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SPORTS

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IS NEVER A KNOCK

DUKE'S WORK AT STOCKHOLM IS A PUZZLE

America the Winner, but Honolulu Waits Anxiously for Swimming News

United States	128
Sweden	104
Great Britain	66
Finland	46
Germany	24

With the above score of the five leading contestants, the sixth Olympic games closed at Stockholm yesterday. The victorious American team is scheduled to sail for home today, but whether the athletes will come direct, or whether they will return via Germany and England, giving exhibitions there, is not known here.

Honolulans are puzzling over the exact status of Duke Kahanamoku. Since the cable received here some days ago announcing that the 100-meter race had been "reswum," there hasn't been a word of definite news as to the Island swimmer.

It looks as though there had been a mix-up in the cables, and that when the King of Sweden asked Duke to the royal box it was to congratulate him on having won the final of the 100-meter event. This sounds more reasonble, on its face, for surely such an important event as the swimming sprint would not have been left out of the Associated Press dispatches.

Also, it would seem that the 800-meter relay swimming race won by America last Friday must have been a qualifying heat, as the dispatches yesterday stated that America took second to Australia in this event. These points will not be definitely decided until the mainland papers bring full accounts of the Stockholm sports.

Apparently the other countries came up with a rush, and America's final victory was much closer than was expected about the middle of the week, when the Stars and Stripes was flying from the stadium flagpole most of the time.

The final result of the Stockholm meeting makes the sixth straight win for America in the Olympic games. At Athens in 1896, Paris 1900, St. Louis 1904, Athens again 1906, London 1908, and finally at Stockholm this year, American athletes have proved themselves the best and most consistent performers in the world.

EDDIE PLANK IS MACK'S BEST PITCHER

The many disappointments his numerous pitchers are handing him this season makes the work of Eddie Plank look all the brighter to Connie Mack, wizard of the Athletes. The veteran of the squad and a player whom some of the critics have for several seasons been relegating to the "has been" class, Plank keeps right on delivering the goods in masterly style.

It was Plank who kept the Athletes out of last place all ahrough the early weeks of the season last year, and again it is Plank who is doing most of the winning this year. His left hand crossfire is as deadly as of yore, and his painstaking methods in preparing for the baseball season leave no cause for such excuses as lack of control and overweight.

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PUBLIC APPROVES POSTPONEMENT OF TENNIS MATCHES

No Conflict Now Between the Big Championship Events of Next Week—Hard Practice.

The decision of the committee in charge of the championship tennis tournament to call off play on the two days when it conflicted with the polo championships, is the best news that the sport-loving public of Honolulu has heard for some time. First class events of this sort come too few and far between here to make a choice between the two necessary, and tennis enthusiasts will be just as glad of the chance to see the polo, as the polo devotees will be to see the court stars in action. The tennis tournament will start as schedule on Monday, July 22, but there will be no play on Wednesday or Saturday of next week, the only two conflicting dates.

Tennis men are hard at work getting a final polish on their games. Every afternoon there is a considerable showing at Beretania and Pacific, and there have been some hot practice matches of late.

About the fastest doubles seen to date were played yesterday afternoon at Beretania, when A. L. Castle and Alan Lowrey paired off against A. M. Nowell and Eugene Horner. These two teams will line up for championship honors in the same order, and while yesterday's game wasn't much more than a practice, in which the players took lots of chances that they would fight shy of in tournament play, it nevertheless gave the spectators a good run, and provided a line on form.

The Castle-Lowrey combination won 6—0, 4—6, 6—1, after some brilliant rallies. Horner is the champion of Hawaii, while Lowrey is captain-elect of the Harvard tennis team for 1913. The latter plays a hard-hitting, dashing style of game, delivering his second service as hard as his first. As a result he double faulted often yesterday, but probably in match play he will be a deal more careful on this point.

Miss Louise Phillips and Miss E. Phillips, two Chicago players who will play in the ladies' events, were out practicing yesterday afternoon, and showed good form.

The drawings in the singles will be made at noon Saturday, when the preliminary round games will be scheduled so as to divide up the early matches between the Pacific, Neighborhood and Beretania clubs.

AUTO STUNTS NEXT MONTH

The men behind the proposed automobile gymkhana got together last night at a meeting held at the Young Hotel, named officials and laid out a program. The date of the meeting, which will be held at Kapiolani Park, was set for August 17.

The following officials were appointed:

General committee—A. L. Castle, D. William Douthitt, Fred Wichman, Norman B. Courtenay and Sidney R. Jordan.

