

# SPORTRAITS

A subscription to Nebraska's Memorial gymnasium makes an appreciated and lasting gift to the school which is preparing you to go out and battle along life's pathway.

The spirit that enabled Nebraska to defeat the Pittsburgh Panthers last fall is the same spirit that prompts a group of Nebraska football players attending the summer school to daily practice passing the oval pigskin so as to be able to better handle the ball when practice starts. The same spirit also guides a man to work at hard manual labor throughout the summer so as to be in fine physical fettle to withstand the trials of the football field. It is the spirit that wins for Nebraska and is worthy of high commendation.

Today eight Nebraska Cornhuskers will work to place Nebraska on the map in track. Last year five men enabled Nebraska to take sixth place in the same calibre of a meet. Whether this year's men do better or worse than that, Coach Henry F. Schulte certainly deserves a vote of thanks for the work he has done toward increasing Nebraska's rating in the sport which is international in its scope. Not only in the university but in the high schools of the state has the work of

the Nebraska mentor been felt.

Twilight baseball continues to hold a high place of interest among summer school students. Applications for positions on the Summer Nebraska team have been coming in thick and fast. Should more men apply for places on the newspaper team than can be entered as members, it is probable that they will be "sold" or generously awarded to some other team in the league. But, nevertheless, any men who can play baseball should not hesitate to apply for places. There is plenty of room for all baseball players in the league and no man will be deprived of a chance to show his goods.

Start of the Twilight league schedule will probably be made early next week. It is planned to have each team play at least two games a week. Three diamonds are available for use, two on the drill fields north of Social Science and the other on Nebraska field. Some fast exhibitions of the diamond sport should be given.

Coach Henry F. Schulte has almost forgotten about his six pound bass during his busy days at Chicago attending the conference of coaches and directing Nebraska entries in the national meet.

## DAN MURPHY CAUSE OF HITTING SPREE

Signals From Irishman Aid Mack Batters to Clout Pill, O'Neill Says

By DAVIS J. WALSH

NEW YORK, June 16—Steve O'Neill of the Cleveland Indians, one of the best catchers in baseball and an observant gent as well, claims to have discovered the secret of the Athletics' astonishing form reversal. He doesn't blame it on any of the pitchers, nor does he mention Bing Miller, Peo Young, Doc Johnson or Connie, the clouted Mack.

Danny Murphy, ex-outfielder and present coach of the outfit, got Steve's ballot as the man who has as much to do with Bing Miller's home run as the Bing person himself.

"He stands out there on the thin base coaching lines," quoth Steve, "and tips off the hitter on every pitch. Without fail he tips the fast one, the curve and the splitter, and all the batter has to do is to set himself and let fly."

Old stuff, Steve. Danny Murphy, in collaboration with Harry Davis, was doing that ten years ago, when the Athletics could muster a championship ball club. Off and on both have continued to do it since, but until recently the Athletic hitters failed to profit by the system.

Davis and Murphy flashed them what was coming right enough, but that let the two sign-stealers out. They couldn't walk down to the plate and make the hitters hit.

In the old days the Athletics had Eddie Collins, Frank Baker, Stuff McInnes, Eddie Murphy, Strunk, Oldring, Schang, and other sincere hitters. All have since gone their respective ways, and it may have been noted that they never hit as well, else,

where as they did in Philadelphia. Perhaps this depreciation was brought about by the advancing years of some of the players, but undoubtedly they missed the co-operation of the two tipsters.

Harry Davis no longer patrols the coaches' box, picking signs out of the air to pass on to less discerning individuals, but Murphy is still about the premises. He can and undoubtedly will tip the hitter as to the age is tremendous.

Yet, as pointed out previously, it takes a good hitter to get away with a .350 average no matter what the conditions may be. Murphy's system merely tends to make an unusual hitter out of a good one, for a weak sister at the plate is always hopeless.

## 'NEATH BOILING SUN CORNHUSKER FOOTBALL MEN ARE PRACTICING

Old Sol may get the best of the common run of folks — such as common everyday editors, office men, and students—but he cannot down the spirit of a group of Cornhusker footballmen, aspirant s for the 1922 gridiron team, who daily engage in a practice session 'neath the scorching heat of the sun. For an hour or two each afternoon, these Husker gridiron performers disregard the warnings of the "Sun God" and work hard and heatedly in an effort to prepare themselves so they may be in the finest of shape when the first call for football performers is issued next fall.

The men are all attending the summer school and are making use of their spare moments each day by romping about Nebraska field, pulling down long punts and forward passes. Their chief aim is to train themselves to handle the ball cleverly without fumbling it.

Among the Cornhusker football aspirants for 1922 who are working out during the summer session are Cap-

tain "Chick" Hartley, Dewey Hoy, Eugene McAllister, "Bud" Randolph, Rufus DeWitz, George Klompke, Leo Scherer and Bryan Nixon. Other men may join the daily practice schedules but as yet these are the only ones who have engaged in them.

There's one consolation — the reformers can't compel us to close our umbrellas on a rainy Sunday—Seattle Post Intelligencer.

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