OMAHANS VICTORS OF WEEK

Country Club Golfers Distance Competitors in Transmississippi Tourney.

WIN FOUR OF THE FIVE FIRST HONORS

Only One Championship Escapes the Local Players and that, the Womens' Contest, Goes to Mrs. Roope of Denver.

With four of the five first honors in the second annual tournament in the Trans-Mississippi Golf association to their credit, Omaha Country club golfers may well feel proud of their accomplishments on the links during the past week. When the last score card of the tourney had been turned in Saturday evening, it was found that only the woman's championship had been captured by an outsider, Mrs. Roope of Denver. Meanwhile R. R. Kimball won the amateur championship, J. B. Rahm the consolation event, the Omaha Country club team took the club competition, and Fred Bartsch, the professional of the Country club, completed the trophy shower by bringing in first money in the match between the four professionals.

With that as its denouement the biggest golf tournament ever held in the Trans-Mississippi territory is now brought to a close, and after a final elaborate dinner and dance at the club last night, the various visiting competitors from five states and a dozen cities have separated and thinned out one by one, till only the old regular Omahans and the familiar golf course itself are left. Even the corner of the hall at the club which was yesterday a glittering mass of silver trophies is now looted of its treasures, but be it said with all honor to the local gutty chasers, only three of the eight prizes left the city, and Mrs. Roope took all of them.

Event a Veritable Pageant.

The last day of the great golf event was a veritable pageant. A rainstorm on Friday night had left the course in perfect condition and when the sun came out bright and strong for the day's play an ideal situation for championship matches was rounded out to the last particular. The beautiful weather, added to the interest naturally attached to the finishing of the tourney, proved a magnet par excellence. Every previous day had seen a host of men and women at the club, but Saturday their name was legion. And the galleries were not only large, but brilliant, for the women were not afraid to wear their most dazzling hats and gowns in the face of such an incomparable day.

The final struggles for the amateur championship of course eclipsed other contests of the day, and when at 6 o'clock R. R. Kimball won from his opponent, Warren Dickinson of Des Moines, in the twentieth hole of the final round, the enthusiasm of the great crowd that had followed the play in breathless silence for hours burst loose at last. Two holes past the regular eighteen had these two men been compelled to go before the Omahan finally won, and from the start of the deciding match till the end the strain had been constant. Both were so evenly matched in all departments of the game that the victory was at all times a tossup, even though Kimball led his opponent much of the way. Taking the match as a whole, neither could be said to excel in driving, approaching or putting, and yet it was a poor drive of Dickinson's at the seventeenth hole that lost him a chance to win the contest right there, while it was weak putting on his part at the twentieth that let Kimball win.

Close and Cautious Contest.

Though the medal scores were not remarkably low, both men being much over-bogey, yet the golf was of the closest possible nature, and the very fact that each man played always so safe and carefully was responsible for the actual number of strokes running up into fairly high figures. Neither took any long chances at any shot whatever, and meanwhile both were on such a tension that they missed some very easy ones.

Dickinson won highest plaudits from the gallery by the remarkable nerve he displayed all through. He was simply indomitable. From start to finish it was an uphill game for him, as he was never up but one hole and was twice down three holes. Yet his courage never failed a minute, and on both occasions when the score was so threatening he pulled out by marvelously steady work in the face of the big odds. Particularly at the thirteenth hole and thereafter did this characteristic of the man show itself. With only six holes to play, he was three down, a terrific lead to overcome. Right there he buckled down, took the thirteenth hole and then the fourteenth, both in most remarkable playing. Kimball played bogey for each hole, five strokes apiece. Nothing daunted, Dickinson played one less than bogey for each, so he was then but one down. The fifteenth hole he halved at six strokes, and the sixteenth he won by playing it in bogey, four strokes.

Tension Draws Tighter.

So there they were all even, and the terrific gait Dickinson had struck seemed to point to his victory. But when he drove for the seventeenth hole he went into the first bunker, and that spoiled him for the hole, although he came out in one stroke and holed in six. There was Kimball's chance to win, he being one up at the eighteenth, but again Dickinson's intrepidity asserted itself. Kimball knew he wanted that hole badly and played for it hard, making it in bogey four. Dickinson paid no more attention than if Kimball had taken twelve strokes, but simply scored a twelve-foot putt for three strokes to the hole, one below bogey.

