COUNCIL BLUFFS.

MINOR MENTION.

Smith, plumber, 2401 Ave. A. Tel. 233.

The city council will meet this evening.

Berry boxes, baskets, bee supplies, Younkerman.

Finley Burke has returned from a business trip to Tennessee.

Patronize the popular Eagle laundry, 724 Broadway. Tel. 157. Three wagons.

Miss Nora McClellan, who has been visiting her parents on Seventh avenue, has returned to Kansas City.

Interesting Children's day services were held at the First Presbyterian church yesterday morning.

Mrs. F. W. Hart of Missouri Valley, accompanied by Miss Hall of Coon Rapids, is visiting friends here.

Large front room and alcove furnished, with or without board; also side room. 221 South Seventh street.

Caleb Ament of Denver, Colo., is spending the summer with his aunts, the Misses Baldwin of Willow avenue.

W. F. Sapp is in Chicago on business. While there he gave the Inter Ocean some information concerning the expedition.

J. F. Record of Glenwood was in the city yesterday. Mr. Record is one of the most extensive poultry raisers in the state.

The popular bathing resort—Manhattan Beach, Lake Manawa now open for the season of 1897. Steamboats connect with each train.

John C. Barclay, who recently underwent a severe surgical operation at the Woman's Christian association hospital, is recovering rapidly.

The Derthick club will hold its regular fortnightly meeting in the Brown building this evening. Rossini and his works will be considered.

Will and Louie Squire leave in a few days for an extended western tour. They go first to various California points and expect to visit Alaska before returning.

Miss Ethyl Thomas has gone to Indianola to attend the wedding of her friend, Miss Mona Clayton, daughter of the Hon. B. F. Clayton. Miss Thomas will be one of the bridesmaids.

W. E. Chambers, formerly assistant ticket agent at the transfer, has been elected secretary of the local Ticket Agents' association of Omaha (low joints), and will make his headquarters hereafter in that city.

A meeting of the executive committee of the Merchants' and Manufacturers' committee will be held at the office of Secretary Judson today at 11:30 o'clock. The question of the June banquet at the Grand hotel will be considered. It is desired that every member of the committee shall be present.

Prof. Hisey returned from Wakefield, Neb., last evening, where he has been engaged for a week in institute work, assisted by Mrs. Heller of Omaha and Mrs. Tucker of Lincoln. He will remain in Council Bluffs during the present week, and will be in his office in the Bloomer block each day to meet any person on business connected with the city schools.

The suit instituted by Poll Tax Collector Blood to enforce the payment of the amount due from G. C. Pullman was tried in Justice Vien's court on Saturday afternoon. It was won by Pullman by the court sustaining the demurrer on the ground of defective service. He was also further relieved from the necessity of paying on the ground that he was physically unable to perform two days' work on the streets with pick and shovel.

A carryall picnic party took dinner at Hanthorne lake yesterday. They went out at 8 o'clock in the morning and returned late in the evening. The generously filled lunch baskets contributed greatly to the pleasure of the excursion. The party was composed of Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Barrett, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Fleming, Miss Blanche Arkwright, the Misses Baker, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Templeton, O. E. Moore, John Clark and Fred Russell.

The final work of digging out and enlarging the bed of Indian creek was completed on Saturday, and between $500 and $600 was paid out on time checks. The bed of the creek was widened and cleared out as far up as Sixth street. The only other work ordered by the council to be done on the creek is the construction of a number of dams and wiers in the channel above North Main street to prevent any further deepening of the channel and caving of the banks. The creek is an expensive piece of furniture for the people of Council Bluffs. Within the last two years the work done upon it has cost nearly $10,000.

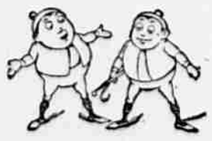
Ben Ellsworth, a 17-year-old boy, is being hunted by officers who are carrying a warrant for his arrest on a charge of seduction. The warrant was issued on an information filed by Annie Walker, a 19-year-old girl. Before applying to the courts for judicial relief Miss Walker made too many threats in her conversations with her youthful betrayer, and unwittingly kept him advised of all the plans laid to punish him. The consequence was that when the warrant was placed in the hands of the officers the boy was many miles away from Council Bluffs. As near as can be ascertained he has gone to Stansberry, Mo.

The program for the week's amusements at the Grand Plaza this week will contain several new features in addition to the popular attractions of last week. The vaudeville performers who will remain for the second week are the Campbell brothers, comedians; Leland and Leslie, the Irish boxers; Holt, the whistler; Rawton and June, the famous club swingers, and the Raimonds, specialists. They will make changes of songs and other features. Among the distinctively new things offered will be the Rawsons' illustration of the use of that wonderful Australian weapon, the boomerang. Huster's Union band will appear every afternoon and evening, and will give a distinctive band concert every afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

C. B. Viavi company, female remedy. Medical consultation free Wednesday. Health book furnished. 326-327-328 Merriam block.

