

Neighboring Notes

From Columbus Telegram:

The body of a dead man lying near the back door of the Fred Schultz saloon and lodging house was found by Patrolman Frank Hagel early Saturday morning. From various papers found in the pockets it was identified as the body of James S. Palmer of Sidney, Nebr. Sheriff Carrig took the case in charge, and later in the day, acting upon advice by wire, caused the body to be shipped to the address of Roy Hand at Sidney. Palmer was a man about sixty years old and carried papers as a pensioner of the civil war. He had come in the night before from Council Bluffs and applied for lodging at the Schultz place. He claimed to have no money, but later was given a room. It is believed that during the night he had difficulty in breathing, and after finding his way outside the building suffered an attack of heart failure. Among the few personal effects found in his clothing was a ticket from Council Bluffs to Sidney, and \$9 in money.

From Norfolk Press:

When a Norfolk male "affinity" was taken into custody one day recently he had seventy-five cents in his possession, which he sent back home for the wife and one child to subsist on while he tarried in the bull pen. Verily, it is not always the plutocrat that is an affinity.

From Bridgeport News-Blade:

Among the political announcements this week is that of Fred R. Reddish as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for sheriff of Morrill county. Mr. Reddish would make an excellent sheriff and his many friends throughout the county will be glad to assist him in winning the prize he now seeks.

Owing to the declaring of the non-partisan act void by the supreme court, J. H. Steuterville has come out as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for county judge. Of course Mr. Steuterville will have no conscientious scruples against receiving Republican votes, but the decision of the supreme court made it necessary for him to make a choice of parties.

Last Tuesday M. B. Smith sold a lot in the new town of Broadwater to a gentleman from North Platte, who proposes to erect a hotel building thereon. Broadwater is the youngest town in Nebraska, and promises to occupy a prominent place among the municipalities of this great commonwealth.

As the passenger trains approach Alliance from east and west the porter passes through the coaches and calls out in stentorian tones, "A-l-l-i-a-n-c-e! Change cars for Bridgeport, Sterling and Denver!" And when one stops to think about it, those are the only cities in this latitude worth mentioning.

John H. Brubacher was in town last Tuesday circulating a subscription paper to raise funds for the erection of a Catholic church at Angora. He was very successful and as the site of the building has been donated it is expected that work will begin in a short time. The new church will cost in the neighborhood of \$1,000.

From Gering Courier:

Work will be pushed on from Northport this summer and we assert that the crops of the Gering valley will be shipped out of the valley on the Union Pacific this winter. This is a broad statement, and the Courier would not make it unless it believed it had excellent reason for so doing. The new railroad year, beginning July 1, is at hand and with it the plans for the coming year. Engineer Wainser was in the valley the first of the week, and while here went to different points on the survey, and while he told nothing he made no secret of his inspection of various details. Additional surveying is probable, judging from certain indications, but we claim on that point that nothing will change or affect the fact which is printed at the beginning of this article. We do not know where the line will cross the river, we do not know where the depot or roundhouse will be located, we do not know whether the work will be in progress in a week or a month, we do not know how much farther they will build this year, but we still make the claim that the long season of patient waiting is nearing to a close, and that the good old town of Gering is coming into her own, and will take her place well up in the list of growing and prosperous railroad towns of the western part of the state. So be it, and when the dirt begins to fly, just watch Gering come to the forefront. And we believe the friendships and relations formed through pioneer days will make the great mass of peo-

ple of the North Platte valley rejoice with us.

From Mitchell Index:

Dr. Stewart went to Alliance this morning where he will assist in an operation on Mrs. G. E. Alcott, who lives north of here in Sioux county.

Mrs. M. B. Quivey, who has been seriously ill, is reported better now. Dr. Bowman of Alliance was here Monday in consultation with the local physician. The advisability of an operation for appendicitis was considered, but it was decided not to perform one now.

From Bayard Transcript:

Mrs. Colrick and daughter, Mrs. Sturgeon, and children returned to their home in Alliance Tuesday after a visit with Laird Beaver and family, and little Miss Helen was so pleased to see her grandma and auntie.

From Greta Breeze:

One of the famous chapel cars of the extension work of the Catholic church in the United States passed through Papillion on yesterday afternoon's west bound U. P. train. It is an ordinary coach with the interior arranged as a chapel and is accompanied by several priests, says the Times. It is used in localities where there are members of the Catholic church but where there are no Catholic churches or priests. This is one of the first movements of the kind in the religious field and it is attracting widespread attention.

