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SPORT NEWS GLEANED FROM WORLD'S CENTRES

THE TIMES-STAR SPORT REVIEW

Brief Comments on Pastimes of Interest to the Fans.

Promoter Coholan, who is staging a boxing card in the Armories in the near future, is to be congratulated on signing such a prominent boxer as Jim Montgomery. The Irish champion has a remarkable ring record and is conceded to be one of the best men who ever came to America from the British Isles. The innovation of light heavyweights is one of the most popular moves that could have been made by the promoter. It has been many years since any of the heavier boxers have appeared in this city and there is no doubt boxing fans in general will welcome the change. In addition the bout between Paris and Palmer should be a big attraction in itself. Paris is a clever and popular boxer and can always be depended on to make his opponent step some to defeat him. In Hogan and Shanks, as curtain raisers, the promoter has two young men, who are fast and aggressive and are popular with boxing enthusiasts.

Johnny McIntyre must be learning the art of ducking. He was awarded a newspaper decision over Sailor Byron of New England in Portland Wednesday evening, but according to accounts of the bout Byron missed a number of hard rights that, if they had landed, would have brought a different ending to the go. The bout apparently did not make much of a hit for it was said to have been tame.

Tonight Johnny Wilson will meet Harry Greb at Madison Square Garden for the middleweight championship of the world. Wilson lost his title to Greb, but from all accounts he is a greatly improved boxer today. One thing that is strongly in favor of Wilson is that Greb may have to weaken himself to make 160 pounds. He is not a natural middleweight, but shapes up more like a light heavyweight. As a result he is expected to enter the ring tonight lacking some of his "pep." On the other hand Wilson will have no difficulty making 160 pounds and being a strong body puncher should have a slight advantage over his opponent.

The mild weather must be responsible for all the baseball talk going the rounds. One of the biggest questions among fans is what is the outlook for next season? That is a question which is hard to answer. One thing seems certain and that is that there will be baseball in this city. One team is already mapping out a programme and seriously considering the situation. It is generally conceded that there will be no New Brunswick League, but it is expected that two local teams will be organized and on Saturdays and holidays outside teams will be brought here. An argument is advanced that the league last year was not a financial success and that the signing of so many outside players was too much of a burden on some of the clubs. A suggestion has been offered that a limit be placed on importations. Just what the future has in store, however, time alone can tell.

AWAITING ANSWER OF GOVERNMENT

Game Association Defers Action Until Reply Comes From Fredericton

The Loch Alva Forest, Fish and Game Association of New Brunswick, held a meeting in the Tourist Association rooms, Germain street, last evening with L. B. Knight presiding. There was a representative number of members of the association present. The prospectus of the association was read for the benefit of those present and suggestions were asked.

It was moved by E. A. Schofield, and seconded by C. F. Sanford, that the committee apply to the provincial government for an immediate answer to its proposal to secure a lease of the Crown Lands lying between the St. John and the St. Croix Rivers for the purpose of game protection and exploiting tourist traffic.

Those attending who were in favor were: J. G. Harrison, A. E. Massie, Percy Holman, C. F. Sanford, A. G. McAvity, Oscar Hanson, A. H. Campbell, L. Laing, James S. Neill, A. C. Clark, John Gillis, L. B. Knight, C. C. Avard, K. J. MacRae, George Holder, L. McC. Ritchie, J. Learment, C. B. Allan, Charles Gibbons, F. E. Holman, R. E. Smith, Dr. L. A. Langstroth and R. M. Hallett.

MORAN AND WAGNER.

St. Louis, Jan. 18—Pal Moran, who is said to be in line for a championship bout with Benny Leonard as a result of his knockout victory over Charlie White, and another over Johnny Shugrue, will trade punches with Eddie "Kid" Wagner, of Philadelphia in the feature event of a boxing carnival here tonight. The bout is scheduled to go ten rounds.

VICTORIAS' LEAD CUT.

Montreal, Jan. 18—Victorias' lead in the E. C. H. L. was cut to one-half a game when they were defeated last night by the Sons of Ireland, of Quebec, by a score of 6 to 5. The Sons are in second place.

BAND OFFICERS ELECTED.

