

TAFT AND TRAVIS AT GOLF

CHAMPION GIVES PRESIDENT A CERTIFICATE OF MERIT.

The Two Great Golfers Matched Against F. Ogden Horstman and Gen. Clarence Edwards—President's Unique Method of Scoring a Four—The Result.

WASHINGTON, May 12.—President Taft played golf to-day with Walter J. Travis, several times amateur champion of the United States and once of England, and although his game was not brilliant he demonstrated, as he did in the closing days of his sojourn at Hot Springs, Va., and Augusta, Ga., that he is not in the burlesque class.

The golf match in which the President engaged this afternoon was on the links of the Chevy Chase club, seven miles from Washington. It started out bravely as a foursome match, with Mr. Taft and Mr. Travis paired against F. Ogden Horstman, one of the crack players of the District of Columbia, and Gen. Clarence Edwards, chief of the bureau of insular affairs of the War Department. Mr. Horstman, however, dropped out at the end of the first nine holes owing to physical disability, and Capt. Archibald W. Butt, the President's military aide, took his place and finished the match. Mr. Horstman was disappointed and chagrined at his inability to continue in the game, but he was suffering from nothing less painful than a broken or misplaced rib, which made every stroke a cause of added discomfort and pain.

The circus which visited Washington yesterday and Monday attracted among others a large contingent of society folk, and Mr. Horstman joined a party who had chartered one of the largest rubber-neck wagons in Washington for the purpose of going out to the circus grounds and witnessing the show. As the crack golfer was descending from this lofty and ponderous vehicle he fell to the ground, fracturing or displacing one of the short ribs on his left side. Under the circumstances he was in no fit condition to play golf to-day even with the President of the United States and he quit at the ninth hole, returning to the clubhouse.

Mr. Travis came to Washington primarily to play in the spring open tournament of the Chevy Chase club, which will begin to-morrow. During the President's sojourn in the South in the months prior to the inauguration Mr. Taft and Mr. Travis met as fellow players on the links and the then President-elect received many points which subsequently helped him in his pursuit of the ancient and honorable game. At the close of the match to-day Mr. Travis remarked that the President had no bad faults of play which must be overcome, but had the form of a true golfer and would, he was sure, be able with the right kind of practice to play a game which would prove formidable to his opponent, whoever he might be.

When Mr. Travis made this remark, he had himself just made a score of 74 strokes on the 6,000 yard course at Chevy Chase and Mr. Taft had finished in several strokes under 100. Mr. Taft has a method of scoring in a four ball match which is strange to most golfers. He insists that the only proper method of scoring in such a match is to add the scores of each side to determine who wins each hole. According to this method the best golfer in the United States might make a 3 on a 300 yard hole and still not win the hole if his opponent's score happened to be a 9 or a 10. If the players on the other side took five or six strokes each they would win the hole as against the best ball, which made a score of 3.

Mr. Taft did not score many three-to-day, although he played a moderately steady and effective game. His partner, Mr. Travis, made several three, yet he and Mr. Taft were only tied up at the ninth green, as against Mr. Horstman and Gen. Edwards.

Minute and interesting details of today's match are lacking, but it was rumored this evening, and the report is probably true, that when Capt. Butt took Mr. Horstman's place in the four ball match Mr. Travis and Mr. Taft gave their opponents a handicap of two strokes a hole for the rest of the distance. The result was that Gen. Edwards and Capt. Butt were 1 up for the last nine holes, so that the net result of the match—if such an irregular contest may be called a match—was that the President and Mr. Travis were 1 up on the whole round of eighteen holes.

The four ball match in which the President engaged attracted a great deal of attention at the Chevy Chase club this afternoon, but out of courtesy to the President no gallery followed the players. The members of the club and their friends permitted the President and his companions to play their match without any annoyance from spectators. As the players drove from the eighteenth tee, however, there was a large gathering of club members and guests on the lawn who watched the play with interest.

The President and Mr. Travis had won the seventeenth hole and Mr. Taft drove first from the last tee. With great deliberation the President addressed the ball, and with a slow swing back and a good follow through he drove the ball for a distance of 180 yards to within ten feet of the little cup on the home green. It was a championship drive of remarkable accuracy and the crowd gathered on the lawn clapped their hands so vigorously that the President must have heard the applause. Champion Travis drove next, and although he used instead of wood his ball landed at a point considerably farther from the hole than Mr. Taft's.

