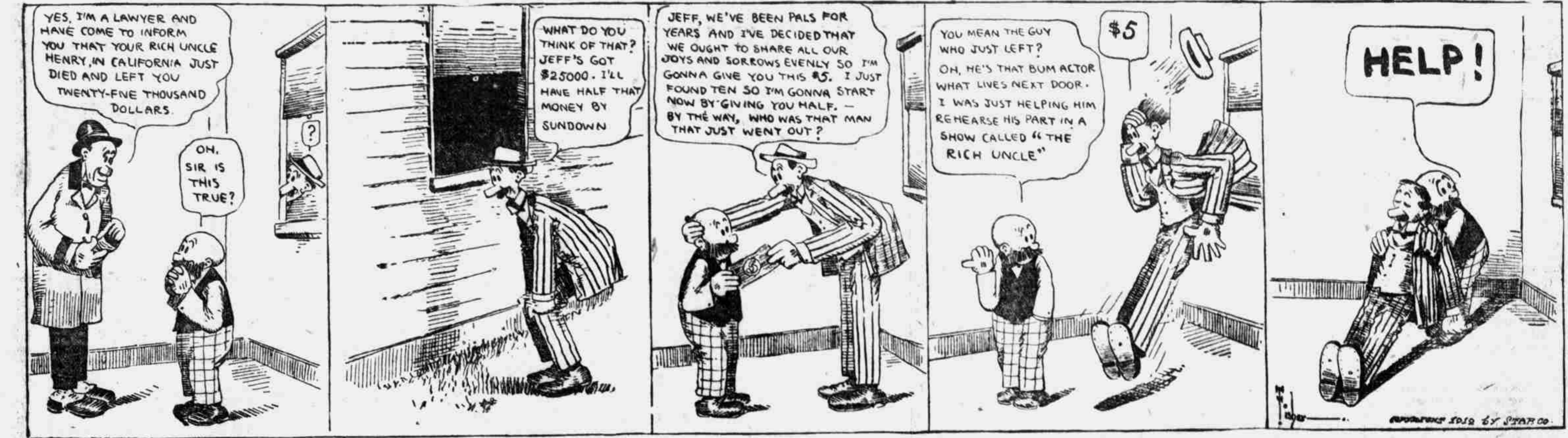


Well It Was a Good Bet at That \$25,000 to \$5.00

Drawn for The Bee by "Bud" Fisher



Judgments

OMAHA and Denver are at present engaged in the most important series of the season. For the outcome of this meeting will determine which of the teams is to have the pennant of the Western league. A slight advantage rests with Denver in playing on the home grounds, an advantage that is quite appreciated by the Western league teams, for the Broadway park is especially trying to visitors, not alone on account of the altitude, but because of the peculiarities of the field. That is one place where the fielder must stop the ball; if it gets by him, it doesn't stop till it hits the fence. But the Omaha players are in good condition, and will play as for their lives, each knowing the importance of the outcome. Some bear stories have been heard about the Grizzlies, one being that their pitchers are in bad shape; that Cliff Healy has a sore arm, Schreiber is overworked, that Harris is feeling the effects of the strain, and so on. Ramey, the youngster who was doing so well, was laid off last week for the rest of the season, on account of his sore arm; Moose Kenschella went back in his last time out, against Sioux City, and was taken from the box to save his life after five runs had been made in one inning. All this may mean much, and it may mean nothing at all. The Denver team is as keen to win this series as is Omaha, and the one sure thing is that each game will be a fight.

Interpretations by the National commission on the new national agreement are such as promise a little relief for the minor league owners. The most important is the ruling that a major league team drafting thirty-five men on its roster in drafting day cannot draft a player. For AA teams the limit is thirty, and for A teams it is twenty-eight. This rule, the commission says, will be enforced on all club owners. It will relieve the minors from the raids that have been so hard on them for the last few years. Another interpretation requires that a player advanced by draft or otherwise must be given a tryout before he can be returned. If he gets his tryout in the fall, he need not be taken by the team on its spring training trip. But he must be played in at least one game before he can be sent back. Also, the young player must be on the big club's roster for at least ten days, which means he will receive ten days' pay. This rule will make the majors a little more cautious, for it will cost them some money; it also insures the young player to have a chance to show what he has. Optional sales are limited to one; that is, a club disposing of a player with an option of recall, if it exercises the recall, cannot again so dispose of that player. It must either keep him or release him. This rule will also stop some scandalous proceedings in the matter of the control of players. If these rules are strictly enforced the minor leagues will be better treated than ever in the matter of the draft.

