### SPORTING GOSSIP OF THE WEEK

that name in the Omaha directories. Already there is a Brown block in town and a Brown county and a Brownsville in the state, and if the young man who came over from Ames, Ia., about ten days ago will only keep up his fick this list of stations named Brown will be increased wonderfully. Up to date he has only pitched three games for Omaha, but as he has won all three we have no way of telling just how he does act when he loses. He hasn't officiated at a losing game for so long that he can't tell when it was, and he says he doesn't see any reason why he should change his sysetm now. He's a tall, rangy young man, with a college air, which means that he doesn't know how to sleep standing up, and has about nineteen different kinds of curves in his repertory. His arms are like bars of spring steel and he can't spell the word tired. Last Sunday he capped his two-hit shut-out game against Des Moines by striking out the last man up in the ninth inning on three pitched balls. Kelly the Umpire gave it as his private opinion at the close of the game that Brown is the find of the year. "I've stood behind 'em all," said Kelly, in that rich, melodious language he and Papa Bill know so well how to speak, and which Jerry Howard is anxious to have made the official language of the British Parliament, "and none of 'em's got anything he haint. He's the goods." And that ought to settle it. And you don't want to forget that Kelly had seen some pitching that afternoon besides Brown's. Cushman was putting the ball over the corners with a determination that isn't very often encountered in a ball game, and he would have won if Brown had not pitched just a little bit better. It was as fine an exhibition of pitching as any one would care to see. And behind the pitchers were the fielders, all working like well adjusted machines, so that the game had a quality as nearly perfeet as is ever likely to be pulled off in the

And maybe the fans didn't enjoy it. Some of them are talking about it yet, and they'll be out at the park this afternoon by the thousands to see Brown change the Rocky Mountain Man-Eating Grizzlies into the tamest sore of Ring-Tailed Monkeys, make em climb the pole, and pull the pole up after 'em. Omaha is beginning to play ball again, and in company with St. Joseph will be wrestling for the top place before very hold their places in the league. Attendance list o out there has been so had that it could lows: hardly get worse. One of the St. Joseph games at Denver last week was witnessed by eighty-seven paid admissions. The Denver papers allege that it is Tebeau's personal unpopularity that is responsible for this. If this is true, it would be a good this. If this is true, it would be a good plan for the other teams to insist on Tebeau selling out, for several buyers in Denver are willing to take the team off his hands. As it is, it is costing him a nice chise there. It's good property, but with popular management would be a gold mine.

Attendance at all the valley towns is inerbasing, as the race gets closer, and this part of the circuit promises to pay very rowth of the When the mines in Colorado are shut down the state is pretty nearly closed out.

Followers of the Omaha team will find much consolation in the figures showing the performance of the team up to date, While the three pitchers' battles in which the team took part last week had a very depressing effect on the boating averages of the sluggers, some of the boys who have been a little further down the ladder have turned their eyes toward the top, and are looking up in the column very hopefully. One of the best signs is the wave of reform that has swept over one Carter. He has cut out his fool habit of dropping flies, and is now covering the right garden in the grand style that made him such a favorite here in the days gone by, and in addition is hitting the ball with great regularity. Two weeks ago be was slipping along, just over the .200 mark. Now he has jumped it to .238, and one more week like the last will see him up among the big ones, where he belongs. All the Omaha outfielders took a brace about the time they left Denver, and are playing the game as it should be played. Welch hasn't been landing his hits as often as he did. but Miller has been corking 'em regularly, these meets and if the attendance con-

what is reasonably expected of him-play the greatest game at first in the league, and shine among the hard hitters. He was considerably discourage a little while back over his inability to hit safely. He stuck to his work and now seems to have the safe spots pretty well located. At any rate he got seven hits in four games during the week, and that is doing pretty well. Johnny Gonding, too, got ashamed of seeing his name down below the .200 mark, and boosted out a few during the week, ust to get on the right side of the line If Johnny will only persist in this, he'll not lose any friends in Omaha. The team average at the bat slumped eight points, due to the fact that pitchers and fielders combined against Dolan and Welch, but the fielding average stepped up another notch, and both the figures are still quite respectable. Here are the statistics, up to and including the game of Friday: BATTING AVERAGES.

