

White Sox Given Freedom as Court Drops Indictment

Action Taken by Prosecutor After Judge Refuses to Grant Continuance of 60 Days.

Chicago, March 17.—The state today dropped the cases against all of the former Chicago White Sox base ball players indicted for the alleged throwing of the 1919 world series except Chick Gandil.

The action was taken after Judge William E. Dever had refused to grant a continuance of more than 60 days in the case. The state demanded six months on the grounds that it would take that length of time to gather new evidence which would give the prosecution a chance of conviction.

Immediately after the action had been taken Robert E. Crowe, state's attorney, announced that an attempt would be made to gather new evidence and that new indictments could be sought against the men. The players whose cases were dropped were those who had surrendered and given bail, namely, Claude Williams, Joe Jackson, Oscar Felsch, Sweden Risberg, Eddie Cicotte, Buck Weaver and Fred McMullin.

The cases of Gandil, Hal Chase, Rachel Brown, Joseph J. Sullivan, Abe Attell and Bill Burns were stricken off the court call by Judge Dever. They were charged with being men who arranged the alleged conspiracy. Taking the cases off the call prevents calling them up again for six months.

Prosecutor Indignant.
Mr. Crowe in his announcement that the cases were dropped said that he "was convinced that a crime had been committed, but that corruption of the state's principal witnesses made it impossible to go on with the case."

"Joe Jackson, Eddie Cicotte and Claude Williams, the men who confessed to the grand jury, have been corrupted," he declared. "Without their evidence, our case is hopeless."

"This case is not finished, however, and these men have not escaped punishment," Mr. Crowe continued. "We are going right after the evidence that will convict and we know where to get it."

Will Be No Mistakes.
"When this evidence has been procured, I shall personally go before the grand jury and seek new indictments. And there will be no mistakes next time."

"A peculiar conspiracy has stripped the state of its three chief witnesses," Mr. Crowe continued. "I don't know just how this conspiracy came about, but I know it existed and that through it the testimony given by Jackson, Williams and Cicotte was lost to us."

"Also a news syndicate in some underhanded way obtained copies of the grand jury testimony and offered it for sale. Thus it has become plain that the defense was in full possession of all of our evidence and to proceed would be useless."

Mr. Crowe also said that "it seemed very peculiar that the defense should have made no move for a trial during the months after the indictments were returned, but now, when the state was in a hole, the defense was very anxious to proceed."

In reply to this Michael Atern of counsel for Weaver, Felsch, McMullin and Risberg, made the following statement:

"We always have been ready for trial. Our clients do not want a half-way vindication as a result of the nolle prosequis. They want to be fully cleared. If there are new indictments, we will demand an immediate trial."

Wilson and O'Dowd Are Ready for Bout Tonight

New York, March 17.—Johnny Wilson of Boston, world's middle-weight champion, tonight in Madison Square Garden will meet Mike O'Dowd, of St. Paul, against whom he won a decision giving him the title last May at Boston. The bout is scheduled for 15 rounds to a decision.

O'Dowd being Irish believes that St. Patrick's day will enable him to regain his lost title. Wilson is equally confident that it can't be done.

Both boxers are 26 years old and are about equally matched in height and reach. O'Dowd announced today that he was in better shape than at any time since he won the title from Al McCoy.

The fighters are required under the rules of the match to weigh in at 160 pounds at 2 o'clock this afternoon. Both were said to be below the required weight.

Basketeers Attend Big Banquet at "Y"

Dr. Winfield Scott Hall, Ph. D., the noted lecturer of the Northwestern university of Chicago, talked to more than 100 basket ball players and their friends at the "Y. M. C. A." last night at the annual banquet for the cage players. "Efficient Man" was the title of Dr. Hall's address.

Short speeches were made by Rev. John Calvert, Dr. Maxwell, N. H. Nelson and Physical Director N. J. Weston.

Four Games Scheduled In Commercial League

Four games were scheduled in the commercial basket ball league at the "Y" last night. They were to start at 7:30 o'clock and will be staged by Council Bluffs High and McKeaney Dentists. The Hughes-Parmer will clash with the Thorpian Athletic club in the second game. The feature contest will be that between the Lion Bonding company and the Commerce Tigers, and the closing contest will be put on by the Commerce club and the Council Blues Non-players.

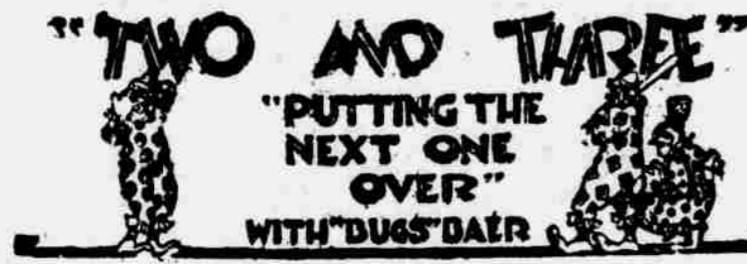
Harry Greb Wins

Pittsburgh, March 16.—Harry Greb, Pittsburgh, won the newspaper decision over Jack Renault, Montreal, in their 10-round bout tonight. The men are light heavyweights.

