

HOME BASEBALL NEWS.

Selma and Smithfield Play to a Tie in Exhibition Game Thursday, and Selma Takes Friday's Game By the Score of 21 to 8.

In an interesting game of ball on the Smithfield Diamond last Thursday, the Selma and Smithfield teams played for eight innings to a stand still, the game being called at the end of the eighth inning with the score 9 to 9.

Smithfield started the ball to rolling in the first inning, when an error, followed by two two baggers, and two singles and another error netted five runs. Selma made four in the second, after two men were down, on three errors followed by a single on another error. Smithfield added another in the second on hits by Noble and Rand, and another in the fourth, when Noble after reaching first on a single, stole second, was advanced to third by Holt, and then stole home. Selma scored two in the fifth, and tied the score in the sixth. Smithfield added another in the seventh; but Selma in the eighth took the lead, by adding two more to her number. Smithfield added one more in the eighth, again tying the score. The game was then called, the wind and dust making it impossible for further play.

Holt pitched a fine game, striking out eleven men and only yielding seven hits, and had he received the proper support would have easily won his game.

Score:

Smithfield	a. b. r. h. p. o. e.
Abell, 3 b	5 2 1 1 6
Noble, A. M. 2 b	5 3 3 2 1
Holt, p.	5 1 2 0 0
Rose, 1 b	5 1 1 8 0
Rand, c	5 0 1 11 1
Sanders c f	4 1 0 1 0
Barnes, r f	4 1 0 0 0
Grantham, 1 f	3 0 2 0 0
Guill, s s	4 0 0 1 1
Total	40 9 10 24 9

Selma	a. b. r. h. p. o. e.
Evans, s s	4 1 2 0 3
Noble, R. P. 1 b	5 1 1 12 0
Cawthorn, 2 b	4 0 0 2 1
Parker, C. c f	4 0 0 0 0
Parker, s. r f	4 0 0 2 0
Etheredge, p	3 2 2 0 0
Lee, c f	3 1 0 0 0
Suber, c	4 2 0 6 2
Whitley, 3 b	4 1 1 2 0
Parker, R. c f	1 1 1 0 0
Total	36 9 7 24 6

Summary: Two base hits—Noble, Grantham 2, Evans, Etheredge 2. Struck out by Holt 11, Etheredge 5. Base on balls off Etheredge 1. Left on bases Smithfield 8, Selma 5. Time of game one hour, forty-five minutes. Umpire Patterson.

Last Friday on the Selma Diamond the locals went down before the Selma team to the tune of 21 to 8. The locals were at a great disadvantage, having four of her regulars out of the game and only one regular playing in his correct position. Grantham who started in to pitch for the locals was hit hard in the three innings that he pitched, and Selma made 13 of her runs off his delivery. Sanders who relieved him pitched good after his first inning. He has in him the making of a good player. Noble was forced to retire from the game in the first inning on account of a sprained ankle. The game was without special features. The Selma team batted hard and fielded well, while the locals played dumb ball.

Score: Selma 21, Smithfield 8. Battery: Etheredge and Suber, Grantham, Sanders and Rand.

A Californian's Luck.

"The luckiest day of my life was when I bought a box of Bucklen's Arnica Salve," writes Charles F. Budahn, of Tracy, California. "Two 25 cent boxes cured me of an annoying case of itching piles, which had troubled me for years and that yielded to no other treatment." Sold under guarantee at Hood Bros. drug store.

Bartender Killed Two.

Battle Creek, Mich., May 2.—Joseph B. Blunt a bartender in L. A. Kerston's liquor store, shot and killed his father-in-law, Homer D. Jones and his mother-in-law, Elyria M. Jones at 5:20 this morning.

No cause is given for the shooting. Blunt after the deed surrendered to the police and is now confined in the city jail.

Prompt treatment of a slight attack of diarrhoea will often prevent serious sickness. The best known Remedy is Dr. Seth Arnold's Balsam. Your apothecary, Hood Bros. warrants it to give satisfaction.

Was Ever a Finer Compliment Paid to Women?

In the May American Magazine, William J. Locke, author of "The Beloved Vagabond" and "The Morals of Marcus," begins his new serial novel, "Simple Septimus."

Septimus Dix—Simple Septimus—is a genius, an inventor of guns. He is as eccentric as such men often are, and all his movements are wonderfully interesting. But, withal, he has a marvelous power to express truth directly and beautifully. Listen, for example, to this speech of his, as it came out in the course of a conversation with Zora Middlemist, the heroine.

"Whatever one does or tries to do, one should insist on remaining human. It's good to be human, isn't it? I once knew a man who was just a complicated mechanism incased in a body. His heart didn't beat; it clicked and whirred. It caused the death of the most perfect woman in the world."

He looked dreamily into the blue ether between sea and sky. Zora felt strangely drawn to him.

"Who was it?" she asked softly.

"My mother," said he.

They had paused in their stroll, and were leaning over the parapet above the railway line. After a moment's silence he added with a vague smile:—

"That's why I try hard to keep myself human—so that if a woman should ever care for me, I shouldn't hurt her."