N. Y. Plumbing company. Tel. 520.

The Best Advertisement



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Bee, June 14, '97.

WORRIES PROPERTY OWNERS

Decision of the Supreme Court in Regard to Special Assessments.

IN DREAD OF DEFICIENCY JUDGMENTS

Willing to Lose the Property Involved, but Not Willing to Be Pursued with an Execution Forever.

There is considerable anxiety among the property owners who have claims upon lots lying in portions of the city where the street improvements have entailed a debt that is considered to be in excess of the value of the property. The recent decision of the Iowa supreme court, defining the powers of city councils relating to public improvements and conferring the power to take deficiency judgments in all cases where the distress and sale of the property has failed to realize the amount of special assessments, is the cause of their anxiety. Suits that have been started in several Iowa cities since the decision of the Des Moines case or were pending prior to it have been forced into judgments against the property owners, and in a number of cases deficiency judgments have been taken. As there are now pending in the Council Bluffs courts similar suits which will result in judgments in the course of time amounting to at least $25,000, some of the property owners are becoming slightly apprehensive that the city may continue to take deficiency judgments when the property taken for improvement taxes is sold to the highest bidder and fails to bring the amount of the debt. The first batch of these suits has been tried in the superior court and has resulted in judgments against the owners of property on Lower Broadway for grading, curbing and paving taxes. The cases were called in the superior court and defaults were taken in each. The amounts against the lots ranged from $46.32 to $50.04. In all of these cases the judgment is far less than the value of the property and there is no fear of deficiency judgments, but in many of the other cases pending, some in the superior and others in the district court, the delinquent taxes amount to more than the property could be sold for at forced sale under the present conditions of the reality market. The majority of these lots lie in the extreme western portion of the city. All of the litigants, however, who have had conversation with City Attorney Hazelton or members of the council on the subject have been relieved by the declaration that no deficiency judgments will be taken in any case. City Attorney Hazelton has declared that while the supreme court decision may be good law, it is not good equity, and he believes that people who have relinquished all of their right to their property in the interest of the general public have given about all that should be required of them, and a deficiency judgment against them under the circumstances would be a little bit worse than highway robbery.

The last judgments were against the owners of ten lots in blocks 1 and 2 of Evan's Bridge addition. The defendants who failed to appear were George L. Ferguson, Bessie & Long, Rose Prichard, L. T. Young and Jackson, Acker & Co.

Democratic County Convention.

The democratic county convention to select delegates to the state convention will meet at the county court house on Wednesday. The convention will select twenty-eight delegates to the convention at Des Moines on June 23. The call asks for the presence and co-operation of all voters in sympathy with the plans and platform of the fusionists last year. There was so little interest manifested in the primaries held Saturday evening that it was impossible to find enough voters present in some of the precincts to fill out the delegations, and in only a few of the wards could the names of the delegates be obtained. Those reported were:

First Ward—First precinct, R. T. Young, L. A. Casper, Charles Nicholson, B. B. Dentler, Charles Banther, R. Denny; Second precinct, Edward T. Waterman, J. J. Klein, C. C. Christiansen, L. A. Devine, J. McRoberts, W. D. Hardin.

Second Ward—First precinct, A. T. Whittlesey, Jacob Neumayer, Emil Schruz, George S. Davis, William Groneweg; Second precinct, J. J. Stewart, William Matlock, A. Baumeister, W. H. Knepher, Charles Leibold.

Fifth Ward—First precinct, E. Shubert, W. W. Cones, John Brough, N. E. Tyrrell, C. A. Machan, Charles Dobbins, P. Madsen; Second precinct, R. I. Gallagher, William Grogan, John Strack, George Brady, Robert Johnson.

Mrs. Rob Badly Hurt.

Mrs. D. D. Rob, the Omaha woman who jumped from a second story window in a building on North Main street on Saturday evening to escape the vengeance of an injured husband, was found to have been more severely injured than was at first supposed. Yesterday her husband came over from Omaha and found her suffering severely. She made an effort to effect a reconciliation and partially succeeded. The husband during the day made arrangements to have her removed to the Presbyterian hospital in Omaha.

Young Dellbridge after securing rooms applied at the city building for work with the gangs of men that have been engaged in the Indian creek excavation, and was given employment. He worked until Saturday afternoon, when the job was finished, and got his time check cashed at the city building. The officers still hold the warrant for his arrest, and are being urged by Rob to use all means to catch him.

Couches in valour, $6.75, at Durfee Furniture company, 205 and 207 Broadway.