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Freeze	48	4	15	.349	.375
Dolan	190	19	46	.306	.345
Miller	185	29	53	.286	.288
Howard	185	39	51	.276	.277
Welch	161	20	- 44	.273	.292
Brown	- 11	3	- 3	.273	+250
	174	26	44	. 253	.242
Schipke	168	20	39	. 239	.267
Carter	181	32	40	.238	217
McCarthy	41	. 0		1220	.322
Gonding	125	15	26	208	,180
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Welch Miller

Totals .....1,168 526 114 1,808 It is announced that a race meet, in which bicycles, motorcycles and automobiles may be entered, will be held at the Omaha Driving park on next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Louis Fletcher of 1622 Capitol avenue and Dave Schultz of the Omaha Bicycle company are to the promoters. A similar event was given last June on the same track, and judging from the interest already evinced in the forthcoming races, this year's meet will be an many days. The Mountaineers have about exciting one. Several expert trick blcycle had their day, and the real scramble for the top has just begun. It will be a pennant race from now till the windup, if the add zest to the meet. Entry blanks are Denver and Colorado Springs teams can ready and may be had on application. The

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The usual entrance fees are assessed and attractive prizes are offered for the various races. Louis Flescher says he will make an attempt to break last year's Omaha little bit of money to hold onto the fran- of the regular events the winners of the motorcycles and automobiles will be pitted against each other, a practice that has met with much success in eastern races this sea-

> It is quite astonishing what an appetite of the impression that the Driving club was only for semi-professional performers and that a horse must be bred in the purple to be in the running at the Driving club, have come to the speedway meets, found out to the contrary and joined the club instanter. The speedway is a good place to catch the racing fever, too, and while the show is hardly equal to that at the track it is well worth the time of anybody who is at all interested to go and see, Yesterday was the date of the second of

as indicated yesterday the famous "Brighton road" parade will have to get

The latest and most seasonable organisation that has been sprung on the public s a swimming club. This, it is understood is to be formed this week with headquarters at Courtland beach, where a program of all kinds of acquatic stunts are to be arranged for. Few inland cities offer better opportunities for this sort of thing than does Omaha with Courtland beach and Lake Manawa. Moreover, this sport is one of the most interesting in the summer list when the contests are conducted in the proper way and for all there is in them. If the promoters of the new club go at it right the venture should prove a winner.

And the tennis tournament at the St. Croix courts goes merrily on. Tomorrow night will probably see the finals played and a winner landed. The new courts have proved to be all that was expected of them for fastness and have proved again that the best is none too good when it comes to satisfactory results. This, like every other tourney of the kind, has proved full of surprises. Some of the men who were expected to do the fancy work have fallen down good and hard, while some of those who didn't pretend to be any great shakes have surprised themselves and everybody else by the work they have done. Ovitt, from whom much was expected on account of his previous record, has proved a disappointment, owing to lack of practice. He has three separate and distinct serves that, when he does get them over the net, furnish food for very serious reflection for his opponents. One is a snaky cut, another a straight and terrific volley ball and the other a back bound that it is almost impossible to judge. But on account of having played less than half a dozen games this season before he went into this tournament Ovitt has been unable to deliver the goods. His placing, while frequently brilliant, has oftener been of a decidedly medi-958 liant, has oftener been of a decidedly medi-906 ocre quality and unless a player can serve to place to good advantage he might just 928 swell wait until he goes and gets a repu-944 tation before he enters any tournament, 853 for all the fast returning in the world won't save him. The trouble is that he has to do half the serving. So Ovitt has has to do half the serving. So Ovitt has had to take a sent in the wings tempo rarily. He should not feel in the least discouraged by his failure to make good in this tournament, for anybody who knows the game at all can see with half an eye what he has got up his sleeve when he gets his hand in again.

