# It's the Scissors Hold on the Bank Roll that Counts Right Now

## SUBMITS AUCTION LIST TO WESTERN

#### Harry Sinclair Asks for Bids from Western League Owners for His Ex-Federal Athletes.

## OTHER WESTERN LOOP GOSSIP

Henry Ford Sinclair, oll magnate, banker, newspare publisher and owner of some 90 per cent of the talent and alleged talent, which performed in the defunct Federal league, last year, has sent circulars to the club owners of the Western league, asking bids for the services of the ex-Feds.

Mr. Sinclair's list of athletes is a long one, indeed. The names of a whole flock of athletes, who should be good timber for the Western are included on the list. Mr. Sinclair makes no stipulation. of price on any of his flock, but merely asks for bids. The supposition is that the highest bidder gets the favorites. It is not very probable that the West-

ern moguls will fall in each other's Wway bidding for the men. Western league magnates any not dverig burdened with coin of the realm this year and they aren't buying expensive ball players, Yespecially as several major league clubs are giving 'em away and it looks very much as if Mr. Sinclair will have to follow suit, when he discovers nobody has any money with which to make purchases. Some club may buy one or two of Sinclair's athletes, but not very mans'.

Sionx Train in Missouri.

From Sloux City comes word there will be nothing doing with regard to training at Fairbury. Rourke and Hanion had intended to train at Beatrice and Fairbury, respectively, but the deal is now off, Hanton is thinking of sending his charges to ... oberly, Mo., for training.

Ed Hanlon also breaks into print with the news that he has signed a couple of swell performers, but is not at liberty to divulge their names at the present writing. Hanlon ventures the information that they are both better than Class A players and will be a great help to the team.

Hanlon has started to prepare his program for the 1916 campaign and has sent of his contracts. He has sent contracts Catchers Crosby and Donnelly, Pitchrs Doyle, Gaspar, Kelly, Boothby, Clark

and Tadisco, Infielders Kane, Cooney, Hensling, Gallahan, Naughton and Mueller. and Outfielders Davis, Lejeune and Watson. Of the above number Naughton and

Mueller and Tadisco are new comers, all semi-professionals. Tadisco comes heralded as a phenom by Dave Williams, former manager, of the Indians. He pitched at Hibbing, Minn., last year anfi set things on fire up there.

Topeka Down to Business. Topeka is another Western league city which is tearing things loose in rapid fashion. Upon the appointment of Lattimore as manager John Savage began to comb the country for promising young athletes and he has signed up half the Bushers in Kansas. Those he hasn't sizned Wichita has.

Savage also bas some men who have been tried out in professional company. He has twenty one such players.

Of last year's team Pitchers Grover,



## TWO "JOE'S" WHO WILL MEET PETERS WINS TWO STRAIGHT FALLS

Omaha Grappler Defeats Paul Martensen of Chicago by Using Celebrated Nebraska Scissors Hold.

### FORTY AND TWENTY MINUTES

Paul Martensen, the Chicago wrestler, earned a few more things about the celebrated Nebraska scissors hold when he tackled Charley Peters of Omaha at the Auditorium Friday night, Peters won two straight falls from the windy city chap. the first fall coming in forty-one minutes and forty-four seconds and the second fall coming in twenty-three minutes and fifty seconds. Both falls were won by the scissors hold, aided and abetted by

an arm hold. Martensen, however, furnished a surprise by sticking with Peters as long as he did. He clearly showed that he knew all the fine points of a defense against the scissors. His several matches with Joe Stecher taught him those points. Martensen, in the last year, stayed longer with Stecher than any other wreatler. Time and again Peters locked the deadly acissors around Martensen's waist, only to have the Chicagoan by his

great strength and agility, wiggle out of But Peters stuck to him and it was only a question of time.