We want all the good farm loans we can get; 6 per cent interest and a small commission. No delay for the money. We want your fire and tornado insurance on farm, town or city property. Best of companies represented. Lougee & Lougee, 235 Pearl street.

Pythian Memorial Day.

Interesting memorial services were held in Knights of Pythias hall last evening. All of the local lodges of the order took part in the exercises in Castle hall. The services were intended to commemorate the deceased members of the order who are buried in the local cemeteries. During the forenoon a special committee consisting of C. A. Tibbets, R. G. Brenneman, Charles Lunkley and Oscar Younkerman visited all of the cemeteries and decorated the graves of their brethren. The services in the evening were very interesting. Judge Walter I. Smith delivered the principal address. Members of the order spoke briefly, explaining the scope and character of the order. There was special music in charge of Prof. Etzensperger.

The Pusey & Thomas Abstract and Loan company removed from Merriam block to 14 Pearl street.

SOCIAL HAPPENINGS AT AVOCA.

Comings and Goings of the People and Some Home Affairs.

AVOCA, Ia., June 13.—(Special.)—Avoca will celebrate the glorious Fourth on Monday, July 5. Good speakers and the usual amusements are assured.

George Consigny of Cedar Rapids spent Wednesday with his aged mother, it being "grandma's" eighty-third birthday.

Miss Ruby Bryant of Council Bluffs is the guest of Mrs. C. H. Norton.

E. W. Davies of Pueblo spending a few days with his Avoca friends.

Mrs. W. C. Giles of Newton, Ia., will visit in the city the coming week, the guest of Mrs. R. C. Barton.

Mrs. George Wright spent Sunday in Harlan, the guest of Mrs. Orve Heflin.

Miss Ida Rollins went to Des Moines Saturday. After a short stay with her brother she will visit friends at Rock Island and Chicago, returning to Colfax, Ia., for the Iowa state assembly of the Epworth League, which convenes August 2.

The Presbyterian society was entertained Friday afternoon by Mrs. E. A. Consigny and Mrs. R. S. Hart at the home of Mrs. Consigny. A program consisting of vocal and instrumental music and recitations was given. Misses Maud Larimore, Ida Rollins, Alta Swartfagen and Fannie Gardner favored the occasion in their pleasing manner. Dainty refreshments were served. Mesdames Larimore, Norton, Maier, Jacobs, Beymer, Nash, Haldeman, Harlow, Packard, Hetzel, Conner, Kesner, Curtis, Maxwell, Cook, Spindler, Taylor, Emmert, Barclay, True, Swartfager, F. G. Hetzel, Barton, Robinson, Boyd, Preese, Rev. and Mrs. Blackman. Misses Hattie and Anna Taylor, Bertha Wiess, Ethel Gurnsey, Alta Swartfagen, Ida Rollins, Fannie Gardner, Nellie and Maud Larimore, Mabel Hazen and Dickenson of Atlantic.

Rev. G. W. Ladd returned Thursday from Adair, where he had been attending district conference.

Miss McLain of Illinois, a cousin of Miss Stella Tryon, will spend a couple of weeks with Mrs. Tryon and family.

Abe Kahn and brother, Samuel Declotte, and Harry Taylor, start Monday morning for Noble's lake, on a fishing expedition, driving across the country, while another party bound for Spirit Lake, composed of G. E. Norton, George Wright, S. C. Harlaid, C. H. Norton and T. L. Blanchard, charter the Iron Horse Monday morning, 8:47.

Rev. J. C. Pike of Oakland, on his return from conference, called on some of his Avoca friends.

Miss May A. Hetzel will return home Tuesday evening from Omaha, having attended the exercises at Brownell hall the past week.

Prof. Amy Wheeler and sister are guests of D. E. Cramer.

C. H. Norton was treated to a surprise Saturday evening in the form of a number of friends (who were let into the secret by Mrs. N.), coming in to assist him in making merry at his having reached another milestone safely in the journey of life. High-five claimed the attention until a late hour. Delicious refreshments fell to the lot of the interlopers, who were: Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Jenks, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Larimore, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Harlow, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Spindler; Mesdames J. True, L. E. Jacobs and Mr. F. A. True.

Miss Mollie Hoopes, who has been the guest of Prof. and Mrs. Peasley, will go to Valley Junction Wednesday, and after a few days with friends will return to her home at Flora, Ill.

Rev. Gifford of the United Brethren church gave his lecture on the "Pyramids o (Egypt" Sunday evening.

Children's day was generally observed at the various churches Sunday morning. There were pretty decorations and befitting recitations, wherein the little ones did themselves credit.

Railway Unions Meet.

