

# THE STANDARD'S SPORTING SECTION

## CHAMPION FRENCH FIGHTER TELLS HOW HE STARTED BOXING

### Georges Carpentier Gives An Interesting Account of His Start in the Roped Arena—When a Youngster He Was Taken Hold of by Professor Deschamps in Lens, Where He Was Born.

Georges Carpentier the champion fighter tells the following story how he started in the boxing game. He was born in Lens, France, a small town of a human yardstick, where I took my first boxing lesson. The evening I did so, I remember vividly. It was a half-day, half-night, and I was twelve years of age. I was taken hold of by Professor Deschamps, as he was the master of boxing, and he begged that I should be his pupil. "Tomorrow," I added, "when Georges comes for his boxing lesson I will throw him well, and then I will tell him why I done so."

**Tried to Give Me a Hiding.**  
You came to the gymnasium as usual, we put on the gloves and got into the ring. Now, said I to myself as I got you on the ropes, here is for giving you the hiding of your life. It is true that Deschamps, who was a boxer, and he begged that I should be his pupil. "Tomorrow," I added, "when Georges comes for his boxing lesson I will throw him well, and then I will tell him why I done so."

**Every Boxer Teaches Me Something.**  
Do you know that every man I have fought has taught me something, has done much to perfect my fighting. One of the cleverest boxers I have ever met was Sid Burt, an Olympian. He taught me much that I had scarce dreamed about. I beat him on points, as true, but up to that time I had no boxer equal to him. I do not mind confessing that it was my defeat of him during war time, to enter into my first European championship with Jim Sullivan without the least doubt of winning. Said I: "If I can beat him on points, surely I can triumph against any man of my weight."

**Comparison of the records of Carpentier and Dempsey.**  
In view of the feeling in America that Jack Dempsey, world's champion, did not do his bit during war time, the record of Georges Carpentier, the man who expects to battle for the biggest honors in pugilism is highly interesting. The Frenchman put a bit better than two years at the front according to his record as given by Victor Breyer, editor of the Echo des Sports.

**The Fight I Didn't See.**  
It was on Friday that I fought; the following day Joe Jeannette and Sam McVea took the ring for the promoter who had given me my first engagement. Such a good show had I given that I supposed I would be allowed to see it without payment. So Deschamps took me by the hand and led me to the promoter, saying: "My pupil, Georges Carpentier. We want to see the fight."

**Before either of us had time to know what had happened we were bundled into the street with the least possible ceremony.**  
Deschamps and myself hung about the Cirque de Paris, and heard the cheers of the people at the ringside, and afterwards waited in the streets until morning for the first train to see us back to Lens.

**In 1914, from the same promoter, I received more than \$2,000 as my share for my fight with Jeannette at Lam. Park; and when I was paid I could not help reminding Mr. Vienne of the night when he had pitched me into the street rather than give me the cheapest of his tickets to look upon what would have been the first fight between professionals I had permitted to watch.**

**At the end of a year from the time I had my first lesson there was not a boy who could stand up to me for three rounds, at home they spoke of me as a freak, and then they came when I had my first fight for money. I won and pocketed twenty-five francs. Money did not come rolling to either Deschamps or myself. Mostly we dreamed about it, and it is a fact that many times had it not been for a tour of the countryside cafes on a Sunday, and giving an extraordinary performance consisting of thought-reading, acrobatics, juggling, and boxing, times would have been dreadfully hard. We have collected as much as fifty francs by going round with the hat at this and that cafe on a Sunday afternoon, which on those days was prodigious business.**

**One day, very shortly after I had beaten Jim Sullivan, then a British**

## Local Bowling

WELLINGTON LEAGUE  
On the W. W. bowling alleys last evening in the Wellington League the Custom House took three points from the Trocadero Club. Following is the individual score:

Custom House	
Willis	77 92 100 269 89 23
Coburn	71 73 74 218 78 23
Murphy	81 87 87 255 81 23
Gorman	82 79 79 240 89
Willet	110 81 79 264 88

391 419 410 1230  
Trocadero Club.  
McEwen 81 79 81 241 80 13  
Smith 71 73 84 228 76 15  
Shannon 71 79 89 234 78 23  
Hunter 80 78 81 239 79 23  
Stammers 96 73 74 242 81

THE CITY LEAGUE  
On Black's bowling alleys last night the hardest fought and most interesting bowling matches took place in the form of a double header. The first game was between the Hamburgs and the Lions, and both teams split even.

