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BURCH WINS BOTH GAMES

Southpaw Worked in Double Bill Against Boiler Makers, First Going Eleven and Second Five Innings.

WON FIRST ON SQUEEZE

Belt, Taking Place of Cavanaugh, Lived on Error and Scared When Team Mates Pushed Him Around.

KEWANEE, Ill., Aug. 11.—"Rube" Burch was the hero of a double bill between Keokuk and Kewanee yesterday. He downed the Boiler Makers in the first 6 to 5, which went eleven innings, and conquered in the second, 2 to 0, scoring the shutout in five rounds of playing.

The first game was a pretty fight on the part of the Indians after the first round. Facing a three run lead gained in the opening period, Burch settled down and was almost invincible during the rest of the game. The Indians took advantage of Kewanee's misplays and scored one in the second, three in the sixth and one in the tenth and eleventh. Belt lived on an error in the last inning and scored on the squeeze play. He took Catcher Cavanaugh's place, the latter being ejected from the grounds for disputing with Johnson.

Burch was master in the second game. He allowed but four hits, three of which were obtained by Blake. Scores:

Keokuk.	
Hunter, rf	4 1 0 1 0 0
Herbert, 2b	4 1 1 7 5 0
Miller, 1b	5 2 2 8 2 1
Reichle, cf	5 1 2 3 0 0
Bresnahan, 3b	4 0 1 3 4 0
Morris, lf	3 0 0 3 0 0
Collins, ss	5 0 1 1 1 0
Cavanaugh, c	4 0 0 7 1 0
Burch, p	4 0 0 0 3 0
xBelt, c	1 1 0 0 0 0
Total	39 6 7 33 16 1

Kewanee.	
Lobert, rf	4 0 1 1 0 0
Ahring, 3b	4 1 2 1 0 2
Blake, cf	5 1 2 2 0 0
Lewis, ss	4 2 2 1 5 1
Price, lf	4 0 0 3 1 0
Jeffries, c	5 0 0 10 4 0
Putnam, 2b	3 0 1 3 1 1
Owens, 1b	2 0 0 12 0 0
Presy, p	4 0 0 0 4 0
xxDilger, c	1 1 1 0 0 0
Total	36 5 9 33 15 4

Score by Innings.
Keokuk 010 003 000 11-6
Kewanee 300 100 000 1-5

Summary.
Stolen bases—Herbert, Miller.
Three base hits—Miller, Lewis.
Struck out—By Presy, 9; by Burch 6.
Bases on balls—Off Presy, 5; off Burch, 1.
Passed ball—Cavanaugh.
Wild pitch—Burch.
Hit by pitcher—Burch.
Umpire—Johnson.

Keokuk.	
Hunter, rf	3 1 2 0 0 0
Herbert, 2b	1 0 1 1 2 0
Miller, 1b	2 0 0 3 0 0
Reichle, cf	2 0 1 1 0 0
Bresnahan, 3b	1 0 0 0 0 0
Morris, lf	2 0 0 1 0 0
Collins, ss	2 0 0 0 1 1
Belt, c	2 0 0 8 0 1
Burch, p	2 1 2 0 1 0
Total	17 2 6 14 4 2

Kewanee.	
Lobert, rf	2 0 0 2 0 0
Ahring, 3b	3 0 0 1 0 0
Blake, cf	3 0 3 0 0 0
Lewis, ss	2 0 0 1 3 0
Price, lf	2 0 0 1 0 0
Dilger, c	2 0 1 2 2 0
Putnam, 2b	2 0 0 3 1 0
Owens, 1b	1 0 0 5 0 0
Noe, p	2 0 0 0 2 0
**Jeffries	1 0 0 0 0 0
Total	20 0 4 15 8 0

Score by Innings.
Two base hit—Reichle.
Three base hit—Burch.
Bases on balls—Off Noe, 1; off Burch, 2.
Stolen bases—Lewis, Putnam.

Central Association.			
Clubs.	G.	W.	L.
Quincy	95	57	38
Ottumwa	97	56	41
Hannibal	96	55	41
Galesburg	96	51	45
Monmouth	98	48	50
Keokuk	97	47	50
Burlington	95	39	56
Kewanee	98	33	65

National League.			
Clubs.	W.	L.	Pct.
Chicago	63	33	.656
Pittsburg	57	38	.600
New York	55	39	.585
Philadelphia	48	48	.500
Brooklyn	41	56	.423
Boston	36	66	.353
St. Louis	39	59	.398

American League.			
Clubs.	W.	L.	Pct.
Philadelphia	68	31	.687
Boston	60	42	.588
Detroit	57	45	.549
New York	56	46	.549
Cleveland	47	51	.480
Washington	42	60	.412
Chicago	40	59	.404
St. Louis	31	67	.316

Three-Eye League.			
Clubs.	W.	L.	Pct.
Springfield	69	31	.690
Waterloo	57	45	.559
Rock Island	54	46	.540
Peoria	52	48	.520
Bloomington	48	58	.453
Davenport	44	59	.427
Danville	40	60	.400
Dubuque	40	60	.400

Owens, Bresnahan.
Sacrifice hits—Herbert 2.
Double play—Noe to Lewis to Owens.
Struck out—By Noe, 1; by Burch, 8.

