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Hans Wagner, Star Of Other Days, Is Just Poor Man Now

One Time Big League Star Working For Seven Dollars Per Day.

New York.—Hans Wagner, one time star of the major leagues, has been appointed an assistant sergeant-at-arms for the house of representatives at Harrisburg. The post pays \$7 a day.—News item.

There is a sob in every line of that paragraph for the lad who likes to weep his way to fame and fortune. Hans Wagner reduced to the role of a \$7-a-day pensioner; Hans Wagner, hailed by John McGraw and other critics as greater than Cobb and Ruth, as the greatest of all, in fact, Hans made big money when money was small and he was no benevolent spender, either. He saved his money against a rainy day but maybe he wanted enough for a Johnstown Flood. Anyhow it didn't stay with him. Today, he is making small money when money is big.

Inmate Honesty.

However, the date of his birth and his inmate honesty have more to do with Wagner's status at the moment than the fact that investments aren't sound. Like many an old time, Wagner was born too soon. He probably never made more than \$10,000 a season out of baseball and then only for a comparative few years. His life time salary average was about \$5,000, so that he couldn't hope to amass anything that looked like more than a comfortable stake when the era of expensive and expansive living set in. By that time, Wagner long since was finished with baseball and with money.

So much for the vagary that concerns itself with a man's birth. If he was playing major league baseball today, Hans Wagner probably would be drawing an annual salary of \$50,000 reckoning his comparative importance against the \$40,000 of Hornsby and the \$70,000 of Ruth. That doesn't mean that his ability may be measured at \$20,000 less than that of Ruth. Fate and showmanship have had much to do with the latter's income.

Wagner was a showman, too, but his color was more physical than instinctive. He didn't have Ruth's flair for the bizarre. Neither did he have the average ball player's irresponsibility in the matter of personal obligation. And there you have the second and most convincing reason why Wagner is occupying a minor political job and getting \$7 a day—whenever the Pennsylvania legislature is in session. He could have doubled or trebled the money he made in baseball if his word of honor hadn't been one of the sacred things of his life.

ORPHAN FINALLY BECOMES CITIZEN

Ten-Year Fight Of Belgian To Become An American Ends Happily.

Nashville, Tenn.—That is another story about a man without a country—but this one will end happily.

Back in 1914, when the German armies struck at France through Belgium, a Belgian soldier was killed by the invaders and his family scattered. The soldier's son Albert then aged 9, found himself suddenly an orphan, fleeing with other refugees into France.

Through the first three years of the war, Albert lived as a walf behind the Allied lines, picking up food where he could, and sleeping any place where a shell was not likely to strike.

Then in 1918 came the Americans to aid the French and English and Albert's stricken countrymen.

The boy liked these new strong soldiers, particularly the Fifth regiment of marines. So he followed the Fifth through the final victorious days of the war, as mascot.

Befriended By Sergeant.

With the marines was Sergeant Ted Vaughan of Nashville, who befriended the walf, and soon became the boy's idol. Albert's objectives in life narrowed down to three—to lick the Germans, to be near Vaughan, and to become an American, like the soldiers of the Fifth.

Then came the armistice, and the first of Albert's desires was attained. But after the armistice it was time for Vaughan to embark with the marines for America.

Albert—by this time known as Albert Vaughan—clamored to be taken to America with his protector. But army regulation forbade taking the boy on board the transport ship, so Vaughan paid a Frenchwoman in Brest to keep the lad until money could be sent to bring him to America.

One day Albert disappeared. A week later Vaughan, in Nashville, received a wire from a sailor on an American freighter saying that Albert had stowed away aboard the ship, and had landed at Norfolk, Va.

Albert was brought to the Vaughan home here and became to all outward appearances, Vaughan's adopted son. He attended American schools, and learned to speak the American tongue with but a trace of accent.

Government's Refusal.

But for reasons inexplicable to him, the American government would not allow him to become a citizen. It also refused to let Sergeant Vaughan adopt the boy.

From 1919 to 1928 Albert, and his foster father tried every means to secure citizenship for him. The boy grew to be a young man, with his status still in doubt, and no legal means of making him an American available.

Then the inevitable happened, Albert, now 21, fell in love—with an American girl. They were married.

Albert went again to the American government. He had everything now that goes to make an American he told the officials, excepting citizenship papers.

The government pondered. Well, it finally agreed, if Albert were to leave the country, and his American wife were to ask the government to make her husband an American too—then maybe . . .

And so it is to be done. Albert will go outside the boundaries of the United States. His wife will petition the government, and after ten years of waiting and hoping, the Belgian war orphan will become a citizen of the United States.

HERE'S THE BOY WHO CAN REALLY EAT

Billy Sherman, champion food consumer of Missouri, has issued a challenge to the world. A big gallery saw him perform today.

Billy, who comes of a family of father, mother, brother, and sister whose combined weight is 1,278 pounds, sat down to a meal consisting of 24 hamburger sandwiches, 15 doughnuts, two dozen fried eggs, two T-bone steaks, French fried potatoes and topped the meal with a whole cherry pie. He stands 6 feet 2 inches tall, weighs 354 pounds and is 27 years old.

Giacomo Villardo and his wife, of Rome, each fired 5 shots at the other in a quarrel over money, but neither was wounded.

RESOLUTION.

Since it was the will of the Great Architect of the Universe to remove from our midst on February 16, 1929, our beloved Brother George Smyrnis—therefore be it resolved:

1.—That we bow in submission to the will of Him who doeth all things well.

2.—That Cleveland lodge No. 202 has lost a faithful brother whose fellowship it was a pleasure to enjoy. Love, kindness and generosity were natural impulses of his heart. We also recognize the fact that our loss is his gain.

3.—That we extend to his relatives and friends our sympathies, and that a copy of these resolutions be spread on the records in the archives of the lodge and a copy be published in the Cleveland Star and, also, in the Orphan's Friend.

J. T. BABINGTON,
HENRY H. MASSEY,
M. H. AUSTELL.

Talkies To Give American Women Charming Voice

Hollywood, Calif.—American women are to have the most charming voices of all women of the world. The talkies will do it.

This is the prediction of Lee Patrick, Broadway stage actress, who is making her film debut in Pathes first all-dialogue picture, "The Missing Man." Miss Patrick speaking:

"Everyone knows what motion pictures did to raise the standard of dress and personal grooming among the girls and women of America. The village queen no longer dresses in gingham. She appears on Main street in a crepe-backed satin replica of the frock her favorite movie star wore in her latest picture.

"Women no longer neglect their skin and hair because a husband has been corraled. The wife has seen too many episodes in movies in which this neglect has wrecked a happy home. She observes that screen beauties keep beautiful through millions of feet of film and knows that she too can keep youthful looking—with the proper care.

"The talking pictures will have a similar result because players are studying and striving to perfect their voices. A higher standard of speech must result. At the picture theaters women will hear well modulated, cultured tones. The strident speech and raucous laughter will be taboo.

"Within the next five years girls will be flattered when their beaux assure them their voices are as dulcet as the tones of some reigning screen star."

KILLED WHILE SINGING SMILE STAYS ON CORPSE

Rutherfordton.—Isaiah Pritchard 35, was instantly killed at a saw mill in Polk county and was buried at Mill Spring.

He was "off-bearing" lumber when a plank struck him on the head and he fell dead.

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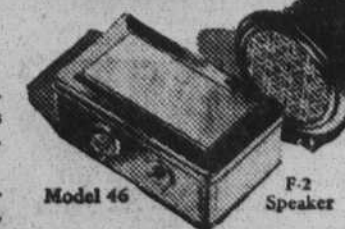
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