice at Beatrice. Creighton Prep is favored over Tekamah. If Lexington plays the style of football of which it is capable, the same sort which was used against Kearney and Arapahoe, the Dawson county youths will easily trounce the Beatrice aggregation. Gothenburg will have little trouble with McCook. Wahoo should put another defeat to the list of University Place losses. Havelock easily defeated the Young Methodists by a thirty point margin but was forced to extend to win from Wahoo by two touchdowns. In the face of the dope, University Place appears to be in for another wallowing.

Columbus, although eliminated from the state titular race, has a strong team and should worry Norfolk no little bit. The youthful Elkhorns will spill the "oil" if they break out with Leonard May.

Leonard May Box Pal Moran

Chicago, Nov. 15.—Benny Leonard, world's lightweight champion, will face Pal Moran, New Orleans, at Tiajuana on December 22, if Promoter Jim Coffroth can arrange for a concession on that date, according to Billy Gibson, Leonard's manager, who passed through Chicago today. Leonard, now appearing in vaudeville, will forsake the footlights to get in training after next week, Gibson said. He left today for California, where he will meet Promoter Coffroth to arrange details of the match.

Columbus Faces Stiff Basketball Schedule

Columbus, Neb., Nov. 15.—Columbus high school basketball players will face the heaviest schedule in their history when the season opens officially with a game when the local team plays the David City quintet here. From then on until the state tournament in March the basketball shooters will have from one to three games a week. The following schedule has been announced:

Home games: January 10, David City; January 18, Fremont; January 25, Hastings; January 28, Schuyler; February 14, Geneva; February 15, West Point; February 21, North Bend; February 23, Norfolk.

Out-of-town games: January 11, Schuyler; February 1, Omaha Tech; February 2, open date; February 22, David City; February 26, Fremont; February 28, Geneva; February 29, Seward.

Poultry Shoot at Hancock

Members of the Omaha Gun club are invited to attend a poultry shoot to be held at Hancock, Ia., November 17. Plenty of birds are promised for the event.

Can the King Hold the Throne?

By Ed Hughes



Of late years, and this year was no exception, the world's championship billiard tourney has resolved itself around the question of Willie Hoppe's decline. Is Hoppe, the once famed "boy wonder," still the king of the green baize? The injection of new and startling talent in billiard circles has proved an impetus to cue competition.

Jake Schaefer's defeat of Hoppe in Chicago in 1921 excited a recurring hope in some that the performance will be repeated. Welker Cochran defeated Hoppe in the recent tournament and tied the champion in the final standing of the players. There was a time when Hoppe could beat Cochran regularly, but those days are past. Many look for a Cochran victory when the two meet in Chicago next month to decide the question of superiority.

But all these are mere supplements to the chief interest in the question of Hoppe's ability to outstroke his rivals, now that the charm that once surrounded his name has been broken by young Jake and Cochran.

Billiards is a ballroom game, a full dress suit affair. There is a soft atmosphere of the esthetic about the thing. The hushed silence broken only by the delicate click of the ivory, the restrained clapping, following a deft piece of stroking accentuates the impression of sheer artistry. The physical forces seem to have little part in the play about the table. Nor does courage or a striking personality appear to count much in the summary of the clicking ivory.

All this is a huge deception, however. Physical fitness, courage and will influence a dominating personality have much to do with winning or losing in billiards.

Hoppe, to hold his billiard honors dangerous. Perhaps these performances have been part of Willis' plot to bring about a match with Dempsey, but not likely.

Jack Lewis believes Tiny Jim Herman could knock out Floyd Johnson within seven rounds. In fact Lewis has offered to buy at least three hats that we know of if Tiny fails in that assignment should he chance to get a match with the Iowan.

You have to give Lewis credit for his loyalty. Lewis believes in his fighters. Sometimes it brings him to grief. Witness, for instance, Herman's match with Renault. If Lewis hadn't had quite so high a regard for Tiny that defeat might not be in Herman's record today.

Dempsey Plans European Trip

Los Angeles, Cal., Nov. 15.—Jack Dempsey, heavyweight champion, and his manager, Jack Kearns, will soon be off for another jaunt to Europe.

Dempsey, it was learned today, is already in Salt Lake City, where he will visit his family a few days. Later, with some friends, he will go on a hunting trip, into New Mexico.

Kearns will leave here in a couple of days, it was stated, for New York, where he will try to arrange a couple of fights for Dempsey some time next summer. Dempsey's next fight, according to Kearns, will probably be next Decoration day between Tommy Gibson or Jack Renault. Kearns is also looking for a return battle for Dempsey with Luis Firpo for a bout in July or September. While in Gotham Kearns will confer with Tex Rickard, who is expected to promote a return match with Firpo.