A green caterpillar was crawling on his sleeve. In his vague manner he picked it tenderly off and laid it on the leaf of an aloe that grew in the terrace vase near which he stood.

"You couldn't even hurt that crawling thing—let alone a woman," said Zora. "This time very softly."

He blushed. "If you kill a caterpillar you kill a butterfly," he said apologetically.

"And if you kill a woman?"

"Is there anything higher?" said he.

"Prohibition Don't Prohibit."

We have no idea that, as a rule, the man who says this is really sincere. He knows that no law on the statute books of the State really prohibits. He knows that, while theoretically prohibition laws are made to prohibit, yet practically they are made only to check evil. This has been the case since sin entered the world, and this will be the case until sin leaves the world. Law against stealing only checks stealing. Law against the sale and manufacture of liquor only checks the sale and manufacture. People who say "Prohibition don't prohibit" know all this. Their object really is to make the impression that prohibition increases drinking. They know that this is not the case.

Prohibition does greatly check the drinking of liquor. Statistics furnished by every prohibition town in the State would prove this.

While toppers will try to evade the law, and while they will be assisted by the express companies, there will be many who have been in the habit of patronizing the saloons who for obvious reasons will not secure drink through blind tigers and express shipments.

Furthermore, there is a class of drinkers who are really desirous of breaking themselves of the bad habit and who would be able to succeed were it not for the temptation of the saloon or dispensary standing in their pathway. Prohibition is a God send to these men and they help to cut down the amount of liquor sold or consumed.

Again, the great army of drunkards receive every year many recruits. These recruits are boys who are enticed into the saloon or dispensary. They go to make up the million men who die drunkards ever ten years. Prohibition saves these boys.

Now, readers, candidly, can you not see that prohibition naturally and inevitably prohibits to the extent indicated, and that such prohibition means a great blessing to any section or State? Can you afford to vote against such prohibition?—Raleigh Christian Advocate.

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Worse Than Peanut Politics.

Some weeks ago certain Democrats who had always stood by the liquor traffic, held a little meeting in Salisbury—the wisest capital of Western North Carolina—and decided to make war on prohibition. They had a right to do that, but they declared they had met in the interest of the Democratic party. They had no right to do that. The question is not a party question, and men have no right to call meetings for or against temperance as Democrats or Republicans. Legislators of both parties submitted it to the people and voters of both parties will vote as their conscience tells them to vote.

In a recent issue of the Chatham Record the statement is made that certain Republican leaders "who have pretended to be for prohibition are now making excuses for opposing it, trying to make party or political capital out of the pending prohibition bill." The Record does not believe they will succeed saying "it believes the bulk of the Republicans of Chatham are as much against whiskey as the bulk of Democrats are, and we sincerely hope they will vote their convictions." Referring to this measly sort of worse than peanut politics, the Concord Times says:

"This is the most contemptible thing which has come within our observation in some time. A man who will stifle his conviction on a moral question for the sake of a little political advantage cannot be trusted in anything. We regret to say that this thing is being done by some right here in Concord and Chatham, but we are also glad to say that the majority of our Republicans are honest men and will vote according to their convictions."

Mr. T. T. Hicks of Henderson, member of the Republican State Executive Committee, spoke truly of such methods, whether pursued by Democrats or Republicans when he said:

"It would be a crime against God and the State which no political party could either outlive or profit by it to espouse the cause of whiskey even if it could win an election by so doing."

There are vital principles that divide the Democratic and Republican parties. Temperance does not divide them. Republican Kansas and Republican Maine are in the prohibition column just as are Democratic Georgia and Democratic Alabama. Public men of prudence and character of both parties see that the question is one that touches upon the home and the moral life. It is only the politicians whose vision is dimmed or who are of the peanut type who are trying to make political capital out of the temperance issue.—News and Observer.

For Men Only.

According to the Oklahoman a lady reporter of the Tulsa World was recently shocked because a street carnival had an attraction which was placarded, "For Men Only." The men were going in and out in large numbers, and she said some caustic things about it in the paper. It developed that the attraction consisted of a clothes line on which were hung a pair of pants, coat, vest and socks. When one sucker was caught he very naturally steered all of his friends into the trap.—Kansas City Journal.

No man ever built a success on the basis of moderate or immoderate drinking of intoxicating liquors. To trifle with them is more dangerous than trying to count the teeth of a buzz saw in action.—Uncle By.

It is said that bees must take the nectar from 62,000 clover blossoms to make one pound of honey. This means that they must make 2,750,000 trips from the hive to the flowers. And when the price of honey is taken into consideration it will readily be seen that the price of bee labor is too cheap.—Ex.

A Chicago judge fined a man one dollar for kissing a woman. Bet a fig the woman who made the complaint was sorry for it when she saw the low valuation the judge placed on her kisses.—Ex.

The Sott Answer?

His wife (during the spat): "I suppose you consider yourself even wiser than Solomon?"
Her husband: "Not at all my dear, I haven't a lot of wives to advise me."—Chicago News.

SPENDING STATE MONEY.

How It Should Be Done as Viewed by Governor Johnson.

