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Athletic Events Interestingly Discussed by J. Morgan For "News."

THE ENGLISH CUP CONTEST.

Rugby Game With Wales in Lead—Another Between England and Ireland Proved Fast and Furious.

(By J. Morgan.)

In football circles interest is centered in England at present in the contest for possession of the English cup. The present holders, Sheffield, Wednesday had the severe misfortune of being knocked out in the first round, which, strange to say, has been the fate of several cup holders in former years. The second round has been played, over 250,000 being present at the 16 games. The largest crowd, 47,000, being at Newcastle, and the smallest, 5,000, at Grimsby. The Southern club again did well and it looks as if one of the southern teams will appear as one of the finalists at the Crystal Palace next April. It has been a bad season for the Yorkshire club who in the past have made a name as stubborn cup fighters, as not a single club from the broad acrid shire has survived the second round, while on the other hand five clubs from the country Palatine (Lancs) her ancient rival of the Red Rose are still in the running and all going strong. Of the 16 clubs left for the third round, only four teams, namely, Aston Villa, Wolverhampton Wanderers, Everton and Manchester City, have had the honor in the past of annexing the coveted trophy. The first round of the six replays attracted in all 552,000 spectators, the second round, with the replays, 410,000, making the huge total of 962,000 for 60 games—is striking testimony to the popularity of this contest—the greatest football tournament in the world, especially when notice is taken of the fact that in the majority of cases the games were played in none too pleasant weather, as fog-bound, frost-bound grounds, sleet, rain and snow had a tendency of keeping many thousands of would-be spectators away. The third round was played last Saturday, Feb. 2, another unlucky day, as, according to reports, the worst storms for many a decade prevailed all over England, especially in the north, which undoubtedly will tell on the attendance.

DRAW FOR ROUND III.

Bolton Wan vs. Everton.
Newcastle vs. Liverpool.
Grimsby vs. Crystal Palace.
Aston Villa vs. Manchester.
Wolverhampton vs. Stoke.
Southampton vs. Bristol Rivers.
Warrington vs. Wigan.
Sheffield vs. Fulham.
All to be played on ground of first-round club.

THE LEAGUE.

Manchester United—the team of the hour—are still cock of the walk in league games, and have a big lead over their nearest rivals, the United from Newcastle. The match between these two sides, played at Newcastle, Feb. 15, was one of the finest exhibitions of the soccer game seen in the British Isles. The United, at Clayton, Manchester, was led to its utmost limit, over 40,000 being present 10 minutes before the kick-off, and thousands were turned away, not an inch of space being available. The game was worthy of the attention, play being at a terrific pace and no fault was found with the referee. The feature of the play was the tug of war between Rutherford (Newcastle Utd.), England's finest outside right, and Burrows (Manchester Utd.), at present the best left back in England. The latter generally got the better of the exchanges, Manchester led at half time. In the last five minutes Rutherford equalized for Newcastle by heading through Blackburn, Birmingham and Sunderland in an desperate straits and stand equal chances of being relegated to division II, while on the second division there is a glorious struggle between Derby county, Bradford City, Oldham Athletic and Fulham for the two top places in the league, which will mean promotion to division I next season.

LEAGUE ATTENDANCES TO DATE.

League	Games Played	Attendance	Average
English League	255	4,570,000	17,921
Southern League	240	1,847,000	7,695
Eng. Second Div.	240	1,834,000	7,667
Total	744	8,331,000	10,995

THE RUGBY GAME.

