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SEATTLE COMPETES FOR CHAMPIONSHIP

Ice Hockey with Canadians Stirring Sound City Sports

Seattle, Wash., March 17.—For the first time in history, a team of athletes representing Seattle will compete for a world's ice hockey title tonight when the local sextet crosses sticks with the Montreal Canadians in the first game of their series for the highest honors in ice hockey, at the arena here.

Seattle today could do nothing but stop, talk and listen to hockey gossip. After being held up by snows in the mountains for many hours the Canadians arrived in Vancouver yesterday and worked out there for the edification of the fans. The winners of the National Hockey association, the eastern major league, looked mighty good to the British Columbia folks, according to dope received here. The team arrived here this morning and worked out in secret at the arena shortly after noon.

While there are those that are inclined to believe that Pete Medlow, manager of the locals, is "spoofing" about Bobbie Rowe, crack Seattle defenseman suffering so badly with an injured shoulder that he will be unable to play tonight, both Pete and Bobbie maintain the injury is really serious.

Coffroth Takes a Hand

San Francisco, March 17.—Jimmy Coffroth, former fight promoter, today began taking an active personal interest in the match between Les Darcy and Jack Dillon which it is proposed to hold at Tia Juana July 4. Coffroth says he is too busy to stage the fight personally, but he is said to be strongly in favor of permitting use of his Tia Juana race track for it.

Jack Kearns and Jim Griffin, who are back of the venture, today forwarded details of their plans to "Sunny Jim."

The Big Wrestler

San Francisco, March 17.—Antone Jirza, the Bohemian behemoth, who thinks he is going to throw Joe Stecher Tuesday night, will get some big league practice this afternoon when he trains with Ad Santel. Jirza says his principal difficulty has been to get competent training partners.

Jirza insists that he has a scissor hold of his own, that he figures will make Nebraska Joe quit. Joe doesn't seem to be worried.

New Bowling Record

Grand Rapids, Mich., Mar. 17.—Another world's record was set at the American Bowling Congress here this afternoon when Nick and Ben Budinger of the American team of Chicago, bowled 1,312 in the two men. Nick rolled 224, 247, 226 and Ben scored 231, 191, 193. The previous record of 1,304, was made by Schoegler brothers or Madison, Wis., in 1909.

INDOOR TRACK STARS WILL COMPETE TONIGHT

By H. O. Hamilton

New York, March 17.—Track stars from every section of the country arrived here today for competition tonight in the annual senior indoor championships of the Amateur Athletic union of the United States. The meet will be held in the armory of the Twenty-second regiment, New York national guard.

For the first time in the history of the championships Cornell will be represented by a team of athletes. Ezra Wenz and Alma Richards, the latter the all around star from the Ithaca college, will compete.

Sensational performances are expected to be recorded. Joe Ray, the distance running marvel, doubtless will take some more cracks at long established records while the sprints are certain to develop some extraordinary performances.

Jack Eller, the local hurdler, probably will be barred from this meet. He was suspected of wearing shoes with spikes when the Metropolitan championships were held in the armory last month and Colonel Vanderbilt, commanding the regiment, has asked that the athlete violating armory rules be barred from further competition in that building. Secretary Frederick W. Rubien, of the A. A. U., promised the action would be taken if the man could be found.


The following events make up the program for the national championships:

Sixty yards run; 300 yards run; 600 yards run; 1,000 yards run; two-mile run; eight-mile walk; five-mile run; 70-yard hurdles; six hurdles three feet six inches high, placed ten yards apart; standing high jump; standing broad jump; sixteen pound shot put; and a relay race for teams of four men each, first man to run 440 yards, second 220 yards, third 880, fourth 1-mile.

Gold medals will be given first place winners, silver for the second and bronze for the third. A silver cup will be given to the college or athletic club team scoring the highest number of points. Five points will be scored for first place, three for second, two for third and one for fourth.

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TEUTON NATIONS?
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...sian diet on this occasion. Socialist speakers bitterly denounced the government and the "sins of those in power."

"Absolutism," was one of the targets of their attack. Several speakers declared the time was coming when the nation would arise and sweep "junkierism" away.

"We are no longer serfs whom the king can buy or sell," declared the socialist deputy, "Lennert, or order us to bleed to death at his command. We have reached political manhood."

It was in reply to this outburst, and fiery speeches by other delegates that the chancellor made his announcement of increasing powers to be granted the people after the war.

