PREPARING FOR THE BATTLE.

Candidates and Their Adherents Already Swarm at Lincoln.

MERCER'S ROOMS FILLED WITH FRIENDS.

He Talks Freely and With an Air of Confidence—Political News from All Over the State.

LINCOLN, Neb., July 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Politicians are thick in Lincoln tonight. States are being made, but as few delegates have arrived, they argue nothing. Candidates and the usual crowd of boomers and hangers-on fill the corridors of the old Capitol hotel, the scene of many conflicts. Poor cigars are free and plentiful, and confidences are being exchanged in every room.

Dr. Mercer has his rooms filled with friends; he talks to the boys and declares that the stroke of lightning that heralded his arrival in Lincoln at noon today means something.

Jack MacColl, with Will Hall and Poore of the Kearney Enterprise, occupies a room and receives visitors, and asserts them that he is in the race until the battle is done.

L. D. Richards, with his right bower, Ross Hammond, arrived from Fremont about 9 o'clock, and as I called at his room about twenty minutes ago he was receiving consolation from Charley Hall, like Raymond and C. E. Burr. Richards said that he had nothing to say except that he would bet that his chances were as good as any of 'em.

In Tom Benton's room smoke was thick and Ben Cowdery sat with his legs across a chair looking out in a sweep of space. Garber of the state board of transportation, Tom's man Friday, was also there, and Mr. Benton insisted that things were "coming his way."

Dan Osgood, who wants to be an attorney general, is on the ground with Joe Esterday, Jud Wright, Jeff Brown and others as his lieutenants.

George Hastings is also in the city, as is St. Rayner of Sidney. Hastings has many friends on the ground, but it is impossible to tell who will be chosen to wear the broad brogans of William Leese.

E. A. Barton of Hamilton county, candidate for superintendedt of public instruction, is hanging out at the Capital.

Henry Gooshans of Sutton is here booming J. W. Johnson for secretary of state.

Hill, Stewart and Lansing have headquarters and are circulating with the rest of the hopeful, happy ones.

A portion of the Lancaster county delegation called at Mr. Mercer's room this evening and it is evident that there is no ill-feeling.

As the convention does not meet until 8 o'clock Wednesday, the crowd and excitement at this time are unusual for over two days in advance.

Governor Thayer came in from Omaha this evening and says that he feels that he is holding his own.

That there will be a stormy and exciting time Wednesday night the most conservative admit.

The Heavens Boom Mercer.

LINCOLN, Neb., July 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—A most remarkable electrical phenomenon occurred just at noon today in front of the Capitol hotel and if there is anything in portents the oracle may be interpreted as one favorable to the gubernatorial chances of Dr. Mercer. Just at the time the gentleman was stepping from a carriage in front of the Capitol hotel, having just come from Omaha, a flash of lightning from a leaden sky exploded in the air less that forty feet from the place where the doctor alighted. To the friends meeting the distinguished Omahan the report sounded like a pistol shot and they laughingly referred to the noise as a welcome salute. But further away the noise of the report was perfectly deafening and hundreds of people flocked to the scene, thinking that a great explosion had occurred. The ground trembled, houses were shaken and considerable consternation was caused. The report was heard in all parts of the city. The most peculiar phase of the phenomenal event was that there has been neither any lightning nor rain here all morning. Local scientists believe that the flash and noise were caused by the explosion of a meteor, but no fragments can be found.

High License vs Prohibition.

SPRINGFIELD, Neb., July 21.—[Special to THE BEE.]—About two hundred men, women and children assembled in Spearman's park yesterday afternoon to hear Colonel C. S. Ellsworth speak on the benefits of high license vs prohibition. The speaker was introduced by Chairman J. G. Behm. Among other things he said: I do not come here to make any false statements. I have $50 to give to any one who can disprove any statement I may make here this afternoon. I did not come here to defend the saloons of your state. I did not come here to bulldoze any one, but I did come here to show you people, if I can, the fallacy of prohibition as it has been tried in states now under prohibition rule and has been found wanting. Prohibition does not mean temperance, far from it. Prohibition does not prohibit. Prohibition has not one single victory it city, state or nation. Remember the $50 on that statement. Prohibition makes perjurers, falsifiers, liars, hypocrites and has worked more injury to the church than the liquor traffic ever has. Thess being the facts, and I will prove them so before I am done, what do you people of Nebraska want with prohibition?

