

# NEWS OF THE SPORTING WORLD

### Change of Scene May Help Coveleskie.



Cincinnati baseball fans are figuring on Clarke Griffith winning the National pennant this season. Griffith says the Reds are stronger this year than ever and will make Pittsburgh, Chicago and New York go some to beat them out. The Reds have one of the fastest in and out fields in the country and a strong pitching staff. Griffith has stated that he expects big things from Coveleskie, formerly of the Philadelphia Nationals, who has been called the "Giant Killer" since he defeated the New York's three times in one week in 1908. Early in the 1909 campaign great things were expected of Coveleskie, but he failed to live up to his 1908 form. Under Griffith's tutelage the chances are that he will make a great name for himself this season.

### Big Boat Should Not Fortune.

It has been figured by several light promoters that if an arena with 50,000 seats should be provided for the Jeffries-Johnson fight, which is to be held at the Emeryville race track in Oakland, Cal., the receipts could be forced up to the half million dollar mark. It was shown that 15,000 seats could be set apart at \$5 each, 20,000 at \$10 and 15,000 more at \$20. The promoters of the mill have received countless applications for seats regardless of price. It is understood, and are figuring on a big financial cleanup.

### To Revive Basketball League.

Preliminary steps have been taken to reorganize the Eastern Intercollegiate Basketball league, which went out of existence two seasons ago. Representatives from Columbia, Pennsylvania, Yale and Princeton met in New York recently and discussed plans for the new league, which plans will have to be referred to the athletic associations and faculty committees of the colleges interested before a league can be formed. In addition to the four colleges represented, the new organization may include Cornell and possibly Harvard.

### National Amateur Billiard Title.

Definite arrangements have been made for the annual championship tournament of the National Association of Amateur Billiard Players. It will be held at the Hamilton club, Brooklyn, April 4. The games will be 400 points at 18.2 ball line. Six prizes will be awarded. The winner of the first prize will become the national champion and will acquire possession of the championship emblem, which trophy must be won twice, not necessarily consecutively, by one player before becoming personal property.

### Harvard Cuts Out Swimming.

Swimming will be dropped from the list of athletic sports at Harvard, according to a decision reached by the Harvard athletic committee recently, on account of its expense. The following is the track team schedule adopted by the committee: May 7, Dartmouth at Cambridge; May 14, Yale at Cambridge; May 21, Yale freshmen versus Harvard freshmen at New Haven; May 21, Harvard interscholastic meet at Cambridge; May 27 and 28, intercollegiate meet at Philadelphia.

### Cub Catchers to Wear Shin Guards.

Manager Chance of the Chicago Nationals has announced he would require all Cub catchers to wear shin guards this season after the fashion of Roger Bresnahan of the Cardinals or Larry McLean of the Reds. He believes the device originated by the St. Louis manager is a great preventive of injuries, especially of the minor kind, which are bound to affect the backstop's work even when they are not serious enough to keep him out of the game.

# HINTS FOR FARMERS

### Feed and Care of a Colt.

The colt's diet should be very liberal. If sufficient exercise can be given in the lot. Some part of his forage should consist of bright clover hay or alfalfa of first class quality if procurable. Feeding this in conjunction with it give two feeds of steamed barley a week prepared as follows: Place the barley on a slow fire, if possible, until it is cooked and slightly macerated, then place in a pail and cover with bran to a depth of four or five inches and keep it in a fairly warm place till feeding time; then mix as well. If the bran, barley and water are properly proportioned the mash will be friable, not starchy. If too wet mix in a small amount of dry bran. There is nothing better than cooked barley for young horses to keep them free from worms, increase their general thrift and keep them in a condition approximating the growthy early summer season. Keep the colt's bowels fairly open and change the feed according as it seems to suit him best. Give a tablespoonful of pure crushed flaxseed twice a day when he does not get the mash.

### Dairy Utensils.

There is a great deal of carelessness about the character of utensils which the dairyman uses, as well as the care taken of them. They should be of good quality and generally of heavy tin without seam or crack into which bacteria may pass, for thus the fresh milk would be inoculated with the leavings of the old and begin at once to deteriorate.

The churn, of course, should be of wood, but close grained so as to absorb little moisture. The barrel churn, with its inside fixtures, is preferable. This it will be most easily cleaned. It should also be large enough to contain the churning without being more than half full.

Utensils should be cleaned without delay in order to save labor and make the job thorough. Rinse milk vessels first with cold water to prevent sticking and then wash with hot water and soda. A brush cleans out all seams and corners best. If convenient, clean with hot steam; otherwise wipe dry and put them out to sun.—Home and Farm.

