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ONE BAD INNING

Smith Was Bumped for Seven Hits and Rockford Won the Game.

BEST OF CONTEST WAS EVEN

Match Played on Heavy Grounds and Was Peculiar One.

	P.	W.	L.	Pct.
Rockford	22	13	9	.591
Davenport	22	12	10	.545
Joliet	24	13	11	.542
Bloomington	24	13	11	.542
Davenport	19	10	9	.526
Cedar Rapids	22	11	11	.500
Rock Island	23	11	12	.478
Dubuque	22	6	16	.273

Results Yesterday.

Rock Island, 1; Rockford, 9.
Davenport, 6; Joliet, 4.
Dubuque, 9; Decatur, 5.
Cedar Rapids, 3; Bloomington, 3.

Games Tomorrow.

Rockford at Rock Island, game called at 3:15 p. m.

The first four innings of play between the Rockford and Rock Island ball teams yesterday afternoon was a clean break—1 and 1—and as pretty an exhibition of the national game as could be given on a heavy field. In the fifth inning the visitors singled long and mightily and when the fusillade was over and the smoke had cleared away eight runs and seven clean hits were chalked to Rockford's credit.

Outside of this the contest was a battle between Smith and Killian, with honors even. Smith struck out 11 men and gave six passes, while Killian caused nine Rock Islanders to fan and helped five to base. The diamond was heavy at the start of the game and sawdust was used liberally about first base. But before the game was over sun and wind combined to dry the field into fair condition.

Make Even Start

Rockford sent two men to bat before there was any indication of events about to transpire. Gleason drove a long fly to Callahan, the new shortstop, which the latter gobbled with avidity, though the ball was a hard one to get as it was quite close to the ground. Pollock drove to third, but Vandine sent the ball down to first ahead of the runner and he was out. Hackett walked. Hess gladdened the Rockford bench by driving a long hit deep into the territory adjacent to the corner and Hackett tallied score one. Stark flew out to Green and Rock Island had a chance.

Rebsamen and Vandine were caught at first. Callahan walked and then stole second. O'Leary's hit advanced him to third, and while Rockford attempted to cut off a stolen base by the Rock Island catcher Callahan came home and scored. The ball was sent in, but the throw was a poor one and the catcher failed to get hold of it in time. Dickey walked and Smith flew out to short, retiring the side.

The Horrible Fifth.

The fifth was a nightmare which the Rock Island players and fans fervently pray will not transpire again. Hackett walked. Hess hit and the runners advanced on Stark's sacrifice. Owens sent a stinging liner between first and second which sent the other two home. Hosmer hit almost exactly to the same place, while Hull repeated the performance, scoring Owens. Killian emulated the example of his preceding brethren and the ball was thumped until it grew dizzy. This enabled Hull to tally and Killian came in on the fifth successive hit, which was made by Gleason. Pollock struck out and the carnage was at least temporarily stayed. Hackett, up for the second time, drew another base on balls and he and Gleason scored on a well-placed two-bagger by Hess. Stark smashed to Vandine, but it was out at first.

Nicol Smiled.

Only 12 men went to bat during the inning, seven hits and eight runs. Even Manager Nicol's imperturbable countenance cracked into a smile. Rock Island worked hard after this.

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but no opportunity was given to score and the game ended with the score 9 to 1. Score:
ROCK ISLAND A. B. R. H. P. A. E.
Green, lf 5 0 0 1 0 0
Donnelly, cf 3 0 1 0 0 0
Graham, 2b 3 0 0 2 1 1
Rebsamen, rf 4 0 1 0 0 0
Vandine, 3b 4 0 0 1 2 0
Callahan, ss 3 1 1 1 2
O'Leary, c 4 0 1 12 0 0
Dickey, 1b 2 0 1 7 0 0
Smith, p 4 0 0 0 3 0

Totals	35	1	5	24	7	3
ROCKFORD	A. B. R. H. P. A. E.					
Gleason, cf	5	3	1	2	0	0
Pollock, 2b	5	0	0	1	1	1
Hackett, 1b	3	3	0	7	1	0
Hess, ss	5	1	3	2	2	0
Stark, c	3	0	1	0	1	0
Owens, 3b	4	1	2	1	2	0
Hosmer, lf	4	1	1	3	0	0
Hull, rf	5	0	1	0	0	0
Killian, p	4	2	2	1	2	0
Totals	36	9	10	27	9	1

Score by innings:
Rock Island, 1; Rockford, 9.
Summary—Bases on balls—Killian 5, Smith 6. Two-base hits—Hess (2). Hit by pitched ball—Hess, Gleason. Struck out—Killian 9, Smith 11, Time—1:30. Umpire—Conn.

