

PARTICIPANTS IN YESTERDAY'S CHRISTMAS SWIM.

15,000 SEE SWIM

Lewis Thomas Wins Mid-winter Event in Willamette.

WATER'S TEMPERATURE 48

Second Annual Midwinter Aquatic Event of Multnomah Club Is Another Feather in Cap of Cavill, Who Gets Credit.

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pointed because Patterson could not participate. The Britten cup must be won twice by a competitor in the Christmas swim before becoming his personal property, and now it is jointly owned by Patterson and Thomas, though the latter will have possession of it for the coming year, as young Patterson had last year.

Crowds Gather Early.

As early as 9 o'clock yesterday morning the crowds commenced to gather on the Hawthorne and Morrison-street bridge, as well as upon the docks on both sides of the river, and a conservative estimate of the number of persons witnessing the swim is placed at 15,000 persons.

Promptly at 10:30 o'clock, the hour set for the start, all of the entries were lined up on a float moored under the new Hawthorne-avenue bridge, and after posing for a photograph for the Oregonian, the swimmers lined at the edge of the barge placed in position by E. E. Kellogg, and at the signal from the gun of the starter, T. Morris Dunne, all leaped into the waters of the Willamette amid an outburst of applause from the big crowd of spectators assembled on the new bridge and nearby docks.

Young Thomas, the winner, and Dave Welch, who finished second, got rather bad starts, for both boys were crowded out of positions before diving in and were delayed about two or three seconds before hitting the water. However, both lads started off with strong strokes, using the "crawl" taught them by Cavill, to great advantage, and soon overhauled the leaders and struck out in front in the most approved manner.

Thomas proved stronger than Welch and gained a lead which his strong and determined opponent could not overcome, and the winner passed the finish line about three yards ahead of Welch. H. Warn, the Vancouver, B. C., swimmer, finished third, about three yards behind Welch.

McDonald and Allen Tie.

P. McDonald, of the Y. M. C. A., and Arthur A. Allen, of the Multnomah Amateur Athletic and the Portland Rowing Club, who rowed to Kellogg's boathouse to participate in the swim, and after it was concluded, rowed back to the rowing club, finished a tie for fourth honors. These two swimmers came across the finish line so evenly that the judges called it a dead heat, and both will receive credit for fourth place. Mumford, unattached, and Hector Seymour took sixth honors. The other swimmers who won prizes in yesterday's swim, which constitute those who finished from sixth to 20th in the order named are as follows:

Boyle, M. A. A. C.; Worsham, M. A. A. C.; Banham, unattached; Mackenzie, M. A. A. C.; Max Urdahl, M. A. A. C.; Vincent, M. A. A. C.; Joe Hare, M. A. A. C.; Harry Stronbridge, United States Customs Service; Ed O. Gless, Portland Rowing Club; William Hanebut, M. A. A. C.; Papp, M. A. A. C.; Getty, M. A. A. C.; J. McDonald, Y. M. C. A., and DeBoest, M. A. A. C.

Thomas, through his victory yesterday, secures the Britten cup for one year, and permanent possession of the Frank E. Watkins cup.

Dave Welch is the winner of the John A. Heuser cup, and H. Warn was presented with the silver-mounted military hair brushes given by Clayton Falls. These prizes, together with the enameled gold stars and the gold and silver medals, cuff links and scarf pin, were tendered the swimmers on the stage of the Orpheum Theater by A. W. Laferty, Representative-elect in Congress from the Second Oregon District, at the conclusion of the show last night.

Walter A. Holt, president of the Multnomah Amateur Athletic Club, in commenting on the swim yesterday, said:

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THE START OF YESTERDAY'S SWIM

M'GREDDIE AFTER DUO

CALIFORNIA LADS MAY JOIN PORTLAND'S NEW TEAM.

Nick Williams Believed to Have Eye on Frank Gates and Southpaw Kauthelemer.

of 3 to 2. The Multnomah team was strengthened by two former National players and a new goalkeeper. Twice before this season the Nationals won from yesterday's winners. In the afternoon the Crickets won from the Oceanics, 12 to 2. In a preliminary to the latter game the Alnoworth Grammar School eleven defeated the Portmouth team, 1 to 0.

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SCENES OF THE SECOND ANNUAL CHRISTMAS SWIM IN THE WILLAMETTE RIVER, AND LEWIS THOMAS, THE WINNER.



The Swimmers Shows in the Big Group Picture Are (From Left to Right) as Follows: Standing—P. McDonald, Y. M. C. A.; W. Vincent, M. A. A. C.; E. O. Gless, P. H. C.; Max Page, M. A. A. C.; W. Worsham, M. A. A. C.; Joe De Boest, M. A. A. C.; F. Gray, M. A. A. C.; Max Urdahl, M. A. A. C.; William Hanebut, M. A. A. C.; J. K. Killen, M. A. A. C.; H. Horseman, M. A. A. C.; "Stions" Hacketts, M. A. A. C.; Dave Welch, M. A. A. C.; Douglas Getty, M. A. A. C.; Guss Mankwitz, M. A. A. C.; Harry Stronbridge, United States Customs Service; F. Buckley, M. A. A. C.; H. Warn, Vancouver, B. C. Swimming Club; J. Gross, Y. M. C. A.; Kussling—Hector E. Seymour, Portland Swimming Bath; Joseph Hare, M. A. A. C.; F. Shener, Hill Military Academy; J. Schaefer, M. A. A. C.; Melvin Boyle, M. A. A. C.; G. Munly, M. A. A. C.; Arthur Cavill, Swimming Instructor, M. A. A. C.; F. E. Gray, M. A. A. C. (Just Behind Cavill); H. Mumford, Unattached; J. McDonald, Y. M. C. A. (Photograph Was Taken by Oregonian Photographer Just Before Swimmers Dived into River, as Shown in Accompanying Illustration.)

be placed on record as saying that this is one of the most meritorious and successful events of which I have ever heard, and I am heartily in favor of making the event an annual affair. Mr. Watkins and Mr. Cavill deserve credit for this success."

