

Rourke's Lambast Wichita; Tyrus Coming Back; Missouri Takes Valley Meet

WICHITA LOSES OPENING GAME

Rourke's Take First Game of Series from Kansas by Thirteen to Three Score.

OMAHA LANDS HARD ON BALL

Make Twenty Safe Hits Off Ellis and Jackson.

THREE-BAGGER BY THOMASON

Rourke's Fielder Clouts Ball to the Center Field Fence.

OMAHA USES TWO PITCHERS

Hicks Starts Game for Rourke's, but is Retired in Fourth Inning and Pentress is Sent to the Mound.

Two Wichita pitchers went down to defeat yesterday afternoon under the unmerciful slugging of Pa Rourke's athletes, who took the opening game of the series by a 13 to 3 score. A total of twenty hits was made off the Kansas twirlers, including three doubles and one triple.

Hicks, who started on the firing line for the Rourke's, was not right and left the game in the middle of the fourth inning, although the game was won before he left and thus gets credit for winning. Pentress was sent in the box to relieve the little southpaw and got away with a good game, holding the Wichites to no runs and but six hits.

Never in the last two years was there so much clouting done in one game. Wichita managed to get eleven hits, making the total hits for the game run up to thirty-one. Thomason got squared away with the ball every time to bat. In three times up he connected safely. He also made two sacrifice hits. Johnny Wanner, Pa's speedy little shortstop, was also there with the stick, getting four clean hits in five times up, one of which was a pretty double. Davidson, Kane, Johnson and Scanlon each made two hits and Niehoff came across for three, including two doubles. Middleton was star with the bat for Wichita, getting two hits in five times up.

Jackson Does Not Last Long. Jackson, the star hurler for Hughes' team, essayed to start the game for Wichita team, but lasted a fraction over one inning, during which time he was hammered for six hits. Ellis, the next man in, ran up against a snag himself, and was found for fourteen before the end of the game.

Although the game was replete with heavy slugging and it was a one-sided affair it was filled with wonderful catches and other features. In the fourth inning with a man on third and one on second Craig lifted a fly over Wanner's head which looked perfectly safe, but Davidson started with the crack of the bat and was going at top speed when he struck out his gloved hand and caught the ball about six inches from the ground. It was a wonderful catch and robbed Wichita of two runs.

Wonderful Play Made. In the fourth inning something very seldom seen was pulled off. Davidson was on third and Coyle on second with one man out when Kane lifted a fly almost to the center field fence. Middleton after a pretty run caught the ball. Davidson scored on the sacrifice fly, but Coyle sacrificed the crowd by coming from second and after a perfect hook slide reached home safely.

Omaha started scoring in the first inning. Davidson walked. Coyle sacrificed. Thomason tripled to center while Davy romped home. A single by Kane scored Thomason.

Scanlon opened the second with a single to right. Niehoff doubled to center sending Scanlon to third. A wild pitch by Jackson scored Scanlon. Wanner beat out a bunt. Hicks drew a pass. Davidson singled to left, sending Niehoff and Wanner home. Coyle sacrificed. Thomason scored Hicks with a sacrifice fly to center. Kane got to first on an error and Davy went to third. Davidson then stole home, while Kane drew the throw to second.

Wichita Gets One. With two down in the third Wichita got one run. Pettigrew doubled to left, Coyle scored on Craig's double to right. Callahan opened the fourth with a double to left. Koerper walked. McLaughlin scored. Callahan. Waabot beat out a bunt. Ellis got to first on an error, while Koerper scored.

Davidson opened the fourth for the Rourke's with a single. Coyle got an infield hit. Thomason sacrificed. Kane sent a sacrifice fly to Middleton, while Davidson and Coyle scored.

Scanlon started the fifth with a single. Stolen second and then third and scored on Niehoff's single to center.

In the eighth Wanner singled. Pentress got to first on a hit. Davidson struck out. Coyle sacrificed. Thomason beat out a bunt, while Wanner scored and Pentress responded in an error by Ellis.

