

### NELSON CONSIDERS GAINS THE BEST MAN THREE DISTINCT SWIMMING CRAWLS

American Stroke Is Different From Australian as Used at Present.

### ARM AND LEG MOTIONS USED IN THE SPRINTS

Daniels's Method Retards His Speed, but He Wins Just the Same.

Tribune Special Sporting Service.

NEW YORK, June 6.—One of the leading newspapers of Sydney, New South Wales, publishes the views of Cecil Healy, 100-yard champion of Australia, on modern swimming strokes. Among other things the great sprinter is credited with saying that swimmers here have no right to the style of crawl stroke we use the title of "American," since it is nothing but the Australian stroke with the least little alteration in the kick. According to competent authority Mr. Healy is not in touch with the American crawl, or he would not have made the statement at a recent meeting here. We were to take Mr. Healy's contention as based upon facts, we might claim that Australians were not entitled to classify as "Australian crawl" a stroke which was but a modification of the trudgeon.

Of course this would be ridiculous, but it must be considered that the art of natation has progressed in the inside legs and that the breast, the side, the over arm, the double over arm, the trudgeon and the crawl are but phases of the evolution of the stroke, with only small differences between the various phases. The crawl has been regarded the great discovery of modern days, but if we compare it to the trudgeon that sprinters used before its advent for about forty years, we find that the arm motion short and fast, the scissor kick narrow and snappy, and kept continually on their faces, it will be seen that the change made was insignificant to the trudgeon. It is the trudgeon leg drive a little bit.

### Three Varieties.

We have now three distinct varieties of crawl, each having decided characteristics of its own, and two of them certainly did not find their origin in Australia, though they may now be used there. The earliest crawl, the one learned from the natives of the South Sea islands and made famous by Cavill, is not to be found in this country. At the time the crawl was introduced here swimmers had only very poor descriptions to guide them, and while they brought it here, they were imitating "Cavill," they were really bringing out a new leg movement, which through a remarkable piece of good fortune proved most efficient and—as many experts believe—superior to Cavill's.

This went at first as the Australian crawl, but when it was discovered later that it differed greatly from the original, the qualifying name of "American" was substituted for "Australian," not because of any intention to claim the honor of discovery, but to distinguish between the two styles. Now that outsiders are trying to give the name "American" to the crawl, we may as well show that we have every right to use it.

In the crawl to which we have given our name the leg drive is a small, but continuous underwater thrash of the arm action, while in the Australian stroke the legs keep time with the arms, the lower right leg being lifted clear out of water to a kneeling position and then slipped down hard just as the left arm catches, the left leg being used in the same way as the right arm catches. There is no question as to the merits of each variety it will be seen that the difference between the two is one of time as well as of action and surely quite as great as between the scissor kick and the Australian crawl drive.

### Daniels's Stroke.

The third variety is the invention of our all-around champion, Charles M. Daniels, and to him goes the entire credit of having introduced it. Daniels's stroke has since copied it and now swim it. In forming it Daniels combined the two crawls already in use. He used the Australian kick to begin with, but finding that the slow, low arm movement, which came natural to him, allowed the body to lose headway and sink between strokes, he added a slight thrash after each leg drive, thus using the American kick and making his advance unchecked.

There is some question as to whether Daniels's method is an improvement on the crawl. The answer is, No. In fact, experts claim that the lifting of the lower leg out of water—as done in both the Australian and Daniels strokes—cannot but bring the body down by the feet, destroying the balance and so retarding speed. The theory is sound, and probably time will prove it so, but it is hard to argue against success, and so long as Daniels is leading the field, it will be difficult to convince racing men who are seldom theorists, that the winning stroke of the present is not the best. Still, those who remember the difficulty experienced in getting the lanky New Yorker to abandon the trudgeon with which he was breaking records, in favor of the crawl, and later win him perform wonders, may find it a moral lesson.

It is not unlikely that Healy gained his impression of the American crawl from seeing Daniels swim in England, and that he is therefore excusable for his criticism since Daniels really does use a slightly modified Australian crawl, and not the American.

