

RICKARD IS ACCUSED OF ATTACKING GIRL

\$1000 Bond Is Posted by Fight Promoter.

WHOLE CHARGE IS DENIED

Assault on 15-Year-Old Girl Is Alleged—Two Other Children Are Witnesses.

NEW YORK, Jan. 21.—Tex Rickard, promoter of sporting events, was charged in magistrate's court today with criminal assault on 15-year-old Alice Ruck, public school pupil and daughter of an East side widow.

Through counsel, Rickard, who surrendered on learning a bench warrant had been issued, denied the charges, which were made by the Children's society on complaint of the Ruck girl.

Two of her companions, Estira, Kenzie, 12, and Anna Hess, 11, were held as witnesses, the society quoting the girls as saying Rickard met them last fall at his public swimming pool in Madison Square Garden, gave them money, took them to his office, and there on December 18, last, attacked the Ruck girl in an apartment.

The promoter is under \$1000 bond for examination Wednesday. His attorney said in a statement that Mr. Rickard was the "most surprised man in the world" that he knew nothing about the case. The statement, declaring the situation mystifying, asserted Rickard undoubtedly had a number of bitter enemies as he was engaged in considerable litigation.

The three girls appeared in court, clad in cheap dresses, plain coats and cotton stockings. Their parents also were present.

Seen later, the parents professed to have known nothing of the story until called to court. Complaining that their daughters were being held by the children's society, they said that the girls went to public school and were home early at night. All said they had never heard of Mr. Rickard.

The Hess girl's mother said she was summoned to a police station last Saturday night, where she was told her daughter and the Ruck girl had been given to the Children's society, after they had gone to Bellevue hospital and falsely reported having taken lodges. Since then the society has detained all three.

Vincent Fitzarran, superintendent of the society, who filed the charges against the promoter of the Dempsey-Carpenter bout, said that after the children's court held the girls on a blanket charge of incorrigibility last week, the society physician examined them and found that the Ruck girl alone showed indications of assault.

Subsequently, he alleged, the girls told this story: Rickard had talked to them last fall while they were in their swimming suits at Madison Square Garden, and then gave each a dollar. Later, they again went to the pool and he gave them each another dollar. The third time he asked if they would have a drink of wine and they declined.

Well, then, come up and see my office," he was alleged to have said. According to Mr. Fitzarran's account, the girls went to the office in the tower of Madison Square Garden, the same tower in which was located the Stanford White studio that figured in the Thaw case, where they asserted Rickard improperly conducted himself.

On the night of December 18, he was accused of having taken Alice Ruck and Anna Hess to the apartment, said to have been raised by another man, where, it was charged, he attacked the Ruck girl and impaired the morals of her chum.

KANSAS PLANS BIG STADIUM

Portland Alumni Expected to Aid in Effort for Memorial.

LAWRENCE, Kan., Jan. 21.—(Special.)—University of Kansas alumni and former students, of which there are 50 in Portland and 400 in the three northwestern states, are organizing university clubs which will take part in a war memorial drive to raise \$1,000,000 which will be used to erect a stadium and student union building at Lawrence, Kan.

Henry McCurdy, recently from New York and a graduate of the University of Kansas, will assist in plans for a reunion in Portland early in February.

There have been completed two straight arms, it is to be a U-shaped stadium which will seat 32,000. A crowd of 20,000 was accommodated Thanksgiving day. Funds to complete the arms have been raised in Kansas and in the immediate vicinity.

Before the last units of the stadium are undertaken work will begin on a student union building which will be similar to the famous student union at the University of Michigan.

GIRLS PLAN SWIMMING MEET

Doughtnut Competition to Be Conducted This Year.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Jan. 21.—(Special.)—Doughtnut swimming competition for girls' organizations will be conducted on the campus for the first time this year, according to Miss Catherine Winslow, swimming instructor.

The girls have been practicing for speed and form since last term. The organizations practicing are Kappa Alpha Theta, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Hendricks Hall and Delta Zeta. The events include speed races, strokes for form, diving, relay races and plunge for distance.

Bucoda to See Boxing Bout.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Jan. 21.—(Special.)—Members of the Bucoda Athletic club are signed up for a number of bouts in the near future. Francis Canfield will meet Earl Johnson of Tono at Tono January 26 and Dannie Albert of Kelso February 12. Eddie Bowen boxes Albert in this city January 26. Felix Dellis meets Young Dove of Tono January 24 and boxes Ralph Ray of Parkland at McKenna February 8. Joe Bittle meets Barney Williams of Centralia in Bucoda February 13.

INTRODUCING SEVEN OF THE EIGHT YOUNG MEN WHO WILL CAPTAIN VARSITY FOOTBALL ELEVENS IN THE PACIFIC COAST CONFERENCE NEXT SEASON.



