ROUGH PLAY MARS FAST HOCKEY GAME

Crescent A. C. Seven Scores Five Goals to None for Irish-American Team.

MACDONNELL RULED OFF

Slashing, Body Checking and Tripping Send Many of the Players Off Ice for Two Minutes.

In the roughest game of the season the Crescent Athletic Club hockey team defeated the Irish-American Athletic Club seven at the St. Nicholas Rink last night, by a score of 5 goals to 0. The contest was the first in the second round of the Amateur Hockey League championship series, and as the team from Brooklyn now has a standing of two games each way, it is regarded as still having a fighting chance. On the other hand, the Irish team, with four straight defeats, is hopelessly out of the running.

When the game began it was noticed that another of the old guard had returned to the Crescent line-up, Dobby taking the place of Reinmund, who was compelled to remain inactive because of an injury to his back. Dobby had had little or no practice, but the veteran acquitted himself creditably at centre. Carhart, the former Yale player, guarded the Crescent cage and proved a stone wall. In fact, Dr. Mills was not missed.

Little happened out of the ordinary during the early moments of the contest, both sides playing fast, clean hockey. It was noticed, however, that the puck was kept in the vicinity of the Irish cage the greater part of the time and had it not been for the clever blocking of Mitchell, the scoring on Crescent's part would have begun much sooner.

As it was, the first goal went to the credit of Scarborough, who after getting the rubber almost directly in front of his own cage rushed down the centre, evaded Macdonnell and then shot the rubber past Mitchell, the time being 7:35. That was the only goal made during the first half, and up to that time comparatively little roughness had marred the play, only two penalties being imposed.

There was a far different story in the second half, for between penalties, goals and offside play the referee kept tooting his whistle almost as regularly as a ferryboat in a fog. Apparently becoming peevish at their inability to make any headway against their opponents, the Irish players soon cut loose with a brand of rough play seldom seen in the local rink. The Crescent skaters promptly caught the spirit and gave as good as they received.

Macdonnell got a rest of three minutes for body checking, and a few seconds later Rogers, the point on the Irish team, had to go off for slashing. There were then only five representatives of the green and white team on the ice, and it was during that period that Dobby scored on a pass from Brown. The time was 9:13. Half a minute later Scarborough dodged through the opposition in brilliant fashion for another count.

Penalties then followed each other in rapid sequence, Garon being sent to the side for tripping Shirreff, Kinsella for tripping Kennedy and Macdonnell for hooking. As it was Macdonnell's third offense of the evening, William Russell, the referee, told him to remain out for the rest of the game.

Near the end of the half Shirreff and Garon, who didn't appear to be on the most friendly terms, were sent off simultaneously for body checking. Before receiving his rest Shirreff scored a goal with one of his old time brilliant rushes, while Scarborough again shot the puck past Mitchell, it being the third one for this clever left wing.

When the game ended both sides had men off the ice. There were twelve penalties imposed, quite a difference from one of the games in the same rink last week, when not a player on either team had to go to the side lines for infractions of the rules.

Crescent A. C. (5).	Pos.	Irish-Am. A. C. (0).
Carhart	G.	Mitchell
Brown	P.	Rogers
Dufresne	C. P.	Garon
Shirreff	R.	Kinsella
Dobby	C.	Macdonnell
Scarborough	L. W.	Harmon
Kennedy	R. W.	Smith

Goals—For Crescent, Scarborough (3), Dobby (1), Shirreff (1). Penalties—Macdonnell, for tripping, 1 minute; Dufresne, for tripping, 2 minutes; Macdonnell, for body checking, 3 minutes; Kennedy, for hooking, 2 minutes; Brown, for body checking, 2 minutes; Dufresne, for tripping, 2 minutes; Rogers, for slashing, 2 minutes; Garon, for tripping, 2 minutes; Macdonnell, for hooking, out of game; Kinsella, for tripping, 2 minutes; Garon, for body checking, 2 minutes; Shirreff, for body checking, 2 minutes.

Referee—William Russell, Hockey Club. Assistant referee—"Jimmy" Britton, Hockey Club. Goal umpires—H. Ralph, Irish-American, and R. Gordon, Hockey Club. Timekeepers—George Stebbins, Crescent A. C., and R. Condon, Wanderers. Penalty timers—R. Croker, Wanderers, and Ralph Reinmund, Crescent A. C. Time of halves—Twenty minutes each.

ATHLETES WHO WERE SEEN AT THE PASTIME GAMES LAST NIGHT.

