

BOBSLED RACES ARE POSTPONED

Storm at Lake Placid is Cause - Other Events Scheduled For Today

LAKE PLACID, N. Y., Feb. 8 (AP)—A storm of snow and wind, raging over the Adirondacks, today forced postponement for a day of the two-man bobsleigh race, feature event of the fifth day of the 1932 winter Olympics.

Arthur Meyer, of Switzerland, and Erwin Hochman, of Germany, members of the International Olympic committee who took charge of the bobs run a week ago, ordered the first and second heats set over until tomorrow with the third and fourth heats Wednesday.

After Track Marks NEW YORK, Feb. 8 (AP)—The figures will tell the story of a determined pre-Olympic charge by America's track and field stars here over the weekend—two world indoor marks smashed and another tied.

Three youths—Gene Venzke, George Spitz and Emmett Toppino—unheard of nationally when the last Olympics were run off at Amsterdam in 1928, accounted for these brilliant performances.

Venzke, a formidable runner only since last year, flashed the Wanamaker mile of the Millrose A. A. games in 4:11.15, shaving four-fifths of a second off the indoor mark held jointly by Paavo Nurmi and Jole Ray.

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All three probably will be outstanding favorites in their specialties when the national indoor A. A. U. championships are held here Feb. 22.

Spitz, America's chief hope for the high jump championship in the coming Olympics, bettered his own indoor record by five-eighths of an inch when he cleared the bar at 6 feet 7 3/4 inches.

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Cascade, Idaho Man Winner Of Wasatch Derby

ODDEN, Utah, Feb. 8 (AP)—Glen Rape of Cascade, Idaho, a newcomer in dog racing circles driving a seasoned team, today was holder of a silver cup and first prize money of \$50 as winner of the third annual Wasatch dog derby.

Crowding the George Stonebreaker string of Irish and Llewellyn setters over the last 20 miles through slush and over gravel, Rape drew up yesterday on Roy Stover of McCall, winner of the first half of the race Saturday afternoon, and overtook him when Stover's lead dog went lame.

The McCall musher was forced to carry his leader on the sled for the last five miles and dropped back to finish in third place. Delbert Groom of Rigby, who was second in the first half of the race, held that position and won \$200.

Stover received \$150 third money. Dean Hanni of Big Springs, Idaho, winner last year, was awarded \$75 for fourth place. Their total elapsed time for the 40 miles was: Rape 3:07:17; Groom 3:07:51; Stover 3:12:13; Hanni 3:13:08.

Thula Geelan of McCall, the only woman musher in the race, was fifth in 3:25:40.

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This Week's Schedule Today—Oregon State vs. Idaho at Moscow.

Tuesday—Oregon State vs. Idaho at Moscow.

Friday—Washington State vs. Oregon at Eugene; Idaho vs. Washington at Seattle.

Saturday—Washington State vs. Oregon at Eugene; Idaho vs. Washington at Seattle; Southern California vs. U. C. L. A. at Los Angeles; Stanford vs. California at Oakland.

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 8.—With the 1932 Pacific coast conference basketball season past the halfway mark, Washington State college in the north and Southern California and California in the south seem to have the divisional championships sewed up between them.

The Cougars are so far out in front as a result of their two victories over Oregon State last weekend, 31 to 22 and 33 to 22, that it is not likely that Washington, in second place, will overhaul them.

Washington State has seven games yet to play and holds a lead of 2 1/2 games over the Huskies, defending title holders. Early in the week the Cougars won from Idaho, 28 to 22.

In the south, Southern California and California are battling it out neck and neck. The Trojans are a full game ahead of the Bears. They maintained their lead by dropping Stanford in two games, 37 to 29 and 32 to 19.

The Bears at the same time remained within striking distance by taking an overtime tilt from U. C. L. A. Saturday, 31 to 29, after winning with comparative ease Friday, 38-24.

After a poor start, Washington has staged a great comeback. It won four straight games from Oregon, two last week end at Seattle, 38 to 29 and 27 to 21.

Washington State college tackles Oregon in a two game series Friday and Saturday at Eugene. Oregon State, before returning home from its eastern invasion, meets Idaho in a two-game series at Moscow tonight and tomorrow night. The Vandals will rest a few days and then will tackle Washington at Seattle Friday and Saturday nights.

YOUNG COLL, GOTHAM GANG HEAD, SLAIN

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ago gunmen had arrived last Friday by plan to "get" Coll.

Less than a week ago two men and a woman were shot in their Bronx home by gunmen believed to be hunting Coll. He had left the place a short time before. It has been generally believed among detectives for more than a year that Coll was constantly "on the spot" because of his unexplained contempt and hatred for Schultz.