When the players reached the green Mr. Taft surveyed the ground between his ball and the hole judiciously, but his first put was weak, and although the line was perfect the sphere stopped fully four feet short of the hole. Mr. Travis's first put placed his ball within six inches of the hole and he had an easy 3. The President missed his second put and holed

out in 4. Capt. Butt and Gen. Edwards required four strokes for the hole. Mr. Travis never played on the Chevy Chase course until this morning, so this was his second round. His 74 was close to the amateur record for these links and the President warmly congratulated him on his clever achievement. The four ball match moved around the links with great slowness, and although the four players started five minutes after 3 it was 6:15 o'clock when they holed out on the eighteenth green.

President Taft's medal score was not given out for publication, but he played the first nine holes in 47 and the whole round in three or four strokes under 100.

\$25,000,000 COURT HOUSE.

Says the Mayor, Expressing Hostility to Chambers Street Plan.

In the course of a hearing on the bill authorizing the building of a new County Court House on the present site in City Hall Park, with an arch over Chambers street to connect with another court building to be erected on the north side of Chambers street extending from Mayor Hall of Records to Broadway Mayor McClellan made it clear yesterday that he thought the scheme was too expensive. Assemblyman Charles V. Bestwick, who represented the Bar Association and the Supreme Court Justices, appeared for the bill. He said that unless the Chambers street site was acquired a skyscraper would have to be erected on the present site and such a building in the park would be a monstrosity, besides being not in keeping with the dignity of the Supreme Court. It would be a monumental disgrace to the city. He thought the Chambers street property could be obtained by condemnation proceedings for about \$7,000,000.

"Do you know what the assessed valuation is?" asked the Mayor.

"About \$8,000,000," Mr. Bestwick answered.

"Yes," added the Mayor, "and experience proves that it costs the city about twice the assessed valuation to acquire land by condemnation."

Mr. Bestwick insisted that the site could be acquired and the buildings as planned erected for about \$12,000,000.

The Mayor said that in his opinion the cost would be at least \$25,000,000. It is expected that he will veto the bill.

HAMMER THROW BREAKS LEG.

Student Struck by Weight While Sprinting on Track.

WORCESTER, Mass., May 12.—Damon Howard, the Worcester Academy student who threw the 12 pound hammer 136 feet on Friday, broke the leg of John Abbott, a fellow student, to-day while practicing for the interscholastic meet at Harvard.

Abbott, who was a sprinter, was on the track and Howard was getting ready to hurl the hammer when it broke and the ball sped up the track.

A warning about scattered the runners, but Abbott did not see his danger until the ball hit him in the right leg, just above the ankle. The bone was broken in two places.

SUIT OVER HARRISON'S WILL.

Trust Co. Asks Court to Pass Upon Provisions for Late President's Widow.

INDIANAPOLIS, May 12.—Suit was filed to-day by the Union Trust Company asking the court to construe certain provisions of the will of the late President Harrison. The complaint says that when Mr. Harrison made the will in 1899 he provided that at his death \$100,000 of the estate should be set aside, with the Union Trust Company as trustee, the income from which should be paid to the widow, Mary Lord Harrison.

A codicil of the will made February 13, 1901, increased the trust fund for the widow to \$125,000.

The trust company shows that it accepted this fund, a part of which was in certain stock. Sixty shares of stock of the Safety Car Heating and Lighting Company, valued at \$6,000, were a part of the fund. In 1901 a 10 per cent. dividend and in 1902 a 100 per cent. dividend were declared by this company, which paid the dividends in addition to stock, twenty-two shares. Other cash dividends were paid at various times.

The trust company alleges that a question has arisen among the heirs as to whether the additional shares of stock in the company are to be taken as income arising from the trust fund to be delivered only to Mary Lord Harrison or shall be distributed to the various heirs.

NEW BLACK HAND REVENGE.

Rich Fruit Dealer Thought to Have Been Victim of Slow Poison.

CINCINNATI, May 12.—The police and coroner are investigating the death of Salvador I. Rizzo, a wealthy fruit dealer, after he had failed to comply with a request signed by the Black Hand that he take \$5,000 in cash and go to Pittsburgh, where he would get further instructions.