Dempsey will also do some exhibition boxing while abroad, Kearns said. It is also possible that he will stage a real fight in both England and France if worthy opponents can be found.

The European trip is expected to start late in December or early in January.

Creighton to Play Lincoln

The Creighton high school basketball team will play Lincoln on the latter's court, January 11, according to Coach Marrin.

Besides the Lincoln game, Coach Marrin has scheduled games with Tech, Central, South and Plattsmouth. Marrin has Skelley, Moylan, Coffey, Porter, O'Leary, Dising and a promising bunch of other tilters ready for the practice season.

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Grid Gossip

By Ed Hughes

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Tekamah to Meet Creighton Prep

Tekamah, Neb., Nov. 15.—Tekamah high school, pennant winners of the Northeast Central A. A. for the season of 1922, will meet the first Creighton Prep eleven here Friday, November 16. The Tekamah lineup will be:

- Wetherall Right End
- Thorpe Right Tackle
- Grothe Right Guard
- Wagner Center
- Wagner Left Guard
- Knight Left Tackle
- McNair Left End
- Hampton Quarterback
- Stanfield Left Halfback
- Willert Right Halfback
- Sackett Fullback

Average weight of line, 152 pounds; average weight of backfield, 153 pounds.

On the eve of entraining for Chicago, Captain Ristow of Ohio sprained his knee, but doctors say he will probably be able to play Saturday. The Buckeye team will start for Chicago today followed by a crowd of 3,000 rooters.

Important Games in Big Ten Circle

Chicago, Nov. 15.—Old scores as well as title chances are to be settled on gridirons of the western conference Saturday.

Wisconsin has its last year's defeat and a long past of similar experiences to retrieve in its game with Michigan; Chicago settles its differences with Ohio and the powerful Minnesota team will meet its ancient foe, Iowa. Northwestern hopes to use Purdue as a stepping stone out of the big ten cellar.

The Buckeyes report that with Klee, their fast halfback, again in the game they will have a running and passing offensive that is going to be hard for Chicago to solve.

The Minnesota Gophers are determined to break the string of consecutive Iowa victories of the last five years. Both teams are on edge as a result of hard practice sessions.

Illinois is scheduled for a non conference game with the Mississippi Aggies. It is considered likely that Coach Zuppke will carefully screen Grange out of the danger zone during this contest to reserve him for the crucial battle with Ohio on November 24.

Gophers to Present Changed Lineup

Minneapolis, Minn., Nov. 15.—The reason for Herb Swanbeck's shift back to the center post after attempts to play a month ago at fullback, and his return to center, was due to a return battle for Dempsey with Luis Firpo for a bout in July or September. While in Gotham Kearns will confer with Tex Rickard, who is expected to promote a return match with Firpo.

Gophers Invited to Attend Ski Meet

Minneapolis, Minn., Nov. 15.—An invitation to enter a Gopher team in a four-cornered intercollegiate ski meet this winter as one of the feature events of the national ski tournament which will take place at Brattleboro, Vt., February 14 and 15, was received today by Emil Iverson, winter sport coach at the University of Minnesota.

The invitation, tendered by the Brattleboro Outing club, promoters of the national ski meet this year, suggests that McGill university of Canada, Dartmouth and the University of Wisconsin be the other three competitors in the inter-collegiate event, besides Minnesota.

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Cunningham is holding down the center job in the Purdue varsity in place of Sander Skopronie. The team was drilled for a real workout last night in defense of the center.

Examinations at the university have interfered with the Notre Dame practice. Roches, in some way, has been offered in an effort to speed up the team. Ticket sales indicate a capacity crowd for the Butler game.

Central City and Neligh to Play

By Ed Hughes

Central City, Neb., Nov. 15.—Central City's acceptance of Neligh's challenge to meet their undefeated football team has resulted in an arrangement of one of the most important games on high school schedules this week, as both teams are determined to strengthen their claims as state championship contenders.

Prospects of a victory for the local team took a sudden slump yesterday, when physicians announced that Bus Wilson, star quarterback of Coach Kentop's machine, would not be able to make the trip owing to a severe attack of tonsillitis.

Wilson's absence, interference, and his ability to intercept passes have made him a valuable man. His place probably will be taken by Mohr or Bowlin.

Bluffs High Team Is Working Hard

The Abraham Lincoln high eleven of the Bluffs is putting in a strenuous week of preparation for Saturday's game with South High of Omaha. Coach Nitzemeyer is putting his charges through practice that rivals the preparation for the Thomas Jefferson game last week.

