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Congressman McPherson of Red Oak is in the city.

The Ganymede Wheel club is booked for a smoker this evening.

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The city council will meet in adjourned regular session this evening.

Get your work done at the popular Eagle laundry, 724 Broadway, 'phone 157.

Mrs. Hoagland of La Salle is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Spooner.

The regular monthly meeting of the library board will be held this afternoon.

Quite a number of the members of the Owl club made the run to Florence and back yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Spangler of Aurora, Ia., are visiting their daughter, Mrs. A. T. Flickinger.

J. P. Collins, the real estate dealer, is entertaining his brother, W. H. Collins, of Cherokee, Ia.

Miss Grace Connor, who has been the guest of Miss Blanche Lewis, returned yesterday to her home in Atlantic.

The gas heaters sold by the Council Bluffs Gas & Electric company at $1.50 are just the thing for bath or bed rooms.

A meeting of the Council Bluffs presbytery will be held at the Second Presbyterian church in this city Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of this week.

John Hamilton Boys, a former well-known newspaper man of this city, has become proprietor of the Atlantic, Ia., Messenger, which he has transformed from a democratic to a republican weekly.

The supreme court Saturday affirmed the judgment of the lower court in the case of Holsten, appellant, against Wheeler & Herold. In this action suit was brought to recover on a consignment of eggs.

Mrs. W. W. Sherman has taken charge of the music at the First Congregational church. The music at yesterday's services was furnished by a quartet composed of Mrs. Sherman, Miss Worley and Messrs. Mitchell and Coker.

The residence of E. B. Harrington, 1829 Fifth avenue, was damaged by fire yesterday afternoon, the roof and upper story being burned. The fire started in the roof, being caused by a spark from the chimney. The loss is covered by insurance.

Postmaster Treynor is on the program for the response to the address of welcome and also for an address on "Hours of Service" at a meeting of postmasters from all the cities in the state having free delivery, to be held at Cedar Rapids April 20.

Major Blanche Cox of the Salvation Army from Des Moines delivered three public addresses yesterday. In the morning she spoke at Trinity Methodist church, in the afternoon at the Evangelical church and in the evening at the Broadway Methodist.

Messrs. M. T. Grier, R. L. Scott, H. G. New and C. L. Corpening have presented Mr. E. F. Clark, the retiring proprietor of the Grand hotel, with a watch fob and diamond charm as a mark of esteem in which they hold their former employer. Mr. Clark will leave for Chicago Thursday.

Mable, the 18-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Mott, died yesterday morning from inflammation. The funeral will be held this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the residence on Elliott street, near Broadway. The services will be conducted by Rev. Henry DeLong and interment will be in Walnut Hill cemetery.

A civil service examination for positions in the postal service as clerk and carrier was held Saturday at the postoffice in this city. Those taking the examination for clerk were: Thomas J. McKinley, Orville C. Brown, William Ross, C. C. Bock, Harry Mitchell, Julius H. Johnson, Herman G. Boesche, B. F. Barritt, Nathaniel Shepard, Miss Cora B. Jones and Miss Fannie A. Bryant. Harry B. Sackett was the only applicant to take the examination for carrier.

A local lodge of the United Commercial Travelers of America was organized in this city Saturday night by L. C. Pease of Columbus, O., national organizer and one of the founders of the order. The local lodge starts out with the following officers: Senior commander, John F. Helwig; junior commander, C. B. Platner; past commander, A. E. Bray; conductor, L. Zermuehlen; page, E. L. Cook; sentinel, John A. Hermsen; executive committee, C. L. Felt, C. Woodford, C. L. Harlan, M. W. Fleming; secretary and treasurer, L. I. Edson.

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The Jewell gasoline, for safety, durability and cleanliness has no equal. Sold by Peterson & Schoening.

WANTED, good girl for house work. Apply to Mrs. George S. Davis, 200 Broadway.

Water Bills.

