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### TESTS FOR THE TAINTED.

At Kansas City, Judge Gaynor made an address in which he referred to the Rockefeller donation of \$32,000,000 for education, and declared that we make a mistake if we construe the ability to make such a gift as an indication of our prosperity. The judge then argues in this manner:

"If we find the railroads being used to allow a few to acquire such fortunes at the expense of their fellowmen by having their freights carried at a rate lower than others have to pay, so that they are able to create monopolies in themselves, our condition is not one of the perpetuity of our free government."

This seems to be a clear statement, says the Ohio State Journal, of how that \$32,000,000 was made. Whether it can be utilized in the furtherance of worthy objects, is a question of great interest. We do not see any better way of settling it than to take a note of the kind of prosperity that comes to those institutions that have accepted any portions of this great bounty. Such an inquiry can easily be made, and it would prove one of the most profitable investigations that could be attempted. It would take the question from the academic plane to the levels of actual experience.

On one side it is said that money made unlawfully or dishonestly cannot, in the nature of things, serve an honest purpose. Or, in other words, there is a taint in it that removes from it the power of doing good. It is a question that touches the very heart of ethics, and can be debated on principle without hurt. But how will experience decide.

Let us hope this matter will be settled by the facts. Not, of course, by the showy facts or stately statistics, but by the actual good to men that has been accomplished and the battles for a pure national life that have been won. The basis for these conclusions is getting in shape, and in a few years the doctrine will be established as to the socalled tainted dollars—whether there is good in them or not.—Ft. Wayne Journal-Gazette.

### A WEEK'S ENGAGEMENT.

The Oscar F. Cook Pavilion Theater Here Next Week.

The Oscar F. Cook pavilion theater will open a week's engagement on the lot corner of Third and Monroe streets on Monday evening, June 3, presenting the beautiful comedy drama "The Christian Slave" with special costumes, scenery and effects. This will be the first time such costumes and scenery have ever been used under canvas here and the production will be an unusually good one in every way. Reserved seats for the opening performance are now on sale at Smith, Yager & Falk's drug store. There will be a parade at noon and free open air concert in front of the pavilion at 7:30 each day.

## GAME WAS CLOSE

### Locals Take Third Game of Season

#### FROM ROD AND GUN CLUB

Score Was Six to Four and Interesting Notwithstanding the Zero Weather.

Perhaps a hundred loyal fans braved the "almost snow" weather yesterday and were well repaid for the effort. It was a close game for nine innings and one in which the spectators never lost interest a moment. The opposing team was the Ft. Wayne Corner Rod and Gun club and they proved themselves a worthy foe.

The visitors scored in the first inning. The first batter up went out at first, but Miller, the next one, got on through an error by Behringer, and scored on Dawling's long hit to center. In the second inning the C. R. & G. tallied again. Meyers got a hit, went to second on a sacrifice and scored on Baker's safe one to center. In the fifth round with two men out, Jack Smith of Bluffton fame, walked, was advanced to second when the next batter was hit by a pitched ball, scoring on Dawling's two bagger. They scored their last run in the seventh, Bosco hitting safely, was sacrificed to second and crossed the rubber on a two base hit by one of his comrades.

Decatur got her first run in the second, when Burns walked, Way turned a sacrifice into a hit, advancing Burns to second. Pierce sacrificed Burns to third and Way to second and both crossed the plate on a two sacker over third by Arthur Daniels, tying the score. In the fourth Pierce put a safe one into center, stole second and came home on a two base hit by "Kid" Ayett. The locals got their next one in the sixth, Daniels going to first when third baseman Smith fumbled his grounder. Winger sacrificed and advanced Art to second from where he scored on Geyers clean one to center. In the last half of the seventh, with the game four to four, the locals put the "clincher" on by securing two runs. Linderbeck put on against the right field fence for two sacks, and Burns landed one over the left fielder's head for the same amount scoring "Dutch." Burns went to third when the second baseman fumbled Ways slow one and scored on Pierce's drive to the second baseman. The score by innings:

