

TO STAGE STATE TENNIS TOURNAMENT AT FIELD CLUB

Seventh Annual Nebraska Net
Championship Event Will Be
Held in Omaha Starting
July 29.

The seventh annual tennis tournament for the championship of Nebraska will be held July 29 and following days on the courts of the Omaha Field club. This event will be open to residents of Nebraska only.

Finding that the needs of the day require greater attention to physical prowess than ever before, the War department of the United States has given its sanction and encouragement to the re-establishment of tennis championships. Having this thought in mind the directors of the Nebraska State Tennis association were particularly desirous of holding a tournament this year, and have selected the Omaha Field club as the place where the Nebraska state championship will be decided.

The Omaha Field club offers all the most desirable facilities for a tournament of this kind. An up-to-the-minute club in every respect, it has seven of the best clay courts in the United States. Many of the topnotch players of the country have played in tournaments on these courts and three national clay court championships have been decided on them.

Most of the crack players of the state will be here. Charles Patterson of Arapahoe, Ralph Weverling and Prof. Partridge of North Bend, Mathewson of Walthill, Durand of Norfolk, Van Dusen of Blair and Geson and McMillip of Seward are among those who are already getting their game under control.

Omaha Champ in France.

Rev. John Calvert, last year's winner in the local patriotic tournament, will not be here. His absence in France will also break up the doubles team of Calvert and Ranf, last year's winners. Of local players, Will Adams at present is the most formidable candidate for championship honors, but there are many clever players among the younger boys and his hopes may be crushed by such players as Will Nicholson, Virgil De France or Merrill Gordon.

The state championship has been won in the past as follows:
1912, AT NORFOLK.
Harry Koch, Omaha, in singles.
Harry Koch and Conrad Young, Omaha, in doubles.
1913, AT LINCOLN.
Harry Koch, Omaha, in singles.
C. A. Davis and H. H. Hills, Beaver City, in doubles.
1914, AT WATNE.
Harry Koch, in singles.
A. J. Davis and H. H. Hills, in doubles.
1915, AT LINCOLN.
C. A. Davis and H. H. Hills, in doubles.
1916, AT WAYNE.
Ralph Powell, Omaha, in singles.
Ralph Powell and Cleary Hanninghen, Omaha, in doubles.
1917, AT SUPERIOR.
Edward Geeson, Seward, in singles.
Edward Geeson and L. H. McMillip, in doubles.

The board of directors of the Nebraska State Tennis association has appointed Ralph Rainey as secretary of the association for 1918. He has charge of tennis affairs at the Omaha Field club and will be chairman of the local committee having the tournament in charge.

PORT OMAHA NINE TO BATTLE WITH BRANDEIS TODAY

The crack aggregation of base ballists from Fort Omaha balloon school will tackle the Brandeis stores tomorrow afternoon at Rourke park, the net referees to go to the sirmen's athletic fund.

The soldiers' team is composed entirely of former league and semi-league players and will make the locals extend themselves to maintain their reputation.

"Ted" Meredith, former Coast leaguer will probably oppose "Husk" Olson, the Brandeis "ace," on the mound, and the prospects are that a bitter battle will be waged between these crack slabsmen. Game called at 3:15.

The lineup:
Brandeis Store. Port Omaha.
O'Keefe. First. Kemp.
Hobbs. Second. Wooster.
Bryant. Third. Tracy.
Pitts. Short. Madden.
Hart. Left. Crawford.
Dygart. Center. Atkinson.
Lawler. Right. Brislee.
E. Williams. Catch. Sales.
Cline. Pitch. Moore.
Pitch. J. Williams.
Pitch. Meredith.
Pitch. Parker.

Balloon Soldiers to Give Athletic Program Tuesday

Tuesday afternoon and evening the 65th balloon school will hold an athletic carnival and dance at Krug park, the athletic carnival depicting some of the strenuous sports the American soldier indulges in, in preparing himself to lick the Kaiser.

