

THE WHEELING WORLD

The annual meet of the League of American Wheelmen at Indianapolis this week will have some features omitted from the published program. These features will not be conspicuous among the runs and races, but will be prominent where the push will gravitate. Already the political wires are being worked at a distance. It is thought they will be pulled for all they can bear without snapping. The state for the next assembly will be fashioned at the Hoosier capital, and those who want to get in should move to the front without delay. The New York Tribune announces that President I. B. Potter will not be a candidate for re-election, and adds, significantly, "that does not mean that he will not take a lively interest in the selection of the man who will be his successor. It is hardly probable that New York will put a man in the field, but New York state, with its big vote, will play an important part in the election. While the respective campaign committees have not got to work yet, they will soon be in evidence. Massachusetts has been doing so well in the state election, and the chances are that she may again put forward her leading bicycle representative for the presidency. Sterling Elliott is a hard man to keep in the background, and his friends seem to think that he is being heard from by Indiana. There is a sentiment in the west that that section of the country is entitled to the chief office. It has been in the east so long that the western workers think they should have a chance. They will wait some promises as to increased membership in that district, providing they secure the office for one of their favorite sons. Walter Sherwood of Indianapolis is the name most frequently mentioned when the leading men of the league meet. No one would be surprised if a positive Sherwood boom is started at the national meet.

Not much has been heard of the bicycle as a military necessity in the present war. Conditions were not at all favorable to its use. The roads around Santiago, for instance, were not such as would attract the thought of riders. But the scene of war has shifted and brought to notice one of the most roads in the western hemisphere. The runs from Ponce to San Juan, Porto Rico, is eighty miles long, passes through seven towns, is built of macadam and is said to have cost \$2,000,000. This magnificent road sweeps through tropical verdure in mountain and valley—a stretch of 80 miles of surpassing beauty. Over this road the American army is to march to San Juan. Bicycles will not share the glory of the march, but as the road will be in American territory ere long the cycling throng can afford to wait and arrange to do it in winter.

Wisconsin's city fathers have reached the conclusion that the bicycle is not a safe carriage for babies. They have decided to ordain that children under six years must not adorn the handle bars with their legs, unless a parent desires to contribute from \$1 to \$25 to the public treasury.

A matter on which there seems to be a painful amount of ignorance among cyclists is the proper height of frame for riders of varying heights. It is a matter of the utmost importance. It may be well to preserve this for future reference. For a rider standing 5 feet 5 inches and 5 feet 9 inches, the proper height of frame should be 24 inches; for riders of 5 feet 10 inches and 5 feet 11 inches, a frame of 25 inches is the best, and for tall men of 6 feet and over it is better to have a 27-inch frame. For riders under 5 feet 5 inches a 22-inch frame ought to suffice. The thing the rider should always bear in mind is that the frame should never have more than two inches of saddle-pin projecting above the tube.

A point in connection with fastening a bell to handlebars, as explained by one rider to a few of his friends, is to fix it on the inside with the bell in the center of the stroke over the under side of the tubing, just where the forefinger can be brought easily in contact with it. This can be done as readily as placing the bell on the end or top of the bar. The virtue for putting it on the inside is that the bell, in event of the wheel having a fall or being pushed around with a lot of others, as it sometimes is at places where it has to be left, the bell escapes damage. The rider making the point says that he had one bell broken by his wheel falling over and that the bell taking the blow did not save the handlebars a bit. They were bent just as badly as if the bell had been out of the way and spared.

One of the pleasing phases of bicycle evolution is the rapid disappearance of the sweater. When cycling first assumed the proportions of a craze the sweater was deemed an indispensable part of the wheelman's apparel. It was worn by men and women alike, and was held in the highest esteem. It was a slovenly looking, unsightly garment. It was usually dirty and it infrequently smelled bad. But it was considered "the thing" to wear it and everybody wore it. Last year, however, the sweater began losing its vogue and this year it has disappeared almost entirely. Here and there it is seen on a "scorcher," who clings to ancient tradition, but the great body of cyclists have abandoned it in favor of civilized garments which are cooler and lighter, and which do not suggest the stock yards on a hot night. The sweater has gone to join the high wheel and cyclodrom which has much better of.

A western cycle company, in producing an 1898 model, has introduced an odd feature that will be watched with interest by cycle mechanics. It is called a "Buted" spoke, which is a spoke of the name indicates, is fluted or corrugated, the fluting being about half an inch apart. Its object is to prevent "crystallization." The inventor of this device has had years of experience in cycle construction, and he believes that the crystallization of the spokes causes them to become brittle and causes the metal to crystallize near the head of the spoke so badly that the spoke is weakened at this point. He claims that the vibration waves are deflected at every corrugation, and the strength of the spoke is not impaired. It is his theories on crystallization are of no especial value, the inventor still claims it will give an attractive appearance to a wheel with spokes thus fluted.

A great many riders, after overhauling their wheels or removing the nuts on the axles for any reason, carefully put oil on the threads before replacing the nuts, because the threads have rusted a little and the nut does not screw on easily. This is a mistake, because when the threads are covered with oil the nuts are apt to work loose. In case of rust kerosene or gasoline had better be employed. If these are not handy and oil is used, the threads should be wiped dry before the nuts are put on. Helpers in repair shops are as much at fault in this respect as any green rider, and many a wheelman has had occasion to use anti-rust Guggenheimer language because of the trouble he has had with loose nuts after getting his wheel from a repair shop.

