# SCHEDULE IS SAME

### National and American Leagues will Play 154 Games Coming Season.

### MOVE TO SHORTEN FAILS

National Opens in West at Cincinnati and St. Louis—Americans at Chicago and Detroit.

Cincinnati, Ohio, Jan. 8.—The National and American leagues will open their seasons on April 14 this year, three days later than their 1907 inaugural. The Chicago Cubs will start the race in this city. Pittsburg will open in St. Louis and the American league openings will fall to the lot of Chicago and Detroit. These were the more interesting facts gleaned from the members of the joint schedule committee who met here yesterday.

Although the American league representatives desired a later opening and a return to the 140 game schedule which existed "before the war," the National's committee was firmly in favor of the 154 game schedule which has been in force for several years. Their only concession was delaying the opening date three days later than last spring.

**Alternate Opening.**

The choice of cities for opening dates was made by alternation, the American league having had the opening in St. Louis last year, that privilege belonging to the veteran league this year and the American clubs will be compelled to start playing in Chicago, where the Cubs opened last year and in another of their northern cities.

After playing Cincinnati the world's champions will go to St. Louis for a series before appearing on their own grounds. The holiday dates were agreed upon in the same way by the joint committees, but their arrangement was not made public, except the fact the Cincinnati club waived claim to any holiday dates.

## The Theaters

### The Illinois.
(Sixteenth street and Second avenue.)

**COMING ATTRACTIONS.**

**Jan. 11—"Two Merry Tramps," matinee.**
**Jan. 12—"Toyland," matinee.**
**Jan. 13—"The Burgomaster."**
**Jan. 16-17-18.—Sherman Stock company.**
**Jan. 19—"Peggy from Paris," matinee.**
**Jan. 20—"Dream City."**
**Jan. 23—Joe Howard and Mabel Barrison in "The Flower of the Ranch."**
**Jan. 24.—Jane Corcoran in "A Doll's House."**
**Jan. 26—"At Yale," matinee.**
**Jan. 31—"The Lily and the Prince."**

### The Elite.
(Eighteenth street, north of Second avenue.)

**Vaudeville at 3, 8 and 9:15 p. m. Two matinees Sundays and holidays.**

### The Family.
(Second avenue, east of Nineteenth street.)

**Vaudeville at 3, 8 and 9:15 p. m. Two matinees Sundays and holidays.**

Something to It.—So many musical comedies are built without rhyme or reason that the public have in general come to the conclusion that the only make up is the opening and closing speech. Wood & Ward, realizing this state of affairs, cast about for a comedy which would have an original plot, and dialogue that would necessitate the introduction of either a chorus of pretty girls or a number of vaudeville acts to make it a success. In "Two Merry Tramps" they found what they were looking for, with the vehicle of their desire at hand they engaged a strong singing company, six high class vaudeville acts, and a chorus of handsome girls, next special scenery were provided for each act and singing number, wardrobe and gowns which are marvels to the dressmaking and costuming art. This attraction will be seen at the Illinois theater Saturday, Jan. 11, matinee and night.

"Toyland." — Nowhere in America has such care been taken to put a company on the road with more completeness, than that exercised by the managers of "Toyland." Especial attention has been taken in selecting the chorus. While it is not necessary in the usual run of companies to have chorus people absolutely perfect in voice, this is one of the main reasons why "Toyland" is a success; what is considered a good principal in the ordinary musical production, are the requisite of the chorus in this company. The situations are all new. The entire musical features are original and number the following catchy and tuneful airs, "Toys-Toys-Toys," "Bubbles," "Every Jack Has His Jill," etc.



...t the Illinois Sunday, matinee and night.

## PLAY BASKETBALL GAMES

### Cubs, Ponies, Owls and Tigers Contesting Teams at Y. M. C. A.

Two basketball games were played by teams in the business boys' tournament at the Y. M. C. A. last evening The Cubs contested with the Tigers and lost by a score of 3 to 0. The Ponies and Owls met and the former won, the halves ending 4 and 4, and 6 and 6. Clarence Ficken acted as referee. The teams participating in the tournament are playing 10 minute halves.

