TOPRIGHT WINS FROM FLATFOOT

Each Horse Cleared Hurdles Perfectly in Two-Mile Steeplechase.

The concluding racing event of the Virginia State Fair, the special two-mile steeplechase, for a purse of $200 and a side bet of $300, making a total purse of $500, was won yesterday afternoon by Topright, owned by W. R. Andrews, of Richmond, with Gentleman Jockey "Bob" Taylor, up. Topright cleared all of the hurdles, and kept the lead over Flatfoot, owned by W. C. Saunders, and ridden by Jockey Turner, from the very start, and finished the course in 4:13 1-5, without having to exert himself.

Topright and Flatfoot were off at the crack of the pistol at 3 o'clock, and took the first hurdle on even terms. The Andrews gelding was a length ahead over the second hurdle, and finished the first mile a length and a half ahead. At the mile and three-quarter hurdle, Topright pulled away from his opponent, came down the home stretch full two lengths ahead, and finished an easy winner amid the applause of the spectators.

DOWN THE ALLEYS

By Whit Whitman

If present indications count for anything, it is safe to say that this season will be the banner one in the history of bowling in this city. Never before has such interest been shown so early in the season. In the past two weeks three different tenpin leagues have been organized on the Newport Alleys, not saying anything about the Richmond League, which is known as the major organization. This league will be seen in action within the next few days. A meeting of the players has been called for Tuesday night at 8 o'clock, and it is requested that all bowlers be present.

The Commercial League was one of the first to come to the front this season. It organized this year on a much larger scale than heretofore, and should furnish good sport for the fans.

The six clubs which now compose the league appear to be very evenly matched. The league will play what is known as a double series. The first half of the season will open to-morrow night and close Wednesday night, December 24. Then the prize money will be awarded to the winning team and players. The Newport management has agreed to give $15 to the first team and $5 to the second. There will also be prizes offered for the high average players in the league, also the high score and high average players on individual teams. After the holidays the teams will start on the second lap. The first game will take place January 2, and the schedule will run until the middle of April, when the same amount of prizes will be awarded to the leading teams and players as in the first half. If different teams win the pennant in the two series then a post series will be played to decide the championship.

The Times-Dispatch League, which has been a great success for the past three years, has again come to the front with a much larger and stronger organization. President Edelblut, Captain George Helfert and Captain Goode have accomplished good results in a short space of time. This league consists of four strong and evenly matched teams. This league opens the season, for the first half, on the Newport Alleys Tuesday night.

Schedule for this week of Commercial League:

Monday night—Vaughan-Robertson Lumber Co. vs. Chesapeake and Ohio Office.

Wednesday night—Bishop Shirt Co. vs. Sibley Shoe Co.

Friday night—Montebellas vs. Railroad Y. M. C. A.

WITH THE Palace Bowlers

BY R. N. (JAKE) ROWSEY.

The Palace Knights slayed the small maples last week. Many high scores and averages were put up.

The Palace team took a great jump which landed them in second place in the standing, tied with the Virginians and News Leader teams.

Monday night the Palace five won three games from the Richmond Lunch team.

Wednesday night the Virginian team won three games from The Times-Dispatch team. The Times-Dispatch boys would have shown up in better form, but as the first game was called on account of darkness they didn't succeed in strengthening in the two last games. An intermission of 45 was given on account of no lights.

Palace Tenpin League.

The Palace Tenpin League will open up its season Tuesday night at 8:30 o'clock, when the Bishop Shirt Co. and the Battle Axe teams will battle for honors.

Average of Players.

Players.	G.	Avg.
J. B. Anderson	6	114—5
C. H. Cosby	6	111—1
Amos	3	108
Cheek	3	108
B. Jorden	3	108
Rowsey	3	107
Snead	6	106—2
C. L. Cosby	6	101
Richardson	6	99—5
Perdue	6	99—2
W. M. Anderson	3	98—1
Garrison	6	95—1
Carter	3	94—1
Yaden	3	95
Williams	3	94—1
A. Beck	3	94
Glenn	3	92—2
Martin	3	91—2
Campbell	3	87
A. Carter	3	86—2
Musom	3	86—2
Bailey	3	85—2
Doherty	3	80—1

High team, one game, Journals, 578; high score, Anderson, 141; high average, J. B. Anderson, six games, 114—5; average high team, three games, Journals, 1,504; high total, three games, individual player, J. B. Anderson, 350.

Games This Week.

Monday—Palace vs. Virginians, at 8:30 o'clock.

