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## PLATTSMOUTH BASE BALL TEAM "BRINGS HOME THE BACON"

Secures First Prize at Tabor Tournament by Defeating Tabor in Hotly Fought Contest by Score of 4 to 3.

From Friday's Daily.

Last night was sure a "hot time in the old town," there being more enthusiasm and genuine merriment displayed upon the streets than has been noticed by the oldest citizens for a great many moons. This genuine good feeling began to fill the hearts of each and every citizen of Plattsmouth immediately after the close of the ball game at Tabor, Ia., yesterday, when Manager Brantner telephoned the good news to the people at home that the big game was over and the score was four to three in favor of the home team. From this moment a spirit of proudness began to fill every Plattsmouth citizen's heart and long before the train was scheduled to arrive there was fully 500 people upon the streets awaiting the arrival of the Johnson special from the east. They were accompanied by the M. W. A. band and formed a procession at the upper end of Main street and marched to the depot about the time the train was expected to arrive. For some reason Yardmaster Reynolds' train was delayed in the yards, and did not make the trip to the Junction till about eleven o'clock, and arriving here about half past eleven. The larger portion of the people had grown tired of waiting and gone home, but there being plenty left to let the people of the town know there was something going on when the train pulled in.

Manager Brantner and the entire home team were no doubt about the happiest set of fellows in western Iowa at the close of the big game yesterday afternoon, but we venture the assertion their joy at that hour was in no comparison with the feeling that filled their hearts when they landed on old Nebraska soil, and even at that late hour to see so many glad hands to welcome them back, and if possible, to share a large portion of the well earned victory.

When you are told that Tabor had a good base ball team, this we are told, only half expresses it, for they have a good team at home, and then we are told they had several better ones that were not at home only for the time being, but when it came to playing ball they were all at home all the time. The Red Sox were booked immediately for the big game with Tabor on Thursday afternoon as everybody knew that Randolph and Sidney had no chance for the first place. So all you could hear on the diamond or in the town or miles around was wait till Thursday. (Plattsmouth and Tabor) that's the big game of the tournament. This being the situation it was expected that the Tabor team would hold their best for the last, for they well knew the other two teams were easy victims, and the Plattsmouth game was the one they wanted, and every effort would be exerted to get it.

Plattsmouth immediately got in the same boat with Tabor, simply winning the first two games with ease, taking good care of themselves and being in good trim for the finish. This fact was certainly demonstrated in the finish game the way they played ball. They are credited with having played the game without a single error, making sufficient hits to pass four men around the bases and holding Tabor down to three. This gave the people of Tabor one of the best games ever played on their diamond, one that pleased the people in every particular, and closed one of the most successful tournaments ever held in southwest Iowa.

Bardwell pitched the first four innings of the game when Peterson was placed in the box for the remaining five, but after two outs in the ninth inning, with two men on bases, a left handed batter came in and Peterson, owing to his eyesight being bad, he knew he was unable to deliver the ball for the left handed batter, and Manager Brantner at the request of Mr. Peterson, put Barney in the box for the last third of the inning. The first man up walked to first base, filling the bases. The left handed man came to the bat, and made the out, retiring the side with the score of four to three.

The Tabor people were well pleased with the excellent manner in which the Red Sox conducted themselves, both in the game on and off the diamond, and the Red Sox are unanimous in pronouncing Tabor one of the best little cities they have ever visited. They are in the highest praise for the officials of the tournament for their kind and courteous treatment to them, and were extended a most cordial invitation to return at a very near date for an exhibition game, as they believe a return game between Tabor and Plattsmouth will draw the largest crowd into their little town that they have seen to a ball game or most any other occasion.

PLATTSMOUTH.					
	A. B.	R.	H. P. O.	A. E.	
Beal, cf	5	0	1	2	0
Droege, 3b	4	0	1	1	4
Fitzgerald, 2d	3	0	1	3	2
McCauley, 1b	4	1	1	10	0
Mason, lf	4	0	0	4	1
Herald, c	4	1	1	4	1
Larson, ss	2	1	0	2	1
Peterson, rf	3	0	1	1	1
Bardwell, p	4	1	1	1	2
Total	31	4	7	28	12

Plattsmouth made three earned runs and one on an overthrow; one two-base hit. Peterson struck out three men and Bardwell one; double plays one, Peterson to McCauley. Time of game 1 hour, 40 minutes.

TABOR.					
	A. B.	R.	H. P. O.	A. E.	
Johnson, cf	3	1	0	0	0
Shuffler, 2b	5	0	2	1	2
Burbaugh, 1b	5	1	2	12	0
Laird, 3b	4	0	2	2	3
Hall, rf	4	0	0	11	2
Hall, lf	4	0	1	0	0
Kennedy, lf	4	2	1	1	0
Broadback, p	4	0	0	2	5
Hume, ss	3	0	0	0	2
Total	36	3	8	27	14

Notes of the Big Game. Quite a number of Plattsmouth people were in attendance during the three days.