Quarterly bills now due will be discounted 5 per cent if paid by April 10. Office open Saturday and Monday evenings.

The Flower Mission will give a reception at the home of Mrs. Thomas Metcalf sr., 133 Bluff street, Tuesday evening, April 11, from 8 to 11 o'clock. No cards sent out. Admission 15 cents. All interested are especially invited.

The leading wheels for the season are the Oriole, Bradley and America, sold by Peterson & Schoening.

Wanted—Several good lady solicitors for city. Good pay and nice, pleasant work. Call at Bee office, Council Bluffs.

Drowned in Spoon Lake.

Claus Hamann, a railroad laborer living near the crossing of the Rock Island and Wabash railroads, met his death yesterday morning by drowning in Spoon lake. The body was lying in two feet of water when found, about 10 o'clock, by Robert Land and Charles Lewis, two young lads.

At first it was thought to be a case of suicide, as the place where Hamann's body was found in the lake is not more than two feet deep, but later investigation showed there was nothing to substantiate this theory. Hamann had been to the transfer depot, having been seen there by one of the boys who later found his body, and was evidently on his way home when he either stepped off or fell from the culvert into the lake. At the spot where he was found there were evidences that he had floundered around in the mire before drowning. Hamann was a railroad laborer, and up to two weeks ago worked as a section hand for the Union Pacific. He had been suffering from a severe attack of the grip and his physician, Dr. Seybert, is of the opinion that when the unfortunate man fell into the lake he became confused and was unable to extricate himself from the deep mud.

The body was removed to Undertaker Eetep's rooms, where Coroner Treynor will hold an inquest this morning. Hamann was 56 years of age and leaves a son and three daughters. His son-in-law, John Reagan, of Sixth avenue and Twelfth street, identified the body at the morgue.

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QUARREL OVER ROAD FUND

City and County Likely to Have Their Regular Annual Controversy.

QUESTION HAS ALREADY BEEN IN COURT

Resolution Adopted by Supervisors at Their Session Saturday Likely to Cause a Clash Again.

The resolution adopted by the county supervisors at their closing session Saturday, to the effect that the board be a committee of the whole to designate where county road work shall be done, is liable to lead to another controversy between the city and the county board. The law provides that the portion of the fund raised by taxation upon property within the limits of a city shall be expended under the direction of the city council. Last year the city made a demand upon the board for the portion of the fund belonging to Council Bluffs. The demand was refused and the city took the case into court, securing a decision in its favor. An amicable arrangement was made and about half of the fund was expended on the streets within the city limits and the other half on the improvement of roads leading into the city.

From the resolution adopted by the board it is inferred that the supervisors are figuring on designating where the portion of the road fund that belongs to the city shall be expended and not allowing the city council any say in the matter. If this should prove to be the case the city will at once take the matter into the courts again. At least a member of the streets and alleys committee of the city council was authority for this statement yesterday.

Last year the county road fund was raised from a 1-mill levy and produced something over $13,000. This year the levy is but ½ a mill and will produce about $6,500. The board has, however, at its disposal an accumulation of road funds that were unexpended in previous years and on April 1 there was in the treasury to the credit of the road fund approximately $10,000.

The apportionment of the road fund made for this year by supervisors' districts is as follows:

Supervisor Auld—Belknap township, 99.63; Oakland, $60.26; Center, $138.25; Grove, $133.33; Lincoln, $110.99; Waveland, $140.28; Wright, $137.23; total, $815.47.

Supervisor Brandes—James township, $138.61; Knox, $163.96; Avoca, $113.30; Layton, $167.45; Walnut, $65.48; Pleasant, $144.01; Valley, $140.70; Hancock, $18.20; total, $941.71.

Supervisor Hansen—Boomer township, $114.20; Hazel Dell, $139.81; Minden, $186.33; Minden town, $25.15; Neola, $146.38; Norwalk, $204.19; Neola town, $52.66; York, $121.61; total, $990.40.