Thus they were again all even, and it meant extra holes. They started off around the course again, and the gallery was massed clear across the course behind them. Both playing faultless golf, they halved the nineteenth hole, and went on to the twentieth. Dickinson had the best drive by twenty yards, but Kimball was well with him on second shot, and both came on the green at a stand-off in three. Dickinson missed an easy putt for the fifth stroke and then Kimball won by holing out safely in five. The score by holes:

Dickinson	5 4 6 7 7 6 4 5 3 5
	4 3 4 4 4 6 4 3 5 6—97
Kimball	5 5 4 4 5 6 5 5 6 4
	4 2 5 5 6 6 5 4 5 5—94

Record of the Winner.

The winner of the championship has been playing golf for three years at the Country club. His opponent was a worthy one, as Dickinson was runner up in the same event last year, when the first tourney of the association was held at Kansas City. At that time John Suart of Cedar Rapids, Ia., won first, defeating Dickinson.

Both matches in the semi-final round of the amateur championship were played off in the morning. R. R. Kimball had an easy time with R. H. Finkbine of Des Moines, beating him five up and three to play. The contest thus ended with the fifteenth hole. The medal scores were:

Kimball	5 4 4 3 6 5 5 6 4 4 4 4 4 6 4—67
Finkbine	5 5 5 4 7 5 4 5 5 5 5 5 5 6—74

Warren Dickinson and J. G. Berryhill, jr., both of Des Moines, were matched for the other semi-final struggle. The result of this was a foregone conclusion, as both men are from the same club, the Golf and Country club, and Dickinson has always been Berryhill's superior. Yesterday Dickinson won three up and two to play, the medal scores being:

Dickinson	5 5 4 3 6 7 4 5 5 4 6 6 4 4 4 4—76
Berryhill	6 6 5 4 7 5 5 5 4 2 4 5 4 6 3 4—78

Sensation in Final Round.

The final round of the consolation event brought out the most sensational one-stroke finish of the day. With the score all even at the end of the seventeenth hole, J. B. Rahm of Omaha won the trophy from W. L. Woodward of Denver, at the eighteenth green by holing out a thirty-three foot putt, making the hole in three, which is one under bogey. Woodward was there with the bogey four, all right, but the phenomenal putt beat him. Had Rahm taken two strokes for the distance, as was expected, the match would have required extra holes for settlement. It was exceedingly close all the way over the course. Neither was ever more than two up, and Rahm had to come in at a thirty-nine stroke clip to win, which is bogey for the homeward bound course.

One of the semi-final matches in the consolations was also very close, Rahm beating B. F. Guinand of Des Moines, only one up in twenty holes. The visitor is a youngster, but played great golf. In the other semi-final match Woodward beat J. Powers of Hastings, three up and two to play, and he had to work for all of it.

Thirteen holes was all it took Mrs. George W. Roope of Denver to win first prize in the women's championship from Mrs. D. E. Ellis of the same city. Six up and five to play was the result, and the match was the winner's from the start. Mrs. Roope has always been the superior of Mrs. Ellis at their home club, as she has had more experience. This fact caused the sympathies of the gallery to lie mostly with the loser, who did the best she could. There was a strong wind blowing in the morning when this match was played, and it interfered much with the play of both, especially Mrs. Ellis, who is not a strong hitter.

Easy for Bartsch.

Fred Bartsch, the Country club professional, found an easy thing in his match against the other three professionals attending, Thomas O'Neill of the University and Waveland Golf club at Des Moines, J. W. Watson of the Des Moines Golf and Country club, and W. C. Sherwood of the Omaha Field club. Sherwood took second money, so it was a double victory for the Omaha stars.

The match was medal play over thirty-six holes, eighteen being played in the morning and eighteen in the afternoon. The result of the morning play showed Bartsch in the lead with a score of 74, five below bogey, and Sherwood and O'Neill a tie with 79 each, just bogey. Watson was a hopeless 83, and dropped out there, acting as caddy for Dickinson in the play for the championship during the afternoon.

O'Neill stayed in the afternoon play, however, as he had an even chance with Sherwood for second money. The race between them was very pretty, Sherwood making the course in 81, O'Neill in 82 strokes. Sherwood thus won second place and money with a total of 160, O'Neill having 161. Bartsch made his second round in bogey, 79, and thus took first with a total of 153.

