

# OMAHA BEE SPORTS ARE BEST

## Huskies and Oregon Aggies Turkey Day

Southern California Refuses to Play in Lincoln Thanksgiving so Westerners May Get Date.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 19.—The tentative game between Nebraska and the University of Southern California is off. The Trojans find it impossible to make the trip here in 1924, they advised John Selleck, Nebraska's business manager of athletics in a wire received Wednesday. And with definite word that the U. S. C. game is off, Mr. Selleck redoubled his efforts to land a home attraction for Memorial Field, next Thanksgiving afternoon.

Just at present the Oregon Aggies, from the land where the smell of sweet and Douglas fir intermingles, appear the most likely opponents. Once before the Huskies and Oregon Aggies played. That was in 1916, when E. J. Stewart coached the Nebraska team. The Huskies traveled to Portland and brought the best end of a 17 to 7 score back with them. Dick Rutherford, former Nebraska athletic coach, the Oregon Aggies.

In the telegram from U. S. C. officials, an offer for a two-year contract was tendered Nebraska for a home and home arrangement to start in 1925 with Nebraska, traveling to Los Angeles for the first game.

## Ebbetts Really Wanted Hornsby

Clearwater, Fla., Dec. 19.—President Charles H. Ebbetts of the Brooklyn National league club, really wanted Rogers Hornsby at the record breaking figure of \$275,000, he said here today. He declared that ordinarily he did not believe in paying high amounts for players as it tended to hurt the game, but declared his offer at the Chicago baseball meeting for the St. Louis slugger was bona fide.

## Reds After Farm for Red Castoffs

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 19.—August Hermann, president of the Cincinnati Reds, said today that the report of an immediate purchase of the Indianapolis club of the American association by the Cincinnati club, is "much exaggerated."

## Silver Fox Team Mascot

Seattle, Dec. 19.—Frosty, a true husky with just enough silver blood to give a touch of whiteness to his grizzly gray fur, has been chosen mascot for the University of Washington's husky football team in its game with the United States Naval academy eleven at Pasadena, New Year's day.

## The Turf Monday's Results.

Table with 2 columns: Race name and results. Includes sections for TIAMANA, NEW ORLEANS, and other races.

## BUFFALOES WHO GET CHANCE IN HIGHER COMPANY

NICK CULLOP, utility man, and Buckshot May, pitcher, have been sold by the Omaha Western league club to the New York Yankees and Pittsburgh Pirates, respectively.



## Gun Club Trophy Dates Announced

Joe Dawson Elected to Head Organization for Coming Year.

Beginning the first of the year the doubles trophy and the sliding handicap trophy of the Omaha Gun Club will be put in open competition to all members of the club, it was decided at the annual meeting of the organization held last night in the county engineer's office at the courthouse.

The doubles trophy will be contested for on the second and fourth Sundays of each month. The sliding handicap events will be staged on the first and third Sundays of each month, the competition running until July 1. The trophies will become permanent possession of the shooters winning the greatest number of times.

Joe Dawson was elected president of the organization. Other officers elected were John Ragan, vice president; Peter Simpson, secretary, and E. Otto, treasurer.

## Announce Dates for Iowa Relay Carnival

Iowa City, Ia., Dec. 19.—Coach George T. Bresnahan has just announced that the fourth annual relay carnival at the University of Iowa will be held on the new armory track, February 9. The intersority relay will again be the feature of the relay carnival.

## South Dakota State College Basketball

Brookings, S. D., Dec. 19.—The State college basketball schedule for the coming season, with the exception of a few open dates, has been made up as follows:

## Hoppe Increases Lead Over Cochran in Title Cue Play

Iowa Lad Has Many Opportunities to Advance But Fails to Take Advantage of Them.

Chicago, Dec. 19.—Willie Hoppe materially increased his lead over Welker Cochran tonight in the second block of their play-off for the world's 18.2 ballcue title.

The champion won the second block by a score of 500 to 233. He won the first block Monday night, 600 to 203. The totals for the match stand: Hoppe, 1,000; Cochran, 436.

The playing tonight fell off considerably in comparison to the first block when Hoppe averaged 100 points an inning. Tonight he averaged 35 6-13. Monday night Cochran averaged 40 3-4 against tonight, 17 12-13.