MASON CITY, Ia., June 13.—(Special Telegram.)—A union meeting of all railroad brotherhoods was held here today. The meeting was honored by the presence of Hon. L. S. Coffin, "the greatest friend of railroad men living." A. B. Garretson, grand senior conductor of the Order of Railway Conductors, P. P. Sargent, grand master of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen; F. H. Dodge, vice grand master of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, and P. M. Arthur, grand chief engineer of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. Over 1,000 crowded into the opera house to listen to their addresses.

Excessively Hot Day.

CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., June 13.—(Special Telegram.)—Today has been the hottest ever known at this time of the year, the thermometer registering from 100 to 110 in the shade. Many persons out driving had their horses overcome with the intense heat. It is feared that growing crops will be damaged, as the weather until the last two days has been unseasonably cool.

VERMILION'S NEW LIQUOR LAW.

Council Enacts an Ordinance to Suppress the Traffic.

VERMILION, S. D., June 13.—(Special.)—An ordinance has been enacted in this city which is a decided departure among the many attempts to control the sale of intoxicating liquors. Vermilion refused last April to issue licenses to any person for the purpose of selling intoxicating liquors. The ordinance declares that any one offering for sale spirituous, vinous, malt brewed, fermented or other intoxicating liquors at retail shall be deemed guilty of keeping a nuisance, and such place where such liquors are sold is declared a nuisance. And the ordinance further gives police officers the right to search suspected places. It is questioned whether the ordinance can stand under the provisions of the liquor law of the state.

BLACK HILLS PLANS AN EXHIBIT.

Purposes to Secure Three Thousand Feet in the Mines Building.

DEADWOOD, S. D., June 13.—(Special.)—A meeting of the various committees which have been appointed in the different parts of the Hills for the purpose of devising plans for the exhibit at the Transmississippi Exposition of the resources of the Black Hills was held in this city Tuesday. A committee was appointed on permanent organization, J. P. Hymer was appointed commissioner for the entire Black Hills. A form for a petition was presented before the meeting which is to be circulated among the citizens asking the county commissioners to appropriate $3,000 with which to purchase 3,000 square feet of space in the Mines building for an exhibit. Great enthusiasm was demonstrated throughout the meeting.

Butter Industry is Growing.

CHAMBERLAIN, S. D., June 13.—(Special.)—Olivet is to have a new creamery in running order by the 1st of July. This will make a total of six creameries in Hutchinson county, which claims to have the leading creamery of the state, the one at Parkston probably enjoying this distinction. It has been running only about three months, yet the receipts of milk already aggregate nearly 35,000 pounds per day, and the Monday receipts will reach 50,000 pounds. In one day recently a ton of choice butter was turned out by this creamery. This industry is constantly growing in South Dakota, and it has been demonstrated by experience that no other state is better adapted for it than this.

Black Hills Pioneers Picnic.

DEADWOOD, S. D., June 13.—(Special.)—The seventh annual picnic of the pioneers of the Black Hills was a great success. The exercises were commenced at 11 o'clock by an address of welcome by the mayor of Deadwood. Other addresses followed. Many old pioneers were present from all parts of the Hills. The occasion is made one of the holidays of the Hills. Some of the distinguished pioneers were: Captain Thomas H. Russell, one of the 76 band; Mrs. Tallent of Rapid City, the first white woman in the Hills, and Mrs. Skinner of Terry, the first white baby born in the Black Hills.

Statute is Deficient.

CHAMBERLAIN, S. D., June 13.—(Special.)—In a case tried here before Judge Smith he decided that there is not at present any law in South Dakota for the punishment of those charged with bastardy. The law originally gave county courts jurisdiction over cases of this character, but the legislature of 1893 took such cases out of the jurisdiction of county courts, and failed to provide for their trial in the circuit courts, except in counties containing more than 20,000 population, of which there is but one in the state.

Huron Happenings.

HURON, S. D., June 13.—(Special.)—Rev. Mr. Montgomery of Faribault, Minn., has accepted an invitation to become rector of Grace Episcopal church of this city and has entered upon his duties.

Frank and Harry Hurst and James Lyon are under arrest here, charged with cattle stealing.

C. W. Witmer, an early resident of this county, fell dead in the field yesterday, and was buried today with military honors, he having been a soldier.

Outlook on Ranges is Good.

RAPID CITY, S. D., June 13.—(Special.)—Contrary to the expectation of nearly all of the cattlemen on the Belle Fourche range, there has been but a small loss to the cattle in that vicinity during the severe winter. Reports from the general roundup in that range are very encouraging. The recent rains have been general, and have placed the range in excellent condition. Cattlemen everywhere are elated over the prospect of the season.

RAISES THE ROAD RECORD

New York Bicyclist Makes the Highest Mileage for a Day.

ONLY A FRACTION UNDER 350 MILES

Riding Over a Macadamized Track in Union County, Edward S. Edwards Beats the Feat Achieved by Smith at Baltimore.