Judges—E. A. Mott-Smith, R. W. Shingle and A. Gartley.

Starters—D. W. Douthitt and Fred Wichman.

Timekeepers—Senator C. F. Chillingworth, L. Redington, G. F. Affonso, Ralph Lyons and Doc. Monsarrat.

Clerks of the course—A. L. Castle, N. B. Courtenay and S. R. Jordan.

Governor W. F. Frear will be waited upon by a committee of the club and asked kindly to officiate in starting the first meet.

The program for the meet will be the following:

1—Barrel race, novelty, quarter of a mile.
2—Hupmobile race, three miles.
3—High-gear race, quarter of a mile.
4—Roadster race, up to 50-horsepower, two miles.
5—Motorcycle race, five miles.
6—Roadster race, up to 50-horsepower, five miles.
7—Time race, one mile.
8—Marathon race, one mile.
9—Automobile race, free for all, five miles.
10—Automobile race, ten miles.

TAKE FIRST VACATION IN THIRTY-NINE YEARS

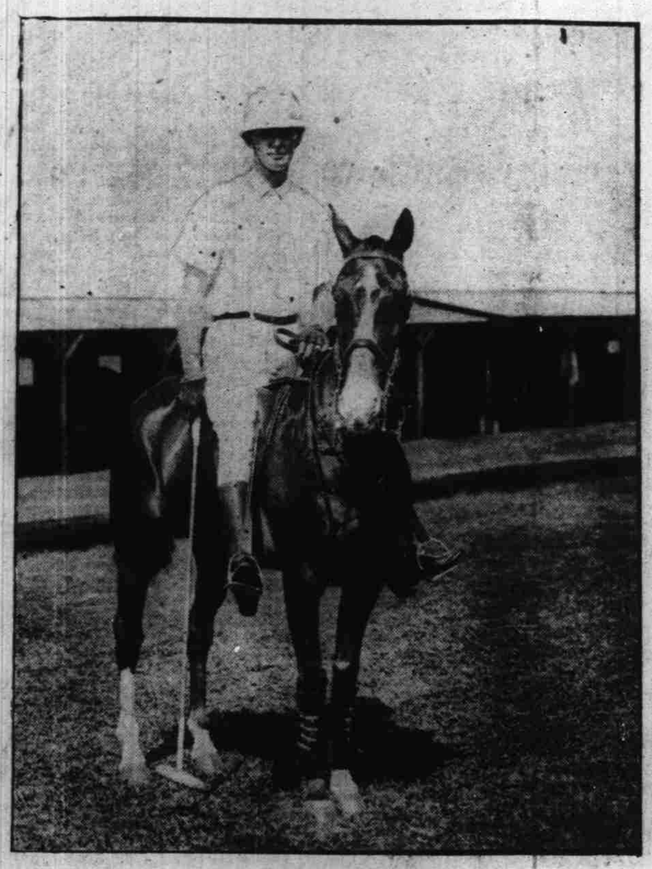
Rev. and Mrs. John C. Davison, for the past thirty-nine years Methodist Episcopal missionaries in Japan, left on the Shinyo Maru this morning en route to the mainland, where they will enjoy the first holiday they have had in thirty-nine years.

At the end of a year they will return to Japan and work for ten years at Kumamoto, their headquarters, a large city in the southern peninsula. Dr. Davison is district superintendent of the work there and, besides, has charge of twenty-five Methodist churches in the adjacent district.

While here Rev. and Mrs. Davison were the guests of the Rev. and Mrs. John W. Wadman at Manoa Valley.

Eddie Madison has started training for his August 3 date with Johnny McCarthy. It's to be hoped that matters pugilistic will go more smoothly than was the case last time.

Maui And Oahu Reds Are To Play A Practice Game



H. W. RICE, ON WAIALEALE

OAHU'S FIRST TEAM WILL N OT MOUNT AGAIN UNTIL THE INITI AL CHAMPIONSHIP CONTEST

The four men who will carry the colors of Oahu in the coming interisland polo championships are pau practice, and will not take the saddle again until they clash with Maui next Saturday afternoon, in the opening game of the series. Although the game is four days away, Captain Walter Dillingham feels that the rest will do both the men and the ponies a world of good, and that they will go into the match in better shape to put up a hard fight if they lay off for the last few days. The ponies will, of course, get the right amount of exercise, but there will be no chances of losing the best of the string through last-minute ill luck, such as cutting down a mount in practice.

