Browns Lose to Tigers; Cold Stops Many Games; Rourkes Ready for Invasion of the South

MILLERS TAP THE BREWERS

Minneapolis Batsmen Hit Hard and Win, Seven to Two.

MILWAUKEE PITCHERS WILD

Three Face the Home Club, While Patterson Hurls Good Ball for Winners—Columbus Beats Hoosiers.

MINNEAPOLIS, April 18.—Minneapolis won the first game from Milwaukee, 7 to 2, today by reason of the wildness of three Milwaukee pitchers and some timely hitting. Pickering put the ball over the right field fence. Catcher Frank Owens made his first appearance with the home club today. Patterson held the visitors in check throughout the game, which was played on a cold, cloudy day. The score:

MINNEAPOLIS.	B.	H.	O.	A.	E.	MILWAUKEE.	B.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Clymer, rf	3	0	0	0	0	Randall, rf	4	1	1	0	0
Altizer, ss	2	0	1	1	0	Barry, lf	4	1	1	0	0
Oyler, ss	1	0	2	1	1	Barrett, rf	4	2	2	0	0
Cravath, lf	2	1	0	0	0	McGann, 1b	4	0	8	1	0
Ferris, 3b	4	1	0	4	0	Robinson, ss	4	0	2	0	1
Pickering, cf	4	2	2	0	0	Clark, 2b	4	1	2	2	0
Williams, 2b	2	1	2	2	1	McCorm'k, 3b	3	0	4	5	0
Gill, 1b	3	1	14	1	0	Ludwig, c	3	0	6	2	0
Smith, c	1	0	5	0	0	*Bailey	1	0	0	0	0
Owens, c	1	0	1	0	0	Stowers, p	0	0	0	0	0
Patterson, p	3	2	0	3	0	Schaefer, p	2	0	0	4	0
						Short, p	1	0	0	0	0
Totals	26	8	27	14	4	Totals	34	5	14	14	1

*Batted for Ludwig in the ninth.

Minneapolis	3	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	*—7
Milwaukee	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0—2

Home run: Pickering. Three-base hit: Gill. Two-base hit: Barrett. Sacrifice hits: Clymer, Cravath, Ferris, Gill. Double play: Schardt, McCormick to Ludwig. Left on bases: Minneapolis, 9; Milwaukee, 8. Hits: Off Stowers, none with no outs in the first inning; off Shardt, 2 in five innings; off Short, 1 in three innings. Struck out: By Patterson, 3; by Schardt, 2; by Short, 2. Bases on balls: Off Patterson, 1; off Stowers, 1; off Schardt, 3; off Short, 5. Hit by pitched ball: Stowers, Altizer. Time: 1:54. Umpires: Owens and Ferguson.

Toledo, 7; Louisville, 2.

TOLEDO, April 18.—Toledo easily defeated Louisville today, 6 to2, in a loosely played game. Louisville scored two runs in the first, but Yingling held the champions safe after that and the timely hitting of the locals coupled with the sloppy playing of Louisville made the game a walkaway. The score:

TOLEDO.	B.	H.	O.	A.	E.	LOUISVILLE.	B.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Sullivan, cf	4	2	0	0	0	Dunleavy, rf	3	0	0	0	0
H'chman, 2b	4	1	4	4	0	Woodruff, 3b	4	1	3	1	1
Callahan, rf	4	2	2	1	0	Stanley, cf	4	1	3	0	1
Freeman, 1b	5	1	15	0	0	Smoot, rf	3	1	0	0	0
Hickman, lf	3	0	0	0	0	Howard, 1b	4	3	10	2	0
Elwert, 3b	4	1	2	5	0	Sullivan, ss	4	0	3	3	0
McCarthy, ss	3	0	0	4	1	Soffel, 2b	3	1	1	5	0
Land, c	4	0	4	4	0	Peitz, c	3	0	4	2	1
Yingling, p	4	1	0	4	0	Schwenck, p	3	0	1	4	0
						*Hughes	1	0	0	0	0
Totals	33	9	27	22	1	Richter, p	3	1	0	0	0
						Totals	31	7	24	19	4

*Batted for Schwenck in the fifth.

