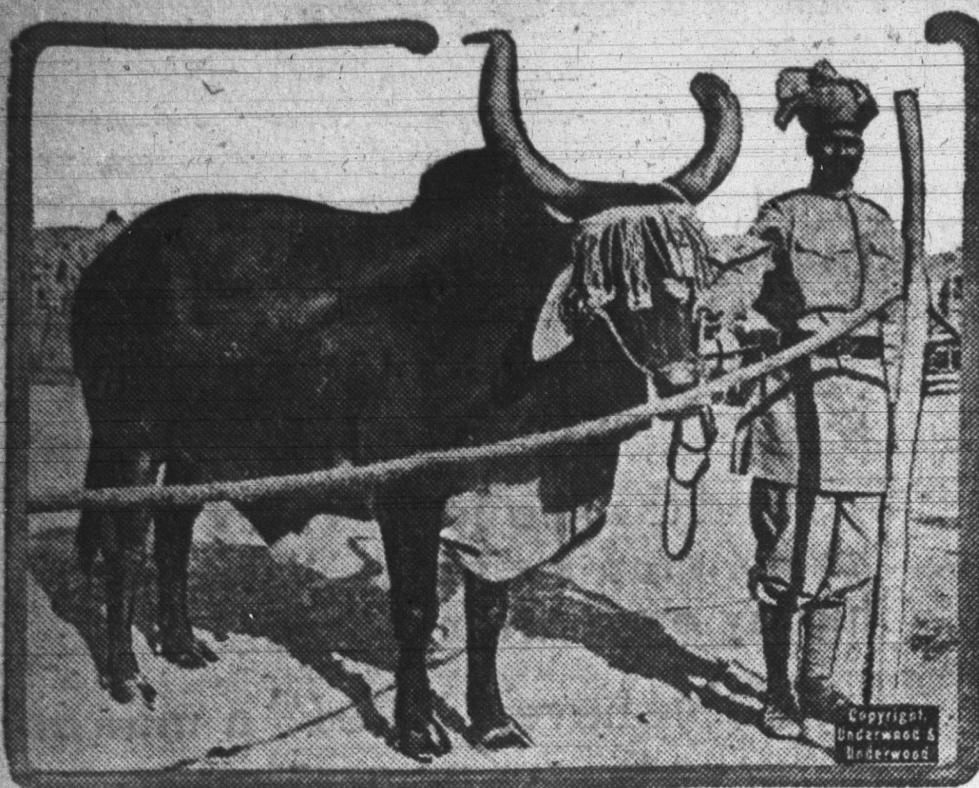


## BULLOCK PENSIONED BY GREAT BRITAIN



This bullock saved a big gun from the Turks in the British campaign on the Tigris. For this the British government has allotted it a pension of two cents per day for life.

## Von Mackensen Planned Escape

Interned in Hungary Upon Allies' Demands, His Guards Were Friendly.

## FOILED BY ALERT OFFICER

French Lieutenant Cuts Wires and Entertains Guard Officer Until Cavalry Arrives—Marshal is Furious at Being Balked.

Paris.—From one of the French officers concerned in the affair a New York World correspondent obtained the hitherto unpublished story of the extraordinary capture of the German Field Marshal von Mackensen, at present prisoner in a chateau near Temesvar, Hungary, belonging to Count Chotek.

Under the terms of the armistice signed with Austria-Hungary the allies insisted that Mackensen and his entire army, which had fled from Roumania to Hungary in a vain effort to reach Germany, should be interned by the Hungarians. The marshal himself was quartered in the castle of Foth.

Toward the end of December, learning that Mackensen was planning to escape to Germany, Colonel Vix, commanding the French mission in Budapest, applied to French headquarters in Belgrade for permission to place him under arrest and for the force necessary to accomplish this end. Meanwhile he surrounded the castle of Foth with French secret agents. From the latter came reports that Mackensen's baggage had already been sent off and that the marshal himself intended to get away in an automobile at five o'clock the next afternoon, December 31.

