Cubs Jump to the First Place; Sioux Pull Out Hard One; Browns and Tigers are Beaten

JARNIGAN TRIMS ROURKES

Wichita Southpaw Takes His Second Game of Series.

OMAHA SECURES THREE SINGLES

Hanson Starts for Rourkes, but is Succeeded by Keeley After Three Innings of Hard Sledding.

Jarnigan, who trimmed the Rourkes Sunday by allowing only three hits, did the trick again Wednesday. He pitched excellent ball and the Rourkes were only able to clout him for three stingy singles. He was given the best of support all the way through. The score was 5 to 2 in favor of the Izzies.

Omaha made a run in the first inning and one in the last. In the ninth, after going along for seven periods without a run, and but one hit, Captain Skipper attempted to start something along the line of a batting rally and, although he sent in four men to take the places of the regulars who had not been able to wallop the ball, there was nothing doing.

For just a brief period in the last inning it looked as if Omaha might start something that would at least tie the game. Kane was the first man up and got a base on balls. Corridon batted a high one back of first and Ira Belden, who seldom misses if he gets anywhere near the ball, muffed the fly and Kane went to second. Skipper sent Cadman in to bat for Welch, but he flew out to right field. The captain set a good example by hitting a single to right field, which moved the runners up one. Graham, who batted for Gonding, hit one to Hughes, who had to chuck it to first to get an out, and Kane scored. Agnew was sent in to wield the oak for Keeley. He drew a pass. With three on, Hollenbeck took Shotton's place, and after getting two foul strikes hit one to the pitcher, who threw him out at first. It was a great chance for some scoring, but the boys were not heavy enough with the club.

Shotton Scores.

The second score was made by the Rourkes in the first inning. Shotton drew a base on balls and went to second on Fox's sacrifice. King hit one to third and Westerzil booted. Kane singled and scored Shotton. Kane stole second. Corridon flew out to right and Welch went out, short to first.

In the second inning Hanson looked as if he was going to steady, but in the next he gave two men bases on balls. After he finished the round he was tucked away on the bench and Keeley took up the task. He pitched steady ball and was given good support. He had a chance to make a nice double in the fifth after Belden had knocked a two-bagger. Middelton hit a hot liner to him and Belden started to third. Bert turned like a flash to nab Belden, but he threw the ball way over Fox's head.

Thursday Sioux City comes for a four-game series.

The score:

OMAHA.

	AB.	R.	H.	PO.	A.	E.
Shotton, lf	3	1	0	1	0	0
*Hollenbeck	1	0	0	0	0	0
Fox, 2b	4	0	0	5	2	0
King, cf	4	0	1	4	0	0
Kane, 1b	3	1	1	7	0	0
Corridon, ss	4	0	0	2	2	1
Welch, rf	3	0	0	1	0	0
**Cadman	1	0	0	0	0	0
Schipke, 3b	3	0	1	0	0	1
Gonding, c	3	0	0	6	0	0
†Graham	1	0	0	0	0	0
Hanson, p	1	0	0	0	1	2
Keeley, p	1	0	0	1	3	0
§Agnew	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	32	2	3	27	8	4

WICHITA.

	AB.	R.	H.	PO.	A.	E.
Belden, rf	3	1	3	1	0	1
Middleton, lf	5	0	1	1	0	0
Claire, ss	5	0	0	1	7	0
Hughes, 2b	4	1	1	1	3	0
Isbell, 1b	4	0	1	14	1	0
Westerzil, 3b	3	0	0	1	1	1
Pettigrew, cf	4	0	1	4	0	0
Shaw, c	2	2	0	3	1	0
Jarnigan, p	4	1	1	1	4	0
Totals	34	5	8	27	16	2

*Batted for Shotton in ninth.
**Batted for Welch in ninth.
†Batted for Gonding in ninth.
§Batted for Keeley in ninth.

Omaha— 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1—2
Runs
Hits 1 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 1—3
Wichita— 1 0 1 1 0 0 1 0 1—5
Runs
Hits 2 0 0 2 1 0 1 1 1—8

Two-base hit: Belden. Sacrifice hits: Belden, Fox. Stolen bases: Isbell, Kane. Double plays: Fox to Kane; Corridon to Fox to Kane. Bases on balls: Off Hanson, 3; off Keeley, 2; off Jarnigan, 5. Struck out: By Hanson, 1; by Keeley, 3; by Jarnigan, 3. Hits: Off Hanson, 3 in three innings; off Keeley, 5 in six innings; off Jarnigan, 3 in nine innings. Wild pitch: Hanson. Left on bases: Omaha, 8; Wichita, 8. Time: 1:50. Umpire: Haskell. Attendance: 700.