Toledo	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	*—6
Louisville	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0—2

Two-base hits: Freeman and Soffel. Sacrifice hits: Elwert, McCarthy and Peitz. Struck out: By Richter, 1; by Yingling, 3. Bases on balls: By Schwenck, 2; by Richter, 3; by Yingling, 1. Double play: Elwert, Land and Hinchman. Stolen bases: Freeman, Balk, Richter. Time: 1:45. Umpires: Cusack and Bierhalter.

Columbus, 8; Indianapolis, 7.

COLUMBUS, April 18.—Columbus overcome a 7 to 3 lead and beat Indianapolis in the ninth inning of today's game, 8 to 7. Both Goodwin and Thielman were retired in the fifth. Liebhardt stopped the visitors, being aided by Odwell's bare-handed catch off Delehanty in the ninth. Odwell scored the winning run on Lewis' error and singles by Russman and Hinchman brought him around. Catcher Arbrogast of Columbus hit twice to the fence, singled his third time up and lost a fourth hit because Murch made a diving bare-handed stop back of third. Rain fell all day. Score:

COLUMBUS.	B.	H.	O.	A.	E.	INDIANAPOLIS.	B.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Reilley, lf	5	2	2	0	1	Chadbourne, lf	3	0	0	0	0
Odwell, cf	5	1	3	1	0	Delehanty, cf	4	1	1	1	1
Downs, 2b	5	0	2	3	0	Hayden, rf	4	3	2	2	0
Roseman, rf	5	1	1	0	0	Carr, 1b	4	2	11	0	0
H'chman, 1b	4	2	12	1	0	Murch, 2b	4	1	3	1	1
O'Rourke, 3b	4	2	1	1	1	Howley, c	4	0	3	3	0
Quinlan, ss	2	1	1	3	0	Lewis, ss	4	0	1	2	3
Arbrogast, c	4	2	3	0	0	Williams, 3b	5	1	0	3	2
Goodwin, p	1	0	0	2	0	Thielman, p	2	0	0	0	0
Liebhardt, p	3	0	1	1	0	Orth, p	2	1	0	3	0
Totals	36	12	28	13	3	Totals	36	9	28	14	7

*Two out when winning run scored.

*Thielman out, hit by own batted ball.

Columbus	0	2	0	0	3	1	0	0	1—8
Indianapolis	1	0	2	0	4	0	0	0	0—7

Stolen bases: O'Rourke, Chadbourne, Delehanty. Sacrifice hits: Liebhardt, Chadbourne. Two-base hits: Odwell, Arbrogast, Carr, Hayden (2). Three-base hit: Arbrogast. Double play: Hayden to Howley. Hits: Off Goodwin, 3 in four and two-thirds innings; off Liebhardt, 1 in four and one-third innings; off Thielman, 5 in four and one-third innings; off Orth, 7 in four and two-thirds innings. Struck out: By Liebhardt, 3; by Thielman, 1. First base on balls: Off Goodwin, 1; off Liebhardt, 1; off Thielman, 2. Wild pitch: Goodwin (2). Hit with pitched ball: By Orth, Hinchman. Passed ball: Arbrogast. Time: 1:43. Umpires: Van Syckle and Guthrie.

Games Postponed.

KANSAS CITY, April 18.—St. Paul-Kansas City game postponed, snow on grounds and cold.

HOLDREGE MEN TO STATE LEAGUE

Several of Them Are Among Fast Ball Players on Teams.

HOLDREGE, Neb., April 18.—(Special.)—Several Holdrege base ball players will leave this week to make their appearance in the State league. Guy Ferry, who has been working out with the Omaha team will do the twirling act with Joe Dolan's Columbus team and he should prove one of the formidable pitchers of the entire league. Ferry pitched several fine games for the locals last year, and in the class he will play this summer should prove fully effective, as he was last season.

Fenner, who was the other pitcher of the locals last year, will play at eKarney, and although he has not been permitted to work out very much lately on account of the weather, has had considerable practice this spring against the Holdrege High school team. Fenner will be one of Kearney's mainstays if he displays anything like his old form this season.

Beal, one o fthe fastest shortstops seen for some time on the local diamond, will join the Hastings team Friday. Under George Harms' instruction he should develop into one of the best men at his position in the league. He is fast on his feet, picks the ball up and has it away from him faster than a large percent of shortfielders. He is handy with the bat as well, and will undoubtedly prove one of Hasings' mainstays with the stick. Rodstrom, a fast second sacker, will go to the Superior team, where he should strengthen that team materially, as he is one of the surest men on ground balls that has ever been seen in this part of the state.

