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ROTH AND DILLINGHAM SHOW THAT THEY CAN "COME BACK"

Former Stars of the Courts
Show Too Much Class for
Youthful Opponents—Finals
Tomorrow Should Provide
Best Tennis of Year

TODAY'S MATCHES.
At Beretania, 4 p. m.
Roth and Dillingham vs. Littlejohn
and Warren.
Castle and Richards vs. Gibb and
Gibb.

That factor known as "class" was much in evidence yesterday afternoon, during the second day's play in the men's doubles championships at Beretania. Its principal exponent was W. P. Roth, who, partnered with Walter Dillingham, walked away with the Hoogs brothers in a sensational style.

Roth showed all his old-time championship form, and tennis critics who have sat on the sidelines here year after year, noted in saying that he was the best player the islands had ever produced. The criticism need not be all in the past tense, either, for while Roth has practically given up tennis, and never plays in singles matches, he still has an ample supply of the real article left, and can produce it when necessary.

Walter Dillingham, who held the championship for years before Roth annexed it, wasn't quite so effective as on the first day, but he covered the net so well that his slip-ups on ground strokes hardly counted. He was sending a good many service returns out of court, but this didn't count seriously against the team, for they won the majority of the points by clever work at the net, and by volleying from the mid court.

Cyrl and Billy Hoogs were both much bothered by the way their opponents ran in on every chance, and they seldom passed them cleanly. There was some pretty lobbing on both sides, but whenever the Hoogs combination fell short, the net was the net were ready to end the point then and there. Roth scored many points by hitting the ball sharply when close in, dropping it absolutely out of reach, but his most effective stroke seemed to be a sweeping cross-court smash of fairly deep lobs. Being left-handed, this shot brought the ball far off his opponent's

ALAN LOWREY IMPORTS DARK HORSE PARTNER

Although Alan Lowrey, the crack Harvard tennis player, returned from Kauai just one day too late to enter the men's doubles tournament, he will not be out of the fun entirely. Lowrey has imported a partner all the way from the East, and has challenged the winners of the tournament to a special match for the championship of Palmyra Island.

Lowrey's running mate is Tomes, the well-known Harvard player, who is journeying to the Orient on the Siberia. By wireless a match has been arranged, and Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock Lowrey and Tomes will do battle with whatever pair comes through the tournament. It looks now as though their opponents would be either Dillingham and Roth or Castle and Richards.

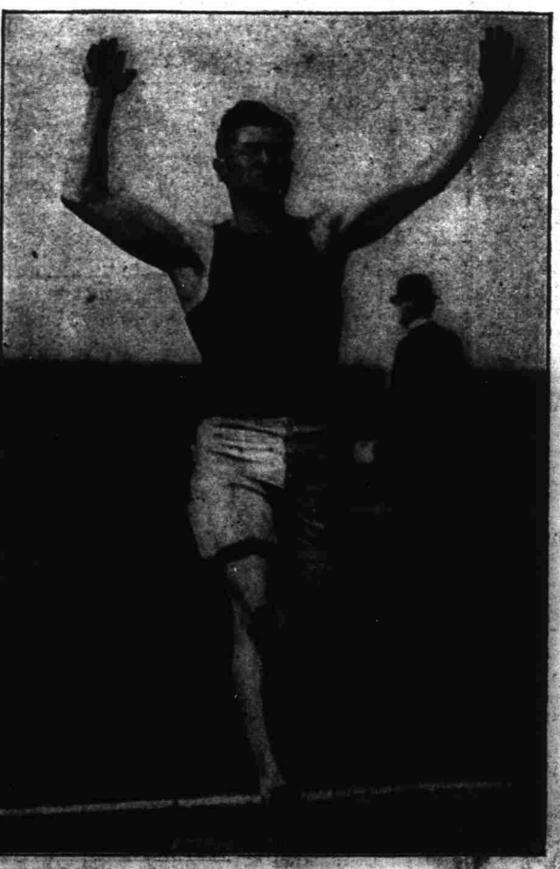
backhand, and nearly always resulted in an ace.

Castle and Atherton Richards didn't have much trouble in disposing of J. H. Barnes and Theodore Richards in straight sets. Gibb and Gibb beat Guard and Collins after a good match.

It was too bad that Clarence Cooke had to make a trip to Molokai, necessitating the default of the Cooke team to Littlejohn and Warren. Monday afternoon the Cookes played the hardest kind of a five-set match against Horner and Sinclair. As Mr. Cooke knew at the time that he would have to drop out of the tournament the next day, it would have been more interesting for the sport if he had withdrawn at say point-match, going off with all the honors of a win, and at the same time causing no break in the schedule, and allowing the men who had fought him so gallantly to continue in the play.

W. P. Roth and W. F. Dillingham won from G. F. Hoogs and W. H. Hoogs, Jr., 6-4, 6-2, 6-3.
A. L. Castle and J. A. Richards won from T. Richards and J. H. Barnes, 6-4, 6-2, 6-4.
E. Gibb and G. Gibb won from J. P. Guard and D. Collins, 3-6, 6-4, 6-4, 6-3.