Sidney Scintillations

We are pleased to announce that The Herald has secured a Sidney correspondent, and hereafter our readers in that city and vicinity will find some items of local news, as well as the large amount of other matter that will be of interest to them.

The Union Pacific oil shed went up in smoke Tuesday. A man was pouring some gasoline when a locomotive passed and ignited the gas. The S. V. F. D. was conspicuous by its absence.

S. S. Hayman of North Platte, deputy of the Modern Brotherhood of America, organized a lodge of that order here recently, and C. O. Holmes of Cheyenne organized a lodge of the American Order of Protection.

W. C. T. U. Notes.

The editor of this department is pleased to announce that she has arranged with Prof. J. L. McBrien, ex-state superintendent of public instruction, for a series of heart-to-heart talks on the "Abolition of the Rum Power." There will be nine talks in the series, the first of which appears this week.

The local union will meet next Tuesday at 3 p.m. with Mrs. A. T. Lunn, 524 Cheyenne avenue.

Modern Shoe Repairing Machine

M. D. Nichols, the shoe repair man, has ordered from the Champion Shoe Machine Co., St. Louis, one of their latest improved Champion finishing and stitching machines, which he expects to arrive within a few weeks. This machine will be a great thing for both the shoe man and the customer. By means of it the amount of work that can be done will be immensely increased which will increase the income of the shop, and the customer can get his or her shoes half-soled "while you wait," a great improvement over the old method of taking your shoes to the shop and leaving them there, and making another trip after them the next day or the next week.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Subject for morning sermon by the pastor: "The Rule of Right." No evening preaching on account of union service at Baptist church, at which Dr. Bogue will preach, the subject being "The Conversion of the Philippine Jailer."

UNION SERVICE

There will be a union service Sunday evening at the Baptist church. Rev. Dr. Bogue, pastor of the First Presbyterian church will deliver the sermon, the subject being "The Conversion of the Philippine Jailer."

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

"Source and Channels of Wisdom" will be the subject for the morning sermon. There will be no evening preaching on account of the union service at the Baptist church.

For Sale—White Steamer, 5-passenger car, in good running condition, cheap. Present owner not qualified to handle steam car.—C. H. Blackburn, Mitchell, Nebr.

CLUBS MUST BALANCE

Speed on Bases Not a Guarantee of Success on Diamond.

BRAINS ALSO NECESSARY.

Fast Man Without Usual Amount of Gray Matter Will Lose Many Games For His Team—Sam Crawford and Ty Cobb Compared.

The St. Louis American league fans and baseball critics alike, displeased with the recent poor showing of the team, claim that the Browns' downfall is due mostly to poor base running and are now crying for speed, speed, and then more speed on the bases. Of course a competent manager will pay no attention to public clamor. He will know his business and conduct his team to best advantage.

As for speed, it is well, but give us brains without speed rather than speed without brains. Sometimes speed is the quality needed, sometimes moderation are better than one quality in excess. But there are a thousand things to be reckoned in the building of a ball club.

Slow men with brains can steal bases. Fast men without brains cannot. Manager Frank Chance of Chicago is not fast, but he is a grand base stealer, no better—not even Ty Cobb or Hans Wagner. Cobb and Wagner will steal when there is no good reason for stealing, when a game is won or lost beyond hope, for the sake of stealing, as Billy Hamilton was wont to steal. But Chance will not steal save when there is great reason that he shall steal.

So much depends upon environment. Barbeau, with Cleveland, could not steal a base. With Pittsburg he is a crack base runner.

It is being urged against several of the Brown players that they are poor base runners—that they are slow.

May there not be other Barbeaus, fast enough to steal with other clubs? Not a Cleveland player is among the ten leading base stealers of the American league. Cleveland, with Goode and Lord and Turner, is not a base running club. So, when with Cleveland, Barbeau was not a base runner.

Pittsburg has four men in the ten leading base runners of the National league. They are Wagner, Clarke, Leach and this same Barbeau, who could not get a yard off a base with Cleveland.

Base running is an important branch of baseball. It opens up the field for the batter by pulling the infielders to the bases. It gives a chance for scoring by forcing fielders to make hurried throws. Hurdled throws are often inaccurate.

