A MAIL CLERK'S EXPERIENCE

And What Came of It.

The occupation of a railway mail clerk is peculiarly arduous and unwholesome, long hours of work requiring the close of attention, nearly always standing, confined in a fusty car, as well as the continual vibration of rapid motion, make this occupation an undesirable one from a health standpoint.

A railway mail clerk on the Michigan Central, running between Detroit and Chicago, says: "In common with many of my fellow-employes, I suffered for some years from an obstinate attack of piles, brought on, my physicians told me, by my occupation, the close confinement in a car and often obliged to stand on my feet for hours together; the pain at times was almost intolerable and I was obliged to resort to the use of ointments and salves to give a temporary relief while I got through with my work. I suffered so long from piles that I really had little hope of any such thing as a permanent cure, and although I had very often noticed the advertisements of the Pyramid Pile Cure, yet I never thought seriously of trying it until one day after suffering more than usual, I dropped into a drug store and bought a 50 package. I tried it that night, and the complete relief from pain and itching was delightful. I expected to be as bad as ever the next day, as this had been my usual experience with pile remedies, but I was agreeably disappointed. I used the Pyramid for some ten days or two weeks and for nearly four years have had the slightest trouble from piles. I consider my cure as little short of marvelous."

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TAHER HIGH MAN IN OFFICE MEN'S LEAGUE.

LEADING COCKED HAT BOWLERS IN THIS ORGANIZATION ARE WELL MATCHED—SCHMEDER ON TOP IN THE ROUND CITY LEAGUE.

WRITTEN FOR THE SUNDAY REPUBLIC.

There has been a great deal of change in the individual averages of the St. Louis League in both players and clubs. "Clever" Leatherbury has fell from first to fourth place. He says he will be back on top again, as those in front are from the disbanded Turner League, and have played in only ten or fifteen games. The individual averages and club standing of the St. Louis League will be found below:

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The Standing of the St. Louis Cocked Hat League.

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Gamma	8	7	Everetts	7	13
Ess	8	7	Kimpers	3	12
Ebers	7	8	Indianolas	3	12

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team game, Newstead, 996; high team five games, Newstead, 4,189.

Club standing, first series:

Clubs.	W.	L.	Clubs.	W.	L.
Cole Brilliants	49	25	Oaks	31	44
Grants	46	29	Unions	29	46
Newstead	46	29	Richmonds	23	52

Schedule for this week: Grants at home to Cole Brilliants, Tuesday, January 23. Newstead at home to Oaks, Tuesday, January 23. Unions at home to Richmonds, Tuesday, January 23.

Mound City League.

The first series of the Mound City Cocked Hat League, which was organized last fall, came to a close with last week's matches. The league has met with remarkable success, totally on account of having an excellent Board of Management. The series was concluded without a hitch and remarkably good-natured throughout the season. The membership of the league has been confined almost exclusively to practical bowlers, and the improvement shown by the league has been remarkable. A great many of them even now being able to hold up their end in almost any company. The Royals, who won the championship, with fifty-five out of a total of seventy-two games played. Black and Schubert further added to team work, has been the secret of their success. The Superiors, who gave the winners the best fight, were unfortunate in losing games at inopportune times. The Perfectos, although they came in third, were a disappointment to a great many of their admirers, who expected great results. The loss of a valuable member greatly interfered with the standing of the Rialtos. The Consumers were strong enough at times to defeat the leaders, but their weaker nature showed consistently. The Marquettes were a bad lot, but rarely struck it out, and are willing to try again. Several new faces will be seen in the next series of the league, and the prospects are that the contest will be more even in the other expected table of number of games won and lost by each of the clubs is shown:

Clubs.	W.	L.	Clubs.	W.	L.
Royals	55	17	Rialtos	32	38
Superiors	46	25	Consumers	31	38
Perfectos	40	30	Marquettes	17	53

Schedule for this week: Monday—Rialtos at Perfectos; Superiors at home to Marquettes. Tuesday—Perfectos at home to Consumers. Friday—Rialtos at home to Marquettes; Superiors at home to Consumers.