JAMES THORPE SAID TO BE GREATEST ATHLETE OF ALL



JAMES THORPE

As the mightiest athlete in a versatile way at the recent Olympic games in Stockholm through his winning of the pentathlon and decathlon—the five-event and ten-event contests—probably the deductions of a noted American physical director connected with a large university when he said that the world had never seen such a marvel of physical strength as was embodied in James Thorpe, was not very far off the way.

It has been stated by several writers that Goliath and some favored strong men of history could hardly have competed successfully with Thorpe as an all-around athlete, as with their great strength they lacked the further combination of speed and agility. The figures he made in the various events in the Stockholm stadium attest that his like has never been seen, and that probably no athlete, who ever lived, had boast of such all-around excellence in track and field work, as well as in many other lines of physical endeavor.

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He stands today pre-eminently as a refutation to the allegation on the part of critics all over the world that the American plan of developing athletic marvels is accomplished by specialization carried to unreasonable extremes. It is conceded by his close followers that he is a man of enormous strength, not so much because of his size—he weighs about 185—but because of his ability to concentrate his strength to the channels most needed.

Thorpe was found to be normal when he went to Carlisle as a lad. On entering the school he was 5 feet 5 1/2 inches tall, and weighed 115 pounds. As bearing on his physical development, figures at hand now show that in 1908 he had jumped up to 5 feet 11 1/2 inches, and his chest measurements at inspiration and expiration, respectively were 41 and 35 inches. He then weighed 181 pounds.

Three years afterward, or on September 17, 1911, he was 6 feet 1 1/2 inches tall, weighed 185, and inspiration and expiration measurements were 42 1/2 and 35 1/2 inches. Smooth, even development, without knots or bumps, marked the Sac and Fox Indian's progress all along.

To be sure Thorpe has had the training at school for the last two years at the hands of Glenn S. Warner, and he has done nearly all his work in the Cumberland Valley, which is recognized by some as giving the best athletic environment to be found in America, but in the building up of his marvelous youth resort has not been had to unusual methods. Warner has never stiffened himself or his pupils by extreme treatment. Thorpe has lived plainly, and while he has conformed to Warner's general instructions as to his manner of living, he has not been made an exception at the Carlisle School by special treatment or privileges.

Most remarkable of all possibly is the simple fact that he clearly demonstrated to the world by his marvelous performances at Stockholm that he is the greatest athlete in the world by only demonstrating a bare third

DUKE SWIMS EXHIBITION BEFORE KING

Swedish Sovereign Asks to See
Hawaiian Perform Alone, and
Duke Breaks His Own Record
for Benefit of Royalty

So brilliantly did Duke Kahanamoku perform in the Olympic contests, that the King of Sweden expressed his desire to see the Hawaiian in action alone in the tank, so that he might the better study his form and stroke. Duke gave a special exhibition for King Gustav, swimming 300 meters in marvelously fast time, and after the performance he was personally congratulated by the King, who asked many questions about Hawaii and the life here.

This interesting information comes in a letter to Lew G. Henderson, from his father in Philadelphia. The latter, with whom Duke stayed during the entire time he spent in the East, had just received a long letter from the Hawaiian speed marvel, telling of his doings, and giving many interesting incidents of his stay abroad, and of the tour that he made through Germany and France with other members of the victorious American Olympic team.

The King later on had Duke give an exhibition for his personal pleasure, writes Mr. Henderson. "Duke was in the tank all alone and swam 300 meters in 3m. 35s., beating his previous tank record by 5 seconds." A post card from Duke to Henderson brings the information that he is expected to be in England for the swimming championships July 29, and that he was having a great time on the trip through Germany. The card was mailed at Hamburg.

LANGFORD AGAIN BEATS SAM M'VEY

SYDNEY, N. S. W., Aug. 3.—Sam Langford of Boston won a 20-round fight here tonight from Sam McVey of California on points. The contest went the full distance. Neither McVey had received the greater punishment. Langford's superiority on points was so palpable that the referee's decision was loudly cheered.

Throughout Langford was the aggressor, showing a strong preference for infighting and punching in the clinches. Again in the fourth, when the men were ordered to their corners, Langford was cautioned.

After that, while always on the aggressive, the Boston heavyweight showed more restraint, breaking in the clinches at the call of the referee. McVey displayed cleverness and fought cleanly, but his science was unavailing against Langford's fierce attacks and superior strength and stamina. In the eleventh round he was in distress, but his skill enabled him to avoid a knockout.

The betting was 5 to 2 on Langford. Many women were among the spectators.

HOW THEY STAND

Washington is now only six full games behind the Red Sox, and going strong. Since the standings were last published Clarke Griffith's pets have come up a couple of points in the percentage table, and are now almost out of sight of the Athletics. There are many major league fans, according to the Eastern sporting writers, who now believe that Washington's showing was not a mere flash in the pan, and that the Nationals will really land the flag.