TWO FAST BOUTS PROMISED

Leach and Phil Cross to Clash with Shugrue and Brown.

Plenty of fast boxing is looked for in Madison Square Garden this evening, as Billy Gibson has arranged a card of unusual quality. Following several preliminaries there will be two ten-round contests, in one of which will be Leach Cross, of this city, and "Young" Joe Shugrue, of Jersey City, while in the other Phil Cross will clash with "Young" Jack O'Brien.

In the opinion of many ring followers Shugrue has developed into one of the most dangerous lightweights in the East, and simply needs this bout to prove that he is in line for a match with either Willie Ritchie or Joe Rivers. Cross is at his best just now, as was shown in his recent battle with Rivers.

Shugrue's big following from across the Hudson will be on hand at the ringside. Cross, too, will have the usual wild-eyed crowd of East Siders to root for him. The weight is 134 pounds at 7 o'clock.

O'Brien and Phil Cross have agreed to weigh 138 pounds at 6 o'clock, which means that they will be full fledged welterweights when they enter the ring. O'Brien is a wonderful boxer, who in spite of limited experience has whipped Wolgast and K. O. Brown. He is growing rapidly and soon will be in the middleweight class.

In Brother Phil he will meet a rough, energetic slugger, who always gives the public a good run for the money. In point of interest there isn't much to choose between these bouts, for the contestants are widely and favorably known.

MURPHY IN SARCASTIC VEIN

Admits Getting Sharp Warning from Frank Chance.

Chicago, Jan. 28.—Charles Webb Murphy, president of the Cubs, admitted today the receipt of the much-discussed telegram of warning from Frank Chance. He said:

"The California telegram is here. It was on my desk this morning.

"We shall submit to no more interviews on the playing strength of the Cubs, or give out any statements on our future prospects until we first get Chance's approval.

"In the mean time Chance or anybody else has my consent to tell anything about me. I have refrained from indulging in any controversy with Chance, not through fear, but because of sympathy for his nervous condition following his recent operation."

Chance's message, which was not shown by Murphy, is said to have contained the following:

"I consider it beneath my dignity to answer any of your insinuations regarding myself. However, if I hear of any more interviews with you derogatory to me I will shut you up as quickly as I did last fall. This goes!"

REILLY KNOCKS OUT DILLON.

"Young" Reilly, the West Side lightweight, made short work of Dave Dillon, of Jersey City, knocking him out in the first round of a ten-round bout at Brown's gymnasium last night.

After about two minutes of boxing, in which Reilly was the aggressor, he landed a hard left on Dillon's jaw, sending him down for the full count.

The semi-final was a hard six-round battle between "Battling Larry" Ryan and "Chicago Jack," with the former having a slight shade of the honors.

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Demand Made for Return of Jim Thorpe's Prizes

Indian Quoted as Saying He May Play Baseball.

WARNER SCENTS A PLOT

Is Reported as Insisting That Great Athlete Shall Not Sign with Pirates.

James E. Sullivan, secretary of the Amateur Athletic Union and United States Commissioner to the Olympic Games, has addressed a letter to M. Friedman, superintendent of the Carlisle Indian School, asking him to forward the trophies won by Jim Thorpe, the self-confessed professional, at the Olympic games, so that they may be sent to the men who finished second in the decathlon and pentathlon at Stockholm, Sweden, last July.

Mr. Friedman in his letter to Mr. Sullivan said the trophies were at the disposition of the latter.

The feeling among a number of athletes in this city, yesterday, appeared to be that Thorpe was as much sinned against as sinning, and expressions of sympathy were heard on all sides. Martin Sheridan, who had the world's all-around record until it was smashed by Thorpe last September, said:

"I don't want that record back and I would give most anything to see Jim cleared. He is the greatest athlete that ever lived."

Barney Dreyfuss, chief owner of the Pittsburgh Pirates, denied, yesterday, that Thorpe had signed a contract to play with his team, and insisted that the rumor was without foundation.

Thorpe may take up professional baseball, however, as the following Associated Press despatch from Carlisle, Pa., last night indicated:

"James Thorpe says his fondness and fitness for athletics probably will result in his making baseball his profession, since participation in all forms of amateur athletics is now denied him. He has not yet signed with any team, although numerous offers have been made him since last summer. He receives sympathy rather than censure here. He has been popular while at the school and has not displayed a professional spirit."

From Philadelphia came a story in which Thorpe was quoted as saying:

"There is only one thing for me to do now, and dthat is to play baseball as a professional. I don't know yet what team I will go with. I have received several offers, but will take my time about making a decision. I may go with Pittsburgh, but I can't say positively yet that I will."