As an example of Governor Johnson's straightforwardness an incident may be cited that recently occurred at the capitol. A commission had been appointed to select and present a silver service for the battleship Minnesota as a gift from the state. The legislature appropriated \$10,000 for the purpose. Those who have been concerned in similar undertakings will admit that usually when appropriations of this sort are made part of the money is expended for the silverware and the remainder for the junket, say \$5,000 for the gift and the balance of the \$10,000 for champagne, railroad fares, hotel bills and expenses of those concerned.

When the commissioners met for the first time they immediately agreed that not one dollar of the state's money should be expended for expense, but that every cent of the appropriation should go into the gift. The commissioners also decided that, should it be necessary for them to attend the formal presentation, they would consider it their duty to pay their own hotel bills and traveling expenses.

Just then Governor Johnson came into the room. The commissioners told him of their agreement, subject, of course, to his approval. The governor replied in effect: "Gentlemen, I quite approve your ideas, but I would also like to call your attention to another condition. The legislature has given us \$10,000 for this purpose. While the bill was being considered I talked with several legislators opposed to it. They thought \$10,000 was a large amount to spend for silverware. I told them I did not know about this, but that Minnesota should neither be wasteful nor shabby, and I promised them that should the bill pass I would see that no more of the appropriation was expended than was necessary to do the proper thing. They voted for the bill, and it passed. Now, I would propose that we go ahead and get a suitable service for the battleship; that we do the proper thing in the right way. Let the incident be a credit to the state, by all means, but when this is done, and well done, turn the remainder of the appropriation back into the state treasury. Do not think that you are obliged to spend \$10,000 because that is the amount appropriated."

GOVERNOR JOHNSON, OPTIMIST

Minnesota Candidate a Believer in the Nation's Future.

At a luncheon given in his honor by the Press club of Chicago on April 14 Governor Johnson gave an informal talk and, as he always does, said many good things and impressed all with his dignified modesty and his hard common sense. By one or two newspaper correspondents he has, however, been quoted as saying on that occasion that he had grave apprehensions in regard to the industrial future of the country. Now, Governor Johnson is emphatically not a pessimist. The pessimist thinks that the world is going to the dogs and that nothing can be done about it. While Governor Johnson, on the other hand, like all thoughtful men, sees some dangers ahead, he has written: "The republic is in no danger of ruin or decay. The tax dodger, the hoodler, the assassin of state and national honor may strike at the public welfare. The nation will grow in glory and power because of the manhood of its common citizenship."

In keeping with this is what Governor Johnson did say in his address to the Chicago Press club: "I am at times somewhat apprehensive as to the future of our country industrially. There are difficult problems to be worked out, and eternal vigilance is necessary. The difficulties must and will be overcome in such a way that there may be continued prosperity not for some but for all the people."

This is the language of the healthy minded optimist who understands that danger cannot be overcome by shutting our eyes to it, but by looking it bravely in the face; that obstacles in the path of progress cannot be removed by ignoring their existence.

"Young man, don't you know that it's better to be alone than in bad company?" "Yes, sir, Goodby, sir."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

JOHNSON THE MAN.

Minnesota's Virile Governor Qualified to Unite the Democracy.

John H. Tolan, a lawyer of Anaconda, Mont., a lifelong acquaintance and friend of Governor Johnson, writes in regard to the latter's candidacy:

"You are taking the proper steps. A campaign of education is what is needed to secure his nomination. Once let the American people get close to this man, learn his early history and struggles as I know them, feel his friendship as I have felt it, see his intense love and kindness for his fellow men as I have seen it, and no power on earth can deter them from placing him at the head of our federal government."

Mr. Tolan has summed up briefly one side of the great governor of Minnesota. He is a most lovable man—a man who makes friends of all whom he meets. In this respect, as in some others, he has been compared to Lincoln. Governor Johnson is a man of the people. Not even Lincoln came up from greater obscurity and greater poverty than the virile governor of Minnesota. He understands the people as perhaps no man in American public life since Lincoln has understood it—and the people understand him.

As a Democrat Governor Johnson appeals to the thoughtful members of his party, because he is pre-eminently qualified to unite and blend its discordant elements into a competent, enthusiastic, militant political force.

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NOTICE OF LAND SALE.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF JOHNSTON.

In the Superior Court before the Clerk.

B. B. Lee, et als, Vs.

T. A. Lee and E. O. Lee

By virtue of the authority contained in a judgment obtained in the above intitled special proceedings, the undersigned Commissioner will on Monday, May 18th, 1908, at 12 o'clock M. sell to the highest bidder for cash at public auction at the Court House door in the town of Smithfield the following described tract of land:

Beginning at a stake at Wellons' corner and corner of lot No. 1 and runs thence that line and past the corner North 24 poles to a stake, a corner of lot No. 3, thence that line East 58 poles to a stake in the Wellons line, thence as it is marked about South 8—74 poles to a stake, thence with that line West to the beginning containing 35 acres more or less.

The above tract of land adjoins the lands of J. A. Tost and Uriah Westbrook in Meadow township and is sold for a division.

This April 18th, 1908.

James A. Wellons, Commissioner.

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