

BASE BALL CLUB IS NOT A CIRCUS

So Declares Internal Revenue Department of United States When Asked for Ruling.

TARIFF WILL BE REFUNDED

A base ball club is not a circus. The internal revenue department of the United States has made this decision.

It is a decision that saves professional base ball clubs the snug sum of ninety bones per annum.

Collector of Internal Revenue North decided some time ago that base ball clubs come under the same ruling as circuses in assessment of the special government war tax.

One hundred bucks each was the blood money paid over by national pastimes of the clubs at Omaha, Lincoln, Columbus, Beatrice, Hastings, York, Norfolk, Grand Island and Fairbury.

With each payment went a protest. Other protests came by mail, including one from Congressman Beavis, and still others arrived by delegation.

Mr. North has received word from Washington in answer to his request for a ruling on the subject that base ball clubs are not circuses and that they shall pay a tax of only \$10.

Mr. North was very glad to find himself in the wrong. He smiled and said he was "gratified," but recalled that in 1906 base ball clubs were taxed the same as circuses in the war tax of that year.

Mr. North is ready to refund the ninety bones. Strictly speaking they cannot be refunded. The several clubs will first have to pay the \$10 tax. Which being paid, the \$100 formerly paid will be paid back. For it is so signed and sealed in the laws.

GYPSY MARGRAVE EQUALS WAVERLY TRACK MARK

WAVERLY, Ia., June 11.—(Special Telegram.)—The concluding card of the Waverly race was pulled off today before a good crowd. The track was fast and the feature of the afternoon was the recalling of the track record in the second heat of the 2:13 pace, when the second, Tenn. Gypsy Margrave stepped the mile in 2:09 1/2.

- Time: 2:13 1/2, 2:09 1/2, 2:15 1/2.
- Eight others started.
- Second race, 2:15 trot, \$400:
 - Gypsy Margrave..... 1 1/2
 - Miss Bell Fachen..... 2 1/2
 - Hal J..... 3 1/2
 - M. F. D..... 4 1/2
- Time: 2:15 1/2, 2:09 1/2, 2:15 1/2.
- Seven others started.
- 2:30 trot, 3-year-old trot, \$400:
 - Forest Benjen..... 1 1/2
 - Pat Highway..... 2 1/2
 - Last Sheet..... 3 1/2
 - Beattie B..... 4 1/2
 - Azoff, Jr..... 5 1/2
- Time: 2:30 1/2, 2:20 1/2, 2:15 1/2.
- Five-eighths mile dash, \$75: Jungle won, Betty Bernard second, Miss Locust third. Time: 1:03 1/2. Five others started.
- One mile dash, \$100: Easter L. won, Jerry Field second, Miss Hookstone third.

Plant of Butte Socialist Wrecked by an Explosion

BUTTE, Mont., June 11.—The plant of the Butte Socialist, a weekly newspaper, was wrecked by an explosion, presumably by dynamite, early this morning. The building took fire and burned fiercely for a while. While the nature of the explosion has not been determined, Patrolman Olson, one of the first on the scene, declared that he smelled giant powder smoke. The interior of the building was wrecked and the front was hurled into the street. A gallery at the rear was blown loose and fell on machinery below. The police believe that the explosion took place in the rear of the structure.

The upper story of the building, occupied by a rooming house, was not badly damaged. So far as is known no one was hurt.

British Cruiser Reported Sunk Is Safe in Harbor

LONDON, June 11.—The British Press Bureau, commenting on the announcement at Vienna regarding the sinking of a British cruiser, said tonight that the ship presumably referred to was safe in harbor "not seriously damaged."

Austria Will Take Charge of Harvest

GENEVA, June 11.—(Via Paris.)—Information has reached here from Vienna that the war grain committee of the Austria government has announced that it will take under its control the entire harvest soon to be gathered.

LANCASHIRE SPINNERS MAY BE LOCKED OUT

MANCHESTER, England, June 11.—A group of trade union officials returned here today from London, where they were in conference with the government authorities. They made the statement that the government had explained to them plainly that there must be no stoppage in the Lancashire cotton industry.

GERMAN METHODS IN FRANCE

Chain of Communications Includes Wonderful System of Transportation of Supplies.

BIG FACTORIES AT MAIN POINTS

(Correspondence of the Associated Press.) NORTHERN FRANCE, June 11.—In a one-time prosperous and busy city that now contains almost as many German soldiers as it does French inhabitants, is one of the "Hauptpunkte," or chief points in the remarkable lines of communication which stretch from Germany to the front trenches.

Even a casual inspection of this link in the wonderful chain of communications reveals one of the reasons why Germany is able to contest stubbornly every effort of its opponents to recapture the territory that has been taken, and why its soldiers are possessed of necessities, and even luxuries, that were unheard of in earlier wars.

