DO TRAINING TRIPS PAY THE MAGNATES?

Cause an Interest in the Game, Which Could Never Be Bought.

Umpire Billy Evans is writing some interesting articles for the Washington Star, and yesterday he called attention to the annual Southern pilgrimages of the big teams in the following:

Are Southern training trips good or bad investments for the many clubs who make the annual spring visit to Dixie?

This much-mooted question has been discussed from every angle for years by fans and club owners. Strong arguments have been advanced by both sides.

Several club owners have tried the plan of training in the North with very poor success, and on several occasions after a week or two of bad weather have shifted with all haste to some camp in the South. The very fact that the teams continue to go South is the best proof in the world that the men behind the guns regard the spring training trip as a profitable investment, both artistically and financially.

No doubt to the average fan it seems quite an item of expense for a club to send thirty or forty men South for six weeks to get in shape for the coming season at the expense of the club. The players always travel on the best trains, stay at the best hotels and get every attention possible. Each spring every major league club must spend $6,000 on the preliminary work.

Sometimes the weather conditions in the South are not any too favorable, and other times the various clubs run into all kinds of tough luck on their way North. Exhibition games that had been arranged for during the winter must be postponed on account of weather or ground conditions, and many chances are lost to get back some of the money spent.

When training trips were first inaugurated years ago the coming of a major league club to the South was an event of much importance. The arrival of the big league stars was anxiously awaited, and during their stay they were very much of the whole show. The exhibition games would always draw big crowds, and often quite a little money would be made in this way. The coming of the stars is no longer a matter of so much importance in Dixie; it is regarded as a rather commonplace affair, and no longer do the teams draw such big crowds.

Trips Are Important.

While in a few respects the pilgrimages to the South may not attract as much attention as in former days, in other ways it is of far more importance.

Of late years the game has been making such rapid strides in every way the fans and scribes at home are paying lots more attention to the doings in the spring training camps. It is in this one respect that the club reaps a big revenue on its investment.

Practically every major league team that goes South nowadays takes anywhere from four to six correspondents, as well as several photographers to pencil and picture the doings of the different teams while in the South.

After a long winter, in which the fans have lived on views and near-views of what would happen during the approaching season, they welcome some real news about the players and the prospects, as seen from the field of battle. Baseball is one sport that lives the year around. The club owners realize this, and are always alert to any measure that will help perpetuate the game.

For five or six weeks prior to the opening of the season the fans devour with relish all the dope that is served up to them by the staff correspondents. The opinions of the writers on all subjects are considered, and many a heated argument is caused by some of the stuff sent from the South.

It is also a time when the fans may read about the bush league phenoms. During the training trip each year every club appears to have several who are bound to set the league on fire. Sometimes they make good and live up to even the strongest advance notices, but generally they are put out before they even get a chance to start any conflagration in the majors.

The scribes realize that the fans in their home town are familiar with all the good and bad qualities of the veterans, and they always select the youngsters as fit subjects for stories of all kinds. Some of them are real truth; others are nearer fiction.

The height, the weight, the peculiarities, in fact, everything about the youngsters that might be of interest is dished up for the fans' consideration. For four or five weeks the new recruit has the spotlight continually played on him. Often it's the only chance he will ever get, or at least get for a time. If he is sent back to the minors, which is often the case, he usually has a hard time breaking into fast company again. If he is kept it's usually for duty on the bench, and it's mighty hard to show ability or break into print when all you have to do is to sit around, look wise and try to be useful.

This preliminary dope that is handed out before the season opens gets everybody in prime shape for the first game. Naturally, all the stuff they have read about the youngsters makes the fans anxious to look them over. Sometimes they are disappointed, while every now and then a youngster shows up far better than any one expected.

Just at present the Cleveland fans are all anxious to look over the new Naps and pass judgment. So many nice things have been said about all the new recruits, Easterly and Sitton in particular, that the Cleveland fans are beginning to believe that they have something pretty classy in the raw this year.

Chicago fans have been getting great reports from the coast about a new southpaw, Suter, St. Louis fans are enthusing over Louis Evans, of the Cardinals and Catcher Smith, a new Brownie, Boston fans are hearing all kinds of nice things about some of Taylor's new recruits and Cincinnati fans are anxiously awaiting the home-coming of Griffith's new stars. It's the same way in every city; the fans are certain that with the new talent they are sure to be in the running.