For instance, with the members of several American league teams the methods of Cobb, who scores more runs and who steals more bases than any man in the game, are all wrong. He is too "fresh," he does the unexpected, he starts, he excels, he succeeds. Therefore he is wrong and everything he does is wrong.

Not long ago a certain player on Dan Johnson's circuit was at pains to get himself quoted as saying that Crawford was a far better ball player than Cobb—more valuable to his team, a better run maker if not a better run getter. Now, listen to that!

Crawford is a grand batter and a grand fielder of the old school, of which Sam Thompson, Dan Brothers, Ed Delehanty and Roger Connor were the best exponents. Crawford is a better ball player probably than any of these men, but in his day Roger Connor was just as good a hitter and just as fast a man as Sam Crawford.

Crawford can hit and he can field. No doubt of that. But does he worry the basemen as much as Cobb does? Will Crawford beat out a bunt or an infield hit? Will he take that extra base?

No, indeed. You can go back to the limit of your arm on Crawford and await his hit with all confidence. It may shoot past so fast that you cannot see it. If it comes at you and you get it you have all the time in the world. There will not be any attempt to lay down and beat a bunt. Crawford is a slow man, and he rarely will beat out an infield hit. He will be thrown out by fifteen feet on an infield tap that Cobb will beat a yard.

On the bags will Crawford make the fielder hurry that throw to third and thus let the man on first go to second? Will Crawford pull that throw to the plate? Will Crawford worry the catcher as Cobb does? No; I guess not.

A considerable amount of arrant nonsense is being read that it is brains that win, another day that it is weight of wood, speed of foot and strength of arm. At various times all these things are needed.

Speed is good, but brains are better, and it will not be wise to load a club with speed to the exclusion of everything else any more than it would be wise to load it with the brains of twenty Dick Paddens to the exclusion of speed. But a team of Austins, Nileses, Speakers and Burches would perhaps cut but a sorry figure in front of one of Bresnans or Chances. Of course teams of Wagners or of Cobbs would be unbeatable.

So do not let us go speed mad any more than brain mad, but look for a well balanced team, in which all things will be well represented.

Bradley Batting Poorly.

Bill Bradley of the Browns is having the weakest batting season in his career. He seems unable to place them safely.

PITCHERS AS HITTERS

Slab Men Have Improved Their Batting Greatly of Late.

SOME ARE USED IN PINCHES.

"Hitless" Twirlers No Longer Popular With Managers or Fans—Mathewson, Mullin and White Frequently Win Their Own Game With Hits.

The day has arrived when the pitcher of one team must pitch just as hard to the pitcher of the opposing team as to any other batter. Pitchers who rank high in twirling and low in hitting are becoming a rarity as the game advances. In baseball's past it has been the custom for pitchers to "ease down" when the opposing box worker stepped to the plate. No pitcher pitches his best all through the game. He takes things easy when a weak batter comes up, and this batter generally happened to be the opposing twirler.

Pitchers are getting to rank high as hitters. One of the necessary qualities of a good pitcher is to win his game, and pitchers are learning to win them by hitting effectively as well as pitching effectively.

George Mullin of the Detroit Americans and Christy Mathewson of the New York Nationals, who have probably made the best showing in the two big leagues this year, have won many of their own games by hitting the ball hard and effectively. Mathewson has piled up long hits and ranks well up in the list of big league hitters with a healthy average.

The premier Tiger box star has been up forty-seven times, scored seven



NAP RUCKER, STAR PITCHER OF THE BROOKLYN NATIONALS.

runs and made thirteen hits, four of which were for an extra base. His average at bat is .273.

Charlie Bender, the red skinned twirler of the Philadelphia Athletics, leads the American league pitchers in hitting. His average is .278.

"Doc" White and Frank Smith of the Chicago Americans, "Dode" Criss and Jack Powell of the St. Louis Americans, Arlanes of the Boston, Lake of New York and Willett of the Tigers all have better averages than several of the other men on their teams. Instead of decreasing their hitting averages these pitchers are increasing them, hitting better as the season grows older and awakening to a realization of their own opportunities at bat.

The pitcher who is pitching good ball can no longer walk to the plate, stand up while the opposing twirler puts three over without making any effort to meet them and walk back to the bench. The fans expect the pitcher to do as much in the way of hitting as any one else on the team. He must help himself.

The argument has been that a pitcher wastes too much energy in running bases and must make no effort to hit the ball. Therefore hitting became a lost art in the pitchers' class.

