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Omaha's Potted Ball Players Dropping Games Every Day.

DOWN TO THIRD PLACE AT PRESENT

Keith Asserts That He Will Bring the Pennant to Omaha, Even if He Has to Get a New Team.

Not the slightest grain of comfort has it been possible for the Omaha base ball contingent to extract from the yellow record made by the erstwhile top-notchers since their departure from their native beach ten days ago.

The much vaunted pride of the Omaha base ball enthusiast has certainly had a crimp of gigantic proportions taken in it and the wearing of the crepe, rather than gorgeous hues of brighter tints betokening the joyousness of victory, is certainly warranted.

It is hinted that the relations between Manager Rourke and the members of his base ball household are severely strained. Even were this the case, it would be a sad commentary on the professional ethics of the players to entertain the belief that they were wifely and maliciously put up with their manager.

Through all of this discord one ray of light shines forth the more brightly because of the gloom surrounding. That is the determination of President Keith and Manager Rourke to win the pennant.

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patronage and the management continues with vehemence the assertion that Omaha will end its miseries. How it will be accomplished President Keith has set forth in his declaration that nothing will stand in the way of procuring a team capable of delivering the goods. It is a palpable fact that the bolts have been playing in unusually hard luck during the last few days. Costly errors have been charged up against nearly every man in the team, even Stub Toman, the whirlwind shortstop, coming in for a generous share.

The release of Rip Egan after the ochre-colored game he pitched at Des Moines Thursday, in which he bested on the Prohibitionists twelve free passes to first, was certainly a judicious move on the part of Manager Rourke. At no time during his connection with the Colts did Egan come up to the standard of expectation nor did it ever appear that he had any heart in his work.

Wednesday afternoon the Colts will make their home for the first time in the local ball population, when a series of games with all of the outside cities of the league will be inaugurated. Pueblo coming first for three games, followed by Denver. Woe betide the Rourke family if they continue the performance which has been the order since they left home. It is an odds on bet, however, that when the boys get home once more and hear the plaudits of the multitude ringing in their ears they will take such a brace and play such ball that every man's heart will be gladdened and the grief over the many defeats of the last two weeks will be tempered.

There has been but little change in the complexion of the pennant races in the big leagues during the last week. In the National Brooklyn still anchors in first place and Chicago has dropped from last place in the first division, surrendering its place to Cincinnati. Comiskey's White Stockings continue to unfurl Chicago's flag in the second division, while Milwaukee has slipped over the Hoosiers into second place.

GOLFERS CROWD THE LINKS

Captain Harry Lawrie of the Eighteenth-Hole Course.

On the morning of the Fourth of July Captain Harry Lawrie of the Kountze Place Golf club lowered the record for the eighteen-hole course to seventy-five, the previous low mark having been held by him for several years. He started over the links in the early morning, when there was scarcely a breath of air stirring, but the wind soon freshened and the circuit was finished in a gale, which greatly interfered with the playing of the ball. One round was made in thirty-six, the lowest yet made on the links.

In the contest for the Lawrie medal the lowest and average scores reported are given below. Many are deferring their tournament work until their form has been more fully re-settled.

Men's scores: Lowest Average. H. Lawrie, 75, 108; R. Oldfield, 75, 108; J. H. Butler, 75, 109.

Women's scores: Lowest Average. Mrs. Shields, 74, 74; Mrs. Crowley, 75, 80; Mrs. Morrison, 75, 81; Mrs. Lawrie, 75, 81.

Mrs. Butler made the nine holes in fifty-seven, but, not having played against a woman opponent, she was disqualified for a record score. From her work, however, it is apparent that she will be a formidable rival for honors. Mrs. Van Court, Mrs. Cottrill and Miss Brilliar have not registered any record scores, but have been doing good work. The women only make the circuit of nine holes once, while the men contestants complete the whole eighteen.

On a certain evening last week the Kountze place links were quite crowded and at times great care had to be exercised in playing, so as to avoid accidents. One, however, took place which, although not serious, was quite unnecessary. Willard Butler of the Juniors was swinging his club when not playing the ball and came in violent contact with the head of a spectator, inflicting a scalp wound.

In commenting upon accidents in playing golf Captain Lawrie remarked: "Players cannot be too careful as to the handling of their clubs and driving the balls. Give the previous player time to get out of range and never force things. Golf was never intended to kill or maim people and with the exercise of reasonable care no accident should occur. The youngsters are greater offenders in this respect than the old members and should be restrained in their enthusiasm."

Many beginners make a mistake in using too high a tee in driving. A low tee is always safe and with a low back swing the head of the club sweeps the ground on the down stroke and no harm is done by taking a little of the tee with the ball. A very good rule is to take a little dirt with the ball. On a high tee, should you get under the ball, it merely rises in the air and falls a few yards for the teeing ground.

