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KANSAS NEWS.

Baker University Enjoying Unusual Prosperity.

A Large Sum Annually for Institution's Support.

HAS 1,000 ENROLLMENT

Ten State Methodists Prepared to Give a Half Million.

School Well Endowed With Laboratories, Libraries, Etc.

Baldwin, Kan., Jan. 27.—An interesting story came to the surface here today. Five years ago Baker university seemed almost hopelessly in debt with no immediate prospect but that it would increase. But the friends of the institution rallied and the debt was paid in ninety days. From that time remarkable progress has been made. The churches in the supporting territory now regularly contribute for the current expenses a sum equal to an endowment of $300,000; over $150,000 has been added in new equipment in laboratories, libraries, museum, the gymnasium and astronomical laboratory, the new church and the new library building to be erected at once; the total annual enrollment of students has increased from about 500 to almost 1,000 this year.

Recently a vigorous campaign was outlined, looking to the further equipment and endowment of the university calling for a half million dollars. As there are 50,000 Methodists in the official territory of Baker it was deemed not too much to expect that, by the right sort of effort, each church could be persuaded to give an average of $10 per member for the endowment of Baker, now so firmly intrenched in the affections of the people. Conference with pastors and leading laymen throughout eastern Kansas led the officials to believe the plan feasible; it was endorsed by the board of trustees and will come up for consideration at the annual conference in March. The campaign is to continue through four years, culminating in 1908, the fiftieth anniversary of this "First College in Kansas."

But now comes the most interesting part of the story. When the campaign for debt paying was inaugurated five years ago assurances were given that, if the people at large would pay the debt, money would come from other sources for further enlargement and equipment. How generously this promise has been fulfilled is indicated by the above recital of Baker's growth. It is now said that, if the people at large will contribute the half million dollars for endowment as above outlined, there are ten Kansas Methodists who propose to duplicate the gifts of the people, thus placing a million dollar endowment upon the institution. It has been a favorite saying of President Murlin that he would rather have 50,000 people give Baker an average of $10 each than to have a few men give the half million, but that he would much prefer to have both methods prevail for Baker's enrichment. These methods have worked so successfully in the past five years that it lends color to the story that this is the policy outlined for the next four years. The story is further believed in that while President Murlin has little to say about it, there is an air of happy confidence in his manner when the subject is mentioned in his presence.

Gorney and Rogers Bound Over.

Paola, Kan., Jan. 27.—The preliminary hearing of Charles Gorney and Thomas Rogers, accused of breaking into the Missouri, Kansas & Texas railway station and blowing open the safe in Louisburg, Kan., January 18, was held before Justice I. L. Kent here. They were bound over to the next term of the district court in the sum of $1,500 each.

Death of B. A. Seaver.

Highland, Kan., Jan. 27.—B. A. Seaver, one of the most prominent members of the bar in this judicial district, is dead at his home, one-half mile north of Highland. His death was the result of heart disease, though he had been in failing health for the past three years. He came to Doniphan county, Kansas, from Mount Sterling, Ky., in 1872, and has practiced law in the county ever since. He was a member of the legislature in 1887-88, being elected as a Democrat. He also served one term as county attorney. He was twice Dmocratic nominee for the state senate. He was a good speaker and in 1882 he stumped the state in behalf of the prohibition amendment to the state constitution. Aside from being a prominent attorney, he was a man of marked literary attainments. He was for many years a member of the Highland school board. He was a friend and promoter of Highland university and always interested in education. He leaves one son, Joseph M. Seaver, who lives north of Highland, and two sisters, Mrs. Ella E. Herrick and Mrs. Jennie Jennings, both of Kansas City, Mo.

RAN AWAY FROM HOME.

A Controversy Over a Girl Who Was in an Industrial Home.