No kind of money would buy such valuable advertising. If it was paid for matter the fans would soon pass it up with a glance, instead of perusing two or three columns each day. Instead the opinions expressed are the opinions of men paid by the press to give their readers the best line of dope possible, men who are in no way connected with the club.

Often too much boosting injures a player, but on the whole the boost policy has the knock system skinned off the board for successful results. It's during the Southern trips that new-fangled curves are discovered, that new stars are announced, that fairy tales are told about what different players have done and intend to do, but nevertheless the fans and the players like it and it will ever be thus.

DORANDO PEITRI.

JEFFRIES-JOHNSON MATCH PROBABLY BE AT SEATTLE

Big Boiler-Maker Would Not Consent to Go Outside This Country to Fight—General Sporting Forecast for the Present Week.

Every pugilistic enthusiast in the world is waiting eagerly for definite news as to whether James J. Jeffries will agree to meet Jack Johnson in a contest for the heavyweight championship of the world. The recent arrival in this country of Hugh D. McIntosh, of Sydney, Australia, has added greatly to the public interest in the possibility of such a contest. It is known that Jeffries is not inclined to fight abroad, and that if he decides to re-enter the ring he probably would favor the offer for a world's championship battle in Seattle during the exposition there.

It is secret among friends of Jeffries that he is anxious to fight Johnson, and has practically made up his mind to do so as soon as he feels sure that he will be able to do himself justice in the ring. Johnson, who is willing to fight Jeffries, is expected in the East within the next two weeks, and it may be that he and Jeffries's manager then can come to an agreement.

American bicycle riders will complete at the Zoological Gardens, Berlin, in a six-day bicycle race to begin Monday of this week. Among the American riders who will compete are Floyd McFarland, San Jose, Cal.; Walter Demara, San Francisco, and James Moran, Chelsea, Mass. Jack Clark, Australian, now racing under American colors, also is entered.

The New York Athletic Club will hold its annual indoor carnival at Madison Square Garden Tuesday. Every athlete of prominence in Eastern colleges and clubs has sent in his entry.

Monday night Dorando Pietri, of Italy, and Johnny Hayes, winner of the London Olympic Marathon, will meet in Madison Square Garden for the third time in a match to settle the question of Marathon supremacy.

The Marathon wave has hit Pittsburg, and two contests have been arranged in that city for the 16th and 20th of this month.

Edward Payson Weston will celebrate his seventy-first birthday Monday afternoon by starting on a 4,300-mile walk from New York to San Francisco. He hopes to reach the Pacific coast within one hundred days.

"MUST COME TO ME"

Johnson Tired of Fighting on Other Fellow's Terms.

ST. PAUL, MINN., March 14.—Jack Johnson, negro pugilist, champion heavyweight of the world, arrived in St. Paul to-night from Vancouver, and left shortly afterwards for Chicago.

"I will fight Jeffries," said the colored man, "if he makes the challenge, but it will be on my terms. I've fought heretofore with the other fellow always getting the best of the terms. No more of that for me."

AMERICANS BEAT ORLOFF TROTTERS

Time Allowance Given Russian Horses Carried With It First Prize.

Prosty, a half-bred American trotter, being by Passe Rozi, by Patron, 2:14 1-4, took second money in the great international trotting race at St. Petersburg, Russia, on February 14, with a record of 2:13 1-8, which was the fastest made in the race. The distance, one and one-half versts, is about thirty feet short of an American mile. Krepish, a pure bred Orloff trotter, 16 1-2 hands high, foaled in 1904, won first money. He trotted in 2:15 1-2, but, getting an allowance of five seconds, that reduced his time to 2:10 1-2. Prosty, although she trotted in 2:13 1-8, had to take second money, and Oumney, the fast son of Quartercousin, foaled in 1904, who trotted in 2:15 1-2, same as the winner, got third money. Quartercousin is an exported American, being recorded under the number 27,295. He is by Quartermaster, 4540, and is out of Fox Maid, by Foxwood, 3406. He had a record of 2:23 3-4.

Conditions of the race classified them according to breeding and nativity. Thus horses not bred in Russia gave to pure Orloff's five, seven or ten seconds, according to whether they were aged, middle or young horses, these being the designations applied to those foaled prior to 1904, foaled in 1904, and those foaled in 1905, and these, in turn, conceding two and three seconds to each age class.