SIOUX CITY PULLS THROUGH

Engages in Hard Battle with Drummers of Missouri.

SIOUX CITY, Ia., May 25.—Sioux City and St. Joseph engaged another hitting game today, the home team winning out in the ninth, 8 to 7. The Indians made a hard uphill fight. In three different innings Baker pitched himself out of a hole with the bases full. In the last half of the ninth, however, he did not fare so well. Miller, the first man up, singled. Towne, batting for Pitcher McLean, duplicated the catcher's hit. Quillin beat out a bunt in an attempt to sacrifice. With the bases full, Andreas batted in two runs with a safety over second, winning the game. The Drummers looked like victors in the fifth inning. A pass, three singles and a double netted four runs, a lead of five. Jones' batting featured the contest. Score:

SIOUX CITY.

	AB.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Quillin, 3b	6	0	2	1	3	0
Andreas, 2b	4	0	1	3	3	0
Neighbors, cf	5	1	2	3	1	0
Hartman, ss	4	0	1	2	2	1
Fenlon, rf	5	1	2	1	0	0
Stem, 1b	3	1	1	9	2	1
Welch, lf	4	2	2	0	0	0
Miller, c	5	1	2	7	1	0
McLean, p	4	1	0	0	5	0
*Town	1	0	1	0	0	0
*Freeman	0	1	0	0	0	0
Totals	41	8	15	*26	17	2

ST. JOSEPH.

	AB.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Powell, lf	3	2	0	1	0	0
Bauer, rf	5	2	3	2	0	0
McChesney, cf	5	1	2	1	0	0
Jones, 2b	5	2	4	2	5	1
Clarke, 1b	4	0	2	9	2	0
Carhan, ss	4	0	1	2	3	1
McNeil 3b	4	0	0	1	1	1
Shea, c	3	0	2	4	0	0
Baker, p	4	0	0	2	2	0
Totals	37	7	14	*24	13	2

*batted for McLean in the ninth.
*Ran for Towne.
*McChnesney out, hit by batted ball.
*None out when winning run was made.

Sioux City 0 0 0 2 3 1 0 0 2—8
St. Joseph 0 1 2 0 4 0 0 0 0—7

Stolen bases: Stem, Fenlon, Jones. Two-base hits: Fenlon, Welch, Shea, Clark (2), Bauer (2). Home run: Jones. Sacrifice hits: Andreas, Shea. Double plays: McLean to Quillin to Andreas to Stem. Struck out: By McLean, 5; by Baker, 4. Base on balls: Off McLean, 2; off Baker, 5. Wild pitches: Baker, 2. Time: 2:20. Umpire: Mullin. Attendance, 1,000.

LINCOLN EIGHT, TOPEKA THREE

Wright Improves During Game, but Gets Poor Support.

LINCOLN, May 25.—Lincoln won from Topeka today, 8 to 3, by bunching hits on Kaufman in the second inning, sending him to the bench and rapping Wright smartly in the fourth. Wright improved as the game advanced, but was given miserable support, Landreth, at first, being the chief offender. Geist was hit almost as hard as the Topeka pitchers, but managed to keep them scattered, except in the seventh inning, and he was given perfect support. Two lightning double plays by the locals helped him out of tight holes. A sensational stop and throw by Weidenssaul was a feature. The score:

LINCOLN.

	AB.	R.	H.	PO.	A.	E.
Jude, lf	4	0	2	0	0	0
Gagnier, ss	4	0	1	1	4	0
Cobb, cf	4	0	0	4	0	0
Cockman, 3b	4	1	1	0	2	0
Waldron, rf	2	2	1	1	0	0
Thomas, 1b	3	3	2	11	1	0
Wiedensaul, 2b	2	1	0	5	7	0
Clark, c	3	0	0	4	0	0
Geist, p	3	1	1	1	1	0
Totals	29	8	8	27	15	0

TOPEKA.