Iola, Kas., Jan. 27.—Legal steps were taken here to prevent Sheriff Richardson from taking Clara Skinner, a 16-year-old girl, back to the girls' reform school at Beloit. The sheriff had the girl at the train when her lawyer secured her signature to a petition asking a writ of habeas corpus. There was a hurried telephoning for county officers and the coroner to serve the writ, but in the meantime the sheriff left the Missouri Pacific depot for the Santa Fe depot. The girl's lawyer, thinking they had gone east on a street car to meet the train, boarded the train with the coroner and went to La Harpe, six miles east of here, to find that he had been given the slip. The two hurried back on a car and reached the Santa Fe depot just as the passenger train went south with the sheriff and the girl on board. The lawyer for the girl says the sheriff exceeded his authority and threatens to bring contempt proceedings against him.

An interesting feature of the case is that the girl asserts she has finished her term at Beloit. Transportation money was sant for her return to her mother here, but instead she was sent to Ottawa, where she was employed as a domestic. The girl disliked the work and January 14 ran away and came here. She also charges that an effort was made to poison her mind against her mother, but that the latter offers her a good home and the privilege of attending school, which offer her stepfather seconds. The girl's mother formerly was Mrs. Mary E. Haven, of Lawrence, and seems to be living now with her third husband. The sheriff could not be seen, but it is said he says the girl was sent to the Allen home only on parole and that she broke it by running away and coming here.

Columbus Attorneys Exonerated.

Columbus, Kan., Jan. 27.—The committee appointed to investigate the conduct of Attorneys C. A. McNeill and Charles Stephens with reference to their employment by parties charged with violating the prohibitory liquor law, reported to the entire bar yesterday afternoon. Both gentlemen were exonerated. The bar adopted the report of the committee exonerating them. Their friends are pleased at the outcome. Forty-one members of the bar were present and the matter was thoroughly gone over, and the result is a complete vindication of Messrs. McNeill and Stephens.

Masonic Home Committee Meets.

Wichita, Kan., Jan. 27.—The board of directors of the State Masonic home is in session here. Only routine work was done the first day, but during the meeting the board will pass upon plans for the proposed new building and decide whether it shall be built during the coming year. It is to cost $20,000. Plans have been submitted by a Kansas City architect. Among the Masons here are Bestor G. Brown of Topeka, David B. Fuller of Eureka, Thomas G. Fitch, Emma W. Port and H. C. Loomis, Winfield, Alexander A. Sharp, Larned, and J. C. Postlethwaite, Jewell.

Funeral of Col. Weldy.

Galena, Kan., Jan. 27.—Colonel L. C. Weldy was buried from Sapp's theater at 2:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. It was probably the largest funeral ever held in this city, the large auditorium being crowded, while many waited below the stairs unable to gain an entrance. The uniformed rank Knights of Pythias had charge of the services.

Small Fire at Newman.

Perry, Kan., Jan. 27.—The dry goods and grocery store of E. C. Garlinghouse at Newman, four miles west of Perry, on the Union Pacific railroad, burned early today. The building and its contents were totally destroyed. The postoffice and railroad and express offices also occupied the building. The origin of the fire is unknown. The loss is about $2,000.

Patents Issued Kansans.

Washington, Jan. 27.—These patents have been issued: Kansas—Elmer V. Allen, Hiawatha, washing machine; Eli M. Clark, Sycamore, brick kiln furnace; Alpheus M. Cox, Haviland, wind wheel; Thomas A. Sechler, Fort Scott, truck ladder; Frederick G. Winnek, Holton, wagon pole.

Rural Free Delivery.

Washington, Jan. 27.—Rural free delivery letter carriers appointed:

Kansas—Alma, carrier Henry C. Diepenbrock, substitute William Walter; Alma, carrier Edward F. Penbrink, substitute Alexander Johnson; Alma, carrier Frank W. Oehmann, substitute Lawrence Fernay; Altamont, carrier William A. Smith, substitute Mrs. Minnie R. Nary; Altamont, carrier James W. Baker, substitute Joe L. Barker; Andover, carrier Willis Boyer, substitute Thomas Newland; Atlanta, carrier George W. Kinkaid, substitute George Breslus; Atlanta, carrier John W. Cunningham, substitute J. S. Likens; Council Grove, carrier Francis H. Hannah, substitute Leslie Hannah; Delphos, carrier Aristotle C. Black, substitute Olive Black; Downs, carrier Edward V. Hanby, substitute Frank M. Hanby; Dwight, carrier Frank P. Crowell, substitute Fred P. Crowell; Herington, carrier Asbury C. Lower, substitute Oscar F. Lower; Michigan Valley, carrier Gail V. Louk, substitute Linus P. Louk; Osborne, carrier Elmer Dobbin, substitute Charles L. Lochard; Wells, carrier Jonathan D. Todd, substitute Harry C. Todd; Wilsey, carrier Ora G. Otis, substitute Tom C. Melvin.

