

Joie Ray to Race Against Former Kansas Track Star at Drake Relays

Distance Race Should Prove Big Attraction

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By WALTER ECKERSALL.
Matching of Joie Ray of the Illinois A. C. greatest middle distance runner of modern times, and Ray Watson, formerly of the Kansas Agricultural college, for a one mile race to be decided in connection with the Drake university relay games in Des Moines, Ia., on April 29, practically assures success of this established event.

The race should be the most interesting ever held in Des Moines. Between the two distance runners, Watson has come east to race Ray and has always been defeated. Friends of the Kansas runner have frequently asserted Watson has been at a disadvantage because he had to travel and run over strange courses.

The situation will be just the reverse on April 29. Ray has just run on the Drake track and Watson has run some of his best races over the course, which is among the fastest in the Missouri Valley conference. Climatic or track conditions are of little or no concern to Ray. He is a foot racer and a natural competitor.

Race Attracts Attention.
Matching this pair as an added attraction to the games is a move in the right direction to insure success in the games, which are being promoted by Kenneth "Tug" Wilson, a former University of Illinois athlete, who is athletic director at Drake university.

Track and field athletics are promoted successfully in the east because athletes are imported from other sections to meet the best in the district in which the country is held. The intersectional rivalry attracts attention of the athletically inclined public, who are always attracted by an event in which intersectional supremacy is at stake.

For years Ray has been going east. He runs as many as four or five races each year in the country, and in an appearance in the big meets in Boston and Philadelphia. Every time he steps on the track he is greeted with tremendous applause. Those who promote these meets know Joie's drawing powers and they always match him with the best the east can produce.

Ray a Magnet to Fans.
Ray's appearance at the Drake stadium will be the magnet for fans who would not attend the games otherwise and Director Wilson and Drake university are to be congratulated on making this move. Ray will bring more than enough in at the gate to defray his expenses besides making the games more popular.

Watson has a great opportunity, although he hardly can be expected to beat the fleet tricolor star. Many an athlete has been made overnight and Watson will be the most talked of amateur athlete in the country if he is successful in breaking the tape ahead of one of the greatest runners this country has ever seen.

The former Kansas Aggie runner had better make up his mind to get in shape to run the mile in 4:20 or better. If he cannot cover the distance in this time he will not have a chance. Practically every time Joie runs a mile race, it is a safe bet he will do a 4:20 pace of better. If he does not have to run another race on the same day and if conditions are favorable, 4:16 or better is not hard for him.

Watson a Good Runner.
Ray holds the world's indoor one mile record at 4:14.35. He made this mark in Chicago in 1919. The outdoor record is 4:12.35 and was made by Norman Tabor at Cambridge in 1915. Joie has come within fractions of a second of Tabor's mark, but he has never cracked the record, which is the goal of his ambitions.

Watson is a good mile runner. He was a consistent point winner for his college and considered one of the best intercollegiate performers in the country during his college career. He may give Ray a great race for part of the distance, but he will be compelled to show more speed and endurance than he ever did before to beat the Chicagoan.

Aside from the match race between Ray and Watson, other events scheduled for the universities, colleges and high schools should make this year's Drake games the most successful ever held. In fact, so many nominations have been received for the prep school events that Director Wilson has decided to run two events for the high schools.

Big Ten Teams in Meet.
The majority of the Big Ten universities will send teams or representatives to the games, while the Missouri Valley will support the event almost to a colossus. The Penn relays will be held on the same day.

Bear for Punishment.
New York, April 15.—Crude as he is, Luis Firpo, the South American heavyweight, battered Joe McCann, a heavy punching 199-pounder of Newark, into a state of helplessness at the Broad A. C. in Newark recently.

"Early Birds" at the Field Club Course



Hitting, Not Pitching, Won for Yanks Last Year

Hitting, not pitching, won the pennant for the Yanks last year. This season they will play a month-long Babe Ruth and Bob Messel, two of the leading assassins of murderers' row. But they start off with six pitchers, whereas they had perhaps three and a fraction a year ago. Mays, Hoyt, Shawkey, Bush, Jint and Letty O'Doul may reverse the process this time and win the pennant on pitching in default of heavy slugging.

Dan O'Leary, Past 80, Can Still Walk Some

Dan O'Leary, the walker, who is now past 80 years of age, beat Edward Payson Weston, the famous soldier-walker, three times in six-day gas-as-you-please events. O'Leary won in 1875 in Chicago, covering 503 miles to Weston's 451 1/2; beat him again in London in 1877, traversing 520 to Weston's 510 miles, and the last time at San Francisco in 1880, when O'Leary covered 525 to the soldier's 499.

Wants Rules to Stand.