#### Peters Good on Defensive,

The go was a fast one, one of the best seen around these parts in some time. Both wrestlers were on top part of the time and most of the work was on the

mat. Martensen, when he got on top of Peters, never stayed very long, nor did he at any time have Peters in a very tight hold. Peters proved as good, if not better, on the defensive as he did on the offensive. The first round started out like a

whirlwind. Both grapplers seemed anxious to get to the mat and they did PLAY FOUR GAMES AT HOME in a few seconds with Peters on top. Instantly the Omaha man went after Manager Racely has just completed arthe scissors and got it, but Martensen

rangements for next year's foot ball succeeded in breaking away. Repeatedly schedule at Bellevue college. Eight games Peters went after the scissors, locked will be played, of which at least four will his legs around his opponent only to have the hold broken, This provides for two games more than Finally, after forty-one minutes, he se usual, but Racely states that athletic cured the scissors and putting on all his

conditions are favorable enough to warpressure, slowly turned Martensen over rant the increase. He is planning, also, on his shoulders. to arrange a longer basket ball schedule Peters Starts Past.

Six of the games are return contests Peters went after Martensen at the from this season, only two new colleges bell in the second stanza. Martensen being on the list. One of these, the game was immediately on the defensive and for October 27, has not seen definitely had all he could do to keep the Omaha scheduled; the other is with Feru, Noman from dumping him in short order. vember 10, at Bellevue. Last year the But Peters was out for blood and per-Peru game was cancelled because of slight trouble among the team, and this severence won again After twentythree minutes of fast grappling without year no game was scheduled, but next hesitation the scissors and arm hold year will see the renewal of bitter foot again proved the Waterloo of the Chiball rivalry between the two schools. As usual the first game of the season cago man and Peters was pronounced the winner.

will be with Cotner. The big game with Doane will be played at Crete next year. Challenge by Ekinnd. Instead of playing a return game at Ray Page, manager of Clarence Ek-Bellevue on Thanksgiving day, Tarkio will play the Thanksgiving game with lund, another Nebraska wrestler, challenged Peters to a match on behalf of his protege, and was accepted. The match will be held in Omaha on Feb-

ruary 19. Three good preliminaries were staged. Mysterious Reynolds, not masked, merely mysterious, wrestled thirty minutes to a

SPORTS SECTION of THE OMAHA SUNDAY BEE OMAHA, SUNDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 6, 1916.

OMAHA TOSSERS WHO PLAY FOR STATE CHAMPIONSHIP-These seven basket ball cracks are members of the Brandeis team of Omaha, which will battle Nebraska Wesleyan, intercollegiate champs, for the absolute supremacy of Nebraska, Thursday night at the Omaha Young Men's Christian association. Last year the Brandeis five trimmed Wesleyan, and is confident of repeating the trick this year.



## OVER ONE HUNDRED TEAMS IN TOURNEY

One Hundred and Thirty-Seven Schools Will Contest in State Basket Ball Event.

### WILL BREAK ALL RECORDS

By JAMES E. LAWRENCE. LINCOLN, Feb. 5 .- (Special.) - The unprecedented flood of inquiries to Manager Guy E. Reed from Nebraska high schools relative to the annual Nebraska high school basket ball tournament has been so heavy as to almost take the breath away. One hundred and thirtyseven high school teams have already signified their intention of contesting in the tournament, and, with the time limit

on entries still over two weeks off, Reed expects to hear from a number of others. Already It is certain the Nebraska management will set a figure which no other state in the union will come anywhere near approaching. With seventy schools last year, the Nebraska tournament was by all odds the biggest in the country.

In addition to announcing the entries so far, Reed has also given additional information to Nebraaka high schools as to the requirements of the tournament and the prize awards.

His records show these teams entered for the hig tournament: Alneworth, Alma, Arlington, Atkinson, Arnold, Alliance, Alexandria, Bancroft, Battle Creek, Beatrice, Bethany, Bratow, Broken Bow, Cairo, Cedar Bluff, Central City, Chadron, Chambers, Clarks, Columbus, Cortland, Cozad, Craig, Crete, Creighton, Crofton, De Witt, Diller, Dodge, Elgar, Elgin, Elmwood, Eustis, Ewing, Exctor, Fairmont, Falls City, Franklin academy, Fromont, Fullerton, Friend, Fairfield, Genoa, Geneva, Gibbon, Gothenburg, Grand Island, Hampton, Hardy, Hartington, Havelock, Hebron, Holdrege, Rowell, Humboldt, Harvard, Hastings, Kearney, Kearney Military academy, Kenesaw, Kimbali, Lincoln, Lawrence, Louisville, Lynch, Lyons, Lowell, Lural. Lebanon, Lexington, Merna, Madison, Marquette, Maxwell, Meadow Grove, Minden, Murlock, Nebraska City, Nelson, Nebraska Military academy, Newman Grove, North Bend, Norfolk, Ohiowa, Oakdale, Omaha High School of Commerce, Omaha, Ong, Ord, Osceols, Osmond, Palisade, Panama, Papillion, Plainview, Pierce, Plattamouth. Randolph, Ravenna, Rising City, Rushville, Sutton, Sargeant, Seward, Schuyler, Shelton, Sidney, South Omaha, Stockton, Shickley, Scott's Bluff, Springfield, Stanton. Steele City, Stella, Stockville, Superior, Stromsburg, Table Rock, Talmage, Taylor, Teachers' High school of Lincoln, Tilden, University Place High achool, Waco, Wahoo, Wayne, Wymors, Winne-ton, West Point, Wilber, Wilcox, Wausa, Wolbach, Wood River, Winnebago and York.