At the annual meeting of the Carleton Cornet Band the following officers were unanimously re-elected: Band Master, William Lanyon; president, H. Stackhouse; treasurer, A. R. Belyea. The new officers elected were: Secretary, C. A. Maxwell; assistant secretary, J. McAndrews; vice-president, C. Gallop and band sergeant, J. C. Maxwell. The meeting took place earlier in the week and the reports showed much progress in the operations of the band.

STRIBLING MAY MEET CARPENTIER

Miami, Fla., Jan. 18—Definite proposals have been made for a bout in Miami late in February between Young Stribling and Georges Carpentier.

"Pa" Stribling has agreed to the match and Ed Douglas, Miami, promoter, who is staging the Tommy Gibbons-Chuck Wiggins fight January 31, says he has had word that Carpentier would be in Florida in February and that negotiations were favorable for the match.

IRISH CHAMPION IS COMING HERE

Jim Montgomery Will be a Principal in Armory Bouts.

Jim Montgomery, heavy and middleweight champion of Ireland, who was awarded a decision over Johnny Wilson, when he held the middleweight championship of the world, has been signed to box here in the big card to be staged in the Armories on Monday evening, January 28. He is conceded to be one of the fastest and most aggressive boxers in the States and has a wonderful record. During the war he appeared in 500 exhibitions for the benefit of the soldier boys, and in addition participated in 91 bouts, winning 85 and losing six. He has never been knocked out in his life, and is one opponent Mike McTigue apparently fears. Montgomery passed through this city about six weeks ago, having been to England and Ireland endeavoring to arrange for a bout with McTigue, light heavyweight champion of the world, and Goddard, heavyweight champion of England. Although he camped on the trail of these champions neither would agree to meet him in the ring, Goddard's manager openly confessing that his charge had only won the title and was not going to take any chances of losing it.

A suitable opponent for Montgomery is expected to be signed tonight or tomorrow. In addition to this big feature bout Promoter Coholan has signed Young Palmer of Waltham, Mass., to meet Gordon Paris in a ten round bout, and as a curtain raiser has secured Al. Shanks and Alphonsus Hogan, who will appear in a six round bout.

2 TITLES WILL BE DEFENDED TONIGHT

Middleweights to Battle in New York, Bantams in South.

New York, Jan. 18.—The world's middleweight title will be at stake tonight in Madison Square Garden when Harry Greb, Pittsburg "windmill," will defend his 160-pound crown in a 15-round match with Johnny Wilson of Boston, the former champion.

New Orleans, Jan. 18.—Joe Lynch, bantamweight champion of the world, will defend his title here tonight in a scheduled 10-round no-decision bout with Eddie McKenna of New Orleans. Lynch will receive $3,000, and risks his championship only by losing on a knockout.

ESTABLISH NEW 100 YARDS RECORD

Gladys Robinson and Everett McGowan Make Fast Time.

Pittsfield, Mass., Jan. 17—A world's record was broken on Onota Lake today by Everett McGowan of St. Paul, and also by Miss Gladys Robinson, of Toronto, who set new marks for skating 100 yards.

McGowan, skating 100 yards paced, covered the distance in 5 1-2 seconds. He was able to keep up with the automobile which paced him and which, the timers said, attained a maximum speed of 52 miles an hour. The women's record for 100 yards was broken when Miss Robinson, skating unpaced from a standing start, established a mark of 10 2-5 seconds.

RENAULT VS. SMITH.

Muskegon, Mich., Jan. 18—Jack Renault, Canadian heavyweight champion, has been matched with Homer Smith of Kalamazoo, for a ten round bout here on Feb. 6.

GAMES IN CITY BOWLING LEAGUES

Results of Last Evening's Candle Pin Matches on Local Alleys.

CITY LEAGUE.

In the City League the Y. M. C. A. took four points from the G. W. V. A. on the Y. M. C. I. alleys last evening. Following are the scores:

Y. M. C. A.—				Total.	Avg.
Foshay	90	85	91	266	88 2-3
Roxborough	81	71	102	254	83 2-3
Copp	85	80	100	265	88 1-3
Jenkins	94	90	102	286	95 1-3
Sullivan	84	116	84	284	94 2-3
	434	442	479	1355	
G. W. V. A.—				Total.	Avg.
Riley	87	83	90	260	86 2-3
Clarke	79	89	94	262	87 1-3
Irving	88	79	92	249	83
Brentall	78	94	96	268	89 1-3
Gill	89	87	88	264	88
	421	432	460	1313	

CITY LEAGUE.

