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KAVANAUGH SECOND IN LIST OF SINGLES

Columbus Man High for Day in Individual Shooting at State Tourney.

SOME OF TEAM SCORES

LEADERS IN TOURNEY. Five Men Teams. Fremont Candy Kitchen, 2,711; Corey & McKelvey, 2,691; Metz, Omaha, 2,686; Popular Cafe, Lincoln, 2,654; Murphy Dtd Bks, Omaha, 2,628.

Ames and Kent, Omaha, 1,170; Pepper and Faule, Grand Island, 1,128; Douglas and Bier, Fremont, 1,128; Tanner and Kenney, Omaha, 1,105.

F. Hammond, Fremont, 684; E. Kavanagh, Columbus, 681; E. Kavanagh, Fremont, 615; Kennedy, Omaha, 606.

Fremont, Neb., April 14.—(Special Telegram).—Ed Kavanagh of Columbus took second place in the singles in the State Bowling tournament yesterday, when he shot 622. Pete Hammond of Fremont leads in this event with 654.

Five-men scores of the afternoon: LEWIS SUFFETS (Omaha). Tot. 26. 30. Tot. Forbes 191 184 375; Wiley 147 146 293; Shields 148 146 294; Rosenburg 134 137 271; Totals 610 599 1209.

WIZARDS (Grand Island). Tot. 26. 30. Tot. Hainline 201 201 402; Jackson 197 196 393; Milson 189 188 377; Hirt 148 146 294; Nelson 134 137 271; Totals 769 768 1537.

BRUNSWICKS (Grand Island). Tot. 26. 30. Tot. R. Harrison 158 158 316; Currie 157 156 313; Pepper 153 152 305; Faule 154 153 307; Totals 622 619 1241.

Other team scores: Herald Co., Fremont, 745 746—2,369; Knox-Kreitinger, Fremont, 614 615—2,022.

Singles Scores: Tot. 26. 30. Tot. Kavanagh 221 222 443; Nelson 222 221 443; Kavanagh 222 221 443; Nelson 222 221 443; Kavanagh 222 221 443; Nelson 222 221 443.

Doubles scores today: Tot. 26. 30. Tot. Faule 192 192 384; Harrison 179 179 358; Currie 184 183 367; Nelson 145 144 289; Ammon 201 201 402; Hirt 148 146 294; Hamlin 149 148 297; Jackson 146 145 291; Brown 152 151 303; Rosenburg 154 153 307; Starboard 147 146 293; H. Hansen 149 148 297; Riddell 149 148 297.

The Popular Cafe team of Lincoln went to fourth place with a score of 2,634. Pepper and Faule of Grand Island shot 1,125 for third place in the doubles. The Five-man team scores for the evening: Popular Cafe, Lincoln, 2,634; Savoy Hotel, Lincoln, 2,628; A. O. U. W. No. 149, Omaha, 2,610; Whavo Club, Wahoo, 2,526; Evans Turner, Lincoln, 2,291.

American Association. At Kansas City—R. H. E. St. Paul, 0 0 0 0 3 0 0—3 2; Kansas City, 1 0 2 2 0 0 0—7 11 0.

Batteries: St. Paul, Hagerman, Williams and Olson; Kansas City, Chalmers and Barry.

At Louisville—R. H. E. Toledo, 1 0 2 0 0 0 0—3 1 2; Louisville, 2 2 1 0 0 0 0—3 5 2.

OMAHA DRIVING CLUB ACTIVITIES

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blood of years of breeding in Kentucky. Along with Tip Frisco came four fillies, recent purchases of Mr. Smith, including a coming 2-year-old sired by San Francisco's son. These fillies are to be developed at the Benson plant, together with other promising performers in the Smith stables.

Sioux City's best known horseman, "Stuck" Conley, is going to pull up stakes in the Iowa hamlet and come to Omaha with his string, regarded as one of the fastest in the Hawkeye state. Mr. Conley for years has been the dominating figure at the Sioux City track, where he built up a reputation as a clean sportsman and a developer of light harness stars. He expects to be permanently located here by May 1.

Workers are busy at Benson beautifying the Omaha Driving Club's Great Western circuit's plant, which by the time of the spring meeting, June 12 to 14, inclusive, will take its place as the most attractive twice-around track in the middle west. The infield and the space about the stands are to be laid out in a landscape gardening scheme that should make the Benson plant, driving club officials are confident, a worthy neighbor of the Omaha Country club nearby.

Lee Fohl Says Six Clubs Have Chance To Cop the Pennant

There will be six powerful teams in the American league pennant drive in the opinion of Lee Fohl, manager of the Cleveland club. Cleveland, he believes, will be among the six. Fohl does not think that Washington and Philadelphia will cut much figure.

"Making predictions as to how the teams will finish is not in my line and this is one year in which it would be foolish for me to start anything," Fohl said. "I think, however, that it will be one of the hardest fought campaigns in the history of the league."

"My reason for believing that Cleveland will be up in the race is because the team looks so much stronger than a year ago. I am not an alibi manufacturer. We had accidents in 1916. So did the other teams."