Pretty Race of Teams.

The team championship proved a pretty race beteween the representatives of the Omaha Country club and those of the Des Moines Golf and Country club, but the former won, 59 down to bogey. This was a thirty-six hole match against bogey, medal play. Aggregate scores of teams counted. Eighteen holes were played in the morning, and at their conclusion the Des Moines Golf and Country club team was leading, being 35 down to bogey, while the Omaha Country club men were right after them with a score of 36 down. The other teams were straggling hopelessly behind.

The afternoon play switched the two leaders, and then some. The final scores for the thirty-six holes were:

Bartsch—									
Out	4	4	4	3	5	6	4	4	3—37
In	4	3	4	5	4	4	4	5	4—37—74
Out	5	5	4	6	6	4	4	4	5—43
In	4	3	4	4	5	5	4	5	2—36—79—153
Sherwood—									
Out	3	5	5	4	6	6	4	4	4—41
In	4	4	3	4	5	5	4	5	4—38—79
Out	5	6	4	4	7	6	4	5	4—45
In	3	4	3	5	6	4	3	5	3—36—81—160
O'Neill—									
Out	5	5	4	5	5	5	4	4	4—41
In	3	5	4	5	5	4	4	5	3—38—79
Out	5	6	4	5	5	4	4	4	4—41
In	4	4	4	5	5	4	3	7	4—41—82—161
Watson—									
Out	4	7	4	4	7	6	4	4	5—45
In	4	4	4	5	5	4	3	5	4—38—83

Omaha Country club	59 down
Des Moines Golf and Country club	68 down
Holdrege Country club	90 down
Omaha Field club	98 down
St. Joseph Country club	99 down
University and Waveland Golf club of Des Moines	119 down

The teams in this contest were composed as follows:

Omaha Country Club—R. R. Kimball, J. B. Rahm, W. J. Foye, H. Lawrie, W. D. Bancker.

Des Moines Golf and Country Club—Raymond Windsor, Warren Dickinson, R. H. Finkbine, J. G. Berryhill, jr., H. E. Ely.

Holdrege Country Club—T. Hufford, C. C. St. Clair, J. P. Hobbs, H. E. Bush, George Titus.

Omaha Field Club—H. C. Sumney, J. Q. Adams, John Murphy, J. W. Robb, H. B. Morrell.

St. Joseph Country Club—L. M. Smith, E. Marshall, F. W. Maxwell, O. B. Knight, C. M. Carter.

University and Waveland Golf Club of Des Moines—H. D. Adams, B. F. Guinand, E. C. Wineman, A. T. Watson, Ray Huttenlocher.

Eight Prizes in Tourney.

Prizes in the tournament were eight in number and were very handsome and costly. They went as follows:

Loving cup for amateur championship, to R. R. Kimball; loving cup for club championship, to Omaha Country club; loving cup for consolation event, to J. B. Rahm; cut glass and silver loving cup for women's championship, to Mrs. Roope of Denver; silver flask for men's lowest medal score in championship qualifying round, to R. R. Kimball; silver flask for first in women's approaching contest, to Miss Ella McShane; silver soap box for first in women's long driving contest, to Mrs. Roope; silver score book for lowest score in women's medal play, to Mis. Roope.

HUMBLE GOLFERS REACH OUT

Will Try Conclusions Next Season with Cracks of Western Association.

Emboldened by the success of the tourney of 1902 the Transmississippi Golf association will next year venture to meet the Western Golf association, man to man. This is the most important result of the event just ended in Omaha. In 1903 crack players of the association, which has just completed its meeting here, will have the opportunity of measuring themselves against the stars of an organization that is second in point of excellence to none in the United States.

Secretaries of the two associations have already arrived at the necessary understanding, and teams representing each organization will twice compete during the coming year. The first meeting is to be held in Chicago in June, and will probably be played on the Glenview or the Outwentzia links there. The second will occur on Transmississippi Golf association territory, probably at Rock Island, Ill., if the golf club of that place is at that time a member of the association, as is expected.

