

DOPE GIVEN ON INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC MEET

Course Is Narrow and Uneven
Marathon Runners Must Be Properly Shod

PLAYERS TO SEE SPORTS

Teams Will be Housed in Numerous School Buildings in City

NEW YORK, July 17.—When President Gustavus T. Kirby of the American Olympic committee returned from his recent official visit to Antwerp, Belgium, he presented an exhaustive and very interesting report of his trip to the scene of the coming Olympic games, to the other members of the national committee. Almost every line of the lengthy document is of interest to followers of athletics as Mr. Kirby has gone into detail in reference to the contests in which America will be represented. The following excerpts from the report will give the readers a good idea of the vastness of the arrangements which have been made for the world's greatest athletic competition as well as a program which embodies every conceivable exercise known in the world of sports.

The marathon race will not be laid from Brussels to Antwerp as was originally contemplated, for the reason that the numerous railway crossings at Grade would make such a course too dangerous and to build stairways or incline ways over the railroad would be too exhausting to the runners. The course has been therefore changed so as to have the runners start in the stadium and follow the course for half the distance and return over the same route to the stadium, which will be circled once. The course is practically flat, there being but one hill near Malines and this is of but little consequence as hills are considered in this country. The surface over which the race takes place has about 90 per cent of dirt or fine broken stone, the same being rather narrow bicycle path along the main highways, (many of which bicycle paths exist in Belgium). As it is, 10 per cent of the distance will be of Belgian block and not of the best laid Belgian blocks at that. Moreover the bicycle path is so narrow that until the runners become strung out many of them will have to run on the main highway of Belgian block. I am confident that unless the marathon runners are properly shod for that character of the surface, to be run over, that there will be many incapacitated from finishing through bruised or lacerated feet.

Housing
As has been announced by the Belgian Olympic committee its plans for the housing of teams was, and is, to place them in the numerous school houses in the city. Your president after considering the situation very carefully, concluded that the committee was by all odds the best one and has therefore, arranged for the athletic team, the swimming team, the gymnastic team, in fact all of the teams excepting the shooting, rowing, polo and horseriding, to be housed in the school for boys at the Rue Oudaen. This school is one of the largest in Antwerp. It is supposedly large enough to lodge 400 but the entire building will be turned over to the American teams. The rooms are large and airy, and the building faces on the street and a large interior court yard, approximately 60 by 60 feet, containing trees, walks and benches and is a very pleasant and suitable place.

Amusement
The Belgian Olympic committee is so arranging its program of events, as to make it possible for the contestants in one sport to see the contests in the other sports, for example, the track and field events will start at 9 o'clock in the morning and be over at or before 5 o'clock in the afternoon. In the afternoon the swimming events will be decided, the last in point of time on each day being the water polo. In the evening in the large amphitheater at the zoological gardens in the center of the city will be held the wrestling and boxing contests. In addition to the opportunity thus given for members of the various teams to enjoy the sports, there will be various festivities such as were held at Stockholm and most important of all, is the present intention of Generals Allen and Sage, to have personal conducted tours made to the devastated regions and those over which the actual fighting took place. Of course, for such trips there will be the necessary railroad charges, but all will be without profit. A cordial invitation has been received from Mon. Victor Breyer, editor of the L'Echo Des Sports, for the American team to take part in the athletic meetings to be held in Paris on the Sunday following the finish of the athletic events in Antwerp; their expenses to Paris being paid and the proceeds of the meeting going to some charitable institution and as to which invitation your president has stated, no invitation could be accepted which would in any way interfere either with the events of the festivities of the Seventh Olympic.

Rowing
Date of contest, August 27 to 29. Place of contest: On the canal running through Brussels. The race starting at the village called Vilvorde, which is about 92 minutes by automobile from Brussels, and considerably longer by train from Antwerp. The water is absolutely still and the canal is approximately 60 metres wide. It is said that races for four eight-oared crews in one heat had been held upon the canal, and it is contemplated that in the final heats, as with the other events, there will be three crews or contestants. The canal is not only wide but shallow, especially on the edges, probably not being more than three feet on either side. It would seem that the crew in the middle course would have a decided advantage, and while the canal is as straight as an arrow if the crews are not steered equally straight, fouling will be difficult to avoid. The question was asked if it would be permissible for

the leading crew, which started on the side of the canal, to take to the middle course and the answer was that such had been done quite often. It is certain that a good start and the best of steering, is the requisite for the race. Along one side of the canal runs a railroad and on this there will be an observation train. On the other side there is a road along which automobiles will be permitted. If as many turn up as are expected to stand along the banks to see the race and if the police are paid as little attention to as seems to be invariably the custom with the Belgians, there will be many spectators in the canal under the observation train, or the automobiles on the days of the races.