	AB.	R.	H.	PO.	A.	E.
Thomason, rf	4	0	1	1	0	0
Wooley, cf	3	0	0	2	0	0
Reilly, ss	4	1	1	1	1	0
Landreth, 1b	4	1	2	9	0	3
Pennell, lf	4	0	1	3	0	1
Boles, c	3	1	1	3	2	0
Kahl, 2b	3	0	1	4	1	1
Kunkel, 3b	4*	0	1	1	3	0
Kaufman, p	1	0	0	0	0	0
Wright, p	2	0	0	0	1	0
Totals	33	3	8	24	9	5

Lincoln 0 4 0 2 0 0 0 2 *—8
Topeka 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 3 0—3

Three-base hit: Thomas. Two-base hits: Thomas, Thomason: Double plays: Cockman to Wiedensaul to Thomas; Wiedensaul to Gagnier to Thomas. Stolen bases: Cobb, Landreth. Sacrifice hits: Wiedensaul (2). Struck out: By Geist, 1; by Kauffman, 2. Bases on balls: Off Geist, 2: off Wright, 4. Passed ball, Clark. Time: 1:35. Umpire: Clark.

DES MOINES GETS THREE GAMES

Clever Fielding Back of Owens Causes Victory.

DES MOINES, May 25.—Clever fielding back of Owens gave Des Moines the third victory in a four-game series today. Score:

DES MOINES.

	AB.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Dalton, rf	4	0	0	2	1	0
Colligan, 2b	4	1	2	1	3	0
Mattick, cf	3	0	0	2	0	0
Raftis, ss	3	2	1	2	4	0
Niehoff, 3b	2	1	0	3	3	0
Curtis, lf	3	1	1	4	0	0
Dwyer, 1b	3	0	1	10	0	0
Hawkins, c	2	0	1	3	1	0
Owens, p	3	0	0	0	2	1
Totals	27	5	6	27	14	1

DENVER.

	AB.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Lloyd, 2b	3	0	1	2	3	0
Thompson, lf	4	1	2	2	0	0
Beall, cf	3	2	1	2	0	0
Cassidy, rf	4	0	2	2	0	0
Lindsay, 1b	3	0	1	9	1	1
Cranston, ss	4	0	0	3	2	0
Dolan, 3b	4	0	1	1	1	1
Weaver, c	3	0	0	2	0	0
Hammond, p	3	0	1	1	5	0
*Schreiber	1	0	0	0	0	0
*McMurray	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	33	9	9	24	12	2

*Batted for Weaver in ninth.
*Batted for Hammond in ninth.

Des Moines 0 1 3 1 0 0 0 0 *—5
Denver 0 0 2 0 1 0 0 0 0—3

Two-base hits: Raftis, Dwyer, Beall, Cassidy. Base on balls: Off Owens, 2; off Hammond, 8. Double plays: Niehoff to Dwyer, Hammond to Cranston to Lindsay. Struck out: By Owens, 3; by Hammond, 2. Stolen base: Thompson. Sacrifice hits: Niehoff, Lindsay. Time: 1:35. Umpire: Spencer.

Peru Beats Wesleyan.

PERU, Neb., May 25.—(Special Telegram.)—Peru defeated Wesleyan today in a spectacular twelve-inning game by a score of 5 to 4.

Standing of the Teams

WEST. LEAGUE.	W.	L.	Pct.	NAT'L. LEAGUE.	W.	L.	Pct.
St. Joseph	16	11	.593	Chicago	18	11	.621
Wichita	16	13	.552	Pittsburg	19	11	.59[illegible]
Lincoln	14	13	.519	New York	18	14	.563
Denver	15	14	.517	Cincinnati	16	13	.55[illegible]
Sioux City	15	13	.500	St. Louis	16	17	.485
Omaha	15	15	.464	Philadelphia	13	15	.464
Des Moines	13	15	.448	Boston	12	19	.387
Topeka	10	15	.400	Brooklyn	12	21	.364
AMER. LEAGUE.	**W.**	**L.**	**Pct.**	**AMER. ASS'N.**	**W.**	**L.**	**Pct.**
Philadelphia	21	7	.750	Minneapolis	24	11	.686
New York	19	8	.704	St. Paul	24	12	.667
Boston	16	13	.552	Toledo	21	16	.568
Detroit	17	15	.531	Indianapolis	16	19	.457
Cleveland	13	15	.464	Columbus	16	20	.444
Washington	14	18	.438	Milwaukee	15	20	.429
Chicago	9	17	.346	Louisville	15	23	.395
St. Louis	6	22	.214	Kansas City	11	21	.344

Games Today.