The tall-end clubs are having something to say about who will win the pennant in all the leagues. If it hadn't been for St. Louis and Brooklyn, New York would have the National clinched now; and if it hadn't been for these teams, Chicago would have a much better chance. And so it is in the Western. Sioux City and Wichita hold Omaha back by winning at unexpected turns, and then the Sioux went ahead and grabbed a game that Denver wanted mighty badly. The trailers have their uses.

Harry Davis' finish at Cleveland did not come as an especial surprise to anyone. He had not made good there, had the enmity of the fans and lacked the confidence of the players. Birmingham now has a chance to do what he did last season, and may get the same deal.

The festive home run cut considerable ice in the series between Omaha and Wichita. The two games lost there went because one of the Kansas sluggers was able to negotiate a four-bagger with one man ahead on the bases.

Last year Omaha lost the pennant because of weakness at short; this year, if we don't win, it will be because of those games that were counted against us because of weakness in left field.

Talk about hard luck—what do you know about a pinch hitter hitting the ball over the fence after two are down in the ninth, with one on?

You might as well begin to pay off on New York in the National. The Cubs fought well, but didn't begin soon enough.

For president of the pinch hitters: Clemmons of Wichita. His home run cost Bills a close game last week.

Those easy games that were dropped last spring look good right now. Jimmy Scanlon is showing that he is some outfielder, also.

It's been a mighty pretty race all summer long.

SIX TEAMS CLAIM THE FLAG

Local Amateurs Cannot Decide Which Team is the Best.

BIG GAMES ARE ON FOR TODAY

All Nations Will Play the Storz Team Again Today at Rourke Park—Gossip of the Various Amateur Teams.

As it is only a question of a few more moons before the old base ball curtain drops to stay in that condition for approximately six months, much loquacious junk is going the rounds as to who is who among the amateurs. About five of our Omaha teams stand about even in their claims for the championship, viz.: Hanscom Parks, Luxus, Hollis, Townsends and A. O. U. W. Here of late the Farrell Syrups have been doing excellent work, but their miserable showing at the beginning of the season easily ostracized them from the race. The only way to decide who is entitled to the rag would be to have an amateur baseball tournament.

At Rourke park today the Storz Triumphs will again buck up against the "All-Nations." These two teams always put up a stiff argument.

The lineup: Storz Triumphs. First.....All Nations. Derrigny.....Second.....Carrie Nation. Grubman.....Third.....Blattler. Durkee.....Fourth.....Shortstop.....Penn Minkus.....Fifth.....Crow. Dougherty.....Leftfield.....Lokane. Hachten.....Centerfield.....Dunbar. Welch.....Rightfield.....Wanbun. Blair.....Catcher.....Reeves. Frobish.....Pitcher.....Donaldson. Olson.....Pitcher.....Fitzgerald. Chamberlain.....Pitcher.....Cabinas. Jackson.....Pitcher.....Jackson.

A couple of excellent duels are looked for at Fort Omaha this afternoon, when the Advos meet the Polish Athletic club in the first game of the double bill, and the Hollis shake paws with the Luxus.

First game: Advos.....First.....P. A. C. McGrath.....Second.....Giggs. Barnody.....Third.....G. Mason. Bowler.....Fourth.....Corbett. Probst.....Fifth.....Tarey. Hollander.....Leftfield.....Kozy. Fritman.....Centerfield.....Badura. Eliastagan.....Rightfield.....Ranowitz. Coe.....Catcher.....Williams. Baker.....Pitcher.....P. Mason. McGrath.....Pitcher.....Lennagh. Second game: Luxus.....First.....J. Dougherty. Rapp.....Second.....Welch. Smith.....Third.....F. Dougherty. Tracy.....Fourth.....McAndrews. Denny.....Fifth.....Lefield. Melody.....Leftfield.....Falconer. Vanous.....Rightfield.....Hronak. Danse.....Catcher.....Creighton. Fox.....Pitcher.....Kelly. Cunningham.....Pitcher.....Hickey.

Today at Athletic park, Council Bluffs, the championship series will start. Without a question the Merchants and Joe Smiths are the two squads entitled to play for this honor. Lineup: Merchants.....Position.....Joe Smiths. Dennison.....First.....Henry. Wall.....Second.....Wickham. Phillips.....Third.....Williams. Scanlon.....Short.....Pheney. Holtman.....Center.....Boyne. Goff.....Catcher.....Hodge. Evers.....Right.....Smith. Payne.....Catcher.....Smith. Hombach.....Pitcher.....Hanson.

