Amatuer Sandloters Will Start Their Battles Today

Fourteen Teams to Make Debut on Various Municipal Grounds When Johnny Gonding and His Staff of Umps Call Time; Saturday Leagues Are Organized.

By WILLIAM O. BLOZIES.

Play ball:

Those two words are on the lips of all amateur base ball players, managers, captains and backers of the various teams of the newly organized Municipal Amateur Base Ball association, as well as the officials of that organization and the many thousands of followers of the national past-time in this city today.

So promptly at 1:30 o'clock when Johnny Gonding and his staff of municipal "umps" shout these two words, fourteen teams of the association will be on deck to inaugurate the 1919 amateur season, which no doubt, will be the banner year in the history of Omaha amateur baseball circles.

Favorable weather conditions have been promised by Weather Forecaster Welsh for this afternoon and the officials of the association predict that at least 75,000 fans will be in attendance at the various playing fields to give the youngsters a rousing send-off.

Although there are not as many in teams associated with the "Muny" association, the officials of the association announced that nevertheless, the fans will witness many close and interesting contests during the next two and a half months, as the teams are all evenly matched and are composed of many "cracks of former years."

Play Starts Today.

The fourteen teams which will make their debut in the new association are members of the City and American, both of class B caliber, and the Booster and Inter-City and Gate City, class C organizations. All of the leagues, with the exception of the Gate City league, have been represented on the field of battle the past four years. The Gate City league will make its first appearance this afternoon, and from advance information should make a strong bid for class C honors.

Practically all of the teams in this new organization have participated on the various sand-lots and municipal diamonds for the past four years under the banner of the Omaha Base Ball association, which was one of the prime factors in the success of amateur base ball here.

Where They Will Play.

Games will be staged at the municipal diamonds, Thirty-second street and Dewey avenue, Riverview park, Miller park, Elmwood park, east and west diamonds, and at Thirty-first street and Ames avenue, formerly the old Ernie Holmes park. At each of these parks double-headers will be staged for the benefit of the fans.

On account of the cold weather the past month the teams have had little or no practice, but the moguls all announced that their teams are in the best of condition and are confident of winning.

Many new faces will be seen in the line-ups this afternoon. Some of the teams are composed entirely of new blood, while practically all of the teams with the exception of one or two will have a number of new players.

A number of the teams are stronger this season that ever before as many of the old stars, who in the last season were in the fighting forces of Uncle Same, are back in the harness.

Look for Dark Horse.

At a late hour last night none of the managers of the fourteen teams would announce who they would pitch in the opening games. It is understood, however, that some of the managers have a few "dark horses" who they will send to the mound.

For the first time in three years the Greater Omaha league, the crack Class A circuit, will not be seen in action on the opening of the season. The league, however, is being organized and at the present time is composed of four teams, Morris and company, managed by James Sutej, well known amateur and semi-pro player; Murphy-Did-Its, Nebraska Power company, and the Millers. The league will hold a meeting this week, at which time they will make final plans for the season and elect the officers. They will probably start the season the first part of May.

Two Saturday Leagues.

Two Saturday leagues, the Church, composed of eight teams, and the Commercial league, composed of the leading Omaha wholesale houses, will organize this week and play under the jurisdictions of the Muny association, according to J. J. Isaacson, secretary of the association. Already five church teams have applied for franchises in the league, while in the Commercial league, the United States Rubber company, Iten Biscuit company, Paxton-Gallagher and McCord-Brady are organizing to play in that organization.

It was announced last night that the opening of the season will be marked by plenty of ceremonies, as bands will play at practically all of the games, short speeches will be made by the city officials and officers of the association, while backers of the different teams will pitch the first ball.

All Omaha is invited to these games today and give the "big leaguers" of tomorrow a rousing welcome.

The officers of the Muny association are working hard to make the association a success and donating their services for the cause are A. C. Scott, president; Thomas Falconer, park commissioner; W. E. Reed, George Zimmerman, Leo Rosenthal and A. A. Hoopingarner, vice presidents; J. J. Isaacson and James Milota, secretaries, and Fred Hunter, treasurer.

