

SIX DAY RACES AN OLD SPORT

Long Pedal Grinds Started Abroad
Thirty-seven Years Ago.

ARE POPULAR THE WORLD OVER

Distance Riding Began First With One Man Team—Team Racing In 1899. This Year's Event Will Be Held In New York During Week of Dec. 9.

The six day bicycle race under the auspices of the Garden Athletic club, which has been an annual affair in New York since 1891, will be staged in Madison Square Garden, New York, beginning the week of Dec. 9.

Under new management the race this year should be well handled. In the matter of teams the field will be a representative one. Few persons know it, but the six day race, which has become one of New York's annual winter events, originated in Europe nearly forty years ago. Its history at this time is quite interesting, recalling as it does the early struggles.

Six day cycle races date from about 1875, when a twelve hour a day affair was run in Birmingham, England. A little while later one of eighteen hours a day was held in London. In this race Walter rode with a cycle fitted with a wooden saddle for the full eighteen hours without dismounting.

The first invasion of America took place in 1879. Jack Haverly and Peter Duray brought over a team to this country from Europe and gave exhibitions and rode six day races of three and six hours a day on roller skating floors in New York, Boston, Chicago and other cities. In 1886 Tom Eck constructed the first track having banked or raised corners in a hall at Springfield, Ill. This was the first time the riders and skaters were able to make turns at full speed. Until that year all records for the quarter mile to 1,044.2 miles (44 hours) were held by Europeans.

The first 142 hour race in America was held in the Washington rink, Minneapolis, Minn., long before they rode these races in New York. Albert Shock won with a total of 1,405 miles. W. J. (Senator) Morgan finished second with 1,165 miles, while Louise Armahndo, advertised as the most accomplished woman rider of the world, ran third and had ridden 1,050 miles.

The first six day race ever held in Madison Square Garden was in 1891, seventeen riders starting and riding twenty hours a day. Pluggin Bill Martin of Lowell, Mass., won and rode 1,446 miles. The following year Ashinger was the victor. In 1893 Albert Shock won on a safety vehicle and rode 1,900 miles and three laps. No race was run in 1894, but during the following year a woman's six day race was run and was won by Frankie Nelson.

Again in 1896 the race was resumed and Teddy Hale, from Ireland, won, while Charlie Miller of Chicago accounted for the races in 1897 and 1898. Hale rode in Buffalo at the Broadway arena in 1896. In the year 1897 Miller covered 1,983 miles and in the following contest bettered the mark, riding 2,067 miles four laps.

In 1899 the authorities passed a law prohibiting riders from riding more than twelve hours in one day. Team racing was then taken up.

In 1899 the first team contest was held, and the winners were Charlie Miller and Frank Dutch, Walter, they covering 2,733 miles and four laps, a record that stood until 1908, when McFarland and Moran won with a total mileage of 2,737 miles one lap, that being the record at the present time. The late Harry Elkes and Floyd MacFarland won the following year, and in 1901 the race was won by Walthour and McEachern. George Leander and Floyd Krebs won in 1902. Walthour repeated in 1903 with Benny Munro as a partner.

Eddie Root won his first six day race in 1904, his partner being Oliver Norton. Root repeated the next year, but this time his mate was Joe Fogler, the Brooklyn cyclist. Fogler and Root again paired in 1906, and Fogler, who rode the last mile sprint, beat out the field for the honor. For the first time since team racing was in favor of a foreign team won the race in 1907, when Walter Rutt of Germany and John Stoll of Holland came home in front. Floyd MacFarland again put his name among the winners in 1908, when, with Moran as his partner, he won and established the present six day record of 2,737 miles and one lap.

In 1909 MacFarland started with Jackie Clarke and Rutt had Stoll as his mate. MacFarland and Stoll retired, and Rutt and Clarke paired up. They not only regained the lap they were penalized, but had a lap lead at the finish. The same state of affairs existed the following year, and with plenty of help they gained all their lost ground, but Eddie Root beat out Clarke, Fogler and Hehr at the finish. Last year saw Frank Kramer in his first long six day race, and he had Jimmy Moran as his partner. The best they could do, however, was to finish in second place, a lap behind the winners, Clarke and Fogler. What they will do this year is, of course, only problematical.