The young men of the St. Croix club organization come to a realization of the fact that half the pleasure of the poscomes from sharing it with somebody else, especially if somebody else happens to be a crowd of nice looking girls. That's the reason why, now that the club has list of races already assured are as fol- got such splendid tennis courts and so many of them, that they have decided to start a tournament for the women of their acquaintance and offer some handsome prizes to the winners if the girls will only come and play. The members of the club are all of the male persuasion, but one of the objects of the organization was to provide a place where both sexes might enjoy the game and the tournament idea has been adopted as the best means of flying starts. A dinner will be given the getting the thing started.

"Can we turn the trick with the sailors from St. Joe?" is the question now worrying the Manawa tars. They think they can, and as yet no one has had the nerve to put up good money that they have got another think coming. The St. Joe boat business has suffered. Part of this is due to the general depression that exists in Wednesday, and the races take place men for their favorite sport, and it is an Thursday, Friday and Saturday afternoons. Their boat has recently been put through things hike, in that the more of the bike an elaborate christening, with all the side hum they get the more they seem to want. effects, and named "The Lotus," after the The matinees proper are held every other Lotus Yacht club, which it represents Saturday. Not satisfied with this, the It is a boat built in St. Joe and is the Driving club has inaugurated a series of style of boat called a "skimming dish" informal races to take place on the Hans- or "sidewalk boat," twenty-eight feet over com park speedway every alternate Satur- all and six feet six inches beam, carrying day. The road there is in splendid condi- 350 square feet of sail. The crew of "The tion, and with a mile straightaway for the Lotus" is composed of Charles Robbins, fast ones to reel off there is no end of good tiller; Dr. George Northwood, main sheet; sport in sight. These speedway races as W. R. Lang, jib sheets, with the fourth now arranged are entirely informal and man not named. The local boat, to defend open to all horse owners, whether they are the Manawa Challenge cup, has not yet nembers of the Driving club or not. The been picked. The deciding trial races were wisdom of the move in this direction is to have been held last week, but two of already shown, for several owners of good those calm, still, quiet summer days played speedy animals, who have heretofore been havoc with the plans. The races were started both days, and it was nip and tuck between the Argo and the Manawa, as long as the winds condescend to blow, but it was one of those weak and tired breezes that would first favor one boat and then relent and favor the other, neither race being finished in the time limit. By tonight the defending boat will have to be selected, wind or no wind. The Argo's crew is John McAllister, tiller; Al Stevens, main sheet; Paul Cooley, fib sheet, and Carl Weston, backstays and light sails, and so has Jack Thomas. This latter tinues to increase in the same proportion the first two being the owners of the boat

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> The combination of that new and beautiful Beaton cup and the recently inaugurated classification of the players of the festive game of "gololoff" at the Feld thing but start some thing. The members are falling over each other in their efforts to get proficient at the game, and the air is so full of challenges that the gambol on the green has every characteristic of a six-days go-asyou-please. Already some of the topnotchers have had the conceit taken out of them by being beaten by some of the common herd of every-day players. Among them is little Harry Morrill, who stood at the head of the whole bunch and who Jack Sharp got after and pullled off his little pedestal with great ease and aban-But Harry's smile wouldn't come off, and the next day he challenged and won from Johnny Murphy, thus crawling back into his little niche in the first flight. Two or three of the scores made in the first day's play for the Beaton cup made the bogey score very uneasy, and the present indications now are that the new order of things has put so much ginger into the wielders of the club that by fall every man on the links will have became

need wind, and the more the better.

One of the new automobiles of the past week is the Haynes-Apperson, which the Powell company has just delivered to Joe Cudahy. It is a big one and a beauty of the Tonneau style. It is colored a rich green, and with the handsome and elegant equipment, is proving one of the kind that people turn around to take another look at. D. C. Bradford's swell Locomobile is another one of the fast ones to show up within the past few days. As a matter of fact, they are showing up every day or two now; and in this connection, what's the matter with the formation of that club that so much has been said and so little done about? Ask any of the scorchers and they tell you that an organization will be perfected "in a few days now," just the same as they did before the frost was out of the ground last

A. P. Fleming, secretary of the Los Angeles Auto club, delivered an address recently in his home city in which he made some sugggestions for chug cart drivers that are well worth the consideration of chauffeurs everywhere. Here are some of

chauffeurs everywhere. Here are some of them:

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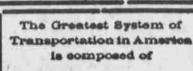
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