

Visitors Take Lead Early in Initial Half

Close Guarding of Hawkeye Cagers and Playing of Hines and Mahoney Feature Game.

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Every fan, from the lad at the knot-hole to the man in the box seat, knows a "Texas leaguer," when he sees it drop safely just back of the infield and out of reach of the outfielders, but few know the history of the expression.

According to J. Doak Roberts, president of the Texas league, and a man of lifetime experience in professional base ball, the expression originated in the early '90s when a disgusted Syracuse pitcher gave vent to "Good Lord, another of those Texas leaguers," when Scrapy Bill Joyce, third in a row of three Texas league graduates, dropped a short safety back of the Syracuse infield.

The story antedates even the veteran Roberts, but this is his version of it: "Emmett Rogers, Scrapy Bill Joyce and Arthur Sunday, three famous players well remembered by all of the old-timers, were members of the 1889 team of the Houston club, managed by John McLoskey. They were the first Texas leaguers ever sold to higher company, netting the sum of \$400 as a total purchase price.

"The trio were finished st.r.s. past masters in the art of bunting and placing hits. The story goes that in their first game in bigger company they faced O'Brien of Syracuse. Rogers placed a hit over the infield, and the Syracuse defense moved in, expecting Sunday to bunt. Instead, Sunday chip-shooted the ball and it dropped just out of the reach of the shortstop, who could not get it back in time.

"Joyce, too, was expected to bunt, but he followed in Sunday's wake, dropping another short hit back of third, scoring Rogers.

"It was then that O'Brien voiced his disgust and coined a new term for base ball."

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South High Loses To Lincoln High In Close Contest

Packers Hold Links in First Half, But Locals Finish Game With Small End Of 28-to-19 Score.

Lincoln, Jan. 30.—(Special Telegram.)—Lincoln High defeated South High, Omaha, 28 to 19 last night in a close basket ball game here. The first half ended 12 to 7 in favor of Lincoln. The Packers held the Links up to the close of the first half, when Cotch Mead turned his scoring machine loose and the Links pulled ahead.

The second half saw the Packers snowed under with goals by Sommerland, McPherson and Olds. Captain Neuman of the Omaha team gave an sensational exhibition of foul goal throwing when he made seven out of a possible eight. Ackerman, injected into the Packers lineup in the second frame, scored three field goals in the last period.

Sommerland was high scorer for Lincoln, with five baskets from the floor.

Summary and lineup:
Lincoln: G. F. G. F. Pts.
Olds (C), f. 10 10 20
McPherson, f. 4 0 0 8
Sommerland, f. 5 0 0 10
Merritt, g. 0 0 0 0
Austin, g. 0 0 0 0
Total 24 10 28

South Omaha: G. F. G. F. Pts.
Neuman (C), f. 10 10 20
Graham, f. 2 0 0 4
Ackerman, f. 2 0 0 4
Elliott, f. 2 0 0 4
Sullivan, f. 2 0 0 4
Total 18 10 28

Referee: Jackson, University of Nebraska. Time of halves: 20 minutes.

Iowa State College Wins Second Contest Over Washington Five

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 30.—(Special Telegram.)—The Iowa State College basket ball five gained its second victory over the Washington university five here. The score was 25 to 21.

Unlike the opening contest between the teams last night, today's game was a battle from the very start to the finish, Ames winning out only during the last few minutes of play. It was not until the second period was half completed that the visitors took the lead for the first time.

The work of Currie, the Ames right guard, stood out as the best individual effort of the game. The fast Iowa scoring five held goals while holding Thompson of Washington to a pair.

The lineup:
AMES: G. F. G. F. Pts.
Shappard, f. 10 10 20
Greene, f. 2 0 0 4
Paige, f. 2 0 0 4
Hoyt, f. 2 0 0 4
Joris, c. 0 0 0 0
Woodward, g. 0 0 0 0
Currie, g. 1 0 0 2
Total 21 10 28

WASHINGTON: G. F. G. F. Pts.
Thompson, f. 10 10 20
Thompson, f. 2 0 0 4
Taylor, f. 2 0 0 4
O'Brien, f. 2 0 0 4
Thurmer, c. 0 0 0 0
Krahe, f. 2 0 0 4
Lefter, g. 0 0 0 0
Total 25 10 28

Referee: Verne Moore.

Skater Wins Four Races

St. Paul, Jan. 30.—Everett McGowan, St. Paul, professional skater, won four races from Art Staff of Chicago.

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Rayard, 54; Chappell, 23.
Chappell, Neb., Jan. 30.—(Special.)—Rayard High school team defeated the local team, 54 to 23. Chappell has been handicapped all season by illness, and was forced to meet Rayard with several substitutes.