It developed to-night that Rizzo was visited by an Italian who said he was a fruit salesman. The man gave Rizzo a banana as a sample. After he had eaten the fruit Rizzo was taken ill and died yesterday, three days later, in great agony.

It is believed that he was the victim of some slow poison. The coroner has submitted Rizzo's stomach to a chemist for analysis.

Judge Gary Gives Gary a Y. M. C. A. Building.

GARY, Ind., May 12.—Formal announcement was made to-day that Judge E. H. Gary will present to the city named in his honor a Young Men's Christian Association building to cost \$100,000. Next Saturday the Indiana officials of the Y. M. C. A. will come to Gary and select a site in the business district.

Special Session to Consider Prohibition.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., May 12.—Gov. Donaghey announced to-day that he would call a special session of the Legislature to consider Statewide prohibition. The House yesterday defeated by two votes a resolution obligating the Governor for sending it a message urging it to submit prohibition to the people.

A Rap for Local Option.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., May 12.—Local option met with a decisive setback in Illinois to-day when the House by a vote of 81 to 65 advanced to third reading House bill 659, which virtually repeals the act passed two years ago.

DEWEY'S "BUBBLY CUVEE" CHAMPAGNE.

Cherry, Sorrel and Dryden are Superior. It is the South's favorite. Sold by all grocers. Price 50c per bottle. Ad.

\$25,000 FUR THEFTS TRACED

FOUR PRISONERS, THE FIRST A WOMAN, CONFESS IN TURN.

Elevator Men and Porter Begin Rebbing Revillon Freres by Carrying Off a \$25,000 Russian Sable Muff—Man and Wife Seeking a Start in Vandeville.

Three men, present or former employees of Revillon Freres, fur merchants at 19 West Thirty-fourth street, are locked up at Police Headquarters charged with the larceny from the firm of some sixty pieces of goods valued roughly at \$25,000. A fourth prisoner, a woman, was arrested in Cleveland on Monday, and it was through her arrest and subsequent confession that the detectives were enabled to explain the steady disappearance of valuable furs from the Revillon house in the last few months. The men arrested are Charles Eline, George E. Knox and Thomas Mullin. The woman who was arrested in Cleveland is the wife of Knox.

The most valuable of the pieces stolen was a partially made up crown Russian sable muff comprising five skins valued by the firm at \$1,000 each, or \$5,000 for the muff. This disappeared on the night of October 20 last. The firm had an order for the muff and a scarf to match it, the latter containing four skins, and the whole set to cost \$6,000. The set was to be delivered on October 21.

When the workmen went home at the regular hour for closing the shop on the night of the 20th the muff was uncompleted and the artisan who was doing the work on it was ordered to report back after dinner and to finish it that night. Therefore it was not locked up in the safe as is the rule with furs of such value. The workman was taken ill, did not return that night and the next morning when the place was opened the fur was gone. Pinkertons were put on the case and a few weeks later the detective bureau was called in, but no clue was found.

This was the beginning of a series of thefts which continued until but a short time ago.

On Friday last a woman calling herself Mary Ingraham attempted to sell to a Cleveland furrier two sets of furs, one mink and the other ermine, very cheap. The dealer became suspicious, and on examining the furs found the private mark of Revillon Freres.

It chanced that a salesman of the New York house was in Cleveland. The police were notified and the woman was detained until the salesman had identified the articles. Then she was arrested.

On the grill before the Cleveland police Mary Ingraham admitted that she was Mrs. Knox and said she had bought the furs from Eline for \$25 a set. The two sets are worth about \$600.

The Cleveland police sent word here. Knox had been employed by Revillon Freres as an elevator man but had left the job some time ago, and Eline was still working for the house as a porter. Eline was arrested and also confessed. Knox was found in the Mills Building. The police searched a trunk of his and found a wallet containing a lot of pawn tickets. Thereupon Knox too confessed and said that he and his wife had been preparing to go into vaudeville together and wanted the money for that enterprise. Mullins was head elevator man and checked all parcels taken out of the store by employees. He confessed that he had stolen the muff and disposed of it to a man to whom he owed money. He gave the man's name and the detectives found the muff wrapped up as it had been when the workman laid it down uncompleted on the night of October 20. The man who had it satisfied the Revillon people that he had accepted it in good faith and he was not arrested.