Various such "Hauptpunkte" exist all along the long battle line, and from each stretch out fan-shaped lines to within a short distance of the trenches. Along these ribs of the fan there are transported daily the enormous quantities of food, ammunition and clothing that are needed.

The "Hauptpunkte" may be called for want of a better name, a division headquarters in the lines of communication. This headquarters has, roughly, two functions—the preparing and forwarding of food and ammunition, and the repairing of material that has been broken down under the strain of battle.

In the city recently visited by an Associated Press correspondent, the German authorities have requisitioned the slaughter houses of one-time French butchers, and in it are methodically preparing the enormous quantities of meat needed for the army a few miles away.

Cattle Driven Into France. The cattle are, for the most part, driven in from Germany. For miles as one approaches the city, one can see the herds grazing on the rich French fields. By the time they have reached the division headquarters they are fat and sleek.

The slaughter house, of course, has been found entirely too small for the amount of work to be done there, especially in that department where meat is salted and pickled. In default of receptacles, therefore, the army has requisitioned bathtubs and similar inappropriate, but useful vessels, and in them lie thousands of pounds of meat. A thousand pounds of wurst a day is prepared for the front, as well as many hundreds of pounds of beef, mutton and pork.

Within a hundred yards of the slaughter house is the bakery, formerly a manufacturing establishment whose brick ovens have been found to stand themselves very well to the baking of 16,000 loaves of bread a day. Each loaf, composed of one-third of white flour and two-thirds rye flour, weighs 1,500 grams.

Where the necessary railroad tracks did not exist they have been built so that there is easy and efficient railway connection with these two plants that supply the two main necessities of the army—meat and bread.

Civilians Employed. Perhaps less important and vital, but more interesting, are the establishments where damaged artillery and guns are repaired and put into shape for use at the front again. In these plants also it has been found feasible to employ French civilians at many kinds of work, so that they may earn their livelihood, be independent and not be a drag upon the German authorities who are supporting many of the city's inhabitants.

From all along the front there come to a former machine shop the guns of all bore that have been put out of commission in the fighting. They come in with damages that in many cases are quite as freakish as the injuries sustained by the soldiers, and are repaired with quite as much ingenuity as are seemingly impossible dismembersments of the human body.

Nor are the worst damages always the result of the fire from the other side of the line. Thus, there are guns that have been literally torn apart from the explosions of shells prematurely. The damages range from shattered and twisted

wheels and riddled steel shields to worn out bores and broken muzzles.

Shop for Repairs.

In a carpenter shop French workmen, aided and superintended by Germans, remake the wheels. In another part machine guns are made whole, often times by using the undamaged parts of two, three or more weapons. In still another building new muzzles are mounded and put onto undamaged trucks.

Here also are prepared the great hoods of wire that can be stretched in front of a trench in an emergency at a moment's notice, and can be made fast by stakes of steel that are screwed into the ground. Thus attackers whose artillery has demolished the usual entanglements of barbed wire can still be checked for a time at least.

Quantities of English cable wagons have been captured at one time or another. These wagons are nothing more than square wooden boxes mounted on a wheeler, from which telephone wire can be paid out. They have, however, been found to make excellent machine gun ammunition wagons and are turned to their new use by the simple expedient of being fitted with pigeon-hole compartments.

In conjunction with the machine shop there is a shoe shop and a leather shop, where broken saddles are mended, and where the straps for artillery wagons, rifles and knapsacks are put into order once more. It is the exception rather than the rule that any piece of apparatus used at the front is damaged so badly that it cannot be mended here or that it has to be sent back to Germany.

Junk Pile Sorted. In point of interest to the casual visitor, the prize of the division headquarters is the "Sammelstelle" or collection point—the junk pile containing the sweepings of the battle field would be a better name—where every conceivable object from bits of rubber to broken bayonets and cartridge shells is collected and sorted out.

The knapsack of every wounded soldier first or last finds its way to this building and there is subjected to the scrutiny of "junk experts." The cartridges that remain are laid to one side, to be re-appropriated to some other fighter. The drinking flasks or bottles are similarly weeded out, and the clothes that still are fit to wear are placed in piles according to their use.

The bayonets go to one department, where they are carefully cleaned and put in shape for use again. The rifles include not only German but French, English, Belgian and Russian guns—are thoroughly overhauled and oiled, and come out looking like new. Every piece of equipment that still has value is renovated.

After every battle in which the Germans have been victorious the field is literally scoured, and all the junk is transported to headquarters. Scores of ripped and torn auto tires are collected and sent to an establishment where the rubber can be utilized in the making of new tubes.