Big teams will be played in these events, probably eighteen men apiece, if present plans are carried out. At the tourney just ended here the Transmississippi people were already picking their team for the meets, and this is the prospective personnel: Omaha, R. R. Kimball, W. J. Foye, J. B. Rahm, H. G. Leavitt, J. Q. Adams; Des Moines, Warren Dickinson, R. H. Finkbine, J. G. Berryhill, jr., J. R. Maxwell, B. F. Guinand; Denver, W. L. Woodward; Cedar Rapids, Ia., John Stuart; Holdrege, Neb., C. C. St. Clair, Thomas Hufford, J. P. Hobbs; St. Joseph, Mo., F. W. Maxwell, Elliott Marshall, L. M. Smith; Rock Island, Ill., Cady and Neely.

The Transmississippi Golf association is to experience a notable increase in size and scope during the next year, according to plans promulgated at the annual meeting held Saturday night at the Omaha Country club. The action of chief importance taken was the formulation of plans to submit to the divers members a proposition to so alter the constitution that clubs not only of the transmississippi country may be admitted to membership, but also those on the Mississippi river. Two clubs already in view as prospective members are the golf clubs of Rock Island, Ill., and of St. Paul, Minn., both of which are very strong bodies.

Other important action taken at the meeting was the ratification of the admission to membership of the Hastings Country club of Hastings, Neb., the Ottumwa Country club of Ottumwa, Ia., and the University and Waveland Golf club of Des Moines, Ia., members of which participated in the tournament just completed here in Omaha under sufferance and special dispensation. After a considerable discussion it was found to be the sense of the meeting that the annual association tournament should be held somewhat earlier next year.

Officers were elected at the meeting as follows: President, Mr. H. T. Lemist of Omaha; vice president, Mr. Elliot Marshall of St. Joseph; secretary, Mr. H. G. Leavitt of Omaha; treasurer, Mr. E. B. Ellis of Denver.

The five retiring members on the board of directors were replaced by the election of the following men: Warren Dickinson of Des Moines, J. B. Rahm of Omaha, F. J. Hoel of Omaha, J. P. Hobbs of Holdrege and J. C. Meredith of St. Joseph.

'VARSITY OVERWHELMS DOANE

Scores a Total of Fifty-One Points While Crete Boys Only Gain One Yard.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, Neb., Sept. 27.—(Special.)—Nebraska university overwhelmed Doane college on the gridiron today, piling up 51 points and shutting their opponents out without a semblance of a score. The superior weight, speed and experience of the Cornhuskers gave them an insurmountable advantage and Doane was helpless at all stages of the contest.

Short halves of twenty minutes were played, Nebraska scoring two touchdowns in the first and then running over their opponents in the final half, amassing in the aggregate nine touchdowns. Benedict kicked enough of the goals to boost the Cornhuskers' total over the half hundred mark, a score that only one Nebraska eleven has equalled in recent years.

Doane was weakened early in the game by the loss of Fuhrer, left tackle and captain. A blow on the neck stunned him and compelled his retirement. Excepting one man, the center, Doane was outweighed ten or more pounds to the man, and their heavier opponents plunged through the line or skirted the ends for gains that were fairly monotonous. Only once, when on the offensive, was Doane able to gain, and that for only a single yard. Nebraska's defense held firm and time after time the Cornhuskers' forwards broke through and downed the Doane runner for a loss. Borg, Booth's new center, was particularly aggressive, while Westover at right tackle was a barrier against which Doane could not gain even an inch.

Bender's work at right half in carrying the ball shone out with great luster. Through the line, hurdling or a dash around the end, all plays looked alike to the fleet little back. Shedd at end, too, performed in spendid fashion, being used frequently in tugging the oval and breaking away with several electrifying runs. One of these was for seventy yards, the longest dash of the game. Benedict at quarter tried his hand at carrying the ball and on a double pass filtered through a hole made by the Cornhusker forwards and raced fifty yards for a touchdown. Two of the Nebraska touchdowns were chalked up by Mickel, whose line bucking was a material factor in the victory.

Booth sent in several of his substitutes in the second half, and of these Englehart, an Omaha boy, and Simodynes, who hails from Wahoo, both freshmen, gave evidence of making good. Englehart bucked the Doane line fiercely and it crumbled every time he essayed to advance the ball. Simodynes likewise showed form and is credited with one of the touchdowns. Eager also broke away for several long runs, once for fifty yards.

Nebraska's interference worked to perfection, Doane being too light to break up the plays. Not once were the Cornhuskers held for downs.