## Cuts Telephone Wires.

Colonel Vix immediately dispatched Lieutenant Genevrier, an exceptionally able intelligence officer, to Foth by motor. The lieutenant reached his destination in the night and immediately cut all the telephone wires connecting the castle with the outside world. Thus Mackensen was unable to communicate with his general staff and the other elements of his army. His isolation, however, was not discovered until an hour or so before the time set for his departure next day. Mackensen wanted to send a final message to his staff. When he found the telephone "out of order" he decided to wait in the chateau until communication could be re-established.

This was extremely fortunate for Lieutenant Genevrier, for the reinforcements, without which the arrest could not be carried out, had not yet arrived. Four squadrons of Spah cavalry were on their way by train from Belgrade, but there were unforeseen delays, and at five o'clock in the afternoon—the hour of Mackensen's intended flight—the lieutenant had no news of them. Moreover, the cutting of the telephone wires might be de-

## WHISTLER GOT EVEN FOR ONE HOUR'S SENTENCE

One of the units at Camp Lewis, Washington, had in its ranks a chronic whistler. In barracks, at drill, everywhere and all the time, this soldier whistled. Suggestions, threats, sarcasm in regard to his musical efforts all rolled off him like water off a duck's back. There was no stopping his whistling.

Finally an officer took the man in hand.

"You stand out there at attention," the officer commanded, "and whistle for an hour."

The soldier grinned and obeyed.

For one hour he stood in the company street, whistling "The Star-Spangled Banner."

And for an hour officers and soldiers stood at attention with him.

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## Is Lonesomest Man In Germany

American Lieutenant on Outpost Duty at "Stepping Off" Place.

Has Quarters in Great Castle at Coblenz, and Under Anti-Fraternalizing Order He Cannot Visit With Other Inhabitants.

Coblenz.—In a great castle on a hill and with a count and countess and their four daughters as his nearest neighbors dwells today the lonesomest American in all the occupied territory of Germany. He is Lieut. John W. Scott of Detroit, commanding Company K, Twenty-eighth infantry, on outpost duty at the "stepping off" place of the Coblenz bridgehead where it skirts a beautiful valley stretching away toward Berlin.

Just across the hallway from the quarters of the lieutenant on the second floor of the castle, Count and Countess von Walderdorf have been allowed to remain by courtesy of army officers. But the Germans keep to themselves, looking upon the Americans as invaders, and an army anti-fraternalizing order prohibits Lieutenant Scott from visiting them.

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Lieutenant Scott's nearest American officer neighbor is five or six miles away out across the 8,000 acres owned by the count. After dark visits are out of the question. And so, when overcome by lonesomeness and weariness from reading, the lieutenant tumbles into a seventeenth century bed which stands in the same position it has been all these years. And within easy reach is the telephone, by which he knows eventually will come the welcome news for which so long he has been longing—"We've been ordered home."

## MRS. BALINE BEALE



Mrs. Harriet Blaine, who was Miss Harriet Blaine, daughter of the late James G. Blaine, is ward visitor at Walter Reed hospital, Washington. The wounded soldiers find her both gracious and companionable.

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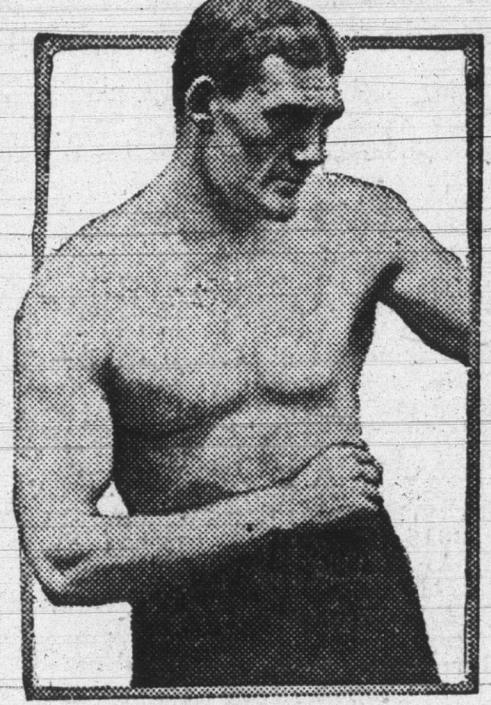
## COWLER PROVED GAME IN LATE BOUT

Australian Took Severe Beating From Billy Miske.