The Maui team will be on hand tomorrow, and as the Valley Isle players must be given a chance to stretch their legs over their mounts before they start match play, a game is tentatively arranged for tomorrow afternoon against the Oahu seconds. This should afford an interesting comparison between the play of the invaders and the Oahu firsts, for polo followers are familiar enough with the general form of the home team to be able to size up opposition against the Reds.

Only three of the Maui regulars will be available tomorrow, but they will requisition the services of some local man to fill in.

The Maui string of twenty ponies came in on the Likelike yesterday morning, and were taken right out to the Moanalua field. All stood the trip down in good shape, and the invaders are sure to be well mounted when the real test comes.

The Cavalry players have about completed hard work, their final real practice being scheduled for this afternoon. The Fifth is better mounted than ever before, two new mounts, purchased on Kauai, having been added to the string within the last few days. The race between Lieutenants Sheridan and Millikin for No. 1 has ended in the former's favor, and he will swing a stick in the front line of the attack next Wednesday.

Harold W. Rice, Maui's No. 2, whose picture appears above, is prevented by business from arriving in Honolulu until the very last moment, being expected here Saturday morning. Rice has represented Maui in two former championships, and is considered one of the best players on the team. He is a very powerful hitter and a superb rider.

TOO MANY FREE RIDES TO FIRST

NEW YORK, N. Y. — Chief John Tortes Meyers bears the unique distinction today of being the first Indian baseball player to have his position in the batting order changed so as to prevent opposing pitchers from giving him too many bases on balls.

For three seasons now the big Indian has been allowed to pursue his hard-hitting way just above the pitcher. When McGraw first put him there he did not realize, perhaps, that Meyers was going to prove the most natural hitter in the league. When Bresnahan was with the Giants his hitting ability was responsible for his batting fourth. Sometimes he led off. But Meyers was getting along so well way down the list that McGraw decided to leave him there.

It so happened that the chief was frequently called upon to clean up the bases, and he made good so often that the opposing pitchers were forced to figure out a scheme to offset that terrible wallop. They did this by giving him a base on balls whenever there were runners on the sacks, preferring to take a chance on the pitcher, who is usually weak with the willow.

Is Deliberately Walked.

In the first thirty games played this season Meyers was purposely walked no less than sixteen times. This gradually cut down his run-driving power, and then it was that McGraw began to figure. The result was that he moved the chief up a peg in the batting order and put a good hitter behind him. If the chief is given a base on balls now, the opposing pitcher will find a strong young batter like Fletcher or Groh ready to take up the war club and whoop.

Batters who are good "walters" are frequently moved up to the head of the list so as to get as many bases on balls as possible, but the chief happens to be the first to be moved round to get away from it. So far the change has worked well, and Meyers can now go ahead and crack the ball just as hard as he pleases.

Changing positions of batters is a thing that McGraw rarely ever does. For two seasons he did not budge his batting order.

The amazement of the fans can be appreciated, therefore, when in the opening game at Brooklyn the Giant manager took one solid crack at the list of names and shuffled them up from top to bottom. With Devore and Doyle out, a good waiter had to lead off, and Snodgrass was elected to the job. Becker will now bat second, Murray or Herzog third and Merkle fourth or fifth.

LIBERTY TEAM HAS NOW ISSUED WHOLESALE DEFI

After severely trouncing two crack junior nines with decisive scores Sunday, one of them the champions of the Plantation League, the Liberty players come out with a challenge to any junior baseball team in the Islands. Manager Bly of the Libertys says there are no exceptions to this challenge.

The Luzons, the Filipino team that has swept everything before it, in playing other teams in the Plantation League, were the first to go down to defeat Sunday, the score at the conclusion reading Libertys 16, Luzons 2.

Following this game another was played with the C. Y. team, a collection of young Chinese players who fared somewhat better than the Filipinos but were nevertheless defeated, the score being 5 to 2.

Now the Libertys want to play any junior team in the Islands.

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LARIMER DEFEATS CROSS AT TENNIS

Morning Match in "Y" Tournament Brings Out Some Fair Play

A. E. Larimer won from R. M. Cross this morning in a hard-fought tennis match played on the Y. M. C. A. courts at Hotel and Richards streets, in the first round of the "Y" tournament which started yesterday. The match went to Larimer in straight sets, 6-4, 6-3, the second being by far the best from a tennis standpoint. In the opening session both men played overcarefully, the result being some tedious patball. In the second both let out a wrap, and sent the balls spinning over the net to good effect.