The Inter-City, Booster and Gate City leagues, Class C organizations, will hold meetings this week to adopt their final schedules for the season. The association will also meet the latter part of the week.

Sandlot Gossip.

Any good catcher wishing a berth with a crack class B team, call Charley Hall at Harney 2498.

Amateur teams wishing their scores published in the Omaha Bee are requested to call Bill Blozies at Walnut 2625 not later than 7 o'clock.

Frank Delhanty has been elected secretary of the City league and Frank Jacobs president.

Walter Pates of the Mickle Victrolas says he will not have to sing any more as they are going to have a Victrola at all of the games.

Pete McGuire, well-known amateur base bill star, has written to Earl Higgins that he is playing "some ball" at Ventimiglia, Italy. Pete is with the A. E. F.

Ernie Adams, well-known amateur star, is looking for a berth with some fast class B team. He received his discharge Friday at Fort Omaha. Ernie is a good all-around player and will be a great help to any team.

The McCaffreys Motor company lineup for this afternoon's contest is A. Tolliver, first; Roy Hefflinger, second; Pesditz, short; Carmody, third; Bogues, McKeague and Paul Konecky, outfielders; Gentille, catcher; J. Moore and Joe Mancuso, pitchers.

Jimmy Moore will probably be on the mound for the McCaffrey team.

Amateur teams wishing notes in these columns of the Omaha Bee are urged to send them to Bill Blozies, care this paper, or leave them with Earl Higgins, care McVitte's cigar store, Fifteenth and Douglas streets.

McDonnell or Wages will be on the firing line for the West Leavenworth street Merchants this afternoon with Roth or Knight holding down the receiving.

The West Leavenworth Merchants, backed by the business men of West Leavenworth, has a crack team and are expected to make a great showing in the Booster league this season.

Smith at first and Roth, catcher, of the West Leavenworth street Merchants, hail from Dunlap, Ia.

Following is the lineup of the West Leavenworth Street Merchants: Smith, first; Wages, pitcher and short; Seaman, second; Christman, third; Stanesie, left; Nelson, center; Daly, right; McDonnell, pitcher; Knight and Roth, catchers; McBride and Matters, utility.

Art Moran, former manager of the Murphy-Did-Its, twice class B champions, will manage the Bowen's Furniture team.

Johnny Shields, Cliff Long and Delhanty will do the backstop work for the Bowen's Furniture lads.

These "cracks" will represent the Bowen's Furnitures: John Shields, Cliff Long, Frank Delehanty, Roy Feltman, Joe Moran, Ed Quinn, Ed Trummer, Jim Skomal, Bill Pinault, "Zeke" McGrath, Ed Miller, Stanley Skrupa, Ed Hollander and "Hap" Manion.

At the short station for the Bowen's, Eddy Trummer will be heard from, while Jim Skomal will hold down the hot corner.

Paxton-Vierling's line-up for the opening game is as follows: Carlson, first; R. Luebbe, second; Price, short; E. Carlson, third; Delehanty, left; Carl Luebbe, right, and Roy Luebbe, center, and Wince, right.

The three Luebbe brothers—Ray, Roy and Carl—will be seen and heard this season. They are connected with the Paxton-Vierling aggregation.

Following is the line-up of the World-Herald team: Ralph Spellman, catcher Eddy McDermott, pitcher; Paul Shanahan, first; Soglow, short; Maloney, second; Bernstein, third; Rasnick, right; Yates, center; Peterson, left.

Dunham Kahley, who formerly played with the Schuyler, Neb., team, is now located in Omaha, and it is reported that the Murphy-Did-Its are after him.

The line-up of the Nebraska Power company of the Greater Omaha league is as follows: Frank Yost, catcher; Jim Moylan and Alex Mongerson, pitchers; Norgaard, first; Gernandt, second Frank Mancuso, short; "Blackie" McAndrews, third; Chris Kemmy, captain and left field; Joe Wolf, center; Collins, right.