MONEY IN ONION SETS

The little onion sets perched on a high limb right up to the last, 13 1/2 cents per pound. One Hubbard man had 11,000 pounds of sets more than were contracted, which he sold at 11 cents. Potatoes reached \$3.50 a hundred pounds before the drop came. Between the two crops a bunch of money came to the farmer. Very convenient, too, right at tax paying time. The prices received this year are higher than for years, in onions, especially, due to a shortage and may not prevail next year. —Hubbard Enterprise.

SHERIFF HODGE IS DECLARED INNOCENT

Minister Matthews Tells of Connection With Billingsley

HODGE GOES FREE

Seattle, Wash., Mar. 17.—Ex-Sheriff Robert T. Hodge was declared "not guilty" of conspiracy in connection with the booze-graft case at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon when Judge Netter granted the motion for an instructed verdict.

Similar motions made by Counsel for Mayor Gill, Chief Beekingham and other defendants were denied. Hodge's acquittal followed an eloquent argument by Judge William R. Bell.

Seattle, Wash., Mar. 17.—That he received \$1,000 from the late Clarence Gerald, whose case used to be famous as a political hangout, in the presence of Logan Billingsley, and gave it to Sergeant Putnam, of the police dry squad along with hundreds of other dollars he raised to enforce the dry law was the testimony of Dr. M. A. Matthews, pastor of America's largest church, in the booze-graft conspiracy trial in federal court today, shortly before the government closed its case.

Clarence Gerald and Logan Billingsley came to my office August 16 and told me that they had been raided and put out of business but that other bootleggers were being protected. Gerald gave me \$1,000 saying 'we brothers want you to use this to clean up.' Both said they had quit."

Matthews said Gerald and Billingsley promised to quit the liquor business, that Billingsley broke his word after his compromise with Mayor Gill August 30 and that Clarence Gerald "died doing his duty and living up to his contract."

Court Soon Packed.

A packed court room aware of Billingsley's story that he had given Matthews \$1,000, hung breathless to catch every word of the noted pastor's testimony. That he had first been subpoenaed by the defense and then appeared first as a government witness added zest to the dramatic setting.

Matthews said he did not know how much of the money was from Billingsley or how much from Gerald but that Gerald's statement "we brothers" made him assume it was a joint donation.

Dr. Matthews told of his efforts to reform Logan Billingsley and of his going after Logan for bribing detectives after he learned in October that the latter had broken his promise to quit the liquor business.

He told of calling Logan to his office October 25 and telling him he'd heard Logan paid Gill \$7,500 to compromise with him and his brothers. He said Logan referred him to his attorney when pressed for a confession and threatened with prison.

Failed to Keep Promise.

Matthews said that when Logan failed to keep his promise to return the next day he went down to see Mayor Gill and asked Gill about the bribe rumors. Gill, he said, denied them and said he compromised to escape suit by the Billingsleys for destruction of their drug stores by the dry squad.

At this conference Dr. Matthews said he asked Gill to either give him the machinery to put the Billingsleys in the penitentiary or to use himself for that purpose.

He said that at that time the mayor did not tell him that Logan had warned Gill that Dr. Matthews was not the mayor's friend. He declared Gill did tell him that shortly before the federal grand jury indicted him.

Matthews clashed with Walter Fulton, attorney for Chief of Police Beekingham, during cross-examination over statements he made to Fulton in the

Only So Many Pitched Balls Hurler Says Plank Who Conserves His Supply

By Paul Furman

During the year of 1914 baseball writers began singing the swan song of Eddie Plank, for years premier southpaw of the American league and one of the greatest left handers of all time.

Connie Mack had included Plank in his wholesale clean-up and it was generally supposed that if Connie thought Plank was through there was no argument against it.

But Plank fooled 'em and is still fooling 'em.

Plank will be in the harness this year and it is no mystery that he will whip up on the mound serving up southpaw slants in 1918 and 1919.

Uses His Brain.

That is predicting far ahead. There are many things which might happen in two or three years, but without accident Eddie Plank, now 42 years old, should be a factor in winning baseball games in the majors for that time.

There are three secrets of Plank's success as a pitcher and one of his ability to stay in the game longer than any other fork hander.

The first is his brain, which has caused him to conserve his arm to a remarkable extent.

If records were kept on the number of balls pitched it would probably be found that Plank has pitched less balls than any other hurler.

