

Squares of Sport

FRENCH PICK UP BOXING OPINIONS KEEP SHIFTING

Take to the Arena Sport and Are Fostering It.

PROMOTING OWN FIGHTS INTERESTING CASE OF TINKER

Parisians Are Financing the Scheduled Bout Out of Their Own Pockets and Are Pulling Big Attendances.

By W. W. SAUGHTON. SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 24.—There is certainly a sign of decadence about the French nation. It is quick to originate and quick to learn and in many fields of endeavor it is quick to take the lead. For proof of this, reflect a moment on what France has added to the sum of the world's knowledge in connection with automobilism and air navigation. And without wishing to drop too suddenly from the sublime to the commonplace, think of how France has developed in the pugilistic line. It is comparatively a few years since boxing became a fad in Paris, and few thought the sport would gain a foothold there.

Fewer still dreamed that France would develop any boxers. It was felt that the native Gaul was too merciful to suffer and wait and learn to recognize the opportune moment in a bruising battle which might prove a path to success. But the French have done nobly as ring men. As yet they have not produced any out-and-out world-beaters, but they are heading that way. To hint five years ago that a Frenchman would be found some day to beat the best man in England would be regarded as heresy in any place where the union jack waves, but such a thing has come to pass.

Bombardier Wells has been knocked out—once, but twice by Georges Carpentier, and while many noted English critics felt humiliated over the disaster, they admitted with good grace that the better man had triumphed.

One of Many. Nor is Carpentier the only French boxer who is showing how quickly Frenchmen can adapt themselves to a new form of sport. Every part of the globe where pugilism flourishes has been visited by French fighters and the records will prove that they have done themselves proud.

There are other things tending to show that pugilism has become a staple sport in France. For one thing, the Parisian fight crowds have become educated to the game of the glove and have learned to distinguish genuine bouts from bogus ones.

When boxing was first introduced in the French capital it is said that some fearful and wonderful performances were worked off the neck of pugilism. It was the theatrical side of the thing that appealed to the Gauls, and the boxers saw to it that the bouts were replete with thrills even though no participant was seriously hurt.

"And what's the difference?" said a certain American promoter who had worked off a few realistic pugilistic dramas before the effervescent Gauls. "In Paris boxing is entertainment, and it is doubtful if it will ever become a sport."

But it has become a sport. Ten years ago if Jack Johnson and Jim Johnson had pulled off their little brother act before a French fight crowd, the chances are the spectators would have become hysterical with delight over the make-believe swings and the futile uperates.

As it was, the Frenchmen yelled "throw them out and give us back our money" just as dissatisfied fans do in New York and San Francisco when they discover that the men in the ring are "stalling."

In view of the popular demonstrations of disapproval when Johnson "fought" Johnson, it is to wonder what will happen when Jack Johnson and Frank Moran get together in the French capital next June.

Who Fouts the Bill. The match in question had many peculiar angles. To begin with it is said that the \$25,000 Johnson is to receive has been subscribed by a number of American sports in Paris. Who are they?

Outside of the managers of Langford, Jeannette, Moran and a few of that kind, it is not known that there are any Americans over there who are prominently identified with pugilism.

It may be that this is a misstatement of facts and that the affair is being handled by the French promoters, but if such is the case, it is hard to understand why so much has been set aside for Johnson when his recent bout with the other Johnson drew a scant \$4,000.

Private letters from Paris make it evident that Jack Johnson's popularity is at a low ebb over there now, and that the notion that he is through as a fighter is widespread. On this account the growing suspicion that whoever gives Johnson big money for boxing is going to reimburse himself by backing the other man is in a measure justifiable.

Of course, if Frank Moran wins he will have every right to call himself champion of the world, but how widely will he be recognized as such? Will there not be a dissipation of interest in the contest and all the earmarks of a genuine encounter to regard Frank as a lucky mortal—who was pitched into the distinction?

The cry that Johnson was "all in" and that any ordinarily husky heavyweight could have beaten him will be heard probably on every side and Moran will be hounded by Jess Willard and Gunboat Smith and others and will be made to feel that whoever challenges him has the backing of public opinion.

In treating the subject this way, of course the writer is merely giving expression to his individual opinions. It may be that if Moran triumphs over Johnson in an affair that is free from the taint of scandal, the Pittsburgher will become the idol of fight fans and will be so solidly entrenched as a theatrical attraction at all challengers and will then wait until he is ready to return to the wearisome grind of the ring.

