

THE NATIONAL GAME

Wait for May 2.

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Peoria will be the first victim.

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Kreig will join the Rockfords.

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No games in Lincoln until May 2.

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Kennedy is one of the fastest men who ever played in Lincoln.

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The new uniforms are on exhibition at the Globe clothing house.

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Jacksonville has secured White and Sonier of the Indianapolis team.

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The city league promises to entertain the lovers of the game while the league club is away.

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McKibben is not showing up well in the Des Moines exhibition games and it is more than probable that he will be transferred to the outfield.

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Van Buren played the outfield in Kansas City that won him much praise. Manning says that he is a wonder and the young fellow is hitting the ball.

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Will some enterprising photographer get in his work on Buck Ebright's colts? There seems quite a demand for photo's of the future champions.

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The Sunday games will be played at Courtland. The Union Pacific will run a special train from Lincoln and the fare will be 50c for the round trip.

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Taylor is showing up well at the bat, but he is not in the best condition for field work. It must be taken into consideration that he is playing out of his position, being a third baseman.

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McStay has been released by Rockford and in commenting on his release the *Register Gazette* says that if he practiced 24 hours per day for 100 years he would not be fast enough to carry the bats.

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The new uniforms of the Lincoln team have been on exhibition in the west window of the Globe clothing house for several days. They are of an attractive gray with the name in black and are very neat and natty. The stockings are white. They are up to the usual standard of the Globe's work.

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Clem Kimerer is showing up in fine form and his many admirers who predicted that he would be one of Lincoln's winning pitchers have every reason to believe that he will fulfill their prediction. In last Saturday's game in Des Moines he pitched winning ball and up to the 5th inning, the time that he was taken out of the box, Traffey's Indians had secured but one run off the big boy. His finger still bothers him some, but he will be all right when the season opens.

Patrons of the game have commenced to compare this year's team with that of last year and they do not seem to take it into consideration that when the team arrived here last year they were in playing form for the season, that they had the benefit of a California winter to practice in. The players who are here at present have only had two weeks practice and because Manager Ebright uses good judgment about the care of the young pitchers in these exhibition games there seems to be a few sore heads who think that the team could not beat nine old women—the best way to treat these calamity howlers is to wait until the season opens and then listen to the 'I told you so'.

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Who has a birt cage on his head?

A bet tig on his hand?

Who vears a cot vish down in front

Pefore der bik grant stant?—

Der kedger!

Who gifs der ball von tam bik tvist

Unt maigs it valse in air.

So, ven der padder hits it hard,

Der sheebshin iss not dere?

Der pidger!

Who, vender padder bangs der ball

Unt on his stomech schlides,

Comes down on him mit Trilby feet

Unt puds him oud pesides?

Fuerst baseman!

Who taigs hot liners—kedges fliese—

Iss always oud ov place?

Who plays left fieldt unt center fieldt,

Right fieldt und second base?

Der schord sdob!

Who iss id, ven der game iss tie,

Tond know vat he's apoud?

Unt ven der home team maigs a hit

Teclares "Der striker's oud?"

Der umbire!—JOE KERR.

NOT QUITE STRANGERS.

"Excuse me," said the summer girl, languidly, to her fiance, "but may I ask you a question?"

"Certainly," said the devoted lover, tightening his grasp on her tender waist.

"Well," said the beautiful girl, "would you mind telling me your name?"

TRILBY.

[Written for THE COURIER.]

It's Trilby this and Trilby that

Trilby shoes and Trilby hat,

Trilby songs and Trilby plays

Trilby hose and Trilby stays,

Everything beneath the sun

Everything that's said or done

Has come connection

With that dreadful Trilby craze.

It's Trilby here and Trilby there

Trilby feet and Trilby hair,

Trilby gowns, and what is worse

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