

DESIRE STRICTER SANE FOURTH LAW

Bureau of Municipal Research
Thinks Further Restriction
Should Be Made.

PRESENT LAW BENEFICIAL

COMMUNICATION FROM LAW AND
ORDER COMMITTEE SHOWS APPRECIATION OF COUNCIL'S EFFORTS ON THIS LINE.

Appreciation of the efforts of the city council of Richmond to provide a "safer and saner Fourth" is contained in a report issued by the Committee on Law and Order of the Bureau of Municipal Research. The document is signed by Elbert Russell and Pettis A. Reid, and is as follows:

"The movement for a safe and sane Fourth this year had most gratifying results. The number of serious accidents reported for the country as a whole shows a decrease of about thirty percent as compared with the accidents reported last year. The loss from fire was about the same as in former years. The decrease in the number of accidents was almost altogether in those cities that restrict or prohibit the sale of fireworks. It seems that very little was accomplished by appealing to the prudence of the children or to the anxiety of parents. It seems also that the varieties of fireworks that are regarded as less dangerous to life and limb are about as destructive to property as the others."

"In Richmond the ordinance restricting the use of fireworks produced good results. There were no fatalities and not many serious accidents. Councilman Bartel and the Medical society deserve especial credit for securing this result. The ordinance might be improved, however, so as to make the day still safer. A woman received a severe scalp wound by a sky-rocket, and a fire was started by one. This seems to justify Mr. Bartel's contention that their use should be prohibited. Most of the injuries received locally were cases of hands mutilated and faces burned by fire crackers. A considerable reduction in the size of the crackers allowed would eliminate most of these."

WAR VETERAN DEAD

François M. Howe, Aged 74,
Dies at His Home Here
After Long Illness.

MARCHED WITH SHERMAN

Francis M. Howe, a soldier who served in three regiments during the civil war, died this morning at his home, 821 Main street. Howe, who was 74 years of age, had been in failing health for many months. He is survived by his wife, Ella; three daughters, Florence, Della and Blanch, and a son, Sherman.

At the outbreak of the war, Howe enlisted in the 84th Indiana regiment. When his term expired he joined the Ohio National Guards for one hundred days. Later he enlisted in the 47th Ohio and marched with Sherman to the sea.

The funeral will be held on Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock, at the home and burial will be in Earlham. The Rev. E. G. Howard will officiate. Friends may call at any time.

WEST END CONCERT

A good program has been provided for the band concert given by the West End Business men this evening. These concerts are proving popular and are drawing large crowds each Saturday evening. The following is the program:

Part I.
March—"Scott's Special"....Phillips
Medley Overture—"Remicks Hits
No. 6".....Lampe
Selection from "Gay Musician"....
Edwards
Waltzes—"Wedding of the Winds"....Hall
Novelties—"Snow Queen"....Salter
Part II.
March—"Chicago Belles"....Warren
Medley Overture—"Remicks Hits
No. 5".....Lampe
Cerst Solo—"Daisies Won't Tell"....Owen
Selection from "Three Twins"....
Hochs
Finale—March "Greater Pittsburgh"....St. Clair

MUNCIE TEAM VS. GIANTS.

The line-up for the game between the Athletic Association Baseball club of Muncie and the Richmond Giants, at Athletic park, Sunday afternoon, are as follows:

Muncie—Mohler c, Wulf p, Scarce
m, Miller 1b, Walters 2b, Elliott 3b,
Love 2, Knott cf, Morrey rf.
Giants—Mitchell c, Saines and Ben-
son p, Knox ss, Carr 1b, Smith 2b, Har-
ris 3b, Stokes lf, Patterson cf, Crane

The Homecoming of 1910.
Muncie people should learn what to do for the 1910 Homecoming. There are now necessary to have someone to meet constituents of the city. The men who are to be the leaders of the city should be the ones to be the leaders of the city. The men who are to be the leaders of the city should be the ones to be the leaders of the city.

CHANGE AT WESTCOTT

Lease of Property Passed to
W. E. Bayfield, a Form-
er Proprietor.

IMPROVEMENTS CONTINUE

Announcement was made yesterday at Indianapolis that W. E. Bayfield had obtained control of the lease on the Westcott hotel of this city. It is understood that the consideration was \$25,000 for the ten years' grant. Will Cunningham, who has been in charge of the hotel for five months, was out of the city today and the deal could not be confirmed.