The police have been able to find a lot of the stolen stuff, chiefly in the hands of pawnbrokers, and the names of many merchants who have bought the goods. A mink coat valued at \$650 had been pawned for \$20; a set of furs worth \$350 was given to a pawnbroker for \$25, and \$80 had been received on a set of Russian sable furs valued at \$450.

Mullins was discharged by the firm shortly before Christmas for intoxication. Mrs. Knox had acted as the principal medium for disposing of the stolen property.

PASS CUBAN LOTTERY BILL.

House of Representatives Approves Measure as a Whole, 53 to 29.

SPECIAL CABLE DISPATCH TO THE SUN. HAVANA, May 12.—The House of Representatives approved the lottery bill in its entirety to-day, the vote standing 53 in favor of the measure to 29 against it. The House will now proceed to vote separately on the 39 clauses of the bill.

The lease, details of drawings and management will be at the discretion of the Secretary of the Treasury.

HARVARD FRESHMAN MISSING.

Thomas T. Williams Left His Uncle's Home in Connecticut on Monday.

A general alarm was sent out by the police last night for Thomas T. Williams, 18 years old, a student in Harvard University, who has been missing from the home of his uncle, David Williams, at Bethel, Conn., since Monday morning.

Miss Dorothy Williams, a sister of the student, who lives at 1525 West 151st street, called at the West 152d street police station last night and said her brother had been resting at the home of his uncle after an absence from college. Mr. Williams was there, thinking that the boy possibly had started in this direction.

According to the Harvard catalogue Thomas T. Williams is a freshman.

Many Customs Seizures.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 12.—Many seizures were made by customs officers to-day on the Pacific Mail steamer Korea. The inspectors found picture frames, brushes, paper cutters and other articles of ivory, dozens of costly shawls, scarfs and handkerchiefs and other articles. No opium was discovered.

SAVANNAH LINE.

With its large new ships, attractive staterooms and broad promenade decks offers comfortable trip to the South. Tickets include meals and berth. Office 817 Broadway.—Ad.

NO MEAT MONOPOLY YET.

Decision of English Investigators, but the Combination May Be Extended.

SPECIAL CABLE DISPATCH TO THE SUN. LONDON, May 12.—A white paper, a report of a departmental committee appointed to inquire into the meat trade, has been issued. It concludes that the combination between the Armour, Swift, Morris and Hammond companies is not at present sufficiently powerful to be a serious danger, but in view of the possibility of its acquiring considerable interests in Argentina and representing the methods of the combination might be extended.

Then the situation in regard to the beef supply of the United Kingdom might well become serious, in view of the fact that the companies in America are worked in such concert as to eliminate all serious competition.

The committee finds it difficult to believe that the English companies representing the American firms can be competitive to the full extent. American witnesses professed ignorance of the fact that the National Packing Company, which is controlled by Hammond & Co., is controlled by representatives of Armour, Swift and Morris, but the committee expresses grave doubts as to the reality of this ignorance, which, it says, tends to throw doubt on the other statements of these witnesses.

STANDS 'EM OFF WITH A BAR.

Motorman Attacked by Workmen Whose Comrade Had Been Run Down.

Motorman Joseph Hally of the Third Avenue and Amsterdam line was saved from a beating at the hands of a gang of workmen yesterday afternoon by the arrival of a mounted policeman. Hally's car, running south at Amsterdam Avenue and 180th street, struck Michael Ryan of 308 Amsterdam Avenue, who was sorting bricks in the street. Ryan was tossed into the gutter. The car kept on going.

Another workman, named Francis O'Connor, jumped on the running board of the car and tried to drag Hally from his platform. Hally brought his fist down on O'Connor's head and sent the workman spinning off the car. Another invader got the same treatment.

Fifty or more workmen came on the jump and Hally had to stop his car to keep from running over some of them. Then the motorman, taking off his controller, backed up against the door and challenged all comers. The workmen were looking around for bricks and stones when Mounted Policeman Bost galloped up.

The policeman took Hally to the West 152d street station, where three charges of assault were made against him. An ambulance surgeon from Washington Heights Hospital fixed up the bruise of the man who had been hit by the car and two other workmen.

HIT A BOY AND MADE OFF.