The next rugby international between England and Wales played at Bristol was the most remarkable of recent years. Never before in the history of international has a side scored so many points and lost the game. It was England's luck in the end, under notice, the game was played in a fog and for a time it looked as if the match would have to be postponed; but the fog lifted a little and the game was commenced, to the great satisfaction of the spectators, many of whom had traveled long distances to witness the match. At no period of the game could the spectators see both goals, as the fog became after the start, which was a pity, as the play was fast and interesting, both sides scoring freely. It became so dense that the spectators on the stands behind one goal were utterly invisible from those on the opposite end, and the players seemed like some huge specks hovering in the gloom. What play was seen, the Welshmen seemed to have the best of it, especially in the scrum work. Individually, the Englishmen were as good, but there was not that finish that marked the efforts of the Welshmen, who won a most remarkable game by 28 points to 15. Wales has now won two games of England's 11, four having been drawn, but it is now 12 long years since England has succeeded in defeating Wales. England's victories began in the early series of the international.

WALES VS. SCOTLAND.

This, the second rugby international played at Swansea in the present season, attracted a large crowd of 40,000 spectators. The English country was noted for its rain, sleet, snow, mud, made the ground soft, slippery, and treacherous. The wet ball was somewhat wonderful handling was seen, leading to some splendid scrums, and in the end the Welshmen won, while their footwork in the main

was superior to that of the Welsh pack. At half time Scotland led by one goal to one try. In the second half the Welsh pack, after looking like cracking up, rallied magnificently, giving their three-quarterbacks the chances they required. Wales got possession on their own 25 and their three-quarterbacks executed one of their celebrated passing movements on which all the backs handled. A try resulted from a round of brilliant passing and re-passing, which covered three-quarters the length of the field. Winfield failed at converting, and Wales eventually won a most desperately fought game by two points (six points) to one goal, five points. It was a narrow squeak, but Wales owed their victory to their superiority behind the scrum, and superior finesse in regard to team work. Indications are strong that gallant little Wales will again carry off the rugby championship of the British Isles.

ENGLAND VS. IRELAND.

Played at Richmond, London, in the presence of 20,000 spectators. The game was very fast and Ireland pressed for the first five minutes and ought to have scored on one or two occasions, but her backs muddled their

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PICKED TO WIN FIELD CLASSIC, APRIL 19.

With Tom Longboat, the great Indian distance runner, ineligible to compete, John J. Hayes, of the Irish-American Athletic club of this city, is now picked by experts to win the Marathon race which will be held in Boston on Patriots' day, April 19. Ernie Hjertberg, the club's trainer, predicts that Hayes will carry the winged feet to victory in that race. "I never saw an athlete of Hayes' build who possessed such lung power as does this youngster," said Hjertberg. "Since he began training last month he has displayed more speed and stamina over a distance of ground than any one I ever knew. I believe he is the best man in this country over a 25 mile course."

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press and soon one of her three-quarterbacks got over. England held a slight advantage right through and finally won by two goals, one try, 3 points. This is the first victory of England over Ireland under Rugby Union rules, for several years. Since the commencement of the series of international matches, England has won 20, Ireland won 11, the remaining game resulting in a draw.

INTERNATIONAL RUGBY UP TO DATE.

Matches	Points	Draws	W. L. Draw	For	Against	Pts.
Wales	2	2	0	0	34	23
England	2	2	1	0	31	31
Scotland	1	0	1	0	5	6
Ireland	1	1	0	0	9	13

Wales has to meet Ireland at Belfast and the game is sure to be a corker; but at present the gallant Taffes hold a strong lead and her boys are playing great football.

STUDENT DRUNKENNESS GIVEN AS CAUSE.

Stanford University, Cal., March 27.—In the matter of the suspension of 41 students of the university and the agitation to secure their reinstatement by the student body, President David Starr Jordan today issued a statement upholding the action of the faculty committee and indicating his determination not to consider a reconsideration of the cases of the suspended students. Dr. Jordan says: "The present difficulty at Stanford university has had its origin in the effort of the university authorities, trustees and faculty, to rid the institution of the 'burden and disgrace of student drunkenness.' The demonstration of March 12 was an organized expression of revolt primarily against the committee, but actually against the university itself. It was necessary that the offense should be met squarely and definitely. This the committee has done, and the university will continue to oppose or protest. "It is a matter of regret that so many fine young men have been drawn into this work by a false idea of college spirit, the undercurrent in the affair not appearing on the surface and the moral issues being obscured by sympathy for their fellows."