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Four Leaders In Boxing Program For This Week

NEW YORK, Feb. 8 (AP)—Johnny Jadick, Jack Dempsey, Midget Wolgast and Izzy Schwartz are the principal figures in this week's fistic program.

Jadick, holder of the junior welterweight championship, faces Harry Duhinsky of Chicago in a ten-round non-title match at Philadelphia tonight.

Dempsey will box two rounds each against Buck Everett and Jack Roper at Milwaukee tonight, and four rounds against Meyer (K. O.) Christner of Akron, O., at Cleveland Thursday.

Wolgast, recognized in some states as flyweight champion, tangles with Tommy Hughes of Los Angeles in a ten round, non-title bout at Hollywood, Cal., Friday.

Schwartz, once flyweight champion, starts on the comeback trail as a featherweight against Jack Terranova of New York at the Jamaica arena here tonight.

At Portland, Ore., young Firpo, former Idaho miner and George Dixon, resume their feud in a six-round bout Tuesday night.

SMITH TO BE CANDIDATE IF WANTED

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With a full sense of the responsibility thereby imposed, I shall not in advance of the convention either support or oppose the candidacy of any aspirant for the nomination.

Answers Questions He was asked if he would forbid the use of his name in states that do not require the consent of a candidate for nomination.

"I don't see how I can stop anyone from doing anything," he said. "Will you support any candidate selected by the convention?"

"I am a Democrat. That is my answer."

"Does this permit your friends to enter your name in various state primaries?"

"I will answer that by repeating I'll make no pre-convention campaign."

Smith declined to discuss any party issues. Asked what he thought the principal issue of the campaign would be he said:

"I don't know."

May Mean Deadlock The consensus of political comment was that the Smith statement likely will mean a deadlock of the national Democratic convention at Chicago.

Smith advocates pointed out that 770 votes are necessary to nominate, and that 395 are enough to block nomination. Many viewed the Smith statement as having the effect of putting him forward as an actual candidate, though the wording of the statement disavows this.

Republicans generally expressed elation, believing a fight within the Democratic party would bolster Republican chances at the election.

Press Comments Many In his home state of New York Smith found the press comment support or oppose the candidacy of mixed. The New York Times said it is not necessary to infer that Alfred E. Smith is suffering from "a bad case of that insidious and almost incurable disease, presidentialitis."

His ambition is honorable," and added: "Even the most blindly complacent champion of Gov. Roosevelt must see that the entrance of Mr. Smith into the contest for the presidency heavily clouds the governor's own prospects." The Times further believes that Smith's nomination would mark a "revival of those religious prejudices which so distressed thoughtful men in 1928."

The Herald-Tribune noted Smith's "frankness and directness" to be "in sharp contrast with the pussyfooting and evasive tactics of Franklin D. Roosevelt." "No man," the Herald-Tribune said, "will be nominated against his (Smith's) wishes. That seems certain."

In the adjoining state of New Jersey the Newark Ledger believes there can be "only one interpretation of his stand," and that is that Smith "is determined to prevent Governor Roosevelt from obtaining the coveted prize" the Ledger thinks the Smith statement "will give great impetus to the movement in favor of Speaker John Garner."

James Farley, state Democratic chairman and supporter of the Roosevelt candidacy, said: "Governor Smith has a perfect right to issue the statement." That was all. (The title "governor" is still applied to Smith by his friends and political associates.)

Tammany Leaders Silent Tammany leaders were uncommunicative. John F. Curry, leader of Tammany, said he would not comment until he saw the statement in the paper. Edward J. Flynn, secretary of state and Bronx Democratic leader, smiled and said nothing.

In the south where Democracy's stronghold lies, much of the comment was in a vein of regret that Smith should have taken this course. "It is unfortunate for the Democratic party," said the Louisville Courier-Journal, "for it certainly means a struggle between Smith forces and Roosevelt forces."

The statement of Smith's "availability" for the presidential candidacy by in the view of the Richmond, Va., Times-Dispatch, "so unnecessary as to be slightly pathetic."

The Roanoke Times said the "masterful statement" will serve to enhance Smith's influence and position in the party. The Age-Herald of Birmingham sees reason to regret Smith's "pronouncement of receptivity" and says the statement "tears

a wheel off the Roosevelt band wagon."

"If the Democrats lose the presidency this year," says the Macon, Ga., Telegraph, "they may date the beginning of the end of their hopes from today." The Baltimore Sun, on the other hand, sees the statement as "a thing of health for the Democratic party and for the nation, because it promises clash of opinion and the purification."

At Fort Myers, Fla., the News-Press comments: "Al does not choose to run but will accept the nomination if offered. What American would not?" The Herald at Miami believes the Smith statement will "remove the fears of Gov. Roosevelt. . . . The greatest possible threat to his candidacy has been lifted."

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