Policeman's Son Seriously Hurt by an Auto That Didn't Stop.

Several persons at Fordham road and Webster avenue yesterday afternoon saw a boy pick himself up out of the dust as an automobile disappeared in the distance. The boy was Harry Heidenreich of 2372 Webster Avenue, the son of Godfrey Heidenreich, a policeman attached to the Bronx Park station. He didn't think he was hurt much and started toward home after a man in a drug store had given him something.

Policeman Hemingway saw the boy staggering along the sidewalk and asked him what was the matter. By that time young Heidenreich was feeling unsteady and he let Hemingway take him home. Last night when the boy's father reported for duty he said that a physician thought Harry had received serious internal injuries. All the available plain clothes men were sent out to look for the automobile.

A Mrs. Daniels, who saw the accident, said the boy was hooped fully fifteen feet. Other persons said that a woman and a man were the occupants of the car and that the car's number was 13,474 New Jersey.

WRIGHT FLIES FOR ALDERSHOT

Private Buyer Turns His Machine Over to the British Army.

SPECIAL CABLE DISPATCH TO THE SUN. LONDON, May 12.—The Daily Mail says that a Wright aeroplane will soon be flying at Aldershot. It is the property of the Hon. C. S. Rolls, who bought it for his own use.

The Government found it could not secure immediate delivery of a Wright aeroplane and Mr. Rolls offered to place his at the disposal of the War Office.

A LADY WHO WOULD STAR

Says "Managers" Loved Tribute Until the Hypnotic Cord Snapped.

Mrs. Leon Ryan, who lives in the Elizabeth apartments at 105th street and Broadway, reported to Police Headquarters yesterday that two men whom she named had swindled her out of about \$1,000 on the promise that she should start with a show called "Pompeii." Mrs. Ryan was willing to admit to nothing less than a \$50 a week job as star of the new company would be hers provided she subscribed \$100 toward financing the company. This she did, even though one of the obliging managers had to pawn one of her rings to raise the amount for her.

After this expenditure, Mrs. Ryan asserted she was told that nothing less than a \$50 a week job as star of the new company would be hers provided she subscribed \$100 toward financing the company. This she did, even though one of the obliging managers had to pawn one of her rings to raise the amount for her.

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NEW HOME FOR GEOGRAPHERS

MRS. C. P. HUNTINGTON OFFERS A \$250,000 SITE

For a Building for the American Geographical Society Next to A. M. Huntington's Hispanic Museum—The Council Is Raising Money to Build.

Mrs. Collis P. Huntington has given a large plot of ground at Broadway and 158th street valued at \$250,000 or more to the American Geographical Society on the condition that the society raise money for the erection of a building on the site. The society council already has undertaken to comply with the condition and it is understood has strong hopes of being able to accept Mrs. Huntington's offer within a week.

Aroher M. Huntington, the donor's adopted son, is president of the society and is active in the endeavor to raise money for the building. Mr. Huntington himself is said to have subscribed \$50,000. Mrs. Huntington did not stipulate what amount should be expended on the building, but the society will of course want to put up an attractive edifice in keeping especially with the Hispanic Society's beautiful museum on the adjoining plot.

Mrs. Huntington's gift is apparently a step in furtherance of her son's desire to build up on Washington Heights one of the city's most important centers of art and education. Already the big plot to the west of Broadway between 154th and 158th streets bears two impressive monuments to Mr. Huntington's desire, the Hispanic Museum and the museum of the American Numismatic Society.

The Hispanic Museum was erected at the sole cost of Mr. Huntington as a testimonial to his interest in Spanish archeology, literature and art, to which he has devoted the greater part of his years. It has been open to the public since 1903. Mr. Huntington also gave the site of the Numismatic Museum, which is just west of the building of the Hispanic Society. The site was worth \$50,000. The building itself cost \$50,000 in addition and it was contributed by members of the society.

The site offered to the Geographical Society is just east of the Hispanic Museum and fronts on Broadway. It has a frontage of more than 200 feet, the width of the entire block, and a depth of about 100 feet. Opposite the plot on the 158th street side is Trinity Cemetery.

If the Geographical Society is able to accept Mrs. Huntington's gift the three organizations of which Aroher M. Huntington is president and to which he gives practically his entire time will be housed in this beautiful Washington Heights plot of ground. The land value of the entire big plot is estimated at fully \$500,000.

