

WILLIAMS, FELSCH TELL OF BRIBERY

2 Gamblers Are Indicted in Baseball Probe.

Idols of Game in Disgrace

Men Who Corrupted Players Rumored Nationally Known.

Confessions Are Proved

Sox Fielder Says Mates Who Were Crooked Lived in Fear of Exposure.

CHICAGO, Sept. 29.—Confessions from Claude Williams and Oscar Felsch admitting that they were bribed to "throw" last year's world series were made public today and at the same time the grand jury investigating the baseball scandal took its first action against the gamblers who are said to have engineered the deal by indicting two men whose identity was only partly revealed.

"Brown" and "Sullivan" were the names under which true bets were voted against the alleged gamblers and both were said to be from Boston or New York. Later, however, it came out that the jury believed these names to be mythical and used by the men when they "threw" the series. Possibility that they are two men whose names already have been brought before the jury and who are nationally known, was expressed by an official in the state's attorney's office.

Confessions Tally With Plot.

The statement by Williams and the newspaper reports of Felsch's confessions tallied with those made yesterday by Eddie Cicotte and Joe Jackson. They revealed that last year's world series was settled in a tiny room in a small south side hotel, occupied by Eddie Cicotte, once the American league's leading pitcher, the deal was made which "threw" the world series, wrecked a world championship and brought some of the greatest idols in baseball in disgrace.

According to the sworn statement made by Claude Williams, who lost three of the world series games, he and "Chick" Gandil, "Buck" Weaver, Eddie Cicotte, who lost two games, and "Mac" Felsch, whose error helped lose one game, met here to barter with "Brown" and "Sullivan" to lose the games.

Flayers Sell Selves to Gamblers.

"After we had agreed that we were willing to 'throw' the series," Williams said, "we went out one at a time and made our bargains with Brown and Sullivan."

Williams said he received \$10,000 and that he gave \$5000 to Jackson, a statement which tallies with the confession made by Jackson yesterday. He was supposed to get \$20,000, he said.

Felsch, according to reports of his confession, said he received \$5000, which he found in his locker at the club house, but that he "never had a chance to really help lose the series."

His one glaring error of the series—when he dropped a fly ball—was an accident and he was warned afterward by the other players not to be so awkward in making his misplays, he was quoted as saying. The outfielder declared he didn't want to "get in on the deal" at first, but the other players at the Warner hotel conference told him it would be easy. He said he had been promised \$20,000 but was double-crossed by Brown, Atwell and Gandil were the ones he believed guilty of the double-crossing.

Bribed Men Fear Exposure.

Felsch denied that the White Sox had thrown any games this season and said the men implicated in the bribery had felt all season that they would be exposed sooner or later. He confirmed the confessions of Cicotte and Jackson made yesterday.

John Heydler, president of the National league, and John McGraw, manager of the New York Giants, told today the jury details of the Lee Magee and Hal Chase cases and also concerning the dropping of Heinie Zimmerman.

McGraw was requested to return Tuesday and bring the New York pitcher, and Benny Kauff, outfielder, with him. Heydler was asked to appear again at his convenience after the world's series.

McGraw is said to have told the jury that he dropped Hal Chase from his club after President Heydler had told him Magee confessed Chase bribed him to throw games. He said he had heard of many other gambling activities of Chase's before the Magee case.

McGraw Fires Crooked Men.

Zimmerman was dropped from the New York team, McGraw is said to have told the jury, because information had come to the New York manager that the third baseman offered Benny Kauff \$500 to help throw games.

"I believe Kauff was innocent," said McGraw, "but I got rid of Chase and Zimmerman even though I knew it would seriously injure my club, because I did not want such men on the club."

Heydler's testimony was largely the interview he gave newspapermen.

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FIVE GAMES AT FAIR CLOSED BY GOVERNOR

OLCOTT RECEIVES COMPLAINTS AND BOARD OFFICIALS ACT.