## Believe It Or Not

NO NAMES can be mentioned in this story—but it's too good to keep. A well known Omaha hunter was out on the Missouri river for a shoot and had his blind and decoys on the point of a long sandbar. He shot one or two birds and then noticed that as soon as he sighted a flock there was a bombardment down at the foot of the bar. The gunners below him were apparently shooting at empty shells, snags and whatever happened along. The hunter tried to make the best of it, but when a flock of about 200 birds was started away by the shooting he shouldered his gun and in a regular rage



started toward the lower end of the bar. When within hailing distance he started in to tell them what he thought of them as hunters. He cursed in six different languages, called them names, dared them to fight and had a fine old tantrum for about 10 minutes. Then he reached them.

## Crack Iowa Athlete Will Try Out With Pittsburgh National Club

LIFFORD "BUD" KNOX, Des Moines university athlete, has signed to try out with the Pittsburgh National league club, according to word received from Pittsburgh, home of the Pirates.

## Shelton Wins Cage Game

Shelton, Neb., Dec. 19.—The Shelton High school basketball hoopers defeated the Kenesaw five in the opening game of the season in the local gymnasium, by a score of 36 to 24. The Shelton squad team won from Kenesaw's second team, 24 to 8.

## EDDIE'S FRIENDS



## Newsey Sportlets

Harry Wills, colored challenger for Jack Dempsey's title, tried to purchase a large painting of the champion at Madison Square Garden Monday night. He offered \$1,000, but some fight manager offered \$1,100 and got the painting.

Luis Vicentini, Chilean lightweight fighter, plans to return home this week.

Major league schedule makers have agreed upon an arrangement which will bring the 1924 season to a close on September 29 or 30.

The Iowa State college football team will play the Minnesota eleven next season.

Andy Kelly of Colfax, Ia., has been elected captain of the 1924 Columbia college football team of Dubuque, Ia.

Jack Taylor, Omaha colored heavyweight fighter who is fighting in the east, has been signed to meet Battling Sisk in a 10-round bout in Philadelphia Christmas day.

Bartley Madden, heavyweight fighter, has received an offer of \$10,000 to fight Luis Firpo in Buenos Aires next February.

Eduard Mascart, French featherweight scrapper, won the French and European title when he defeated Henri Hebrans of Belgium on points in a 15-round bout in Paris.

The Syracuse university of Syracuse, N. Y., will lose four regulars from this season's football team.

Call Off Schlaifer Bout With Jones

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 19.—The 10-round bout scheduled to be held here December 21 between Jimmy Jones of Youngstown, O., and Morris Schlaifer of Omaha was called off today.

Announces Cage Schedule

Nebraska City, Neb., Dec. 19.—The Nebraska City high school basketball team has arranged the following schedule for the season:

Colorado Poloists in Tourney

Denver, Colo., Dec. 19.—The polo team of Colorado Agricultural college at Fort Collins, left here today for San Antonio, Tex., to participate in the big polo tournament to be held there beginning Saturday.

## ANFENGER STARTS REBUILDING DENVER WESTERN LEAGUE CLUB FOR 1924 CHASE FOR PENNANT

Owner of Mile High City Club Pleased With Manager Joe Berger, Former Boss of Wichita Team—Ray O'Brien, Former Buffalo Fielder, Together With Ginglardi and Caffey Will Make Up Outfield for Bruins Next Spring.

DENVER, COLO., Dec. 19.—With the return of President Mitt Anfenger of the Denver Bears from Chicago, where he attended the big baseball pow-wow, the rehabilitation of the Denver team has begun. With the exception of the deals that were consummated at Chicago the local magnate had nothing more to report on his return but promises.

Anfenger states he is greatly pleased with his new manager, Joe Berger, and he believes the veteran will be able to pilot the Bears into the first division. Anfenger announced that Keith Clark, a catcher from the Nebraska State league, had been signed for a tryout. He also said that several Pacific Coast league clubs, mainly Seattle, Los Angeles and Portland, had promised to send the Bears players. Denver is the nearest Class A club to the Coast circuit and the magnate said managers in that league were anxious to farm out players to the local club.

Its snap that was evident when the 1923 season opened.