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# WINNEEES DO NOT NEED AUSTRALIAN CRAWL

## GREAT INTEREST IN PISTOL TOURNAMENT

Tilbury Will Represent England Against Winans for United States.

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LONDON, June 6.—Great interest has been aroused by the accounts of the pistol duels and revolver and rifle shooting contests which are to be held in connection with the Olympic games and the Shepherd's Bush exhibition, and on all sides it is being asked: Who is the English champion who will come forward to oppose Mr. Walter Winans, who has declared his intention of shooting on behalf of the United States?

A crack revolver shot, in the person of Mr. S. Tilbury, of Hammersmith, is willing to take up the challenge on behalf of England and to fight a pistol duel with Mr. Winans. Mr. Tilbury has sent a letter to the Express, in which he says:

"I have had the pleasure of hearing Mr. Winans for the championship of the North London Rifle club, and would very much like to meet him again in any trial of skill with the revolver. There are many well-known British revolver shots, including myself, who would readily dispute Mr. Winans's claims to be the revolver champion of the world."

Recognizing the widespread interest which is being displayed in the forthcoming international pistol duels, the Express at once laid Mr. Tilbury's letter before Mr. Winans, who has replied as follows:

"I am glad to see interest is being revived in revolver shooting, and that Mr. S. Tilbury desires to try to beat my world's records. In the same way Mr. Tilbury will have to beat the following records, made by myself, before he can assume the title of revolver champion of the world. A possible at a traversing two-inch bullseye at twenty yards."

"A possible at an advancing four-inch bullseye from fifty yards. A possible at a traversing possible forty-two in twelve seconds at twenty yards, at a two-inch bullseye. An eighty-two out of eighty-four at a four-inch bullseye, at fifty yards. Forty-two, forty one, thirty-nine, in four successive shots at twenty rounds, at a two-inch bullseye. A possible at two-inch possible at twenty-five metres, to be shot in fifteen seconds, using the double-action army revolver."

Mr. Winans made the latter score in the open air, with an American army revolver, at Gastine Bonette's, in Paris, on the 6th of last month, and if Mr. Tilbury can beat this one score I am willing to consider him champion of the world. If, however, Mr. Tilbury would like to have a friendly shoot against me, will be kindly write to M. Gastine Bonette, 59, Avenue d'Antin, Paris, and subscribe his name as a competitor in the competitions which will take place at the Anglo-French exhibition on July 13, 14, 15 and 16, next. Some of the titles of Olympic champion will also be at stake for pistols, in connection with the Olympic games this summer. Mr. Tilbury and I can shoot against each other there, but I think the best time will be to have an elaborate shooting at fifty yards by at least one Frenchman, who makes a specialty of that sort of shooting."

### BURNS WANTS MONEY FOR CHAMPIONSHIP

NEW YORK, June 6.—Britons are taking Jack Johnson's claim to the heavyweight title seriously. On his side of the Atlantic, however, a different view of things is taken. We must still look upon Burns as the champion, and he has thus far refused to meet the negro, Johnson hurled challenge after challenge at Burns, but he has not been able to recognize the negro. But we never permitted Johnson to claim a championship because he refused to fight Johnson. Burns had not refused to fight Johnson. It is admitted that he is asking too much when he demands \$50,000, win, lose or draw. Still, Johnson, if he is sincere, will be willing to accept a paltry \$5000 for an opportunity to get at Burns. There is more truth than fiction in the report that Burns fears Johnson. If he considered the negro expert an easy mark he would not demand a fortune to enter the ring. Burns probably figures that his title will be in danger if he takes on Johnson, and if beaten he would no longer be a money-making proposition, and if he is to be beaten he wants to make a big clean-up and be comfortable for the rest of his days.

