

Omaha Dog Men Are Making Big Plans for Next Year's Dog Show, Hoping to Make it National

MANY GOOD DOGS TO THE FORE

Bench and Field Trial Dogs Are Greatly in Demand.

HUNTER IN THE LIMELIGHT

Plans Are Being Made for a Show Next Year Which Will Be National in Character and Scope.

When Judge Redick issued his injunction two years ago which prohibited the police officers from carrying out the order of the mayor to shoot all dogs on the street which did not wear muzzles, the dog in Omaha jumped into prominence and Bingo, the famous "muzzled" dog, later proved he was worthy of the efforts of his owner, M. J. Greevy, by winning a blue ribbon at the first annual bench show of the Nebraska Kennel club which was held in Omaha two weeks ago.

In the early '80s Omaha and a couple of bench shows, under the direction of Bill Hardin, which were of a high class and which attracted some of the best dogs of the country, but since that time no united effort has been made to bring the dog into the limelight. Times have changed and a show has now been made, the first annual bench show was a success and now hundreds of lovers of dogs in this section of the country are preparing for a big bench show next year, to be held under the auspices of the American Kennel club, which will give the show rank and make the ribbons which are awarded at the show of real value.

For years there has been no incentive for owners to keep their dogs registered in the national books and, while many have owned good and valuable dogs for the life of the dog, they have been satisfied simply in the ownership and have taken no pains in keeping up the registration. With a show in prospect, to be held under the auspices of the American Kennel club, affairs have taken a different turn and owners are now looking up the pedigrees of their dogs.

Two years ago the directors of the Trans-Mississippi Poultry and Pet Stock association, of which D. B. Day was president, conceived the idea that it would be a good plan to exhibit a few dogs at the show and this was done. Mr. Day had a fine string of St. Bernards which he brought from Vermont to exhibit. A few other dogs were shown and the interest the public took in this part of the show induced the directors to offer some liberal prizes for the late show. They did this by giving a cash sum to the Nebraska Kennel club, which had charge of the show.

Over 300 dogs were shown and their high class excited the wonder of all visitors who did not seem to realize that there were so many high-class dogs in this section of the country. Many owners of good dogs did not realize until too late what a splendid show it was to do and did not enter their dogs. They had the idea there would be but a few dogs, as the few other dogs before. These owners now see their mistake and many of them have signified their intention of being in the bandwagon next year, when a big show will be held.

Will Make Show National.

At the annual meeting of the directors of the Nebraska Kennel club it was decided to proceed at once to arrange for a show next year. The show will be under the rules of the American Kennel club and which would at once receive national recognition. All the directors favored that plan. It was stated that all that would be necessary to secure sanction to hold a show under the auspices of the national association was to have guarantee that all the prizes offered by the club would be paid.

That no difficulty will be experienced in securing this guarantee is certain. W. A. Pixley, one of the leading dog fanciers of Omaha, told the directors before the close of the show that he would guarantee the prize list with \$100 and the directors feel certain the business men of Omaha would willingly subscribe to this guarantee.

If the plan of giving a national show is carried out, dates for the show will be secured so that the largest bench show in the country. Mrs. William Moore, who lives in Omaha, takes her dogs to the New York and Chicago shows and always comes home laden with ribbons and prizes which have been awarded by the best judges in the country. She has a string of toy dogs which will attract attention in any show and at the recent Omaha show she was the center of attraction for the women and children who like that kind of a dog.

Collie dogs were shown in abundance at the Omaha show and this class of dog is especially valuable in the west. Many were sold to visiting ranchmen from western Nebraska and from Wyoming, where the value of a good dog of this kind is recognized more than any other place in the country. A lone shepherd who has a good collie can handle an immense flock of sheep.

