

FRANCISCO VILLA HAS RELINQUISHED HIS TITLE OF WORLD'S CHAMPION CROSS-COUNTRY RUNNER

ROUSING SEND-OFF FOR PENN BARGE OARSMEN

Remarkable and heady crew, says Preisenzand at farewell meeting; sail from New York tomorrow

By EDWIN J. POLLOCK Rowing folk by the hundreds gathered last night and lent voice of applause and good cheer in sending off the Pennsylvania Barge Club oarsmen who left here today on their way to represent America against the nations of the world in the Belgian Olympic games.

Five hundred strong they were. Veterans, novices, athletes of the past and present, famous coaches, officials and just plain admirers were there and just plain Uncle Sam's oarsmen a farewell that will reach to the waters of Belgium for the spirit of Philadelphia's own spurred by last night's send-off own help but by raised to its zenith when they dip their blades in competition "over there."

A remarkable crew, a heady crew and oarsmen who continue to wear the same size hat in the face of praise. They are bound to give everything they can in Belgium and I believe that will be enough to win the four is short. It covers only a few months, but it is full of color and miracles. Rowing together only four months, the Philadelphia won the highest honors at the Worcester championships, coping the international four-oared event on the first day and the national title on the second. Now they are on their way to go after the most coveted title in rowing.

Receive Traveling Bags Last night the oarsmen first were banqueted and later presented with traveling bags by Captain Willard Simmons, who spoke on behalf of the club. Then the speeches began and between talks, the 500 were entertained by Henry Scott, the famous bassist. Henry Penn, Burke's describer, the coach of the Belgian water polo team, and George Stutzel, former captain and ex-commander of the Schuykill Navy and ex-president of the N. A. A. O., related some of his experiences in the rowing game. Louis Druka gave a short account of the history of the club, and Robert J. Milligan, another ex-president of the N. A. A. O., gave some encouragement to the athletes.

Among the other famous rowing men who made speeches were: Charles Preisenzand, vice president of the N. A. A. O. and one of the officials at Worcester; E. A. Paret, past president of the club; Ellis Ward, former University of Pennsylvania coach and others.

RACE DATES NAMED Whitemarsh Valley Hunt to Be Held October 9—Others Arranged The date for the Whitemarsh Valley Hunt, the first of the local cross-country racing events, will be held October 9. Frank J. Ryan, secretary of the hunt committee of the National Steeplechase and Hunt Association, has announced that sanction has also been granted the following race meetings: Whitemarsh Valley Hunt, Plourtown, Pa., Saturday, October 9. Fox Hunting Club, Media, Pa., Wednesday, October 20, and Saturday, October 23. Fox Farm, Monkton, Md., Saturday, October 30. Fox Hounds, Peapack, N. J., Saturday, November 6. Whitemarsh Hunt, Whitford, Pa., Saturday, November 6. Monmouth County Hunt, Shrewsbury, N. J., Saturday, November 13.

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MIDDLE STATES FINALS ON TODAY

Wallace F. Johnson and S. W. Pearson Meet in Postponed Match at Manheim

By SPICK HALL Wallace F. Johnson, Cynwyd, meets Stanley W. Pearson, Germantown Cricket Club, this afternoon, on the turf courts at Manheim in the final round for the middle states lawn tennis championship. This match is a hangover from two weeks ago, when the middle states events were pulled off. Rain prevented the finals being staged on schedule time and the following week Johnson went to Boston to play in the Longwood tournament.

HARTE PICKED FOR SEA BRIGHT FINAL

Boston Star Is Expected to Meet a California Player on Saturday

Sea Bright, N. J., Aug. 4.—The annual international tournament on the turf courts of the Sea Bright Lawn Tennis and Cricket Club will receive itself in the finals on Saturday into a contest of eastern versus Californian tennis speed, for it is within the bounds of probability that Richard Harte, of Boston, will face either Willis E. Davis or Roland Roberts, of the coast, on Saturday.

Three of these men belong to the hard-hitting school, in which terrific service and tremendous overhead play are featured. Harte is perhaps the most severe on smashing and service of the three, although his methods are not so spectacular as those of the Californians. Not one of these men appears yet to have reached top form, but Davis looked a bit the best of the lot in the play yesterday in the second round of the singles.

Davis defeated Harry S. Parker, of New York, by a score of 6-2, 6-0, in a match in which he played all his reliance on his service and a meteoric rush to the net for the purpose of smothering Parker's returns by fast volleying.

