

Mutt Evidently Didn't Think So Much of Jeff's Idea :: :: Drawn for The Bee by "Bud" Fisher



THE Giants thus far have simply shown up the rest of the league. Their wonderful lead is ascribed to their splendid condition. It has always been McGraw's forte to put his team on the field in the first game in better condition than the others, if possible, and this year he did it. The result was, the team, much the same bunch the Athletics showed up last fall, ran away from the gong and has been running since. And yet as good a friend of the Giants and as good a critic of the game as old Sam Crane, himself once a great player, fears that the breakneck speed of the New Yorkers may hurt them. They have evidently been driven into the flight by McGraw under east-coast orders and as Crane fully points out, this method of warfare is not without its hazards. There is a chance of exhausting speed and strength too early in the season. The ten-lap foot race is not won on the first or second times around. Often the winner finishes last on the early laps. In base ball, of course, we do not mean to say that a late start offers any particular advantage, but as experience has frequently shown, too much dash at the outset may bring a reaction. It would be strange, of course, for the Giants or any other team to get through the season without its run of hard luck. Yet we are disposed freely to admit that as things now stand, Mather Muggsy McGraw is on the other fellows for the season of 1912 just a trifle. It would be a surprise to us if he does not wind up where he did in 1911, although, of course, we're mindful of that one about the cup and the lip.

AMATEUR TEAMS SPEED UP

Interesting Games Scheduled for Various Parks Today.

DOUBLE-HEADERS ARE IN ORDER

Many Teams Will Play on Home Grounds, While Others Venture into the Jungles for Big Game.

As customary a pair of good duels are on the bill of fare at Fort Omaha for this afternoon. The first game is between the Blats and Alamos, second between Townsends and Luxus. Both the Val Blats and Alamos are traveling at a fast gait so a classy contest should be the outcome. Already this season the Luxus tribe slipped one on the Gunners but the Townsends say they can't repeat. Anyway a battle for the grapes is anticipated. Cunningham or Dyke will leave for the brewers while Morearty, Young or Adams will be on the mound for the Townsends.

Umpire Johnson, doubtless, is not the worst umpire in the world, possibly not even the worst in the Western league; he strikes us as a very hard working, conscientious man, but that did not prevent him from making one of the roughest decisions in Omaha during the week it was ever our lot to witness. When he called Rogge safe at the plate the Des Moines pitcher was up in the air a distance of some five or six feet from the plate and Arbogast holding the ball securely against his person. Rogge was on second when a hit went clean to center. He rounded third and tore for home as Thomason whipped the ball in. It passed Arbogast's glove hand smack on the fly—as pretty a throw as ever was made—and at the very same second, Colonel Rogge also hurled his husky person into the hand holding the ball. There wasn't a chance for an argument on the play. Rogge was out so clean that even Des Moines was surprised when the ump yelled safe. But so it goes. We may get the long end next time. Batter up! The worst of it was that it tied the score, enabling Des Moines later on to win.

Big Gus Williams has jumped the Montgomery team because he objects to playing ball in a country where it takes two frogs to live one summer. Augustus will find, however, that base ball law is no more a respecter of climates than of persons and that whether he likes to shiver with chills while baking in the sun or not, his contract calls for continuous performance or until his employer decrees otherwise. With all this in mind, we find it difficult to accord the same meed of praise to Augustus' diplomacy as we have at times bestowed upon his work on the diamond.

Three big league clubs want Winnebago Johnson, says Jack Holland. Are they the same three that went after Kelly, Swilling, Borton, Jones and the rest of Jack's team last fall? Jack plays this old wolf trick on us so much we hardly know when to take him dead. The Indian is doing good work this year, and we hope he keeps it up. But St. Joe is the third Western league team that has hid him away from the majors.

The difference between Des Moines this year and last is chiefly, though not entirely, in label. The old White Sox favorite is getting 100 per cent out of every man on the team, even Jack Thomas. It is really amazing to see Jack Thomas, but he will keep on hustling or bustle for another job. Isbell is not handing out pay envelopes to dead heads.

Washington must have got seak with dizziness after those sixteen or sixty straight. Yet after falling for two double-headers, the Senators come back and wallop the Athletics. Griffith has a team and the Old Fox is not going to lie down at this stage of the game.