NEW YORK, June 13.—Edward S. Edwards, the Welsh rider of the Century Wheelmen of New York City, raised the American record for twenty-four hours road riding to 349 2-5 miles today. The best previous record, 314 miles, was made by Smith at Baltimore several weeks ago.

Edwards rode over the track known as the Elizabeth-Rahway course, a distance of twenty-one miles, in Union county. The roads are macadamized, but four miles are undergoing repairs, making the riding in that portion bad.

Edwards started at 6 o'clock Saturday night from Bauer's hotel, near Elizabeth. The race was held under the auspices of the Century Wheelmen of New York, and members of the club paced their plucky rider with singles, tandems and triplets. Edwards rode the same wheel throughout, a new sprocket wheel being put on during the morning.

HEAR APPEALS OF THE JOCKEYS.

Committees of American Turf Congress Consider Reinstatements.

CINCINNATI, June 13.—A joint meeting of the committee of appeals and the license committee of the American Turf congress was held here today at the St. Nicholas hotel. Alexander Labold, president of the congress, presided. There were present Ed Corrigan, Milton Young and W. F. Schultze of the appeals committee, and E. C. Hopper, James Reese and P. P. Murphy of the license committee. The principal business transacted was the passing on the applications of outlawed jockeys, trainers, owners and officials. It was at first intended to reinstate none but jockeys at this meeting, the officials, owners, etc., going over to the meeting of September.

The applications of W. I. Meyers and W. I. Pansy were passed until the annual meeting.

The applications of W. Mooney, Charles F. Huhn, Nate Hill, Arthur Williams, Charles Feeney, Hypolite Carvalho, J. Beedle, Victor F. Britton, W. B. Loss, William J. Rigby, John F. Micklefield, John Street, Charles Newman and Charles McIntyre were refused absolutely.

The applications of G. McLaughlin, John Keefe, L. G. Hert, Charles Huston, Alexander Hancock, Joseph W. Guest, Edward Ellis, W. F. Coleman, Mike Burns, Barney Ransom, George Zamiar, Charles J. Scott, George Taylor, William Norris and Walter Pines were passed. These jockeys have ridden at tracks at Elkton, Alexandria and other places in the territory of the American Jockey club, and it was decided to grant them no licenses until they had been reinstated by the Eastern Jockey club. The license committee of the Turf congress will have the power to pass on these cases if reinstatement is secured from the Eastern Jockey club.

The applications of Thomas P. Ward, Charles M. Lowe, George Lynch, John Lynch, Ed Lowe, James Lynch, W. P. Roach, C. R. Reilly, L. Tobin, Arthur Simmons, H. Sutherland, William Tonrill, Q. Van Camp, Leslie Washburn, Ed Thomas, Raymond Smith, Jesse Clatter, William Crutchville, Ben Calvert, John Clark, N. B. Davis, W. A. J. Ellis, R. Franklin, William Tarr, A. A. Frank, Frank Green, W. H. Howe, J. Harrington, D. D. Hennessey, W. Hyle, Fred James, Thomas Kane and Joseph Logsden were passed on favorably to the extent that they were referred to the license committee, which will investigate the standing of the applicants and grant or refuse them licenses according to the result of their investigations.

The license committee decided to grant Ed Bunn a license and Thomas Britton a provisional license to ride for John Hoffman only. Seymour Thompson, who was suspended for life at Little Rock for an alleged failure to live up to his contract with J. E. Cushing, was reinstated.

The protest against F. F. V., that he did not carry proper weight in the Latonia derby, was dismissed and the ruling of the judges was sustained.

DOGE WINS THE GRAND PRIX.

Chief Event of the Racing and Social Season in France.

PARIS, June 13.—The Grand Prix de Paris, the chief event of the French racing and social year, was won today by Doge, owned by M. J. Arnaud. The animal is a brown colt by Fricandeau, out of Dogaresse.

Second place was won by Roxellane, ch. f., sired by Ward Rose of New York. She is owned by M. M. Caillte. The third was won by Parasol II, b. c., by Rull, out of Pyrale, and owned by M. A. Abtile.

An immense crowd paid state money to witness the race. The weather was intensely hot, but brilliant. Many Americans were in the throng, among them J. R. Keene, jr., and Mr. Elliott of New York; J. Maltz, Prescott Lawrence, C. H. Bouten and Edi Smith of Philadelphia; Alexander Griswold and Tracey Dower.

The betting was 6 to 1 against Roxellane, 5 to 2 against Palmiste II, 5 to 2 against Caudeyran, 5 to 1 against Flacon, 12 to 1 against Doge, 20 to 1 against Valparaiso, 25 to 1 against Quilda and Parasol II, and 50 to 1 against Ortis Blanche.