The Imperials took all four points from the Y. M. C. I. at Black's alleys last night. Summary:

Imperials—				Total.	Avg.
Morgan	93	94	98	285	95
Quinn	90	101	90	281	93 2-3
Hunter	94	102	96	292	97 1-3
Black	104	77	86	267	89
Gamblin	98	83	90	271	90 1-3
	479	457	460	1396	
Y. M. C. I.—				Total.	Avg.
Reid	79	78	85	243	80 2-3
McDonough	87	84	97	270	90
Dupree	76	86	78	240	80
Jarvis	78	97	100	275	91 2-3
Cosgrove	89	86	86	261	87
	409	431	448	1288	

COMMERCIAL LEAGUE.

The Opticians took three points and Robertson, Foster & Smith, Ltd., one at Black's alleys last night. Summary:

Opticians—				Total.	Avg.
Cunningham	69	71	78	218	72 2-3
Rockwell	84	75	95	254	84 2-3
Stairs	76	62	73	211	70 1-3
McDonald	83	87	82	252	84
Whittakes	82	94	72	248	82 2-3
	394	389	400	1183	
Robertson, Foster—				Total.	Avg
McManus	81	61	74	216	72
Larsen	81	92	78	251	83 2-3
Hartshorn	64	85	78	227	75 2-3
Lilley	84	72	81	238	79 1-3
McLeod	81	84	80	245	81 2-3
	391	395	391	1177	

G. W. V. A. LAGUE.

The Zillebecks took four points from St. Julliens in the G. W. V. A. House League last evening. Follow the scores:

Zillebecks—				Total.	Avg.
Cannon	80	83	89	252	84
Lawrenson	86	73	77	236	78 2-3
Dunlop	80	62	59	201	67
Parlee	72	77	85	234	78
Machum	86	86	83	255	85
	404	381	393	1178	
St. Julens—				Total.	Avg.
Leeman	76	80	88	244	81 1-3
Ferris	53	62	59	174	58
McKinnon	80	70	91	241	80 1-3
Rourke	57	66	64	187	62 1-3
Cripps	76	94	89	259	86 1-3
	342	372	391	1105	

ARMOURY LEAGUE.

The Ordnance team took three points from the Machine Gun team and the St. John Fusiliers took four points by default from the Dragoons in the league last night. The scores follow:

Machine Gun—				Total.	Avg.
Toher	89	77	67	233	77 2-3
Nelson	77	83	67	227	75 2-3
Cunningham	85	65	71	221	73 2-3
Barry	78	80	89	247	82 1-3
Markham	83	74	77	234	78
	412	379	371	1162	
Ordnance—				Total.	Avg.
Morrison	92	85	75	252	84
Ricketts	57	71	71	199	66 1-3
Price	79	79	88	246	82
Wiggins	76	79	93	248	82 2-3
Lake	98	81	95	274	91 1-3
	402	395	422	1219	
St. John Fusiliers—				Total.	Avg.
Scott	78	78	80	236	78 2-3
Quinn	75	83	87	245	81 2-3
Ducey	72	68	97	237	79
Anderson	74	99	76	249	83
Munroe	72	77	89	238	79 1-3
	371	405	429	1205	

CLERICAL LEAGUE.

In the Clerical League game last night the C. N. R. roundhouse team took all four points from the Canadian National Express team. The game was rolled on the Victoria alleys and the scores were as follows:

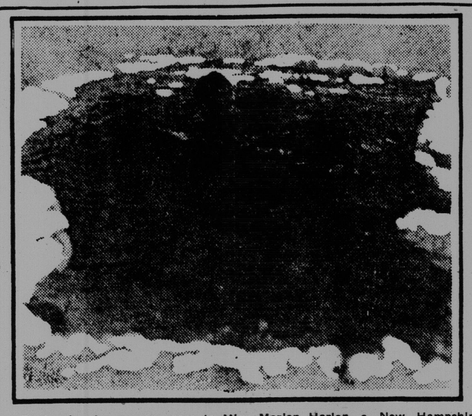
C. N. Roundhouse—				Total.	Avg.
Morrisey	89	95	96	280	93 1-3
Storey	80	80	80	240	80
McGowan	83	79	88	250	83 1-3
Palmer	83	83	91	257	85 2-3
Laskey	93	107	77	277	92 1-3
	428	444	432	1304	
C. N. Express—				Total.	Avg.
Parfitt	72	69	92	233	77 2-3
McNiven	78	78	66	217	72 1-3
	80	79	77	236	78 2-3
Gray	88	69	88	265	88 1-3
Poole	83	84	91	258	86
	396	397	414	1209	

