

Pres. Ban Johnson of the American league says Kauff's application for reinstatement in organized ball probably will be denied. It must be if Ban's talk in the past has been sincere. Frequently he has declared no jumper will be allowed to return.

The whole affair is a muddle and will not be straightened out for some time. Just when the game was beginning to stand on its feet again, McGraw has kicked away its props, as he did when he jumped the American league to New York overnight with the cream of Baltimore talent.

#### Miscellaneous Scores

Iowa 14, Northwestern 4.

Wisconsin 4, Indiana 2.

St. Phillips 16, Cathedral 8.

Jimmy Duffy, Canada's famous long distance runner, has been killed while serving with the Canadian contingent in France. He won the American marathon at Boston last year.

County Clerk Robert Sweitzer will pitch the first ball for the opening of the new Normal baseball park, 61st and Racine av., Sunday. This is also the beginning of the race of the City league and the Sweitzer cup contest.

#### MRS. BROCKINGTON IS FREED OF INSANITY CHARGE

Mrs. Marion Brockington, 4800 St. Lawrence av., was declared sane by a jury in the county court yesterday, where she was on trial on a petition signed by Policewoman Alice Clements, growing out of the charge of alleged blackmail made by Mrs. Leonore Z. Meder, commissioner of the Public Welfare Bureau. Mrs. Brockington declared she has been arrested five times in a month on matters connected with this charge.

The testimony of Mrs. Brockington flatly contradicted the entire testimony of Police Officer Loose, and Judge Hoover ordered one portion of Loose's testimony against Mrs. Brockington stricken from the record.

According to Mrs. Brockington, her work is that of an investigator for

lawyers, individuals and corporations, and in this capacity she declares she made an investigation of Mrs. Gertrude Howe Britton, ex-head of the Juvenile Protective ass'n, over two years ago at the order of Wm. H. Dunn, and an investigation of Mrs. Leonore Z. Meder at the order of a woman whose name she refused to reveal, but who she said wanted it in reference to an election pending in the Catholic Women's league.

Shortly after these investigations were made she declared she had been threatened by Policewoman Alice Clements that if she "did not lay off of Mrs. Meder and Mrs. Britten she would be put where she wouldn't get out." Not long after that she was arrested on a charge of defrauding Lillian Buehman out of money given her in a bastardy case. She declared that the girl herself spent \$100 of the money and that she herself received about \$90, for which she boarded the girl for almost a year.

Growing out of this arrest at the instance of the Juvenile Protective ass'n, Mrs. Brockington was forbidden the county court by Judge Owens, who she claims said "Influence had been brought to bear on him."

Though this arrest was made in 1913 and she was held to the grand jury, Mrs. Brockington declares she has never been tried despite her own request that she should be given a trial.

She declared that on the morning of March 26 she received a telephone message that she was to go to Mrs. Meder's office. That on arriving there Mrs. Meder picked up the telephone and called up someone in the city hall and said "that Brockington woman is here annoying me; come pick her up."

She denied having made any attempt to blackmail Mrs. Meder or having even spoken to her on the subject of the investigations she had made and also denied having attempted to jump from the fire escape,