

Cold Weather Greets Missouri Valley Athletes in Preliminary Events

Stiff North Wind Makes Fast Time an Impossibility

Locke of Nebraska Makes Best Time in 100-Yard Dash

Turning in Mark of 10 4-10 Seconds.

Lincoln, May 23.—A biting wind, whipping out of the north, was sweeping Memorial stadium field today when athletes competing in the seventeenth annual Missouri Valley track and field championships began the preliminary trials where the fittest survive for the final events Saturday.

The manner in which the field is laid out put the sprinters against the wind and probabilities of low time were slight.

The rain of Thursday night and the failure of the sun to stay out long enough to dry the courts caused the postponement of all first-round tennis matches.

The 120-yard hurdles was the first event of the preliminaries. Summary:

120-yard dash: (Third heat) Malone, Nebraska, first; Fisher, Nebraska, second; Lohr, Oklahoma, third. Time, 18 8-10 seconds.

120-yard dash: (First heat) Layton, Nebraska, first; Pittsburgh, Kansas, second; Bond, Missouri, third. Time, 21 2-10 seconds.

120-yard dash: (Second heat) Critas, Nebraska, first; Greenlee, Ames, second; Knappe, Kansas, third. Time, 22 7-10 seconds.

120-yard dash: (Third heat) Bier, Washington, first; Whipperman, Nebraska, second; Watson, Kansas, third. Time, 23 2-10 seconds.

120-yard high hurdles: (First heat) Weir, Nebraska, first; Taylor, Grinnell, second; Weber, Emporia, third. Time, 18 2-10 seconds.

120-yard high hurdles: (Second heat) Blomhard, Washington, first; Green, Grinnell, second; Oklahoma, third. Time, 16 4-10 seconds.

120-yard dash: (First heat) Hein, Nebraska, first; Erwin, Kansas, second; Schramm, Grinnell, third. Time, 18 3-10 seconds.

120-yard dash: (Second heat) Laska, Nebraska, first; Anderson, Washington, second; Hooper, Pittsburgh, third. Time, 19 4-10 seconds.

120-yard low hurdles: (First heat) Taylor, Grinnell, first; Bryan, Dodge, second; Weir, Nebraska, third; Threlkeld, Washington, fourth. Time, 27 2-10 seconds.

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120-yard dash: (First heat) McElrath, Grinnell, first; Pittinger, Missouri, second; Miller, Ames, third. Time, 24 4-10 seconds.

120-yard dash: (Second heat) Hamner, Ames, first; Gardner, Nebraska, second; Grubb, Washington, third. Time, 25 2-10 seconds.

120-yard dash: (Third heat) Trow, Dodge, Missouri, first; Higgins, Nebraska, second; Patton, Grinnell, third. Time, 25 2-10 seconds.

Discus throw: Richardson, Missouri, first; 5 inches; Brown, Nebraska, second; 5 1-2 inches; Gartner, Kansas, third; 5 1-2 inches; 7 inches; Furna, Pittsburgh, fourth. Time, 19 2-10 seconds.

Leading Batters

Player-Club	NATIONAL	G	AB	R	H	CT
Hornby, St. Louis	26	105	17	43	437	
Goetz, Pittsburgh	17	57	5	23	404	
Wheat, Brooklyn	18	118	19	47	398	
Kelly, New York	26	101	14	41	348	
Fournier, Brooklyn	19	87	22	40	318	

Player-Club	AMERICAN	G	AB	R	H	CT
Williams, St. Louis	22	80	16	35	438	
Hellmann, Detroit	29	105	28	46	438	
Harris, Boston	28	106	28	48	402	
Robertson, St. Louis	17	61	13	24	393	
Boone, Boston	24	87	11	34	391	

Normal, 122 feet, 6 inches; Skelton, Pittsburgh, Normal, 127 feet, 6 inches; Skelton, Pittsburgh Normal; Kansas, Turner, Nebraska; Tim, Oklahoma; Graham, Kansas; Heisterkamp, Kansas; Davis, Nebraska; Pole vault: Owen, Ames; McKowan, Emporia; Conant, Dodge; Inman, Nebraska; Gleason, Nebraska; Sharp, Oklahoma; Mitchell, Washington, Height, 11 feet.

