CALIFORNIA CLIMATE AND TRANSCONTINENTAL JOURNEY MAY WEAKEN PENN FOR GAME

UNLESS OREGON IS OVERRATED, PENN LIKELY TO BE VICTIM OF LONG TRAIN RIDE AND CLIMATE

Folwell and His Men Optimistic, But Westerners Working Under Perfect Conditions Will Have Great Advantage Over Quakers

COACH BOB FOLWELL and his University of Pennsylvania football players now realise what a tough proposition it is for a team to make the trip from the Atlantic to the Pacific for a single game. When the Red and Blue eleven left Philadelphia the men were in perfect condition, full of confidence and extremely anxious for the battle; but one only needs to read the articles written by Coach Folwell, Captain Mathews, Howard Berry and Heinie Miller in local papers to discover that Penn is not nearly so confident of victory as it was a week ago. Folwell and his men, are taking an optimistic view, and now that the team has arrived at Pasadena they look forward to a return of the ginger and fighting spirit. The effect is likely to be entirely different, however, if the climate of southern California affects the Red and Blue players as it does other persons who take the long journey across the continent. The men probably will feel listless and tired for three or four days, and will be compelled to face the heavy Oregon eleven on New Year's Day when they really need three or four days of hard practice. The Peun team that faces Oregon will be fifty per cent weaker than the eleven that gave such a wonderful exhibition against Cornell on Thanksgiving Day and unless Oregon has been overrated the Red and Blue is likely to be a victim of the train ride and climate, just as Brown fell before Washington last year though it was apparent that the Providence eleven was far stronger, all conditions being equal.

In the Oregon Eleven Overrated?

WE-HAVE contended all along that Oregon has been overrated, and despite the fact that Eddie Mahan was quoted at length in Boston papers yesterday to the effect that Oregon was a wonderful team and would give Penn a great battle, we do not believe that the Pacific coast champions are as strong as boosters of the game would lead one to believe. For the sake of publicity for the game, Gus Ziegier, former Penn guard, who aided Andy Smith at California, said nothing when he was quoted at length on Oregon's wonderful team, but Gus admits that under ordinary conditions the game would be a romp for the Red and Blue. In a letter to the writer Andy Smith bears out what Ziegler says of Oregon. Smith declares that Oregon looks good out on the coast, but that the team is not up to the eastern standard. Offensively, Smith says Oregon compares with any team he has seen in recent years, but he maintains that the defense is weak and crude.

Penn Should Clinch Game Early

SMITH says that Penn should have left Philadelphia four or five days earlier in order to be in good shape. He contends that it will take two or three days for the men to get over the effects of the long ride and to become used to the climate. If Penn had one week or ten days in Pasadena, Smith believes it would win in a walk, while he has great confidence in the Red and Blue under any condition. If Penn wins the toss and decides to receive the kick-off, Smith believes that the game will be won before the first period ends. He contends that Penn will have little trouble gaining ground early in the game, when the men are strong and full of fight, and that this lead can be held with a punter of Berry's callber. Smith looks for Penn to tire in the second half, owing to the poor physical condition of the men, but he points out that Folwell's reserve strength is so much superior that the let-down will not be so great that Oregon will be able to overcome the lead Penn should get early in the game.

Oregon Prepared for Hard Game

CMITH overlooks one important point in doping out the game. While Penn may D receive the kick-off and tally a touchdown before the game is very old, Smith overlooks the fact that Oregon has the privilege of receiving the next kick-off and also that a team seldom scores a touchdown without losing the ball. Oregon's advantage in physical condition will be so great that the value of Penn's second string men may be nullified. In the Oregon-Washington game the same eleven players who were sent in to start the game for Bezdek's team were on the field when the final whistle blew, proving conclusively that the Pacific coast eleven is in grand shape and that the men are prepared for a terrific battle. Penn used very few substitutes until the Cornell game, when second-string men were given a chance to earn their letter, and if the Red and Blue eleven was in the same physical condition it enjoyed a month ago there would be few substitutions on