The following program has been arranged by Captain Alexander, in charge of the 65th balloon school company and should prove, particularly at this time, highly interesting.

BOXING.
Corporal Joseph Patterson, 65th Balloon school, against Ray Henderson, Ord Corps.
Sergeant Boland, 65th Balloon company, against Montoya, 11th Balloon company.
Nicholas Murphy, 11th Balloon company, against Joe Farron, 72d company, 1st Infantry, Fort Crook.

WRESTLING.
Charles Peters, Papillion, Neb., against Tom Ray, Omaha, Neb.
Young Remington, Omaha, Neb., against Bob Tallivar, Omaha, Neb.
Ernest West, 41th Balloon company, against Robert Neal, 17th Balloon company.

Central Furniture Star Quits Game for the Navy

Al Zieger, star pitcher for the Central Furniture company team, has quit the sandlot game for the sterner game in the United States navy.

ONLY SEVEN HOME GAMES FOR OMAHA FANS THIS MONTH

Rourke's Return to Local Park
June 18 and Remain Until
June 24; Change Twi-
light Hour.

Pa Rourke's Western league hurlers will return home June 18.

The Rourke's have only seven games scheduled for the home lot this month. June 18, 19, 20 and 21, Jackson's clan will battle Des Moines and on June 22, 23 and 24, Sioux City.

All the rest of the month the Rourke's will be battling the foe on foreign fields. They have games scheduled at Hutchinson, Wichita, Joplin, Des Moines at Sioux City.

In July and August, however, the Rourke's have a number of home games. Sixteen games are carded for the home lot during July and thirteen during August.

Change Twilight Hour.

When the local prides return home June 18, a still later brand of twilight base ball will be played. Instead of starting the twilight games at 6:30, they will start at 6:45. Twilight base ball has proved so much more popular than daylight base ball during the week, that Rourke determined to set back the hour 15 minutes in order to give the fans still more time to get their dinners and then hike for the ball park.

The sale of coupon books of tickets to the Western league games, which is being conducted by the Chamber of Commerce, continues to progress. These coupon books contain 20 tickets. They sell at \$10. It is the aim of the Chamber of Commerce to sell 1,000 of these books, or \$10,000 worth.

Sale is Necessary.

Sale of this \$10,000 worth of coupon books is a strict necessity if Western league base ball is to survive in Omaha. Every other city in the league has sold this amount of coupon books and Omaha alone is lagging. Topeka failed to deliver the goods and lost the team when Oklahoma City came to the rescue and did deliver. There is little danger that the Omaha team will be moved if the \$10,000 worth of tickets is not sold, but it is quite probable that Pa Rourke will close his gates. He has intimated that he would prefer to shut up shop rather than transfer his club from Omaha.

SIGN ARTICLES FOR MAT MATCH HERE ON JULY 4

All negotiations for the wrestling match between John Pesek of Shelton, Neb., and Charlie Peters of Papillion, which will be staged at Rourke park July 4, have been consummated, according to announcement of Jack Lewis of Omaha, who will promote the event.

Lewis announces he has contracted with W. A. Rourke, president of the Omaha base ball club, for the use of Rourke park that day and that articles of agreement have been signed by both Pesek and Peters.

The articles of agreement contain the usual stipulations with the wrestlers to split 60 per cent of the gate receipts. The division between the promoters themselves will be 60 per cent to the winner and 40 per cent to the loser. The articles also call for a finish match, two falls out of three, with no time limit.

Mat fans are already becoming interested in the match and Lewis says he has even received a few orders for seats. Mart Slattery, Pesek's manager, says interest mounts high in the Pesek country and that more than 2,000 fans will come to Omaha for the Independence day event. Larny Lichtenstein of Chicago, who is associated with Slattery in the management of Pesek, says he will bring a big delegation from Chicago for the doings.