Fifteen hundred enthusiasts witnessed the play, Nebraska's performance being so satisfactory that Booth now is encouraged to believe that sincere work by the men in perfecting team play, in spite of the loss of so many veterans, should result in a successful season. The score and lineup:

NEBRASKA—51.		6—DOANE.
Follmer, Eager	R.E.	L.E. Tidball, Hall
Westover, Capt.	R.T.	L.T. Fuhrer, Capt.; Wentz
Moloney	R.G.	L.G. Spees
Borg	C.	C. Spencer
Ringer, Tobin	L.G.	R.G. Graybill
Wilson	L.T.	R.T. Murphy
Shedd	L.E.	R.E. Price
Benedict	Q.B.	Q.B. Bowlby
Bender, Englehart	R.H.	L.H. Houston
Bell, Simodynes	L.H.	R.H. Vance
Mickel	F.B.	F.B. Ireland

Touchdowns: Bender (2), Bell, Mickel (2), Benedict, Shedd, Englehart, Simodynes. Umpire: Pixley of Omaha. Referee: Hooper of Crete.

CREIGHTON BEATS ALL-OMAHA

University Team Surpassses Old Stars on the Gridiron by Superior Training.

Creighton university foot ball team played a picked team of the old players of Omaha on the Creighton's field yesterday afternoon, the score resulting 6 to 2 in favor of Creighton.

The old stars were a little soft, but time-out gave them a chance to collect their scattered breaths. The Creighton team was also a little slow in its work, but its training held it together, so the final score shows up to its advantage. The Creighton boys showed that they can play foot ball, but they still need practice. But the team they met is about as strong an aggregation as can be found outside of a big university.

Thomas and Furay played in their old form for the Omaha team and Dan Butler's onslaughts were fierce, as usual. The McShane brothers played from start to finish, and Prichard, though softer than the rest, was game and fast. For Creighton Harry Welch and Callahan were the brightest stars, but Mustain and McGovern did some good work. Creighton's line is the strongest it has ever had, and the old stars were forced to make their gains around the ends.

The game was a fair exhibition of foot ball, but not what is expected to come from such an aggregation of players.

The lineup:

CREIGHTON.		ALL OMAHA.
Hobbs	R.E.	L.E. Furay
Mullally	R.T.	L.T. Coad
Walker	R.G.	L.G. Kennedy
Kane	C.	C. Peterson
Loofborough	L.G.	R.G. Fitzgibbon
Kippes, Creighton	L.T.	R.T. Foley
Rosner	L.E.	R.E. F. McShane
Mustain	R.H.	L.H. E. McShane
McGovern	L.H.	R.H. Thomas
Welch	F.B.	F.B. Butler

HELD DOWN BY DES MOINES

Omaha High School Boys Fail to Score at Iowa Capital Until Too Late.

DES MOINES, Ia., Sept. 27.—(Special Telegram.)—High school players of Omaha and West Des Moines tried for more than an hour this afternoon to decide superiority and failed. The visitors had nearly fifteen pounds weight to their advantage, but the locals made it up in speed. Both teams played better on defense than offense. Both were repeatedly forced to punt and while Damon for Des Moines did better than Sterricher the punts were of little use.

Near the end of the game Omaha was twice forced to punt and both times the ball was regained on fumbles. Halfback Burnett finally broke away for a twenty-five-yard run and a touchdown, but the score was challenged on the ground that time had been called, and the timer decided that the touchdown was too late.

Captain Fairbrother was easily the star of the visitors and made a fine exhibition, and his tackling was phenomenal. The game was lively and satisfactory, though played on a muddy field. The Omaha players claimed a score of 5 to 0, but the touchdown was not allowed by the umpire.

College Foot Ball.

At Minneapolis—University of Minnesota, 33; Carleton College of Northfield, Minn., 0.

At South Bend, Ind.—Notre Dame, 33; Michigan Agricultural, 0.

At Lincoln, Neb.—University of Nebraska, 51; Doane College of Crete, 0.

At Ann Arbor, Mich.—University of Michigan, 88; Albion college, 0.

At Chicago—University of Chicago, 24; Monmouth college, 0.

At Chicago—Northwestern university, 10; Naperville college, 5.

At Madison—Wisconsin, 11; Lawrence (O.), 0.

At Carlisle, Pa.—Carlisle Indians, 17; Gettysburg college, 0.

