

CLAS THUNBURG DUE IN SAINT JOHN MIDDLE OF NEXT WEEK

OLYMPIC STAR NEW YORK ON MONDAY NEXT

To Train Here for the
World's Champion-
ship Contests

CLAS THUNBURG, of Helsinki, Finland, winner of the Olympic speed-skating championships at Chamoni, France, in 1924, is now on the high seas on board the United States Line steamer "Leviathan," due in New York on Monday, according to an announcement this morning by D. J. Corr, secretary of the Saint John Skating Association. Thunburg is expected to reach Saint John the middle of next week to commence training for the meet to be held here on January 26, 27 and 28, at which he will defend his world's championship title against such speed-skating stars as Charlie Gorman, worlds indoor and outdoor 400 yard champion, Charlie Jewett, former national and international champion; Joe Moore, international indoor champion; Harry Kasey, of Chicago; and others. While no definite plans for Thunburg's appearance have been made as yet by the local association which will control his movements while on this side of the water, it is probable he will be seen in action at meets in New York in the new Madison Square Garden about the middle of January.

PEP UP INTEREST.

Thunburg's arrival here for the opening of his training grid will pep up interest greatly in the coming meet. The Finnish ace, by his remarkable victories at the Chamoni meet, has become an international figure almost overnight and he is expected to shine as brightly at meets on this side of the water. When he actually sets foot on Saint John soil, it will mark the culmination of efforts extending over a year to bring him here for a meet with the world's title at stake and too much credit for this cannot be given to Mr. Corr, who practically single-handed has carried on the negotiations with the Olympic champion, through the courtesy of the Finnish club at Montreal. His participation in this meet stamps it as the greatest speed-skating event ever held in North America and further enhances Saint John's reputation as the leading skate centre of the continent.

While in Saint John, the Olympic star will be the guest of the Admiral Beatty Hotel management, a generous offer on the part of the management that was gratefully accepted by the association executive. He will work out on the various rinks in the city, centring most of his activities here at Lily Lake, where the big meet will be held about a month's time. Secretary Corr made an appearance here. He speaks very little English, but understands, and I hope we shall all do our best to make his stay here a pleasant and happy one. We should not forget that his coming here has given us a wonderful impetus and we should be grateful to him for that. Let him take back to Finland nothing but good reports for our treatment of him.

Driving Club at

Capital Elects

FREDERICTON, Dec. 18.—Fredericton Driving and Sporting Club Ltd. elected officers as follows: President—T. V. Monahan, vice president, R. L. Noble; secretary, C. L. Dougherty; treasurer, D. W. Olt; additional directors, H. Crotty, E. W. Howes, R. W. Smith.

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"Al" Mello Scores Knockout In Eighth Round Over Eddie Shevlin

Along The Sport Trail

By JOHN J. DUNLOP

AS A PLAYER, Mr. Tristram Speaker is rated as a pretty good player in Cleveland. As a manager, he pulled a boner that has caused Mr. Stanley Coveleskie, the sturdy Pole, untold joy during the year. The said "boner" consisted of operating on the payroll to the extent of sending Mr. Coveleskie to Washington where the best he could do was help his mates get a slice of the world series swag while he rolled up enough points in the pitching race to make him leader of the American League in 1925. Herbie Pennock was first announced as having won this honor but later this was corrected and the laurel wreath handed to the Pole. By winning 20 games and losing but 5, "Covey" set up the highest mark since 1919 when Eddie Cicotte, the gent who used to find money under his pillow in the morning, carried off the title with an average of .806. Mr. Coveleskie's mark was .600. His average this year was 78 points higher than Bill Skerdel who sneaked into the honor position this year in the National League. The Washington star is now one of the six American League pitchers who have done .600 or better. The others are "Wild Bill" Donovan, Joe Wood, Chief Bender, Walter Johnson and Cicotte—all really fine pitchers. Joe Wood, who holds the higher water mark, made it in 1912 with the Red Sox with .872. "Smoky Joe"—remember him and his fast one? Coveleskie's achievement is all the more remarkable because 1925 marked his eleventh year in the majors, starting with the Athletics. During his entire major league career he has won 195 games and lost 128. He pitched and won three games in the world series between Cleveland and Brooklyn. Good work, Covey.

GOING OVER some dusty files recently, it was found that Bob Fitzsimmons took part in a bout in San Francisco twenty years ago and the receipts were \$16,000. The attendance was a record. Mr. Jack Delaney, who is not a champion, got \$18,500 for losing a fight the other night in New York. It was tough on "Rube Robert" to be born ahead of the day of the big purse.

