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THE BOYS DROP ONE

Team Was Too Weak at
the Bat to Land Neces-
sary Runs to Win.

MINK TEAM GETS GAME
BY FAIR MARGIN

Only Four Hits For Plattsouth
Although They Made
Ten Scores.

(From Saturday's Daily)

Plattsouth went down to defeat yesterday in a ragged game of ball with Nebraska City. The local lads managed to keep the score fairly well balanced until the first of the eighth when they went to pieces. A number of the players got sore for reason, and throwing the ball away several times, allowed five minks men to cross the rubber which put the kibosh on their chances in the game. The first innings displayed some good articles of ball, but towards the last when one or two of the players went up in the air, the hopes of the crowd were blasted and after the first half of the eighth the grandstand quickly cleared and the bleachers hit it for home pretty much digusted.

Had the home team had their regular line up there would have been but little doubt as to the result as the vis-

itors did not display any unusual skill and for a bunch of professionals were not considered to be much of a hole in the cheese. On account of them not being able to get the umpire planned on, Nemetz was pressed into service considerably against his will, and as might be supposed of a man called on the spur of the moment, there was some kicking on his work but the man seemed to render his decisions to the best of his ability at all times, but he had a bum eye for good ones and seemed not to count the corners which means much to the man on the slab.

The Plattsouth nine was weak on the stick and the ball was but seldom found for more than a single although the City pitcher was not able to deliver anything that would startle the natives. Plattsouth was only able to attach 4 hits to her score card during the game one of these was a three sacker made by Droegge and another a two bagger that Mason manufactured.

Old Hoss Smith was the main squeeze with the club and was the only one in the home bunch that slammed out two hits which was half the total made. In the last two innings the batting line up was forgotten and the man who happened to be nearest the plate would wield the stick without any objection from either side and for town ball it was a fair imitation. It was a scrappy engagement all through and the Minks got huffy every time their fur was brushed the wrong way.

The game opened with Nebraska City at bat and the short of it in the box. Old Sock Mason held down the shaggy visitors to small scores until the fifth when they jarred things up putting McCauley in, Mason on first and Hadraba in the place of Peary. In the fifth the Mink twirler had a little unusual luck and put out three men before reaching the first sofa pillow, two of them fanning the wind. After Lanky McCauley had thrown a few innings without letting the visitors show them anything new he got hot under the collar and took his headquarters at first again and Mason was shoved into the box.

Then the baloon went up and the hopes of the crowd. In the eighth inning the boys lost their form and interest and let the Muskrats play horse all over the grounds with them. With only one hit in the frame, they brought in five scores which frickazeed Plattsouth's chicken to a frazzle. The prospects up to that inning had been good but after that there was nothing left to see that would look any ways encouraging to the roosters on the Plattsouth fence. Hunky Dory Mason came to help them out in the last half of the eighth and beat one out until it looked like a mosquito on the Eiffel tower and with good base running three of the runners scored and the game came to a quiteus with a score of 15 to 10 favoring the visitors.

Although yesterday's game was not as fast ball as has been played here, yet the game merited a much bigger crowd than turned out. What's happened to all the Plattsouth fans? There is plenty of room on the grand stand for a good many more and an addition is going to be put on and that already built is to be strengthened up in order to accommodate the large crowds that are expected for the coming games.

Friday does not seem to be a very good day to turn out the crowds, so next week's game will probably be the last one on that day for some time. Green's Nebraska Indians will be here then. They're a novelty in their line, but they sure are handy on the diamond. The game promises to be a lalapalulu and there is going to be something doing when the redskins and red socks get mixed up next Friday. The Indian team are having good success in attaching victories to their string this spring, but they are going to find Plattsouth a sticker and they'll have to get up and go some to hand it to the local team.

The results of yesterday's game is not going to put a damper on the base ballspirit, for if Plattsouth, with some of her best players unable to be on the field is able to hold down the big howl of the much talked of Mink league, with good chances of success in seven innings, she doesn't need to lose any sleep over what the team can do if they'll pull together.

Ginger is a great run-getter, and no team can put up a fast game before a half dozen roosters. What's needed is support—a bunch of live ones on the firing line to make a noise like a ball game, to root and put snap in the players, because a bobble oftines

loses a game for want of a stimulant. With the bleachers full, and busy, Plattsouth can wallop any team in the Mink league and if the proper support is given them, this will be proven before the close of the season.

Remember Friday's game. The Nebraska Indians are stronger than the Minks and the Sox will win if Plattsouth fans turn out the way they should and answer to roll call when the royal ump bawls out "Play Ball."