The environs of the Grand course are beautiful. So dense was the crowd that at times motion was almost impossible in the vicinity of the place where the mutuals were sold. Some time was spent in getting a good start, as St. Cloud seemed disposed to be unmanageable and frequently broke away. Finally they got off with Flacon leading, St. Cloud next, and the other eight close together in a bunch. These positions were kept until the rise in the track was reached, when Roxellane and Palmiste II forged forward and as they entered the straight Roxellane led, with Flacon close behind. Then Doge, very cleverly handled by Dodge, closed up on Roxellane, passed her, and after a smart finish won by half a length, with Parasol II a neck behind Roxellane, the latter beating Quilda by a head. St. Cloud was last.

The time was 3:31.

The Grand Prix de Paris is for a purse of 200,000 francs (about $40,000). 150,000 francs being given by the city of Paris and 50,000 by the five great railway companies, for colts and fillies foaled in 1894 of every description and country, added to a sweepstakes of 1,000 francs each, 500 francs forfeit and 500 francs only if declared by 10 p. m. on the Wednesday preceding the race, or 100 francs only if declared by 10 p. m. on May 2, 1897, the second to receive 20,000 francs and the third 10,000 francs out of the stakes; weights, colts 122 pounds, fillies 120 pounds. Distance of Grand course, about one mile and seven furlongs.

DISCARDING FROM WHIST HANDS.

Not Always Policy to Do So from a Weak Suit.

Perhaps on no one subject is there a greater diversity of opinion and play than on the discard. The first books on whist contained the rule that the first discard should be from your weakest suit, but in one of Cavendish's later editions he advanced the theory that "when the adversary has shown strength in trumps, the first discard should be from the best protected suit." The reason given was, when strength in trumps is with your partner or unplayed, there is a hope of making a long suit, and to discard from it may be throwing away a trick. Besides by discarding always under such circumstances, from the weakest suit the partner will at least know what suit not to lead, after he has exhausted trumps. When strength in trumps is with the adversary there is no hope of making a long suit and what strength there is in other suits should be protected to prevent the adversaries, if possible, from making his long suit; also, should your partner get the lead, he will know exactly what suit to lead to insure a trick. These rules have never been altered and all authorities give them, yet they are not so universally followed. Why? In the first place, this rule was adopted for short whist with honors, in which it is often all important to take a trick that will save or win the game. If partner has a guarded honor in an adverse trump lead and needs but one trick more than he has in his own hand to save or win the game, it is necessary for him to know absolutely the right suit to give his partner.

In duplicate or tournament whist this saving or wining the game cuts no figure and the prime reason for discarding always from your best protected suit is gone. Again, if the adversary has the command of trumps, he already has a great advantage and can dictate the play of the hands. Why give him the additional advantage of knowing what suit is held strong against him. He has the lead or can obtain it, if, in the meantime you and your partner have each declared a strong suit it will be easy for him to determine which is his partner's suit. It is all well enough to give information to your partner and risk giving the same to the adversaries if the partner is in a position to profit by it, but when the adversary is in control this is giving him a gratuitous advantage. Of course it is necessary to guard your weak suits as far as possible, but very often you have one suit that it perfectly worthless. Why try to hold strength in a suit of three cards headed by a seven spot? Why would it not be better, therefore, when strength in trumps is declared against you, for your discard to be such as will guard as many suits as possible; but if you have a worthless suit, discard from that? It may be said that your partner cannot tell whether your discard is from strength or weakness. That is true, but neither can the adversary, and as the adversary is in a position to take advantage of positive information and the partner may never be, the withholding of such information does more good than harm. Should your partner obtain the lead he will be wise to avoid the suit discarded, for while it may be your best suit there is just one chance in three that it may be worthless.

The scores at the Omaha Whist club Saturday, June 5, were as follows:

NORTH AND SOUTH.

Crummer and Sumney	193
Allee and Burrell	188
Bushman and Bruner	181
Lawrence and Jordan	186
Melke and Jones	185
Burkley and Funkhauser	183
A. Scribner and Bird	180

EAST AND WEST.

Reed and Rinehart	188
Stebbens and Howlett	182
Coakley and Peters	175
Coe and Shea	177
Beindorff and G. Scribner	176
McDowell and Strauss	173
Towle and Scannell	169

There were a number of boards that admitted of fine play and several of them are given:

BOARD 23.
S.—A, Q, 7, 2.
D.—J, 8, 4.
C.—A, Q, 10, 9.
H.—8, 4.

S—K, J, 6. D—10, 7, 6. C—K, J, 8, 7. H—7, 6, 2.
W. E. N. S.
N.—10, 9, 5, 4. D—K, 5, 3. C—3, 2. H—Q, 10, 9, 5.
S.—8, 2. D—A, Q, 9, 2. C—6, 5, 4. H—A, K, J, 3.

