

No Use Talking, Jeff is Certainly a Good Mixer

By "Bud" Fisher



PROSPECTS PLEASE ROURKE

Omaha Magnate Holds Conference with Des Moines' New Owners.

CAMPAIGN WILL BE STARTED

Owner of Colts, in Company with Jack Holland, Goes to Iowa to Assist Fairweather and Isbell.

DES MOINES, Ia., Jan. 29.—William Bourke, owner of the Omaha club of the Western league, and Jack Holland, owner of the St. Joseph club, held a conference with Thomas Fairweather and Frank Isbell, the new owners of the local franchise, today, at which the Des Moines base ball situation was discussed.

The visiting magnates came to Des Moines to add the new owners in their efforts to revive interest in the game here.

A campaign will be started through the business section, and the owners will endeavor to get in touch with the commercial interests of the city and across the ball situation.

Both Bourke and Holland are enthusiastic over the prospects for base ball here this year.

"I have been thoroughly acquainted with the local base ball situation since 1896, but I have never seen the time when prospects looked so encouraging as they do this year," said Mr. Bourke in discussing the situation tonight.

An informal meeting probably will be held at Lincoln for the purpose of discussing the schedule and arranging the details as far as possible for the opening of the season.

Svea Athletic Club Holds Celebration

The Svea Athletic club held its third anniversary celebration at Fraternity hall Sunday evening, when about 200 members were present to enjoy several musical numbers and a program of speeches and recitations given entirely in the Swedish tongue.

As the feature of the evening prizes were awarded the members of the club who were winners in the outdoor field meet which was held at Elmwood park last September. Four small silver loving cups, nine individual gold, silver and bronze medals and forty blue, red and white ribbons were presented to the winning gymnasts by Gunner Carlsson, secretary of the club.

The athletes who received the silver loving cups were Carl Engstrom, Philip Carlsson, H. Norman and A. Kemper.

In addition to the award of prizes the following program was given:

Address of welcome by H. Pearson, secretary, "Svea and Fatherland" by "Mollie Carlsson."

Violin solo, "Romance," Leo Bravroff, accompanist, Harry Bravroff.

Original Swedish talk given by H. Anderson.

Address, "The Influence of the Olympic Games Upon Sweden," by Gunner Carlsson.

Recitation, "Sweden," with introductory notes from Swedish history, M. Carlsson.

Piano solo, Miss Anna Anderson.

Recitation, "Stories from Swedish Peasant Life," Olof Anderson.

Des Moines Owners Get Park This Week

Frank Isbell and Tom Fairweather spent many busy days last week as resident owners of the Des Moines ball club. True to their promise their first act was to search for a suitable downtown ball park site. The results of their investigation may cause their choice to be different from any that have been suggested so far. It is probable that the park may be situated just west of the city where there is considerable high, dry land which would make a wonderful park. It is expected that a site will be definitely decided upon by the two owners this week.

ALLIANCE BASKET BALL TEAM DEFEATS BROKEN BOW

ALLIANCE, Neb., Jan. 27.—The Alliance high school basketball team defeated the Broken Bow team on the local floor here on Friday evening, 46 to 35. This is the fourth consecutive victory for the Alliance team. Although Broken Bow is not in the Western Nebraska league it is on a trip and will play most of the Western Nebraska teams. Following are the members of the team: Broken Bow—Clafford, Molyneux, Kennedy, Crawford, Miller. Alliance—Nobis, Bhafer, Dornell, Graham, Keegan.

HOLLAND IS LINING UP MEN FOR 1912 SEASON

Jack Holland, owner of the St. Joseph base ball club, tried his first run of the 1912 ball season last week when he notified thirty contracts to players owned by him. Holland is not anticipating any great trouble in lining up his playing talent. Most of the members of last year's team were satisfied with the prospects for this season when the race ended last summer and no trouble is looked for from the youngsters who have been recruited.

CURLEY ARRANGING BATTLE

Announces that No Site Has Been Definitely Decided Upon.

MEETING SALT LAKE SPORTS

Will Go to Nevada to Investigate Offers Which Have Been Made There for the Johnson-Flynn Fight.