## BASEBALL GOSSIP

Manager Ned Egan of Burlington will retain the team and the city will keep its place in the Central association next season. The hitch has been on the payment of a $1,600 bonus which Egan demanded in addition to what he was able to make out of the gate receipts.

J. Palmer O'Neill, well known as a baseball magnate, and who is credited with saving the Pittsburg National league team during the brotherhood fight, died at Pittsburg yesterday in poverty.

Springfield has signed M. F. Woods, a pitcher, from Benton, Ill.

Fond du Lac claims Virgil Piddington, recently signed by Dubuque.

Cedar Rapids is trying to purchase Harry Harrod, third baseman for Clinton. Freeport is also after him.

Jack Tighe, the former Rock Island manager, has been signed by Holyoke in the Connecticut league.

# JOE WALCOTT IS GROWING TOO OLD

### Shows Age in Battle with Jimmy Gardner at Boston—Coulon-Murphy Fight Tonight.

Boston, Jan. 8.—The Armory Athletic club opened its new house last night with a bout between Joe Walcott and Jimmy Gardner. The go between those old local favorites, Walcott and Gardner, was down for 12 rounds, and it went the limit, but it was a disappointment. Walcott has begun to show his age, and was no match for the Lowell man, who had the jump on the colored boxer in every round. In fact, Gardner so clearly outclassed his burly opponent that two or three times he could have scored a knockout had he been so inclined.

**Meet at Peoria for Title.**

Johnny Coulon of Chicago and Kid Murphy of New York will battle at Peoria tonight for the bantamweight championship of the country. They will weigh in at 106 pounds at the ringside and will go ten rounds to a decision. James Ryan of Indianapolis will referee.

# CATCH TURTLES UNDER ICE

### Low Water Has Made Business Profitable Near Muscatine.

The turtle shipping business has taken a boom at Muscatine since the sloughs along the Mississippi have frozen over. Fishermen are now sending out hundreds of pounds daily of turtles that are captured from beneath the ice. The low stage of water has resulted in the sloughs being nearly dry so that it is possible to see the turtles through the ice where it is clear and it is an easy matter to cut a hole and take them out. In the east they bring fancy prices.

# NEW RATING BOOK READY

### Secretary Huber of Business Men's Association Issues Them.

The new rating book of the Rock Island Business Men's association has been completed, and some of the copies are being distributed by the rating book secretary, Albert Huber. The books are, however, to be distributed generally at the annual meeting of the association next Monday evening. The election of officers will take place at that time also.

**Muscatine Wins Again.**

Muscatine, Iowa, Jan. 8.—Muscatine took the entire basketball series with the Chicago Meteors by winning last night by a score of 29 to 21. For the first 10 minutes of play Chicago led, but several sensational field goals enabled the locals to pull ahead.

**Augustana Is Defeated.**

The Moline high school basketball team took the Augustana college team into camp last evening in a game at the college gymnasium, by a score of 16 to 18.

**A Higher Health Level.**

"I have reached a higher health level since I began using Dr. King's New Life Pills," writes Jacob Springer of West Franklin, Maine. "They keep my stomach, liver and bowels working just right." If these pills disappoint you on trial, money will be refunded at all druggists. 25 cents.

It goes to the root of disease, strengthens and invigorates. Its life giving qualities are not contained in any other remedy. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea has stood the severest test—time. For 30 years the surest remedy. 35 cents, tea or tablets. Harper House pharmacy.



# SIX WESTONS HERE

### Stung by the Walking Microbe They Agree to do a Stunt Sunday.

## TWO HOURS TO COAL VALLEY

### Then Two Hours Back Again with Rest of Same Length Between—Those Who Fail Lose Forfeit.

The walking germ, like the grip microbe, has struck Rock Island and six young men who have been affected by it announce they will hike to Coal Valley and return Sunday. The conditions are rather severe, for acording to the agreement, the trip each way must be made in two hours, with but two hours rest between. The distance is about 12 miles, and six miles an hour is going some for amateurs. Louis Schroeder, George Huber, Frank L. Curnyn, Harry Yeager, Herman Seidel and August Bergeson are the aspirants for pedestrian honors.