Yesterday the A. O. U. W. team left for Plattsmouth, where they are billed for Saturday and today. Last Sunday they trimmed Plattsmouth after a grueling battle and naturally they think they can duplicate.

Among the Amateurs. Next Sunday at Fort Omaha the Luxus and Workmen teams will fight. Dyek and Woodruff of the Luxus made good on the jump off with Norfolk.

Today the Nothing Doing placard is decorating the Townsends' hangout. Grossman was the star that shone the brightest for the Cross family at Missouri Valley.

Twichell, the old timer, held down the left patch for the Workmen gang last Sunday.

Noah, who used to slam 'em over for Omaha, is now tossing the horseshoe for Plattsmouth.

That Polish outfit says they are going to show the Advos a thing or two about base ball today.

Hillard Morearty left last week for Colon, S. D., where he will work the balance of the season.

The Hanscom Parks, one of the local contenders for the championship, will invade Bancroft today.

Last Thursday Clink Clair left for Kearney to finish the season as an adjudicator in the State league.

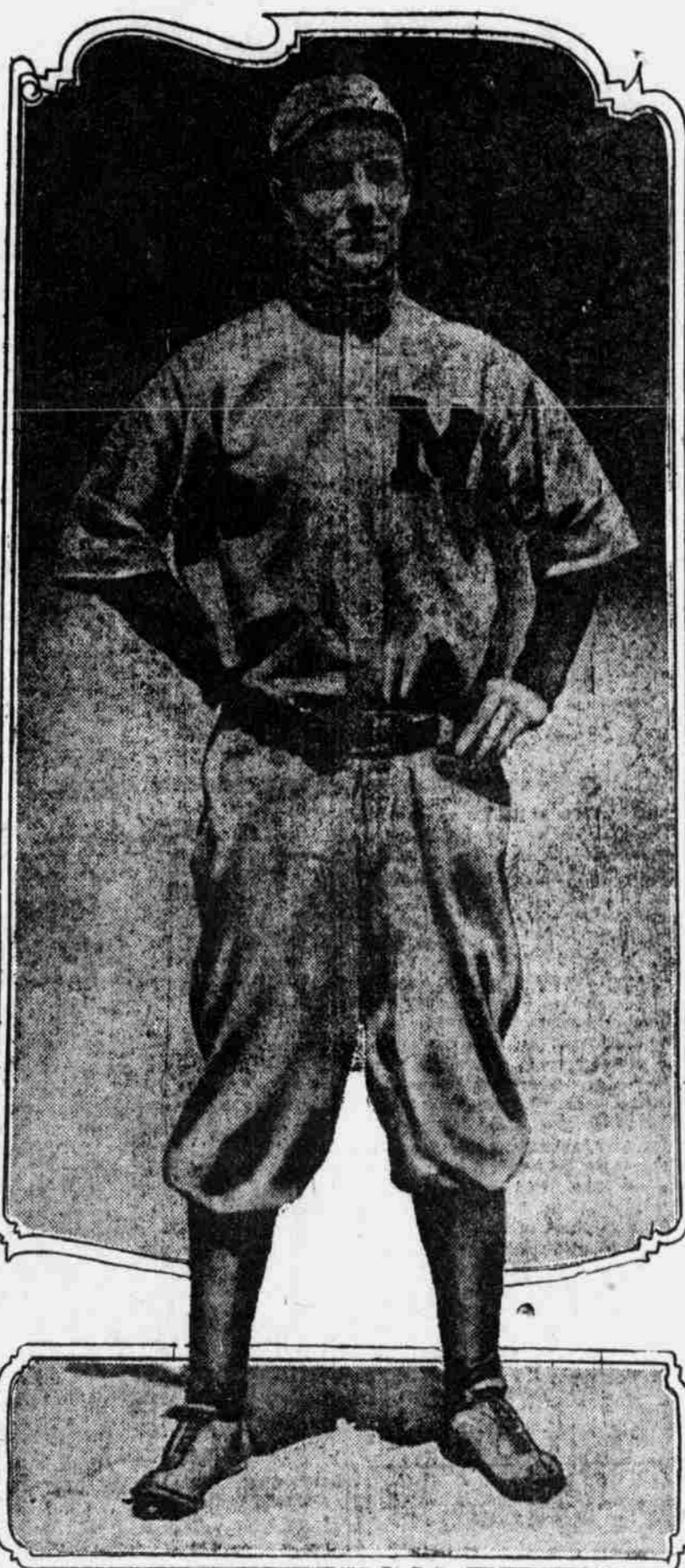
As customary James Mullen has organized an "All Star" team composed mostly of Mink and State league men.