Ace of diamonds turned, east to lead; scores of north and south range from nine to twelve. Conservative play should give eleven; very bold play gives twelve.

BOARD 5
S.—A, 8, 6.
D.—2.
C.—10, 7, 6, 2.
H.—Q, 7, 4, 3, 2.

S—K, 7. D—K, Q, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5. C—3. H—J, 10, 9.
W. E. N. S.
N.—S—J, 10, 5, 4. D—A, 10, 4, 3. C—Q, J, 4. H—K, 6.
S.—S—Q, 9, 3, 2. D—J. C—A, K, 9, 8, 5. H—A, 8, 5.

Seven of clubs turned, east to lead; north and south make from six to ten, worth about nine.

BOARD 6.
S.—5, 3.
D.—Q, J, 10, 8, 6, 5.
C.—7.
H.—9, 5, 3, 2.

S—J, 10, 8, 6. D—A 4. C—A, Q, J, 9, 5, 2. H—J.
W. E. N. S.
N.—S—A, K, 4. D—7, 3. C—K, 8, 4, 3. H—A, K, 8, 7.
S.—S—Q, 9, 7, 2. D—K, 9, 2. C—10. H—Q, 10, 6, 4.

Seven of hearts trump, south to lead; scores of north and south range from two to six, worth only four.

BOARD 11.
S.—A, 10, 9.
D.—2.
C.—8, 5, 6, 5, 2.
H.—9, 8, 7, 6.

S—K, 8, 6, 3, 2. D—2, 5. C—A, J. H—K, Q, J, 4.
W. E. N. S.
N.—S—Q, 7, 4. D—A, K, 2. C—Q, 10, 3. H—10, 5, 3, 2.
S.—J, 5. D—Q, J, 10, 9, 8, 6, 4. C—K, 7, 4. H—A.

Four of clubs turned, west to lead; scores of north and south range from five to eight, worth about six.

BOARD 24.
S.—K, 6, 4, 2.
D.—K, 10, 6, 3.
C.—A, 9.
H.—Q, 10, 5.

S—10, 7. D—A, Q, 9, 8. C—K, 8, 7, 2. H—8, 6, 4.
W. E. N. S.
N.—S—A, J, 9, 5. D—J, 2. C—J, 10, 5, 4. H—A, 7, 2.
S.—S—Q, 8, 3. D—7, 5, 4. C—Q, 6, 3. H—K, J, 9, 3.

Seven of clubs turned, north to lead; scores of north and south range from two to seven, worth about five.

There was one "ending" played on Saturday night that is worthy of record. East had remaining as follows:

Clubs—K, Q, 10.
Spades—Q.
Hearts—Q, 9.

Hearts were trumps, of which the only ones out were jack and eight, placed in north's hand. Jack and other spades were cut. The only three cards in diamonds were placed in west's hand, and as he had discarded on spades could only have clubs. North leads ace of clubs, east reasons: "If I take the next trick north will make a trump, but if west has the jack of clubs I may take every trick." So he plays his queen of clubs on ace and north leads another club; he plays his ten. West arises to the occasion and takes his partner's trick with the jack and leads a diamond. The hands and play were as follows:

C—A, 8.
S—J, 8.
H.—J, 8.

C—J, 5, 2. D—7, 6, 3.
W. E. N. S.
N.—C—K, Q, 10. S—Q. H—Q, 9.
S.—C—9, 7, 6, 4. S—7, 2.

N.	E.	S.	W.
*C—A.	C—Q.	C—4.	C—2.
C—8.	C—10.	C—6.	*C—J.
S—8.	S—Q.	S—2.	*D—7.
H—8.	*H—9.	S—7.	D—6.
H—J.	*H—Q.	C—7.	D—3.
S—J.	*C—K.	C—9.	C—5.

East and west take five tricks. Had east played his ten of clubs on the ace, north must have made a trump.

Wednesday, June 9, was "ladies' night." The members of the Ladies' Whist club, the wives and friends of the members and the husbands of the women were invited. There were eight tables filled and the score stood as follows:

EAST AND WEST.

Dr. and Mrs. Crummer	226
Mr. Stanford and Mrs. Merriam	221
Mr. Joplin and Mrs. Gates	220
Mr. Hoel and Mrs. Douglas	220
Mr. George Scribner and Mrs. Alice	217
Mr. Merriam and Mrs. Nevins	212
Mr. and Mrs. Potter	210
Mr. and Mrs. Clark	217

NORTH AND SOUTH.

