

# Latest Sporting News

## BELT CHASED FROM GAME AND FINED \$5

Keokuk Manager and Umpire Cleary Get Into Altercation During Ninth Inning When Battle Was Hottest.

## KOKUK'S VERDICT, 2 TO 1

Burch Maintained Place on Slab Until Ninth When Belt Yanked Him Out to Avert What Looked Like Defeat.

[Special to The Gate City.]

GALESBURG, Ill., June 21.—A ninth inning rally embracing three singles, a base on balls and one run ended a close game with Keokuk Monday, which went their way 2 to 1. During the ninth there was much shaking up on both teams. "Pa" Belt elected to yank Rube Burch in that final round and Hough sent two men up to bat for Rains and Marks. A short, sharp conflict between Belt and Umpire Cleary resulted in the Keokuk boss getting "chased" from the park during the last inning and Cleary also assessed "Pa" five.

The ninth inning was about the only round we had. Lotshaw went down for an easy out but Sensenbach and Brand both hit along the third base line. Hough sent Catcher Shea in to bat for Rains and Rube Burch let the Galesburg catcher walk to left field. Then it was that Pa Belt yanked the left hander and sent Jaeger in to finish the game. Hough sent Hallman up to hit for Marks and Lefty sent a clean drive to left field that hopped into Morris' talons on the bounce and held Brand at third, but put Sensy across in a walk. Blauser hit to short and although Ahring's check was low, McManus dug it out of the dust soon enough to force Brand at the plate for the second out and Kommers struck out to end the inning.

Bresnahan's Bunt a Corker. Keokuk also was fussy in the ninth inning and got another run to their one-run lead to make it safe. Miller led off with a sweet poke to left field and Reichle secured a pass from Marks. Bresnahan tried to bunt but the poke was a little hard and the ball shot through the local infield to right field, scoring Miller. Hildebrand hit to Brand who chucked to second to force Bresnahan and the toss back to third caught Reichle flat-footed for a double. Here was where Pa Belt and Cleary had a few words and parted company for the rest of the day. McManus flew out to center to end the inning.

Keokuk scored her first run in the fifth inning. Hildebrand walked and stole second and McManus sacrificed him to third. Burch's hot grounder Sensenbach tried to scoop on the run but the pill was traveling too fast and was knocked down only, Hildebrand scoring.

## Burch There in Pinch.

The first inning looked like runs for us but they never came. Blauser hit safe to center and Kommers' bunt went to shortstop and was beat out. Nickell sacrificed both down but Kilpatrick reached for a high one to foul out and Windy fanned to end the inning.

Umpire Bell put in his initial appearance but Cleary seemed to do most of the work and from behind the bat caught all the questionable decisions.

Galesburg. A. B. R. H. P. O. A. E. Blauser, 3b..... 5 0 1 1 2 0 Kommers, cf..... 5 0 1 2 0 0 Nickell, lf..... 2 0 0 1 0 0

Central Association.				
Clubs	P.	W.	L.	Pct.
Quincy	46	32	14	.696
Hannibal	46	28	18	.609
Ottumwa	45	28	20	.583
Galesburg	47	25	22	.532
Keokuk	44	21	23	.477
Monmouth	48	21	27	.437
Kewanee	42	15	27	.357
Burlington	49	15	34	.306

National League.				
Clubs	W.	L.	Pct.	
Chicago	33	16	.673	
New York	29	21	.580	
Pittsburg	24	22	.522	
Cincinnati	25	24	.510	
St. Louis	24	27	.471	
Brooklyn	23	27	.460	
Philadelphia	21	26	.447	
Boston	18	34	.358	

American League.				
Clubs	W.	L.	Pct.	
New York	30	16	.652	
Philadelphia	31	17	.646	
Detroit	35	21	.625	
Boston	25	24	.510	
Cleveland	19	24	.442	
Washington	23	29	.442	
Chicago	20	27	.426	
St. Louis	12	37	.245	