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CHICOPEE MAN FROZEN.

Austrian Miner Was Found in Middle of the Street.

Pittsburg, Kan., Jan. 27.—An Austrian miner named Joe Teotta was frozen to death in the middle of the main street of Chicopee, a Mount Carmel company mining camp, two miles south of this city. He was found this morning about 7 o'clock by an Italian miner on his way to work.

When last seen alive Teotta was in a saloon owned by an Italian named Valentine and he was much under the influence of liquor. This was about 10:30 o'clock last night and he left the place with the remark that he was going home.

It is supposed he fell and was either stunned and froze before he regained consciousness or was too much under the influence of liquor. In his mustache was clotted blood.

Teotta was 45 years of age and was a member of the Austrian society and Imperial O. R. M. He is survived by a widow and four children.

THE TOWN PAID AGENT'S FINE

A Railroad Threatened Not to Stop Trains in Americus.

Emporia, Kan., Jan. 17.—Americus, eight miles northwest of here, had occasion this week to learn how important a station agent is. Mr. Gunn, the Missouri, Kansas & Texas agent there was arrested because he rolled his mail cart on the sidewalk. He was fined in police court and refused to pay his fine. He was put in jail. Gunn refused to give up his keys to the depot and Americus merchants had much trouble because they could neither receive nor ship freight. This state of affairs continued for a time, when the railroad officials informed Americus that the town must release Gunn or trains would cease stopping there. The business men immediately paid the fine and Gunn was released.

Western Postmasters.

Washington, Jan. 27.—These postmasters have been appointed:

Arkansas—Bledsoe, Lee county, Frank O. Love, vice Newton L. Lee, dead.

Indian Territory—Lenapah, Cherokee nation, John E. White, vice William E. Twichell, removed.

Kansas—Aetna, Barber county, David Gray, vice W. S. Richardson, removed.

DEMOCRATS ISSUE CALL.

It Makes the Necessary Regulations for Wichita Convention.

Following is the official call for the Democratic state convention:

There will be a convention of the Democrats of Kansas held in the city of Wichita on April 7, 1904, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m., for the election of six delegates at large and six alternates at large to the national convention to be held in St. Louis, Mo., on July 6, 1904, and also for the purpose of ratifying the election of two delegates and two alternate delegates to the said national convention chosen from each congressional district, said district delegates to be elected by a caucus of the delegation in attendance from each congressional district. There will also be elected at this convention a national committeeman.

The basis of the representation of the delegates attending the convention will be one delegate for each 200 votes or major fraction thereof cast for William H. Craddock for governor in the election of 1902, and one delegate at large from each county, and that no county have less than two delegates.

It is also recommended by the state central committee, that at the county convention held for the purpose of selecting delegates to this convention, that the county central committees in the several counties, be chosen for the ensuing two years. And that they organize their committees at this time and forward to the secretary of the state central committee, Charles McCrum at Garnett, Kan., the names of the chairman, secretary, treasurer and different members of the committee and the townships they represent; together with the report of the names of the delegates elected to represent their counties at the above convention, not later than March the 28th. Earlier if possible.

The delegates for this convention shall be selected in such manner and at such time and under such rules and regulations as provided by the Democratic county central committees.

The secretary of the several county conventions are urgently requested to send to Charles McCrum, secretary at Garnett, Kansas, a certified copy of credentials of the several delegates and alternate delegates, immediately after their respective conventions elect the same.

This request is made so that everything will be in readiness for the state committee to act intelligently and prepare a roster for those entitled to participate in the preliminaries of the convention. By order of committee.

HUGH P. FARRELLY,
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SPORTING NEWS.

Jockey Winnie O'Connor Twice Meets Himself.

Little Rider Tells Odd Story of His Experiences.