Glen Warner, coach of the Carlisle Indian School, also was quoted from the same source as saying:

"I believe a certain scout in the employ of the Pirates had a good deal to do with this affair. It was planned to get a lot of advertising and to then get Thorpe to sign a contract. Thorpe is no longer an amateur and, of course, I will have nothing more to do with him from an athletic standpoint, but I should not like him to sign with an outfit that engineered his unmasking."

Warner seems to take the disgrace of Thorpe much more to heart than does Thorpe himself. The Indian looks at the entire affair in a matter of fact manner and refuses to discuss it openly. He refers all inquirers to Warner.

Dr. R. Tait MacKenzie, physical director of the University of Pennsylvania, when asked about that part of Thorpe's admission which implicated other college men, said:

"It is a deplorable fact that a large number of students engaged in amateur sports could be disbarred if their records were fully known. This is particularly true with baseball players. Most of them do not realize the seriousness of the offence when they play on a professional team during the vacation period. But they have to lie to participate further in amateur sports, and they do lie."

Dr. Carl Williams disagreed with Dr. MacKenzie. He declared that he believed few college athletes participated in professional games.

Thorpe was quoted from Carlisle as saying:

"As every one around here knows, I have never really been a professional in spirit, although technically guilty. I have refused good offers from a number of baseball clubs, as I really hoped to continue athletic work along the lines I liked as an amateur. This position in which I have been placed really forces me to become a professional in spirit, as I can't continue, of course, in amateur competition. I will likely play baseball, but I have by no means decided what team I will connect with."

Thorpe received a flood of letters and telegrams expressing regret and sympathy.

NO CENSURE FROM SWEDEN

Suggested Even That Thorpe Should Hold Olympic Prizes.

Stockholm, Jan. 28.—Swedish newspapers, commenting on the disclosure that James Thorpe, of the Carlisle Indian School, was a professional athlete when he competed in the Olympic games held here last summer, commend the honesty displayed by the Americans in making the fact known.

Leading authorities in the field of sport here express the opinion that Thorpe is entitled to retain the prizes he won in the pentathlon and decathlon, as the question of his status as an amateur has been raised too late.

LITTLE COMMENT ABROAD

London Papers Pay Scant Attention to Thorpe Case.

London, Jan. 28.—The case of James Thorpe, the Carlisle Indian School athlete, who has confessed to being a professional, has called forth little comment here up to the present time. Among the evening papers "The Globe" is the only one to devote a brief paragraph to the subject editorially. It says:

"While it is disagreeable to find one of the most prominent American athletes convicted of professionalism, the Amateur Athletic Union of the United States is to be congratulated on having acted promptly and returning all the prizes won by the athlete in question. Surely, however, the standing of a competitor ought to have been discovered before and not after the Olympic games."

REDS AFTER JIM THORPE.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

Cincinnati, Jan. 28.—August Herrmann, president of the Cincinnati Reds, announced to-day that he is after Jim Thorpe, of the Carlisle Indian School. Mr. Herrmann said negotiations have been pending for some time, but now that the Indian is out of Amateur sports the effort to land him will be pushed with vigor. He added that he had made an excellent offer.

If Thorpe can be induced to sign a Cincinnati contract he will be used as an extra pitcher and utility man.

BROWNS ALSO WANT THORPE.

St. Louis, Jan. 28.—Colonel Robert L. Hedges, president of the St. Louis club of the American League, said to-night he was making efforts to obtain the services of James Thorpe, who has announced he may play professional baseball.

If Hedges should obtain Thorpe he would have two former Carlisle stars, as Joe Balinti, outfielder, has signed a contract for 1913.

HERE'S JUST ONE MORE.

Chicago, Jan. 28.—James Thorpe is wanted by the Chicago club of the American League. Jimmy Callahan, manager of the club, entered the competition for Thorpe to-day by telegraphing him to name his terms.

MORRIS MARKSMEN IN LEAD.

The second team of the Morris High School, of The Bronx, retained its subtarget championship of the Public Schools Athletic League by defeating the Boys' High School, of Brooklyn, on the latter's gun yesterday. The score was 160 to 152.

Hoffman, of the Bronx school, had the only clear card of 35.

KOLEHMAINEN AND DREW MEET DEFEAT

Finn Runs a Plucky Race in Three-Mile Handicap, but Field Is Too Fast.