ONE of America's best-known annual attractions in the springtime is the flight of fancy that possesses "Babe" Ruth to go into training for the baseball campaign. The spectacle of the slim and swift homerun king mulling around with a handball, puffing and blowing like a walrus through three rounds of boxing and heaving the medicine ball up in the air a few hundred times while the perspiration beads on his forehead in enough quantity to make the Grand Falls look like a babbling brook, is as regular as the workings of the firmament. Some times, he varies the program by chopping wood or playing golf but the bare of tramps about him getting into condition is a yearly affair the writers dearly love to tell us about. The fanfare is on now. The tune, however, has been changed a bit as the Yankees' management declare they are not going to pay the Babe's way South for the rent and grocery bill, there is not much left for the "bolling out" process. We have an idea also that this move on the part of the management to curtail the "bolling out" is part of a campaign of polite "bawling out" to put the Babe in his place. Maybe so.

ILLINOIS says it will not endorse "Red" Grange's faded jersey in a glass case for posterity to view. Let's see now—Illinois—Illinois—that's a college near Chicago, is it not?

Y.M.C.I.-National Tilt On Tonight

THE Y. M. C. I. and the National club in a basketball match Saturday night on the Y. M. C. I. floor. From the showing that the Y. M. C. I. displayed Wednesday against the Trojans, it looks as though the game will be an exciting one.

The first game of the evening will be between the Y. M. C. I. and the Trojans. This should be a fast game and also a close one. In the second intermediate game the Central team play the East End Boys' Club. The games are scheduled to start at 7.30 o'clock.

Berlenbach Aspires To Battle Dempsey

NEW YORK Press. Difficulty in making the 175-pound weight limit of his division and aspirations to succeed to the heavyweight crown now held by Jack Dempsey, may shortly compel Paul Berlenbach to relinquish his world's light heavyweight championship, declares Dan Hickley, his manager. Berlenbach, who made his heavyweight debut by knocking out King Solomon, of Panama, is already planning an active heavy-weight campaign. "Eventually we will work ourselves into position for a match with Dempsey," Hickley said.

PROMISING YOUNGSTER. LONDON, Dec. 18.—Teddy Baldock, a stripling of 17, has taken the boxing world by storm. Since he left school, three years ago, he has been in 124 battles and never has met with defeat. Often he fought twice daily in the East End, where he is regarded a hero. The experts are hopeful that he will prove to be a second Jimmy Wilde. The lad comes of fighting stock. His grandfather fought in the bare knuckle days of the squared circle, and his father also was a fighter. Baldock's latest victory was on Thursday night, in Albert Hall, when he defeated a Frenchman, Antoine Merlo, in a brilliant exhibition.

PARK YOUR HORSES.

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 18.—An ordinance has been passed here setting aside a block in the downtown district where only teams can be parked. Motor cars are not allowed in the block, and a big sign advises motorists: "This space reserved for horses."

PEDESTRIAN JEWELER.

WORKING, Eng., Dec. 18.—On the body of a man found hanging near here were several silver cigarette cases, several articles of jewelry, and two watches.

HOCKEY TAKES BOXING'S PLACE GARDEN TONIGHT

Maroons and New York
Are Second Gotham
Attraction

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—A demonstration of the efficiency of the new Madison Square Garden is being given New York fans today. Last night 14,000 fans attended the Kaplan-Herman championship bout. Tonight, another big crowd will witness a hockey match between the Montreal Maroons and the New York Americans, who lost last night in Pittsburgh, 3 to 2. For the help around the big Garden tonight's fight will be the most interesting ever staged in New York. It is up to this help to have the ring and the floor seats cleared away, the concrete swept, washed and polished and covered with a layer of two inches of ice, all within the space of 20 short hours. That it can be done with the new system of ice-making that worked so satisfactorily on its first test the management has not the least doubt. Indeed, the Montreal players have been promised ice for a work-out Saturday morning at 11 o'clock.

MONTREAL, Dec. 18.—Canadians at present jittery in the National Hockey League race, are at home tonight to their nearest contenders for the lowly position, the Boston Bruins. Although both teams have won two games, the Canadians have a slightly better standing as they have only lost five to Bruins six.

STANDING OF N. H. L. CLUBS.

