BRINGING UP FATHER

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NO GOLFER NOW LOOMING TO FRONT

Neither Amateur Nor Open National Champ Stands Head and Shoulders Above Rivals.

JEROME TRAVERS ON THE SLIDE

The year 1915 will go into golfing history as one in which there has been no outstanding, compelling figures either in the ranks of amateurs or professionals, writes John G. Anderson in the New York Sun.

That rarely has happened if at all in recent years. The reference can be applied both to American and British golf, for across the water the royal and ancient game has been superseded so completely by the bunkers from which something other than a golf ball is "driven" that there has been no competition of a major order, hence nothing upon which to mold an opinion as to any one golfer's superiority over all others.

No lack of competition has prevented such a selection in American golfing circles, but there has been one reason or another why no one golfer has cut for himself a niche above all others. Jerome D. Travers might not have done so bad had he followed up his victory in the national open with another in the national amateur.

He, furthermore, has suffered reverses in post-season non-tournament meetings which, while having no direct bearing upon his place as a golfer in the amateur world, indirectly hurts his case when it comes to determining whether a golfer is supreme above his fellows.

Title to Bob Gardner.

Robert A. Gardner won the national amateur, but it was by the grace of fate that was unkind to Maxwell R. Morston that the Hinsdale golfer reached the final at Detroit; furthermore, Gardner has not figured in a sufficient number of competitions to establish a place for himself apart from the others crowding around the upper circle of amateur golf.

Francis Ouimet dropped from his high estate, beginning with the national open, followed up by his reverse in the amateur, and concluded with his defeat at Greenwich again in the Leslie cup play.

There has been no one, therefore, in the amateur ranks who has won for himself a recognition akin to that accorded Jerome D. Travers or Walter J. Travis in the years of their unquestioned supremacy, or H. Chandler Egan, and one or two other figures prominent in the United States Golf association amateur annuals.

The same applies to the professional. We recall the days of the late Willie Anderson, when it was not a question of who might win the national open championship, but who had a chance to take the palm away from this master of skill and nerves. We recall Alex Smith, medal and match player extraordinary, nowadays well content to be up within the charmed circle, but not as chief charmer. We recall the brilliant J. J. McDermott, head and shoulders over all others for two years, taken day in and day out.

The nearest to them this year was Tom McNamara of Boston, winner of three titles, but unable to rise to the occasion when he had the national open almost within his grasp, thereby nullifying his chances of being classed as supreme for the year. His game, moreover, had not enough of the spectacular in it to make him an outstanding figure, even if he, perhaps, is the best man in the country today upon whom to lay a wager if there is something going on which involves him as a competitor.

The point of these commentaries is that while the general standard of play among both amateurs and professionals in this country is higher every year the standard for the topnotchers seems to be temporarily on the decline.

When Walter J. Travis was at his best he could be depended upon to win, say, nineteen out of every twenty matches he played against another amateur in private or in tournament competition. Who is there who can do that same today, judging from performances of the last season?

Jack Johnson as Recruiting Officer

Jack Johnson, erstwhile king of the smokes, is a recruiting officer, booming business for the belly Britishers up in Glasgow, Scotland, Lil Artha, however, isn't a regular recruiting officer. He's only a volunteer.

Passengers returning home from Scotland piped the news about the fighting haunts of Gotham tonight. They say Johnson and his white wife are running a big white touring car through the streets of Glasgow, doing publicity work for the army, and incidentally for his own vaudeville act.

Class C Title Will Be Settled Sunday

The Class C foot ball championship of Omaha, which has been causing quite a stir in sandlot circles, is due to be settled Sunday. The Johnson Groceries challenged the Angelus eleven for the title and the latter team has accepted. The game will be played on one of the local gridirons Sunday and is scheduled to attract a big crowd, as the youngsters put up a nifty exhibition of the gridiron sport.

Just an Earful

By Tad.

When Tom Sharkey landed in Frisco fifteen or more years ago he had less dough than a bum has ambition. He had a few fights, but got only doughnut money. Later on he grabbed quite a rep and agreed to fight Alec Greggains, who was to stop the tar in eight rounds or blow the purse.

The pair met and Greggains not only failed to stop the chesty deck scrubber, but was lucky to stay himself. Tom drew down 1,250 iron men, and had it in silver dollars in a big sack.