Tuesday—Opening Palace Tenpin League—Battle Axe vs. Bishop's Shirt Company, at 8:30 o'clock.

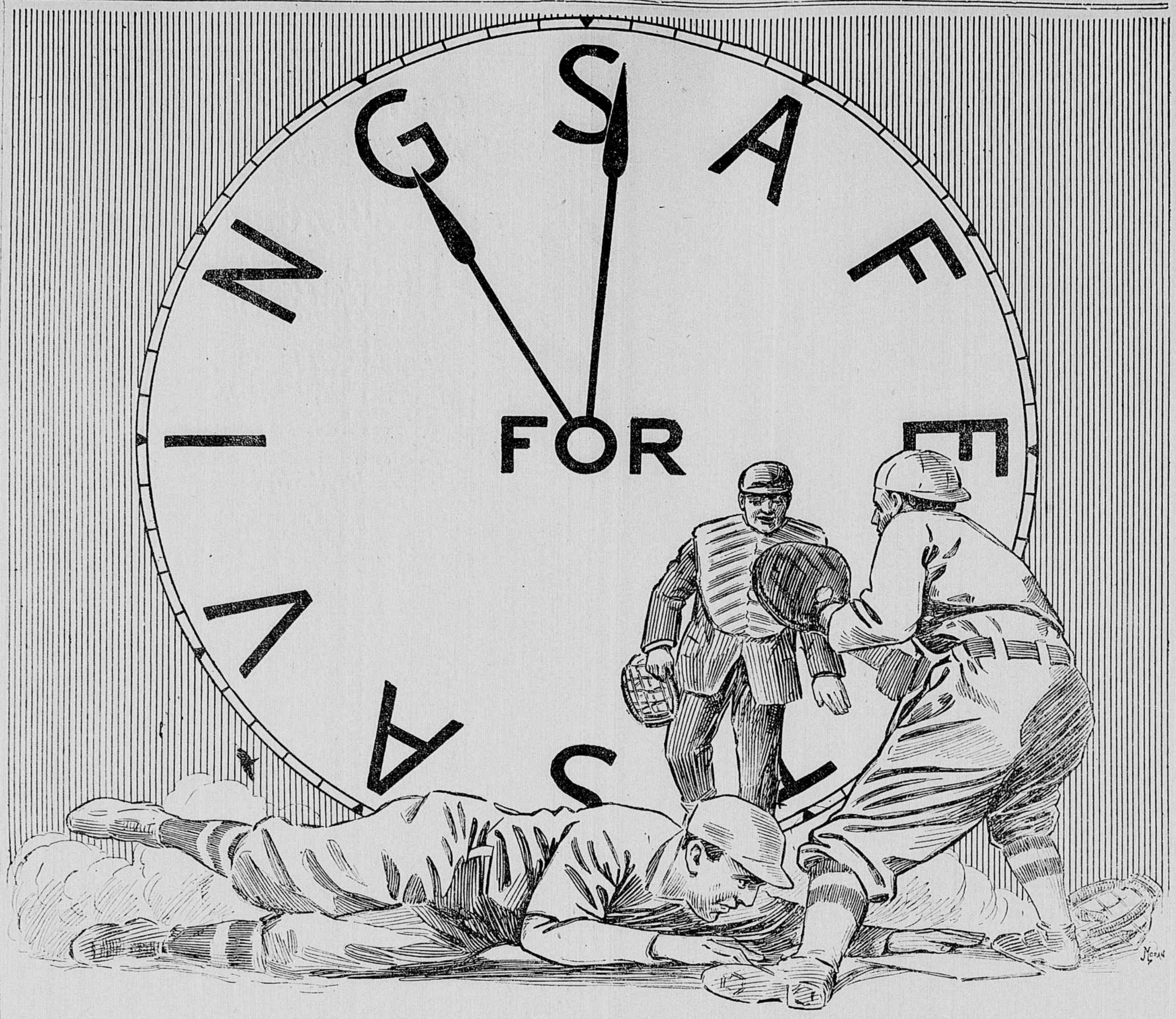
Wednesday—The Times-Dispatch vs. Journals, at 8:30 o'clock.

Thursday—Western Union Telegraph Company vs. Jacobs & Levy, at 8:30 o'clock.

Friday—Richmond Lunch vs. News Leader.

Standing of Teams.

Teams.	P.	W.	L.	P. C.
Journals	3	3	0	1.000
Palace	6	4	2	.667
Virginians	6	4	2	.667
News Leader	3	2	1	.667
Times-Dispatch	6	2	4	.333
Richmond Lunch	6	0	6	.000



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