

SPORTS

NURMI, FASTEST THING IN SHOES, HERE FOR RACES

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—(AP)—Only a glimpse of Paavo Nurmi and the muttered information that he is not a professional and does not intend to turn pro was vouchsafed even to the closest friends of the "Phantom Finn" as he arrived here today from Europe and promptly whisked himself away to parts unknown.

After a search which carried him to Patterson, N. J., and back again to the Bronx, Hugo Quist, the New York Finn who managed Nurmi's American tour in 1925 and is anxious to learn his running plans for the present visit, summed it all up in the expressive phrase: "Can't find Paavo."

Nor could anyone else, for the time being. The French liner Rochambeau in which Nurmi sailed from Havre on Dec. 5 after a false start on the Bermuda, crept in to quarantine at 5 a. m., and as though in league with the secretive Finn's desires slid into its pier at 10:15, nearly an hour ahead of schedule.

Among those taken by surprise and therefore not at the pier to meet him was Quist, and Paavo landed pretty much alone except for fellow passengers and the few newspapermen who went down to the bay to meet the boat.

To them he granted his only interview, a series of monosyllabic, shakes of the head and repeated declarations of "no spik English" that are peculiar to Paavo and typical of the man.

He was emphatic in his statement that he had not turned professional and did not expect to do so. About his running plans he gave no information at all, becoming evasive and parrying direct questions with a "no spik English" accompanied by a total lack of facial expression. "None" was a favorite reply to all questions and invitations.

It is expected, however, that Nurmi will make his first appearance on this second American tour at a meet to be conducted by the Finnish-American A. C. at Madison Square Garden, Jan. 12, and will probably run in such big events as the Millrose Illinois A. C. and Boston A. A. games later in the season.

ARMOUR LEADS IN SACRAMENTO OPEN

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Dec. 15.—(AP)—With a record of smashing 66

for today's play, Tommy Armour, 1927 national open champion, loomed today a heavy favorite to carry off the Sacramento open golf tournament. Armour collected six birdies and an eagle for the eighteen holes, dropping a stroke on the ninth and one on the sixteenth. Coupled with yesterday's 71, Armour enters tomorrow's 36 hole finale with an edge of three strokes on John Golden of New Jersey, his nearest competitor, who in turn is of Pasadena.

The round that saw Armour break the course record of 65 formerly held jointly by Abe Esplanza, Art Demais and Frank Minch, local pro, also saw the partial collapse of Ed Gayer of Chicago and Horton Smith of Joplin, Mo., each who turned in phenomenal cards.

NORBECK-EVANS GO FRIDAY ATTRACTS

Nothing will be undone in making next Friday's match at the Rialto theatre between Art Evans, Cherokee Indian wrestler of Oklahoma, and Moose Norbeck of Portland, one of the outstanding matches of the current season, according to plans of Jack Woods, local promoter, who contracted for Norbeck's appearance with Evans last week. This will be the first wrestling show in the theatre and is expected to draw a large attendance.

The ring will be built over the theatre organ and will be so situated as to give the spectators a comparatively easy view of the ring, which will be the same one that was in use at the armory. Several good preliminaries have been arranged for the match and will include a semi-windup between Tommy Ryan, the wrestling tailor, and Young Gutch of Portland. Ryan has appeared here several times and has won all of his matches.

Cecil Barrick, that doughy young wrestler of Grants Pass, will be on the same card, and will grapple with Curly Woods. National Hockey League Finals: At Montreal: Canadiens 9; Maroons 0 (overtime tie). At Ottawa: Ottawa 9; Pittsburgh 0 (overtime tie). At Toronto: Toronto 2; Boston 0.

GRID TALENT OF EAST ENTRAINS FOR SHRINE TILT 'GETS THE GO-BY'

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—(AP)—Twenty-two of the leading eastern and midwestern football stars took their initial workout at Dyche stadium today in preparation for the east-west gridiron encounter at San Francisco, December 29. The team entrained for the Pacific coast tonight but will take several workouts en route.