Baldwin and Nelson had a long-winded argument yesterday evening that had to be called on account of darkness. The former took the opening set 6-4, but Nelson came right back and annexed the second 6-3. The third was very even, the games falling first on one side of the net and then on the other, until they reached 7-all. It was then too dark to see the balls, and the match was postponed. It will be finished tomorrow afternoon at 4:30.

In the only other match played to date, C. Hoogs beat Dr. Scudder 6-0, 6-2.

This afternoon at 4:30 Rietow plays Johnston, and at 5:15 Dodge and Redington will hook up. Edgecomb finds it impossible to get into town and has defaulted to Jack Guard.

SAWED OFF SHORT

Opening play in the handball tournament for employed boys of the Y. M. C. A. yesterday resulted as follows: Arthur Nelson beat Cecil Benny, 21-12, 21-4; Jose de Coito won from Chris. Benny, 21-4, 21-9; L. Souza and Antonio Nunes broke even, the time limit putting off the rubber. Nunes, 21-17; Souza, 21-11.

Cabrel, the fast young pitcher of the Standards, distinguished himself last Sunday by striking out 15 of the opposition in the game between the Saandards and the Kewala Giants. The final score was 11 to 4 in favor of the former. Chan, the losing twirler, accounted for six by the strike-out route.

The Stars are plotting revenge for next Sunday, and some of the threatening looks and mysterious plottings would do credit to the Mafia. The J. A. C.'s are all sporting the sort of smile that won't come off, and telling anyone who will listen that they can turn the same trick next Sunday. If the Stars do win the next game watch for a reversed situation next Sunday.

ANSWERS

Sporting Editor, Honolulu Star-Bulletin, Sir:

Will you kindly settle a discussion regarding an incident during the progress of a ball game. The gist of the argument is;—

A player is on second base, and another is on third. A double steal is attempted, but the player who left third is unable to reach the plate. An attempt is made to throw him out, but during the exchange of the ball in said attempt the player from second runs down and touches third. There is a fumble and the player gets safely back to third, and the player who ran from second gets safely back to his original base.

A says the player that occupied third base originally is out for the reason that the player running from second and touching third forced him.

B claims that neither player was out, because it was not a force and it would have been necessary to touch either player with the ball.

C argues that after the player who ran from second touched third, all that was necessary was for the catcher to touch home plate and the player who tried to steal home would be out.

PLANTATION FAN.

B is right. A and C are both wrong. No player can be forced from the base to which he is entitled except by the batter.

DR. MORRISON TO RETIRE.

PEKING, China, June 21.—Dr. G. E. Morrison, Peking correspondent of the Times, leaves for Japan early in July. It is understood that he is retiring from journalism and that David Fraser succeeds him.

Dr. Morrison returns to Peking in September, and then proceeds to Australia, where magnificent political chances await a man of his splendid experience and knowledge of foreign politics and profound ability. He will probably sell his celebrated and unique library, which is valued at $200,000, before his departure.

THE SPORTING EDITOR SAYS, SEZ-ZE, ABOUT AS FOLLOWS:

CABLE dispatches received here, announcing the win of Kenneth McArthur in the Olympic marathon were misleading, in that they gave the impression that the South African was a rank outsider, not conceded a chance by even his own countrymen. As a matter of fact, just the reverse was the case, and form students expected to see the lanky Transvaal policeman finish very near the head of the column.

McArthur has an unbeaten record in the five principal Marathon races held in Transvaal, Natal and Cape Colony during the past four years, and within the same period has established two separate records for the distance. His best Marathon time is (26 miles 385 yards) 2 hours 42 minutes 58 1-5 seconds.

The state of the South African roads makes this much better than it reads on paper and McArthur is possibly the best Marathon runner, amateur or professional, in the empire of Great Britain.

From the cable accounts it would seem that McArthur came very near duplicating the unfortunate performance of Dorando Pietri, who, in the last international marathon race, wilted with victory in sight, and was disqualified thanks to the over-zealous English judges, who tried to beat the American out by yanking the Italian over the line. The dispatches say that McArthur reached the finish, and then fainted, being caught as he fell over the line. It's a safe bet, though that his friends saw to it that no one lent him a helping hand before the finishing post was reached, for the Dorando-Hayes controversy must still be fresh in the minds of all athletes when matters marathon are mentioned.