Teams	Won	Lost	For	Ag.	Pts.
Ottawa	6	1	16	8	12
Montreal	5	2	24	10	10
Pittsburgh	5	3	20	16	10
St. Pat.	2	3	16	4	4
New York	2	4	14	4	4
Calder	2	5	10	20	4
Boston	2	6	13	22	4

PIRATES WON.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 18.—Pittsburgh Pirates last night last night defeated the New York Americans 3-2 in one of the best played hockey games ever staged in this city. The victory puts the Steel City puck men back into a tie for second place, decked with the Montreal Maroons.

The game was the closest ever put on at the Oakland Arena, only one penalty being handed out.

Miller, the star of the game, scoring two of his team's three counters, while the third was more or less of a fluke, the puck bouncing right into the net after goalie Forbes had stopped it.

Spring got the credit for this tally. The Gotham team's scores were negotiated by "Red" Green and Spiff Campbell, the latter scoring in the first period, and Green in the final stanza.

Dick Hunt Scores

Kayo Over Hartnett

HALIFAX, Dec. 18.—Mickey Walker, world's welterweight champion, will defend his title next month in New York when he meets Tommy Milligan of England may have to undergo a slight operation to one of his legs before he resumes training, he was told by a local doctor to whom he applied for treatment tonight. Stopping off here over night enroute home after spending a fortnight in the Cape Breton woods with his trainer, Teddy Harvey, appeared in a local ring to referee several bouts staged for a Christmas fund. Walker refereed the bout which was between Dick Hunt, former Maritime welterweight champion, and Joe Hartnett. Hunt floored Hartnett for the count in the second round.

WORLD'S TITLE.

ROME, Dec. 18.—Giovanni Balovich, Greek-Roman wrestling champion of Italy, won the world's championship yesterday by defeating Hans Kavan, the title holder.

O'DOWD MEETS TUNNEY.

ST. JOHNSBURG, N. Y., Dec. 18.—Dan O'Dowd, of New York, has been selected as an opponent for Gene Tunney in his bout to be held here in December 25.

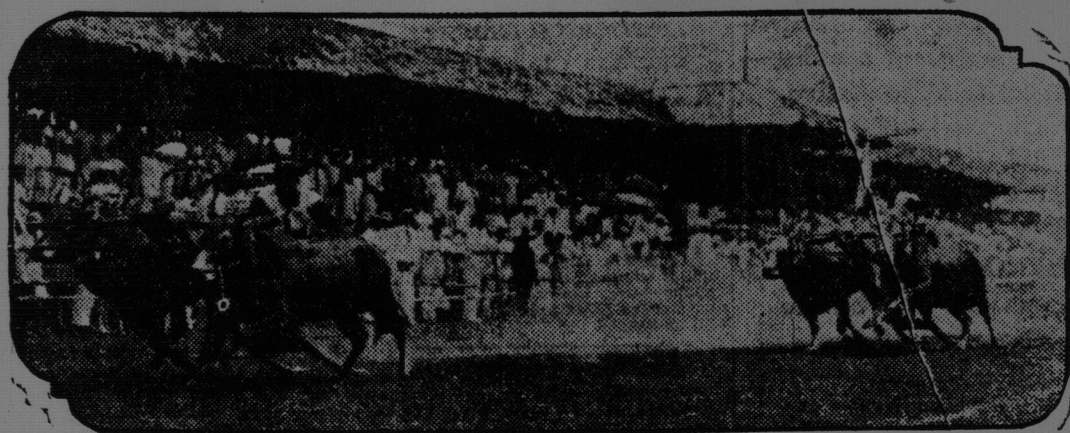
BURNS WON.

NORTH BERGEN, N. J., Dec. 18.—Finky Burns, of Essexford, outpointed Goldie Aherne, of Washington, over the ten round distance here last night, in the opinion of newspapermen.

SCHAEFER BEAT HOPPE.

BOSTON, Dec. 18.—Jake Schaefer defeated Willie Hoppe 2,000 to 2,777 in their four day exhibition 18.2 ball line billiard match ending here last night.

At Finish of Exciting Race



What odds were paid in this race in Java are not of record. Be that as it may, bullock racing is a popular sport on the island.

Local Bowling

I. O. F. Ladies.

The Lingties took three points from Log Cabins last night on the Imperial alleys.

