

PLAYING BALL IN THE SEVENTIES

With the Opening of the Season of the Central Association, Old Timers Remember Other Days.

PLAYED PROFESSIONAL

Players Wore no Gloves, Masks, or Protectors of Any Kind and Went to Base on Nine Balls.

There are still people in Keokuk who remember the good old days, back in the '70's when Keokuk had a base ball team known as the Westerns.

Now that the season has started again, many of the older residents of the city delight in telling over and over again of those days when Keokuk played with the Chicago White Stockings, the Riverides of Evansville, Indiana, the Blue Sox of Chicago, the New York Mutuals, the Empires, Reds and Rowenas, and another College team of St. Louis, whose name has been forgotten in the years that have sped past and brought Keokuk down to the present day in fast company, in the Central association that would perchance make the old timers look twice to see a ball batted by some of the present day heroes of the diamond.

Nevertheless those were good old base ball games, those games back in 1872, '74, and '75. Keokuk was playing semi-professional ball in 1875, though before that no other teams outside of the little hamlets surrounding this city ever came here to play a game with the Westerns as the Keokuk team was known. Quincy used to play with Keokuk in 1873, having a team called the Actives. The actives lost in a game to the Westerns in the month of July in 1872 by the score of 16 to 8.

The ball used in those days was just as hard as the league ball of today but no gloves had yet made their appearance in the ball games of the seventies and the players played ball with bare hands. The catcher stood about ten feet in back of home plate and would try to get the ball on the bounce as much as possible and the batter had to wait for nine balls thrown by the pitcher instead of taking his base on the fourth ball.

The base ball diamond was out at

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the end of Franklin street and many citizens can remember attending the games there, by the Chicago, St. Louis, New York and other large city teams larger than the average attendance at the base ball games in the city now but others say that the games never drew such large attendances unless the day was a holiday occasion.

In 1875 when Keokuk was playing professional ball, the team's name

was known as the Amateurs. Dennis Ryan a resident of this city at the present time was a member of the team at that time. In a game with Quincy on July 30th, 1875 the line-up was as follows: Stahl, c; Miller, p; Zimmerman, 1 b; Ryan, 2 b; Hillis, 3 b; Quigley, s. s.; Blackburn, 1 f.; Cline, c. f.; Cross, r. f.

The score for that game was 21 to 17 in favor of the Quincy team. The players in those days wore the same uniform that is worn now except that the pants came to the knee and the suits were much tighter fitting. The Chicago White Stockings wore grey suits with green trimmings and white stockings.

Such was base ball in the '70's.

GOLD MEDAL FLOUR

U. S. ATTORNEY WHO WILL ARRAIGN INDIANA EDITORS



[Stuart McNamara, assistant United States attorney of the District of Columbia, has gone to Indianapolis to appear against Delavan Smith and Chas. R. Williams, owners of the Indianapolis News. In the matter of the libel charges growing out of articles printed concerning the purchase of the Panama canal. The editors will be taken before the United States court in Indianapolis for arraignment.]

LIGHTNING BOLT STRIKES CHURCH

Hamilton M. E. Building Burned Down Early This Morning During the Electrical Storm.

BUILT IN THE YEAR 1904

Took Fire at About Four O'clock This Morning and Nothing Remains Now Excepting the Walls.

The Methodist church at Hamilton was struck by lightning this morning and burned to the ground, nothing but the walls remaining of the pretty little house of worship.

It was struck at about 4 o'clock and part of the contents were saved by prompt work, but the building was entirely destroyed.

The church was a brick structure with a tower and located on the corner of Ninth and Walnut streets, one block south and one block west of the old State bank building. Rev. J. H. Wood was the pastor.

The supposition is that the building was struck by lightning at about 4 o'clock this morning, for at that time the storm was on and there was considerable lightning.

At the start of the blaze, the fire burned slowly and this gave the opportunity for removing the pews and piano from the building. The fire department turned out and the blaze was fought, but after a short time increased and the building burned rapidly for an hour, at the end of which the roof fell in and nothing remained excepting the walls. At 6 o'clock the fire was out.

Was Comparatively New.

The Methodist Episcopal church was built in the year 1904 and was designed by Architect Ratcliffe of Keokuk. It was a modern brick structure and but five years old. It was dedicated on January 1, 1905.