St. Paul Heavyweight Never Let Opponent Get Set for a Punch—Minnesota Fighter Injured His Hand in Second Round.

Tom Cowler, the Australian heavyweight, while he failed to show championship caliber in his recent bout with Billy Miske of St. Paul, proved to be a game boxer with his heart in the right place, writes Billy Rocap in Philadelphia Ledger. Few men would have gotten up after being sent to the floor like Cowler was in the first round. Miske caught him with a right-hand lead flush on the jaw with all of his 180 pounds back of it. The Australian was up at the count of seven. His eyes were glassy, legs a-tremble and his arms dropped to his side. Miske tore in to finish him and Cowler instinctively clinched until he got his bearings. After that round he stood up and took all that Miske could hand out. And he took a lot, too—enough to send half a dozen ordinary men to dreamland.

That Miske tried to win by the knockout route no one can deny. He unfortunately injured his right hand in the latter part of the second round, by hitting Cowler on top of the head. The blow practically put Mike's right hand out of commission, for he was



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unable to use it effectively in any of the succeeding rounds. The first punch which Cowler took in the first round exhausted all his steam. His blows lacked force, were ill-timed and his judgment of distance was execrable. That is why Miske beat him in such a decisive fashion. The St. Paul heavyweight never let Cowler get set for a punch. He was on top of the Australian each minute of the 18 they were in action.

## PERSHING MEETS OLD BOXERS

Jack McAuliffe and Jimmy Twyford Detail Meeting With American General in France.

Jack McAuliffe, undefeated lightweight boxer, and Jimmy Twyford, widely known as a sport and promoter of athletic events, who are in France serving as Knights of Columbus secretaries, describe in a joint letter an in-

