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MORRIS WOOD.

One of the greatest skaters in the world is Morris Wood, the Brooklyn speed merchant, who will undoubtedly be seen in various sections of the country this winter in competition with the other stars of the steel runners.

RANKING OF LAST YEAR'S TENNIS MEN

New York, Dec. 30.—The annual ranking of the lawn tennis players of the United States for the past season was issued today. William A. Larned, the national champion, again stands alone at the top. The list this year included 98 single players and 18 doubles teams, the largest number ever credited by the United States Lawn Tennis Association. The work of the ranking committee, Dr. P. Hawk, Urbana, Ill., chairman; Beals C. C. Wright, Boston, and C. F. Watson, Jr., Orange, N. J., was a surprise, although its main feature, the singles list, always the most important, is regarded as the best that has ever been tabulated.

AN ENGLISH OPINION OF U.S. FOOTBALL

The curious misconceptions regarding American sports, and especially football that prevailed in England and are readily believed when published are well exemplified in the following excerpt from the Sketch, of London: "It is curious that football is spreading through Europe just as it seems to have reached in America a point of danger to the players which threatens its existence. The killed and wounded list of players in college games in America this year is such an appalling one that public opinion is beginning to make itself heard in a demand that football should be a prohibited game in the states. The players in American college games go into action bandaged and cased and padded as though they were going to be in the midst of a train collision. It is held that the enormous crowds which gather to see an Oxford and Cambridge boat race and the amount of betting there is on the result are not in the best interests of university sport, what must be said of the 400,000 people who assembled to see the Yale versus Harvard football match, and of the record bets made concerning the game? It would be well for America to revert to the simplicity and comparative safety of the English game, unless she wishes to lose football altogether."

BIG FIGHT IS NOT FOR SALT LAKE

(By Tip Wright.) Salt Lake City isn't going to get a Jim-Jack fight, not in a thousand years. Neither is Jim Coffroth going to see the fight held in his arena Colma. In the first place the church that Jim Smith founded is against the sea of the fight being held in Utah, although side-swiped at the last session, the Saints retain pull enough to put the fight on the eternal blink "Tex" Rickard attempts to hold in the state. I received a letter today from a friend who is in the know on the part in which he declares Jim Coffroth is in dutch in California, and isn't permitted to stage the big ticket in his arena. And to my mind at least, this heads off any deal which Rickard and Gleason may have in mind to lease or rent the Coffroth arena. To me it looks like California on the bit, though and a piece of ground northwest from Oakland appeals to me as the logical place where the fight will be held. It is called Ocean View, on the S. P. I know the men behind the bigs, Gleason especially, is coming with a view of purchasing or

ALL ST. JOHN LINE UP FOR HALIFAX TRIP

The All-St. Johns had another good practice last evening, and showed considerable improvement over their former performances. They have been getting in some hard practice during the week and expect to make the Halifax hustle when they meet them on Jan. 5th. Following is the probable lineup of the team that will play in Halifax: Phillips, cover point; Inches, point; Cribbs, goal; Kennedy, Patterson, Clawson and Phalen or McAvity, forwards. leasing this property for the purpose of building an arena which when completed will be the biggest thing of its kind in existence. All this talk about Salt Lake I believe is for the purpose of throwing dust into the eyes of some one, probably to let Gleason and Rickard secure control of the property they want at a reasonable price. If he could turn the trick Rickard would like to see the fight staged in Salt Lake City, but he is a shrewd proposition, is "Tex" and I am convinced he realizes his efforts in this direction are useless, and that it won't be long ere announcement will be made that the fight will be held on the coast and at Ocean View.

NEWMANS WIN OVER PIRATES

Buccaners Defeated After Fast Game on Black's Alleys Last Night--Scores of Both Teams Exceptionally High.

One of the best games rolled this season was played on Black's Alleys last evening between the Pirates and Newmans, the last named quintette finally winning out by the narrowest of margins and securing a three-point victory. The scores were exceptionally high, both teams rolling strong, the winners going over the thirteenth century mark with the losers only seven pins under it. The game was close at all stages and the Newmans had to fight every inch of the way. The first string went to the Newmans by a margin of 25 pins. The second was a great neck and neck race all the way down the line with the Newmans pulling out at the finish with one stick to the good. In the final the Pirates came back strong and buttoned the string to the tune of 444 to 443. For the winners Chip Olive was the leading light, putting 223 pins to the bad. Wilson also rolled well. Hurley was a little out in the second but pulled out with an average of 81.23. Dean and Jones rolled a very steady game. For the Pirates, Griffiths piled up a total of 274 and Crowley followed closely with 282.3. Phinney went a little off in the final but the other two strings were first class. Cronin rolled a good steady game as also did McDonald. The scores follow:

Table with columns for team names and scores. Includes Newmans (Olive 106, Wilson 103, Hurley 91, Dean 76, Jones 85) and Pirates (Phinney 47, Griffiths 80, McDonald 80, Cronin 82, Crowley 80).

