SHORE PITCHES PERFECT GAME AGAINST GRIFMEN; FERDIE SCHUPP LOSES FIRST FRAY OF THE SEASON

MANY FEATURES IN DOUBLE WIN BY BARRY'S MEN

Ernie Shore Twirls Perfect Game, Babe Ruth Assaults Umpire Owens, Leonard Licks Walter Johnson.

Boston, Mass., June 23.—A no-hit, no-run, no-man-reached-first-base pitching performance by Ernst Shore, Boston twirler, an assault upon Umpire Owens by "Babe" Ruth, in which the umpire was struck behind the ear, and the defeat of Walter Johnson by "Dutch" Leonard were incidents of the world's champions double victory over Washington today. The scores were 4 to 0 and 5 to 0.

Shore's entry into the select list of pitchers who have shown perfect performances was made possible by Ruth's banishment from the first game. Ruth had pitched only to Ray Morgan and in which Owens had given the latter his base on balls. Ruth argued the decision, the umpire ordered him off the field and the Boston pitcher then struck at Owens. Other players intervened and Ruth left the field. Thereafter Shore and his fielders turned back every Washington batsman. Score:

Score, first game:

WASHINGTON.	AB.	H.	O.	A.	E.	BOSTON.	AB.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Morg'n,2b	2	0	4	2	0	8Barry,2b	4	0	2	1	0
Foster,1b	3	0	1	3	2	3Hob'sel,1b	4	0	12	2	0
Leon'd,3b	0	0	0	1	0	6Gard'r,3b	4	1	2	1	0
Milan,cf	2	0	1	0	0	6Lewis,lf	4	2	2	0	0
Rice,rf	3	0	2	0	1	7Walker,cf	3	1	4	0	0
G'ar'ty,1b	0	0	0	0	0	5Scott,ss	3	0	1	5	0
Judge,1b	3	0	11	1	0	6Thomas,c	0	0	0	0	0
Jam'son,lf	3	0	0	0	0	5Agnew,c	2	3	2	1	0
Shanks,ss	3	0	1	2	0	8Ruth,p	0	0	0	0	0
Henry,c	3	0	1	0	0	9Shore,p	2	0	2	6	0
Ayres,p	2	0	2	5	0						
*Menosky	1	0	0	0	0						
Totals	26	0	24	17	3	Totals	31	9	27	16	0

*Batted for Ayres in ninth.

Washington	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0—0
Boston	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	0	*	—4

Two-base hits: Walker, Agnew. Double plays: Ayres to Foster to Judge, Ayres to Judge. Bases on balls: Off Ruth, 1. Struck out: By Shore, 2. Umpires: Owen and Dinsen.

Score, second game:

WASHINGTON.	AB.	H.	O.	A.	E.	BOSTON.	AB.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Morgan,2b	5	1	1	5	0	8Hooper,rf	4	0	1	1	0
JL'ard,2b	2	0	1	0	0	6Barry,2b	5	2	1	2	0
Milan,cf	3	2	4	0	0	1Hobl'l,1b	5	0	11	1	0
Rice,rf	4	1	3	0	0	9G'dner,3b	3	1	2	3	0
Gh'rity,1b	4	0	8	0	0	5Lewis,lf	4	1	3	0	0
Shanks,ss	5	0	1	4	1	7Walker,cf	3	0	1	0	0
Alns'ith,c	4	0	6	1	0	6Scott,ss	4	2	0	2	0
John'on,p	3	0	0	1	0	2Thomas,c	4	2	7	0	0
Ja'elson,lf	3	0	0	0	0	3HL'nard,p	3	0	1	2	0
*Henry	0	0	0	0	0						
Totals	31	4	24	11	3	Totals	31	9	27	12	0

*Batted for Jamieson in ninth.

Washington	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0—0
Boston	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	1	*	—5

Two-base hit: Scott. Double play: Shanks to Morgan to Gharrity. Bases on balls: Off Johnson, 1; off Leonard, 6. Struck out: By Leonard, 1; by Johnson, 5. Umpires: McCormick, Dinneen and Owens.