Care should be taken not to raise the shoulders up and down when in the act of driving, but rather keep the shoulders at one height and give them a lateral swing when driving. The length of the club is never changed and the player will not "dig" through, so as to impart more force to the stroke."

Mr. Jacquith has been playing a very good game and should now make some record scores.

Major Wilcox is the latest victim and goes after the ball with youthful vigor. His son says he can beat his father and a competitor would be in order to decide.

Spencer Otis and Miss Otis are seen on the links almost every evening and both are doing some very good work. Mr. Otis drives with great force and promises to be a good player.

PALAUVER OF THE PUGILISTS

Interest Centering in the Forthcoming Match Between Rubin and Jeffries.

That another stuffed glove contest between the two gladiators most prominent in the eyes of devotees of the prize ring will be pulled off within the next two months now seems absolutely certain. Gus Rubin, a wonder ascent from the plains of a second rater to the very forefront of pugilism and his determination to meet Jeffries ends an aspect of unusual interest to his forthcoming fight. It seems probable that the match will come off before September 1, in order that it may not conflict with the expiration of the Horton law and the mill issue and the pulling off of the mill issue of the followers of Stanton will be crated in the movements of these two pugilists.

stubbornness on his part will not redound to his glory of popularity in the least. Even though it is a long time from time by decisively whipping the man in five rounds whom it took Jeffries nearly twice as long to get the decision over the present champion certainly stands less chance of losing his title than does Rubin of winning it. In other words, the odds are a bit in favor of Jim, if for no other reason that it is a trifle easier to defend a title than it is to wrest it away from an opponent. At any rate the fight between these two big fellows will be an interesting one. It will bring together in the ring two exponents of what may be termed physical force fighters rather than scientific exponents of pugilism. The man who can deliver the most effective blows and stand the greater amount of punishment will win the struggle and the match is likely to be hammer and tongs from the ring of the going until the referee announces his decision.

CHESS PLAYERS IN CLOVER

New Quarters on Douglas Street Are Comfortable, Cool and Attractive.

The Douglas County Chess association has firmly established itself in its new quarters at 1415 Douglas street and the rooms have been furnished in an attractive and comfortable fashion. The club rooms are on the third floor and sufficiently cool to offer inducement to chess players to make the ascent on hot July afternoons. A meeting will be held tomorrow night at which arrangements will probably be made to take up the interrupted preliminary tourney.

Only twenty-four members of the Nebraska Chess association voted at the election of officers. Messrs. Hal D. Seely and De France were elected to their respective offices of president, vice president and secretary-treasurer. The following members failed to qualify and vote during the month of June: Owen, Powell, Nelson, Roche, Edwards, Tyson, Carroll, Barron, Hitchman, Klunburg, Boscher, Whitel, Grant, W. S. Salm and Cannon.

Twenty-one members voted in favor of holding the same Lincoln received thirteen votes, Omaha three, Dannebrog one, Grand Island one, no choice four. As to time there was a tie between the two opinions. Two members favored June, for were for July, August had two votes, September four, October four, "during state fair" three, "any time" four. It is probable, therefore, that the meeting will be held in Lincoln in September. Nineteen members promised to attend.

Notwithstanding the fact that the 1899 correspondence tournament is not finished yet nineteen members favored holding another tournament at the same range and four were against it. As to the time of beginning this tournament thirteen voted to begin "now," "soon" or "any time," September had three votes, July, August, October and December had one each. Eighteen members pledged themselves to enter.

The secretary now proposes this plan to those who desire a correspondence tournament: That each section contain ten to fifteen players and that each player take up a set of his four games, so that the sections will all finish about the same time. Two prizes to be offered in each section, a copy of Frobenius's "Chess Openings" or some similar book to the winner and a copy of Cunningham's "How to Play Chess" to the player having the poorest score of games actually played—a player withdrawing and resigning unfinished games of course not being entitled to a prize.

A sufficient number having expressed a desire to begin to play at once in a new tournament, the secretary announces the following sections: Section A—R. E. Brega, Callaway; John L. Clark, Plate Center; George E. Lundberg, Bloomfield; Judge S. H. Sedgwick, York; and C. B. Swin, St. Edward. Section B—J. M. Crosby, Fremont; W. R. Ellis, Bloomfield; C. O. Rettenmeyer, Arcadia; M. F. Winchester, Dannebrog; and W. W. Wyckoff, York.

Other sections will be added just as fast as members express a desire to begin play, each section containing but five players.

Judging from New York reports, the good showing made by Marshall at Paris was a source of delight to the Manhattan Chess club and its friends whose fond with the young American champion, Pillsbury, dates from several years ago, when the latter resigned his membership. The Manhattan club is now talking of arranging a match between Marshall and Pillsbury and there is plenty of money in sight to back the judgment of the Marshall family. Pillsbury has his friends and it is known to be playing in his most faultless form. At a recent simultaneous exhibition before the Philidor Chess club he won nine games, drew two and lost one.