In dividing the 32,200 roubles, the prize was classified into ten parts, the first horse standing to win 15,000 and the tenth horse 500, but from each winner 5 per cent. was deducted to go to the breeder.

In making estimates of this race it is well to remember that the Russian rouble is equivalent to a little less than 75 cents of our money, this race being worth a trifle more than $22,500, and the money to the winner worth about $10,000.

Some of the Russian trainers seem to have learned the trick of keeping a fast horse on edge for a long time, as the driver of Krepish drove him a mile last summer in 2:14 3-8, and another in 1:15 5-8. In November he trotted a mile on the ice in 2:15 3-8, repeated this time in January, and on February 1 trotted his mile in 2:15 1-2, only one-eighth of a second slower than the other two, on the St. Petersburg track, which is only two-thirds of a mile in length, making three short turns to the mile, a hard task for a big horse. Prosty trotted three two-mile races this winter, the last one in 4:39 1-4, only about ten days before the International, which probably dulled her speed some.

"SPORT OF KINGS" MAY YET FLOURISH

Horsemen Await Development of Jockey Club Plans for New York Tracks.

NEW YORK, March 14.—Followers of the "Sport of Kings" and horsemen throughout the United States are awaiting with keen anticipation the development of the Jockey Club's plans for horseracing on the Metropolitan tracks this season. A continuance of racing in New York, in view of the hard blow given the game last year by the Hart-Agnew law prohibiting bookmaking, would exert a powerful influence toward the rehabilitation of horseracing in other sections of the country where public betting is forbidden.

Members of the Jockey Club and track owners, it is understood, have decided that the sport may be successfully continued if conducted along the lines that will not infringe upon the present statutes, but that it will take some time to educate turf followers up to the new conditions which forbid bookmaking. The spring season probably will commence about the middle of April.

Officials of the racing associations look for decreased attendances under the new order of things. Betting on the races, perforce, will be greatly restricted at the tracks until the courts have given final determination to the scope and application of the present anti-race-track gambling laws passed at the last session of the State Legislature. Racing officials say that race-track plunging, which did so much to hurt the sport, will not be possible under the new order of things.

NO BOYCOTT IS NOW NOTICEABLE

Kentucky Futurity to Continue on the Three in Five Plan.

LEXINGTON, KY., March 14.—As the time draws near for the closing of the entry list for the twentieth renewal of the classic Kentucky Futurity speculation is rife among trotting horse breeders and turfmen regarding the attempt on the part of the American Association of Trotting Horse Breeders to boycott the local association because of its refusal to adopt the two-in-three-heat plan for three-year-old colts and fillies, and do away with the three-in-five-heat plan for horses of that age. The entry list will close on next Monday, March 15, and so far no great falling off has been noticed, and as many of the nominators usually wait until the night of the last day before making their entry or entries it is the belief of Secretary Horace W. Wilson that the list this year will be one of the largest in the history of the great race.

Notwithstanding the heroic efforts on the part of the officials of the Trotting Horse Breeders' Association of America to compel the Kentucky Association to eliminate the three-in-five-heat system, many of the men identified with the association have already sent in their entries to contest for the rich event in 1911.

It is now said that the resolution calling on the various racing associations to have all three-year-old events on the two-in-three-heat plan was the work of the directors of the American Breeders' Association.

William Simpson has in his barn at the Breeders' Association track a three-year-old gelding by San Mateo, out of Eurini, by Axtell, second dam Russia, full sister to Maud S., 2:08 3-4, which local horsemen regard as one of the wonders of the age. The youngster has been named Sanwood, and Simpson will point him for many of the big events the coming season.

W. J. Judy, of Millersburg, Ky., has closed negotiations with Mrs. J. Barton, this city, whereby he gets possession of the crack young stallion, Fair Promise, 2:20, and the horse will make the season of 1909 at the Judy Farm. Fair Promise is out of the noted mare, Duchess, 2:20 1-2, the dam of Rhythmic, and while none of his get have yet been seen on the turf, he has several two-year-olds which will be placed in training this season. His chances in the stud so far have been limited, but all of his get have been pronounced as about the best-looking lot seen in Kentucky this season.

Harvard Full Back Dead.