I am not here in the pay of any political party—not in the pay of any one. I am not a property owner in your state; I am a poor man, but I came here expecting to become a citizen of your state. I have had experience with this prohibition question. For sixteen long years I labored among the Good Templars of this nation. I delivered 7,000 temperance lectures in that time and extended the hand of fellowship to 65,000 Good Templars of this nation. They have accomplished a great amount of work on the temperance line. The good effect of their work has been destroyed by scheming and cunning politicians, who have crept into the order and yelled for prohibition.

I was a delegate in 1884 sent to help nominate John P. St. John for president. After I arrived at the convention and found that the democrats were furnishing the boodle to run the campaign with, I withdrew and returned home disgusted with prohibition. That is why I am here today talking anti-prohibition, because I know whereof I speak.

What is the church doing for temperance? They are yelling prohibition and asking God to close up all the breweries and saloons. Why, God bless you, friends, God never opened a brewery. God never took out a saloon license. They even teach children to hate saloonkeepers; teach them to think that the saloonkeeper is the worst man on earth. Why don't they try to reform the saloonkeeper? It would be more Christ-like I am sure.

Nance County Republicans.

FULLERTON, Neb., July 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The republican county convention of Nance county met here this afternoon and selected a delegation to the state convention headed by Clarence E. Brady. The convention was well attended, large numbers of alliance men being present. The following resolutions were passed:

Resolved, That the republicans of Nance county, in convention assembled, deem it a pleasure to heartily endorse the candidacy of our honorable fellow citizen, George B. Meiklejohn, for the republican nomination for congress, and we hereby pledge him all the support Nance county can give him in furtherance of the same.

Resolved, That our delegates to the state convention be and are hereby instructed to use their influence and vote to defeat Messrs. Benton, Cowdery and Steen in their attempt to secure a renomination to their respective offices.

Resolved, That our delegates to the state convention be and are hereby instructed to use their influence towards selecting such persons to fill the state offices constituting the state board of transportation as will fairly and honestly face the issue now pending between the people and the railroads, and for such persons as favor the principle of maximum freight rates.

Resolved, That it is the sense of the convention that L. D. Richards is the most desirable candidate in the field for governor of the state of Nebraska.

Clay County Republicans.

CLAY CENTER, Neb., July 21.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The following resolutions were adopted at the recent Clay county republican convention:

We heartily indorse the course of President Harrison and his cabinet.

We are in favor of free sugar, salt, timber and coal, and a reduction of the tariff on all other necessaries of life.

We are in favor of a maximum rate bill in this state reducing freight rates to within 10 per cent of the present Iowa rates, and providing for joint freight rates similar to those now in force in Iowa.

The majority of the state board of transportation having failed and refused to give farmers and producers of the state any relief from the present exorbitant freight charges, we are opposed to the nomination or renomination of any one who is in favor of the present freight rates, and the delegates from this county to the state convention are instructed to vote for candidates in sympathy with this resolution and who will pledge themselves in favor of a reduction in the present rates of freight.

That we heartily endorse the action of the interstate commerce commission in its order reducing freight rates from the Missouri river to Chicago from 20 cents to 17 cents per hundred on grain.

That we recognize in our fellow citizen, Hon. D. M. Nettleton, a successful farmer of unquestionable ability and integrity, a good soldier, and one who has the complete confidence of the people of Clay county, as one who will be a faithful and able representative of the people as opposed to corporate control, and we present his name to the republicans of this district as a candidate for congress, and request from the republican state convention that no candidate for secretary of state be selected from this county.

Polk County Republicans.

OSCEOLA, Neb., July 21.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The republican county convention was held here Saturday, and was the most harmonious convention in many years. Every precinct in the county except two was represented by full delegations, and a good share of them were old soldiers. Out of fourteen delegates to the state and congressional conventions eleven are soldiers. The delegation to the state convention was headed by W. A. Post and to the congressional convention by H. G. Lowe. They have no instructions, only they are pledged, the soldier part of them, to stand by the soldier first, last and all the time. Delegates were also elected to the judicial convention that meets at York today, and they will support Judge Smith for renomination. Another convention will be held for the nomination of county officers.

Buffalo County Republicans.

