

INTERESTING LOCAL NEWS EVENTS OF THE PAST WEEK AS DEPICTED BY THE STATE JOURNAL CARTOONIST.

SUNDAY



Santa Fe loads up for an attack on the legislature.

MONDAY



The senate inspects the railroad proposition once more.

TUESDAY



While some observe Kansas Day, others observe city politics.

WEDNESDAY



Representative Robert Stone defends his antipass bill successfully.

THURSDAY



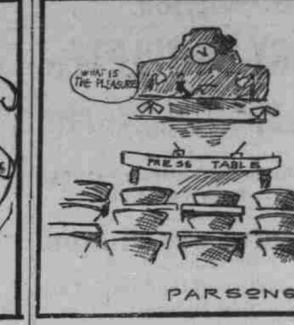
Was anti-Sunday baseball day in the senate.

FRIDAY



Is the prize slippery day of the present season.

SATURDAY



The house is empty: First Friday adjournment of session.

TOPEKA IS READY

Fine Lot of Men Being Selected for White Sox.

Business Will Pick Up Now That Season Is Approaching.

SUNDAY GAMES TO AID.

Cooley Decides He Can Stand the Town and the Association.

Season Will Probably Open Up on May Second.

Now that Sunday baseball will be allowed in Kansas for another two years at least Dick Cooley and Herman Crow, owners of the local team are formulating their plans preparatory to beginning the season in the Western Association. Cooley expects to have as good a team as there is in this league when the Western Association starts business which will probably be on the 24 day of next May. Although Cooley has not as yet completed his team he has as good a bunch of men right now as any other team in the association.

Here are a few of them: Catchers—Henry, Landis. Pitchers—Halla, Bolles, McInnis, Richards, Babb, Neal. First base—Abbott. Second base—McBride. Third base—Olson. Shortstop—Ragan, Bolles. Outfielders—Davis, Hurlburt, Cole, Landreth.

The above is not a complete roster of the White Sox of 1907 as there are several contracts which are still hanging fire and a couple of trades are not impossible. But the above are clinched and will be in Topeka when the season opens.

One announcement which will be received with a great deal of regret on the part of the fans is that Cooley will not play in Topeka this season. Cooley says that he does not want to play and will start the season on the bench directing the White Sox from that position. He will probably play, however, if he is needed and many of his friends say that Dick will not be able to stand the pressure when the grass begins to grow in the spring and the season warms up a little. He will remain with Topeka, however, although he has had good offers of managing three or four teams in class A leagues.

For catcher Hall probably got the bulk of the receiving act. When Henry is right he is as good a catcher as there is in the association. He commenced with Topeka in 1906 and was the best catcher in the league that year. Last year, however, he played under the greatest of misfortune. He failed to start at the beginning of the season and had to undergo an operation at the hospital. It was not until near the end of the season that he was in anywhere near his true form, but even then he managed to show up near the top of the catching averages. Cooley thinks well of Jack and thinks that he will easily lead the league in that position next season. Landis is the catcher who played in Topeka on Sunday and went in the second game of a double header against Hutchinson. So well did he work that many old time followers of the game ventured the opinion that he was a former big leaguer. He showed up well at the bat too. Henry is one of the best inside catchers in the league and is as good a base runner as there is. Negotiations were on for Zearfoss but he wanted too much.

Topeka will undoubtedly have the best pitching staff in the league next season. Three of last year's team will be back and they are as good pitchers as there are in the league. McInnis, who was the standby of Topeka all last season will be back and will be in the game. He is in fine shape and says that he will be able to pitch better ball than ever next season. He is known as the spitball artist of the league and has this ball under control as no other pitcher has. Halla, who was with Topeka during the short few games of last season made a remarkable record and will probably prove to be the leading southpaw in the league next season. Last season he pitched in thirteen games and won ten of them which made him the second pitcher in the league. For a left handed pitcher Halla probably has as good control as any pitcher in the business. Halla is also a handy man to play on any other position except behind the bat. He is a good batter as well. Bolles is a good batter who came to Topeka during the closing game of the season after having played at shortstop all season for the Fort Worth team in the Texas league and pitched three games for Topeka, winning all of them. His first game