Team	No.	Total	Avg.
Log Cabin	1	80	80
Lingties	2	74	74
Log Cabin	3	62	62
Lingties	4	78	78
Log Cabin	5	83	83
Lingties	6	78	78
Log Cabin	7	83	83
Lingties	8	78	78
Log Cabin	9	83	83
Lingties	10	78	78
Log Cabin	11	83	83
Lingties	12	78	78
Log Cabin	13	83	83
Lingties	14	78	78
Log Cabin	15	83	83
Lingties	16	78	78
Log Cabin	17	83	83
Lingties	18	78	78
Log Cabin	19	83	83
Lingties	20	78	78

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Lingties	10	78	78
Log Cabin	11	83	83
Lingties	12	78	78
Log Cabin	13	83	83
Lingties	14	78	78
Log Cabin	15	83	83
Lingties	16	78	78
Log Cabin	17	83	83
Lingties	18	78	78
Log Cabin	19	83	83
Lingties	20	78	78

T. S. Simms House League.

Team No. 2 took four points from Team No. 1 last night on Black's alleys. The score:

Team	No.	Total	Avg.
Team No. 1	1	92	92
Team No. 2	2	100	100
Team No. 1	3	100	100
Team No. 2	4	100	100
Team No. 1	5	100	100
Team No. 2	6	100	100
Team No. 1	7	100	100
Team No. 2	8	100	100
Team No. 1	9	100	100
Team No. 2	10	100	100
Team No. 1	11	100	100
Team No. 2	12	100	100
Team No. 1	13	100	100
Team No. 2	14	100	100
Team No. 1	15	100	100
Team No. 2	16	100	100
Team No. 1	17	100	100
Team No. 2	18	100	100
Team No. 1	19	100	100
Team No. 2	20	100	100

Inter-Society League.

The A. O. H. team took three points from the Knights of Columbus on the Y. M. C. I. alleys last night. The score:

Team	No.	Total	Avg.
A. O. H.	1	79	79
Knights of Columbus	2	79	79
A. O. H.	3	79	79
Knights of Columbus	4	79	79
A. O. H.	5	79	79
Knights of Columbus	6	79	79
A. O. H.	7	79	79
Knights of Columbus	8	79	79
A. O. H.	9	79	79
Knights of Columbus	10	79	79
A. O. H.	11	79	79
Knights of Columbus	12	79	79
A. O. H.	13	79	79
Knights of Columbus	14	79	79
A. O. H.	15	79	79
Knights of Columbus	16	79	79
A. O. H.	17	79	79
Knights of Columbus	18	79	79
A. O. H.	19	79	79
Knights of Columbus	20	79	79

I. O. F. League.

Log Cabin took four points from the Lingties C team on the Imperial alleys last night. The score:

Team	No.	Total	Avg.
Log Cabin	1	74	74
Lingties C	2	74	74
Log Cabin	3	74	74
Lingties C	4	74	74
Log Cabin	5	74	74
Lingties C	6	74	74
Log Cabin	7	74	74
Lingties C	8	74	74
Log Cabin	9	74	74
Lingties C	10	74	74
Log Cabin	11	74	74
Lingties C	12	74	74
Log Cabin	13	74	74
Lingties C	14	74	74
Log Cabin	15	74	74
Lingties C	16	74	74
Log Cabin	17	74	74
Lingties C	18	74	74
Log Cabin	19	74	74
Lingties C	20	74	74

Civic and Civil Service League.

On the Imperial alleys last night the Postal Clerks took three points from the Public Works. The score:

Team	No.	Total	Avg.
Postal Clerks	1	82	82
Public Works	2	82	82
Postal Clerks	3	82	82
Public Works	4	82	82
Postal Clerks	5	82	82
Public Works	6	82	82
Postal Clerks	7	82	82
Public Works	8	82	82
Postal Clerks	9	82	82
Public Works	10	82	82
Postal Clerks	11	82	82
Public Works	12	82	82
Postal Clerks	13	82	82
Public Works	14	82	82
Postal Clerks	15	82	82
Public Works	16	82	82
Postal Clerks	17	82	82
Public Works	18	82	82
Postal Clerks	19	82	82
Public Works	20	82	82

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Public Works	5	74	74
Postal Clerks	6	74	74
Public Works	7	74	74
Postal Clerks	8	74	74
Public Works	9	74	74
Postal Clerks	10	74	74
Public Works	11	74	74
Postal Clerks	12	74	74
Public Works	13	74	74
Postal Clerks	14	74	74
Public Works	15	74	74
Postal Clerks	16	74	74
Public Works	17	74	74
Postal Clerks	18	74	74
Public Works	19	74	74
Postal Clerks	20	74	74

Cumulative.

Team	No.	Total	Avg.
Cumulative	1	74	74
Postal Clerks	2	74	74
Cumulative	3	74	74
Postal Clerks	4	74	74
Cumulative	5	74	74
Postal Clerks	6	74	74
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