



CALENDAR OF SPORTS FOR THE WEEK

Wednesday. Opening of annual bench show of the Chicago Kernel club. Opening of annual horse show at Camden, S. C. World's amateur rolling skating championships begin in Milwaukee. Eddie O'Keefe vs. Joe Coster, ten rounds, at New York. Tommy Houck vs. Patsy Cline, ten rounds, at New York.

SOME CLEVER TRICKS

Harry Davis Tells of Shrewdness of W. R. Armour.

Bill Had Box of Live Balls to Use When Batting Rival Was On, but Athletics Were Wise and Kept Ball in Game.

"They used to pull off a lot of tricks in the American League that are taboos now," remarked Harry Davis, Cleveland's new manager, recently. "They did not stop with signal tipping devices, but they worked in a rabbit ball now and then, cut down the pitcher's box over night, cut down or raised the line toward third base, let the hose run all night on the base paths or on the grass near the plate. Clark Griffith turned that last trick on us one day when he was managing the White Sox. Thought he would make it difficult for our third sacker to field bunts, but our pitcher and Lave Cross got every one, while Griffith himself slipped in the water and soaked his uniform. "Bill Armour was a man of whom we were always suspicious. That suspicion dated from a time I was with Providence in the Eastern League. The Rochester team had a faculty of batting out victories in the eighth and ninth innings and we made up our minds that a rabbit ball was working. We finally told our third base coach to go to the Rochester bench between innings and keep watch. Sure enough, he discovered that they were tossing out a live wire toward the end of games when Rochester was behind. "They confessed then and we kept their secret on the condition that they tip us off as to where they got the live ones. So, the next day I visited the shop, which was located in Rochester, and there on a bench was a package of balls directed to W. R. Armour. "I called the attention of the old German who ran the shop to the package and he admitted that it contained lively balls. "But," he said, "they are only for practice." "That's all right," said I. "Just

give me a few dozen—just for practice!" And I got them. "But, from then on, I felt that Bill Armour would bear watching when it came to pulling off a trick now and then. Finally, we caught him, it was in 1904. Waddell and Earl Moore were having a battle right. It was



Harry Davis.

to 4 when we finished our half of the ninth. Hickman was the first man up for Cleveland in the last half of the ninth. He smashed the first ball on a line, but Hartzel went back to the fence and grabbed it. Larry picked the next one and Dave Fultz made a wonderful running catch. Now Cleveland had not been hitting Rube that hard up to that time and I passed the word around that whoever made the third out show I keep the ball and see that it was still in play when the tenth inning began. If the Naps did not manage to win out. Then Flick hit it on the nose, but Sox Seybold made the best catch I ever saw him make. A one-handed stab in right center. "Sox remembered what had been said and he brought the ball in and never handed it over until Moore was ready to pitch. We did not intend to let Cleveland have a chance to throw it out of the lot. Then came our half of the tenth and we scored ten runs. And Bill Armour never ran in another rabbit against us."

Governor Central League. The new 12-club Central League will be governed by an entirely new method this year, according to the announcement of President F. R. Carson. A new executive officer has been named in Thomas J. O'Connor of Erie. He will serve as vice president, and he will be his duty to settle differences in the eastern end of the circuit. Dr. Carson will take care of the western cities.

SEA'S PERILS EVER PRESENT

Maneuvers and Sham Battles Cannot Be Held Without the Element of Danger.

It is the great distinction of the sea that its peace maneuvers are never sham fights. To whatever branch or grade of the naval service a seaman may belong, when he is on active service he is always face to face with "the real thing." A mistake of any sort, a pardonable miscalculation, a momentary failure of nerve or attention, or even some small unavoidable accident, may involve the forfeit of many lives. Hence the magnificent training the sea imposes in manliness, resourcefulness and self-control. The submarine branch of the navy has undoubtedly risks and dangers of its own, as the sad tale of previous disasters plainly shows; and when a catastrophe unhappily occurs it is of a nature to make a profound impression upon the public. But in relation to the number of submarines in commission, and to the constant exercise they undergo, the picked officers and men who serve in them do not incur a risk out of all proportion greater than their comrades in other branches. Danger and risk are no peculiar prerogative of the submarine. Daily faced in the routine of duty and daily overcome, they form the very foundation of naval character, and are a pledge, in no small degree, of the security upon which as a nation we repose.

