On This Date

<u>July 23, 1907</u>

Ad Gumbert and Edward Swartwood, a pair of former major league players turned policemen, "do their duty," in the hanging of Dowling Green, convicted of murdering his wife.

Reluctant to take Green's life, Gumbert, now the sheriff of Allegheny County, rigs up an arrangement with which Green "practically" hangs himself.

BASEBALL PLAYERS HANG MAN

Former National League Stars Do Their Duty as Allegheny County Officials.

PITTSBURG, Pa., July 23.—Adison C. Gumbert, formerly a star pitcher of the Chicago National League team but now sheriff of Allegheny County, hanged his first man today, assisted by another former National League star, Edward Swartwood, who used to cayort around the middle field for the Pirates, and who is now deputy sheriff.

Gumbert, a two-time 20-game winner, is 123-102 with 191 complete games in a nine-year major league career (1888-1896). He breaks into the game in 1887 with the ZanesvIlle, Ohio, team before later playing with the Chicago White Stockings, Boston Reds, Chicago Colts, Pittsburgh Pirates and the Brooklyn Bridegrooms before ending his career in 1896 with the Philadelphia Phillies.

In 1888 and 1889, while playing with the White Stockings, Gumbert's roommate is fellow pitcher John Tener, who later serves as the 25th Governor of Pennsylvania from 1911 until 1915.



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Swartwood is a .300 career hitter in nine seasons with four different teams and leads the American Association in hitting with a .357 average in 1883.