Wedberg Throws Shot 44 Feet

Earl "Mooky" Wedberg, South High athlete on grid, court and field, created quite a stir at Packard on Wednesday when he heaved the 15-pound shot a distance of 44 feet 2 inches. It was a practice fling, but the best he has done before was 43 feet 7 inches. He is being groomed to take the shot put at Ak-Sar-Ben field.

While Wedberg is the surest point winner for Patton's South squad, Reed, Townsend, Kurtz and Wakefield are aiming for a few places among themselves. Townsend and Kurtz both brought in a first place apiece last year at the city meet. Kurtz took the shot put while Townsend cleared the bar for first place in the pole vault.

Saturday's meet will see Wedberg and Townsend in South High colors for the last time. Both leave enviable athletic and scholastic records for underclassmen to shoot at. Both are captains, Wedberg, basket ball, and Townsend, pilot of the tracksters.

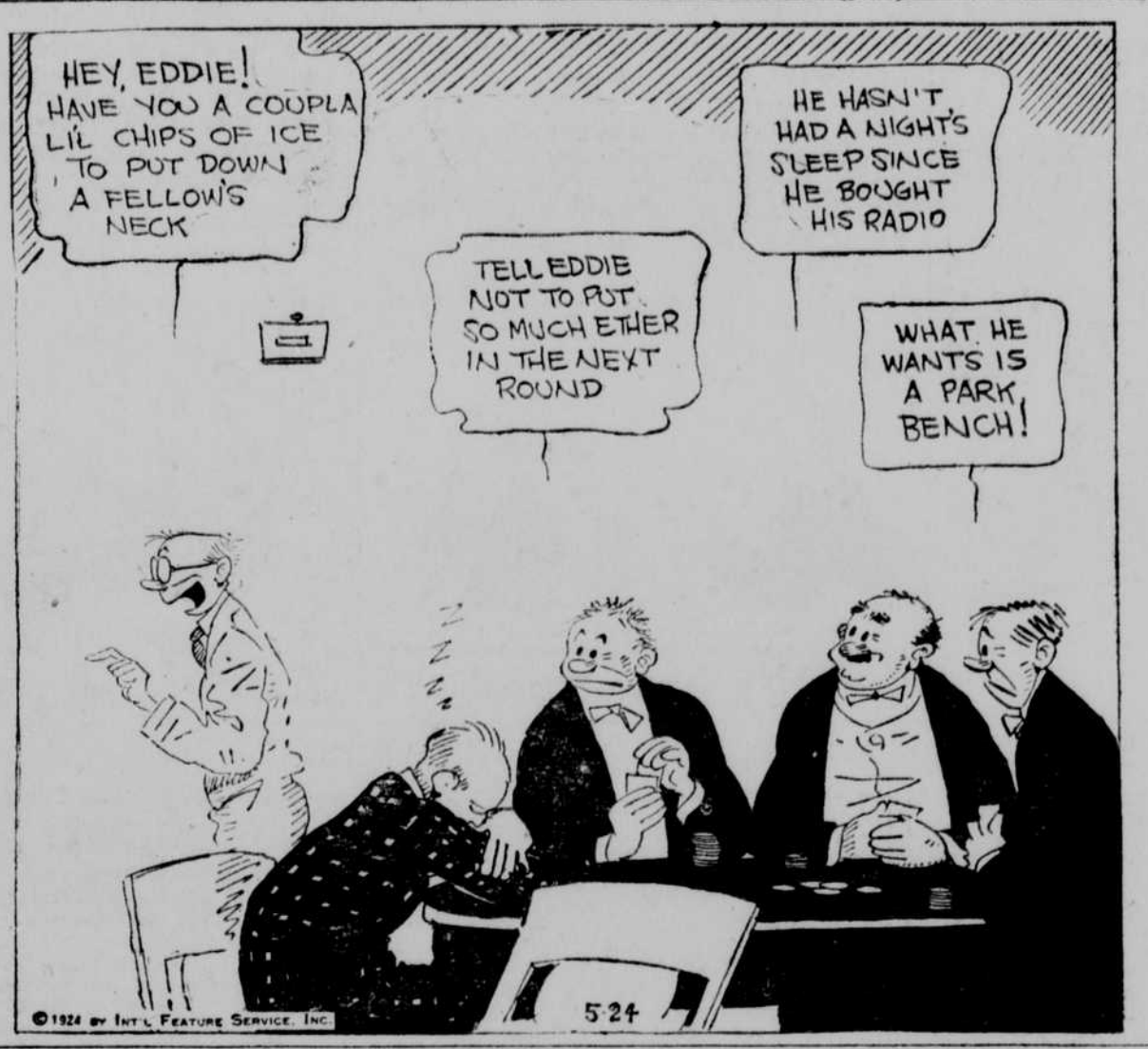
RICKARD STICKS TO JACK-WILLS BOUT

New York City, May 23.—In a statement made public today, Tex Rickard denied reports that he planned to forego a Wills-Dempsey bout this fall in favor of a match between Tommy Gibbons and the champion.

"I expect Jack Kearns here in a few weeks and am confident that we will have no trouble in reaching an agreement," Rickard said. "I have Kearns' assurance that Dempsey will fight Wills for me provided, of course, the negro will be eliminated in one or two tests I may arrange for him."

Toronto, Ont., May 23.—Frankie Genaro, winner of the world title in the United States, and Howard Mayberry, Duluth, Minn., 175 lbs., 7 inches; Furna, Pittsburgh, 190 lbs., 7 inches; 19 2-10 seconds.

EDDIE'S FRIENDS



OWNER'S HANDICAP ADDED TO BIG AK-SAR-BEN RACE MEETING CARD

Each Horseman Entering Runner Allowed to Name Weight His Horse Shall Carry.

A MILE IN 1:38.55. This is five-tenths on any race track of the country. Can it be bettered?

This is a question that will be answered during the forthcoming Ak-Sar-Ben meeting, for Racing Secretary Charles L. Trimble has just announced that during the third week of the meeting he will stage an Owner's handicap at an even mile. In an Owner's handicap, each horse man entering a thoroughbred is allowed to name the weight his runner shall carry and it will be up to him to get the services of a lightweight jockey.