According to the Indianapolis account, Mr. Bayfield will carry out the plans for improving the building as arranged by Mr. Cunningham. It is understood that Mr. Cunningham has secured the Claypool hotel at Indianapolis and will give it his attention.

STORIES OF THE DIAMOND.

Ira Thomas Tells of Duties of
Backstop Position.

STUDY BATTER'S WEAKNESS.

First Class Receivers Invaluable to
Pitchers and Infielders—Cool Head and
Good Memory Needed If You
Want to Succeed.

By IRA THOMAS.
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Would I advise any youngster to take up catching in preference to any other position on a ball team? Well, no—not unless the chap himself is wrapped up in the position and finds that he can play there better than any other place. Catching comes naturally to some men, and unless a player feels that he is intended by nature to become a backstop he should not tackle the position or he will not rise above the ordinary.

Besides being the hardest worker on the team, his position is the most dangerous on the ball field. In order to be a successful pad and mask artist one must require a cool, clear head and an intimate knowledge of the game. He must know the strength and weakness of every batter; he must possess a good arm and a brain capable of outguessing the other chaps.

The knowledge of the batter's weakness gives the catcher a great advantage, for he can tip off to the pitcher just where and what to throw. He knows how many balls it is safe to waste in lying in wait for a runner to steal before trying for the man at the bat. He can often force the bat-

BASEBALL

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Chicago	43	24	.642
New York	40	26	.606
Pittsburg	34	31	.522
Cincinnati	36	33	.522
Philadelphia	32	35	.478
Brooklyn	30	37	.448
St. Louis	30	39	.435
Boston	26	46	.361

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Philadelphia	46	23	.667
New York	40	28	.588
Boston	39	30	.565
Detroit	41	32	.562
Cleveland	39	34	.560
Chicago	30	37	.483
Washington	27	43	.386
St. Louis	21	46	.313

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION.

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Minneapolis	54	31	.625
St. Paul	52	30	.625
Toledo	46	34	.575
Kansas City	36	41	.468
Columbus	35	42	.465
Milwaukee	35	43	.449
Indianapolis	34	48	.414
Louisville	28	51	.354

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS.

National League.
Chicago 3; Cincinnati 2.
Brooklyn 6; Pittsburg 5.
American League.
Boston 3-6; Cleveland 1-2.
Philadelphia 4; Detroit 3.
Washington 12; St. Louis 3.
New York 12; Chicago 4.
American Association.
Milwaukee 3; St. Paul 1.
Kansas City 10; Minneapolis 2.
Louisville 6; Indianapolis 5 (10 inn.).
Columbus 6; Toledo 4 (14 inn.).

GAMES TODAY.

National League.
Brooklyn at Cincinnati.
Boston at St. Louis.
Philadelphia at Pittsburgh.
American League.
St. Louis at Washington.
Cleveland at Boston.
Detroit at Philadelphia.
Chicago at New York.
American Association.
Columbus at Indianapolis.
St. Paul at Kansas City.
Toledo at Louisville.
Milwaukee at Milwaukee.

SMALL DAMAGE BY FIRE.

The home of Frank Winters, 818 North Eighth street, was slightly damaged by fire yesterday afternoon. A blaze on the roof was started from a defective fuse, but the fire was extinguished before much damage was done.

JUDGMENT ON OLD NOTE.

Judgment for \$1,361.96 on an old note was given by Judge Fox of the circuit court today in favor of James L. Pearson against Benjamin B. Duke. The note was originally of much smaller proportions but the plaintiff was never paid any of the principal and rather than allow it to be outlawed, he had the judgment renewed.

WILL NOT INTERFERE

New York, July 9.—Mayor Gaynor today positively refused to interfere with the exhibition of moving pictures of the Jeffries-Johnson fight in this city. His refusal was contained in a reply to the protest of the clergymen.

REV. NAFTZGER HONORED.

The Rev. L. J. Naftzger of Greenfield, formerly pastor of the Grace M. E. church of this city, has been offered the pastorate of the First Methodist church of St. Paul, Minn. He has not decided whether or not to accept the call.

OLD SETTLERS' PICNIC.

The Wayne County Horticultural society held its regular monthly meeting at the residence of Joseph Commons of Centerville today. In addition to the regular program, arrangements for the Old Settlers' picnic at King's Grove on August 20 were made.

BARBER SHOP CHANGE.

The Skinner barber shop, 406 Main street, has passed into the possession of Irvin Hull and Roy Wagoner, two well known young barbers. Several repairs will be made to the shop. Frank Skinner the former owner has not announced what he will do in the future.

