

WOLGAMOTT SUES DEPUTY SHERIFF M'MAHON, \$3800

There has been considerable suppressed excitement the past few days when it became known that suit for \$3800 damages and for \$1000 for exemplary damages has been brought in circuit court against former Deputy Sheriff J. J. McMahon and Wilber Jacks, for alleged false imprisonment on the charge of intoxication and alleged personal assault in connection with that arrest, by Ernest S. Wolgamott, better known as "Dud." G. M. Roberts, former district attorney is attorney for Wolgamott in these suits. McMahon, although always having the reputation of being a good, active and fearless officer, was given more local fame through being championed openly at the recent Bulgin-Lewis revival campaign here. It is understood that the Law and Order League organized as an outgrowth of that campaign will take in hand the raising of a public fund for the defense of McMahon. In this connection it is interesting to know that the First Methodist church last Sunday voted \$200 for the support of the Law and Order League.

The damage suits are the outcome of Wolgamott's arrest at a public dance in Orth's hall at Jacksonville on the night of April 23rd last by McMahon on the charge of intoxication. In arresting him, testimony at Wolgamott's hearing, showed that Wolgamott was either shoved or fell downstairs. Testimony on this point varied. Wolgamott was taken to the county jail at Jacksonville where he was held about an hour until released on bail, and during which time Dr. Sweeney of Medford, was summoned by the arrested man's friends to care for him.

At his hearing in Justice Taylor's court many witnesses were examined and the testimony as to whether Wolgamott was drunk was about equally divided, until Dr. Sweeney, the last witness examined declared that in his opinion he was not. Among those who testified that Wolgamott was intoxicated were Deputy Sheriff McMahon, Wilber Jacks, who managed the dance, County Jailor Bert Moses and Sheriff Terrill's son. The sheriff who had been called to the county jail shortly after the arrest testified that in his opinion Wolgamott was not drunk but had been drinking.

Justice Taylor after hearing all the evidence dismissed the charge against Wolgamott.

Wolgamott in his petition in the damage suits charges that he was wrongfully, maliciously and with great force and violence assaulted and beaten by the defendants. He charges that they threw him with great force against a door jam, causing injuries, and then wrongfully and erroneously accused him of being drunk and arrested him and incarcerated him in the county jail for an hour. The petition then goes on to relate that by reason of "disgrace, shame, humiliation, sorrow and mental anguish suffered by the plaintiff," he should be awarded the sum of \$2800 for damages, including his attorney's fee of \$200 and doctor's bill of \$100, and exemplary damages of \$1000.

PORTLAND, Ore., June 23.—Fred L. Germain, a night watchman at the Union station, died early today while being taken to a hospital, following an accident in which he was run down by an automobile driven by Collins E. Brown on Burnside street bridge.

CALIFORNIA SECOND TO ANNAPOLIS IN YESTERDAY'S RACE

POUGHKEEPSIE—The naval academy and the University of California crews raced into first and second places in the three mile varsity event of the intercollegiate regatta, late yesterday.

KANSAS CITY—Jess Willard, former heavyweight champion "told friends here today that he was too busy to be in Jersey City, N. J., on July 2 to witness the Dempsey-Carpentier championship fight.

DETROIT—Vernon Parks, former star pitcher of the University of Michigan baseball club, joined the Tigers yesterday. Julio Mee, formerly shortstop at the University of Illinois, has left to join the Portland club of the Pacific Coast league.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass.—Harvard won the annual baseball series with Yale by adding to Tuesday's victory, a win yesterday of 16 to 4.

BASEBALL STARS TRY TO EXPLAIN B. RUTH'S SECRET

CHICAGO, June 22.—Here are reasons advanced by some of baseball's leaders in explaining the increased long distance hitting:

"This speaker, manager of the world champion Cleveland Indians—"Ineffective pitching is the cause. They've barred the emery ball, the spitter and all the old deliveries. The pitchers haven't anything left but a glove and a prayer and they work the prayer overtime."

Johnny Evers, manager of the Chicago Cubs—"It's the lively ball. The ball is so fast the players can't handle it and the force that used to be used in hunting now puts the ball out of the infield. The fast ball is crippling infielders and spoiling the game."

John Heydler, president of the National League—"Babe Ruth caused it. Babe made every one think it was easy to hit homers and now the batters swing their hardest. Everyone takes a full swing at the ball; result, more long hits than ever."