Prior to being sent to officers' training school, after more than a year's service, Jimmie Milotta, one of the secretaries of the Municipal Base Ball association, was in charge of the gunnery department at Oneonta (now Ream) field, near San Diego, Cal. Jimmie still raves about the wonders of California, and is contemplating a visit there soon, but some of his friends believe that one of California's fairest is the real magnet that draws his attention there.

Must Have City Permits to Play on Muny Courts

Park Commissioner Falconer has hit upon an idea to preserve the Municipal golf courses from the depradations of the wilfully malicious and careless golfers that play on the city links. Beginning May 1, it will be necessary for golfers to secure a 1919 permit (without cost) at the office of the park commissioner, entitling them to the use of the links for the entire year.

A player appearing without a yearly permit will be given a temporary permit once, but must have the yearly ticket when he shows up again. Visitors from other cities can get permits from the starters at the courses for the time of their stay in Omaha. Applying for the yearly passes, the applicants will be given a book of rules of the course to read and study and will sign his name in a book under an agreement to abide by the rules set forth.

The rules are drawn with the object of promoting and safeguarding the interests of the players of municipal courses. By proper cooperation on the part of the golfers, a greater enjoyment may be had in the game and the elimination of any unpleasant features in connection with the operation of public courses.

New York to Have Sunday Ball Games and Movies

Albany, N. Y., April 19.—Governor Smith today signed the bills authorizing Sunday base ball and moving picture shows.

Under the two bills base ball games may be played and moving pictures exhibited on Sundays, providing that consent is given by the local governing body.

With the Bowlers

Huntington League.

ORPHEUM				GARD'S			
Hansen..	166	150	162	KOOTIES. Mirasky..	135	171	224
Zadina ..	172	164	179	Paulson..	129	177	211
Land'mp	150	169	148	Faynbee.	168	123	151
Gernandt	136	158	167	Bowles..	216	164	208
Ries	145	140	134	McGuade	176	170	165
Total..	769	781	790	Total ..	821	815	959
BLUE DEVILS.				HOLSUMS.			
Reeves..	165	184	130	Goss	180	149	196
Loring ..	175	145	175	Mohr	166	126	138
Clark ...	167	125	191	Martin ...	141	163	162
Schneid'r	145	139	169	Hollack..	143	212	199
Stenberg	184	142	162	Vore	189	212	180
Total..	836	735	827	Total ..	819	862	875
CERVA.				SWIFT & CO.			
Looney..	169	179	188	Crowe ...	169	152	191
F. Mir'ky	133	185	159	Robson ..	135	145	151
Perdue.	122	188	174	Hehn	134	147	201
Francl..	156	140	143	Sexle	163	152	159
Kenmery	205	178	166	Roben ...	139	167	145
Total ..	786	870	880	Total ..	740	763	847

Armour Team to Meet Omaha Leaguers In Second Game at Rourke Park Today

Top row: Payne, Dyke, Ryan, Jim Collins, Potach, Corcoran, Hayes and Williams.
Bottom row: Templeton, Graves, Marty Collins, Synek and Dygert.

Packer Semi-pros Determined to Avenge Close Score Trimming the Omaha Club Administered In Last Sunday's Contest; Both Teams to Have New Faces In Line-ups.

Last Sunday's close score, when they lost to the Omaha Western leaguers by a 5 to 4 count has imbued the Armour semi-pro base ball club with such confidence that they declare they will take the Rourke's scalp when they tangle with them again this afternoon at Rourke park. The narrow margin of victory for the Omaha club caused Manager Bill Jackson to get his boys out for more and harder work than they had yet undertaken and he now says they will be ready for the Armour's attack today.

The addition of Hale, the St. Louis American league catcher to the Rourke squad and the appearance of Townsend, the star southpaw secured from San Antonio of the Texas league, in trade for Marty O'Toole, will make the only changes in the leaguers lineup. Manske and Townsend will each get a chance to work against the Armours for an inning or two and Hale will be behind the bat for a while. Hi Hale and Corderman will also get another chance to work a little against the packer team's base thieves. Kranda and Donica will divide up the hot corner work, Gislason, will be at short, Cable will cover second and Bill Jackson will try to do better at the initial corner. Thompson, Bashang, Hazen and Mack will split the outfield work.

