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1928 WAS PACKED WITH THRILLS FOR U. S. SPORT FOLLOWERS! MANY CHAMPS KEPT TITLES

By Alan J. Gould
 (Associate Press Sports Editor)
 NEW YORK—(AP)—Instead of the old-fashioned method of a sportsman put on a variety show for 1928 that has been packed with debates, upsets and international tangles.

For quick shifts, short turns and scores the year has broken all records, from the winter overture of a world's hockey championship wrested from Canada by the New York Rangers, on thru a summer featured by Gene Tunney's retirement and Olympic shocks for Uncle Sam, down to the final scenes featuring the crippled New York Yankees, the flashy gridiron show and the act of keeping Big Bill Tilden under suspension after one of the most sensational of all 1928 controversies.

From January to December the show passes in kaleidoscopic review, whether one cares to focus upon the spectacular individual feats of Bobby Jones, Helen Wills, Ray Barbuti, Percy Williams and Red Cagle or upon the equally impressive team accomplishments of such aggregations as the world's champion New York Yankees, the doubles team of Lott and Hennessy in tennis, the California crew in waters from the Pacific coast to Holland, the Stanford football team or the new Big Four of the United States polo.

It takes only mention of these individuals or teams to unlock the refection of fine performances, packed with excitement, Bobby Jones, losing his bid for the National Open golf crown by a single stroke margin to Johnny Farrell, came back to smother the British threat of Phil Perkins, the great Georgian won the amateur title for the fourth time in five years, Meanwhile Walter Hagen added to the American monopoly of honors on the links with his third triumph in the British Open tournament since 1922.

U. S. Lost Track Prestige; High In Water Sports

France still holds the Davis Cup and the U. S. singles trophy, also reposes on a Paris shelf for the third straight time, through the victory of Henri Cochet at Forest Hills, but Helen Wills swept through all women's opposition at home and abroad for the second year in a row. In addition, Lott and Hennessy, the continental U. S. crew, is teaming up one of the year's great performances when they captured the U. S. doubles crown by pulverizing the best teams Australia and France could put on the field.

With the international angle conspicuous throughout the year, the field of Olympic rivalry at Amsterdam had its full share of interest as well as keen disappointment for America. Ray Barbuti turned in the only Yankee flat race victory as Lord Burghley, Percy Williams of Canada, Nurni, Ritola, Lowe and others monopolized the spotlight.

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Another Year and Still Supreme



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Jack Mulhall at Rialto Today

The Great White Way of New York is the Sargasso Sea of play, fatigue, and the one-time "angel" who has later been known as a "butter and egg man" has on many occasions seen his fondest hopes decay along the crowded thoroughfare known as Broadway. But once in a blue moon someone proves wiser than those who seek to pluck him.

Such an instance is shown in "The Butler and Egg Man" at the Rialto, which features Jack Mulhall, with Greta Nissen as leading woman; Gertrude Astor, Sam Hardy and William Demarest in other roles.

Mulhall plays the easy mark who wins out and makes a great success from an apparent failure. He gets roped in by unscrupulous play producers, to invest his last penny in a "shop." He learns about actors, actors, dressing rooms, rehearsals and play productions.

Dancing Daughters Hunt's Craterian

Environment is the theme of "Dancing Daughters," now at Hunt's Craterian, being to his screen one of the most fascinating dramas of youth.

With the leading feminine honors shared by Joan Crawford, Dorothy Sebastian and Anita Page, this production is refreshingly youthful.

It is not just another what's-wrong-with-our-children picture. It tells a story, and explores the hidden nooks in the lives of three very modern young women who go forth into the world with three different viewpoints.

This story displays a remarkable insight into the character of the youth of today.

The picture is accompanied by a most beautiful sound and music synchronization.

