

GOLFERS TO GO TO ST. LOUIS

Next Meeting of the Transmississippi Association Probably Fixed.

WILL MEET THE WESTERN THERE ALSO

Announcement of the 1904 Annual Made During the Week, but Details Are Not Yet Given Out.

Edward G. Leavitt of Leavitt, Neb., secretary of the Transmississippi Golf association, was in the city Friday and said that in all probability the Transmississippi annual for 1904 will be held in St. Louis.

No definite announcement to that end is to be made, but the indications point to it as more than a mere probability.

In this connection the announcement is also made that the second contest of the Western Golf association will also be pulled off in St. Louis. It will be remembered that two weeks ago the best players representing the Transmississippi and the Western Golf associations held a tournament in Chicago, which resulted in a victory for the Transmississippi team.

Since that time the Western Golf association has had a very much disgruntled lot of players in its ranks and they have been very anxious for a return engagement. It is proposed to hold this contest over the St. Louis links in June preceding or immediately following the annual tournament of the Transmississippi Golf association.

In support of the plan of holding these two events in St. Louis the argument is advanced that the golfers will want to see the exposition and that they can combine the two. The St. Louis golfers are very anxious that the tourney be held over time although members of the directory of the Transmississippi Golf association have opposed this plan.

Golf events are scheduled for St. Louis next year and it has been deemed best by many to hold the Transmississippi where the links would not be so crowded and where there would be no exposition to detract from the interest and attendance upon the annual tourney.

As showing the manner in which golf is to be conducted at St. Louis next year, President McGrew of the Glen Echo Country Club announces that he has completed arrangements for the holding of the world's amateur golf tourney over his club's links, beginning Monday, September 19.

The tourney is open to the amateur golfers from any and all parts of the globe, and the winner is to be known as the champion amateur golfer of the world. A gold medal will be awarded to the first, a silver medal to the second and bronze medals to each of the unsuccessful players in the semi-finals.

A driving contest will be held to determine the world's champion driver, who will also receive a gold medal. An innovation will be a putting contest over a nine-hole putting course at night, illuminated by electric lights, for which a gold medal will be awarded the winner.

Teams of ten men each, representing any golf association in the world, will compete for a handsome trophy, each member of the winning team receiving a gold medal and the champion member a silver medal.

An entrance fee of \$5 for each individual entry will be charged. No entrance fee will be charged for the team competition. Entries close with James E. Sullivan, chief of the department of physical culture, on August 18, 1904.

Members of the United States Golf association to govern.

J. A. Bramston, the Oxonian golfer who was one of the most distinguished players on Captain J. A. Low's team of Englishmen who had a victorious visit to this country last year, has returned to his Winchester home, where he sleeps in a room with one side of his room open to the weather the year round.

If for no other reason than his victory in the Homewood cup tourney in which he set a record for the course of 75, made by an American, Bramston is a golfer to watch. "Johnny" Bramston, a native golfer, stated that he can play golf. He is the author of a new book on golf which is attracting much attention in this country.

Bramston departs somewhat from the technique of the ordinary primer on golf for beginners, and at the start tells the would-be bogey amateurs that the game begins with a paradox. The wall of the beginner is always the same, he is a British subaltern in the wilds of Africa, where the golf course is a level stretch in the desert, or an Omaha player seeking to solve the mysteries of the ancient Scot game. The point of each beginner is: "If only I could drive."

drive. That Bramston admits, but you would be as sure to get the distance he does until you went through a long siege of hard work. The boy, he admits, gets the swing easiest. But Bramston, while willing to swear that his own methods of driving have brought good results, is not egotistical enough to say that other methods could not be adopted which would bring good results. The idiosyncrasies of each player naturally move him to adopt the style that comes most natural to him. All points in common in the game of instruction may be acquired from a book and from the viva voce of the professional teacher.

Summing it up Bramston says that the ability to play a game of golf may all be stated in a few words: "Every stroke should be played with a view to making the next one as easy as possible."

Having been asked to say something about the proposed Waveland course at Des Moines, the writer will say that the air distance from hole to hole throughout the entire course is 70 yards short of three miles, or 6,210 yards, the outer nine holes being 2,700 yards and the inner nine 2,490 yards. Hereby for the course is 70 yards shorter than the course at Des Moines, which includes a 20 for the outside nine and a 25 for the inside nine.

