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The next annual reunion of the North Platte Valley Veterans' association will be held at Minatare.

Bwana Tumbo, faunal naturalist, finds great difficulty in keeping on the front page these Polar days.

As the controversy grows hotter look out for charges by the Pearyites in his earlier occupation Dr. Cook used to water the milk.

The question, "Who really discovered the North Pole?" may now take rank with that other long-unanswered one: "Who struck Billy Patterson?"

By a recent ruling of the post office department, mail carriers may refuse to deliver mail where there is a vicious dog, or even where the dog is annoying.

"Some papers are so incurably partisan," says the Hastings Republican, "that they never take the trouble to find out whether a party declaration or plank is right or wrong. They are ready to editorially howl for everything and anything that bears the party label."

Late news from Washington is to the effect that under the "basket" section of the Aldrich bill a duty of 45 per cent. is to be levied on aeroplanes. That settles it; we will postpone buying our flying machine until a Democratic congress revises the tariff.

The Democrats of Cleveland have for the fifth time nominated Tom L. Johnson for mayor. That honor comes to him as the result of a primary election in which all voters of the party were entitled to participate, and is therefore conspicuous proof that the Democrats of Cleveland are staunch in their faith in the "fighting mayor" and fully appreciative of his high civic ideals and his courage to put them into action.

"Looking After His Constituents."

We notice by a number of our Nebraska exchanges that the Hon. Moses P. Kinkaid has been circulating through these parts since the adjournment of the late lamented special session of congress, "looking after the interests of his constituents." A peculiar feature of these editorial notices is the similarity of phraseology, suggesting that they may have all been written by the same person. However, this may have been due to telepathy, as we understand that our astute congressman returned from the effete east surcharged with occult influences.

But we did not notice any satisfactory explanation of his vote to place Uncle Joe Cannon in a position where he did more than any other one man, except perhaps one, to prevent the enactment of good laws and secure the passage of iniquitous legislation. And we haven't noticed any explanation that we think will be satisfactory to his constituents, why he voted for the Aldrich tariff bill, which leading reform republicans, as well as democrats, denounced as "infamous."

We shall be pleased to see these matters explained, if possible, at an early date.

C. H. Hall was his name, so he said. He served as night cook at Huss' restaurant for a while, but that was too slow, so he adopted the plan of opening boxes in the post office, taking out the mail and after extracting anything of value found therein throwing the letters into the waste basket. The plan worked for a while, but he worked it too hard. The vigilant eyes of the post office employees discovered him in the act, he was arrested, and now awaits the arrival of the United States marshal from Omaha, who is expected tomorrow.

COBB A FAIR PLAYER.

Detroit Star One of the Squarest Men on Diamond Today.

THE RECENT SPIKING INCIDENT

Tigers' Outfielder Never Injured a Player Intentionally—Jealousy Given as Cause For Recent Accusations Against Cobb.

By TOMMY CLARK.
The recent Baker-Cobb spiking incident and the subsequent threat of Ban Johnson, president of the American league, to remove the Detroit star from the game forever if he does not refrain from injuring rival players have caused considerable of a rumpus in the baseball world.

Of course the incident was splendid music for the anvil chorus, and many rival players because of professional jealousy are devoting a good deal of their time to pushing unreasonable and senseless invectives against the Detroit's manager and the Tiger players and to making particularly vicious attacks on Ty Cobb, one of the greatest ball tossers that ever lived. The attacks are so smarmingly snappish and vicious that venom oozes out of them. Of course any one can excuse the partisan rivalry among the three leading teams—that is only natural—but it should be healthy. The attacks on Ty Cobb are made through pure jealousy. I have closely watched Cobb's work, and I've heard the opinions of a good many fair minded ball players, and not one of us has ever seen him do anything on a ball field that could possibly warrant his being called anything but an honest, fair minded and ambitious ball player.

Should Ban Johnson try to flag, sidetrack or switch any of the ambition with which Ty Cobb is blessed he would be doing baseball an injustice and an irreparable injury. But Ban is not so foolish. He is a diplomat and just called down the Tigers' star to please the whims of some rival managers.

The writer premises the discussion relative to the Baker-Cobb spiking incident by stating that he does not think it was intentional. Had the



TY COBB, STAR RIGHT FIELDER OF DETROIT AMERICANS.

young third baseman been injured by the spikes of any other Detroit player the occurrence would not have received passing notice. But Cobb the darling, Cobb the whirlwind, the hardest hitter, the speediest runner in the American league, was so unfortunate as to cut Baker in doing what he and every ball player is paid to do—slide into a base feet first.

