

PENNSYLVANIA AND WEST VIRGINIA SWEEP BY DEVASTATING FLOOD WATERS.

RAIN FALLS FOR FIVE HOURS

Property Loss is Placed at \$5,000,000 -Big Cloudburst Sweeps Down Valley Carrying Death and Destruction in Its Wake.

Pittsburg, Pa., Sept. 4.-The worst storm of rain that ever devastated western Pennsylvania, eastern Ohio and parts of the Panhandle district of West Virginia occurred Monday. A vivid lightning display preceded it for more than an hour, and seemed as if it would rend the heavens. For nearly five hours the rain fell in torrents. Cloudbursts filled fertile valleys with raging rivers that annihilated crops and carried away bridges and railroad tracks. Lightning struck in scores of places. Quiet streams rose in an hour to become grim agents of destruction. Railroad traffic practically stopped and wire traffic is paralyzed throughout most of the region.



Fred Parent, Baltimore Player, Who Overlooked Chance to Make Triple Play Unsuspected.

Fred Parent, of the Orioles, passed up a chance to make an unassisted triple play in a recent game with Newark, when he had the thing all laid out for him. He said he didn't care, but it is suspected he didn't realize his opportunity until it was too late. Billy Zimmerman was on second and Eddie Zimmerman was on first when Higgins hit a liner above parent's head. He made a leap and caught the ball. The two Zimmermans were both racing toward home and all Parent had to do was to step on second to get one and tag the other when he attempted to come back, but instead he tossed the ball to Maizek at second, who relayed to Schmidt at first to complete the three out. Parent was within five feet of second base at the time he executed the play.

WHY TOM LEACH WAS LET GO NERVE IS CAUSE OF FAILURE

Manager-Clarke Compelled to Trade Clever Player to Make Way Clear for Honus Wagner.

The cat is out of the bag as to why Fred Clarke, manager of the Pirates, apparently had to show his lack of sagacity as a big league team manager and be outdone in a trade when he let Tommy Leach and Lefty Letfield go to the Chicago Cubs in exchange for King Cole and Sol Hofmann. According to a member of the Pirates, this trade or some other trade by which Tommy Leach would get out of the Pirates ranks was absolutely necessary to prevent constant internal dissensions and save the scalp of Barney Dreyfuss, president of the Pirates. Also it had to be done in order that Hans Wagner may be manager of the Pirates next season.

4 DIE; 26 HURT IN WRECK

Passenger Train Plunges Into River When Bridge Near Camp Douglas, Wis., is Washed Away.

Camp Douglas, Wis., Sept. 4.-Four persons were killed in the wreck of passenger train No. 10 on the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha railroad, which plunged into the Lemon-wetter river near Camp Douglas at five o'clock Monday morning.

Every car, including the sleepers, with passengers still in their berths, was hurled into the stream, whose waters, augmented by the cloudburst of the previous night, had made it a torrent.

The accident was due to the washing away of a bridge over which the train had passed safely a short time before. The train was flagged at Tunnel because a washout farther on had made the track impassable, and was ordered back to Camp Douglas so that the passengers might break their journey.

Meanwhile, the flooded Lemon-wetter had torn away the bridge and, unwarmed the engineer could not stop his train in time to save it from plunging over the brink. Many of the injured are women and children on holiday trips.

Typhoon Kills Hundreds. Amoy, China, Sept. 4.-A typhoon swept Fuchow Monday, causing great loss of life and damage to property. Steamships from the north report the sea off the mouth of the Min river strewn with bodies.

Nelson-Ketchel Fight a Draw. St. Joseph, Mo., Sept. 4.-Batting Nelson and Steve Ketchel fought fifteen fast rounds to a draw here Monday. The batter put up a good fight and made things interesting for his opponent all the way.

7 Killed, 21 Hurt in Wreck. Shawano, Wis., Sept. 4.-Seven persons were killed and twenty-one injured when five cars of a fast train of the Chicago & Northwestern were plunged down an embankment Sunday, near Shawano.

The following proposed amendment to the constitution of the State of Nebraska, as hereinafter set forth in full, is submitted to the electors of the State of Nebraska, to be voted upon at the general election to be held Tuesday, November 5th, A. D. 1912.

Section 1. That at the general election for state and legislative officers to be held on the Tuesday succeeding the first Monday in November, 1912, the following provisions be proposed and submitted to the electors of the State of Nebraska, to be voted upon at the general election to be held Tuesday, November 5th, A. D. 1912.