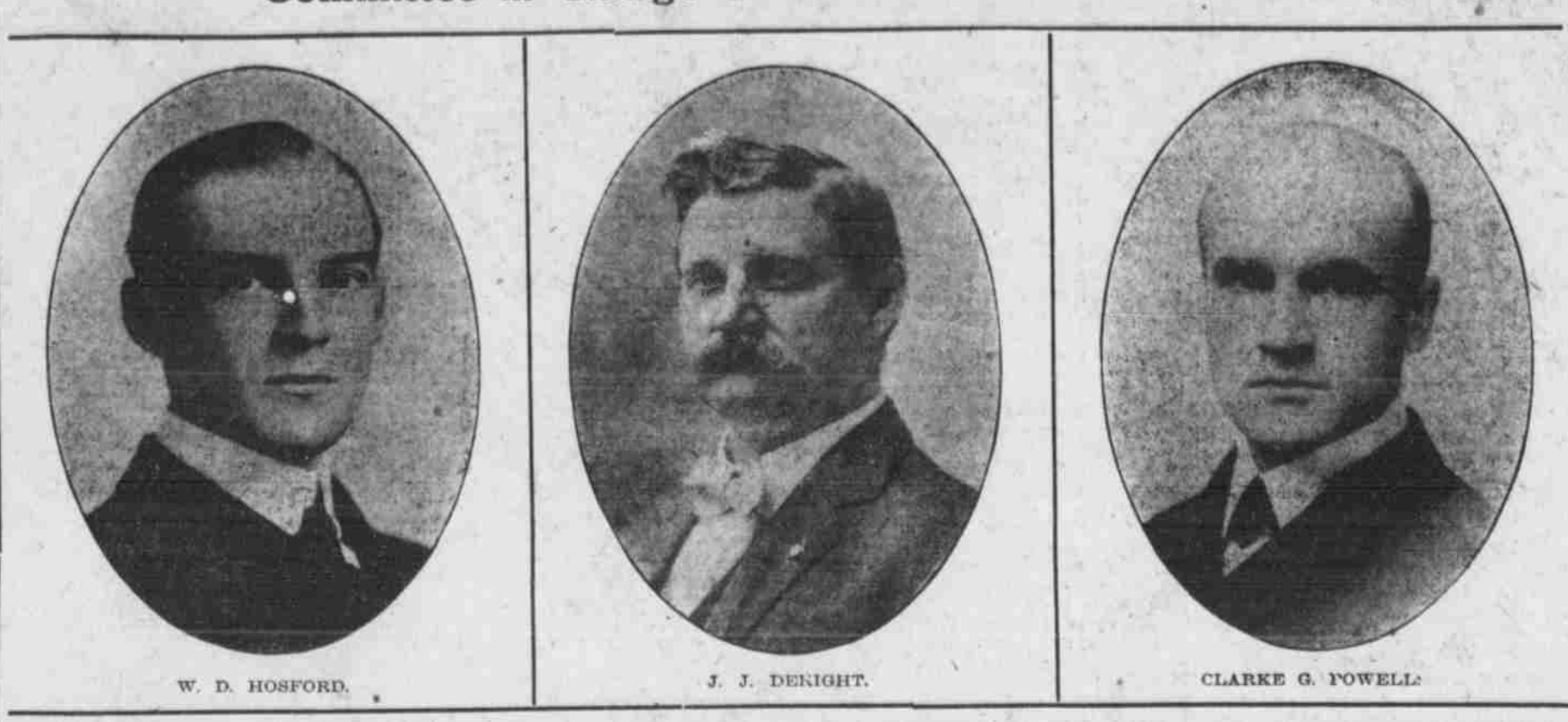
Nebraska has for years been a famous hunting ground and rich lovers of sport from the east have journeyed to this state for their annual outing with the dog and gun. The different kind of game available made good shooting most of the year around until of late, when more stringent laws have limited the time when a man may hunt. This abundance of game has made the hunting dog the most valuable asset most liked by both the residents of the farms and the cities and towns for what is more enjoyable than a day with the dog and gun. Every hunter thinks his dog is the best and this friendly rivalry will be carried to the bench show next year, when thousands of good dogs will be brought in to contest for the valuable prizes which will be offered.

Country Field of Good Dogs.