M. R. A .LEAGUE.

In the M. R. A., Ltd. Mixed League Team No. 3 took four points from Team No. 1 in the Imperial alleys last evening. The score follows:

Team No. 1—				Total.	Avg.
J. Harris	83	75	67	225	75
Miss Murray	68	65	67	200	66 2-3
E. Bartlett	76	88	80	244	81 1-3
Miss Glennie	44	59	42	145	48 1-3
H. Lingley	74	72	76	222	74
	345	359	332	1035	

One Way to Get Chilly



First prize for courage goes to Miss Marion Harlan, a New Hampshire girl. She is a swimming enthusiast and doesn't care if it's winter or summer. Photo shows her in the "old swimming hole."

Team No. 3—				Total.	Avg.
A. Stuart	78	61	76	215	71 2-3
Miss Carson	73	78	71	222	74
J. Howard	86	82	92	260	86 2-3
Miss Gorham	48	72	51	171	57
George Estey	74	72	81	227	75 2-3
	359	365	371	1095	

LOYALISTS WIN.

The Loyalist A. C. took four points from the Civics. The score follows:

Loyalist A. C.—				Total.	Avg.
Seely	74	91	81	246	82
A. Carleton	86	86	82	254	84 2-3
Maxwell	78	81	94	253	84 1-3
Pike	92	84	100	276	92
Jenkins	104	83	50	277	92 1-3
	434	425	447	1306	
Civics—				Total.	Avg.
Hatfield	76	76	104	256	85 1-3
Latham	82	73	81	236	78 2-3
Earle	95	92	89	276	92
Duffy	72	89	84	245	81 2-3
Simpson	79	81	86	246	82
	404	411	444	1259	

C. N. EXPRESS UNION LEAGUE.

Team No. 2 took four points from Team No. 5 in the Canadian National Express Union League game on the Victoria alleys last night. Following are the scores:

Team No. 2—				Total.	Avg
Vincent	76	88	89	253	84 1-3
Slattery	63	82	61	206	68 2-3
White	80	76	82	238	79 1-3
Rennick	61	78	48	187	62 1-3
Kincade	68	55	79	202	67 1-3
	348	379	359	1086	
Team No. 5—				Total.	Avg.
Stafford	79	74	75	228	76
Turner	75	74	75	224	74 2-3
MacDormand	59	76	78	208	10 1-3
Johnston	46	66	51	163	54 1-2
Carpenter	83	74	73	230	76 2-3
	340	364	352	1056	

SASKATOON LEADS

Saskatoon, Jan. 18.—Saskatoon increased the margin at the head of the Western Canada Hockey League here last night by a 7 to 5 win over Regina.

VETERANS MEET AFTER 25 YEARS

Wins Cup for Second Time and Accepts Challenge for 1949.

Pinehurst, N. C., Jan. 18.—Twenty-five years ago George C. Dutton of Woodlands met M. N. Smith of Boston over the Number E course here for the James W. Tufts gold and marble cup, offered to the golf player who negotiated that course in 81. Dutton's card read 81 and he won the cup. In the intervening years the two stars did not meet on the links, but recently they were both at Pinehurst. The old Number 1 course remains, so the veterans decided to have the cup controversy thrashed out once again. It took a lot of coaxing, but Dutton made his sticks do what was asked of them and he scored an 81. Smith was beaten but not discouraged. He immediately challenged Dutton for a match in 1949. With the remark that the first fifty years are the hardest the victor accepted.

A New Racing Track In Scotland

Although the work of cutting and leveling the new Hamilton race track in Scotland is proceeding rapidly, some time will elapse before the stands can be erected. There is no prospect at present that racing will be started there until 1925, according to the promoters. It is intended to make application to the British Jockey Club to hold three meetings a year. Brig. Gen. Sir Loftus Bates is Secretary of the company controlling the course.

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ENGLISH TENNIS OUTLOOK IS POOR

Critic Decries the Country's Lack of Facilities for Developing Players.