SALT LAKE CITY, Jan. 28.—Jack Curley, manager for Jim Flynn and promoter of the fight for the heavyweight championship between him and Jack Johnson, is in Salt Lake City making preliminary arrangements for the battle.

Curley said tonight that no site for the fight had been selected and that the date had not been settled definitely. There is a possibility that the fight may go to New Mexico, in the event that no acceptable proposition is forthcoming from Nevada.

Curley expects to hold a conference tomorrow with local men interested with him in promoting the fight. He also may confer with representatives of Nevada towns that are after the fight. He will leave Salt Lake City tomorrow night for Nevada, and will investigate the proposition that have been put to him by the Nevada towns. He says there are five or six towns in the state that are anxious to be selected. He said that there is no opposition in Nevada to holding the fight in that state and that all reports of such opposition have been found to be untrue. After he has completed his business in Nevada, he will go to San Francisco.

BLUE SKY LAW IN KANSAS

An Effective Check on Promoters Issuing Certificates on Wind.

One year ago the Kansas legislature passed a law requiring that before any stock or bond certificate could be sold in that state the seller must obtain a permit and certificate from the banking department of the state. In order to obtain that permit the financial standing, organization, plans and operations of the company whose stock or bonds are to be sold must be presented in the banking department and be passed upon. Out of over 800 requests made in ten months since the law went into effect, only forty-four have been granted. One mining promoter is in jail for trying to sell stock without a permit. The banking department of Kansas estimates that already it can save a saving of from \$1,000,000 to \$2,000,000 per year to the people of Kansas who had been misled by dishonest promoters of flat stock certificate property.

Attention is called to this "blue sky law" for two reasons. First, that law is coming in every state of the union. It has been passed in one way or another in a host of states. Those who know the facts will not consider it an over-statement to say that the present widespread system of manufacturing stock certificates, purporting to represent mining business corporations, and covering the country with agents to dispose of these certificates to ignorant people, is perhaps the most wholesale system of robbery carried on in modern society.

Second, because some such examination and supervision by expert authority is necessary in order to protect legitimate business and separate from the mass of flat property those certificates which represent real value and real property. Unless something like this is done it will not be long before great enterprises will come under the suspicion which is very general now, and in order to uphold this system of robbery great harm may be done to honest industry.

If some critic asks if this is not trying to protect the fools, and make men honest by legislation, the answer is that the state makes its corporation laws and it is a vitious neglect of its duty when it fails to supervise the mighty agencies for honesty or dishonesty which it sets in motion. It is the business of the state to protect the ignorant from the dishonest, and we would abandon every law against fraud or theft. It is the business of the state to see to it that as far as possible its laws shall not become the instruments of robbery. Every state supervises its banks. Every state tries to obligate its bankers to be honest, under severe penalty. In this "blue sky law," as in many other things, Kansas is a pioneer, and sooner or later the rest, which sometimes sneers at the "farmer legislators" of the west, will copy this law or pass a better one. In that day the present state of flat property creation, and almost universal exploitation of society through this dishonest and unscrupulous method, will be looked back upon as we look back upon which Rusk called the "crap-barcade" of the wayward robber of the middle ages—Universal Leader.

TWO HUNDRED CANDIDATES CONFIRMED BY ARCHBISHOP

MASON CITY, Ia., Jan. 29.—(Special.)—Two hundred and nineteen candidates were confirmed in the St. Joseph's and Holy Family Roman Catholic churches of this city today, the services being conducted by James J. Keagy, archbishop of Dubuque. Tonight he delivered a powerful lecture at the Princess theater on the divinity of Christ.

MOVEMENTS OF OCEAN STEAMERS

Port Arrived Sailed

NEW YORK, Calhoun, Prentiss

PHILADELPHIA, Pines, Adams

ALBANY, Adams, Adams

LIVERPOOL, Hepburn, Adams

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FOLLOW NEBRASKA'S LEAD

New York Post Holds Up Cornhusker School for Emulation.

MAKES COMPARISON OF EXPENSE

Sees Food for Thought in Nebraska's Athletic Statement, Which Shows Profit of Sixty Per Cent.

From New York Evening Post.