Omaha hunters are handicapped in a way in the keeping of their dogs, because they cannot get into the fields as often as can the man who lives on a farm or in a smaller town, where he may go out any morning or evening and give his dog a run. Many Omaha owners of valuable dogs are thus compelled to keep their dogs in the country, in charge of some friend or some trainer in the sand hills, where game is always abundant.

The bench dog and the field trial dog is trained in a different way. Sometimes a dog which makes a fine showing on the

Committee in Charge of Omaha Automobile Show



W. D. HOSFORD, J. J. DENIGHT, CLARKE G. POWELL.

VINT POWERS LEADING JOCKEY

Rode 325 Winners on American and Canadian Tracks Last Year.

Vincent Powers, who led all the jockeys on the American and Canadian turf last year by riding 325 winners, is a graduate of the Canadian racing circuit. His home is at Panama, a small town in New York state, not far from Buffalo and his early instruction in the handling of thoroughbreds was imparted to him by Trainer John Nixon of the Valley Farm stable, who took him up at Fort Erie as an exercise boy.

Powers is a well behaved and scrupulously honest lad of retiring habits and tastes, no matter how great his success. His career has not been that of a skyrocket, for he has worked his way steadily overcoming every opposition and without any sensational exploits, to the position he now holds at the head of the jockey list. The great factor in this boy's success has been his reliability and consistency, coupled with his remarkable gift of horsemanship. Powers has the faculty, possessed in a high degree also, by Tod Sloan, of getting more out of his mounts than other riders can. He has repeatedly demonstrated that under his skillful handling horses would run faster and stay further than for any other boy. Those that used to be beaten at seven furlongs would stay a mile and win for him.

Powers is alert at the post, but always so orderly that he has never been in trouble for spilling starts or for disobedience of the starter's commands. During the running races, no matter how large the field or the natural eagerness of his competitors to beat the star rider, it has come to be looked on as a matter of course that Powers' horse always kept well to the front and in a good position to make the deciding run.

Powers' wonderful ability as a hand rider has been in evidence in several races recently at Santa Anita track, where his mount, when riding and almost falling, won the race by his vigorous hand finish.

Powers started this season at New Orleans, where he met with considerable success, having sixty-four wins, fifty-nine seconds and fifty-six thirds in his credit, and earning \$25,354 for different owners, whose colors he wore. At Lexington, Louisville and Latonia, Powers' work in the saddle attracted the attention of the entire turf world. He rode, while at those tracks, seventy-six winners, forty-eight seconds and thirty-eight thirds, for a total of \$39,396. It was on the Canadian circuit where Powers began his real struggle for the leading jockey honors. The contest between Powers and Schilling on the northern circuit was so keen and close that it was one of the most striking features of Canadian racing. Powers rode twenty-two winners at Windsor, fifty-nine at Fort Erie, sixteen at Montreal and six at Toronto.

Since going to California, although at times he has found it difficult to make weight, he has ridden with the same consistency and has handled forty-eight winners at Oakland and Santa Anita. Powers rode in a few races in the east last summer, but he did not have much of a chance to shine. In 1907 out of 461 mounts he rode but 50 winners.

Powers will ride in France this year for Baron Leopold Rothschild, who, it is reported, will pay him a salary of \$15,000. Walter Miller was the leading jockey in 1906 and 1907 and has the record for winning mounts, more than 400 in a single year.

THIS OUGHT TO WORRY BIG JACK

Al Kaufman Says Again He Will Not Fight Big Champion.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 9.—That Al Kaufman, the heavyweight, is sincere in his declaration that he won't fight Jack Johnson for the heavyweight title, or any other colored pugilist, was again shown when he turned down five offers from the fight club promoters of California to meet the big colored champion. Immediately after he had knocked out Jim Barry in the thirty-ninth round of his forty-five round battle at the Jeffries Athletic club of Los Angeles. Promoters Jim Jeffries, Jimmy Coffroth, Jack Gleason, Eugene Lucardi and Sam Berger went into Kaufman's dressing room and made him their offers to fight Johnson. After listening to all of the offers Kaufman said:

"I have already announced that I will never fight a colored man, and that is final." With Jeffries out of the game forever and Kaufman drawing the color line, it looks as if Johnson will be champion for many years.