Indoor Baseball League In Syracuse. Syracuse may form an indoor baseball league.

GOOD AND BAD MILKING.

Things to Observe and Others to Avoid in Handling Cows.

Very early I began to milk. One season when only about twelve I and my brother, two years younger, earned \$20 one season milking cows for a neighbor at a penny a cow. But I do not claim to know all about milking even now. A few things I have learned, however. Perhaps they may be helpful to some one else, says the writer of a letter to the Iowa Homestead.

One is it is a good plan not to let one's finger nails grow too long. Most cows are very sensitive on this subject. Often when you see a cow step around nervously the only reason is that the nails of the milker are cutting into her teats.

Right in the same line with this is the habit some men have of setting their finger ends against the side of the teat when pressing the milk out. This hurts some cows too. Let the



Photograph by Hampton, Normal and Associates. "MILKING TIME."

fingers be as flat against the side of the teat as possible. It is just as easy to milk that way as any and far more agreeable to the cow.

Some men have a way of jerking down on the teats of the cow they are milking every time they bring out a stream. This is not at all necessary. In fact, the best milker will be the one who holds his hands the most nearly in the same position relative to the teat and squeezes steadily and rhythmically on the teat. Nothing is gained by jerking. Rather, the cow is made uncomfortable, and perhaps her bag may be permanently deformed.

One of the blindest habits of a man ever contracted is that of wetting the teats of the cow he is milking with milk before he begins. This, he fancies, makes the process of milking easier. I have seen the hands of milkers which fairly reeked with the discolored milk as it oozed between their fingers. The man who does this is not a fit hand for work. More or less of the foul liquid will get into the pail and help to make the milk insidious. Some cows do milk hard, but almost always there will be some man who is strong enough in the hands to milk them without resorting to any such uncleanly habit as this. Finally, three words ought always to be in the mind of every milker—carefulness, cleanliness and kindness.

TO BECOME A WISE FARMER.

In farming do not theorize, do not philosophize too much. Live the life of a farmer, keep in sympathetic touch with the plant and animal life about you, and the philosophy will take care of itself. It is astonishing how wise a farmer can become who is willing to be taught by what he sees and experiences. But this one thing he must remember—that the deductions of science have been obtained the same way, and so it is well to make friends of these deductions. —Hoard's Dairyman

COULON'S BANTAM TITLE IN DANGER

Holder of Championship Will
Stack Up Against Two Cracks.

KID WILLIAMS TOUGH NUT.

He Will Meet Johnny In New York
Dec. 17—Winner to Be Matched With
Ladoux, the Boss Bantam of Europe.
Palzer's Stock Goes Down.

By TOMMY CLARK.

A world's bantam championship is in the making. Charley Ladoux, the bantam boss of Europe, has accepted terms to meet the champion of the return battle between Johnny Coulon and Kid Williams in New York. Coulon and Williams will settle their mooted question of superiority in Gotham Dec. 17, and two weeks later Ladoux will be sent against the winner. That is, Ladoux will get the match provided he is not tripped up by some of the American 110 pounders that he contemplates testing himself out against.

In his first battle in this country against "Battling" Reddy in New York he showed up well. He mauled Reddy without a letup. He set a pace that would have made Battling Nelson turn green with envy. The Frenchman had a way of jumping in with his punches that seemed to kill off any of the force of his wicked looking swings and up-punches.

The general verdict was that Ladoux is the "roughest" little fellow that has visited America in many moons. His powers of endurance were simply hair-raising.

It was the Terry McGovern incident, a speed, which the jaw on his left to his fists that made little Terry foam up bigger than the New York sky-scraper line.

Reddy is not a star, but he has the necessary qualifications for a good trial horse. He is a puncher without skill.

