

BROOKLYN PLAYERS DENY GAME FIXING

Zach Wheat, Mamaux and Taylor Questioned by Kings Co. District Attorney.

OTHERS APPEAR TO-DAY
Ebbets Declares Faith in His Men—Stoneham Shocked Over Scandal.

Three members of the Brooklyn Baseball Club were questioned yesterday by District Attorney Harry E. Lewis of Kings county, who is investigating reports that the gamblers who fixed the 1919 world's series planned also to bribe the Brooklyn players to throw the coming contest.

The men who talked with Mr. Lewis were Zachary Wheat, captain of the team; "Al" Mamaux, pitcher, and James W. Taylor, a recruit. Although Mr. Lewis said he would make no statement concerning the progress of his investigation, it is understood he received no information from the three players tending to confirm the reports that efforts might be made to get Dodgers to sell out for a few thousand dollars.

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Here Is the Illinois Law by Which White Sox Players Were Indicted for Selling Series

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If any two or more persons conspire or agree together, or the officers or executive committee of any society or organization or corporation shall issue or utter any circular or edict, as the action of or instruction to its members, or any other persons, societies, organizations or corporations, for the purpose of establishing a so-called boycott or blacklist, or shall post or distribute any written or printed notice in any place, with a fraudulent or malicious intent, wrongfully and wickedly to injure the person, character, business or employment or property of another, or to obtain money or other property by false pretenses, or to do any illegal act injurious to the public trade, health, morals or administration of public justice or to prevent any competition in the letting of any contract by the State, or the authorities of any county, city, town or village, or to induce any persons not to enter into such competition, or to commit any felony, they shall be deemed guilty of a conspiracy; and every such offender, whether as individuals or as an officer of any society, organization, and every person convicted of conspiracy at common law shall be imprisoned in the penitentiary not exceeding five years or fined not exceeding \$2,000, or both.

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Flames Starting in Sulphur Bin Damage Cotton Concentration Plant.

STEAMSHIP IS AFIRE
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GALVESTON, Sept. 30.—Fire starting in sulphur bins on the Galveston docks this morning spread rapidly along the water front, destroying Pier 35 and a part of the plant of the Cotton Concentration Company and causing damage estimated at considerably more than \$1,000,000. Some estimates were that the fire loss would exceed \$2,000,000.

The fire on the docks was finally brought under control, but the Italian steamship Etna and its cargo, to which the fire spread, continued to burn. Several steamships in the vicinity of the fire were moved to places of safety before the flames could reach them. Thousands of bales of cotton were destroyed.

All the fire-fighting apparatus of the city responded to alarms, but the wind blowing thirty miles an hour made the firemen's work difficult. Forty freight cars on tracks at the sulphur plant were destroyed, as was also the plant of the Anchor Milling Company, a cottonseed grinding concern.

Fire Chief Ryan received a letter yesterday postmarked from some city in Canada warning him that he was "going to be destroyed." The letter, which he took to be the work of a crank, was signed merely "John."

GANDIL WILL MAKE IT 'HOT FOR ACCUSERS'
Charges Lies and He Can't Understand Them.

HOUSTON, Tex., Sept. 30.—"It is impossible for me to believe that Joe Jackson and Williams have said what the newspapers credit them with saying," said "Chick" Gandil this morning in a statement issued in the hospital in Lufkin, Tex., where he is recovering from an operation for appendicitis.

"If Williams has given out such a statement he has been untruthful, and I shall give him a little trouble proving this stuff when I can get out of the hospital," Gandil continued. "It is not going to be necessary for any one to come down here after me to get me back to Chicago, for that is where I am going just as soon as my physician will allow me.

"I want to clear my name of such scandal, as I expect to stay with the game for some time yet."

When Gandil read the statement declaring him to be the go-between of the 1919 world series gambling conspiracy, he said: "That is a lie, and the perpetrator shall have an opportunity to show his hand."

SAYS WIFE WAS FOND OF SON OF KAISER

Husband Accuses Violet Turnbull Lyon, International Artist, of Desertion.

SHE DENIES THE CHARGE
Testifies She Called Former Emperor a Shrivelled-Up Shrimp.

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CHICAGO, Sept. 30.—Charges that Violet Turnbull Lyon, an artist of international repute, was on too sympathetic terms with members of the imperial family of Germany and that she deserted her son was the substance of the testimony of H. C. Lyon, Sr., in a suit for divorce before Judge Joseph Sabath in the Superior Court today. H. C. Lyon, Jr., of Chicago is charging his wife with desertion.

"My daughter-in-law told me," said Mr. Lyon, Sr., "that when she was in Germany in 1903 and in 1904 she was on very friendly terms with the Kaiser and all his family and that she often played before the royal family. She said that she was especially fond of one of the Kaiser's sons, I don't know which one, and that he was a 'prince of a good fellow.'"

Mrs. Lyon, who at present is a music teacher in Minneapolis, studied the piano in Germany under Theodore Leschitzky, now dead, and at one time she was teacher of Pauleywald. Lyon charges that his wife deserted him April 19, 1918. They were married January 24, 1917. He says she told him at one time that Germany was right and America was wrong in the world controversy.

Lyon was asked after he left the court room in what manner his wife manifested her alleged pro-German tendencies. He answered that she had told him on several different occasions that her sympathies were against the Allies.

"At one time we were talking about the German atrocities that were reported to have been committed," he said. "My wife said she did not believe a word of it. She said she would sooner believe the French soldiers capable of committing atrocities than she would the Germans."

During her testimony Mrs. Lyon commented upon her small hands. "One of my music masters in Europe told me that I had the smallest hand of any of the great piano players," she said, holding up her hands.

"My husband left me," Mrs. Lyon continued. "He went away Wednesday, April 19, saying that he was going out of town to buy an automobile. We were friendly then and kissed each other goodby. He never returned. Pretty soon I began to get cards from his draft board. They did not know where he was and neither did I. His parents refused to tell where he was. The draft board officials told me they thought he was a slacker and a deserter."

"What did you say about your friendship for the Kaiser?" her attorney asked. "Did you ever say anything that might make your husband think that you were pro-German?"

"I talked about the Kaiser and often recalled what I had seen of him and his family while I was in Europe, but I never said I was in favor of the Kaiser."

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CROOKS OUT OF GAME NOW, SAYS HEYDLER

National League Head Back From Chicago Inquiry.

"One thing I feel the National League has done," said President Heydler of that organization last night when he returned home from Chicago, where he testified before the Grand Jury, "and that is, we have got rid of all the crooks there were in our organization. If there are any others no evidence to that effect has been brought forward. In getting rid of Chase and Magee and that ilk, we feel we've cleaned them out. What the Grand Jury will do in their cases I don't know."

Mr. Heydler will return to Chicago after the world's series to appear again before the Grand Jury. That body, he said, means business, and he expects it will go to the bottom of the whole thing.

The National League president also has some changed ideas regarding the governing body of baseball. "Never," he said, "will I vote for another chairman for the National Commission. It is a body composed of men who are not officials of any kind in organized ball and men with power to have their orders obeyed, and be over all leagues, big and little."

HERZOG CUT IN FIGHT WITH ACCUSING FAN

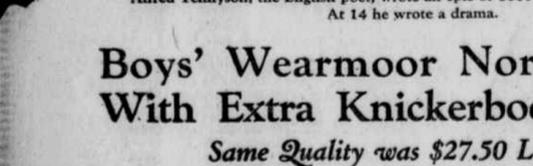
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