Persian Shawls.

The "shawl" of Kerman—whence our word "shawl"—is made of goats' hair. Like the carpets, the shawl patterns are learned by heart, and the work is even finer. Children also do this work. It is estimated that Kerman turns out \$300,000 worth of shawls, handmade, a year. The finest product is a fir cone pattern, a rich color effect, made especially for the governor of the province, who wears it as a robe of honor on the Persian New Year's day.

Youngsters just breaking into the game will do well to make a study of every man that goes to bat. Find out his weak points, study his attitude at the bat, and as every little incident comes up, jot it down in your little book for the future.

Many times a catcher has been severely censured because some speedy fellow has stolen a base. To the onlooker the backstop is at fault. There are many times that the catcher is at fault, but now and again it's on the pitcher. It's up to a twirler to keep a base runner close to the base. If the pitcher allows too much of a start the best throw in the world cannot stop him. Catchers make bad throws occasionally, but they would make very few if the base runners were held close to the bases and the throws did not have to be made in a hurry.

ROGERS SERIOUSLY ILL.

"I am for getting you," replied the smart youth. "and that's why I've come to you." "I can have you,"

A Real Crisis.

"Johnnie, do you understand what is meant by a crisis?"

"Yes, mom."

"Tell us, Johnnie."

"Two out on the bases full, mom."

"Buffalo Grove."

LEMONS DRAWN IN BASEBALL DEALS

Seldom Does a Trade Turn Out Satisfactorily to Both Clubs.

Washington, July 9.—It was learned today that the Interstate commerce commission will decide at next week's meeting to order a suspension pending examinations, of the general increase of freight rates which have been filed with the commission recently. It is to take effect on August 1st.

CUBS HAVE ENVIRY RECORD

In Nearly Every Instance the Chicago National League Club has Profited by Exchanges—Hugh Jennings Has Pulled Off a Few Good Ones.

Baseball history is full of trade in which one club was strong badly, and there are really only a few instances where both clubs apparently had reason to be satisfied. Rather queer when it is known that seldom are trades made on the spur of the moment. Sometimes the interested managers and magnates will spar for weeks and months before completing the details, and then one party discovers that it has been beautifully gold bricked.

The Chicago Nationals have always had the better of their trades. For instance, Murphy several years ago traded "Buttons" Briggs, Jimmy Casey, Jack McCarthy and Billy Maloney for Jimmy Sheppard. Sheppard is still with the Cubs, while the other four have passed out of the big leagues, some of them being even out of the game now. Chicago also gave Bob Wicker for Overall. The latter is one of the Cubs' mainstays in the box, while Wicker has been in the minors for several years.

Another deal that worked to the advantage of the Cubs was that whereby Mordecai Brown became a member of the Cubs along with Catcher O'Neill in exchange for Pitcher Jack Taylor. O'Neill and Pitcher Pfeiffer were soon exchanged for Catcher Moran. Did Murphy and Chance get the better of those deals? Well, very much so. Brown has been one of the greatest pitchers the game has known since joining the Cubs, while Moran, who was recently sold to Philadelphia, has been an able assistant to Kling and Archer. As for the others, they are now minor leaguers or have quit the game. Then the Chicago men put another over on Cincinnati when they acquired Steinfeldt for Pitcher Weimer, who was recently released outright by New York.

A couple of years ago New York released a big bunch of players to Boston in exchange for Tenney and Bridwell. Tenney is now playing in the minor leagues, but Bridwell is still in his prime, while the players let out to Boston are down and outers.

A year ago the big club that won the big league pennants found it necessary to make some trades in order to strengthen several weak points. Pittsburgh traded Barbour and Storke for Byrne. The latter was just the man needed at the third corner, but St. Louis has nothing to show for the deal, Storke dying, while Barbour has been sent to Kansas City.

Detroit pulled off two transactions

that showed that David Huran did not have a whole lot on Hughey Jennings. First he sent Schaefer and Killifer to Washington for Delehanty. The latter has put up a splendid game at second ever since and was the champion batter of the world's series.

Schaefer and Killifer, however, have failed to distinguish themselves at Washington. Then Jennings gave Rossman for Tom Jones. Jones is one of Detroit's mainstays today, while Rossman is a minor leaguer.

Year ago Cleveland gave Ryan

and Cheek to Boston for CY Young.

Young was being also a cash consideration.