Catcher Stahn has filled a big gap for Denver. A steady, heavy catcher was what the Grizzlies needed as bad as more pitching material. Block is a hitter as well as a catcher.

That federal grand jury in Chicago is not a friend of Fremen Flynn. Lil Arbia will need all he can get at Las Vegas to redeem that bunch of hot rocks from Uncle Sam.

Tex Rickard on a 1,000-acre cattle ranch in South America will not lose much sleep over white hopes for a while.

Anthony, as Dooley says, there's no such place as Armageddon on the Western league circuit.

Eddie Stahn and old Irs Beiden are playing ball.

Lewis' Omaha Giants, Crack Colored Team



No. 1, Don Morton, pitcher; No. 2, Roy Wright, catcher; No. 3, Pinkney Gardner, first base; No. 4, Eugene Gordon, second base; No. 5, Jesse Hatten, shortstop; No. 6, Harry Bauckman, third base; No. 7, Octave Davis, right field; No. 8, Frank Nolan, left field; No. 9, Edward Boyd, center field; No. 10, Frank Hamilton, pitcher; No. 11, Frank White, pitcher; No. 12, Virgil Williams, pitcher, utility.

Avoca, Ia., today and twirl for their congregation. He will get ten ringers and expenses. Minor, the center gardener for the C. B. Cubs, is snagging them all in his position. Rathke quit the Grain Exchange last week and joined the fast A. O. U. W. squad. Hofer and McCoy have been glued to the spalling herd. They will strengthen the team. Madam Rumar has it that Oleson of the Baums is going to hitch on to the Stars Triumphant. Since Peterson started to leave for the C. B. Merchants they have only dropped one game.

Last Wednesday the All Stars whipped Tekamah in a very decisive manner, and they turned the trick on the Soldiers the week before. At Fort Omaha a lively battle is expected July 4, when the Luxus and Holly gangs get together. You boys will have to tip your lids to the All-Stars, as they are putting it all over their opponents. Say, but Edward Spellman is getting away great at Kearney, Neb. He is hitting the pill at a .30 clip. On July 4 the Townsends will play a double-header at Tekamah, Neb. As an incentive to win \$15 is up. Elmwood park is the place where the Soldiers and the Independents are scheduled for a nine-round bout. The Townsends got their lunchbooks on Murray of the Grain Exchange. He got a good switch at that. Case of the A. O. U. W. only allowed the hard-hitting Nebraska City Mink leaguers two hits last Sunday.

Wednesday Joseph Gilliam of the Hollys joined the Nebraska City aggregation. He will hold down the shortstop position. Somebody said that Hoyt quit the Townsends last Sunday. He is a good clubber, so it is a cinch he won't be idle. The Burlington Headquarters band hiked over to Burlington, Ia., and whipped another Burlington aggregation last Sunday. On Pa. Rourke's pasture July 4 the team representing the Chicago, Rock Island and Chicago will battle with the Stars Triumphant.

Guess the Hancock Parks have got that Luxus team hoodooed. In the last four years the Parks have trimmed them seven times. The C. B. Cubs have some open dates left which they would like to fill up. Advers George Putnam, 570 Avenue A, Council Bluffs, is to fight for. A \$10 purse will be put up by the Fourth of July committee at Woodbine, Ia., for the town boys and the A. O. U. W. team to fight for.

Gus Williams landed in town last Wednesday and immediately Manager Bradford of the Stars Triumphant was on his trail to sign him up. That boy Jenkins tied to the Townsends last week. He has a grand arm, picks 'em all up, cleaver on the pads and some gent with the stick. Guess that American Loan company team are sure climbing the ladder. Tom Saturday teams will have to ramble if you don't want that gang to grab the rag.

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That was a great fight the Townsends and Hollys had last Sunday. The trade lasted for eleven innings, the Hollys finally pushing the winning peary across the platter.

Back of the hit station the Alamos are playing the legs off of the game for him, and if he keeps up the good work he will be a candidate for faster company next term.