Plays Voshell Today Davis is evidently slowly regaining his form of last season and is accustomed to the turf surface. He will face a very severe test today, however, when S. Howard Voshell, former national inter champion, will be his opponent, with the winner to go into the semifinal round in the lower half of the draw.

Harte had a stern fight on his hands before he could conquer Leonard Boardman by a score of 6-3, 4-6, 6-7. In the last set Boardman led at 41 and 7-0 on games, needing only two points for a bit the best of the lot in the play yesterday in the second round of the singles.

WILLIAM J. CLOTHIER, of Philadelphia, national champion of 1916, made his tournament reappearance in fast company in a match with Hugh Kelleher, of New York. Clothier, deliberate, accurate and as unrumpled as of yore, taught young Kelleher many things in the art of beautiful placing and unerring overhead play and won in straight sets at 6-4, 6-2.

On Saturday afternoon William T. Tilden, Norris Williams, Billy Johnston and Chuck Garland, of the American Davis Cup team, due at New York from England today, will be transferred to a seaplane in charge of members of the Seabright Club, and then whisked through the air to Seabright to play exhibition matches.

This will be the first time in history that entries have been received through the clouds.

WINS WITH YANK PISTOL Tops Olympic Field Brazilian, Firing American Revolver. Beverly, Belgium, Aug. 4.—Guilherme Papapepe, a Brazilian, shooting with an American army type revolver, scored 274 in the Olympic revolver match yesterday, winning first place in the last Olympic target match on the turf.

PUTS IT UP TO BRENNAN

Chairman Smith Makes Statement to Governor on Newark Bout

Trenton, N. J., Aug. 4.—John S. Smith, of Atlantic City, chairman of the New Jersey Boxing Commission, in a statement concerning alleged disorderly scenes in connection with the Fulton-Wills fight at the Newark Armory on July 28, which was submitted to Governor Edwards today, blamed Director of Public Safety Brennan, of Newark, for the conditions. Smith said the Newark Sportsmen's Club had not violated any rules of the commission.

Smith declared Brennan furnished no police protection at the armory. Referring to charges that the armory's seating capacity was exceeded, Smith pointed out that the Newark Sportsmen's Club now had 1400 unseated tickets of the 10,000 printed for the bout.

Smith's statement was prompted by criticism of the commission for the conditions attending the fight. Governor Edwards instructed his secretary personally to investigate Smith's charges.

Martin and Sharkey Draw Result, Aug. 4.—Terry Martin, of Providence, Rhode Island, bananaweight boxing champion, and Jack Sharkey, of New York, fought twelve rounds to a draw here last night.

In the semifinal bout John Heineke, of New York, a son of John the Barber, went eight rounds to a draw with Harry Martin, of Providence. The Martins are brothers.

Ross Cup Challenge Not Indorsed Result, Aug. 4.—The Royal New Zealand yacht squadron has not indorsed the challenge to the New York Yacht Club of the Ross Cup for the America's Cup and its indorsement will be withheld until further information is available here, as to Mr. Ross's plan.

Somerset Open for Two Games Charlie Reibel's Somerset club is without a game for this Saturday and Sunday. The manager wants to hear from first-class home club. Charlie Reibel, 2509 West Somerset street.

AUGUST ATHLETICS MUCH BETTER NINE

Lowly A's Picked to Surprise Indians—Rommel and F. Walker Star

St. Louis, Mo., Aug. 4.—The August Athletics are far different from the June Athletics. In the first swing around the western circuit, Connie Mack failed to hit the cash register for a victory. On two stops on the second journey Mack has three victories, and in jolting the White Sox and Browns Connie insists that he is going to slip a surprise party to the first place Indians.

In trying to figure the pennant winner between the Yankees and the Indians the western entry has been favored by a majority of the alleged experts. Trip Speaker and his snappy machine are favored owing to what is called the break in the schedule—the Yankees having a majority of their games with the Indians and the White Sox, while the Indians have a flock of games booked with the Athletics.

Any one who believes these August Macks are good for a string of defeats is entirely wrong. Mack has found a pitching jewel in Ed Rommel, an international league rookie, who sat on the bench for almost two months without getting much further than the bullpen. Of late Rommel has been as good as any leading right hander in the league.

Then Mack sought a swatter to help. The extra strength for pitching delivered by Rommel and the new swatting punch by this southern outfielder is what makes the August Macks look so impressive. Their names may not be long in the hall of fame, yet yesterday they did not turn a single miscue, while the distinguished four-place Browns were charged with five errors.