Cases Against White Sox Dismissed



The cases against the indicted White Sox ball players for the alleged throwing of games in the world series of 1919 were dismissed by the prosecution today following the refusal to the trial judge to grant more than a 60 days' continuance sought by the state. The only indictment which was not dismissed was the one against "Chick" Gandil.



Gink Fowler may have been the cat's whiskers but the sandpaper collar goes to Forger Blake, of this city, who won his nickname in a foundry, and not in a bank. After being booted forth from some of the most aristocratic foundries in America for breaking the anvils, Forger became a pug. His only weakness was a fondness for concrete gloves. The only fight he ever booked was called off because his opponent insisted on 14-pound sledge hammers.

Forger refused to weigh in. He fought with nothing less than 20-pounders because he was afraid of throwing his arm out.

Had Forger won this fight he would have challenged Gink Fowler. Therefore he claims the crown. Hoping to remain from you, I hear,

Your sincerely,
CHARLIE SCHNELL.

Worse and better. If jealousy is akin to love, then Gink Fowler is the Francis Bushman of the ring. He has more jealous admirers than anybody in the world. We know this Charlie Schnell and all we want to know is why he left Grand Island, Neb. If he confesses why he left that town, we will give him claim due recognition.

This Forger Blake was sour milk of the first water. He couldn't brush the dust off Gink's hat. When we started out to publish the bangology of Gink Fowler's lowlife, we did not

know that we were opening the canal gates of envy and malice. The champion of Roughtown won his way to police citation on his merits. Who is this Forger Blake, that he criticizes Caesar? The king can do no wrong.

We started out in good faith. Knowing the spirit of fairplay and sportsmanship that actuates the American public, we thought that they would be pleased to hear of the deeds of the Roughtown viking. But, instead, we get hundreds of letters each day from men who never heard of this champ whose name was a household word in Roughtown.

Our memory carries us backward on a reminiscence skid to that glorious day in Roughtown when Gink Fowler and his stepmother left the old homestead together with Gink three jumps ahead of the old gal. Gink had promised his stepmother on her dying steps never to enter the ring as a professional fighter. And he kept the word in spite of the fact that he cozed through the ropes at least 5,678 times. Nobody ever saw him fight, and if he was forced to slam an opponent silly he did it more from the standpoint of scientific research than in anger.

One night alone, he smeared his man flatter than linoleum, knocked out his seconds, trimmed the referee like a lamp wick, massacred the entire audience and kicked a cat over a steepie. His motto was to always leave them laughing when he said goodbye.

Local Legion Team Will Not Compete in State Tournament

The Douglas County American Legion basket ball team will not compete in the state tournament to be held at Grand Island, next week. Lack of money in the treasury department of the local post resulted in the Omahans withdrawing from the tourney.

Gothenburg and Grand Island will meet in the first game Monday. Lincoln and Central City also play in the initial round. In the second series Geneva and Omaha were scheduled to meet on Tuesday, but the Douglas post has canceled its entry.

The drawings were made by the commissioner of the Grand Island Chamber of Commerce and the city editor of one of the daily papers.

Omaha Motocycle Club To Hold Economy Contest

The Omaha Motocycle club will hold an economy contest Sunday at 2:30 p. m. for three classes of machines. The contest will be staged on the old course, bounded by Pinkney street on the south, Manderson street on the north, Twenty-sixth street on the east and Twenty-eighth street on the west.

"Babe" Ruth Leads Home Run Swatters

Lake Charles, La., March 17.—"Babe" Ruth headed a squad of four who knocked home runs here Wednesday in an exhibition game between the New York Yankees and the St. Louis Cardinals. The Cardinals were defeated, 14 to 8.

Gainesville, March 16.—R. H. H. Washington Americans 12 4 2 Philadelphia Nationals 5 6 1 Batteries: Zachariah, Acosta, Betts and Fielnick; Baumgartner, Saich and Peters, Witherspoon.

Bogalusa, La., March 16.—R. H. H. Brooklyn Nationals 14 2 2 St. Louis Americans 5 7 1 Batteries: Maminax, Mitchell, Mohart and Miller; Krueger, Taylor, Davis, Callop and Dillman, Collins.

Beaumont, Tex., March 16.—R. H. H. Philadelphia Americans 1 1 1 Beaumont, Texas League 1 2 2 Batteries: Naylor and Myatt; Pailley, Meine and Basl, Rusche.

San Antonio, March 16.—R. H. H. New York Giants 10 2 2 San Antonio, Texas League 3 4 2 Batteries: Shea, Sallee, Ferris and Smith; Snyder, Zimmators, Davis, Soapale and White, Whitney.

Orange, Tex., March 16.—R. H. H. St. Louis Cardinals second team 5 2 2 Houston, Texas league 5 9 2 Batteries: Schultz, Sells and Griesbeck; Busha, Whitworth and Griffin, Wright.

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Comiskey Ends Relations With Seven Players

Severs Connections With Risberg, McMullin, Jackson, Felsch, Weaver, Williams and Cicotte.