Kid Gleason, manager of the Chicago White Sox—"It's partly the fast ball and partly the fact that the weather has been so bad in the central west that the western clubs' pitchers are not in condition. Most of the heavy hitting has been in the east by eastern clubs against western clubs' pitchers."

Frank Navin, president, Detroit American League club—"It's not the lively ball, for there is no such thing. The balls are all the same. The hitting is caused by the rules prohibiting a pitcher from doctoring the ball a little. He'd rub dirt on it to roughen it up a little, spit on it and do lots of other things to enable him to get a better grip. These things are barred now, and the pitchers are ineffective as a result."

To the Citizens of Medford We are announcing our new Square Deal Wet Wash Laundry at 608 North Grape street, which will be in operation on or about July 1st. Our prices will suit your pocket book and we will treat you square. H. F. PECK, Manager.

Canal Zone Youngsters to Give Swimming Exhibitions



Twenty-five children from the Pan-ama Canal Zone are in New York to take part in the opening of the world's largest indoor swimming pool at Madison Square Garden. The youngsters, familiarly known as the Red, White and Blue troupe, range in ages from seven to twelve years. All are expert swimmers and divers. The photo shows the Bernard sisters, members of the troupe. They are left to right: Helen, Vivian and Margaret. Their father is a member of Uncle Sam's forces in the Canal Zone.

JAP BASEBALL TEAM TO PLAY FOREST GROVE

PORTLAND, Ore., June 23.—Closing a successful tour of America, the Waseda university, Tokio, baseball team will play two games here July 11, and 12 against Pacific university of Forest Grove, Ore., it was announced today. The Japanese team will arrive in Seattle July 3 and will play three games against the University of Washington, several games against Japanese teams in that city and Tacoma. They will sail for Japan from Seattle July 14.

CHICAGO, June.—The Waseda university baseball team of Tokyo, Japan, which has just started a second invasion of the eastern states on its fourth quadrennial American tour, left Chicago on points scored, with 62 runs to 83 for their opponents. In the hit column, the Japanese out-numbered their opponents 112 to 104. The Japanese have played practically every large college and university in the country since they landed in San Francisco on April 30. All of their games have been close, no opponent scoring more than nine runs in a game, while Waseda took Northwestern to a neat trimming of 17 to 7. The Japs lost to Harvard, Yale, Illinois and Pennsylvania by one point in each game.

Baseball, as played by Americans, is exactly the same as played in Japan, but the teams are, as a whole, much faster, according to M. Nakamura, graduate manager and scorekeeper of the Waseda nine.

"And your western teams are stronger than the eastern ones," he added. "Illinois has a much stronger team than Harvard or Yale, I think." When the Japanese team completes its second trip through the eastern states, the men will return to Seattle, where they will be the guests of the University of Washington for 10 days before sailing for Japan on July 14. This is the first trip abroad for the present team, although Waseda has previously sent three teams to America, paying a return visit the year following the University of Chicago's Japanese tour every four years.

The team is accompanied by Prof. L. Abe, known as the "Father of Japanese Baseball," who is dean of the department of political science at Waseda, and H. B. Benninghoff, an American and professor of political science, who is acting as business manager.

DEATH OF KING PETER IS ALSO EXAGGERATED

BELGRADE, June 23.—The improvement in the health of King Peter, of Serbia, who has been seriously ill continues.

A London dispatch of Tuesday quoted the weekly newspaper, "The Near East" as saying it had learned King Peter died three or four days ago. The Serbian delegation in London, however, denied any knowledge of the death of the king.

Shorthand was used by the Greeks and Romans as much for secrecy as for brevity.

FRENCH BELIEVE CARPENTIER IS A SURE WINNER

NEW YORK, June 23.—Georges Carpentier, the French pugilist, is the "Man of Destiny." No more do they doubt the ability of this man, decorated for bravery during the world war, to defeat Jack Dempsey on July 2, than they doubted the ability of the allied armies finally to overcome Germany. They have followed the steady rise of the young pugilist from the days when, as a bantam-weight he first gained national note. They have studied accounts of his history before that time. In their minds, Dempsey will be unable to fell this national hero, just as German machine guns, which are said to have riddled his plane repeatedly, were unable to bring him down.