Section 2. That Section 1 of Article 3 of the Constitution of the State of Nebraska is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 1. The legislative authority of the state shall be vested in a legislature consisting of a senate and house of representatives, but the people reserve to themselves the power to propose laws and amendments to the constitution, and to enact or reject the same at the polls, independent of the legislature, and also reserve power at their own option to approve or reject at the polls any act passed by the legislature.

Section 1A. The first power reserved by the people is the initiative. Ten per cent of the legal voters of the state, no less than five hundred, shall have the right to propose any act or amendment to the constitution, which shall contain the full text of the measure so proposed. Provided, that proposed Constitutional Amendments shall require a petition of fifteen per cent of the legal voters of the State to be submitted to the Secretary of State within ninety days before the date of the election to be held at the same election as the proposed amendment, and to be submitted to the voters at the first regular state election held not more than thirty days after the date of the election.

Section 1B. The second power reserved is the referendum. It may be ordered by the voters of the state, distributed as required for initiative petitions. Referential Amendments shall require a petition of fifteen per cent of the legal voters of the State to be submitted to the Secretary of State within ninety days before the date of the election to be held at the same election as the proposed amendment, and to be submitted to the voters at the first regular state election held not more than thirty days after the date of the election.

Section 1C. The referendum may be ordered upon any act except acts making appropriations for the support of the state government, and state institutions existing at the time such act is passed. The act or any part thereof shall suspend its operation until the same is approved by the voters of the state, or until the act, or acts for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, are repealed by the legislature.

Section 1D. Nothing in this section shall be construed to deprive any member of the legislature of his right to introduce any measure. The whole number of votes cast for governor at the regular election shall constitute the number of votes cast for the initiative or referendum. The veto power of the governor shall not extend to measures introduced by the voters. All such measures shall become the law or not, as determined by a majority of the votes cast thereon, provided, the votes cast in favor of said measure shall constitute thirty-five per cent (35%) of the total vote cast at said election.

Section 1E. This section shall be self-executing, but legislation may be enacted especially to facilitate its operation. In canvassing petitions and orders for the initiative and referendum, the Secretary of State shall have the right to examine and certify to the public the general laws and regulations of the State, and to publish without any indication or suggestion on the ballot that they have been approved or disapproved by the voters of the State.

Section 2. That at the general election in November, 1912, on the ballot of each elector voting thereat, there shall be printed or written the words: "For proposed amendment to the constitution of the State of Nebraska, to be voted upon at the general election to be held Tuesday, November 5th, A. D. 1912."

Section 3. That if such amendment to Section nineteen (19) of Article five (5) of the Constitution of the State of Nebraska shall be approved by a majority of all electors voting at such election, the same shall be self-executing.

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on the Tuesday following the next annual election in November, 1912, the following amendments to the constitution of the State of Nebraska, to be voted upon at the general election to be held Tuesday, November 5th, A. D. 1912.

Section 4. At the first election of members of the legislature held after the adoption of the constitution of the State of Nebraska, the electors shall elect three (3) judges of the Supreme Court, who shall hold their office for the period of six (6) years, and each six years thereafter there shall be elected three (3) judges of the Supreme Court, who shall hold their office for the period of six years; and at the general election to be held on Tuesday, the 5th day of November, A. D. 1912.

Section 13. The general election of this state shall be held on the Tuesday succeeding the first Monday in November in the year 1914 and every two years thereafter until the year 1918, and every two years thereafter, the electors shall elect a chief justice, two associate justices, and all other officers of the supreme, district and county courts, all elective county and precinct officers, and all other officers, who shall be elected on the Tuesday succeeding the first Monday in November, 1914, and thereafter at the general election next preceding the time of the termination of their respective terms of office.

Section 14. The form of ballot on the amendments proposed herein shall be as follows: "For proposed amendments to the constitution of the State of Nebraska, to be voted upon at the general election to be held on Tuesday, the 5th day of November, A. D. 1912."

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GREAT SAFETY VALVE

Baseball Keeps Americans From Actual Insanity.

Without Game Two-Thirds of Hungry, and Nervous Population Would Be Grinning Through Bars of Mad Houses.

Most games are watched with interest, but in silence, even by their devotees. Unless an active partisan of the team or of some player, or unless the spectator has money up on the result, he is apt to sit and watch the progress of the match without tearing his collar off and ripping out his hair by the handful.

