

WISE BROTHERS KNOW IT ALL

Await Opportunity to Get in
Knock at All Sports
Played Here.

WRESTLING THE LATEST.

ACTIONS OF "KNOCKERS" HAVE
DONE MUCH TO MAKE RICH-
MOND CITY ONE THAT IS SHUN-
NED BY ALL ATHLETES.

By Tort.
And now the wrestling game is "crooked" and "fixed."

At least we are so assured by a number of Johnny Wises who have made Richmond, naturally a good sporting town, a place dreaded by athletes of all kinds and descriptions.

When the managers of the old Western Polo league were giving the people of Indiana the classiest variety of this great winter sport and Richmond was represented by the best team in the league, the Wise Brothers patrolled the streets of this community, holding you up on street corners and button-holing you in public places, always telling you the same tale, accompanied crafty looks and knowing winks, "I tell you this polo game is crooked and the games are fixed so that all the teams will be in the running."

No doubt you distinctly remember this tale the Wises wore to a threadbare.

Base Ball Suffered.

Then you will remember Richmond's league base ball experiment. Good base ball, for the class, was served up to the fans in this city and in other towns in the I. O. league and every effort was made to run the league in an honest, sportsmanlike manner. That made no difference to the Wise Brothers. Once more they got out their little trip hammers and the echo of their resounding raps were heard all over the community. The game is like a bunch-back—crooked," they said. "The smaller towns are given the best teams so they will draw well. This player and that player on our team would sell out for a nickel, etc., etc." Then base ball went the way of polo.

This winter wrestling was introduced here. It is a game that can be easily fixed and operated crooked, but a person with ordinary horse sense could see that the promoters were making an effort to treat the public squarely. Good sport has been offered and the patrons of the matches have gotten their moneys worth, but the Wise Brothers at all times had their field glasses out looking for an opening. They thought they perceived it Friday evening when LaSalle made an unfortunate decision and declared Demetral the winner on fall which he, apparently, did not deserve. "The game is crooked. Charlson is a grafter," yelped the Wise Brothers.

"Why then, if the game was fixed, did Olson kick up such a rumpus that the police had to take a hand in the game. Why in the privacy of their dressing room did Olson, in his rage over the decision, threaten to assault Demetral and why did Demetral turn loose on Olson a torrent of language more heated than eloquent" was asked the Wise Brothers.

"That scene was all for effect. It was part of the plan. Olson and Demetral played their parts well—but we saw through it all," they responded with one of those comprehensive winks.

And there you are.

CRACK ATHLETES TO COMPETE

Big Indoor Meet to Be Held in New York Dec. 19.

Plans for the big meet to be run under the auspices of the College of the City of New York in New York Dec. 19 are well under way, and it is now certain the best of the country's athletes will be in competition. The feature of the games will be a 600 yard scratch event, in which Harry Hillman of the New York Athletic club will measure strides with Harry Glassing, the great middle distance runner; Charlie Bacon, the hero of the 400 meter hurdle event at the London Olympiad; Jim McEntee, the Mercury footer who recently surprised the experts with his wonderful speed, and W. C. Robbins of Boston, who will wear the winged foot and the colors of the Twenty-third New York regiment. Although Sheppard has not yet sent in his entry, it is expected he will do so. John Taylor, the great colored runner of the University of Pennsylvania and the Irish-American Athletic club, has signified his intention of returning to the game.

With these men on the mark the race should be one of the greatest ever held in America, and it would not be surprising to see Burke's long standing 600 yard record of 1 minute 11 seconds go by the board. E. H. Montague of the London Athletic club recently equalled the record, and it now is up to the Yankees to put the figures where no Briton can reach them. Other competitors will not be lacking in interest. It is planned to have Robertson, Keating, Ekman, Claugher and other sprinters meet in a special event yard dash. A special four mile limited handicap has been added for the distance men.

POLO LEAGUE OPENS SEASON

First Games Will Be Played
Wednesday Night at
Coliseum.

THREE TEAMS ORGANIZED

FOURTH TEAM WILL BE MADE UP
BEFORE FIRST CONTESTS—
MANY SEMI-PROFESSIONALS
ARE IN THE LINEUP

By Tort.

On Wednesday evening the City Polo league will open its season—that is providing a fourth team is organized in time. Several days ago the league was organized with four teams, the Carman's, the Greeks, the Empires and the Smiths. Last week the Smiths disbanded for some unknown cause and for a time the life of the league was threatened. However, expert polo expert doctors rushed to the assistance of the dying organization and hopes for its recovery are entertained. Bob Graham has undertaken the job of collecting a fast team and have it ready for the opening of the season. Until this team is secured the schedule cannot be given out. The following are the lineups of the three teams now composing the organization:

Greeks—Marine, rush; Allison, rush; Fetzer, center; Haas, half back; Snavely, goal.

Carmans—Sharp, rush; Bulla, rush; Newman, center; Karns, half back; Lancaster, goal.

Empires—Nolan, rush; Clark, rush; Jones, center; Oesting, half back; Cromer, goal.

These teams are composed of the majority of the best semi-professional players in the city and the lovers of

AT RICHMOND'S THEATERS



GIRLS IN "A KNIGHT FOR A DAY."

MANY FIGHTERS AFRAID OF OMENS

Johnson Has a Rabbit's Foot
And Gans Carried a
Pocketpiece.

QUEER SUPERSTITIONS.

MANY FIGHTERS REFUSED TO
SIGN ARTICLES OR FIGHT ON
FRIDAY, WHILE THERE ARE
"JONAH" SECONDS.

It is often said that pugilists, like gamblers and sailors, are superstitious. The colored fighters are particularly so, for some of them have been known to back out of a contest at the last moment because they ran up against some bad omen.

Big Jack Johnson, who is matched to fight Tommy Burns, never enters the ring before hiding a rabbit's foot in the colors he wears around his waist. Joe Gans always puts a lucky pocket silver piece, which he won in his first mill, in his belt just as he climbs through the ropes. Joe Walcott once a giant-killer, never fails to have a miniature horseshoe tucked away in his breechclout.

John L. Sullivan in all of his battles, wore a pair of green trunks, in the belt of which was a talisman, which his mother gave him when he first entered the professional arena. Game Jack Dempsey, the Nonpareil, would not agree to tackle the easiest kind of a mark unless he had on his famous black tights in which he won some sixty battles. But the tights lost their magic charm the night that Fitzsimmons knocked Dempsey out and also broke his heart.

Charley Mitchell, the former Empire champion, had a mortal fear of meeting a cross-eyed woman on the day or night of a fistic encounter in which he engaged. He always insisted that such a woman meant sure defeat.

The night he was to meet Sullivan for the second time in Madison Square Garden, Mitchell met a cross-eyed, red-haired woman in Fifth avenue and almost collapsed. He dashed back around the corner at top speed, crossed

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several out of town teams throughout the season. This outfit has already arranged to play at Elwood Christmas afternoon and evening.

polo are assured good sport throughout the season. Games will be played twice a week, double-headers every Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Carman's will play several