New Faces Among Semi-Pros.

The Semi-pros will have a couple of new faces in their lineup today, but the position of the players will not be greatly changed. Jimmy Collins will get a chance to play in the outfield today and Hirsch, a new heaver, will throw an inning or two. The packers' batting order will probably be the same as in last week's game, with Manager Harry Williams in the cleanup spot, though he failed to clean in the other game. Dygert will again be the lead-off man, with Al. Graves following to hustle the first man around the paths. If Al. connects, Dygert will have to travel or be run over.

Manager Jackson announces that the players seen on the field will constitute the Omaha club for the beginning of the season. About the middle of May, Brooks Hale will join them and later in the month or the early part of June, Pat Mason will complete his studies and join the club. It may be that Pa Rourke will get another double A pitcher before they go along very far, but, if not, the present outfit will be the Omaha Western league representatives.

DEMPSEY TO BOX HARRY WILLIAMS THURSDAY NIGHT

Athletic Carnival at Auditorium April 24 Will Present Three Wrestling Bouts and Challenger In Exhibitions.

Jack Dempsey.

As a rule keeping a week ahead of the Jack Dempsey athletic carnival as the advance business manager of the show, Billy McCarney, manager of Luther McCarthy, when the foremost "white hope" of that time was killed in a bout at Calgary, Canada, with Arthur Pelky, has been in town for a couple of days, visiting old friends and looking the Gate city over. Billy is as enthusiastic over Dempsey as he was over McCarthy and those that knew Lute and Billy will know what that means.

The Dempsey carnival will show at the auditorium Thursday night and McCarney has booked a number of events in conjunction with the heavyweight challenger's appearance to create some local interest Three wrestling bouts will precede Dempsey's exhibition, introducing Oishi, the Japanese wrestler, against Ludecke, the champion of Central America. Jess Queen and Tom Ray, the local celebrities of the mat world will wrestle and Charlie Peters will go on with the Italian trooper, Gardini, who has been having such wonderful success with the carnival. Each wrestling match will be for one fall or to 30 minutes.

Harry Williams vs Dempsey.

Some local interest will be aroused in the main event of the program with Jack Dempsey matched to box Jess Willard for the heavyweight championship of the world on July 4, next, boxing a three-round exhibition with Harry Williams, Omaha's new candidate for heavyweight boxing honors. Williams only recently took up the boxing game and has shown great promise. He was formerly a Western and American league base ball player and is now employed in the South Side stockyards, playing semi-pro ball with the Armour Base Ball club.

Following the exhibition with Williams, Dempsey will box three rounds with John Lester Johnson, the giant negro heavyweight, who outpointed Jack in his second appearance in New York City, almost causing that white boy to give up the game. Johnson will give the local fans an idea of what may be expected of the challenger, for he is six feet four inches in height, and weighs 230 pounds. The three rounds with John Lester will conclude the program.

38 Years After Sullivan.

Advance Agent McCarney points out that the present tour was started on March 31, 38 years to the day after John L. Sullivan started his famous tour of the country, offering $50 to anyone that could stay four rounds, the greatest difference being that Dempsey, in the localities where it is permitted, has offered $1,000 to any scrapper staying that length of time. A host of battlers have tried to annex that "thou," but without success, Jack putting the "crusher" on them usually in a few seconds. In Omaha, boxing contests not being permitted, Dempsey will only put on an exhibition bout, taking on Williams to provide the local interest.

The printer disappointed Manager Franke of the Auditorium and he didn't get the tickets for the carnival in time to place them on sale Friday morning, but he jumped the ink-slinger and had the tickets in the box office Friday evening, where a great number of them were disposed of, even before the mail orders had been entirely filled. Requests for good seats have been coming in by mail and phone all week and indications point to a packed house.

SUBMARINE scare is over. Now a guy can get seasick and enjoy it.