Tomorrow's Attraction. The attraction on Black's Alleys tomorrow (New Year's) morning will be a three string match between picked teams from the Intersociety and City Leagues. The men picked are the five highest averaged men in the two leagues and the game should prove interesting and exciting. The following men will compose the teams: Intersociety League—J. Hurley, M. Hurley, T. Cosgrove, J. Crowley, V. Kelley. City League—T. F. Black, T. L. Wilcox, H. C. Olive, D. McLellan, E.

CORBETT NOT A TRAINER, HE DECLARES

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 29.—James J. Corbett today reiterated the statement which he made upon his return recently from Europe. "The impression seems to have spread that I am going to turn trainer," he said. "This, in all that the fast Halifax hustle when they meet them on Jan. 5th. Following is the probable lineup of the team that will play in Halifax: Phillips, cover point; Inches, point; Cribbs, goal; Kennedy, Patterson, Clawson and Phalen or McAvity, forwards. leasing this property for the purpose of building an arena which when completed will be the biggest thing of its kind in existence. All this talk about Salt Lake I believe is for the purpose of throwing dust into the eyes of some one, probably to let Gleason and Rickard secure control of the property they want at a reasonable price. If he could turn the trick Rickard would like to see the fight staged in Salt Lake City, but he is a shrewd proposition, is "Tex" and I am convinced he realizes his efforts in this direction are useless, and that it won't be long ere announcement will be made that the fight will be held on the coast and at Ocean View."

LAMY BLAMED FOR MUDDLE

Failure of Champion to Contribute Registration Fee, Held to Have Precipitated Skating War.

New York, Dec. 30.—"The announcement is premature," said President J. C. Hemment of the Eastern Amateur Skating Association today in discussing the report from Chicago that the International Skating Union had ruled the Eastern Association out of the governing bodies of skating. Mr. Hemment says the whole dispute, which has now developed into a bitter fight, originated in the alleged failure of Edmund Lamy, the national skating champion to pay 25 cents registration fee to the Eastern Association. Lamy was disqualified by the Eastern Association and ordered to return the prizes he won at the Cleveland meet last year. The International Skating Union is declared to have adjudged the matter "closed," but later granted Lamy's appeal and reversed the decision of the Eastern Association. The fact that the Western Association yesterday announced that it had broken off relations with the Eastern body is ignored here, "we shall continue to send our skaters west," said President Hemment, "and shall continue to recognize westerners here."



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SAILOR SMITH IN TWENTY ROUND DRAW

San Francisco, Dec. 30.—"Gunboat" Smith, sailor-pugilist, who is scheduled to become Jack Johnson's chief sparring partner when the negro goes into training for his fight with Jeffries, fought a 20-round draw with Jack Burns, of Salinas, last night, the battle involving the heavyweight championship of the Pacific Coast. The fight was one of the fiercest ever seen between heavyweights in a San Francisco ring. Smith led up to the twelfth round, and Burns was groggy when he went to his corner. He came back in the thirteenth with a rush that carried Smith to the ropes, and from that time to the end of the twentieth held his own with the former navy champion, at times driving Smith around the ring before a whirlwind of blows that the sailor had hard work to avoid.

CAN ANYONE BETTER THIS

U.N.B. Basketball Team Scores 132 Points Against Normal School, or Three Baskets for Each Minute of Play.

That there are some very accurate throwers on the U. N. B. basketball team is evident from the result of the three games played between the college boys and the Normal School team prior to the Christmas holidays. The score in the first game stood 132 to 2, in the second 118 to 4 and in the third 100 to 2, making a total score for the three games of 350 to 8. It seems almost incredible that such a score could have been made in actual competition against another team of about equal weight. If halves of 20 minutes each were played, which was probably the case, the U. N. B. team averaged near three baskets for each minute of play. How this was possible will undoubtedly be a mystery to every basketball player who had not the unique privilege of seeing the games. It is only fair to say that most of the members of the Normal School team while good husky boys were unacquainted with the game until the present season, while the U. N. B. players have had much experience. If any followers of basketball know of a higher score for three games than that made by the U. N. B. team in the above series, the sporting editor of The Standard would be pleased to hear of it.