Change of Scenery Proves Making of Magee and Shean

Lee Magee was a failure in the American league last year with St. Louis, so he was shipped to Cincinnati. Dave Shean was a failure in the National league with Cincinnati, so he was shipped to the Boston Red Sox. Now both are making good.

What is the answer?
Amateur Games Today

GREATER OMAHA LEAGUE.
Krajceks against Armours, doubleheader, 1:30 p. m. Lusitania park.
Murphy-pitts against Holmes, doubleheader, 1:30 p. m., Holmes park.
Metcalfe against Beselins, doubleheader, 1:30 p. m., Athletic park.

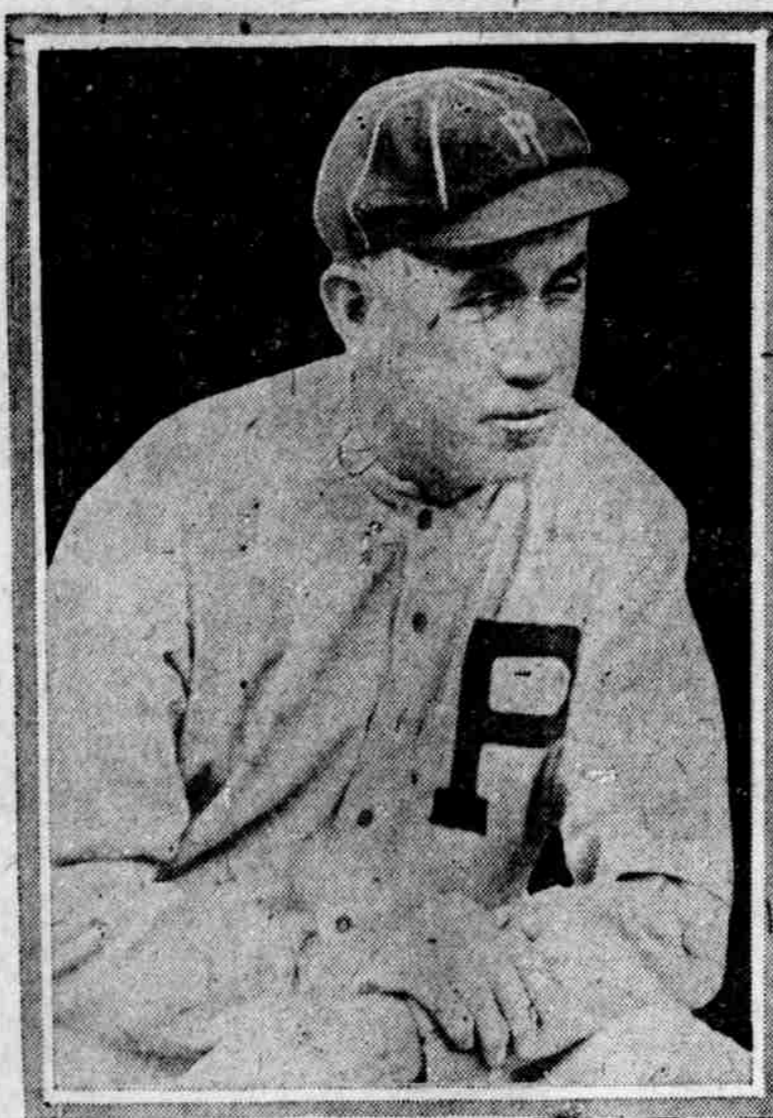
CITY LEAGUE.
Stags against Central Furniture Co., 2:30, Riverview park.
Alpha Camp. W. O. W. against National Cash Registers, 2:30, Fontainebleau.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.
McCaffrey Motors, against Trimble Bros., 2:30, 22d and Dewey.
INTERCITY LEAGUE.
Daily News against World-Herald, 5:30, Miller park.
Dresher Bros. against Krajceks Jrs., 1:30, 32d and Dewey.

