

### That Will Be About All for Basket Ball Until December Comes Again

#### KANSAS CITY FIVE BEATS OTTUMWA

Second Game of the Interstate Series Goes to the Missouri Lads.

#### IOWA TEAM IS OUTCLASSED

Missouri Team Shows Most Superior Style in Game.

#### OMAHA HAS THE BEST CHANCE

Local Lads Have Won from the Winners of Yesterday.

#### ONE MORE GAME YET TO PLAY

If Omaha Loses, the Triangular Contest May Have to Be Decided by Comparing Scores of the Games.

Kansas City, 25; Ottumwa, 22. The fast Kansas City Central High school quintet triumphed over Ottumwa High's husky basketballing squad in the second game of the western interscholastic floor tournament by a decisive score of 25 to 22 at the "Y" gymnasium yesterday afternoon.

At no time of the contest was the Missouri aggregation in danger of defeat and their brilliant playing and team work netted them a lead of seventeen points in the first half, which ended 27 to 19 in their favor. Coach Tooton's pupils had the necessary gameness and dash of play which seemed to overcome the attempts of the Ottumwa to locate the basket.

As in the game against Omaha, Lewis Menze, the little Kansas City forward, was the sensational player on the floor, and his five feet four inches of ginger and speed was the feature of the entire two halves. John Reber, captain and center, also played steady and outjumped big Lester, his opponent, at all times. The whole Missouri quintet had a style of play that proved superior in every way. Their passing was accurate and swift, their basket shots steady and well timed and their guarding tactics cleverly pulled off. Menze contributed largely to their win by tending the leather wind bag through the hoop twelve out of fourteen times on free throws.

Ottumwa is Excelled. Ottumwa proved a disappointment, especially in the first half, when their opponents excelled them in every department of the sport. Their basket shooting was erratic and their team work loose, and it was only through the redeeming work of Shaffer at left forward that they were able to save themselves from a one-sided rout. They were also weak at making their free throw count, as they found the water mark but six times out of a possible sixteen.

The only stage of the contest at which Ottumwa showed much form was in the last six minutes of the final period when they rolled up ten points in quick succession. Their dash was too late, however, and they had to be content with the small end of the score when the final whistle was blown.

Since the outcome of yesterday's game the tourney has evolved itself into a triangular affair for the championship of the west. If Omaha beats Ottumwa in the final battle tonight, the handsome Ryan trophy will go to the locals, but if the Iowans win, the western honors can only be settled by competitive scores.

#### OMAHA DRUBS KANSAS CITY

Locals Win Initial Game of Western Floor Tourney.

Omaha High school, 25; Kansas City Central High school, 22. The speedy Omaha High school basket tossers overcame the initial obstacle to victory winning the honors of the 1912 western interscholastic floor tournament by trouncing the Kansas City Central High quintet, the top school aggregation of Missouri and Kansas, in a hard-fought and close exhibition of the leather wind bag sport to the tune of 25 to 22 at the "Y" gymnasium Friday night.

Twice the game was played to a tie, the first time being at the end of the final period, when the score-board showed 23 to 23, and again after the five minutes extra time had been played, when 25 was the sum of both sides. For the second time then it was necessary to play an additional five minutes and it was during this period that the sport reached its climax and kept the crowd in a state of real suspense.

Real basket ball prevailed during this exciting period and the crowd as well as the players tingled into the spirit of the contest. Long basket shots were made from all parts of the floor, difficult overhead flips were resorted to and a series of double passes and jerk throws was snapped about, all of which gave the play a dash and vim seldom brought about in this branch of athletics. It was then by dint of some clever team work and excellent guarding on the part of James Gardner, the little right guard for Coach Joy Clark's pupils, that they succeeded in showing the numbers up 25 to 22, while Kansas City had to be content with the small end at 22.

Omaha's Consistent Game. The whole Omaha quintet played a consistent game and although luck seemed against them during the first half they came back strong by locating the hoop with regular precision in the final and extra periods. Mark Hughes, left forward, was the shining light of the evening when it came to shooting baskets, and

### Players Who Were in the Great Omaha Basket Ball Tourney



KANSAS CITY

#### CARPENTIER HAS FINE PAGE

French Boxer's Recent Victory is Attracting Attention.

#### PROFIT BY AMERICAN STYLE

Frenchmen Have Long Been Experts with Foli, Possessing Judgment, and Should Be Good Ring en.