STANDING OF THE TEAMS

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION.

	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Toledo	5	1	.833
St. Paul	2	1	.667
Columbus	4	2	.667
Minneapolis	3	2	.600
Kansas City	2	2	.500
Indianapolis	2	4	.333
Louisville	1	5	.167
Milwaukee	1	3	.250

NAT'L LEAGUE.	W.	L.	Pct.	AMER. LEAGUE.	W.	L.	Pct.
Boston	2	1	.667	Cleveland	2	1	.667
Pittsburg	2	1	.667	Washington	2	1	.667
Philadelphia	2	1	.667	Boston	1	1	.500
Cincinnati	2	2	.500	New York	1	1	.500
Chicago	2	2	.500	Chicago	1	1	.500
Brooklyn	1	2	.333	St. Louis	1	2	.333
St. Louis	1	2	.333	Philadelphia	1	2	.333
New York	1	2	.333	Detroit	2	2	.500

GAMES TODAY.

National League — Philadelphia at Brooklyn, Boston at New York, Pittsburg at Cincinnati, Chicago at St. Louis.

American League—Cleveland at Chicago, St. Louis at Detroit, New York at Philadelphia, Washington at Boston.

American Association—Indianapolis at Columbus, Milwaukee at Minneapolis, Kansas City at St. Paul, Louisville at Toledo.

Rourkes Start to Sunflowers

Last Two Exhibition Games Before Opening Are Played at Hutchinson.

The Omaha base ball team will leave for Hutchinson, Kan., this morning to play the last two exhibition games before going to Wichita to open the Western league season.

Monday was spent in allotting the uniforms which will be worn by the Rourkes on the trips away from home, and the boys had all kinds of fun picking out scenery that would fit them.

The larger sizes were dealt out by Brother Dave to Hollenbeck, Welch and Jimmy Kane, while the smaller sets were given to Corridon, Schipke and King. After the suits were allotted, the remainder of the day was spent in one big fanning bee from which a general opinion was derived that there was nothing to it but Omaha as the team that will bring home the grapes.

Jimmy Kane, first sacker, and the cause of much worry to Omaha fans because of his late appearance with Pa's pets, arrived in the city Sunday, and if anything were ever the matter with him it would take a microscopic examination to disclose it. The big blonde looks like he had never had anything the matter with him in his life, and says he feels fine and dandy.

HAWKEYE BALL TEAM READY

Coach Green Weeds Out Big String of Candidates.

IOWA CITY, Ia., April 18.—(Special.)—Coe college will open the 1910 intercollegiate baseball season on the local diamond next Thursday afternoon when the Hawkeyes will play the first college game of the year.

Coach Green has weeded out his big string of candidates and has practically picked his team for the opening engagement. Either Captain Burrell or West will start the intial contest.

The batting average for the seven games played against Davenport showed that Wright was the virtual leader. His average was 429. Hanson, the big first base man who was injured, had .400 for his average. Wright also tied for first in the fielding averages with a perfect record, though he played in all the games and performed both in the outfield and infield. Second baseman and former Captain Walter Stewart also maintained a clean slate at second base so far as his fielding percentage was concerned, and at the bat he made .222.

BASE BALL PLAYER KILLED

Member of Freeburg, Ill., Team Hit by Baseball.

FREEBURG, Ill., April 18.—William Schmitt, 28 years old, a member of a local base ball team was killed yesterday, being struck by a ball over the heart. His team was playing with a St. Louis team and Schmitt was at bat. After being struck he started to walk to first base, but fell and died soon after. The St. Louis pitcher was held for the coroner's jury.

Freshmen Defeat Doane.

CRETE, Neb., April 18.—(Special.)—The University of Nebraska freshmen defeated the Doane varsity Saturday by the score of 7 to 2. The game stood 2 to 1 at the end of the fifth inning, in favor of Doane, but Doane's costly errors in the sixth gave the freshmen the lead, which they increased by heavy batting in the next three innings. Score:

									R.	H.	E.
Freshmen	0	0	0	1	0	2	1	2	1—7	9	6
Doane	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0—2	5	8

Batteries: University, Kiptser, Carr and Hunt; Doane, Orth and Bronson. Umpire: McCall.