Supervisor Kerney—Carson township, $94.38; Carson town, $37.15; Hardin, $127.97; Keg Creek, $141.10; Macedonia, $96.05; Macedonia town, $29.34; Silver City, $132.29; Washington, $134.38; total, $792.76.

Supervisor Matthews—Crescent township, $110.47; Garner, $241.41; Kane, $39.63; Council Bluffs, $2,312.45; Lewis, $189.08; Rockford, $134.69; total, $3,027.57.

Chafing-Dish lamps, 50 and 75 cents. The Gas company.

The contented mother is the one who buys a baby carriage at Peterson & Schoening's. Finest stock in Council Bluffs to select from.

Everybody needs a refrigerator in warm weather. Peterson & Schoening sell the Alaska. Before you buy be sure to see it.

Best facilities for storing stoves. Cole & Cole's new warehouse.

Davis sells drugs.

High School Site Again.

The present indications are that the meeting of the Board of Education tonight will again fail to result in the selection of a site for the new high school building. The members appear to be unable to come to any agreement as to a location, each one favoring his own particular choice. Three of the members, it was said yesterday, were in favor of bringing the matter to an issue at tonight's meeting and are inclined to vote for the Oakland avenue tract. Should they succeed in winning a fourth member of the board over to their way of thinking the question may possibly be settled tonight, otherwise not.

E. P. Schoentgen and Fred E. Cox of St. Louis are in the city and will submit plans for the high school building at the meeting tonight. E. P. Schoentgen is a son of John Schoentgen of this city and is an architect of considerable repute.

One of the most complete and extensive lines of brass and iron bedsteads ever seen in Council Bluffs is on display at Peterson & Schoening's, Merriam block.

Another car load of furniture has just been received by Peterson & Schoening, Merriam block.

S. M. Williamson sells the Standard, Domestic and White sewing machines. 106 South Main street.

The gas heaters sold by the Council Bluffs Gas & Electric company at $1.50 are just the thing for bath or bed rooms.

There is no doubt about Williamson having the finest line of bicycles that has ever been in the city. Call and see for yourself and get his prices and terms. He also has a first-class repair shop. 106 South Main street.

Big Mortgage.

FORT DODGE, Ia., April 9.—(Special Telegram.)—Recorder Ottosen of Webster county has received the advance copy of one of the largest mortgages ever filed in this part of Iowa. The mortgage is for $25,000,000 and is given by the Minneapolis & St. Louis road to the Central Trust company of New York. The copy is an extensive affair and covers sixty-four pages of a pamphlet form book. The mortgage will have to be recorded in every county through which the road runs and the original will follow the copy for the recorder's signature. The internal revenue on this document will amount to the large sum of $12,500. There are outstanding against the Minneapolis & St. Louis road in liens and mortgages maturing at different dates the sum of $10,000,000. The Minneapolis & St. Louis is also engaged in the building of some important extensions of its road in Dakota and in Iowa and it is for the payment of the sum named and also for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the proposed extension that the loan is made. The mortgage covers the road already built with the proposed extensions.

Indicted for Beating an Old Man.

DUNLAP, Ia., April 9.—(Special.)—The three young men who beat an old man named A. Schivalier into insensibility and then left him to freeze in a cold barn, as reported a few weeks ago, have been indicted by the grand jury and their bonds fixed at $2,000 each. Suits have been brought against the parties for damages in the sum of $2,000 from each and also against their parents for $3,000 each. Schivalier is still in a critical condition and is not yet able to leave his room at the hotel.

Milwaukee Surveyors at Work.

MUSCATINE, Ia., April 9.—(Special.)—A party, consisting of fifteen or twenty surveyors for the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway company, left this morning for a station fourteen miles above this city, working this way. It is said they will survey through Muscatine, Columbus Junction, Ottumwa and from there to Kansas City on the proposed new Kansas City extension of the Milwaukee. The party left Davenport last Monday.