No Substitutions in Oregon-Washington Battle

THE Oregon-Washington scoreless tie, by the way, was one of the most remarkable football games ever played in one respect. Not a substitution was made during the entire game, a record that has been equaled only once in the history of college football, and one which is rare in these days of large squads and numerous time-outs. The only other big college game on record in which neither team made a change was the Yale-Princeton game in 1893. An agreement between the two captains made this possible, however, as a ten-minute time-out was allowed when Frank Hinkey, the famous Yale end, and Jim Blake, the Princeton fullback, were knocked unconscious in a sensational head-on collision that prevented a Princeton touchdown. After a ten-minute delay both were able to resume play.

Darcy's Many "Frame-Up" Victims

TES DARCY admits that Eddie McGoorty "framed" his match with the Australlan at Sydney and says that the American middleweight won a large sum of money by betting that he would lose. According to Darcy, the second bout was on the level and he knocked McGoorty out. Oddly enough, it took less time to win a "knockout" victory over McGoorty in the "frame-up" than in the bout in which the American "quit." Darcy's record would not appear so impressive if all the men who claim they pulled a "lay-down" to the Australian are telling the truth. It will be recalled that Buck Crouse, of Pittsburgh, created quite a stir after his 2eturn from Australia by admitting that his bout with Darcy was a "frame-up" and that the promoters would not give him the bout unless he agreed to lose. If Darcy's record has been fattened by a number of fake bouts he is in for a tough time in this country, as Gibbons, Miske, Dillon, Levinsky and one or two others will not take the count if they can avert it.

Meredith Now Out for Revenge

A FEW days ago a small news item imparted the information that Sweden had raised \$40,000 to send a track team to this country next summer. A few days before Ted Meredith had started active training, evidently expecting that the announcement would come from Sweden. Meredith is very much preved at his showing in Sweden last fall and intends to get revenge next summer. He was not in shape to compete against the fast field he met in the 800-moter races on the other side and the Swedes refused to compete against him in the 400-meter event. It takes Meredith a long time to get in shape for a half-mile run and he is going to train lightly throughout the winter to have himself in prime shape to cut loose in the spring. He plans to be in better shape than ever in his career, and if he does a few records will fall and there will be some surprised Sweden.

Local Golf Sentiment in Doubt

A NEWS blurb from New York blandly states that Philadelphia will be among the districts that will vote in favor of the reinstatement of Francis Outmet, former open and amateur champion, as well as many times champion of Massachusetts. The statement thereby claims that the Quaker City delegates to the meeting of the United States Golf Association at New York in January will vote in favor of a change in the amateur law which has caused such a rumpus since its framing last year. Shifting the law is the only way Oulmet could be made an amateur again, for the rule places him in the ranks of the pros. A special dispensation might be made, but that would make immediate war with others who were canned by the ruling.

It is likely that there will be tramendous wrangling over the bill, but the sentiment of many prominent golfers here is that the ruling is likely to stand and Outmet's case will remain an unfortunate one, which cannot be helped.

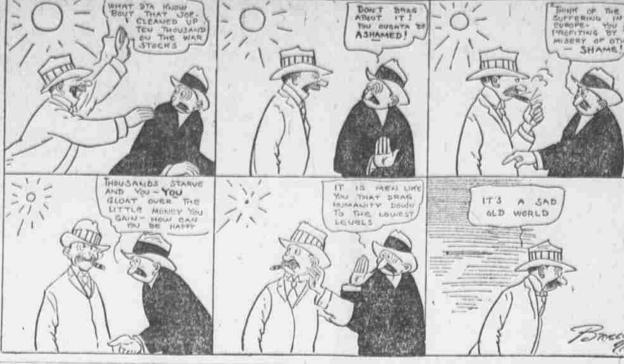
Urguhart and Wray to Return Next Fall

TUD WRAY has announced that he intends to return to Penn next full and that I he will play toothall. When the Evenino Labour printed an exclusive atory to this effect a few days after the Cornell game, evening contemporaries ridiculed the idea and declared, without taking the trouble to interview Wray, that it was a pipe dream. Yesterday Wray told his teammates en route to the Pacific coast that he had made up his mind to return, and Lud's father and mother, who are at Pasadena, verified the fact. Clem Urquhart also will return to college, which means that Penn will lose only two men from the present powerful eleven.

