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The Ball Games.



DeLair, Humboldt's Star Pitcher

Humboldt and Tecumseh are trying to settle the question of supremacy on the ball field, and much to the delight of local fans played two games here last week. The first game was a nightmare and the large crowd in attendance was greatly disappointed. Dort, the Humboldt pitcher, couldn't locate the plate with very great regularity and when he did find it his benders were straightened out with distressing regularity. Humboldt was powerless before Clark who pitched for Tecumseh and who is one of the most capable men in amateur ranks. The result of the game, 6 to 2, does not adequately show the difference in the two teams as they played last Thursday.

But the Friday game was the real thing. Humboldt had DeLair and Poteet in the points while Tecumseh's offering was Parish and DePew. There may be more gamey men playing ball than DeLair but the Falls City fans will have to be shown. The fielding of Humboldt in the first inning was ghastly. Tecumseh was permitted to score four runs in this inning by a series of errors that would have disheartened any pitcher with a yellow streak. But not DeLair. He kept cheerfully at his work and held his opponents to two hits in the nine innings. He was admirably supported by Poteet, and in fact by all the team after the dismal first. On the other hand Humboldt lit on Parish much harder than the score indicates. Had it not been for excellent support, especially on the part of Clark in left field, the "Dingy" would have been sent to the tall grass early in the game. Humboldt is entitled to credit for the uphill game she played and the score of seven to four did a great deal towards regaining the confidence of the local fans.

NOTES.

Clark of Tecumseh played a star game both days.

Not a Tecumseh man attempted to steal off Poteet.

DeLair's game pitching made him a great favorite with the crowd.

Humboldt's right fielder made a circus catch Friday.

Tecumseh's outfield played way back for Poteet, but even then he landed one for three sacks in the second game.

It would make a great game with Clark pitching for Tecumseh and DeLair for Humboldt.

Campbell should wear blinders when playing First on the Falls City diamond.

Brown, the umpire, is a brother of Brown, the Philadelphia national league pitcher.

The teams are well satisfied with the crowds in attendance.

The colored population went broke the day Parish pitched.

Falls City would support a team like Humboldt and its a shame we haven't a good nine.

Humboldt's third baseman got his left hand split between third and fourth fingers while picking a hot one from a Tecumseh bat.

Odd Fellows Visit Verdon.

On Monday evening some sixteen members of the I. O. O. F. order of this city started for Verdon in a hack and a carriage for the aged and infirm like A. E. Gantt and Ward Knight. As usual the hack load was the crowd that was looking for all the pleasure to be had enroute and David Brannin proved himself a prince as a story teller—not a liar—but the real thing, with the genuine, up-to-date ring.

A trifle before the meeting hour the chain gang alighted on the principle street of our thriving neighbor town and Jake Ried proposed that we proceed to paint the entire town a brilliant crimson. Jake is an artist of distinction and when informed that it was a dry town at once remarked that he could furnish the body but it took alcohol to cut it. Bob Preusse howled, "I'm dryer."

The visitors were welcomed and escorted to the hall, which is certainly a credit to the effort of this young order in that community.

While there was no especial work for the evening the brothers assumed their stations and each did his part well. The order was organized in Verdon some two and a half years ago with seventeen members and they now have an enrollment of nearly fifty, who are all in hearty accord with the work and striving for the betterment of the order. Little talks were made by visitors and members of the home lodge which showed the fraternal spirit throughout.

Uncle John Hinton carried away the laurels as an orator and as he warmed up on this occasion he made a lasting impression on the members of both lodges. Uncle John is all right, so say all.

This initial visit was such an enjoyable affair that the members are now determined to make the rounds in the county and be true Odd Fellows in every sense of the word. They will visit Rulo, Salem, Humboldt, Stella and Shubert.

Barada Assault Case.

The case of the state of Nebraska vs. Omer Sailor of Barada occupied the attention of Judge Gagnon and a jury a few minutes Monday. The village marshal who seems to have an ingrowing idea of the greatness of his official position had complained of Mr. Sailor for assaulting him, and a large majority of Barada's population came down to see the show. The crowd was disappointed however, as the marshal's attorney dismissed the case after putting several witnesses on the stand. Whereupon the court discharged Mr. Sailor and the audience was dismissed.

Notice.

The Ladies Auxiliary to Steele's cemetery will meet with Mrs. Margaret Maddox, Monday, Sept. 2nd, and a large attendance is earnestly desired.

Society News.

Marion Varner gave a tea party for a half dozen little friends last Saturday evening. All kinds of pleasing games were played and the little girls enjoyed themselves to their heart's content. The delicious refreshments served by Mrs. Varner was no little part of their pleasure. The party was a source of much pleasure to the little folks present.

It is only a short time now until the club season will be in full sway. Sorosis will open the season, holding their first meeting with Mrs. Kate D. Steele on Wednesday, September 11th, at her home one mile east of this city.

Miss Anna Meyers entertained a few friends informally last Saturday evening at her home north of town. Music and cards formed the evening's amusements. Light refreshments were served and all present report a good time.