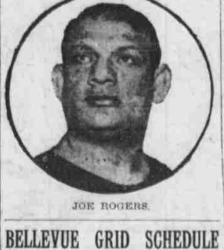
Sixty-Eight New Schools.

Sixty-nine of the seventy high schools which took part in last year's tournament are represented in this list. Sixty-eight new schools are also entered.

Announcement as to prizes is made as follows:

Class A trophy club to become permanent property of Class A champions will be awarded by the Armstrong Clothing company.

Medals-Gold basket ball balls on watch fobs wil be awarded the six best players on the winning Class A team by the athletic board of the university. Class B trophy cup to be permanent property of Class H champions will be awarded by the Magee Clothing company. Medals in this division same as in Class A. Class C trophy cup to be the permanent property of winners of Class C to be awarded by Miller & Paine. Medals sante as in Classes A and B. Additional high schools desiring to enter the tournament must send their requests to Manager Reed before February 15.



Manager Racely Books Eight Games,

Two More Than Usual. for

Eleven Next Year.

be seen on the home gridiron.

next year.

Bellevue at Taraio.

The schedule is:

last evening.

Dashner, Huggins, Hall, Sanders, Lakaff and Carroll; Infielders Cochran, Bostick and Fisher; Outfielders Trainor and Tydeman and Catcher Rapps return. The new men include Widell, outfielder from the Nebraska State league; Snow, catcher from Oshkosh; Finnegan, third baseman from South Atlantic league; Wisipy, catcher from Kanana City, and Daniels and Henson, outfielders from California. Otis Lambeth, a right handed hurler who was with Fort Dodge last year and in the Kansas brush a year ago, has also been signed.

Savage lost a good man in Pitcher Woodbred, purchased from Brooklyn. Goodbred, who is not overly modest, demanded a salary corresponding to that of the president of the largest national bank in Kansas. Savage couldn't see it. Goodbred wouldn't sign and Savage returned the purchase agreement to Brooklyn.

#### Witches Sign Athletes.

Mills Ebright, president of Wichita, subpoenaed his crew last week. Wichita quite a string of athletes on hand. In the catching department Gray and Buster will return while Clyde Geist, Bill Powers, Joe Pate, Gill Davis, Charles Slever, Britton, Zick Tallion, Gus Hetling, Louis Litschi and Bill Fox will be on hand to fill a few other positions. Then Wichita has Bill Abstein, Gus Helfrich and Jimmy Jackson, sturdy veterans who are sure of jobs, and John Blue, Charles McDonnell, Joe Tobin, Major Bravener. and several others who may or may not stick.

#### Railroad Rates Increased.

When the Western moguls gather in Lincoln, February 14, for the schedule meeting the recent advance in the interstate railroad rates is going to start a neat little fuss. The four-tenths of a cent per mile increase will mean just about \$500 more in mileage to each club in the loop. That is considerable of a sum the way base ball is riding in this moderin day and the owners are going to do a whole lot of fussing and fuming before they settle the schedule. Ways and means to abartan the mileage by propitious achedule-making will occupy quite considerable attention.

