

## Affairs of the Sporting World

Probably as a preparation for his marriage to Miss Marnie, a blushing Mohawk Indian girl, Tom Longboat, the famous Indian runner, who recently defeated Dorando, will join church today. Longboat has heretofore been known as a Pagan Indian.

"Bat" Nelson, the lightweight fighting champion, was barred from the St. Regis hotel in New York Saturday night. He was informed that his former apartments were occupied, with the old assurance, "We are sorry," Nelson created no disturbance, but with a "Very well," turned and left the hotel.

Dr. Fred Speik, the famous Chicago University football star, who this year failed to turn out a winning team at Purdue University, has been engaged to coach the 1909 football eleven. The students are rejoicing and notwithstanding the fact that he failed to produce a winner this year, it is declared that with the proper material to work with, he should be able to accomplish wonders.

"Tommy" Burns and "Jack" Johnson, the latter colored, are both in good condition for their heavyweight championship battle which will be fought in Sydney, N. S. W., next Saturday. The battle is expected to be the most ferocious fought in recent years. The world has its eyes riveted upon the fight as for the past several years the heavyweight championship has been in doubt.

The Tenth Infantry, U. S. A., located at Fort Benjamin Harrison, near Indianapolis, and which was in Richmond during the fall festival, has organized ten basketball teams and there is a strong rivalry among them.

The games will all be played at the fort during the coming winter.

Word comes from Rochester that Honest John Gangel has signed to manage the Bronchos next season. The former manager of the Reds will be given full swing in his new berth. By the way, this same deal somewhat smooths the path of Clark Griffith in Redland. Griff could scarcely have tolerated the presence of a former manager on his 1909 team.

What is said to be a world's record played has been credited to Frank Owens, the Memphis catcher, drafted by the Chicago White Sox. Officials figures, just announced by the league, show Owens in possession of 194 assists for 117 games, or nearly two men thrown out for every contest. His nearest rival is McMurray of Atlanta, with 124.

Ira Thomas is one of the most optimistic ball players in the country. A week ago there was nothing on the map but the Detroit Tigers. Since Jennings disposed of him to Connie Mack, the big backstop can see nothing in next year's flag race but the Athletics. He landed rather softly a year ago, as testified by his share of the world's series booty.

Here is a tip on next year's schedule: The Athletics will open the season at home. They will have Boston as an attraction to open their new grounds, when the attendance will no doubt be the largest in the history of baseball. Of course every local fan will want to attend the first game at the new park. New York will open in Washington, Cleveland in St. Louis and Chicago in Detroit.—Philadelphia Bulletin.

This week. Tomorrow afternoon ten cent daily matinees commence (with exception of Christmas). A great treat is in store for the ladies who attend the matinees. Ladies go tomorrow and find out about it.

The Devil. A play that has created the biggest sensation ever known in the theatrical history of New York, "The Devil," by Franz Molnar, will be presented by Henry W. Savage, who has the only authorized version of the play in this country, at the Gennett theater soon. Henry E. Dixey will be seen in the leading role, supported by a capable company. In view of the many discussions of the merits of this play, it may be said that Mr. Savage has numerous unanswerable arguments in support of this popular authorized version of Molnar's work. It is a drama that appeals to all classes and its fame has traveled to all parts of the country.

Montana. "Montana" is a typical western play and abounds in thrilling situations and exciting climaxes. It is realistic and it resounds with the deep emotions of rough, venturesome life. It is cleverly conceived and directed by Mr. Carey's well-acted cast should be a pleasing performance. It might be well to add Mr. Carey has had an entire new production built for the present season with new and powerful electrical effects introduced. It is coming to the Gennett on December 30.

### REV. LYONS SPEAKS.

Christian Endeavor societies of the East Main and the South Eighth Street Friends churches met in a union meeting Sunday afternoon and heard an address by the Rev. S. R. Lyons. The meeting was largely attended.

## BETTER CITY IF DRYS WIN, WADE SAYS

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that one of their breweries is to become a woolen factory.

"If eight laboring men spend eight hundred dollars for furniture, hardware, clothing, cotton, worsted and woolen goods, they contribute one hundred and forty-seven dollars and forty-three cents to labor and at the same time they bring valuable supplies to their families, they stimulate business and add to the demand for labor.

"If the eight hundred dollars are spent in the saloon, only nine dollars and eighty-four cents goes for labor, the families are made wretched, and the men themselves are made worse physically, financially and morally, their jobs are imperiled, and they have wasted their money. Liquor is labor's worst enemy. It is also the worst enemy of legitimate business.