CAMBRIDGE, MASS., March 14.—A private dispatch from Springfield, Ohio, reports the death there to-day of meningitis of Carlton Apollonio, of Winchester, Mass., for two years full back on the Harvard football team.

Detroit, 6; San Antonio, 2.

At San Antonio, Texas: Detroit (Americans), 6; San Antonio, 2.

MAY MAKE A NEW MARATHON RECORD

Hayes in Great Condition, and Dorando Trains Well for To-Night's Race.

NEW YORK, March 14.—Experts who have seen Johnny Hayes and Dorando Pietri, the Marathon stars, train for their match race, which will be held in Madison Square Garden to-morrow night, predict that a new record for the 26 miles 385 yards will go to the credit of the winner. Both runners have trained faithfully for this race, and in their trials have displayed such speed and endurance as to warrant the belief that it will be the greatest race of its kind ever held in this country.

With Hayes the victor of the Olympic race and Dorando the winner in New York, this contest will definitely decide which is the better man. Dorando is the present holder of the record, but when he traveled the distance in 2 hours 44 minutes 20 2-5 seconds and hung up the mark Johnny Hayes was about fifty yards behind.

After that race it was claimed that Hayes was not in condition; that he had neglected his training, and that he was not physically fit to run such a gruelling race. Since that defeat he has worked as he had never worked before, with the result that Ernie Hjertberg, the veteran trainer of the Irish-American Athletic Club, who has handled Hayes in all his races, says he is better now than ever before in his athletic career.

Dorando, too, has trained faithfully for this race, and his trainers claim he has improved greatly since the last time he met Hayes.

Special arrangements have been completed to take care of the out-of-town folks who have signified their wish to witness the race. Reservations can be made by telegraphing the Garden box office, and all seats so reserved will be held until 2 o'clock Monday afternoon.

SAVED HIS LIFE BY TAKING TO BOXING

Welsh Came Here in Despair Over Health—Close to Championship.

PHILADELPHIA, March 14.—Fred Welsh, the little boxer who is now getting so close to the lightweight championship mark, is a splendid example of the benefits of boxing as an exercise and means of physical culture. Welsh has only been in this country a few years. His parents live in Wales, and his father was a hotelkeeper. Fred was a delicate lad, and he was the proverbial spoiled child. He had a fond father, who was comfortably fixed as far as this world's goods are concerned, and Fred was allowed considerably more liberty than most young lads in that part of the world receive. The result was that he took to cigarette smoking and champagne drinking, and when he arrived at manhood he was a consumptive, and when he reached this country he had one badly diseased lung, and had practically given up hope of ever being restored to good health. Shortly after arriving here he met Bernard McFadden, a noted advocate of vegetarianism, and also a devotee of physical culture.

Welsh considered his case hopeless, but McFadden took him in hand and began treating him for his lung trouble, and recommended exercising for his general health, one of the forms of exercise which he recommended strongly being boxing. Welsh felt much encouraged by McFadden's attention, and he went to work earnestly to put in practice the exercises he recommended. He took to boxing, and in a few weeks his appetite increased and he began to feel better. The more boxing he did the more he wanted to do. He soon became very proficient, and he learned not only the practical work with the gloves, but also began to study the theory of the art, and came so well versed in everything connected with boxing that he was offered a position as a teacher. While in this city he decided to try his hand at a bout in the ring. He made good, and then he came to the conclusion that boxing was not only good for his health, but also that he could make it profitable as a profession, and the fact that he receives a guarantee of as high as $1,500 for a bout with the gloves proves that he has not made a mistake from a financial standpoint.

TO HOLD SPRING SHOW AND RACES

Horse Show Association Names Committees and Decides to Pull Events Off in May.

At a recent meeting of the board of directors of the Virginia Racing and Horse Show Association the following officers and committees were named: James W. Graves, president; John Landstreet, vice-president; John W. McCombe, secretary and treasurer; Mark R. Lloyd, assistant secretary. Racing committee—W. J. Carter, chairman; E. D. Harris and James W. Graves. Horse show committee—E. B. Sydnor, chairman; John W. McCombe and James W. Graves. Advertising committee—John Landstreet, chairman; W. J. Carter and Emmett Seaton. Transportation—Mark R. Lloyd, chairman; B. H. Ellington and W. O. Young.