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Big workingman's strike all over the works. Swiss Alps guides refuse to allow any more wealthy tourists to slide over precipes unless the tourists' heir pay 'em for the rope. Milwaukee beer chauffeurs will walk out on June 30.

New York waiters are also flatfooting out. Claim that some patrons are so tight that they walk out of the cafe with carfare home. Madrid toreadors demand an eight-bull day.

Ty Cobb is squawking for 20,000 smackers a season for ruining the grass in center field with his spikes. Better give it to him. Lots of packages of grass seed. But only one Ty.

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You buzzed it.

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Benny Leonard weighed only 134 pounds with a New Jersey boxing glove on each flipper. A New Jersey boxing glove is designed to protect a scrapper's frail, pink knuckles from a tough New Jersey jawpiece. When a New Jersey cuckoo decides to take 40 winks, he just rolls over on his New Jersey glove and uses it for an Ostermoor. Showing that Ben can't weigh more than 103 pounds soaking wet.

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Ban Johnson is having tough pickings with the minor leagues. Ban is in the position of a rural gent trying to make a buff Orpington feel at home under a shower bath.

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J. Dundee is 5,000 berries heavier since visiting Newark. Who wouldn't stop a few crashes for the privilege of wearing egg on your chin for the rest of the winter?

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The old bar rag will be flying at half mast in July.

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Whenever you pipe a seed with a bank roll as loose as ashes you can always lamp two slickers to sift it.

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They're scraping the moss off the moss-covered busket, the old soaking bucket, the iron-bound bucket that will hang in the bar.

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Poland is the Soakum Yoakum of Europe. It is the ukulele of nations. Everybody picks on it. Paderewski, the lad with the hair almost as long as his bank roll, is stretching an octave on the Polish pianoforte. It's like stretching an octave on a nest of bumble bees.

Being a piano player in a riot is a precarious method of grabbing off the daily biscuits. If you wallop a persimmon-flavored note some bullshe-whiskered critic is liable to wrap the piano stool around your Adam's apple for a lavalliere.

But being a wise hick, Paddy ain't playing with his back to the audience. Instead of playing a shrapnel sonata on an infant grand, Pad has invented the baby tank piano. Whenever an enthusiastic Red comes flat-wheeling down the aisle with a bouquet of barbed wire Paddy pulls in his horns and rattles off a stock yards nocturne on a police whistle.

Then he signals full speed ahead and steers his baby tank piano out of the works. He takes his million dollar digits away from there, showing that a million-dollar collection of wrists ain't half as valuable as a 10 cent set of ankles.

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Government has decided not to smear a 20 per cent fine on base ball and other amusements. This lets golf out in the cold.

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An outfielder can cuff a fly ball at the old 10 per cent rate. A catcher can flip a wild one into center field knowing that he is losing the game for his team but is saving the owners 10 per cent.

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Raising the rent to 20 per cent on Uncle Tom's Cabin would have been a tough blow to the venerable smoke. It was all that Eliza could do in the old days to ease across the ice just 10 per cent ahead of the bloodhounds. If the ante had been raised to 20, Eliza would sure have been bitten in the rear of her gingham apron.

FEATHERWEIGHT TITLE MAT BOUT IN BLUFFS TUES.

Walter Smith of Grand Island, Winner of British Isles Championship, to Meet Breedlove.

Walter Smith.

The entire card for the all-star wrestling show in the Council Bluffs Auditorium has been signed up and the promoter, Al. Fiori, assures us that one of the best shows of the season will be on tap Tuesday night. The windup men, Vernon Breedlove, featherweight champion, and challenger Walter Smith of Grand Island have reported to Fiori in fine condition and will work lightly from now until bell time, just to keep on edge.

Everone around these parts knows Breedlove, but only a few of them are acquainted with Smith's record. He has been wrestling for nine years —seven years as a professional and two as an amateur. As an amateur, he represented the Anselmo A. C. of Anselmo, Neb., and won the state title of Nebraska at 105 pounds. In a foot race, he won third place and was given 25 cents as a prize and was barred from further competition as an amateur.

Wins Championship.