Davenport 6, Joliet 4.

Joliet, May 28.—High winds, heavy clouds, rain and wet grounds combined to make the game a lurid affair. Davenport won, 6 to 4. Joliet hit Skuffer hard, but made some bad errors. Kubitz was retired after the third inning. Score:
Davenport 11220000—6 9 2
Joliet 100110010—4 9 6
Batteries—Stauffer and Ransom, and Kubitz; Willis and Reading.

Bloomington 1, Cedar Rapids 3.

Bloomington, May 28.—Moore had the Bloomington batters at his mercy and only six men reached first base. He was also given brilliant support. The visitors, on the contrary, hit Bishop hard, although the men behind out of many runs at the plate and kept the score down. Score:
Cedar Rapids 10020000—3 10 1
Bloomington 00000010—1 3 2
Batteries—Moore and Ryan; Bishop and Donovan.

Decatur 5, Dubuque 9.

Decatur, May 28.—Dubuque earned just one run out of its nine. The locals played a ragged game and though they hit hard could make it count in but one inning. Fielding by Thornton and Hughes was the feature. Manager McFarland released pitcher John Desmond. Score:
Dubuque 201002202—9 12 3
Decatur 100000040—5 15 5
Batteries—Eastman and Jameson; Weigand and Krebs.

Play Rockford Tomorrow.

Tomorrow is another off day in the league and Rock Island and Rockford will take advantage of the opportunity to play off the game which was prevented Tuesday by rain. As the Rockford men have to catch an afternoon train the game will be called early and instead of the regular hour the game will ring at 3:15.

Saturday, Decoration day, Davenport will cross the river and play two games at the Twelfth street park with the locals. As this is the first meeting during the official schedule, and as Davenport was defeated in the pre-season practice games, there will be big crowds at both games. The third of the series will be played Sunday afternoon. The Saturday games will take place at 10 a. m. and 3 p. m., unless some change is made in the plans.

Baseball Briefs.

Decatur has been hot on the trail of Flicker, who started out with Indianapolis and led that team in hitting in the practice games, but can't get him to answer messages. Indianapolis released him because he was erratic. They will sign a new player to take Wittkow's place, and Roxy Walters, second baseman, is to be given a trial in the box.

The Bloomington Bulletin in an editorial has the following to say in regard to bunting, upon which there is a division of sentiment in this city: "At this time of the season when baseball is occupying the attention of a considerable portion of the community to the exclusion of all else with the exception of eating, drinking and sleeping in a perfumery way, it is perhaps pertinent to consider editorially the fact that Capt.

REPORT MARKINGS

County Superintendent Makes Results of the Examination Public.

SIXTY-FIVE ARE SUCCESSFUL

Diplomas Given Which Will Admit Holders to County High Schools.

Sixty-five out of 103 of the country district grammar school graduates who took the examination given by County Supt. of Schools S. J. Ferguson were successful in passing and each will receive a diploma admitting the bearer without examination to the freshman classes in the Rock Island and Moline high schools. Dessie Elliott carried off the honors for the highest markings, the others of the first five being Anna Marple, Della Beeding, Susie Kennedy and Lottie Kell. Scholarships in Greer college at Hoopstown are offered to the three highest. The offer for the first is tuition for a year, for the second tuition for two terms and for the third tuition for one term.

Those Who Passed.

The complete list of the successful pupils is as follows:
Barney Bay, Ethel Hunter, Elmer Hofer, Goldie Anderson, Frances Johnson, Grace Jones, Agnes Kelly, Lottie Kell, Susie Kennedy, Mary E. Fleming, Nellie M. France, Nellie Elliott, Mamie Christy, Mabel Crouch, Mary Cox, Ida Chambers, Minnie Benson, Lawrence Beckwith, Flossie Beckwith, Della Beeding, Willie Blakeley, Blanche Weaver, Elva Wood, Ara Alley, Bessie Long, Anna Gluebell, Myrtle McDonald, Mabel Lindquist, Anna Sieman, George Whiteside, Roy A. Whiteside, Eva A. Seaver, Bertha Schaarman, Mabel Whitney, Mabel Sals, Marguerite Wright, Dora Winegard, Jennie Wendell, Gertrude Estes, Roy Walton, Clara Carpenter, Lulu Morehead, Myrtle Lewis, Emma Anderson, Mary Gorham, Alice Gillett, Cora C. Hofer, Eliza Guyer, Anna Guyer, Margaret Flack, Thillie Fleenor, Agnes Gillett, Lillie Morrison, May Horney, Tessie McConnell, Anna Harris, Clara McLeay, Anna Marple, Flossie Thomas, Willie Tenges, Ella Dingleline, Ida M. Seaver, Dessie Elliott, Jessie Ryder, Bertha Husan, Irene Rode, Lon Rathbun, Estella Oldham.