The feasibility of holding a spring race meet and horse show was discussed at some length, and it was finally decided to arrange the meet about the middle of May. The date was not fixed, but will be announced later.

The formation of the association has attracted considerable attention to Virginia as a racing and horse show centre, and has received much favorable comment, not only at the hands of breeders and horsemen in general, but by the leading turf journals of the country.

Mr. Graves, president of the association, is in New York City to confer with officials of the Jockey Club of New York in regard to certain details connected with the running events.

INTEREST IN MATCH WITH SMALL RIFLES

American, English and Australian Marksmen to Compete Next Month.

NEW YORK, March 14.—Great interest is being attracted throughout the country by the three-cornered match between England, Australia and America for the indoor championship of the world with miniature rifles. The competition will be held during the week beginning April 19, and each country will be represented by fifty of its best marksmen.

The work of selecting the American team is now in progress, and during the week of March 22 the tryouts will take place on the Washington ranges. Most indoor shooting in this country is at fifty feet, and, as the international match is to be at seventy-five feet, considerable practice is going on among marksmen who hope to make the team.

In the match there will be thirty shots per man, in strings of five. The conditions are very liberal, admitting of any position, any rifle of not over .230 calibre, and any sights not containing glass. The Americans, who shoot principally offhand at this distance, would have preferred that at least a portion of the shots should have been fired from the shoulder, but, of course, the conditions suggested are agreeable. The Society of Miniature Rifle Clubs has obtained a handsome trophy for the match, which will be held for one year by the winning country, and then competed for again, as this will now be an annual event.

Lieutenant-Colonel R. K. Evans, of the general staff, who will be the executive officer of the national matches next August, is already engaged in selecting his assistants. Something like 100 regular army officers will be detailed for duty during the matches, and, in view of the great demand for their services and the limited supply, the choice of capable and available men is difficult.

The matches this year will exceed anything ever seen in the rifle world in this country. Congress has increased the appropriation available, and there will be an entirely new arrangement of the teams into three divisions, with prizes for each division. Almost every State and Territory will be represented, and all branches of the regular service, together with the Naval Academy. A team from West Point is not expected.

During the present year it is believed that rifle practice in colleges, universities and schools will receive a powerful impetus. An active campaign will be carried on to the end that next winter there will be schoolboy tournaments held in most of the principal cities. As a step in this direction, the national board for promotion of rifle practice is preparing, with the co-operation of the National Rifle Association, a handbook on schoolboy rifle practice, which will be widely distributed. The compilation is in the hands of William Wolff Smith, for the national board, and Lieutenant Albert S. Jones, secretary of the National Rifle Association.

JOHN HAYES.

CABLE CHESS TEAM IS NOW COMPLETE

Four Colleges Represented in Team, Which Plays Oxford and Cambridge.

NEW YORK, March 14.—At a meeting of the intercollegiate cable chess match committee, held at the Manhattan Chess Club yesterday, it was decided to place the six American players in the following order in the match to be played against Oxford and Cambridge from Alexander Hall, Princeton, next Saturday:

First board, Louis J. Wolff, Columbia; second board, William H. Hughes, Pennsylvania; third board, Norman T. Whitaker, Pennsylvania; fourth board, L. Walter Stephens, Princeton; fifth board, H. Blumberg, Columbia; sixth board, W. W. Parshley, Harvard. J. W. Alexander, of Princeton, was appointed as substitute.

H. Blumberg and Captain C. Homer Ramsdell, of Columbia, were to have played a match for the privilege of playing on the team, but Ramsdell yielded the place to Blumberg, who figured in the famous drawn game at the fourth board last year, the adjudication of which gave the victory to the Americans and resulted in the return of the Rice trophy to this country.

The American team will take up quarters at the Nassau Inn, in Princeton, Friday night, prepared to begin play at 8 o'clock the following morning. Play will continue until 6:30 P. M., which is equivalent to 9:30 P. M., London time, after which further play is not possible, on account of the English Sunday closing laws. Magnus Smith, former Canadian champion, and now champion of the Brooklyn Chess Club, has been asked to act as the English representative here.

UNION MEN PROTEST

Demonstration Against Sentence of Leaders Is Made in Boston.