Appended are the averages of the league, as compiled by Secretary W. F. Biedermann. Otto Schneider, with the splendid average of 52, leads the league. Hotchkiss, by records with 47, Schmidt and Fischer have the best percentage of first balls while Eck and Brandle secured the greatest number of rock-bottoms. The bowlers who participated in less than twenty-five games are not included in the table:

Bowlers.	Games.	C. P.	M. P.	Per.
O. Schneider	31	1.87	5.17	51.34
Hotchkiss	30	1.80	5.00	47.17
Torrey	30	1.80	4.80	45.0
Kuenn	30	1.80	4.80	45.0
Nottingham	30	0.96	4.81	46.29
Hooker	30	1.75	4.79	46.29
Hornemeyer	30	1.75	4.79	46.29
Eck	30	1.80	4.80	47.0
Lange	30	1.61	4.72	45.29
Schmidt	31	1.87	4.71	45.14
Brandle	30	1.80	4.71	45.29
Wolf	30	1.80	4.71	45.29
Wolf	30	0.96	4.71	45.29
M. Bieber	30	1.77	4.71	45.29

Less than twenty-five games:

Schaub	24	1.70	4.50	47.0
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Schedule for the week: Monday, Grantos at home to Cole Brilliants. Tuesday, Unions at home to Oaks. Wednesday, Wolfhoes at home to St. Louis.

Commercial League Standing.

At the end of one week's play of the second series of the Commercial Cocked Hat League the following standing was found:

Clubs.	W.	L.	Clubs.	W.	L.
Jobbers	3	0	Sellers	2	1
Grocers	3	0	Buyers	2	1
Brokers	3	0	Brokers	2	1
Buyers	2	1	Jobbers	1	2
Sellers	2	1	Grocers	0	3

Schedule for the week: Monday, Jobbers at home to Grocers. Wednesday, Buyers at home to Post office, and Brokers to Sellers.

Junior Florist Tenpin Club.

The Junior Florist Bowling Club rolled their weekly contest last Tuesday evening on the Charlotte alleys, the two teams bowling very close together. Score:

JUNIOR FLORISTS NO. 1.

Names.	1	2	3
J. H. Lange	161	161	172
W. Abele	157	171	144
F. Weber, Jr.	174	151	180
H. Bechtold	85	153	92
Totals	577	586	606

JUNIOR FLORISTS NO. 2.

Names.	1	2	3
W. F. Ellison	124	125	141
A. Weber	134	151	127
A. Meyers	94	132	86
F. Ellis	182	159	139
Totals	632	577	634

Monday Nights 2, Thursday Nights 1.

The Monday Nights and Thursday Nights of the W. B. C. Tenpin League bowled a match recently. Score:

MONDAY NIGHTS.

Names.	1	2	3	Tot.	Av.
Frank Sebastian	152	175	151	478	159 2-3
A. Von Ehren	159	161	134	454	151
L. Obert, Jr.	146	151	146	443	147 2-3
H. Kramer	136	154	132	422	140
F. Hoffman	161	154	137	452	150 2-3
William Hehn	148	128	156	432	144
Totals	902	924	856	2682	894

THURSDAY NIGHTS.

Names.	1	2	3	Tot.	Av.
John F. Mueller	151	172	168	491	163 1-3
Chas. F. Walther, Jr.	152	152	123	427	142 1-3
Robert A. Mehlhouse	114	155	170	439	146 1-3
Henry Brueggeck	125	150	142	417	139
Henry C. Meyer	125	150	142	417	139
Gust. Heitz	172	142	159	473	157 2-3
Totals	837	879	859	2575	858

El Reys 2, Towers 2.

The El Reys and Towers of the World's Fair Cocked Hat League bowled a match Friday night. Score:

EL REYS.

Name.	1	2	3	4	5	Tot'l.	Av.
Nidlow	16	29	27	36	41	149	29.8
Sebastian	14	28	24	25	37	128	25.6
P. Kelly	6	19	24	31	34	113	22.6
Lindell	3	27	19	31	40	120	24
M. Kelly	3	42	40	25	46	156	31.2
Totals	42	205	134	148	198	665	133

TOWERS.