Drake and Missouri May Break.

DES MOINES, Ia., Jan. 9.—(Special.)—Will Drake university and the University of Missouri sever athletic relations and become involved in athletic difficulties regarding the famous Iowa-Ames troubles? is the question claiming attention of colleges and universities in this section of the mid-west.

Drake has given Missouri to understand through a statement from Prof. Kinney, chairman of the Drake games committee, that the policies of the Tiger institution are not what Drake likes and that the discontinuance of relations is likely except in foot ball next season. Drake and Missouri have a two-year contract which cannot be broken.

OMAHA'S AUTOMOBILE SHOW

Dealers Will Make Exhibit at the Auditorium Next Month.

GREAT PLANS FOR ENTERTAINING

W. D. Hosford of the Committee Talks of the Arrangements that Are Being Made for the Show.

Plans are being matured for the annual Automobile show to be held by the local dealers at the Auditorium for four days, beginning February 24. Clark Powell, J. J. Denight and W. D. Hosford have been appointed a committee to take full charge of the show.

"Few people realize the time and expense involved in preparation of an Automobile show," said W. D. Hosford, "nor do they appreciate the main object in giving such an exhibition. It is not for the purpose of making money, for if that were true the whole thing would be turned over to a promoter who could undoubtedly make a good thing out of it."

The show idea is based on the fundamental knowledge that all mechanical devices are subject to correction and improvements from time to time. This was more noticeably true in the earlier stages of the automobile industry than it is at the present time. This year the changes noticed will be particularly in refinement of design as most automobiles now are built along generally accepted standard lines. There is a marked contrast between the Eastern and Western shows because the Eastern shows are run by a promoter and the manufacturers are practically the only exhibitors.

Doesn't Depend on Makers.

"The Omaha show has never depended on the manufacturers to any extent at all. The show association is made up of the local automobile dealers who are desirous of giving the general public an opportunity to compare the respective merits of the various cars offered to the trade. It is realized by every one that as the automobile has come to stay it is desirable that every one be educated in the mechanical ideas involved in the operation and care of automobiles. It is the purpose of the show to consider going to the ordinary garage to ask questions about an automobile will take advantage of the opportunity offered by the automobile show to familiarize themselves in many things about the machine. Therefore the idea of the automobile show is to educate the public."

"The entertainment feature has received the necessary attention because it is realized that that side of the show appeals to many people. The decorations have all been arranged with the idea of simplicity so as not to detract from the main part of the show which is naturally the automobiles themselves."

"The association is a mutual one in every way and is intended to be a benefit to the public as well as to the dealers. It is hoped that this object may be accomplished by harmonious co-operation among the various dealers and by the hearty interest of the public at large."

FWOWER WINS MARATHON RACE

Cambridge Athlete Beats Long of Mohawk Club.

BOSTON, Jan. 9.—Robert A. Fowler of the Cambridge gymnasium won today's Marathon race from Ashland to Boston. Fowler's time was 2:42:35. The course was the full Marathon distance of twenty-six miles, 385 yards. Fred Lorz of the Mohawk Athletic club, New York, was second. Time: 2:46:15.

William Wiseman of the South Boston Athletic club was third. Time: 2:52:35.

There were fifty runners at the line at Ashland when the starting signal was given at noon. The race was arranged as a benefit for the Italian earthquake relief fund.

The course of the race was that used in the annual Boston Athletic association race on April 10, save that instead of finishing at the association's club house, the runners wended their way to the National league base ball grounds, where they circled the field four times.

Chase Asks Reinstatement.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 9.—Robert A. Hal Chase, the first baseman of the New York American league team, for reinstatement in organized base ball, was received at the office of the National Base Ball commission here today. Chase left the New York team last season for a place with the California league, which is classed as an outlaw organization.