When this announcement is read there will be a lot of real smart turf fans who will predict that a new mark for the mile will be made and their forecast should ring true, for

as grand a performer as The Araucanian may go postward in this event with only the proverbial feather of 80 pounds on his stalwart back. Then again the Uplike-Jones confederacy may elect to send both Lorena Marcella and Secret Thoughts after the long end of the purse. There are any number of fast mares stabled out Ak-Sar-Ben way and with many midget riders on hand to guide them a select field of speed marvels will easily be gathered together.

The mile mark of 1:38.55 for the Ak-Sar-Ben track was made last year by Dorothy Buckner, who established the time with 108 pounds on her back. Let us suppose that she only had 75 or 80 pounds up that day, there is no telling how fast she would have stepped the distance. Surely she would have shaded 1:38.

Among the good riders whose services will be in demand with the weights they will make are jockeys P. Hunn, 75; M. Frey, 80; W. Dean, 82; J. Gerrity, 87; O. Clark, 90; E. Cantrel, 92; W. Molter, 95; G. Sutton, 98; G. Abel, 92, and F. Horn, 100.

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Carp, Gibbons Taper Training

Michigan City, Ind., May 23.—After a twoday layoff, counseled because his condition was believed advancing too near the proper edge for battle, George Carpenter entered the ring again today for a couple of rounds each with Soldier King and Jack Taylor at his camp on the shores of Lake Michigan.

Trainer Wilson has instructed his charge not to work too hard. Sunday will be a big day for Carpenter, when he will give his last public workout, the receipts to go to a benefit fund.

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WESTERN COLT EASILY BEST OF FIELD NOW; SHOWS METTLE IN DERBY RACES THIS YEAR

American Horse That Can Win Both Louisiana and Kentucky Derbies as Impressively as Hoots' Colt Is Champion of Turfdom, Says Walsh—Ordnance Spills Beans at Belmont When He Ran Fifth in the Metropolitan Handicap.

By DAVIS J. WALSH.

NEW YORK, May 23.—With Zev running a club foot and St. James, Wise Counselor and Sarazen in virtual retirement, western horsemen have begun to hail Hoots' Black Gold, winner of the Kentucky derby, as the logical opponent of Epinard, French champion, in at least one of his match races here later in the campaign.