Mack is trying to hold his regular pitchers on edge for the Indians. He does not intend to overwork any of the curvers, as he does not want any opponent to complain that he is playing favorites with anybody. Mack did not do it when he was winning, and he is not going to resort to any card dealing under the table while he is at the bottom of the league.

Atlantic City Saturday noon Peteey Boy! Just a night flash by fast mail to uncorrupt you a real fuss-stirring idea that fades few aces!

Now, bolt this down:- no two people, unless they run a circus or write encyclopedias, ever agree off-hand on which is a camel and which is a dromedary when you line the two up and check off one hump on one and two humps on the other. Follow me?

Spill this "hump question" first time you're in a bunch of live ones—if you want to see fur fly! Never heard such a wind-jamming squall in my life as tonight when I passed it to our crowd! You know Betty Jones. Well, she said a dromedary was a he-camel hunting a date in the desert! And, Betty's "Vassar '20"—rah, rah! All right, Betty!

All you've got to do is to dig out your deck of Camel Cigarettes. That "bird" on the front clinches the argument—apparently—but

Report your luck quick! Say, try it on Sig James! And listen, Peter, I'll shortly slip you some smoke news that'll make James' ideas rattle like a tin can tied to a tawser dog's tail! S'long.

Yours for warm socks next winter Shorty

AMATEUR SPORTS

The Northeast Professionals are traveling at top speed now, as evidence their defeat of the strong Eastside A. A., of Camden, N. J., last Saturday, by the score of 4 to 2. This marked the Professionals' fourth consecutive victory. The weak spots in the team earlier in the season have been strengthened by the addition of Bryant, formerly of New York University, a first sacker, and Zanger, an outfielder who is very speedy on the bases.

Manager Charles Carter is rapidly billing the remaining dates on his schedule, but he still has August 8 and 14 open for first-class home teams, especially Nativity, Fleisher, Bacharach Giants, or teams of that class, offering fair guarantees. Charles Carter, 618 West Susquehanna avenue.

The Wilburds A. C., representing H. C. Wilbur & Sons, Inc., chocolate manufacturers, have a few Saturdays open during September, and would like to hear from teams having home grounds, preferably suburban Pennsylvania or New Jersey. This season is the first for the Wilburds, and they have developed a team capable of meeting the best first-class organizations. H. A. Jones, care of H. O. Wilbur & Sons, Inc., 237 North Third street.

George Brooks Club (away) first-class—James McLaughlin, 650 North Fifth-street. St. Cecilia C. C. (away) first-class, August 7 open—Wm. A. Lane, Phone Kensington 6742.

Northwest Prof. (away) first-class, August 7 and 8 open—J. J. Hoover, 2035 North American street. Liberty Stars (away) first-class, August 8, 22, 28, 29 and Labor Day—J. Williams, 700 South Tenth-st.

Two fast outfielders would like to play with a team—two-year-old team—Ballplayers, 8 P. corner Second and Queen streets. Thompson A. A. (away) first-class—M. Freeman, 910 West Thompson street. Chester A. C. (away) first-class, August 7 and 14 open—H. J. Bradie, Phone Chester 990.

Reach A. A. (away) first-class—J. Seitz, Phone Blooms 8833 day, Kensington 6151 evening. A first-class battery would like to connect with first-class home team during 8 remaining Saturdays—John Fuller, 415 West 54th-st. Gloria A. A. (away) first-class, August 7—open—600 North Fifth-fourth street.

Fallen Cubs (away) fifteen-seventeen year-old—Kurtzman and Infielders, willing to play on a first-class traveling team for a fair inducement. Baltimore, 1421 South Clinton street. Shavers R. C. (away) fifteen-seventeen year-old—Charles Blankenbiller, 1944 North Lehigh street.

Hell Road B. C. (home or away) fifteen-seventeen year-old—H. Kennedy, Seventy-eighth and Lehigh streets. Eastwick Jrs. (home or away) fifteen-seventeen year-old—Otto Sauer, 3012 South Eighth-fourth street. Philadelphia City Club (away) first-class, August 7 and 8—C. Weber, Kensington 8725.

St. Clement's A. C. (away) second-class—2 Algonquin, 7322 Saybrook avenue. Park Edge A. C. (away) first-class, August 14, 21—J. Berry, 3945 Wyalusing avenue. E. Clinton & Co., Inc. (home or away) first-class, August 11—T. Shipley, 2115 Arch street.

North Philadelphia A. C. (away) first-class, August 7 and 8—R. Cullney, 2482 North Sodenham street. Woodstock A. C. (away) second-class—J. Strickland, 830 North Twenty-sixth street.