The public is a whimsical proposition. ONE OF COMERS SHOWN IN SCHOOL RACES AT BIG MEET

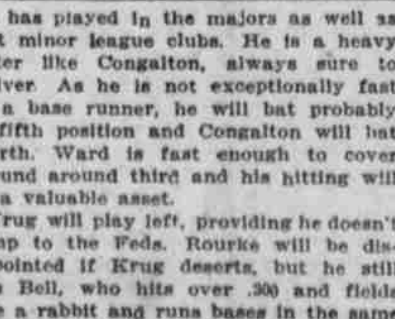
Some promising athletes were shown in the big meet at the Auditorium Friday night, and some displayed better promise than young Dewey Kinsman, of the Walnut Hill school relay racers. Dewey's long, well-shaped legs leaped so swiftly through space as to make him invincible to his competitors. While his mates helped, indeed, to hold up their end, it was largely due to this first-footed lad that his school landed where it did, even though it generally comes out near the top. Dewey led in both races by such a wide margin as to leave his contestants entirely out of the race, so far as he was concerned. As he goes to the High school next autumn, he may be looked upon as one of the comers at future meets.



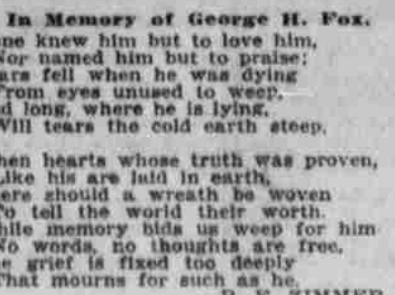
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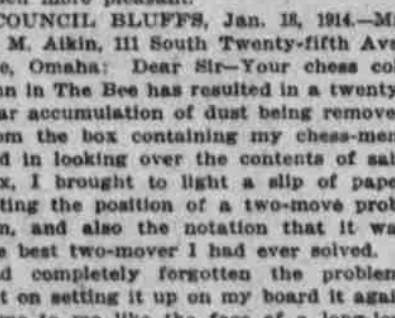
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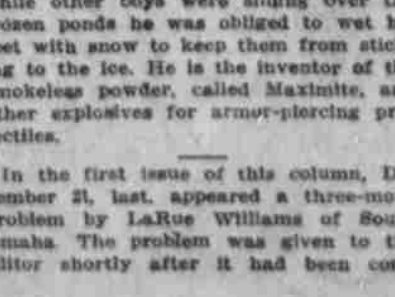
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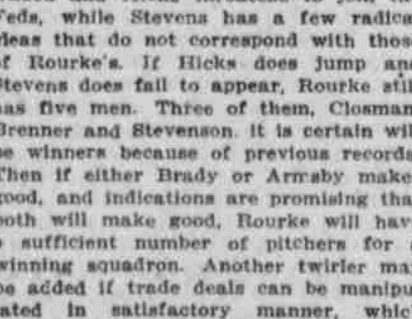
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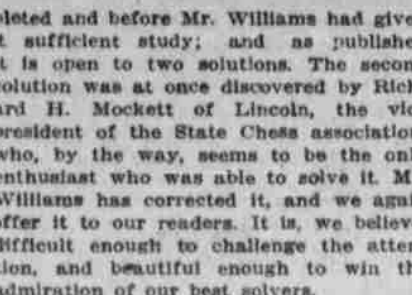
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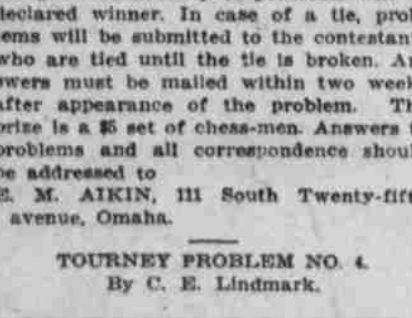
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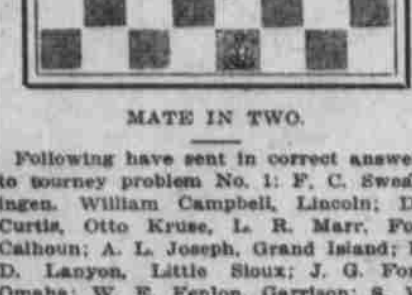
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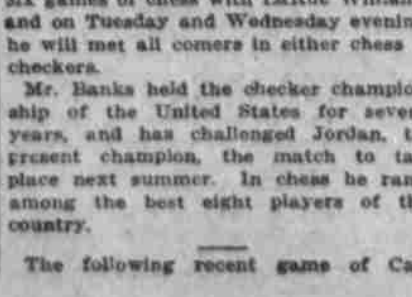
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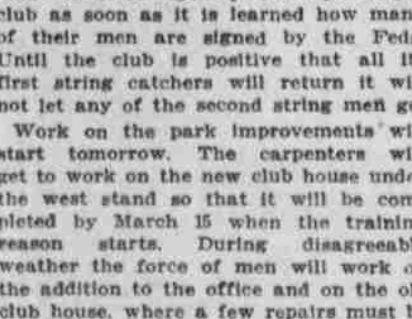
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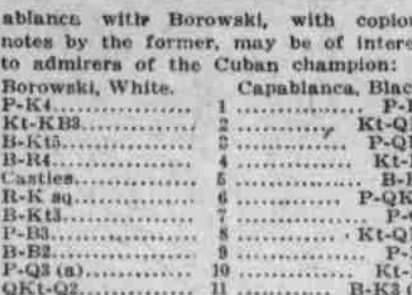
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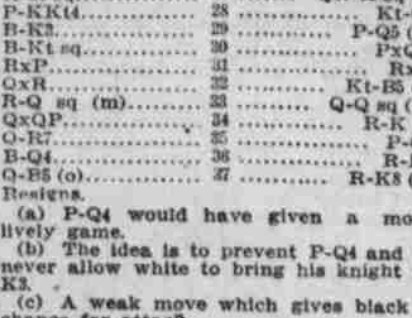
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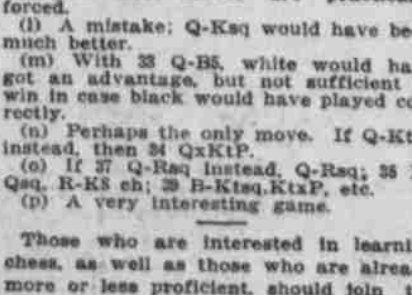
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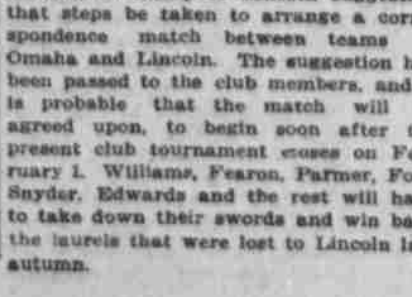
