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AMATEURS HOLD MEETING TO GET LINED UP RIGHT

Thousand Base Ball Fans of Omaha Gather at City Hall to Discuss Plans for Sand-lot Games.

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Although climatic conditions were everything but favorable a larger crowd of amateur base ballists and fans attended the fifth consecutive annual mass meeting of the Omaha Amateur Base Ball association, held in the council chamber of the city hall last night than was anticipated by the directors.

Approximately 1,000 inoculated with the base ball fever listened attentively to the different addresses. Speeches commendatory, remonstrative and inoperative; some of which dealt with mistakes of the past and others which served to illuminate the future of amateur base ball hereabouts with rosy forecasts were dashed out by the different orators, but when the wind-jamming had terminated, apparently everyone was satisfied with the different orations and hit the homeward trail with a firm determination to do all in their power to preserve amateur base ball in Omaha, while their former diamond companions are en route to Germany to bring back peace and good will to the entire universe.

Jake in Chair. President Jake Isaacson presided as chairman of the mass meeting and in his opening speech he asked the boys especially to remember the boys that have enlisted and to correspond with them at least occasionally. R. L. Metcalf, who was to make a patriotic speech was unable to attend. City Commissioner Hummel, the next speaker, told the boys they could depend on him the ensuing season in event he was re-elected. A backer of amateur base ball, namely, Frank Dewey, told the bunch that in looking over his records he found only 10 of 40 who formerly played with various teams backed by him still in Omaha. The rest are either members of the army or navy.

Good Word for Boys. He asked that the following resolution be adopted: "To the Enlisted Boys, Army and Navy: "The Omaha Amateur Base Ball association in session at this time is thinking and talking of you, and we send greetings and hope that you succeed in putting the kaiser out of business. With best wishes and God-speed from all of us."

This resolution was unanimously adopted. J. P. Connolly, a member of the board of recreation, spoke about the boys who had enlisted and had been drafted and he hoped that the young boys would enlist new youthful timber to keep the game up to the old standard. The writer, Frank Jacobs, Butch Fries, Abe Kaiman, Robert Krall, Bill Ammons, Walter Nelson, Victor Lund also spoke.

About 30 of the base ball players made brief talks. Letters From Front. Letters were received by President Isaacson from the following enlisted men: James Milota, formerly secretary of the association, and George Sutel. The chairman read the letters, which were joyfully received.

Talk New Rules. New rules were talked about that might be adopted for the ensuing season, namely: To cut down the number of men allowed at the opening of the season from 15 to 12. That protests will be sent in with a forfeit and if it is ascertained that there be no foundation for the protest the forfeit money will automatically become a part of the treasury of the Omaha Amateur Base Ball association. The receipts for one day from class A games will probably be turned over to the Griffith ball and bat fund. On a week from tonight, March 7, the City League and Metropolitan League will meet at the city hall to elect new officers.

Dowd and Woods Sign Up for Billiard Match. Ernie Holmes has succeeded in closing a match of 14-1 championship rack pocket billiards between Edward Dowd, Buffalo, and Arthur Woods, Boston.

Mr. Holmes has posted a \$250 purse, which the players have agreed to split 75 per cent to the winner and 25 per cent to the loser. The match will terminate at 1,250 points and will be played in blocks of 125 points each afternoon and evening at Holmes' billiard parlor. The first game starts Friday afternoon.

Miske Gets Decision. Superior, Wis., Feb. 28.—Billy Miske of St. Paul easily outpointed Gus Christie of Milwaukee in their 10-round-bout here tonight, but failed to land a knockout.

Banquet Is Given In Honor of J. Honus

Pittsburgh, Pa., Feb. 28.—J. H. ("Honus") Wagner, veteran infielder of the Pittsburgh Nationals, was the central figure here tonight at a banquet tendered by Pittsburgh base ball enthusiasts, in honor of the former Pirate's 44th birthday. Prominent base ball men of the country were present for the celebration, including Clarence H. Rowland, manager of the Chicago Americans; Hugh A. Jennings, leader of the Detroit Tigers; A. R. Tearney, president of the Three Eye League, and Lee Fohl, manager of the Cleveland Americans. A feature of the banquet was the "Hoover" menu which was strictly in keeping with the conservation policies of the government.