### WORK STARTS ON THE VANDERBILT COURSE

NEW YORK, June 6.—Construction work on the Long Island Motor Parkway began at Central Park, L. I., today. K. Vanderbilt, Jr., president of the Parkway company, turned the first spadeful of earth marking the beginning of construction. Supplies have been distributed along the entire western portion of the parkway to facilitate the work, and it is expected by October the contracts for the completion of as much of sixty miles of the road as is possible. What means to the pleasure of the Vanderbilt cup commission is the selection of the course for the Vanderbilt cup race in October and can be generally appreciated. It practically assures the holding of the cup race on Long Island.

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## FAVORITE IN BASKETBALL LEAGUE



The above basketball team from the Lowell school was the favorite among the girls' teams for the city championship, but was defeated in the last game by the Lincoln girls, by the close score of 11 to 10. It was an unlooked-for victory, as the winners had been defeated, while the Lowell had not lost a game. The members of the team, reading from left to right, are: Mary Hunter, May Hardy, Agnes Pringle, Lillian Hill, Ruth Woolley, Emma Beebe and Pansy Pierce.

### TALBOT WILL MAKE CHAMPION ATHLETE

NEW YORK, June 6.—The first surprise of the Olympic tryouts came last Tuesday night, when Lee J. Talbot of Cornell, the giant weight thrower of the Irish-American Athletic club, captured the heavyweight wrestling bout. Until a few days before the bout few followers of athletics were of the belief that the field athlete, even contemplated making a bid for wrestling honors. With scarcely any training in wrestling, Talbot hurried from his studies at Ithaca and arrived in this city to try his hand at the grappling game. He was without the necessary wrestling togs and was compelled to compete in a pair of running togs, which he borrowed from one of his club mates. Although he did not succeed in throwing his opponents, he so far outclassed them that at the expiration of the time limit he was awarded the decision.

Those who saw him compete declared that with a month's training Talbot would develop into one of the greatest amateur heavyweight wrestlers in the country. Talbot's victory practically assures him of making the Olympic team, wrestling is not the only event in which he is likely to win points. In hammer-throwing, hurling the discus, and putting the shot, there are few men in the country who are his superior. With the hammer he ranks second in the East to Martin Sheridan, and throwing the hammer he is the man John Flanagan and Matt McGrath, the champions, fear most.

While talking about the weight thrower, recently John Flanagan said: "I really think Talbot in the coming championship; in fact, he is within striking distance of the best men in the country today. He is young and powerfully built and is improving every day. While McGrath and myself might beat him this year, and perhaps next, there is no doubt in my mind that within two years the boy will defeat us."

Flanagan is in excellent condition for the Olympic team, there is great doubt as to whether McGrath will accompany the team. His knee is in bad shape, and because of the pain from it he has been unable to do little or no training. With McGrath out Talbot is likely to win several places with the weights in the tryouts and score points for America in the Olympic games.

### Yale Soccer Schedule.

NEW HAVEN, June 6.—The manager of the Yale soccer football team surprised the university by announcing the schedule for next spring. It is as follows: March 29, Columbia, at South Field; March 30, Harvard, at New Haven; March 27, Pennsylvania, at Philadelphia; April 7, Cornell, at New Haven; April 19, Haverford, at Haverford.

### NELSON WILL TAKE BEATING FOR COIN

Will Box Gans in Order to Secure Loser's End of Big Purse.

### REFUSES \$5000 SIDE BET WITH CHAMPION

Gans Wanted to Box, Winner Take All; Fight May Go Fifteen Rounds.

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SAN FRANCISCO, June 6.—After much argument and after many months of challenging and posting of side bets, talking them down and repeating them, Joe Gans and Battling Nelson finally came to an understanding last week, when articles of agreement were formally signed by Ben Selig and Willis Britt, the representatives of the two fighters. Jimmy Coffroth has secured the match, which will be a forty-five-round affair at the Mission street arena, and will be held on the afternoon of July 4. The fighters are to receive 70 per cent of the gate receipts and the purse is to be split on a 60 and 40 per cent basis. There will be no side bet and there will be no wrangling over the referee, as Jack Walsh has already been agreed upon as the ring official. John Clark was named as stakeholder and each of the fighters is to post \$2500 in his hands to clinch the contract, while Coffroth is to deposit \$1000.