IN THE criticism of Walter Camp's all-American eleven, which was published in this column yesterday, there appeared a sentence which might have been consigned to reflect on the good faith of Mr. Camp. There is no truer sportamen in America than Mr. Camp and none to whom football as a sport owes so much. His selections of all-American elevens are subject to criticism, of course, as he has to rely to a great extent on information received rather than on personal observation in reaching his decisions, but any intimation that he is influenced by atter than the bighest motives and the deepest regard for the sport of which he is the father is a criticism which this newspaper would not care to make.

. . . GAVVY CRAVATH has applied for the managerial position at Version, according to dispatches from the Pacific coast. The many friends of the slugging cutfielder hope that the big fellow lands a berth, but they are inclined to believe that Cravath has not the temperament to handle a ball team. Cravath is easyschor and indifferent, and lacks the fighting spirit and aggressiveness so, noticeat in successful leaders. Vermon was piloted last season by "Hain" Patterson, was to recognized as one of the cirverest managers in the minor league field, and If is and like is that the unpers will make a change in favor of an untried leader.

SOMEBODY IS ALWAYS TAKING THE JOY OUT OF LIFE



TRENTON

DECIDING GAME IN

EASTERN LEAGUE

and Jasper Attracting

Lot of Attention

STANDING OF THE CLUBS

SCHEDULE FOR TONIGHT

By SPICK HALL

Trenton's unexpected victory over the Camden quintet last night in the latter's

the race. Jasper is now leading by one-haif a game. The Jewels have four more games to play and Camden has three; these include the affray to be staged this even-

manages to squeeze out a winner, the well-

known gonfalon will still be in the balance,

Tonight's game will be started promptly

at 9 o'clock. Camden will send her regular

line-up against Jasper, although it is pos-sible that Roy Steele will not be able to go the whole route. Steele's game hat night, which was his second since he was taken ill

running mate was off in all departments of play and broke up the team-work to such

an extent that Henry may deem it advisable to use Creeley for a while.

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Largely Doc Newman

Camden at Jasper.

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TENNIS INTEREST SOARS IN AMERICA

Records of More Than 7000 Players Examined by Ranking Committee

6,000,000 BALLS SOLD

By A. L. HOSKINS

Vice President, U. S. N. L. T. A. Men who have watched the development f tennis for years past are of the opinion hat 1916 was marked by the greatest growth in the history of the game. Facts on which this conclusion is based are not difficult to find, the most obvious, of course being the greatly increased interest in the game that the public has shown. A few figures will demonstrate this point.

At the December meeting of the executive committee of the U.S. N. L. T. A., Charles Garland, secretary of the ranking committee, reported that in reaching its findings the committee examined the records of 4596 players in men's singles and 2111 teams in men's doubles. The women's ranking each men's doubles. The women's ranking com-mittee had the records of 1032 players. Paul B. Williams, the field secretary, reported that 1700 players competed in the boys' and junior events, given for the first time under this classification.

Twenty-five New Clubs

Watson M. Washburn, chairman of the committee on tennis balls and supplies, in presenting his report made the comment that approximately 6,000,000 tennis balls were used during 1916.

These figures speak for themselves. From These figures speak for themselves. From the records of Edwin F. Torrey, secretary of the U. S. N. L. T. A., it appears that about twenty-five clubs and associations joined the national association during 1916. This brings its membership to more than 500 clubs holding active or allied membership.