The length of the various holes, together with bogey for each hole, is here indicated:

Table with 3 columns: Hole number, Length in Yards, Bogey. Rows 1-18.

In driving off to No. 1 the drive is due south. A good drive will bring the ball to a point about fifty yards away from the green and just at the brow of a very steep and short hill. The green is also slanting. Next to Nos. 5 and 9 this is the hardest hole on the course in which to make bogey, for there is so much uncertainty about the approach shot and putt. Going to No. 2 the drive is due west. A 300-yard drive will bring one to the brow of a razor-back hill, the summit of which will then be about 100 yards from the green. An approach shot about the length of the hole will bring the ball to the green, which is obscured from view. The drive to No. 3, which is the longest hole in the course, is also due west. On either side of the first six holes on the outside there is a stretch of heavy timber.

Through the green, however, the course is 200 feet wide. No. 3 necessitates two good drives and an iron shot ranging from 100 to 175 yards in length, depending, of course, upon the distance acquired by the two first shots. This green and the No. 2 green are level and, as they are covered with a splendid turf, the approach and putt can be made with precision.

The drive to No. 5 is due east and is up an incline all the way to the green, where it is level. Arrived at the No. 4 green, a look about the surrounding portion of the grounds is then made, and what is regarded as the finest view of the course is that which may be obtained on any golf course, is then to be seen. All about one can see steep hills and green places covered with heavy trees and shrubbery. Not a house is to be seen, and the players seem to be shut off from the world as completely as if they were within a glass globe.

The drive to No. 6 is due north. The hole is in a level stretch in the desert, or an Omaha player seeking to solve the mysteries of the ancient Scot game. The point of each beginner is: "If only I could drive."

The experts will tell you that a short ball down the "center aisle," or "clinder path," as it is known by golfers, is often the most effective if the player is good on the short game. In other words, the race is not always to the swift. A nine-foot putt on green, ten inches or any other distance from the cup—in other words, counts just the same as a failure to make a long drive.

The nearer you get to the green, says Bramston, the more difficult the game. Taylor, Vardon and all of the world's best known golfers, agree on this. In championship matches, quite seven-tenths of the holes are won simply and solely on the green, owing to one of the players taking three or more putts, or more rarely a long steal or a very accurate pitch, which enables the fortunate competitor to get down in one as against the more orthodox two putts of his rival. The two positively refuse to believe the evidence of these worthies, and feels that life would be worth the living if he could hit the ball high and hard with his driver. Theoretically, at least, says Bramston—and others in about the same words—driving is the easiest part of the game. The ball is teed up when hit from the tee and very little calculation as to strength needed is ever indulged in, especially if the hole is long enough to warrant two or more good hard shots with wooden clubs.

An adult may acquire the swing for the

natural advantages are concerned. A number of citizens are interested in this description, for they are trying to induce the park board to set aside one of the city parks for a golf course and it was thought that the work of the park board of Des Moines in this setting aside one of its public parks as a golf course might not be without its influence upon the park board of Omaha. H. T. Lemist of the Country club and F. J. Hoel of the Field club are pushing this matter and have been given assurances that the matter will be given consideration by the park board of Omaha.

The contest for the Cartan cup at the Country club resulted in a victory for "Dick" Stewart. This cup is contested for annually and is to become the property of the player who wins it three times in succession. Stewart's friends at the Country club are having considerable fun with the game of reasoning the case in favor of the west with the recent match at Chicago between the Western Golf association and the Transmississippi, in which the latter was victorious. The player with whom Stewart was paired was a sutor for the hand of Mrs. Stewart at the same time that Stewart was and the latter was in connection with the game of reasoning the case in favor of the west. It was therefore a crucial moment for Stewart when he found himself pitted against his former competitor for the hand of his wife, and as Stewart afterwards said: "I wouldn't have lost either match for the world."

In the contest at the Country club for the women's subscription cup, the event was won by Mrs. Redick. This is also an annual event and much interest is manifested in it. The finals were contested with Mrs. E. H. Sprague.

E. H. Sprague of the Country club was quite a factor in the recent Transmississippi tourney at Des Moines and won everything up to the semi-finals, when he bumped up against J. R. Maxwell, who won the championship the next day. When the fact became known in Omaha that Sprague was doing so well, some of his friends here forwarded him a telegram, just as he was beginning his match in the semi-finals with Maxwell, urging him to play the game of his life, and his telegram, Sprague afterwards facetiously remarked, was his undoing.