Two games showing the manner in which Pillsbury and Marshall played with each other and how and affording a glimpse into their comparative styles are given below:

White—Pillsbury. Black—Marco. 1 P Q 4, 2 P Q 4, 3 K Q B 3, 4 K R 5, 5 K R 5, 6 K R 5, 7 P Q 2, 8 P Q 2, 9 K K 5, 10 P R 4, 11 Castles, 12 B R 2, 13 Q R 2, 14 Q R 2, 15 P B 5, 16 P P 1, 17 P R 4, 18 P P 1, 19 K K 1, 20 Q R K B 1, 21 B R 1, 22 K R 5 ch, 23 K R 5 ch, 24 K R 5 ch, 25 Herr Marco resigned.

White—Marshall. Black—Burns. 1 P Q 4, 2 P Q 4, 3 K Q B 3, 4 K R 5, 5 P K 5, 6 K R 5, 7 P Q 2, 8 P P 1, 9 K R 4, 10 P R 4, 11 P R 4, 12 P P 1, 13 Q B 1, 14 K R 5, 15 K R 5, 16 Marshall mated in two moves.

Y. M. C. A. Athletics. A number of the members of the Young Men's Christian association will attend the Volunteer Workers' conference, which begins July 12 at Lake Geneva. While the conference has other than athletic matters to consider, the boys are going to take advantage of their coming to their annual athletic meet. Most of the contests will be for the middle-west records, but in the running high jump the contest will be for international honors, and with McElroy as their representative the Omaha contingent feels assured that it will make a good showing. McElroy's record on July 4 was the most remarkable high jump of the year, the only approach to it being the record made by Harry Gill at New York on the same day. McElroy cleared the bar at five feet eleven and one-half inches, while Gill's best shows five feet eleven and one-eighth inches.

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IN THE WHEELING WORLD.

All good roads and some poor ones lead to Milwaukee this week. With the national political conventions out of the way the league meet will hold the public eye, besides partaking of juicy chunks of hospitality for which the Cream and Creamy city is renowned. The program of the meet insures a round of gaiety mixed with business, warm races and liberal purses, races in various directions, with spreads at convenient stopping places, skates in alady-boat excursions. The layout is enough to tempt the fat and the lean, the jockey wagon mount or the up-to-date wind splitter.

The hotel and accommodations committee of the League of American Wheelmen national meet is now in position to give detailed information regarding accommodations during the week of the meet. Chairman H. P. Mansford has been laid out for the last two weeks gathering the necessary pointers and, although the meet is some two weeks off, the inquiries are so numerous as to fully justify the executive committee's claim least upwards of 19,000 out-of-town cyclists will visit Milwaukee during the second week of July. Hence it is advisable that those who contemplate going to Milwaukee during the meet should communicate with the hotel committee as soon as possible, in order that their quarters may be assigned them at once. Regular attendants at former league meets have doubtless experienced the discomfort attendant upon securing quarters at the last minute and it is with a desire to obviate a repetition of this inconvenience that chairman Mansford urges prospective visitors to communicate with him immediately. He has on his list a great number of hotels and private houses offering a wide range of choice, suitable to pocketbooks of every conceivable caliber, in both the American and European plans.

From now until the end of August the most enjoyable times for riding are the early morning and the evening after sunset. Experienced travelers usually arrange their riding time to this way, with the heat of the day for rest and sightseeing. The morning spin is a capital preparation for a day's brain work, but something should always be eaten before starting and the pace should be easy. The evening run should not be taken till at least an hour after dinner, later if possible, and it should be the merest potter if the day's business has been fatiguing. The main thing is to get the air, with just enough exercise to keep the pores of the skin open. The peculiar nature of cycling lies in the fact that one can travel swiftly through the air with little exertion.

Constant vigilance is the price of safety in cycling. Before starting on a long, heavy ride, the principal parts should be tried with the wrench to make sure they have not loosened up on the preceding life. The pedals and wheels should be spun a few times and the bearings oiled if the slightest need is apparent. If a lamp is carried on the front fork its attachment should be tested, as serious accidents are frequently caused by the lamp slipping down the fork or swinging back and becoming wedged in the wheel. The sudden stoppage which necessarily follows is likely not only to take the rider off his feet, but to seriously damage the rider in case he is proceeding at a good rate of speed when the accident happens. The only safe place for the lamp is on the head of the machine.

Aching wrists while riding are generally an indication that the handlebars are not properly adjusted, but sometimes the fault is with the tilt of the saddle. For ordinary riding the position should be one which does not throw much weight on the wrists. If the front tire is pumped too hard, it is likely to be an amount of vibration which will tire the wrists and extend to the entire body. For riding on country roads, both tires, and the front one in particular, should be softer than when riding on an asphalt pavement.