KEARNEY, Neb., July 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The republican county convention met here today and nominated F. S. Fulmer of Gibbon and Nathan Grimes of Stanley for representatives; both are farmers and members of the farmers' alliance. The delegates to the state convention are headed by Hon. R. K. Potter. Ira D. Marston of Kearney was nominated for county attorney on reclamation. Judge F. G. Hamer was strongly endorsed for congress. The delegates will attend the state convention unpledged.

Garfield County Republicans.

BURWELL, Neb., July 21.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The Garfield county republican convention was held at this place Saturday. J. W. Newman was nominated for county attorney and M. Newton for county commissioner. B. B. Fitzgerald was allowed to select a delegation to the representative convention favorable to himself. H. T. Johns headed the delegation to the state convention. They are uninstructed, but are supposed to favor Macoll for governor. R. McClimans headed the delegation to the congressional convention and is understood to be in favor of Dorsey.

Thayer County Republicans.

HEBRON, Neb., July 21.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The republican county convention met Saturday. The platform adopted favors the free coinage of silver, is against the McKinley bill, wants the present railroad commission abolished and one elected by people direct. W. H. Dow, a farmer and county alliance organizer, was nominated for representative, Robert Rolston for county commissioner, and M. S. Gray for county attorney. The state and senatorial delegates were instructed.

Platte County Republicans.

COLUMBUS, Neb., July 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The republican county convention met this afternoon to elect delegates to the congressional and state conventions and nominate a county ticket. The attendance was not so large as usual, many townships not being represented on account of the alliance movement. The delegation to the state convention is headed by W. A. McAllister.

Burt County Republicans.

TEKAMAH, Neb., July 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The republican convention of Burt county met here today and placed in nomination Hon. Fremont Everett of Lyons for representative and W. G. Sear of Oakland for county attorney. The delegation to the congressional convention is solid for Dorsey and it is thought that the delegates to the state convention will favor Thayer. Resolutions favorable to the prohibitory amendment were adopted.

Dawson County Republicans.

LEXINGTON, Neb., July 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The Dawson county republican convention met Saturday. A resolution was read and adopted endorsing McColl for governor, and asking him to name the eight delegates to the state convention. They were named and instructed to use all honorable means to secure the nomination of Mr. McColl for governor.

Loup County Republicans.

TAYLOR, Neb., July 21.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The Loup county republican convention met Saturday. The delegation to the state convention is headed by William Belcher, to the congressional convention by George F. Scott and to the senatorial convention by A. M. Gurnsey.

Sarpy County Republicans.

PAPILLION, Neb., July 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—At the Sarpy county republican convention the delegation to the state convention was headed by A. W. Clarke, and to the congressional convention by William Kugkendall. T. S. Roberts was nominated for representative; and J. M. Wood for commissioner.

Frank Counted In.

HASTINGS, Neb., July 21.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—The report sent to an Omaha morning paper of an unfair count at the republican county convention Saturday, by which Frank, declared the nominee, would have been defeated, is today controverted by a recount of the final ballot, giving Frank three majority over all.

Crete Democrats Meet.

CRETE, Neb., July 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The democratic county central committee met today at Wilber. A motion not to call a county convention at present passed by a unanimous vote. The central committee was instructed to name delegates to the state and congressional conventions, all of which was passed without discussion.

Democrats at Wilber.

WILBER, Neb., July 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The Saline county democratic central committee met today and after electing delegates to the state and congressional convention adjourned, subject to call of chairman. The delegates to the state convention are headed by W. G. Hastings and to the congressional by S. S. Alley.

German Voters Will Meet.

BEATRICE, Neb., July 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—A mass meeting of German voters of Gage county is called to meet in the auditorium, this city, Monday evening next, to take action in completing an organization for the current campaign against prohibition. The call is signed by the leading Germans of the city.

People's Convention at Macon.

FRANKLIN, Neb., July 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The people's convention was held at Macon today. T. J. Williams was nominated for representative and H. W. Palmer for county attorney. The delegation to the state convention is headed by James Demmick.

Nuckolls County Republicans.

NELSON, Neb., July 12.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The republican county convention passed off harmoniously, county officers being nominated by acclamation. Commissioner, J. L. Schell; attorney, S. A. Searle; clerk of court, J. W. Pearce; surveyor, A. M. McReynolds; representative, James Hanthorn. Congressional, state and senatorial delegates were elected; uninstructed.