Auto Race for Women.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Jan. 9.—The New Orleans Automobile club today announced that a race for the women's championship of America will be added to the program for the International Mardi Gras automobile speed carnival to be held February 22-23.

Syracuse School Wins.

NEBRASKA CITY, N.B., Jan. 8.—(Special Telegram.)—Syracuse high school basketball team defeated Nebraska City high school team here this evening in a game, by the score of 24 to 11.

COWBOYS USE AUTOS NOW

Kansas Ranchman Substitutes Machine for Ponies on His Range.

John Arrington, ranchman, who is the holder of a record of eighteen seconds for the roping of a steer, has, after years of daily achievements in the saddle, substituted an automobile for the steed of his cowboy days. He proposes that the motor car shall carry him in the roundups as well as in the less strenuous affairs of the plainsman, although he will not altogether abandon the pony which has been his companion in the past, or discard his spurs.

The Arrington ranch is at Calista, in Kingman county, Kansas, and it covers practically a whole township, the residents of which number 150 or 200. His owner is a wheat grower on a large scale and he has his own elevator, but it is as a cattleman that he is best known and has done the things which have attracted public attention. He, with other men of his county, last fall put on a wild west show at the fair grounds at Wichita during the Pecos River jubilee.

When he decided that he wanted to introduce the automobile in his ranch affairs he one day took a train to Wichita and a few hours later he had bought a four-cylinder Franklin touring car of the Franklin Motor car company of Wichita, and was on his way home. He did not attempt to drive the car on the way back to the ranch. An experienced driver was at the wheel, and although the region is one of the sandiest in the state, the sixty-two miles from the town to the ranch were covered in three hours.

Early the next day the cattleman set out to master the new machine and before the day was over he was driving it at high speed, although he had had no previous experience. He liked the novelty so well that in building his garage he provided in it quarters for two motor cars instead of one, deciding that he needed a runabout as well as a touring car to gratify his liking for getting speedily about the wide areas he controls.

MARVIN HART WANTS A MATCH

Big Kentuckian Would Like to Meet Al Kaufman.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Jan. 9.—Marvin Hart, the Kentucky heavyweight, has wired Jim Jeffries to match him with either Al Kaufman or Mike Schreck. Hart has received a good offer to meet Johnson in Australia and he wants to face either of the above mentioned men before entering the ring with the big negro.

New Cornhusker Captain



ENGLISHMAN PRAISES GOTCH

George Dinnie Says He is Most Wonderful of Wrestlers.

UGHT TO KNOW, AS HE MET HIM

Briton Says American Puts Hack in the Shade—Uses His Brain as Well as His Brawn.

Frank Gotch has impressed his prowess on at least one man over in England, donchknow? That is the only man he has yet persuaded to meet him in that land of loud smiles—George Dinnie, the crack wrestler of Sheffield. Gotch recently wrestled Dinnie before a house jammed to its capacity, throwing him first in one minute and fifty seconds, second in fifty seconds, making the two falls in less than three minutes. Dinnie once stayed with Hackenschmidt for ten minutes and Zbyzco for sixteen.

Emil Kink, Gotch's actor-partner, has sent to a friend on The Bee a copy of the Sheffield Evening Mail containing an interesting interview with Dinnie, showing that the Englishman regards Gotch as the greatest of wrestlers and incomparably superior to the "Russian Lion." The Briton even says the toe hold is "quite fair."

Most Wonderful of All.

Here is the Mail's story, quoting Dinnie: "Gotch," he exclaimed, "is the most wonderful of all the great wrestlers I have met. Hackenschmidt altogether takes a back seat."

"Gotch worked with his brain as well as with his body, in a way Hackenschmidt never did and never could do," said Dinnie. "He is strong, and moves like lightning. A man stands no chance against him. He is a master of ring craft. I have never met or read of a man like him. There is not an ounce of science in the way that he does not know about. He uses pure brainy science. In every movement there is something in the background."

"The people who were shouting," says Dinnie, "did not know what they were yelling for."