The second is his iron will which has made him a great money pitcher, a man who could go out and win against almost unarmountable odds.

The third is his Puritanical observance of rules which keep him in condition. Plank has no bad habits, he lives regularly as a government clock, he allows nothing to interfere with his condition.

Plank has peculiarities. He believes for one thing that every pitcher has a certain number of pitched balls in his system. For that reason he has always growled when he passed a batter. It was his belief that he lost the number of balls he had pitched to that man without getting any results.

Long a Leaguer.

For 16 years Plank has been in the big league spot-light. Starting with the Athletics in 1901 he worked with Connie Mack for 14 seasons and only one conference about the case Tuesday noon.

He charged Fulton had "badly mixed" one statement and corrected others. He said he thought Fulton had mixed the statements unintentionally.

Most of Dr. Matthews' evidence was given over the strenuous objections of defense lawyers.

COURT HOUSE NEWS

Anton Weiss, of Millbury, Mass., writes to the "United States County Clerk for Marion County, Salem, Ore.," asking information concerning grant lands that may be taken up by settlers.

He says: "I just received a section card from the Grant Land Locating company of Portland, Ore., and I am willing to make an application for a quarter section of 40 acres government land in county of Marion, Ore."

County Clerk Boyer states there is a 40-acre tract up in the mountains he might get hold of but it would be impossible to raise any finer crop than Rocky mountain goats, hard shelled crabs, rock oysters, etc.

Because the local office of the Massachusetts Bonding and Insurance company waived the requirement of joint control over the funds bonded and the home office overruled the waiving, a petition was filed yesterday by L. H. McMan, guardian of the estate of the minor Margaret, Carl Henry, and E. H. McMahan, asking that he be released as custodian of the funds and that the bonding company be discharged from further liability. The petitioner stated he did not wish to be annoyed by joint control for a period of 10 years.

The general store of Howard Ramp at Brooks was broken into by burglars last night and several shoes, neckties, and socks taken. One pair of high-top boots, black and tan shoes ranging from seven to nine, several neckties, and a number of pair of socks formed the loot. The thief got a pair of mismatched logging shoes, two for the same foot. This may be a clue, as the thief may be a one-legged man, and had use for only one half of a pair of logger's boots.

An order overruling the demurrer of the defendants in the case of Walter L. Tooz and G. O. Holman against Corn M. Kephart, et al, which had been argued and taken under advisement by Judge Kelly, was made this morning. The defendants were ordered to answer to the complaint.

The divorce case of Hannah C. Steelman against Sol Steelman is being heard by Judge Bingham this afternoon. F. A. Turner is appearing for the plaintiff. Desertion is the specific charge, although it is alleged that when he deserted her in February, 1906, he went to eastern Oregon and married a woman, by whom he has had three children.

Judge Kelly will be in Salem Monday for the purpose of hearing motions and renew trials.

Market Was Listless and Prices Weaker

New York, March 17.—New York Evening Sun Financial review today said:

With the stock market more or less apathetic this week, with news developments, often startling, before it, it was scarcely to be expected that trading in today's short session would be a considerable show of animation at the opening and price advances in the general list were substantial. This was due doubtless in large measure to covering by the short interests and otherwise settling of accounts for the week end. A movement with more than ordinary force behind it because of the overhanging menace of the railroad situation. Wall Street still holds to the belief that there will be no strike.

Further developments in Russia seem to indicate the ultimate establishment of a republic on the ruins of the Romanoff throne. This expansion of the revolutionary movement cannot but be a favorable circumstance for the entente belligerents and as such will have, in fact, already had, a stimulating effect on the London markets as well as our own.

After the clearing up of settlements in the first half hour or so, the stock market settled down and prices receded from the top level, holding for the most part fractionally above the previous closing level. The shipping and copper shares were in good demand. There was little change elsewhere in the industrial list. The railroad shares were narrow and almost wholly neglected, as would be natural under the prevailing uncertainties.

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year did he fall below an average of 500. This was in 1908 when the team behind him was poor.

His best year was 1912 when he won 26 and lost 6 games for an average of .813. That year Plank was 37 years old an age when most pitchers have gone back to the bushes or retired.

And in 16 years Plank piled up an average which southpaws may shoot at for years to come. He won 315 games and lost 184 for an average of .631, a mark which many pitchers would be proud of in one season.

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