Home Runs Give Josies Victory Over Denver Bears

Denver, June 23.—Home runs by Diltz and Kirkham in the third inning gave St. Joseph such a lead Denver was unable to overcome it, St. Joseph winning. Score:

ST. JOSEPH.	AB.	H.	O.	A.	E.	DENVER.	AB.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Diltz,rf	5	2	1	0	0	6Kel'her,ss	4	1	1	7	0
Harta'l,2b	4	0	2	3	0	5Oakes,cf	3	1	0	0	0
McCabe,cf	4	0	4	0	0	3Mills,1b	4	1	13	0	0
Kirk'm,lf	4	2	2	0	0	8Butcher,lf	4	2	5	0	0
Moore,c	4	1	2	0	0	9McC'ck,rf	3	0	2	0	0
McG'n,3b	4	1	2	2	0	8Shan'y,2b	3	0	1	2	0
Henry,1b	2	0	8	1	0	7Wiffil,3b	2	0	2	2	0
Shay,ss	3	2	2	1	0	5Shestak,c	3	0	3	2	0
Hovlik,p	4	1	1	0	0	8Smith'n,p	2	0	0	1	2
Totals	35	10	27	6	0	Totals	30	5	27	16	2

St. Joseph	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	1	—5
Denver	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	—3

Left on bases: St. Joseph, 6; Denver, 2. Stolen base: Hartzell. Two-base hits: Butcher, Moore. Three-base hit: Kelleher. Double play: Hartzell to Henry. Bases on balls: Off Hovlik, 1. Home runs: Diltz, Kirkham. Struck out: By Hovlik, 3; by Smithson, 2. Wild pitch: Hovlik. Sacrifice fly: Oakes. Sacrifice hit: Henry. Hits and earned runs: Off Hovlik, 5 and 3 in nine innings; off Smithson, 10 and 5 in nine innings. Time: 1:38. Umpires: McGilvray and Gaston.

Errors by Wichita Give Joplin Enough Runs to Win

Wichita, Kan., June 23.—Wichita's five errors each gave Joplin a run today and the locals lost after out-hitting Joplin, 2 to 1. Wichita bunched three singles, a double and a walk in the fourth for one run. Score:

JOPLIN.	AB.	H.	O.	A.	E.	WICHITA.	AB.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Devore,lf	5	0	2	1	0	7Th'ason,cf	5	1	5	0	0
Dalton,cf	4	1	2	0	0	6G'dwin,3b	4	1	2	2	0
Lamb,2b	4	1	2	2	0	6Jones,1b	5	1	7	0	0
Metz,1b	3	1	6	0	0	9Coy,rf	4	3	4	0	0
Boren,rf	4	0	4	1	1	3Davis,3b	4	1	2	2	2
C'hran,3b	4	2	2	1	0	5Wallace,ss	3	0	0	2	1
L'de'ore,ss	4	0	4	4	0	8M'rison,lf	4	1	3	0	0
Collins,c	3	1	4	1	0	2Faryan,c	4	2	7	2	1
Mapel,p	4	0	0	2	0	6Clemons,p	3	1	0	1	0
						*White	1	0	0	0	0
Totals	35	6	27	13	1	Totals	37	13	27	10	5

*Batted for Clemont in ninth.

Joplin	2	0	0	2	0	0	1	1	0	—6
Wichita	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	—1

Two-base hits: Lamb, Jones, Collins, Cochran. Hits and earned runs: Off Clemons, 6 and 1 in eight innings; off Mapel, 13 and 1 in nine innings. Left on bases: Wichita, 12; Joplin, 3. Stolen base: Cochran. Double plays: Lindemore to Metz, Horan to Collins to Lindemore. Bases on balls: Off Mapel, 2; off Clemons, 1. Struck out: By Clemons, 6; by Mapel, 3. Sacrifice hit: Wallace. Time: 1:30. Umpires: Jacobs and Miller.