Fans are anxiously awaiting the news of signing of new players, and it is a known fact that if the team gets started well they will draw big attendances. Anfenger intends to build the club until he keeps his promises of having a winning team here, he says.

It is probable that the club will train at Waco, Tex., Anfenger announced on his return. He is waiting word from civic authorities there to a guarantee, and in case the Bears train there several tentative exhibition games have already been arranged.

## Missouri Alumni Start Stadium Drive \$800,000

Want to Construct Memorial Field in Honor of Missourians Killed During War.

Columbia, Mo., Dec. 19.—W. H. (Puffy) Holmes, Jr., president of the Kansas City Alumni association of the State university, said Saturday, when here, that plans had been made by the officers of the association there to carry on the Memorial Union and Stadium campaign in Kansas City for \$750,000 simultaneously with the drive to be held in St. Louis the week of January 21.

"We are now planning a banquet for the Saturday before this campaign opens," Holmes said, "and at that time our team captains and assistants will report on their organization and be ready to 'hit the ball.' We're going over, and we're going over big."

The fact that the two major cities of Missouri will conduct their campaigns at the same time for the same cause, \$750,000 each, in the combined Memorial Union and Stadium campaign for \$1,500,000 is considered favorably by Dr. J. C. Jones, former president of the university and now director of this campaign.

"It will lend an added spirit of competition," he said. "We are eager to see which city will be the first to make their goal."

There are approximately 1,500 alumni in Kansas City, according to Holmes' estimate, while the number in St. Louis is some 200 more than that.

"We do not intend to solicit only round bout scheduled to be held here December 21 between Jimmy Jones of Youngstown, O., and Morris Schlaifer of Omaha was called off today.

Illness of Schlaifer was given as the reason.

Up to Nick Now.

WILLIE HOPPE sold to the New York Yankees, it is up to Barney Burch to scout around for a first baseman. Burch had planned to use Nick on the initial sack next spring.

To date nothing has been said regarding a new first baseman for the Buffaloes, but we have been informed by a very reliable source that Barney has a crackerjack of a first baseman. Just when he will be able to tell the hungry public about his infielder we don't know.

Good Luck, Nick.

EVERY baseball fan who knows Nick Cullop wishes him nothing but success with the Yankees. He will have a mighty hard job to make the grade, but Nick is one game younger and is willing to learn.

With that in his favor he stands a good chance to make the grade. As far as his baseball playing ability is concerned, it's a cinch the Yankees wouldn't spend \$10,000 for a man who didn't show some signs of becoming a promising ball player. The Yankees don't do business that way.

We think that Nick is a second Babe Ruth. He sure can hit that 'ol apple.

Pesek After Joe Stecher.

MAXWELL BAUMAN, manager of John Pesek, Ravenna (Neb.) heavyweight wrestler, comes forth with the statement which reads as follows:

"What claim has Stecher to a championship match with Ed (Stranger) Lewis?"

Now laugh that off, gents. In behalf of Pesek, Bauman has challenged Stecher to a match, claiming that he will post \$1,000 to guarantee Pesek's appearance and allow the forfeit money to go as a purse on a winner-take-all basis.

Bauman also says that he will give \$1,000 to any man securing a fall over Pesek. Added to this, the manager of the Ravenna grappler says he will also give Stecher \$1,000 the minute he steps into the ring with Pesek for a finish match.

Grotte Heaps Big President.

HAVE you talked with Dick Grotte, president of the Nebraska State Baseball league since he returned from the annual meetings of the major and minor leagues in Chicago?

If you haven't, you have missed something. Dick is all spittes. The reason is that all the baseball club owners and managers at the meeting congratulated him on the brand of players turned out by the Nebraska State circuit last year.

The state league may be a small organization in the opinion of baseball fans and magnates, but it's a pure state circuit, composed of teams from Nebraska towns, and for this reason and others Grotte is a mighty proud president.

"Why," says Richard, "major league scouts who gave the eastern and southern teams the once-over last season came up to me during the Chicago meeting and informed me that they were going to spend a little time next season scouting material in the Nebraska states."

Frisco Thompson, Omaha Buffalo second baseman during the latter part of the 1923 season, is a product of Grand Island of the state league. President Grotte said that he had many nice things about Frisco Tom scouts who had seen him play.

Thompson is considered one of the most promising players in the Western league.

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