Amusements Under Ban Said Not to Have Appeared Questionable When Contracted.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 29.—(Special.)—Governor Olcott, acting upon a report that some of the games on the fair grounds were of a questionable character, last night wrote a letter to the members of the fair board directing them to close up these establishments. He said in his letter that failure on the part of the fair officials to act would result in his office taking a hand in the situation.

Previous to receiving the governor's letter members of the fair board said the chief of police, a state agent, and federal officer had inspected all the shows and games and had pronounced them to be satisfactory and not objectionable.

This did not satisfy the executive, however, and a conference was called at the fair grounds early today. It was finally decided to name a committee to visit the concessions and close any of them which were found to be violating the law.

It was reported tonight that the inspection of the committee resulted in closing five games, which, when they were contracted, were not under suspicion.

U. S. WOULD CLOSE OFFICE

Prohibition Officials Seek to Commandeer Desk Space.

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 29.—Civil action to close for one year offices in the building in which T. J. McNally was, according to federal prohibition agents, arrested yesterday when liquor is said to have been found in a desk in the office, will be instituted under the Volstead act, according to United States District Attorney Robert C. Saunders.

If the government wins the case the room may be closed for a year or the owner of the building may be required to give bonds that the prohibition laws will not be violated in it, Mr. Saunders said.

MIDDLE WEST HAS FROST

Kansas and Nebraska Report Killing Temperatures.

TOPEKA, Kas., Sept. 29.—Killing frost was reported last night in western Kansas, with a minimum temperature of 28 at Goodland and Dredgen, the lowest reported in the region today. A heavy frost throughout the entire state was predicted for tonight.

OMAHA, Sept. 29.—Killing frosts from a number of points in Nebraska were reported today to the local weather bureau. The bulk, if not all of the state's corn crop, however, is safe from frost. It was stated at the bureau. Prediction of a heavy frost tonight "was made."

NEW AIR RACE PROPOSED

Texas Aero Club Authorizes Trophy and \$10,000 Cash.

NEW YORK, Sept. 29.—An international airplane trophy, with a cash prize of \$10,000 and smaller awards, has been authorized by the Aero Club of Texas. C. Anderson Wright, its president, said today that the trophy was taken upon learning that Sadl Leonote's victory in the race at Etanipes yesterday gave France permanent possession of the James Gordon-Bennett trophy.

The new trophy, authorized to be offered through the Aero Club of America, would be called the Cox airplane trophy, after S. E. J. Cox of Houston, Tex.

FLEET READY FOR ACTION

Battleship Squadron to "Attack" California Coast Soon.

UNITED STATES FLAGSHIP NEW MEXICO, U. S. S. 25.—The battleship squadron of the Pacific fleet, composed of five dreadnoughts, is proceeding to attack a point off the California coast, Admiral Rodman announced today. Beginning tomorrow, the fleet will be in a warlike condition with the shore will be discontinued.

"Much enthusiasm was shown by the Hawaiian islanders on the occasion of our recent visit here," Admiral Rodman said, "and about 347 recruits enlisted on the various ships."

ALABAMA CITY GROWING

Census Gives Bessemer 71.9 Per Cent Gain in Population.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 29.—Census announcements today were:

Moberly, Mo. (revised), 12,805; increase 1920, or 17.3 per cent; previously announced, 12,738.

Bessemer, Ala., 18,674; increase, 7310, or 71.9 per cent.

Populations of the states of Kentucky and North Dakota and Hoquiam, Wash., will be announced at 10:30 A. M. tomorrow.

LUMBER PRICES TUMBLING

Kansas City Reports Fourth Decline This Year.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Sept. 29.—Reductions in retail lumber prices ranging from 10 to 20 per cent, according to grade of the product, were announced today by all retail lumber dealers here.

The reduction is the fourth this year and makes a decline of 20 to 40 per cent from the peak prices of last May, the dealers say.

NOTORIOUS BRUTE OFFICER IS FREED

Home Privileges Given "Hardboiled" Smith.