As a professional wrestler, he won the 117-pound championship of the middle west and held it until he joined the army in November, 1917. He took on weight in the service and won the 125-pound championship of the southern division of the U. S. army, weighing only 119 pounds. He then won the 125-pound title of the Atlantic division. In the fall of 1918, he won the featherweight championship of the British Isles at Glasgow, Scotland, in the inter-allied athletic meet, before 100,000 people at Celtic park, one of the greatest athletic amphitheaters in the world.

Since he was discharged, December 20, 1918, Smith has had no actual contests, but has been instructing and training amateur wrestlers. The match with Breedlove will be his first bout since he returned from overseas duty.

Through a misunderstanding, two men were secured to go on with Young Gotch in the semi-final bout. Denny Moore of Omaha and Jim Gorgan of Minden, Ia., were both booked, but as the Minden welter was the first one signed, he will go on with Gotch and Moore will be signed to meet the winner at the next show. The Gorgan-Gotch match will be a best two out of three falls match to a finish.

In the preliminaries, two amateur wrestlers of Council Bluffs will go on to settle the supremacy of the Bluffs amateur middleweight division. These fellows will still remain amateurs as they have refused a proffer of money for the bout, preferring to retain their amateur standing. Theirs will be a one-fall finish match. Denny Ryan will referee the main event.

Ruth Makes Record by Scoring Six Home Runs in Succession

Baltimore, April 19.—"Babe" Ruth of the Boston Americans in six successive times at the bat, four in yesterday's exhibition with the Baltimore Internationals, and two in in today's game, scored six home runs, breaking the home run record.

Fownes Wins President's Golf Tournament Trophy

Pinehurst, N. C., April 19.—Henry C. Fownes, Oakmont, won the president's trophy in the mid-April golf tournament here today, defeating Tom Morrison, also of Oakmont, five up and three to play.

Hass, Grinnell, Wins 100-Yard Des Moines Run

Des Moines, Ia., April 19.—Many close contests failed to produce any new records in the tenth annual Drake relay carnival here today. The surprise of the meet was the victory of Hass of Grinnell (Ia.) college in the special 100-yard dash in 10 1-5 seconds, won over several of the greatest sprint men of the west.

Special 100-Yard Dash—Won by Hass, Grinnell; Butler of Dubuque (Ia.) college, second; Hayes of Notre Dame, third; Time, :10 1-5.

Four-Mile University—Won by Chicago (Lewis, Long, Moore, McCook); Iowa state, second; Drake, third. Time, 18:56 3-5.

Two-Mile University—Won by Notre Dame (Meredith, Sweeney, McDonough, Meehan); Chicago, second; Illinois, third; Wisconsin, fourth. Time, 8:02.

Half Mile High School, Second Section—Won by Boone, Ia.; Waverly, Ia., second; Laurens, Ia., third; Perry, Ia., fourth. Time, 1:38.

One-half Mile University, Missouri Valley Section—Won by Grinnell (Hass, Vinsell, Minty, Cowden); Kansas, second; Nebraska, third; Drake, fourth. Time, 1:31.

One-half Mile University, Big Ten Section—Won by Michigan (Meese, Butler, Losch, Johnson); Illinois, second; Iowa, third; Minnesota, fourth. Time, 1:29 4-5.

Two-Mile College—Won by Morning Side (Lee, Myers, Shafenberg, Hunt); Cornell, Ia., second; Coe, third; Simpson, fourth. Time, 8:23 3-5.

One-Mile College—Won by Wabash (Manley, Beck, Brown, Nicholson); Coe, second; Hamline, third; Parson, fourth. Time, 3:33 4-5.

One-half Mile College—Won by Dubuque (Duke, Arembs, Bergman, Butler); Coe, second; South Dakota, third; Simpson, fourth. Time, 1:34 2-5.

One-Mile University—Won by Nebraska (Gibbs, Gilliian, Fuchs, McMahon); Missouri, second; Kansas, third; Grinnell, fourth. Time, 3:26.