Western League—Sioux City at Omaha, Des Moines at Lincoln, St. Joseph at Topeka, Denver at Wichita.

National League—Boston at Pittsburg, St. Louis at Cincinnati.

American League—Chicago at New York, St. Louis at Philadelphia, Detroit at Washington, Cleveland at Boston.

American Association — Indianapolis at Columbus, Louisville at Toledo, Kansas City at St. Paul, Milwaukee at Minneapolis.

Nebraska League—Grand Island at Hastings, Columbus at Kearney, Seward at Superior; Fremont at Red Cloud.

Mink League—Clarinda at Auburn, Maryville at Nebraska City, Shenandoah at Falls City.

MINK LEAGUE.

	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Clarinda	5	1	.833
Falls City	4	2	.667
Maryville	4	3	.571
Shenandoah	3	3	.500
Auburn	2	5	.286
Nebraska City	1	5	.167

Yesterday's Results.

WESTERN LEAGUE.
Omaha, 2; Wichita, 5.
Topeka, 3; Lincoln, 8.
Denver, 3; Des Moines, 5.
St. Joseph, 7; Sioux City, 8.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.
Boston, 4; Cincinnati, 3.
Brooklyn, 7; St. Louis, 5.
Philadelphia, 1; Chicago, 6.
New York, 4; Pittsburg, 3.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.
Chicago, 0; New York, 5.
St. Louis, 1; Philadelphia, 3.
Detroit, 0; Washington, 2.
Cleveland-Boston, postponed.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION.
Indianapolis, 2; Columbus, 3.
Louisville, 1; Toledo, 7. Second game, Toledo, 6; Louisville, 2.
Kansas City, 5; St. Paul, 3.
Milwaukee, 2; Minneapolis, 3.

MINK LEAGUE.
Clarinda, 7; Nebraska City, 2.
Falls City, 2; Maryville, 3. Second game, Falls City, 3; Maryville, 0.
Auburn, 4; Shenandoah, 5. Second game, Auburn, 6; Shenandoah, 2.

NEBRASKA LEAGUE.
Hastings, 3; Grand Island, 0.
Columbus, 2; Kearney, 1.
Seward, 3; Superior, 0.
Fremont, 6; Red Cloud, 3.

CUBS REACH FIRST PLACE

Chicago Leads Nationals by Crowding Out Phillies.

FINAL SCORE SIX TO NOTHING

Boston Beats Cincinnati 4 to 3—New York Does Same Thing to Pittsburg—Brooklyn Defeats St. Louis.

CHICAGO, May 25.—Chicago won its seventh successive victory and went into first place today by defeating Philadelphia, 6 to 1. Cole held the losers hitless for six innings. He was wild, but received excellent support. The Philadelphia twirlers were hit hard and received wretched support. Archer's throwing was brilliant. Score:

CHICAGO.	AB.	H.	O.	A.	E.	PHILADELPHIA.	AB.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Zimerman, 2b	5	3	2	3	0	Bates, cf	4	0	3	0	1
Sheckard, lf	5	1	2	0	0	Knabe, 2b	4	0	2	3	0
Schulte, rf	3	1	1	0	0	Grant, 3b	3	1	2	2	0
Chance, 1b	2	0	6	0	0	Mages, lf	3	1	0	2	0
Steinfeldt, 3b	3	1	5	1	1	Hirschfield, 1b	3	1	11	1	1
Hofman, cf	4	2	3	0	0	Walsh, rf	4	1	2	0	1
Tinker, ss	4	2	2	3	0	Doolan, ss	3	0	1	2	1
Archer, c	3	1	8	4	0	Dooin, c	3	0	1	1	1
Cole, p	4	1	0	2	0	Sparks, p	1	0	0	2	0
						Maroney, p	1	0	0	2	0
Totals	33	11	27	10	1	*Moran	1	0	0	0	0
						Shettler, p	0	0	0	1	0
						Totals	26	3	24	14	5

*Batted for Maroney in eighth.