DISMISSED ON MURDER CHARGE.

No Evidence Developed to Warrant Holding Oscar Nellis.

CHEROKEE, Ia., April 9.—(Special.)—The preliminary hearing of Oscar Nellis, who was arrested about two weeks ago for the murder of the Schultz family on August 16, 1893, was concluded before Magistrate O'Donnell Friday. The account of the arrest and the history of the crime have been fully given in the recent daily papers and the trial caused intense interest among the residents of this locality and especially in the immediate vicinity of where the crime was committed and was largely attended.

The trial was begun Thursday and about a dozen witnesses were examined in behalf of the state and, on account of the absence of one of the witnesses, was continued until Friday afternoon. The evidence introduced was entirely circumstantial and very remote and the rumors that have been circulated that Nellis was found in bed on the night of the murder with his clothing on, after coming home and washing blood off his hands, and that he was seen in the vicinity of the residence of the Schultz's more than his business required were not substantiated. The strong point the prosecution expected to make was the fact that Nellis had considerable money before leaving this country, but it was shown by the testimony of witnesses that he received the money from his brother and from the sale of his crops. The party whom it was reported was going to appear and "give the whole thing up" did not come. After examining all the witnesses present the conuty attorney moved for a continuance to secure the attendance of other witnesses, but this was overruled by the court, as no showing was made that the evidence to be procured was material or had any direct bearing on the case.

The defense made no showing whatever and the prisoner was released by the court on its own motion.

Train Kills a Man.

COLUMBUS JUNCTION, Ia., April 9.—(Special Telegram.)—Burlington, Cedar Rapids & Northern passenger train No. 5, northbound, killed an unknown man near Morning Sun, Ia., last night. The stranger was well dressed and about thirty years old. He had a large quantity of postage stamps in his possession.

FOR A FLEXIBLE CURRENCY

Executive Committee of Monetary Convention Adopts Resolutions for Republican Caucus Committee.

NEW YORK, April 9.—A declaration ofr a flexible currency based on the gold standard was adopted today by the executive committee of the Indianapolis monetary convention at a meeting in this city called by the chairman, H. H. Hanna of Indiana, for the purpose of getting the advice of the committee upon the recommendations to be presented to the republican caucus committee of the house of representatives which will meet at Atlantic City April 17.

Two members of the monetary commission, ex-Secretary Charles B. Fairchild of New York and William B. Dean of Minnesota, were present by invitation and discussed some of the changes proposed in the present monetary system.

Charles S. Hamlin of Boston, recently assistant secretary of the treasury, was elected a member of the executive committee. A report was made by a subcommittee and adopted declaring the belief of the Monetary commission to be broad and comprehensive in its scope and containing such provisions as are necessary to settle the financial problem, but authorizing the chairman to suggest such modifications as might be necessary to secure legislation not inconsistent with the principles of the bill.

The following resolution was adopted unanimously as the expression of the commission:

Resolved, That the executive committee of the Indianapolis monetary convention continue to urge upon congress the adoption of a monetary system based upon the gold standard, adequate in volume and sufficiently flexible in characted to afford the legitimate means to our producers and manufacturers for meeting the rapidly expanding volume of domestic trade and for competing on equal terms in the world's market with all nations, thereby giving full employment and just returns to American labor.

Filling Sexton's Position.

CINCINNATI, O., April 9.—Colonel W. C. Johnson, senior vice commander-in-chief and acting commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, who resides in this city, is a candidate for election as the successor of the late General J. A. Sexton of Chicago before the executive committee of the National Board of Administration, which meets in Philadelphia next Wednesday.

Quite a delegation from the Department of Ohio and from the departments of adjoining states will be at Philadelphia this week in the interest of Colonel Johnson, who has an excellent record as a veteran that rose from the ranks to be a commissioned officer because of meritorious conduct. As General Sexton is the only commander-in-chief who died in office since the organization of the Grand Army of the Republic in 1866 there are now no precedents to be followed in filling this vacancy.