Three-Eyed League.				
Clubs	W.	L.	Pct.	
Springfield	30	13	.698	
Rock Island	25	20	.556	
Waterloo	27	22	.551	
Peoria	25	22	.532	
Bloomington	24	23	.511	
Davenport	20	27	.426	
Dubuque	18	30	.375	
Danville	16	28	.361	

Keokuk.						
A. B. R. H. P. O. A. E.						
Morris, lf	3	0	1	0	0	0
Grodnick, 2b	4	0	0	3	1	1
Ahring, ss	4	0	0	2	4	0
Miller, 1b	4	1	1	8	0	0
Reichle, cf	2	0	0	2	0	0
Bresnahan, 3b	3	0	1	2	1	0
Hildebrand, rf	2	1	0	0	0	0
McManus, c	3	0	1	0	0	0
Burch, p	3	0	1	0	4	0
Jaeger, p	0	0	0	0	0	6
Total	28	2	4	27	15	1

\*Batted for Rains in ninth.  
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Score by Innings.										
Clubs	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Galesburg	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Keokuk	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	2

Summary.

Stolen bases—Morris (3), Hildebrand, Miller.  
Double play—Brand to Sensenbach to Blauser.  
Bases on balls—Off Marks, 4; off Burch, 3.  
Struck out—By Marks, 4; by Jaeger, 1; by Burch, 6.  
Time of game—1:50.  
Umpires—Cleary and Bell.

## Central Association Results.

At Burlington—Tretter won his twelfth consecutive game for Quincy yesterday, defeating Burlington, 3 to 2.  
The score: R. H. E. Burlington..... 2 5 1 Quincy..... 3 6 2 Batteries: Grogan and Eng; Tretter and Clark.

At Ottumwa—Ottumwa defeated Hannibal in a slugfest, both pitchers being batted hard.  
The score: R. H. E. Ottumwa..... 11 15 1 Hannibal..... 7 15 1 Batteries: Clark and Severeld; Spencer and Cadigan.

At Kewanee—Monmouth was outbatted by the Bollermakers, but Connors' men's errors were costly.  
The score: R. H. E. Monmouth..... 6 7 1 Kewanee..... 2 10 4 Batteries: Kench and Langdon; Nasseth and Lage.

## ANOTHER BOMB IN NORTHERN ASS'N

Freeport Players, With No Pay for Twenty Days, Refuse to Go on Baseball Field.

FREEPORT, Ill., June 21.—Freeport dropped out of the Northern association yesterday afternoon, when the players refused to go on the field for the game with Muscatine after the club directors announced there was no money in the treasury with which to pay salaries due them for the past twenty days, amounting to \$1,400. The directors state every player is subject to fine and suspension for failure to report for yesterday's game, as they are not free agents until a period of five days has elapsed, within which time money pledged by the citizens for the support of the team would have been collected and the players paid off.

—Read The Daily Gate City.

## MANAGER PROUT QUILTS HANNIBAL

Friction Between Leader and Five Players Finally Reached Climax—Forney Stated to Succed Him.

## PLAYERS MAKE PROTEST

At Meeting in Mark Twain Hotel They Tell Directors That Prout Has Abused Them—May go to Ottumwa.

[Special to The Gate City.]

HANNIBAL, Mo., June 21.—Billy Prout is no longer leader of the Hannibal baseball club. He tendered his resignation to the local baseball association and asks that it be accepted at once. It is authentically rumored that William B. Forney, premier catcher of the Central Association and for the past two seasons the mainstay of the Cannibals backstop department, will be placed in charge of the team. When the announcement was made in Saturday's Courier-Post that Prout would not accompany the team to Ottumwa, the fans began to wonder what was wrong and since then all sorts of rumors have been afloat as to what had caused the hitch. The trouble is thoroughly explained by Manager Prout himself in a signed statement which he made to the association and hereinabove mentioned. Friction between himself and five players, namely, Forney, Evans, Hamilton, Spencer and Eberts is the reason given for his resigning. From time to time these five men have kicked to the directors of the baseball association, claiming that Prout had mistreated them; that he had abused them on their road trips and oftentimes made unkindly remarks toward them.

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