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## "DOWNFALL OF JAPAN"

Japanese Ball Club Goes Down in Defeat Before Webster City Club Saturday Afternoon.

FINAL SCORE STOOD 4 TO 6

Dodge's Home Run in First Inning Took Ginger Out of Oriental Players.

The little brown men from the Orient were not the big "yellow peril" of which Lieut. Hobson, U. S. N., has preached so much from the Chautauqua platform, but they were pretty good ball players. However, the locals managed to get the best of them to the tune of 4 to 6 in the game played here Saturday afternoon.

The contest started off snappy and keen with the locals well in the lead and good ball was played till the last couple of innings, when several errors were made. The home run by Dodge in the first inning was the feature of the game. Moose was first batter up and he hit a fast one to first base that was pretty hot, gaining the initial station on it. He then stole second base, when Dodge hit the ball a mighty rap that sent it ten feet above the west field fence. The fans gave a good imitation of a lunatic asylum out for an airing about this time and the "Japs" evidently lost heart. At any rate they changed pitchers in the middle of the inning, sending Shira to the center garden and installing a white man with a Japanese nom de plume—Ketow—who pitched the rest of the game. There were two white men, one Indian and eleven Japanese in the visitors' club. The white men were the battery used against Webster City.

Webster City made two scores in the first, one in the third, two in the fourth and one in the seventh. The Japs did not score till the fifth inning, when Long hit two and walked two—forcing a run. Then in the eighth the visitors scored two on three successive errors, and one in the last inning on an error and an out to center.

Japanese:

	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
*Tachi, cf	4	1	0	2	0	2
Suzuki, 3b	4	0	0	1	2	2
Kitsuse, ss	4	0	1	1	1	0
*Ketow, 2b	5	1	0	1	3	1
Wheeler, c	4	1	1	8	2	0
Toyo, 1b	3	1	0	7	0	1
Naga, lf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Kawa, rf	2	0	0	2	0	0
*Shira, p	4	0	0	2	0	0
Totals	32	4	2	24	9	6

Webster City:

	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Moose, c	4	1	1	14	2	1
Dodge, 1b	3	2	1	4	0	1
Rossiter, rf	4	0	1	1	0	0
Stuart, ss	4	0	1	0	2	0
Pyle, 3b	4	0	0	2	0	2
R. Neitzke, lf	4	0	0	0	0	0
P. Neitzke, 2b	2	0	0	1	1	1
Berggren, cf	4	1	0	3	0	0
Long, p	3	2	1	2	5	2
Totals	32	6	5	27	10	7

Score by innings:  
 Japanese . . . . . 0 0 0 1 0 2 1—4  
 Webster City . . . . . 2 0 1 2 0 1 0—6  
 Struck out—by Ketow, 6; by Long, 14. Bases on balls—off Ketow, 3; off Long, 5. Hit by pitched balls—by Long, 3. Home run—Dodge. Two base hit—Wheeler. Umpire—McDonald. Time of game—1:35. \*Changed places in first inning, Shira going to center field, Tachi to second base and Ketow to pitcher's box.

Frank Hoffman, baker for the Robison Baking Company for some time past, has resigned the position and has been succeeded by Orvil Thomas, recently of Willmar, Minn. Mr. Hoffman is studying for the ministry and will now finish his college work. Mr. Thomas has filled the position of baker in this city at different times past, and is a first-class man in this line. He is the husband of the former Miss Millie Horn.

## CROOKS BREAK JAIL AT FORT DODGE

Town of Duncombe Aroused to Intercept Fleeing Prisoners From West.

There was considerable excitement in the little town of Duncombe about two o'clock this morning. A telephone call from Fort Dodge apprised the village constable that a couple of crooks had made their escape from the Webster county jail and were supposed to be heading for Duncombe. The telephone girl at central office aroused the officers of the bank, over which the telephone office is located, and it was not long till quite a party of armed men were lying in ambush along the roadside near the entrance to town from the west. However, though a vigilant watch was kept till daylight this morning, nothing transpired to break the monotony of the summer night. The escaping prisoners evidently took some other route. The two who escaped from the jail were traced as far as the Illinois Central railroad yards in Fort Dodge, when the trail was lost. It was the supposition that they came eastward.