### Farm Wisdom.

Some find it best to start out with grade stock, but none find it profitable to have a scrub sire at the head. Study the many different uses you can put to cream and compare it with number for cheapness and durability.

The hog trough should not be allowed to sour. For best results the hog must have food that is sanitary. If the animals are kept in close quarters, it will be necessary to feed them a larger grain allowance in order to keep them comfortable.

The disappearance of the sheep industry in many localities is usually accompanied by a multiplication of mongrel curs in those localities. The most successful breeders are those who pay particular attention to their young stock. The winter care of the calf should be a never ending theme for the dairyman.

### Remedy For Sheep Ticks.

You may spray all you please with anything you please, but the sheep tick will laugh and grow fat. As far as your spray is concerned, he will stay down on the skin of the sheep and continue to feast, while your spray will stay up on the wool. But if you get some good sheep dip and make up a quantity of it, then have an assistant lay the sheep on its back while you pour a stream of the dip along its belly and on the under side of its neck until the dip begins to ooze through the wool at its back, then let it up. Mr. Tick will get nicely wet with it and soon be a dead one. It is a safe and sure way and can be used on the coldest day of winter, as the wool will be quite dry, while the skin will be wet. It will not take over three minutes to treat a sheep.—National Stockman.

### Improving the Soil.

The plowing under of green crops has a mechanical effect on the soil that is most valuable. Not only does alfalfa so treated add immensely to the humus and to the fertility of the soil, but it causes a porous condition which serves to admit both air and water among its particles. Air assists in the decomposition of the minerals of which plant food is partially composed and aids in the growth of useful bacteria, while water is not only necessary to plant growth, but it is the greatest solvent known to science.—Kansas Farmer.

### Preventing Naval Trouble.

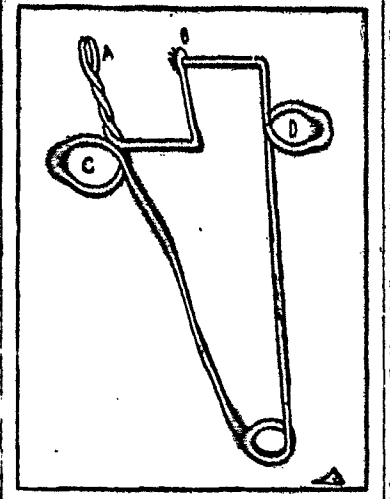
Have the mare foal in a clean, disinfected, fresh bedded, whitewashed box stall, and when the naval cord has been severed saturate it with a 1-500 solution of corrosive sublimate and repeat the application twice a day until the cord dries up, drops off and no raw spot can be seen. If the cord has to be tied use a string that has been soaked in the disinfecting solution. The disease is due to filth germs, and cleanliness and use of disinfectants, as advised will prevent its occurrence.—Homestead.

### Loss From Poor Cows.

It is said on good authority that fully one-third of the cows in this country do not give enough milk to pay the cost of their keep and that fully 75 per cent of the profits of the dairy business comes from more than 25 per cent of the cows.

# HINTS FOR THE BUSY HOUSEWIFE

### Handy Device For Pitting Cherries.



An ingenious little device that will be welcomed by the careful cook is the cherry pitter shown in the cut. It was designed by a Chicago man, but any person may make one out of pieces of strong wire with the aid of a pair of pliers. The wire is bent with a coil at one end to give resiliency to the arms. Near the open ends of the arms are other coils which form openings for thumb and forefinger (O-D). One of these ends is bent down at right angles and terminates in a spur. This spur passes through a small loop in a bent up portion of the other arm, while below this is an extension with a larger loop in it. The cherry is placed in the lower loop (A), and by pressing the arms together, as if the instrument were a pair of scissors, the spur (B) passes through the cherry and pushes out the stone.

### Washed Raw Potatoes.

Wash and pare enough raw potatoes to make one pint; chop fine, working quickly so they may not be discarded. Cover with cold water, stir thoroughly and drain, discarding in this way the free starch. Cover with fresh cold water and let stand ten minutes. Drain as dry as possible, turn into a pan containing two tablespoonfuls pork fat or butter, dust with salt and pepper, cover closely and cook over very slow fire till tender. Invert the hot and brown without stirring, adding more fat if necessary. When nicely colored, beneath fold over like an omelet and turn out on hot platter.