LONG BEACH OPEN WON BY HAGEN

LONG BEACH, Cal., Dec. 31.—(AP)—Walter Hagen, of Detroit, leader of the professionals and British open golf champion, won the \$2000 Long Beach open golf tournament Sunday from a nationally famous field with a card of 276. His share of the purse was \$1500. "The Hag" played

constant golf throughout the tournament, starting under par on all four rounds.

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NEW ORDER TECH-BEAR FOR SPORT TILT EVEN; NEXT YEAR BOTH READY

Intersectional Rivalry to Set Aside Many Traditions—Many Titles at Stake Amateur Golf Championship Play at Del Monte During New Year.

Georgia Stars Recover From Colds—Neither Coach Will Name Starting Lineup—Southern Team Given Edge—Charity Game in Texas.

By ALAN J. GOULD
 (Associate Press Sports Editor)
 NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—(AP)—No prospective feature of the sports campaign for 1929 is any more significant than events aimed at breaking down the old sectional barriers or removing a number of time honored traditions.

Where 1928 has been a season of remarkable international activity, 1929 will find most of the American athletic activity concentrated at home with fresh opportunities to develop international interest on a wider scale than ever before.

One of the most ancient of all the ancient traditions will be removed when the national amateur golf championship is staged for the first time on the Pacific coast at Del Monte. And to make it the big event, over held on far western shores, the Professional Golfers' association tournament has also been booked for Santa Barbara as the forerunner of a round to open competition for the country's leading pros.

Following the path blazed by Stanford, California's football team will journey to meet Pennsylvania while the Army will send its eleven to the far west for the first time to play the Cardinals in a return engagement at Palo Alto.

To add to the gridiron gaiety, Yale will break away from another old tradition and go south to play the University of Georgia. The Ells are booked to play at Chicago in 1931 and may eventually wind up some season on the Pacific coast.

Tex Rickard, after having tested the drawing powers of boxer centers in the far west, middle west and east during his colorful career, will promote his first big fight in the south, February 27, with Sharkey and Stribling clashing at Miami Beach.

About the only events that the tie east still has a strange hold on are the national tennis championships and the Poughkeepsie regatta. But the big fight of the year, with Dempsey in a comeback role, is slated for the Yankee stadium, where half of the world's spectators also may occur again, providing the Yankees have a good show of their health and strength.

A few of the main questions at issue as the New Year gets under way are:

1. Whether or not Jack Dempsey will attempt a comeback.
2. Whether Big Bill Tilden will be restored to good standing in amateur tennis ranks, and, if so, try another comeback.
3. Whether Paavo Nurmi will remain the greatest of all amateur foot races or yield to the strenuous call of the professional promoter.

Whether the Army and Navy will effect a reconciliation and pave the way for a resumption of their gridiron classic by 1930, since there is small prospect of any get-together in 1929.

If a guess has to be hazarded it is safe for "acc" on all of the above counts, if for no other reason than that it would stimulate competitive interest.

Tex Rickard predicts that new champions will be crowned in most, if not all, of the professional ring classes in 1929, but no such sweeping forecast can be made in other ranks.

Such bearers of the laurel wreaths as Bobby Jones, Walter Hagen and Glenna Collett in golf, Helen Wills and Henry Cochet in tennis, the Yankees in baseball, Rogers Hornsby in batting, Babe Ruth in home-run hitting, France in Davis cup competition and the California crew in rowing will be difficult to dislodge. Most of them have acquired the championship habit and all have enough stuff left to shake off any rivals in the coming year, if not for several years.

There will be comparatively little international rivalry for 1929. Tennis and golf will offer the main opportunities for conflict where polo, tennis, golf, boxing and all the Olympic sports furnished a continual round of international activity in 1928.

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(By Victor J. Sidler)
 (Associate Press Sports Editor)
 PASADENA, Cal., Dec. 31.—(AP)—In the words of their coaches, "off for action" both mentally and physically, the football representatives of Georgia Tech and California, east-west rivals in the annual New Year's day gridiron classic here tomorrow were ready today for the time of reckoning.