A pneumatic tire which it is claimed requires no cement to hold it to the rim is an invention of a New Brunswick (N. J.) man. Its object is attained by molding or otherwise forming the tire with its inner or rim surface grooved longitudinally by a downwardly projecting portion, or folds, and by rendering the outer edges of the groove inextensible by inserting wire or other suitable material. When deflated, the edges of the groove lie close together, and the tire is easily slipped over the ordinary rim. When the tire is pumped up, the fold is forced out and the wires are pushed flat against the edges of the rim, holding the tire firmly.

HUNTING IN THE ADIRONDACKS

Methods Followed by Sportmen in the Pursuit of Big Game.

THE NIMBLE DEER AND ITS HAUNTS

Relative Merits of Honning, Jacking, Stalking and Still Hunting and Reasons Why the Former Are Tabooed.

HAREWOOD, N. Y., Aug. 5.—On August 15 the open season for the hunting of deer begins in this section and throughout the Adirondacks. The law which prohibits the hunting and killing of that animal from November 1 to the middle of the present month becomes a dead letter and already sportmen are putting in an appearance with rifles and shotguns and the guides are preparing for the season. Many methods are in vogue for the killing of deer and all are more or less followed by those who delight in such pastime. The hunterman can try his hand at still hunting, night floating or "jacking," honning, stalking, trapping or "jacking" or the usual method which has been followed for many years. He considers it more manly, stiller to the deer and a better test of skill, for in following this method the rifle is the more common weapon used. There are many ways in which a deer can be killed. A deer in any other way; they hold that it is little to one's credit to lie in wait for an animal and shoot it down as one would a cow, when the simple touch of a trigger is all that is required to bag the game. A hunterman who follows this method starts off through the woods with his rifle, keeping a careful watch on all sides for the familiar crackling of a branch or twig, which tells him that the deer is near. He must move with great caution, taking care that the wind does not carry his scent to the wary animal, and be ready to aim and fire on the instant. If the deer catches sight of him, he must make a dash for it, and if he is not successful, he must wait until a moment's hesitation means the loss of all his hours of tramping and patient watching.

There is sometimes an element of danger in this method of hunting. A year ago Willard Howland, a well known Adirondack hunter, was shot and killed by a deer. He was out on a hunt, and he had been following a deer for some time. The deer came out from behind a tree, and he fired at it. The bullet struck the deer in the head, and he died. Howland was also shot in the head by a deer. He was out on a hunt, and he had been following a deer for some time. The deer came out from behind a tree, and he fired at it. The bullet struck the deer in the head, and he died. Howland was also shot in the head by a deer.

Preparations for wheelmen's day at the exposition, which will be Monday, August 15, are now well advanced. The local cyclists are now only waiting for the coming of the day. All of the Midway concessionaires have now single exception have made special reduced prices of admission for the wheelmen and printed lists, together with a badge, which will be given to each member as he enters the grounds. The lists will have the names of the good Midway attractions with the special wheelmen's admission and the badge will be the identification card. The Western Union and American District messenger boys will participate in the parade which is to occur early in the evening. A special club will be assigned a place in the procession as well as the visiting wheelmen, these assignments will be announced in next Sunday's issue of The Bee as well as the time and place for assembling.

The Triangle Wheel Club of the Young Men's Christian association is making preparations to entertain the visiting wheelmen handsomely when they arrive. Already a reception and watermelon feast has been announced, while several more good things are brewing.

Omaha Wheel Club Notes. It is not generally known that in the Omaha territory there are two club organizations. One is called the Triangle club, and the other is called the Omaha Wheel Club. The Omaha Wheel Club is a more recent organization, and it is not as well known as the Triangle club. The Omaha Wheel Club is a more recent organization, and it is not as well known as the Triangle club.

Salute the Flag. Denver Post. With every stroke in voiceless rhyme Her pedals revolve with a rhythmic hum. And just below her skirts so shy, Upon her shapely bosom, The honored stripes, red, white and blue, Upstream from a dainty shoe. Hats off!

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The marriage, in jail, of the defaulting banker, Spaulding, to the young woman whose account the most of the stealing was done, and who, as his stenographer, aided him in his peculations, is spoken of in Chicago papers as a "romantic event."

turned to the head of the household, who might have been a grandfather, and said: "They have all congratulated me but you." The old gentleman hesitated a little and then said, half suspiciously: "That baby story isn't a fake, is it?"

OUT OF THE ORDINARY.

Mrs. Harriet R. Stafford of Cottage City, Mass., has in her possession the flag of the United States frigate Bonhomme Richard, first displayed by Commodore Paul Jones in the famous engagement with the British Serpents.

Dr. John M. Willis of Elliot, Me., owns three rare bibles. Two of them are Breeches Bibles, one printed in London in 1858 and the other in Geneva in 1866; the third is an Elzevir bible, two volumes, elephant folio, French print, of 1682, one of the few copies extant.

The big bugs of Chicago have the laugh on an entomological student, who pinned a gigantic beetle to the wall with a \$100 seal pin. While the student's attention was directed elsewhere the beetle pulled the pin out of the woodwork and soared away with it. Thus not only do riches make wings, but wings sometimes take riches.

The case of little Willie McCabe, a child in Bellevue hospital, New York, seems to furnish a well authenticated instance of the practical value of hypnotism as a curative agent. He was suffering with convulsions, which Dr. Harbour suddenly completely stopped by the use of hypnosis. The first result was in the quieting of the child for only a few moments, and it was not until several days of sleep had been induced and the child had formed a habit of sleeping for several hours.

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THE OLD TIMERS.

Slater Ellen Joseph of Baltimore enjoys the distinction of being the oldest religious in the country. She has just passed her 107th birthday.

Funerals of the Impossible.

Detroit Journal: "Henceforth," said the good fairy, as she bestowed the magic ring, "nothing will be for you impossible." "Then what shall I yearn for?" demanded the young girl, in much alarm.

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