His seconds and trainers were delighted. So was Tom. They were all smiles. Everybody patted Tom on the back. He dressed, grabbed the sack of silver and started up Market street with eight of his followers.

Stepping into Young Mitchell's saloon Tom was greeted with cheers.

Young Mitchell mitted him, saying:

"I'm glad you won, Tom. I suppose you're starting out for a celebration, eh?"

Sharkey threw the sack up on the bar, and, pushing out his chest, piped:

"Yes, we're all going to have a big time tonight, and we dropped in here first. We're all going to get a drink now. GIVE US THE DICE BOX!"

TOO MUCH PEP FOR STARS

South Side High School Basket Ball Team Gets Away with Opponents.

FINAL COUNT MADE 27 TO 14

Just a little too much pep met the rush of the All-Star basket ball five, organized to defeat Coach Patton's ever ready flippers last evening at the South Side High school gymnasium. With the score close at but a few intervals during the forty minutes of play, the so-called "All-Stars" were led throughout and at the close lagged by a margin of thirteen scores. Score: South Side High, 27; All-Stars, 14.

"Jap" Leach and "Cutes" McBride, two stars fresh from last year's state tournament who are now playing at the Omaha university, could do little to check the furious pace set by Captain Nixon and the remainder of his team. McBride showed some class in the first half and garnered three baskets and one foul. The second half resulted in but two baskets for the All-Stars, Leach and Fittle getting away on chance shots.

"Weary" Graham, lightweight captain of next year's foot ball team, proved the point getter of the evening by tossing the ball seven times for counters. Arthurton, another of Patton's reserve cards, failed to show up for the battle. Next Friday the team will play the first game of their schedule with the Tekamah bunch on the local floor.

The lineup:

SOUTH HIGH		ALL-STARS.	
Corr	R.F.	L.F.	McBride
Graham	L.F.	R.F.	L. Foley
Nixon	C.	C.	J. Shainholtz
Bott	R.G.	L.G.	Fittle
Shainholtz	L.G.	R.G.	Leach

Substitutes: F. Foley for L. Foley, C. Lyman for J. Shainholtz, J. Shainholtz for Fittle. Field goals: Corr (4), Graham (7), H. Shainholtz, McBride (3), Fittle, Leach (2). Free throws: Graham, Nixon (2), McBride (2). Fouls: All-Stars, 13; South High, 4. Referee: Russell Phillips. Timekeeper: Patton.

Dinge Sprinter is After One Loomis

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—Howard P. Drew, the fastest amateur sprinter in the world, is coming east early, in January for the purpose of taking a fling at the dasher who beat him in the 100-yard dash at the national championships at San Francisco. Drew, who is now in the employ of a railroad in the far west, has been granted a leave of absence for the purpose of making the trip east. Drew will come to the Atlantic coast with one desire paramount in his mind—to run a sprint race against Joe Loomis. Drew don't care a whoop how short or how long the match is, or where it is run, so long as he can measure strides with the man who was picked by B. C. Brown as the winner of the national 100-yard championship. The colored flyer intends to stop over in Chicago going and coming, so Loomis will not have the excuse that he cannot get away from business to come to New York to race. The Los Angeles speed merchant is perfectly willing to hook up with Loomis in one of the Windy City armories if Joe cannot make the trip to Gotham.

MAKE FAST SPIN TO TEST OUT THEIR CAR

Claiming to have established a new time record for an auto run between Des Moines and Omaha, Messrs. Stephens and Anderson, Des Moines auto dealers, arrived at the Omaha Auto club rooms at Hotel Fontenelle at noon. They said they had covered the 137.9 miles in three hours and fifteen minutes, or an average of about forty-eight miles an hour for the trip.

They used the River-to-River road and made the fast run not only to demonstrate the speed of their car (a Maxwell), but also to beat the record now being attempted on the Lincoln Highway from Clinton to Omaha, which is a rival of the River-to-River road for speed.

Laporte to Brooklyns.

The Newark Fed club has sold Second Baseman Frank Laporte to the Brooklyn Fed club.

WOMEN SEND MONEY TO AID BELGIANS

Appeal is Also Made by Miss Zorbaugh for Help for the War Sufferers.

TELLS HOW TO SEND BOX

Local women, members of the Franco-Belgian Relief society, last week sent out $500 to Miss Grace Zorbaugh, general secretary of the British-American Young Women's Christian association at Paris, an agency most active in furnishing aid to the destitute Belgians. Miss Zorbaugh, who is a former Council Bluffs woman, returned to this country last summer for a visit with her parents and while here gave a talk at the home of Miss Jessie Millard, at which time the sympathies of Omaha women were enlisted in behalf of the war sufferers.