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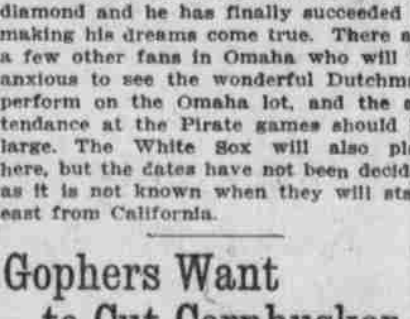
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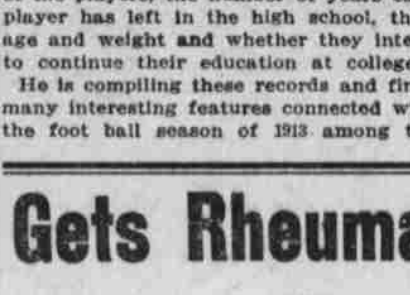
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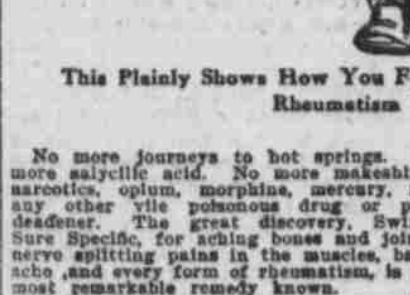
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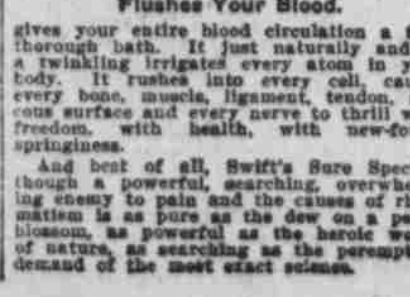
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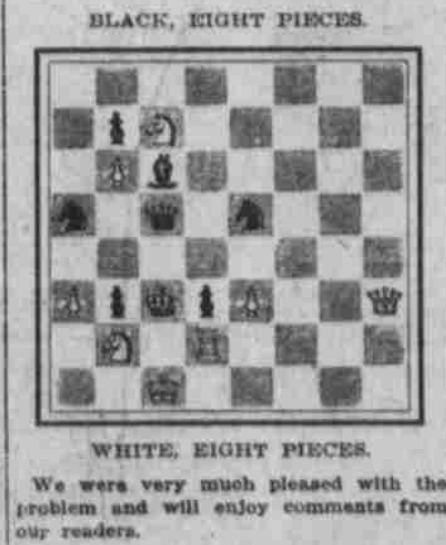
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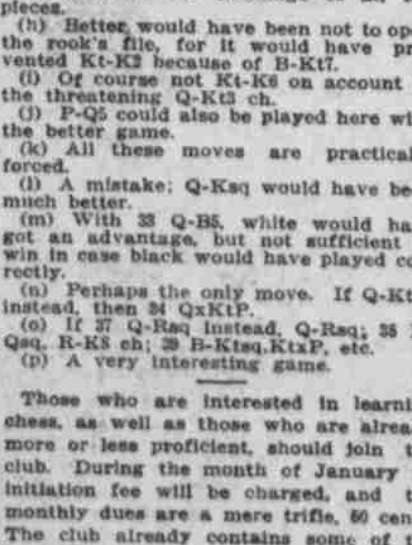
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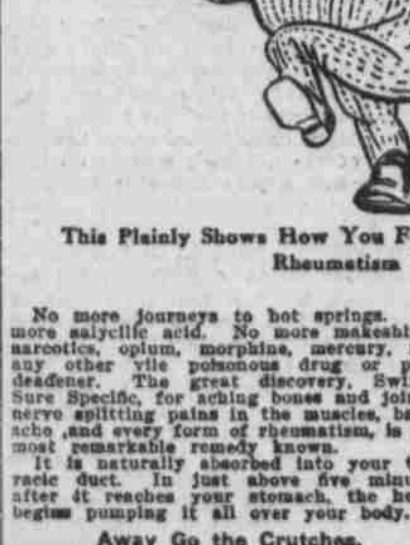
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Nebraska high schools. All of this information will be published in connection with the university annual and copies will be sent to all of the high schools of the state. The work is most complete and marks the first attempt of the State university to keep a check on its football material developed in the high schools. The Nebraska athletic board is sure having its share of troubles this year. With the troublesome Trowen question off its hands by referring it to the Missouri valley conference eligibility committee, the board finds itself divided into factions over the salary raise granted Coach Stehm. It is intimated on good authority that faculty members are preparing to go before the board and protest against the action of the athletic board in boosting Stehm's salary to \$3,000. These faculty members object for the selfish reason that professors are not paid at such a high rate as \$3,000, only Dean Bessey, the oldest instructor at the university, drawing that figure. They say they are willing to grant an increase, but want to grade the compensation of the athletic coach on the same scale that is applied to the educational departments. Undergraduates for Stehm. The undergraduate body is heart and soul with Stehm in his demand, and it was possible