Central Association Results.			
At Ottumwa—Quincy defeated Ottumwa in both ends of a double header, 9-7 and 3-2. Scores:	R. H. E.		
First game.	9 7 5		
Ottumwa	9 7 5		
Quincy	9 14 1		
Batteries: Jerger, Boyd and Dunn; Walker and Clark.			
Second game.	2 4 1		
Ottumwa	2 4 1		
Quincy	3 2 1		
Batteries: Kent and Link; Jerger and Clark.			

At Burlington—Foley was batted hard, while Wolverton was invincible in the pinches. R. H. E. Hannibal 2 7 2
Burlington 4 10 2
Batteries: Foley and Forney; Wolverton and McManus.
At Galesburg—Higginbotham was hit opportunely, and errors helped Galesburg raise her score. R. H. E. Monmouth 1 5 3
Galesburg 3 7 2
Batteries: Higginbotham and Hart; Fanning and Sca.

SPORT BRIEFS.

Cincinnati and Philadelphia are having a hot fight for a berth in the first division.
Charley Herzog has been reinstated by Manager Lave and is playing good ball for the Boston Doves.
John ("Dots") Miller of the Pittsburg team, is at his home in New Jersey nursing an injured knee.
Springfield is leading the Three-Eye league with Rock Island and Waterloo close up and going fast.
The St. Louis Cardinals have finished their home games for the season with Chicago and Cincinnati.
The Eastern league race is becoming tight, with Newark, Rochester and Baltimore the best "lookers."
"King" Cole of the Cubs heads the list of winning pitchers in the National league, with Kowan of Cincinnati second.
The Brooklyn Dodgers have been up against it with the Giants this season, winning but four games and losing thirteen.
Pitcher Le Roy, the full-blooded Indian twirler of the St. Paul team, pitched a no-hit game against Indianapolis recently.
The Detroit Tigers look good until they meet the Athletics of the Boston Speed Boys, then Old Tige goes to the mat.
In the Southern league Birmingham has a pitcher by the name of Fleaharty and Atlanta has Flaherty. The latter is Patrick, the ex-major leaguer.
Left Fielder Irbey of the Moose Jaw Western Canada league team, broke his leg recently when his spikes caught in the ground as he was stealing second.
Cravath, Williams, Clymer and Altizer, ex-big show performers, now with the Minneapolis American association team, are all hitting well over the 300 mark.
Pitchers Mullin and Donovan of Detroit, Coombs and Bender of Philadelphia, Ford of New York and Lake of St. Louis have beaten every opposing American league team this season.
With the Fighters.
It is said that Jack Johnson has invested \$50,000 in government bonds.
Charley Griffin of Australia, will clash with Phil Cross in New York August 10.

BLUE JACKET, ALIAS SMITH

Indian Twirler Noticeably Worried Over the Changes Made by Manager Bert Hough of Galesburg.

STORY OF HIS CAREER

Changed His Name Several Years Ago in Order to Get on With Indian Ball Club—Stranded at Pittsfield.

James Blue Jacket is noticeably worried. He fears Manager Hough, of Galesburg, even more than demon swatters of the Central Association, and all the caressing of Manager Belt has failed to alleviate him of a strange fear that is lurking in his bosom. In short, the part-Indian flinger, he of the prose and poetry writing ability, has a hunch that the Galesburg leader is going to Boss Justice with a tale about his ineligibility that might separate him from his bread and butter during the short summer months. But Hough is not going to protest against the Indian, nor would he have any foundation upon which to base his allegations.

The true name of James Blue Jacket is James Smith and he is about one-fourth Indian, if deductions made recently can be borne out as not misleading. Blue Jacket (then Smith) began his early career in the territories and when some energetic white essayed to form an Indian baseball club this man Smith was pressed into service. Of course Smith was no name for a stalwart Indian flinger, so Blue Jacket was easily tacked onto the surname James and Smith was forgotten.