Since then varying sums of money and a number of boxes containing materials to furnish work for needy women have been sent out. The $500 was a Christmas offering.

Community Appeal.

As a suggestion in which many other communities may help to lighten the burden a little in the war-stricken countries, Miss Zorbaugh makes the following statement and appeal:

The Statement.

"Our association took but three days after the outbreak of hostilities to start its now well-organized, well-known war relief service. In fifteen months, thanks largely to the generous gifts of friends, we have accomplished a great amount of good. For example, in well-heated, cheery work rooms we have provided 25,000 days' employment to war-stricken Paris women and pitiable refugees; we have made 25,000 much-needed articles—mattresses for them to lie on, garments for them to wear, shirts and other necessaries for the innumerable wounded, layettes for poor babies, etc. We have made and given to needy hospitals over 65,000 bandages and 100,000 paper substitutes for towels and handkerchiefs which are so badly lacking.

The Little Appeal.

"This second year the people are patient and brave, but winter is on them, and, alas! the cheapest coal to be had has already risen to over $30 a ton. More than ever, therefore, is there need of blankets and warm garments.

"Will you not ask the warm-hearted readers of your paper to make a holiday offering of just one modest box from each community?

"Something like the following list is suggested: Twelve wool blankets, full size; six wool blankets, children's size; twelve sheets; twelve pairs large sheets, assorted; twelve coarse towels, six men's trousers, six women's dresses, one piece warm material for shirts and children's garments, one piece heavy muslin for underwear, five pounds wool yarn, preferably four-ply, for socks, etc. Into odd crannies of the box tuck simple household utensils and things for the children.

"In order that the box may reach us free of duty and all costs, please address (freight prepaid to New York) precisely as follows:

"'American Relief Clearing House, 150 Bank Street, New York City.

"'For the British-American Y. W. C. A. War Relief Service, 39 rue Godot de Mauroi, Paris.'

"We hope that on or before New Year's day we shall at least be notified of many such boxes in response to this appeal, cheering us, I assure you, in this arduous work to which we are devoting every ounce of our energies."

Washington Affairs

The administration merchant marine bill probably will not be introduced in either branch of congress before the first of the year. This became known after a long conference between Secretaries McAdoo and Redfield, Senators Fletcher and Simmons, Representative Alexander, chairman of the house merchant marine committee, and Solicitor Thurman of the department of Commerce, who drew the bill.

NEBRASKA BOARD DELAYS MEETING

Committee on Athletics Will Take Steps to Find Successor to Jumbo Stiehm on Monday.

SEVERAL MENTIONED FOR JOB

LINCOLN, Dec. 10.—(Special Telegram.)—The Nebraska Athletic board, facing the biggest problem in its history, did not meet as scheduled today but decided to hold a conference next Monday noon to take preliminary steps in the selection of a coach to succeed Jumbo Stiehm.

Stiehm's unexpected jump last night left the members of the board and the undergraduate body stunned today and regret was everywhere expressed that Nebraska's master coach had decided to discontinue his relations with the Cornhusker institution.

At the same time, Chancellor Avery a story, setting forth the official attempts to retain Stiehm and giving rise to the inference that Jumbo had acted hastily in dealink fith the Nebraska authorities. Dr. Avery said he requested Stiehm to withhold any action for twenty-four hours until he could find out if the necessary increase would not be voted by the Lincoln business men. The chancellor said he had every assurance that the increase would be cheerfully raised by the Lincoln MCommercial club workers and alumni here. It was this very point which served to hasten Stiehm's decision. Stiehm thought the athletic board should vote the salary without making it appear a charity proposition for Lincoln business men. The foot ball season netted a clear profit of $10,000 and the board could easily have stood the additional salary.

Refuses to Ask More Time.

Stiehm refused to ask for an extension of time from the Indiana authorities.

At 9:30 Stiehm telephoned the chancellor the decision which he and Mrs. Stiehm reached, Dr. Avery said, and he again requested the coach to ask for twenty-four hours additional time. The request was futile.

Caustic criticism of those faculty members who raised such a violent protest against paying more money to the foot ball coach came from Lincoln business men and alumni and undergraduates alike today.