It is the general opinion in sporting circles here that this will be a regular slaughtering match and that Nelson will receive the most unmerciful drubbing of his entire career, and this is saying a great deal when one sums up the terrible beating the Dane has taken since he first entered the ring.

### KEENE AND WHITNEY COLORS IN EVIDENCE

NEW YORK, June 6.—Judging by the form displayed by the entries of the two stable colors in the Keene and Whitney colors will be seen quite frequently in front of the big stakes and handicaps during the summer. Already horsemen are beginning to talk of the Rowe-Duncan-Dotter combination. While there is no alliance between this quartette and the Keene and Whitney colors, they are in a position to make many an owner scratch when he scans the card on the day of a race he expects to start a horse.

The truth is that most of the stars in the two and three-year-old divisions are Keene and Whitney colors. There are no two trainers for the American turf who can prepare a horse for a race better than Jockey or Dove, and Nottor and Dugan are in a class by themselves as jockeys.

The Keene stable is not as well represented in the two-year-old division as it was last season, yet with Casque, Morning Star, Turncoat and several others which have not yet been shown in public Rowe hopes to capture his share of the stakes for youngsters. He is with the three-year-olds and the older division where the Keene colors will win honors.

The Whitney barn is said to harbor a number of youngsters that are no less dandy lot of youngsters than any other stable in the East, although none of those who have come to the fore have shown themselves to be wonders. Sandpiper won a nice race recently in a handy manner, but a filly by Hamburg, Irish Reel and another filly by Hamburg, have also, are said to be the pick of the Whitney string. With Brookdale Nymph, Baby Wolf, Stamin, Bar None, Royal Tourist, Adrianna and Jersey Lightning, Jack Joyner will reap many a valuable stake.

### Millionaire Golf Club

NEW YORK, June 6.—The millionaire golf course, near Shinnecock Hills, Long Island, N. Y., Macdonald's scheme, is gradually assuming attractive lines. Articles of incorporation are also being drawn up and the organization will be known as the National Golf Club of America. The directors are as follows: Washington B. Thomas of Boston, James Deering, Chicago; Robert Lincoln, Chicago; H. M. Atkinson, Atlanta; W. D. Sloan, Lenox; J. M. Bowers, Davis; Chauncey and Charles B. Macdonald of New York.

The number of founders has been limited to seventy and there are already sixty. There is an associate membership, calling for an initiation fee of \$100, and \$30 a year dues, but when a person joins and pays his membership fee he will not be called upon for dues if he does not play there during the year.

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## GOLF CHAMPIONSHIPS START ON JUNE 8

Will Be Played in St. Louis Under Western Golf Association Auspices.

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ST. LOUIS, June 6.—The open golf competition, under the auspices of the Western Golf Association, will be played on the course of the Normandie Golf club, in this city, Thursday and Friday, June 18 and 19, when the following prizes will be competed for, under the auspices of the United States Golf association: First prize, \$200; second prize, \$150; third prize, \$75; fourth prize, \$50; fifth prize, \$25. A gold medal, emblematic of the Western open championship, will be awarded the player making the lowest score for any round of eighteen holes during the competition. In the event of an amateur winning any of the above prizes, the tournament committee has the honor to be at seventy-two holes, medal play; thirty-six holes on Thursday, June 18, and thirty-six holes on Friday, June 19. All entries, accompanied by the entrance fee of \$5 each, must be in the hands of the secretary of the association not later than 6 p. m., Monday, June 15. Professional contestants may make their entries directly to the secretary of the association. Amateur contestants must enter directly to the secretary of their respective clubs. All disputes must be referred to the board of directors. Any person paying his entrance fee will be considered thereby to have submitted himself to the rules of the association, both as to restrictions and as to penalties imposed. On these conditions alone will he be entitled to enjoy the privileges of the association competition. All disputes must be referred to the association, and their decision shall be final.