A large crowd will undoubtedly be on hand at Blair today to witness the first belt when they fight the Independents.

Eastman, the Workman second corner, couldn't make the trip to Plattsmouth. He will be on hand next Sunday.

J. S. Cross' tribe will hit the pike for Greenwood, Neb. They will run up against a strong contingent of ball tossers there.

New White Sox Catcher



CHICAGO, Sept. 7.—Ray Schalk, the young Sox catcher secured from Milwaukee for a price said to be \$15,000, today looks up as a valuable addition to the Chicago club. The \$15,000 beauty made good in sensational style in his first game with Chicago, which was against the Yankees. He tried lots of things and made them all go through. Two Yankees tried to steal second and were out by miles. He also caught one napper off third and broke up the New York attack in the fifth with a snap throw to Weaver, which found Chase slumbering. He didn't get much

help besides a couple of brilliant put-outs at the plate, a single, a double and a stolen base. Moreover, it was his initial chance to receive Walsh's pitching, and he did it perfectly. Ray has his growth yet, but even now he looks worth the price, whatever it was.

To see this youngster work behind the bag reminds one of the work of Archer and Kling. He has a world of nerve, more confidence than that, and is a tower of strength, despite the fact that he isn't full-grown. His work likely has won him the place behind the bat for some time to come.

Jack Ryan, the Omaha leaguer, is now wiring for an amateur aggregation at Burke, S. D. He gets \$20 per day as long as they keep him regardless of whether or not he works.

Those Val Blatz boys that started up the hill last Sunday when they slammed the Advos in the gutter are going to do their damndest to keep up the good work when they buck up against Neola, Iowa, this afternoon.

At Papillion the O. D. Kiplingers will lounge today. Up to date the Pappio lads have been tearing things up. They expect a hard battle this afternoon, but at that they are confident of walking away with the large end.

The Florence Athletics mix with a pair of local tribes at Florence town. The first bout will be with the Alhambra and the second with a recently organized combination known as the Walnut Hill Ramblers.

Again the Brodegaard Crowns will romp out of town today. They will grab a creme de menthe dinner at Crescent City, Ia. The Crowns say that although Crescent is a small burg they dish up the largest and best meals in the world.

A double-header is on the bill at Dietz park for this afternoon. The Stars and Stripes will participate in both events. Their opponents for the first tussle will be the young Men's Hebrew association, and for the second muss, the Hanscom Park Ramblers.

Herewith the Omaha "All Star" professional lineup: Swellman, catcher; Lotz and Hanson, pitchers; Farley, first base; Rubin, second base; Clair, short stop; Kelly, third base; Miller, Williams and Henry, outfielders. That bunch of "all stars" will most certainly make the Storz Triumphs hump some to get away with the gravy.

Coach at Ames Opens the Season's Practice With Bear Estimate

AMES, Ia., Sept. 7.—(Special.)—Coach Clyde Williams got his candidates for the 1912 Ames foot ball team together this week for the first practice, and after looking them over proceeded to give out the first bear story of the season. "It looks like a weak team," he said, "although, of course, it's too early to be sure. But the material in sight is mediocre. We have lost too many veterans."

Others who have looked over the ground do not share the coach's pessimism. About half of the men who made the Aggie team in 1911, one of the best in the Missouri Valley, will be in the game again. These include Juhl, guard; Hunt, tackle; Captain Hurst, quarterback; Weyrauch, half; and Hurs, fullback. To fill out, there is a squad of seventy or eighty men, containing the pick of last year's substitutes and of the 1911 freshman team. The Aggies have every year the biggest squad in the state from which to choose their team, and in the squad is always a great deal of heavy material.

State opponents of the Aggies are, however, counting heavily on the loss of Chappel, the fighting end, who kept the team together last season, and on the new rule which does away with the possibilities of the short kick.

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COACH MILLER STARTS WORK

Creighton Foot Ball Squad Resumes Activities Tomorrow Afternoon.

GROUNDS ARE NOW IMPROVED

New Grandstand is About Completed—Miller at Sea as to the Result of the Changes in the Rules.

