

OLD GUARD LEADS AT GOLF

Season Fails to Produce the New Names Looked For.

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OF VILA whipped himself into a fright over the story he started that Clark Griffith was planning to put a third team in New York and that this was part of the threatened invasion by the American association.

Certainly the football record of the Omaha High school has been redeemed. The team that has just closed the season came as the rightful holder of the title of champion of two states—Iowa and Nebraska.

Ducky Holmes is diligently trying to keep the pennant in Sioux City. He has landed Babe Towne for a main catcher for next year and a new stopgap pitcher from Kentucky.

Tom Jenkins declared the other night after the latest edition of the "Terrible Turk" threw him, "He's the greatest wrestler I ever met."

Would it be all right to inquire why, if Tebeau has sold the 50 per cent he owned in the Denver team, does R. R. Burke's name continue to be attached to that institution? Does the "new owner" from Nebraska contemplate the need of Colonel Burke's services, or is it, after all, just a Tebeau sale?

Fielder Jones has sniffed out his little sister Joke earlier this year than usual. Last season he didn't tuck it away until just before the practice time came around. Now he has already let it be known that he will be at the head of the Sox another year.

There is said to be some danger that the present site of the Cubs' park may be chosen as the location of an industrial school. It ought to make a good one.

McGraw has not talked back ball since the season closed," says J. Vila. Poor Muggsy.

Humphrey's Seventy-Seven breaks up Grip and COLDS INFLUENZA

TRAVERS, TRAVIS AND DOUGLAS

Veterans of the Course in America for Many Seasons Hold on to Supremacy for Another Year at Least.

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—The list of important golf tournaments, winners, both in championship and open events, during the 1908 golf season, reveals the fact that the "old guard" has continued to hold its own against the advances of the precocious youth.

As to the open tournaments, the value of a first depends to a certain extent upon the merit of the links as a test of golf and the quality of the opponents. Unless these considerations are reckoned with, the number of chief cups gathered in by a golfer are of no special consequence. It is quite possible for a man to win a cluster of cups over courses in a certain section and then fall utterly to make good in more important tournaments.

To start the competitive season in this section Findlay S. Douglas won the Lakewood tournament last April, and a week later the national champion of a decade ago was runner-up to W. C. Fownes, Jr., at Atlantic City. The latter is another old-timer. Douglas also won the gold medal in the qualifying round of the Apawamis tournament in July, and, as he played in important part in several other tournaments, the 1908 season was the best experienced by the Scot in years.

Walter J. Travis scored his first success of the year in this section by winning the spring tournament over his home green at Garden City in May. The veteran also won at the Nassau Country club and at Poland Springs. Jerome D. Travers, the national champion, scored first in the Huntington Valley tournament, where he defeated Elnor M. Byers, the 1908 title holder, in the final round.

That was in May and Travers experienced a lapse for some time thereafter, that is, so far as open tournaments were concerned. He competed, however, in the metropolitan championship tournament at Baltusart the latter part of May, and, after having lost the title, practically in his grasp, lost to Charley Seely in the final round. A few weeks later Travers successfully defended his New Jersey title at Englewood, and in September he returned to top form and won the national championship at Garden City for the second time.

Miss Kate Harley won the women's national title at Chevy Chase, while Miss Phelps, who accounted for the championship of the Western Golf association, duplicated a former success. Fred McLeod, the new, national open title holder, although young cannot be classed as an unknown, for more than a year ago he won the Western open. To the east, the best showing on the part of a young and comparatively unknown amateur was the recent winning of the chief cup at Atlantic City by R. T. Haynes, the Yale freshman.

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—The 1908 season of golf was the best known since the game secured a foothold on this side of the water, fifteen years ago. Aside from the almost continuous string of open and invitation tournaments this year, the various championships proved to be memorable affairs. The first of the national events, the open at Myopia the latter part of August, resulting in a tie between Fred McLeod and Will Smith at the end of the seventy-two holes of medal play, was a notable performance.

The United States open championships since the beginning have been won without exception by foreign players, but the native-born are annually showing more strength and the day will come when one of the home-breds will succeed in breaking through the Scottish lines and win the coveted title.

Closely following the open, came the amateur at Garden City, where Jerome Travers so ably defended his title. The young man, who only a few months ago celebrated his twenty-first birthday, is without doubt the strongest amateur golfer playing the game here today. He is not only a genius when it comes to playing strokes, but he is a master of tactics, and is full of resources.

The critical match of the recent championship at Garden City was between Travers and Walter J. Travis, and it is doubtful if a finer match was ever brought off between two leading amateurs at thirty-two holes. If the champion could be prevailed upon to cross the water, taking with him several of the best American amateurs, one of the number might have the distinction of duplicating the feat accomplished by Travis at Sandwich in 1904.

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This year was also memorable because of the close attention paid to a revision of the rules.

CIRCLE CLOSERS ROUND HAL CHASE

Obstrepous Player May Be Fired Back to New York.

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—Hal Chase is likely to be the victim of a winter "squeezing" that will either bring him out of New York next season or force him out of league base ball altogether.

Chase has been playing with the Stockton club of the California league, which is a "outlaw" organization. Five of the six clubs in that league want to come into organized base ball. After the league meetings in December Harry Pulliam and Ban Johnson will go west to arrange this matter.

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NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—While the athletic split between this country and Great Britain was being announced to the world in scare-head type, the Amateur Athletic union at its annual meeting passed a rule which will be of more real benefit to track and field sports than anything the governing body has done in years.

Mr. Sullivan declared recently that nothing would make him reconsider his decision to retire from the Amateur Athletic union presidential chair. Since that time, however, powerful influences have been at work, and finally "the car" capitulated on the plea that if he stepped down now it would give the English athletic authorities the impression that American athletes were disgraced.

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—It's "all off" for awhile between athletic American and athletic Great Britain. In an annual session at the Hotel Astor recently the Amateur Athletic union of the United States put its approval on the actions of American Commissioner James E. Sullivan by electing him for a third term as president against his own will and repeated declaration that under no circumstances would he consent to re-election.

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