The poor showing of the English lawn tennis players in the international championships has provoked a storm of criticism among the sports writers in the London press. While the criticisms have generally been leveled against the men players only, the whole system of tennis playing facilities has been attacked, particularly by Stanley N. Doust in The Daily Mail, who deals trenchantly with the whole subject in a recent issue. The writer deplores the absence of lawn tennis from the curriculum of the public schools, from which source so many champions come. County organizations are urged to hold club or league matches where promising players would have a better chance of displaying their abilities.

In part The Daily Mail critic writes as follows:

"Looking back at the results of the past season, there is no doubt that Great Britain, the mother-country of lawn tennis, lags far behind her rivals.

"She was beaten at Manchester in the Davis Cup-tie by Spain, a comparatively new entrant for this event; the teams that were sent to Holland and Copenhagen met with a like fate; while in the international championship tournaments not one single was won by any man from Great Britain. I am referring to men only.

"Apparently there is not a young home-born man with the semblance of a chance of winning next year's singles at Wimbledon for Great Britain. Why, out of all the thousands that play lawn tennis, cannot some one be found worthily to uphold our prestige on the lawn-tennis courts?

"In Great Britain we must reconcile ourselves to the fact that our champions must be older than those of other countries, men between 25 and 30 years of age, because over-seas boys at school are allowed their choice of games and lawn tennis is looked upon with favor, while here in Britain it is laid down what games a boy shall play, whether the games ordered are suited to the boy or not.

"At the moment, in Britain, lawn tennis for various reasons is not in the curriculum of games at the big public schools, so that while it is laid down that cricket, football, and other games must come before lawn tennis, it will not be possible for boys who do prefer lawn tennis (and there are many who do) to become proficient at the game till after they leave school. Therefore, as a champion has to be evolved through all the ups and downs from the raw material, and, however good he may be naturally, it will take that youth at least six years before he can ever hope to attain the highest honors.

"But when a promising boy leaves school what is done for him by the powers that be in the way of help and encouragement? Very little, I fear. He has to rely solely on his own genius. What happens is that these boys join some club and there they remain unknown, unless they are fortunate enough to have the leisure and the means to take part in public tournaments. There are thousands of clubs in the country, and it is to this hitherto untapped source that we must look for our furture champions.

"It is up to the Lawn Tennis Association to organize the means of having the clubs combed out. There are several ways, but all need financial support.

"Under the new constitution the Lawn Tennis Association has foregone a very small part of its large income to the county lawn tennis associations, namely, the affiliation fees of the clubs. But this is not nearly enough. There is a tax of two shillings per person per tournament which the parent body collects. This amount could well be remitted to the counties or, contrariwise, let the counties collect from the clubs or companies that run open tournaments the tax and remit a small portion of it to the headquarters.

"With this addition money the counties could organize club matches in their own counties. They could form leagues and run competitions on club lines, but not on tournament lines. There are too many tournaments as it is.

"There are hundreds of thousands of club players who have not the opportunity for playing in tournaments. This source is absolutely neglected, and it is among these that our youths from school are buried.

"Club or league matches, properly organized by the county associations, would undoubtedly bring to light some promising players who should be encouraged to practice and play for their counties. County lawn tennis is not taken seriously enough. I would like to see the international teams selected from the results of the intercounty matches. This would be an incentive for the players to strive to get into the county teams as a stepping-stone to the international team."

TO WITNESS BIG BILLIARD MATCH

C. P. Miller to Arrange for a Series for Hoppe.

New York, Jan. 18.—C. P. Miller, one of the leading billiard officials in the East, left today for Chicago. He plans to witness the Hoppe-Schaefer championship match, and also to arrange a series of three-cushion exhibitions for Hoppe. The first, most likely, will be against Augie Kieckhefer in Chicago early next month. Then matches against Robert Cannefax and Otto Reiselt, at present tied for the lead in the Three-Cushion League, will follow. Mr. Miller also witnessed the championship match in Chicago between Hoppe and Welker Cochran.

PYTHIAN KNIGHTS STARTED IN SUSSEX

New Lodge Instituted With 26 Members in Kings County Town

Sussex, N. B., Jan. 18—Sussex Lodge No. 41, Knights of Pythias, was successfully launched on its career tonight and gives promise of becoming one of the brightest gems in the Pythian diadem. The lodge starts out with a membership of 26 and it is expected this number will be largely increased in the near future as many are waiting to come in. The institutional ceremonies were in charge of Roy L. Mills, Moncton, grand chancellor of the Maritime domain. The first rank was worked by the degree team of Westmorland Lodge No. 6, Moncton, and the second and third degrees by a joint team from the four St. John lodges. The work of all was of a high order.

