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SAYS STATES MADE A POOR SHOWING

Writer Makes Some Caustic Comments on Their Olympic Team.

The Olympic track and field games of 1924 have now passed into history. Uncle Sam won the big games at Paris.

I do not think that American has a whole lot to brag about. The U. S. A. team was not a howling success in the games, says Arthur Duffy in the Boston Post.

Finland was the star performer of the Olympic games. No wonder the Finns are celebrating a moral victory in the classic contests. Boasting a population of some 3,000,000 inhabitants and sending about half as many athletes to the games as America did, the Finlanders pressed the Yankees all the way.

Finland sent 62 athletes to the great games. They went unheralded and unsung. They had no Olympic title before the games. The Finns won 10 first places and scored a total of 166 points. They won every long distance running event on the track from the 1,500-metre event to the classic Marathon.

I feel safe in saying that if Finland had sent as strong a second and third string list of performers to the games as we did, there is little doubt that the representatives from the little Scandinavian country would have run away with the Olympic crown.

Yanks' Lone Win on Flat.

On the other hand, contrast our showing in the contests. We boast some 110,000,000 inhabitants. We sent 104 men to the games, just about twice as many as Finland. We scored 121 first place, with a total of 235 points. We won just one star athlete in the 200-metre event, that being in the 200-metre event, two hurdle races, the 110 and 400-metres. America also won nine first places in the field events, with a total of 235 points.

I do not think that we prepared for the Olympic games this year in the proper manner. We were over-prepared instead of being on the edge. It was a big mistake to have so many sectional tryouts all over the country and then a final one before the Paris games.

An athlete has one objective in his athletic career. It is usually the Olympic games. Every other contest is subservient to it. Many of our star athletes this year were not prepared to let the sectional tryouts, but had to hold something in reserve for the final Olympic trials in order to make the team.

As a matter of fact their whole objective was centered on the final tryouts in the Stadium instead of the Paris games. As a result many of our best athletes were not at the Paris games and had to make the team in the running events.

Now for Finland.

Many reasons have been advanced for the wonderful work of the runners representing this little country. The one that appeals very strongly to me is the fact that in this north country the people lead the proper life. They have not the pleasures to divert their attention as our great metropolitan centres or even small hamlets have to offer, morning, noon and night.

I understand the food consumed by the Finns is of the plainest sort. No fancy dishes, washed down with a chocolate frappe or a tricky gin rickey, but just common, wholesome food. It follows naturally that athletes adopt this kind of living in Finland must benefit thereby.

Their stamina is increased, they like training and have the vigor that all proper training and living should produce.

Men like Nurmi, Ritola and Stenroos were established athletes prior to the Olympic games. They had no trial to pass through, as did our athletes. They knew they had made the Finland team. In other words, they were not forced to prime themselves for a set of trials, reach the edge of condition and continue this training aboard ship for another test later.

Finland made a gallant and wonderful showing because its Olympic policy was sound and reasonable. There were no hurrahs or an army of coaches attendant their preparation. The Finns knew what they had to do and they prepared themselves accordingly.

The United States would do well to copy some of Finland's stuff before 1928 rolls around.



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His Baseball Face



Charles W. Bryan, Democratic vice-presidential nominee in the U. S. is one of those baseball fans who calmly studies a game from under a tilted hat. He was caught in an interesting study at Washington, where he went after the historic "battles."

OFFERS \$200,000 FOR SIR GALAHAD

U. S. Turfman Seeks to Buy Great French Thoroughbred Outright.

New York, July 16.—The coming of Epinard, the great French thoroughbred, to this country, for a series of three international races, and the desire of August Belmont and Matt Winn to get other European horses over here for the contests has started something.

Overtures, it was learned here, were made from New York to Captain Jeff. Galahad III, looking to the purchase of this French bred four-year-old and his transfer to this country.

Sir Galahad III, the winner of this year's Stewards' Cup at Goodwood, and the conqueror of Epinard in a match race at St. Cloud track near Paris on May 19.