At Lafayette, Ind.—Purdue, 56; Franklin college, 0.

At Des Moines, Ia.—Omaha High school, 5; West Des Moines High school, 0.

At Ames, Ia.—Ames State college, 35; Still College of Des Moines, 0.

At Mount Vernon, Ia.—Cornell of Iowa, 11; Coe, 4.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Sept. 27.—Harvard opened its foot ball season this afternoon by defeating Williams 11 to 0.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Sept. 27.—Yale defeated Trinity at foot ball today by the score of 46 to 0.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 27.—The University of Pennsylvania foot ball eleven opened the season today by defeating Lehigh university 46 to 0.

ITHACA, N. Y., Sept. 27.—Cornell, 5; Colgate, 0.

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Tryout Games Have Commenced and Coaches Are Wendering Everywhere.

BIG FOUR SETTLES DOWN TO BUSINESS

Work of Licking Material at Hand Into Shape for the Important Contests Has Now Been Taken Up in Earnest.

Though October really marks the commencement of the legitimate foot ball season, Saturday, September 27, may be said to have started the sport off for the full distance this year. Yesterday was the day of the first games the country over. Some of the western colleges that had been in training so many weeks in advance had already lined up against minor opponents on the preceding Saturday and even a week before that, but for the big schools in the east last Saturday was the getaway and from now on there will be games every week for all colleges.

These first games can only be regarded as interesting as showing test lineups. They cannot be said to indicate much as regarding the strength of the team for the season, nor can the personnel be considered as any promise of what it may be later. In several cases the good men, those almost sure of their jobs, have not yet returned, as there are not anxious to go through all the old routine of seasoning and breaking in. Again, at many schools it is the practice not to compel the old stars to work so early, anyway. They may help a little in coaching a man to substitute for them in case of accident, but they do not get out in the scrimmages nor in the first minor games.

With the Big Four colleges things have been very slow in taking shape, because of the complete riddling in most cases of the 1901 teams by graduations and other causes. Of course, when the old team comes back very near entire it is not hard to fill in the few niches and have an eleven, but with about seven places to fill the work is necessarily slower.

This proposition Yale, Harvard, Princeton and Pennsylvania have been against pretty hard, especially the first three schools. Now they are beginning to see their way clear and are resolving first and second and third elevens from the mass of material on hand. With sixty men to pick from, Princeton coaches have found, temporarily at least, the center, two guards and one tackle they needed. Just now the Tigers' loudest jubilation is over the fact that the big Andover guard, Ogden Dutcher, has come to Princeton. It was expected that he would be with Yale, as he was in New Haven for a couple of weeks, but the traditional spirit of progression from Andover to Princeton held good and Dutcher will play left guard. Dewitt, the former tackle, will be moved in one place to Dana's unexpectedly vacated place at right guard, and that means another tackle.

Yale now forecasts a line of giants and out of the large list of enormous candidates for the forward positions expects to develop a good row of seven. The back field is really the troublesome feature with the Blues, as the defection of Quarterback De Saulles is still sorely felt. However, an extra week has brightened the outlook.

Harvard alone fails to talk any more hopefully as the time passes. Captain Kernan and the coaches assert that they are well satisfied with the showing, but the rooters and wise guys along the side lines are anything but sanguine. The Harvard trouble is just the opposite of Yale's. At Cambridge they have a great back field left over, but want line men badly.

Meanwhile, Coach Williams has finally brought his Quaker squad back from Eaglesmere to Philadelphia and his long siege of "illegal" early training has accomplished wonders. From a dub team in fast company last season the Quakers have already become a factor much considered.

Seven days have not altered the general situation in the middle west. Wisconsin and Michigan are still touted as the big things in the Big Nine. Already it is being said that the game between these two on November 1, to be played in Chicago, will determine the championship of that alliance of colleges. The Badgers are sure of all the men they have been counting on, and the line will not be a great difficulty, as there are but two places [illegible]. The chief trouble i[illegible] two [illegible]cks, where [illegible]ffatt, last ye[illegible] and is a[illegible] big t[illegible] as [illegible]r-

there is progressing a great search. The prospect at present is that Captain Juneau, for years right end, will be pulled back to play it. He is light, but his ability in carrying the ball should make him a premier at running it as a back, and his place at half will make it possible for him to help out at his old place on end with his remarkable defensive play. The end who will take his place may play half on the defensive. It will be strange for Juneau to be moved to a back position after a college career in the line, but the reason for it is that it seems easier at present to find a good end than a good back.