Meadows Allows But Four Hits to Cincinnati

St. Louis, June 23.—Meadows was in great form today and St. Louis beat Cincinnati, 5 to 1. Meadows gave but four hits and did not pass a batter. Not a Cincinnati player got beyond first until the ninth. Score:

CINCINNATI.	AB.	H.	O.	A.	E.	ST. LOUIS.	AB.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Groh,3b	4	0	2	2	0	7J.Smith,cf	3	1	1	0	0
Kopf,ss	4	1	1	3	0	6Baird,2b	4	2	0	3	0
Roush,cf	4	1	2	1	0	8Long,rf	4	2	1	0	1
Chase,1b	4	0	12	0	0	9H'nsby,ss	3	1	2	5	0
Griffith,rf	2	0	2	0	0	5Cruise,lf	3	2	3	0	0
Neale,lf	3	0	0	0	0	3Miller,3b	3	0	0	4	0
Cueto,2b	3	0	1	2	1	1F'lette,1b	3	1	17	1	0
Wingo,c	3	0	4	4	0	2Lanier,c	2	0	2	1	0
Regan,p	2	0	0	0	0	9Meadows,p	3	0	0	2	0
*Thorpe	1	0	0	0	0						
Totals	31	4	24	12	1	Totals	27	9	27	16	1

*Batted for Regan in ninth.

Cincinnati	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	—1
St. Louis	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	*	—5

Two-base hit: Horneby. Three-base hit: Baird. Bases on balls: Off Regan, 3. Struck out: By Regan, 2; by Meadows, 7. Umpires: Byron and Quigley.

Southern Association.

Mobile, 7-1; Chattanooga, 4-11.
Atlanta, 12-7; Little Rock, 4-1.
Birmingham, 16; Memphis, 3.
New Orleans, 1; Nashville, 2.

GIANT PITCHER DROPS HIS FIRST GAME SINCE FALL

Phils Knock Diminutive Southpaw From Rubber in One Inning and New York Loses Another Combat.

Philadelphia, Pa., June 23.—Schupp's winning streak was broken today when he was knocked off the rubber by Philadelphia in one inning and New York was defeated, 8 to 2. This was the first game Schupp has lost since early last September. Score:

NEW YORK.	AB.	H.	O.	A.	E.	PHILADELPHIA.	AB.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Burns,lf	4	1	2	0	0	9Pask'rt,cf	4	1	4	0	0
Herzog,2b	3	1	2	4	1	1B'croft,ss	4	1	2	2	0
Kauff,cf	4	1	0	0	0	6Stock,3b	1	0	2	2	0
Zi'man,3b	4	0	1	1	0	8Crav'th,rf	3	3	3	0	0
Fletch'r,ss	4	1	2	7	0	6Whitt'd,lf	4	1	0	0	0
Rob'son,rf	4	1	1	1	0	8Lud'r's,1b	3	1	13	0	0
Holke,1b	3	1	10	0	0	5Niehoff,2b	4	1	0	5	0
Kelly,1b	1	0	2	0	0	8Killifer,c	4	1	3	0	0
Rariden,c	3	1	2	1	0	6Lav'der,p	4	1	0	3	0
Smith,p	0	0	0	1	0						
*Schupp,p	0	0	0	0	0	Totals	31	10	27	12	0
Mid'ton,p	1	0	0	1	0						
Krueger,c	2	0	2	0	0						
*Lobert	1	0*	0	0	0						
*Kilduff	0	0	0	0	0						
Totals	34	7	24	16	1						

*Batted for Schupp in second.
*Batted for Smith in ninth.

New York	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—2
Philadelphia	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	*	—8

Two-base hits: Cravath, Whitted, Niehoff, Lavender. Three-base hit: Paskert. Double play: Fletcher to Herzog to Kelly. Bases on balls: Off Schupp, 2; off Smith, 1; off Lavender, 3. Struck out: By Schupp, 1; by Smith, 2; by Lavender, 3. Hits: Off Schupp, 5 in one inning; off Middleton, 4 in four innings. Umpires: Klem and Bransfield.

Evans Says Shine Ball is Just Opposite of the Emery

Umpire Billy Evans has offered his views on the controversy regarding Eddie Cicotte's shinne ball. "Cicotte is working on a theory exactly opposite to the emery ball," explains Evans. "He wets a spot on his uniform and on this he rubs a ball until one side is very white and smooth. The other is rough and soiled. With the ball properly smoothed and polished he gets more of a grip on one side than on the other and the ball acts exactly as the emery ball acted. Then again, the effectiveness of this delivery is increased by the white and dark spots on the ball. There is something of an optical illusion when the bright spot is turning all the time as it does to the batsman. But there is nothing illegal about the delivery."

Wins Mid-West Golf Title

Mike McCormack Takes Job Of Scouting for Chicago

Mike McCormack, formerly with Brooklyn and for several years a second baseman with New Haven in the old Connecticut league, has been signed as a scout for the Chicago Cubs. He retired from base ball in 1914 and has since lived in New Haven. He and Manager Mitchell of the Cubs are old cronies.