The failure to interest Mr. Cohn in bringing Sir Galahad III over for the events has led to an offer to buy his horse outright. The price offered is said to be \$200,000.

The name of the American who has been keeping the cables busy in the effort to make the deal is not disclosed; neither are those of the syndicate that is willing to put up the price for the purchase.

Unbeaten in 19 Starts

Sir Galahad III is a son of Teddy, leading sire of France last year. He is by Ajax, one of the great race horses of France, unbeaten in 19 starts, including the Grand Prix.

He was bred by Captain Cohn, the leading owner of the French turf, and director of the great French turf publication, "Le Jockey."

The purpose is seeking Sir Galahad III has, of course, for its immediate object racing in the "specials," arranged for international competition this fall. Back of that, however, is the primary object, that of breeding.

While all the attention was directed to the arrival of Epinard last week, a horse stole into New York from England and quietly made his way out to the Aqueduct track unheralded.

This thoroughbred has the unique distinction of having conquered in the only race lost by the French champion as a two-year-old.

His name is Mackenzie. He is owned jointly by Robert J. Walden and Alfred H. Morris, who are partners in the Bowling Brook stud in Maryland, where Transvaal stands, and who brought the French horse to this country last autumn.

Mackenzie is a son of Verwood, by Grey Plume, and the French sportsman, Madame Edmond Blanc, and under her colors won the Prix Morny at Deauville, the race in which Epinard later showed that this was not his true race, but the season closed with Mackenzie recognized as the second best juvenile in France.

Won Match Race From Massine As a three-year-old last spring Mackenzie again proved his quality by winning a match race in April from Massine.

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CARDINAL PITCHER CARVES MONUMENT

Haines Pitches No Hit, No Run Game—Yesterday in the Majors.

(By Canadian Press).

New York, July 18.—When Jess Haines turned back the Boston Braves without a hit or run and beat them, 5 to 0, he not only carved a monument for himself in baseball's immortal hall of fame, but he boosted the Cardinals from last place in the National League into a tie with the Boston team for sixth place.

Haines feat, while not perfect, was outstanding enough to gain him an envious place in baseball's history. Not since 1876, the year the National League sprang into existence, has a St. Louis National League twister turned in a no-hit, no-run game.

The Giant lost a bit of ground yesterday when Pittsburgh walked away with a 4 to 3 verdict in 13 innings. Chicago gained a full game by defeating the Brooklyn Dodgers out of third place by defeating them, 10 to 8, in a slugging match.

Washington, hanging tenaciously on the heels of the New York Yankees, lost a point in the percentage column by dividing a double-header with St. Louis. The Browns shutting Stanley Harris men out in the first game, 8 to 0, but losing the second game, 12 to 7. New York and Cleveland and Detroit and Boston were idle, due to rain.

The White Sox humbled Connie Mack's Athletics again, 18 to 5.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

St. Louis, 5; Boston, 0.	0 0 2
Boston.....0000000000	0 0 2
St. Louis.....10103000	5 12 0
Batteries—McNamara, Coney and O'Neill; Haines and Gonzales.	
Chicago, 3; Philadelphia, 2.	2 1 1
Philadelphia.....100000001	2 1 1
Chicago.....000000000	2 1 1
Batteries—Hubbell and Henline; Keen and Harriott.	
Cincinnati, 10; Brooklyn, 8.	8 14 3
Brooklyn.....003000000	8 14 3
Cincinnati.....000000000	8 14 3
Batteries—Grimes, Deateur and Hargrave; Luque and May and Hargrave.	
Pittsburg, 4; New York, 8.	3 9 1
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Pittsburg.....00000100101	4 13 0
Batteries—McQuillan and Snyder; Morrison and Smith.	

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

St. Louis, 3; Washington, 0.	0 0 0
Washington.....000000000	0 0 0
St. Louis.....000000000	0 0 0
Batteries—Davis and Rego; Zachary and Ruel.	
Second game.	
St. Louis.....011100310	7 14 3
Washington.....420102300	12 14 1
Philadelphia.....00001001	5 10 3
Batteries—Thurston and Crouse; Rommel, Burns and Perkins.	