Mr. Bruner and Mr. Bushman	200
Mr. Redick and Mr. Morsman	195
Mr. Burkley and Mrs. Hoel	196
Mr. Hetz and Miss Bache	189
Mr. Lawrence and Mrs. Lent	189
Dr. Burrell and Mrs. Orr	188
Mr. A. Scribner and Mrs. Lawrence	183
Mr. Stebbens and Mr. Funkhauser	181

A very pleasant evening was spent and the women went home satisfied that they could easily hold their own against the men.

Indianapolis-Cleveland Deal.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., June 13.—It is understood that the base ball deal, in which Dickson and Talbot are interested, is likely to go through, and they will soon own the Indianapolis and Cleveland clubs. President Golt of the Indianapolis club says that he knows nothing of the completion of the Cleveland end of the deal. The theatrical firm has a sixty days' option on the Indianapolis club, which will not run out for nearly a month. If the trade has been made, Indianapolis will have national league ball within a few weeks. It is not known what disposition will be made of the Indianapolis Western league team, but it is thought that it will be transferred to Cleveland.

SCORES OF THE WESTERN LEAGUE.

Merites' Home Run Saves Columbus a Shut-Out.

COLUMBUS, O., June 13.—Columbus could not do business with Fricken's curves, and was saved a shutout by Merites' home run with one on base in the sixth. Genins' fielding was a feature. Score:

Columbus	0 0 0 0 0 0 2 0 0—2
St. Paul	4 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 0—6

Base hits: Columbus, 4; St. Paul, 11. Errors: Columbus, 2; St. Paul, 1. Batteries: Columbus, Daniels and Buckley; St. Paul, Frieken and Spies.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., June 13.—The Brewers took sweet revenge out of the Bobolinks on the ground at Alger park this afternoon by batting both Scott and Gayle at just the right time to produce results. Score:

Grand Rapids	0 2 1 1 1 0 0 1 1—7
Milwaukee	2 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 7—10

Base hits: Grand Rapids, 16; Milwaukee, 17. Errors: Grand Rapids, 1; Milwaukee, 2. Batteries: Grand Rapids, Scott, Gayle and Twineham; Milwaukee, Jones and Speer.

DETROIT, Mich., June 13.—A scheduled Western League game was played at Mount Clemens this afternoon for the first time on Sunday without interference by the authorities. Brownie Foreman, recently released by Grand Rapids, pitched a good game for Kansas City. Detroit played a clean game, but could not hit the ball. Score:

Detroit	0 2 5 0 1 0 0 1 0—9
Kansas City	5 0 0 0 4 1 0 2 0—12

Base hits: Detroit, 11; Kansas City, 12. Errors: Detroit, 1; Kansas City, 6. Batteries: Detroit, Hahn and Trost; Kansas City, Foreman and Lake.

STANDING OF THE TEAMS.

	Played.	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
St. Paul	47	31	16	66.0
Columbus	43	28	15	65.1
Indianapolis	41	26	15	61.4
Milwaukee	47	26	21	55.3
Detroit	44	20	24	45.5
Minneapolis	47	19	28	40.4
Grand Rapids	46	17	29	37.0
Kansas City	47	14	33	29.8

Games today: Milwaukee at Detroit; Kansas City at Indianapolis; Minneapolis at Columbus; St. Paul at Grand Rapids.

Western Association Scores.

BURLINGTON, Ia., June 13.—Score:

Burlington	0 0 4 0 4 0 0 1 0 0—8
Quincy	0 2 3 1 1 0 0 2 0 1—10

Base hits: Burlington, 12; Quincy, 18. Errors: Burlington, 4; Quincy, 2. Batteries: Burlington, Kagey, Kirkson and Williams; Quincy, McGreery, Hackett and Traffley.

ROCKFORD, Ill., June 13.—Score:

Rockford	0 2 0 0 2 0 0 0 2—6
Peoria	1 2 0 1 5 0 0 0 0—9

Base hits: Rockford, 12; Peoria, 12. Errors: Rockford, 3; Peoria, 2. Batteries: Rockford, Anderson, Kling and Quinn; Peoria, Hansen and Dugdale.

DUBUQUE, Ia., June 13.—Score:

Dubuque	0 0 1 2 0 6 4 1 0—14
Cedar Rapids	2 1 0 0 5 0 3 0 *—18

Base hits: Dubuque, 15; Cedar Rapids, 15. Errors: Dubuque, 3; Cedar Rapids, 2. Batteries: Dubuque, Smith, Nonemacher, Butler and Sullivan; Cedar Rapids, McDougal, Donally, Parrish and Fox.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., June 13.—Score:

St. Joseph	1 1 1 0 0 2 2 0 5—12
Des Moines	0 1 1 0 0 0 0 0 0—2

Base hits: St. Joseph, 12; Des Moines, 8. Errors: St. Joseph, 2; Des Moines, 9