Clarke Griffith Now Has New Grouch on the Balls

Manager Clark Griffith, having failed to convince Ban Johnson of the illegality of the pitching of Eddie Cicotte, now complains his team is handicapped by the fact that the balls issued are inclined to become lopsided. Soon he will say the batting slump of his players is due to the colors of the thread used in stitching the covers.

AMATEURS BREAK ATTENDANCE MARKS

Early Crowds Indicate All Records Will Be Shattered Before Asbestos Drops On Current Season.

By FRANK QUIGLEY.

The local municipal lots are the scene of much activity on Sundays and even during the week many of the fans turn out to see the different players go through their customary routine of practice. To date the attendance at the Sunday games indicates that the records set last year will be smashed to smithereens before the asbestos is dropped for 1917.

Heretofore it was soft pickings for the City league to cop the class B championship, but because of the fact that the American and Metropolitan leagues are dishing up a faster brand of base ball this season, so it is a cinch the interest will be keen towards the expiration of the season when the pennant winners of these leagues endeavor to bury the class B championship aspirations of each other.

Last week the Metropolitan league set a pace in the banquet line for the other leagues. Some time ago the combined efforts of the members of this organization held a dance which proved a huge success, socially and financially. As a consequence the league generals decided to squander the profits for a banquet for the magnates of said league. The spread was a sumptuous affair, but not as lively as base ball functions held before, because of the fact the happy water was conspicuous by its absence. Invited guests were Jake Isaacson, William Bloszies and Frank Quigley. When asked for a toast Isaacson, being up to date, dished out a milk toast. The balance of the toasts were rather dry. It was agreed to forget base ball difficulties while the jollification was on tap.

Dispute is Settled.

Last week at the meeting of the magnates of the American league that protested game between the Walnut Hill Merchants and Townsends was decided to the satisfaction of all concerned. During their last show the curtain dropped in the sixth act. Fitch was the villain. Because the play in question hinged on the actions of Fitch and the Townsends claimed he did one thing and the Merchants claimed the opposite the bosses unanimously decided that Mr. Fitch be granted another opportunity to tie up the mix. The game will be continued from the sixth inning with Pinault of the Merchants on first, Fitch at bat and one out, with the score 1 to 0 in favor of the gunners.

A lively debate is looked for next Sunday when the All Nations under the supervision of Donaldson, the champion colored slabster of the world, tangle with the Brandeis Stores, pride of Omaha. Last season these two teams mixed several times and all of their games won the O. K. of the fans and it is a lead pipe that a good show will be on the boards at Rourke park at 3:15 p. m. July 1.

It is up to the C. B. DeVol Victors to pull the champion Melady Mavericks down the ladder today. According to the manager of the dudes across the muddy, his contingent will not fall down today. If it does he says the umpire will hold it up. Game called at 3:30 p. m.

There are a lot of seats out at Holmes park, but Ernie Holmes expects that a good many will have to stand today, because all the seats will be taken, and he also expects his team, the Holmes White Sox, to take a game from the Armours. The last argument between these two squads resulted in a victory for the packers by the score of 2 to 1. These two teams are knotted for position 2 in the Greater Omaha league and the Ramblers and DeVol Victors are in the same boat, consequently the team that garners the short end will automatically hook berth No. 5. Game called at 3:30 p. m.

A starchy battle is anticipated by the followers of both squads when the World-Herald Newsboys and Trimble Bros. Juniors of the Inter-City league tangle on the east diamond at Elmwood park, 3:30 p. m. The other day the manager of the Trimbles walked in from Calhoun probably because he has a scheme on feet whereby he can trim the opposition this afternoon. At the present writing both squads are in the pink of condition and as the leadership of the league depends temporarily on outcome of this row oodles of rivalry will be noticeable and the sour stuff produced will back a vinegar house off the boards.

Soldiers in League.

Although William Victor, the czar of the McCarthy, did all in his power to keep his boys in subjection, they revolted and he was forced to abdicate the throne and the team aviated. The hole left open by their departure from the American league has been plugged up by the Soldiers stationed at Fort Omaha. This Uncle Sam contingent is under the personal supervision of Sergeant McCullough, who by the way is a classy infielder. The Soldiers will play on their home lot every Sunday, so now the fans can be entertained while visiting the Fort. The shower baths and dressing rooms will be open for the visiting players.

