

# WORLD'S BEST RIDERS START SIX DAY GRIND

## Seventeen Teams Started at Midnight in Annual Race at Madison Square Garden—New Records Expected.

New York, Dec. 7.—Seventeen teams composed of the best bicycle riders in the world, with the exception of Walter Rutt, of Germany, three times winner, who is incapacitated through an injury, and Frank Kramer, the world's champion sprinter, are competitors in the annual six day race beginning a few seconds after midnight tonight in Madison Square Garden. This is the twenty-first race of the kind to be held in the big garden, and the fifteenth since, to conform to a local ordinance, the contest was arranged for teams.

While many of the entrants for this year's grind have taken part in previous races here there are several new names on the list and never before has the make-up of the teams been so markedly "international" in character. Last year new records were established during the first four days, and part of the fifth, but after that stage the pace dwindled and Rutt and Foster, the winning team, had covered only 2,681 miles and five laps, far behind the record of 2,737 miles, one lap, made by McFarland and Moran in 1908.

The track for this year's event has been especially banked for higher speed than ever before and tempting cash inducements have been offered by the management to the teams which will create a new record.

Many of the men who are booked for the long distance event have taken part in practice spins and contests during the past two days, and all declare that the track is in fine shape for a record breaking contest. Following is the list of teams.

- Jersey Skeeter—Petre Brobach, Germany; Alfred Halstead, California.
- International team—Edward F. Root, New York City; Regie McManara, Australia.
- Australian team—Jackie Clarke, Australia; Paddy O'Sullivan, Hohl, Australia.
- Mutt and Jeff—John Bedell, Hohl, Australia; Frank Corry, Australia.
- Italian team—Francesco Co. Verri, Italy; Maurice Brocco, Italy.
- Australian-American team—Alfred Gouillet, Australia; Joe Foster, New York City.
- Newark team—Fred Hill, New Jersey; Martin Ryan, New Jersey.
- German team—Willy Appelhaus, Germany; Herman Packebusch, Germany.
- French team—Andre Perchicot, France; Petit Breton, France.
- Motor Chasers—Elmer Collins, Massachusetts; Bobby Walthour, Georgia.
- Danish team—Norman Anderson, Denmark; Norman Hansen, Copenhagen.
- Irish-Melbourne team—James Francis Moran, Massachusetts; Alfred Grenda, Tasmania.
- Tasmanian team—Gordon Walker, Australia; Ernest Pyle, Australia.
- Interstate team—Jake Magin, Pennsylvania; Percy Lawrence, Colorado.
- New York team—Clarence Carman, New York City; Geo. Cameron, New York City.
- The Midgets—Worth L. Mitten, Iowa; Lloyd Thomas, California.
- The Post—Joe Kopsky, New York City; Fred Keefe, Tasmania.

# WHOLESALE CORRUPTION BY LIBERAL CANDIDATE

Continued from page one. Kegs of beer were sent to outlying sections of the constituency on several occasions during the campaign, and cases of whiskey "loans" packages of cigars were carried to private houses to be distributed to the best advantage. Several instances of personation are reported to have been discovered, and will be among the charges. It is also stated that evidence has been obtained that a dozen or more men were given their railway fares from several points to Walkerton, where they voted. In one instance it is claimed that threats and violence were used in an effort to break up a conservative meeting.

It was said that an intimation was given to the Liberal organizers that to offset recent reverses suffered by the party South Bruce must be won at all costs. It is estimated that in the contest at least \$50,000 was spent in the effort to comply with instructions—a statement which, if accurate, would indicate that the party possessed a well-filled chest. Hon. Mackenzie King, Hon. Charles Murphy, Hon. Geo. F. Graham, former members of the Laurier government, and other Liberal members of parliament, some of whom sat in the legislature during the Ross regime, were sent into the riding. An appeal was made to the racial feelings of German electors by the misrepresentation of the Borden naval policy. An effort was made to arouse religious prejudices against the government by the circulation of inflammatory literature, some of which purported to come from the Conservative headquarters.

In short, the campaign which preceded the election day, Oct. 30, and which resulted in a majority of 125 for Mr. Traux, was one of the fiercest in the history of the province.

# DIED.

GARD—Suddenly on the morning of the 6th inst. at his residence, 139 Princess street, W. Tremaine Gard, leaving his wife, two sons, one daughter and two sisters, to mourn. Passed from his late residence, 139 Princess street, this afternoon. Services being held at 123 Prince and St. John streets, at 2 o'clock.

