

AMERICANS LEAD AT PARIS

WIN AND QUALIFY IN ALL INTERNATIONAL CONTESTS.

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Paris, July 14.—The meeting for the amateur athletic championship of the world opened this morning at the grounds of the Racing Club of France, in the Bois de Boulogne. It was decidedly the most brilliant and most successful ever held here. Three-quarters of the spectators were Americans, including General Porter, Mrs. and Miss Porter, Mrs. Potter Palmer, Mrs. Beach Grant, Mrs. Fanny Reed, Mr. and Mrs. John Munroe, Mr. and Mrs. George Munroe, Mr. James Deering, Mr. and Mrs. Edwards Blair, Mrs. Samuel Untermyer, Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Wick, Mr. and Mrs. Outhwaite, Mrs. Spreckels, the Duchess of Dino, Mrs. Waddington, Miss King, Countess Boni de Castellani, Senator Chauncey M. Depew, Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus McCormick, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Walsh, Mrs. William Tiffany, Mrs. Donald Cameron, Mr. and Mrs. Sharon, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. L. Z. Leiter, the Misses Leiter, Mrs. C. P. Abbott, Miss Margaret Abbott and Miss Moore.

In spite of a tropical sun, causing the thermometer to register 85 degrees Fahrenheit in the shade, the American contingent of athletes is in splendid trim. French experts express surprise at the youth of the American champions. The Americans are in perfect training, their frugal life at Versailles having agreed with them immensely. They have all implicitly followed their trainers' instructions in a thousand little things to avoid in the way of eating and drinking, without unnecessarily codding themselves.

DETAILS OF THE GAMES.

SUCCESS OF AMERICAN ATHLETES IN THE GAMES HELD AT PARIS.

Paris, July 14.—The American athletes, fresh from their victories in London, won the only two contests decided to-day, and secured leading places in all the trials which occurred on the opening day of the world's amateur championships, held under the auspices of the Exposition, at the Paris Racing Club, in Pré-Catelan. The latter is a charmingly situated glade in the Bois de Boulogne. Its pretty surroundings, however, were hardly adequate compensation for the poor accommodation provided for the visitors, which will be seriously felt on the days of the crowds, but no inconvenience was experienced to-day, the meagre attendance being astonishing to the American and English visitors, accustomed to see thousands at athletic contests of such international importance as that to-day. Not more than a thousand spectators were present, and the majority of these came from America. In fact, the meeting resembled more American college sports than international championships held abroad. Two small stands only were provided for the spectators, and only one of these was fairly filled, chiefly with American girls, who wore the colors of the various American colleges competing. A part of the leading stand was reserved for Americans, and it was gayly bedecked with the National colors.

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QUALIFIED IN THE BROAD JUMP.

They also have three out of the five men who have qualified for the final in the broad jump, and three, in leading places, out of the five qualifying for the final in the shot-putting contest, while Sheldon will represent the United States in the remaining contest, the discus throwing, which, judging from to-day's performance, is likely to be the only contest which the Americans will fail to carry off, out of the eight in which they took part.

The feature of the meeting was not only the number of contests the Americans won, but the ease with which they outstripped their competitors, often finishing first and second in the trial heats, laughing, side by side, and in a canter.

The 110-metre hurdle race was divided into three preliminary heats. Kraenzlein, University of Pennsylvania; Moloney, University of Chicago; McClain, University of Michigan; and Chisolm, a Frenchman, ran in the first heat and finished in the order named. Chisolm was outclassed and left the track without clearing the last jump.

Pritchard, an Englishman; Remington, of the University of Pennsylvania, and Levis, of Syracuse, competed and finished in the second heat as named. A Frenchman, Lecuyer, had a walk-over in the third heat. The seconds and thirds of these heats contested for entries in the final race, which were secured by Moloney and McClain. In the final Kraenzlein won without being hard pushed, in 15.2 seconds, which equals the French record on the turf.

In the discus throwing twenty men competed, chiefly Hungarians, Swedes and Greeks. The Americans furnished a contingent of five—McCracken, Hare, Garrett, Flanagan and Sheldon. The last named alone secured a place among the five who will fight for the final. Sheldon made long puts, but they were badly directed, striking a tree or the fence. He gained third place with 34 metres 10 centimetres. A Hungarian, Bauer, was first, with 36 metres 4 centimetres; Janda, a Bohemian, was second, with 35 metres 4 centimetres.

LONG DISTANCE CONTESTS.