"Foot ball nets heavy returns," says a head line in The Omaha Bee, but when that is followed by "Nebraska Gathers in Ten Thousand Dollars During the Season," the man accustomed to receipts up above \$100,000 at the big eastern universities for the same sport wonders how the man who makes the head lines of the paper would designate the returns from Harvard, for instance. And then when he compared the 60 per cent of profit at Nebraska on a total of \$14,771 net receipts and a loss of \$18,000 on ten times that amount of receipts at Harvard, it would not be surprising if he gave up in despair the possibility of manufacturing a comprehensive need for the story.

There was great joy at Nebraska university when the balance sheet for the season was made public this week and it was announced that the actual profits of foot ball for the 1911 season had been \$24,644, and that this amount would pay the back debt, give sufficient funds to tide over the other sports for the university, and still leave money for permanent improvements in the athletic plant. The entire revenue from foot ball was \$21,096, of which \$2,693 came from season tickets. Out of this amount the share of the visiting team was \$7,048, leaving a net total of \$14,048. The expenses of the eleven, for traveling expenses, equipment, medical attention and the like were \$2,852.

"Remarkable Figures, These,"

Remarkable figures these, when compared with the latest report from Harvard sports finances. For instance, Harvard would happen if any of the big universities permanent revenue is a profit of 60 per cent on their enormous receipts, imagine a loss of \$18,000 turned into a profit of \$24,644. The effect would be catalytic.

It would be hard indeed to estimate the result of 60 per cent profits on athletics here in the east, in a very few years a fund would be accumulated which would make athletics forever free to the undergraduates. Students would no longer be met with the hat for this, that, or the other sport, and the long-suffering alumni would be free to devote their surplus money to academic purposes, and—well, it is hardly worth for much thought in the Nebraska statement. Details will probably show no greater parties, no presents to a host of coaches, no expenses for recuperation camps for an army of players, and, in fact, nothing but the legitimate expenses of well-conducted sport where the men work their hardest for the sport's sake, and esteem it so great a privilege to compete for their university that they pay their own cost, as was the case a quarter of a century ago, when the Columbia crew that went to Henley and carried off the only cup ever taken from England by a crew of amateur oarsmen, paid its own way.

The good teams can be got together without cost to others. Why not try the experiment and return to sport for sport's sake alone?

ANDREAS GETS TWO NEW PLAYERS FOR SIOUX CITY

Manager George Andreas of the Sioux City Western league club has announced the purchase of Outfielder Corbin and Pitcher Campbell from the Dallas club of the Texas league, and Joseph French of the Catterville, Ky., club, whose remarkable ability as a shortstop was tipped off to Andy by a major league scout. Campbell pitched for the Michigan university nine last spring, and Corbin was sold by Washington to Dallas last year.

WOODS, CAPTAIN OF TRACK TEAM, MAY BE OFF FIELD

Robert Wood, captain of the 312 Omaha high school track squad and one of the leading interscholastic sprinters in the middle-west, is now ineligible to take part in track athletics under the colors of the local school this year because of failures in studies during the first term just over.

Wood "Dunked" in his sophomore English and in eleven grade physics, and unless he can arrange with Principal McLaughlin to take up these studies in some way during the next two months, he will be compelled to remain out of track work this season.

CHINA'S GREEN TEA

A correspondent of the London Lancet, writing from China about the exclusion from America of green tea, "is a result of the active stage which is at present being taken by Dr. Wiley to enforce the observance of the pure food laws," says: "For many years China has been the demand of the foreign public for green tea. It has been the practice of some growers in China to adulterate the leaf artificially. After the leaves are roasted, which is done immediately on being gathered, they are rolled, colored and quickly dried. Formerly European houses which exported tea used, then, indigo and saffery and dyes have been employed. The Chinese themselves do not drink colored tea. Though they are fond of adding flavoring agents, such as licamine and rose petals. The main demand for green tea came from America."

MAGNATES TO SAVE LINCOLN

Western League Owners and President on Way.

WILL PREVENT RECEIVERSHIP

Schedule Meeting to Be Transferred from Denver to Avoid Possibility of Court Injunction by Pueblo.

LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 29.—With magnates from four Western league clubs and the president of the league expected in this city tonight or tomorrow it is expected that troubles of the local base ball club will be cleared away within twenty-four hours.