Name.	1	2	3	4	5	Tot'l.	Av.
Kuppiger	8	21	49	41	42	161	32.2
Alt	16	34	39	42	41	172	34.4
Dressel	7	45	31	28	31	142	28.4
Schaub	3	32	46	32	45	158	31.6
Rice	8	31	29	25	36	129	25.8
Totals	42	163	194	168	195	762	152.4

Office Men 5, Leffingwells 0.

Although the Office Men of the Office Men's League won all five games from the Leffingwells, the match was a most exciting one, as all of the games were very close, not being decided until the last frame was rolled. Holden, with 47 3-5, and E. Helling, with 46 4-5, led their respective teams. Score:

LEFFINGWELLS.

Names.	1	2	3	4	5	Tot'l.	Av.
E. Helling	5	21	26	23	43	118	23.6
Meyer	2	44	41	47	39	213	42.6
P. Helling	6	46	40	47	47	232	46.4
Aullick	5	38	40	31	34	148	29.6
Leavy	7	31	38	38	37	151	30.2
Totals	25	180	195	212	208	910	182

OFFICE MEN.

Names.	1	2	3	4	5	Tot'l.	Av.
Wm. Graf	6	47	46	49	44	232	46.4
Henkel	8	41	43	50	38	211	42.2
Rhomer	5	42	29	31	27	154	30.8
Hinckley	5	37	33	36	33	179	35.8
Holden	8	39	42	48	37	236	47.2
Totals	32	206	194	214	179	1013	202.6

TEN PIN BOWLERS.

Locals Won Three Out of Four Games From Belleville Team.

The Difficulties of Belleville, Ill., played a return match on the Courthouse alleys last Thursday evening with Dick's Stars. The contest was very exciting and was witnessed by a large audience. Dick's Stars got a number of splits, leaving some very hard spares, which, in most cases, were made. Captain Kuppinger rolled in only one game owing to a sore thumb. Score:

DIFFICULTIES.

Names.	1	2	3	4
Schultes	153	169	148	591
Vollrath	172	128	131	161
Wolf	134	163	168	121
Maurer	146	152	124	148
Seib	160	137	146	187
Totals	766	747	657	754

DICK'S STARS.

Names.	1	2	3	4
Lehmann	121	158	158	135
Meyer	165	154	187	144
Kaiser	201	169	128	181
Porter	180	193	161	185
Ford		164	164	172
Kuppinger	214			
Totals	859	838	776	746

Hermann's Ten Pin Stars.

The following is the individual standing of the Uncle Hermann Club in the tenpin championship of Hermann, Mo. George C. Eberlin leads by a nice margin. Standing:

Bowlers.	Games.	Totals.	Av.
George C. Eberlin	41	5,194	126.8 14
G. Engerth	7	876	125
A. T. Eberlin	14	1,772	126.4 14
J. Bommer	11	1,392	126.4 12
W. C. Kiene	14	1,761	125.8 14
B. Hemmeter	8	1,010	126.2 8
G. Staudt	14	1,759	125.7 14
J. Burkhardt	8	1,001	125.1 8
G. Shoell	8	1,000	125 8
A. Fleisch	8	1,000	125 8
E. Schoch	16	1,992	124.5 16
Geo. Eberlin	8	1,000	125 8
W. Schumann	12	1,502	125.1 12
W. Gieseke	11	1,376	125.1 11
G. Brooks	9	1,123	124.7 9
H. Lorenzen	3	375	125 3
E. W. Thull	12	1,502	125.1 10

ST. JOSEPH WON.

Defeated the Topeka All-Star Bowlers by 155 Points.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

St. Joseph, Mo., Jan. 20.—St. Joseph Bowlers defeated Topeka All-Stars this evening. Score:

ST. JOSEPH.

T. Frost	97	10	17	1
Wickel	53	9	18	2
Clute	42	12	8	4
Sloan	31	12	8	4
Gaff	23	12	12	3
Total	246	55	63	14

TOPEKA.