AUTOMOBILE NOTES.

The Wilkes-Barre, Pa., club's annual hill-climbing contest up Giant's Despair mountain will be held on May 30 this year.

Total sales at the recent Detroit show reached \$125,000 for the week, 81 cars having been sold to individual purchasers.

A new automobile manufacturing company has been formed at Jackson, Mich., and an auto buggy concern at Defiance, O.

The first automobile to be purchased by the city of Camden, N. J., has been ordered for the chief of the water department.

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from Wichita, Kan., to Fort Worth, Texas at the rate of from 125 to 200 miles a day.

Following the lead of the Quaker City Women's Motor club, the Chicago Automobile club will endow a hospital bed for the use of persons injured in motoring accidents.

A prosperous Chinese laundryman of Huntington, L. I., uses an automobile to collect clothing from his patrons and to deliver it. He employs a white chauffeur to run the machine.

The American Power Boat association, at its annual meeting, endorsed the movement for a federal law requiring all motor-driven craft to carry a licensed mate or engineer.

The overproduction of both automobile and horse cars at Berlin is said to have been the cause of the recent suspension of one of the leading motor car companies at the German capital.

Town councils are given the right to exclude automobiles from all high ways except state roads and those leading from town to town under a bill now before the Rhode Island legislature.

The motor machine gun recently sent to Morocco by France already has distinguished itself, its commander maneuvering it with such ability as to earn for himself the Cross of the Legion of Honor.

The Automobile Club of Cincinnati is publishing a monthly bulletin, together with a series of road maps covering southwestern Ohio, which are proving a strong factor in attracting new members to the club.

Government tests recently proved that in clear stock, weight for weight, red hickory is as strong as white, thus ending the fear that the supply of suitable material for automobile wheels soon would be exhausted.

The new automobile rules of the City of Mexico limit the speed within the city to six miles an hour and on roads in the outskirts to 24 miles. Imprisonment is the penalty for professional drivers who exceed these rates.

The Royal Automobile club of Great Britain and the Automobile club of France are discussing a scheme for operating for a definite system of automatic timing whereby world's records can be universally recognized.

DOG SHOW TO BE THREE POINT ONE

Work Begins of Fitting Up Auditorium for Canines and Spectators.

ENTRY LIST SHOWS OVER 200.

Dog Winning Ten Points is Entitled To a Championship—Many Imported Ones on Exhibition.

Those interested in the Kennel club bench show to be held at the Auditorium next week are enthusiastic over the prospects confronting them. The work of fitting up the Auditorium where the show is to be held has been started, and there will be plenty of room for the more than 200 canines and for the spectators.

It was announced last night that the show would be a three point affair, as there are already more than 200 dogs entered, and it requires that many to entitle a dog to three points in the championship. The winner is known as a champion.

A feature of the show, and one that is stirring up a great deal of interest among dog fanciers, is the announcement that there will be two white dachshunds on exhibition, and it is believed they are the only ones in the country. It is claimed there is only one kennel of these peculiar dogs in the world, and the pair to be exhibited here are owned by Lawrence Townsend of this city. He imported them and thinks they are the only ones in America.

The famous English bull, owned by D. C. Jacklin, has been entered. It was imported by the owner and is rated as one of the very best in the country. There will be a large number of dogs from adjoining states and with a full list of local dogs entered, the show should prove to be the best ever given here. The committee on prizes has ordered ribbon rosettes for the prize winners.

On Wednesday comes the big dog parade and Prest. Redman wants all the boys in the city to get busy and bring out their dogs. There will be no objection as to breed, size or color, just so they are dogs. The parade will likely furnish some excitement if several hundred dogs get together on the streets. Unless the boys watch out, there will be fights galore.

AMERICAN AND RUGBY FOOTBALL COMPARED.