Stone Breaks Record in Trying Out for Illinois Meet

Ames, Ia., Feb. 28.—(Special).—Breaking the local indoor mile time, Stone qualified for the team which is to be sent to the Illinois relay carnival held next Saturday. Along with him, winning places on the team to be sent to the big run, are Cromer, Hawthorn and Reed. All of these men were members of the cross country team last fall that took both Missouri valley and Big Ten grinds. Hawthorn is the man who won the individual honors. Cromer was his running mate. Hawthorn has been in the hospital with smallpox since his record breaking performance and has not hit the stride formerly attained, although the leader is still going good. Wilkin, the pole vaulter, will also be taken along. His performance at Chicago, when he tied for second place at 12 feet 1 inch, points him as a dangerous competitor for high honors in this event. It will also be remembered that he raised the record in the Missouri valley. His work so far this year has been handicapped by having to work on the inside gym instead of out on the track.

Hospital Ships Arrive. Amsterdam, Feb. 28.—Three hospital ships bringing invalid German prisoners from England for repatriation have arrived safely at Rotterdam.

NO NEW LEADERS IN A. B. C. TOURNAMENT

Standing of Near Leaders Are Changed in Several Instances; Cleveland Man Rolls High.

Cincinnati, O., Feb. 28.—The bowling in the two-men and individual events at the American Bowling congress tournament today produced no sensation, but the near leaders were changed in several instances. J. Mackay of Cleveland, by bowling 655, went into a tie for fourth position in the singles, with B. Steinmiller of Syracuse, N. Y.

In the doubles, G. Welles and J. Kondolf of Rochester, N. Y., landed in fifth place with a score of 1,229. The standing in the individual doubles, five-men event and all events follows:

Table with columns: Individual Event, Player, Total Pins. Lists names like H. Steers, J. Selmer, B. Steinmiller, etc.

Two-Men Events. Lists names like Steers and Thoma, McDowell and Thies, etc.

All Events. Lists names like H. Steers, C. Thies, W. Ott, etc.

New Jersey Will Permit 8-Round Boxing Matches

Trenton, N. J., Feb. 28.—The senate today passed the Hurley boxing bill allowing eight-round bouts with 8-ounce gloves in places where liquor is not sold, under the supervision of a state boxing commission to be named by the governor. The bill has passed the assembly and now goes to the governor.

Cyclone Quintet Ready For Clash With Hawkeyes

Ames, Ia., Feb. 28.—(Special).—Both Ames and Iowa will be smelling blood when they meet here Friday night in the final basket ball game of the season on the Ames floor, for on the result of this contest the state honors rest. Both teams have about an equal claim to the title, Ames having one defeat by Iowa against them, while Iowa has been beaten by several of the smaller schools of the state earlier in the season.

All of the Ames men are in condition at present. Since the run of bad luck and injuries has left the camp, Coach Salter's proteges have put up a brand of ball seldom seen. Hahn, one of the Ames sub-guards, has earned himself a berth on the regulars if anything can be taken from appearances. He is displacing Abbott, who has played in the guard position all year. Hahn went into the Kansas game and played most steadily of anybody on the floor, guarding everybody, and scoring most field baskets of any Ames man. With him against the Iowa aggregation will also go Boyd, Aldrich, Harper and Linnan.

Pal Moore Gets Decision Over Kid Herman of Pekin

Peoria, Ill., Feb. 28.—Pal Moore of Memphis, Tenn., had a ringside decision over Kid Herman of Pekin, Ill., in a ten-round bout here tonight. Moore hit Herman three to one in the early rounds. Herman had the advantage of the last round. They are bantamweights.

Swimmer Breaks World's Record for 60-Foot Plunge

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 28.—J. P. Lichten of the Chicago Athletic association broke the world's record for a 60-foot plunge by making the distance in 15.35 seconds at the annual C. A. A. school swimming meet tonight. The previous record was 16.35 seconds.

Aviation Cadet Fails to Right Machine; Is Killed

Houston, Tex., Feb. 28.—Hammit K. Elliott, who enlisted as a flying cadet at Hadden Heights, N. J., last October, was killed at Ellington field today. He failed to right his airship when essaying a tail spin.

U. S. TO STRENGTHEN SPANISH RAILWAYS

Will Endeavor to Induce Spain to Lift Embargo Against France; Shipping Bottoms to Be Chartered.

Washington, Feb. 28.—Rehabilitation of the Spanish railroad system is planned by the United States, to make possible the shipment of large quantities of supplies from Spain to General Pershing's forces in France.

An offer of American railway materials has been made as a part of the negotiations the United States is conducting to induce Spain to lift her embargo against the shipment of goods in France, placed, according to the Spanish government, because of the broken down condition of rails.