Others Praise Aquatic Event.

George W. Simons, one of the trustees of the Multnomah Club, and one of the most enthusiastic members of the organization, said: "This idea is one that should appeal to every public-spirited citizen of Portland. I do not know of anything that will give us more prestige than the perpetuating of the annual Christmas swim idea. I think it is a great idea, and the proposition will always have my hearty support."

Edgar E. Frank, trustee of the Multnomah Club, said: "Tams' Cavill deserves great credit for this idea, for the swim today demonstrates the mildness of our climate and is one of the greatest boasters Oregon could have. It was a great idea, not only for the Multnomah Club, but for the community as a whole."

T. Morris Dunne, secretary of the Pacific Northwest Amateur Athletic Association, and one of the most enthusiastic members of the Multnomah Amateur Athletic Club, said: "It was a grand success. Those active promoting swimming are doing the community a good that is incomparable."

Frank E. Watkins, director of swimming at the Multnomah Club and a member of the Portland City Council, said: "Swimming should be advanced by every possible means, and I think Portland ought to take the matter up and promote it more generally by the establishment of more public swimming baths along the banks of the Willamette River. As for the Christmas swim, all credit for this event belongs to Arthur Cavill, who originated the idea and had the nerve to propose and pull off the first event when most people were skeptical of the feasibility of the idea."

Withycombe Is Disappointed.

Previous to the swim Ralph Withycombe, who finished third in last year's swim, dived off the lift span of the new Hawthorne bridge, but the position from which he dived was not so favorable as he had hoped, and he was prevented from participating in the regular swim because he had not time to secure a new outfit. Withycombe was greatly disappointed, after being picked up by one of the launches in attendance, and announced that he was going after next year's swim more determined than ever.

Those who started in yesterday's swim are: H. Schaefer, A. Getty, Dave Welch, H. Warn, Gus Mankwitz, E. Vincent, J. McDonald, E. O. Gless, D. Worsham, P. McDonald, J. Gross, M. W. Boyle, Lewis Thomas, E. S. McKenzie, F. Banham, H. E. Seymour, W. E. Gray, Max Urdahl, M. A. A. C.; E. H. Killen, H. C. Munley, G. Mumford, F. King, Max Page, J. DeBoest, Joe Hare, William Hanebut, M. Buckley, Art Allen, E. W. Horseman and Harry Stronbridge.

The officials of the swim were: T. Morris Dunne, starter; Walter A. Holt, H. E. Judge, Frank E. Watkins, E. Harman, F. I. Fuller, Oliver King Jelfery, Frank E. Watkins, George W. Simons, A. H. Ellwagh, Dow W. Walker and Edgar E. Frank, Judges; Clayton Falls, W. J. Petrain, Seneca Fouts, James McCool, Jack Grant and Fred Simpson, timers.

Spellbound Breaks Track Record.

OAKLAND, Cal., Dec. 26.—In the presence of a big crowd Spellbound won the Christmas handicap at Emeryville today and in doing so shattered the track record of 2:05 1-5 for a mile and a quarter by covering the distance in 1:59 2-5. The race was very fast. Winning Widow won the Motto handicap and Raleigh P. D. led the field home in the Geraldine handicap.

Notre Dame Wins at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 26.—The Notre Dame football team, of Indiana, defeated the St. Louis team of all-stars here today, 12 to 0.

MANY SEEKING JUDGESHIP

G. W. Phelps Has Good Chance to Be Named Bean's Successor.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 26.—(Special.)—Petitions naming candidates to fill the position of Circuit Judge which will be left vacant the first of the year by the resignation of Judge H. J. Bean, who will become a member of the Supreme Court, have been flooding the executive offices. In addition there are many who take it for granted that G. W. Phelps, present District Attorney of the Sixth District, will be named to succeed Judge Bean, and a great number of petitions have been received recommending candidates for that position in event Phelps is the selection.

John P. Winter and G. W. Phelps are the two candidates for the judgeship. Winter is the partner of Judge Stephen Lowell. Both are subject of a great number of recommendations. Charles J. Ferguson, of Pendleton; Homer I. Watts, of Athens; and C. B. Woodson, of Hopper, are candidates for the office of District Attorney in event Phelps resigns to succeed Bean, and all have a large number of recommendations. The appointment will not be made until after the first of the year, as Judge Bean's resignation does not take effect until December 31.

LANDSLIDE DOES DAMAGE

Walla Walla River Plant Hit by Mountside Rock.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Dec. 26.—(Special.)—Crashing down the mountainside with a roar heard a mile away, a landslide today took out a part of the big pipeline that furnishes water for the Pacific Power & Light Company's plant on the Walla Walla River. The pipe is a wooden barrel tube and about 30 feet of it was taken out.

Luckily it was the early morning and little inconvenience was experienced as a result of the accident and in half an hour the big steam emergency plant had everything going in normal condition. A large force of men was rushed to the plant and the work of repairing the pipe is expected to be done tomorrow morning, the crews working night and day. No one was hurt by the slide and little other damage was done save that to the water road, which was covered for a few feet.

Army Man Routs Intruder.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 26.—(Special.)—When Lieutenant Howe returned to his home on Tenth street tonight he was astonished to find a man sitting on his bed. The Army man grappled with the intruder and threw him down stairs and kicked him into the street, not thinking the man was a burglar. Later he found the intruder had been rifling his bureau, and feigned drunkenness when caught in the act.

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