She Wasn't Afraid.

Cleveland Plain Dealer: The thin young woman in the large spectacles reached forward and seized a cup of the liquid air.

"Madam," said the professor, "be very, very careful! You surely cannot know the danger of handling such an extreme degree of cold."

"Sir," cried the young woman, "I certainly have no fear of my native element."

Then in response to the professor's look of dazed inquiry she added with a hard, dry smile:

"I'm a Boston girl, sir."

ON WILSON'S LOFTY CREST

Sublime Views Unfolded from the Top of a California Mountain.

SCENES ALONG THE CROOKED TRAIL

A Weary Climb Rewarded by Scenes of Grandeur Dazzling to the Eye and Impressive to the Mind.

EATON'S CANYON, Near Pasadena, Cal., April 4.—(Special Correspondence of The Bee.)—Having some leisure on hand and wishing to enjoy a little outing I took a trip up Mount Lowe yesterday and today went to the summit of Wilson's peak and back again to the lowlands at its southern foot. They stand only about five or six miles apart and both are somewhat famous in this section of the country, and, while not half as high as several other mountains in the state, they are much more accessible and therefore much more frequently visited than all the rest put together.

Eaton's canyon, at the southern base of Wilson's peak, the place where its ascent begins, is about six miles northeast of Pasadena and about eighteen miles east of Los Angeles. The system of electric railway extending from Los Angeles through Pasadena to Reubio Pavilion, at the south side of Mount Lowe, runs within about two and one-half miles of the point where the trail starts up Wilson's peak. This trail, known as "the Pasadena and Mount Wilson Toll road," though narrow, is well graded and designed for footmen and saddle animals only. It is nowhere wide enough for a vehicle of any kind and from top to bottom is nine and one-fourth miles in length. 'Tis true its width is sufficient for a bicycle, but so steep is it a rider could not use his wheel going up and so crooked and rapid its descent that no cycler would attempt to ride down, unless prepared for lightning-like velocity and ready at any moment for a dash into eternity. In some places the trail runs zigzag and in others it makes horseshoes and loops in rounding ridges and winding about in ravines. At an altitude of 2,200 feet a beautiful little plateau is reached, where a good view of the valley below to the east, south and west may be had. The plateau is known as "Henniger's Flats" and takes its name from Captain Henniger, an old-time Californian, who for many years lived the life of a hermit there and who doubtless in his seclusion from his fellow men made companions of the cliffs, hills and peaks amid whose quiet shades he dwelt, amid whose solemn grandeur he whiled the fleeting hours away. At an elevation of about 3,000 feet the Halfway house comes into sight on a little bench in the side of the mountain at a place where the trail makes a sharp, quick turn. It is a comparatively new two-story dwelling, still unpainted, yet quite roomy. Here a night's sound sleep or a good square meal and other refreshment may be had by the weary tourist struggling up and down the tiresome steeps. It is situated amid native forests cleared away sufficiently for its erection, together with a few small outhouses, and for these only. The rays of glowing sunlight that fall upon this mountain inn when the summer heat grows warm are always tempered by the cooling shadows cast by friendly trees.

A Mountain Village.

Continuing his journey till he stands upon an eminence about 5,300 feet above the rolling billows of the sea, the resolute traveler finds himself at Martin's camp, a veritable little village. This camp is situated in a sway or sink in the crest of the mountain, between two peaks, one to the southeast, the other to the northwest—the latter being known as Wilson's peak, or Mount Wilson, as it is sometimes called. As the mountain top, like its sides, is covered with a variety of pines and small scrub timber, all evergreens, Martin's Camp is a truly inspiring, romantic, picturesque and "way-up" place. And such is its temperature that men, as a general rule, may go about in the open air in their shirt sleeves during the warmer hours of the day, even in the winter season, and overcoats are not needed except mornings and evenings, while in the summertime the altitude and the constant play of gentle breezes are such as prevent one's feeling anything like excessive heat. Martin's Camp is abundantly supplied with pure, fresh, sparkling water, taken from a spring breaking out amid the rocks some distance away, and forty or fifty feet higher up.

