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## Auto Salesman and ex-Soldier on Paternity Charge Says it Was Her Fault

Albert Sackwitz, 25 years old, a returned soldier and former automobile salesman of Lenzburg, stood accused in the County Court Thursday of being the father of the fifteen months old child of Miss Alice Winter, 18, also of Lenzburg.

The jury returned a verdict of guilty and the accused will have to pay Miss Winter the sum of \$450, extended over a period of nine years.

Miss Winter related in detail her acquaintanceship with Sackwitz. Parents of the two are old acquaintances but she and Sackwitz met for the first time in the fall of 1916 at a literary society program at the Dutch Hill

According to Sackwitz, the girl ask ed him to take her home from the literary society, but he declined, stating that she was too young. She replied that his escorting her would be perfectly proper as her mother reposed complete confidence in him.

After that Sackwitz's visits were frequent, it was stated. Often he took the girl on auto rides in his demonstrating car, she said. He was accused by the girl in the spring of 1918 and arrested and released on bond. Subsequently he was drafted into the army and the case hung fire until he returned. The child was born April 30, 1918.

Sackwitz declared he was not the only favorite with Miss Winter. He asserted that he had been "seduced" by the girl and not the contrary, as was charged, and that the consequence was her fault entirely. He charged she went out with other men also, but this was denied by the girl, who admitted she went to two dances without Sackwitz's escort, but that she was accompanied by a married sister and that she associated with no men. Letters written by both were introduced as evidence.

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