

IN IDEAL SPORTING WORLD.

Ralph Stout Sizes Up the Hare in the Western Race.

AFFAIRS WITHIN THE SQUARED CIRCLE.

The Horseman's Fugel—The Trug-of-War—Among the Wild Fowl—State League Notes and Newsy Local Miscellany.

It is a wise base ball crank indeed who can pick out this far in advance the winners of either the first or second championship series in the Western league this season.

Stout last evening to a host of the faithful assembled at the Millard.

"Honestly," he continued, "I think Omaha has just as good a chance to nail the flag as any combination in the race.

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Each team will be allowed two substitutes. The hall will be decorated with the flags of all nations, and there will be 300 seats for ladies and extra. A special box will be reserved for the mayor and the city council, and an invitation will be sent to those officials to attend on the first grand opening of the stadium.

Can Corbett Win? The New York Sun says editorially: Can Corbett win? The question is not one of pugilism. It is purely medical, physiological. If Sullivan will come up at the appointed time not only smiling but well, the battle will be over then.

The Cranks All Rejoice. There is a general feeling of rejoicing that the ball grounds will remain on this side of the river, not so much on account of the fact that the old park has been regained, but simply the idea prevails that the club belongs to Omaha and should be Omaha's purely and completely, with no lien on them by her stockholders.

It Will Be Called Amateur Day. Amateur day originated in Chicago, yet nevertheless is a good idea, and one that is being adopted in Omaha.

The State Bicycle Tournament. The state bicycle tournament this year will be held in Omaha on the 27th and 28th inst.

Another King Kelley. In young Kelley Omaha has secured possibly the most promising all-around young player in the profession today.

Batch of In and Out Shoots. The Illinois team in Cincinnati one week from next Tuesday.

Leon Mackroy has been enrolled as manager of the Chicago club.

Charlie Jenkins is down with pneumonia at his St. Louis home and the chances are against his recovery.

Short Stop Will White, with White Wing's Denver crowd last year, has signed with the Portland, Ore. club.

Billy Hart is playing in right field for the Chicago club in Cincinnati.

Jack Crooks is a great believer in outdoor exercise and is always in shape to play ball, that is when he is not out shooting.

"Tubby" Welch and "Tubby" Jack Brennan are in St. Louis anxious to catch on to anything, even a herring sandwich.

George Tebeau, White Wings, is running a ball game in the city, and is doing so well that he doesn't know who to choose.

Joe Strauss, who took naps and dozed all afternoon in the field for Sioux City last season, will play third out in Spokane this summer.

Pitcher Harry Staley has been wintering at his home in Springfield, Ill. He is a little fat and slow, but will get there in time all right.

near tall enders.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat. Jack is only gunging you.

Harry Jones, who has signed with the Western league, is a pitcher who twirled the ball for the Erie club last season.

Although the Western association is full, new players are still being signed to make room for those who will soon be hit with an axe.

Every manager of the Western association will be getting a grand total trade on the opening night before the contest commences.

The Western association's staff of umpires has been named and there are two Cincinnati Reds on the list.

W. R. Harrington has been engaged to manage the Hoosiers. He has had many a hard day's work in his life.

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down in the best of grasses and on it are the most modern buildings of all kinds, also a half mile track.

Norman Baker, who takes the Fremont management, received a flattering offer from Chicago.

Jack Hughes, who pitched for Grand Island last year, would like to get under cover with one of the State league clubs.

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Baker in Fremont this season, and with proper care and attention, will make himself one of the best men in the league.

Harry Stoney will also be in Fremont on account of the fact that he has been signed to two stations, one John Turner, by Director, Dan by Mambro.

Fremont has signed "Dick" Purcell, short stop of last season's Cranes, later of Lead City, and thinks in his opinion he has secured the best man in that position in the state league.

In case J. L. Graver leaves Missouri Valley this season Manager Baker of Fremont holds his contract in his inside pocket.

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victories of George Smith, Harry Johnson, Steve Farrell, Dan Budd and myself are all fresh in their minds, and the handicappers have a number of cases in which they have marked novelties.

Whisperings of the Wheel. Legal American Wheelmen membership expires next month. Renewal now!

An incident on a club run—Scorchers—Give me three glasses of beer, two port wine, one seltzer, two brown sodas, two glasses of water, and two lemonades.

The Omaha Wheel club house is "in" when completed it will have the largest and best equipped "gym" and the finest bowling alley in the city.

"Zimzy" America's phenomenal racing man is cutting quite a swath in British cycling circles.

The season has opened here and the first race of the season will be held on Sunday.

Hastings has taken upon himself the duty of entertaining the hundred or so enthusiastic wheelmen who will attend the second annual meeting of the Omaha Bicycle Club.

The Omaha Wheel club will build a club house this year, without a doubt, the plans have been accepted and a location decided.

Cycling among the fair sex is no longer a faded—dear girls have found out that the bicycle is the most perfect means of locomotion.

Wendnesday evening has been selected as regular club night out at the Omaha Wheel club house.

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club. The wheel is strictly high grade, and was taken out of the stock of A. H. Ferrigo & Co. and sells for \$135.

Movements of the Sportsmen. Judge Lewis, George Patterson and E. E. Gayland of this city, and J. H. McLaughlin, J. E. Grinnell, Ia., are entertaining the ducks at Tokamah.

Harry McCormick, Chat Rodick and G. W. Ames were in Clark, Ia., on Monday, but the birds flew high and they didn't get a McLaughlin.

J. H. McLaughlin and Stucky Roth were among the disappointed who dropped down at Clark a few days ago.

Questions and Answers. DUNBAR, Ia., March 21.—To the Sporting Editor of The Bee: I wish you would answer the following question.

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