"We have a strong pitching staff. Morton is going to cause a surprise by his comeback and I am most emphatic in saying that I am banking on Joe Wood to hold up his end of the pitching."

"I shall make no effort to say how the teams will finish. Six powerful teams are in the circuit and every game should be hard fought. I am counting out only Philadelphia and Washington. I fail to see where Washington has strengthened. In fact, I think the club has been weakened by the failure of Harper's arm to come back. As for Philadelphia, it appears as if Connie Mack had picked up some good players, but he can scarcely expect to finish better than seventh."

Les Darcy to Fight Chip Before Youngstown Crowd

Before leaving for New Orleans, for his contest with Jeff Smith, April 23, Les Darcy, the Australian middleweight, posted forfeits binding his match with George Chip in Youngstown, O., May 19.

The contest will be staged in a ball park. Provisions are to be made to seat 20,000 persons. Darcy will receive \$10,000, according to reports. The Australian has taken out his first citizenship papers, and proposes to make Chicago his home.

Brothers-in-Law Are Both Indian Twirlers

Clarence "Pop-Boy" Smith, pitcher of the Cleveland Americans, believes he's a better twirler than his brother-in-law, Jim Bagby, who also is with Cleveland.

"I have just as much stuff as he has—and I don't care whether he thinks so or not," Smith said. Bagby married Smith's sister.

REV. "BILLY" PUTS O. K. ON RING GAME

Evangelist Declares There is Nothing Wrong With Boxing Game When Regulated.

SAYS IT'S BULLY EXERCISE

New York, April 14.—The Rev. Billy Sunday, the evangelist, is a boxing as well as a base ball enthusiast. Talking on the ring game recently, he said:

"Nothing wrong with it. Boxing, properly regulated, is not harmful and does a certain amount of good. Certainly not corrupt any one's morals. There can't be any harm as long as they don't slug with bare knuckles, as in the old days," added Sunday.

"Boxing makes a fellow courageous, makes him self-dependent. The boy or man who can box isn't afraid. He knows he can protect himself and you never find that sort of a fellow seeking trouble."

"Every boy should be taught to box. Bully exercise. I want my boy to be able to box and protect himself. You never heard of a good boxer going around with a gun in his pocket, did you? No, you bet you didn't."

"I believe in boxing and all manly sports, just as I believe in universal military training. Good things for the nation at large. Makes boys and men strong of body and mind. That's what we want—strong men, not weak old fossils. Athletics keep you in good health. That's the main thing."

"And," concluded Sunday, with a wink, "I don't mind telling you that I can handle my own dukes pretty well. In my younger days I was somewhat of a boxer myself, and I haven't forgotten how."

Phillies Make It Two Straight From Dodgers

Brooklyn, April 14.—Today Philadelphia made it two straight from Brooklyn by hard batting against Smith and Coombs, making seventeen hits for a score of 11 to 3. Rixey was effective. Mowrey signed his Brooklyn contract today and Ed Appleton left for Baltimore.

Ty Cobb Favors Training Camp on the East Coast

Tyrus Cobb, star of the Detroit Americans, has suggested to Manager Jennings that the Tigers train on the east coast next spring.

"There is a marked absence of fooling winds in Georgia and Florida and it would be an ideal spot for the Tigers," Cobb said. "Then, too, it would be territory that has not been visited by the Detroit team in a number of years."

Cobb pointed out that the Washington club trained at Augusta (Ty's home) this spring and the players left there in splendid condition.

Increase Capacity of Detroit Club's Stands

Improvements made in the grandstands at Navin field, home of the Detroit Americans, have increased the seating capacity. The club will be better equipped for handling big Sunday crowds. The press stand has been moved from the front of the grandstand to the roof of the structure.

TEMPERMENTALITY IT SHOULD BE NOW

Georgian Proves Evers, Zimmerman et al Have Nothing on Him.

BENNY KAUFF IMPROVING

By JACK VEIOCK. New York, April 14.—Tyrus Raymond Cobb, greatest of ball players, is apparently entitled to another moniker.

Ty should be passed the laurels as king buzzer of the temperamental players as well, for it is apparent that he has something on Johnny Evers, Heinie Zim and a few other stars who have become famous for their shows of temper on the field of play.

Cobb's recent fistful engagement at Dallas, Tex., with Buck Herzog was nothing short of disgraceful, and Cobb deserved severe punishment from Jack Johnson for his actions.

Had it been a case where both Cobb and Herzog were to blame for the trouble the thing would look different. But Cobb openly admitted that he spiked Herzog purposely, and such a thing is bad for the game.

Cobb gets by with a lot of arrogant stuff, because he is pretty capable of taking care of himself in a personal encounter with any player in the big leagues today. He can fight, and he has a temper which makes him see red any time things don't go to suit his prima donna tastes.

The rumpus in Dallas may be an evidence of a change of brotherly feeling among the ball players that was predicted when the props were knocked from under the Players' fraternity last winter.