SOLDIERS IN FRANCE ABUSED

Original Sentence by Court-martial 3 Years in Prison.

Convicted Army Man Admits Harsh Treatment and Says Term Imposed Was Too Light.

PROBE REVEALS LENIENCY

LEAVENWORTH, Kan., Sept. 29.—(Special.)—Information came from the prison authorities at the Fort Leavenworth penitentiary today that ex-Leutenant Frank H. "Hardboiled" Smith had not served out the term of 18 months to which he was sentenced for brutal treatment of American expeditionary force prisoners in the prison camp at Chelles, France. Instead, it was said, he was paroled and permitted to go to his home in Painesville for several months of the time.

The parole was given at Fort Jay on Governors Island, New York, according to the officials here. Smith had been confined there pending the congressional investigation of ill treatment of soldiers in France, but in July, 1919, it was reported that he had been brought to Leavenworth to spend the remainder of his sentence.

Parole Report Made.

Apparently he was carried on the records as a prisoner at Leavenworth, for one of the conditions of his parole was that every month he should mail a report of his movements to the authorities here. This he did until the term to which he was sentenced was completed recently.

"Hardboiled" Smith was originally sentenced by a court-martial in France to three years at Leavenworth. While confined at Chelles after conviction for the murder of a French soldier, General Pershing, who cut the sentence in half. Subsequently the notoriety attaching to this and similar cases and the statement of General Peyton C. March that severe brutalities had been practiced by some officers at prison camps inspired Secretary of War Baker to investigate.

On July 19, 1919, General Pershing reported to Secretary Baker on several cases, among them that of "Hardboiled" Smith, recalling that Smith, commanding officer at the Chelles prison camp, had been tried on 21 specifications, found guilty on ten and sentenced to three years at hard labor, and dismissal from the service, the sentence being reduced to 18 months by the "confirming authority."

Members of the congressional subcommittee.

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TWO MORE SLAYERS OF SHERIFF GUILTY

STOOP AND HENDERSON ARE CONVICTED AT PENDLETON.

Jury Recommends Life Imprisonment Instead of Death Penalty.

Verdict Takes Five Hours.

PENDLETON, Or., Sept. 29.—(Special.)—Irvin Leroy Stoop and Floyd L. Henderson tonight were found guilty of the murder of Sheriff Till Taylor when they broke jail here July 25. The verdict, returned after the jury had deliberated five hours, carried with it a recommendation for life imprisonment instead of the penalty of death. Sentence will be pronounced at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Instructions of the court were read to the jury this afternoon, following the closing of the arguments by both the state and defense in the case of Irvin Leroy Stoop and Floyd L. Henderson, charged with murder in the first degree for the killing of Sheriff Till Taylor, and the jury retired for deliberation at 4 o'clock.

Lengthy instructions were given by Judge Phelps, owing to the many issues involved in the case, Emmett Bancroft having already pleaded guilty of the killing and having been sentenced to hang November 5, and the trial of Elvie D. Kerby and John Kaffeban coming tomorrow on the same charge.

Six separate verdicts could be rendered by the jury according to the instructions of the court, each defendant being entitled to one of three, guilty in the first degree, guilty in the second degree or not guilty.

Argument and rebuttal were closed for the state by Attorney-General Brown at 2:45 P. M., and immediately the court read the indictment to the jury charging the two defendants with murder in the first degree. The court then instructed the jury upon the evidence presented in the case, ruling that the defendants were not being tried for jail-break, but for murder, thus eliminating much of the testimony presented by the state which did not prove the defendants' connection with the actual killing.

Judge Phelps instructed the jury that the burden of proof was with the state to establish each and every allegation of the indictment, but that if a conspiracy to shoot their way out of the jail was proved against all of the four men implicated in the murder it was not necessary for the state to prove the defendants' presence at the actual killing to establish their complicity as principals in the murder. A blow at the testimony of Emmett Bancroft, confessed murderer, who testified Tuesday that all of the four had agreed to shoot their way out of the jail if necessary, came when the court ruled that the testimony of accomplices should always be viewed with distrust.

