

CONVICT SPINS STRANGE YARN IN JAIL CELL

Automobile Thief Claims to Be Man Without Country—Deserted By Parents, Has Wandered Earth With Circus.

(By Evans, Reporter)

Like a page from some half-forgotten story book is a tale that was told yesterday at the county jail by Joseph Bowers, a man without a country, arrested at Ashland last Sunday for car theft. Believing himself to have been born in the United States 33 years ago though having no papers to prove his birth he thinks he is a subject of this country, but in the course of his life he has claimed to be a citizen of Germany, France, Spain, Italy, Austria, Bulgaria, Hungary and the Low Countries. He was deported from each of these countries when discovered to be an alien.

When circus troupers somewhere in the United States, he was deserted by his parents when only three years of age and until he was 24 years old, kindly friends of his missing parents cared for him as one of their own. He believed them to be his true mother and father and respected them as such. However, in the course of time the circus came a tour of Europe and while in Germany it encountered financial straits causing the big show to be an unprofitable attraction. Bowers' foster parents were in the charge of one of its attractions and shortly after a touring it, he discovered that his parents were not his real ones. He was only a foster child and at the age of 14 years, he ran away. Ever since he made his own difficult way through the world working in circuses as an acrobat, a barrel rider and sometimes as a clown, and later in the trade of a painter.

He discovered his identity, and in Germany he was arrested as a deserter while awaiting to be sent to the German military service in the army. The author has written a book on this subject.

on discovering that he was an alien, he was sent to France, where in a French jail he waited until officials of that country attempted to determine his citizenship.

When the failure of the French government to determine his status he was transferred to Italy, where he languished in prison, waiting for authorities to determine his citizenship. Upon their failure, he was sent to Austria for a time, and then to Hungary, where he was held in prison for a period of time, where he was held in prison for a period of time, where he was held in prison for a period of time.

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