Chicago 0 2 2 1 0 0 1 0 *—6
Philadelphia 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1—1

Three-base hit: Cole. Home run: Schulte. Hits: Off Sparks, 8 in three and two-thirds innings; off Maroney, 1 in three and one-third innings; off Shettler, 2 in one inning. Sacrifice hits: Bransfield, Chance, Steinfeidt, Archer. Stolen bases: Hofman, Chance, Tinker. Double play: Cole, Steinfeidt and Chance. Left on bases: Chicago, 8; Philadelphia, 7. Bases on balls: Off Cole, 1. Hit by pitched ball: By Cole, Doolan. Struck out: By Cole, 5. Time: 1:40. Umpires: Rigler and Emslie.

Reds Take Close One.

CINCINNATI, May 25.—Three bases on balls allowed by Fromme developed into runs for Boston today and this, combined with a double and a single in the first inning, gave Boston the game, 4 to 3. Cincinnati threw away many chances by being caught on the bases. Score:

BOSTON.	AB.	H.	O.	A.	E.	CINCINNATI	AB.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Collins, lf	5	2	2	0	0	Beecher, lf	3	0	1	0	0
Herzog, 2b	5	2	4	2	0	Paskert, cf	4	1	3	2	0
Sharpe, 1b	4	1	8	0	0	Hoblitzel, 1b	3	0	8	1	0
Miller, rf	4	1	0	0	0	Mitchell, rf	3	1	1	0	0
Beck, cf	3	1	3	1	1	Egan, 2b	4	1	3	4	1
Sweeney, ss	3	1	2	1	0	Lobert, 3b	3	1	1	0	0
Graham, c	3	0	5	6	0	McLean, c	3	2	8	3	0
Getz, 2b	2	0	3	3	0	Downey, ss	3	1	1	4	2
Parsons, p	2	0	0	0	0	Fromme, p	2	1	1	2	0
Brown, p	1	1	0	0	0	Rowan, p	1	0	0	0	0
*Shean	1	1	0	0	0						
Totals	32	10	27	13	1	Totals	29	8	27	14	3

*Batted for Parsons in sixth.

Boston 2 0 0 0 0 2 0 0 0—4
Cincinnati 0 0 1 0 0 2 0 0 0—3

Two-base hits: Miller, Brown, McLean. Hits: Off Parsons, 6 in five innings; off Fromme, 8 in five and two-thirds innings. Sacrifice hits: Getz (2), Beecher. Stolen base: Mitchell. Left on bases: Boston, 9; Cincinnati, 5. Bases on balls: Off Parsons, 1; off Brown, 1; off Fromme, 5; off Rowan, 1. Hit by pitched ball: By Parsons, Mitchell. Struck out: By Parsons, 2; by Brown, 3; by Fromme, 1; by Rowan, 1. Time: 1:50. Umpires: Klem and Kane.

Dodgers Trim Cardinals.

ST. LOUIS, May 25.—Brooklyn won the final game of the series here today, 7 to 5. Rucker pitched good ball, while Sallee and Backman were both hit hard. Score:

BROOKLYN.	AB.	H.	O.	A.	E.	ST. LOUIS.	AB.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Burch, rf	5	0	2	0	0	Huggins, 3b	3	1	5	3	0
Daubert, 1b	5	3	8	3	0	Zacker, lf	5	1	2	0	1
Wheat, lf	5	3	2	0	0	Oakes, cf	4	0	1	0	0
Hummell, 2b	4	1	4	4	0	Konetchy, 1b	4	1	11	0	0
Lennox, 3b	4	1	1	0	0	Evans, rf	4	0	0	0	0
Davidson, cf	4	1	3	0	0	Phelps, c	5	3	6	2	0
McMillan, ss	4	3	3	3	1	Hauser, ss	1	1	1	2	1
Bergen, c	4	1	4	2	0	Hulswitt, ss	3	1	1	3	0
Rucker, p	4	1	0	1	0	Belcher, 3b	4	1	0	2	0
						Sallee, p	3	1	0	4	0
Totals	39	13	27	13	1	Backman, p	0	0	0	0	0
						*Kelley	1	0	0	0	0
						Totals	36	11	27	14	2

*Batted for Sallee in eighth.

St. Louis 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 1 3—5
Brooklyn 0 0 0 3 1 1 0 1 1—7

Two-base hits: Daubert, Hulswitt. Three-base hit: Wheat. Home runs: Daubert, Hummell. Sacrifice hit: Salle. Stolen bases: Lennox, Davidson, McMillan (2), Evans. Wild pitch: Rucker. Base on balls: Off Sallee, 1; off Rucker, 7. Struck out: By Sallee, 3; by Backman, 1; by Rucker, 5. Time: 1:54. Umpires: Johnstone and Moran.