Miss Slocum entertained Kaffee Klatsch on Tuesday afternoon of this week with a porch party. A number of visitors were invited as guests of the club, including Mrs. Ray Gould of Omaha, Miss Stevens of Chicago, Mrs. Lloyd Giannini Mrs. Will Uhlig. The social side of the afternoon was pre-eminent, though the fingers were busy with artistic needle work, in all making the afternoon a most delightful one. Delicious refreshments were served at five o'clock by Miss Slocum, assisted by her sister, Mrs. Harry Jenne.

The families of W. H. Crook, John A. Crook and Will A. Crook, with their guest, Sam McFarlan of Texas, drove to Sycamore Springs last Sunday. In the afternoon they drove to Sun Springs where they had their supper in the park, later returning home by Morrill, Ks.

Misses Spencer and Pittock and Mrs. P. B. Weaver entertained the M. E. Kensington at the home of the latter. A good crowd was present and all thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon.

On Tuesday afternoon of this week from 2 to 6 o'clock, Mrs. O. Shraedar entertained about thirty small boys and girls in honor of her niece and nephew, little Miss Eva Williams and Master Everett Williams, of Corning, Mo. Various outdoor games were enjoyed and elegant refreshments were served. The afternoon was full of joy for the happy little folks and they were sorry when the hour for their departure arrived.

The Misses Boose entertained the young ladies Kensington of the Presbyterian church Tuesday in honor of the young ladies of the society who will leave early in the week to take up their school duties. Very dainty refreshments were served and those present enjoyed the afternoon immensely.

George Gilligan entertained a small company of friends last Saturday evening. Games of all kinds and music formed the evening's entertainment. Mrs. Gilligan, assisted by her sister, Miss Grinstead, served exceptionally fine refreshments. The evening was thoroughly enjoyed by all those present.

Mrs. Frank Schaible entertained Kaffee Klatsch delightfully on Friday afternoon of last week. There was a large attendance of the club members, with Mrs. Cecil Graham and daughter of St. Louis, and Mrs. Lloyd Giannini and baby Neal, as guests of the club. At five o'clock Mrs. Schaible served dainty refreshments, assisted by her mother, Mrs. Ewalt. The afternoon was an exceedingly pleasant one.

Purchased Fine Duroc-Jerseys.

F. W. Wittrock and Eph Peck returned Tuesday from Des Moines, Ia., where Mr. Wittrock purchased two very fine male Duroc-Jersey hogs to head his herd. They will be shown at both the Iowa state fair, held in Des Moines this week and the state fair at Lincoln next week. They are exceptionally fine blooded animals and will be quite an acquisition to Mr. Wittrock's already fine herd.

A Falls City Author.

David Abbott of Omaha, whom Falls City still claims as her son, has written a splendid book in which he exposes many of the tricks of spiritualism. The book is published by an eastern publishing company and is finding a ready sale. Mr. Abbott is as competent to write on this subject as any man in the United States and his exhaustive knowledge combine with a refined literary style makes the work one of exceptional interest.

Arrested for Forgery.

W. W. Leekins, formerly of Falls City but lately residing in Minneapolis, was arrested and brought to Auburn this week for forgery. The charge is the same made in an indictment found by the last Richardson county grand jury, which case was subsequently dismissed because the indictment did not state an offense. The facts stated in the complaint are that Mr. Leekins was working for the Titus nursery of Nemaha City and forged the name of C. F. Reavis to an order for fruit trees upon which order he received a commission. Mr. Reavis has always declined to prosecute and the case is brought by the nursery company.

Mr. Leekins was in Falls City Wednesday arranging for bondsmen. His many friends hope and believe that he will be able to clear himself of the charge made against him.

Cleveland's Store Robbed.

When Chester Fisher went to open the Cleveland's department store Thursday morning he saw the screening torn from one of the iron barred windows and knew at once that burglars had been at work at the store. It was impossible for them to get through the iron bars and Mr. Fisher began to investigate. He found the corrugated iron sheeting torn from the north side of the ware room, a place large enough for a person to crawl through. The thief or thieves had broken the large glass transom over the door leading from the ware room to the main store. At the desk they secured about \$20 in trade checks and coupons, overlooking the drawer in which the cash was kept. Some neckties and a few little articles in that line, some plug tobacco and a few little articles were missed but at this time it is hard to tell just what is gone by way of shoes, etc., though it is very little if any.

The other merchants have been notified regarding the trade checks and knowing those who usually cash them and about the number they usually have, it is believed the thief may be traced by them in case he tries to cash or trade them to other people.

The police are on the lookout and it is hoped the guilty party or parties will soon be apprehended.

Died.

Julia Zorn was born in Germany, Aug. 12, 1842 and died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Emma Scoby, Monday, Aug. 26, 1907, aged 65 years and 14 days.

When about eleven years old she came to the United States settling in Illinois where she was married forty-six years ago to William Gerdes. Very soon after their marriage they came to this county and settled on the old homestead about six miles northeast of this city, where they lived most of the time until the husband's death about three years ago, since which time Mrs. Gerdes has made her home mostly with her daughter, Mrs. Scoby.