The University of Oregon has not yet elected a football captain but the pilots of the other seven conference colleges include Erb of California, whose position is quarterback; DeGroot of Stanford, who plays guard; Ingram of Washington, tackle; Calland of Southern California, center; Dunbar of Washington State, tackle; Brown of Idaho, guard, and Locey of Oregon Agricultural college, tackle.

KLEPPER SIGNS ARRAY OF REALLY PROMISING ABILITY

Only One More Good Pitcher Needed to Complete Roster—Turner Instructed to Dig Up High-class Man.

BY L. H. GREGORY.

BILL KLEPPER is about ready to stand pat. Bill spread out a big fat roster roll of ballplayers yesterday, cast his eye down it, approvingly, sat back with the air of a man who has done his duty, lighted a large cigar and spoke thus: "One more good pitcher—just one more—and we are ready to go. We have a pretty good-looking staff as it is, it seems to me, but I will feel better with one more ace that I know can deliver. Let me get my hands on such a pitcher and then show me any club in the Pacific Coast league that looks better on paper than the new Portland team."

With his pick assured, with five good flycatchers on the rolls, with four catchers in the field, with six veteran pitchers of ability lined up and at least two promising youngsters to round out the staff, the team looks good. Prexy Bill has redeemed his promise to "go out and get the players." One more dependable right-handed hurler would help a lot, but Bill knows that as well as anybody, and his new manager, Tom Turner, has instructions to dig up a high-class man.

How different from this time a year ago! Judge McCredie then had some 20 players on his rolls, but only

man available was Willis Butler, a tottering veteran, who lasted there only a month or so.

This season Poolie will be at first. Krug at second, McCann, a fast youth who already has won his spurs in the class AA International league, will be at short, and Joe Sargent, the best third sacker in the International before he went to Detroit last year, will handle the hot corner.

In the outfield at this time last year, and through most of the training camp period, only one veteran was signed. That one was Dick Cox. Later, the Wolfers was obtained for left field. The team started the season with Walter Genie, an unseasoned kid, in center and Art Bourz, another class AA leaguer, as utility man. Compare that with Klepper's lineup of Cox, Charley High and Gressett, all of last season from the little class B Virginia league, there were many things he didn't know about first base play. It took him most of the season to learn them and get his stride.

At second base Marty Krug was the man then as now. Marty had not signed, however, and he did not appear in training camp until just the week before the season opened. During much of the training period it looked as if the team would have to start with a bush player at second, as it did start at short. Little Pep Young, who had never played in a professional game before, had to cover short, and at third the only

NEW MANAGER OF BEAVERS HUSTLING, LIKEABLE FELLOW

Tom Turner Fond of Game and Has Happy Faculty of Getting Along Well With Players.

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 21.—(Special.)—Tom Turner, the big, good-looking Philadelphian, who will manage Portland this season, will be well-liked in the Rose City if he is anywhere near successful as a pilot. Turner has a pleasing personality, is a hustling, hard-working young fellow who has not lost his love for the game, and who has the happy faculty of "getting along" with players.

The Philadelphia scout first dropped into Seattle along in 1918, when Connie Mack sent him out to look over Lyle Bierbe, Eighes appeared to be a comer, and Turner bought him. Since then Turner has made annual pilgrimages to the coast, spending a couple of weeks of each year in Seattle. Every day that he was in town he would appear in uniform at the local ball yard, and he was the hardest-working man on the field. He worked in the outfield, did some pitching to latters, and always presided over batting practices. The infielders used to say that Tom was the best man they ever saw at hitting to the bat, fair at this time last year, with Herman Pillette and Syl Johnson, Rudy Kallio, Harold Polson and Sam Rose as its nucleus, but Kallio and Polson faded and the others could not get cover short, and at third the only

best ring prospects ever developed in Seattle.

Harper is a quiet, mild-mannered little fellow, who lacks much of the roughness of the ordinary gladiator of the ring. He received his boxing education in the amateur ranks, learning much of his skill from Chet McIntyre, the former Seattle Athletic club instructor. Harper always could box, but not until the last year has he developed the skill which he now boasts. It has been said that there is only one left hand on the coast that exceeds that of Harper, and Jimmy Duffy owns it.

Harper is meeting a tough bird in Walling. But that's what they said when he boxed Leach Cross, and everybody knows what he did to the famous dentist.

Moore Johnson, one of the quaint figures of the hockey game, pulled a funny one the other night. The Moose, defense man on the Victoria Arles, packed up his togs and departed for his home in Portland with the following farewells: "I'm through. They haven't given me a square deal, and I am going to quit the game. The fans boo me every time I start and the newspapers put me in the grease. I'm going to leave."

When Johnson pulled the foregoing in the dressing room, nobody believed him. They thought he was kidding. But when the team took the boat for the north the Moose was among the missing.