was against Joplin with Blaine Durbin in the box. Bolles won the game by the score of 3 to 0. Bolles is not only a good pitcher, but can play any position on the team. In the post season games last fall Cooley tried him out in every position and says that he is the best all around player in the business. He shows up well behind the bat and on the infield and outfield. He led the Texas league in stolen bases and last fall while with Topeka he made some sensational steals. Cooley intends to carry four pitchers. He has several youngsters signed up who will try out for this position and out of the number which he will have he ought to be able to secure one good one to make up the quartet. Richards from Wamego, who made his debut last season will be on hand to try out. Richards by his absence and he is a little shy of control. He is no worse, however, than Jack Forrester was a year ago and the chances are that he will be able to remedy all these defects. Another young recruit will be Walter Babb, who comes from Red Rock, Okla. He has never played professional ball but he has made a good showing in the territorial amateurs and comes strongly recommended to Cooley who has great hopes in the lad. Lester Neal of Smith Center, who has been given a tryout. He comes from the short grass and is a friend of Cheney, who has recommended him to Cooley. He is a pitcher of rare promise and should not doubt make a good showing in the antiseason games. Cooley's old place on first base will be given to Abbott, who needs no introduction to the Topeka baseball public. Abbott will make one of the best first basemen in the league next season," said Cooley yesterday. There never has been a harder working player in the Western Association than Abbott and he will undoubtedly prove to be one of the best men for the Cooleycrows next season. Abbott commenced playing on the Topeka team in 1904, the first year Topeka was represented in the Missouri Valley league. In the middle of the season he was traded for Tom Hushes and Friel to the Chicago team. He was brought back to Topeka and given the captaincy of the team. The team at that time was fast hitting the topekan and Abbott brought the team to the halting distance at sixth place. He played with the Topeka team all of the next season, most of the time as captain. Probably no ball player outside of the city has brought more honors to Topeka than Abbott but for some reason he has been somewhat unpopular among some of the fans. This is probably due to his over zealousness in games when he has had the team in his charge. However, he will not be captain this year. When not troubled with the added duties of captain he is one of the best batters in the circuit. He is a good batter, a good fielder and knows more baseball in a minute than most players know in a lifetime, and he is always there with the goods.

Second base, unless something happens to alter circumstances, will be given to the young pitcher who has been the only one yet signed up for this place. He comes from Sedan, Kansas, and is recommended to Cooley by Ed Heck, who pitched the game when he was playing on the corner lots of Topeka. Heck is also the man who sent Cheney to Topeka and his word is worth a great deal. Whether he is the event that a new third baseman is secured he will have to win this place over Olson.

Olson, under the present arrangements will be played on third. He is a youngster and is a member of the famous family of Olsons and a brother to Sylvester Olson, Joplin's shortstop. He is a good pitcher and has made a most favorable impression on the fight fans. "I figure it this way," said the

this year. It is away ahead of what it was at this time a year ago. The battery is in much better shape and is a great deal stronger. The infield with one more man whom Cooley hopes to land will be as good as any infield, and the outfield will be as great a hitting and fielding aggregation as has been gathered together in the Western Association. While on the road the team will be at a great disadvantage as he was unacquainted with the players and the men on the other teams but a year's experience in this league will enable him to do a great deal more than he did last year.

New uniforms will be worn by the team next season. In their home games the White Sox will wear white uniforms, everything white from their caps to their shoes. While on the road the team will wear uniforms which will be entirely of gray. This will enable the players to make a better appearance in their suits as they can be kept cleaner and in better shape.

For the ante-season games an exceptionally strong schedule has been arranged. The season will open in Topeka on March 29 when the Washington Senators of the American league will play here. Joe Cantillon is managing this team now and he will have a good punch of stars here. On March 30, 31 and April 1 the Denver team of the Western league will stop off in Topeka on their way east and will play three games. The second game will be a Sunday game. On April 4 and 5 the team will go to Kansas City and play. St. Paul will be here April 6 and 7. The Denver team will be here April 9 and 10 on their way back to Colorado and Kansas City will follow on April 11 and 12. The team after the Kansas City series will leave for a trip through Nebraska. They will play Omaha April 13 and 14, Lincoln 15 and 16 and Beatrice April 17 and 18.

The Western league opens on the 19th so that the remainder of the games will have to be played with smaller teams. The Western league will take a trip through the principal towns belonging to the Kansas State league in the southeastern part of the state stopping off at Coffeyville, Parsons, Independence and possibly one or two other towns. The Western association season, although not yet decided, is expected to open May 2.

For the jumping events Washburn has two good men in Weed and Bobb, both of whom distinguish themselves in the meet. These men are working hard and will be prepared to give some of the other Kansas colleges a hard time. Washburn will probably arrange to meet the Aggies, College of Emporia and Kansas university. This will give the Washburn track men an excellent opportunity to work out and should put them in the best possible condition. Captain Tice this morning in speaking of the prospects of the Washburn team said: "I do not see that any college has any better chance than Washburn and I feel confident that Washburn will be champion in track work this spring."