Signed a Contract.
Blue Jacket traveled with that ball club part of the summer, but financial difficulties soon arose and the troupe broke up in Pittsfield, Ill. There was a snappy independent ball club performing on the lots there about that time and the ability of Blue Jacket did not slip by unnoticed. He was handed a contract drawn up on brown wrapping paper, so he says, and unhesitatingly affixed the name Blue Jacket. When Belt secured the player Blue Jacket retained as his name.
Last winter while in correspondence with Belt Blue Jacket asked the Keokuk manager if it would not be better for him to revert to his real name, but Belt thought not, and so it has clung to him.

The fact that Blue Jacket was not his real name has been generally known, but the other day was the first time Manager Hough learned of it, this coming about through Player Nickel who was acquainted with the pitcher several years ago. Hough put two and two together and added wrong, the result being that he thought Blue Jacket must have been suspended by some ball club and then changed his name. The Western league was about as safe as any for a guess, and hence the result.

Looks to First Division.
Manager Belt is confident that he will land the Keokuk team in first division. To do this he must overcome a five game lead that Galesburg has and top Monmouth. The latter will be a cinch.
"I am going to pull the club up to first division," said the veteran this morning. "The boys are going well now and we should finish well."
The team returned home from Kewanee at 12:45. Burlington is here today and Ottumwa follows Sunday.
Unless the attendance picks up wonderfully from now until the close of the season it is doubtful whether Keokuk goes much higher than the guarantee of 25,000. It was learned yesterday that the attendance today is less than 20,000, not all of which are adult admissions. If Keokuk is to continue next season the fans will have to support the game better than they have in the past.

Quincy Herald: One of the choicest bits of news The Herald has been able to give the fans in many a day is the announcement that Manager Bude Myers will be back in town either tonight or tomorrow and unless the trip wears him out too much he will be in the bench tomorrow afternoon, when the team hooks up with Kewanee for the first game of the season. He wired President Harry F. Hoyer that he is feeling fine and getting along very satisfactorily and that he would be back for the first game the team played at home. Manager Myers, even if he cannot take part in the game, something not expected as yet, will be able to tell at a glance why the team is not winning and his advice will be all that is necessary to make the club the fighting machine it has been all season. With him back

in charge it matters little whether the team is on top by half a point or down in fourth place. Those who have been taking the slump of the team to heart will now please cheer up, for there is bound to be a change for the better before long.

National League.			
Games Today.			
Pittsburg at Brooklyn.			
Cincinnati at New York.			
Chicago at Boston.			
St. Louis at Philadelphia.			
At Boston—Home runs by Gibson and Wagner overcame Boston's lead.			
Boston 200 000 000—2 6 2	R. H. E.		
Pittsburg 001 011 000—3 11 0			
Batteries: Curtis, Brown and Graham; Camnitz and Gibson.			
All other games were postponed on account of rain.			

American League.			
Games Today.			
New York at St. Louis.			
Boston at Chicago.			
Philadelphia at Detroit.			
Washington at Cleveland.			
At Detroit—Philadelphia bunched two doubles, a triple and a single, and two bases on balls in the first.			
Detroit 000 200 100—3 9 2	R. H. E.		
Philadelphia 500 000 210—8 10 0			
Batteries: Donovan and Schmidt; Coombs and Thomas.			
At Cleveland—Cleveland won the first; the second was called in the ninth on account of darkness. Moyer forced in the winning run with a base on balls.			
Cleveland 001 000 010 01—3 6 0	R. H. E.		
Washington 000 010 001 00—2 6 4			
Batteries: Mitchell and Easterly; Moyer and Henry.			
Second game.			
Cleveland 000 000 000—0 6 1	R. H. E.		
Washington 000 000 000—0 7 1			
Batteries: Koestner and Bemis; May and Ainsworth.			
At Chicago—Purtell's triple in the twelfth followed by Collin's single gave Chicago the game.			
Chicago 100 0 0 000 001—2 8 3	R. H. E.		
Boston 000 000 001 000—1 7 2			
Batteries: Lang and Payne; Cicotte and Carrigan.			
At St. Louis—St. Louis won a double header. Peltz gave New York only two hits in the second game.			
St. Louis 000 103 24x—10 15 3	R. H. E.		
New York 141 000 000—6 9 2			
Batteries: Kinsella and Criss; Killifer; Manning and Warhop; Criger.			
Second game.			
St. Louis 000 001 11x—3 6 1	R. H. E.		
New York 000 000 000—0 2 3			
Batteries: Peltz and Killifer; Hughes, Fisher and Mitchell.			