Work and plenty of it, is on the boards for the local gridlers.

Most of the week's work will be in the line of ironing out weak spots in the left side of the line that came so light in last week's battle with Jefferson. Work in blocking, charging the line, short scrimmages have been held each night, and changes in the left side of the forward wall are expected if the regulars do not show a decided improvement before game time. No new plays will be given the team, as the old reliable ones are deemed enough to give Lincoln a victory against South.

The Lincoln squad, having once tasted the sweets of victory, can be depended on to give their best against South, and if they can keep up the standard of play shown last Saturday they are due to hand South a meaty defeat.

Bluffs' short scrimmages have featured the Jefferson game, has recovered from the eye injury he sustained and will be in the game this coming weekend, as will all the other regulars.

Chess Play Started

Bloomfield, Neb., Nov. 15.—Bloomfield Chess club has started play for the winter season. A couple of preliminary skirmishes have been held and some interesting play has resulted. It has been decided to meet for play on Monday evening of each week, the field of hostilities being the city hall. Arrangements are now under way for a tournament, but particulars have not yet been announced. Visitors to the city are invited to meet with the club on Monday evenings.

The Turt

Thursdays Results.

MARLBOROUGH.

First race: 4 furlongs.

North 102 (Woodstock) 1:24 1/2

Bellevue 104 (Hawkeye) 1:25 1/2

Time: 1:23 1/2. Varsity: Lady, Lady Ab.

Second race: 5 1/2 furlongs.

100 (Katie) 1:40 1/2

101 (Helen) 1:41 1/2

102 (Helen) 1:42 1/2

103 (Helen) 1:43 1/2

104 (Helen) 1:44 1/2

105 (Helen) 1:45 1/2

106 (Helen) 1:46 1/2

107 (Helen) 1:47 1/2

108 (Helen) 1:48 1/2

109 (Helen) 1:49 1/2

110 (Helen) 1:50 1/2

111 (Helen) 1:51 1/2

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116 (Helen) 1:56 1/2

117 (Helen) 1:57 1/2

118 (Helen) 1:58 1/2

119 (Helen) 1:59 1/2

120 (Helen) 2:00 1/2

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Packers Crippled for Game With Bluffs High

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Townsend, Star Fullback, Out of Game Due to Injuries—Capt. Sutter May be Absent From Lineup.

Of man Hard Luck has hit the South High Packers again. The stock went down many points last night, for almost on the eve of the battle with Abraham Lincoln of Council Bluffs, Russ Townsend, hard hitting fullback, tore up an old injury during the heavy scrimmage Wednesday night and will be out of the game Friday, maybe for the rest of the season. The extent of his injuries was not known at first, but word was received last night of the seriousness of it.

Capt. Sutter's weak ankle may necessitate his being out of the Abraham Lincoln game also, and the Packers may start against the Buffmen with two reserves in the backfield.

As Townsend was helped from the field, the hours of the South High followers were at the lowest level, but they rose again a few minutes later when Coach Patton put in Reardon Fred Hoye. This Kid Hoye soon demonstrated that he was first team caliber, for he tore off a goal every time he took the ball. He was playing against the scrubs, his true, but one has to take into consideration the fact that this is his first season of football. He has been out for practice only since October 27.

If the regulars do not play a better game Friday than they did against Fremont, Coach Patton expects to put in some of the reserves. That's just it, the first stringers are getting too cocky, too sure of their places, and if they don't watch out, they are going to get "bounced." It would do them a world of good to see the probable lineup, and weights:

- Katzman, 152 Left End
- Webster, 170 Left Tackle
- Hoffman, 190 Left Guard
- Reeve, 163 Center
- Kelson, 175 Right Guard
- Kelton, 176 Right Tackle
- Urban, 142 Right End
- Graham, 128 Quarterback
- Prucha, 155 Left Halfback
- McDonald, 145 Right Halfback
- Hoye, 148 Fullback

McCarthy After Aid From Minors

San Francisco, Nov. 15.—William H. McCarthy, who claims the presidency of the Pacific Coast league despite the election of Harry A. Williams to that office Tuesday at the Catalina Island meeting, upon his return from Los Angeles dispatched telegrams to members of the league's arbitration of the Minor League association requesting them to bring up the Pacific Coast league case first when the board meets in Chicago December 10.

McCarthy maintained that the election of Williams was illegal. He declared that he would present evidence to the board to prove that William Wrigley, Jr., put up the money to buy the Seattle club at the same time he owned the Los Angeles club.

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