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WASHBURN ATHLETICS. Have Some First Class Men to Care for Honors at Track Meet.

Although it is several months until the Kansas intercollegiate track meet this spring, Washburn has begun preparations for that event and are going to do their utmost to win first place in this meet. Harold Tice, who is captain of the team, has issued his call for men and has met with a hearty response on the part of the Washburn men.

Tice will participate in the meet this year and will be in several of the running events. Last year Tice won first place in the 200 yard dash and held the state record for this event, his time being 22 2-5 seconds. He will be in the 220 again this year and probably in the 100 yard dash. Tice is a runner that he will be in several other running events. Another man who is being looked upon to win honors in track work this spring is Fred Wood, who will run in the 100 yard dash. He was in this race last year but on account of the large number of men who were in the race the judges could not accurately judge the finish and Weed probably had first place won. "As it was he was not given a place. Litton was in the third and St. Francis in the last and the disqualifying of Bogum with Walter Miller up after he had fouled Sandy on Duke of Orleans in the whole grandstand. Huloon had not been out for a long time but had been "prepared" for a killing. Opening at 15 to 1, the wise ones swooped down on the bookies and forced the price to four. Huloon led all the way. St. Francis came in for the same kind of play in the last to beat Rapid Water and Fireball. St. Francis broke first, ran away from Fireball and had enough left to stall off a great rush of Rapid Water.

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Highlanders to Atlanta. New York, Feb. 2.—Two dozen baseball players of the New York Highlander team will go to Atlanta March 8. When Clark Griffith calls the roll 8, the Georgia training camp these men will be among those present: Pitchers, Chesbro, Orth, Hogg, Doyle, Hughes, Clarkson and Ebbett; catchers, Kellum, Huggins and Guire; infielders, Chase, Williams, Elberfeld, Laporte, Moriarty and Yeager; outfielders, Hoffman, Conroy, Keeler and Delahanty. Mike Mastion, however, has charge of the physical end of the training, with a couple of assistants.

Hal Chase Not Kicking. New York, Feb. 2.—In view of the widely circulated story to the effect that Hal Chase, star first baseman, is at loggerheads with the New York American league baseball club over the salary question, Treasurer Farrell announces that Chase received a salary of \$2,500 last year, not \$1,500, and that the player had made no personal demand as yet for an increase in pay.

Fort Scott in the League. Rich Hill, Mo., Feb. 2.—An effort is being made by Emmett McDonald, president of the Fort Scott (Kan.) athletics, to organize a new six-town baseball league for the coming season. Notices have been sent to the managers of baseball teams at Butler, Rich Hill, Nevada and Lamar.

Mo., and Pleasanton and Fort Scott, Kan., asking them to join the new movement. League ball has been tried in some of these towns, having been financial failures. The new league will be on a more conservative salary basis, which should reduce expenses to a point where these towns could pay out. Stock companies are now being organized in these towns to take hold of the new movement.

MISSOURI'S SCHEDULE. State University Basketball Team Has Many Kansas Dates. Columbia, Mo., Feb. 2.—The Missouri basketball team starts on its first trip today, and will play eleven games before returning home. The first game will be played against the strong Kansas Athletic club at Emporia, Kan., and from all indications the Tigers are in for a first-class beating. The trip will end at St. Louis, in games with the team of Missouri Athletic club, of Washington university and Concordia academy. These games will be played February 14, 15 and 16.

Missouri has played but two games so far in the first game Central college was easily defeated, by score of 65 to 5. In the second game Washington defeated the Tigers by the score of 23 to 24. Schedule: February 2—K. C. A. C. at Kansas City. February 4—Baker at Baldwin, Kan. February 5—Newport, Emporia, Kan. February 6—Military team, Fort Riley, Kan. February 7—Agricultural college, Manhattan, Kan. February 8—Haskell at Lawrence, Kan. February 9—Independence (Iowa) team. February 14—M. A. C. at St. Louis. February 15—Washington at St. Louis. February 16—Concordia academy at St. Louis. February 21-22—Kansas at Columbia. March 2—K. C. A. C. at Columbia. March 15—Haskell at Columbia.

Jockey Miller Disqualified. San Francisco, Feb. 2.—The features of the racing at Oakland were the two sensational killings made on Huloon, the third and St. Francis in the last and the disqualifying of Bogum with Walter Miller up after he had fouled Sandy on Duke of Orleans in the whole grandstand. Huloon had not been out for a long time but had been "prepared" for a killing. Opening at 15 to 1, the