NEW YORK, March 26.—The victory of George Carpentier, the French middleweight champion, over Jim Sullivan at Monte Carlo, when the Frenchman won in seven minutes, has attracted the attention of followers of pugilism to the progress of French boxers. Carpentier is now the recognized middleweight champion of Europe. He has pace and a fine defense, which, together with excellent hitting powers, make him a dangerous opponent in the ring.

Ten years ago the Frenchman was still supposed to be physically and morally incapable to "fight like a Christian" (to quote the quaint phrase used by a worthy of the old prize ring), and when a little later the box began to be cultivated in Paris it was possible for the foreign critic to contemplate the first products of the new cult with mingled amusement and amazement. Yet there was no reason in the nature of things why a race which had always excelled in the art of the sword should not also distinguish itself in the ring. The characteristic qualities of the successful fencer—fine footwork, accurate timing, the ability to judge distance, the harmony of hand and eye, and a reserve of nervous energy—are equally valuable in the modern game of boxing, while the compact physique of the round-headed, short-necked French athlete and his conquering courage obviously provided him with the capacity of withstanding punishment.

It was soon evident that the deficiencies of the first French boxers were merely the result of a lack of scientific teaching. As to their possession of the physical and moral stamina (there is really no such thing as merely physical courage, known as "bottom spirit") to the old-fashioned pugilists, there was no doubt whatever. They could endure an intolerable deal of pounding; as a rule it required a knockout to extinguish the smile which they wore on entering the ring. And from the first the writer was impressed by the fact that—as a result, no doubt, of the national abstinence in drinking, and the eating of flesh—the French stomach is much less susceptible to jolts and drives than that of the average English or American pugilist.

The invasion of Paris by a number of American boxers provided the expert teaching required, and the result is seen today in the appearance of a group of skilful and hard-hitting French pugilists whose style is in most cases a blend of the old and the so-called American crouch, which, as the annals of the old prize ring clearly show, is actually of English origin. But the best of them can only be called "Americanized" in the sense that they attack in two planes, playing as much attention to an opponent's body as to his head, whereas the point of the chin is the chief objective of attack with nearly all English boxers. All, or nearly all, of them have a "punch."

This is a striking proof that the French style is excellent in an essential point, which is too often ignored by English teachers of boxing. The faculty of hitting hard is not an inexplicable gift of the gods; it is the result of a proper balancing of the body which admits of the constant use of leg drive, which counts for as much in boxing as in rowing. Let anybody who doubts this watch Jim Driscoll's foot work when he is attacking. This power of delivering blows with the weight of the body driven behind them is a common characteristic of the style, otherwise differing in several respects, of Ledoux and Poesy, who have lately distinguished themselves in contests with first rate professionals at the London National Sporting club, Stanley, almost as swift and subtle a boxer as Driscoll, was not disgraced in his unsuccessful contest with the latter, who must have been eight or nine pounds heavier—an advantage equal to twenty-five pounds in the heavyweight class. But there can be little doubt that Poesy is quite good enough already to give even Driscoll any amount of trouble.

#### Pickering Lands a Berth.

Terre Haute has signed the veteran Otis Pickering, who says his ankle, broken last year while in the Kitty league, has recovered. The Terre Haute club also has Earl Pickering, the University of Minnesota athlete, on its roster, but will not report until June.



OTTUMWA

OMAHA HIGH SCHOOL—Standing, left to right: Beryl Crocker, left forward and captain; John Over, substitute forward; Sidney Meyer, substitute guard or forward; Leslie Burkenroad, left guard; James Gardner, right guard; Clarence Shary, substitute center; Mark Hughes, right forward; Vergil Rector, center; Joy Clark, coach.

OTTUMWA HIGH SCHOOL—Standing, left to right: Lester, center; Wormhout, right forward; Shaffer, left forward; Lynch, left guard; Nevin, forward or guard; Lodwick, right guard or center; Elgeman, coach; Mendelsohn, manager.

#### TRACK LADS START TRAINING

High School Squad to Prepare for the Coming Meets.

#### MANY BOYS IN THE SQUADS

Plenty of Promising Material on Hand—Coach Has Not Been Selected—To Train on Creighton Field.

The 1912 high school track squad will go into active training this week for the big Missouri valley indoor meet, which will be held at the Auditorium April 27. A picked team of ten lads will be entered in this event.

There is plenty of promising material on hand this season from which to pick a stellar aggregation of athletes to represent the school in the two other track events of the year, the Nebraska and the Missouri valley outdoor interscholastic meets.