Connors is making the Bloomington baseball team do entirely too much bunting. Connors seems to have an uncontrollable mania in that direction. It is bunt, bunt, bunt, without any discrimination. Scientific bunters who are fast on their feet make a go of it, but when the hardest hitter on the team comes up with a slow man on first and goes hunting until he bunts himself out or bunts into a double play, it gives the grand stand the shivers. The bunting mania has lost Bloomington more games this season than either errors or the hitting of the opponents. People pay for baseball as an amusement, and they like to see action with possibilities and the element of uncertainty rather than the exhibition of a victim trying to break the bank of Monte Carlo with a system.

Three-Eye league players were strongly in evidence in the St. Louis-Brooklyn game of the National league yesterday. St. Louis won the game 3 to 1 with McFarland and Weaver for the battery and Hackett, last year's Terre Haute pitcher, on first.

Hong, the light-haired pitcher who has made a good record with Joliet, but was released by Manager Tebeau last Saturday for reasons that have not been given out, has been signed by Manager Donnelly to fill the vacancy in the local staff and will be ready for duty at once.

Bert Hull, who played right garden with Rockford yesterday, is a Rock Island boy and a few years ago distinguished himself as third baseman on the high school team. Yesterday he made his first appearance with the champions.

Scores in the Big Leagues.
Chicago, May 28.—Following are the base ball records:
League: At Philadelphia—Cincinnati 2, Philadelphia 2—eleven innings, darkness; at New York—Chicago 4, New York 5; at Boston—Pittsburg 1, Boston 7; at Brooklyn—St. Louis 3, Brooklyn 1.
American: At Cleveland—Chicago 1, Cleveland 0; at Detroit—Rain.
Association: At St. Paul—Toledo 4, St. Paul 3—twelve innings.
Western: At Colorado Springs—Peoria 6, Colorado Springs 2; at Denver—Milwaukee 7, Denver 8; Omaha—Kansas City 1, Omaha 0—ten innings; at Des Moines—St. Joseph 4, Des Moines 2.

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TOENNIGES LEAVES CITY:

CONCERT IS ABANDONED

The Rock Island Choral union has decided to hold no more rehearsals this summer because Prof. C. F. Toenniges, who has been connected with the organization as leader, will go to De Kalb to assume the leadership of the 3rd regiment band and another choral society that has been formed in that city. The choral union has also decided to abandon the concert that was to have been given at the Illinois theatre tomorrow evening on account of the fact that the advance sale of seats did not warrant assuming further risk of financial loss.

There will be general regret on account of the action that it has been found necessary to take and the public will also be sorry that Prof. Toenniges has decided to remove from the city. Prof. Toenniges has for several years been very prominently connected with musical enterprises of this city and Davenport and he has hosts of friends and admirers whose good wishes he will have in his work at De Kalb.

The union has not altogether abandoned the work, but expects to resume in the fall if proper encouragement is met with. The affairs of the organization will be settled, the treasurer paying back their money to those who have recently paid up their associate membership.

Part will be taken in the Memorial day program as announced and the following notice has been issued to the members: "A full attendance is requested for the Decoration day exercises. Please assemble at the court house not later than 9:30 a. m., Saturday, May 30."

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The new torpedo boat destroyer recently built for the Swedish government is acknowledged to be the fastest warship afloat. Besides its wonderful speed, it is also one of the strongest fighting vessels ever constructed. While such remarkable progress is being made in the production of these life-destroying instruments, it is well to consider the more remarkable progress made in discoveries that save life, the foremost of them being the celebrated Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. By strengthening the system and curing ailments of the stomach, liver and kidneys, it has established a record as a life saver unequalled by any other medicine. Are you a sufferer from insomnia, indigestion, dyspepsia, constipation, liver and kidney troubles, and want to be cured? Then try the Bitters. It never fails.

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