#### DECATUR.

|                | AB | R | H | PO | A  | E |
|----------------|----|---|---|----|----|---|
| Ayette, 3b     | 4  | 0 | 1 | 0  | 3  | 0 |
| Behringer, ss  | 4  | 0 | 2 | 1  | 2  | 2 |
| Linderbeck, cf | 4  | 1 | 1 | 4  | 0  | 0 |
| Burns, lf      | 2  | 2 | 1 | 2  | 0  | 0 |
| Way, p         | 4  | 1 | 2 | 0  | 3  | 0 |
| Pierce, 2b     | 3  | 1 | 1 | 3  | 0  | 0 |
| Daniel, 1b     | 4  | 1 | 1 | 11 | 1  | 0 |
| Winger, c      | 3  | 0 | 0 | 5  | 1  | 0 |
| Burns, rf      | 3  | 0 | 1 | 2  | 0  | 0 |
| Totals         | 31 | 6 | 8 | 27 | 12 | 2 |

#### FT. WAYNE.

|             | AB | R | H | PO | A  | E |
|-------------|----|---|---|----|----|---|
| Boseker, 2b | 4  | 1 | 2 | 1  | 4  | 1 |
| Miller, cf  | 4  | 1 | 0 | 2  | 0  | 0 |
| Martin, 3b  | 2  | 1 | 1 | 0  | 2  | 1 |
| Dawling, c  | 4  | 0 | 2 | 2  | 0  | 0 |
| Shinner, 1b | 4  | 0 | 0 | 17 | 1  | 0 |
| Meyers, ss  | 3  | 1 | 0 | 4  | 0  | 0 |
| Sites, rf   | 4  | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0 |
| Koenig, p   | 4  | 0 | 1 | 3  | 0  | 0 |
| Totals      | 32 | 4 | 6 | 24 | 14 | 2 |

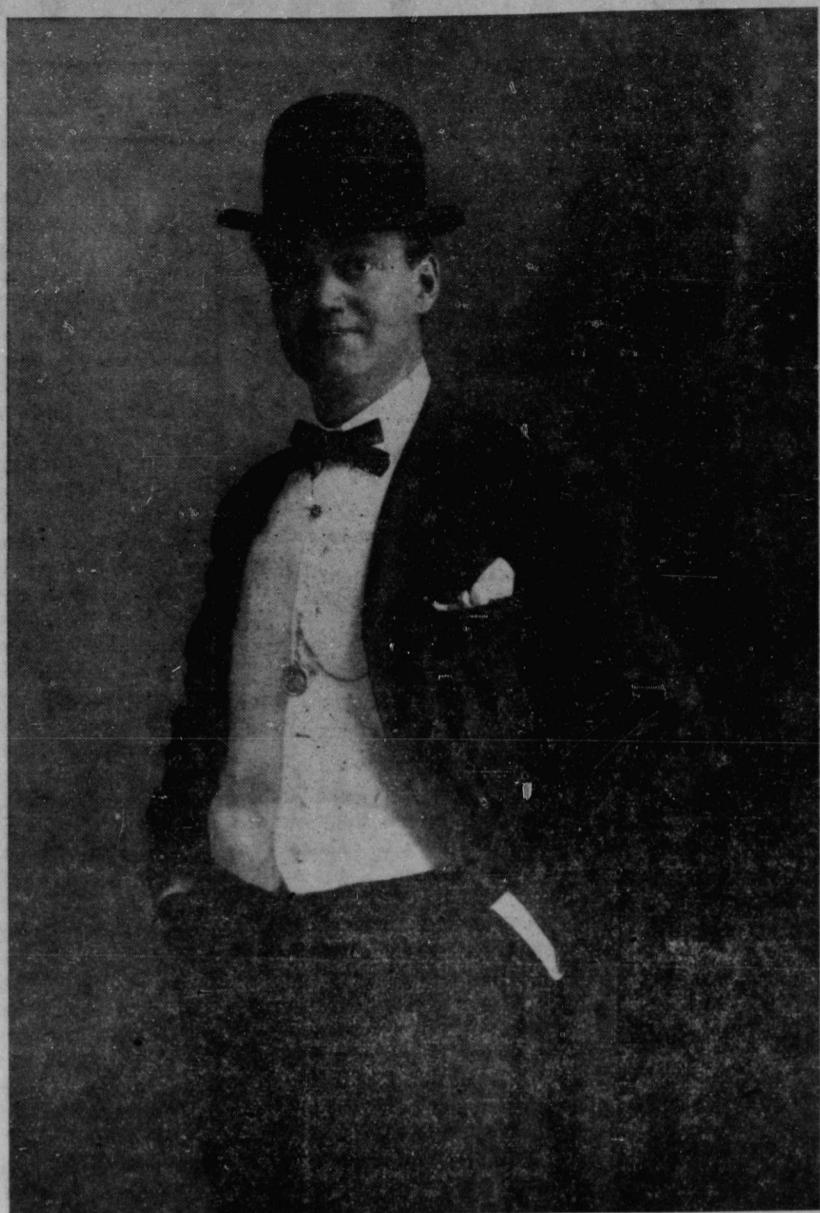
Score by innings:  
Decatur ..... 0 2 0 1 0 1 2 0 x-6  
Ft. Wayne ..... 1 1 0 0 1 0 1 0 0-4