BRAVE EFFORT AT ENGLISH

Japanese Correspondent Knew What He Wanted, Though Meaning Was Rather Vague to Others.

For the genuine "English as she is spoke" we must go abroad among educated Orientals, who can spell and read English to perfection, but find it impossible to master the syntax of our language. A firm dealing in fishing tackle, having sent a circular to a merchant in Tokio, Japan, received the following communication: "Dear Sir in Yours: We should present to your company the bamboo fishing rod, a net basket and reel, as we have just convenience; all those were very rough and simple to you laughing for your kind reply which you sent us the catalog of fishing tackle last, etc. Wishing we that now at Japan there is not in prevailing fish gaming, but fishermen in scarcely there now, but we do not measure how the progression of the germ of the fishing game

MASTER-SMITH OF THE DAY

Produces Steel of Cutting Capacity Surpassing Work of Legendary Swordmaker.

We are all familiar with the old-time legends of the master-smith, who, by his skill at the forge, was able to produce for the hero of the tale a weapon which should cut through the armor of giant or wizard and maintain its temper and edge against all tests.

The modern industrial captain has to cut his way also through metal, and one of the notable achievements of the engineer and metallurgist has been his success in the production of steels of hardness and cutting capacity which, altogether surpass the finest work of the legendary swordmaker.

Not content with the manufacture of tool steel of hardness, high-speed cutting capacity and exquisite temper, the modern master-smith has now produced a method of converting soft iron or low-grade steel into tool-steel of the highest grade simply by the infusion of the necessary proportion of carbon and other elements by contact and proper heat treatment, so that keen-edged chisels may be made from railroad spikes and machine cutters from soft and inexpensive steel.

Trials of cutting tools made by the fusion process at the ordnance bureau of the United States navy department have given such remarkable results, both as to cutting speed and endurance, that the chief of the bureau says: "From the test of the infusion-treated samples, it appears superior to any hardening process now in use at the naval gun factory," so that the modern master-smith has outstripped the fabled tales of the wizard weapon-maker of mediaeval times.

DOUBLE REPORTS IN FIRING

Curious Effect Produced by Use of Maxim Silencer During Target Practice.

Taking as his text the double report noted during the firing on the battleship North Carolina during the recent serial target practice, Hiram Percy Maxim writes: "Our experiments with the Maxim silencer have developed many other interesting cases. For example: If a rifle equipped with a silencer is fired down a railroad track having telegraph poles along the side there is a distinct 'crack' heard for each telegraph pole. If the rifle is fired from an open field with a tree or a clump of bushes at, say, 200 yards, there is heard a 'crack' from this clump of trees. If there are several detached clumps of trees or bushes over the open field, there will be heard a 'crack' for each of them. If, instead of firing parallel with the ground, the gun is elevated and fired straight up in the air, we hear no noise at all, except the fall of the hammer and the 'puff' of the gases escaping from the silencer. "The reason for this is probably as follows: In the ordinary gun the report noise is so loud that it engulfs all other sounds, and we are conscious of nothing but report noise itself. It is not until this report noise is annulled that we can hear the 'bullet flight' noise. This latter noise, being made out in the air beyond the gun, can come back to the shooter only by reflection. "If there is one object, we get one reflection and one noise. If there are many separate objects, we get many separate reflections and separate noises. If there are no reflecting objects, such as when shooting straight up into the air, then we get no reflected noise."

DICKENS FITTED FOR STAGE

Kate Field, Excellent Judge of Character, Confident He Might Have Been Great Actor.