IN REFLECTIVE MOOD.

Encountered by a Tout Bearing the Self Same Name.

Wanted to Work Winnie to Bet on the Races.

Lexington, Ky., Jan. 27.—Winnie O'Connor, who formerly piloted the horses of A. Featherstone on the Metropolitan tracks, but who spent last season in France as the premier jockey for the stable of Baron Rothschild, is now in the city, the guest of his former employer, Julius Baeur, trainer for the Featherstone stable. He fell into a reminiscent mood while seated in the cafe of the Phoenix hotel last night with a party of friends and told of some of his experiences while riding in this country.

"I have been approached twice in my life by a fellow who claimed to be Jockey Winnie O'Connor," he said. "The first time was when I happened in a poolroom at Westchester in the summer of 1902, during an enforced idleness occasioned by a kick on the shin from one of the horses in the Featherstone barn. Being unable to ride I sauntered into the room to see if I could figure out how to make a stake, and as I glanced up at the board containing the entries a stranger pushed up against me. Looking over the entries for one of the races I saw an old mount of mine which I knew was a good one, and I offered the casual suggestion to the stranger that he had a good chance to win.

"'Don't you believe it,' said the stranger. 'He's a dog.'

"'You might think so, but I don't,' I replied.

"'I ought to know something about him, for I rode him,' replied the stranger, with all the confidence of a man telling the truth.

"'What is your name?' I asked, and he replied with that same confidence that he was 'Winnie O'Connor, the jockey.' Immediately I understood his game, and that he had figured me out as being a sucker ready to bite, and was trying to tout me onto something good which he had up his sleeve, so I decided to see it out, and asked him why he was not at the track that day. He went on to explain that Trainer Bauer was away and that he had hurt his leg by a horse falling on him. At last I turned and faced him with the remark that he had a lot of nerve, and handing him one of my cards invited him to call and see me. The fellow sneaked out of the poolroom without looking back.

"The next time I met myself was while I was riding at Bennings. I left the track and boarded a car for Washington in company with a friend. I had scarcely taken my seat when my friend nudged me and called my attention to a little fellow sitting in the corner, and giving me the wink said that the boy was Winnie O'Connor, the jockey.

"I saw what was up, and realizing that the boy had been passing himself off as me, so I walked up to him, and holding out my hand said, 'Hello, Winnie, how are you?' He took my hand, but made no reply. I then said, 'I guess you don't remember me?' 'No, I don't,' he answered. 'Well,' I answered, 'the next time you go out you change your name again,' and with that he recognized me and had the conductor stop the car and let him off."

O'Connor will spend a month here, the guest of Trainer Bauer, while the latter is preparing the Featherstone string for their campaign, and about March 1 will return to France to fulfill his contract with Baron Rothschild.

NEW ORLEANS TURF TALK.

Streett Leads Winning Owners and Phillips the Jockeys.

New Orleans, La., Jan. 27.—Through the victory of Port Royal in the Cotton selling stakes on Saturday Dr. Streett moved to the head of the class in the list of winning owners.

Streett has been something of a wizard here. His horses have shown class of which they had not been previously suspected. Port Royal had started only twice at the meeting and had won his first start, but not in company like that he met in this race. It seemed no great stretching of odds to quote such a long price as 25 to 1 against him, particularly when Streett made no secret of the fact that he expected little or nothing from his horse in this race.

The race brought about the ratification of the peace treaty between Streett and Charles Robbins, the father of the jockey who was engaged to do the stable riding here. When Streett substituted Higgins for Robbins on the occasion of Port Royal's first start, Robbins senior declared war. It was only after the most abject apologies and promises never to offend in like manner in the future that the elder Robbins agreed to let his boy take up his regular stable duties again.

Next to Streett, Sam Hildreth has been the biggest winner of purses. Close behind him is Charley Ellison.

H. Phillips still leads the jockeys in the number of winning mounts. He now has forty-one victories to his credit and in his present form bids fair to make his record better than that of Fuller or Coburn, who were at the top of the list last year and the previous year. W. Fisher is second on the list, but Fisher has gone back to a great degree from the form that marked his work in the first days of the meeting. He has twenty-eight winning mounts to his credit. Robbins comes next with twenty-five.