Stolen bases—Pierce, Way, Two base hits—Daniel, Ayette, Linderbeck, Burns. Base on balls—Off Way, 4; Koenig, 1. Struck out—By Way, 5; Koenig, 2. Left on bases—Decatur, 8; Ft. Wayne, 7. Hit by pitcher—Ayette, Burns, Geyer, Martin. Time of game, 1:25. Umpire, Braden.

#### NOTES OF THE GAME.

Our per cent is still 1,000.

The Fort Wayne boys are ball play-



OSCAR F. COOK, OF THE COOK STOCK COMPANY.

## ANNUAL COMMENT

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ers and gentlemen.

Braden, of Ft. Wayne, umpired, and gave good satisfaction, no objections being made.

Daniels, Ayette, Linderbeck and Burns each made a two base hit yesterday. Guess we're some slickers.

Oscar Way has won a home. He is a brilliant outfielder, a wonderful batter and an A-1 pitcher.

The team goes to Garrett tomorrow, Portland Monday, back here to meet Frankfort Tuesday and Wednesday go to Richmond Friday and Saturday.

Somebody should send in an order for some better base ball weather. This kind puts the treasury on the bum rapidly.

The verdict is that our team will develop into a faster bunch than our boys of last year. They sure look good.

Portland defeated the fallen champs of Bluffton yesterday at Portland in a fourteen inning game, by a score of nine and eight. This makes the Wells county boys per cent even five hundred.

#### TO SETTLE DISPUTE

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cannot be sent over independent lines.

Telephone men expect that if the Indiana independents will agree to the compromise offer of the Bell interests the latter will follow the agreement by a proposition to Ohio independents similar to that in Indiana.

Although the independents companies will discuss a business arrangement designed to restrict competition to some extent there will be no general concession of effort to extend the independent lines.

Telephone development of the country, the independents contend, depends largely upon competition.

As proof of this they point to Kansas City, a competitive city, which has 22,000 more telephones than Washington, a non-competitive city with 70,000 more population.

Like argument is presented by the figures from Minneapolis and Cleveland, which, combined, have 712,000 population, but support more telephone lines than Boston, a non-competitive city with 1,307,000 population.

The telephone convention to con-

tinute three days, will be called to order on June 4, by President James B. Hoge, of Cleveland. Representa-

tives of thirty state organizations of

independents, having a total of 7,000

companies on their membership lists,

will be present.

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