Divided on the Issue.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., July 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The farmers' alliance and Knights of Labor of Otoe county have decided to hold a people's convention July 25, the primaries for which will be held July 24. The local Knights of Labor are divided on the issue.

A Call Issued.

BEATRICE, Neb., July 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—A call was issued today for a people's caucus, to be held Thursday evening, to select delegates to a people's independent county convention, to be held in this city on July 26.

STATE NEWS.

Fairmont Affairs.

FAIRMONT, Neb., July 21.—[Special to THE BEE.]—Frederic Hodgson, a farmer living about two miles northwest of town, had a valuable mare stolen last night. There is no clue to the thief though strenuous efforts are being made for his capture.

At a meeting of the school board Saturday evening the former principal, J. S. VanEaton, was re-elected, and the following were elected as his assistants: Mrs. C. M. Clark and Misses Laura Bock, Viola Farrar, Nellie Curtiss and Hattie Dewey. The school year commences the second Monday in September.

Terrific Storm at Crawford.

CRAWFORD, Neb., July 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Either a cloud burst or an unheard-of rain occurred here at 10 o'clock last night, flooding the town. The two culverts, each five feet wide, were not sufficient to pass the water, and houses were flooded, outbuildings carried off, wagons, carriages and carriage houses overturned. No serious damage was done, however. THE BEE correspondent was at Chadron last night and a very hard rain fell there, flooding the streets, but no serious damage is reported.

Hall County's Crop Prospects.

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., July 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The rainfall the past two days has insured good crops for Hall county. Mr. Oxnard, the proprietor of the beet sugar factory, is well pleased with the present prospects. He offered $80 per acre for several acres of beets, but it was refused. National Bank Examiner Griffiths was here today on business and paid the factory a visit, and was surprised at the magnitude of the enterprise. He says that nothing yet printed gave a good idea of its proportions.

Storm at Dakota City.

DAKOTA CITY, Neb., July 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—This place was visited last night by the hardest rainstorm for over two years. The rain began about 3 a. m. and lasted for several hours, the water falling in torrents all the time. Had it not been for this rain the crops in the county would have been a failure, as the ground had become dry as powder for a depth of five feet. A large crop of corn is now assured, but small grain will bear a very small crop.

The Home Team Wins.

FONTENELLE, Neb., July 21.—[Special to THE BEE.]—There was a game of base ball played here yesterday between the Nickerson and home teams, which resulted in a score of 34 to 8 in favor of the home team. Batteries for Brewers, L. Cook, J. Cook; for Nickerson, Hunter, Myers and Muddock. Struck out, by Cook 14; by Hunter 4.

Millinery Stock Attached.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., July 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The millinery and notion stock of Harvey & Harvey was today attached by Englehart, Wining & Co., for $512, claiming intent to defraud on the part of defendants.

The New Receiver.

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., July 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—D. C. Hall, the new receiver of the United States land office, with family, arrived today from Scotia. He will take possession of his office, which has been moved into the new City National bank building, August 1.

Residence Struck by Lightning.

FRIEND, Neb., July 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The residence of T. M. Huron, during an electric storm here today, was struck by lightning, doing some damage to the house and slightly injuring his little girl.

Wilber 13, Crete 10.

CRETE, Neb., July 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—A game of base ball between Wilber and Crete resulted in favor of Wilber by a score of 13 to 10. One of the Wilber players was seriously hurt during the game.

Broke Her Arm.

PAWNEE CITY, Neb., July 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—John Casey's little girl met with a serious accident last evening by falling off a gate post and breaking her arm.

THE WORLD'S FAIR.

The Site Discussed by the Chicago City Council.

CHICAGO, Ill., July 21.—At tonight's meeting of the city council the world's fair matter came up, a communication from the directors being read advocating an amendment to the world's fair ordinance so as to make it possible to use the lake front, and praying action and favorable consideration of the ordinance submitted by the directors. After much desultory discussion the proposed amendments were read and section 2 adopted without a dissenting voice.

Sections 3 and 4 were postponed and section 5 read as amended by the directors. Alderman Kent wanted the amendments stricken out and proposed a substitute. Alderman McAbee made a stirring address, scoring the obstruction tactics and advocating a reference of the whole matter to a committee to confer with the world's fair directors and draft and ordinance which could be unanimously passed by the council. The directors present expressed their concurrence in this idea, and after much further talk it was resolved to appoint a committee of four aldermen from the West side, three from the South and three from the North side to carry out the plan proposed. The council then adjourned until Wednesday evening.

