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SPURS AND WHIPS.

Let's take a rest from the spurs and whips.

Let's have a few entertainments without the spurring and whipping of horses to make them buck and to unnatural antics.

Buffalo Bill had his day, but that was some time ago.

There is hardly such a thing as a real wild west cowboy in existence today. Like the American Indian they are a dying race. The cowboy of olden times who was loth to shoot out lights and throw billiard balls through windows every time he came to town has been transformed into a manly set of men who mostly own cattle of their own, write a good hand, come to the different towns dressed in conventional attire, visit the shows and

amusement rides without their spurs and try not to attract special attention.

The noble horse is with us just as he will always be with us, but the outlaw horse is a rarity now. Most of the antics cut on bronchos are forced by the steel spur plunged deep in his side or the sting of the whip used by the rider. And occasionally what is known as "high life" is resorted to, which is anything but commendable or fair to the horse.

A good sportsman would not think of shooting a bird sitting and the same rule should hold good with the horse as to bucking.

Yes, let's lay aside the spurs and whips and talk the breeding of horses for a while with the hope that the greatest animal friend to man may get a little better deal than he has heretofore received.

HOLDS UP CASHIER.

Glendale Bank Looted of \$3,200.00 During Day.

Glendale, Ore., June 16.—Walking into the Glendale state bank and carrying rifle, Ray Diamond, a resident held up Assistant Cashier Smith fleeing into the mountains with thirty two hundred dollars. A posse is in pursuit but have found no trace of Diamond.

ALDERMAN WARNS AGAINST CARELESSNESS.

L. R. Alderman, state supt. of public instruction has sent to the press of the state a letter in which he calls attention to the lack of interest shown at the public school meeting held each year. The grade school patrons are asked to read and give thought to this letter a portion of which is given below:

May I call your attention to the fact that there is no more important day in the year, as far as our state is concerned, than the Annual School Meeting Day, which occurs this year on the 15th day of June? The people get in any form of government about what they demand, and if only three or four people attend the Annual School Meeting, it shows that their demand is lacking. School officers and teachers become discouraged and, as a

consequence, poor results follow.

I find that some districts have much better schools than others, although they spend but little, if any more, money. It is not all a question of expenditure; it is a question of looking after things and having the right kind of co-operation. Members of the School Board of the state receive no pay, and are very seldom thanked for what they do. A few schools last year made much

THREE IN AMERICAN LEAGUE

Walter Johnson of Washington, Ed Walsh of Chicago and Vean Gregg of Cleveland Flingers Who Saved Their Teams From Defeat Many Times.

The pinch hitter has his opposite in baseball. The pinch pitcher is becoming a factor in the big league races, and it may be only a short time until tennis will have to carry great one and two inning pitchers—men that hurl shutout ball for a couple of rounds. They will rank with Cobb, Lajoie, Baker and Meyers, who are just naturally passed with men on.

The three greatest pinch pitchers in the American league last season were Walter Johnson of Washington, Ed Walsh of Chicago and Vean Gregg of Cleveland, who can make a game practically safe for the Nationals, White Sox or Naps.

When Big Ed walks on the diamond, his face bulges out with a cud of supply juice for his splitters, the budding rally "flies a-horning." One look at his contemptuous, confident figure is enough to start most batters thinking of the bench. J. J. Callahan kept the White Sox in first place by using Walsh as a club to beat down the opposition. The spitball king worked faithfully and well, but the pinches came too often. Callahan used him up.

Walter Johnson lumbering in from the field is no less awe inspiring than Walsh. He hasn't the look of contempt. He isn't graceful. But he bulks big, and there is not a batter in the league who does not know that if Johnson wants to take the chance of starting a private graveyard of his own a base hit is impossible. Going into the box in a pinch, with men on and the game turning against Washington, he uncorks everything he has. It is the hospital for a batter who stops the ball with his body, the undertaker for the one who steps it with his head.

of the Annual School Meeting Day; took time to look over their property, suggest improvements, and plan for the future. In each of those districts conditions improved at once. I am

sure a man or woman who attends the Annual School Meeting and does his duty, will feel more like celebrating on the Fourth of July.

Very sincerely yours,
L. R. ALDERMAN,
Supt. Public Instruction.

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