Tabor Base Ball Schedule.

TABOR, Ia., April 18.—(Special.)—Tabor college base ball schedule follows:

April 21.—Amity at College Springs.
April 22.—Tarkio at Tarkio.
April 30.—Highland Park at Tabor.
May 2.—Tarkio at Tabor.
May 12.—Bellevue at Tabor.
May 19.—Bellevue at Bellevue.
May 20.—Morningside at Sioux City.
May 21.—University of South Dakota at Vermillion.
May 22.—Yankton at Yankton, S. D.
May 25.—Amity at Tabor.

National League Postponements.

NEW YORK, April 18.—Brooklyn-Philadelphia game postponed, rain.
ST. LOUIS, April 18.—Chicago-St. Louis game postponed, snow.
CINCINNATI, April 18.—Pittsburg-Cincinnati game postponed, rain.
NEW YORK, April 18.—New York-Boston game postponed, rain.

Big Purse Not Abandoned.

READVILLE, Mass., April 18.—The management of the Readville race track announced tonight that although the eastern end of the Grand circuit had been abandoned the $10,000 Massachusetts purse for 2:14 trotters would be given during the week of August 29-September 3.

Aeronaut Falls Into Sea.

NICE, France, April 18.—M. Rougier, the French aeronaut, while making a flight today fell with his aeroplane into the sea. He was injured but was rescued. The machine was lost.

New Farman Record.

PARIS, April 18.—Henry Farman today made a new record, carrying a passenger in his aeroplane across country from Etampes to Orleans, a distance of forty miles.

CURES OLD S. S. S. BLOOD TROUBLES

The only possible way to cure Contagious Blood poison is to remove the cause by purifying the blood. This is just what S. S. S. does; and it is the only medicine that absolutely and thoroughly cleanses the circulation of every particle of the germs and virus of the disease. Mercury, Potash, and other strong minerals are often used in the hope that such powerful treatment will kill the germs, but this can not be done, and when the mineral medicines are left off the trouble always returns with its aggravating symptoms of ulcerated mouth and throat, skin eruptions, falling hair, yellow skin splotches, swollen glands, and often running sores. The ability of S. S. S. to cure Contagious Blood Poison comes from its unfailing blood-purifying properties. It goes into the circulation and removes every trace of the infection, makes the blood rich and healthy, and leaves no dregs of the virus to break out later on. S. S. S. does not contain a particle of mineral in any form, but is made entirely of roots, herbs and barks each of which has a direct and specific action in cleansing the blood. In addition it contains the extracts of certain botanical herbs which make it the finest of all tonics, which is a necessary quality for a medicine in curing Contagious Blood Poison. Home Treatment book, containing much valuable information and instruction to be found nowhere else, will be sent sealed and post paid, free to all who write and request it.

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Tigers Take One From Browns

Detroit Wins First in Series from St. Louis by Score of Three to Two.

DETROIT, April 18.—Detroit won the first game of the series with St. Louis here today, 3 to 2. Bailey pitched unbeatable ball until the eighth, when an error by Wallace on Stanage's grounder seemed to unsteady him. He passed two men with two out and Cobb tied the score with a double. In the ninth Crawford walked and Delehanty hit for three bases. Mullin was hit hard at the start and was wild throughout, but good fielding saved him. The day was cold and rai nthreatened throughout. Score:

DETROIT.	B.	H.	O.	A.	E.	ST. LOUIS.	B.	H.	O.	A.	E.
McIntyre, lf	3	0	1	0	0	Stone, lf	4	1	0	0	0
Bush, ss	2	0	6	2	0	Wallace, 3b	3	1	0	3	1
Cobb, rf	4	1	1	0	0	Hoffman, cf	3	0	4	0	0
Crawford, cf	3	0	2	0	0	Griggs, 2b	3	1	3	3	0
Del'hanty, 2b	4	2	2	3	0	Hartzel, ss	4	1	2	5	0
Moriarty, 1b	3	0	0	4	0	Abstein, 1b	3	1	10	1	1
T. Jones, 1b	3	1	10	1	0	Demmitt, rf	3	0	1	0	0
Stanage, c	3	0	3	5	0	Stephens, c	3	0	8	2	0
Schmidt, c	0	0	1	1	0	Bailey, p	3	1	1	2	0
Mullin, p	1	0	0	4	0						
*D. Jones	0	0	0	0	0	Totals	28	6	24	15	2
Totals	27	4	27	19	0						

*Ran for Stanage in the eighth.