Hamburgs	
Beaty	110 108 94 310 103 13
Morgan	78 82 82 242 84
Covey	111 92 79 282 94
Coughlan	93 88 89 270 90
Riley	95 108 106 310 103 13

488 480 456 1424  
Lions.  
Lunney 118 85 86 287 85 27  
Roberts 78 88 88 254 84 23  
McCleod 93 109 82 284 94 23  
Maxwell 88 88 127 303 101  
Wilson 82 92 104 292 97 13

SECOND GAME  
After losing to their opponents in the first match the Lions, in the City League, on Black's Bowling Alleys, met the Hamburgs and again lost after a very close and interesting game. Following is the individual score:

Lions	
Lunney	118 85 86 287 85 27
Roberts	78 88 88 254 84 23
McCleod	93 109 82 284 94 23
Maxwell	88 88 127 303 101
Wilson	82 92 104 292 97 13

488 480 456 1426

Garrahan 102 97 91 290 96 23  
Cleary 82 101 107 290 96 23  
McIntyre 78 110 112 300 100  
Howard 82 101 107 290 96 23  
McDonald 103 107 116 326 108 23

## The Prince Edward Island Racing Assn.

### Annual Meeting Held in Charlottetown Last Week—President's Address—Election of Officers—The Island Circuit Dates Approved.

The annual meeting of the Prince Edward Island Racing Association was held in Charlottetown last week. In his address, the president, Hammond Kelly, pointed out that a little over a year ago the association was formed of horsemen and truck owners to try and improve the incentive of racing and to give both the track owners and the campaigning horsemen a better chance to engage in the sport without incurring financial loss.

**BECKETT'S MANAGER OBTAINS INJUNCTION.**  
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## Pays \$13,500 For Yearling Trotter

### Thomas W. Murphy Obtains Hope Frisco After Bidding Starts at \$500 at Horse Auction in Madison Square Garden.

Eleven months and one day old, the black filly, Hope Frisco, bred by the estate of the late L. V. Harkness, at Walnut Hall Farm, in Kentucky, was sold last week at the Past-Tipton Company's horse auction in Madison Square Garden, New York, for \$13,500, the highest price on record for a trotter of her age. She was struck off by Thomas W. Murphy, one of the leading drivers of the Grand Circuit. It was said that he was acting for R. J. Reynolds, of Winston-Salem, N. C., who has paid fancy prices for two or three other trotters now in Murphy's training stables at pumpkin-pie.

**Highest Previous Price \$10,500.**  
E. J. Tranter, president of the Past-Tipton Company, said the highest price previously on record for a yearling trotter was \$10,500, the purchase of Marcus Daly's stud in the Garden nineteen years ago. It was sold to an Englishman for \$11,500, never distinguished herself. The highest price of recent years was paid by A. H. Costen of Southold, L. I., for General Ketchikan, a foal of 1917 from Walnut Hall Farm. The twenty-nine yearlings from the Harkness stud this year brought \$29,000, an average of \$1,033. This is the highest average ever known for trotters of like age from Walnut Hall or any other stud.

**Live Topics On Live Ring Stars.**  
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## Allan Cup Winners Sail From St. John

### Bookings Have Been Made On Melita For Olympic Hockey Team—Sail from St. John on April 3.

The Allan Cup winners, who will represent Canada in the Olympic hockey tournament at Antwerp on April 20, will sail from St. John, N. B., on April 3 on their way to Belgium via Liverpool. Bookings for 12 men have been arranged for some time on the Melita. The club that wins the Allan Cup will be entitled to take 11, while the other man will be W. A. Hewitt, secretary of the O. H. A. and the C. A. H. A., who will accompany the team to represent the C. A. H. A. and the Canadian Olympic Committee. "Bill" is the natural choice for the position, as he has done a lot to put hockey on the high plane that it holds today. He was asked some questions by the teams now in the running for the Allan Cup have all, with the exception of Varsity, signified their intention of making the trip. If they are returned champions, the winning Falcons, if they win, would like to return home for a few days, but this is out of the question, as they are scheduled to arrive in Antwerp March 29, which is only five days before the boat sails from St. John. The surplus Allan Cup receipts will be used to pay the transportation and expenses of the hockey team, and if they fail to meet the necessary amount, why some of the Olympic funds will have to be used. The Olympic team, which begins on April 20, will be under the management of seven-man hockey. Should the Allan Cup winners be unable to make the trip, the runners-up will go. The team is scheduled to arrive in Antwerp four days before the tournament opens.