Gossett	40	8	13	5
Stewart	43	7	12	9
Moore	48	7	12	5
Kilkenny	37	9	13	6
Smith	27	7	14	3
Total	245	38	64	28

WHIST TOURNAMENT.

Handicaps Announced for the Pairs Entered in Second Series.

The Whist Committee of the Office Men's club has reported the handicaps of the pairs entered for the second series of the whist tournament.

They will be found below, together with the score of the game played last Thursday evening, and the standing of the teams held in reserve.

The following is the first series of whist tournament at Office Men's club.

Pairs.	Handicap.
Gatewood and Garesche	Scratch
Jungman and Schlette	Scratch
Kirk and Whitney	1
Holman and York	1
Kribben and Leonard	1
Merill and Bommeck	1
Hirp and Wagner	1
Dixon and Bowman	1
Hale and Fischer	1
Bixby and Spalding	1
Garesche and Milbourne	1
Wright and Sullivan	1
Hemmer and Massman	1
Helmsder and Kidd	1
Moler and Williams	1
Bauchle and Steve	4
Pitts and Nolan	2
Brent and Tucker	2
Ambler and Muenfort	2
Hunt and Fay	2
Ward and Wheeler	3

Scores of the same played Thursday will be found below.

NORTH AND SOUTH.

Names of Pair.	Plus.	Min.
Kribben and Leonard	3	
Holman and York	3	
Merill and Bommeck	4	
Hale and Hale		1
Dixon and Bowman	1	
Garesche and Garesche	2	
Massman and Cline	6	
Hemmer and Massman		1
Kirk and Whitney	4	
Wyatt and Sullivan	4	

EAST AND WEST.

Names of Pair.	Plus.	Min.
Wheeler and Robinson	1	
Brent and Tucker	1	
Dixon and Bowman	1	
Holman and York	4	
Bixby and Spalding		2
Holman and York	2	
Gatewood and Kirk		2
Garesche and Muenfort	2	
Moler and Williams		1

Appleate and Muenfort.

FIVE LEADING PAIRS.

Kirk and Whitney	11.6
Holman and York	11.4
Hale and Hale	10.8
Wyatt and Sullivan	10.8
Brent and Bowman	10.8

RYAN MAY ASSIST CORBETT.

Will Probably Be His Main Adviser on the Night of the Fight.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York, Jan. 20.—Tommy Ryan, the welterweight champion, who has trained Jim Jeffries for both of his championship battles, will in all likelihood be Corbett's chief adviser in his coming battle with the champion.

Ryan is at present, and has already signified his willingness to join the Corbett camp at Lakewood and assist the former champion in getting into shape.

When asked if there was any truth in the report that Ryan would train him, Corbett admitted that he was corresponding with the Syracuse boxer, and stated that he did not think that he could make use of Ryan now, but it would probably have both to do and be the night of the contest. Ryan is confident that making Jeffries a clever fighter, and now he believes he can show Corbett some of the tricks which have proved so effective against Jeffries on the Californian's fine points.

Ryan has evidently changed his opinion in regard to the capabilities of the champion, for in his recently quoted in an interview, he said that he believed a good clever man who could hit hard would have a good chance of victory over Fitzsimmons's conqueror.

RYAN AND LAWLER MATCHED.

They Will Box Twenty Rounds at Hot Springs February 2.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Hot Springs, Ark., Jan. 20.—Sylvester Turner Ryan and George Lawler of Detroit signed articles of agreement this evening for a twenty-round glove contest, to take place at the Auditorium of the Hot Springs Athletic Club on the afternoon of February 2. The purse, which is the gate receipts, will be divided between the contestants, the winner to take 55 per cent and the loser the balance.

FINE FOX-HUNT.

St. Louis Hunt Club Had a Good Day's Sport at Francis's Farm.

The St. Louis Hunt Club had the best run of its young life about the country side along the Gravois road, and in the neighborhood of the Francis farm yesterday. A fine attendance, among which were many visiting sportsmen, enjoyed the finest run ever given by hounds in the West.