### To Wash Cotton Blankets.

Cotton blankets are washed differently from those made of wool. Soak them well with laundry soap, lard and allow them to soak in tepid water. Wash them in an hour or so and place in a boiler of hot suds to steam, and boil fifteen in several waters. Use a very little bluing and dry them double on the line. Press dry on the wrong side. Quite the contrary is the process of washing woolen, for hot water cannot be used on them. Linen quilts liable to fade should first be soaked in a tub of cold water containing a half cup of turpentine to set the color.

### Purrs of Vegetables.

Cut one turnip, one carrot and one potato into thin slices, add to them a few celery tops, a bay leaf, a cupful of chopped tomatoes and two quarts of water in which meat has been boiled, preferably beef. Let this simmer gently for an hour, then pass through a very fine sieve. Return the mixture to the fire and add one tablespoonful of suet rubbed with two tablespoonfuls of flour. Stir until it reaches the boiling point, then add a grated onion.

### Club Cheese Sandwiches.

Prepare twelve slices of toast. Eighty butter and arrange in thin slices Swiss cheese over six. Lay six slices of freshly broiled bacon cut in two over the cheese, spread a very little mayonnaise over six well cleaned and drained lettuce leaves, arrange on top of bacon and cover with remaining six toasts. Neatly trim off crusts, cut in triangular halves, dress over a little in oven for two minutes, remove and serve.

### Cornmeal Pudding.

Soak a quart of milk-skimmed will do—and add slowly, stirring well, two rounded tablespoonfuls of cornmeal. Add three tablespoonfuls of sugar or syrup and a tablespoonful of butter—flaked. Bake slowly for three or four hours. Serve with sauce or syrup. It may be made richer by the addition of one or more eggs and some raisins. The secret of a good pudding is in the very slow baking.

### Molasses Pudding.

English molasses pudding is made of one cupful of chopped raisins, three-quarters of a cupful of molasses, a teaspoonful of soda beaten into the molasses, three tablespoonfuls of melted butter, one egg, one and one-half cupfuls of flour and one and one-half cupfuls of sweet milk. Steam for one hour in the oven.

### To Whiten Old Linnen.

Place old linnen in a vessel containing sour buttermilk and allow it to soak overnight. Wash in suds and rinse in rather deep bluing water. Hang the material in the sun and allow it to remain until it dries all day.

# FOR THE CHILDREN

### The Czar and the Lad.

One day as the czar was returning from his favorite amusement of hunting he happened to loiter behind the rest of the company to enjoy the cool air when he observed a lad standing on the top bar of a gate looking earnestly about him. Upon this Peter rode up briskly and accosted him with, "Well, my boy, what are you looking for?" "Please, your honor," said the boy, "I am looking out for the king." "Oh," said the emperor, "if you will get up behind me I will show him to you." The boy mounted, and as they were riding along the czar said, "You will know which is the emperor by seeing the rest take off their hats to him." Soon after Peter came up to the party, who, much surprised at seeing him so attended, immediately saluted him, when the czar, turning around to his head, said: "Now do you see who is the king?" "Why," replied the boy archly, "it is one of us two, but I am sure I do not know which, for both of us have our hats on." The king was so much pleased with the lad's wit that he took him into his service, and this same lad afterward rose to be a general in the Russian army.—Philadelphia Ledger.

### Twirl the Trencher.

A wooden platter or a plate is brought in and given to a person who is to be the leader. The leader then takes a name himself and gives a name to each of the company. Numbers will do, or the Christian or familiar names by which they are usually known of the names of animals or flowers may be adopted. Each person must be sharp enough to remember his or her name directly it is mentioned. Each person has a chair, and a large circle (the larger the better) is formed around the plate. The leader then gives the plate a spin and calls out the name of the person who is to catch it. The leader then runs to his seat, leaving the plate spinning, and when the person named fails to catch the plate before it is done spinning he or she must pay a forfeit, which must be held until all the players have forfeited.

This game excites a great deal of merriment and should be played in a spirit of fun. The plate should be fairly spun and the names distinctly but quickly called out.

### The Game of Monogamy.

Side being chosen, the leaders seat themselves facing each other about four feet apart, the members of each side grouping themselves as near their respective leader as possible, but back or at the side of them. One leader begins by mentioning the name of an animal commencing with the letter A and then quickly repeats ten. Before he has finished the other leader must mention another animal beginning with the same letter, and so on until neither can think of any more animals whose names begin with A, when they take B, then C, and so on. The sole duty of the other players is to think of new names and suggest them to their respective leaders. This they may do without formally and all speak at once if they choose. If either side fails to give a name before the ten counts have expired the opposing side may choose a new leader from their ranks.