NEGRO RUNNER PENALIZED

Baker and Goodwin, Also Favorites, Fail to Carry Off Honors at Pastime Indoor Games.

Hannes Kolehmainen, the world's champion long distance runner, starting from scratch, was beaten in the three-mile handicap race which was the feature of the thirty-seventh annual renewal of the indoor track and field games of the Pastime Athletic Club, held in the armory of the 22d Regiment, last night. Kolehmainen allowed handicaps up to 175 yards to one of the fastest fields that has broken from the line in this city, and, while the gritty Finn ran a plucky race from start to finish, he was lead over the line by George Holden, of the Yonkers branch of the Young Men's Christian Association, who started from the 140-yard mark, and Eddie Jordan, the "war horse" of the Xavier Athletic Club, who had a start of 150 yards. Kolehmainen finished about fifty yards behind the leaders. The time of the winner was 14 minutes and 28 seconds, while Kolehmainen was timed separately in 14:36 2-5, which is 7 seconds behind the world's record, held by George Bonhag, for the distance.

It seemed at the early stages of the race as if the little Finn might be able to catch the limit men, for seldom has he shown better form on this side of the Atlantic. He moved along with little apparent effort, fairly eating up the distance and passing man after man. Louis Scott, the South Paterson flyer, was allowed forty yards over the Olympic champion, and Harry Smith had twenty-five yards. It required only three turns of the track for Kolehmainen to catch them, and, then pulled along by the pace, he set out after the leaders. Slowly, but with grim certainty, he crept up until at last only Holden and Jordan were out in front of him. He sprinted gamely, but was never able to catch the men in front of him.

Howard P. Drew, the negro sprinter, from Springfield, started in the 60-yard dash but was unable to get a place in the finals. He won his heat in 6 4-5 seconds, but he broke from the mark in the semi-final heat and was penalized one yard for the offence. He was never able to get up with the leaders and Larry Cahill, of the Dominican Lyceum, bore off the prize, with Will Storey second and C. A. Hoyt in third place.

One of the surprises of the meeting was the defeat of Homer Baker, the New York Athletic Club flyer, in the final heat of the 600-yard handicap run. Baker romped home in his heats, and it was practically conceded that barring ill luck he would win the finals. Baker, however, found himself opposed by a slashing field of mid-distance runners, who refused to yield an inch. He hung back in the ruck, running next to last, to be exact, until the gun lap, and then he went out in vain pursuit of the leaders. He closed like a streak, but fourth place was the best he could win.

Another popular favorite to go down to defeat was Eddie Goodwin, the bicycle racer of the Irish-American Athletic Club, in the two-mile cycle race. Goodwin was beaten in most decisive style by P. L. Kane, of the Empire City Wheelmen, who had an allowance of 120 yards on the scratch men. Walter Lenngren, of the Irish-American, was set down for thirty days for causing a spill which might have been fatal to some of the men.

Riding in the second heat with four other men, Lenngren tried to pass into the lead on the inside, where he should have ridden around the field; the men in front of him naturally refused to yield the rail, and in a trice all hands piled up in a tangle on the floor.

The medley relay race was won by the first team of the Pastime A. C. after a hot contest with the Dominican Lyceum men. The second team of the Pastime A. C. was third.

The summaries follow:

60-yard dash (handicap)—Won by L. J. Cahill, Dominican Lyceum (8 feet); W. Story, New York A. C. (15 feet), second; C. Hoyt, New York A. C. (8 feet), third. Time, 0:06 3-5.

880-yard run (closed to Church Athletic Club; handicap)—Won by E. Post, St. Bartholomew A. C. (35 yards); J. Ball, St. Agnes A. A. (20 yards), second; A. Baitfield, Knights of St. Anthony (15 yards), third. Time, 2:05 1-5.

Running high jump—Won by Egan Ericson, Mohawk A. C. (scratch), with an actual jump of 6 feet 1 inch; F. Lauterbaum, Clarke House A. A. (7 inches), second, with an actual leap of 5 feet 6 inches; A. Moller, unattached (4 inches), third, with leap of 5 feet 8 inches.

One-mile run—Won by C. McCann, unattached (50 yards); T. Snead, Elizabeth Y. M. C. A. (75 yards), second; E. Moran, unattached (10 yards), third. Time, 4:27.

Two-mile bicycle race—Won by P. L. Kane, Empire City Wheelmen (120 yards); G. Bowker, G. A. C. (50 yards), second; James Schuster, Empire City Wheelmen (80 yards), third. Time, 4:58 3-5.