HARDING 3-TO-1 SHOT OVER COX IN CITY

VOTERS INDICATE THEY HAVE DECIDED ON CANDIDATE.

Small Percentage of Persons Whose Minds Are Not Made Up Encountered Among Women.

VOTING PLACE.	Harding	Cox	Other
N. W. Bank Bldg.	123	33	1
Men	83	21	1
Women	40	12	0
Central library staff	10	3	0
Men	10	3	0
Women	0	0	0
Wadhams & Co.	19	8	0
Men	19	8	0
Women	0	0	0
Pacific Grain Co.	45	10	0
Men	45	10	0
Women	0	0	0
Teachers' Ass'n	12	8	0
Men	12	8	0
Women	0	0	0
Total	418	159	2

A more decided trend in political conviction, evidence of more or less careful consideration of the issues involved, was encountered in yesterday's straw ballot on the presidential election being taken by 'The Oregonian' throughout the city.

Votes were cast in the Northwest bank building by the employees of the Northwestern National bank, the day staff of the Central library, Wadhams & Co., the Pacific Grain company and the Grade Teachers' association. A poll also was taken by telephone, with the result that Senator Harding maintained his lead over the democratic nominee almost 3 to 1.

As a general rule, when the individual was asked regarding his preference, the answer was given immediately and decidedly, showing that he had made up his mind and was prepared to stand by his decision. Usually, too, when the preference was stated, the voter volunteered in his word or two reasons for backing his choice.

Voting along party lines loomed in yesterday's ballot. Harding followers were large members of the republican party, with the exception of a few democrats who "didn't believe in the league of nations." Cox adherents, for the most part, were for the league of nations unreservedly. One man now for Cox stated that he had voted the republican ticket until Wilson was first nominated and had voted "with the democrats ever since."

The vote in the Northwestern National bank building stood 89 to 27 in favor of Harding, while the employees of the Northwestern National bank supported the republican candidate, 77 to 17.

The usual small percentage of undecided voters were encountered, especially among the women. "It doesn't make any difference to me who's elected," declared one woman, "but I'm for Cox."

"I'm for Harding for no particular reason," volunteered another. "Just on general principles, I suppose."

One man put into facetious form some of the sentiments hidden in the mind of many.

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HARDING SPECIAL CAR JUMPS TRACK

Senator's Party Narrowly Escapes Wreck.

THREE-DAY TRIP IS FINISHED

Plea Made for Government Representing All.

WILSON REGIME RAPPED

Lessons Drawn From Arrogance and Autocracy of One Man and Tragedy in Germany.

ON BOARD SENATOR HARDING'S SPECIAL TRAIN, Sept. 29.—Senator Harding's special train escaped a serious wreck by a hair's breadth today as it was carrying the republican nominee across West Virginia on the last leg of his last campaign trip.

His private car "Ideal" left the rails near Millwood, a small mountain village, and with its trucks banging themselves to pieces over the railway ties, was dragged across a high and narrow trestle at the rate of 30 miles an hour. The train came to a stop beyond the chasm just as the rear wheels of the "Ideal" veered off the ties entirely and buried themselves in the grave.

The other cars of the train did not leave the rails and no one was injured. A defective casting in the front truck which jolted to pieces as the car crossed a switch was blamed by train officials for the accident. In its perilous career the heavy car splintered ties and snapped off rail bolts for more than 300 yards and two of the ties in the trestle it crushed entirely.

Special Heads Homeward.

Tonight the special, minus the abandoned "Ideal," turned northeastward for Marion, the senator completing his three-day trip with two evening addresses in Ohio. During the day he had spoken in a half dozen West Virginia cities and had addressed a big afternoon meeting at Ashland, Ky.

Americanism, representative government and governmental economy featured the nominee's speeches and he also touched on the other issues of the campaign. At Ashland he condemned "pork barrel" river and harbor legislation and asked for a more efficient development of the nation's inland waterways.