Harry Miller, for the third successive year coach of the Creighton varsity foot ball team, has arrived in Omaha after spending the summer in a law office at Defiance, O., his home town. It was intended to hold the first practice Friday afternoon, but owing to the extreme heat it was postponed to Monday, when Miller will meet the new men for the first time. Miller is rather reticent concerning the results of the new rules, declaring it will be necessary to give them a thorough try before passing judgment. He thinks that as they were made by men well versed in the game, they will undoubtedly work to the best interests of all.

Miller says that larger scores will be the result of the four downs and the shortening of the field, and the heavier team will be given a greater advantage; that it will, as intended, place the larger, heavier teams in a class by themselves. Last year the offense was weak compared with the defense, producing low scores, but with the new rules Miller thinks this condition will probably be reversed, with high scores on one or both sides.

It is not known yet just how many of the old men will be out in uniform, but there is a wealth of new material in all departments. Maurice Miller, the brilliant captain of last year's team, is at his home in Denver at present, and it is not known whether he will return to Creighton. His loss would be severely felt, as there is no other experienced quarter, and Miller still has three years of intercollegiate foot ball left.

A new supply of foot ball paraphernalia has arrived and will be distributed among the players this week. Two sets of jerseys will be given out, one style to those who are regulars on the first squad, and another to the substitutes.

The spacious new grandstand is nearing completion and will accommodate 2,000 people. The bleachers have been left standing on the east side of the field, facing the sun. The grand stand faces the east. Each student is assessed an athletic fee of \$5, and over 1,000 students will be seen at every game. All of the big games will be played at home this season, that with Morningside being the only one of importance out of town.

The Creighton High school team will have its first practice Wednesday evening.

Heaviest Hitters Are Not Usually Breakers of Bats

NEW YORK, Sept. 7.—Frank Schulte, the heavy-hitting outfielder of the Chicago Cubs, breaks fifty bats a year, it is said, so that this particular home-run hitter is something more than a mere fence-breaker. The bats he uses are of ash, well seasoned, with an unusually small grip, so small, indeed, that his fellow-players are apt to look with scorn upon his private wood pile, save when he begins to line them out. Small grips are rather uncommon, although some of the best batsmen the game has seen used them, notably Cy Seymour when he was at his best.

Cy had a small pair of hands, which interfered with his work as a pitcher, but not as a batter and outfielder. Cy was the cornerstone of that famous Cincinnati outfield of years ago, which was made up of Seymour, Mike Donlin and Cozy Dolan. These men were terrors in a pinch and they used a varied assortment of bats, from the slender stick affected by Seymour to the black pole wielded by Donlin.

Dan Brothers used to say that the bat made little difference, so long as it was "comfortable," and so long as its owner looked upon it with something akin to affection. It might well be added that the style of the batter sometimes has little to do with his hitting, whether it be the choke effect invented by Willie Keeler or the crouch that was Sam Crawford's stock in trade. Young players make the mistake of copying the style of some great batter, and of using a club that is as nearly a replica of the great one as possible.

It used to be said of Larry Lajoie that he could "hit the ball a mile with a tooth-pick," and Hans Wagner, whose real name is John, that he was not particular about the flail he used, so long as he could get a ball off the shoulder. As a matter of fact most of the hard hitters make their long drives from balls that would not have been strikes had they been allowed to go to the catcher. Unless one stands fairly well back from the plate, it is difficult to get the shoulders into a drive made from a perfectly pitched ball.

As a rule, the heavy hitters are not bat-breakers, and in this respect Schulte's record is peculiar. He must catch the ball across the grain much of the time.

High School Lads Prepare for Fall Foot Ball Season

Seven members of last year's first foot ball squad of the Omaha High school will be on hand again this season and Thomas Mills, the newly appointed all-year substitute coach, will have to build up the 1912 eleven from this nucleus and try out material which will line up this week, when the first call for candidates is issued.

Molekin lads of last year who will report this week include Dick Ballman, captain and center; Frank Golden, right tackle; Bob Carlson, fullback; Wayne Setby, quarter; Ellsworth Moser, left guard; Roy Gould, right end, and James Durkee, right half. The last two of this number were substituted during the 1911 season and did not play in enough games to win their "O" letters.