The Red Sox played a much stronger game than they have at any game of the season. They had to in order to win.

The game seemed to be one for the fielders and both the out and infield for the Red Sox were in the game from start to finish.

The \$400 purse or prizes was quartered as follows: Plattsmouth first, \$150; Tabor second, \$100; Sidney third, \$80; and Randolph fourth, \$70.

The base running was good with Beal, Droege, Fitzgerald and Larson in the lead, but all the players were up to their usual high standard in this line.

The score shows only one two-base hit made by the Red Sox, but two clean two-baggers were made, McCauley making one and Peterson the other.



Finder Nailing High One.

The Red Sox evidently played the best game of ball of the season, and without a doubt the best organized and playing team the city has ever had and we should all be proud of them.

Both teams seemed to have on their batting rags as they hit the

ball hard and often, but the fielding was simply the best ever, and the ball was kept on the move all the time, seldom finding a resting place on the ground.

Both Bardwell and Peterson did good work in the box, and the hits were kept down to eight, while Pete Herold, the boss back stop, was there for every occasion, and played the game all the time.

The double play made by Peterson to McCauley at first was a dandy. Peterson nailed the straight line drive, coming from the bat hit by a heavy batter and the umpire hardly seen the ball before it landed in Mc's hands, stopping the batter and the man running from first to second.

The infield was exceptionally good, Larson and Fitzgerald making good plays in cutting off what in most all cases would have proven safe hits, but the runners were nailed at first. Droege played a fine third, and McCauley was far above his average at first.

That Finder boy is sure coming to the front, and if he continues his present rapid strides he will be on the top round before the season ends. He is climbing mighty fast, and is playing good ball at every round. He made some strong plays in the Tabor games.

The first score was made by Larson on a hit made by Bardwell, the second Bardwell scored on the hit made by Beal, and the third man around was Beal, going to third by a hit made by Droege, and Beal scored on hit made by Fitzgerald, and Droege scored on passed ball.

The play in left field by Mason was the sensational one of the game. The ball was batted to the extreme out field far beyond him, but was run down in time to drive it back to the home plate in time to nail the base runner by Herold as the man attempted to slide in. This was conceded by all to be one of the prettiest plays made during the tournament.

When an umpire can give general satisfaction to about forty players, thousands of spectators, draw his salary and go home greatly admired for his squareness by all, he is surely up to the game and believes in dealing fair. This is the record of the umpire during the Tabor tournament. His name is Charles Faber who played here some time ago with the Townsend Gun club of Omaha.

Finds His Father Better.

J. A. Russell of Branden, McPherson county, Neb., arrived this morning to visit his father, S. S. Russell who resides on the other side of the Missouri, and who suffered a stroke of apoplexy a short time ago. Mr. Russell finds that his father is better and that some of the children have returned home, believing that their father is on the way to recovery. Mr. S. S. Russell is about 87 years of age and has been in quite poor health for a few weeks.

Misses Mary and Thelma Carlyle of Omaha who have been guests of Mrs. Charles Carlson for a few days returned to their home this afternoon. They were accompanied home by Miss Jessie Whalen who will visit the Omaha friends for a time.

Miss Fannie Hefflin of Marysville, Mo., who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. A. R. Osborn for two weeks, returned to her home this afternoon. Mrs. Osborn accompanied her sister to Marysville and will visit her parents and other relatives for a time.

Interview Officials.

From Friday's Daily. F. P. Sheldon, J. M. Palmer and R. C. Pollard, representing the Nebraska Commercial club, motored to the hub today and interviewed the county attorney and other officials concerning the grading of seven miles of country street, commencing on the "O street" road a mile south of Nehawka and extending west seven miles. This is the main thoroughfare leading in to Nehawka from the west and the stipulation of the contractor was to elevate the road in the center 18 inches with a 24 foot surface at the top of the road. On measurement in nineteen hit and miss places along the seven miles stretch the commercial club contends that the average was only 9 inches, or one half the stipulated elevation. It is the purpose of the gentlemen from Nehawka to have the road brought up to the required elevation before the money is paid over.

Ed. Tut who has been spending a couple of weeks in Texas, arrived last evening on the Missouri Pacific.

## BASEBALL TOURNAMENT HERE

Similar to That Held Annually at Tabor, Iowa.