Dr. Sumney of the Field club has the distinction of being the only golfer who ever made a hole in one stroke over the Waveland course at Des Moines. This feat was accomplished during the Transmississippi tourney. As he had made the two preceding holes in three each, he thus negotiated three holes in seven strokes which has never been equaled, so far as known, on any course in the west.

A number of events have been chronicled during the past week which are of interest to local golfers. Prominent among these is the announcement that Fred Bartsch, the instructor at the Country club, will be with the Country club next year, as he has accepted a position as instructor at the Homewood club, north of Chicago. The Homewood course is comparatively new, having been opened up a little more than two years ago. Its popularity has already been established and it is being well patronized by links about Chicago, which is fast becoming the mecca of western golfers and where such men as Turpie, Forgan, Clarence and Walter Egan, Louis James and Tweedie are making the game of golf in the west take that high plane which has been reached in the east, where such players as Travis, Bryer, Douglas, Anderson and others have long been identified with all that is first class in golf. Bartsch learned the game of golf while acting as caddy at the Washington Park links at Chicago. It has been proven repeatedly that youth is the proper time in which to acquire the art of the game, and Bartsch characterizes the work of the true golfer, and there is no class of persons in the world who are in a position to get next to all the fine points in the game as the caddies. Instructor Sherwood of the Field club is also an example of the graduated caddy and he has learned the game of golf while caddying. It is not known who Bartsch's successor at the Country club will be. His brother Frank is a bidder for the position. Correspondence has been had with Instructor Watson of the Des Moines Country club. Watson is one of a family of golfers whose names are familiar to the golfer, the gutter perch, is chased from one of the land to the other. Watson is a thorough gentleman and an accomplished instructor. He holds the record for the west in the matter of a medal score over a nine-hole course. The Des Moines Country club today is 40 and Watson has negotiated the nine holes in 32, which is three strokes better than par golf. His card for this event was as follows: 4-4-4-4-4-4-3-2-2.

QUAIL AGAIN BECOME TARGET

Nebraska Prohibition Against Shooting Bob White Expires Today and Guns Are Ready.

Local sportsmen are now at liberty to shoot quails in the state of Nebraska without danger of arrest, with the exception of about ten counties. In this state there has been a closed season on quails for three years and the season reopens today.

At this time of the year the small pests such as weasels, skunk, etc., do more damage to the small game than the shot-guns, although the weather is not to their liking just now, despite the fact that the fall has been ideal. In this state it is an offense against the law to ship game—the owner must go with the game personally and he is not permitted to have in his possession more than 50 pounds. That is what makes the small game so costly. In the western part of the state quail can be purchased for 10 cents each, while in this city they are worth from 40 to 60 cents each.

The last legislature made several changes in the game laws, the more important of the open season being here noted: Prairie chickens, August 15 to October 1. Hares, August 1 to September 15. Plover, July 15 to September 15. Ducks and geese, September 1 to April 1.

Quail, November 1 to January 1. In connection with the shooting of quails, E. F. Haberlin, fish and game warden, has issued a letter which is as follows: "In connection herewith I wish to make a suggestion—spare the quail this year. A suggestion—spare the quail this year. We have but few quails left, but by allowing them to go unmolested this year the increase by the following season should be noteworthy. Let us unite and mutually agree not to kill a quail this coming season. Now since all game birds are protected by law, market hunting and shipping can easily be stopped, and anyone attempting to evade the law under the pretext of only buying and shipping rabbits will soon find himself entangled in the meshes of the law and come to grief. The law was amended and amended to put a stop to market hunting and traffic in game, and to preserve the same to the ones who have the most right to it and who feed it, the farmer, who with his friends can enjoy it in a sportsmanlike manner."

GOSSIP FROM THE GRIDIRON

Annual Cry for a Test Match Between East and West.

FOOT BALL IN THE WEST IS FIXED

No Longer an Uncertain Quantity and Entitled to Recognition from the Big Leaders in the East.

Once again has the annual cry gone up asking that a game between the star foot ball teams of the east and the west be arranged in order to determine the much mooted question of superiority. Foot ball in the west has made rapid strides in the last few years. In Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota the west thinks it has some strong foot ball material.