Recently the Greater Omaha league passed a rule barring players of the Brandeis team from said league. Any player now playing with the Brandeis, even if canned from the dry goods gang, would not be eligible to participate in a Greater Omaha league game until next season.

Tomorrow night at the city hall the directors of the Omaha Amateur Bass Ball association will convene. June 15 was the date set aside for teams to cut to a dozen regulars and not many teams have reduced. Steps will be taken to enforce this law.

Fred Wagner Selected to Be Starter at Omaha Race

Fred Wagner, sole owner and proprietor of the noisiest pair of checkered pants in captivity, will act as starter at the Omaha speedway races, July 4.

Wagner is almost as great a race attraction as the drivers themselves. Attired in his checkered trousers, which can planly be heard from the remotest corner of the grandstand, Wagner climbs almost on top of the speeding automobile in giving them the flag. Last year at Des Moines Wagner got so close to Dave Lewis that Lewis drove over one foot.

Wagner acted as starter at both the previous Omaha races and has a host of friends here.

Woman's Association to Play at Happy Hollow Club

A medal play handicap will be staged at the Happy Hollow club Monday by the Omaha Woman's Golf association. The play starts at 9 a. m. and all women who expect to take part are urged to be on hand promptly at the hour.

Wilcox Blanks Hildreth.

Wilcox, Neb., Junt 23.—(Special.)—The Hildreth base ball team was defeated on its own diamond Thursday afternoon by the Wilcox team, 5 to 0. Hopmann struck out twenty-one Hildreth batters and allowed but three hits. Only six men reached first base. White, pitching for Hildreth, struck out nine men. Wilcox has not been beaten by an amateur team this year. Batteries: Wilcox, Hopmann and Johnson; Hildreth, White and Gleb.

BASE BALL
OMAHA VS. SOUIX CITY
June 23, 24, 24, 25.
ROURKE PARK
Sunday, June 24, 2 Games—First Called 2 P. M.
Monday—June 25—Ladies' Day. Games Called 3:15
Box Seats at Barkalow Bros.

Who's Who Among Gasoline Speed Demons Who Will Clash on Boards of Omaha Speedway Fourth of July

Ralph Mulford (Hudson)

It was back in 1906 that Ralph Mulford first saw his name displayed in black headlines on the sporting page. He made a national reputation with the Lozier team, winning three twenty-four hour races in as many years and becoming famous around the gasoline circuit for his seemingly uncanny gift of diagnosing engine trouble before the discovery was too late. In the first road racing carnival held at Elgin, Mulford captured the feature event on the 1910 card and after winning his class event at Fairmont park and losing the Fairmont cup to Len Zengle by only two seconds in the same meet was awarded the 1910 road racing laurels. He came back the following season and won the Vanderbilt cup at Savannah. In the Memorial day races on the Indianapolis speedway Mulford has proved a most consistent performer. He finished second in 1911, tenth in 1912, seventh in 1913, eleventh in 1914 and third in 1916. Last year he drove a Peugeot into second place in the Omaha classic after a thrilling joust with Dario Resta. Mulford was second in the recent Chicago derby and marked up new world's records for 100 and 200-mile distances during the running of the race.

Ira Vail (Hudson).

This is Ira Vail's third season as an automobile race driver and his second year of national prominence in speedway competition. He got his first taste of speed while riding motorcycles at Brighton Beach, where Ralph Mulford discovered him in the fal of 1915 and gave him an opportunity to switch his allegiance to motor cars. Vail drove his first race at Providence, taking seventh money with the Mulford Special in the inaugural event held on the Narragansett speedway. Last spring he astonished the railbirds by purchasing a demonstrating car from the Hudson dealer at Brooklyn and converting it into a racing machine that had the speed and stamina to finish third in the Metropolitan trophy and Astor cup events, two of the fastest contests run in 1916, and sixth in the 300-mile Chicago derby. Vail earned his job with the Hudson company in Omaha. He brought his converted stock machine to the Gate City, but shot a piston during the practice. He was given Ralph Mulford's Hudson to drive and he drove such a splendid race until he was forced out by engine trouble that he was placed on the Hudson payroll. He has justified the confidence placed in him by finishing second at Cincinnati and eighth at Chicago.