The squad, chosen and coached by Dick Hanley of Northwestern and Andy Kerr of Washington & Jefferson, went through a light drill consisting of dummy tackling and rudimentary formations. No intricate formations will be attempted by the eastern eleven. Coaches Hanley and Kerr said they would rely on straight line plays mixed with a passing game to carry the east to victory.

Composed of nine western conference players, six of whom captained their teams during the 1928 season, two players from Nebraska, and eleven of the east's best, the squad ranks as one of the greatest collections of football talent ever assembled as one team. Only two of the stars originally selected for the eastern team did not answer the roll call today. A third set wins.

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Dec. 15.—(AP)—Mrs. William Headley of Pierpont, north of here, has given birth to the third set of twins in three years. Five of them are girls. There are five other children in the family.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 15.—(AP)—Police Chief Lincoln H. Toyne today said Kansas City now is drier than it has been for years, because of the impetus given prohibition law enforcement since Mrs. Maud Wilson swung the axe on a soft drink establishment recently.

UNRULY MR. RHEM, DENVER TOO FOXY FOR KLUM'S TEAM

HONOLULU, Dec. 15.—(AP)—The University of Denver outsmarted the University of Hawaii swimmers here today after the Honolulu squad was seemingly the victor, said won 13 to 12 by the margin of a single conversion in the 100 for extra point after touchdown.

Denver gained its victory by the first combination of the lateral and forward passes displayed in Honolulu this season. Both teams used the forward pass extensively during the second half and it was by the aerial attack that the Rocky Mountain lads got their first score when Byers threw the ball to Raaland who crossed the line. Byers converted the try for point.

THUG FLEES WHEN CALLED 'UNCLE'

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 15.—(AP)—It may take a lot to scare some bold bandits, but the secret of four-year old Dorothy Hoffman's scheme is merely two words spoken in glee. "Hello, uncle."

There were many customers in the grocery store of Frank Smalley when two well bearded men entered and lined the shoppers and proprietor against a wall facing the threat of two revolvers.

One man scooped about \$12 from the till and then started to search the customers. A little girl's face popped out of the line, her eyes scanned one bandit's countenance and then she yelled her greeting. Both men turned and fled.

Dorothy's mother said the bandit whom her daughter greeted resembled an uncle.

PORTLAND, Dec. 15.—(AP)—Struck by an automobile when he attempted to cross a street intersection, James H. Richardson, 69, of Portland, was fatally injured tonight. He died in a hospital an hour after the accident. He was said to have received a skull fracture and a broken leg.

Kenneth Pearson, driver of the car, told police Richardson stepped off the curb suddenly and that he was unable to avoid hitting him.

FROM FUNERAL OF HIS FOLKS. TO JAIL CELL

CAREONDALE, Ill., Dec. 15.—(AP)—Three minutes after he returned from the funeral of former mayor J. C. Hundley, his father, and Luella Hundley, his step-mother, Victor A. Hundley, 39, a coal dealer, was arrested on a charge of slaying the elderly couple on Wednesday night.

The ex-mayor and his wife were shot to death in their pretentious home shortly before midnight on Wednesday. The son, although questioned at length, has declared he is ignorant of who did the shooting.

Hundley, accompanied by his wife and sister, Mrs. Lola Droke, of Memphis, went from the funeral services to his home, which is two doors away from the one where the slayings occurred. Sheriff Flanagan and two deputies drove up shortly afterward and informed the son that he was under arrest for the murder of his father and step-mother. He was taken to the county jail at Murphysboro.

The will which the Elder Hundley had made out just two weeks before his death was found in his safe deposit box today. It disclosed an estate of \$50,000, of which \$30,000 is a real estate mortgage which matures in 1934. The interest on the mortgage is so divided that the son, Victor, gets \$600 a year.

When the mortgage matures, a trust fund of \$10,000 is to be set aside for the son and he will receive the interest from this but cannot use the principal until 1944.

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