The office youngsters of the east have not seen fit thus far to book a game with their worthy opponents of the west, and the clamor for such an arrangement has not been silenced by some means or other. By what means of reasoning the blue-blooded aristocrats at Yale, Harvard, Princeton and other places in the east which support strong teams, have chosen to ignore this demand, is something which the foot ball enthusiasts of the west have been unable to fathom.

That the west is stronger in foot ball than the east is probably true, but it will not be admitted until the matter is decided by an actual conflict or battle between the best teams representing these sections. If it should be taken for granted that the west is stronger in foot ball than the east, the westers are not to be arranged between the two is a mystery. Coach Yost has been anxious to arrange such a contest, but his plans and entreaties have fallen on deaf ears.

That such a contest would be a record-breaking insurance policy on the west is not a matter of national interest. Whereas the present contests are merely sectional matters, a game between representative elevens of the east and west would attract enthusiasts and critics from all parts of the country.

Foot ball in the west is no longer an uncertain quantity. It has assumed that cosmopolitan character which has marked the work of the crack elevens of the east, and today the west is able to boast of first-class teams. The claim having been made by the westerners for the last two or three years that their elevens are on a par with the best in the east, why can they not set up a claim for the national championship on grounds which are as justifiable as that on which the crack eleven of the east may base its claim. And if it is assumed that this claim of the west is meritorious it is right for the easterners to turn the cold shoulder?

In all probability the crack teams of the east, such as Yale, Harvard and Princeton, are superior to such teams as Michigan. But that is no argument insofar as satisfying the people of the west is concerned. What the westerners care not to Missourians, yet they "like to be shown". And the only way this can be done is for the two best teams of the affected sections to get together in one great and memorable contest, that is easily decided. Let it be a post-season affair.

Walter Camp and other eastern authorities have seen fit thus far to disregard the claims of the western enthusiasts. How much longer this thing will continue is coming to be a serious question and it is fast becoming a sore spot. It is noted, however, that the crack elevens of the east are always at present doing the best in the high schools and other places throughout the west that they can place their hands upon. Liberal inducements are made the promising athletes of the west to mix up in the collegiate and athletic affairs of the eastern elevens. If the matter of the west is to be taken into consideration, it may be rightly assumed that the western elevens are not of that inferior grade which seems to have become the settled conviction of the easterners.

The demand for a national contest is increasing with each year and can not longer be ignored.

The Creighton team was defeated at Highland Park a week ago, but the defeat was not without its blessings in disguise. One of the Des Moines newspapers prints the following story in connection with the affair: "At the Hotel Highland Park college ate chocolates shortly after the conclusion of the game with Creighton university on Saturday. What was the result? A case of charming femininity, which waived Highland Park colors in his face and demanded that the game be played in the colors and promised never to do it any more."

But the girls wanted proof of his sincerity, and no proof is so dear or convincing as a broken heart. Further, the girls were not to be taken in by a few words. When their victim had counted out several hard-earned dollars on the game, the girls, in the name of the law, and several pounds of alluring chocolates had passed into the hands of his fair captives he was pronounced exonerated from the charge of treason and was suffered to make a speech by way of telling what he thought about it.

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BASE BALL GOSSIP OF WEEK

Pipe Dream Season Opens with a Large and Interesting Array of Visions.

Pipe dreams are ripe.

Not only this, but a number of them are being argued, almost every magazine around the circuit having one of its own, and some of them two or three. Out of the St. Louis confab came just one thing for the western league; it wasn't pushed into class B, but with Milwaukee and Kansas City topped off its circuit, what a poor miserable ghost of its former grandeur it appears. The situation in Milwaukee and Kansas City was left to arbitration, with Bryce of Columbus to represent the Western. The board will meet at Jersey City soon and pass upon the relative merits of the conflicting claims in the disputed territory. Even a palmtist could tell the fate of the Western. All the fight is now to save the money Burns and Packard have invested in the plant at Kansas City. They may get something out of this. Van Brunt is out with one exception, that if Kansas City isn't in he won't play next year. That may be interpreted to mean that a new magnate will represent the Jostown people next year. Simmons and his friends at Peoria have had enough of it. That club means no more Peoria. In fact the circuit as at present dotted seems to be Slou City, Des Moines, Omaha, St. Joseph, Colorado Springs and Denver, for a six-club league. Just what George Tebeau proposed two years ago. Some persist in opposing Pueblo and Cripple Creek to this, but it's hardly likely that they will be taken in.

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