On the Summit.

At its most elevated point Wilson's peak rises 6,000 feet above sea level and is about a mile from Martin's Camp by the winding trail. It's extreme summit is covered with a growth of timber much like that to be found on lower levels. On its very apex there stands a pine measuring ten feet in circumference, and a short distance away, but a trifle lower, there is another measuring seventeen feet around. Both have a hardy, rugged appearance and are from eighty to about 100 feet in height. From the summit the observer obtains a most excellent view of the surrounding country in all directions. As the weather in this section of the state is generally fair, the climate mild and comparatively free from storms and violent atmospheric disturbances the heavens above are most always clad in spotless blue, while the great lord of day rolls majestically through the realms of space, shimmering, as it were, amid the halos of his royal glory. And thus it is that with such surroundings, existence itself becomes a source of serene enjoyment, and the softest rustlings of the leaves resolve themselves to sounds of sweetest music borne to ears intent on listening upon the sweep of sighing winds that soothe and fan the willing brow. On going up and down the mountain side the grand panorama unfolding itself to view is constantly changing. Here we see a solemn, wide-reaching, awe-inspiring depression, and faintly hear the noise of running waters hidden in the gloomy mists below; there a yawning chasm in whose quiet depths the largest trees appear but little things; yonder a great abyss in which the sunlight falls and with it also, shadows from the passing clouds, while in its mighty deeps a painful stillness reigns; and when down we look into the silence holding there a sullen sway, we shrink back as if to resist some mysterious force pushing us where we know it would be certain death to go. Now we behold some giant rock towering far above us, but close at hand—then a rugged cliff further away lifts itself to sight—and anon, in the hazy distance, a daring peak rises high above the clouds, its snow-capped summit radiant with the dazzling splendors of the noonday sun.

A vast deal more might well be said than I have ventured thus to write; but as no language I possess can half portray the least attractive of the scenes, I feel that I the greater wisdom show the sooner I may lay aside the feeble pen, unfit to do them justice.

J. T. MORIARTY.

EVENTS ON THE RUNNING TRACKS.

Poor Day for Talent at Memphis, but Favorites In It at Cincinnati.

MEMPHIS, April 9.—There was a large attendance at the opening day's races of the Memphis Jockey club, despite the cold, threatening weather. The stake feature today was the Montgomery handicap at a mile and one-sixteenth. Dunois, who sold a slight favorite over Manuel, held the race safe from the start and ably piloted by Skeets Martin won handily by half a length from Manuel, who finished a length before Handsel. It was a bad day for the talent, only one favorite landing first prize. The second race for 2-year-olds showed a field of eleven youngsters. McMeekin was a decided favorite, but could not quite get up at the finish, F. W. Brode winning by a head on the post. The track was in fair condition. Summaries:

First race, six furlongs: Horrify won, Hobart second, Timemaker third. Time: 1:17¼.

Second race, 2-year-olds, four furlongs: F. W. Brode won, McMeekin second, Caviar third. Time: 0:51¾.

Third race, one mile, selling: Forget Not won, Upters second, Salvarez third. Time: 1:47¼.

Fourth race, Montgomery handicap, one mile and one-sixteenth: Dunois won, Manuel second, Handsel third. Time: 1:50¾.

Fifth race, half a mile, selling: Elizabeth Kane won, Silver Fizz second, Elbe third. Time: 0:49½.

Sixth race, one mile, selling: Wilson won, Sea Robber second, Moroni third. Time: 1:43¾.