No one ever paid a much higher tribute to Dickens than did Kate Field. She had the soul of a poet, a discriminating taste in art and literature and wide knowledge of the world. In mentality she was fully as strong as either of her brilliant brothers, David, Dudley, Stephen J. or Cyrus W., and she certainly was as good if not a better judge of character. She once wrote an appreciation of Dickens in which she declared the world lost its greatest actor when Boz became a writer. She gave a description of one of Dickens readings that was masterly in its vividness of detail. Such versatility as she credited Dickens with displaying as he assumed the character of first one and then another of his creations, the parodies, the humor, the tragedy he put into a tone, the marvelous way in which he stirred the emotions of old and young in his audience, would appear to be a bit extravagant were it not that now and then in later years some old man, looked upon as stern and unemotional, told with faltering voice how he stood in line all one night to buy a ticket to one of Boz readings, and then went on to talk just about as Miss Field wrote, only before he got as far along in his story the tears were running down his wrinkled cheeks—his old heart strings still attune to the magic of The Master.

Trolley Rail Tugboat.

Tests of a new touring system, invented by a German engineer, Herr Koss, have recently been made on the Dortmund Ems Canal, which give promise that the invention will be a success. An elastic rail is laid at the bottom of the canal, and the tugboat carries at its bottom four rollers which slip this rail. These rollers are operated from the boat which is thus propelled. A large economy of power is claimed for this method. The experimental tug is worked by electricity, the energy being obtained through a cable from an auxiliary boat equipped with a dynamo. This, however, is only an experiment, and in ordinary working a trolley wire would be installed alongside the canal. Electrical operation can obviously be replaced by crude oil motors, etc., each large being fitted with a set of rollers setting on the rail.

TIED UP WITH WORK

Doubt as to Date of Adjournment of Congress.

SITUATION IS MOST CURIOUS

Two Houses May Get Into Deadlock Over Tariff Legislation—Congress Asked to Mark Dade's Massacre Battlefield.

By GEORGE CLINTON.

Washington.—Not in the history of congress in years has there been so much uncertainty as to the date of adjournment. Some of the Democrats of the house think that adjournment is sure prior to the opening of the convention, but there are those who say that the session will last until September.

The situation is a most curious one; the house being Democratic by a large majority can pass through such tariff legislation as it desires, and put it through quickly, but over in the senate there are two parties and two factions in each. The Progressive Republicans in the senate want downward revision, but they do not want such downward revision as the Democrats of the house have proposed, for the Progressives think that it is too extreme. The regular Republicans in the senate are willing to do as much as their Progressive brethren would like them to be cut, nor anything like as much as the Democratic majority of the house would like to have them cut.

If the Progressive Republicans of the senate and the Democrats of the same body get together and put through a compromise tariff bill, it will go to the president. Then if Mr. Taft shall veto the bill as some people seem to think he will because it is not based on the tariff board's report, the Democrats of the house may stop further attempts at tariff legislation and will be content to go before the country saying "What's the use?" In this case adjournment will come early. If, on the other hand, the senate shall debate some tariff bill for six weeks or two months, as it often has done before reaching any conclusion in the matter, and then should pass a bill for which they could get the sanction of the house, and the president should make up his mind to sign it, the Democratic house majority will continue its tariff legislation endeavor and the session may last through the hot season until the leaves begin to turn in the fall. There are a few instances on record in which congress, in a presidential year, sat through the time of the national conventions and well on toward the election.

May Reorganize Army.

It is possible that as a result of the lesson taught by the last massing of troops in Texas on account of the Mexican troubles that congress may sanction a reorganization bill for the army. The general staff has prepared complete plans for reorganization according to "tactical units." When the troops were sent into Texas last spring the forces were gathered from different sections of the country. The army officers will ask congress soon to divide the army into divisions, not geographical divisions as at present, but to have divisions of troops with a major general in command stationed as units in certain defined geographical locations. Then if it is necessary to send a division anywhere it can be taken from the point nearest at hand to the destination and it can move with all the necessary branches of the service which go to make up the division. It is urged that this will save money and time and greatly will increase efficiency. It means virtually a complete reorganization of the present army system.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF BEMIDJI, MINN., MARCH 4, 1912.

Council met at council room, city hall, at 8 o'clock p. m. A quorum being present meeting was called to order by President Johnson.