A big laundry establishment with a capacity of over 100,000 garments in less than a month cleans old clothes after they have been repaired and puts them into shape for further use by new soldiers or by old troops whose supply has been exhausted.

A spur of the railroad track runs directly to the end of the "Sammelstelle" and carts away to Germany huge quantities of scrap that has every appearance of being worthless, but which later is to appear in newly manufactured form. Not one thing with any possible value is wasted.

Big Drug Establishment. The division headquarters very naturally has not only the hospital facilities that are common to most German cities, but also a medicament headquarters. In a wholesale drug establishment of almost staggering size there are stored some 4,000,000 marks worth of medicine and medical instruments for use in the field hospitals.

Volunteer and professional nurses prepare some 15,000 yards of bandages a day, which are shipped off to the front in compact packages. The establishment maintains fifteen mounted filtering plants that are shifted from point to point along the front and prepare daily some 10,000 liters of water for the soldiers.

There are also movable Roentgen Ray machines which can be taken to the front for use in desperate cases. Toxins

and serums in little globules are on hand in great quantities, and the equipment of the plant is so complete that there are even cases of snow goggles for the use of the soldiers on sunny days in winter.

As an adjunct to the wholesale drug establishment there is a soap factory with weekly capacity of 30,000 kilograms a week—so large that not only are four armies supplied but the civil populations of the city as well. There is a disinfecting establishment where both soldiers and their clothes are purified, and where the long Red Cross hospital trains after use are switched in and sterilized and fumigated.

Stop the Child's Cough—It's Serious. Croup and whooping cough are children's ailments. Dr. King's New Discovery is what you need. It kills the cold germ. 60c. All drug stores.—Advertisement.

EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYEES DIFFER ON DRINK QUESTION

(Correspondence of the Associated Press.) LONDON, June 11.—In investigating war work and the drink problem Home Secretary McKenna has found that the employers and the workers take opposite views on a number of questions.

Employers say drink is responsible for 80 per cent of the avoidable loss of time. The workers reply that drink incapacitates only a small number who might well be eliminated, but investigation shows that about 80 per cent of the charges of drunkenness are baseless. The employers charge that the drinking habit does more harm than actual drunkenness.

Trade questions give the investigators quite as much trouble as drink. Employers say that the unions hold back the

output by restricting the amount each man is allowed to do, so that when men have, in the union phrase, "earned their money," or "made their number," they feel entitled to lay off.

Subjects for further investigation relate to the time and manner of drinking among the men, whether the increased tax on beer has turned them from beer to whiskey and stronger liquors, to the hours the barrooms seem to be most frequented, and to whether the closing of bars during the usual rush hours would help the situation.

WORKMAN MAKES RECORD OF SEVENTEEN-HOUR DAY

(Correspondence of the Associated Press.) AMSTERDAM, June 11.—A workman employed in the manufacture of ammunition for the German army at Dusseldorf

has achieved the record of an average seventeen-hour day. He put in 488 hours during the last month, or a daily average of seventeen hours for twenty-six days. This is probably a world's record. The man's wages were about 18 cents an hour and his total earnings for the month reached \$87.36. His normal peace-time wage is slightly under \$2 a day of ten hours.

The Bee Want Ads Are Best Business Boosters.

University Men at Front. (Correspondence of the Associated Press.) CAMBRIDGE, Eng., June 11.—The Cambridge Review's list of past and present members of the university on active service now contains 5,900 names. Of these 250 are dead and 339 wounded. Nearly 100 have received honorable mention in official dispatches.

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Another Fortunate Purchase That Will Benefit Every Man in Omaha.

1920 Men's Athletic Union Suits

At once a remarkable and reasonable sale. These union suits are samples of the Roxford, E. & W., and of one other well known line, the name of which we are not permitted to announce.

Men, this means luxury and comfort for you this summer, for these suits are made of silk, silk and linen and pure Irish linen; nainsook, crepe and soisette. They are cut perfect and have the elastic band about the waist.

Taken as a whole, these are unquestionably the best values we have ever offered at so small a price.

This Entire Purchase Divided Into Two Big Lots:

All the Sample Silk, Silk and Linen and Pure Irish Linen Union Suits, worth to \$3.00, suit—

89c

All the Sample Crepe, Nainsook, Mull and Soisette Union Suits, worth to \$1.50, suit—

69c

All the Fine Shirts from our big shirt purchase, consisting of Negligee and Golf Shirts in madras, French flannel and fancy soisette, worth to \$1.25, special at... **55c**

Just received another shipment of Fine Quality Silk Shirts in beautiful patterns, not a shirt in the entire lot worth less than \$1.00.