"He wrestles fair, and in a legitimate way. It is a new style, and we know nothing about it here. Yet there is nothing about wrestling he doesn't know, and he always keeps within the rules."

"Gotch is a straight, gentlemanly fellow, and I don't think he would do anything outside the rules."

"If he were beaten he would accept his defeat like a Britisher. He would not shake hands and then go away and say 'about his opponent.' If all Hackenschmidt now says is true why did he shake hands with Gotch in a friendly way after the contest? Why did he not leave the ring disgusted? Gotch is not only a straight man, but he is a gentleman."

"But when he goes in the ring," added Dinnie, "he means to win, and he follows you like a lion. I have never experienced anything like the bouts I had at the Sheffield Empire with him."

"There is something about every touch he gives you."

A Wonderful Brain.

"He works you. His brain works with a wonderful rapidity. Hackenschmidt takes a long time to think, and then those opposing him get away. The people then say, 'Oh! Hack' might have had him that time if he liked.' But really he could not. He could not think of another eight minutes with 'Hack' anytime. When I wrestled him I had only been four days out of bed."

"The American's thoughts are like lightning. He follows things up, one after another, with extraordinary rapidity. If your brain does not work nearly as quickly you are done for. This is, apart from the fact that he is a well trained man of colossal strength."

Dinnie went on: "We do not understand his style of muscular developments. His muscles are not contracted in certain parts; he is full of muscle."

The Good Gentleman.

Dinnie said he had no objection to the toe hold. It was a terrible thing, but what he meant was something else. The whole foot was seized and not just the toe.

He could express nothing but admiration of the American's wonderful knowledge of catch-as-catch-can wrestling and Gotch used the toe hold because he knew that it was within the rules and that he could win by it. Gotch went in the ring to win.

"The people at the Empire," he continued, "saw I was on the ropes during the first few seconds. It was just a bit of ring craft on his part. He made me lose my balance in a second. He was on me like a lion and carried me to the middle of the ring. I was hurting him very much when I was struggling, although he was smiling at the time. Gotch has been a boxer, and he first learned ring craft from using the gloves."

"Now it bubbles out of him."

"Hack" Handicapped.

"Hackenschmidt is seriously handicapped in this respect. He is a very strong man and can wrestle, as we have had wrestling men here, but he is not a wrestler."

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HOW AUTOS SUPPLANT DARBY

Figures Showing How Many Horses Have Been Sidelined by Machine.

For almost the first time since automobiles began to come into general use, it is possible to show by official records just how far the supplanting of horses and horse vehicles by motor cars has progressed. In a report recently issued by the London traffic branch of the Board of Trade on conditions in London it is shown that between 1903 and 1907 the number of mechanical cars has increased by 700, while the horse drawn cabs have decreased by more than 1,500. Motor omnibuses have increased by 1,200 and horse drawn omnibuses have decreased approximately 200.

These figures are authoritative, since an accurate account can be kept through the number of annual licenses granted. Statistics concerning the replacement of private carriages by automobiles are not given in the blue book just issued, but it is supposed that the proportional increase and decrease of these types of vehicles would show an even greater gain in favor of the motor car.

In commenting on this, the London Globe says that among the advantages are that there has been a marked lessening in traffic congestions, since the motor car moves at a faster rate and takes up much less room than the horse drawn vehicle; that the motor car causes practically no dirt and that, as a result of the falling off in the number of horses used, there is less hauling of hay, straw and refuse through the streets. In conclusion the Globe says: "We have long held that in the ideal big town there would be no horses, and London seems to be fast approaching that state of things."

Perhaps the most pertinent and vital matter brought out in the presentation of facts in the blue book is that of the saving of space in city streets through the more general use of motor cars. Almost every city in the country has at some time or another been confronted with practically endless congestion of certain of its thoroughfares and has faced the necessity of widening the pavements.