Pittsburg is hanging right onto Chicago in the National race, if one can call it a race with the Giants so far in front.

Percentages August 7:

National League.			Coast League.			Northwestern League.					
W.	L.	Pct.	W.	L.	Pct.	W.	L.	Pct.			
New York	71	26	732	Vernon	71	47	602	Boston	70	33	680
Chicago	63	35	643	Los Angeles	68	49	581	Washington	64	39	622
Pittsburg	57	38	600	Oakland	68	51	572	Philadelphia	59	42	584
Philadelphia	47	47	500	Portland	48	59	449	Chicago	51	49	510
Cincinnati	46	54	460	San Francisco	47	71	398	Detroit	52	50	500
St. Louis	44	57	426	Sacramento	44	69	339	Cleveland	46	56	451
Brooklyn	36	64	386				New York	32	68	327	
Boston	27	70	278				St. Louis	32	69	317	

CAVALRY POLO CAPTAIN GOES

Captain William D. Forsyth, captain of the Fifth Cavalry polo team, left for the Coast on the Wilhelmina this morning. He will be absent about two months on leave, but expects to be back in Honolulu before the regiment leaves for good.

NEGRO LAWYER BECOMES A JEW

NEW YORK, August 4.—Rufus L. Perry, a negro lawyer of Brooklyn, became a Jew this afternoon, when he went through various ceremonies at the hands of Rabbi Schreiner. It is said that Perry is the first negro to accept this rite since the Biblical instance of Ham, son of Noah, the supposed original progenitor of the African race.

DAVID GRAHAM PHILLIPS LEFT A LARGE ESTATE

NEW YORK, August 6.—The property of David Graham Phillips, the author, who was shot by an insane musician on February 24, 1911, consisted almost entirely of royalties on his works. According to the appraisal just filed in court, the estate is valued at \$46,183, after deductions have been made. The estate was appraised at only \$13,000 soon after the author's death, but a recent reappraisal brought the valuation of the property up to more than \$46,000.

FIVE TALLY ON ONE HOME RUN

Here is a play wherein a batter hit a home run and drove in five tallies. The game in question was played at The Ridge. Don's team, because that was in a regular league and under the wing of the national commission. At the time of the momentous play the bases were full. The batter had three balls called on him and the succeeding batter, with willow in hand, was standing about ten feet from the plate awaiting his turn. The batter finally got four balls and started on a trot for first. The opposing pitcher, under the impression that the last one was a strike, thought he would send one over. Just as he cut loose the ball the man who had been waiting stepped up to the plate and slammed the ball out of the lot. As a result five runs came across the plate on the on-wallop.

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IT NOW LOOKS AS THOUGH McLoughlin and Bundy would land the national doubles title, which will be contested the 20th of this month at Newport. Californians and Honoluluans alike are anxious to see the Coast pair win, more especially, so far as fans here are concerned, because McLoughlin and his play are well known here, and because Mac is so well liked.

Whether the Californians could handle Little and Touchard, the present champions, was a question that seems to have been settled by a meeting of the two teams in the third round of the New York State tournament, August 6, when McLoughlin and Bundy won out in straight sets, 6-3, 6-3. According to the press dispatches, the match was easy for the winners all the way, and at no time did the titleholders appear to class up with the men they are to meet in the challenge round of the national.

IF M'LOUGHLIN AND BUNDY can cop the doubles, and the former can manage to win the Newport singles, it will be one of the greatest victories in tennis annals. Of course, there's many a slip, and tennis is essentially a game of surprises, but nevertheless, the Californian looks like the logical candidate for championship honors this year. Winning the Longwood tournament brought his stock immensely, and Eastern tennis experts, who were doubtful before they saw McLoughlin play, switched right over and gave it as their opinion that if he met Larned in the national event the latter would be a shoo-in.

It will be far better for McLoughlin if he does not meet the champion in the early rounds of the Newport tournament, for in any clash between the two, the moral element enters into the calculations to an enormous extent. McLoughlin has a profound respect for Larned's tennis, and he goes onto the court half beaten. Not that he "dags it," but that he knows the mastery that Larned has over every stroke and every department of the game, and loses some of the confidence which he carries with him into other matches.

SO L'L ARTHUR HAS STEPPED back into the limelight even before the curtain of retirement dropped in front of his many fans. Well, well. He certainly beat the record for the in-and-out this time, and if we are to believe the newspapers, Jack says, "I have decided to fight this battle for the sake of my wife only."

Just why his wife should want him to scrap with Joe Jeannotte the champion falls to explain. Possibly she wants another of those pearl necklaces that the Johnson family was pinched for smuggling into the country some months ago. In any event, it looks like easy money for John Arthur, and he wouldn't be the wise coon that he is if he passed up the opportunity to collect a small fortune for ten rounds of playful rough-house in the New York ring.

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