600-yard run—Won by H. Oltman, National A. C. (17 yards); Hal Hackeng, West Side Y. M. C. A. (10 yards), second; H. Desmond, Smart Set A. C. (14 yards), third. Time, 1:15.

Two-mile walk—Won by W. Plant, Long Island A. C. (35 yards); W. T. Allen, Glencoe A. C. (40 yards), second; F. Plant, Long Island A. C. (scratch), third. Time, 15:32.

Medley relay race (handicap)—Won by Pastime A. C. (first team) (58 yards) (J. Schlufer, J. J. Fitzpatrick, D. J. Shea and Miles McHugh); Dominican Lyceum (82 yards) (J. McCabe, E. Schleck, J. Hand and Gordon), second; Pastime A. C. (second team) (90 yards) (D. Daly, Glutsch, Sweeney and M. Burke), third. Time, 7:41.

Three-mile run (handicap)—Won by G. Holden, Yonkers Y. M. C. A. (140 yards); Eddie Jordan, Xavier A. C. (150 yards), second; H. Kolehmainen, Finland, third. Time, 14:28 3-5.

SIX STAR RUNNERS TO START

Suburban Quarter To Be Feature of St. Antony Indoor Games.

The suburban quarter will be the feature race of the Knights of St. Antony games at the armory of the 47th Regiment, in Brooklyn, this evening.

Reports from the West indicate that Ira Davenport will give the Eastern cracks a great run for the $500 trophy. Davenport expects to do the distance in 50 seconds. Ted Meredith should start the logical favorite for the race, in view of the wonderful speed and strength that he showed in the 600-yard handicap at the Fordham games.

The six men who have entered in the suburban are. Ted Meredith, University of Pennsylvania; Mel Sheppard, Jim Rosenberger, Ira Davenport, University of Chicago; Tom Halpin, Boston Athletic Association, and Alvah Meyer.

McFarland to Box Jack Britton

Packey McFarland and Jack Britton were matched, yesterday afternoon, to box ten rounds at Madison Square Garden. They will meet during the first week in March, the exact date to be determined later. Billy Gibson, manager of the Garden Athletic Club, talked with McFarland over the telephone, at Chicago, yesterday afternoon, and got Packey's verbal agreement.

Gibson said that he also had an understanding with Dan Morgan, Britton's manager. It is expected that the two lightweights will meet at 135 pounds, weighing in at 3 o'clock on the afternoon of the bout.

TIMELY BITS OF SPORT

Frank Chance Says He Will Arrive Here on February 10.

SENDS WORD FROM COAST

"Red" Smith, the Dashing Third Baseman of Superbas, Signs His Contract.

Frank Chance will arrive in this city on February 10 to take up his duties as manager of the Yankees. A telegram was received from him by Frank Farrell yesterday saying he would leave Los Angeles on February 6 and would come right through without a stop-over, except for about three hours in Chicago to change cars. This means he will reach this city on the Twentieth Century Limited at 9:40 o'clock on Monday morning, February 10. He will be welcome, as many details must be settled before the players report for the spring training trip to Bermuda.

Chester Hoff, who headed the list of winning pitchers of the New England League last year when with the Lawrence club, signed a contract with the Yankees yesterday. He is a left-handed pitcher, stands 5 feet 9 inches in height and weighs 162 pounds. He won sixteen out of twenty-two games last season, and Arthur Irwin thinks he will develop into a most useful member of the pitching staff under the tutelage of Frank Chance.

Bob Groom, the lanky pitcher of the Washington team, is optimistic to say the least. The little word "if" does not play an important part even if it is included in his vocabulary. He thinks the Senators will win the American League pennant this year and expresses himself as follows:

"I like our chances to win the pennant next season. The only club we have to fear is the Athletics, and if Connie Mack does not grab off a phenom pitcher in the shuffle I cannot see why we should not run loose all the way."

J. Carlyle Smith, known to the faithful Brooklyn "fans" as "Red Smith," sent in his signed contract to the Superbas yesterday afternoon. Smith wrote in that he has been doing some light work all winter, and says that the bell will find him in perfect condition and ready to play the game of his life.

If Smith carries out his promises and plays a better game than last season Brooklyn need have no cause for worry over the far turn of the infield. Smith is rated as one of the most promising and thoroughly capable infielders who have "broken into" the big leagues in several years, if not since the days when Arthur Devlin used to set the stands in an uproar at the Polo Grounds. He is fast and aggressive and can hit like a fiend.

