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Speed Kings Enter For Great Skating Races Here Next Week

NEW STARS AND FLASHES WE HAVE SEEN TO CONTEST WITH GORMAN FOR MASTERY

Sensational Performers Coming to Arena to Battle for International Title—Entries 109 Up to Last Night—Means Great Meet on St. John Ice Next Week.

The best hopes of the St. John Skating Association executive for the keenest of competition in the International Indoor Championships at the arena next week were realized last night when the secretary received a list of entries from the skaters who have been speeding over the ice at Saranac Lake and at Lake Placid. Headlining the list is Charlie Gorman, the most sensational performer of the season, king of all skaters at the 440 distance, and the national champion of the United States.

St. John will have the pleasure of seeing him on the arena ice on the opening night of the races here and on the two successive nights of the meet in the big North End rink, for he is entered in all the senior events.

GORMAN'S NAME HEADS LIST.

His entry was the first one on the list received from Lake Placid last evening and no doubt he was given that place of honor because of the notable work he has been doing and the outstanding position he has won this year. And so there he is at the forefront of the names of speeders who will be here for the championships on the arena ice next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings.

Talks With Home.

Confirming Gorman's entry and his coming to his old home town for the big competitions was a conversation which R. S. Sime had with Charlie over the long distance telephone during last evening. Mr. Sime has been interested in Gorman for some time and has followed his fortunes in sport with close touch and has been elated at the success he has been attaining this season beyond all previous ones and over the speediest that could be placed in contest against him.

As a member of the skating committee in charge of next week's meet, Mr. Sime called up Charlie at Lake Placid last night and had a chat with him over the fine work he has been doing and telling him of the enthusiasm which has been aroused by his winning of the National honors in the United States and by his establishing of a new world's record in the 440 yards. Gorman was very glad to have this call from his friend and told Mr. Sime he would be on the ice at the arena for all the events next week.

Other Fast Ones.

Here are others of the high light seniors that will be in the St. John competitions and whose entries came in last evening.

Richard Donovan.
Frank Garnett.
Roy McWhirter.
Al Neuber.
Leslie Boyd.
Eddie Gloster.
Ed Reid.
E. Myers.
E. Murphy.
F. Allan.
R. Hearn.
R. Reid.
Paul Forsman.
Fred Buendgen.
Orlie Green.
Allan Potts.
Walter Gayton.
Leslie Bridges.
B. O'Connor.
Albert Neal.
Thomas Haisall.
S. Kane.
F. A. Perry.
Thomas Dean.
Anthony Belyea.
Leo Floyd.
Otha Lloyd.

Others: May Come.

There is also a possibility that Joe Moore and Harry Kasey will come in in post entries if they can secure extension of time, the one from his work and the other from his studies. This, however, is not regarded as a matter affecting the meet for these skaters have not been going so well this season and the men who will be at the arena have shown their heels to them on the various tracks.

Pick the Best.

The names of the men who would be in the competitions here were not available until last evening because of this fact. The committee held back as long as could be in order to have the best selection for the St. John coming to the fore and making the more seasoned performers take second and third places.

Outstanding among these is F. Allan, of Chicago, who has been doing sensational work all over the circuit. He is said to be a consistent skater at all distances as well as over the long trail. He has some nice wins to his credit. Then there is O'Neill Farrell, also a Chicago product, a junior, who has been making a whirlwind campaign since the season opened. He is looked upon as likely to give St. John fans a lot to remember. He did the 440 the other day in 37.5, Gorman's former world record.

Paul Forsman will be welcomed to this good old sporting city with the strength of the friendships made when he was here before and because of the way he is skating this year.

Second to Gorman.

He was second to Gorman for the National title and defeated Charlie in the 220 yard dash.

"Duke" Donovan.

"Duke" Donovan, who was very popular at the Lily Lake meets is sure of a rousing welcome. The fans will remember his wonderful one mile performance last year and none will forget his sensational victory in 1922 when he went across the line at the end of a gruelling three mile contest blinded by his exertion, to collapse in the dressing room, not even knowing at the time that he had won the race. Eddie Gloster, who also raced on Lily Lake, will face the starter next week. He won the Canadian championship this year and brings the title to the local meet. Another good one who is coming is Allan Potts, of New York, whose specialty is speeding in indoor competition. Still another is Albert Neal, of Montreal. Then there is always the dependable Paul Garnett, whose specialty is the speedy 200 yard dash.

Arrive on Monday.

Instead of arriving in St. John on Sunday as was expected, the skaters

These Are Depots For Skate Meet Tickets

Here are the places where tickets for the International Indoor Skating Championships on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, at the St. John Arena, may be purchased. The committee urges you buy them now.

PHOTOGRAPH SALON. King Square, Boxes only.
A. FRED DEFOREST. Prince William street, reserve and rush seats.
E. R. W. INGRAM. Union street, West St. John, reserve and rush seats.
CHARLES BAILLIE. King street, reserve and rush seats.
H. J. MOWATT. Haymarket Square, reserve and rush seats.
H. THORNE & CO. LTD. Sporting depot, reserve and rush seats.