Cobb is a winning ball player. Aggression is the dominant strain in his blood, but no one has ever branded him as a criminal. To accuse him of maliciously spiking Baker would be to say that he took the coward's means of depriving a fellow player of his means of livelihood.

In the controversy arising from this incident no statement has been made that Cobb had any special grievance against Baker, or vice versa. Why, then, should the Detroit player place Baker in jeopardy of serious injury by trying to spike him? What had Cobb to gain by such an act?

There has been, and is and always will be a sort of freemasonry among baseball players that is considerably stronger in feeling than appears on the surface. This caste sentiment, always discernible when ball players congregate, is a powerful argument in favor of the contention that Cobb did not intentionally spike Baker, but also that no man cuts a fellow player with his spikes viciously and with malice aforethought.

Even where "bad blood" existed between two players, if they took this means of obtaining satisfaction such "accidents" would multiply almost beyond conception. But, fortunately, this is not the case, and when one stops to consider how many times players slide feet first, with the ever present spike likely to come in sharp contact with the baseman's anatomy. It is amazing that injuries arising from this part of the game are so few and slight.

TINKER'S GREAT WORK.

Stellar Playing of Cubs' Shortstop Brings Him into Limeright. Should the Chicago Nationals again land the much coveted gonfalon great credit must be given to Joe Tinker, the Cubs' star shortstop for his earnest efforts in trying to land the team at the top. Tinker has won and saved many games for the Cubs this season by his timely batting and his sensational fielding. Early in the campaign "Scrappy Joe" played very poorly, and then the anvil chorus began to get in some of its fine work. Reports were in circulation that the Cubs' short-



JOE TINKER, CHICAGO NATIONALS' STAR SHORTSTOP.

stop had seen his best days and would soon be relegated to the minors. The real trouble was that Tinker's back was very weak, but after a short rest he was back on the job again playing havoc with pitchers' averages and robbing the sluggers of safe hits.

HUDSON-FULTON SPORTS.

Races For Motorboats, Shells and Canoes During Celebration.

Arrangements for the aquatic contests during the Hudson-Fulton celebration have been practically completed. These will take place in New York, pulling races Sept. 29 and motorboats Sept. 30; in Yonkers, motorboat races Sept. 29, rowing and canoe contests on Oct. 2. Newburg will have its water contests on Oct. 2.

The program will start with a race between the crews of the foreign war vessels. The prizes will be a silver shield of the Hudson-Fulton design to the ship of the winning crew, each member of which will receive a silver medal. Each man of the second crew will get a bronze medal. The second race will be contested by crews of the American war vessels, and the prizes will be the same as in the first race. The third race will have as contestants crews from foreign vessels, American warships, the naval militia, the revenue cutter service and such other naval branches of American or foreign official service as may be selected. A race between naval militia crews will follow. Then will come a contest of revenue cutter crews. Motorboat races in five classes for silver cups as prizes will end the program.

The rowing races on Oct. 2 are to be under the rules of the National Association of Amateur Oarsmen and will be over a course of one and one-quarter miles straightway as follows: Intermediate single shell, senior single shell, junior double gig, intermediate four oared gig, senior quadruple sculls, senior four oared barge, senior eight oared shell and intercity octuple sculls. The canoe races will be over a distance of one-half mile straightaway for tandem single blades, tandem double blades and club fours single blade under the rules of the American Canoeing association.

INTERCOLLEGIATE GOLF.

Students Are Eligible to Big Tourney in New York Sept. 13-18.

For the annual golf championship, which this year will be held over the Apawamis links, in Rye, N. Y., Sept. 13 to 18, the Intercollegiate Golf association is already beginning to have things whipped into shape. According to a slight change in the constitution, any college in good standing may now be elected to membership, but the most important departure this year will be with regard to the scoring for the team championship. This will allow of only one point for a win in place of the old system of a point for the match and a fraction for every hole.

The week's proceedings will open with team matches on Monday and Tuesday, the whole of Wednesday being set aside for the individual championship qualifying play over thirty-six holes. The composition of all the sides for the team matches has not yet been made known. Yale, however, will have a strong representation in the following: K. E. Mosser, H. G. Logg, Robert Hunter, B. P. Merriman, R. Y. Hayne and W. B. Langford. Logg is this year's transmississippi champion and Merriman the Connecticut title holder. Capable substitutes have also been chosen.