Carpentier's official war record, investigated recently, revealed that the boxer spent 18 months at the front, flying a two-seater observation plane. He received the Croix de Guerre and the Medaille Militaire.

The record shows that Carpentier, enlisting as a chauffeur in August, 1914, received a license to pilot a Farman airplane in May, 1915. He was sent with a squadron to the front, remaining three months and then was assigned to general reserve aviation as a spare pilot.

On August 28, 1915, Carpentier suffered a leg injury but recovered rapidly and was sent to the front with the Farman Escadrille for reconnaissance work in preparation for the Champagne offensive, which began Sept. 25, 1915.

Carpentier's citation, which resulted in the award of the Croix de Guerre, reads: "Sept. 25, he did not hesitate to fly during misty weather and rain less than 200 yards above enemy lines. He has given proof in many circumstances of sang froid, never returning until his mission was accomplished, often with his machine riddled with bullets and shell splinters."

On Nov. 5, 1916, Carpentier received the Medaille Militaire for heroic action. In December, 1916, he was forced to quit the front because of illness and never returned. In May, 1917, being declared physically unfit to continue as a pilot. He was detached from aviation and detailed as army physical instructor near Paris. Six months after the armistice, he was transferred back to the aviation and demobilized.

Carpentier's courteous demeanor and excellent culture, unusual in a boxer, have created the impression in America that he is the son of wealthy parents. This is not so.

The son of a miner, Carpentier was born in Lens, the coal-mining center of France on Jan. 12, 1894. He started work as an office boy in a brewery. The ring called at an early age, however, and when only 14, he took up boxing, then being popularized in France by the visits of "Kid" McCoy and other American fighters. At the same time, he was dancing and singing in the cafes and restaurants of his native Lens, with Francois Descamps, who has ever since been his companion, guardian and manager. It was Descamps, who discovered in Carpentier the requisites of a potential boxer. He attempted, one day, to punish the youth, using boxing gloves rather than the American "switch." In the midst of the scheduled "punishment," Descamps relates that "Georges adestopped with agility and poof!—the lights suddenly went out on me."

From that moment, Georges was a boxer. Descamps, somewhat of a fighter himself, took the youth into his gymnasium to train him. He fought three four-round battles in that first year and his total ring earnings amounted to \$184. He will receive that much for each two seconds of his bout with Dempsey, provided the match goes the scheduled 12 rounds.

Since that time, Carpentier has climbed steadily and slowly. Sometimes he has slipped, but the progress has been consistently forward and upward.

Ring Sketches of Bygone Years

After Jess Willard won the heavyweight championship of the world he became a circus performer.

In an off-season for circuses in 1915, he fought ten rounds with Frank Moran at Madison Square Garden and won a popular decision. Moran, following his defeat by Johnson, had triumphed over Jim Coffey, another aspirant for the championship, and was considered eligible for a crack at the title holder.

He was no match for the Kansan giant, who outweighed him almost 60 pounds. Willard allowed the challenger to do the leading, but Moran could not inject sufficient punitive power in his blows to ever leave a scratch upon his big opponent.

In a manner of speaking, Willard whipped Moran with one hand, and in a literal manner, too. The forefinger of his right hand was broken in the third round in a collision with Moran's elbow and after that only the left fist was of much use to him. With that alone he could not knock out his opponent, so the last round ended just as Pollyanna would have wished. No one was hurt, and both men were a great deal wealthier than before they met.

Willard salted away the \$47,500 which came to him from the purse and went back to the circus unworried by what the future held in store.

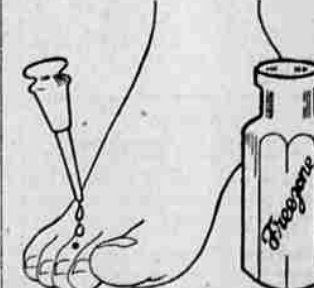
TENNIS TOURNAMENT IN ASHLAND IN JULY

Ashland is arranging for a big tennis tournament July 14, 15 and 16 for juniors, juveniles, seniors and free-for-alls. The tournament will carry the county championships for 1921. Last year the winners were Juanita Griffith, junior girls; Wendell Spriggs, junior boys; Terrance Torrence and Juanita Griffith, mixed doubles. The Ashland children are practicing hard and say they are going to show the balance of the county how to play tennis.

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