Officers Elected.

The election of officers for the new lodge resulted as follows: Chancellor commander, Harry Evans; vice-chancellor, B. O. Bates; prelate, C. B. Spear; master of work, John Armstrong; master of exchequer, S. Friars; keeper of records and seals and master of finance, Robert L. Willis; master at arms, Herbert Creed; inner guard, Otty Wilcox; outer guard, Roy Sear. These officers were installed by Special Deputy Grand Chancellor J. Roy Bell and Captain J. A. Mowry, grand prelate, assisted by several past chancellors.

About 125 knights from St. John and 75 from Moncton were present to give the Pythian baby a warm welcome into the world.

About 150 Knights of Pythias left the city last evening in two special cars on the express at 6.15 o'clock for Sussex to attend the institution of the new lodge.

COST WILD BULL OF PAMPAS $500

New York, Jan. 17—Luis Angel Firpo might have won the world's heavyweight championship from Jack Dempsey if he had treated the title holder as roughly as he did her furniture, Mrs. Mildred Swartzlander asserted today after being awarded $500 damages in a Municipal Court against the South American pugilist.

According to Mrs. Swartzlander the wild bull of the Pampas, leased her apartment for six months, during which time she charges chair and table legs were broken, upholstery ruined and other articles badly marred.

ST. JOHN CHECKER MAN A SURVIVOR

Toronto, Jan. 17—In the Dominion checker championship tournament now in progress here, A. J. Sullivan, St. John, N. B., was among those surviving the preliminary rounds.

DIED AS RESULT OF A WRESTLING BOUT

Phillipsburg, N. J., Jan. 17—Leo. P. Mooney, 17-year-old, a Phillipsburg High School senior, died today in the Warren Hospital of a broken back received Tuesday afternoon while engaged in a wrestling match with Jerome Miller, a classmate.

TUXIS LEAGUE.

The Tuxis League basketball game last night on the Central Baptist floor was won by the Ludlow street Wapomeos who defeated the Germain street Baptist Marathons by a score of 34 to 11. The line-up was as follows:

Marathons.		Wapomeos.
	Centre.	
Morse		McHarg
	Forwards.	
Thompson		Toole
Bean		McCavour
	Defence.	
Marr		Belyea
Patterson		McLeod

SAYS STATES WILL LEAD SPORT WORLD

Says New Champions Will Replace Some Present Title Holders.

(By Henry L. Farrell.)

New York, Jan. 18.—(United Press.)—Many upsets must come during this new year as a natural consequence in the field of sports. Some champions will be displaced and new ones will come along. Old faces will disappear to make way for youngsters. Old marks will pass and new records will go down on the books.

America's position as the leading sport nation of the world, however, is not threatened. The youngsters that are coming along promise to do even better than the veterans upon whom the burden of proof has been resting.

The position of the United States in tennis for 1924 seems to be far out of range for any foreign shots and the domestic situation does not give any promises of radical changes.

Bill Tilden should add another year to his reign as champion, and Helen Wills is in no danger. The California girl, in fact, is just starting.

Tilden is so far above all American rivals that there is hardly room for comparison. Bill Johnston is the only American within miles of him and there is no foreign or native player within a mile of Johnston.

The great little California player, however, had reached the zenith of his career, and Tilden may no be threatened again for years.

Young, physically strong and equipped with the best all-around game of any player in history, Tilden should survive many more seasons as the champion player of the world.

Francis T. Hunter is the most promising youngster in the game, but it will be years before he develops a game that will be good enough to match with Tilden's.

The position of Miss Wills in her class is almost as pronounced as that of Tilden among the men playrs.

Mrs. Molla Mallory has seen her best days. It is not likely that she will be able to come back next year and regain the crown that the California miss took away from her last summer.

"Little Helen" is hardly more than a child. She plays a good game and is so strong physically that there seems to be no limit to the position she may reach in international tennis.

It might be too much to expect her to defeat Mlle. Suzanne Lenglen if they meet at Wimbledon or in the Olympic contests at Paris, but if the California girl does defeat the French star it will be no great surprise.

