



The Wilde decision at the Tournament has set the tongues of all sportdom wagging, and heads a-shaking. It is too bad that Pal Moore returned to the U.S.A. so quickly, for the resolving of any doubts that exist will have to wait a long time for settlement.

What has become of Walter Arnell and Billie Hitchin, Dominion champions both, and with the Canadian Army somewhere? With all due regard to the boys who put up a game display at the Tourney we think either of these boys would have put Canada further ahead had they been in the Ring on the 11th and 12th at their respective weights.

We were out of luck on the draw, for Attwood drew first bout with Basham, and only failed to win by a very little, giving the ultimate winner the closest fight of all, and Rolph drew first time with O'Dowd. Had it been otherwise we should have garnered a few more points.

Australia led the Colonies in the list, yet when Canada and Australia met a year or more ago the Canadians cleaned the board.

The South Africans beat the Canadian team in a great Rugby game at Richmond, on Saturday, the 14th December. The weather was inclement and rendered good play difficult. The score was 9 points to nil in favour of the Springboks.

Everton have a big lead in the Lancashire Division, with a lead of 5 points on their nearest rivals.

Nottingham Forest lead the Midland Section and Brentford show the way in the London section, both by a slight margin.

Up among the heather Glasgow Rangers are in an exclusive class, far ahead of the next best.

Don't forget that there will be a special competition for forecasting the final standings, so keep abreast of developments.

We hear that Capt. "Bobbie" Kerr is to proceed to France to look after sports at Corps Headquarters. Good luck to him. They have had some excellent sporting meetings there and "Bobbie" can be relied on to keep the pot boiling in that regard.

County Cricket will be revived for summer, 1919. There will be International games too, as arrangements are being made to put on a number of matches with an Australian service team.

Why not a Canadian team also? There are a lot of cricketers with the Canadians, although Baseball is the more popular name.

All Chess players should note that the Headquarters of the Khaki University of Canada Chess Club are situate at 49 Bedford Square, London. Any player living or staying in London should make a point of coming up for a game. All are welcome. A good fire is always glowing and the rooms can't be beaten for comfort. Make a note of the address. There are always a few players around longing for a game.

Danny Morgan, of Tirphil, beat Gene Delmont (America), in a fifteen rounds contest, at the National Sporting Club, on December 16th. There was never any doubt of the winner, barring a knockout, as Morgan proved much the better boxer throughout. Delmont was trying most of the time for a knockout, but failed to connect.

Walking contests are again on the list of athletic events. The Surrey Walking Club is promoting the first big walking race since the signing of the Armistice—the 18½ miles open road race from Croydon to Godstone and back. It will take place on Boxing Day for the Edward C. Webb Cup, which has not been competed for since Boxing Day of five years ago.

Some of our boys ought to be able to show form in walking races now, after all the practice they have had in the shape of route marches. It should be a pipe to walk 18 miles without a pack and the rest of the load.

There will be a big assault at arms held in the early part of the New Year in connection with the University Gymnasium. Some of our Gymnastic Staff Instructors should be able to give a good account of themselves, and it is thought arrangements can be made to give the affair something of an International flavour. Captain Rhys, the energetic and whole-hearted enthusiast in athletic matters, will be taking charge, and a bumper programme can be expected.

Some of the fencers and bayonet fighters should be interested in this, and should get into good shape for the contest after the effects of Christmas pudding have died away.

At New Orleans on Monday Jack Dempsey, who claims to be the successor to Jess Willard, the heavy weight champion, knocked out Carl Morris in one round.

Pte. Jack McCracken, the Canadian 125lb. champion at the Military Sports this year, met Johnny Maguire (Belfast), on Monday night, at Belfast. McCracken set about his opponent from the outset, and twice in the third round and again twice in the fourth round, the Irishman was sent to the boards. Maguire recovered well, and attacking strongly retrieved many points, although in the thirteenth and succeeding rounds McCracken

was clearly beaten. The boxing continued very vigorous until the eighteenth round, in which McCracken threw his opponent and was disqualified.—"Sportsman," December 18th, 1918.

At the same tournament Dan McGoldrick (heavyweight champion of Scotland) beat Sergt. Borthwick (Canada) in the third round. Borthwick was floored twice, and was then unable to continue.

WHO'S THERE?

A certain sergeant-major made a practice of going around the lines to see that all lights were out at the proper time. One night while following his usual custom, he noticed a streak of light showing beneath the door of a hut.

"Who's in there?" he demanded.

"Sergeant Smith."

"Well, put that light out."

"It isn't a light. It's the moon."

"Never mind. Take an order when you're told. Put it out."

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