The foregoing figures relate only to playthe foregoing figures relate only to players who competed in events sanctioned by the U. S. N. I. T. A. and take no account of thousands throughout the country who played tennis in clubs or on public or private courts, but who did not enter tournaments. Some idea of the immense number of such players may be gained from the statement that St. Louis issued more than statement that St. Louis issued more than statement that St. Louis issued more than 20,000 permits to users of municipal courts. about 12,000.

Recreation Parks Help Tennis

In this connection one of the most signifi-cant developments of the game was the first eason's play for the national championship of players using municipal recreation grounds under the auspices of the National Municipal Recreation Federation. This body is the outgrowth of the interest taken in municipal athletics by Dwight F. Davis, of St. Louis, donor of the Davis Cup for International competition.

The federation was formed last spring. twelve cities joining. Competition was started with tennis and golf, the U. S. N. L. T. A. providing a permanent trophy em-hlematic of the tennis champlenship. New York's team of park players won the right to meet St. Louis for the title, the westerners winning. This branch of the game promises to interest thousands of players who have lacked the incentive that such a chample of the second hampionship offers.

Development of play for a national junior and a national boys' championship, under the auspices of the U. S. N. L. T. A., opened another field which has tremendous possibillities. Providing tournaments for the youngsters means much to the future of tennis, and there can be little question but that next season will see a great increase both in the number of these events and the size of their events. size of their entry lists.

Tennis Clearing House

The National Association appreciates its responsibilities as the governing body in tennis and took a long step forward when it opened the field secretary's office last spring. This is intended to be a clearing house for tennis information, and while its services primarily are at the disposal of the association's membership, the scope of the office is not thus strictly limited. And one interested in tennis is at liberty to address the office at 29 Broad street, New York, where all requests for informa-The National Association appreciates its New York, where all requests for informa-tion or other assistance will be given prompt

The amateur rule was one of the most The amateur rule was one of the most important matters of policy to claim attention during the year, but the association's attitude cannot be determined until the annual meeting in February. The executive committee has proposed in more stringent rule, in the bollef it will thus safeguard the future of the game, arguing that the greatly increased interest in tennismakes such precautionary measures both necessary and wise. Reflection upon the significance of the foregoing figures makes this opinion seem well founded.

SHERWOOD MAGEE MAY GO

Rumored That Braves' Outfielder Will Be Dropped

Sherwood Mages, former star batsman of he Phillies and for the last two seasons with the Hoston Nationals, will not be a gember of the Braves next season, accordmember of the Braves had senson, according to a report that reached this eith year terday. It is said a deal has been closed which will place Mages with one of the western clubs of the National League. No official confirmation of the rumar could be obtained, but it is believed Mages will go to the St. Louis Cardinals.

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PENN FAVORITE Less Than a Nose

in Action-Quakers in Good Shape

URQUHART TO BE IN GAME

Captain Penn Pootball Team.
PASADENA, Cal., Dec. 28.—The University of Pennsylvania football players forgot all about football this morning. We ook a run down to Universal City, and

Contest Between Camden stiff scrimmage was held, with the first team lining up as usually, excepting Crane, who was in Urquhart's position. The lat-ter's foot still is bothering him and it was thought best not to work him. However, I am confident that Clem will be in the game against Oregon here New Year's OTHER NEWS OF CAGES

game against Oregon here New Year's lay.

This afternoon, tomorrow, Saturday and Sunday we will practice daily at 3 o'clock. The team is in excellent shape, and when the whistle blows there will be no alibit about our boys not being in shape.

Local feeling evidently is for the Easterners, for some reason or other. The result will be that we will start the interacctional battle the favorite. Be that as it may, we are not worrying who will be the favorite, and, although we are fully confident of returning to Old Penn with a const scaip, not one of the boys is overconfident.