ROLL CALL

Upon roll call the following aldermen were declared present: Moberg, Bally, Johnson, Bissler, Hannah, Crippen, Miller, Johnson, Absent, Klein.

MINUTES

Minutes of the last regular meeting were read and approved.

MISCELLANEOUS AND APPOINTED OFFICERS

Alderman Moberg and Tom Smart were placed in nomination for the appointment of vice-president of the City Council. Due ballot was taken, Alderman Moberg receiving 7 and Alderman Smart 2 votes. Alderman Moberg declared duly elected.

Mayor Moberg made a short address, and announced the appointment of the following police officers: Earl Gell, chief; J. K. Titus, Geo. Denley and G. Henderson, patrolmen. The appointments were confirmed by the council on motion made and seconded.

Application of J. P. Russell for the appointment of city attorney was read. There being no further applications or nominations, due ballot was taken, J. P. Russell receiving 7, and A. M. Crowell 1. J. P. Russell was declared elected to the position of city attorney for the ensuing year.

Applications for street commissioner were Geo. Kirk, A. A. Carter, Jos. Harrington, Bert Gitchell and J. P. Essler. Three ballots were taken, resulting each time, in four votes being cast for Carter and four votes for Harrington. Upon motion and second further balloting was postponed until the following Monday evening session.

For night janitor, applications were made by W. A. Walker, J. M. Philippi, and J. C. Courtney. Ballot was taken resulting in 5 votes being cast for W. A. Walker and 4 for Mr. Philippi. W. A. Walker was declared elected to position of night janitor.

For Supt. and clerk of water department, applications were made by W. M. Everts, E. H. Winter and Geo. Kfk. Ballot was taken, resulting in 5 votes for George Kirk and 3 for E. H. Winter. Geo. Kirk was declared elected to said position.

For city engineer, W. M. Everts was the only applicant, and was declared elected after receiving the 3 votes cast.

former on the piano yourself. We have a great deal in common if you love music. All of my children are very fond of music, and I am so glad that they are home that they can play for you. This is our little Robert. He has never had but one term of lessons, but he can play almost anything he takes a notion to. Robert, sit down to the piano and play the "Jolly Boy Waltz." He can play it with hardly a mistake, so I want him to play it for you, and—

"I really have time for—" "He can play it in four or five minutes, and then I want him and his sister Lilla to play their duet for you. It is something they made up entirely by themselves, although Lilla is only eleven. And I do not want you to go until you have heard our little Percy play "A Life on the Ocean Wave." He is only seven, so of course we have to allow for some mistakes—" "I am sorry, but really I fear that—" "Percy, run upstairs and tell your sister Mary to come down. I want her to play her little piece for the minister. She can play "Bringing in the Sheaves" with two hands. I am sure that you will enjoy hearing my little ones. Now Robert, let us have the "Jolly Boy Waltz," and I want you to play it the best you can."—Puck.

Made Mouse a Pet. A mouse two inches long, with a tiny red bow about its neck, was carried in the hand of John T. Powers into the lobby of the Van Nuys hotel recently. When an inquisitive young woman saw the mouse was alive there was a scream that echoed through the peaceful corridors and a swirl of skirts and a hasty exit. As a crowd of guests gathered Powers exhibited his pocket pet and detailed its history. "I procured the mouse in El Paso," he said, "as he ran through my room one night. Since then he has been my constant companion. I have taught him to stay on my hand whenever I take him out of my pocket, and I feed him three times a day. His chief diet is milk, cheese and bacon. I have named him Billy. He sleeps at the foot of my bed in a basket. I have taken him to the opera and the theater several times. He seems to take more kindly to music than to the drama."—Los Angeles Examiner.

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For scavenger, applications were made by Wm. Peckles and J. A. Smith. Ballot was sent showing 6 votes cast for Peckles and one for Smith. Wm. Peckles declared elected.

The following bills after being audited were read and on motion and second allowed.

