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# SPORTS

Local and National

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## Some Local and Foreign Tennis

American Lawn Tennis, one of the best tennis magazines in the world, has in its December number an article on E. S. Gee, the Hawaiian champion. The well-known player's photograph is also reproduced and it shows him looking rather youngish.

Gee, in writing to the magazine, goes on to speak of Will Roth in flattering terms. He says in part: "Roth has improved wonderfully. His short volleying is almost perfect, as he can catch a ball from almost any angle and place it; his ability to reach the net on service in three or four strides also helps him greatly, and Long and McLoughlin thought his overhead smashes were marvelous."

According to the magazine, Gee played a lot of tennis back east, and at Washington he and Harold Doyle held the District of Columbia championship for two seasons.

American Lawn Tennis month by month has some fine articles on the game, and the editorial in the December number, entitled "The Forlorn Hope," and which deals with the Davis Cup, is well worth reading. Another on "Young Blood" is also worthy of attention, as the writer takes the stand that there is a scarcity of coming champions and that the old players like Ward and half a dozen others are a long way ahead of their nearest opponents in the younger group.

It appears that in France should a server hit his partner with the ball when attempting to deliver a service, the ace is called against the server, not as in England and America, a fault. The French tennis authorities are endeavoring to have their rules changed so as to agree with those of other countries.

In Australia young players receive much attention from the older men, and recently there was a serving competition brought off. The conditions provided that each competitor should have eight services, and a maximum of three points was allowed for each service, consideration being given to pace, length and placing near the side lines.

There were twenty-five entries and the event was watched with much interest by a crowd of spectators. The value of such a competition is obvious, and it will be well for the local experts to encourage something of the sort at our schools in Honolulu.

Long and McLoughlin should arrive today on the Moana, and it is to be hoped that the original scheme of having them stay over a week or so is adhered to, as Roth and Gee would like to have another go at the pair.

## Withington Boys Highly Honored

Hawaii is certainly on the map as regards athletics, and the fact that Lathrop Withington, a Honolulu boy, has just been elected captain of the Harvard football team for the present year is good news to the friends of Hawaii.

Only two men—Withington and Corbett—were nominated for the position, and on the second ballot Withington was unanimously elected. The new captain played left guard on the varsity team last season, and it was his first experience of college football. He rowed on his freshmen crew last year, and was No. 5 in the winning varsity eight.

Paul Withington has also been an oarsman and rowed last year at No. 6 in the varsity eight. Lathrop Withington has also been elected president of his class; he ran as an independent in the election and polled twice as many votes as his nearest opponent.

The new captain is one of three men who have the right to wear the "H" in two major sports. Paul Withington also has the honor and is considered the best all around athlete at the University. Honolulu may well be proud of the two young men, and it all tends to show that the much abused semi-tropical climate is as good as any to live in.

Walter Camp has, in his All-America selections, given the two Withington boys a place on the teams. Paul is placed at center on the second eleven, and Lathrop at guard on the third eleven.

It is a tribute to the versatility of the President that he spoke to an audience on the Bowery in New York and was able to make himself understood without the aid of an interpreter. One who can do that may be rightfully called a linguist.

## Everything Quiet In Sporting Line

Things in the sporting line are very quiet just now, and the wet weather has spoiled what little there was doing. The soccer football men have not finished up their season yet and will play on two Saturdays more.

The wren sailing races are attracting a lot of attention every Sunday, but even they have been interfered with by the high winds. Baseball is paid for the season, and tennis tournaments are non est. The Y. M. C. A. may get up a doubles handicap in the near future, and such an event would be popular with the members.

Golf is with us always, but even the keenest of players are being discouraged by the rain. The Country Club links are looking well and the professional is doing some fine work there. Out at Haleiwa Cliff-ford Kimball is busy on the golf links and tennis courts, and the visitors to the beautiful resort have a good time on Sundays.

Boxing is dead, and the prospects of anything in that line appear poor for some time to come. Most of the bunch of trainers and mascots have gone to work, and no longer is heard the thud of the glove against the pug's point. Even Professor Bob Ross has flitted from town, and is now holding down a good job at Pearl Harbor. Ross has trained many a boxer here and in other parts of the world; what he does not know about the game is well worth being ignorant of.