The new arrangement of employing two regular starters on the eastern tracks probably will create a vacancy for another starter at the Memphis meeting. It is now almost certain that Fitzgerald will be called upon to take up his work on the eastern tracks much earlier than in former years. This will prevent his officiating at Memphis. Heretofore Cassidy, who will alternate with Fitzgerald, has done all the work at Bennings and Aqueduct.

William Murray, who has been recommended by Fitzgerald, probably will be appointed by the Memphis Jockey club. Murray has had considerable experience, and has already resigned his position as assistant to Fitzgerald, with the idea that he will be appointed on one or more of the western tracks.

Cornell and Columbia Date Fixed.

Ithaca, N. Y., Jan. 27.—The Cornell and Columbia football teams will meet this year in New York city on November 12. It is also understood the Princeton team will this year come to Ithaca October 29. Whether Cornell will succeed in arranging a game with Harvard is still a matter of doubt, the management refuses to discuss the matter. The undergraduates, however, are eager to play Harvard in Cambridge this year and in Ithaca the following year, thus alternating with Princeton.

BARNEY MAY BE BLOWN AWAY

Johnson Reiterates in Cleveland His Opinion of Dreyfuss.

Cleveland, Jan. 7.—Ban Johnson of the American league will have no further business dealings with Barney Dreyfuss, president of the Pittsburg club and chairman of the schedule committee of the National league. He made this declaration at a conference with Charles W. Somers, vice president of the American league and the newspaper men at the Hollenden.

"I will never have anything to do with Dreyfuss. He is too light for his position, and believes himself in a class by himself. Before he can talk baseball to me again he will have to carry some weight or he is likely to be blown away. Before there is anything more done on the schedule question between the American and National league, the latter will have to send others besides Dreyfuss or we will never come to an agreement.

"Why should we allow the National league to open the season in New York? Did we not give in to them last year, allow them the opening dates and the Decoration day holiday? Now it is only fair that we get the opening dates and Decoration day. Of course, we will stand by the dates we have scheduled for New York, and if the National league wants to avoid conflicting dates they must allow them to us.

"Of course the National league would like to have the opening dates as before, but it is only fair that we get them. Still, I will not talk business until I have seen the other members of the National league schedule committee. Dreyfuss tried to boss me, but hereafter he will have to do business with his own men.

"He predicted the downfall of the American league beginning in 1905, but just let me tell you the National league has nothing to say, for we have had them whipped and allowed them to stay in the race. If there is any organization that needs protection it is the National, and all this talk about there being war is bosh. There will be no war, for the National league is not in a position to declare one. We have asked for the opening dates in New York. We have earned them as the Nationals had them last year."

FOR A CONSOLIDATION.

Four American Association Teams Said to Have Signed an Agreement.

Milwaukee, Jan. 27.—The Daily News says: Baseball sensations are always expected, but one action carried through at the meeting of American Association magnates in Chicago will fall like a bomb in American association, western league and eastern league cities.

Charter members of the American association signed an agreement, it is officially announced, which was unknown even to President Grillo until an hour after it was signed. The points of the agreement are as follows:

The five charter clubs in the association agree to remain in the organization during the life of the franchises.

Four association teams will not consolidate with four eastern leagues clubs.

Four association teams will not consolidate with four western league clubs.

A new eastern league is out of the question.

St. Paul, Minneapolis, Kansas City and Milwaukee will not be dropped from the American association for at least eight years.

The signers of the agreement are Milwaukee, St. Paul, Louisville, Indianapolis and Kansas City.

Copies of the agreement are in the hands only of Dale Gear of Kansas City and George Lennon of St. Paul.

No more important news in American association or western league baseball circles has been placed before the baseball public in years. This is the third year in the life of the American association and for 18 months there has been a fear of disruption, which, however, the present action dispels.

Defeat for Milwaukee Bowlers.