Speaking to a crowd at Mason City, W. Va., he compared his abandoned private car to the American car of state.

U. S. Peril Pictured.

"The great car of state," he said, "going forward to the fulfillment of national engagements," got off the track last year over in Paris and it left things in very bad order and I think maybe in crossing the trestle of internationalism in the senate to prevent us from completely leaving the track, we might have had a very serious wreck for the United States.

"So I am telling you that instead of trying to put a broken car back on the track let us cut it loose and go on and keep our engagements with all the world."

The allusion roused a cheer. Another shout of approval came during a speech at Parkersburg, W. Va., when in referring to Governor Cox's discussion of the "America first" slogan in South Dakota, last night, the republican nominee said:

"I note by the morning papers that someone has taken up that slogan and tried to compare it with that used by the Germans during the war."

Cox Pleas Considered.

"Somewhat or other the comparison has appealed to me. And I noted in a colloquy between the democratic candidate and a citizen of German origin that it was attempted to make the slogan 'America first' appeal as one of selfishness and an ultimate menace for us in our relations with the rest of the world. I do not know that I can pronounce correctly the well-known slogan of the Germans, 'Deutschland uber alles,' for this meant, I understand, that they were thinking of Germany first."

"And I beg to remind my countrymen that under the spirit of 40 years' practice in Germany, under that slogan, Germany became industrially the most potent, educationally the most influential, progressively the most notable, well known in the accomplishment of art and most conspicuous in widened commerce of any people in the world."

"You know what ended all. Only the arrogance and autocracy of one man who turned the influence and popularity of a great people into the one tragic spectacle of all history. And so I take the lesson from Germany and I warn you, my countrymen, let us not have one-man dictatorship in the United States."

Wilson's Regime Rapped.

At Huntington, W. Va., the senator spoke from a stand erected near the railway station to a crowd which jammed the street for a block away and cheered the nominee many times.

Mrs. Christine Bradley, South daughter of former Senator Bradley, introduced Senator Harding at the Ashland meeting and in opening

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CITY'S SEAL MAKES DASH FOR PACIFIC

TRUANT STOPS CAR WHILE PEDESTRIANS FLEE.

Police Take Animal Back to Park After Mile and Half Walk to Mount Calvary.

A young seal escaped from his pond at the entrance to the City park last night and flapped his way up Washington street almost to the city limits, stopping one street car and frightening several pedestrians. He was captured by Patrolman Forken and taken back to his home.

The seal was donated to the park about two weeks ago. An ocean breeze wafted a scent of his old haunts over the park last night, and the youngster flapped his way out of the pond and struck out in the general direction of the Pacific.

The escape was discovered when a motorman on a Kings heights street car stopped to investigate a dark object on the car track. He thought someone might have fallen while out for a walk. He descended and scrutinized the body.

"Hully gee!" he exclaimed, mindful of the company's rule against swearing before passengers. "And this a dry town, too!"

He induced the aquatic pedestrian to move off the track and telephoned the news to police headquarters. Patrolman Forken and Special Patrolman Finn took up the chase. Meanwhile the seal had flopped up the hill and was almost to Mount Calvary cemetery when they overtook him.

The police loaded the seal into the side of a motorman's car and trundled him back home. He splashed into the pond with evident relief. The police say the seal wandered about 1 1/2 miles and traveled at what would be the seaweed eating gait for a man. The seal weighed about 100 pounds.

HUGE WIRELESS FINISHED

German Station, Largest in World, Has Radius of 12,000 Miles.

NAUEN, Germany, Sept. 29.—(By the Associated Press.)—Wireless.—The completed wireless sending station here, the largest in the world, was officially dedicated today in the presence of an invited company, including E. H. Loring, Dresden, United States commissioner to Berlin. Other members of the American mission also were present.

President Ebert, who spoke at the function, after congratulating the German makers of the station on their skill and ingenuity, sent broadcast a message opening the new service.