*Winning run made with none out.

Detroit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	—3
St. Louis	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—2

Two-base hits: Cobb, Wallace. Three-base hit: Delehanty. Sacrifice hits: Demmitt, Griggs, Stephens. Sacrifice flies: Hoffman, Hartzel. Left on bases: Detroit, 5; St. Louis, 6. First base on balls: Off Mullin, 4; off Bailey, 5. Struck out: By Mullin, 1; by Bailey, 1. Time: 1:40. Umpires: Kerin and Sheridan.

FREMONT GETTING INTERESTED

State Leaguers There Expect to Start Something.

J. C. Cook of Fremont, county attorney of Dodge county, was in Omaha Sunday. Mr. Cook is a base ball fan, having played the game at Fremont several years ago, when they had the best amateur team in the state. He says that there are about twenty-five candidates trying out for positions on the Fremont league team, and that among the bunch are some likely looking ball artists. He says the citizens of his town are enthusiastic over the new league and especially over Fremont's prospects for having a good team.

Jeff Gets Busy Limbering Up that Neck of His

Working Overtime on Chest Weights to Accomplish Result—Papke to Join Him.

BEN LOMOND, Cal., April 18.—Billy Papke will join James J. Jeffries in a few days and share the latter's training quarters while preparing for his next fight, which probably will be with Frank Klaus of Pittsburg.

Sam Berger, Jeffries' manager, received a telegram from Papke today asking if he might have training accommodations with Jeffries, and Berger, after consulting Jeffries, wired that arrangements could be made for him. Jeffries put in a strenuous Sunday. A large crowd of visitors came to the camp and promptly at noon Jeffries, attired in his "gym" togs, began an endurance exhibition with the pulley weights in the gymnasium. There was nothing spectacular in the work and it did not have as much interest for the visitors as boxing, but it gave them an excellent opportunity to judge Jeffries' condition. For half an hour Jeffries hauled away at the weighted ropes. Then followed shadow boxing, rope skipping and bag punching for an hour and a half.

Jeffries explained that his prolonged session with the chest weights was to limber up his neck and shoulder muscles to avoid any future attack of the cramp which suddenly stopped him Friday in the middle of a boxing bout with Bob Armstrong. Jeffries has done no boxing since that time, and his masseurs have paid particular attention to the afflicted spot. Farmer Burns, trainer-in-chief, said he did not think it likely Jeffries would have another attack.

Jeffries left his camp long enough this afternoon to take an automobile ride to Santa Cruz and ipaugurate the base ball season there by pitching the first ball. He returned to camp this evening.

Dick Adams came from Oakland today with the report that Mrs. Jeffries, who was operated upon yesterday, is getting along well. This news put Jeffries in a good humor.

OLDFIELD'S COLORS LOWERED

Caleb Bragg with Fiat-Ninety Defeats Champion.

PLAYA DEL REY, Cal., April 18.The surprise of the closing day of the first Los Angeles motordrome meet was the defeat of Barney Oldfield and his 200-horsepower Benz by Caleb Bragg, the amateur, with his Fiat 90.

Bragg had won the first heat Saturday, but that victory had been attributed to the standing start. Today they were sent away rolling, and within a half mile Oldfield, who again drew the outside, sent his big car to the front. The race was for two miles and the first time past the stands the Benz was leading by an open length.

Turning into the stretch the big leader swerved and Oldfield immediately slowed down. Bragg gained a few feet here and continued to creep up on the second mile. A half mile from the wire Bragg flashed in front, and although Oldfield made a desperate effort in the last quarter of a mile, he was beaten a few feet. The first mile was made in 41:28 and the second in 37:92.

The 100-mile race for a cash prize of $1,000 and a trophy was won by Ray Harroun in the Marmon. Nikrent, in a Buick, was second, and Oldfield, in a Knox, was third. The time, 1:16:21.90, establishes a new speedway record for the distance. The Marmon made the hundred miles without a stop. The Buick threw a tire and Nikrent had a narrow escape, the car swerving to the top and striking the iron rail. He succeeded in controlling the car, and after losing several miles, returned to the track. Oldfield was forced to stop several times by tire accidents.