ROOSTER LEAGUE.
Parley Commission Co. against Rizer Optical Co., 1:30, Riverview park.
Townsend against Trimble Juniors, 1:30, Fontainebleau.

Rambler against Homesteads, 1:30, Miller park.
E. Reiss against Harley-Davidsons, 2:30, West Ellsworth park.

Old Time Catchers Make Good as Big Time Pilots



PAT MORAN.



CONNIE MACK.



LEE FOHL.



MANAGER MITCHELL.

In the list of managers who have started their teams on pennant campaigns catchers of olden days are more prominent than pitchers, infielders or outfielders.

In the National league are four managers who formerly worked with the mask and big glove—Moran of the Phillies, Robinson of the Robins, Mitchell of the Cubs, and Stallings of the Braves, while the American league can show two former receivers—Connie Mack of the Athletics and Lee Fohl of the Indians.

Mathewson of the Reds and Griffith of the Senators are the former pitchers now managing major league clubs. Huggins of the Yankees was a second baseman, Jennings of the Tigers a shortstop, and McGraw of the Giants a third baseman. Jones of the Browns and Hendricks of the Cardinals were outfielders in their major league playing days.

Barrow of the Red Sox, Rowland of the White Sox and Bezdek of the Pirates never were players in the majors.

SHADELINE GOES MILE IN FASTEST TIME OF SEASON

Sears' Pacer Scoots Distance
in First Heat in 2:14 at Red
Star Matinee at Benson
Track.

The fastest mile paced in the state of Nebraska this year was the heat in 2:14 won by ShadeLine, owned by Judge W. G. Sears of Omaha, at the Red Star matinee Saturday afternoon at the Benson track.

During the afternoon the boy scouts of Troop No. 3 collected \$30 for the benefit of the Red Star, the equine relief society which is doing so much for the wounded horses in France. ShadeLine not only paced one mile in 2:14, but came back in the second heat almost as fast, 2:14 1/2, but made a break in the third heat which was won by Van Sickle, owned and driven by Warren Dennis of Salt Lake City, Utah.

Class B pacing was won in straight heats by Hal Gray, owned and driven by Edward Peterson of Omaha. The horse has been trained by Roy Owens of West Point, Neb., and is entered in the Grand circuit.

The two running races were closely contested and the judges had difficulty in separating them at the finish. There are 50 runners and 100 trotters and pacers at the Benson track ready for the twilight race meeting which starts next Tuesday evening, June 11, promptly at 6 o'clock.

The judges at the matinee Saturday were Tom Ault and J. T. Cotter of Omaha. The timers were Robert W. Patrick and S. W. Crowley of Omaha. Starter—C. M. Buck of Omaha.

Dr. C. C. Hall, secretary of the Omaha Driving club, announced that he has closed a contract by telegraph with Dr. E. E. Stone of Burlington, Wis., the famous Grand circuit starting judge, to start the horses at Omaha. Charles L. Trimble of Princeton, Ill., the well known eastern programmer, arrived yesterday, and the official arrangements of the coming meeting are well taken care of.

The summaries of yesterday's matinee were as follows:

Class A Pacing:
ShadeLine, Jackson 1 1/2
Van Sickle, Dennis 2 1/2
Walter H. Ivy 4 2/4
Time: 2:14, 2:14 1/2, 2:16.

Class B Pacing:
Hal Gray, Peterson 1 1/2
Gray Chimes, Dennis 2 1/2
Symbol Pacer, E. A. Rhodes 3 1/2
Time: 2:26, 2:18, 2:20.

Class C Trotting:
Otto F. Levalley 1 1/2
Cantalela, Ivey 2 1/2
Time: 2:24 1/2, 2:26, 2:22 1/2.

Running, Four and one-half Furlongs:
Reckoney, Wayson 1
Prepaid, Comstock 2
Eather Fay, Gibbons 3
Camille Muller, Wilson 4
Triebe, McCann 5
New Orleans, Woodington 6
Time, 19 seconds.