Don't Like the Bill.

PARIS, July 21.—In the chamber of deputies today M. Ribot, minister of foreign affairs, replying to an interpolation in regard to negotiations with the powers relative to the American customs administrative bill, said the government had been in negotiation with other European powers with regard to trying concerted and collective action against the bill. The other powers, he said, were averse to entering into any engagements in connection with the matter. M. Ribot declared that he feared further action would defeat its own object. M. Dupuy hoped M. Ribot would strenuously try to secure from the United States government a moderate application of the provisions of the bill. In any case, he declared, the French customs committee know now what course to adopt.

A Colorado Wreck.

DENVER, Colo., July 21.—The Rock Island express, No. 14, went through a bridge about one mile west of Lyman tonight. The conductor thinks that they have found every one except the engineer. One man was badly hurt and several slightly injured.

The Empress Frederick at Gibraltar.

GIBRALTAR, July 21.—[Special Cablegram to THE BEE.]—The Empress Frederick of Germany has arrived here on a visit. The shipping in the harbor was decorated on her arrival and a salute was fired in her honor.

IN THE FIELD OF SPORT,

Omaha Shut Out for the Second Time by Milwaukee.

A DULL AND UNINTERESTING GAME.

Several Celebrated Speeders Entered for the Blue Ribbon Races at Detroit Today—Turf and Diamond News.

	Played.	Won.	Lost.	Per Ct.
Minneapolis	69	44	25	.638
Milwaukee	71	44	27	.620
Kansas City	64	36	28	.563
Denver	67	37	30	.552
Sioux City	67	34	34	.503
Des Moines	68	29	39	.426
Omaha	70	29	41	.414
St. Paul	67	20	47	.299

Milwaukee 7, Omaha 0.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., July 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Omaha was shut out today for the second time in the series. Thornton was the man mainly responsible for the performance, the seven scattering singles secured off of him resulting in nothing. The Brewers played an errorless fielding and battery game, but the exhibition was dull and listless for the reason that Omaha wasn't in it at any stage. A brilliant one-handed catch of a hot liner by Alberts, and the same performance by Newman in left field, served to slightly awaken the 500 people present to an appreciation of the fact that a ball game was in progress. Really it was a pretty exhibition of ball playing, but lacked the necessary stimulant in the fact that Milwaukee kept a long start. Willis wasn't hit very often by the Brewers, who earned but one run, but the gentleman in the box for Omaha forced in a run with a base on balls in the first inning, and immediately afterward a wild pitch allowed two more Brewers to score. Omaha closes the series tomorrow and Cushman expects his men to make it four straight. Sowders will probably pitch for the visitors. He signed a contract with Manager Leonard today. The score:

MILWAUKEE.	R	B	O	A	E	OMAHA.	R	B	O	A	E
Poorman, m.	1	0	0	0	0	Canavan, lf.	0	0	2	0	1
Pettit, rf.	1	1	0	0	0	Walsh, ss.	0	1	0	5	0
Dalrymple, lf.	1	1	2	0	0	Kearns, rf.	0	2	1	0	0
Shock, ss.	1	0	2	4	0	Cleveland, 3b.	0	0	2	3	0
Morrissey, 1b.	1	1	13	1	1	Hanrahan, 2b.	0	0	2	1	1
Krieg, c.	2	1	4	1	0	Andrews, 1b.	0	0	15	0	0
Alberts, 3b.	0	2	2	3	0	Willis, p.	0	0	0	3	0
Welch, 2b.	0	0	2	2	0	Urquhart, c.	0	0	4	0	0
Thornton, p.	0	0	1	4	0	Newman, m.	0	1	3	0	0
Totals	7	6	27	15	1	Totals	0	7	27	15	2

BY INNINGS.

Milwaukee	3	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0—7
Omaha	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0—0

SUMMARY.

Earned run—Milwaukee 1. Two-base hit—Alberts. Three-base-hits—Pettit and Morrissey. Bases stolen—Andrews, Willis 2. Double play—Welch to Shock. Bases on balls—Milwaukee 6, Omaha 2. Struck out—By Thornton, 5; by Willis, 3. Passed ball—Urquhart. Wild pitch—Willis. Time—One hour and thirty minutes. Umpire—Hengle.