The following tells the story:
Nebraska City—
Runs..... 2 0 2 2 2 0 3 5 * 15
Hits..... 3 0 2 1 1 0 1 1 * 9
Plattsouth—
Runs..... 2 0 3 1 0 0 1 3 * 10
Hits..... 1 0 1 0 0 0 1 1 * 4

LOUISVILLE QUARRY BURNS

Loss, Expected to Reach
About Three Thousand
Dollars.

COALSHED, ENGINE ROOM
AND CRUSHER DESTROYED

Blaze Bursts Forth in Coal About
4 a. m. from Spontaneous
Combustion.

(From Saturday's Daily)

Fire at about four o'clock this morning badly burned the works of the Hugh Murphy quarry at Louisville resulting in a loss that will amount to about \$3,000. The fire is supposed to have originated by spontaneous combustion in the coal sheds and was first discovered between three-thirty and four when a large force of citizens was called out to save the adjoining structures. A slight wind assisted the work of the flames and soon the inflammable buildings were a mass of flames.

The fire spread to the engine rooms and the valuable engines, shafts, belting and machinery were quickly converted into piles of red hot junk. The frame work of the stone crusher was eaten away by the flames and the crushing machinery put out of commission for some time to come. A number of cars standing on a side-track broke forth in a blaze and were consumed. At nearly noon today, two of the cars which were loaded with coal, were still in the condition of the seething furnaces. With the tons of coal that were stored at the place, it will be some time before the flames are subdued and the damaged machinery cooled down sufficiently to be repaired. The burning buildings covered a good deal of ground and at the early hour in the morning, it made quite a spectacle to the citizens of Louisville who turned out in a body to lend their assistance. With the force of men employed at the quarry and the volunteer fire department of Louisville the stubborn conflagration was fiercely combated, but the coal when once started afire was nearly impossible to put out. When discovered, one of the coal piles seemed to be an entire mass of flames and it was nearly useless to more than prevent the flames from traveling.

The fire at the quarry will mean quite a serious blow to Louisville, for it employed a force of sixty-five men and was the principal industry of the town. The place had been opened for business but a short time, most of the equipment being recently installed at a considerable cost. The quarry was operated by Hugh Murphy an Omaha paving contractor who used the crushed rock for his paving work throughout the country. The manager of the concern at Louisville expect the plant will be immediately repaired and put into condition for the rush season of paving which exists through the summer months.

Mrs. E. D. Cook and Miss Nettie Hawksworth went up on an early train of the day to spend a short time in Omaha. They returned on one of the later trains in the afternoon.

SOME FACTS ON BASE BALL HERE

The Situation as It Stands and
What Should be Done

(From Saturday's Daily)

The game of ball yesterday between the Plattsouth base ball club and the Nebraska City team of the "Mink" league demonstrated the fact that it is useless to attempt to play the game on Friday afternoon in the future. Up to the seventh inning, it was a game which was fought out in such a manner that it was well worth the admission price and a good patronage from the people of the city. These games have been called on Friday afternoons for the purpose of giving the merchants of the city a chance to attend, which they could not do on a busy Saturday afternoon. Neither at the game two weeks ago with Glenwood, Ia., or at the game yesterday did the merchants show their appreciation by turning out, less than half a dozen being at both games.

Again, when the matter of playing the games on Sunday came up in order that there would be sufficient receipts to keep the club going, it was decided at first to see how the attendance would be week days before an attempt would be made to play the game on Sunday. It was hoped that if no Sunday games were played that the attendance of people opposed to Sunday base ball would be sufficient so that it would not be necessary to attempt the Sunday games, but the attendance at both games has shown that the opponents of Sunday ball were no patrons of the game on a week day to any great extent.

Both games have demonstrated the fact that the Plattsouth base ball club is a good one. In the crippled condition of the team yesterday, with the regular catcher unable to play, with the third baseman behind the bat and the second baseman playing third and a fielder on second the professional team from the Mink league was held to a close game for six innings, and with a regular line-up there would have been little doubt but that the locals would have won out.

If a game is worth seeing it is worth paying for. If some of the men of Plattsouth who think that they must attend the game, but persist in taking it in from the hill or from the private grounds of people who reside near the field, will take into consideration that they have just as much right to walk into one of our stores and take a quarter's worth of sugar and walk off with it they will probably not take exceptions to being asked the price of admissions. It takes money to run the game and up to date the admissions have not paid the expenses.