# STEAMER SEMINOLE OF CLYDE LINE BEACHED

## Struck Concealed Object While Entering Puerta Plata—Run Ashore to Save Her from Sinking.

Santo Domingo, Dec. 6.—The Clyde Line steamship Seminole, which has been beached at Puerto Plata, on the north coast, is not believed to be in a serious condition, according to the latest advices received here.

The Seminole, which sailed from New York last Saturday for ports in the West Indies, struck some obstruction while entering the harbor of Puerto Plata and began to make water rapidly. She was run ashore to prevent her sinking. Part of her cargo was landed. It was in a slightly damaged condition. Efforts are now being made to repair the steamship so that she can proceed on her voyage.

Considerable water has been pumped out of the vessel, and the cargo in the lower hold has been greatly damaged.

A German steamer, on entering Puerta Plata harbor this morning, hit the same obstruction, the nature of which has not been ascertained. This steamer escaped injury.

# TRADE COMMISSIONER TO JAPAN REMOVED

## Gordon Johnson to Succeed G. A. Harris—Change Follows Visit of Minister of Trade and Commerce.

Ottawa, Dec. 7.—The appointment of Mr. Gordon Johnson as trade commissioner to Japan follows the decision of the Minister of Trade and Commerce to make a change in that position. For some years it has been held by Mr. G. A. Harris, a brother of Lloyd Harris, ex-M. P. for Brantford. It is understood that on his visit to the east the minister found rather unsatisfactory conditions prevailing in this branch of the service and a consequence decided upon a change.

# IS CONSIDERED FOR CINCINNATI MANAGER

August Herrmann said recently no definite move has yet been made to obtain a successor to "Joe" Tinker as manager of the Cincinnati National League team. Among the possible candidates are F. Otto Knabe, second baseman Philadelphia Nationals; Jacob Stahl, who led the Boston Americans to the world's championship in 1912, and Richard Hohlitzel, first baseman and captain of the Cincinnati team last year.

# THREE CANDIDATES IN SOUTH LANARK

Perth, Ont., Dec. 7.—Dr. A. E. Hanna, Conservative, of Perth, Arthur Hawkes, Canada First, candidate of Toronto, were nominated here yesterday to contest the riding of South Lanark in the federal bye-election, which will take place Saturday next, December 15.

# BELGIAN CONCERN TO BUILD ROAD IN MEXICO

## Concession for Five Thousand Miles of Railroad Granted—Congress Takes no Action on Presidential Election.

Mexico City, Dec. 6.—A concession for the construction of 5,000 miles of railway by a Belgian syndicate was finally approved today by the Chamber of Deputies. It is expected that the act will be ratified by the senate next week.

Congress has taken no action as yet on the presidential election, December 15 is the date set for adjournment, but the Mexicans express the opinion that the session will be extended.

# ERROR IN POSTAL GUIDE

The Postal Guide announces the Saturday mail for Great Britain as closing on Saturday. Postmaster Deans informed the Standard yesterday that this was in error as the mail will close in St. John on Friday next at nine p. m.



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# MEXICAN "PATRIOT" STABS AND ROBS GIRL HE LURED TO EL PASO



A request was made at the Mexican Consulate in New York for the arrest of Ricardo Vianna, who represented himself while in that city as an officer of the army of the constitutionalists in Mexico. He is alleged to have attacked and stabbed Miss Irene Bourdaue, of New York, in Juarez. Miss Bourdaue's sister, Miss Gertrude Bourdaue, received the following telegram from her sister in El Paso yesterday:—"Vianna got all my money and knifed me. What shall I do?"

# NORTH END PYTHIANS IN RITUAL TONIGHT

Much interest is being manifested in Pythian circles in the North End. St. John Lodge No. 30, which is the Junior Lodge of St. John, is gradually coming to the front. Having started seven years ago with a charter membership of 35, it now has enrolled over 180 members.

# LATE SHIPPING

New York, Dec. 6.—Arvd stmr Caronia, Liverpool; Cameronia, Glasgow; Ansonia, Havre; St. Paulina, Genoa; Boston, Mass., Dec. 6.—Arvd stmr Cretic, Genoa.

# AMERICA GAINS THE COWPER MADONNA BY RAPHAEL

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Chicago, Ill., Dec. 6.—Six detectives tonight guarded Igan Ignace Jan Paderewski, the Polish pianist, who received letters threatening his life if he kept his Chicago engagement. The letters were mailed him while he was in St. Louis, and promised revenge for his alleged support of an anti-Jewish newspaper at Warsaw. The writer said he would place a bomb beneath the pianist's private car.

Two detectives accompanied Paderewski when he left his car and remained with him until he returned. A half dozen of them were stationed about the car during the night.

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