President Despain must pay George F. Truman more than \$7,000 before 1 o'clock tomorrow or "Ducky" Holmes will become receiver of the club, with full power to assume all responsibility in its management. President O'Neill is thought to be bringing the money to meet this obligation. This will relieve matters, but the club will have debts estimated at \$5,000 to pay before it will be clear of trouble.

The following owners of base ball clubs are said to be on their way to the meeting here:

William Rourke of Omaha, Thomas Fairweather and Frank Isbell of Des Moines, Jack Holland of St. Joseph and Haulon of Sioux City. The ostensible purpose of their visit is to look into the affairs of the local club and to make arrangements for transferring the schedule meeting from Denver.

The purpose of the transfer of this meeting from Denver is to avoid the possibility of legal action being started against the league in connection with the transfer of the Pueblo franchise to Lincoln. Pueblo business men have threatened an injunction suit against the league and should it meet in Denver, a court order of injunction might be served on it.

Will Save Situation.

DES MOINES, Ia., Jan. 29.—"We are going to Lincoln tonight, financially prepared to lift the Lincoln club out of the hands of a receiver and again put Don Despain on his feet," said Frank West, one of the new owners of the local Western League club, before leaving here tonight. Isbell was accompanied by Thomas Fairweather of Des Moines, William Rourke of Omaha and Jack Holland of St. Joseph.

Four St. Joe Men Go with White Sox

Four of the 1911 St. Joseph players will train with the Chicago White Sox next spring. They are, Horton, Jones, Kelly and Powell. Secretary Grabner of the Sox made a visit recently to St. Joseph and had a talk with Horton and Jones. Horton held out for some time before signing. He would not come to terms with the White Sox until Grabner made his trip to St. Joseph.

PLANS ARE COMPLETED FOR NORTHERN RACING CIRCUIT

MITCHELL S. D., Jan. 29.—(Special.)—Racing will be taken up in South Dakota next summer on a larger scale than for several years, and the plans for which were made in this city by a meeting of the representatives from various towns on the new circuit, which has been formed.

The officers elected are: Dr. Matthews of Flandreau, president; Harry Stevens of Pipestone, Minn., secretary-treasurer. The dates selected and the towns on the circuit are: Flandreau, June 19, 20, 21; Pipestone, June 27, 28; Miller, July 2, 3, 4; Pierre, July 9, 10, 11; Mitchell, July 12, 13, 14; Canton, July 19, 20, 21.

The purses will range from \$40 to \$1,000. The classes for pacers will be the 2:10, 2:20 and 2:30 and for the trotters a little slower.

The South Dakota Purity association was organized at the meeting, the first ever started in the state, which will be looking forward to future stake races. W. Brady of Sioux Falls was made president and Hugh Smith of Artesian, secretary-treasurer.

DURHAM TO WEAR WICHITA UNIFORM THIS SEASON

Jack Holland has confirmed a report that Jimmie Durham will go back to Wichita this year. The St. Joseph fans regret this, as the youngster was decidedly popular with the Drummers. But it is understood when Durham left Pueblo last year that he would be back with the team after last year if he was wanted. The details of his return to Wichita fans remain to be arranged, but Wichita fans are assured that the classy twirler will be a member of that team this season.

VIKINGS TO MEET NEXT WEEK FOR DRILLING

Only four members of the drill team of the Vikings answered to the call for a practice yesterday at Washington hall. There were not enough showed up to do any drilling and the meeting was "borrowed" for another week.

PLANE EVENTS OPEN TO ALL

Full Particulars of British Air Competition Reach Here.

CONDITIONS ARE ANNOUNCED

British War Office is to Have Option to Buy Any Machine that Wins a Prize.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—Full particulars of the British War Office aeroplane competition for prizes amounting to \$25,000 recently reached members of the Aero Club of America. Two prizes are open to the world for machines made in this country. The first is of \$20,000 and the second \$5,000. The rest of the prize money is to be completed for by British subjects only. The British War Office is to have the option of purchasing for \$5,000 any machine awarded a prize. The owners of ten machines which are submitted to all the flying tests and are not awarded a prize are to receive \$500 for each machine so tested. Wilbur Wright and Glenn H. Curtiss have both stated that they will probably enter their biplanes. The following conditions are those required to be fulfilled by a military aeroplane:

1. Be delivered in a packing case suitable for transport by rail, and not exceeding 25 feet in length and 10 feet in width. The case must be fitted with eyebolts to facilitate handling.