The Wolverines say they will have more beef than ever, and that is a big boast, for the Michigan team has been a monster one recently. There are some line gaps and two back places to fill up at Ann Arbor, but Coach Yost now says that he has already accomplished the task and is ready for the season to get busy.

Sizing up the remaining conference colleges, it may be said that Northwestern is the only one that has shown any marked strides in improvement. Illinois has advanced a little beyond expectations, but Chicago, Purdue, Notre Dame, Beloit and Minnesota have done about what was predicted for them a week ago, although it is interesting to note that Coach Williams of Minnesota is now telling how his eleven is not a bunch of new ones, after all, as he has all the time had a big company of last year's men on hand at camp, but has been keeping it quiet. Nebraskans will be glad to hear, too, that Koehler, the Cornhusker center for three years past, is making mighty good at the Midway college and will probably be Stagg's first center.

Down at the University of Nebraska Coach Booth is at last beginning to feel just a little discouraged. Prospects for returns of every old man on the team save two had caused him to build high hopes, but as this two has grown gradually to four and five and six things do not look so well. Even at that the Cornhuskers would still be in fairly good shape would Oriey Thorpe get out and play quarterback, as expected. He is not yet out, and that important position is giving Booth much trouble. He has a fairly good man holding it down in Benedict, but the boy is a freshman and very young, with no 'varsity experience. With a seasoned team he might do, but there are so many other youngsters and new ones in the makeup that an old head in the middle is an essential. Crafty Thorpe, with four years' experience behind him, could take hold of that half-green team and do wonders which a coach can never do, because he is not in the game. Westover still does not despair of getting Thorpe out, and meanwhile he is devoting energies to making every other place on the team as strong as possible. A feature of the last week was the advent of Lou Palmer, the Princeton end and member of the All-American team. He has started in to work up the end material, which is rather plenty, but light.

Captain Westover has determined to play very little save in the big games, as he still has some trouble with that little blood clot which formed under his skull as a result of seven big Gophers landing on him last year.

Hubbard, who was thought to have center cinched, has found a keen rival in Borg, who has been besting the first squad man in practice lately From his position on the scrub eleven Borg has been coming through Hubbard pretty often and stopping plays, and they are contemplating moving him up to the first eleven.

Dean Ringer, the veteran, will play left guard sure, and Maloney, last year's substitute, is the strong man so far for right. He weighs 220 pounds and is a power on defense.

Westover has a tackle place, but when he is not in the game another will be needed, and so far Briggs, Wilson and Newton are three most promising for the tackle positions. Out of the trio Westover hopes to get one crack man.

"Chick" Shedd started in just where he left off last season and has been improving every day, so that he is already playing a very fast left end. The other end is still a tossup, as it is finally definitely learned that Cortelyou, last year's star, cannot return. He is in California with an invalid mother. Follmer and Eager, two light but active boys, are candidates, but the appearance of Mike Thomas of Omaha with his 165 pounds and speed and kicking ability would be a welcome sight for the coaches, as he would take that right end beyond a doubt, provided he was up to his usual game.

Ollie Mickel will doubtless be the standing fullback, and promises better every day. For halves there are Bell and Bender, the old men, and Englehardt of Omaha is also being trained for that job. He is getting used to the fast 'varsity style of pl[illegible] and will probably make a good man lat[illegible]

TOO MUCH WATER IS WASTED

Result of Investigation Into Condition of the Arid Lands.

MORE THAN FOUR FEET IS NOW USED

Arid Lands Discovered in Montana on Which Crops Are Raised Without the Aid of Artificial Moisture.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 27.—The third annual report of the irrigation investigations of the office of experiment stations, United States Department of Agriculture, made under the direction of Elwood Mead, says that averages of measurements, embracing nearly all of the arid states, show that during the last three years enough water was turned into the heads of ditches during the irrigation season to cover the land irrigated to a depth of 4.45 feet, or stated in another way, 4.45 feet of water was taken from streams for every acre of land irrigated.