SIOUX INDIANS COME NEXT

Babe Towne and His Squad Will Pitch Their Tents for Four Days at Vinton.

Babe Towne and his bunch of Sioux Indians will be the next attraction at Vinton park. They will swoop down upon the fair city of Omaha Thursday and will prolong their visit for four days. In the aggregation of warriors will be seen many faces known of old to the Omaha fans, including Adreas, Quillin, Hartman, Welch, Fenlon, Towne and, the former Omaha newspaper man, Alderman.

Friday will be ladies day.

Line up:

Omaha.		Sioux City.
Kane	First	Stem
Fox	Second	Andreas
Schipke	Third	Quillin
Corridon	Short	Hartman
Shotton	Left	Welch
King	Center	Neighbors
Welch	Right	Fenlon
Cadman	Catch	Towne
Gonding	Catch	Miller
Agnew	Catch	
Sanders	Pitch	Chabek
Keeley	Pitch	Alderman
Hollenbeck	Pitch	Freeman
Hanson	Pitch	Purchner
McCafferty	Pitch	Clark
Melter	Pitch	Wilson

Ellis Wins from Beatrice.

BEATRICE, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—The Ellis ball team won from the Intermediates of this city at Ellis yesterday by the score of 4 to 3. The score was a tie up to the ninth inning, when Zimmerman, catcher for Ellis, smashed ou a home run. It was the longest hit ever made on the Ellis grounds. Kretsinger for eBatrice struck out eleven men. A large crowd was in attendance. Score:

	R.	H.	E.
Ellis	4	5	4
Intermediates	3	8	8

Batteries: Abernathy, Carpenter and Zimmerman for Ellis; Kretsinger and Klein for Beatrice.

Bee Want Ads Are Business Boosters.

Tri-County League Opening Games

Fairmont Defeats Dorchester, Exeter Loses and Crete Wins from Friend.

DORCHESTER, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—The opening game of the Tri-County league season, on the home grounds, was played yesterday between Fairmont and Dorchester, which resulted in a victory for the visitors by the score of 4 to 2.

Crandall of Fairmont opened the game with a home run to left field, the longest hit made on the diamond. Baker of Dorchester secured the local's only hit, a two-bagger.

Severns and Wampler were the slab artists, in which Severns carried off the honors, by allowing one hit and striking out nine, while Wampler struck out three and was touched up for five hits. Wampler's support was very poor. Score:

	R.	H.	E.
Fairmont 1 0 0 0 1 0 2 0 0—4	6	1	2
Dorchester 0 0 2 0 0 0 0 0 0—2	1	7	

Home run: Crandall. Two-base hit: Baker. Bases on balls: Off Severns, 2. Left on bases: Fairmont, 6; Dorchester, 3. Stolen bases: Dorchester, 4; Fairmont, 5. Struck out: By Severns, 9; by Wampler, 3. Double play: Fairmont, 1. Hit with pitched ball: By Severns, 2. Batteries: For Fairmont, Severns and Wells; for Dorchester, Wampler and Morrey.

Beaver Crossing Swamps Exeter.

EXETER, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—Beaver Crossing played rings around Exeter here yesterday defeating the locals by the score of 13 to 0.

Crete Eats Up Friend.

FRIEND, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—The Crete sluggers gave Friend a good drubbing here yesterday by pounding the ball for fifteen runs and allowing Friend to cross the plate but once.

Standing of Teams.

	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Beaver Crossing	2	0	1.000
Crete	2	0	1.000
Fairmont	2	0	1.000
Dorchester	0	2	.000
Exeter	0	2	.000
Friend	0	2	.000

WESTERN LEAGUE RACE WARM

All Teams Are Bunched, with but Few Games Separating Leaders from Tail-Enders.

A pretty race is on in the Western league. St. Joseph is way to the good. Denver and Wichita are tied for second place with .586. Lincoln is in a place alone at the .500 mark. Omaha is just one point ahead of Sioux City, while Des Moines and Topeka are close together. Omaha had its chance to go into third place Tuesday to defeating Wichita. Beginning Thursday, Sioux City will have to be reckoned with and Omaha's position will be determined as to whether it stays in the second division or goes into the first, according to the conduct in the next series.