The Hoots entry is the only thoroughbred of consequence apparently that can run fast enough to keep warm at this juncture.

The agitation raised by Black Gold's followers was noted in the east for the first time several days after the derby. Until then many turf critics were disposed to look down their noses at the black son of Useit, finding much fault with a colt that had been unplaced only three races out of 24.

Even after he won at Churchill Downs, overcoming more obstacles than did Zev a year ago, his detractors were not silent. They seized upon August Belmont's Ordinance and declared him to be the best 2-year-old in training for a particular reason. Yesterday Ordinance spilled the beans all over the premises by running fifth in the Metropolitan handicap at Belmont park.

It is admitted now, east and west, that if the Epinard races were to be run tomorrow, Black Gold would be the only representative of the west, a horse available. Zev, hardly the dash-

Saddle Bronc Riding Features Rodeo Program

Oklahoma Curley on Aeroplane Wins First Prize in Riding Contest; Lynch Wins at Bulldogging.

SOMETHING like 1,500 rodeo fans shivered through Friday afternoon at Western league baseball park to see the fourth day's program of the first annual American Legion rodeo.

With the field slippery and the skinned part of the baseball diamond muddy as the result of the recent rain, the cowboys and cowgirls were through their various stunts in rapid fashion and gave the shivering spectators many thrills before the afternoon had ended. Because of the poor condition of the field, slow time was chalked up in all events.

"Wild Jim" Lynch of Miles City, Mont., who bulldozes steers from horseback, motorcycle and the running boards of automobiles, was unable to attempt his steer bulldogging from an auto Friday because of the slippery condition of the ground. This afternoon, however, "Wild Jim" will pull off his stunt, providing weather conditions permit.

The feature of Friday afternoon's program was the saddle bronc riding. Eleven cowboys tried their skill at remaining on the back of bucking, snorting horses, but few succeeded. The muddy ground made riding all the more thrilling to the spectators.

Oklahoma Curley of Fairview, Okla., riding "Aeroplane," the hardest horse to ride at the rodeo, managed to stay on "deck" long enough to win first money. "Aeroplane" is the horse that broke down one side of the corral the first day and has unseated his rider each time until Oklahoma Curley put a leg over him.

R. L. Ward of Fort Worth, Tex., came in second money in the saddle bronc riding, when he retained in the saddle on "Humbling Red" for 14 bucks and about 14 more thrown in for good measure. Bob Erickson of Point Reyes, Cal., riding "Dynamite," won third money.

First money Friday in the steer bulldogging contest went to "Wild Jim" Lynch of Miles City, Mont., who fell off the back of his horse in 24 2-5 seconds. "Wild Jim" caught his "critter" soon after it left the corral and didn't lose any time wrestling it to the ground. His time of 24 2-5 seconds was very good time considering the condition of the ground.

Jack McDonald of Calgary, Can., came in for second place, while "Shory" Kelso of Watonga, Okla., whose horse was unseated after the second round, won third money. McDonald's time was 41 seconds and that of Kelso, 58 1-2.

A New Mexico cowboy, Barney Hopkins by name, won first money in the calf roping event. Barney hails from Carlsbad, N. M., where they teach calf roping to the youngsters of the town as soon as they are old enough to hop out of the cradle. Hopkins roped and tied his calf in 23 seconds.

"Curley" Griffith, grabbed a slice of the prize money in the steer roping contest when he roped and tied his calf in 45 1-2 seconds. Third money went to Johnny Mullins of Engle, N. M., who won third place when he roped and tied his calf down in 41 3-4 seconds.

Johnny Slaughter, jockey by profession, won the relay race with Jake Heath second and Tommie Dougie third. The wild horse race was won by Jake Heath, Noah Henry of Huntington Beach, Cal., was second and Ray Brown third.

The trick riding of the Griffiths, especially the 10-year-old cowboy, Dick Griffith, again featured. Tommy Dougie and his "critter" mule brought many a laugh from the half-frozen spectators.

Polo Contests Postponed. New York, May 23.—Conflict with final examinations at Princeton has caused another shift in the program for the national college polo championship series between the Tigers and the Arizona "Wildcats." Instead of starting at Princeton the series, which is for best two out of three games, will begin Decoration day, May 30 at Fort Hamilton. Subsequent contests probably will be held May 31 and June 2.