**Leave at 8 A. M.**

They will leave Twelfth street and Seventh avenue at 8 o'clock Sunday morning, traveling straight out Twelfth street to Milan, and going via the railroad track from there to Coal Valley. According to the schedule that village must be reached by 10 o'clock and the return trip must begin at noon flat, the starting point being reached at 2. Those who drop out must pay a forfeit.

## *THE MARKETS.*

Chicago, Jan. 8.—Following are the market quotations today:

**Wheat.**

May, 106¼, 106⅞, 105½, 105½.
July, 98⅝, 99, 98, 98.
September, 95⅜, 95¾, 94¾, 94⅞.

**Corn.**

May, 61⅜, 61½, 60⅞, 60⅞.
July, 60⅛, 60¼, 59⅜, 59⅜.
September, 59⅞, 59⅞, 59¼, 59¼.

**Oats.**

May, 54¾, 54¾, 54½, 54½.
July, 48½, 48⅜, 48¼, 48¼.

**Pork.**

January, closed 12.95.
May, 13.55, 13.70, 13.50, 13.55.

**Lard.**

January, 7.90, 7.92, 7.87, 7.87.
May, 8.17, 8.27, 8.10, 8.12.

**Ribs.**

January, closed 6.97.
May, 7.37, 7.40, 7.30, 7.32.

Receipts today: Wheat, 21; corn, 161; oats, 67; hogs, 50,000; cattle, 22,000; sheep, 15,000.

Estimated receipts Thursday: Wheat, 23; corn, 219; oats, 99; hogs, 41,000.

Hog market opened weak to 5 cents lower. Hogs left over, 5,000. Light, $4.10&4.55; mixed and butchers, $4.15@4.55; good heavy, $4.15@4.52; rough heavy, $4.15@4.20.

Cattle market opened shade lower.

Sheep market opened 10 cents higher.

Omaha—Hogs, 12,000; cattle, 4,000.

Kansas City—Hogs, 25,000; cattle, 6,000.

Hog market closed active at decline. Light, $4.10@4.47; mixed and butchers, $4.15@4.55; good heavy, $4.15@4.52; rough heavy, $4.15@4.20.

Cattle market closed strong. Beeves, $3.50@6.60; cows and heifers, $1.25@4.50; stockers and feeders, $2.25@4.15.

Sheep market closed strong 10@25 cents higher.

Northwestern receipts, Minneapolis—Today, 345; last week, 278; last year, 357. Duluth—Today, 127; last week, 201; last year, 128.

Export clearances—Wheat and flour, 609,000; corn, 140,000; oats, 7,000.

Liverpool opening cables—Wheat ⅝ to ½ lower, corn unchanged.

Liverpool closed—Wheat ⅛ higher corn ⅛ lower.

**New York Stocks.**

Rock Island, Jan. 8.—Following are the quotations on the market today:

U. P. 119¾, U. S. Steel preferred 89⅞, U. S. Steel common 27, Reading 99⅞, Rock Island preferred 28, Rock Island common 14¼, Southern Pacific 73½, N. Y. Central 92⅜, Missouri Pacific 42½, L. & N. 93⅝, Smelters 73⅞, C. F. I. 19⅝, Canadian Pacific 154⅝, Illinois Central 125⅛, Penna 111½, Erie 15½, C. & O. 29¾, B. R. T. 39⅝, B. & O. 82¾, Atchison 68⅞, Locomotive 36⅞, Sugar 107, St. Paul 107, Copper 49, Republic Steel preferred 69, Republic Steel common 16, Southern Ry. 12.

## LOCAL MARKET CONDITIONS.

### Today's Quotations on Provisions, Live Stock Feed and Fuel.

New York, Jan. 8.—Following are the wholesale quotations on the market today:

**Provisions and Produce.**

Eggs—Fresh, 23c.

Live Poultry — Spring chickens, 8c per pound; hens, per pound, 7c; ducks, per pound, 7c to 8c; turkeys per pound 12c to 13c; geese per pound 7c to 8c.