"The introduction of the bicycle into art," says the Chicago Tribune, "was illustrated in Italian opera in Vienna the other day in a prize-worth, though belated, recognition of a great inventor. Yet this innovation may lead to unpleasant results. For just as there are extremists among wheelmen, who are known as scorches, so there may arise a body of scorching artists who will insist upon going back into the past and putting every hero and heroine upon a bicycle. Such a movement would not hesitate to do away with Roman togas and classic draperies and to put sweaters and short skirts in their places. The public may be treated to the spectacle of Cleopatra on a bicycle instead of in a large boat, or of a Roman matron in her masculine attire for wheeling purposes. Lady Macbeth may be made to pull her dagger out of a bicycle belt and Hamlet to do his soliloquy in a sweater."

"And after the artist is through with the wheel the health advocate may take it up and endeavor to prove that if Ortheo had been a master of a wheel he never would have been a victim of the green-eyed monster and that had Hamlet known something about scorching he would not have been beset by doubts as to whether it is best to be or not to be. No doubt there is much to be said from these standpoints, but it is to be hoped that bicycle advocates will permit the good people of the past to wear the clothes and perform the acts natural to their time and station."

President Sams of the League of American Wheelmen has notified all of the state divisions of the league that the national committee on highway improvement, side paths and rights and privileges will compile a model of laws pertaining to the rights and privileges of wheelmen and that these sets will be supplied to all the state divisions for use as models in framing new laws. President Sams proposes to have new cycle laws introduced in all the state legislatures at the same time that states thus making the movement a national affair.

A simple way to remove the inner tube of a tire which has become attached to the casing is to take a plain iron ring small enough to easily pass into the outer tube, deflate the tire (as much as possible) and put the end of the inner tube through the ring. Push the ring along by squeezing the casing behind it until the circuit of the tire is completed, when it will be found that the tube can be removed without difficulty.

One of the good stories that is going the rounds of the trade—and its truth is admitted by the one most concerned—concerns a gentleman connected with the tire industry. It happened that one of his best customers was riding during a recent celebration and brought his wife with him. Anxious to make himself agreeable the man suggested a bicycle ride to a neighboring resort. The visitor fell in with the idea and it was arranged that the latter should ride a bicycle while the tire man took the woman on the front seat of his tandem. The woman, however, was not only a poor rider, but was inclined to portliness. To make matters worse, the road was hilly and not many miles had been ridden when the tire man had reported of his gallantry. When reached the resort he was dead bated. Of course he dared not admit it nor suggest his inability to ride home again. But the more he thought of it the less he relished what had become a serious matter. Finally he hit upon a way out of it. Excusing him-

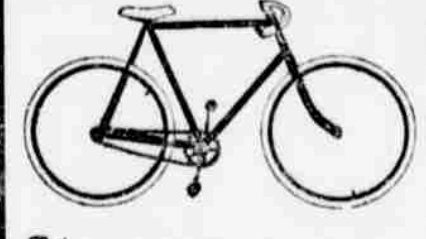
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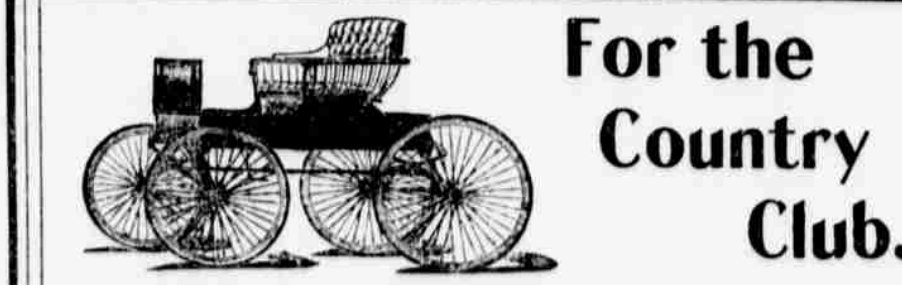
self from the table where they were seated and where he was forcing himself to be agreeable he betook himself to where the wheels had been left. His route he opened his pocketknife and then, bending over the tandem, he deliberately pushed it into the rear tire and cut a slit in it that was beyond repair. He returned to the table all smiles and in due time there followed of course profuse regrets because of the "accident" to the tire—and a return home by train. "What else could I have done under the circumstances?" asked the tire man when twitted about the incident.

Another puncture preventer has been patented and this time it is designed on such lines that there is a chance for it to succeed. The inventor is an Englishman and his invention consists of four layers of light fabric, thick in the center and tapering off toward the edges. Before building up the strip the fabric is soaked in a patented compound, which imparts to the delicate fabric the toughness of leather without losing a degree of its flexibility. The strip, when substituted to the inside of the tire, practically assures immunity from puncture. The same principle has been applied to motor tires.

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