Postponed Games.

The Western association games at Minneapolis and St. Paul were postponed on account of rain.

National League.

AT CLEVELAND.

Cleveland	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	2—5
Boston	2	2	0	0	0	0	6	2	*—12

Hits—Cleveland 11, Boston 9. Errors—Cleveland 6, Boston 3. Batteries—Beaten and Zommer; Getzein and Bennett. Umpire—Strief.

AT PHILADELPHIA.

Philadelphia	0	5	2	0	2	2	1	2	6—20
Pittsburg	0	0	0	2	0	1	1	0	3—7

Hits—Philadelphia 21, Pittsburg 11. Errors—Philadelphia 4, Pittsburg 4. Batteries—Smith and Shriver; Hard and Decker. Umpire—Powers.

AT CHICAGO.

Chicago	3	0	1	0	1	2	0	0	0—7
New York	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0—2

Hits—Chicago 8, New York 8. Errors—Chicago 1, New York 4. Batteries—Hutchinson and Kettredge; Russie and Buckley. Umpire—Lynch.

AT CINCINNATI.

Brooklyn	0	0	0	3	1	1	6	0	0—11
Cincinnati	0	4	4	2	0	2	0	8	*—20

Hits—Brooklyn 8, Cincinnati 20. Errors—Brooklyn 5, Cincinnati 5. Batteries—Lovett, Terry and Clark; Foreman, Mullane and Harrington. Umpires—McQuaid and McDermott.

Players' League.

AT PITTSBURG.

Pittsburg	4	4	0	0	1	1	0	1	3—14
Philadelphia	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	0—5

Hits—Pittsburg 16, Philadelphia 6. Errors—Pittsburg 5, Philadelphia 5. Batteries—Galvin, Hurley and Carroll; Buffinton and Hallman. Umpires—Leach and Milligan.

AT CLEVELAND.

Cleveland	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0—4
Brooklyn	2	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0—5

Hits—Cleveland 9, Brooklyn 13. Errors—Cleveland 5, Brooklyn 7. Batteries—O'Brien and Sutcliffe; Weyhing and Kinslow. Umpires—Gaffney and Sheridan.

AT BUFFALO.

Buffalo	1	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0—5
New York	0	0	0	1	5	1	0	3	*—7

Hits—Buffalo 6, New York 12. Errors—Buffalo 5, New York 2. Batteries—Haddock and Mack; Ewing and Ewing. Umpires—Ferguson and Holbert.

AT CHICAGO.

Chicago	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	1	0—4
Boston	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0—1

Hits—Chicago 6, Boston 3. Errors—Chicago 1, Boston 1. Batteries—Baldwin and Boyle; Radbourne and Murphy. Umpires—Knight and Jones.

American Association.

AT PHILADELPHIA.

Athletic	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0—4
St. Louis	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	3	*—8

Hits—Athletic 7, St. Louis 15. Errors—Athletic 2, St. Louis 2. Batteries—Seward and Robinson; Ramsey and Wells. Umpire—Peoples.

AT SYRACUSE.

Syracuse	0	0	5	0	0	0	1	0	0—6
Toledo	0	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	0—4

Hits—Syracuse 13, Toledo 6. Errors—Syracuse 5, Toledo 3. Batteries—Casey and Briggs; Cushman and Stage. Umpire—Emslie.

AT ROCHESTER.

Rochester	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	4	0—10
Columbus	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	1	1—6

Hits—Rochester 13, Columbus 7. Errors—Rochester 7, Columbus 7. Batteries—Callaghan and McKeogh; Easton and O'Conner. Umpire—Curry.

AT LOUISVILLE.

Brooklyn	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0—4
Louisville	0	1	0	2	0	1	4	3	*—11

Hits—Brooklyn 8, Louisville 15. Errors—Brooklyn 6, Louisville 6. Batteries—Mattimore and Petz, Goodell and Ryan. Umpire—Doescher.

THE SPEED RING.

A Great Field of Horses.