After a beautiful ride through the San Bernardino Valley we arrived in Pasadena at 2:20 p. m., where we were greeted by

came a quintet has hight in the latter's cage gave the Skeeters' chances for capturing the first Eastern league pennant a severe punch. Henry's folks had assumed that the contest with Trenton, while probably a lively one, would surely go to them, but when Colonel Kuser's crowd sent in a 55-25 wallop, it simply went to prove that at 2:30 p. m., where we were greeted by an enthusiastic body of Pennsylvania alum-ni, headed by Doctor Sweet, who is prest-dent of the California Alumni Association. Several old football men were also in the party, including Dr. Thomas Robinson, who played on Doctor Wharton's feam back in 55-25 wallop, it simply went to prove that it is bad dope to figure out your spring chicken crop from cold storage eggs. In spite of their defeat the Camden five does not consider that the team is out of

the early days, and Doctor Newton, who played in 1901-04. We were greeted at the Hotel Raymond by another enthusiastic crowd, made up of Penn sympathizers. The cutire hotel was decorated in red and blue, and over the entrance was a gigantic football with the ling at Nonparell Hall, where the two leaders will engage in a forty-minute struggle for what is likely to prove the deciding game of the race. A victory for Jasper will virtually put the fing in the Kensingtonians' ice box, but if Camden name Pennsylvania inscribed on it. After a few cheers had been given and some pic-tures taken, we got into our togs and ran out onto the golf course for a stiff practice.

After a stiff signal drill we lined up against the second team for a shadow crimmage, which developed into a regular

one before we were through.

The long ride had gotten to the fellows. and they couldnt' be stopped, so Bob les them go to it. Despite the hard work-out every one seemed to have lots of pep; per every one seemed to have lots of pe haps it was the fine atmosphere. ever it was, it put ginger in the practice.

By LOUIS H. JAFFE

Doe Newman was an overwhelming majority of the Trenton team last night when the upper Jerseymen trimmed Camflitted from place to place, handled the big pill with all of his one-time De Neri skill and sent the ball dripping through the rim four separate times, while Dieghan, who was assigned to guard him, did little more than act the role of specta-While Tome did not outjump Dolln, he

while Tome did not outjump Dolin, he played the Camden center so closely that a shutout resulted. Tome himself shot one field goal and played a fine floor game. The Trenton team showed more aggressiveness on the tap-off than Camden, and to that fact the Skeeters can attribute their failure to win and take the lead in the Jimmy Brown was the one redeeming

guardy brown was the one redeeming feature of the Camden attack. The clover guard cavorted around the cage in flashy fashion, and when the official box score was compiled he had six field goals to his credit. Jackie Adams was somewhat off in his

foul goal shooting. Out of twenty-three attempts he converted only fifteen into counters. Curlette was even worse than Adams. He made sixteen fouls count out of twenty-seven chances.

HABRY CRICHON, who played on Le BARRY CRICKON, who played on Le-high and later on the Hazleton five, has been signed; by William H. Myers, the new owner of the De Neel team. Crichon is a forward of trare ability. He is big enough to shake off the guards effectively and take a shot for the backet whenever he is within a reasonable distance. He will probably play forward with Dark in De Neri's next

PENN CHARTER GRADUATES HONOR DR. AL SHARPE

Forty-three Local Boys Give Theatre and Dinner Party to Former Coach of Football Team

Dr. Al Sharpa, director of athletics at Cornell, was entertained this afternoon by forty-three Peon Churter graduates at a theatre party at Keith's The young men who thus honored Doctor Sharps were formerly on Penn Charter athletic teams coached by the present Ithaca tutor.

This evening these same men will have dinner in honor of their one-time athletic natructor at the Arcadia. J. Wallace Hoi-owell, Jr., is chairman of the entertainment committee.

Doctor Sharpe, who is so well known here, has made an envishin record at Cornell as director of athletics. He has installed, duranteer of the contract of the ing his four years at Ithaca. a new football system which has been more successful than any other attempted by a codok of the

Greb Outlights Moha SUPPLIED N. W. Low St. Harry Beat.