The lads will use Creighton field for outdoor practice and the "Y" association gymnasium for indoor work. The only available grounds for outdoor work at the school campus is a strip of cinder track running on the north side of Dodge street from Twentieth to Twenty-second street. Athletic Director C. E. Reed has not yet secured a coach for the season, but will make a definite choice before school resumes.

Many Will Train. The following is a list of lads who will work out in track athletics this spring: Sprints—Robert Wood, captain, 100 and 200 yards; Hugh Millard, 100 and 200 yards; Russel Larson, 100 yards; Charles Ringwalt, 200 and 400 yards.

Half and Mile Runs—Charles Robel, Columbia Gordon, Gilbert Kennedy, Leo Buzard, Allen Selms and James Westfield.

Low Hurdles—Howard Bittinger, John Drexel, Charles Ringwalt and Allen Selms.

#### FIRST CALL FOR TRACK WORK

Thirty Candidates Report at the Initial Meeting.

#### REED IN CHARGE OF SPRINTERS

Anderson to Look After Long Distance Runners and Clapp to Guide the Men Who Do the Vaulting.

LINCOLN, Neb., March 26.—(Special.) With favorable weather, the first call for track men was issued, by Coach Stehns this week, and at the initial meeting held thirty candidates reported for practice.

Guy E. Reed will take charge of the sprint men, and with the assistance of Captain Anderson will also have charge of the long distance runners. Reed has shown considerable aptitude for coaching and, with his knowledge of track work, is expected to be able to look after this department. Dr. Clapp, who has always had charge of the pole vaulters, will take charge of this special event again, while Stehns will only attempt to coach the weight men and the jumpers.

Ready for Field Work. If the weather is favorable, outdoor practice will be inaugurated next week. The cinder path, was slightly damaged by the heavy snow melting rapidly, but this damage will be repaired immediately.

The withdrawal of McJowan from school last week was a serious blow to the Cornhusker hopes, as he was a fast quarter miler and by far the most promising applicant for Reed's shoes in this event. The sprints are heavily fortified with May and Christmas in school and with several promising new men. There is an abundance of material for the field events.

The appointment of Reed as assistant manager to Stehns and assistant coach, as looked forward to at a special meeting of the athletic board committee Monday night. It is understood that Reed has already been named by the board, although there is some question as to the salary to be paid. He will take over nearly all of the duties as manager, with the exception of preparing schedules.

Horine Sets Record For the High Jump

#### PREPARE FOR AQUATIC SPORT

Yachting to Be a Big Feature on the Nearby Lakes.

#### CREWS FOR BOATS ARE NAMED

Rod and Gun Club Laying Plans for Venetian Carnival, One of the Big Annual Events on Carter Lake.

Aquatic sports promise to be active here this spring and summer. Yachting will be carried on at Carter Lake, Manawa and Baymour lake. Robert N. Burgess, S. S. Hamilton, T. P. Gibbons and Walter Wharton are four of the enthusiasts of the Rod and Gun club.

The Manawa, one of the fastest local thirty-two-foot boats, will be on Carter lake this summer. It is owned by Jerry Van Rensselaer of the Rod and Gun club. Canoeing will be in the limelight. George Aulbaugh is chief commodore of a crew that takes in S. S. Hamilton, Douglas Melker, E. T. Glover, Oscar Drefold and Ed and George Bierman. Rev. George MacDougall of the Olivet Baptist church is also one of the prime movers of the sport, and has a little barge of his own which he intends to migrate through the water this year.

On Carter Lake. The Dietz club will boost aquatics at Carter Lake, and a boat club has already been organized in connection with the other features there. Canoes, steam launchers, motor boats, rowboats and yachts will be much in evidence, and when the new dock is completed on the west side of the lake, the accommodations will be much improved. It is planned to have weekly yacht and canoe races during July and August. E. L. Lafferty, R. D. Evans and Frank Spellman make up the committee which will conduct the water affairs of the club this season.

Other organizations which will take part in water sports are the Council Bluffs Rowing association at Lake Manawa and the Young Men's Christian association, which will have its annual summer athletic park at Carter lake.

The Venetian water carnival and regatta under the auspices of the Rod and Gun club will be held at Carter lake early in August.

#### MISS VAN OSTRAND LOSES GOLF GAME TO MRS. PRICE

PINEHURST, N. C., March 26.—The women's event of the united golf championship ended today with a sensational climax in the defeat of Miss Kate Van Ostrand of the Jefferson county Country club by Mrs. J. Raymond Price, the Oakland champion, 4 up and 3 to play.