"Are not these convincing arguments for all who engage in commercial life? To suppress the saloon would mean such a business revival as the country would feel from east to west. And this is not the whole truth about the good which would follow abolition of the drink traffic.

"Here is the testimony of a dry town of Indiana of some three thousand people—a factory city, whose principal industry is capitalized at \$375,000, employing about three hundred hands. I was pastor there for three years and helped in several of their remonstrance fights under the old law. The letter which bears testimony to the tremendous benefits of a dry town, is from Nappanee, dated Dec. 14, 1908, and signed by a prominent citizen, secretary of the Commercial club and manufacturer and runs as follows: You are in for a lively time for sixty days. I enclose clipping from The News. Fred Hoffman is the man who laid our new pavement. He is no avowed temperance man either, so his expression is worth 100 cents on the dollar.

"The law seems to require a marshal, but our town board, seeing none was needed, combined the marshal and street commissioner in one person allowing his pay as commissioner \$30, as marshal \$15 per month—making it \$45 per month, just what the commissioner is worth. He has made no arrest for nearly two years. You never hear any yelling or noise day or night any more. You know how it used to be. We have had no saloon for nearly four years now.

"Financially, the town is well off, too. We completed within the past six months two miles of the best of brick paving, (more than Richmond has altogether) at a cost of \$90,000, of which amount the town assumed 15 per cent, or \$12,000. It paid this off in cash, borrowing \$8,000 on short time, and owes besides this \$4,000 of the old water works bonds, not due for two years. Our total debt is thus \$12,000, but we own the electric light and water works plants which involve \$35,000, and now pay the total corporation running expenses besides its own. The rate of taxation is not higher than the average towns about us and has not been advanced in the past five years, though we lost two saloons and a bowling alley in that time.

"While the saloons were here we had a day marshal on duty every day, and a night policeman every night. Now we have neither, though the merchants hire a night watchman to watch for fires and I guess the only weapon he carries is a "watchman's clock," for which the merchants have keys all around and make him walk his beats about six miles or more a night.

"Unless we do more paving the corporation taxes can be cut clear out in a couple of years. You may remember the old cry—"the town would die, etc., etc., if the saloons are driven out." The fact is, every house stays rented all the time and the rents are high. Every business room stayed filled all the time and this year three new two story brick buildings 22 x 132 feet, were built and are rented, besides the three old buildings went a little to one side and are also rented. A new bank started and is completing a fine two story brick structure and bank deposits have about doubled in three years.

"Hartman's, (the largest store) say they find it very much easier than formerly to collect on Saturday evenings, and the meat dealers sell at least 50 per cent, more meat than when the saloons were here.

"Finally, you can not find a single fair minded person here, but will say all conditions are better in every way than when the saloons were here. Yours most sincerely,

"DANIEL ZOOK."

"The following is the editorial referred to, and appeared in the Nappanee News, Dec. 9, 1908: "Mr. Fred Hoffman, of the Central Paving Co., of Rochester, in a conversation with the writer recently, stated that he had never had a contract of paving in all his experience where the men employed on the work gave him so little trouble, or a people interested in the paving assessments "cleaned up" so well and so completely as they did in the Nappanee job. As to the workmen, Mr. Hoffman attributes his success because the men had no saloons in which to spend their time and money. He took the same colored men to Valparaiso with him, and there they gave him trouble every week. They were surly and hard to get along with, quarreled among themselves, and finally got into a shooting affray—all on account of having access to liquor. He recalled the happy state of mind in which these colored men worked every day for months while in Nappanee, and says, as a contractor, he never before realized what a dry town worked in beneficial results to men—employees and employer. Mr. Hoffman states that, as a whole people, he never met a more prosperous town and one in which it is a pleasure to do business, than in Nappanee. Any town ought to feel proud of this kind of advertising when it comes from one whose experience in

# Christmas Watches

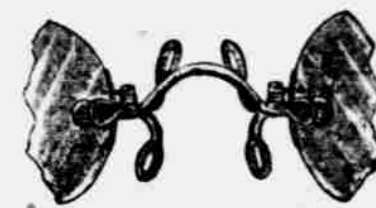
We are selling them for the reason we have a choice line of cases to select from and then because of this Most Important fact. We never select movements from traveling men's stocks as they often get put out of adjustment while being hauled over the country in their trunks. We always buy NEW, FRESH STOCK, direct from the best American factories such as the Howard, Elgin, Waltham, Hamilton, Hampden, and others.