It looks very much as if one of the most vexing problems of municipalities—that of increasing the pavement space to prevent the congestion of traffic—will work itself out through the automobile. Every city of any size has had the question forced on its attention at one time or another, but the more general use of the automobile would allow us to put off consideration of it for years enough to bring in some new method of handling street traffic without disturbing existing buildings. For eventually there will be motor cars on the streets than there are now motor cars and horse drawn vehicles, and the old question will again confront us. But at this time, with automobiles in general use, we will have to wait some plan that will relieve the congestion in a manner undreamed of now."

BIG MEN OF MAT GAME COMING

German Giant the Latest to Swell List in America.

NEW YORK, Jan. 9.—With Ernest Siegfried, "The German Oak," champion heavyweight wrestler of the Fatherland, due to arrive here, and Frank Gotch, the world's champion, coming back from England to meet Yusuff Mahmout, the Terrible Turk, in Chicago for a \$10,000 purse, things in the grappling line are due for another big boom in the new year. Siegfried is conceded to be the most powerful of all the mighty foreign mat artists, and under Graeco-Roman rules, is considered to be invincible and the peer of either George Hackenschmidt, the Russian Lion; Shyock, Padoutin or Peterson. The all-conquering Teuton was felled by his countrymen in the recent departure as only German can take when he gets here all the New York town blowers have arranged to meet the young giant at the dock in Hoboken, where a parade, consisting of members of the various German societies and Turn-Verein organizations, will start, and he will march in an open barouche, which will be drawn by four sturdy horses, and a gala day is in store for him.

His first appearance on the mat in this country will be at Madison Square Garden on Thursday, January 28, against the best heavyweight wrestler, whom he will agree to throw within thirty minutes' actual wrestling time or forfeit \$500. The inducement should attract the attention of John Flinling, "Joe" Rogers, "Fred" Beel, Hjalmar Lundin and Raoul de Roden. The appearance of the big foreigner will arouse an unusual amount of interest in the wrestling game, particularly as Prof. William Muldoon will appear in the capacity of referee.

In the meantime word comes from London that Frank Gotch, tired of trying to force Hackenschmidt into a match, is coming back to America to wrestle Yusuff Mahmout for the world's heavyweight championship and the contest will take place in Chicago during March. The Empire Athletic club, of which Joe Coffey is matchmaker, proposes a purse of \$10,000 for Gotch and Mahmout, and both will accept for March.

AMATEURS WHO WANT THE CASH

Sullivan Tells of the Boys Out for the Kale.

NEW YORK, Jan. 9.—I am not opposed to professional sports. On the contrary, I believe that there is room here for two unions—a professional and an amateur," said James E. Sullivan, president of the American Athletic union, recently.

"I am unalterably opposed to any such thing as 'semi-pros,'" he continued. "By that I mean the boys who want to be 'hired' for competing. I have more respect for the honest professional than the amateur who tries to earn money on his amateur reputation and hides under the cloak of the Amateur Athletic union."

The cry of professionalism has been in the air for months. It has been stated by several promoters of athletic contests that certain athletes when asked to enter games remarked:

"Sure; what's in it?"

"Why, we are giving gold watches for first prizes."

"Ah, I've got enough watches to stock a jewelry store. I want the coin."

This has been the true reason for the activity of the registration committee. It intends to make a thorough investigation of all reports that have been going the rounds, and if it can find sufficient grounds to suspect any athlete who has tried to be driven from the organization, no matter who he is or what reputation he has made.

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OMAHA MAY GET TWO GAMES

Thanksgiving Day Foot Ball Contest May Come to Metropolis.

EAGER HAS BIG SCHOOL IN VIEW

Manager is Now Negotiating to Bring Prominent Western Team Here—Annual Contest May Result.

LINCOLN, Jan. 9.—(Special.)—Two foot ball games are likely to be Omaha's share of the Nebraska gridiron schedule next fall. These contests are to be given to the metropolis of the state by the Nebraska management as a reward for the patronage and hospitality accorded the Cornhuskers at the Ames game last fall.

One of these games is one of the most scheduled for Omaha if the people of that city will offer the same inducements that they did last year, and the other game is contingent on the willingness of a certain big college team to meet the Cornhuskers in Nebraska.