BOSTON, MASS., March 14.—As a demonstration against the sentence of imprisonment imposed upon Samuel Gompers, John Mitchell and Frank Morrison by Judge Wright in the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, more than 5,000 members of labor unions paraded through the streets of this city to-day. Afterwards a large meeting was held in Faneuil Hall, and several overflow meetings in the surrounding streets attracted large crowds. The Faneuil Hall audience heard Judge Wright attacked sharply for his decision in the case, and a resolution was drawn up, in which it was stated that the courts were biased and the laws directed at one class only.

Copies of the resolution were sent President Taft, Vice-President Sherman and Speaker Cannon.

Struck by Automobile.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., March 14.—While returning home from Sunday-school this afternoon Ursula McMahon, aged six years, and her sister, Edna, aged four years, were struck by an automobile. The latter was instantly killed. Ursula was seriously injured.

CLEVELAND TRACK IS TO BE VERY FAST

New Course Will Be Copied After the Famous Memphis Oval.

CLEVELAND, OHIO, March 14.—The Grand Circuit for this year looks strong from this end of the line. During its existence of over thirty years there have been numerous changes, and outside of two years during that time Cleveland has been a member of that organization. Up to this year the Grand Circuit racing in this city has always been over the old track at Glenville. This year the new track at North Randall will be christened. From Detroit and Kalamazoo the Grand Circuit will come to this city. Then follow Buffalo, Poughkeepsie, Readville, Hartford, Syracuse, after which the circuit chasers return to Ohio and continue for two weeks at Columbus.

The meeting at Cleveland this year inaugurates a new plan at North Randall. To many this place is entirely new, but in mileage from the city it is more available these days than Glenville was a few years ago. Ten miles from the Public Square, in a southeasterly direction, with the development of trolley roads and paved streets, it will soon seem as near as the historic "Golden Oval" at Glenville.

For an exposition grounds the track at North Randall is ideal. The Forest City Fair Company has purchased a tract of over 250 acres, and one must look it over to appreciate what it means. The track itself will be one of the fastest in the world. The soil is the same soft, velvety, yellow clay that has made the old Glenville track so popular, easily worked, free from stone and permitting the making of the ideal footing for fast flying steeds.

With this exceptional material for footing the track has been laid out as an exact duplicate of the famous Billings's track at Memphis, Tenn. While only operated four years, the Memphis track captured a good share of the world's records. Horsemen generally credited this to the shape of the course. All other regulation mile tracks are laid out with stretches and turns each a quarter of a mile in length. The Memphis track and the one at North Randall are much shorter in the stretches and no longer on the turns. To be exact the stretches, instead of being 440 yards long, are only 270 yards long, while the turns are 610 instead of 440. In addition, the turns are laid out on a compound curve so that it is impossible by the eye to determine where the tangent point is or where the turn begins. In going at a high speed our harness horses of to-day attain it in the turns that retard them. It has been found out that a track laid out on the lines as stated entirely obviates the trouble of this kind. With this advantage and with the exceptionally good quality of soil for such a plant it is plain to be seen that the North Randall track is sure to result in exceptionally fast time and in the further lowering of the world's records.

MOTOR RACES ON LAND AND WATER

Florida Will Also Have Competitors Among Some Famous Sky Pilots.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA., March 14.—For the next two weeks the eyes of the motoring world will be turned on Florida, where two interesting race meets have been arranged at Palm Beach and Daytona Beach.

The fifth annual motor boat carnival and races, under the auspices of the Palm Beach Power Boat Association, will be held on Lake Worth this week from the 16th to 19th, inclusive, and the list of prizes offered this year are unusually handsome and elaborate. The boats entered include:

Trente, Sept, and Bruiser, by George Gingras, Rockledge, Fla.

The Buffalo Courier, by W. J. Conner, Buffalo, N. Y.

Kitty Sparks, by Charles Furthman, New York.

The Messenger, by George E. Andrews, West Palm Beach, Fla.

The 'Possum and the Flying Fish, by Lieutenant Hugh L. Willoughby, of Sewalls Point, Fla.

The Deary, by Walter F. Coachman, Jacksonville, Fla.

Delnison III., by Christopher Gallagher, Philadelphia.

Dixolite I., by Robert N. Dixon, New York.

The Nebo, by G. M. Marshall, New Smyrna, Fla.

The Velox, by A. B. O'Hara, Rockledge, Fla.

The Carita, by James K. Clarke, Palm Beach.

Daytona's Beach Program.