Butter—Dairy, 23c to 24c.

Lard—10c.

Vegetables — Potatoes, 50c; onions, 55c to 60c.

**Live Stock.**

Hogs—$4.00 to $4.40.

Sheep—Yearlings or over, $4.00 to $5.00; lambs, $4.50 to $6.75.

Cattle—Steers $3.50 to $5.00; cows and heifers $2.00 to $4.00; calves, $4.00 to $5.50.

**Feed and Fuel.**

Grain—Corn, 51c to 54c; oats, 45c. 45c.

Forage—Timothy hay, $11 to $13; prairie, $9.00 to $11.00; clover, $10.00 to $11.00; straw, $6.00.

Wood—Hard, per load, $5.00 to $5.50.

Coal—Lump, per bushel, 14c; slack, per bushel, 7c to 8c.

**Notice to Hunters.**

The Farmers' Protective Association of Black Hawk township will prosecute any hunter found trespassing on any of the following farms: George Sears, Hedly Peterson, George R. Sydnor, John Hokenson, Henry Nelson, F. H. Jenkins, S. M. Johnston, Lou Wilson, John Cox, Charles Blazer John Scarr, C. J. Peterson, Ed Spiegel, Milt Bingman, Alfred Peterson, August Brakel, Mr. Marsh, Gus Danielson Wilson Matthews, George Palmer, John McAfee, James Dixon, Alvin Johnston, B. Cressey, David W. Matthews, Hugh Robson, George Clark, William Schuck, John Erickson, Joseph Linn, Gust Johnson, Chris Heber, Carl Belshause, William Schave, Fred Lickefett, John Blaser, Henry Hurley, Hurdman Hurley, Jacob Tanner, Frank Rouse, Logan DeBord, Howard Dunn, John Kadel, George Ricketts, William Mueller.

**It Does the Business.**

E. E. Chamberlain of Clinton, Maine says of Bucklen's Arnica Salve: "It does the business; I have used it for piles and it cured them. Used it for chapped hands and it cured them. Applied it to an old sore and it healed it without leaving a scar behind." 25 cents at all druggists.

**Bad Stomach Trouble Cured.**

Having been sick for the past two years with a bad stomach trouble, a friend gave me a dose of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They did me so much good that I bought a bottle of them and have used 12 bottles in all. Today I am well of a bad stomach trouble.—Mrs. John Lowe, Cooper, Maine. These tablets are for sale by all druggists.

She was the pride of the country 'round,
Envied by other girls was she;
In beauty and health she did abound
By taking Rocky Mountain Tea.
—Harper House pharmacy.





# PREVAILS IN STATE

### Smallpox More General Than for Many Years Throughout Illinois.

## SOME TOWNS ARE ISOLATED

### Epidemics Reported by Board of Health in 27 Communities in 17 Counties.

For the first time for many years in the history of Illinois, according to the state board of health, cities and villages are being brought into a condition of complete stagnation through the invasion of smallpox. In some localities all holiday festivities were abandoned at the order of the state board of health, while in others schools will remain closed, churches will abandon their services and all meetings of every character will be declared off.

The outlook in the state is said to be exceedingly grave. In 27 communities scattered throughout 17 counties, smallpox prevails in epidemic form and new cases are being reported by every mail. New communities are acquiring the disease and not only spreading it among their immediate neighbors, but are contributing to the widespread invasion throughout the state.

**Did Not Heed Warning.**

The unfortunate feature of this epidemic is that it might have been largely if not entirely avoided if the people of the state had heeded the warnings of the state board of health issued fully six months ago. At that time the bulletin of the board called attention to the unusual prevalence of smallpox for that time of the year and prophesied that, unless something out of the ordinary was done, Illinois would be visited with a blighting pestilence of smallpox during the present winter.

Aside from a campaign of education, however, the Illinois state board of health is carrying out a drastic policy of supervision. The recent amendments to the state board of health act give the board power to assume control of municipalities in case the life and health of the people are not afforded sufficient protection by local authorities.