Tammy Houck is mentioned as the next opponent of Ladoux. If the foreigner chips up on Houck he will be ripe and considered worthy of a match for the world's highest honors.

in his class. Ladoux carries a record as long as the pedigree of a British grand dame. All but three of his battles, however, were against boys that no one ever heard of. They are a few of the horde of French lads who have become inspired by the success of Georges Carpentier and are seeking to emulate him. Ladoux has fifty-four knockouts to his credit.

The championship aspirations of big Al Palzer received a severe jolt when he lost to Tony Ross in Philadelphia recently. Ross is the only poly heavy-weight who acted as a punching bag for Joe Jeannette in New York a short time ago. Palzer was not in the best of shape, but Ross was not trained any too fine either.

Palzer's record since he first attracted attention now stands at five victories and three losses, not counting the heavyweight tournament, where he was credited with winning.

Compared with the performances of some of his rivals this showing is not very impressive and evidently it behooves the Iowa farmer to bestir himself if he wishes to remain at the top of the heap. Even in his winning bouts Palzer has been forced to accept a great deal of punishment. There were times in practically all his bouts when he looked to be a loser, particularly in that with Wells and the bout with Kennedy in which he scored a knockout. Soldier Delaney knocked him down, and Soldier White landed at will until he finally succumbed to Palzer's great strength. However, Palzer has never yet been knocked out, thanks to his great recuperative powers.



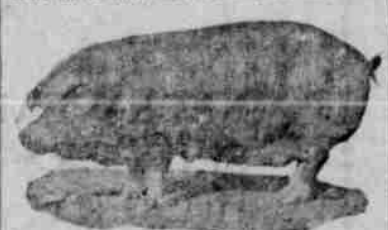
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WINTERING SMALL PIGS.

Careful Management Required to Make Them Return a Profit.

Many small farmers buy fall pigs and fail to make them do well, but do not know the reason, writes J. Brown in Orange Judd Farmer. Fall pigs will not winter well and make a good profit unless several restrictions are carefully submitted to. First make arrangements to let them have access to out doors whenever they are disposed to go out. Pigs shut up indoors languish. They want to run out when the weather is severe, even if they return at once some days. Swine carry so much of a coating of fat that they will stand more cold than many suppose. Frequently the kind hearted owner closes the doors and expects pigs to go on growing. But they refuse. The larger the pigs when severe weather comes on the better they will do. Of course if you live where the climate is mild this does not apply. But all young animals must have plenty of exercise.

Second, do not let them work or live in housing manure. The warmth appeals to them. They spend too much time in it and then rush into the cold.



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only to be attacked by lung and other kindred troubles. The rooting out of manure in summer will not harm. Give plenty of bedding and a sleeping room where drafts cannot blow over them and let it be dry. Dampness is detrimental to swine any time, but especially so in winter.

Third—Milk is likely to be scarce in winter, and for this reason many persons are not situated right to take on young pigs. They need milk because they are young and all the more because the weather is trying to digestion. Persons with young swine that do not grow forget some of these things. A hot slop (not too hot) winter morning is relished by all hogs and seems needful where the pigs are making their first growth.

Fourth—Constipation, that enemy of all animals, is more than likely to attack pigs that are deprived of green food and under stress because of any lack of nutrition. It must be guarded against. Give fruit, vegetables, soda, branches of apple trees, bran, middlings, molasses and small doses of wood ashes.

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Dated Nov. 1, 1912
Maude M. Baker, Administratrix of the estate of Burtis M. Baker, deceased.
Carey F. Martin, Attorney for estate.
F. P. 12-5 L. P. 1-2

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Friday Forenoon: Theory and Practice, Orthography, English Literature.
Friday Afternoon: School Law, Botany, Algebra, Civil Government.
Saturday Forenoon: Geometry, Geology.

Saturday Afternoon: General History and Book Keeping.
Yours Respectfully,
H. C. Seymour,
Superintendent of Schools, Polk County, Oregon.
F. P. 12-5, L. P. 12-12.

Walla Wall, Wash., Nov. 29, 1912.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Notice is hereby given that I will not be responsible for any bills contracted by my son, Robt. Ankeny, of Rickreall, Oregon.

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