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE

Toronto, 8; Baltimore, 6.	R. H. E.
At Toronto.....	6 11 8
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Games Tonight

The South End League has an important game billed this evening between the Trojans, league leaders, and the St. John the Baptist, who have been coming along with a rush lately.

This is a postponed game and as both teams meet again on Monday night, a win or loss tonight will have a bearing on the title. The Trojans will send their star, "Les" Kerr, to the mound, while the Saints probably will use Moore or Torrie. "Tack" Dalton has pitched two hard games this week, winning both for the Saints.

In the City League, the St. Rose's take on the Clippers on the Nashweek diamond tonight. A loss for the Saints would put the Portlands two and one-half games ahead in the race, while they will twirl for the Fairville lads, and either Sterling or Griffin for the Clippers.

R.K.Y.C. MEMBERS TO BE HONORED

Seven Will Receive Special Badges Prior to Start of Cruise.

Just before the yachtsmen of the Royal Kennebecasis Yacht Club start away tomorrow afternoon from Millville on their "Happy Days" cruise up the St. John River, a pleasing ceremony will take place at the club house of this fine organization. It will be the presentation of special badges to seven members of the club who have just completed 25 years of affiliation with the R. K. Y. C.

The badges will be presented Andrew B. Burns, Frank B. Ellis, J. Fraser Gregory, Dr. A. H. Merrill, W. H. Turner, W. B. Wallace and William White, each of whom has rounded out a quarter of a century of membership. The presentation will be made by James W. Barnes, the popular commodore of the R. K. Y. C. In addition to the seven named, the following received the 25-year badge in former years: Charles E. Elwell, W. G. Heans, William Holder, E. N. Herrington, J. C. Johnson, Louis Munro, W. A. MacLaughlin, John A. McAvity, W. C. Stratton, P. P. Starr and Frank Whelpley.

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DALTON LEADING IN BATTING RACE

Eight Players in South End League Are Now Batting Above .400

"Tack" Dalton, St. John the Baptist star, moved into first place in the race for batting honors in the South End league this week, according to official averages including Wednesday night's game. His teammate, Fraser, maintains his place at the top with a batting mark of .450, "Jimmy" Tim Lenihan is fourth with .431.

The Saints have seven regulars batting above .300, they being Dalton, Fraser, Moran, Cyril Moore, Gaynes and Callaghan. The Trojans have six, Walter Bartlett, Greg, Kerr, MacGowan, Cox and Wiley while the Gunners have four, Lenihan, Barry, McCuskey, and Rowley. The Royals have three, Price, Nelson and Harper. The averages are:

	G.	A.	B.	T.	P.C.
Dalton (St.)	7	24	11	458	
Fraser (St.)	10	40	18	458	
Lenihan (M. G.)	16	58	25	444	
Bartlett (T.)	11	39	18	423	
Greg (T.)	10	41	17	416	
Moran (St.)	14	56	23	411	
E. Nelson (H.)	13	59	22	409	
Harper (St.)	12	50	19	389	
C. Moore (St.)	13	54	19	352	
McCuskey (M. G.)	12	41	16	340	
Wiley (T.)	9	39	13	323	
Rowley (M. G.)	5	19	6	316	
Gaynes (St.)	6	25	8	308	
Callaghan (St.)	12	50	15	300	

SAYS WOODS CAN OUTPUNCH VILLA

Frank Moody Tells of His Workout With Scotch Flyweight.

Frank Moody, great English middleweight, declared after a workout with Wee Willie Woods, Scotch flyweight champion, at Varnett that he would not be surprised if his stablemate scored at least one knockdown in his contest with Pancha Villa, world flyweight boss, at Mechanics Building, Boston, on Monday night.

"I never saw a little fellow who could punch half as hard as Woods," said Moody. "I'm a big, tough fellow, weighing 160 pounds, but frankly admit that Woods shakes me up every time he scores with a solid blow.

"Wee Willie gets tremendous power behind his punches. This or account of his fine shoulder and chest development and the fact he is always going forward when he hits the enemy.