George Buzane (Detroit).

When George Buzane drives in a speedway race the whistles on the peanut stands are silent, bootblack stands are closed and the checkrooms of hotels and restaurants are without attendants, for the Greeks turn out en masse to see their fellow countryman in action. Buzane, who was born in Athens, is the only Greek driver in captivity. He learned the rudiments of the gasoline motor by repairing engines used for carbonating the water that puts the fizz in ice cream sodas and then applied his knowledge as a taxicab chauffeur. In 1911, Buzane became a disciple of speed, serving as mechanician for Eddie Hearne in the Vanderbilt cup and grand prize events at Savannah, and after three years spent in the repair shop of a Chicago garage, took the wheel of an ancient Dietrich. Failing to win any money with the old trap, Buzane last year drove a Duesenberg, owned by a Chicagoan. He finished second in the Pike's Peak hill climb, third in the Chicago grand prix, third in the 100-mile contest at Kansas City and fourth in both the Cincinnati derby and the 100-mile event at Indianapolis. Buzane's Detroit Special was built last winter by Ralph De Palma and originally was to have been driven by Eddie Rickenbacher, but the wheel was given Buzane when Eddie left for the front.

Tom Alley (Pan-American).

Although born in Indianapolis, Tom Alley is regarded as a Chicago driver. Five years ago Ralph De Palma rescued Alley from the obscurity of a Michigan avenue repair shop and gave him an opportunity to ride as mechanician on the Mercedes. After two seasons of oil pumping, Tom moved over to the driver's seat and in 1914 joined the Duesenberg team, winning the 100-mile race at Minneapolis from a talented field and establishing a new American record of 1:31:30 for the distance. The following year Alley drove a Dussenberg and an Ogren, finished third in the San Diego road race and the Sioux City speedway event, taking fourth place in the inaugural event at the Twin Cities and the Vincent Astor cup classic at New York, and winning eighth and ninth money in the 500-mile marathons at Indianapolis and Chicago, respectively. His purses for that season totaled $14,000, and he ranked seventh among the affluent ten. Alley started in only three races in the 1916 schedule. He was married last year and quit the game for a time. In 1915 Alley piloted a Duesenberg in the Omaha race, but was forced out of the running after eight laps when a torn plank went through his crankcase. Alley's Pan-American is a new car built by a new company, the Pan-American Motors corporations of Decatur, Ill., and it was baptized when Tom drove it into twelfth place in the recent Chicago race.

Joe Boyer (Frontenac).

Ever since its inception the automobile racing game has always had at least one "millionaire kid" in its lineup. This year it is Joe Boyer, although Boyer doesn't hold this distinction alone; he is sharing it with Cliff Durrant, who, although not entered yet, may take part in the local race. Boyer used to chase the will o' the wisp, speed, with his own racesbouts on the road, but this life was too prosaic, and this year he went into the professional racing game. He finished third at Cincinnati and was one of the contenders for first place in the Chicago classic until he went through the fence. He was uninjured, however, and is only waiting for the Omaha race to show his spurs again.

Walter Haines (Mercer).

Walter Haines is making his debut on the speedway this year. Haines has been a Mercer pilot for some time, but his races previous to this year have been exclusively upon the dirt tracks of the east. When the decision to campaign the three Mercers on the big speedways was made, Haines was given one of the mounts. That he deserved the recognition was proved when he finished fifth in the fast field at Chicago. Haines is a pilot of the crafty type, who uses his head when driving, and if there's a chance to finish within the money Haines can be counted upon to do so.

Pete Henderson (Duesenberg).

Baby Pete Henderson, they call him, because of his diminutive size and his baby blue eyes with their baby stare. Baby Pete is a little mite, but he is some driver. He made his debut at the steering wheel of a Duesenberg in August of 1915, finishing sixth at Des Moines. He also scored two fifths that season, in the 100-mile race at Providence and the 250-mile contest at Sheepshead Bay. Last season he was selected by Eddie Rickenbacher, for whom he formerly rode as mechanician, to drive one of the Maxwells, and out of fifteen starts Baby Pete finished inside the money in nine events, a most consistent showing. He was fourth in the 150-mile Omaha race last year and third in the fifty-mile event. Pete is a Canadian by birth and in the off season receives his mail at Bernie, B. C.