## Papillion Quintet Wins Over Bellevue

Bellevus seademy basket ball team Bellevia sendemy basket batt the score at the end of the period being was the visitors' star. 15 to 4. Bellevie played up stronger in the score of the first half. The lineop:

BELLEVUE. PAPILLION wart R.F. R.F. Calloway rcher L.F. L.F. Lieber Stewart Zurcher L.F. L.F. Lleber Riart C. C. .... Jungmeyer Smith R.G. R.G. Fricke Kintner L.G. L.G. Spearman Substitutes: None. Goals from field: Jungmeyer (6, Calloway (3), Lieber (3), Spearman, Stewart (6), Emith (3), Zur-cher, Goals from foul line: Lieber (3), Jungmeyer, Calloway, Zurcher. Referee: Market (2), 2000

#### St. Paul Geis Hevenge,

ST. PAUL. Neb., Feb. 5.-(Special.)-The local banket ball team secured aweet revenue on the Grand Island Buriness college team Thursday evening by de-feating it by a score of B to 54. The same was featured by the accurate goal shooting of the local players.

October 27, open. November 27, Midland at Atchison, Kan. November 10, Peru at Bellevus. November 10, Wayne at Wayne. November 24, Doane at Crete. November 39, Tarkio at Tarkio. South High Puts It All Over the **Commerce** Five

October 6, Cotner at Bellevue. October 20, Trinity at Bellevue. October 27, open.

Patton's South High basket ball experts administered a severe trouncing to the Commerce High basket ball guintet last evening on the South High gymnasium floor, 31 to 12.

The Commerce students presented a fast caliber of attack, but persisted in continually "roughing" the play, to the play, Both B. Nixon and W. Graham shot four pretty counters apiece, while L. Corr tallied five more.

G. Reeves was the only man who played In the two games played at the High on the quintet that met the High School Referee Ritche of the Brandels five had a job of it in refereeing the game. The

Commrce team stuck together like bees and bunched three and four on a single man. Johnson, forward, played in stellar fashion, but was too closely guarded to mass any shots. South High led throughout. The lineup:

Nixon Shainholtz ... Bott 

halves, 20 minutes.

## Ames Aggies Lose to the Cornhuskers

LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 5 .- (Special Tele-gram.)-Nebraska scored a fifth straight Missouri Valley conference victory in Ames Aggies in a bitterly fought game on the local floor.

The final score, 35 to 21, does not reflect the close guarding of the Ames 1911, team until the final minutes of play, when Nebraska jumped ahead.

The first half ended 16 to 13, with Nebraska on the long end of the score. a return game Friday night in the Papil- Thiesen and Jimmie Gardiner contributed lion opera house. The high school men most of the brilliant play for Nebraska, outdistanced the preps in the first half. while Aldrich, file little Ames forward.

Tomlinson also contributed one of the the second session, making eleven points. features with a goal after taking the The Papillion boys, however, doubled ball the full length of the floor. Injuries kept Captain Holmes of the visitors out of the game, Summary:

NEBRASKA C) Aldrich Porterfield Thiesen R.F. R.F. Rutherford L.F. Nelson C. Green. J. Gardiner. R.G. R.G., Hugg (C).....L.G. L.G. Tomlinson Boynton

Substitutes: Campbell for Thiesen; Shields for Nelson; C. Gardiner for J. Gardiner: Abbott for Porterfield; Brag-don for Abbott. Field goals: Thiesen, 6; Rutherford, 3 Tomlinson, 3; Abbott, Green. Free throws: Thiesen, 3; Mdrich, 5.

was announced Reynolds was the welterweight champion of the world. Paul Wahtzig had no trouble in win

ning from Joe Bowers, two straight falls in quick time, while Tom Ray won from Fred Mindell, two successive falls. Seniors and Juniors

Tied in the Basket **Ball Tournament** 

draw with Joe Miller. After the go it

After four games have been played, the leadership in the interclass championship end that B. Nixon and the remainder of basket ball tournament is a deadlock behis clan returned the compliment with something added. But four baskets did two games each. The Sophomores and the visitors mass in the forty minutes of Freshmen, who have not won a game thus far, will battle for the cellar position tonight as a preliminary to the Omaha High-Sioux City High game.

school Friday afternoon, the Seniors and Reserves the night before who played the Juniors defeated the Freshmen and Sophomores. The Junior-Sophomore game proved a battle from start to finish, but the Seniors had a comparatively easy time.