F. A. Boysen, Dentist, Second St.

## WRIGHT CO. WON SHOOT

Big Tri-County Trophy Contest Won by Gun Club of Wright County—Made Excellent Scores.

## SHORT HIGH GUN FOR THE DAY

Plans Formulated for Hanging up of Challenge Trophy in Near Future.

The last lap in the big tri-county shoot wherein the gun clubs from Hamilton, Wright and Webster counties competed for the trophy cup, was shot off at Ft. Dodge Friday afternoon. The cup was won by the Wright county team by a margin of 22 points. That is, the Wright county team had 22 points to the good, counting all three events—1,500 targets.

The Hamilton county team made a good fight for the cup, but the winner's shooting was almost phenomenal, and had the locals succeeded in breaking every target shot at, they would still have been four points behind the Wright county team.

The first lap in the race was shot off in Webster City last April and was won by Webster county; in June the second lap was won at Eagle Grove by the Wright county team—the winners of the cup.

Ed Short of Woolstock, member of the winning club, was high gun at Friday's shoot, breaking 99 out of a possible 100 targets. W. S. Hoon of Jewell, member of the Webster City club, stood second with 97. All scores made were high ones and the shoot was considered the best one of the season held in this vicinity.

Hamilton county was represented by a team of five shooters comprising N. M. O'Connor, J. Peterson, A. H. Abrahamson, J. Maland and W. S. Hoon.

Following the shoot a big meeting of the shooters was held at the Wabkonsa hotel and it was decided that the three counties hang up a larger and more expensive trophy cup, to be shot for upon challenge of any of the three counties at any time. This would mean that the club possessing the cup might be called upon to defend it at any date. The challenge cup will probably be secured in time for a big contest to be held this fall.

The delegation from Webster City who attended the big shoot Friday report a very good time at the hands of the Fort Dodge bunch.

## SUES CITY FOR \$3,000

Harriet Long Demands Judgment for That Sum on Account of Injury From Defective Sidewalk.

## ACCIDENT HAPPENED MAY 6TH

Declares Injuries are Permanent and Caused by Carelessness of Officers.

Harriet Long, who was injured by falling upon the sidewalk in front of the Mrs. W. S. Worthington residence last spring, has brought suit against the city, asking damages in the sum of \$3,000. Her petition, just filed in the office of the clerk of the district court, alleges that for six months prior to the 6th of May, 1911, the city had negligently allowed to exist a dangerous place in the sidewalk, consisting of a loose piece of cement in front of the Worthington place; that the city's officers by the exercise of reasonable care would have known of the defect and caused it to be repaired; that on the 6th day of May, 1911, while passing over said walk, and without knowing of the existence of said loose piece of cement, plaintiff was caused to fall violently upon said walk; that by said fall plaintiff received injuries upon her head and face and to her entire left side; that said injuries are permanent; that as a result plaintiff was confined to her home for a long period and has paid out large sums for medical attendance; that by reason of said injury she has sustained damage in the sum of \$3,000 and asks judgment for that amount, and for costs of suit.

## GET RESERVOIR CONTRACT IN BOONE

Zitterell & Sullivan of This City Awarded Contract by Boone Council.

Boone, Aug. 7.—The city council in session here Saturday awarded the contract to Zitterell & Sullivan of Webster City for the erection of the two big reservoirs to be built in connection with the water system. The one reservoir at the plant here is to be of 2,200,000 gallon capacity, and the one to be built at the river is to have a capacity of 2,000,000 gallons.

## AMERICAN SALVATION ARMY POST

Capt. T. R. Wallace Will Again Assume Charge of Post in This City.

Capt. T. R. Wallace will again take up the work of the American Salvation Army in Webster City, he having recently received a request to do so from national headquarters. The captain's resignation some time since as head of the local post was on account of his having anything against the organization, but was simply because of crookedness, the captain says, on the part of certain parties connected with the society. As the ones in question have been put out of the ranks, Capt. Wallace is willing to again take up the work in this city. This means that the Webster City Mission is a thing of the past, the local post of the American Salvation Army taking its place.

The captain will conduct meetings at 719 Seneca street, where he now holds forth. The general public is warmly welcome to these meetings.

Fine job work at this office.

## GRASSHOPPERS GOING EASTWARD TODAY

Went West Last Week—Probably Starved out While in Nebraska or Kansas.