Western League.			
St. Joseph, 7; Omaha, 2.			
Second game, St. Joseph, 3; Omaha, 0.			
Lincoln, 10; Topeka, 0.			

American Association.			
First game—Kansas City, 3; Indianapolis, 8.			
Second game—Kansas City, 3; Indianapolis, 4.			
Minneapolis, 1; Columbus, 3; (10 innings).			
Milwaukee, 8; Louisville, 3.			
First game—St. Paul, 0; Toledo, 4.			
Second game—St. Paul, 2; Toledo, 1.			

Three-E League.			
At Davenport, Iowa—The locals used three pitchers, but won the game by heavy clotting.			
Davenport 020 300 00x—5 13 3	R. H. E.		
Danville 012 100 00x—4 2 1			
Batteries: Thoeny, Pennace, Archer and Walsh; Duffy and Wolfe.			
At Dubuque—Dubuque coupled hits with Peoria's errs.			
Dubuque 200 010 01x—4 7 3	R. H. E.		
Peoria 000 000 020—2 6 4			
Batteries: Ray and Boucher; Veach and Asmusen.			
At Rock Island—Rock Island tied the score in the ninth and won in the thirteenth on a double by Vogel and a single by Callahan.			
Rock Island 000 001 000—4 13 1	R. H. E.		
Bloomington 000 120 000 000—3 9 1			
Batteries: Cavet, Lakoff and O'Leary; Pendergast and Erwin.			
At Waterloo—The visitors won out in the fourteenth in an exciting game.			
Waterloo 001 000 010 00—2 10 1	R. H. E.		
Springfield 000 010 001 000—5 16 1			
Batteries: Charman and Tarrington; Willis and Hartley.			

Fight Postponed.
Philadelphia, Pa., August 11.—The six-round bout between Langford and Kaufman scheduled for the National League Park last night was postponed until tonight on account of rain.
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CAREER OF FIGHTER GANS

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Fought Cleanly During His Long Career and Even in Defeat he Was Admired for His Ring Tactics.

The death of Joe Gans removes one of the foremost figures that ever has graced the pugilistic stage. For nearly 16 years the negro boy was the best drawing card in the 133-pound class, and for six of those 16 years he ruled supreme in the division. He fought all as they came until, well on in years, he fell a victim to the then comparatively youthful Battling Nelson, on July 4, 1908, and on Sept. 9, in the same year.

Gans won the title from Frank Erne of Buffalo at Fort Erie May 12, 1902, when he defeated the conqueror of Lavigne in a punch. Prior to that time he had been knocking on the door to the championship for 10 years, but, like all men of his color, he practically had to defeat every man in the division twice before given a chance at the title.

Dating from the time he wrested the crown from Erne, Gans blazed his way to a string of triumphs in the ring and to popularity in the sporting world, despite his color. It was often remarked that had Gans been a white man his popularity with all classes would have surpassed that of James J. Corbett when the actor-fighter was at the zenith of his career.

Makes Many Friends.
He had a way of making friends without forcing himself upon them. He gave his hand to everybody, snubbed nobody and all who wanted could be his friends. Gans was fairly well educated and could discourse on any subject with considerably more intelligence than the average boxer. That and a keen sense of humor and a ready wit made him pleasing to all his listeners. He made many friends by the latter traits, as he was well spoken and eliminated much of the vulgarity associated with pugilists.

Gans was much like the lamented George Dixon, he was his own worst enemy. He gave with a free hand, gambled considerably, but when he was "broke" he was the last to complain. Joe was a man of the world; a fighter because he liked the game more than for the wealth that could be obtained. He never refused to take money when the chance was offered, but unlike most boxers he never let the question of money interfere with his chances to secure a match.

No more striking illustration of this could be cited than the first Nelson-Gans contest in Goldfield, Nev., Sept. 3, 1906. Gans, then the champion, agreed to give Nelson two-thirds of the purse offered by Tex Rickard, win, lose or draw. Gans had everything to lose and nothing to gain from that transaction, while Nelson's position was just the reverse.

Nolan's Peculiar Methods.
Nelson then had for a manager the brow-beating Billy Nolan, who urged Battling on to make demands on Gans that would have caused any other man to wash his hands clean of the whole business. But with Gans it was different. He wanted to meet the meteoric Hegewisch lad and he knew the public demanded the meeting. By his sportsmanlike conduct in that one fight Gans made more friends than he ever had made before, while Nelson's methods in dealing with the negro were the cause of considerable public criticism.

The story of how Gans was forced to give Nelson \$22,500 of the \$33,500 purse is still fresh in the minds of the followers of boxing. Also the memory of how Gans was made to weigh in at the ringside with his trunks and shoes on and still do the legitimate lightweight figure of 133 pounds or lose his forfeit money. It was that sort of tactics that detracted from popularity enjoyed by the Dane before he became associated with Nolan.

