

Yanks Hold Olympic Lead Russia Expected to Overtake U.S.

Ron Delany Sets Olympic Mark in Race

Yanks Rout Soviets For
Olympic Basketball Title

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Melbourne — (U.P.) — The powerful U.S. Olympic team rang up eight more gold medals in the Olympic Games Saturday including a runaway victory over Russia for the basketball championship and two world records on the final day of track and field competition.

In addition, American trained Ron Delany of Ireland, a student at Villanova, romped home a winner over three other four-minute milers in the classic 1,500-meter championship with a new Olympic record of 3:42.2.

When the talented American basketball team routed the Russians 89-55, it brought the U.S. its 29th gold medal of the current games and padded the American point lead in the unofficial team race so that it may be big enough to withstand a rally by Russia in the minor events coming up next week.

Clinch Track Title
The U.S. clinched the men's track and field title in the afternoon with its 14th and 15th gold medals against nine for all other competing nations in the greatest display of power ever seen in the modern Olympics.

Melbourne — (U.P.) — America's Olympic forces, shot into the team lead principally by smashing victories in track and field, feared today that their point margin was not enough to offset Russia's anticipated superiority in "minor" sports during the last week of the games.

Those were the whispered thoughts as the United States athletes took Sunday off for prayer and relaxation with only a 72½-point lead over the Soviets in the unofficial team standings.

The most authoritative sources speculated that the U.S. needed at least a 350-point lead by Saturday's conclusion. Of the track and field events in order to counter the evening victory expected Soviet onslaught in such sports as gymnastics and Greco-Roman wrestling.

In the 352 games at Helsinki, Russia amassed a total of 189 points in men's and women's gymnastics and 56 in Greco-Roman wrestling.

Longshot Proposition
There was hope that some of America's more obscure athletes in these sports might break the Soviets' anticipated stranglehold and make the present U.S. point lead stand up. But at best, it was a longshot proposition. And even if the Yanks gymnasts and wrestlers performed the unexpected, it would require some additional point-adding in such sports as swimming, yachting and shooting to win the team title.

The rub was that the Americans had to contend not only with the Russians, but also with other countries that have strengthened greatly in other sports during recent years. Australia, for example, is making serious inroads on what once was U.S. swimming supremacy.

However, even with the Bonanza in track and field, the Americans lead is not as big as many figured it might be after the first eight full days of the games. As to many Americans coming to the thought:

"Have we shot our bolt in the 1956 Olympics?"

Sugar Bowl Names Teams

New Orleans — (U.P.) — Baylor of the Southwest conference, and Tennessee, scheduled to meet in the Sugar Bowl football classic here Jan. 1.

Both teams finished their seasons this afternoon against conference foes.

The Volunteers defeated Vanderbilt 27 to 7 for their first undefeated season since 1951. Tennessee has come from near the bottom in two years.

Baylor defeated Rice 46 to 13 to end the season with an 8-2 record.

Both Baylor and Tennessee feature all-Americans. Tennessee has tailback Johnny Majors, while Baylor has guard Bill Glass. Both have played important parts in their respective teams' successful seasons.

Baylor will be making its first appearance in the Sugar Bowl, while Tennessee has been here several times. The Volunteers were last here in 1952 when its national champion 1951 team dropped a 28 to 13 game to Maryland.

U.S. TOPS OLYMPIC STANDINGS BY 72

SPORTS

Ring Invitation from New Champion Refused by Rocky

Chicago — (U.P.) — Newly-crowned Floyd Patterson Saturday invited Rocky Marciano to return to the ring and engage in a heavyweight title fight for "probably the biggest gate in the history of boxing."

Gus D'Amato, pilot of the Brooklyn youngster who won the vacant title Friday night by knocking out veteran Archie Moore in the fifth round, said:

"Floyd and I would like to have Rocky return to the ring not only because of the risk gate a Patterson-Marciano fight would attract but also because it would prove to the world that Floyd is one of the all-time great champions if he could beat Rocky."

When Marciano retired last April 27, he was the only undefeated champion in heavyweight history. As a professional he had won 49 straight victories, including 43 knockouts.

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High series was bowled by Dale Bohannon with a 252. High game was bowled by Dale Bohannon with a 137. Closest games bowled in succession were bowled by Larry Little with 91 and 92.

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USC Trims Irish, 28-20

Los Angeles — (U.P.) — Quarterback Jim Conroy's passing and halfback Ernie Zampese's running spearheaded an overwhelming Southern California attack to a 28 to 20 victory Saturday over the fighting Irish of Notre Dame who never gave up the fight.

The Trojans won their ninth game in the 28th renewal of the classic intersectional contest by turning on a crushing ground attack from the opening kickoff and never relenting before 44,556 fans in Memorial Coliseum.

Closing out Jess Hill's last season as head coach of the Trojans, SC scored twice in the opening period, added another touchdown in each of the third and fourth periods and never let the Irish get ahead.

Morris Ties PCC Record of 23 Straight Conversions

Eugene — Jack Morris, the sure-footed Webfoot fullback, tied the Pacific Coast conference record for consecutive conversions at 23 during the past 14 games. It was learned last week after a recheck of records.

Morris started his string against Idaho last year with a single conversion, kicked four against Washington State, added another against Stanford and wound up the season of 1955 with four against Oregon State to run his string to 10.

This season he kicked two against Colorado, two against Idaho, one in the Washington game, another against Stanford, three in the California game, one in the Washington State and Southern California tussles and completed the season with a pair against Oregon State for a season total of 13 and the tie with the string originally set by Cap Toomey of California in 1924.

Morris and Leroy Phelps, who kicked six in a row this year, kept Oregon from not missing a single extra point all season. The

MUELLER WINS
Berlin, Germany — (U.P.) — Peter Mueller won the German middle-weight championship Friday night by scoring a unanimous 12-round decision over Guenter Hase. Mueller weighed 155½ pounds; Hase, 148½.

OFFICIAL GUEST
Cincinnati, Ohio — (U.P.) — Terry Hamilton, an 11-year-old girl who has been a victim of multiple sclerosis for eight years, will be the official guest of the Detroit Lions Sunday when they play host to the Chicago Bears.

Navy Ties Army, 7-7; Rejects Bowl

Philadelphia — (U.P.) — Navy, capitalizing on a fumble, came back in the final period Saturday to tie Army, 7-7, after the Cadets threatened to pull their second upset in a row in the 57th renewal of the interservice classic.

A capacity crowd of 102,000 at Municipal stadium saw Dick Dagampat, Navy's watchcharm fullback, plunge inches for the tying touchdown after making a first down with as brief a drive on the previous play. Ned Oldham added the extra point for the fifth tie of the historic rivalry.

Philadelphia — (U.P.) — Navy announced Saturday that it has rejected a bid to play in the Cotton bowl "in the light of its 6-1-2 record for the season."

"I do not think in the light of our record that it would be in the best interest of the Naval Academy to participate in a post-season bowl game," the Admiral stated.

He left the impression that Navy would have accepted the bid had it defeated Army. Both academies have an "unwritten rule" that they will not go to a bowl game unless they are victorious in the annual interservice classic.

Navy appeared in the Sugar bowl two years ago and beat Mississippi, 21-0.

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