Bill Roper, formerly at Missouri and Princeton, Coach Jess Harper of Notre Dame, Gil Dobie and Benny Owen of Oklahoma, were those mentioned as likely successors to Stiehm.

At Indiana Stiehm will receive a salary of $4,500 a year, with a three-year contract, just $1,000 a year more than he receives at Nebraska.

The Nebraska university athletic board at a meeting held Thursday following his resignation released Stiehm from his contract or "gentlemen's agreement" for one more year's service here, permitting him to take up his work at Indiana next March.

He will succeed C. C. Childs, who has been coach at Indiana for two years.

Considered Five Days.

It became known today that Coach Stiehm put the proposition of his resignation up to the authorities and the athletic board five days ago, telling them he had a definite offer and asking what Nebraska would do to meet it.

The university authorities did not feel they could meet the demand and released Stiehm with regret. Some of the older members of the faculty are drawing but $2,000 or $3,000 a year and there was a decided opposition from several quarters to devoting so great a sum as would have been necessary to have retained Stiehm as he ranks as a faculty member.

Stiehm tonight declared he left Nebraska with great regret, but that no tangibe offer was made that would meet the one he had received and he felt compelled to accept.

"Grads" Are Shocked.

News of the head coach's decision created a great sensation among university circles and students and grads alike who were on the scene thought there must be some way to retain the athlete mentor who has lost but two scheduled Missouri Valley conference games during the five years he has been with Nebraska and has succeeded in having his team win the Missouri Valley title five times.

Stiehm will remain here practically until the end of the school year, but he will have charge of spring foot ball practice at Indiana in March.

BENDER SUING THE FEDS FOR MANY THOUSANDS.

CHARLES ALBERT BENDER.

Big Chief Bender, the former Athletic pitcher, released by the Federals last season, has instituted suit to collect salary to the amount of $8,666.66 on his unexpired contract with the Baltimore club.

Bender denies that he was not in condition, as alleged by the owners of the Federal club, and intimates that there were other reasons why he was let out.

Even Groundkeeper Has a Hard Winter

The club ground keeper as well as the players find it a hard life. For instance, there is Dick Shaner of the Boston Braves. Instead of being permitted to spend the winter in the cold and dreary north he has to go to Miami, Fla., where he is ordered to spend several months getting a park ready for the Stallings players in the spring. Worse and more of it, he is ordered to stop at a good hotel and send in his expense account regularly.

TELLS NAMES OF EIGHT PLAYERS FEDS SIGN UP

According to a man close to the Federal League, the eight players whom John Ganzel has secured from the ranks of Organized Ball are George Whiteman, from Montreal, who came originally from the Texas league; Charles Pick, from the Richmond Club, whom Clark Griffith let go; Olaf Erickson, whom John McGraw sent to Rochester and did not reclaim; Joe McCarty, of Buffalo; Jimmy La Lopse, of Buffalo; Luque and Morris; Rath of Toronto, and Hoelke, of Rochester.

YANKS SIGN PITCHER WHO IS SIX FEET SEVEN HIGH

When the New Yorks drafted "Slim" Love from the Los Angeles Club, of the Pacific Coast League in September they obtained the tallest pitcher in captivity. Love towers over such human telegraph poles as Weilman, of the Browns, James and Laudermilk, of the Tigers, Slim Sallee, of the Cardinals, Adams, of the Cubs, and others. He is six feet seven and a half inches tall.

BASE BALL AND GOLF TWO SPORTS FOR EVERS.

JOHNNY EVERS.

Johnny Evers, the peppery little captain of the former world's champion Boston Braves, is authority for the statement that there are only two real sports in this wide green world. They are base ball and golf. Of course, it would have been sensational if Johnny had said foot ball and golf, or tennis and golf, or, in fact, anything other than base ball and golf. Johnny says he is not alone in this belief, as fully 95 per cent of the major league ball players turn to golf for diversion. Base ball, says Johnny, is sport for the fans, and work for the players, but golf is real sport for the players.

TAFT DENIES WORKING IN INTERESTS OF ROOT

CHICAGO, Dec. 10.—Former President Taft, here today to address the Chicago Association of Commerce, denied he was working to get the republican presidential nomination for Elihu Root. He explained that in a previous statement he had merely said regarding Mr. Root's candidacy that he "believed him to be the best equipped man in the country for the presidency."