Dave Lewis (Hoskins).

Starting the season as a member of the Crawford team, but switching his allegiance to the Hoskins Special, and then to the Premier before the curtain fell for 1916, Dave Lewis was by far the busiest driver in the game last year. He started in twenty-one of the twenty-eight races on the 1916 schedule and placed in twelve, winning a total of $8,286 in prize money and scoring three seconds, third thirds, three fourths, two fifths and a tenth. His most notable achievement was at Sheepshead Bay in the 100-mile Harkness trophy race which he lost to Johnny Aitken by only eight seconds and averaged 105.71 miles an hour for the distance. Lewis came from the Pacific coast, where he learned the game under Earl Cooper and Howdy Wilcox, two of the greatest drivers America ever turned out. Dave drove a Crawford at Omaha last year, docking with engine trouble in the championship event and finishing fourth in the fifty-mile race.

Eddie Hearne (Duesenberg).

After three years of barnstorming on the dirt tracks, Eddie Hearne returned to organized racing this season being reinstated by the American Automobile association contest board and purchasing a Duesenberg to carry him to a triumphant recrudescence. Five years ago Hearne was the Chicago representative of the Fiat and Hupmobile and competed in races for the thrills that he got out of them. At that time he was partial to foreign cars, taking several events with a small Benz in the opening on the Indianapolis speedway in 1910 and the following season annexing first money in the Cincinnati road race with a Fiat and running second to David Bruce-Brown in the grade prize at Savannah. Hearne lost the latter event on the last lap when he was forced to stop at the pits to change a tire. This year Hearne landed in the money in all three of the races held so far, Uniontown, Cincinnati and Chicago.

Tommy Milton (Duesenberg).

For a driver who started to compete in speedway events only last season, Tommy Milton is a most brilliant performer. The St. Paul speed merchant, who made his debut as a professional at Sioux City in 1913, gained his experience on the dirt tracks, first campaigning a Mercer and then becoming a member of the Case team, which under the management of Alex Sloan furnished the thrills at state and county fairs in 1914 and 1915. Milton, who was blacklisted for competing in outlaw meets, was reinstated by the national racing tribunal last summer and immediately proved himself a most dangerous contender in fast company. At the wheel of a Duesenberg he finished fourth in the 150-mile race at Minneapolis, third in the 150-mile contest at Omaha, second in the Tacoma montamarathon and tenth in the Astor cup classic at New York. He ranked sixth in the season's struggle for the A. A. A. championship. Milton made his maiden start of 1916 at Cincinnati and was the fourth driver to get the flag. He was eleventh in the Chicago derby.

Omar Toft (Omar Special).

Omar Toft is a young speed Lothario who comes out of the west to fling a challenge to distance and time and woo fame and fortune in the Omaha speedway classic. It will be Toft's first appearance in Omaha, as he did not invade the Mississippi valley regions until late last year. He started in six of the 1916 events, placing sixth in the Tacoma montamarathon and duplicating that feat in the 100-mile race at Indianapolis. He failed to finish in the 300-mile Cincinnati speedway inaugural sweepstakes and was an also-ran in the classics for the Vanderbilt cup and grand prize at Santo Monico. He is typical of the driver educated on the coast and has no regard for speed at all.

Otto Henning (Ogren).

Otto Henning will drive a Chicago-made Ogren. Otto, who is of Danish stock, made his debut in the realm of speed three years ago at Elgin when he piloted a Mercer owned by Al Schille of Chicago. After a short career with the Mercer he switched to the Ogren. Last year at Galesburg he led the field home in the 100-mile event on the dirt track there, and this year finished sixth in the Memorial day sweepstakes at Cincinnati. He was docked in the Chicago derby with engine trouble. Henning is a skilled machinist and an expert automobile mechanic, and has the experience and courage requisite of success in speedway competition.

Milton McBride (Olsen).

Omaha racing fans probably have heard little of Milt McBride, but that is because he has not been in this part of the country before. McBride, though, is regarded as considerable driver back east, where he has appeared in many events and always acquitted himself creditably. His Olsen is said to possess a world of speed and the railbirds who know this young man and his capabilities expect to see him make a name for himself when Independence day rolls around.

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