Trap Shooters Will Organize New Amateur National Association

New York, April 19.—Several of the most prominent amateur trap shooters in the United States, who will take part in the Victory week tournament over the traps of the New York Athletic club at Travers Island from April 28 to May 2, intend to organize a new national amateur association during that week. It is to be known at the Amateur Clay Target Shooting association of America and will undertake complete jurisdiction over all amateur events.

After arrangements have been made for the club and individual membership the association will officially issue sanctions and give recognition to all club and league fixtures.

It is believed that under the new regime a higher standard will be set for those events, and it will be possible to compile official averages for practically all the amateur trapshooters in the country.

Union Outfitters Win From Furniture Team; Open With Batteries

The Union Outfitters of the City league, in a game before the regular opening of the league season, defeated the Central Furnitures by a score of 6 to 1. Nufer's pitching and the all-around star playing of Guinette and Potter were the features of the game.

The Outfitters will open the City league season today with a game against the Willard Storage Batteries. His team mates expect Nufer to better his yesterday's record of striking out nine men, when the season gets well under way.

Longeways Want Game.

Any Omaha base ball team of class A strength that has no game booked for today can get one with the Longeways of Council Bluffs by calling Jim Kennedy, at Bluffs 2572. The Longeways are anxious to get into the Nebraska-Iowa league if one is formed.

Exhibition Base Ball Games.

Washington, April 19.—Score:

	R.	H.	E.
New York Nationals	11	15	6
Washington Americans	9	13	2

Batteries: Winters, Caufey and McCarty; Shaw, Matteson, Boylik and Melnich, Agnew.

Philadelphia, April 19.—Score:

	R.	H.	E.
Philadelphia Nationals	2	7	1
Philadelphia Americans	3	4	3

Batteries—Prendergast, Faircloth and Adams; Anderson, Greull and Perkins.

St. Louis, April 19.—Score:

	R.	H.	E.
St. Louis Americans	8	6	0
St. Louis Nationals	1	5	4

Batteries: Davenport and Billings; Tuero, May and Clemons.

Cincinnati, April 19.—Score:

	R.	H.	E.
Chicago Americans	3	5	1
Cincinnati Nationals	1	8	2

Batteries: Kerr and Schalk; Fisher and Allen.

Des Moines, April 19.—Score:

	R.	H.	E.
Chicago Am. (Sec. team)	8	12	3
Des Moines Western league	3	9	1

Batteries: Corry, Hardy and Strumpf; Musser, Naegli and Walker.

BROOKLYN WINS OPENING PAIR OF THE SEASON

Single by Griffith With Man on Second Base Breaks Up Major League Contest With Boston.

Boston, April 19.—The major league base ball season was opened here today when the Brooklyn club defeated Boston, 5 to 2, in a 10-inning game this morning, and 3 to 2 this afternoon. Holiday crowds of more than 5,000 and 15,000 attended. Hundreds of overseas soldiers were in the stands.

Rudolph for Boston and Cadore for Brooklyn engaged in a pitching duel in the first game, which was broken by Brooklyn in the tenth inning when Griffith singled with runners on second and third. Boston scored twice in the seventh, with three hits and a sacrifice fly.

In the tenth inning Brooklyn resorted to bunting, and this attack proved successful. Rabbit Maraville played for the Braves, but apparently was not in the best of condition.

Jeff Pfeiffer pitched well in the afternoon game for Brooklyn. The Boston players got on the bases in every inning, but there were no hits to send them home. Pfeiffer contributed to Brooklyn's win by driving the ball into deep left center where Riggert dropped it after a long run. Boston scored in the seventh on hits by Miller and Herzog, and in the eighth when Pfeiffer became wild and passed two and hit two, forcing Holke in.