The towers and antennae which arose in various places of the hall, a sending radius of 12,000 miles and a capacity of 75 words a minute.

BOUQUET QUENCHES BLAZE

Fire in Auto Stopped With Flowers From Vase in Car.

BEND, Or., Sept. 29.—(Special.)—Their closed car set afire as the result of defective battery connections, Mrs. E. E. Covert and her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Dora Covert, used a bouquet of flowers snatched from a vase in the automobile to beat out the flames.

Mrs. E. E. Covert is in central Oregon from Portland, visiting at the ranch of her son-in-law.

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BRITISH ANTHEM STARTS NEAR RIOT

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Women With Banners March Through Carnegie Hall.

SOLDIERS JOIN PICKETS

English Delegates to Ceremony Hooted—Girls Refuse to Sing.

Colby Fails to Speak.

NEW YORK, Sept. 29.—Police were called to Carnegie hall tonight to eject a crowd of men and women who forced their way into the building during the tercentenary celebration of the landing of the Pilgrims. The intruders, carrying banners with anti-British inscriptions, created great disorder with shouts of "Hurrah for America!" and "Down with England!"

The disturbance reached such proportions that it was impossible for the speakers to continue and it was decided to adjourn.

A group of women who said they were members of an organization known as "The American Women Pickets for the Enforcement of America's War Aims" led the intruders. Some of the banners they carried bore the names of British delegates to the tercentenary celebration and characterized the delegates as "British spies."

Children Refuse to Sing.

The disturbance started when the British anthem, "God Save the King," was reached. Several boys and girls in a chorus of the national program, left the stage, saying they would not sing the number and that they did not know it was on the programme.

Two men, wearing army uniforms and carrying the American flag, also left the stage.

When the piano and organ that accompanied the chorus broke into the strains of the British anthem, shouts arose in various parts of the hall.

Colby Was to Speak

Secretary of State Colby was scheduled to speak but he had not arrived when the disturbance began.

The chief motive for the demonstration, the women said, was to protest against "invigilating American boys and girls into singing the British national anthem," which, they said, was "a treasonable act."

Members of the chorus gathered in front of the auditorium after the meeting and sang "America," led by some of the picket leaders and joined by many men, who said they were war veterans.

British Delegates Hooted.

British delegates attending the celebration were greeted with derisive shouts and jeers as they passed through a path made in the crowd by police.

Some of the girls said they had been asked to sing at the meeting tonight and consented. They attended the meeting and sang "America," but did not know that the British anthem was to be sung. Many children with boy scouts and campfire girls were in the second balcony.

One of the banners carried by the pickets, but which was kept furled, bore the inscription, "Don't speak, Mr. Colby; remember the English flattered Benedict Arnold." The pickets said there was no occasion to show high banner when Mr. Colby failed to appear.

HOTEL CUTS FOOD PRICES

Items on Bill of Fare Are Reduced 25 to 30 Per Cent.

CHICAGO, Sept. 29.—(Special.)—Today prices of vegetables, fruits and cereals on the Blackstone hotel's bill of fare looked as if they had been caught in a bear raid. Up and down the list prices had been reduced from 25 to 30 per cent.

Managers of 21 other hotels and restaurants, members of the Hotel Men's association, are going over menus and marking down the least popular dishes.

This action results from a campaign carried on by Russell J. Poole, head of the city's commission on the cost of living, and a general decline in the market prices of food.

Samuel Sampson, owner of three apartment buildings, announced that he had reduced rent on apartments and on all other flats which he owns in various parts of the city 10 per cent, to take effect October 1.

"This action has been contemplated since the general reduction in prices started," said Mr. Sampson. "I believe landlords all over the city will see the justice of similar reductions."

FRANCE RECEIVES GERMAN

First Ambassador Since War Presents Self at Paris.

PARIS, Sept. 29.—William Masov von Kaufbeuren, German ambassador to France, today presented his credentials to President Millerand at the Elysee palace.

Diplomatic relations of France and Germany are thus restored to the pre-war basis.