Promising new candidates who expect to take up training this week are Perry Singles, John McFarland, Jimmy Gardner, Ray Culver, Herman Harte, Lisle Keyes, Ward Smith, Carl Storz, Merrill Ady and Jack Sprague. Most of these lads played on the second squad in 1911. As in former years tryouts for the gridiron squad will have to pass a strict physical examination and obtain the written approval of their parents. This plan met with considerable success last year and by a ruling of the school authorities will always be carried out hereafter.

Practice this season probably will be held on the vacant grounds of the school campus at Twenty-second and Davenport streets. Scheduled games will be played at Rourke park.

Captain Hanson is Lining Up Iowa Foot Ball Squad

IOWA CITY, Ia., Sept. 7.—(Special.)—With the arrival in the city of Captain Hanson today, Iowa football followers have found their first inspiration for the discussion of the fall campaign. Hanson has returned in the best of condition after a summer spent on a farm near his home at Union, Ia., and will at once begin the task of looking over the material at hand. Coach Hawley is not expected for another week.

Other members of last fall's foot ball team and candidates who are expected to strengthen the 1912 aggregation considerably are also beginning to arrive. Kirk, who is expected to play fullback this fall, has been on the ground for some time, and one or two other members of the squad live in Iowa City. The university opens its season on September 16, so that all the men will be on hand some days before any organized practice is allowed. The spirit of the rule prohibiting practice before September 20 will be observed closely, but suits will be distributed the day before so that the man can start at once when the time comes.

Ends and halfbacks again promise to be the chief need of the coaches when they call the squad together. These were the weak positions last year, and although considerable material for the positions are in sight, most of the men are light and inexperienced, and it will certainly be difficult to pick capable performers.

The two tackle positions are also open, but better material is available for them. Four high-class quarterbacks will be on the ground, including Curry and Meloy of last year's team, Parsons, the freshman star; and Van Meter, a former ineligible.

The British team will sail for Australia on September 12, and going via the cape will reach Melbourne about October 2. The Davis Cup matches will be played toward the end of November and subsequently the team will go on tour, playing matches probably at Melbourne, Sydney, Adelaide, Brisbane and Perth.

BOWLERS BEGIN TO PERK UP

Booster League Will Open 1912-13 Season Next Tuesday Evening.

AUTOISTS GET INTO THE GAME

Perfect Scores Are Not Expected on Opening Night Because it Has Been Decried to Serve Refreshments.

Omaha bowlers will come to life Tuesday night when the Booster league opens the 1912-13 season. The first night's rolling will be on the association alleys and perfect scores will not be expected because refreshments will be dished out and a general good fellowship meeting will follow.

The much talked of Automobile league has at last become a reality. The league was permanently formed and the teams who will hold franchises in the league were decided on last week. The opening night will be September 13. A total of eighty-four matches will be rolled during the season. The following teams will make up the league: Storz Auto Supply company, Cadillac, Ford Motor company, United Motor Omaha company, Studebaker, Horn Auto company, Traylor Auto company and J. J. Deiright company. The following officers were elected: President, Jack Traynor; vice president, Fred Nygaard; secretary and treasurer, Arthur Storz.

The following schedule will be observed on Tuesday night when the Booster league starts activities: Branch High Balls vs. Popel & Gillers; Clara Belle vs. Maseppa; Fred Seifs vs. Guaranteed Clothing company; Storz Malis vs. Stars and Stripes.

The Commercial league this year will be comprised of eight teams and they will start their season on September 17. Following are the teams which will make up the league: Jetter's Gold Tops, Brodegaard Crowns, Gordon's Fire Proof, Rogers' Permits, O'Brien's Monte Christo, Omaha Bicycle Indians, McCaffrey Bros. and the Omaha Express company.

Britishers Weak On Tennis Courts

NEW YORK, Sept. 7.—It cannot be said that the chances of the lawn tennis team that has been chosen to represent the British Isles in the Davis Cup tournament in Australia are particularly rosy. The four players selected are C. E. Dixon (captain), A. E. Beamsish, F. Gordon Lowe and J. C. Parks. Dixon and Beamsish played in the preliminaries in this country last fall. Together they put up a magnificent fight in the doubles against Bundy and Little, winning at 6-3, 7-5, 6-4. Both Larned and McLoughlin, however, beat Dixon at singles. In view of the manner in which the Australians disposed of the Americans in the finals in New Zealand, Great Britain cannot boast of too much strength when the backbone of its team is composed of two of the players of the trio that was so handsily disposed of by the United States last year. However, it must be remembered that from accounts from the other side both Dixon and Beamsish are at the moment playing better tennis than a year ago, so that after all there may be a spirited contest.

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