## If Watches Do Not Suit the Occasion We Would Suggest:

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Other Set Rings,  
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Cuff Pins  
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For Your Father  
For Your Wife  
For Your Husband  
If their eyes strain, we say  
nothing would suit better  
than a pair of our



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Stick Pins  
Shaving Sets  
Match Boxes  
Watch Chains  
Watch Fobs  
Smoking Sets  
Umbrellas.

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other communities affords information worth consideration. Mr. Hoffman's experience in working a gang of colored men on a big job is not different from that experienced in the Southern states. This is the first good reason why the South leads in the abolition of the saloon. It is simply the salvation of the labor necessary to carry on business, there, which makes people stand for prohibition.

"No further argument is needed to demonstrate the beneficial effects of the removal of the saloons, that drinking does not increase, and that the "blind tiger" need not be a serious menace to the Indiana community voting out the curse of the saloon. And I close as began by asserting that the best Christmas gift for Richmond—her business and working men—would be the elimination of the saloon. I wish a Merry Christmas to all."

## IF MINORS PLAY WILL PROTEST

Pool and Billiard Proprietors  
Are Ready to Fight.

Proprietors of pool and billiard parlors are expecting the interest in these games to be at fever heat after the dedication of the Y. M. C. A. However, the question of whether minors will be allowed to play in their parlors if they are permitted to do so in the Y. M. C. A., is worrying them. Many claims that if the association permits it, they will fight any legal cases in which they may be involved for the same offense. It will be remembered that the Ministerial association only consented to these games being placed in the building if minors are prohibited the use of the tables.

## POLO GAMES ON WEDNESDAY

Double-header Bill by City  
League Teams That Day.

The second series of games in the City Polo League will be played next Wednesday evening at the Coliseum, with a game between the Greeks and the Smiths, and another between the Carman's and the Grays. At the opening game last Wednesday evening there was a fairly large crowd in attendance, and it seems as though the polo "bug" was again much in evidence and that the sport would again be very popular.

## ARCADE

We know you appreciate a good laugh,  
"The Angel Child"  
Is a scream of the first water with its luster and  
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Will Sing  
XMAS

## THE THEATER

### THEATRICAL CALENDAR.

#### GENNETT.

Partello Stock Co.—All week.  
Tim Murphy—New Year's Eve.  
The Devil—Jan. 1.

#### NEW PHILLIPS.

Vaudeville all week.

#### Partello Stock Co.

Tonight at the Gennett theater the Partello Stock company will open their return engagement in the best of comedy dramas "A Daughter of the People." This particular company played a successful engagement here five weeks ago and every body who witnessed their productions were pleased and the management will endeavor to give the same satisfaction



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## - GENNETT THEATER -

ONE WEEK COMMENCING

Monday, December 21.

Return engagement of the favorites.

PARTELLO STOCK CO.

Opening play greatest of comedy dramas, "A Daughter of the People." First time here. Daily matinees, 10 cents, (commencing Tuesday.) Ladies free Monday night under usual conditions. Seats on sale Friday morning. Prices—10, 20, 30c.

## Beware False Devils!

TO THE PUBLIC:

Following the enormous success of Mr. Henry W. Savage's New York production of the sensational successful comedy, "THE DEVIL," a number of piratical theatrical managers appropriated the title of the piece and rushed on tour cheap imitations of this splendid play. Their effort is so great that occasionally they have used Mr. Savage's name in luring the public to their counterfeit performances. This is to notify play-goers that Mr. Savage's company will appear here at the Gennett Theatre for one matinee and one night performance, New Year's Day, and also to inform the public that upon this occasion "THE DEVIL" will be shown exactly as it was originally presented by Mr. Savage in New York, where it proved the dramatic sensation of the season.

Mail orders for "The Devil" engagement will be accepted now and filed in the order of their receipt.

Mr. Savage's authorized version of "THE DEVIL," adapted by Mr. Oliver Herford from the Hungarian of Herr Franz Molnar, is not a racy play, as it has been misrepresented by the men who are presenting imitations; but a highly moral production—especially interesting in these days of divorces—teaching with effective illustration the ancient commandment:

THOU SHALT NOT COVET THY NEIGHBOR'S WIFE.

## POLO COLISEUM

Wednesday, Dec. 23, City League.

CARMONS vs. GRAYS.

GREEKS vs. SMITHS

Game Called 8 o'clock.

Skating---Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Morning, Afternoon and Evening.

PALLADIUM WANT ADS--CENT A WORD