Both eleven were on edge for the Rose Bowl clash, after stiff training grounds. Skull practice was held yesterday morning and it was thought possible that the coaches, Clarence "Nib" Price of California and Bill Alexander of Tech, might send their charges through light exercises today.

Both teams were free from anything but light injuries, indicating that game time would find the two forces at their greatest strength. Raleigh Drennon, regular Tech guard and his substitute, Jim Brooke, were back in shape after a week's battle with colds. The bear camp reported several players bruised. Fitz, tackle and Captain Phillips, star end, among them.

The starting lineups were something of an enigma to even the most observing scribe. Coach Price's only indication as to his choice was the way he lined his men up in drills last week. The possibility that he might start Harold Breakenridge and Fred Schlicking at quarter and halfback was entertained after the pair had seen action on the first spring in place of Lee Egan and Stanley Barr, virtually throughout the period of practice.

Coach Alexander has declined all requests for a probable starting lineup, declaring that he preferred to wait until today. However, the producer of the Golden Pornado has indicated that there might be switches.

A tendency toward the belief that the Yellow Jackets will nail a Bear hide on the south's already brilliant record of accomplishments was seen and heard.

It now appears likely that the eleven will enter the struggle on even terms—greenback terms.

Delving into the thick maze of "whys" and "wherefores" of the dopsters, it is found that some are fearful of the condition of the California players. Although Price has pronounced his men fit for action, they figure that the diminutive Bear mentor has worked his men too hard. Price went his charges through two workouts a day for over a week, workouth a day was content with one comparatively light drill daily.

DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 31.—(AP)—A battle of fullbacks, when the southwest conference all-stars and big six all-stars meet here tomorrow in their Scottish Rite benefit contest, was forecast today.

Although both eleven are made up of the pick of the senior stars of their respective sections, interest will be centered on the play of Garland "Bevo" Beavers, big Arkansas university fullback, big Nebraska university line smasher, who gained all-American mention.

Beavers, who tied with Redman Home of Southern Methodist university for high scoring honors during the 1928 season, each with 82 points, was an almost unanimous choice for all-southwest honors.

Howell's superb play with the east all-stars in Saturday's classic at San Francisco, has impressed fans, who also recall he was the big six conference leading scorer in 1928. He was expected to arrive here late today by airplane from El Paso.

Both squads will take their final workouts today. Coaches Ernest Beag and Bo McMillan of the big six camp reported every man in good condition.

The fool in his flivver soon smashes the fenders on some highly respectable automobile.

27--ROUNDS--27 BOXING

Ashland Armory
TUESDAY, JANUARY 1
 2:30 P. M.

10 Rounds Main Event

EARL RITCHIE vs. JACK WHITE
 of Klamath Falls 190 Pounds vs. 205 Pounds
 Former Coast Champ Sparring Partner of Jack Dempsey

6—Round Semi-Windup—6

Austin Rosander vs. Frankie Monroe
 138 Lbs.—Ashland vs. 136 Lbs.—Salem

11 Fast Preliminary Rounds

Admission—Ringside, \$2.00; reserved, \$1.50; general admission, \$1.00; ladies and children 50c. Tickets on sale at Niningers', Ashland and Brown and Brown's, Medford.

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Above are shown some of the new champions crowned the past year. Upper row from left to right are Johnny Farrell, who became the new United States open champion when he defeated Bobby Jones in the play at Chicago. Glenna Collett, who captured the women's golf title for the third time and Ray Barbuti the only American to win a first place in the Olympic track events capturing the 400 meter run.

Below from left to right are Red Cagle, acknowledged by all football experts as the universal choice for the best all around football player of the year, being the star of every West Point game; Elizabeth Robinson, who won the 100 meter dash at the Olympic games, Leo Diegel who won the Canadian open and defeated Walter Hagen for the P. G. A. golf title and (above) Lou Meyer, the outstanding champion of the year on the motor car race track.

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