\$3.98

New Arrivals in Men's Silk Neckwear—Very latest coloring. Special values at

50c

Men's Sample Pajamas—Made of fine quality madras and pongee and soisette cloth. Worth to \$2.75. Special Saturday at, suit, **98c** and... **\$1.49**

We offer for sale a large quantity and large assortment of patterns of the Midway Sport Shirts—Very fashionable and comfortable for summer wear. Each \$1.00 to... **\$2.00**



Men's Silk Fiber Wash Ties—Worth to 25c, each... **12 1/2c**

We Have Made This Store the Clothing Center of Omaha

Come to this store with the conviction that you are to secure the greatest clothing values you ever received. You will not be disappointed, for these is just the kind of suits that you will like and the saving almost one-half. Any man in need of a spring suit cannot afford to neglect this opportunity.

Suits for Men and Young Men, \$15 to \$22.50 Values Divided Into Three Lots

LOT 1

Men's, Young Men's Suits \$12 to \$15, \$8.50

Materials—all wool, chevrons, worsteds, cassimeres and serges in fancy mixtures, checks, plaids and stripes and plain colors. A wide range of patterns and colors to select from. All perfectly tailored.

\$8.50

A bargain, at.....

LOT 2

Men's and Young Men's Suits \$18.00 Suits \$11.50

All in the latest styles. Materials of fine chevrons, tweeds, worsteds and serges, fancy mixtures, tartan checks, fancy grays and brown. Perfectly tailored and cut in the latest styles. Saturday, at, ea... **\$11.50**

LOT 3

Men's, Young Men's Suits \$20, \$22.50 Suits, \$13.50

Strictly hand tailored suits, English models, patch pockets, all the newest colorings, all sizes, 33 to 52. It will pay you to look these over. Price **\$13.50**

Entire Surplus Stock of Rosenweild & Weil, Chicago Makers of the Finest Raincoats in America

Saturday will end this great sale. \$6.00 to \$15.00 coats are all that are left of this great purchase for quick selling Saturday. Balance of the 2,100 raincoats from last Saturday.

ROSENWEILD & WEIL RAINCOATS IN THREE BIG LOTS.

Lot 1
\$6.00 Raincoats—**\$1.98**

Lot 2
\$7 to \$10 Raincoats—**\$2.98**

Lot 3
\$12 to \$15 Raincoats—**\$3.98**



After the game is over you will find that a cold bottle of Krug LUXUS is most refreshing.

Save the Coupons and get premiums. Phone Douglas 1889. LUXUS MERCANTILE CO., Dist'rs. And have a case sent home.

Busy Bee Boys-- Do You Like to Coast?

Here is your chance to get a fine Coaster FREE. We Will Give Five Coasters

to the five boys bringing us the most pictures of the coaster before 4 P. M., Saturday, June 12.

This picture of the coaster will be in The Bee every day this week.

Cut them all out and ask your friends to save the pictures in their paper for you too. See how many pictures you can get and bring them to The Bee Office Saturday, June 12.

The coasters will be given Free to the boys or girls that send us the most pictures before 4 P. M., Saturday, June 12.



For Men Only—Straw Hats

Our magnificent stock of straw hats is by far the most captivating we have ever shown. Sunshine now demands straw hats and we have the correct and recent styles. Better come in and choose while assortments are fresh and complete. Sennetts, Porto Ricans, Split Braids and Milan, at \$1.00, \$1.46, \$2.00, \$2.50 and..... **\$3.00**

Genuine Leghorn Hats, \$1.45 to \$4.50
Genuine Banghoks, at \$2.95 and \$5.00
Genuine Panamas, \$5, \$7.50 and \$10.00

Special Men's Outing Hats
About 150 dozen of Men's Silk Hats, Palm Beach Hats and White Duck Hats. Values up to \$1.00. On sale Saturday, 25c and..... **50c**

Boys' and Children's Headwear
Boys' and Children's Straw Hats, in every new style, at 25c, 50c and up to **\$1.50**
Children's Wash Hats and Silk Rah Raha, at..... 25c and 50c
Boys' Golf Caps in plain and fancy colors, at..... 25c and 50c

Great Sale of Men's \$5 Panamas, \$1.95

Saturday we will place on sale about 700 Panama Hats bought from a New York Commission House at less than half the regular wholesale price. All this season's styles, \$5.50, \$4.00 and \$5.00 values. Your choice Saturday of the entire lot..... **\$1.95**



Sale of Suit Cases and Traveling Bags

The entire floor stock of Samuel Sheman & Co., 9 Debonness St., New York, of traveling bags and suit cases, which we will sell Saturday at about half price. You will find nearly every style included in this assortment, every size in every material, all well made, good appearing and built for service.



Traveling Bags and Suit Cases, values up to \$12.50, on sale Saturday, 98c to **\$5.98**

Sale will take place on 3rd floor, new store.