Chicago, Jan. 27.—A picked Chicago team defeated the Milwaukee team, which came here to meet the All-Chicagos, by 151 pins, getting two out of three games. Strang, Brill and Steel did not play with the locals and Brown and Carroll, two Newspaper League men, were substituted. The visitors made a good showing until the third game, when they went to pieces. Sam Kind was in the best form of the Milwaukee team, although he failed to hold the local anchor, W. V. Thompson, who averaged 201⅔. Scores:

Chicago.	1st.	2d.	3d.
Lee	185	190	203
Brown	197	188	199
Carroll	161	165	143
Gerstenkorn	166	169	196
Thompson	190	190	224
Total	899	883	935
Milwaukee.	1st.	2d.	3d.
Mountain	179	214	152
Altmeier	170	147	198
Moll	134	181	162
Kloskhofer	146	182	168
Kind	224	214	131
Total	853	938	811

Racing at Los Angeles.

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 27.—Long shots had another inning at Ascot and but one favorite got first money. Autumn Time took the first race at 10 to 1. There were 14 horses in the race and the start was bad. Dr. Bernays, the red-hot favorite, failed to be up to the front at any stage. Brown Study won the 2-year-old dash from Azelina, the favorite, covering the three furlongs in :36½ and lowering the track record by one-fourth of a second.

Racing at New Orleans.

New Orleans, Jan. 27.—Falkland, which scored cleverly in the second race, was the only winning favorite. Stonewall, in winning the fifth race, clipped nearly four seconds off the track record, covering the mile and three-quarters at 3:01 4-5. The weather was cloudy and cool, but the track was fast.

Racing at Oakland.

San Francisco, Jan. 27.—Favorites met with disaster at Oakland. My Surprise was the only one to land and she closed equal choice with Puss in Boots. The feature was the mile and a sixteenth race in which some clever performers met. Stuyve was the favorite but failed to get any of the money. Mendon, a 3-year-old, finished strong and won by a head from Soothsayer, while Jockey Club was third. Atwood, well played by stable connections, took the seven furlongs race. Sad Sam was regarded as a good thing in the last race but Jane Holly, an 8 to 1 chance, beat him in a drive. The weather was clear and the track fast.

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Comiskey Can't Have Parent.

Boston, Jan. 27.—Jimmy Collins has arrived in town. He says about half the Boston team have signed for next season and he expects to sign the others before he returns to Buffalo. He knows their figures and anticipates no trouble in reaching an agrement. The Boston pitchers will be the same as last year. Doran and Criger have been signed for catchers. Regarding a reported offer of $15,000 by Comiskey for the release of Parent, Collins said: "Our club is not selling any good players like Parent." The team will do preliminary work at Macon, Ga., and play four exhibition games in New Orleans before coming north to open the season in New York.

McClelland Issues a Challenge.

Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 27.—Before leaving for Kansas City to fight "Kid" Herman the latter part of the week Jack McClelland issued a sweeping challenge to the feather weight fighters of the world, no one barred, not even colored. McClelland says he has ample backing. He is in good condition.

Sporting Notes.

Roller polo has broken out in Milwaukee after a lapse of fifteen years.

Before Jockey Fuller turned to the turf he was a bell boy in a St. Joseph hotel.

The universities of Minnesota and Nebraska will again meet on the gridiron next fall.

Milwaukee will send at least seven 5-men teams to the Cleveland bowling tournament.

Jack Johnson, premier of the dark heavies, is now in the east looking for bouts around Boston.

Johnny Corbett, who brought out Young Corbett, will help train Britt for his fight with the little champion.

Princeton university will hold its eighth annual track and field sports for the school athletics on April 30.

Mike Ward of Detroit thinks he is good enough to defeat Joe Gans at 140 pounds. The two may meet soon in Detroit.

Horace Butterworth, former director of athletics at Northwestern university, Chicago, will accept a similar position at Purdue university.

The University of Michigan has a record-breaking number of track and field candidates this year. More than 100 boys have come out for the teams.

Young Corbett and Jimmy Britt have selected the Hayes Valley Athletic club, San Francisco, for their bout on March 11. Eddie Graney will be the referee.

William P. Bates, the former Brown fullback, has been offered the position of baseball coach at Northwestern. He was a star back and a good ball player.