New York, April 15.—Ralph Morgan, secretary of the Intercollegiate Basketball league, is in no way in favor of any of the suggested changes in the present system of scoring foul shots. He wants the present rule continued. As to the so-called evil of the expert foul shooter, Mr. Morgan points out that every team has an equal chance to develop such a sure shot and that the presence of this player on the court is a constant threat "rock 'em and sock 'em" offense.

Soccer Stars Come High

Michael Gilhooley, the Scottish international center halfback and Hull City captain, has been transferred to the Sunderland club. The transfer fee is a record one, exceeding \$25,000. This demonstrates that the soccer teams are awaking to the value of first-class talent.

Advertisement for TEE, FAIRWAY, AND GREEN by CHICK EVANS, featuring an illustration of a golfer and text about golf facts.

Dempsey's Trip Across Annoys U.S. Promoters

Fight Game Lacks Color With Champion Away—Promoters Trying to 'Build Up' Firpo for Go With Jack.

By RAY PEARSON.
The 1922 crop of pugilistic heavyweights is causing the gent who wrote on being promoters a lot of annoyance. We have said that it takes a heavy weight championship bout to "make a summer," and now that the major "makings" is on his way to Europe (we have Jack Dempsey in mind) the approaching Fourth of July and Labor day holds little promise of satisfying the appetites of the hungry fans.

With Dempsey (IRIBUNE Photo) has gone a big portion of the "bait brains" when it comes to the promotional business; for Jack Kearns, who manages the world's champion, has made a name for himself in rigging up matches that attract the fans and pull large gobbs of the swag out of their pockets. We point to that bout at Jersey City last July 4 as demonstrating the achieving ability of this fellow Kearns. Of course, that Dempsey-Carpentier match was too big an attraction to be a "one man stunt," but with Tex Rickard in collaboration Kearns found the sailing remarkably successful, as witness the gate of more than 1,000,000 smacks.

Battle of the Century.
The one thing that stands out most strongly when we gaze back on that "battle of the century" is that it was the most wonderfully built up fight engagement of all time. It mattered not that Carpentier wasn't exactly a rival for Jack Dempsey. It mattered not if nine-tenths of those fans who sat at the Jersey City ringside that afternoon last summer expected to happen what actually did happen—the knockout of the Frenchman.

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Bowl for Championship

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Mrs. R. Jameson, better known among Omaha bowlers as just plain "Jammie," champion woman bowler of the city, will defend her title in a five-game match at the Omaha alleys next Sunday at 8 o'clock in the evening.

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Many promising prospects lost to baseball by too much boosting from training camps. Many promising prospects have been lost to baseball by too much boosting from training camps. The danger of over-exploiting the youngster is threefold. It is folly to create too great expectations from the patrons, it is equally folly to produce a case of swollen head, while on the last in whom brain and brawn are well balanced the effect may be to make him too nervous and over-anxious to live up to all the good things said about him.

Time Makes the Star.

When the outfielder is touted from the southern camps as a "second Ty Cobb," the fans do not stop to think it requires several seasons to develop the Georgia Peach out of the bud Hugh Jennings picked almost too soon. So, when an underdog looks like "another Eddie Collins," it cannot be expected that he is, only that he may be some day.

Publicity Spoils Rookies.

Of course, the youngsters with strong hearts and good noddies weather this rough going at the beginning of a season all right. They understand why they are kept in the background, unless emergency calls them into play, until they have learned the major league game.

Cites Killinger's Case.

This spring we have had the case of Glenn Killinger, one of the best college athletes of the last two or three years. He was blazoned everywhere as ready for the big leagues immediately; predictions were made that he would rank with the best in no time at all. In the Yankee camp in the south all kinds of praise was flashed home, only to end when the brilliant young man was farmed out to a minor league for experience.

Evidence of Alleged Track Fraud Given Jockey Club

New York, April 15.—A transcript of the recent investigation by the president of the Jockey Club at the winter meeting at the fair grounds, New Orleans, which resulted in the ruling off of several prominent riders and jockeys, is in the hands of the Jockey Club. Minute details of the alleged conspiracy between "go-betweens" representing eastern gamblers and a "jockey ring" to manipulate the races at the fair grounds in such a manner as to defraud pool rooms and hand books out of large sums of money have been placed at the disposal of New York turf scribes.

Herman Hopes to Take Lynch's Place in Ring

New York, April 15.—Pete Herman, the former bantam champion, is in town training hard. Herman was disappointed when Johnny Buff decided to give Joe Lynch the first shot at the title, but Pete has not given up hope of getting the match at Madison Square Garden on May 5. Accidents frequently happen to fighters in training, and Herman intends to be ready in case anything should prevent Lynch from going through with the bout.

British Golf Tourney Won't Be Held at Sandwich

New York, April 15.—It is more than likely that the British open championship will not be held at the Sandwich links this year because of the damage wrought to the greens through last season's drought.