MONEY FOR AVIATION IS PLENTIFUL

Paris, Dec. 30.—Aviation meetings for 1910 promise to be plentiful. The Aviation Committee of the Aero Club de France has just issued the following list of the aviation meetings arranged so far for the coming year: February 6-12, at Heliopolis, Egypt, value of prizes, 212,000fr.; April 2-11, at Biarritz, 200,000fr.; April 3-10, at Cannes, 80,000fr.; April 15-25, at Nice, 240,000fr.; May 7-9, at Croix d'Ys, Bordeaux, 40,000fr.; May 14-22, at Lyons, 150,000fr.; June 5-12, at Vichy, 30,000fr.; July 3-10, eliminatory rounds for the French team to contest the Coupe Internationale de l'Aviation; September 4-11, at Croix d'Ys, Bordeaux, 200,000fr.; September 25-30, at Havre-Deauville-Trouville, 200,000fr. Aviators have therefore 1,352,000fr. awaiting them in prize money. To this amount many thousands of francs more will be added by other French towns, not to speak of those money prizes to be offered by other European and American towns. The following French aviation prizes remain open until the end of this year: Dunlop prize, 9,000fr.; Michelin Cup, 20,000fr.; Henri Deutch (de la Meurthe) prize, 20,000fr.; Ruinat prize, 10,000fr.

TO PRESERVE THE PURITY OF ATHLETICS

New York, Dec. 29.—Another of the winter conferences on athletics was held here today. The Athletic Research Society, a body composed of representatives of almost every variety of amateur athletes as practiced from the college to the kindergarten, put in the whole day discussing administrative problems. Dr. C. W. Hetherington, of the University of Missouri, presided. The society appointed a committee to confer with the Amateur Athletic Union committee which to report measures "to increase the activity and preserve the purity of amateur athletics." The football situation, which was discussed here yesterday by the Intercollegiate Athletic Association, was not touched upon by the Athletic Research Society.

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PRIZE RING PLAY A HIT IN LONDON THE CARLETON CURLERS TO OPEN TONIGHT

London, Dec. 29.—"The House of Temperley," a melo-drama of the prize ring, by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, was produced at the Adelphi Theatre last evening. The Standard says:—"It is throbbing with the sensational life of the ring and presents a picture of 'the fancy' in the dashing sporting days of the early nineteenth century that ought to become the talk of London." The Chronicle declares:—"One may safely rob the piece itself of metaphor and back it freely to the public between the eyes." The Express makes the following comment:—"It is the most thrilling exhibition of the noble art of fisticuffs ever seen on the stage." The Graphic remarks:—"The play is a very simple and crude melo-drama, but the fighting scenes will probably carry it to success."

ALL MONTREAL WINS OUT OVER THE NATIONALS

Montreal, Dec. 30.—All-Montreal made a good beginning in the Canadian Hockey League series by tonight taking the first National team into camp by a score of 7 to 2. There is considerable questioning at the Nickel Theatre to know what arrangements are for the showing of the Johnson-Ketchel contest pictures. The plan is this—that the theatre programme will commence at 6.30 o'clock, one half hour earlier than usual and at 9 o'clock, or shortly after, the regular programme of pictures and songs will conclude and the "Good Night" sign displayed. Those present will leave the building by the side exits and after the house is emptied new crowds will be admitted. Special accommodations will be provided for patrons who come early and what seats are vacant. The contest will be held at 10 cents, including the later performance. For ladies who desire to see this contest special seating will be made back of the transparent curtain on the stage, from which point an excellent view can be had. Under no consideration will the building be made back of the curtain in addition to the Ketchel-Johnston contest the Nickel has secured for the first time in Canada a complete pictorial record of the "Yankee" Rogers-Hackenschmidt wrestling bout, held but a short time ago. These two big events will give St. John the greatest sporting entertainment it has ever enjoyed.

BASEBALL OFFICIALS DOWN TO WORK

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 20.—President J. T. Lynch, Secretary John Heydler and Manager Clark Griffith, of the Cincinnati club constitute the new rules committee appointed yesterday for the National League. These men will hold a series of meetings in New York within the next few weeks and recommend certain alterations in the rules of the league. Later these alterations in the rules will be considered by the magnates at their meeting in February. FRED ROBSON IS OUT AFTER BUSH. Toronto, Dec. 30.—Fred Robson, speed skater of the Toronto Rowing Club, has taken up a challenge issued by O. B. Bush, the western champion, and offers to skate Bush three races at 220, 440 and 880 yards in Toronto on any date named. The series of races will likely be arranged next week.

NICKEL THEATRE, Jan. 3-4-5 at 9 p. m. Johnson-Ketchel Contest

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