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## French Fighter Reached New York

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## Big Leaguers Playing Ball

Jacksonville, Fla., March 23.—(Exhibition)—Brooklyn, Nationals, 1, 5, 1; New York, Americans, 0, 4, 2; Mitchell, Manuex, Mohart and Elliott; Miller, Kaneger, Shawkey, Collins and Hamm.

Tampa, Fla., March 23.—(Exhibition)—Cincinnati, Nationals, 6, 12, 0; Washington, Americans, 4, 11, 3; Jones, Bressler and Kardin; Johnson, Zachary and Eichlich.

Birmingham, Ala., March 23.—(Exhibition)—Philadelphia, Nationals, 7, 9, 0; Birmingham, Southern Association, 1, 2, 8; Roney, Meadows, Betts and Wheat; Sigmund, Glaser, Meeker, Henderson and Peters, Gooch.

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## SPANK MACHINE HAS AN EFFECT UPON THE BOYS

### Mayor of Bridgeton Has Used One for Years. ONLY ONE BOY NEVER CAME FOR MORE Names of Those Spanked Are Never Revealed to General Public.

In view of the discussion among members of the Rotary Club of Ottawa regarding the proper age limit for juvenile delinquency, the following from the Philadelphia Inquirer will be of interest:

Spanking, administered by a spanking machine has made Bridgeton a town of well-behaved boys and won fame for the Mayor, Arthur C. Whitaker, who originated the "machine" and who directs its operation.

"Spare the rod and spoil the child" is so mere proverb at the City Hall, where more than 100 boys have gone through the "spanking" in the seven years that Mr. Whitaker has been Mayor, so that it is beyond the experimental stage, he says. Only one boy out of that number ever came back for "more."

"So?" Subject to Mention

Until recently the nature of the "spanking machine" has been very much of a mystery, Mayor Whitaker and his police would not tell what it was and those who went through it would not tell the "story" subject to mention afterwards. The spankings are all administered privately in a back room at the City Hall and Mayor Whitaker makes it a point to never make public the names of the boys who are spanked.

"Spanking machines" savors in the knowledge of the old whipping post. It is not an implement of torture but it is a beneficial chastisement of bad boys, says Mayor Whitaker. He has a record of 100 boys who have been spanked since he took office. "I'm a friend of the boys," said the Mayor, "and when we spank them we try to make them better of their own good. When I went into office seven years ago I decided that no boy should be railroaded through to the county jail or reformatory for some petty offence if I could help it. So when the boys were brought before me for offences and thefts, I conceived the idea of the 'spanking machine' as offering the best solution for their cases. No doubt it would be a good subject without the full consent of his or her parents. The 'machine' is 'cranked up' to fit the fragility of the crime.

**Police Do Spanking.**  
"When a boy commits some offence that gets him into the hands of the police, he is brought before me and if the offence warrants it, I sentence him to the 'spanking machine.' I have nothing to do with the administering of the spanking. The police do that. I am going through the machine, the boy is brought back to my office. He usually has scars in his eyes and is in a humbling mood. I talk to him and show him where he has gone wrong and the effect of it. I invite the boys to come back to my office in the morning and get along and to seek my advice as to their troubles. At times I find as high as a dozen boys waiting here at my office in the morning, and I talk about their problems—everyone of them a boy that I had previously sentenced to be spanked."

The oldest fellow we ever put through the machine was 23 years old. He had committed an offence that sent him to jail and he had chosen the whipping himself rather than be put behind the bars. He had it laid on pretty hard. He was so ashamed of what he had done and the spanking he got that he left town the next day and we have never heard about him since.

Mayor Whitaker has used the "spanking machine" exclusively for juvenile offenders, with this single exception. He believes that if properly cranked up it would be quite effective for wife beaters.

"I've had fathers come and ask me what kind of a machine it is," said the Mayor. "They thought it was some contraption operated by a crank or something like that. If the moral effect should be lost, that the public knows just what the 'machine' is, why we would rig up a really, truly, mechanical speaker to take the place of the hand state and it will have some jolt to it, too, on the spot where it fetches up."

Bridgeton is a manufacturing city of 16,000 population and has boys of about the average type. The number of boys committed from here to the reformatory, however, is surprisingly low. The cases of truancy are also few, as the "spanking machine" makes it unprofitable to play hooky, even in the spring when the fish first begin to bite, although Mayor Whitaker takes such things into consideration in having boys punished. "I think," says Mayor Whitaker's "spanking machine" the credit for the exceedingly low average of commitments to the reformatory is due also to the checking of truancy.

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