### Questions and Answers.

When is a bill like a gun? When it is presented and discharged. What becomes of the breakfast when in only one cats it? It vanishes into empty bell (air). Where are two heads better than one? In a barrel. What is that which increases the more it is shared by others? Happiness. What is taken from you before you see it? Your portrait. Who are the men who have made their mark? Those who can write. What is the oldest piece of furniture in the world? The multiplication table.—Philadelphia Ledger.

### Does It Pay?

The boy who sighs to become a champion runner, jumper, or anything else in the line of athletics should be informed that not one champion out of fifty is good for anything when forty years old. The overtaxing of the muscular system makes rheumatic cripples of them. Many of the winners of medals have died in the poorhouse. Physicians assert that the game of football is the worst amusement boys can indulge in.

### Middle and Answer.

The following letters are inscribed on a stone tablet placed immediately above the Ten Commandments in a country church in the northwest of England and are deciphered with only one letter.

**P**ERVY PPOCTMN  
**V**REPTHERREPTATY  
Answer.—The letter E.  
Pervy, ye perfect man.  
Ever keep these precepts ten.

### The Birthday Cake.

Look what's on the kitchen shelf? Mother made it all herself—Almost all herself, I mean. Cousin I baked the dishes clean—And when every bit was gone Helped to put the candles on. John is five years old today. I'll be three the first of May. Mother says perhaps she'll make Me a nice plain birthday cake. Only broke the world of boys. John would like to have it all.

# PEN SKETCHES OF NOTED PEOPLE

### Leroy Percy, Mississippi's New Senator.



Leroy Percy, who was recently elected United States senator from Mississippi, succeeded the late A. J. McLaughlin. The new senator will have three years to serve. Senator Percy's chief opponent was ex-Governor Vandaman, and the battle was warmly waged. He was elected on the fifth ballot after a contest that had lasted for seven weeks.

During the interim between the death of Senator McLaughlin and the election of his successor Colonel James Gibson, the fight by appointment of the governor of Mississippi. Senator Percy is deeply interested in the negro question, making the position that education is the only solution of the problem. In fact, a speech that he once made on this subject was the inspiration of Theodore Roosevelt.

The new senator is a native of the state, is a republican and is forty-two years old. He is a lawyer by profession and a graduate of the University of the South and from the law school of the University of Virginia. He also took a postgraduate course at the University of Virginia.

### Western Union's New Head.

Franklin J. Dyer, a native of Texas, forty years ago, Bellamy Brooks, the new general manager of the Western Union Telegraph company's system, has worked his way to the top. As the head of a system that employs 60,000 men, Mr. Brooks draws a salary commensurate with his vast responsibilities.

Forty years is a long time, and from the bottom to the top of such a ladder is a weary road, but Mr. Brooks says he never had time to think about the length of the road or how fast the years were slipping by. "My work has always been to run the greatest source of pleasure," he declared. "The new general manager of the Western Union is a native Texan and will be fifty-one years old next July. He went to work for \$8 a month when eleven years old at Navasota, Texas, as messenger. Five months later, he had charge of a key there. This was 1871 and for the next ten years he was sent all over the country in varied services of the company. He became manager at Waco in 1881 and in succession at El Paso and Galveston. In 1890 he went to Denver, becoming assistant superintendent. In 1902 he was transferred to New York as general superintendent of the eastern division. Now he is general manager of the entire installation.

### Uncle Joe's Impression.

"But, Mr. Cannon," said the scolding gette, "you must admit that woman is at least the equal of man." "Well, I don't know," drawled Uncle Joe. "I am under the impression that the scolding woman is the equal of the man."

# WINDOWS OF THE

"Isabel!" he exclaimed, as he entered the room.

"Mr. Williams—did you see my kindy (sister) and her mother of dignity that checked him as advancing to her side, please make this interview as brief as necessary."

"Hush!" he said, lowering his voice. "Why do I tell you that you lead me to believe that you are and then suddenly request me to return your letters and cease to write upon you? Have I done anything to forfeit your love or your respect? Tell me! Have I?"

He was close to her now, and drew back a little. Her eyes averted, too, he noticed. She did look at him with that frank, clear, to which he was accustomed.

"I am not a girl who is capable of great love," she replied, "but there are other considerations that for into the question of marriage, and I will like you, but I do not love."

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