With Tilden and Johnston to do all the heavy work again, there is little danger that the United States will not be able to successfully defend the Davis Cup against the flock of foreign nations that are sure to challenge again.

Johnston plans to curtail his activities next summer so that he will be in good condition for the Davis Cup contests and the national championships. He regards those two classics as being so important that he will not take the time off to go to Paris with the Olympic team.

If Johnston doesn't go to Paris and if Tilden should decide that the Olympic team can get along without him, the Americans will have a job to win the championship.

Dick Williams, Frank Hunter and Vinnie Richards would form a first-class team, but they would be no cinch against some of the more formidable European teams.

Tilden feels that he might go stale if he played at Wimbledon, went to Paris for the Olympics and then returned to the competition at home. He made a tour of the Pacific Coast early last summer, however, and it didn't hurt his game.

If the American Olympic committee feels that America's chances for victory in the tennis matches would be endangered without Tilden, there is no doubt that he will change his mind and accept an appointment on the team.

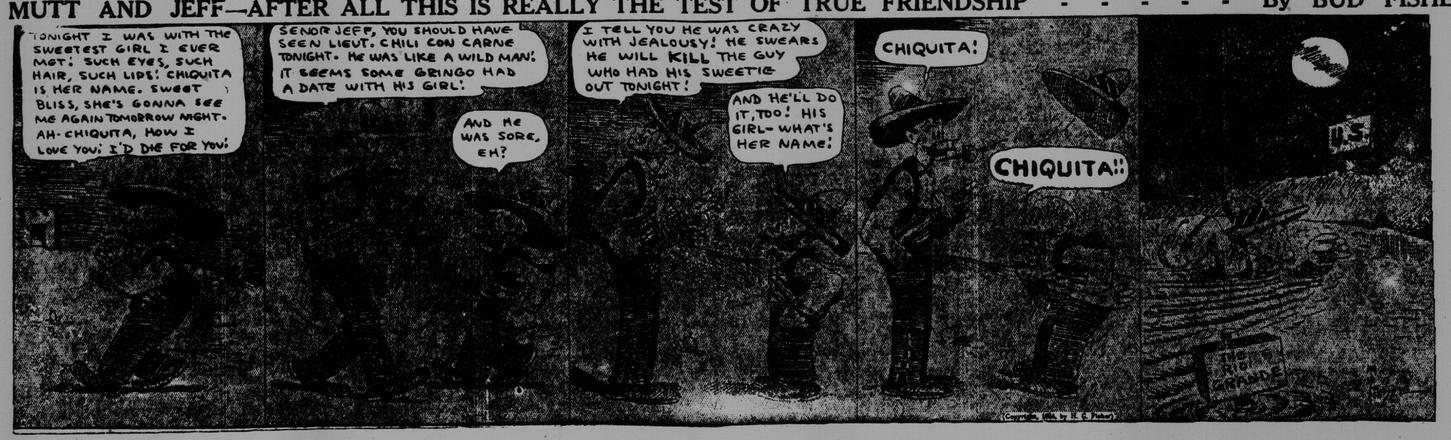
With Tilden and Miss Wills at Wimbledon there is a fine chance that the United States, for the first time, might walk away with both the British championships.

Bill Johnston won the Wimbledon title last year, and Tilden won it several years ago, but it is not of record that Americans won the championship in both classes at the same time.

This year is the first time that the United States recognized the Olympic tennis matches and it is probable that the United States Lawn Tennis Association, eager to make a good showing, may prevail upon Tilden to go over with the team.

NO MILITARY POLO MATCHES IN 1924

Plans are Under Way for Staging International Match in 1925.

New York, Jan. 18.—There will be no play between the officers of the United States and Great Britain this year for the international military polo championship, it has been definitely learned from the Central Polo Association. It has been decided that no international military matches shall be played during the years when the International Challenge Cup is in competition, and Great Britain will send a team to challenge for the trophy in September of this year. However, plans are underway for the staging of the international military match in 1925, and it is believed by those close in touch with polo activities in army circles that these matches will become a permanent feature of the seasons to come. The competition was inaugurated last season at the Meadow Brook Club and proved to be one of the outstanding events of the year, the American combination, rated several goals less than the team of British officers, winning two out of the three matches played.

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