When these stories came to the ears of the public, many expressed a wish that the black man would triumph. And when the tidings came out of Goldfield that Labor day afternoon the Gans sympathizers far outnumbered those of Nelson. Gans won that battle and won it on sheer nerve. Nelson, the challenger, prior to that contest credited with unlimited courage, was terribly beaten and forced to fowl his master in the forty-second round to save himself from further punishment.

Slows Him Up Somewhat.
It is said that Gans was never the same dashing fighter after that contest. Perhaps he wasn't though, as battles from that time until his second meeting with Nelson would impress one otherwise. After the historic Goldfield encounter Gans fought six times and in each case

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he was returned the winner. "Kid" Herman he defeated in eight rounds at Tonopah, Nev., then Jimmy Britt was given a lacing by the "Old Master" that he never fully recovered from. Following the Britt battle, he defeated George Memic, Bart Blackburn, Spike Robson and Rudy Unholz in the order named. In each of the battles Gans won easily.
Then came the battle that deprived Gans of his crown. Dissatisfied with the result of the first fight, promoters and public alike were clamoring for another match between Nelson and Gans, and finally they were signed to meet before a club in San Francisco, July 4, 1908. In that contest Gans literally cut Nelson to pieces, but the bulldog spirit, for which the Dane was known, won for him at the end of 14 rounds. Even in the hour of defeat, Gans' sportsmanlike methods were manifested. He fought a clean fight, gave the best he had and went down to defeat like a man.
But the end had not yet come. Gans gave Nelson a return fight and it would be no more than right that the Dane should do the same thing. Nelson was perfectly willing, and the men were matched to meet again, this time before Jimmy Coffroth's Colma A. C. of Colma, Cal. Gans trained hard for that battle, but age told against him after going 20 rounds, and in the 21st session, he gave up the ship after a game but losing battle.

One More Battle.
The dead gladiator fought but once more after that, meeting Jabez White, champion lightweight of England, in New York City, in a no decision 10-round bout. Gans practically had dropped from public notice until the report was sent broadcast that he was waging his last battle against consumption.

Gans' Fight Record.
Gans won the title of light-weight champion from Frank Erne at Fort Erie in one round in 1902, and lost it to "Battling" Nelson in 1908 in the seventeenth round. His fight record in full follows:
1900—Opponent, result and number of rounds:
February 9—Spike Sullivan; won, fourteen.
March 23—Frank Erne; lost, twelve.
May 25—Dal Hawkins; knocked out; two.
August 31—Dal Hawkins; knocked out; three.
October 2—George McFadden; decision; ten.
October 19—Spider Kelly; won; eight.
December 13—Terry McGovern; knocked out; two.
1901:
April 1—Martin Flaherty; won; 4.
May 1—Bobby Dobbs; knocked out; seven.
September 30—Joe Handler; knocked out; one.
1902:
May 12—Frank Erne; knocked out; one.
June 27—George McFadden; won; three.
July 24—Rufe Turner, knocked out; fifteen.
October 13—Kid McPharland; knocked out; five.
1903:
May 13—Tommy Tracey; won; 9.
May 29—Willie Fitzgerald; knocked out; ten.
December 8—Sam Langford; lost; fifteen.

June 14—Sammy Smith; won; fourteen.
September 30—Joe Walcott; decision; twenty.
October 31—Jimmy Britt; won on foul; five.
1905:
September 16—Mike Twin Sull van; decision; fifteen.
1906:
January 19—Mike Sullivan; knocked out; fifteen.
March 17—Mike Sullivan; won; 10.
July 3—Dave Holly; won; twenty.
September 3—Battling Nelson; won on foul; forty-two.
1907:
January 2—Kid Herman; knocked out; eight.
September 9—Jimmy Britt; decision; five.
September 27—George Memic; decision; twenty.
April 1—Spike Robinson; knocked out; three.
May 14—Rudolph Unholz; decision, eleven.
July 4—Battling Nelson; lost; 21.
1909:
March 13—Jabez White; knocked out; ten.

Sporting Views

By the Editor

Pitcher Patrick has joined Jacksonville.
Hannibal Journal: There is a rumor afloat to the effect that two of Hannibal's pitchers will be sold before many days pass by. The rumor has not been verified by President Cruikshank, but some of the directors have let it leak out, according to gossip, and if it is true Hannibal will have two of her pitchers in faster company next season. The men in question, 'tis said, will be the property of an American association club.