The preliminary heat of the 800 metres flat race brought eight Americans on the track out of thirteen runners. The closest of the three heats was the first, in which Tysoe, an Englishman; Grant and Drumkeller, both of Pennsylvania; a Dane named Christensen, Hall, of Brown University; a Frenchman named Salomez, and Hayes, of Michigan University, competed. Hayes made the running until turning into the stretch, when Hall and Tysoe worked to the front and Tysoe won a hard race by half a yard in 1:50.

The second heat was won by a Frenchman, Delage. A Hungarian, Spelde, was second, and Brodoff, Syracuse University, was third. The last named headed the contestants for three-quarters of the distance, and looked like a winner until Delage and Spelde passed him in the former winning comparatively easily in 2:00-3-5. His victory was hailed with enthusiasm by the French spectators, who otherwise were rarely demonstrative, but who were slow to cheer. He took things leisurely, and the general opinion is that he will have to be seriously reckoned with in the final.

The third heat was contested among the Americans—Cregan, of Princeton; Bray, of Williams and Lord, of Chicago University, finishing in this order. The first and second in these heats complete in the final.

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Duffy was selected by practically everybody as a certain winner, and his splendid performance in the preliminary and semi-final, winning as he did apparently without effort, strengthened this opinion. When the pistol was fired for the final he left the mark like a shot, and had already assumed what appeared to be a decisive lead when he was seen to totter, and a moment later he fell heavily to the ground. A groan of disappointment and sympathy rose from the Americans, which changed almost immediately into a shout of victory as Jarvis breast the winning tape two feet ahead of Tewksbury, with Rowley, the Australian, a close third, thus securing the trophy for America in spite of Duffy's misfortune.

The first heat of the 100-metre dash was won by Duffy, with Moloney second. An Austrian, Naoy, also ran. The second heat was won by Tewksbury, with McClain, of the University of Pennsylvania, second. A Hungarian, Koppán, also ran. In the third heat Jarvis, of Princeton, was first, and St. Aubrey Rowley, the champion of New South Wales, was second. An Italian, Colombo, and a German, Key, also competed. In the fourth heat, Jarvis, of Princeton, won, followed by a German, Doerly, was second, and a Dane, Gandil, also took part in this race. The fifth heat was won by Pritchard, an Englishman, with Moloney, of Georgetown University, second. A Hungarian, Schubert, and a German, Westerman, also ran. In the sixth heat Burroughs, of Chicago University, won. Boardman, of Yale, was second. Sheldon, of Georgetown University, also ran. The semi-finals were won by Duffy, Tewksbury, Jarvis and Rowley. The best time was 0:10-4-5 seconds, made by Jarvis in the preliminary and Tewksbury in the semi-final.

SHELDON'S GOOD WORK.

The shot putting came next, and the foreign contingent had no show. The contest assumed a character of friendly rivalry among the Americans, whose final victory was a certainty. Sheldon, who holds the record for this distance, upped his reputation and dropped the lead ahead of the others. McCracken, of the University of Pennsylvania, was nearest to him, with Garrett, of Princeton, third. Sheldon's best put was 13 metres 80 centimetres; McCracken's was 12 metres 85 centimetres, and Garrett's 12 metres 35 centimetres. Sheldon thus did not do so well as he did in London last Saturday.

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EASY VICTORY FOR AMERICANS.

The concluding race of the day, the 400-metre hurdle, brought five men to the tape, although there were ten entries. Both heats were won by Americans, Tewksbury, of the University of Pennsylvania, taking the first, and Levis, of Syracuse, second. Nedved, an Austrian, was unplaced. Orton, of the University of Pennsylvania, secured the second heat from Tausin, a Frenchman, his only competitor. Levis, Tewksbury, Orton and Tausin will contest in the final. The time of neither heat was worth mentioning, as none of the Americans gave themselves any unnecessary exertion.

The introduction of American college cheers into to-day's proceedings was a complete revelation to the Frenchmen and other foreigners. The first of the latter apparently imagined some invasion of wild Indians had occurred, but after hearing the various cries about a hundred times in the day they appreciated the fact that it was simply an outburst of American enthusiasm or encouragement of the college men, a number of whom were present. The Frenchmen, however, could not become reconciled to this form of cheering, and they were heard to frequently exclaim, "What a band of savages!" The American methods of starting, jumping and shot putting were also of interest to the Europeans, who watched curiously the crouching posture of the sprinters as they waited for the firing of the pistol, and the elaborate preparations of each American athlete in fixing the length to run for a jump, and to them, peculiar form of shot putting.

The physique of the Americans compared favorably with that of the Europeans, and Sheldon's figure attracted such attention that he was amusingly christened by the Frenchmen "the little baby."