Last year he played in 128 games, went to the bat 486 times and hit for a percentage of .286. He poled out 139 hits for a total of 191 bases, with 28 doubles, 6 triples and 4 home runs. He made only 16 sacrifice hits and stole 22 bases. Smith ranked ninth among the third basemen, with an average of .928, but five of those who were placed above him played in 65 games or less. Smith took care of 407 chances out of a possible 434.

George Tyler, the left-handed pitcher and one of the shining lights of the Boston Braves, will be married this afternoon at Lowell, Mass., to Miss C. Lillian McCarthy.

Charles Stewart, a young outfielder of the Chicago Cubs, has been sold to the Milwaukee club of the American Association.

The plan of letting the "fans" pick a manager for the Danville club of the "Three I" League did not prove successful, and the owners of the club appointed Connie Walsh, a veteran pitcher, as the team's leader. Few "fans" could be brought to the idea of voting for a manager, and the selection of those few who did cast their votes was not satisfactory to the stockholders of the club.

Joe Tinker, manager of the Cincinnati Reds, has signed Fred Caroll, a big right-handed twirler, now a student at the University of Illinois. Caroll has not pitched for Illinois, as he has been at college only a short time. He will join the Reds at Mobile.

Monte Cross, the veteran infielder, has been offered the position of coach of the ball team of the University of Michigan. Branch Rickey, who coached the team last year, has signed with the St. Louis Browns to act as chief scout.

J. Kirby, who ran so well in the Olympic tryout games last spring, has been elected president of the Delta Social Club, at No. 520 Manhattan avenue.

Charles Wagner, shortstop and captain of the Boston Red Sox, who was prominent in his team's victory over the Giants in the world's championship series last fall, has signed his contract for next season.

INSPECTS THE POLO FIELDS

Captain Miller Sees Many, but Is Unable to Decide Which One to Use.

Hempstead, Long Island, Jan. 28.—An inspection of the polo fields in Nassau County was made to-day by Captain E. D. Miller, D. S. O., manager of the English polo team, which has challenged for the International cup next summer, for the purpose of picking one for practice.

The fields at Great Neck, Locust Valley, Westbury and Meadow Brook were gone over, but Captain Miller did not decide which one to use.

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Carples Says His Concern Has Not Lost Mercedes Rights in This Country.

Temporary headquarters of the new Manhattan Motor Club have been opened in the Buick Building, and are all that could be desired in the way of comfort and coziness, although they are by no means large. At present there are two good sized rooms, one for members and the other for the official work of the new organization. In a few days there will be available a third room, which can be used for meetings and conferences. The rooms now open are finely furnished. The various motor trade and other magazines are kept on file and a bulletin board supplies late news of the trade and industry.

These rooms will be the headquarters of the latest, and, it is expected, the best, of the many motor clubs that have been started in this city. By fall, it is promised, the organization will find permanent and much more elaborate quarters in a new building to be erected in the triangle on which the old United States Motor Building faces on Columbus Circle. In the mean time local automobile men and motor car users will find the temporary clubrooms a pleasant rendezvous.

The rumor circulated throughout the trade that the Daimler Motoren Gesellschaft of Germany, manufacturers of Mercedes cars, has cancelled its contract with the Daimler Manufacturing Company, of New York, was denied yesterday by James M. Carples, general manager of the latter concern.

"Any report that we have lost our rights to manufacture or license others to manufacture Mercedes cars in America or any of the patent rights which we hold either by assignment under license or otherwise is absolutely untrue," said Mr. Carples. "Furthermore, we intend to prosecute vigorously any one, either here or abroad, who attempts to infringe on any of our rights. Our title is clear, and I make this statement so that prospective purchasers may be duly warned of the situation."

More than $2,000,000 has now been subscribed toward the building of the rock road from New York to San Francisco, which is to be the gift of automobile manufacturers to the nation. At the rate the subscriptions are now being received Carl G. Fischer, the prime mover in the enterprise, believes that the full amount of $10,000,000 will be subscribed within the next twelve months. A bulletin showing the details of the subscriptions to date will shortly be issued.

Both automobile and accessory manufacturers, because they are beginning to realize the tremendous stability which a network of good roads throughout the United States will impart to the industry, are rapidly falling into line. These men, as the result of hard business experience, are well aware of the fact that if they want anything done they will have to do it themselves. For this reason, despite the various good roads measures in Congress they are going straight through with their project, as if they were the only ones in the field.

Ralph de Palma will fill in the next three weeks attending the Buffalo and Chicago automobile shows in the interests of the Mercer company, of Trenton.

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