GORMAN WAS SET BACK IN HALF MILE

Finished First, But was Disqualified for Unintentional Foul.

Charles Gorman, National Skating champion, had hard luck yesterday in the International meet being held at Lake Placid. In the half mile event he started one of his famous sprints on the home stretch and unfortunately struck Donovan as he was crossing the line. Spectators considered the foul purely accidental and regrets were expressed when the judges set him back. In the three-quarters mile he finished in third position.

William Logan, the star junior skater, won the half mile for boys under 18 in the fast time of 1:25. There was only one event in this class. The races were held yesterday under trying conditions as the skaters had to face a strong wind and drifting snow. As a result of this the time in some of the events was slow. The final of the meet will be skated Saturday afternoon.

THE SUMMARIES

One-half mile, won by Francis Allen, Chicago; second, Paul Forsman, New York; third, Richard Donovan, Saranac Lake. Time 2:24.5.

Three-quarters mile, won by Richard Donovan, second, Harry Kasey; third, Charles Gorman, St. John. Time 2:04.5.

Point score for meet: Kasey, 60; Allen, 50; Donovan and Gorman, 40; Roy McWhirter, Chicago and Forsman, 20; Bobby Hearn, New York; O'Neill Farrell, Chicago; Orlie Green, Saranac Lake; Allen Potts, New York; Geo. F. Scott, St. John.

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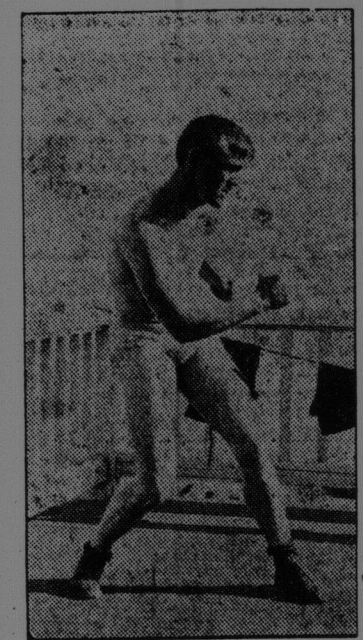
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MAY ORGANIZE GIRLS' LEAGUE

A girls' senior basketball league is being organized in the city, for the first time since 1922. An announcement respecting this new league is expected to be made during the next few days. Already several of the girls' organizations having basketball teams have signified their willingness to enter.

Boxes Fruzzetti at Armouries Tonight



IRISH KID WILLIAMS. GREENLEAF LEADS IN BILLIARD PLAY

Increases His Advantage in National Pocket League Championships.

New York, Feb. 22.—Ralph Greenleaf of Philadelphia has increased his lead in the National Championship Pocket Billiard League during the last two weeks and now has an advantage of nineteen full games over Benny Allen of Kansas City, who has moved into second place. In the National Championship Three-Cushion League, Robert Cannex of Detroit holds a two-game lead over Otto Reisch of Philadelphia. Greenleaf has won fifty-eight games and lost ten. Allen has won forty-eight and lost twenty-eight. Allen now is second to Greenleaf in the high run division, being credited with 92 against a 101 for the champion, Frank Taberski, who has recovered from his loss in the first round to place third during the last month and now has a record of forty-five victories and twenty-seven defeats, leaving him only one game behind second place. St. John of Minneapolis holds fourth place over Rudolph of Manhattan by a margin of a few points. St. Jean, however, still leads in two innings. Greenleaf's best game was three innings. The champion holds the record for the two best games, running out 200 points in the first inning against Jerome Keogh in Rochester. That was the same day he made his high run of 101.

PROMISES TO BE A GOOD MATCH

St. John vs. Maine University at Hockey in Arena Tonight.

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BIG CROWD AT RACES AT SOUTH END RINK

Events Keenly Contested—More to be Held This Evening

About 1200 people witnessed the skating races held in the South End Rink last evening under the auspices of the South End Improvement League despite the inclemency of the weather, and were well repaid for their attendance. Every event was closely contested, especially the senior mile, which was won by Lester Bridges, with Mac Gray a close second in 8 min. 21.2 seconds. Only the preliminaries in the junior events were raced last night, the finals being on the card for this evening. The races tonight start at 7 o'clock.

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600 STUDENTS WILL SHOVEL DIRT FOR GETTYSBURG FIELD

Gettysburg, Pa., Feb. 22.—Each of the 600 students of Gettysburg College has volunteered to shovel a wagonload of dirt and to give \$1 as his contribution to the new memorial athletic field, plans for which have been approved by the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees. Work will be started at once. The new field will consist of a gridiron and a baseball diamond, each being independent of the other. A new track will be built on the site of the old field. The swamp north of the latter field will be drained and twenty tennis courts erected there. Dr. Henry W. A. Hanson, president of the college, said today: "Our idea is to have every student in this institution engaged in some kind of athletics. When we have the proper facilities, we are going to ask every student to participate in athletics, believing that a sound thinker must have a sound body."

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