Lynn Young is hitting the pill at a terrific rate this summer. In every tussle he wags two or more on the smeller and they are generally good for an extra pillow or two. Herester O'Connor will hold down bag one for the Townsends. He is a regular doodle on that pillow. Keep your gumps fastened to him if you like to see the unexpected happen. Skytucker McCreary was sure there

with the big stick during the Townsend-Holly mix. His two-sick swats tied the score in the ninth and he belted another one that pushed two runs across the plate in the eleventh paragraph. The Broadward Crowns will skip up to Herman, Neb., today and do their darndest to whip the ball tossers stationed there. Herman has been playing grand ball to date, so the Crowns will have their hands full to land the grapes. At Twenty-sixth and Dorcas streets the Stars and Stripes and the Hancock Park Ramblers will collide in what is anticipated to be a battle royal for supremacy. Between these two hardy soldiers of rivalry exists and the spur stuff will sure show itself during this wrangle.

The All-Stars certainly have got some team, composed of some of the best semi-professional men of the city. Quirley, catcher; McCreeary, pitcher; Moriarty, first; Young, second; Fox, shortstop; Jenkins, third; Houtz, Byrnes, Coughlan and Muller in the field, composed the All-Stars. Young sure plays that second base game.

The Stars team will play the S. A. C. nine on Creighton field. It is expected to be one of the best games played on any ground in Omaha. The line-up: Miller, catcher; Maher, pitcher; Dineen, first base; Kennedy, second base; Moran, third base; Moore, shortstop; Husted, left field; Morrison, center field; Green, right field.

At Armour park, located at Fortieth and C streets, South Omaha, the Advos will tangle with the Armour aggregation. Both teams are playing excellent ball at the present writing, so a fast game is predicted. The supposition is that many a dollar will change lunch hooks over this wrangle. Bitter rivalry exists and as both sides think they have soup they will pluck all their nicks. This game will be worth walking blocks to see and country good at that.

Saturday July 6, the Stars Triumphant and Ancient Ored of United Workmen teams will clash at Hourke park. This game will be for the benefit of the Union Pacific strikers. Pa. Rourke donates and the teams the teams their services. This game will have considerable to do with the amateur championship of Omaha because these two teams are the headliners and the winner of the game will probably grab the rag at the close of the term. Last Sunday the Ancient Ored United Workmen team showed their prowess as they routed Ducky Holmes' Mink league Nebraska City team to a standstill, and if Mr. Luck had been on their side of the fence they would have walked away with the grapes. As it was they got the short end of a 1 to 0 score. The Ancient Ored United Workmen got four hits and Nebraska City two. The Ancient Ored of United Workmen boys didn't make an error and Nebraska City made two. Nebraska City got their two hits and one run in the third round. Our Omaha boys were well satisfied with the treatment they received at the hands of Ducky Holmes and they are willing to trot back to Nebraska City any old time to battle with his colts. One of our local comets, Ducky Corcoran, who is twirling for Nebraska City, umpired the contest and his work was fastness. If he can pitch the good as he can umpire the big show seems ought to be on his trail. The Stars tribe have only lost one game this season and as they are going extraordinarily good they can't be expected to lose any more for them to do the droopy stuff. It is a cinch that Frank Quigley, the manager of the Ancient Ored United Workmen team, will walk away with the grapes of the Stars, as it is his base ball ambition of the 1912 season to again win the championship. He put the Stars team on the map in 1910 and 1911 and now he wants to put the Ancient Ored United Workmen gang of the top of the ladder.

Many Bay Canoes. Six canoes have been sold by Harry Townsend during the last two weeks, five of which will be used at Carter lake and the other at Lake Manawa. All of the boats were eighteen-foot models.

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WOMEN FORMING POLO TEAMS

English Newspapers Are Inclined to Ridicule Them.

THEY'RE STANDING BY GUNS.

British Critics Charge that the Spectacle of Women Playing Polo Would Be a Laughable One.

NEW YORK, June 22.—The announcement of a polo team, composed of women, has been hailed by English newspapers with ridicule, but the society women of this country who are forming the team are standing pluckily by their guns, that is to say, their polo mallets, and fling the taunts of the Britishers back into their teeth.

The several charges made by the English critics, after lumping the whole idea as "an American absurdity," is that the spectacle of women polo players is a laughable one; that the participants in the game don't ride their own ponies, but are forced to borrow those of their men friends; that they don't dare to ride at speed, but walk around in the middle of the field; that the goal line must be widened to the entire width of the back line, to permit of any goal being scored; and, worst of all, that no woman could hold a galloping horse without using both hands, much less strike at the ball successfully.