The natty college costumes of the Americans were a decided contrast to the homed-made attire of some of the best European athletes, who instead of donning a sweater or a bathrobe after the trials, walked about in straw hats and light overcoats.

Much confusion marked several stages of the proceedings, though the officials were always courteous and well intentioned, and no American athlete was heard to complain of any unfair or unkind action on their part.

Duffy was disappointed at his collapse. He said to a representative of the press:

I don't know why my leg gave way. I felt a peculiar twitching after going twenty yards. I was in full control of it, and suddenly it gave out, throwing me on my face. That is one of the chances of sport, and I cannot complain. I am glad the race went to an American. I do not think I can compete again here.

The prizes offered are valued at 400 francs for the first, 200 francs for the second, and 250 francs for the third in the foot races, and 250 francs for the first and 80 francs for the second in the other sports.

NATIONAL ATHLETIC CLUB GAMES.

The National Athletic Club will hold open athletic games at Montevideo and Street Park at Long Beach, Long Island, on August 4. One of the features of the meet will be the shot put, which is open to men weighing 150 pounds or under. The contests are as follows: One hundred yard dash, handicap; 440 yard dash, handicap; one mile run, handicap; 880 yard run, novice; one mile bicycle race, novice; putting 12 pound shot.

ORANGE ATHLETICS WIN.

Orange, N. J., July 14 (Special).—The Orange Athletic Club defeated the Knickerbocker Athletic Club on the Orange Oval this afternoon in a hard fought contest. The score was twice tied, and Kellogg saved the day in the ninth inning by his three bagger, which carried in the winning run. Both sides played snappy ball, although there were many errors. Score:

Orange Athletics, 0 0 0 2 0 1 1 0 1 7  
Knickerbocker Athletics, 0 0 0 0 2 0 0 4 1 7  
Batteries—Lawson and O'Neil; Dismay and Wood.

RIFLE SHOOTING AT BISLEY.

London, July 14.—Among the winners of the small money prizes at Bisley to-day, "The Graphic" Cup competition, were the following Canadians: Lieutenant Munroe, with a score of 32; Lieutenant Smith, 31; Captain Kirkpatrick, 31; Sergeant McVittie, 31; Sergeant Corrigan, 31; Private Milligan, 30, and Private Langstaff, 30, out of a possible

YANKEE AGAIN VICTOR.

FICKLE FORTUNE AIDED MR. DURVEA'S SKILL.

YACHT RACES OFF NEWPORT FURNISHED EXCITING SPORT—MINEOLA'S GAME RACE.

(BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.)

Newport, R. I., July 14.—Patches of dark clouds were flying over all the Newport scenery as the yachts gathered at the Brenton Reef lightship to-day, and the northwest wind was tumbling the water back over a heavy dead roll that was coming in from the southwest. The four seventies were hovering about, trying the wind, but setting nothing in the way of a top-sail, while each wanted to see what the other would do. W. K. Vanderbilt's Virginia was the first to send up a kite, which proved to be a second sized clubtop-sail. The Rainbow followed with some sign, which was also set by the Mineola and the Yankee.

The thirty-mile race was laid out on a course fifteen miles southeast, half south, from the lightship and back. The preparatory signal was sounded at 11:00, and the seventies got their way to windward of the line, and the quarter of a mile to windward of the line, and then came down, setting their spinnakers as they came. The Mineola made a beautiful start, breaking out her big wing just as she came to the line, and the Yankee, sailed by Mr. Durvea, crossed second, further shoreward.

AT THE FINISH.

The result is that this honors are easy between the Mineola and the Yankee, for although the latter boat won a second time, Wringe had her ready when he came in from his long and rocky race, and the signal showed that he was in a position to cross first at the time the shift came which put him to leeward. Wringe corroborates the facts here stated. On the Mineola's race she sailed in 50 minutes 42 seconds, and the Rainbow 6 minutes 33 seconds. The results follow:

Table with columns: Boat and owner, Time, and other details for the 30-mile race.

AT TWENTY MILES—SPECIAL THIRTY-FOOTERS.

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AT THE START.

The thirties started at 11:30, the Hera, sailed by Ralph N. Ellis, crossing first, followed by Mr. Page's Wawa and H. O. Havemeyer's Esperanza. Nothing occurred on the run until the two last seventies and a shift of wind and jibbed mainlofts to port at 11:55. Soon after the leading boats, the Mineola and the Yankee, became likewise affected, and then all the fleet hoisted spinnakers to starboard except the Yankee. The Mineola here got away a little through quick handling of sail, but Mr. Durvea evidently thought the wind was coming more southerly and held to his balloon jib only, dropping back to third place, the order being the Mineola, the Virginia, the Yankee and the Rainbow.