A final agreement has not been signed, but Spain has been notified that all Spanish ships held in American ports, may sail as soon as they discharge the parts of their cargoes for which licenses have been withheld. There are now in American ports six Spanish steamers and half as many sailing ships. The American government has

asked for the use of considerable Spanish tonnage on terms similar to those accepted by Northern European neutrals. This tonnage will be paid for at a high rate and for the most part would be used in the non-hazardous trades.

The war trade board's plan for reducing imports calls for a considerable cut in the importation of Spanish products. As the American government's own needs, and those of its associates in the war will absorb most of the export commodities produced in the United States exports to Spain also will be limited. This, officials think, should release a number of Spanish ships now plying between the United States and Spain which the Spanish government could charter.

Federal Agents Raid Alleged Religious Sect

New York, Feb. 28.—Agents of the United States army intelligence service raided the headquarters in Brooklyn of the Pastor Russell Foundation, a reputed religious organization, late today and seized a number of books and posters. The literature was turned over to the federal district attorney to determine if it contained seditious matter. The raid was said to have been made in connection with the arrest recently of followers of the Russell sect in Toronto, Ont.

SNYGG SECRETARY OF THE IMPROVERS

Sutton, Retiring Official, Details Some of Things That Organization Has Been Able to Accomplish.

O. V. Snygg of the Greater Omaha Improvement club was elected secretary of the United Federation of Improvement clubs Wednesday night. He succeeds R. J. Sutton, who will leave Omaha next Wednesday for Atlanta, Ga., to enter an aviation training school.

In his valedictory address Mr. Sutton called attention of the club to the fact that congress has not yet carried out all of a program outlined in a resolution adopted by the club 10 months ago and forwarded to Washington for the guidance and information of the national lawmakers. In that resolution the United Federation of Improvement clubs recommended government control of railroads, which has been accomplished. Regulation of prices of food staples was recommended and that has been put into effect. Eleven members of the affiliated clubs attended the meeting last night.

Near Side Stop. In conformity with the recent order of the Nebraska State Railway Commission, all street cars of this company, operating in Nebraska, will, on and after SUNDAY, MARCH 3, 1918, stop for receiving and discharging passengers, only on the near side of street intersections, on all paved streets excepting at regularly-used branch-offs. At such branch-offs, cars will stop at the far side going in one direction, and at the near side going in the opposite direction, as shown in the diagram below. At every such point conspicuous signs will hang on the span wire, between tracks, to indicate where cars will stop. The reason for this deviation from the near side stop is to avoid delay to following cars which would result if cars stopped on the near side at these branch-offs. On all unpaved streets, cars will continue to stop on the far side so that passengers can both enter and leave car without tramping through mud. Remember, NEAR SIDE on all paved streets unless SIGN indicates the contrary. Omaha & Council Bluffs Street Railway Co.

FLASHES from FILMLAND. PHOTO-PLAY OFFERINGS FOR TODAY. TODAY AND SATURDAY. "U" Should See That Likeable Fellow. Wm. Russell in THE MIDNIGHT TRAIL. Being the Nocturnal Adventures of a Minister Amateur Detective and a Pretty Girl Sleep Walker. Next Week--WM. S. HART IN "THE BARGAIN"

Strand 16th & Douglas. GERALDINE FARRAR in "THE DEVIL STONE". FATTY (Roscoe) ARBUCKLE in "OUT WEST". MUSE. Olive Thomas in "Limousine Life". SUBURBAN 24th and Col. 2841. "The Birth of a Nation". Hipp ALWAYS A GOOD SHOW. Today and Saturday. Herbert Rawlinson in "THE FLASH OF FATE". LOTHROP 24th and Lothrop. Today and Saturday. EMMY WHELEN in "THE OUTSIDER". HAMILTON 40th and Hamilton. Today and Saturday. JANE AND KATHERINE LEE in "THE TROUBLE MAKERS". G-R-A-N-D Theater. Today--MARGUERITE CLARK in "SNOW WHITE". Saturday--JULIETTE DAY. BOYD Tonight & Sat. Arthur Hopkins. Matinee Tomorrow. GOOD! GRACIOUS!! ANNABELLE!!! HARRY GREEN & PLAYERS. FANNON & MARCO. ELIZABETH B. MURRAY. Herbert Clifton; Edwin George; Alaska Trio; Gray & Summerville; Orpheum Travel Weekly.