Summary:

Ten-mile stock, 161 to 230 cubic inches—Cole (Endicott), won; Warren-Detroit (Miller), second; Firestone-Columbus (Linthwaite), third. Time: 8:46.74.

Three miles, stock class A—Ford (Pratt), won; Ford (Stearns), second; Ford (Olden), third. Time: 4:07.20.

Ten-mile stock, 301 to 450 cubic inches—Buick (Nigrent), won; Marmon (Harroun), second; Marmon (Wade), third. Time: 7:26.62.

Second heat match—Fiat (Bragg), won; Benz (Oldfield), second. Time: 1:15.20.

One hundred miles, stock, under 100 cubic inches—Marmon (Harroun), won; Buick (Nikrent), second; Knox (Oldfield), third. Time: 1:16:21.90.

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POLISH FANS BACK FAVORITE

Some Offering Odds Against Dane—Preliminary Between Hokoff and Pabelka Attracting Interest.

"If Zbyszko wins that match tonight he will have to go the whole route," said Jess Westergaard this morning, when asked what his prospects for winning the wrestling match with the Pole at the Auditorium looked like to him.

"I am in good shape and am able to go the whole distanke unless some element of luck enters into the contest that I cannot foresee. I have been working hard since I was here last and I know I am in the best condition that I could wish."

He looked the part, too.

"After the accident to my ankle after the last match with Zybszko, I went to Hot Springs and got it back in shape and since that time have done lots of rough work and find that it is as good as ever.

"In the last match here with the Polander I had a fine opportunity to try him out and I know more about him than I did before. I believe that at this time I am getting in better shape to go up against his game than I have ever been. I never go into a match unless I am in good condition and when I say I am feeling fine and expect to give my opponent a game, the public must take me seriously, for I have never 'fooled anyone yet."

Seat reservations are being made from all parts of the state and Manager Gillan of the Auditorium looks for one of the biggest houses that has ever witnessed a match of this kind in Omaha.

The Bohemians of the city are displaying interest in the preliminary match between Hokoff and Pavelka. Both are Bohemians and the country admirers of the game are betting their money on Pavelka while the the city sportsmen are wagering theirs on Hokoff. And there is quite a little activity in the betting end at that.

In the big match the Polish population is willing to back Zbyszko to the limit and in some cases are offering odds.

Jack Johnson Stops Training

Colored Pugilist Will Leave Chicago for the Pacific Coast Thursday Evening.

CHICAGO, April 18.—Jack Johnson, disgusted with the near-winter, which is lingering in the lap of spring in this vicinity, announced today that he would make no more attempts to train until he reached the coast.

The colored fighter expects to leave here next Thursday, arriving at San Francisco, May. 1.

BEN LOMOND, Cal., April 18.—When James J. Jeffries was informed today that Jack Johnson had declared in favor of Jack Welsh for referee of the coming fight, he said:

"I don't believe I have given the referee question a moments thought so far. Anything suggested will be agreeable to me. The selction of the referee will be in Berger's hands."

Berger said that he felt very much as Jeffries did and had no particular choice in mind.

AVERY AND RICHARDS GO TO UPHOLD FOOT BALL

Nebraska University Officials Leave Lincoln to Attend Missouri Valley Meet.

LINCOLN, April 18.—(Special.)—Expecting the hardest fight in the annals of Missouri valley foot ball for the life of the American game, Chancellor Samuel Avery and Prof. H. C. Richards of the University of Nebraska departed this evening for Kansas City, where tomorrow presidents and representatives of all the Missouri valley conference colleges and universities will meet at the call of President Strong of the University of Kansas to decide whether Rugby shall be substituted for American foot ball.

The two Nebraskans went to Kansas City prepared to "stand pat" for the present game and to fight any attempt to replace it with the English style of play. Missouri, Ames and Drake will ally themselves with the Cornhuskers. Kansas and Iowa, with Washington, will probably be massed in favor of a new style of play. Kansas, at least, can be relied upon to make a determined fight to do away with the present game. Chancellor Strong himself is not in favor of abolishing the American game, but several members of the Kansas Board of Regents have instructed their president to work to eliminate American foot ball from the list of Missouri valley sports, and Strong will have to obey instructions.