Those who attended the ball tournament at Tabor, Ia., this week from Plattsmouth, return home filled with enthusiasm for a similar meeting in our own town, and organized in the same manner. Stock is taken by those who favor the proposition thusly: Each stockholder pays five dollars to insure the payment of purses offered. Each subscriber is entitled to admission to all games, and in the wind up the surplus is divided among the stockholders. The tournament members at Tabor each received \$12 for the \$5 invested, which demonstrates that the investment was a paying one. For next year Tabor could have fifty more stockholders than was needed, but all they want is enough to guarantee the payment of purses offered.

It is proposed to hold the tournament in Plattsmouth some time the latter part of September, if the necessary number of tickets are sold and we can't see why we have not one hundred citizens who will come right to the front and show they have as much enterprise as the people of the village of Tabor with its 1,500 inhabitants. Start the ball to rolling right now, as the Journal believes the necessary number of tickets can be sold in less than no time. Every subscriber is assured the return of his subscription with at least a small per cent on his investment, and maybe a larger per cent than he could possibly expect. Such an enterprise will bring many strangers to Plattsmouth, and in a way, be a big advertisement for the town. Already the Red Sox have proved a big advertisement for Plattsmouth, and the record they made at Tabor is one that every citizen should be proud of. Boost the ball tournament for there is etaoshirduetaolment for all their is in it.

There will be a representative of the tournament call on you tomorrow or Monday to see how you feel in regard to the matter, and how many shares of \$5.00 each that they can secure. You are sure of at least a part of your money back, and perhaps all of it. This depends on the attendance for the gate receipts will be returned to the stockholders. It will probably require \$600 to defray all expenses. \$400 offered in prizes, about \$200 for band and other expenses. This is a proposition where you cannot lose but very little if any, so give it a glad hand and subscribe for as many shares as you feel able.

Build Bridge on Ferry Road.

Commissioner M. L. Friedrich and the Lincoln Construction company's bridge gang went to the place where the bridge over the outlet to Happy Hollow is to be constructed today, and started the structure. The pile driver with two teams and men to operate the plant assembled at the place. The material for the bridge has been on the ground for several days. The bridge will be about twenty feet long and will complete the work commenced by the Plattsmouth Commercial club in opening the bottom road at least as far as the ferry. This will make the road good for the Iowa trade so long as the ferry can operate. The scheme to construct a road by the river side for a few miles below the ferry is a good one and has the backing of the commercial club and will no doubt be completed in time. This will make a good road free from hills to all the territory adjacent to Rock Bluffs, so that farmers can bring their produce to the Plattsmouth market with little trouble.

Sprains Ankle.

Julius Neilson, engineer in the Burlington yards, had the misfortune to sprain his ankle last Monday so badly that he has been laying off since that time. Mr. Neilson got his injury by vaulting over a fence to witness his neighbor hive a swarm of bees. He did not care to take the time to go to the gate but sprang over the fence as he had done many times before but on this occasion he lighted on uneven ground and the ankle turned. Mr. Neilson has been under the doctor's care since but will soon be around again.

Bob Propet of Mynard was a visitor today in the city looking after some business items.

Does Business Out of Town.

John Bauer returned last evening from a trip to Union and Nehawka and Avoca where he has figured on putting in heating plants. This enterprising firm has placed some out of town business during the year just past which speaks well for Plattsmouth industry and help to keep the old town on the map. As a result of their skill and close figures heating plants have placed as follows: Three at Avoca, two at Louisville, three at Nebraska City, and one at each of the following: South Bend, Cedar Creek, Union and South Omaha.

## WILES FAMILY IN ANNUAL REUNION

Two Hundred and Twenty-five Members of Family Present

The annual reunion of the Wiles family was held yesterday on the Iowa side of the river. Last year it will be remembered that the reunion was held at the home of Thomas Wiles, Jr., near this city.

On this occasion all of the relationship were invited to the home of Mr. C. L. Wiles which is the old Mills county homestead of Grandfather Thomas Wiles.

Three automobiles and several carriages of the Nebraska branch of the family kept ferryman Jim Ault going for some time yesterday morning. There were 122 descendants of Thomas Wiles, Sr., deceased, present at the old homestead yesterday. Forty-six of these were from Cass county, A. L. Wiles from Richardson county, Neb., and Paul Egle from Omaha, Ia., the remaining seventy-four guests were of the Mills county residents.

Next year it is planned to hold the reunion on this side of the Missouri. One member of the family here is near the age of eighty-five years of age and the family will probably meet at her home next year, if not with her, then with some other of the Wiles family on this side. The dinner was a feature of the occasion and was nicely cooked and well served in a manner the Iowa housewife so well knows how to do.

Returns From Weeping Water.