DETROIT, Mich., July 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—There is a general gathering of trotting turfmen at this point for the annual Blue Ribbon meeting, which begins tomorrow at the driving park. Bud Doble has the largest string at the track, including such crack performers as Axtell, Jack, Johnston, Pouri, Lady Bullion and the team Reina and Betsy Brown. Axtell is only a few weeks out of stud, and it is slow work getting him in shape for engagements later on. Charles Marvin has eight California bred flyers, Sunol and Palo Alto among the number. Sunol has no engagement here, but Marvin has driven her a half in 1:04 and keeps her at an edge ready for all comers. Orrin A. Hickok, who has charge of the arrangements for matching the western queens, said today that he had received no reply from C. J. Hamlin of Buffalo about trotting Belle Hamlin against Sunol for $10,000 and the gate receipts, and has no idea that he will accept. Hickok has four horses entered here—Prince Warwick in the $10,000 stake, Alfred S and the pacers Adonis and Criss Smith. Quite a number of eastern horses are at Pittsburg. Elm City farm, New Haven, sends its campaigners here in charge of C. D. Smith. From Pleasanton there are several noted ones, including Direct and Margaret S. Among the green trotters is Sieflight from the Glenview stud, Kentucky, and he showed a quarter in 31 seconds this morning. He is in the Merchants' and Manufacturers' stake on Wenesday for which sixteen are named. George Robens, who drove Aleryon last year and is under suspension from National tracks, has Ketch and Ripple entered here. Aleryon was named in the free-for-all, but hit his leg at Grand Rapids and was sent home to recover. Besides these named there is a host of promising young flyers unknown to fame as yet, and everything points to a week of lively sport.

The Hamline Entries.

ST. PAUL, Minn., July 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Horses, jockeys and trainers have been arriving at Hamline all day, and all is bustle at the track, stables and office of Secretary Shaw. The special from Chicago, which was expected this morning did not arrive till noon. Among the horses on the train were: Al Farrow, Longshot, Rimini, Monta Rosa, Ida Pickwick, Cecil B, Silver Charm, Outbound, Heron, Catalpa, Prince Fortunatus, Palifina, Woodcraft, Rival Almont, Donatella, Tenacity and Anarchist. In addition there are already at Hamline three of this year's derby winners—Robespierre, winner of the Tennessee derby; Prince Fonso, winner of the West Side derby, Chicago, and Verge D'Or, winner of the Kansas City derby. These will all take part in the derby on Wednesday. The other probable starters are Joe Blackburn, Morse, Davidson and Helter Skelter. The number of horses already at the track is over three hundred.

THE DULUTH REGATTA.

Good Weather and Water and a Fine Exhibition.

DULUTH, Minn., June 21.—Thousands of spectators were present this, the first day of the great regatta, and weather and water were in perfect condition.

In the junior singles the contestants were Nettleton of the Minnesotas, Henderson of the Chicago Catlin club and Thompson of the Winnipegs. Nettleton won by two lengths in 10:49, Thompson second, Henderson third.

The junior four-oared race resulted: Winnipegs first, Duluths second, Minnesotas third, Lurlines fourth, St. Pauls fifth. The judge's boat, unfortunately, ran too close and St. Paul had to back water. This delayed them several seconds just after the turn, and this added to the fact that the Lurlines and Duluths fouled, caused the judges to decide the race must be rowed again.

The junior double was very unsatisfactory; won by six boat lengths by the Catlin club of Chicago, Minnesotas second. During the last half the Catlins had a lead of ten lengths and were taking it extremely easy while Whight of the Minnesotas appeared exhausted. The Lurlines stopped rowing three lengths of a mile from the finish. Catlins time—1:10½.

The great professional double was a magnificent race. It was a two-mile struggle, the winning crew to get $1,000, the second $550 and the third $350. Gaudaur and McKay were nearest the shore, Teemer and Hosmer next, Hanlan and Wise next and Hamm and Ten Eyck last. There was some delay in giving the signal, but when the shot was finally fired every man dipped oars with wonderful unanimity. The stroke of Gaudaur and McKay soon told and they forged ahead of Teemer and Hosmer, first a quarter, then a half and then a full length. The crews followed one another quite closely in the order from the shore, Gaudaur and McKay pulling forty-two strokes to the minute, and the others thirty-six. Gaudaur and McKay were the first to make the turn, but were quickly followed by Hosmer and Teemer and then Hamm and Ten Eyck and finally Hanlan and Wise. Half way to the finish the press boat was passed when Gaudaur and McKay led Hosmer and Teemer by three lengths. The latter kept three-fourths of a length ahead of Hamm and Ten Eyck who kept the same distance ahead of the Toronto crew. Gaudaur's crew shot across the line, amid screeching of whistles, about four lengths ahead. The efforts of the last two crews to pass Hosmer were unavailing, although there was but a quarter of a length between Teemer and Hamm and also between Hamm and Hanlan at the finish. Hanlan would have done better had he not lost both oars for a second a few hundred yards from the finish. The time was, Gaudaur and McKay, 12:28; Teemer and Hosmer, 12:32; Hamm and Ten Eyck, 12:33½; Hanlan and Wise, 12:34. Hamm and Ten Eyck, according to Teemer and Hosmer, turned the former crew's buoy and Teemer has entered a protest.