Running, Three Furlongs:
The Cub, Wilson 1
Iven Mist, McCann 2
Brownstone, Gibbons 3
Zipp, Wayson 4
Time, 37 seconds.

Jim Scott Shifted to Eastern Camp.
Captain James Scott, former White Sox pitcher, has been transferred by the army authorities from Camp Lewis, Wash., to Camp Perry on Lake Erie, where he will be assigned to some special service.

OMAHA GOLFERS TO ENTER EVENT AT KANSAS CITY

Thirty or Forty Field Club
Members and Several From
Country Club to Take in
Trans-Mississippi.

Thirty or 40 members of the Omaha Field club expect to take in the 18th annual Trans-Mississippi Golf tournament at Kansas City, June 17 to 22.

The Omaha golfers may be shy their "acc." Sam Reynolds, who won the tournament last year, but they will lead one or two other strong players into the fray in the hope that the honor of Omaha will be upheld.

Reynolds, however, hopes he will be able to defend his title.
E. A. Higgins, Dr. H. L. Arnold, H. B. Morrell and Tommy Leuchars, all of the Field club, plan to motor down if the roads are in good condition.

Several Country club golfers also expect to attend the event, including Willie Hoare, the Country club professional, who will go down two days ahead in order to take in a special event which will be held June 16.

James E. Nugent, secretary and treasurer of the Trans-Mississippi Golf association, has announced the program for the annual tournament to be held on the Hillcrest Country club course at Kansas City, June 17 to 22.

WOLVERINES STAGE COMEBACK AND WIN ATHLETIC HONORS

Chicago, June 8.—After an absence of 12 years, the University of Michigan staged a sensational "come-back" in the Western Conference outdoor track and field championships decided on Stagg field this afternoon and scored a triumph with a total of 37 1/2 points. The Wolverines won first place in five events and tied for the premier honors in the grenade throw. It was the eighteenth annual renewal of the western classic.

The University of Illinois was second, with 26 points, and Missouri, regarded as the favorite, third, with 24. Chicago piled up 18, Wisconsin 13 1/2, Minnesota 12 1/2 and Drake and Notre Dame 11 points each.

FIRST BARGAIN BILL OF SEASON ON BOARD TODAY

Armours and Krajceks and
Holmes and Murphys Battle
in Double-Header This
Afternoon.

By FRANK QUIGLEY.
The next draft will be as disastrous as a tornado to the Omaha Amateur Base Ball association. It will hit Class A boys with that knockout tablet made famous by Bob Fitzsimmons.

Already the ranks are in a sadly depleted condition, because many have enlisted in different branches of the service, rather than take a chance on the draft. Last week Matt McGrath of the Brandeis Stores and Harry Nystrom of the Beselins floated out of Omaha for Des Moines, Ia., where they will join the Nebraska base hospital crew station there. They have many friends in the base hospital bunch, so things will be lively for them.

The initial double-headers of the season in the Greater Omaha league will be jerked off this afternoon at Luxus and Holmes parks. At Luxus park the Krajceks and the Armours will lock horns. The Armours have changed their tune now and are fighting like they were up against Kaiser Billiam, so the Krajceks will have to unload some speed to capture these two arguments. Although not discouraged, Frank Yost, the chief of the Krajceks, is not in the best of spirits. He lost his best pitcher last week. He has three more kinkers, the best of which is Peanuts Mason. He will let Peanuts try to roast one game and Cornish will probably hoist the other.

The Armours will use Graves and Stillmuck for mound duty. Two classy duels and a large crowd are looked for by the followers of both squads.

That quarrel between the Central Furniture Store and the Stags of the City league ought to be a peach-erino. In the Inter-City league the best wrangle will be between the Krajceks, Jr.s., and Dresher Bros. The wiseacres have picked the cleaners to trim the Krajceks, but here, of late the juniors have been dishing out classy stuff, consequently the Dreshers will have no cinch on the gravy. Mahoney will kink 'em for the Dreshers. This duel will be full of thrills from the bell until the curtain.