Johnson opened the eighth with a single to left. Scanlon sacrificed. Niehoff got Johnson across with the last run with a double to center. Score:

AB.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Davidson, If.	4	3	4	0	0
Coyle, If.	2	1	1	0	0
Thomason, Cf.	2	1	2	1	0
Kane, 1b.	4	0	2	1	0
Johnson, C.	4	1	3	0	0
Scanlon, 2b.	4	2	2	2	0
Niehoff, 3b.	3	2	2	1	0
Wanner, ss.	5	1	4	2	1
Hicks, p.	1	0	0	0	0
Pentress, p.	2	1	0	0	1
Totals	32	19	27	14	2

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Pettigrew, rf.	5	1	1	0	0
Craig, lf.	5	1	0	0	0
Middleton, cf.	5	2	1	0	0
Hughes, 3b.	5	1	1	0	0
Callahan, ss.	4	1	2	0	0
Koerper, 1b.	2	1	1	1	0
Mas, 2b.	5	0	2	1	0
Waabot, c.	4	0	1	1	0
Jackson, p.	0	0	0	0	0
Ellis, p.	2	0	0	0	1
Totals	38	8	10	3	1

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Miller, cf.	4	0	0	0	0
Coyle, 2b.	3	0	0	0	0
Barton, 1b.	2	0	0	0	0
McCormick, 3b.	4	0	2	0	0
Mullen, lf.	4	0	1	0	0
Stratton, ss.	3	0	0	1	1
Cobb, p.	3	0	0	1	1
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Zwilling, cf.	2	2	2	0	0
Reilly, 3b.	4	0	1	0	0
Meinke, ss.	4	0	0	0	0
Bachant, c.	4	1	0	0	0
Crutcher, p.	4	0	0	0	0
Totals	35	5	11	27	0

DES MOINES MAKES ERRORS
Denver Overcomes Early Lead and Wins, Thirteen to Seven.

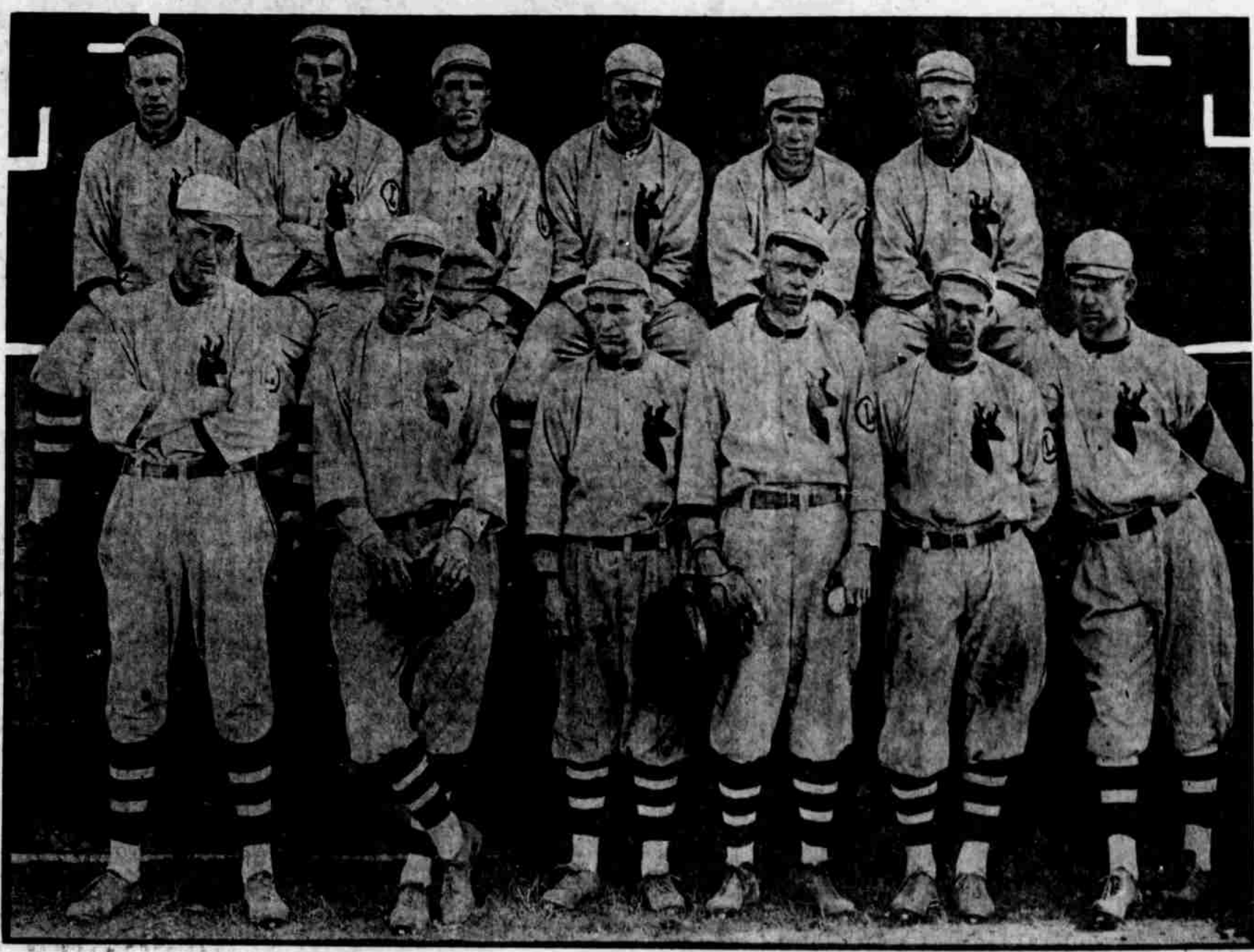
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Hahn, rf.	4	0	2	0	0
Colligan, 1b.	1	0	1	0	0
Claire, 2b.	5	1	1	0	0
Thomas, 3b.	5	0	0	0	0
Coffey, c.	4	2	0	0	0
Ulatowski, lf.	4	1	1	0	0
Northup, p.	2	0	0	1	0
Douglas, p.	1	0	0	0	1
Totals	28	7	17	2	0