HE WILL NOT ACCEPT.

Goshorn Declines the Director Generalship of the World's Fair.

NEW YORK, July 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—According to an evening paper, General A. P. Goshorn said this morning that he would not accept the director generalship of the world's fair at Chicago.

The Republican to Change Hands.

Major Wilcox has finally found out, so it is said, that he is not equal to the task of running a prohibition paper in Nebraska, and accordingly he is selling out the Omaha Republican to parties who will change its policy. The major told some of his friends last Saturday that he had reached the end of his string and must let loose. Just who all the men interested in the purchase are could not be learned, though J. J. Steadman is one of them. Street reports have it that John M. Thurston and General Alger are behind the deal, but this is discredited by those who claim the freedom to speak for them. Steadman is to be general manager of the concern for the new proprietors.

War on the Pool Sellers.

CHICAGO, July 21.—Following the close of the Washington park races four big pool sellers attempted today to reopen their city establishments. The rooms were promptly raided by the police and it is understood orders have been given for daily raids if necessary. Poll selling is allowed by the Illinois law at race tracks only, and it is reported that the owners of the West side track intend, if the police fail in preventing down town pool selling, to enlist the services of detectives and inaugurate systematic raids. If the pool sellers are confined to the race course the revenue of the track owners, of course, will be increased.

A Census Squabble.

MINNEAPOLIS, July 21.—Ed A. Stevens, who had charge of the supplementary census bureau in Minneapolis, was this afternoon arrested on a warrant sworn out by St. Paul people, charging him with padding the Minneapolis returns. St. Paul prosecutors hint others are to be arrested, among them the best known people in the city. The matter is regarded here as a great game of bluff. Today a St. Paul detective was arrested as he was shadowing Government Inspector Boudinot. The fellow told at the police headquarters that he had been engaged in St. Paul to follow Boudinot and United States Attorney Hay.

Severe Storm at Cheyenne.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., July 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The severest rainstorm that has visited this city for seven years swept over Cheyenne this afternoon. It began at 3 o'clock and lasted exactly an hour. During that time water poured down in torrents through many of the streets in the business part of the town. Many of the crossings were well nigh impassable, several cellars were flooded and the lowlands near the railroad tracks were converted into lakes.

Steamship Arrivals.

At London—The Missouri, from Baltimore.

At Philadelphia—The Pennsylvania, from Liverpool.

At Moville—The State of Nevada, from New York.

At Southampton—The Fulda, from New York.

Indians Refuse to Sign.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., July 21.—A special from Kingfisher, I. T., says that the Cheyennes and Arapahoes today refused to sign the contract with the government. Negotiations will be continued.

CONNOYER DEFEATS PIPER.

A Hard Fight for the Secretaryship of the Board of Education.

FOURTEEN BALLOTS WERE TAKEN.

President Goodman Succeeds Himself—The Election of a Superintendent of Schools Postponed Until Tonight.

There was extraordinary interest manifested in the meeting of the board of education last night. It was anticipated that a superintendent would be elected and a secretary also, and the public spirited citizens of Omaha were present.

In the matter of the selection of a superintendent the lobby was disappointed, as that matter was postponed until tonight. There was a very pretty fight over the choice of a secretary, however, and this partly assuaged the disappointment of the visitors. There was little contest over the selection of a president of the board or superintendent of buildings.

The meeting was called to order by President Goodman.

Secretary Piper announced that he had in hand the credentials of the newly elected members, Messrs. Babcock, Gibbs, Coryell, Morrison and Smyth. These were accepted and the names instructed to be placed on the roll.

The roll was called and Morrison was announ