William T. Reid, Jr., better known as Billy Reid, formerly Harvard's football coach, in a recent article, attempts to show the superiority of the revised American game of rugby. William Unmuth of San Francisco replied to Reid's article. Unmuth is an authority on rugby, and referred to the first intercollegiate game after Stanford and California had adopted it.

The essential points made are:

REID'S OPINIONS.
"The old game was undoubtedly one of too much mass play and close formation; the ball was seldom visible, and the actions of the players were too much concealed."

"The new game is much more open than anything we have seen for 15 years; and the end is not yet."

"Everything has been done that can be done by rule to make football what we all wish it to be."

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"When you come right down to it, there appears to me to be very little openness in the intercollegiate game. Mr. Reid admits the greater openness of rugby."

"To me it appears the old game is the brain work of one man, the coach. The players are like so many cogs in a machine. Not so with the rugby player. The man with the ball has to use his brain and use it quickly; the men backing him up are thinking rapidly."

"I grant that intercollegiate shows much team work, but so also does rugby."

"The rugby games Mr. Reid has seen are certainly been the best he could see here, but they were not true rugby. Rugby has only been played by the colleges two years, and the way

the players have grasped it has been truly marvelous. Another two years of such phenomenal strides and the game will be truly mastered."

WRESTLING TOURNAMENT TONIGHT

The Y. M. C. A. wrestling club begins a tournament this evening in the gymnasium and there are 26 entries for the various weights. The tournament will undoubtedly prove to be the most interesting one given at the association gym. There will be contests in five different weights from the 125 pound class to the heavies. The bouts will begin at 8 o'clock.

JACKIE CLARKE COMING.

Word has been received here that Jackie Clarke, the famous little Australian bicycle rider had sailed on March 16 from his home to return to America. With him will come E. P. Pyle, Pedlar Palmer and Floyd McFarland.

DEMAREST CHAMPION.

Chicago, March 27.—Calvin Demarest of Chicago tonight won the national amateur 14.2 ball line billiard championship, and at the same time established a new record for the high run, making 202 in his tenth inning. His opponent was H. A. Wright of San Francisco, who played badly and was only able to collect 22 in his 12 trials. Demarest's average was 30.10-13 and Wright's 1.10-12.

HOPPE WORLD'S CHAMPION.

New York, March 27.—Willie Hoppe of this city won the world's championship at 14.2 billiards by defeating Geo. Sutton of Chicago by a score of 500 to 272, tonight at Madison Square Garden. The winner played cleverly at times, being brilliant at open table work, while Sutton failed to get the ivory in position for his favorite balk-line runs.

YALE ROWING CREWS.

New Haven, Conn., March 27.—Julian W. Curtiss, advisory rowing coach at Yale, today announced that, with the faculty permission Yale will enter the crews for the American Henley regatta at Philadelphia, May 23, to be known as the second university and freshmen.

OLD TIMER WINS.

Liverpool, March 27.—The Grand National steeplechase of 3,000 sovereigns, including a trophy valued at 125 sovereigns, on the Grand National course, distance about four miles, 856 yards, was won by Maj. F. Douglas Penman's Rubio. William Cooper's Mattie MacGregor was second and P. Whitaker's the Lawyer III finished third. Twenty-four horses ran.

Rubio came from America two or three years ago. He was once purchased for \$50, after he had broken down under training and was driven to a trap. It was some time before his jumping qualities were discovered.

A TRYOUT RACE.

New York, March 27.—The executive committee of the Olympic games has decided that the Boston Athletic association Marathon race, which is to be held in Boston on April 30 will be the tryout for the Olympic Marathon to be held in London this summer. The committee will select its entries from those who start in the Boston race.

The executive committee has also decided that in all three try-outs—Philadelphia, Chicago and the Pacific coast—the size of the circle or throwing the discus shall be the same as the one that will be used in London—2.51 meters.

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HAILED AS A CHAMPION.

Trainer Hjertberg, of the Irish-American Athletic club, of New York, who has had Arthur H. Cozens under observation, says he is the best runner in the country.

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