Score first game:

Brooklyn—	R.	H.	E.	Boston—	R.	H.	E.
Johnson, 1b	1	0	0	Maranville, ss	0	0	2
Malone, 2b	1	2	0	Herzog, 2b	0	0	0
Griffith, rf	0	1	0	Powell, rf	0	1	1
Z. Wheat, lf	1	2	0	Riggert, cf	0	2	0
Myers, cf	0	2	0	Holke, 1b	0	1	0
Olson, ss	1	2	0	Smith, 3b	1	2	0
O'Mara, 3b	0	0	1	Kelly, lf	1	1	0
Krueger, c	0	1	0	Wilson, c	0	1	1
Cadore, p	1	0	1	Rudolph, p	0	2	0
Totals	5	10	2	Totals	2	10	5

By innings—	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	T.
Brooklyn	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	5
Boston	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2

Summary: Two base hit—Olson. Three base hit—Wheat. Left on bases—Brooklyn, 7; Boston, 8. Stolen bases—Kelly. Sacrifice hits—O'Mara, Holke, Malone. Sacrifice flies—Maranville. Double plays—Olson to Malone to Johnston; Maranville to Herzog to Holke. Bases on balls—off Rudolph 1, off Cadore 2. Struck out—by Rudolph 6.

Score second game:

Brooklyn—	R.	H.	E.	Boston—	R.	H.	E.
Johnson, 1b	0	1	0	Mar'nville	0	2	1
Malone, 2b	0	0	1	Herzog, 2b	0	2	0
Griffith, rf	1	2	0	Powell, rf	0	1	0
Z. Wheat, lf	0	1	0	Riggert, cf	0	0	1
Myers, cf	0	0	0	Holke, 1b	1	1	1
Olson, ss	0	2	0	Smith, 3b	0	1	1
Omara, 3b	1	0	0	Kelly, lf	0	0	0
Kruger, c	1	2	0	Wilson, c	0	1	0
Pfeffer, p	0	0	0	Ragan, p	0	0	0
				*Miller	1	1	0
				Nehf, p	0	0	0
				*Scott	0	0	0
				*King	0	0	0
				Fillingim, p	0	0	0
Totals	3	8	1	Totals	2	9	4

Brooklyn	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	—3
Boston	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	—2

*Batted for Ragan in seventh.
*Batted for H. Nehf in eighth.
*Ran for Scott in eighth.

Two base hits: Wilson, Maranville. Stolen bases: Olson, Riggert, Powell. Left on bases: Brooklyn, 8; Boston, 12. Bases on balls: Off Ragan, one; off Pfeffer, 3. Hits: Off Ragan, 5 in 7 innings; off Nehf, two in one; off Fillingim, one in one. Hit by pitcher: By Pfeffer (Holke, Kelly). Struck out: By Pfeffer, 2; by Ragan, 2; by Nehf, 1; by Fillingim, 1. Passed balls: Krueger, —

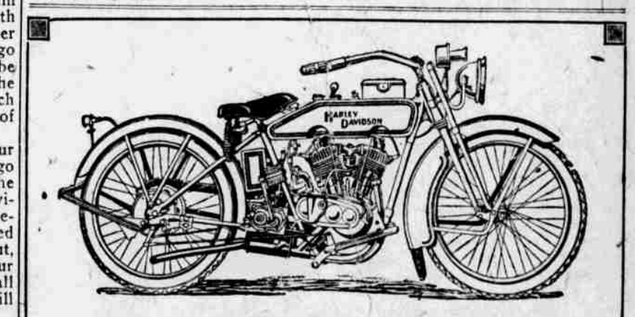
Formal Opening at Happy Hollow May 3 With Team Matches

The formal opening of the golf season at the Happy Hollow club will be held Saturday, May 3, in the nature of a team match between teams chosen by President Durkee and Vice President Kimberly, the losing team to provide a dinner for the winners immediately after the games are over.

The best crowd out thus far this season was on the course yesterday afternoon and the regular greens were in the best condition they have been in at this time of the year for a number of seasons. The hard work put in on them by Professional Charley Johnston and the rains following, bore fruit by putting the entire course is wonderful trim.

Roush Comes to Terms.

Cincinnati, O., April 19.—Ed Roush, star outfielder of the Cincinnati Nationals, who has been holding out for a salary of $10,000 a year, tonight signed a contract to play with the Reds this season. The terms have not been made public, but it is said Roush accepted the terms offered by President Herrmann.



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