There may be a slight revival of boxing in Hilo, as the recent tournament there appears to have been a success. Samuel Hop will bring back some stories of the Rainy CMY, and as "Kid" Franklin is said to be anxious to have a go at "Kid" Barnode, otherwise Clarence, a match may be arranged between them.

The anniversary of the Haleiwa Marathon is coming around, and although most of the runners have become so used to drawing down coin instead of more modest prizes, the race may come off again. It was a huge success last time, and the train that ran down to the finish was crowded with a good bunch of holiday makers.

Yes, things are dead in the sporting line just now, but there should be a general waking up when the rain ceases for a while.

## Another Ten Mile Race Is Probable

Talk of another running race over either a ten or fifteen mile course is being revived, and several men who think they can defeat Antone Kaoo are simply dying to have a go at the Hawaiian champion runner.

Jackson is confident that he can take the old Waiata Horse's scalp over fifteen miles or the full Marathon race, and he is hoping that some such race will be arranged. Jackson also thinks that he would have a good chance against Kaoo over ten miles, but it would be hard to convince anybody else that he really has.

Frank Scharsch is a man who really is capable of extending Kaoo over ten miles, and a race between the two would be a fine one. It will be remembered that Scharsch ran a beautiful race in the league ground Marathon, and that he and downey lead the field by a lot up to the ten mile post.

Scharsch also did remarkably well in the Haleiwa Marathon and up till the time he got the cramps at Pearl City was a long way in the lead. He, if properly trained, should cover the ten miles in fast time, and as Bill Chilton is said to have made up his mind to train Scharsch, it may be that a new champion will meet the honors from the old Hawaiian.

Taukamoto is said to have just favor with his countrymen, and, although he put up a game race against Kaoo, the men who backed him to win are reported to have given him the cold shoulder.

The Athletic Park is still in a muddy condition, and there seems to be no chance of the Diamond Head-J. A. C. games coming off. The wet weather has disorganized everything and the prospects are that all idea of the series will be dropped till next baseball season.

The suggestion that legislation be enacted requiring licenses for football games in the District of Columbia evidently was inspired by a desire to make the sport at least as safe as the pistol-carrying habit—Reno Evening Gazette.

## Poultry Show Opens Next Week

This evening at 5 o'clock the entry list for the poultry show will close, and everyone with a decent chicken had better get a move on and pay a visit to E. O. Hall's sporting department before the hour mentioned. L. C. Ables is in charge of the entry list and he will give all the information necessary.

The show will open next Wednesday and will be continued for four days. The National Guard Armory has been borrowed for the occasion, and, judging from the entry lists, the show will be one of the best and largest ever brought off in Hawaii. Some excellent specimens of the different breeds will be benched, and the high standard of past years will be maintained, if not improved upon. There are many poultry fanciers in Honolulu, and the different types of birds are all well represented on Oahu. The poultry show has always attracted a big crowd of lovers of "biddy," and this year's exhibition should prove no exception to the rule.

## Local and Coast Auto Doings

The utility of the automobile ambulance and its great advantage over the horse-drawn ambulance was again demonstrated a few days ago when the Studebaker ambulance made a run of more than 264 miles, going by way of Sausalito, Mill Valley, Petaluma, Napa, Fairfield, Elmira, Woodland, thence back to Fairfield, thence Suisun, Cordelia, Hercules, Port Costa and Oakland. Between Port Costa and Oakland the roads were found in the best condition says the Chronicle.

C. A. King started from Mill Valley and proceeded to Woodland. According to King the road from here to Napa was in fairly good condition, but from Napa to Woodland the ambulance negotiated roads which were in very bad shape, due largely to the recent rains and also to the fact that the course which King followed was one which is very seldom used and consequently filled with bowlders, mud, tree stumps and almost every obstacle conceivable.

The Studebakers state that this is the first time that an automobile ambulance now in commission in the West has made such a long run. Despite the bad condition of the road between Napa and Woodland there was a noticeable absence of jars and jolts.

The average parts factory is being hammered from morning till night every day in the week and month by manufacturers clamoring for immediate delivery. When one manufacturer succeeds in getting his parts, another has to suffer, because he has to wait for his car. Doubtless the situation will adjust itself in time. There will be an increase in the manufacture of parts in this country. That is absolutely imperative. New companies will, in time, ease up the pressure.

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While the views of the editor of "Harper's Weekly" are not entirely our own they undoubtedly represent the sane views of a temperance man.

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