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Reported Changes.
There is a report current here that numerous changes in the officials of the Union Pacific will soon be made. According to the rumor Supt. Brinkerhoff of the Kansas division will resign, be succeeded by the VicRoy, now superintendent of the Colorado division, Supt. McKeown will go to the Colorado division, Asst. Supt. Roth will be promoted to the superintendency of the Wyoming division and Spangler will be made assistant superintendent. Not much credence is given the rumor at terminal.

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The Passing of Jeffries.
RINGSIDE, RENO, Nev., July 4.—Jack Johnson is still the world's heavy-weight champion. He defeated James J. Jeffries in the fifteenth round here today.

The fight was one-sided from the start. The negro blocked the old champion's blows at every stage of the game and punished him severely in the last five rounds of the fighting. At the beginning of the thirteenth round the experts at the ringside passed the verdict that if Jeffries would simply stand and not fight he might stay the limit. As they came up for the fifteenth round Johnson went at his man savagely. He sent Jeff down the first time with a rain of lefts and rights to the jaw, and Jeff took the count of eight twice. Each time Jeff fell outside the lower ropes on the platform.

As Jeff staggered to a foothold after the third time he had been sent to the floor Johnson sprang at him like a tiger, and with a succession of lefts and rights to the jaw sent him down and out.

As Jeff was helped to his corner, he said, "I am not a good fighter any longer. I could not come back, boys; I couldn't come back. Ask Johnson if he will give me his gloves."

As Jeff hung through the ropes, a hundred of his friends and admirers rushed close and cried: "Don't let the old man get knocked out; stop it."

But the timekeeper's inexorable count went on to the fatal ten. When the count of seven had been reached, at least a hundred people broke through the ropes and Harding was screened from the ring by the crowd. The confusion was so great that no announcement from the ring officials was audible.

Jeffries was picked up by his brother Jack and Corbett and carried back to his corner, still in a dazed condition. Johnson stood in the center of the ring and received the congratulations of Billy Delaney and his other seconds. As he talked to Delaney he was breathing absolutely normal.

Sig Hart said to the champion: "Go over and shake hands with the poor fellow."
Jack said: "I don't owe him anything now."
Later he went to the Jeff corner, but Jim Corbett and Jack O'Brien waved him away. Then he returned to his own corner. The crowd was so dense that the police had to keep the people back. The first man to congratulate him in his corner was John L. Sullivan.

Jeffries was taken to Moana Springs. The people tore the ring to pieces as souvenirs. In five minutes ropes, canvas and mats had vanished as if swept by a hurricane.

A Falsehood.
The article written by the editor of the Sutherland Free Lance relating to the arrest of a party a few days ago and implicating me in coaxing him to be arrested is a "rotten lie." I had nothing to do with the case, only as a private citizen. The unworthy editor has evidently been reading too much of Sandy's dope, or hitting the pipe too strong.
A. B. YATES.

Notice to Overseers.
You are hereby requested to use all the precaution possible to prevent the spread of prairie fires, by plowing fire guards as soon as possible. See Sec. 75 on Page 23 of 1909 Road Laws. Dated North Platte, Neb. 6-28-10.
County Commissioners.

Hershey Land.
I offer the 200 acre tract of land that adjoins the town of Hershey on the south in 50 acre tracts, at from \$45.00 per acre up. Easy terms, write.
D. C. PATTERSON,
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Celebrate the Fourth.
Certainly the committee appointed to arrange for and carry out the Fourth of July celebration well performed their work and furnished the people of the city and the strangers within our gates a day that was strenuous in its activity and satisfactory in its entertaining features.

If the shooting of fireworks and fire-arms signaled the opening of the Fourth, then the Fourth began Sunday evening, for there was an incessant volley of these explosives throughout the night, and this was augmented early in the morning by the booming of cannons.

The celebration proper began at ten in the forenoon when a short procession, consisting of a float of the Brotherhood of America, two floats of the Christian bible school, the four fire companies and the two bands, paraded several streets. This was followed by the races by the hose companies.

In the wet coupling contest the First ward team made the run in twenty-six and one-fifth seconds, the Third in twenty-seven seconds, and the Second in thirty-three seconds.

Prague and Swartz, who represented the Third ward team in the dry coupling contest won in sixteen and three-fifths seconds; Landgraf and Crane, independent, made the run in seventeen and three-fifths seconds, and a team composed of Lowe and Landgraf made the run in sixteen and four-fifths but failed to get the required number of threads on the coupling.

These contests were followed by the water fight in which Lowe and Craigie were pitted against Mang and Flynn. The boys stood up under the strong streams from the nozzles for six or eight minutes, when Lowe and Craigie weakened and gave up the fight.

When these sports were completed, the crowd repaired to the court-house where the Declaration of Independence was read, and the exhibition of Japanese daylight fireworks given. This closed the forenoon.