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Lloyd, 2b.	5	1	0	1	0
Quillin, 3b.	4	0	1	1	0
Beall, cf.	6	1	1	0	0
Casidy, lf.	4	1	1	1	0
Koerper, 1b.	5	2	2	1	0
Channell, lf.	3	1	1	0	0
Coffey, c.	4	2	2	1	0
Sparh, p.	4	0	2	1	1
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ALLEN GIVEN ROUGH USAGE

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BALLIET IN FINEST OF FORM

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MISSOURI WINS BIG MEET

Takes First Place in Missouri Valley Meet with Ease.

NEBRASKA GETS SECOND PLACE

By Winning Half-Mile and Mile Relays. Cornhuskers Beat Out the Other Teams in the Meet.

DES MOINES, Ia., May 25.—The University of Missouri team won the Missouri Valley field and track meet here this afternoon with 51 1/2 points. Nebraska being the nearest competing team with 39 1/2 points. Ames won third place with 17 1/2 points, beating Kansas, which had 17 1/2 points.

The meet was easy for Missouri all the way through and at no time did any of the contenders have an chance. Superior athletic ability put the Columbia men ahead on every point. Four new track records were made, three of them by Missouri. First place in nine of the fifteen events went to them, with Nicholson, Belmont and Thatcher the star performers.

Bernard broke the half-mile record in 1:27 flat, Nicholson the high jump record in 5 feet, 11 1/2 inches and Thatcher the discus mark with 126 feet, 2 1/2 inches. The other record was in the mile run broken by Farnham, of Ames.

Nebraska gained second place through winning the half-mile and mile relays and second and third places in other events. A fraction of a point settled the contest between Ames and Kansas in favor of the former.

Summary. 220-yard dash: Wilson, (Coe) won; Christian (Nebraska) second; Kirkey (Missouri) third; Stucky (Kansas) fourth. Time: 3:25.

100-yard dash: Wilson (Coe) won; Stucky (Kansas) second; Stahl (Coe) third; Dawson (Drake), fourth. Time: 1:27.

150-yard dash: Wilson (Coe) won; Anderson (Nebraska) second; Osborne (Missouri) third; Patterson (Kansas) fourth. Time: 2:12.

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Standing of Teams

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ST. JOSEPH	24	11	NEW YORK	23	11
Omaha	20	14	Cincinnati	23	11
Denver	20	15	Pittsburgh	23	11
Des Moines	19	15	Chicago	23	11
St. Louis	19	15	St. Paul	23	11
Lincoln	19	15	Boston	23	11
Wichita	18	15	Brooklyn	23	11

AM. LEAGUE.	W.L.Pet.	AM. LEAGUE.	W.L.Pet.		
Chicago	20	15	Minneapolis	20	15
Boston	21	16	St. Paul	21	16
Washington	21	17	Toledo	21	16
Philadelphia	21	17	St. Louis	21	16
St. Louis	21	17	Brooklyn	21	16
Cleveland	21	18	St. Paul	21	16
Detroit	21	18	Milwaukee	21	16
New York	21	19	Louisville	21	16
St. Louis	22	20	Indianapolis	21	16

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