The Hispanic Museum is built of Indiana limestone and set up on a terrace which overlooks the Hudson and the Palisades. One of the most striking features of this building is a set of heavy bronze doors found by Mr. Huntington in Cairo. They were formerly the wings of a door in a mosque erected by a Mameluke Sultan, Sarkis, whose name is inscribed on them in Arabic.

The Geographical Society at present is housed in its own building at 15 West Eighty-first street. The building was built by the society in 1897 and its property has been steadily increasing in value. The society's council is made up of Andrew G. Agnew, Levi Holtrop, Charles A. Peabody, W. Warts Sherman, Paul Tuckerman, John S. Barnes, Henry Holt, George Gordon King, Fordham Morris, Herman C. Van Post, Francis M. Bacon, Bayner Clarkson, George W. Folsom, J. Hampden Robb and Chandler Robbins.

HISEN AGAINST LODGE.

Man Who Ran for President for Hearst Wants to Be a Senator.

BOSTON, May 12.—Thomas H. Hise of West Springfield is, according to a statement made out by the Democratic State Committee, a candidate for Senator Lodge's seat.

Mr. Hise, who was the Presidential candidate of the Independent party in 1908, explains that since the withdrawal of the financial support of William R. Hearst the Independence party has ceased to exist. Mr. Hise does not announce that he is a Democrat, but leaves it to be inferred that he means to fight against Senator Lodge, whose term expires in 1911, on his own platform, which he outlines as follows: Tariff revision downward, a national anti-discrimination policy in the sale of necessary commodities, lower and more equitable freight rates, direct nominations, anti-merger, reciprocity, publicity of campaign expenses, the referendum, parcels post and postal savings banks.

MONKEY STARTS FIRE IN CAGE.

One Primate Burned to Death and Others Badly Injured.

JEFFERSONVILLE, Ind., May 12.—As the Jeffery Bros.' show was starting to-day this morning a boy threw a match into the cage containing the performing monkeys.

One of the monkeys picked up the match and while playing with it caused it to ignite and fire followed.

One of the five monkeys was burned to death and three others were severely injured.

No one had a key to the cage, and a girl from a house near by ran out with water, which prevented the destruction of the cage and the death of all five of the monkeys.

The show lost its best elephant at Louisville two weeks ago.

Poland Spring House—Mansion House.

The Sun-Over, Beckland Brookwater, No. 100, Broadway, N. Y., between 10th and 11th sts.—Ad.

4,000 LAMPS LIT BY WIRELESS.

Current Carried Five Miles for Four Hours Without Wires.

OMAHA, May 12.—The Omaha Electrical Show was to-night lighted by wireless current, this being the first time that a lighting current has been sent without wires.

The current came from the Government wireless station at Fort Omaha, five miles from the auditorium where the show is being held. There were 4,000 incandescent lamps and for four hours those lamps were lighted by the wireless current.

The system by which the experiment was made was a discovery of Dr. Frederick Millener, wireless expert of the Union Pacific Railroad.

For more than a year Dr. Millener has been at work on the proposition of distant control of electric lighting and to-night's exhibition was the first public test.

The regular current by which the building was lighted was switched off and the entire place was then lighted by the wireless.

Dr. Millener has not yet applied for a patent on his discovery, but will do so at once. Until this is granted he refuses to give the details of the construction of the instruments used by him.

GEN. STOESSEL NEAR DEATH.

Stricken With Apoplexy on Learning That the Czar Rejected Pardon.

SPECIAL CABLE DISPATCH TO THE SUN. PARIS, May 12.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Petit Journal says that Gen. Stoessel, who was condemned to death for surrendering Port Arthur to the Japanese, which sentence was subsequently commuted to imprisonment for life, was stricken with apoplexy when he learned that his petition for a full pardon had been rejected by the Czar a few days ago. His condition is said to be very grave.

RAPID TRANSIT BILL GOES.

Will Put the City in a Position to Get Private Capital for Subways.

The several amendments to the present rapid transit act were approved by the Mayor yesterday. The Public Service Commission should be able to sign by the Governor, as it undoubtedly will be, will now be in a position to let contracts for the building of new subways with private capital.

BASEBALL SCORE BY W