After the noon hour the first event on the program was the motorcycle race, in which there six entries as follows: Max VonGoetz, Ralph Vroman, Ira LeMasters, Frank Baldwin, John Oestrich and Carl Westefeld. The course covered forty-three blocks, and the times round. Owing to a misunderstanding as to the number of laps the time was not taken by the time-keeper, but the first prize was awarded to Vroman, the second to VonGoetz and the third to Westefeld.

In the auto race over the same course and the same number of laps, there were three entries, Minor Hinman, J. E. Davis and Frank Chorpensing. The latter won first money in 11:02, and Hinman second in 12:32.

A trotting race and a running race was held on the streets, both of which were fairly good, and these were followed by foot races.

McCormick, the aeronaut, made a successful balloon ascension at five o'clock, and after reaching a fair height made a parachute drop, landing on open ground north of the Standard oil tanks.

In the game of ball between the Originals and the U. P. shop team, the former won by a score of four to two. Jones occupied the slab for the Originals and Swope for the shop team.

Balloonist McCormick was scheduled for a second ascent at eight o'clock in the evening but while the bag was being filled it caught fire and a hole sufficiently large to let the smoke and gas escape was burned. This made an ascent impossible, as darkness was near.

The display of fireworks began at eight thirty and continued for over an hour. There were two displays, one by the citizen's committee, the other by the Japs, the two forming a brilliant exhibition.

The events of the day concluded with a boxing contest at the opera house between Fitzgerald of Omaha and Clabby of Milwaukee.

The contest had been announced as one of fifteen rounds, but on account of the small house the guarantee promised the fighters could not be made good, and it was agreed that a ten round go would be given for the money in sight. The two men fought viciously, Clabby showing the greater science but Fitzgerald giving evidence of better fighting. At the end of ten rounds the referee declared the fight a draw. As a preliminary Dick Moore of Sidney and Jack Karns of Chicago fought five rounds, the decision going to Karn.

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Moses Fairman was visiting the Widow Hooper at least two nights a week with a view to matrimony. Just about this time the billposter for a circus appeared and pasted the roadside barns with the usual gaudy bills, and the excitement began.

Perkinsville was no circus town. It never had had one and didn't want one. Such things were looked upon as demoralizing in the extreme. The bills were hardly up when the parents began warning their children and the ministers had something to say from the pulpits. On one of his visits to the widow Moses Fairman expressed the hope that she would not even permit her cat to view the circus parade, and the next instant he was a surprised man.

"Why, I shall be a spectator myself," replied the widow. "Not only that, but I shall attend the circus both afternoon and evening. I shall expect you to escort me in the evening."

"W-h-a-t!" gasped Moses as he stared at her with open mouth.

The widow repeated the words and said she was tickled to death that a circus was coming.

"But it's wicked! It's monstrous! You can't be in earnest!"

"I shall be there on a front seat."

"But I won't go, and neither will any church member. You have heard what has been said about it. Why, you'd be turned out of the congregation as a black sheep. Mary, don't think of doing any such thing."

"Moses, I'm going to that circus, and that's flat!" replied the widow as she put her foot down. "I don't believe there's any more wickedness about it than at a spelling school. Why should there be?"

"But circus men swear and fight," protested Moses.

"So do lightning rod men and tin peddlers. I've heard some of the men around your mill swear."

"But circuses have a clown, and the clown"

"And the clown he jokes and makes fun. Why shouldn't he?"

"Mary," solemnly said Moses, "if you go to that circus then all is over between us."

"All right, Moses; I'll be there."

Moses went straight from the house of the widow to that of his minister and told his story. It produced consternation. The widow's independence had been winked at, but here was a case of revolution, rebellion, defiance. It must be met and crushed in the bud. The hour was late, but the minister went to struggle with the rebel. She put her head out of her chamber window and after ascertaining his errand replied:

"I have been to Sunday school picnics of our church and seen selfishness, quarreling and backbiting. It can be no worse at a circus, and I am going. Did you ever see a two horned rhinoceros?"

"N-no" was the stammering reply.

"Then by all means go and see one. It may be your only chance for the next twenty years. Yes, and there's a five legged calf and a dodo."

Next day the news was all over town, and the earth proceeded to rock. The widow had many callers at her house, and Moses had many at his mill. All were "again" the widow. It was decided that she must be put down. At first she was only determined. So much was said, however, that she got her mad up and announced that she would attend Thursday evening prayer meeting and announce her position. She was there, and the church was crowded. It was hoped that she intended to recede from her first position, but it was a vain hope. She took the floor to ask how many persons present had ever attended a circus. Five men signified that they had, and seven or eight more could have done so, but didn't.