"He'll be back," remarked Les Patrick, the Victoria manager, when he heard about it. "Johnson is a queer fellow, but I think he will return."

But the Moose has not shown up yet. If he makes good his intention of quitting hockey will lose one of its oldest players. It is estimated that

RUTH VISITS LANDIS BUT DOESN'T PLEAD

Commissioner Too Ill to Discuss Punishment.

PLAYER PAYS RESPECTS

Intention to Ask for Investigation of \$2000 Fine and Suspension to May 20 Abandoned.

CHICAGO, Jan. 21.—"Babe" Ruth today called on Judge Landis, baseball commissioner, with the intention of pleading for mitigation of his \$2000 fine and suspension until May for playing post-season baseball games, but found the judge too ill to discuss the matter.

The conference was held in the judge's home where he had been confined with a bad cold for a week.

"I stayed just long enough to pay my respects," said Ruth. "I do not know what I will do now, but I do not think I will try to see the judge again. As for next year, I have nothing to say."

The home-run hitter was informed, however, that the commissioner had no objection to Ruth taking the spring training trip with his club, provided there was no objection from the club.

Judge Landis is confined to his apartment with a severe cold.

BOXING WILL BE NEXT EVENT

Intramural Competition Is Planned at University.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Jan. 21.—(Special.)—The next intramural sports event to be taken up by the campus housing organizations and fraternities will be boxing. The bouts will begin early in February, with about ten organizations entering teams. These are Sigma Nu, Kappa Sigma, Kappa Theta Chi, Alpha Tau Omega, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Sigma Chi, Beta Theta Pi, Phi Gamma Delta, Theta Theta Pi, Oregon club and Friendly hall.

Other organizations may enter as the time for competition draws nearer. Charles Dawson, boxing instructor, will arrange the schedule and run off the bouts. He also will select the best men from the various organizations for his varsity team. No varsity boxing bouts have been scheduled yet, but it is not improbable that an effort will be made to schedule some good bouts with other commercial colleges if enough interest is shown.

Weights for the intramural competition include flyweight, 108 pounds and under; bantamweight, 125 pounds; featherweight, 135 pounds; lightweight, 145; welterweight, 155; middleweight, 165, and heavyweight, 175 pounds and over.

RIFLE COMPETITION COMING

University Experts to Shoot With Drexel Military Institute.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Jan. 21.—(Special.)—A rifle shoot between the reserve officers' training corps teams of the university and the team of Drexel Military Institute of Philadelphia will be conducted by telegraph the week ending February 2.

The firing will be done with the new Winchester rifles, eight of which recently were obtained by the officers' reserve corps here for firing on the range. In the recent meets against the Oregon Agates and the University of California, which Oregon lost, the old-style rifles were used.

In the meet with Drexel ten men will fire, but only the five highest scores will count. The members of the team are: W. H. Durham, E. F. Sloan, J. A. Meek, G. T. Gant, G. L. Heider, H. Bonebrake, E. Biggar, G. N. Page, A. M. Wilhelm, Don Zimmerman. Four alternates are: P. Lashelle, H. L. Green, J. W. Homewood and V. B. Bullock.

HOOD RIVER TO SEE KLINES

Portland Team to Play Practice Game There Today.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Jan. 21.—(Special.)—The M. L. Kline team of picked bowlers from the Portland City league, who will soon meet a Seattle team in the annual intercollegiate tournament, will play a practice game here tomorrow afternoon against a picked local team. Two local men, E. E. House and Duke Goodwin, who have been chosen on the Klines, will bowl with the visitors. The local team will be chosen from the following: Green, Annala, Shray, DeWitt, McCullagh, Forry, Smith, Roe and Franz.

A picked local team of women, known as the White Diamonds, will start a six-game contest with women of the Multnomah Athletic association of Portland on the coming week.

2 SWIM RECORDS CLAIMED

Interscholastic Championships Are Held at Pennsylvania "U."

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 21.—Two world's scholastic swimming records were claimed today by the winners of the 500-yard relay race and the 50-yard event in the annual interscholastic championships in the University of Pennsylvania pool.

Eric High school won the relay in 1 minute 45 2/5 seconds, one second under the mark set last year by Lawrenceville school, while James Spear of Mercersburg academy won the 50-yard event in 24 3/5 seconds, one second off a three-fifths of a second off the old record held by William Wright of Erie high, national scholastic champion.

Miller and Sanders to Vie.

TOLEDO, Or., Jan. 21.—(Special.)—Charles Miller, farmer, and ex-wrestler of the Spokane Athletic club, who threw Paul Amort of Portland at Newport, January 4, has accepted the challenge of Eric High, who hails from eastern Oregon, to a wrestling match to be held in Toledo, February 4.

Bobby Harper, the flashy Seattle boy who is to meet Joe Walling in Portland, January 31, is one of the