Chicago, Ill., March 17.—Charles Comiskey, president of the Chicago American league base ball club Wednesday severed all relations with seven White Sox players connected with the 1919 world series scandal. In a communication addressed to the players, Comiskey notified them that as a result of the gambling probe all contracts between them and the club are to be considered null and void.

The players, formerly under suspension, have now had their connections with the club permanently eliminated. Those to whom the notice was directed are: Charles Risberg, Fred McMullin, Joe Jackson, Oscar Felsch, George Weaver, C. P. Williams and E. V. Cicotte.

Base Ball Practice Will Start at Central High Next Monday

Coach Fred Hill of Central High school will issue the first call for base ball candidates Monday.

Hill will have four letter men to start the season with, but has a number of good candidates. Holmes, Sauter, Strubling, and Somborg are the men from last year's team who are still in school. No captain has been elected.

Among the men who have already been out tussling the ball around are Ray Clement, Gilbert Reynolds, Ned Reynolds, and Lloyd Good.

Pacific Coast League Held and Carroll as "Ump."

Tacoma, Wash., March 17.—President Louis Burnett of the Pacific Coast league, today announced that he has signed "Red" Held of Minneapolis and Joe Carroll, formerly of the Three I league, as umpires for this season.

Kansas Senate Passes Haety Boxing Bill

Topeka, Kan., March 17.—The senate Wednesday passed the Haety boxing bill which permits boxing matches before private clubs such as the American Legion. The house already has passed the bill.

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Gislason Joins Ranks of Locals At Fort Smith

Veteran Second Baseman of Omaha Buffaloes Takes Kinks Out of His Arms In Practice.

Fort Smith, Ark., March 17.—(Special Telegram.)—Garde Gislason, veteran second baseman, breezed into town Wednesday just in time for the cool shade beneath the grandstand. Despite the hot sun, the field still was a little slow Wednesday, but should be in fine shape for the initial Yanigan game this afternoon. This will be a six-inning matinee and at least two twirlers will be released by both teams.

The sun was playing a strong engagement Wednesday and the waiting players spent resting periods in the cool shade beneath the grandstand. Despite the hot sun, the field still was a little slow Wednesday, but should be in fine shape for the initial Yanigan game this afternoon. This will be a six-inning matinee and at least two twirlers will be released by both teams.

Among new stall-fillers in the Omaha camp is "Pat" Regan formerly National league star, who arrived tonight from Hot Springs. Others coming in a few days are Al Platte from Los Angeles, and Fred Haney from St. Louis.

Layton featured in fine form at third in both morning and afternoon workouts. "Pug" Griffin and "Kid" McGrew again led the squad in the heavy slugging with Manager Jack Levitt taking an easy third.

Mrs. T. R. Jameson to Bowl Mrs. Otto Ramer For Championship

There's goin' to be a real bowlin' match over at the Farnam alleys, Saturday night at 8 o'clock.

Mrs. T. R. Jameson has challenged Mrs. Otto Ramer, city champion, for a three-game match, total pins to count. If Mrs. Jameson topples enough hickories to win the contest, then the championship will change hands.

Both women are considered to be among the best bowlers of their division in the city and when they meet the sticks are sure to fly. Mrs. Jameson leads The Chocolate Shop, while Mrs. Ramer is captain of Sam's Indian Maids.

Zach Wheat Signs Contract With Brooklyn Dodgers

New York, March 17.—Zach Wheat, captain of the Brooklyn National league base ball team, who has been a holdout has come to terms, it was announced today.

The veteran outfielder was given a salary increase of 10 per cent it was said and a bonus of \$1,000 in case the team finishes in first, second or third place.

Final Game in Chess Championship Ends In Draw—50 Moves

Havana, March 17.—The first game for the chess championship of the world between Jose R. Capablanca of Cuba and Dr. Emanuel Lasker of Germany resulted in a draw Wednesday night after 50 moves.

Cancel Soccer Game With Local Team

Ben Millers of St. Louis Will Not Meet Caledonians in Series of Contests.

J. W. Muir, president of the Omaha Soccer league, and manager of the Caledonian Athletic club's city and state champion soccer ball team, announced Wednesday that plans for bringing the Ben Millers of St. Louis here for a four-game series had fallen through, but that the Omaha team would play a three-game series with the Kansas City champions of Missouri and Kansas.

The Caledonians will leave for Kansas City, March 27. A five-man team and two or three substitutes will be selected from the following group of players to make the trip: G. Lowden, J. Lyall, S. Anderson, D. Munroe, H. Dunn, B. Neilson, R. Henderson, Joe Henderson, Jack Henderson, J. Johnston, John Paszig, H. Horne and James Sharpe.

The St. Louis Ben Millers defeated the Detroit soccer champions, and instead of coming to Omaha to play off an interstate match, they are now playing the Memphis champs of Tennessee for the national soccer title.

Toronto Bowlers Tops Singles Event at A. B. C.

Buffalo, N. Y., March 17.—Starting and closing his set with scores of 24 and 3, Fairly of Toronto, topped the bowlers in the singles event of the American Bowling congress tournament for Wednesday. His total of 629 was not good enough, however, to place him among the first 10 in the tournament standing.

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