CINCINNATI, April 9.—The fourth annual spring meeting of the Queen City Jockey club opened at Newport, Ky., today under many disadvantages. The weather was cold and raw and the track a sea of mud. Just before the last race a hailstorm came up, making the day a most disagreeable one for spring racing. In spite of the weather a crowd of 4,000 or more people turned out to witness the sport, which was exciting throughout. The horses from the New Orleans meeting were very much in evidence, for five out of the six winners came from stables that raced at the Crescent City during the winter. Summaries:

First race, six furlongs: Merry Day won, Shield Bearer second, Ethel Collins third. Time: 1:20.

Second race, four furlongs: Sue Johnson won, My Chicken second, Miss Dede third. Time: 0:53½.

Third race, one mile: Volandies won, De Oying second, Nancy Seitz third. Time: 1:51¾.

Fourth race, seven furlongs, selling: Swordsman won, Flop second, Effie Ainsley third. Time: 1:35½.

Fifth race, four and one-half furlongs: Reed won, Wiedemann second, Curtis third. Time: 1:04½.

Sixth race, seven furlongs, selling: Carlotte C won, Agitator second, Nellie Prince third. Time: 1:33.

WASHINGTON, April 9.—Long shots landed in front at Bennings, Diva and Bean Meal paying their backers big odds. The surprise of the day was the defeat of Imp. Al Fresco and Lady Farley, the three western cracks, none of which were within hailing distance of the winners at the finish of the handicap. The track was good and the weather cloudy. Summaries:

First race, selling, thirteen-sixteenths of a mile: Red Gidd won, Bishop Reed second, Leando third. Time: 1:25.

Second race, Congressional stakes, $400, for 2-year-olds, selling, half mile: Misericordia won, The Bobby second, Merrily third. Time: 0:51.

Third race, steeplechase, about two and one-half miles: Baby Bill won, Decapod second, Trillion third. Time: 5:29.

Fourth race, selling, five furlongs: Diva won, James Tod second, Winim third. Time: 1:04½.

Fifth race, 3-year-olds and up, handicap, mile and 100 yards: Bean Ideal won, Imperator second, Alice Farley third. Time: 1:50 1-5.

PRECEPTS FOR LEAGUE UMPIRES.

Rules Are Laid Down by President Young for Their Guidance.

WASHINGTON, April 9.—President Young of the National Base Ball league has issued the following:

To League Umpires: Please note carefully the following instructions for 1899:

1. Wear a neat blue flannel uniform.

2. Absolute honesty and sobriety is demanded of every umpire.

3. Enforce the rules to the letter, just as they are written. Study to be master of yourselves and you can better control others. It is not necessary that you should hear every word that is spoken by players in the heat of a contest, unless it is vulgar or insulting and directed to or intended for your ear or heard by others. In that case do not hesitate a second to do your duty.

No umpire can expect to hold his position unless he complies to the letter with his instructions, and no umpire need have any fear of losing his position who complies with the same, unless, after a fair trial, he is clearly incompetent.

4. Consider all assignments strictly confidential.

5. As soon as you reach any city let me know by first mail where you are stopping.

6. Keep in close communication with your hotel, so as to receive a telegram at the earliest possible moment, and, in case of accident, to be able to jump to some other city by first train.

You and your associate should study the rules closely together and anticipate plays and help each other as much as you possibly can, so as to reduce the chances for an error to the minimum. When Mr. —— is umpiring at first base and you have a doubt as to the ball being fair or foul, by reason of its closeness, he is in a position to judge to a certainty and should give you a sign to guide you in making an absolutely correct decision. By working together in this and many other ways the chances for making an error on the bases will be very small. When the clubs are all in the east I will try and fix a day for a meeting of all the umpires, with a view to a correct understanding and interpretation of every rule and uniform application. Yours truly,

N. E. YOUNG.

Exhibition Game.