IN OREGON GAME

Quakers Watch "Movie" Man

By NEIL MATHEWS

every one in the party admitted that it was nis first experience watching the camera-nan at work on "movies." We arrived here yesterday afternoon. A

Scraps About Scrappers

With the advent of Georges Carpentier which now is being taken as reliable mation, to the United States for the purpos of hoxing to aid the French war fund, als may come Jimmy Wilde, of England. Wilde has been refused admittance in the English army several times because of his weakappearing physique. So, according to re-ports from Great Britain, the Britisher wants to help his country by the use of his mittens, the same idea Carpentier has in boxing here. Wilde is the English fly-weight, weighing 112 pounds ringside, who mocked out two American claimants to his nternational flyweight title. Johnny Ros-ner and Zulu Kid each failed to stay the limit. It was reported for a while that Wilde was in this country, but there was no truth to this. The Englishman would find a lot of work in America, especially here in Philadelphia. There are saveral liows here who would be strong at 112 pounds.

Here's the Civania's full show for New Year's Day: Tominy Barrons vs. Whitey Fitzgraid, Guasie Lewis vs. Johanny Maloncy, Bartilag Beddy vs. Young Chansey, Little Berry Joe Tuber, Johnny Mayo vs. Eddie Bloggan and Louisiana vs. Benny Kautman, Thu Xantional, Ryan and Norpiarell Clubs also will stage matines shows Monday.

Dick Curley is working on some hig matches for his Brooklyn cub. Nething seems to be to hip for Curley to a fire. He lainest move him for the form of the form of the form of the first matches for the first for a series of five matches Johnsy Tumas may be one of Legonari's co

White Stopped Hogan

"FITZ" ONE OF BEST PIECES OF FIGHTING MACHINERY FOR HIS WEIGHT IN BOXING GAME

Only True Measure of Fighting Prowess Should Be Determined by Weight and Inches and Cornishman Demonstrated His Class

By GRANTLAND RICE

TES DARCY is proclaimed by many as the best piece of fighting machinery, for

his weight, now in the game. After all, the only true measure of fighting provess should be determined by just how good a man is for his weight and lackes. That measurement alone is the only test.

What credit should Willard, weighing 250 pounds and standing six feet six, get for besting a man eighty pounds lighter and six inches aborter? What more credit than Jack Dillon should get for beating Johnny Klibane or Johnny Coulon?

How much credit would Jim Corbett have received for beating Terry McGovern? Yet Corbett, proportionately, was no larger than McGovern than Willard is larger than Car-Willard is heavyweight champion today mainly because Willard weighs over 250 bounds and is a giant in height and reach. Nature, more than skill, speed or aggres-

siveness, put him on top.

The same, in a way, is true of Jeffries. Jeffries was a far better boxer than Williard, but it was the tremendous power and bulk of the man that put him on top.

Pound for Pound and Inch for Inch This, then, calls for an argument as to the best fighter for his pounds and inches

that boxing ever has known. It certainly isn't Willard and it certainly wasn't Jeffries or Johnson.

One answer might be Terry McGovern at his best. Another would be Joe Gans or Kid Lavigne. But the best bet in sight looks to be Bob Fitzsimmons.

Fitzsimmons gave away more weight and seat more good big men than any other over in the game.

The average heavyweight displacement

The average heavyweight displacement is around 190 pounds. If one takes the weights of the heavyweights for the last twenty-five years, including Sullivan, Corbett, Fitzsimmons, Jeffries, Johnson and Willard it would be 200 pounds. Fitz won his championship at 156 pounds, more than forty pounds below the last average named. his championship at 156 pounds, more than forty pounds below the last average named. He was forced to give away from twenty-five to fifty pounds at every start. This is more, in proportion, than McGovern or Gans ever gave away. McGovern, Gans and Lavigne all won well beyond their weight. But none of them ever went as far beyond as the Lanky One of other years. Another entry not to be overlooked is Stanley Ketchell. He was another who could give away fifteen or twenty pounds and still get by.

get by. So if the list had to be completed from So it the list had to be completed from the last twenty-five years it would surely include Fitzsimmons, McGovern, Ketchell, Gans and Lavigrie—measured not in results, but from the viewpoint of so much fighting ability to the pound. Not forget-ting Kid McCoy, who belongs as a star entry.