McArthur's time, 2 hours, 36 minutes is nearly 20 minutes faster than Hayes' mark in London, but the Marathon race has varied in length at the different Olympic games, from 25 miles at Athens in 1896 to 26 miles, 385 yards in England four years ago. This year the distance was 40,200 meters, which figures about 25.59 miles. This is the fastest Olympic marathon to date.

Americans as a rule, have a lofty disregard for the abilities of foreign athletes. That is, the stay-at-home Americans have. Those who have actually competed against the best foreign talent, or witnessed competitions, have no such illusions.

The idea seems to prevail in some circles that we have the only real athletes in the world, and certainly

the point score of the Stockholm meet to date indicates that we have about the best men, but this does not necessarily mean that German athletes come into the stadium chewing bologna sausage, or that the Russion shot putter practices with a bomb. Sweden has turned out a fine bunch of track and field men for her own games, and certainly South Africa has made good with first and second place in the greatest events of the entire Olympic yrogram, the marathon.

Barney Joy pitched exactly 91 balls in eight innings of that sensational championship baseball game at Athletic Park Sunday afternoon, and in the disastrous inning, when he blew up, he pitched only fourteen balls. The number of balls he threw in the first inning was not counted, but it is safe to sey that it was not more than nine or ten, making his total for the game about 100.

This is "some pitching." Hugh S. Fullerton, probably the best informed baseball writer in America, in the last issue of the American Magazine, says that the fewest number of pitched balls he ever counted in a game was 88, thrown by Ed Walsh the famous old Chicago twirler. One of the greatest number of pitched balls in a major league game, he says, was thrown b yGeorge "Rube" Waddell, the great eccentric pitcher formerly with the Philadelphia Athletics, who threw 211 balls, were himself out and lost the game.

Here is the number of Barney's pitches per inning: second, 6, third, 10; fourth, 6; fifth, 18; sixth, 15; seventh, 12; eighth, 10, and ninth, 14.

RACE FOR 2ND IN NATIONAL

While there are still some of the National League managers and owners who believe that their teams are going to pass the Giants in the race for the championship pennant of 1912, the general followers of the sport are conceding the right to represent that league in the world's championship series next October is already assured to the Giants. Their present lead is certainly very impressive and the only team that has so far been able to give them a serious argument is Pittsburg.

The race for second position is just now the most interesting feature of the series. Pittsburg and Chicago are having a great battle for the honors and neither one seems to be able to get a very substantial lead over the other. The teams are fairly well matched although Pittsburg looks, at long range, to be rather stronger, especially in the batting department of the game, and most of the followers of the older league expect to see Manager Clarke's men finishing the season in second place.

UNION CHURCH MEETINGS WILL BE HELD AT BIJOU

A series of church meetings will be held here for six weeks, beginning the first Sunday in August, in which, at the suggestion of the church federation, all the churches will join. These meetings, which will be held in the Bijou Theater, are to be conducted by the Rev. Frank Lincoln Goodspeed, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Oakland, Cal., who is to arrive in Honolulu on July 31.

During the same time, Dr. Doremus Scudder of the Central Union church will occupy the Oakland pulpit for a period of five Sundays. Rev. A. A. Ebersole will return next week from his vacation and will be at Tantalus, although he intends to assist at the union Sunday evening services.

WELL DRILLING.

Investigation of the fact that most of the deep drill holes for wells in South Africa deviate from the perpendicular, generally toward the north, has led to the conclusion that the drills with which they were made were influenced by magnetism.

AMERICAN GOLF CRACKS SUFFER

How much the mental side enters into the game of golf, particularly as applied to championships, must be a question which the events of the last few weeks abroad have caused many enthusiasts here seriously to consider. Following closely upon the heels of Frederick Herreshoff's failure in the British amateur championship comes the fact that "Jack" McDermott, the native-born American who so cleverly won the United States title a year ago, failed miserably in the big open championship event overseas.

With a score of 91 in the first qualifying round, McDermott's chances of lowering the colors of the leading English and Scottish professionals vanished into thin air. He did better at the second attempt, getting well down in the 80's, but even so, the aggregate was sufficient to cause his permanent retirement from the tournament.

To McDermott the failure, even to qualify, is doubtless a hard blow, but he can take heart of grace from the fact that "Willie" Anderson, the greatest golfer this country has ever seen, once found himself in exactly the same position.

BURSTING A WHIRLWIND.

John Sloan, a Kansas farmer, claims that he has caused more than one incipient whirlwind to disintegrate by firing a load of two of buckshot into the revolving mass.

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