The lineup SENIORS, FRESHMEN, Powell (c)..., R.F. R.F., Vorn Reynolds, L.F. L.F., Mil Geisler, C. C., Underwork Reese, R.G. R.G., P. Crowley, L.G. L.G., GUI Vorhees Miles Underwood Poff Giller (c) Substitutos: Yates for Miles. Goals from field: Reynolds, 3; Geisler, 4; Un-derwood, 2. Foul throws: Crowley, 3. Referee, Mulligan. SOPHOMORES. JU Longwell (c). R.F. R.F. Potter L.F. L.F. JUNIORS. Usher

Comp (c) Rogers 

## Josh Devore Signs **Phillies Contract**

tionals.

MARIETTA, O., Feb. 5 .- Josh Devore, former outfielder for the New York Nahasket ball here last night by defeating next season. Devore today signed a contract offered him by Manager Moran to

play with the Philadelphia Nationals. He has played in every world series since except the 1915 seriers. He played with New York Nationals from 1911 to 1914, when he was sold to the Philadephia Nationals and then to the Boston Na-

## SYMES BESTS CHAMBERS BY CLOSE SCORE IN TOURNEY

Harry Symes beat William N. Chambers, 350 to 195 last evening at Symes' parlors, in the state billiard tournament. Art Sciple referred the match, which ran

fifty-three innings. Symes made an average of 4%, with high runs of 28, 27 and 54. Chambers' average was \$5. with high runs of 17, 16 and 16. The next match will be played Monday evening, when Chambers and Albert Cahn, sr., will contest.

Birdle Cree Released.

Tomilinson, 5: Abbott, Green. Free throws: Thiesen, 5: Addrich, 5. Matthews at Atlanta. The Atlanta club has signed Harry (Smutter) Matthews, the veteran catcher and manager. Charles H. Ebbets has written to Char-ley Weegliman asking for a catcher and an outfielder for the Superbas.

Champs to Hot Springs.

ville misses.

The world's champion Red Sox will train a uscal at Hot Springs, Ark.

Ebbets Wants Help.

Is Society Man.

"There will be nothing like that next

season. We have heard about Haugh-

ton's methods. Why, I hear that he

makes any athlete he has anything to

do with measure his food. He makes

them eat, something I never heard of, I

believe they call them calories. They

must be pretty good at that, for, accord-

ing to the newspapers, Eddie Mahan, the

Harvard captain, ate 189.14 calories just

before the Yale game. I doubt if I ever

will like calories, though. If they were

any good. I would have run into them

before this, is I have patronized every

lobster palace from Atlantic City to the

Cliff House in 'Frisco, I wonder if it's

"I suppose he will lecture us when we

exemplars, is to have cohesive effort.

Shun the enervating beer and awake in

brain and speed to the park for your in-

"In other words, he is trying to tell us

seafood.

itiatory duties.'

body's fence down.

the J. L. Brandels, amateur champions of FLOOR HONORS OF Nebraaks, and Wesleyan College, intercollegiate champions of the state, come STATE AT STAKE Wesleyan and Townsends Will

honors by their accomplishments of the tion players in the state. Battle Thursday for Basket season

BRANDEIS VICTORS LAST YEAR classed.

1,000 .830 .500 .400 333 Coach Kline's huskies have also an enviable record. The University of Ne- Last year four-fifths of the transportabraska, South Dakota, Tarkio and Cotner tion was paid.

have fallen before the dashing attack of his players. In most cases the games ment of the university and the Commer have been so one-sided that the contests cial club of Lincoln to help defray all resolved themselves into mere practices the expenses of a banquet where all of

for the Methodists.

easoned college tossers, the advantage, if any, rests with the Brandeis. Most of

and Cohn, the other two heavers that

compose the squad, are veteran players.

Cohn held down a forward position on

fives for a number of years and last sea-

the Brandeis players have been teaming together for the last five seasons. Last year the five performed under the name

of the Townsends and under this appelation took the Methodists to a cleaning.

.500 .500 .550 .250 Five of the Brandeis crew are former Omaha High school men and were in-

strumental in winning the state high

250 players are: "Dutch" Platz, Burkenroad,

Townsends have been showing up with unusual strength. The Gunners are The big basket ball tilt of the year will launched safely in second place and

take place Thursday evening at the promise to stay there unless bumped Young Men's Christian association when again by the Brandels,

Four Playing Floors.