The present plan of the Nebraska managers is to play Ames in Omaha late in October or early in November, and on Thanksgiving day to meet another eleven there. It is hinted by the Nebraska authorities that the team which is figuring on playing the Cornhuskers Thanksgiving is recognized as one of the strongest eleven in the west. Manager Eager says he cannot divulge the name of this team until arrangements are made for a game with the Cornhuskers. He, however, admits that in event this western eleven consents to play Nebraska the Omaha foot ball enthusiasts will see one of the biggest games played in the west next season. He declares the team with which he is negotiating is rated as high as any eleven in the west.

Omaha's Foot Ball Fame.

Since the Ames game last fall the fame of Omaha as a foot ball city has spread to all the colleges of the west, and most of them are willing to play the Cornhuskers there. Omaha at the Ames game gave Nebraska the best patronage that it received at any contest during the season. This fact is now known to all the big colleges of the west, and a chance to play Nebraska in the metropolis of this state is one that is keenly sought by all the teams in the west. So far this winter Manager Eager has received offers for games from teams that he never expected would consider a meeting with the Cornhuskers. One of these came from the "big" western school which he is now planning to have the Cornhuskers play in Omaha on Thanksgiving day.

The scheduling of a Thanksgiving day game at Omaha next fall will probably mean that such a contest will become an annual event for the state's metropolis. At least, that is the present plan of Manager Eager, and it is certain that he will meet with the approval of all the men connected with the Cornhusker athletics. By placing a big foot ball game in Omaha each Turkey day it is figured by Manager Eager that the contest would soon become established as the big athletic and social event of the fall season, just as the Kansas-Missouri Thanksgiving day game in Kansas City is now looked upon as the leading gridiron game in the southern part of the Missouri valley.

To Make Game Annual Event.

It is believed that in three or four years the athletic fans of Omaha and the state would become interested in this annual Thanksgiving day contest and that enormous crowds would attend and make it a great success in every way. The plan of the Nebraska management after this season would be to have the Cornhuskers meet the same team in Omaha each year. It will not be possible to do that this season, for the eleven which Nebraska is now figuring on is one that the Cornhuskers can not hope to keep on its schedule year after year. Probably the team that would become the annual Thanksgiving day opponent of the Cornhuskers would be either Ames or Iowa.

By Playing Ames With Lincoln.

By playing Ames and another team in Omaha the Nebraska management will be giving the metropolis nearly as many big games as will be played in Lincoln. The Lincoln enthusiasts, however, are not likely to be disappointed by this arrangement, for they are to be given two and possibly three big games. Iowa is now under contract to come here and it is possible Minnesota will also consent to meet the Cornhuskers in Lincoln. A game with a team that has defeated Nebraska several times in recent years is also in prospect for Lincoln.

Three "big" games at home and two in Omaha would be all the major contests that Nebraska would play next fall, and would give the Cornhuskers the most attractive schedule they have ever had. Five games with major colleges might be objected to as forming too hard a schedule for a team to play in one fall, but the Nebraska management will so arrange the games that there will not be a repetition of the disaster which resulted last fall from a string of four hard games. The Minnesota, Iowa, Ames and Kansas games, coming in a row proved to be too much for the Cornhuskers to handle last season. In the last of these four games "King" Cole's pupils were completely out of condition that the Jay-hawkers had an easy time defeating them. With five hard games on the Cornhusker schedule next fall they will be scattered so that two games will not be played on successive Saturdays. The first of these "big" games will be played early in October and the last one on Thanksgiving day in Omaha.

The inter-collegiate basket ball season will be formally opened in the university armory next week, when the Ames quintet will meet the Cornhuskers in two games, on Friday and Saturday nights. Little is known regarding the strength of the Iowa team, but it is thought the Cornhuskers stand a good chance of winning these contests.

Ames has never occupied a very high place in basket ball circles until the last signing of Edward J. Conahan of Chester, Pa., as umpire for the coming season.

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