At the game yesterday there was a little over \$18.00 taken in. The expense of getting the team here was much greater than that. If the people who like to see a game want good teams brought to the city they will have to show their appreciation by getting out and attending the games. The game this year is going to be run as a business matter. If the people of Plattsouth want good games they must show that they want them by attending them and paying their money at the gate. If the attendance is not sufficient to warrant getting good teams to come here then the games will have to be of an inferior quality.

Next Friday Green's Nebraska Indians will be the attraction at the Chicago avenue grounds. This is a chance the people of Plattsouth will probably not have again. It took considerable work to land this date, and had it not been for the personal friendship between the president of the local team and the owner of the Indian team, probably Plattsouth would not have landed the game. But by securing two other dates for them close by we were able to get them. It will be up to the people of Plattsouth now to show the association that they appreciate the effort to secure good attractions.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Hoffman left this morning to make their future home at Lincoln. Mr. Hoffman has been a fireman on the Sioux City run of the Burlington and has recently been transferred so that Lincoln will be made his headquarters.

Vaudeville at Majestic.

Manager Shlaes has arranged to put on a little vaudeville stunt at the Majestic running a production of "School Days" which is presented by a very good company formerly on the Orpheum circuit. The company comes to the city after a week's stand at Council Bluffs and will be in the city for four days from where they will go to Beatrice. The troupe consists of four girls and five boys all of whom are between the ages of 14 and 20. The company presents a clean performance without the usual vulgar jokes that often are used in such stunts. They will open their engagement here tomorrow afternoon and in addition to the vaudeville work, two rolls of films will be presented. Omaha talent is being used for the musical work both today and tomorrow.

RESIDENCE DESTROYED

Fire North of City Aroused
Many Plattsouth
People.

EARLY MORNING BLAZE
CONSUMES ELIOT HOME

Family Awakened in Nick of Time
to Prevent Being Suffocated
by Smoke.

(From Saturday's Daily)

The residence of John Eliot, north west of town, in the neighborhood of the Missouri Pacific depot, was burned to the ground early this morning and the four members of the family who were sleeping in the residence had a narrow escape from being cremated by the fierce flames. The fire broke out about one o'clock and in a few hours the place was a total loss with but little of the furniture saved.

The family, Mr. and Mrs. Eliot and two children, went to bed rather early in the evening and would probably have slept until the stifling smoke had suffocated them had not Mrs. Eliot been awakened a few minutes after one by the crackling embers in an adjoining room. The sleeping room by that time was filled with

thick smoke and it was difficult to breathe. The slumberers were hastily awakened but it was found useless to quench the blaze which was threatening the entire house. With the help of some of the neighbors, who had been attracted in the darkness by the big blaze, a few articles of wearing apparel and furniture were carried out of the building but the roof soon fell and the house with nearly all of the fixtures and furniture was quickly consumed.

It was a small four room dwelling valued at \$800 or \$900 on which \$300 insurance was carried and \$100 policy was held on the furniture. The cause of the blaze cannot be accounted for but it is supposed to have started by rats or mice gnawing in a box of matches which were in the kitchen of the house. The fire was so far advanced when discovered that it was impossible to trace the blaze to its origin and the real facts in the case will undoubtedly remain a mystery.

It was considered very lucky by the afflicted family with their inadequate fire fighting facilities, that the wind was not blowing the gale that it had so many nights this week. Although there was a strong breeze, the flames were prevented from spreading to the barns and other buildings.

The unfortunate family were brought into the city and at present are staying at the residence of Mark Buttrey until they can arrange plans as to what they will do in the future. It is certainly a case of troubles never coming singly for last evening about dark Mr. Elliot lost one of the best horses he possessed. The animal had been sick for the past few weeks. Yesterday it grew worse and died at the place last night.

The big blaze at the late hour of the night lit up the surrounding country for a great distance and some of the Plattsouth people seeing the flames thought it was a small house not far from the place, which is owned by W. L. Pickett. Mr. Pickett was notified and he hurried down town at about one-thirty to investigate, but was greatly relieved to find that it was a safe distance from his property and there was nothing wrong at the place.

Order Nine Hour Day.

A pleasant announcement was received from the Burlington this morning that the time of the employees will be increased. Orders were received today to put the track repair men on a nine hour day which increases their work by an hour a day. This change will affect about 120 men who are employed at work in this vicinity. The repair work of the company has increased sufficiently to again warrant the additional hour of work which is gladly welcomed by the men.



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