Bolt of Lightning Strikes Balloon

Huge Bag Shattered and Four Aeronauts Drop Long Distance to Death Below.

BITTERFELD, Prussia, Saxonia, April 18.—The balloon "Delitzsch," which ascended here last night, fell to the earth with great force near the village of Reichensachsen, about twenty miles northwest of Eisenach, in a thunderstorm. The crew, consisting of four men, was killed. The balloon passed over Eisenach at midnight and soon drifted into a thunderstorm. It is assumed that it was struck by lightning and that the gas exploded. The envelope was in tatters when found and the car wrecked.

PHOTOGRAPH OF THE COMET

Yerkes' Observatory Succeeds in Capturing View of Wanderer on Film.

CHICAGO, April 18.—What is believed to be the best photograph yet obtained of Halley's comet was secured at Yerkes' observatory at Williams Bay, Wis., early today. Prof. Frost viewed the celestial wanderer for over an hour in ideal condition. About 2,000,000 miles of the comet's tail was visible.

FAREWELL OF DR. M'DOWELL

Pastor of Immanuel Baptist Leaves Today for New Mexico.

Rev. P. H. McDowell preached his last sermons to the congregation of Immanuel Baptist church Sunday morning and evening. Special programs of music and song had been prepared, participated in by Charles H. Gabriel, Mrs. Whitmarsh, Mr. Everett, Mrs. Palmquist, Mr. Stambaugh, Miss Kellogg and Miss Weeden.

Baptismal service and communion service were held in the evening, and the closing hymn was "God Be With You Till We Meet Again."

No Strike Upon the Lackawanna

Decision Reached by Officials They Will Come to New York Central Award.

SCRANTON, Pa., April 18.—There will be no strike of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western railroad. This decision was reached tonight when General Superintendent T. H. Clarke of the Lackawanna company informed W. G.Lee of the trainmen that his company would abide by the award of the New York Central.

Today an ultimatum was sent to Superintendent Clarke notifying him that unless the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western company would abide by the rate decided upon by the New York Central company a strike would be called on the entire system, beginning at 11:45 o'clock tonight.

At 9:30 o'clock Mr. Clarke sent word to Mr. Lee that his company would agree to the New York Central award. Word was then telegraphed to all points withdrawing the strike order, which, it is said, was issued at 8 o'clock.

Struggle Near End for Perkins' Place

Tuesday Marks End of Fight for Seat Left Vacant by Death of J. B. Perkins.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., April 18.—(Special Telegram.)—The struggle for the seat in congress left vacant by the death of James B. Perkins grows more bitter between the republican, George W. Aldrich, and his democratic opponent, James S. Havens. Tuesday will mark the end of the fight.

That Aldrich will win, his friends profess to have no doubt.

"A week ago I thought that I perhaps had a chance to win; tonight I am absolutely positive that I will be elected," said he.

A hundred automobiles have been engaged to convey the farmers who are busy planting, to come and go to polling places. Aldrich will wind up on Monday night by addressing half a dozen ward gatherings.

HOUSE MAY BEAT SENATE

Lower House is Likely to Pass Railroad Bill this Week.

WASHINGTON, April 18.—It looks, after all, as if the house will beat the senate in passing the administration railroad bill, notwithstanding the fact that the latter had a start of two or three weeks in taking up the measure.

About the only advantage in this priority is found in the fact that the new law for the control of transportation lines, while prepared almost entirely by Attorney General Wickersham, will bear the name of Representative Mann of Illinois instead of Senator Elkins of West Virginia.

Preparations have been made in the house for the early closing of debate on the measure. Mr. Mann yesterday secured the adoption of a motion by which night sessions may be held tomorrow and Tuesday. It is expected that by next Thursday general debate will have been concluded and that on Friday the bill will be placed before the house for amendment under the five-minute rule. Republican leaders believe it can be passed by Saturday. Several days will elapse in all probability before the railroad bill is taken up again in the senate.

Consideration of the rivers and harbors bill will be resumed Monday, and Senator Newlands will speak in advocacy of a more complete co-operation on the part of those responsible for the various improvement projects. When he concludes the bill will be considered.