It was Mr. Bratton's intention to hunt a "drag"—that is, an artificial scent, and he had one laid for the purpose. The hounds and horses started from Sommerset's on the Gravois road and proceeded to the Francis farm. Here Master of Hounds Bratton had them cast the "drag" and they got to running right away. After running about a mile in the direction of old Jim, the best-loved hound of too by, a wary old Britain dog, who knows Mr. Fox as well as he does his kennel, gave a deep vocal and struck a hot line into the woods. All but five of the twenty-eight hounds followed him.

"That is not the right trail," said Huntsman English, who had the drag, "old Jim is crazy."

"This is good enough for me," shouted Mr. Gus Lee to Mr. "Let's take a chance with Jim. Maybe he knows where there is a live fox."

Sure enough, a sturdy red fox got frightened a long, level expanse of prairie into view, and the riders sighted a big red fox running for dear life. With a cheer halloo, they all set down and commenced riding for dear life. The hounds were running breast high in scent and there were no checks for miles. Every horse was galloping as hard as he could, and the hounds were fairly racing. Across the bottoms to the Gravois road they went at steeplechase speed. A stream with steep banks gave them a big jump, but every one was over all right, though Mr. Elms found Mr. Bratton's 22 pounds quite a load. Mr. Busch's Irish mare, Aithore, did some fine jumping here. Two big rail fences followed, the Irish mare setting the pace. Mr. Smith of New York was on a friend's horse, and it was a case of good rider and good mount. Mr. Louis Lemp made Claude Martin three sidesaddles.

After running about three miles direct west of the Gravois road Reynard turned right back and almost retraced his tracks. It was a good gallop of seven miles, when the hounds finally ran him down within a few hundred yards of the place whence they started. Mr. Busch's good mare brought him in first for the brush. Mr. Smith was right there with his usual nerve. Huntsman English rode Mr. Busch's Chainpeder, and his high weight suited the little cob hunter, who jumped like a bird. St. Elmo is a good horse, but cannot carry the weight. Rocker can, and Mr. Bratton had a hard time.

The run was really a splendid one. It was at least seven miles of a hard gallop over every kind of fences and not a soul stopped for another.

The country was good and the fences nice. A jump of a high gate by Aithore fully five feet high with 90 pounds of Mr. Busch on her back was a feature, while Mr. Smith's daring leap over the deep ditch made spectators hold their breath.

Among those out were Aug. A. Busch, St. Louis; J. Busch, St. Louis; E. Johnston Smith, New York; Louis Lemp, St. Louis; Hector Lyons, St. Louis; C. C. Harris, Chicago; Chas. Cunningham, New York; Gideon Wilson, Scranton, Pa.; W. W. Mason, Boston; Marcy R. Tiffany, New York; Robert Thompson, Chicago; Carl Wahrwright, Pittsburg; L. F. Betz, Philadelphia, Pa.

RACES AT DUBUQUE.

A Fall Meeting Will Be Held, With $50,000 in Purses.

Dubuque, Ia., Jan. 20.—At a meeting today it was decided to have racing here in fall. The purses will amount to at least $50,000, and may reach double that sum.

Sumpter Beat Mermod.

Jack Sumpter beat Alexander Mermod for the Busch trophy at DePaul Park yesterday. Each shot at twenty-five live birds and the score was Sumpter, 21; Mermod, 20. Sumpter and Griesedieck have each won the trophy five times. They will meet shortly.

CRACK YOUNGSTERS AT MEMPHIS TRACK.

Brewer Schorr's Bab, a Full Sister to W. Overton, Reported to Be Very Fast.

CHARADE-ELECTRICITY COLT.

He Is the Best Juvenile in Abe Cahn's Stable—List of Entries to Leading Memphis Stakes to Be Run Next Spring.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 20.—Trainers at Montgomery Park are enthusiastic about the high class of 2-year-olds that are wintered here. J. W. Schorr & Son have an even dozen youngsters that are finely bred and good lookers. Trainer George Walker is not hurrying them, preferring to let them go slow for a time, and as Mr.