But there is something about baseball that is different. As a matter of fact the fan is a fan all the year round. In the midwinter he is willing to stand on the windy corner of a snowy street and exchange opinions and reminiscences on players and plays. Some psychologists have argued that it is the great American safety valve, and that without it about two-thirds of a hurried, harassed and nervous population would be grinning through the barred windows of the madhouses.

The fan forgets, or does not care, that the whole system of organized baseball is as highly commercialized as a railroad system. He is not particularly worried about the fact that he is being lured there so that the manager may extract the price of admission from him. He is willing to sit in the hot sun all of an August afternoon to watch hired men play a game that exists because there is money in it.

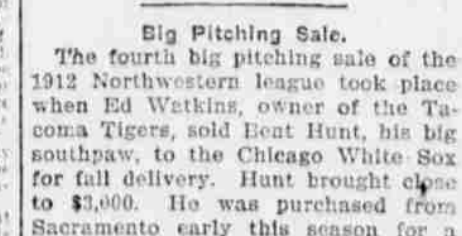
The strangest part about it is that he will fight over his opinions, neglect his business to see the games, and have an apoplectic fit under the excitement. So far as he is concerned it is not a dollar in his pocket. The only gratification he gets out of it is to see some man who has become an unquestioned expert hit a ball, catch a ball, or do a little quick thinking that wins a game.

From presidents down to bootblacks the whole country goes to the ball game whenever there is the slightest opportunity.

EDDIE PLANK PLEASES MACK

Disappointing Performances of Other Pitcher Makes Work of Left Hander Seem Bright.

The many disappointments his numerous pitchers are leading him this season makes the work of Eddie Plank look all the brighter to Connie Mack, wizard of the Athletics. The veteran of the squad and a player whom some of the critics have for several seasons been relegating to the "has-been" class, Plank keeps right on delivering the goods in masterly style. It was Plank who kept the Athletics out of last place all through the early weeks of the season last year, and again it was Plank who is doing most of the winning this year. His left-hand cross fire is as deadly as of yore, and his painstaking meth-



Eddie Plank.

Big Pitching Sale. The fourth big pitching sale of the 1912 Northwestern league took place when Ed Watkins, owner of the Tacoma Tigers, sold Bent Hunt, his big overhauled, to the Chicago White Sox for full delivery. Hunt brooded from Sacramento early this season for a few hundred dollars. Charlie Graham of the Senators figuring that the ex-Red Sox would be able to "come back" this season after an attack of typhoid pneumonia last year.

Cans 'Em by Wholesale. The Muscatine club of the Central association has released Manager William F. Krieg and five players, and has signed as manager Joe Wall, first baseman of the New York team of the defunct United States league. Wall brought with him Pitcher Shack, Outfielder O'Brien and Catcher Bennet. Pitchers Taylor and Schreck, Shortstop Sweeney and Outfielder Clayton have also been signed.

STORIES OF THE DIAMOND

Van Gregg is the most consistent winner for the Naps.

Defeating Mathewson is one of the great joys of life for the Cubs.

Miller Huggins is playing a great game at second for the St. Louis Cardinals.

A chap named Sloan has been sold to the Browns. He came from Bristol, Tenn.

The crying need of the Naps is catchers, according to one of the Cleveland exchanges.

Charlie Wagner has had his eye on the ball this season. He has hit it on an average of one single a game.

CAMNITZ IS "ONE BEST BET"

Pitcher Has Been Mainstay of Pittsburgh Pirates for Some Years - Has Done Great Work.

Howard Camnitz, the Pittsburgh pitcher, is having a good season of the diamond. Camnitz has long been regarded as one of the best twirlers in the National league, but his showing



Howard Camnitz.

has been of an in-and-out variety. He has been one of the mainstays of the Pirates for a number of years, but has not shown with the brilliancy of other pitchers. This year he is the one best bet of the Pirates on the driving line.

McAleer After "Farm." It is reported that President McAlleer of the Red Sox has about concluded negotiations for the purchase of the Youngstown club of the Central league. McAleer desires to use this club as a farm. While Boston was playing in St. Louis, McAleer spent the time in Youngstown and also was there much of the time when the team was in Cleveland.

King Cole Has Quit. King Cole has quit. He is now camping near Bay City, Mich., and he admitted to his friends that he has only slight hope of ever regaining his old form.