Tremendous pressure is being brought to bear on President Taft to take some part in deciding the claims of rival cities for the honor of holding an exposition in 1915 in commemoration of the completion of the Panama canal. During the latter part of next week he will receive Governor Gillett and a large delegation of San Franciscans to urge the selection of the Golden Gate city. New Orleans and San Diego citizens have been here already and Washingtonians are shouting their bids on every occasion when the opportunity offers.

The confidence of the delegations that the canal will be finished in 1915, and that the government will take part in the celebration in some selected city is sublime. All of the cities named apparently are going ahead with their plans for that date without a thought of what will happen if the canal is not finished them. Thus far the president has given nothing but kind words to the exposition boomers.

Now that the Standard Oil and the American Tobacco company cases are to be reargued, the corporation tax cases move up into first rank among those in which decisions may be expected in the near future. It is not impossible that decisions may be handed down in these cases when the court meets tomorrow.

Secretary Wilson expects to set an example for cabinet members this year. He is now planning his vacation to make it serve some purpose for the advancement of the Department of Agriculture. There are several big problems confronting the department, among them the forestry question, and it is likely that he will make an inspection of the forestry service. Secretary Dickinson will spend his vacation visiting the Panama canal and other insular possessions, and Secretary Meyer is talking of going to the several navy yards, making leisurely visits.

Major General J. Franklin Bell will surrender the office of chief of staff of the army on Friday next to Major General Leonard Wood. General Wood is en route to Buenos Ayres, however, and the office will be conducted until July by General Tasker H. Bliss, assistant chief of staff.

Live Ones Wear McKibbin hats

Dead Ones Don't Care

CRONKS YET AT VARIANCE

Husband's Attorney Says He Agreed to Interview Just to Avoid Scene on Street.

T. D. Crane, attorney for George P. Cronk, authorized a denial Monday of the assertion by Mrs. Cronk that she and her husband are reconciled. "Mr. Cronk in order to avoid a scene on the street," says Mr. Crane, "did consent to an interview with Mrs. Cronk, which took place in her rooms at the Rivard on Farnam street. Mr. Cronk talked with her some time, and that is all there is to it."

Mrs. Cronk asserts that her husband is reconciled to her. Her attorneys have made no statement in the matter.

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CATHOLICS HONOR ST. JOSEPH

Father Dooley Tells of the Just Man Who Was Exalted.

Roman Catholic churches in Omaha on Sunday celebrated the feast of St. Joseph, the patron of the universal church, with fitting ceremony. Pope Pius the Ninth, during his reign as head of the church, recommended that St. Joseph be selected as the patron of the church, as well as the head of the holy family.

Rev. W. F. Dooley, S. J., of St. John's Catholic church, spoke of St. Joseph at the 9 o'clock mass. He said that scripture is strangely silent concerning the life of Joseph and sums up his character in the phrase that he was "a just man." Father Dooley said that this was a very high tribute, as the virtue of justice contains within itself all of the other virtues. "A man to be just," he said, "must be just to God, his neighbor and himself."

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AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

Iowa House Thought to Have Been Set on Fire.

ONE OF CITY'S OLD STRUCTURES

Scene of Late Chief Garratt's Last Response to Duty—City Shivers with Rest of World.

Early Sunday morning a fire destroyed the Iowa house at Twenty-seventh and L streets, incurring a total loss. The property was not valuable as a lodging house, it being one of the oldest buildings in the city. The original cost was not more than $8,000, a frame structure and it is doubtful if the building could have been sold before the fire for $2,000. At one time in the early days it was a first class lodging house and accommodated large numbers of stockmen; but during the later years it has been sadly dilapidated. The police have probably made more calls to quell disturbances in that building than in any other part of the city.

This building was empty Sunday morning when the fire was discovered and it is thought by the firemen that someone deliberately set it afire. When once started it burned rapidly in the high wind.

There was a fire in this building nearly a month ago, which was attended by Chief David Garratt, who responded there to his last call just before he was taken fatally ill and died. He returned from that call and appeared as well as ever, but on reaching the fire hall complained of feeling tired. These were his last conscious words.

Magic City Gossip.

J. W. Murphy was reported ill with a cold Saturday. He has some symptoms of pneumonia.

The South Omaha teachers received their pay Saturday,