The American women who have come in for the gibes of the Britishers are the fourteen enthusiasts who recently formed the Meadow Lark Polo club of Long Island. The club is managed by a man, strange to say, but he is in that capacity mainly as a coach, who is already learning from some of his fair pupils. He is Mr. Lenwood Davis.

The women who belong to the Meadow Lark club are Mrs. Thomas Hitchcock, who is president; Mrs. Ambrose Clark, Mrs. G. C. Burney, Mrs. Harold Phipps, Mrs. J. R. Phipps, Mrs. Reginald Brooks, Mrs. Joseph E. Davis, Miss Phoebe Carey, Miss Emily Randolph, Miss Marion Hollis, Miss Flora Whitney and Miss Helen Hitchcock. They practice every day in the week and twice a week the new Westbury Garden field at Westbury, L. I., is reserved exclusively for them.

When the aspersions of the English critics were repeated to the American women they scoffed at the charge that theirs was not just as serious a game of polo as that of the men.

"The ideal," said Mrs. Thomas Hitchcock, who is captain of the women's team, "why, of course, we don't expect to beat the men's teams just now—we haven't been playing long enough—but the game that we women are capable of is far from child's play. I can assure you, 'An American absurdity' indeed. I'm sure I don't know how unskilled our English sisters may be, but I'm certain that we do play a game here at Westbury that nobody need be ashamed of. We had a practice tussle with a team of gentlemen the other day and they didn't beat us at all badly. And they didn't play gently, either. One man told me that he had never been forced to ride so hard in his life. And I'm sure he was not just being polite."

Mrs. H. C. Phipps, one of the fastest players on the Westbury team, was

spectics. Each one has given ample exhibition of her prowess as a horsewoman and a creditable handler of the mallet. The women's team is rapidly gaining confidence upon the field, and when its team play has reached a greater perfection there is no doubt but that it will furnish an exciting battle to the men of the Meadow Brook, Piping Rock and other clubs and to the young collegians from Yale, who have already intimated that they would like to try conclusions with the dashing representatives of the Meadow Lark club.

Water Sports Are Planned for July Fourth at Carter

The annual water regatta and athletic carnival of Carter lake summer clubs will be held in the afternoon of July 4. The Red and Gun club, "V" association and Dist. club are planning to take part. A card of water sports for the afternoon will be arranged, including canoe, rowboat and swimming races, canoe tilting contests, and motor boat races. Several tennis matches and a baseball game will also be played. The club making the best showing in water sports will receive the C. B. Brown silver trophy cup which is competed for annually by clubs at Carter lake. The Red and Gun club won the cup last year.

Coach for the H. S. is Under Consideration

The all-year athletic coach question of the Omaha High school is still "up in the air" and as yet Athletic Director C. E. Reed has been unable to make definite arrangements for a man who will take charge of all branches of sports at the Capital hill school, next year. Several competent men have been under consideration for the position, but none have signed up.

OMAHANS WILL MAKE A HUNTING TRIP IN CANOE

D. M. Martin and Frank Martin of Omaha will leave about the middle of July for a six week's hunting and fishing trip in northern Minnesota and nearby lake points in Canada. They will use a twenty-foot "Old Town" canoe of the Sponson model, which has a carrying capacity of 1,200 pounds. This boat will be shipped by rail to the starting point of the six weeks' trip. The canoe to be used on the trip was received in Omaha Friday.

JACK RABBIT SHOOT TO BE HELD ON THE FOURTH

A one-hundred target shoot, with a "jack rabbit" division of money, will be held under the auspices of the Omaha Gun club, at the club grounds across the river on the afternoon of July 4. The Seymour Lake Country club and the Red and Gun club will also hold shoots on that day.

Advertisement for Pilsener Beer. The ad features a bottle of beer and text describing the taste and quality of the beer. It mentions 'Jetter Brewing Company' and 'South Omaha, Neb.' The text says: 'It has the taste that lingers longest because of its superior delicacy and sparkling goodness. It contains the choicest gifts of nature, skillfully blended by master brewers. In Sterilized Amber Bottles. Family trade supplied by: South Omaha—WILLIAM JETTER, 2502 N. St. Tel. South 568. Omaha—HUGO F. BULZ, 1824 Douglas Street, Phone Doug. 1542. Jetter Brewing Company SOUTH OMAHA, NEB. Keep a case in your home.'