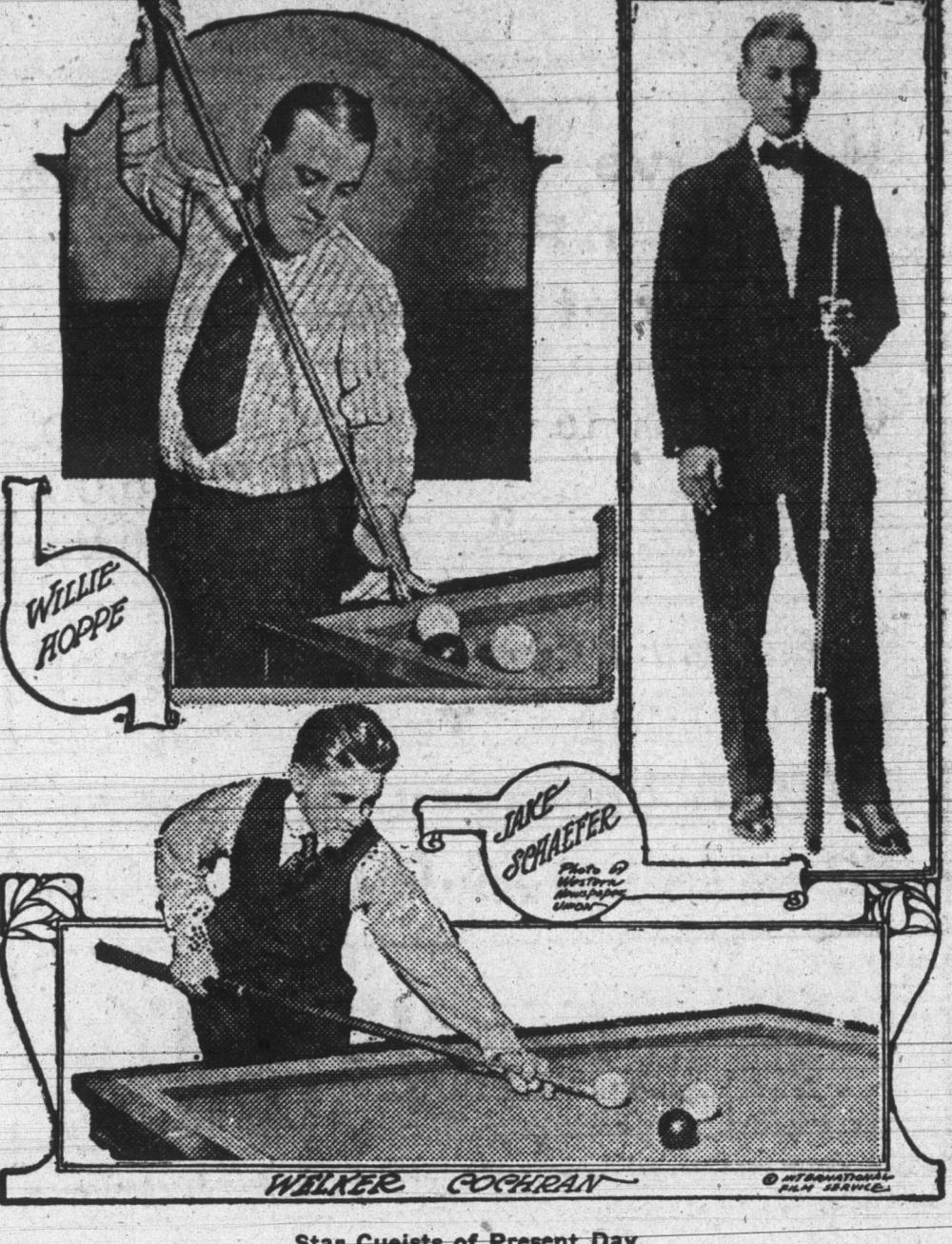


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terview they had with General Pershing while the general, in his private car, was at Dijon.

McAuliffe and Twyford are conducting bouts and athletic contests at Dijon for entertainment of the American soldiers. In the letter, which they both signed, they inclosed a clipping taken from the Paris edition of the New York Herald, which confirmed the interview, and described in detail how General Pershing was greatly pleased to learn that the Knights of Columbus are planning a tournament of heavyweight boxing contests in Paris for the "General Pershing Trophy."

## HARDER TEST TO BE IMPOSED ON BILLIARD EXPERTS BY EMPLOYING 18.1 BALKLINE



Star Cueists of Present Day.

Owing to the remarkable averages and numerous high runs that expert billiard players like Champion William Hoppe, Jake Schaefer and Welker Cochran have been making at 18.2 balkline, a movement is now on foot to introduce 18.1 balkline as the standard game for championship competition. As a result, it is probable that 18.1 will be the style of play in the tournament which it is planned to hold some time late this year or early next year to decide a championship.

The change from 18.2, which has been the popular game for many years, is being urged by veteran players and promoters of the game as a means of making the game more difficult and stimulating interest. Such veterans of the game as Maurice Daly, who was one of the great players of his time, and others who see the progress that has been made, are behind the plan.

## NEW MANAGER OF SENATORS

Grover Hartley, Former Big League Catcher, Is To Be Leader of Columbus Team.

Grover Hartley, veteran big league catcher, formerly with the St. Louis Browns and other clubs, is to be the next manager of the Columbus Asso-



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ciation team, according to an announcement made by Joe Tinker, president of the club. Tinker made an effort to engage Rollie Zeider of the Chicago Cubs some time ago but Manager Fred Mitchell would not grant a release.

## CHAMPION PITCHER OF NAVY

Dana Fillingim Is Credited with Winning Every One of Twenty Games He Pitched.

According to navy baseball records Dana Fillingim of the Boston Braves is the champion pitcher of that branch of the service. With the Newport naval reserves he is credited with having won every one of the 20 games he pitched while in service. Fillingim has been discharged and is ready for duty with the Braves.

## GIVEN TIME FOR ATHLETICS

Acting Director of Physical Training Recommends 280 Minutes Be Set Aside Weekly.

Dr. A. K. Aldinger, acting director of physical training of the public schools athletic league of New York, recommends 280 minutes each week for athletics, 100 of which must be credited in walking to and from school.

## TYRUS COBB IS FOND OF BLOODED CANINES

Tyrus Raymond Cobb, Detroit's outfielder and recently a captain in the chemical warfare division, is a lover of dogs.

It was disclosed recently that Cobb is a decided enthusiast for blooded canines, and enjoys nothing in the way of winter diversion so much as shooting over capable dogs. One dog in particular is Cobb fond of. This animal answers to