

## EVENING DRESS WORN BY GERMANS WHO FLOCK TO PRIZE FIGHTS

(By Associated Press)  
BERLIN, Dec. 20.—Professional prize fighting and wrestling, introduced into Germany since the war, have won popularity and are looked upon as social functions as well as an amusement. Men and women who occupy the highest prices seats appear in formal evening dress, although the management may not prescribe such attire.

The development of the sport has been troubled with some perplexing incidents, for the German public, unaccustomed to "box-fighting," apparently has been unable to decide what its proper attitude should be on such occasions. Cheering, applauding with the hands, or any "rooting" or "ragging" is in high disfavor. At the first sign of approval from supporters of a boxer, sections of the audience rise and hiss the "rooter" down. The patrons insist everything shall be perfectly quiet.

When a fighter is crowned with a laurel wreath, or a wreath of roses, or presented with a big bouquet, and proclaimed a victor, it is quite proper to applaud, decorously. Admirers of the winner shower him with bunches of flowers, and the referee makes a speech acclaiming the prowess of the fighter, as well as explaining just how he won the victory. An effort is made to adhere to the American description of blows and maneuvers. Frequently at the end of a round, when a boxer has got in a telling stroke, the referee harangues the audience with a description of the blow and what its effect was intended to be.

Flowers for Victor.  
A number of fairly well advertised foreign fighters have appeared here, but these "principal" events are always preceded by preliminaries between German boxers. The Germans are not yet masters of the technique of the game but their ability to take punishment is beyond question. In one preliminary bout the correspondent saw a German boxer knock down the opponent twice in one round and before the close of the round he himself was twice felled, and both fighters were badly battered. Through the whole bout the crowd was silent, but applauded the victor who, the referee announced had won on points. Each fighter was presented with a big bunch of roses.

The principal event on this occasion was a fight between an English and a Turkish heavyweight. It was announced the fight would go 15 rounds, but after a few rounds the referee made a speech to the fighters from the ring in which he said in his opinion there was too much jumping and dodging around and unless they got down to fighting in earnest he would stop the match. At the end of the fourteenth round the referee held a conference with the promoters and officials of the Professional Box Fighters' Association, and announced it had been decided to stop the fight. He said it had been agreed it was a frame-up, and that the boxers would be disqualified from fighting again, would be expelled from the association and would not be paid for this fight. The crowd applauded and the boxers left the house.

Later one of the fighters brought action against the boxing association for damages and reinstatement. His Coughs, Colds, Try Brazilian Balm

counsel, in a brief in which he explained at length the principles of prize-fighting, declared these men were both "defensive" and not offensive fighters, that each had awaited for the other to take the offensive and neither having done so there wasn't much of a fight.

ALICANTE, Spain, Dec. 19.—Fostering of athletic sports should be taken up by the State in Spain, according to Marcelo Agudo, one of the leading supporters of athletics here. He has drawn up a program, which he suggests should be adopted. In it he proposed that schoolmasters should encourage sports by giving facilities to the pupils to practice and to form clubs, also by establishing prizes through donations or subsidies. Athletic tracks and fields laid out near the schools are suggested with fixed days and hours for the sports and games. In order to attract novices, who generally are prevented by fear of ridicule from entering sports where practiced athletics are engaged, he thinks the masters should have a regular system of novices' events and also should arrange for consolation prizes to be awarded for the best performances. In order to bring up the general average of excellence he believes team work should be encouraged rather than individual pre-eminence.

STOCKHOLM, Nov. 29.—Bobby McLean, the American champion skater, having challenged Oscar Mathieson, the world's champion, to a series of races, has asked the Swedish Skating Association to authorize and make arrangements for the match to be held here, but the association at a meeting recently unanimously refused to do this and also refused to forward McLean's challenge to the Swedish amateur champion, Eric Blomgren, on the grounds that the association was working purely on amateur lines.

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GREENSFORK, Ind.—Maria Underhill's Sunday-school class had a surprise party for her at her home Thursday evening. Those present were: Mrs. Oscar Nicholson, Mrs. Martha Wisehart, Mrs. Albert Cranor, Mr. and Mrs. Eli Bane, Mrs. Edna Brooks, Curtis Black, Henry French, Mrs. Effie Brooks, Mrs. Melissa Nicholson, Mrs. Anna Stackhouse and Mrs. Jonathan Cloud. Mrs. Ida Pickett and daughter, Edith, spent Thursday in Hagerstown. Mr. and Mrs. Virgil P. Brock returned home Thursday evening. Mrs. Lincoln Gwin and daughter, Rachel, shopped in Richmond, Friday.