HOLDREGE WINS AND LOSES

Two Games Played with Holbrook in Opening the Season.

HOLDREGE, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—The initial games of the season for the local town base ball club were played yesterday, when the strong Holbrook team played a double-header here. The first game was devoid of any spectacular features, and both pitchers were hit rather freely. Coppen for Holbrook, although swatted safely only six times gave ten bases on balls, which aided by the errors of his teammates, counted materially in the scoring. Score:

	R.	H.	E.
Holbrook 1 2 2 2 1 1 2 0 0—11	15	5	
Holdrege 9 0 0 1 2 0 1 0 *—13	6	3	

Batteries: Coppen and Van Clote; Halleck and Waterman.

The same teams played again in the evening, and the visitors with Jones in the box made a better showing than in the previous game. Fenner and Stegall divided their time in the box for the locals and neither were touched for more than two hits. Score:

	R.	H.	E.
Holbrook 0 0 3 1 0 1 1 0 *—6	1	3	
Holdrege 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0—1	7	1	

Batteries: Holbrook, Jones and Van Clote; Holdrege, Fenner, Stegall and Wilson.

Glen Waterman of this city, who has been attending Armour institute at Chicago, returned home yesterday in time to don the mask and pad for the local base ball team in the games with Holbrook. Waterman has been catching for the Armour team this spring and his work there, according to Chicago papers, has been very high class. He has had several offers to play minor league ball this season, but will in all probability remain at home for the summer.

GAMES IN THE MINK LEAGUE

Clarinda Beats Nebraska City Two Games at Shenandoah.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., May 25.—(Special Telegram.)—Clarinda defeated Nebraska City, 7 to 2. Score:

	R.	H.	E.
Clarinda 1 0 0 0 3 0 3 0 0—7	9	4	
Nebraska City 1 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—2	6	1	

Batteries: Clarinda, Lavelle and Johnson; Nebraska City, Miller and Whitecomb. Umpire: Barchman.

At Shenandoah—Shenadoah and Auburn broke even in a double-header here today. First game: Shenandoah, 5; Auburn, 4. Second game: Auburn, 6; Shenandoah, 2. Umpire: Sage.

Tt Maryville—Maryvill and Falls City broke even in a double-header today. First game: Maryville, 3; Falls City, 2. Second game: Falls City, 3; Maryville, 0. Umpire: Lundberg.

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PITCHER RHOADES EFFECTIVE

Columbus Beats Indianapolis—Toledo Wallops Louisville Seven to Two—Minneapolis Takes Close One from Milwaukee.

ST. PAUL, May 25.—Although St. Paul made twice as many hits as Kansas City, Rhoades was more effective than the St. Paul pitchers with men on bases and the misplays of the locals were largely responsible for the Kansas City 5 to 3 victory. Score:

ST. PAUL.	AB.	H.	O.	A.	E.	KANSAS CITY.	AB.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Clarke, lf	5	0	2	0	0	Shannon, lf	4	1	2	0	0
Boucher, 3b	5	2	1	4	1	Raftery, cf	4	1	4	0	0
Jones, cf	5	3	2	0	1	Moran, rf	3	0	2	0	1
Murray, rf	5	1	1	0	0	Hunter, 1b	3	0	10	0	0
Spencer, c	2	0	2	1	1	Love, 3b	3	1	2	0	1
Pierce, c	2	0	2	2	1	Barbeau, ss	2	1	0	3	1
Autrey, 1b	3	1	8	1	1	Downie, 3b	3	0	0	1	0
Ragan, ss	4	0	2	2	1	Sullivan, c	3	0	7	2	1
Wrigley, 2b	4	1	7	0	0	Rhoades, p	3	0	0	4	1
Leroy, p	1	0	0	2	0						
Liese, p	1	0	1	3	0	Totals	27	4	27	10	5
*Davis	1	0	0	0	0						
*Ryan	1	0	0	0	0						
Totals	37	8	27	16	6						

*Batted for Leroy in fourth.

St Paul 0 0 0 0 1 1 0 0 1—3
Kansas City 0 0 0 2 1 2 0 0 0—5

Two-base hits: Jones, Barbeau. Home run: Murray. Stolen bases: Jones