The best man for his weight in American't Willard, Moran or any of the viving White Hopes. There might have argument planted for Dillon or Miska Lavinsky. But none of these even class with Fitzsimmons or McCoy as press fighting machiners, pound for fighting machinery, pound for pe

When Les Darcy sailed from Anstrain he should have booked passage on the a nowned transport, The Walloping Wisco Blind.

The Lightweighta

Welsh, in the lightweight division, is not to be classed as a fighter on the point for-pound test with such entries as McOmern or Gans. And no one can teil just be good the reat of the lightweights are who welsh is blocking the game with his "terround no-decision big-purse" barrier.

Small Stars Small States
We always have figured Frank Historias the greatest football player of at time on the pound-for-pound basis.
Hinkey was a wonder, measured from the results achieved by a 229-pounder.
Whereas the Yale star weighed under its

Hinkey had no vast bulk or ab Hinkey had no vast bulk or abnormal physical power to carry him along its had great power for a light man be nothing like the physical power of shaving Kilpatrick, Coy, Heston and others. The no greater football player ever lived, to take the nonpartisan judgment of these who have seen most of the great one play.

In such games as football and boxins where weight and strength are vital factor, a smaller star competing beyond his weight always deserves more credit.

Hinkey, of Yale: Stevenson, of Pennsylvania; Tickenor, of Auburn—these are the types that deserve the crest. Tickenor, of Auburn, and Brown, of Sewanse, made the All-Southern for two or more years when each weighed less than 120 pounds.

Why shouldn't a man who is fast and who weighs 190 pounds be a great footbal player? He has all the best of it, where me great nerve is required. But a, Hinkey of a Stevenson must be nine-tentin nerve and courage to get by. courage to get by.

Golf and tennis are games where big men are likely to be at a physical disadvantage; for the small or comparatively smaller man is likely to have better muscular control than the bigger one in such games. Yet is tennis, reach and physical power are big

This explains why the crowd is always with the smaller man. For to win he must have a greater amount of the inside stuff-courage, nerve, or whatever you label the quality that makes for the will to conquer and the determination to arrive.

Today's Crop

Darcy and Carpentier are now registered as the two best fighting machines, pound for pound, that the present holds.

Another way to settle peace terms would be to arrange for an international conference among Hans Wagner. Napoleon Laisis, Harry Coveleskie, Ping Bodie and Nicholas Altrockel, representing most of the nations involved.

N. Y. BOXING EXPERT DECLARES. AMERICAN PEOPLE SHOULD NOT MAKE HERO OF LES DARCY

Compares Australian's Act in Running Away From War to Brave Deeds of Carpentier and Anthony Wilding

HILE the American fighting fans are making a hero of Les Darcy, the Australian heavyweight, a same view of the pugillet has been taken by Jimmy Sinnott, of the New York Evening Mail. Sinnett

I saw him in a Broadway restaurant. He was with Tex Rickard. He was laughing and smiling at the men and women who made the place gay. Everybody was point-ing him out. "There's Darcy!" they were saying, "the great Australian fighter "I didn't go over and meet him. He looks

"I have seen Les Darcy, of Australia.

like, a pleasant sort of fellow, a good natured boy, who has the physique that would seem to indicate great prize ring onsibilities.

"I didn't meet Darcy, because as I watched him there rose up before me another picture, far different from the one he It was the picture of another man, an Australian. His name was Anthony Wilding, and he was the greatest ennis player in the world until he went to his death in the great war abroad.