2. Carry a live load of 50 pounds in addition to the equipment of instruments, etc., with fuel and oil for four and one-half hours.

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4. Attain a speed of not less than 40 miles per hour in a calm, loaded as in clause 1.

5. Plane down to ground in a calm from not more than 1,000 feet with engine stopped, during which time a horizontal distance of not less than 400 feet must be traversed before touching.

6. Rise without damage from long grass, clover or harvested field in 100 yards in a calm, loaded as in clause 1.

7. Land without damage on any cultivated ground, including rough snow, in a calm, loaded as in clause 1, and rise up within 75 yards of the point at which it first touches the ground when landing on smooth turf in a calm. It must be capable of being started when running slowly on the ground.

8. Be capable of change from flying trim to road running, trim and travel either on its own wheels or on a trolley on the road; width not to exceed ten feet.

9. Provide accommodation for a pilot and observer, and the controls must be capable of use either by pilot or observer.

10. The pilot's and observer's views of the country beyond the wings must be strictly interchangeable. His parts with other another aircraft.

11. The maker shall accurately supply the following particulars, which will be verified by the judges: (a) The horsepower of the engine in a six hours run. (b) The amount of fuel used in the consumption per hour at declared horsepower. (c) Oil consumption per hour at declared horsepower. (d) Weight of the aircraft, including the ground crew.

12. The engine must be capable of being started up by the pilot alone.

13. Standstill with engine running without being held. Engine preferably capable of being started from on board. (e) Effective horsepower at the propeller. (f) Strain on pilot as small as possible. (g) Flexibility of speed; to allow of landings at slow speed, and whether air or water landing places in case of engine failure. (h) It is desirable that the time and amount of fuel used for the change from flying trim to road trim, or packed condition for transport by rail, and vice versa, should be as small as possible. The time for changing from road trim and packed condition to flying trim to include up to the moment of leaving the ground in flight, allowance being made for difficulty in starting engine. (i) Stability and suitability for use in bad weather and in a wind averaging twenty-five miles an hour thirty feet from the ground without undue risk to the pilot. Stability in flight is of great importance. (j) The packing case for rail transport to be easily dismantled and assembled for use, and when dismantled should occupy a small space for storage.

NEBRASKA AND IOWA PATENTS

List of Inventions Protected During the Week is Given Out by Willard Eddy.

Following is the official list of letters patent of invention, issued from the United States patent office at Washington, to inhabitants of Iowa and Nebraska, for the week ending January 27:

Ergatus W. Appelman of Clermont, Ia., for land drain.

Tjebbe D. Beintema and D. De Hoof of Osceola, Ia., for automatic motor controller.

Giles H. Cook of Des Moines, Ia., for acetylene gas generator.

Harmen A. Darrington of Glenwood, Ia., for machine for scaling tomatoes.

Benjamin F. and C. E. Kessler of Moulton, Ia., for bracket for automobile lamps.

William L. Keller of Kearney, Neb., for concrete mixer.

Walter Parker and L. E. Campbell of Neola, Ia., for mold.

William M. Ulrich of Atlantic, Ia., for mail-box signal.

Albert Valentine of Thurman, Ia., for flying machine.

Alexander Murre and E. E. Fink of Omaha, Neb., for design for number displayed casing.

HAUGEN NEW SKI CHAMPION

Makes Two Jumps of More Than One Hundred and Twenty Feet.

HANSEN GAINS SECOND PLACE

Unlucky Spill Believed to Have Cost Feiring of Duluth the Victory—Falls on Hand in Long Leap.

CARY, Ill., Jan. 29.—Lars Haugen of the North Star Ski club of Chippewa Falls, Wis., and brother of Anders Haugen, formerly the champion professional ski runner of the world, won the professional championship of the national ski tournament at the closing day of the meet here today. He made two jumps of 131 and 123 feet and scored 282 on form.