To Mr. and Mrs. Gerdes were born eleven children, one son, Fred, having preceded the mother to the world beyond.

The living children are: Mrs. Gus Haller, Grand Island, Neb.; Mrs. Fred Frauenfelder, Verdon; Mrs. Ferd Parchen, Mrs. Henry Voegle, Mrs. Michael Egner and Mrs. Emma Scoby, John Gerdes, William Gerdes and Henry Gerdes. With the exception of the two daughters, all the children live in this city and vicinity. There are twenty-two grand children and two great-grand children in Mrs. Gerdes' family.

Mrs. Gerdes has enjoyed a large circle of friends all through her life being highly esteemed and appreciated by all her friends and neighbors. She was devoted to her family, working hard that her children might have advantages she could not have in the early days of this county. At all times she was a thoughtful, devoted wife and mother. She always enjoyed good health until the past two years during which time she has been afflicted with heart trouble to which cause her death Monday was due.

The funeral services were held Wednesday morning from the home of Mrs. Scoby, conducted by Rev. Gradewohl and the interment was made in the Frick cemetery ten miles north of this city where short services were also held.

Besides her immediate family Mrs. Gerdes leaves two sisters, Mrs. Fred Ruegge, Tilden, Nebr., and Mrs. Joe Kosa, of Kansas, and a brother, Fred Zorn living near this city.

To the sorrowing children and relatives is extended the sympathy of a large circle of friends.

Juvenile Thieves Bound Over.

When the case was called last Monday against the boy burglars of Humboldt, Oran Gume, "O. A." Cooper and the Shaffer boys, it was decided to continue their case till the September term of court, as Judge Raper really constitutes the juvenile court. Consequently the youngsters were released on bail to appear before Judge Raper, Sept. 9th. Just what will be done with them is a matter of conjecture as they may either be given over to the probation officers until they prove themselves by good conduct or they may be sent to the reformatory. It is to be hoped the lesson is severe enough to be a warning and that such young boys will be given another chance.

The guests of Mrs. John Shields who have been visiting her for the past week, returned to their homes Tuesday. They were her sister, Mrs. George E. Jennings and daughter, Mrs. W. A. Williams and Miss Marion Jennings, of Garden Grove, Ia., and Mrs. George M. Ayers and little daughter, Virginia, of Weldon, Iowa.

Mrs. Legan Beauchamp is entertaining Hiawatha friends this week.

W. W. Leekins of Minneapolis, Minn., was in town a few days this week.

Stanley Stump and Earl Cline attended Salem chautauqua Sunday afternoon.

J. R. Whitaker returned Monday night from a business trip to Morris Co., Kans.

You are cordially invited to enjoy one of those fine 25c Sunday luncheons at the National.

A. A. Tanner and wife of Humboldt, spent Tuesday with Mr. Tanner's mother in this city.

Henry Mosiman and Jesse Nicholson took in the Salem chautauqua Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Della Williams of Corning, Mo., is in the city, the guest of her sister, Mrs. O. Shraedar.

Levi Hitchcock and Frank Uhlig are attending the Iowa state fair at Des Moines, this week.

Miss Marguerite Horricks is again back in her old position as stenographer to Recorder Edwards.

An elegant dinner with the best service is perfect joy and delight National Hotel at 5 p. m. Sundays.

L. A. Kinsey of University Place was in the city a few days this week, a combined business and pleasure trip.

Mrs. Homer Jenkins and little daughter, are at home from a visit with Mrs. Jenkins' parents in Osage City, Kas.

R. Bryant came up from Drexel, Mo., called here Tuesday by the serious illness of his daughter, Mrs. Albert Maust.

Miss Sue Gehling is at home after a visit to her mother and sister in Excelsior Springs, having returned Tuesday.

Roy Nicholson returned from Craig, Mo., where he visited a few days with his grandparents, G. G. Stumbo and wife.

Ellis Powell and son, Charles, went to Sabetha, Kans., Wednesday to visit his sister, Mrs. Metz, and attend the street fair and races.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Chambers and daughter, who were guests of Dr. and Mrs. Reneker last week, returned to their home in Norfolk last Friday.

Rev. Jackson and several of the young people of the Baptist church attended the Nemaha association at Brock, Neb., this week, August 27th to 30th.

The Misses Ida, Lena and Millie Dubble of Guttenburg, Ia., who have been visiting their aunt Mrs. John Moring, returned to their home Tuesday morning.

Sherley Wilcox returned Tuesday morning from her home in Burlington, Col., and will spend the winter with her grandmother Mrs. J. Inkins, attending the high school.

Uncle Jesse Crook and wife, Mrs. J. R. Wilhite and G. J. Crook went to Lincoln Friday to attend the Territorial Pioneer society. They will remain over Sunday.

260 acres well located near Falls City. Good terms. Owner wishes to sell this tract within the next 20 days. Will give most excellent terms. 106 acres of good land near Salem. Good terms. HENRY C. SMITH.