KANSAS CITY, April 9.—The first base ball game of the season, an exhibition game between Chicago and Kansas City, was played at Exposition park today. It proved to be a schoolboys' game, the visitors winning easily. Chicago hit Eagan and Pardee hard. Green made four two-baggers and Lange a home run over the fence. Weather perfect; attendance, 3,000. Score:

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Kansas City	2	2	1	0	1	0	0	2	4	12	12	4
Chicago	0	1	5	3	0	2	7	2	*	20	25	3

Batteries—Kansas City, Friend, Eagan, Meredith, Pardee and Wilson; Chicago, Griffith, Donahue, Callahan and Chance.

FIRE RECORD.

Northern Pacific Shops.

MANDAN, N. D., April 9.—Fire today destroyed the Northern Pacific carpenter, machine and blacksmith shops, causing a loss of from $50,000 to $75,000.

Ready When Next Hurricane Came.

Ed. Walter, a well to do colored man living near Sprague Junction, Ala., had his crib and stables blown away by the storm which passed through here two weeks ago. His house and family escaped and he went at once to work and dug a storm pit in his yard, in the event of another such storm came along. A few days later when the storm which passed through was seen approaching he took his family, not forgetting his dog, and went into his hole in the ground. When the storm passed over he found his house scattered over a ten-acre field and his household goods in the tops of trees. Some of his meat was found 400 yards from the house. He thinks but for his storm pit not a member of his family would be left.

TODAY'S WEATHER FORECAST

Partly Cloudy with Lower Temperature is Predicted for Today.

WASHINGTON, April 9.—Forecast for Monday:

For Nebraska and Kansas—Partly cloudy Monday with cooler in western portion; Tuesday fair and cooler.

For Iowa and Missouri—Fair and warmer Monday; Tuesday cloudy with cooler in western portion.

For Colorado and Wyoming—Cloudy and cooler Monday; west to northwest winds; Tuesday fair.

For North Dakota and South Dakota—Showers Monday with cooler in central and western portions; southwesterly winds; Tuesday fair with cooler in eastern portion.

Local Record.

OFFICE OF THE WEATHER BUREAU, OMAHA, Neb., April 9.—Omaha record of temperature and precipitation compared with the corresponding day of the past three years:

	1899	1898	1897	1896
Maximum temperature	60	67	51	70
Minimum temperature	34	42	40	37
Average temperature	47	54	46	54
Precipitation	.03	.00	T	.02

Record of temperature and precipitation at Omaha for this day and since March 1, 1899:

Normal temperature for the day	47
Excess or deficiency for the day	0
Accumulated deficiency since March 1	378
Normal rainfall for the day	.09 inch
Deficiency for the day	.09 inch
Total rainfall since March 1	.90 inch
Deficiency since March 1	1.37 inches
Deficiency for cor. period, 1898	.65 inch
Deficiency for cor. period, 1897	.07 inch

Reports from stations at 8 p. m.

STATIONS AND STATE OF WEATHER.	Temperature at 8 p. m.	Maximum temperature for day	Precipitation
Omaha, partly cloudy	58	60	.00
North Platte, partly cloudy	68	72	.01
Salt Lake, cloudy	76	80	.00
Cheyenne, cloudy	58	64	.01
Rapid City, partly cloudy	66	70	.00
Huron, partly cloudy	56	64	.00
Williston, partly cloudy	58	62	.00
Chicago, cloudy	50	52	.01
St. Louis, partly cloudy	52	56	.00
St. Paul, partly cloudy	48	52	.00
Davenport, clear	50	54	.00
Helena, partly cloudy	52	70	.00
Kansas City, clear	56	60	.00
Havre, partly cloudy	48	56	.00
Bismarck, clear	54	58	.00
Galveston, clear	62	68	.03

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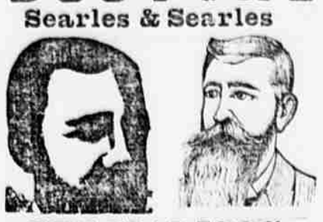

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