CREIGHTON MEN CHAFE AT DELAY

Basket Ball Players Impatient at Slowness in Formation of School's Quintet.

HAVE BEEN KEEPING IN TRIM

Considerable impatience is being manifested by basket ball enthusiasts at Creighton over the delay in organizing a varsity team and the call for first practice.

The athletic board, further than announcing that Creighton will have a team this year, has done nothing, awaiting the return of Coach Mills, who is at present in Chicago. Prospective varsity men, however, have been practicing. January 1 has been set as the date when the squad will assemble for tryouts.

The old Creighton Law team has also reorganized for the season and will play either under the same name as last year or as the Creighton Reserves. While the varsity has entered the fast Tri-City league, the Laws or Reserves will join the Commercial league again, in which they carried off second honors last year.

UNIVERSITY OF OMAHA LOSES TO WALTER CLARKS

The Walter G. Clarks took the University of Omaha basket ball team to a trimming last evening on the university floor, 25 to 20. The collegians had difficulty in locating the basket, missing a number of easy shots. During the first period the college players had an edge on the fray, the half ending 10 to 6.

Adams and Bruce were the calcium performers for the students, while Robert Weigel, Parrish and Noland showed up best for the Clarks. The lineup:

OMAHA UNI.		CLARKS.	
Allerton	L.F.	L.F.	Noland
Ernst	R.F.	R.F.	Klepper
Adams	C.	C.	Roberts
Seibert	L.G.	L.G.	Parrish
Bruce	R.G.	R.G.	Weigel

Substitutes: Woosley for Allerton, Hungate for Woosley. Field goals: Noland (4), Klepper (3), Roberts, Parrish (3), Weigel (2), Allerton (3), Ernst, Adams (4), Bruce (2). Free throw: Parrish. Fouls committed: Omaha, 2; Clarks, 3. Referee, Slotky; timekeeper, Wilson; Twenty-minute halves.

BOLLINGER CASE BEFORE ILLINOIS HEALTH BOARD

CHICAGO, Dec. 10.—Investigation into the death of the defective Bollinger baby, on whom Dr. H. F. Haiselden declined to operate, is to be begun by the State Board of Health next month, according to advices received from Springfield today.

The child's parents agreed to the physician's decision not to operate.

Special Purchase Sale

Men's Suits and Overcoats

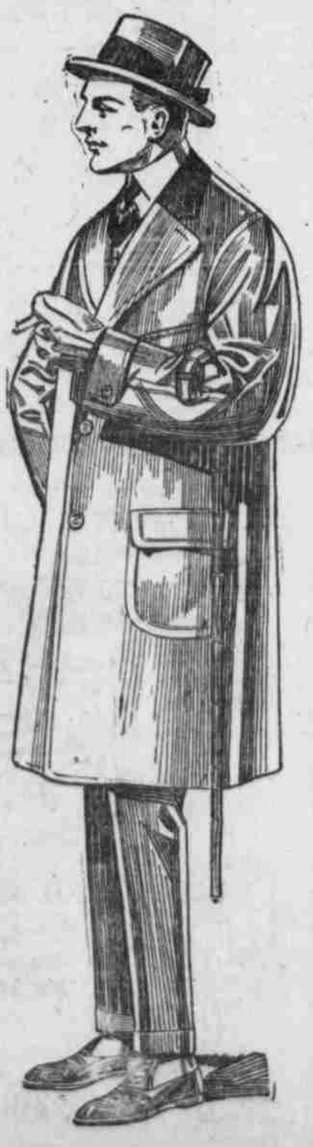
We have just received by express more than 300 Kensington, Kenmor and Henley Suits and Overcoats, bought at manufacturer's close of season prices. The advantage of those prices we are passing on to our customers. We are giving just now at the beginning of winter, prices not usually offered before the end of January.

These suits and overcoats were personally selected and the quality and patterns are such as will please our most discerning customers. The lots are broken, of course. Not many of a size but plenty of all sizes.

$14 $16.50 $18 $20 $22

The price concession was a big inducement to us. We are making it just as big an inducement to you. The suits are excellent in quality and pattern. They include plain oxfords, fancy blues and navy of the new stripes. The overcoats embrace the new loose back coat with velvet collar, close fitting double-breasted coats, Chesterfields and ulsters.

You will find truly wonderful values. A casual glance at our windows will verify these statements. The sale starts Saturday, December 11th. It will pay a dividend on your time to inspect these garments.



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