At the time base ball men high up in the game predicted that more rivalry would be noticed on the field of play with the Frat out of commission, and the series between the Giants and Tigers, at least, demonstrated that two big league players have returned to the "fightin' ways" of the old-timers.

The base ball fan doesn't demand rowdiness, however. He is satisfied to see a well-played game of ball in which the players exert every legal energy to win, but that lets him out.

A good exhibition of fisticuffs is a nifty thing to watch if it is pulled off in a sixteen-foot ring, where fisticuffs belong. But such a thing in base ball, if it became common, would soon stir up feeling against the game that would do it a world of harm.

Just because a player is temperamental is no sign he should be allowed to get away with it all the time. And Tyrus Raymond Cobb has no reason to expect that the base ball public will excuse the player who admits that he tries to slash an opposing player with his spikes.

Little Benny Kauff has not been press-agented to death this spring. As a result Benny is showing up to much better advantage with the Giants than he did at this time last year, and all because the base ball public is taking him as a matter of course and not expecting too much of him.

Throughout the spring training trip of the Giants, Kruff exhibited batting and fielding ability that is natural with him, and he looked 50 per cent better because he did not have a worry in the world.

The knowledge that the base ball public was watching every move he made, hurt Kauff last year. It hurt his hitting, most of all, and column after column that was written about him got to be a subject for no little amount of "kidding" directed at Benny by the members of his own team.

Some writer of base ball quoted Kauff last year as having said he would show 'em how to hit that pill. And some of the players took it to heart. As a result every time Kauff failed at the bat some of the boys on the bench reminded him of "what he had said" and the thing got on his nerves. But Kauff is "broken in" now, and he has learned that one tip from McGraw is worth all the scattered advice of a many-minded base ball public. Following McGraw's orders will probably make a 300 hitter out of Kauff this year.

Brooklyn fans are preparing a pedestal upon which to enthrone a new idol this year, and they will be greatly disappointed if their expectations fail to materialize. The new idol that Brooklyn is preparing to pay homage to is little Benny Fabrique, the new shortstopper, secured in the draft last fall from Providence.

Fabrique's work around the shortstop catches who was booked by the Cleveland club for New Orleans, but objected to an assignment so far south, has been turned over to Milwaukee.

LEONARD'S NEXT GO IS WITH MITCHELL

New York Lightweight Rapidly Recovering from K. O. by Kid Grippe.

DELAYS BOUT WITH OHAMP

New York, April 14.—Although he is rapidly recovering from the K. O. wallop handed him by Kip Grippe, which necessitated the indefinite postponement of his proposed match with Lightweight Champion Freddie Welch, it will be a month or more before Benny Leonard will be able to go through with it. Leonard's next battle will be the scheduled one with Richie Mitchell at Racine on April 17. As soon as this contracted obligation is fulfilled he will meet Welch in his next match.

Leonard has been having a tough siege of illness, but he is picking up fast now. According to his physician, he is making a remarkably fast recovery. The medico accounts for it by his excellent physical condition, due to boxing and systematic exercise. It is planned to send Benny to Atlantic City for about a week to recuperate. Then he will resume training to fit himself for the Mitchell match.

Leonard's illness has cost him heavily in a financial way. Manager Billy Gibson figures that he lost about \$25,000 in matches which he had arranged.

According to reports from the west, the Mitchell match will attract a huge crowd. Tom Andrews of Milwaukee, who is promoting it, writes Gibson that he and his associates expect to "play" to a capacity crowd.

"The advance sale already amounts to \$20,000," said Tom, "and the bout is still three weeks off. This indicates capacity. Interest in the match is at fever heat, and I am confident that it will draw the record house in this territory."

Fulton and Morris Both Show They Are Flivvers

New York, April 14.—Accepting the performances of Fred Fulton and Carl Morris in the ring at the Manhattan Casino on face value, it must be patent to the veriest layman that neither would have the palest ghost of a chance in a championship bout with Jess Willard. This statement is based upon the presumption that the champion can attain somewhere near the same physical condition that he enjoyed slightly more than a year ago, when he punctured Moran's championship aspirations at Madison Square Garden.

Morris showed plainly that he is a rough and trouble fighter, absolutely devoid of science and prone to employ foul tactics. Fulton demonstrated clearly that he is wanting in fighting spirit, ring generalship and lacks the self-control that a prospect must possess before he can be truly reckoned as a contender.

So it seems Willard still stands alone at the head of the procession.

Fisherman Pining for Crack at the Game Fish

Deciples of Isaac Walton, who scorn the still water lakes of Nebraska and refuse to call fishing sport unless testing their skill against the fighting game fish, are beginning to hear the call of the swiftly running stream and the big lake.

The open season on trout opens in Minnesota and Wisconsin, where the lake trout flourish today. The open season on pike, sturgeon, pickerel, bass and muskellunge does not open in Minnesota until May 30. In Wisconsin the open season on pike, muskellunge and all other food fish opens May 1, except black, gray and oswego bass, on which the season opens May 29.

The season opens in Michigan on May, except for bass. The season on bass doesn't open until June 15. Iowa's open season starts May 15. In Nebraska the season opened on all kinds of fish, April 1.

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