The University of Wisconsin will invite Georgetown, California, Pennsylvania, Cornell and other universities to row at Madison in a regatta at jubilee time.

The Western Golf association's annual meeting will be held in Chicago on the evening of March 1. The association now has 59 clubs in its membership.

Each of the last three years Michigan has lost a good man from the football team by sickness or death. It was Shorts in 1901, Jones in 1902, and Cecil Gonding in 1903.

Charley Mitchell, whom John L. Sullivan considered his greatest antagonist in the prize ring, contemplates coming to America with a bunch of clever English fighters.

Jockey Frankie O'Neill has been a very industrious and careful young man. He has put his money away and will soon become interested in the bank at Patch Grove, Wis.

George Sutton, the Chicago billiardist, and Maurice Vignaux, the French expert, have been matched for a 500-point contest at 18-inch balk line. The match has been set for January 29 at Paris.

Columbia has accepted the invitation to run against Pennsylvania in the four-mile relay race at the Athletic association games on February 6. Princeton was asked, but had no team for the event.

Overwhelming for Roosevelt.

Kansas City, Jan. 27.—A Republican primary election held here to select delgates to the convention that will choose Jackson county's delegates to the Republican convention at Chicago, resulted in an overwhelming indorsement for the president and his administration. There were two contesting delegations, one instructed for Roosevelt and the other uninstructed, and the Roosevelt delegation received at least 80 per cent. of the total vote cast.

Oldest New Hampshire Woman Dead

New York, Jan. 27.—Mrs. Katherine Kendall Steele, the oldest woman in New Hampshire and cousin of President Franklin Pierce, is dead at her home, Lyndesboro, N. H. She was 103 years old. One of the events of her life was her meeting with Lafayette at Concord in 1824.

Destroying American Property.

San Domingo, Jan. 27.—It is learned here that the insurgents are destroying American property in Santo Domingo, consequently the U. S. cruiser Columbia left here for San Pedro Marcoris to protect American interests there, the American consul at San Pedro having telegraphed Minister Powell advising him of the necessity of the cruiser's presence, and saying also that other foreign countries were imperiled. The government is unable to afford protection. Certain American sugar estates at San Pedro are considered to be especially threatened, as they are some distance from the town and without protection.

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GOOD ROADS TALK.

The President Addresses a Committee of the Congress.

Washington, Jan. 27.—Today's feature of the meeting here of the national committee of the St. Louis good roads congress was a call on President Roosevelt at the White House. In a brief speech the president expressed his deep interest in the subject of good roads. He said:

"I am sure I need not say how entirely I sympathize with the movement that you are championing for better means of communication. The road is the symbol of civilization. Take our great province of Alaska—I doubt if there is anything more needed for the development of Alaska on permanent lines than the building up of a proper system of roads, and where it is impossible to make wagon roads, trails in Alaska. Throughout our country our citizens will have to turn their energies to improving the means of intercourse—that is, the roads—between community and community, because we are a civilized people and we can not afford to have barbaric methods of communication."

A resolution offered by Jefferson Myers of the Lewis and Clark exposition, endorsing the good roads movement and the exposition was adopted.

An invitation was extended for the meeting of the good roads association to be held in Portland, Ore., in 1905.

KANSAS BOY MISSING.

J. S. McKaughan, of La Harpe, in California After Runaway.

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 27.—J. S. McKaughan has come from his home in La Harpe, Kan., to look for his runaway son, Jay McKaughan.

The boy, who will be 18 years old in March, has been missing from his home since January 17, 1903.

His father thinks that he came to California to work in the fruit belt. He was lost heard from in Caliente. That was a year ago.

His father is staying at 416 South Main street and is very anxious to see his son. He will remain in Los Angeles for a week and asks anyone who knows of the boy's whereabouts to notify him. He is willing to pay a reward for the information.

Young McKaughan is about five feet, seven inches tall, weighs between 140 and 150 pounds, is slim, but has broad shoulders. He has light, wavy hair, light blue eyes and is left handed. His relatives in Kansas are much distressed because of his absence.

The elder McKaughan said: "He left home because he wanted adventure. If he will only come back he will have a fine home as long as he lives. His people are breaking down under anxiety on account of his absence."

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