

GALASKI HAS A NEW CURVE

FORMER NORFOLK PITCHER STARTLES BASEBALLDOM.

THE "BANANA PEEL" CURVE

Galaski, Who Came to Norfolk From Humphrey and Won Fame Here, Later Going East, Has Achieved New Renown in This Discovery.

Good-bye to the common spit ball, puzzlingly popular in its brief day. The banana peel ball is the latest, a spittle spit ball that makes the original spit proposition look like the shortest distance between two points.

It is a north Nebraska boy, a former Norfolk pitcher, who is credited with the new delivery. Joe Galaski, the athlete who is finding fame in the new ball, played with Norfolk a few years ago. He came originally from Humphrey but for a season held down the pitcher's box for Norfolk's professional nine. He has played over north Nebraska. Galaski has been working in the New York state league.

Of Galaski, the man with the new curve, the Chicago American says: Maurice Myers, manager of the 1907 Kalamazoo South Michigan League baseball team, umpired a post-season game in Albany, N. Y., and it was there he unearthed the very latest thing in base ball—the "banana peel" ball.

He tells of it as follows: "I worked most of the game back of the pitcher and was particularly struck with the remarkable spittleball of one of them—Galaski by name—who had been working in the New York State league. The curve had fully a foot of break. I admired it awhile then happened to think that I hadn't seen Galaski moisten his fingers once. I watched him carefully then asked him how he did it.

"The ball you see," says Galaski, "is my own particular invention—the spittle pitter."

"Then he winked and put the fingers of his throwing hand into his hip pocket for a moment. Without further ado he threw the ball and the batter couldn't have hit it with a tennis racket.

"After the game Galaski offered an explanation. It seems that he always buys a banana and eats it on his way to the grounds. Instead of throwing the peeling away he puts it into his hip pocket. When he wants to lubricate his fingers he rubs them on the banana peel. The result, I am qualified to state, is just as baffling as the regulation saliva article, and has the added advantage of fooling the batter all the more through the fact that the absence of expectation throws him off his guard against the delivery that the pitcher is actually using. They tell me the league slipped up on that banana peel ball last season."

Joe Galaski played with Norfolk when the Wilkinsons were here. He is a big, good natured, strong-armed Polander—and he's a real baseball pitcher.

Galaski was in Norfolk a year ago last summer visiting old friends here. His parents still live at Humphrey.

Madison Star-Mail: Last Saturday evening the basket ball team of the Stanton high school were in the city with blood in their eyes to do up the basket ball team of this city at the opera house. The game was the most interesting ever seen in Madison and when one time keeper called the game to a close the score was 26 to 27 in favor of Stanton but on closer examination it was found that they had 17 seconds more to play in which Madison threw one field goal which made the score 28 to 27 in favor of Madison. A very large crowd was in attendance.

SATURDAY SIFTINGS. Chief Justice Barnes is home from Lincoln.

G. D. Butterfield returned Friday evening from Omaha.

E. B. Kauffman is expected home Monday evening from Estherville, Ia.

Mrs. E. Tanner and Miss Hans of Battle Creek were in Norfolk Saturday.

Miss Fannie Norton is home from Wheeland, Wyo., where she has spent the last few months.

Jack O'Leary went to Dallas, S. D., Saturday to take part in a wrestling match in the evening.

Miss Elizabeth Sharpless is expected soon for an extended visit with her sister, Mrs. Jack Koeningstein.

Mrs. L. B. Nicola has returned from Washington, Iowa, where she went for a visit during the holidays.

Mrs. Mary Elliott, who went to Omaha to consult a physician concerning her health, is feeling much better and will return to Norfolk in a few weeks.

Ray Kennard, waiting trial in the district court on the charge of forgery, was taken to Madison Saturday afternoon by Frank Flynn, acting as special officer. Kennard will remain in the county jail unless he can furnish a \$500 bond.

Mr. and Mrs. George Schiller, Sr., and Fred Schiller of Ida Grove, Iowa, who have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Schiller at the Oxnard, have returned home. They were accompanied as far as Sioux City by Mrs. Schiller.

Norfolk has attained a national reputation in telephonic circles," said W. J. Sadelman, who has just returned from a telephone convention in Chicago. "Automatic operators from all over the country were eager to learn Norfolk, realizing that the smallest background cable system in the world is stationed here."

Mrs. Martha Witters and her niece, Mrs. Dorothy Witters, left at noon for Whitefish, Mont., where they go to be with Mrs. W. S. Forhan, a sister of

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County Treasurer's Semi-Annual Statement.

Statement of Christopher Schavland, County Treasurer of Madison County, Nebraska, showing balances of all funds in the Treasury on July 1, 1907, taxes and other items collected, warrants received, and other disbursements, from the 1st day of July, 1907, to the 8th day of January, 1908, and balances on hand on the 9th day of January, 1908.

Table with columns: NAME OF FUND, Balance on July 1, 1907, Collections, Total, Disbursements, Balance on Jan. 9, 1908. Lists various funds like State General, State School, State University, etc.

RECAPITULATION.

Table showing Receipts and Disbursements. Receipts include Balance July 1, 1907, Taxes Collected, State School Land Collections, etc. Disbursements include Warrants, Bonds and Coupons paid, Redemptions paid, etc.

Outstanding Registered County Warrants January 9, 1908.

Table listing outstanding warrants for various funds: 1891 County General Fund, 1898 County General Fund, 1900 County Bridge Fund, etc.

Cash Balances on January 9, 1908.

Table listing cash balances at various banks: In First National Bank, Madison, Neb., Madison State Bank, Madison, Neb., Norfolk National Bank, Norfolk, Neb., etc.

STATE OF NEBRASKA, COUNTY OF MADISON.

I, Christopher Schavland, do solemnly swear that the foregoing is a true and correct statement of my receipts and disbursements as County Treasurer in and for Madison County, Nebraska, from the 1st day of July, 1907, to the 8th day of January, 1908, inclusive; that the same is also a true and correct statement of the amount of money in each fund; and the total amount of cash on hand at the close of business on the 8th day of January, A. D. 1908, to the best of my knowledge and belief, so help me God.

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 16th day of January A. D. 1908. W. H. FIELD, Clerk of the District Court.

STATE OF NEBRASKA, COUNTY OF MADISON. We, the undersigned County Commissioners in and for Madison County, Nebraska, do hereby certify that we have carefully examined the accounts of Christopher Schavland, County Treasurer of said county, and have found the foregoing statement thereof to be correct.

Dated this 17th day of January, A. D. 1908. JOHN MALONE, BURR TAFT, HENRY SUNDERMAN, County Commissioners.