THE RACE HORSE AS A WAR MEASURE

There are only three breeds of horses in the world from which the different countries obtain their cavalry horses—The Thoroughbred or the Race Horse, the Saddle Horse and the Harness Horse.

A cross between the above breeds and the draft horse makes the best artillery horse. The difference between the cavalry horse and the artillery horse is—speed and weight.

The Percheron—Clydesdales and Shire of the heavyweight class are absolutely unfit for cavalry use. Over 95 per cent of the thirty thousand cavalry horses have been sired by or their dam was a Standard Bred Animal.

The United States Government has purchased more than fifty Standard Bred Stallions for the purpose of raising cavalry horses on their government tracts.

TWILIGHT RACES AT BENSON TRACK; HORSES ON SCENE

Horsemen Enthusiastic Over
Plan to Hold Nebraska Cir-
cuit Program During the
Evening Hours.

Horsemen from Chicago to California who have arrived in Omaha for the race meeting to be held at the Benson track June 11-15, are congratulating the Omaha Driving club on inaugurating twilight racing. The Omaha association is the first one in the United States to try the stunt.

"You are on the right track," says C. E. Beveridge of Chicago. "The man who is kept at his desk because of war conditions can come out in the evening and enjoy the sport. I look for the plan to be tried in many parts of the country."

The Benson track is located opposite Krug Park, one of the highest spots in the country. It is high, slightly, and cool, making a delightful place to spend an evening. Coffee and sandwiches will be served in the grandstand, so that fans can come direct to the races from their offices.

"We anticipate a good attendance at our meeting," announces Dr. Grant Williams, president of the Omaha Driving Club. "I believe there are still many horse lovers left in Omaha, and since this will be the only race meeting here this year, they are sure to be present."

"We should all encourage racing as much as possible," says Dr. C. C. Hall, secretary of the club. "The horse is playing an important part in the war, particularly now that fighting is more in the open. The war department is doing everything it can to encourage racing, because it stimulates the breeding of horses, and there is a great shortage imminent. Even in England, where the war has been in progress much longer than here, they insist that racing be maintained, and the annual derby was decided only recently."

There are over 100 horses on the Benson track ready for the meeting. They come from California, Montana, Utah, Kansas, South Dakota, Arkansas, Louisiana, Iowa, Illinois and Nebraska.

Soldiers and sailors in uniform will be admitted free.

Pa Rourke in Colorado To Give Farm Double O

Pa Rourke, owner of the Omaha base ball club, is in Colorado. Pa has a 900-acre farm out in the mountain state and he is there now to give this bit of land the double-O.

There is a report current in local base ball circles that Pa has gone out to see if anything will grow on the land, but this is put down as the brilliant sally of a practical joker.

Dr. J. F. Schleier, prominent Omaha surgeon, accompanied Rourke to Colorado.

Parker Lands Job.

Outfielder Clarence Parker, who had a trial with the St. Louis Americans in 1915 and since then has been playing with Lowell and elsewhere in the minors, has been signed by Rochester.

TWILIGHT RACES JUNE 11-15

All the famous trotters, pacers, and runners from the Mississippi river to California will open their racing season at Omaha. Racing starts promptly at 6 p. m. Sandwiches and coffee served in the grandstand.

Benson Race Track

Opposite Krug Park.
Admission, 50c; Grandstand Free.



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Mr. Walter Palmer of Ottawa, Illinois, a race horse breeder and owner of many famous racing horses, was the inspector of all trotting stallions purchased by the U. S. Government for the use of breeding horses. Mr. Palmer is now in Service at Ft. Sam Houston as an officer in army horse inspection.

The cavalry horse is produced solely by the men who raise and race horses for both money and pleasure. The proposition of supporting the racing game is up to the public so that we may continue to build up the foundation of the cavalry horse.