"They tell me that Villa likes to risk an exchange of blows with a rival. If he does, Woods will knock him down. And when you can drop a rival to the canvas you always have a chance of winning by a knockout.

GIANTS AND WHITE SOX TO BARNSTORM EUROPE

Chicago, July 18.—The New York Giants and the Chicago White Sox will go on a barnstorming tour of Europe this fall if the major league club owners give their consent. Preliminary plans provide for games in England, Scotland, Ireland, Wales, France, Belgium, Germany and Canada, the schedule to be finished on or before Nov. 20. Games may also be played in the United States if time permits.

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Ball Problems By Billy Evans

QUESTIONS

1. Do the American and National Leagues now agree on all interpretations of the playing rules. A insists the two leagues conflict on a number of points. B says no. Who is right?—C. G. S.

2. Does a base on balls in any way affect a player's batting average?—P. W.

3. With a runner on first base, he attempts a steal of second. Catcher made no attempt to throw, since runner had a big lead and was certain to beat a perfect throw. Catcher has the reputation of having a weak arm. Is it a stolen base?—R. P.

4. With three and two on batter, he strikes at next pitch and misses for third strike. Ball is low and gets away from catcher, runner reaching third before it is recovered. Is runner within his rights in so advancing?—C. C. D.

ANSWERS

1. For years two major leagues differed on perhaps a half dozen rulings of the playing rules. They are: Alex Hart, of Philadelphia, Pa.; Pal Moran, of New Orleans; Johnny Mendelsohn, of Milwaukee; Jack Bensten of Yonkers, N. Y.; Archie Walker, of New York; Mel Coogan, of Brooklyn; Charlie O'Connell, of Cleveland, Ohio; Sammy Mandell, of Rockford, Ill.; Jack Zivic, of Pittsburgh; Sid Barbarian, of Detroit, Mich.; Joe Dundee, of Baltimore, Md.; Ray Mitchell, of Philadelphia; Charles White, of Chicago, and Luis Vincentini, of Chili.

Each contestant in the tournament must post a forfeit fee of \$500 each with the commission.

A committee composed of Charles L. Henderson, of the National A. C.; George L. (Tex) Richard of Madison Square Garden, and James J. Johnston of the Cromwell A. C. were appointed a new committee to settle the elimination tournament. This committee will arrange the bouts, match the fighters, and determine the purse each contestant will receive.

The new tournament will start Aug. 1 and must be completed within 30 days. Champion Benny Leonard will be ordered to meet the winner within 30 days after the tournament.

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SUSPEND MANAGER OF JOHNNY DUNDEE

Refused to Sign for Title Bout With "Kid" Kaplan.

New York, July 18.—Charles Johnson, manager of Johnny Dundee, world's featherweight champion, has been suspended by the State Athletic Commission for his refusal to sign the contract submitted to him by Dennis McMahon, Louis (Kid) Kaplan's manager, for the proposed Kaplan-Dundee title match. The commission had previously approved the contract. Johnson's suspension will hold until he signs the contract.

Dundee was not suspended, but he will be unable to fight in this state until his manager is reinstated to sign a contract for him.

The lightweight situation to select a capable opponent for Benny Leonard, champion, is still in an unsettled condition and the commission ruled that a new tournament must be held to include some lightweights not included in the previous tournament. Fourteen boxers were named as eligible to start in the tournament. They are: Alex Hart, of Philadelphia, Pa.; Pal Moran, of New Orleans; Johnny Mendelsohn, of Milwaukee; Jack Bensten of Yonkers, N. Y.; Archie Walker, of New York; Mel Coogan, of Brooklyn; Charlie O'Connell, of Cleveland, Ohio; Sammy Mandell, of Rockford, Ill.; Jack Zivic, of Pittsburgh; Sid Barbarian, of Detroit, Mich.; Joe Dundee, of Baltimore, Md.; Ray Mitchell, of Philadelphia; Charles White, of Chicago, and Luis Vincentini, of Chili.