From Friday's Daily. L. A. Moor and wife, H. A. Schneider, C. H. Taylor, E. H. Wescott and C. D. Quinton who went to the fraternal picnic at Weeping Water yesterday returned last evening with the exception of C. H. Taylor, who tarried at his home in Union till this morning when he also returned to Plattsmouth. The entire party were pleased with the trip and the entertainment furnished by the Weeping Water people. The place for holding the picnic is an ideal one, amphetamine made by nature and covered by a canopy of green leaves also contributed by nature has been improved by laying concrete stringers up the hill slope with proper angles on which the plank for the seats are laid. The park there is fine and convenient to the business part of the city and but a short distance from the ball park. The Nebraska City band furnished the music, the program covering about two hours in the afternoon. A speaker on fraternalism was present from Lincoln. William Hayward of Nebraska City was billed for a speech but did not show up.

Telephone in Court.

A special from Lincoln under date of August 25, says: "The Nebraska Telephone company today applied to the supreme court for an order modifying the injunction restraining it from taking over the Plattsmouth, Papillion and Nebraska City Telephone companies which it bought recently. Arguments were made by Byron Clark and E. M. Morseman, Jr. The suit is to prohibit the Nebraska from taking over any lines on the plea that it is forming a telephone combination. It was alleged in the argument that these lines are non-competitive and do not come within the purview of the plaintiff's petition. It was said that Judge Reese twenty-five years ago in laying down the state law held physical connection between telephones, when demanded, could be legally demanded as a subscriber's right when it was possible."

W. C. T. U. Convention.

In the recent convention held at Weeping Water, the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Belle Miles, Louisville; Vice President, Mrs. Oella Kirkpatrick, Nehawka; Secretary, Miss Fenn, Weeping Water; Treasurer, Mrs. Olive Moore, Plattsmouth. In the oratorical contest, Miss Mildred Cummins won the gold medal, and in the musical contest, Miss Mina Therolf won the silver medal. Notwithstanding the terrible heat the convention was one of the best held in the county. Speeches, enthusiastic papers, fine music of the best order, and the hospitality of the Weeping Water homes beyond praise. Most of the delegates remained for the fraternal picnic, and thus brought to a close in a most enjoyable manner the W. C. T. U. convention of 1910.

Mrs. D. R. Corley and son, Raymond, arrived from Omaha this morning and will visit Mrs. Corley's parents, M. Archer and wife for a time. They were accompanied by Mrs. Corley's little niece, Alice Schwalenberg.

## MISSOURI PACIFIC SPENDING MONEY

Ten Millions Being Used in Track Improvements.

By January 1, 1911, the Missouri Pacific railroad will have spent \$10,000,000 in improvements in less than one year. Reports of work already done show that 900 miles of track have been ballasted heavily, 65,000 of new rails laid and 5,000 tons of heavy bridge construction have been placed in position.

The improvements have not been confined to any one locality, but have been general. In Kansas the road has been particularly active in betterments. The main line between Kansas City and Pueblo has been ballasted and in many places new steel has been laid. Two years ago this line was in bad shape and late trains were frequent, but with a liberal expenditure of money it has been put in good condition.

Another line in Kansas that has received a similar course of treatment is the Central branch. Over the greater part of the line, new and heavier rails have replaced the old ones, and new ties have been laid. The line is in much better condition than ever before. It always has been a good paying line, but profits have not always gone back into the property. The work now is incomplete but is being pushed, and will be pushed as long as the weather permits, and then work will be resumed again in warmer weather. The work has been included in the budget of disbursements and material has been ordered for the entire branch.

The improvement isn't expected to come all at once. In a recent mortgage of \$175,000,000, which provides for refunding existing obligations, \$82,000,000 has been reserved for extensions, improvements and equipment on the Missouri Pacific and Iron Mountain sections of the system. This is intended to be distributed at the rate of \$10,000,000 a year.

The Missouri Pacific during the past year has laid 130 miles of second main track in Illinois, Missouri, Arkansas and Kansas. A new yard and terminal, containing several miles of tracks, at Holington, Kas., will be completed this year. A new intermediate terminal at Falls City, Neb., containing ten miles of track now is ready for service.

Next year much of the expense undergone this year will be unnecessary and officials of the company hope to put more of the 1911 budget into actual track improvements.

Prof. Gamble and Wife Return.

Prof. J. W. Gamble returned last evening from a two months vacation at the lakes in Minnesota. The professor is looking the picture of health and returns no doubt with renewed energy to wrestle with the intricate educational problems which will present themselves for solution. Mrs. Gamble who returned from Minnesota about a month ago and who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Herman Thomas at Fort Crook, Neb., and at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Dungan at Grand Island, Neb., met Mr. Gamble at Omaha and accompanied him to their home in this city. Mrs. Dungan of Grand Island accompanied Mrs. Gamble to this city for a visit at the Gamble home.