The program of the seventh annual Florida Beach meet at Daytona March 23 to 26, under the sanction of the A. A. A., and held under the auspices of the Florida East Coast Automobile Association, includes motorcycle, bicycle, aeroplane races and speed trials.

The features of the meet will be the 100 miles race for the $2,000 Minneapolis trophy, one-mile record race for the Sir Thomas Dewar $3,000 trophy, the fifty-mile Vanderbilt Cup competitors race, and the invitation match race between the greatest galaxy of automobile racing stars the game has ever produced.

Those entered are George Robertson, winner of the Vanderbilt Cup race last fall, and who established a new world's record for the course; Lewis Strang, winner of the Savannah, Briar Cliff and Lowell races last year, and the only man who ever won three road races in one year; Herbert Lytle, who ran a close second to George Robertson in the Vanderbilt Cup race last October, and Bob Burman, the Michigan driver, who won the New Orleans Mardi Gras 100-mile race last February, and made a new world's circular track record for the distance, and Ralph De Palma, the famous Italian-American Fiat driver.

Carl Bates, the aeroplane flyer, has been at the beach several days, and Burman and Strang arrived there today. Referee Miles and Official Starter Fred Wagner will leave New York Wednesday for Daytona.

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Pursuant to a decree of the Circuit Court of Henrico, entered February 23, 1909, in the suit of "Pryor vs. Pryor's Administrator, &c.," I will sell, at public auction, in front of the Henrico Courthouse, the above described real estate on the

15TH DAY OF MARCH, 1909,
AT 12 O'CLOCK M.

The above two parcels of real estate are each located in a colored settlement, where property is increasing in value, and should attract the attention of investors, or colored persons desiring homes in a locality where property is enhancing in value.

TERMS: One-third cash; balance at six and twelve months; title to be retained by the court until all of the purchase money has been paid, or all cash, at the option of the purchaser.

JOHN B. GAYLE,
Special Commissioner.

I certify that the bond in the above styled suit has been duly given.

Given under my hand as clerk of said court this 24th day of February, 1909.

SAM'L P. WADDILL,
Clerk.

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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17TH,

at 5 o'clock P. M., the well-located and very desirable residence above referred to, it being modernly and substantially built, well appointed, containing about nine rooms, bath, and the usual city conveniences, and in good order, the lot being 40 feet wide, with depth of 130 feet.

This meets the popular demand, whether for a conveniently and pleasantly situated home at a moderate price of a perfectly safe, well-paying investment, its high rental value being well assured. This sale should interest you, and we respectfully urge you to be present promptly at the hour named.

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COMMISSIONERS' AUCTION SALE OF IMPROVED REAL ESTATE, CONSISTING OF NO. 504½ CATHERINE STREET, AND A DOUBLE FRAMED DWELLING IMMEDIATELY IN REAR OF NOS. 508 AND 510 CATHERINE STREET; ALSO THAT FRAMED STORE, WITH THE DWELLING THERETO ATTACHED, KNOWN AND NUMBERED 1318 W. LEIGH STREET.

In execution of the below mentioned decree, we will sell by auction, upon the respective premises, in the order following and upon the same afternoon, viz.: First, on

THURSDAY, MARCH 18, 1909,

at 4 o'clock P. M., No. 504½ Catherine Street; second, at 4:30 P. M., the double framed dwelling, located as above; third and lastly, at 5 o'clock P. M., No. 1318 West Leigh Street, upon the following terms: One-third in cash; the balance upon a credit of six, twelve and eighteen months for negotiable notes, with 6 per cent. added from day of sale, and the title to be retained until the whole purchase money is paid and a conveyance is ordered by the court, or all cash at the option of the purchaser. The metes and bounds of these properties will be given at hour of sale. We bespeak a good turnout of bidders, in that these are perpetual renters.

H. ST. JOHN COALTER,
SOL CUTCHINS,
Special Commissioners.

VIRGINIA:—In the Law and Equity Court of the City of Richmond:
Edward S. Rose.....Complainant,
vs.
Louis F. Meyer and others, Defendants.
DECREE OF MARCH 1ST, 1909.

I hereby certify that the bond in the above styled suit has been duly given.

Given under my hand as clerk of said court this 13th day of March, 1909.

P. P. WINSTON,
Clerk.

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JNO. DREW,
In His Latest Comedy Success,
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