Cycling
Date of contest: August 9 to 12. Place of contest: On the concrete motor cycle track near the stadium, such track being saucer shaped and having had added, thereto, an additional strip, thereon, an additional concrete strip about seven feet wide at the bottom of the "saucer", such strip having but little slope and thereby permitting one to ride without speed. This strip is not sufficiently wide to do more than allow one man to pass another thereon. It is possible to pass by riding up the slope of the main track and probably with speed, one would do this in any event.

The many places of refreshment in and around the city give opportunity for rest and recreation and the excursion to the battlefields, can be taken at almost any time. The very attractive program of the Seventh Olympia and the exposition, has been gotten out in print and the English translation should be received by the American Olympic committee within a fortnight. This guide, or program tells of the neighboring cities, and Brussels, Ghent, Bruges, Ostend, Zeebrugge and many other towns of ancient and war interest. There is no doubt, whatever, that the visitor to Antwerp will not only have the opportunity of seeing the best sport of the world but also a most interesting and educational time in visiting many places referred to.

Belgium is certainly on its toes in the rehabilitation of its industries and commerce and the reconstruction of its country and while much is still left to be done, so far as the tourist is concerned, he will find the trains running at regular schedule time, the shops well stocked, the food of the best, and prices approximately that of our own country, certainly no more and probably somewhat less, by reason of the present rate of exchange. The hotel and housing problem is the most serious one for it is a fact that the hotels of Antwerp are overcrowded and that those in Brussels and at other cities while not so bad, must have reservations made therein in advance to be sure of proper accommodation. So far, however, as concerns the visitors to the Olympic games, it can be stated with positiveness that all will be properly housed by the Belgian Olympic committee, for the good people of Antwerp having made up their minds that irrespective of the crowded condition of their main hotels and the desire on the part of some hotel keepers to take unfair advantage of the situation, they will not permit visitors to their city and especially American visitors, to be imposed upon, or uncomfortably lodged.

The housing committee of the Belgian Olympic committee, has received from the best people of Antwerp, offers for the use of their homes of rooms which are large and comfortable, many with modern conveniences and all of the character wherein any visitor should be comfortable. All that is necessary for anyone about to visit Antwerp to do, is to send full and explicit information to the American Olympic committee, Antwerp, Belgium, stating just what is wanted, the time of arrival, the period of occupancy, the number and character of the individuals or family to be cared for and the maximum amount willing to be paid for the accommodations. The representative of the American Olympic committee, will then take up with the Belgian committee the matter of obtaining the accommodation desired and the applicant can rest assured that on his or her arrival at Antwerp, proper accommodations will be found. If time suffices, the applicant will be notified by letter or telegraph just where to go on arriving at Antwerp.

Clackamas County Man Files for Use of Water

Solon S. Bray of Oregon City has filed an application in the office of Percy A. Capper, state engineer for permission to use water from Abernathy creek for domestic purposes and for the irrigation of certain land in Clackamas county.

Other applications have been filed as follows:

By John W. Frisco of Rye Valley covering the appropriation of water from Deer Creek for irrigation of a small tract in Baker county.

By William A. Aird of New Era, covering the appropriation of water from Willamette river for irrigation of a small tract in Clackamas county.

By O. W. Decker of Richland, covering the appropriation of waste water from springs for domestic supply in Baker county.

By C. F. Vase and John Valen of Waldo, Or., covering the appropriation of 20 second feet of water from the right hand fork of Althouse creek for mining purposes in Josephine county.

By William F. Stine of Rome, covering the appropriation of water from Owyhee river for irrigation of 60 acres in Malheur county.

By D. W. Pence, of Trail, Ore., covering the appropriation of water from the west branch of Elk creek for the irrigation of land in Jackson county.

GAS RATION INCREASED.

PORTLAND, Ore., July 17.—Gasoline ration for pleasure cars was raised from 20 to 50 per cent of tank capacity by the Standard Oil company today. Commercial car ration was left at 75 per cent of tank capacity.

An end has been made to the shortage east of the mountains, it was stated by officials of the company, by importation of supplies from Wyoming fields.

CURTAIN RAISER ADDED TO CARD

Frankie Crites of Newberg and Carl Miller Carded for Four-Round Go

Frankie Crites of Newberg and Carl Miller have been matched for a four-round curtain raising bout for the boxing matches to be staged by the Salem lodge of Elks as the premier sport event on the calendar for the entertainment of Oregon's antlered lodges during the state convention of that order in Salem this week. The matches will be held Friday evening in the stadium of the state fair grounds.