Stigurd Hansen of the Park Region Ski club, Fergus Falls, Minn., was second with jumps of 112 and 113 feet and a percentage of 254. Erling Landvoif of the Stoughton Ski club, Stoughton, Wis., took third place, jumping 111 and 115 feet and scoring 254.

Haugen's leads were negotiated beautifully. Around the 110-foot mark the hill was in bad shape, and many of the skiers who displayed good form lost by dropping into this spot. But Haugen, sailing high, cleared all of the rough ground on the hill on both jumps and finished with pretty slides on the flat at the foot of the slope.

An unlucky spill probably cost Ole Feiring of Duluth, Minn., the championship. He jumped 131 feet on the first trial and 123 on the second, but he landed the second time he fell on one hand. This accident cut his percentage down to 245.

Hansen won the professional long standing jump at 113 feet. Barney Reilly was second with 112 feet. Lars Haugen and J. Glerstad of Stoughton tied for third at 111 feet.

Carl Solberg, amateur champion of America, won the long standing jump in his class at 123 feet. Nels Fjora of the Duluth Ski club and Svein Vethaven of Norway, entered by the Norge Ski club of Chicago, tied for second place at 119 feet. Anders Olson of the Iola Ski club of Iola, Wis., won third place at 106 feet. The only other entrant, Arne Steier of the Norge club, jumped ninety-eight feet.

The twin jump was won by Schoyen and Benson of Superior, Wis., and Red Wing, Minn., respectively, at 100 feet.

Frank L. Olsen of the Norge club won the boys' event with a leap of 100 feet. Duluth was given the tournament for next year, after Virginia, Minn., and Ironwood, Mich., had made a hard fight for it. The date will be set later.

Medals and cups were the prizes for amateurs, while cash prizes and medals were given the professionals. The weather was clear and cool today and a large crowd was in attendance. Summaries:

PROFESSIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP:

Lars Haugen, Chippewa Falls, Wis., 131 123 254

Stigurd Hansen, Fergus Falls, Minn., 112 113 225

Erling Landvoif, Stoughton, Wis., 111 115 226

Ole Feiring, Duluth, Minn., 131 123 254

August Nordby, Virginia, Minn., 107 105 212

Barney Reilly, Ironwood, Mich., 112 109 221

Mich. Helander, Ironwood, Mich., 106 102 208

Wing, Minn., 104 100 204

Anders Haugen, Chippewa Falls, Wis., 114 113 227

Carl Ek, Red Wing, Minn., 92 97 189

T. H. Helander, Ironwood, Mich., 110 109 219

Records of others who participated in this event, but whose percentages were not computed by the judges, follow:

Errik Nyberg, Chippewa Falls, 107 111 218

Harri Anderson, Red Wing, 107 111 218

Henry Hall, Ishpeming, Mich., 107 109 216

Erik Iversen, Red Wing, 107 109 216

George Thompson, Red Wing, 82 84 166

John Mangrove, Duluth, 107 107 214

Elmer Lusk, Chippewa Falls, 107 107 214

John Dola, Chippewa Falls, 107 107 214

Tollef Hemmetslett, Chippewa Falls, 107 107 214

Fred Iversen, Ironwood, Mich., 107 107 214

Knute Helland, Chippewa Falls, 107 107 214

Ole Houtson, Red Wing, 107 107 214

Ole Norby, Virginia, 107 107 214

Gunnar Helian, Chippewa Falls, 107 107 214

David Lind, Ishpeming, 107 107 214

MISSING FERRY BOAT SAFE

Craft Carried Down Mississippi by Ice Lands at Bird's Point, Mo.

LONG FIGHT WITH BIG FLOES

Pilot Finally Succeeds in Getting His Boat Back to the Starting Point—Passengers in Panic.

WICKLIFFE, Ky., Jan. 29.—The eight persons for whose safety fears were expressed last night when they were caught in ice that choked the Mississippi river landed here early today and were returned to Bird's Point, Mo. The party had reached Bird's Point, Mo., last night by train and engaged a boatman to ferry them across the river to Cairo. They were caught on ice floes and it was feared they had lost their lives.