At 12:11 the committee steamer Edward Luckenbach crossed the course of the fifty-ones, in which the two leaders, the Shark and the Altair, were carrying balloon jibs with spinnakers, while the Syce, a quarter of a mile in the rear, was carrying balloon foresail and jib with the spinnaker. The new Sista, which looks more like a cruising vessel than the others, had both the largest balloons set. The wind had now fallen light, and the Rainbow took in her gaff topsail at 12:45, and then set another, which seemed larger. The boats were rolling the wind out of everything in these weakening airs, and the southeasterly ocean swell, which had lasted against contrary local winds for two days, was as large as ever.

The Syce was here seen picking up the seventies and leading her own class by some distance, and was not far from the Virginia, which had fallen back greatly from her own class. Shortly after 1 o'clock the Yankee and the Rainbow took a start and passed the Mineola. All except the Yankee were carrying spinnakers, and soon the others doused theirs. The wind now increased considerably and the yachts struck out a good gait, all three carrying the same balloon headsail, the Mineola dropping behind.

At 1:20 the Yankee had to luff out to prevent herself being passed by the Rainbow, but they did not waste much time at luffing, as the Mineola was so close at hand. As these three came to the buoy the excitement increased, as the Mineola was holding to her balloon jib longer than the others, coming right down on them. The Yankee was compelled to take too short a curve at the mark because she could not shoot away from her course to shut out the Rainbow. Consequently the latter could choose her own curve and take the mark by the wind. The Yankee merely close hauled and stood out on the starboard tack, and so did the Mineola, which rounded third, but the Rainbow came in stays round the mark and headed off on what was expected to be the long leg home. The two others quickly saw her advantage and followed her, but it was soon seen that the course was almost a dead beat to windward. The times at this leeward fifteen-mile mark were:

Table with columns: Boat and owner, Time, and other details for the 15-mile race.

THE VIRGINIA'S SPURT.

When W. K. Vanderbilt brought the Virginia around this leeward mark he followed the course of the Rainbow and stayed at once into the port tack, and did some good sailing, which soon put his boat back into the consideration of the spectators and into a good place in the race. After some short tacks the Mineola, on the starboard tack, put the Yankee about. The Yankee was then second boat, the Rainbow being first. Then Wringe took the Mineola out on a long tack to the westward, which at the time seemed a risky thing to do, when the whole of the fleet was standing along the shore and open to all chances of favor in that direction.

All the yachts were carrying baby jibtopsails on the beat to windward, and the Mineola continued her solitary starboard tack till 1:50 o'clock, when she turned into the port tack and went northerly. There were great reversals to be now experienced. At this time the yachts inshore seemed to have the best of it. The Yankee had to sail through the Rainbow's lee to get clear of her, and at 2 o'clock the wind was blowing fresh, with the Yankee slowly eating out ahead of the Rainbow, and the Virginia well in front, though far to leeward.

Holding a fair place in the race, these three heading north one-quarter west on the port tack. In the mean time there was much speculation as to how the Mineola would be found placed when the fleet focused again nearer the lightship, but the Mineola was quietly sawing wood far away from the others, and nobody dared to express a decided opinion as to which was ahead. For a while, about 2:45 o'clock, the luck was with the Mineola, as she had a fine breeze, while the others were too straight up and down to be happy. The result, when it came, was surprising. It was found as the boats came nearer together that the Mineola was to windward. On the northwest wind she had them all beaten. Then came a change of wind that suddenly altered the Mineola from first position to last. The wind suddenly veered northerly, making the Yankee and the Virginia the leaders, and the Mineola the last boat of the fleet on the previous wind, was now placed ahead of the Mineola by the shift of wind. The Mineola came in and stayed around the stern of the Rainbow, and the Yankee and the Virginia, which had gone into the starboard tack as soon as they got the north wind, headed north-northwest on their due course for the lightship.

It was an amusing finish to a hard fought race, in which fortune was as fickle as a house fly, and the final victory for the Yankee came like a bolt out of a clear sky. If the wind had gone still further toward the Virginia would have been the first boat in, because she had been further out ahead, though to leeward, than the others, and the pressure of the wind she owed her lead over the Rainbow at the finish to the same wind shift. It should be said, though, that the Virginia, with J. F. Tams on board, was played for what she could get, and in holding to the same tack all the way from the outer mark showed a judgment which met with much admiration.

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