Big Ten Stages Net Meet. Chicago, May 23.—Two favorites remained in play and a dark horse contender was uncovered after three rounds of singles in the annual western conference tennis tournament at the University of Chicago today. All conference schools but Minnesota are represented in the meet, which started today, while Notre Dame and Butler are participating by invitation.

Rickard Gives Bond. New York, May 23.—George L. ("Tex") Rickard, Frank B. Flournoy, matchmaker at Madison Square Garden, which Rickard leases, and Fred C. Quimby, motion picture distributor, surrendered today on federal indictments charging them with transporting in interstate commerce the Dempsey-Carpenter fight films.

Griffin Enters Net Tourney. St. Louis, May 23.—The entry of Clarence J. Peck Griffin, San Francisco, in the national city court tennis tournament beginning here July 5, was announced today. The tournament now has five players entered of 18 ability. The others are Tilden, Norton and the Kinsey brothers.

Rickner Case to Jury. Aniston, Ala., May 23.—The case of Mrs. Evelyn Sue Rickner, charged with slaying Lieut. James C. Rickner, her husband, went to a federal district court jury here this afternoon.

With the KNIGHTS of the GLOVES. Sterling, Colo., May 23.—Rudie Lamont, St. Paul, Minn., was the victor in the 12-round fight with a scheduled 16-round fight. He is Sterling.

Little Rock, Ark., May 23.—Charles R. "The Rock" was a heavyweight contender in the American Open of California in a straight fall.

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Ordinance Fails in Metropolitan

New York, May 23.—Numerous wise gentry thought it was like having money in bank to bet on August Belmont's Ordinance to take the historic Metropolitan handicap at the opening of Belmont Park Thursday.

Then along came Lurano, the fine 3-year-old colt of the Oak Ridge stable to surprise and shock the crowd of 15,000 by winning by six lengths with Jockey H. Thuermer looking back and grinning at the field. Lurano was 5 to 1.

Ordinance wasn't even in the money. He was fifth, a dismal disappointment at 4 to 1. Bracadale, however, was second, and Mr. Harry Payne Whitney's Rialto was third. Henry Watterston's Brainstorm was fourth.

The race, at one mile, first run in 1891 at Old Morris park, brought out a classy field of eight, the others being Matt Hatter (Rancho stable), second winner of the fixture; J. S. Cosden's Martingale, and Kiondyke, in the Whitney silks.

Huskies Defeat Sooners, 10 to 1

Lincoln, May 23.—Nebraska Cornhuskers took advantage of the fact that they weren't switching for the first time Thursday and beat Oklahoma in the first two innings by nailing the Sooner pitcher for seven safe hits and eight runs. The final score was 10 to 1 for the Huskers.

Beryl Lang, the Husker twirler, let the Sooners down with three hits, one of which was scratched when Eckstein playing left field pitched a fly ball and failed to get under it.

The only thing that saved Oklahoma from a shutout was a homer in the seventh by Mayer.

Lang was in a bad way on two or three occasions, but he always managed to work himself out of it. His last ball had the Sooners in that well-known position of being unable to hit an object you can't see.

Chester Bowman of Syracuse performed nobly in winning four events in the recent dual meet with Dartmouth. The track was soft as a result of two days heavy rainstorm, but Bowman won the 100-yard dash in 19 seconds; the 220-yard dash in 27 1-2 seconds; the 220-yard low hurdles in 25 1-2 seconds; and the running broad jump with a leap of 23 feet, 2 inches.

The Milrose A. A., about 10 years ago, one of the leading outdoor sports promoters in the east, will return to active competition on September 13, staging an athletic meet in the world's champion Yankee stadium. A race between Ray and Paavo Nurmi, the Finnish runner, and a marathon race in which the Paris Olympic marathon winner will compete are among the big events proposed as features.

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Sam Langford in New York for Eye Treatment

New York, May 23.—Sam Langford, negro heavyweight boxer of a decade ago, who now is almost blind, saw time in the past seven years.

A New York surgeon administered a preliminary treatment to the boxer's right eye today and partly restored the rapidly vanishing vision.

Langford's left eye is totally blind, but his right eye shows promise of responding to treatment. The physician will operate on the eye today.