Nothing remains excepting the brick walls and the condition of them is thought to be good enough to rebuild the balance of the church. In case the walls can be used as they stand, the \$3,000 insurance carried on the building may be sufficient for the reconstruction, but if the church must be erected new from the foundation up, the congregation may be at a loss as a result of the fire.

A meeting of the officials was to be held this afternoon for the purpose of taking action in the matter and securing some place to hold service until the damage has been repaired and a new building erected.

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CIRCUIT COURT AT CARTHAGE

Circuit Court Convened Tuesday Morning with Judge Grier on the Bench.

CARTHAGE, Ill., May 6.—Circuit court convened Tuesday morning, with Judge Grier presiding.

Common Law. Charles Schmidt, vs Louis Boedeker.—appeal. Motion by defendant to re-docket cause allowed and cause re-docketed. Order corrected, record signed. Bill of exceptions to be signed in ten days.

Mary J. Tucker, vs Geo. M. Maselle.—Assumpsit. Rule on defendant to plead at once. Defendant defaulted. Evidence heard and finding for plaintiff for \$1053.83. Judgment for same amount and costs.

H. C. & A. A. McNeil, vs J. Harvey Norris.—Appeal. Motion to re-docket cause allowed and cause re-docketed. Evidence heard, and judgment ordered signed exception by plaintiff.

Chancery. Geo. E. Stockton, et al. vs James B. Stockton.—Partition. Bill dismissed.

Mary A. Sevens, et al. vs Lizzie Yaple, et al.—Appointment of Trustee. Order appointing Trustee, etc., signed.

Wm. J. McSurely, et al. vs John Clark, et al.—Partition. Bill dismissed, costs paid.

John S. Swoyer, vs Maurice O. Ranck, et al.—Foreclosure. Master's report of deed and order signed.

Nancy J. Rampley, et al. vs Chas. W. Rampley et al.—Partition. Order approving deed signed.

Jesse J. Fry, doing business as J. J. Fry & Co., vs Mississippi Electric Hearing on demurrer continued.

Rhoda E. Wealkey, et al. vs Lawrence M. M. Cox, et al.—Partition. Order approving deed signed; final order signed. Master's report of sale and order approving same signed.

Frank Kieffer, vs Clara Kieffer.—Divorce. Bill dismissed by complainant.

Edward S. Clark, et al. vs E. W.

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der and lightning, were followed by sleet and snow storms with minimum temperatures ranging from 20 degrees in northern to 31 in southern counties. The average daily temperature was 4 to 12 degrees below the normal, in western and extreme southern and considerably above the normal in east central and northeastern counties. A large amount of damage was done to property in many localities by hail and high winds, and many reports indicate that the early sown grain was probably injured by freezing temperature on May 1. In the north-eastern districts, where rainfall has been heavy for the past three weeks, there is some complaint of oats rotting in the ground. Farmers have taken advantage of every opportunity to get in the fields, but, owing to the adverse conditions, farm work has progressed very slowly. There is still a large acreage intended for oats not yet sown, and the work of preparing the ground is from two to three weeks late. The acreage of small grain will not be as large in any part of the state as was anticipated, and the acreage of oats will be considerably less than that of last year. There has, however, been a slight increase in the acreage of wheat, and the present indications are favorable for a large increase in the acreage of corn.

It is not thought that fruit has been damaged by the freezing temperatures, except possibly in the extreme southern counties where peaches, cherries, plums, apricots and pears are in bloom.

by a telegram from the district attorney of the western district of Missouri that the M. K. and T. railroad had entered a plea of guilty to two counts of the indictment returned against it in May, 1908, for departing from the lawfully established rates. The attorney general says as evidence has not shown that the offense committed had an object of favoring certain shippers, and considers the fine of a thousand and costs on each count adequate.

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Eighty-first Ballot. SPRINGFIELD, May 6.—The eighty-first senatorial ballot today: Hopkins, 73; Foss, 18; Mason, 2; Lowden, 1; Calhoun, 1; McKinley, 2; Sherman, 2; Stringer, 24; Shurtleff, 18; Browne, 3; Yates, 1; Charles T. Lund, 38.

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WEATHER AND CROP BULLETIN

The Average Crop of Oats Will be Considerably Less Than Last Year.

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DES MOINES, May 4.—Typical March weather prevailed during the larger part of the past week. Showers accompanied by high winds, hail, thun-

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