The addition of this bout puts five fast events on the card. Sport fans from the entire length of the coast are beginning to arrive in the city and are following the training of the fighters closely. Joe Gorman, Alex Trambitas and Pugy Morton, who have been training here for several days, have been joined by Earl Baird and Eddie Shannon, other principals on Friday night's card, and the camp followers had the opportunity of seeing them all work out yesterday afternoon. All of the men are in high spirits and apparently the pink of condition. Johnnie McCarthy, who was scheduled to arrive Sunday, will not be here until tomorrow.

The convention committee announced today that everything is in readiness for the coming of the lodgesmen and the first trainloads are expected to arrive Thursday morning. Several parties in automobiles have already reached the city.

INDUSTRIAL UNREST GIVEN DIAGNOSIS

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That organization that fights the "reds" actuated with the spirit of the Carpenter of Nazareth, who subscribes to the law of prophets "whatsoever that ye would that men should do unto you, do ye even so to them" will come out in the end victorious.

Musical Prelude Given.

The Alaska Duo gave a musical prelude to the lecture of Mr. Fish. Several pleasing solos of voice and piano were given by the company composed of two women musicians. Their songs and selections met approval from the audience which

caused them to respond to several encores.

This afternoon "Raul Pereira and his string quintet" will provide the entertainment, while the lecture will be by Captain Ketchel, an American ex-service man. The evening will be a musical for Chautauqua goes. The Pereira quintet will assist Mary Adel Hays, an American soprano, in her concert.

Wednesday, the royal Welsh lady singers will furnish the music and Judge George D. Alden the lecture in the evening. On Thursday the program will take place only in the evening, furnished by the Maurice Browne Players in their play "Kindling." Two lectures, in the afternoon by Dr. G. Whitfield Ray, and in the evening by Fred G. Bale, with the Parnells furnishing the musical preludes, mark the program for Friday. The native Maori singers from New Zealand will furnish the program for Saturday.

REALTY MEN ELECT.

SPOKANE, July 17.—Ira E. High of Boise, Idaho, was elected president of the Interstate Realty association at its fourth annual convention which ended here today, and Tacoma was selected for the 1921 convention. Resolutions were adopted endorsing the Columbia basin project, authorizing a committee to investigate possibilities of settlement on logged-off lands and or state aid to settlers, urging exclusive listings of real estate with uniform contracts and condemning Sunday sales.

PLANES WAIT AT ERIE.

ERIE, Pa., July 17.—The four government airplanes blazing an air mail trail to Alaska will leave here at 10 o'clock Sunday morning for Grand Rapids, Mich., second stop on the 9,000 mile journey. Three of the planes arriving here Thursday were joined this afternoon by Captain St. Clair Street, commander of the flight, who had been detained at Elmhurst, Pa., by a broken axle. Examination of the commander's plane here showed that the wings had been slightly damaged when he had been forced to land at Elmhurst.

LAW AND ORDER PLANK OUT.

CHICAGO, July 17.—The law and order plank adopted by the republican national convention has been left out of the platform as printed for distribution and issued from republican headquarters here, Virgil G. Hinshaw, chairman of the prohibition national committee, said today.

"Prohibitionists," said Mr. Hinshaw, "are thunderstruck by the failure of the republican platform issued by the republican national committee to embody the law enforcement plank adopted along with other planks by unanimous vote of the republican national convention."

CANADIANS IN TRY-OUTS.

MONTREAL, July 17.—Crack athletes of Canada competed at the Montreal Athletic association field meet here today for places on the team that will represent the dominion in the Olympic games at Antwerp.

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EVANS GOLF CHAMPION

MEMPHIS, Tenn., July 17.—Charles "Chick" Evans, Jr., of Chicago, tonight was taking back to his "home shelf" the massive silver bowl emblematic of the amateur golf championship of the west.

Evans today defeated Clarence Wolff of St. Louis five up and four to play, in the finals of the tournament of the western golf association and for the fifth time since 1909 became a monarch of western golf. No other golfer has duplicated this accomplishment in the west.

Two Carloads of Aliens Deported—Many Insane

PORTLAND, July 19.—Two carloads of aliens, most of them said to be insane, left here today for New York from which city they will be sent to their former homes in Europe. One carload came from San Francisco and the other from Seattle, both leaving here in one train.

Huff—What kind of aircraft is it in which Flyerleigh takes his sweet-heart riding?
Nuff—A dearieable. —Cartoon Magazine.

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