This additional information has been sent out by Reed to schools:

The tournament will be held March 8, 9. 10 and 11. The playing floors available will be the armory and chapel at the university, the Young Men's Christian association and the city auditorium. The teams will be classified into three divislons- A, B and C. This classification will be made on the basis of your record for

the season, the class of teams you have played, the size of your city, the number of veterans on your team, the number of boys in the high school and your tour together for a mix to decide who's who nament experience. A competent un in state flipping circles. For some time prejudiced committee will have charge of a verbal argument has been carried on all of the arrangements. The officials between the Coyotes and the department will be chosen from among the best colstore tossers, each claiming the state jege and Young Men's Christian associa-

The rules as devised by the joint com-To date the merchants have not lost mittee of the Young Men's Christian asa wrangle, having avalanched all their acciation, Amateur Athletic union and tha local contemporaries by overwhelmingly National Collegiate Athletic association large scores. Even the fast Burgess- will be strictly adhered to.

Nash. Townsend and Clark fives of the A sliver loving cup is the grand prize. Tri-City league have been completely out. The entire receipts of the tournament will be pro-rated among the visiting teams according to the distance traveled.

It is planned by the athletic departthe visitors can be present. The theaters

While Kline's quintet is composed of will have good attractions and the wellversity organizations will hold open house.

### MANY ENTRIES FOR BIG METROPOLITAN TOURNEY

Entries for the Metropolitan handlean bowling tournament, which starts February 14, are coming in fast. Nearly all of the class B teams are already enschool tournament several times. These tered and a number of class A teams have placed their names on the list. Hughes, McWhinney and Koran. Ritchie Five team prizes, five double prizes and eight single prizes will be offered.

Central City Defeats Grand Island. Cohn held down a forward position on the University of Wisconsin team. Ritchie has been playing on the fastest local fives for a number of years and last sea-sdn was selected on the "All-Omaha quintet." After walloping the University of South Dakota and then holding the Connusk-ers to a close score, local fans were rather surprised to see the Burgess-Nash

#### Crete Defeats Fairmont.

Crete Defeats Fairmont. CRETE, Neb., Feb. L.-(Special.)--Crete defeated Fairmont here tast night by a score of 38 to 30. Crete had the best of the game all the way through and sent in subs in the hast half. The score at the end of the first half was 18 to 5. Frun-dell and Ellis starred for Crete, while Enlestend played well for Fairmont. So far Crete has not lost a game on the new Doane floor.

#### Holes to Be Coach.

Walter Bales, catcher with th Angeles Coast league team, has be pointed coach for the base ball so Pomone university in California

report for the southern training trip. He Towns report for the southern training trip. He will say: 'My dear follows, the only way to attain the ultimate of success in the grand profession of which you are gifted University of Omaha. .000 Bellevue College COMMERCIAL LEAGUE. Pet. the morning with bright eyes, unwabbly Omaha National Bans, Joe Smiths High School Reserves... Creighton Laws... Townsend Tigers.... M. E. Smiths... Commercial High... Commercial Creamery C Omaha National Bank ... .000 000 400 167 000 to use team work and lay off booze. I

Ball Championship.

Standing of Teams.

TRI-CITY LEAGUE

T.

also hear that Percy is quite a squash Fairmont Creamery Co 5.....0 CHURCH LEAGUE. racquet player. I don't know anything about the game, but if they don't walk. me purposely too much I'll knock some-

"Haughton, I hear, is a society man, so he doesn't want to be near Hank Gowdy when he is cating soup. Hank First

J. L. Brandeis.

eating soup would make a good red seal Schedule for the Week.

record for the Victor people over in Camden. Perhaps he also would be bored at that playful little specialty of Schmidt and Maranville. With the former on one aide of the dining room and the latter on

the other. Maranville can take a Jules Junker roll and bean Schmidt's waiter with it nine times out of ten. When the walter wears a 6% hat sometimes Maran-

"On the Pullman trains Haughton may not think it is clubby if the boys block up the aisles with poker parties, and, sitting half nude, shock women who are

trying to reach the dining car. And what they do to the innocent African porter will make Haughton jump off the train.

rather surprised to see the Burgess-Nash

lose last week to the Townsends in the Tri-City league. The ex-university play-

off with their fourth consecutive win

Since their defeat by the Brandels in the opening game of the league, the

ers showed no wheres near the form they displayed in the Husker battle and as a result, the shifty Townsends waltsed