They are regaining the art, and all of them seem to be making an effort to meet the ball.

Take Adlle Joss of Cleveland and Edgar Willett of Detroit, two pitchers who furnished an illustration recently.

In the second game of the last series that the Tigers and the Naps played in Detroit Donovan put one over the plate for Joss. The big fellow swung with all the strength he possessed, and the ball bounded past O'Leary along third base line and along the left field foul line to the fence. If Joss had extended himself he could have made third.

Willett furnished a like illustration the next day when "Heinie" Berger "let down" while pitching to him. Willett swung as Joss did on the day previous, and his hit went for three bases.

In the National league there are many pitchers who can swat the ball hard. Overall of Chicago is a good stick artist. Willis of Pittsburg is another. Foxen of Philadelphia has made several home runs the last two seasons. Brooklyn has four box men who can hit—McIntyre, Hunter, Scanlon and Rucker.

HEMINGFORD HERALD.

HEMINGFORD, BOX BUTTE COUNTY, NEB., JULY 22, 1909.

Hemingford Happenings.

Ed. Snider had a horse bitten by a rattlesnake one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Grommet and son took dinner with Mrs. Kuhler last Sunday. Mrs. B. Johnson's niece came Sunday for a short visit.

The Beatrice Creamery Co. are putting in a station in the building south of the livery barn.

Chas. Ball's baby fell into a tub of water Tuesday, being quite badly burned.

Mr. Wiker from Alliance was here on business Monday.

Frank Clark went to Alliance Monday to attend to business for a couple of days.

O. Scribner drove across the country to Hay Springs Friday to see his father, who is sick.

Mrs. John Armstrong is quite sick at present. Dr. Bowman from Alliance came up Wednesday.

Mrs. Sherwood returned from her visit to Omaha Friday and expects to go to California in a couple of days.

The barn and shed in the rear of Ben Johnson's house, better known as Mrs. Sherwood's place, caught fire some way Tuesday, causing quite an excitement.

Beryl Walker went to Wood Lake Wednesday for a visit with her sister, Jennie Hughes.

Bert Langford went to Alliance on business Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Comrade Stegner came here from Greeley, Colo., Tuesday for a visit with Mrs. Clark Olds, she being a niece of Mrs. Olds.

Bert Carr was called to Alliance on account of sickness Thursday.

Mrs. Chas. Huck went to Denver Wednesday for a short visit with her brother.

Her sister, Mrs. Friel, accompanied her as far as Alliance to have some dental work done.

Mrs. Frank Olds returned to her home at Chadron Wednesday after having spent two months here visiting relatives and taking care of her sister, Mrs. Grommet.

Clark Olds and son, Harold, went to Spokane Wednesday for a visit. He may go on to Seattle before coming home.

Mrs. Miller from Sioux county came in Tuesday to meet her daughter, who came from Colorado.

Mr. Anderson from Alliance was here on business Tuesday.

Rev. Kuhler and Ed. Snider went to Idaho to look up a location, going up last Wednesday and returning today.

Mrs. Pete Swanson, Mrs. Jack Carey and daughter, Edna, went to Hot Springs for a week's outing Wednesday.

Will Nickelson from South Creek was seen on our streets Wednesday.

Mr. Everett returned from his trip to Denver Wednesday, where he went on business a week ago.

Ed. Stagle's little son was quite sick the latter part of the week.

Mrs. Rustin and Jean came up from Alliance Friday to stay on the claim a couple of days.

Jim Blundell is the proud father of a baby girl, born Wednesday, July 13th.

Will Crossley in some way cut his finger off last Friday.

Gertrude Olds is nursing a sore finger, caused by running it in wire.

Will Grabert came up from Alliance Saturday, going out to Wintens for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Weber arrived from Leigh, Nebr., for a couple of days' visit last week.

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COEUR D'ALENE RESERVATION: Register at Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. (Buy tickets to Spokane.)

SPOKANE RESERVATION: Register at Spokane, Washington. Registration dates June 15 to August 5th, inclusive. This is another of the remaining few chances for this generation to obtain good government lands.

Call on nearest ticket agent for descriptive leaflet, showing conditions, excursion rates, train service, etc.

The Burlington-Great Northern, Spokane and Seattle train takes you through the wealth producing Wenatchee fruit country, and shows you the wonderful upper northwest empire; every mile is interesting.

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