WINCHESTER, Ind.—Mrs. J. T. Moorman entertained at six o'clock dinner Friday evening. Frank Moorman, of Cincinnati, was an out of town guest. Mrs. Maude Robinson entertained at 6 o'clock dinner Thursday evening in honor of her daughter Mary's birthday. Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Moroney entertained Monday evening. The evening was spent in music and games. An elegant luncheon was served. Mrs. Charles Davis and daughter Doris have returned from a short visit with Indianapolis friends. Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Robinson have returned from a short visit with friends in Richmond. Miss Garnet Stanley of Dayton, Ohio, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Stanley. Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Browne spent Monday in Indianapolis. Miss Mary Pike has returned from a short visit with relatives in Indianapolis. The J. M. S. C. club held their Christmas meeting at the home of Mrs. Charles King Thursday afternoon. Mrs. J. A. Rosebrough and son Harry are the guests of Mrs. Rosebrough's father, E. M. Stakebake. Mr. and Mrs. George Lantz of Pasadena, Calif., are the guests of relatives and friends. The Misses Phyllis and Sue Lennon have returned after a few days spent in Richmond. Mrs. Retta Wasson entertained friends Monday evening. The Woman's club met Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Gail Fielder. The president, Mrs. Mabel Lasley, opened the meeting in the usual manner. Mrs. L. E. Brenner gave an interesting reading, followed by a paper on "Panama, the Land and the People," by Mrs. John Cheney. Following that Mrs. J. L. Smith gave a reading which was very pleasing. A solo by Miss Grace, the young daughter of Mrs. Fielder, was much enjoyed. Mrs. F. S. Caldwell has returned from a week spent with her daughter, Mrs. Fred Tucker, in Indianapolis. Dr. and Mrs. Earl Hinchshaw of Richmond, have returned to their home, after a short visit with relatives here. Mr. and Mrs. David Fisher leave soon for Los Angeles, Calif., where they will spend the winter. Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Hinchshaw entertained Mr. and Mrs. Ed Durr, at six o'clock dinner, Monday evening. Mrs. Anna Wallace has returned to her home in Hartford City, after spending some time with her sister, Mrs. Kate Lafferty. Miss Marie Moorman entertained at bridge Thursday evening. Frank Moorman of Cincinnati, was an out of town guest. Miss Franck McNees was hostess to the members of the Bridge club Tuesday evening. Mrs. Eva Leggett and Miss Marie Moorman were substitutes. Miss Esther Simon left Thursday for Cincinnati, where she will spend the Christmas holidays. Mrs. C. J. Brewster, of Dayton, O., is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Best.

HAGERSTOWN, Ind.—Mrs. Lorinda Bohrer, of Brookville, is visiting Mrs. Carl Fritz and family. Mrs. Ada Thurston went to Richmond, Wednesday. Mrs. Laura Gebhart returned Wednesday from a week's visit at Columbus, Ohio, with Mrs. E. M. Downs. She also visited in Franklin, Ohio. Mrs. Elizabeth Thornburgh and daughter Miss Lauretta Thornburgh, of Richmond, were here Monday. Mrs. Knode Porter, of New Castle, spent a few days this week with Mrs. Jennie Porter. Mrs. Isaac Brumback has returned to her home near here from Indianapolis, where she underwent an operation recently. She is doing well. William

Hussey, living one mile west of town, will have a public sale Monday and will leave for a different climate for the benefit of his health. Representative James M. Knapp spent Wednesday at Indianapolis and was present at the meeting called for the purpose of selecting the speaker. Mr. and Mrs. William Parsons, of Nitro, West Virginia, will spend Christmas here. Mrs. William Newcomb, of Detroit, Mich., will spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sal Copeland. Mrs. Richard Sedgewick, of Richmond, spent Tuesday with Mrs. Martha Bowman, who is sick. Mrs. Charles Horine spent Thursday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Harry Terhune and family. P. J. Stanley and son, Roland, spent a few days at Chicago this week. A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Brown, Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Meade, of Honor, Mich., arrived Wednesday for a visit with their daughter, Mrs. Clyde Reynolds. D. A. Niccum, of Dayton, Ohio, spent Tuesday and Wednesday here, and was the guest of his brother-in-law, Dr. Clapper. C. E. McBride has purchased the vacant lot south of and adjoining Robert Newcomb's home on Washington street, and will build a residence for his own home. Substitutes for coal as fuel were spoken of as long ago as 1667.

### Five Monuments Mark Advances by Americans

(By Associated Press)  
PARIS, Dec. 20.—Five monuments made from an identical design, are to mark the crest of the advances made on the French fronts by the First American Division in its five most important attacks. They are now completed and ready to be set up.

They are seven feet high and the bases are concrete pillars surmounted by a shell on which is the American eagle. Bronze plates bear the names of the officers and men of the division killed in the attack for which each memorial stands.

The monuments will be set up at Cantigny, Bujancy, Saint-Mihel, Saint-Juvin, and Sedan. They were designed by J. Davidson, the well-known American sculptor.

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