The widow asked how they had been harmed—if it had led to profanity, drunkenness, wife beating and theft. All pleaded not guilty. Then she asked why it was more wicked to look at an elephant than an ox. No one answered. Then she asked why it was worse to listen to a clown's joke than to some of the stories told around the postoffice while waiting for the mail to arrive. No one answered. Then she asked why a woman shouldn't walk a tight rope or a rail fence if she wanted to? She had seen men walking over the bridge on the railing, and no one had raised a fuss about it. Women would jump through hoops at the circus. What of it? She knew a woman in Perkinsville who had crawled through a screen door when locked out.

The widow's best weapon was saved to the last. She had made a good case, but she clinched it by asking if any one present would please point out in the Bible where Christian men and women were forbidden the circus any more than the paring bee, the corn-husking or the 'lasses candy pull. All heard, but no one complied, and Mrs. Hooper wrapped her toga about her and walked out.

The circus appeared on the date given. The widow was there, Moses was there, and the three or four people in town who weren't there were down with the mumps or measles. It was even said that the three ministers penetrated as far as the cages of the ostriches and the hyenas and that those who tried to figure up the increase of crime during the next year got lost in the maze before arriving at any startling results.

It was in the reign of King Edward of England, the fourth of that name, that John Ochiltree, a young farmer living in the county of Kent, met a lass called Mary Griggs at a Maying and conceived a strong passion for her. He danced with her around the Maypole and looked at her languishingly, but his modesty and the strength of his love tied his tongue so that he could say nothing to her.

Mary had been keeping company with Richard Doyle, a maker of armor, but the moment he laid eyes on John Ochiltree, Doyle saw that she was lost to him in favor of his rival. He drew away sulkily, thus leaving the field to the man who had supplanted him.

The day after the Maying John waited for Mary to come out of her father's thatched cottage and joined her. He managed to wish her "good morning" and said that the crops promised to be good and that one of his cows had calved, but besides this he said nothing. Mary was a girl of spirit and would not help him on. She said to herself that he should talk to her like any other man or she would have none of him. He continued to show her by his expression that he was enamored of her, and when he looked at her his eyes had a melancholy expression.

Now, as soon as John got away from her his tongue was unloosed, and he could say what he liked. He told his mother of his trouble and convinced her that it was impossible that he should tell Mary his love and ask her to marry him.

"Then," said his mother, "Mary must propose to you."

"She will never do that," sighed John.

"She must be made to. My son wishes her for a wife, and he must have her. Besides, Mary is a good girl and will have a good dowry. I wish her for a daughter-in-law. I have made up my mind that, since you are unable to ask Mary to be your wife, she shall claim you for her husband."

"And how will you do that, mother?"

"Never mind, so that I do it. We women have to get through the world by exercising our wits. We are not men, to force our way, so we have to plan."

Things went from bad to worse between John and Mary. Determined to force him to declare himself, she encouraged her former suitor. This made John ill, and so great was his ailing that his mother feared he would die. She went to Mary and, telling her of John's condition and the cause, begged her to do that which was expected of the sterner sex—ask John to be her husband. Mary vowed that she would be no man's wife who had not the courage to ask her, and, though John might die, she would not do his part for him.

Not long after this a sheep belonging to a neighbor was found in John Ochiltree's fold. John was arrested for sheep stealing and thrown into prison. "The lad has lost his mind for love of you," said John's mother to Mary. The lass was secretly troubled, but tossed her head and said that a man who was afraid of a girl had no mind to lose.

John was tried and convicted and sentenced to be hanged.

Then Mary began to regret that she had refused to be persuaded. But it was now too late. She had driven John into insanity, for she believed what his mother said, or she had unintentionally bewitched him so that he had stolen a sheep. She sat at home mourning her sad fate at loving a man so defective. John's mother brought a request from her son that Mary would be present at his execution. Mary declared that she could not endure such a sight and would not go. But she was at last persuaded to grant this last boon to a man she was now persuaded she had driven to the scaffold, and on the morning of the hanging she went there with her lover's mother.

A crowd was gathered around the culprit. John, with the rope around his neck, had ascended a few steps of the ladder. He stopped and, seeing Mary below, said to her:

"Mary, save me."

"How can I do that, John?"

"It is the law that if one about to be executed be claimed in marriage by any woman he shall go free."

"Is that so?" Mary asked of the sheriff.

"If you claim this man in marriage I dare not hang him."

"Oh, Mary," cried John, "have mercy on me."

"Save him," whispered the culprit's mother.

Mary hesitated. "No," she said at last; "let him hang."

John staggered, then seemed relieved. He climbed nimbly up the other rungs of the ladder, and the sheriff was about to swing him off when Mary cried:

"Hold! I claim this man in marriage."

John was taken down, and the lovers, of whom the one couldn't and the one wouldn't till death was imminent, fell into each other's arms.

John's mother had stolen the sheep and placed it in her fold to bring about the result and force Mary to make the proposition. And yet we are told that women have not the heads that men have to accomplish results.