The directors especially call the attention of the contestants to the fact that the score cards must be correct and in strict accordance with special rules for stroke competition, as announced in the rules of the United States Golf association. Any contestant not complying strictly with the regulations of these rules will be promptly disqualified. Scorers should acquaint themselves thoroughly with these rules before the round, for which the score cards must be prepared. The time of starting the various competitors and their pairing will be posted to the club house twenty-four hours previous to the events. All contestants who are not present at the starting ground within thirty minutes after their names have been called will be disqualified. The privileges of the grounds are extended to contestants for one week prior to the tournament.

### HARVARD WILL NOT ABOLISH WINTER SPORTS

CAMBRIDGE, June 6.—The Harvard athletic committee has voted not to abolish winter sports entirely, as had been proposed earlier in the year. It has also decided to co-operate with an undergraduate council, plans of which were being tested by the committee. The committee appointed by the four class presidents. This vote, which will do much to relieve the suspense of the undergraduate council, is as follows: "That in the opinion of this committee it is not desirable to abolish intercollegiate contests from the date of the final football game until the spring recess." The vote as to the undergraduate council was as follows: "That this committee approves the plans for a student council as presented by the undergraduate representatives and that if this plan is accepted by the undergraduate council, the committee warmly welcomes the co-operation of the council."

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## MANY ENTRIES FOR READVILLE RACE

124 Horses Have Already Entered for \$50,000 Handicap Race.

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NEW YORK, June 6.—The report from Boston that 124 horses are entered in the \$50,000 Readville handicap, the most interesting news for trotting horsemen. Outside of colt stakes this is the largest number of horses named in a single race, and surely the most appropriate for the largest purse ever offered for one race—running or trotting. When the New England Trotting Horse Breeders' association announced this magnificent stake for a dual race, nothing of a definite nature was given out as to what percentage of the purse the donors expected from the nominators in order to make the event a success. Yet, judging from private reports, horsemen were given to understand that if they subscribed half of the amount as entrance fees, the other half will be made good by Colonel John R. Hays, who is understood to be backing the event individually for the benefit of the sport.

According to the conditions of the stake, these 124 nominators already have paid almost 25 per cent of the purse, or \$12,400. The second payment of \$100 on each entry falls due on June 15, and the third payment of the same amount is due on July 12. During that period all of the entries will be in training, and if any are dropped out of the stake it will be merely on account of accident. It is therefore a fair estimate that at least 100 horses will be kept eligible up to the last or fourth payment of the stake. At this rate the total amount of entrance fees will foot up to not less than \$35,000. All the horses left eligible to the stake will be handicapped by three of the best experts on August 18, or four days before the fourth and last payment of \$200 will be due.

Waiting for Handicappers. It now looks almost certain that the will be declared until the final day of the handicappers are made public, and according to the conditions of the race, the eligibles will not only be handicapped as per their record in the time the first entries were closed, but according to their showing during the racing season up to August 18. Four days before the last payment is made, therefore, owners will have a correct idea as to what point their horses will be placed in the race. The horses entered in the big race will show their engagements at Detroit, Kalamazoo and Buffalo, and their showing at these places will be considered by the handicappers. Some eligibles who are nominated now with a view that they will, according to their present records, constitute the front tiers, might be set in the rear lot with such horses as are now expected to be behind the middle tiers.

The great majority of the trotters entered in the event will not be started in other races and will be saved for that one race, as, naturally, owners would not care to show the speed qualities of their eligibles to such an extent as to give the handicappers a line of them. For this reason it is more likely that the bulk of the entries will be placed according to their present marks and owners will risk the last payment. The names of the horses entered are not yet announced, but it is certain that the very best trotters of the country will be entered, and the percentage of the entrance fee is an insignificant compared with the value of the stake, the bulk of the original nominators will stay in, at least to the last.

The stake will be divided among the first six horses, at the rate of \$30,000, \$10,000, \$5,000, \$2,500, \$1,500 and \$1,000.

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