Last Friday millions upon millions of grasshoppers were seen flying over Webster City, going in a westerly and southwesterly direction, probably headed for Kansas and Nebraska, their favorite feeding grounds. However, a large number of the hoppers were seen flying eastward yesterday and it is presumed that the picking was so poor in Kansas and Nebraska that they are returning to Iowa, where there is always an abundance of forage. The army going east Monday was not nearly so large as the one going west Friday, but it was large enough and Hamilton county was indeed fortunate that the insects passed by. In some parts of Iowa the hoppers have done great damage, which, added to the damage by the drouth, will make it hard for some farmers to get through the winter.

## For Sale.

One four and one six year old driving horse.  
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## LOCALS WIN FAST GAME

Stanhope Team Bites the Dust After a Hard Fought Contest—Keenest Game of the Season.

FINAL SCORE STOOD 3 TO 1

Rossiter Gets Applause When He "Whiffs" Fardal, Stanhope's Heavy Hitter.

"The best game of the season," was the universal verdict of the fans at the close of Friday's game in this city, between Stanhope and the locals. It was played in "jig time" and was bitterly contested from first to last, being full of exciting features and liberally interspersed with double plays and base stealing. It was largely a game of infield ball, the ball being in action among the infield players almost continually—one of the best games in the world for the enthusiastic fan. It was a splendid exhibition and the best thing about it was that Webster City won it by the score of 3 to 1.

Stanhope made its single score in the first half of the third inning, when S. Dick bingled the ball out for two bases and scored when Dodge muffed up a fast one pushed at him by Kepler. Webster City tied the score in its half of the same inning. R. Neitzke singled, stole second and third bases, and trotted across the home plate when P. Neitzke hit a long one to center that the guardian of that pasture booted from him. There was then no more scoring till the sixth inning, Rossiter getting a good smash at one to right field which Fardal booted; he then stole second, was advanced by Stuart's single, and scored by Pyle following Stuart's hit with a duplicate brand. The side was retired by a double play from catcher to first when Long bunted and the catcher retrieved the ball in time to tag Stuart coming home and threw Long out at the initial sack. The third score was secured in the eighth, two free transportations coming together, coupled with some clever base stealing.

One of the interesting features of the game was when Rossiter "fanned" Fardal, who is known throughout this section as a heavy hitter. Eddie used the spit ball in causing the big slugger to "whiff." After getting two strikes on the batter, the pitcher ran out of spittle; the catcher called for another spit ball, but Eddie shook his

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## MORE ABOUT FIRE CHIEF

State Fire Marshal Roe did not Tell Mayor Sparboe About \$100 Fine for Violation of Law.

NO COMMUNICATION ABOUT IT. Mayor Was Possessed of Knowledge Himself and Instructed New-

man at Once.

The state wide publicity given the story that Fire Chief Ora Newman of this city refused to comply with the law, requiring reports of all fires to be made to state Fire Marshal Roe of Des Moines, and several alleged replies by the state official to Newman, also instruction to the mayor and city council of this city, have probably placed Webster City in a wrong light in the public eye as a city that was not inclined to obey the state laws. However, this paper has investigated the matter with reference to the attitude of the city administration in this case, and is pleased to learn that Webster City does not require any urging to observe any of the state laws.

As a matter of fact, state Fire Marshal Roe never had any communication with the mayor of this city in regard to the fine attaching to violation of state laws. Mayor Sparboe himself is a law abiding citizen and is pretty well informed on matters of city ordinances, state laws, etc., and just as soon as he learned of Mr. Newman's alleged delinquency—through the columns of the press—he forthwith went to the fire chief and told that official he was wrong in the stand he had taken, advised him as to the \$100 fine attaching and instructed him to observe the requirements of the new law regarding reports. However, he also told Mr. Newman that he could appear before the council next Monday night and tell that body his views concerning his salary, and if that body saw fit to raise his pay, all right; if not he would still have to make the reports as the law required.

In justice to Mr. Newman we will say that his refusal to comply with the new law was only done in a spirit of banter among some of his friends, whereupon an enterprising newspaper correspondent took the matter up, sent a story about it to the Register and Leader, and it came to Roe's attention and the resulting publicity followed.

The city government of Webster City has just as much respect for the laws of the state of Iowa as any city in the commonwealth and its city officers are required to strictly obey them.

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