Ravenna 23; Shelton 9.
Ravenna, Neb., Jan. 30.—(Special.)—The Ravenna high school team won its tenth consecutive victory by defeating Shelton 23 to 9, on the home floor.

Madison and Tilden Split.
Madison, Neb., Jan. 30.—(Special.)—Madison High school won over Tilden High at the gymnasium by a score of 24 to 8, and the Tilden boys defeated the Madison boys by a score of 18 to 10.

Kimball 51; Hayward 8.
Kimball, Neb., Jan. 30.—(Special.)—Kimball High school defeated Hayward 51 to 8 on the local floor, scoring at will and holding the visitors to a lone field goal in each half. Captain Eichenberger made the season's record in this section when he made 26 baskets. Eichenberger with 14 points to his credit was a close second.

Fans Wonder If Cases Will Come to Trial

Rumors Have Reached Ears Of Judge Landis and Quick Action May Be the Result.

Chicago Tribune-Omaha Bee Lensed Wire. Chicago, Jan. 30.—What has become of the base ball scandal? When are the indicted players and gamblers to be placed on trial? Will they ever be tried?

Questions like those are being asked every day by fans. It has been nearly four months since the indictments were returned by the Cook county grand jury and the time is approaching for another base ball season to begin.

The long delay and the apparent inactivity in the matter has led to rumors that organized base ball does not want the cases to come to trial because such action will lead to the uncovering of a lot more dirt and scandal in the game.

Judge Landis Reports.
Those rumors have reached the ears of Judge K. M. Landis, base ball commissioner, who assumed command of the game only a little more than two weeks ago and, returning from La Crosse, where he has been holding court, the judge spoke a few words straight from the shoulder.

"I have read interviews with Buck Weaver," began the judge, "I saw where he wanted to wager that he would be a member of the White Sox next season. I wonder just why Weaver is talking that way. I understand he has an attorney and I would naturally suppose a client would not talk unless instructed to talk by his attorney. If the attorney thought he had a strong case, I wouldn't think he would want him to talk. Maybe he isn't paying attention to his attorney."

"I read an article from New York which stated that ball players were saying the indicted Sox players never would come to trial because base ball magnates didn't want them to be tried."

"And furthermore, do you know what I have heard? I have heard that if the trials come up, those indicted players will expose a lot more crookedness in the White Sox team involving other players who are supposed to be absolutely clean."

After Eddie Collins.
At about that period of the judge's discussion, there was a rap on the door of his chamber and President Johnson of the American league, was admitted. Johnson, with President Heller of the National league and the judge form the new advisory council in base ball.

"I was just saying," continued Judge Landis, "that those indicted White Sox players, according to rumors which reach me, will attempt to expose crookedness on the part of other players of the team if they are brought to trial."

"Yes, I have heard so, too," said Johnson with no hesitation. "They will try to drag Eddie Collins into it and he is one of the cleanest and finest men we ever had in base ball."

"Well now I wonder if this whole thing shouldn't be ripped wide open and expose any dirt that is in any of us," spoke the judge with his accustomed vigor. "You know in my experience on the bench, I have noticed that when a crook is hooked, he always will try to drag some clean people into the mess if there is a chance. You may have no idea what means such people will employ. It generally has been my policy to disregard such things."

It may be a bit startling to fans to have the name of Eddie Collins mentioned in the scandal by players who have been indicted. However, his name has been whispered about same of those players recently. It was only a short time ago that the report came from a South Side place frequented by Claude Williams and Joe Jackson, both of whom are in Chicago, or at least were no less than a week ago.

Creighton Wins From Oklahoma In Fast Game

Catholics Romp on Sooners, 27 to 16, in Contest of Clever Guarding and Basket Shooting.

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The teams started evenly matched. The first score was made by Captain Kearney for Creighton when he tossed the ball through the hoop on a foul committed by Tyler after five minutes of play. Oklahoma's first score came in another minute on a free throw by Waite.

Condon placed his team in the lead when he shot a difficult basket from the middle of the floor. Waite soon tied the count by tipping the ball through the ring on a tossup. Kearney then placed his team in the lead with another free throw. The Catholics kept the lead the rest of the game.

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Neither team was able to register a basket until late in the period.

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Friel Signs Contract To Manage Tulsa


Columbus, O., Jan. 30.—Bill Friel, former manager of the American Association base ball clubs at Columbus, Milwaukee and St. Paul, announced here he has signed a contract to act as business manager for the Tulsa, Okl., club of the Western league.

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Plan Dual Field Meet.

Berkeley, Cal., Jan. 30.—Track and field athletes of the University of California and the University of Michigan will compete in a dual meet here April 9, 1921. Luther Nichols, California graduate manager, announced. Each university will be represented by a 15-man team.