to secure the increase when the five student members with Superintendent Fred M. Hunter voted for it. The action of the faculty members will make certain professors mighty unpopular in undergraduate ranks, for it is the sentiment of those outside the faculty that Stehm has well earned his increase. He has made athletics pay at Nebraska much better than it ever paid before, and in addition has given the university a better athletic standing in the eastern colleges than the Cornhuskers ever had. The student members believe this entitled him to a raise. The matter will come up before the regents at the next meeting, and before that time it is hoped the faculty members will reconsider their determination to fight the increase. Stehm's success as a coach is well illustrated by a letter received recently from Mat Wheelan asking for a complete review of the athletic department at Nebraska. Wheelan is writing for an eastern magazine and paper and says that Nebraska's success has placed it in the front rank of colleges. He desires a complete review of the entire year of sports. It will be furnished. While Stehm is busy with his basketball squad he will call for spring football practice just as soon as the weather permits. The track work on the cinder path will also be started as soon as the weather permits.

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Gophers Want to Cut Cornhusker Game Off Schedule. (Continued from Page One.) Also which he sent out to compile complete records for the high school football season of 1913. Already he has heard from nearly eighty high schools of the state, giving the football records, the names of all of the players, the number of years each player has left in the high school, their age and weight and whether they intend to continue their education at college. He is compiling these records and finds many interesting features connected with the football season of 1913 among the

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