#### RACING SHELLS BADLY SWAMPED

Oxford and Cambridge Are Forced to Abandon Their Annual Race.

#### WILL TRY AGAIN TUESDAY

Oxford is Robbed from What Looks Like Victory.

#### BLUES MAKE A POOR SHOWING

Both Shells Become Waterlogged After Start.

#### BOATS GO ABOUT ONE MILE

Oxford Starts in the Lead—Light Blues Appear Nervous—Crews Are Forced to Bail Out and Abandon Contest.

PUTNEY, England, March 26.—The annual eight-oared rowing contest between crews representing the Oxford and Cambridge universities which started this morning at Putney bridge, was declared no race, after both shells had become waterlogged. The presidents of the Oxford and Cambridge boat clubs have decided that the race shall be rowed again on Monday, April 1.

Except for the presence of a strong westerly wind, which boating experts on the river side estimated would give an advantage to the crew which won the toss for position and selected the Surrey or southern shore, delightful weather prevailed for the sixty-ninth intervarsity boat race.

The course was the usual one from Putney bridge to Mortlake, a distance of four and one-fourth miles. At an early hour the towing paths and other vantage points along the river side began to fill with the tens of thousands who annually attend the great aquatic struggle between the selected oarsmen of the two old universities.

Oxford Has Long Lead. Oxford was robbed of what would have been an easy win by rough weather. The Cambridge shell was the first to go under water a little over a mile from the start. The boat commenced to slip water soon after the signal was given to start.

The Oxford eight managed to get as far as Chiswick Eyt, about three-quarters of the distance, when the boat had so much water on board that the crew and to stop rowing. Unlike the Cambridge men, however, the Dark Blues, after towing their boat on shore and emptying out the water, re-embarked and finished the course.

Oxford took the lead in the race almost from the start. The Light Blues appeared nervous, and besides taking in a miniature sea owing to choppy waves, they shipped more water from their oars. By the time they reached Harrod's Stores, a little over a mile from the start, they were compelled to abandon their boat. The majority of the crew swam ashore and the remainder were picked up by the umpire's boat.

The Oxford crew, by hugging the shore, kept out of the roughest water until they reached Chiswick Eyt. Their coach ordered them to bail out their shell, but they were unable to do so, or misunderstood the order. Instead of bailing they went ashore, which is a clear breach of the rules of the race, and the umpire's decision that the contest was "no race" was a foregone conclusion.

The official time for the whole course from Putney to Mortlake is given at 29 minutes, 28 seconds, but the Oxford crew had already occupied 15 minutes when their boat was swamped.

#### Pueblo Complaint Falls Very Flat

The Pueblo authorities who appealed to Secretary Farrell, of the National Base Ball commission, demanding redress for the label sale to Wichita, have heard from that official. Farrell advises the Pueblans to present their claims to President Tip O'Neill, head of the Western league.

Over a month ago Tip O'Neill invited the Pueblans to send representatives to the Chicago schedule meeting, but they refused to act on the suggestion. The Farrell decision simply means that the powers of organized base ball are convinced that the Western knows how to handle its own affairs. While justice at first seemed to lean toward Pueblo, subsequently that the chaps in Little Pittsburgh did not state the full facts, and when they came across with the documents to prove that he dealt fairly, the bottom dropped out of Pueblo's complaint.

#### Poggenburg Loses Fourth Game to Roudil

PARIS, March 26.—Ferdinand Poggenburg, the American amateur champion billiardist, today lost his fourth game in the billiard tournament for the amateur championship of the world. He was defeated by Roudil of France, 40 to 21. Poggenburg's best run in today's game was 75. His recent run of 140 stands as the best made so far in the tournament. Mortier of France leads in the contest with five games won and one lost. Artus and Darantier, both of France, are in second and third places, respectively. Poggenburg is now in eighth place with two games won and four lost.

#### Athletics Robbed of Jewelry and Money

BALTIMORE, March 26.—Jewelry valued at \$1,500 and \$200 in currency belonging to four members of the Philadelphia American league base ball club, and a base ball enthusiast were stolen from a grip left on the players' bench during the game with the Baltimore International league club today.

Those who suffered losses were: Ericace Lord, John Barry, John McInnes and Eddie Collins, players, and Charles Titman of Philadelphia, who accompanied the team on its southern tour.

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