Clifford Dunning and R. L. Jackson will form the backbone of the Williams team. The colleges at present in membership are Yale, Harvard, Williams, Princeton, Columbia, Cornell, Dartmouth and Pennsylvania.

Extra Premiums for Farm Products

For farm products raised in Box Butte county and the counties adjacent to Box Butte county on the east and south and displayed in the window of our store the three days of the fair, September 28, 29 and 30, we will give the following premiums:

(No Irrigated Products Can Be Entered)

12 Best Early Ohio Potatoes 1 lb. can Chase & Sanborn's Seal Brand Coffee	Largest Hubbard Squash (Must be true to name and solid color) 1 Carton Loose-Wiles Takoma Biscuits	15 lbs. Navy Beans (Must be true to name) 2 lb. can Chase & Sanborn's Seal Brand Coffee
12 Best Ereka (Round White) Potatoes 1 lb. 35c grade Chase & Sanborn's Coffee	12 Largest Onions (2 white or yellow varieties) 1 25-oz. can C. P. Baking Powder	Largest Pumpkin (any variety) 1 25-oz. can C. P. Baking Powder
Largest Squash of any variety 1 Carton Loose-Wiles City Soda Crackers	12 Largest Onions (Red Varieties) 1 5-oz. can Richelieu Black Pepper	Best Head Cabbage 1 carton Loose-Wiles Graham Crackers

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Additional Railroad Notes.

Chas. Kettler is a new round house man.

J. C. Birdsall went to Broken Bow in his car on No. 42 Thursday morning.

W. H. Allgeier and family returned Wednesday morning from their visit in eastern Nebraska.

M. W. Wood and V. T. Vissinger of the telegraph department of Lincoln were in Alliance on company business Wednesday.

Fred Liedtke has resigned as flagman and gone to his claim in South Dakota, via Deadwood—taking his pup with him.

Fireman J. J. Malone, who recently came to Alliance from Omaha, expresses himself as being well pleased with this part of the world.

Engineer Geo. Hicks of Ravenna was in Alliance Tuesday. He informed our reporter that Mrs. H. is homesick to get back to this city.

Chas. Turney and crew have been assigned to the Ravenna-Seneca pool, making nine train crews and nine engine crews living in Ravenna.

Mrs. H. G. Bennett left on No. 42 Wednesday morning for a visit with home folks in Crete. In the meantime Harry is "batching" and says it is fierce.

We have the news that E. E. Terry of Helena was taken sick about two weeks since at the home of Danny Criley at Billings. At last accounts he was able to be moved to his home.

J. B. Kennedy and wife went to Denver Saturday. While there Mr. Kennedy inspected the lots of the Denver-Colorado Land company, and we are informed purchased two of them.

Over 20,000,000 passengers carried by the Burlington during the year ending June 30, 1909, without a single fatality of a passenger by accident is a record of which the officials of that road are proud.

Mrs. John Strong of Lakeside came up on 43 last Sunday for a few days' visit with her daughter, Mrs. Gregg, wife of Conductor E. M. Gregg. Mrs. Strong returned home yesterday, accompanied by Mrs. E. M. Gregg.

Fireman Sam Burchell came in on 41 this morning with a black eye. His friends were given to understand that he had not been engaged in a fight and got the worst of it, but that his eye had accidentally come in contact with the ash pan lever in the dark.

Express Messenger Oldt brings the news that he recently met Mrs. Geo. Mehl at Newcastle and that she informed him that Mr. Mehl had proved up on their claim near that place and that they will soon move to Billings. George Mehl was yardmaster at Alliance for a long time.

Fireman Raby met with an accident at Remington last Tuesday that was quite serious but which might have been much worse. He was leaning out of the cab looking for signals when his head struck a switch stand, cutting quite a gash. He deadheaded to Alliance, where Dr. Slagle fixed up the wound by dressing it and putting in several stitches.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Morning subject, "Christians as Fruit Bearers." Evening, "Nebuchadnezzar's Golden Image."

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Morning theme will be, "Christian Progress," or "A Clarion Call to a Forward Movement." A good day is anticipated and a full attendance of the membership is desired.

M. E. CHURCH—CIRCUIT
There will be services at the Fairview church on Sunday, Sept. 19, at 11 a. m. Rev. I. E. Nolte, the new pastor, will preach.

UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Services morning and evening at the usual hours, conducted by the pastor.

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH.
Holy Eucharist at 8:00 a. m., morning prayer and sermon at 11:00 a. m. by the pastor.

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