A large part of this water supply was lost in transit through seepage, the leakage being especially great where canals run through sandy or gravelly soil. Measurements at the heads of laterals showed an average loss in the main canal of 11 per cent. Measurements made at the margin of fields on six large canal systems showed that only 42 per cent of the water turned in at the head gates was delivered to farmers. This large loss through seepage is one of the significant features of these measurements and shows that better construction of distributing works is one of the directions in which great improvement is possible.

Another interesting table in the report shows the value of the crops grown for each acre foot of water used. They vary from $1.32 a foot to $122 an acre foot, water bringing in the least return when used on alfalfa and the largest return when used in irrigating nursery stock. It also was shown that crops which require irrigation in the last half of the irrigation season have a far greater value than those which require irrigation during the first half, the average value per acre of crops which have to be irrigated in the last half of the season being $49.39 an acre, while crops which require irrigation only in the first half of the season have an average value of only $17.83 an acre, a difference of $31.56 an acre in favor of late crops.

These, however, have to be watered when streams are low and water scarce. As a rule this water supply can be had only through storage, and the cost of reservoirs has to be charged against the extra value of the crops. Experience shows, however, the report says, that the storage of water pays farmers and will increase largely the productive value of irrigated lands.

Arid land crop conditions in central Montana, heretofore unknown to the Department of Agriculture, were discovered in a tour of inspection which Elwood Mead, in charge of the irrigation work of the department, has just completed.

Mr. Mead says that he found much larger areas of arid land there with crops with successful growth on them than he had ever supposed were possible. In a majority of places, he says, crops can grow on these tracts without any irrigation and with very little water, much less than is usually required for growing crops. These crops can be grown very successfully every year.

The area involved is along the mountain slopes south and east of Great Falls, Mont. The Department of Agriculture regards the discovery of these arid land conditions as important and co-operative work will be undertaken by the government. It is purposed to study the means of saving and making available the water supply from the mountain slopes.

Government work will be under the direction of Prof. S. Fortier, the director of the Montana agricultural experiment station. Similar non-irrigated arid land crops are grown in the Milk river valley, in Montana, and in many parts of the Dakotas.

FREMONT HIGH SCHOOL WINS

Boys Show Themselves Speedy on Gridiron and Prevent Alumni from Scoring Once.

FREMONT, Neb., Sept. 27.—(Special Telegram.)—Fremont High school played its first foot ball game of the season with a team composed of the alumni this afternoon and defeated them by a score of 10 to 0. The boys won their first touchdown in eight minutes on downs and a plunge through the line by Maxwell. The alumni got the ball after a few plays and made some gains. The half ended with the ball in the center of the field. Brown of the High Schools was hurt and his place was taken by Tweedy. In the second half the High school goal was never in much danger. Plunges through the line by Lundstrom and good work by Van Anda won another touchdown, but as in the first half they missed the catch. The alumni were out of practice and not as speedy as the boys. They won their ground by hitting the line. Touchdowns: High school, 2, Maxwell and Lundstrom; alumni, 0. Goals, 0. Time: Two twenty-minute halves. Umpires: Edgerton and Martin.

New Steeplechase Champion.

NEW YORK, Sept. 27.—A. L. Newton of the New York Athletic club won the two-mile steeplechase championship of America today at Travers Island in the Sixty-ninth annual games of the New York Athletic club. His time 21:28 4-5. G. W. Orton of the Athletic club of Philadelphia, the champion at the sport for many years was second, beaten from the mile point on to the finish.

Norton Coursing and Golf Meet.

NORTON, Kan., Sept. 27.—(Special.)—The Norton silver cup coursing meet will be held here October 21 to 24. Over $1,000 is offered in purses for the following events: An all-age stake, puppy stake, consolation stake and Norton visitors' stake. Entries close October 20. On the same days the annual tournament of the Norton Golf club will be held, play being confined to the forenoons.

Dundee Defeats Hanscom Park.

The Dundee foot ball team yesterday defeated the Hanscom Park team by a score of 23 to 0. The Parks played a fast, snappy game, but were completely outclassed. Ben Benson in his new position of fullback and Edgar Ingram were Dundee's most brilliant players. Art Blakely played a good game for the Park team.

Ames College 35, Still College 0.

AMES, Ia., Sept. 27.—(Special Telegram.)—Foot ball at Ames: Iowa State college, 35; Still college, 0. Ames' goal was at no time in danger. Ames' fullback, Despler, aggregated 112 yards in four punts.

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