"All I could think of as I looked at Darcy was Wilding lying dead. Wilding, of Australia, a gentleman of education and refinement, doing work that meant something in the cause of civilization, and withal one of the world's greatest athletes, answered of the world's greatest atmetes, shawered the call of his country and was killed. The newspapers ran accounts of his death. Glowing sulogies were printed. But the death of Wilding did not begin to create the furore that the arrival of Darcy and Darcy has run away, not from military service. for there is no conscription in Australia yet, but from the possibility of being forced to make the sacrifice that Wilding made voluntarily.

Must Be No Heroics

"There is no great reason to consure Darcy for not enlisting as long as there is not conscription in Australia. Even his run-ning sway might be condoned in a meanure, for he is very young and may have been poorly salvised. There is every reason in the world to censure the attempt to make a heroic figure of him. If this is suf-fered to be done, it is indeed a sad com-mentary on the spirit of the American peo-

"Hundreds of thousands of Germans Frenchmen, Englishmen, Russians, Italians, Canadians, Australians, Irishmen and Bul-garians lie dead on the battlefields of Europs or are in the trenches—men of brains, great artists, literary men, me from the ranks of business, lawyers, doc ors, engineers, every type of professional tors, engineers, every type of professional man known. Darcy is a young man whose contribution to the advancement of civilization is shillify to fight in a roped ring. His profession is supposed to be fighting, and he would not even stay in his own country and obey a law made necessary by a great war in which his follow Australians are fighting. And some would make him a hero
"It is said now that Darcy will go into vaudeville. He is not even going to fight in the ring for a while.

Georges Carpentier

Georges Carpentier
"In sharp contrast to the case of Darcy
in that of Georges Carpentier, heavyweight
champion of Europe. He has been in the
French army since the outbreak of the war.
Twice he has been decorated for bravery.
"If Carpentier does come to this country
on furlough, to raise money for the Hed
Cross relief work, Darcy should not he
allowed to meet him. It does not matter
that it would be a wonderful fight card
Tears are few things less important in life
than boxing, anywar.

Georges Carpenties has done bee moon

Georges Carpenties has done too much troit work to have the tendings in any man

bout. It is true that if he retains his boxing skill after his service in the war, the French champion would be favored to best the Australian. But perhaps he has lest his form, or much of it. There should be not considered to the control of the chance offered a Darcy to defeat a Car-

pentier. "The stereotyped speech that Darry male upon landing in this country about gets over to fight after making money enough to take care of his family, even if tra-is an insuit to the intelligence of the Amer-

"In a way I feel a bit sorry for Les Darcy. He is young. I imagine that he is not overgifted beyond the prize ring. I do not say that he should enlist if he down't was say that he should enlist if he doesn't wast to. He should be made to clearly under stand that the public will not suffer him be exploited as a hero in this country

"In passing, it might be remarked that Tex Rickard's chaperoning of Darcy is not such a boost for Tex as he may imagine. This goes double, if Rickard matches bin with Carpentier."

Bowling News

Keystone Club bowlers will rell on Keyston The week's rest is expected to result is the tennin experis taking up the peatine will represent overgy next week.

George Mess says the Quaker City Lead averages show some remarkable achieves by the major players. They will som be too Both the Atlantic Coast and National Assation city associations are expected to call settings early in the new year.

In a postponed series on Costa's Alleys has might hantn Maria tram won two games from Columbias Council, going into a tie for accom-place in the tourner. Pinzon won two from Philadelphia equad.

O'Brien, of Santa Maria team, relied sound of 100 twice and 170. Denver, Col., will witness a twenty-bar-less endurance bowling contest January & stand-possibly twelve two-men teams.

Knights of Columbus howlers, will form a State organization. \$1,000,000 Links for Somerville NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—One of the fact colf nourses in the country, with initial spenditures of more than a million deliant to be laid out on 1400 acres of ground surfacementality. A for the besent of wentle contexting in New York and Wilderick, it was amounted here yearden. Canadiana will organize a golf club, it was amounted here yearden. On the property.





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