Chas. Nangle, merchandise for poor, \$ 5.29 Falls & Cameron, wood for poor, 1.75 N. E. Tuller, wood for poor farm, 27.00 Doran Bros., merchandise and plumbing, 7.00 Chas. Nangle, merchandise poor and poor farm, 24.16 Wm. Begsley, shoeing and repair work, 6.50 Warfield Electric Co., pumping salary paid out when sick, 14.00 L. P. Eekstrum, lowering and hauling water mains, 51.00 Warfield Electric Co., general lighting contract, month of February, 140.00 Warfield Electric Co., current library, month of February, 6.60

Municipal court report for the week ending February 24, showing \$28.00 paid the city treasurer was read and ordered filed.

Sinking fund commissioners report for the year 1911 was read, accepted and ordered filed.

Police report for the months of January and February, and for the year ending March 1st, were read and ordered filed.

BONDS. Upon motion and second it was ordered that the following officers file bonds for the sums mentioned: City treasurer, \$20,000.00 City Clerk, 2,000.00 City Engineer, 2,000.00 Supt. and clerk water dept., 2,000.00 Assessor, 1,000.00 Street commissioner, 500.00 Scavenger, 500.00

It was moved and seconded that surety bond be filed by the city treasurer, and the cost thereof be paid for by the city. Carried.

Bonds of the following were approved: J. E. Cahill, in sum of \$1,000.00. W. M. Everts in sum of \$2,000.00. John Goodman in sum of \$2,000.00.

RESOLUTIONS. At a regular meeting of the city council held in the city hall on Monday, March 4, 1912, at 8 o'clock p. m. the following resolution was introduced by Alderman Bissler, who moved its adoption.

Resolved, That there be and there is hereby set aside out of the general revenue fund of the city not otherwise appropriated the sum of \$200 as a contingent fund for the mayor, pursuant to the provisions of section 15 of chapter 4 of the charter of the City of Bemidji.

On the call of ayes and nays the

foregoing resolution was carried by a vote of three fourths of the members of the council, and so declared. The following aldermen voting "aye": Moberg, Bally, Smart, Hannah, Crippen, Miller, Johnson, Absent, Klein.

Approved: GEO. STEIN, City Clerk. L. F. JOHNSON, President.

At a regular meeting of the city council held in the city hall on Monday, March 4, 1912, at the hour of 8 o'clock p. m. the following resolution was offered by Alderman Moberg who moved its adoption:

RESOLVED, That there be, and there is hereby appropriated, and set aside out of the general revenue of the city not otherwise appropriated the sum of \$100.00 for the purpose of advertising the City of Bemidji, and that said amount be paid to the Marcup printing Co., on presentation of the bill and audited bills for said advertising.

On the call of "ayes" and "noes" the foregoing resolution was carried by a vote of three fourths of the members of the council and so declared. Said resolution was offered and passed pursuant to the provisions of section 15 chapter 4 of the charter of the City of Bemidji.

The following aldermen voted "aye": Moberg, Bally, Smart, Hannah, Crippen, Miller, Bissler, Johnson, Absent, Klein.

Approved: GEO. STEIN, City Clerk. L. F. JOHNSON, President.

MISCELLANEOUS. The question of regular meeting nights of this council, was now taken up. It was moved and seconded that the regular meeting of this council be held on the first and third Mondays of each calendar month at the hour of 8 o'clock p. m.

The city clerk was instructed to advertise for bids for the following: For city physician and health officer. Said physician to furnish all necessary medicines, bandages, conveyances, etc. For the caretaking of city paupers. Proposition No. 1—for man and wife to take care of the city paupers, and operate the poor farm to the best advantage for the city, at a fixed salary per month. Proposition No. 2—for man and wife to operate the poor farm to their own benefit, and the caretake of the city paupers at a fixed price per head per day.

For the burial of city paupers, said bidder to furnish cheap, clean underclothing, coffin, and dig grave, etc. The city to furnish the burial ground. For the city official printing, as provided for by the charter. Said bids to be opened and read at the next regular meeting to be held on Monday the 18th day of March, 1912, at 8 o'clock p. m.

It was moved and seconded that we adjourn this regular meeting until Monday, March 11th, 1912, at 8 o'clock p. m. Carried.

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