

JEAN BOROTRA, FAMOUS FRENCH NET ACE, RETIRES FROM SINGLES MATCHES

New York, N. Y., March 4—Jean Borotra, young as a business man, but old as a tennis player, today announced sadly that the two do not mix and that never again will he take the court at Stade Roland Garros as a singles player in defense of the Davis Cup.

Arriving on the Ile de France with Christian Boussus and Antoine Gentien, fellow French players to defend his American indoor singles title, Borotra announced his retirement from active play where more than his own reputation was at stake.

"I love to play," he told the Associated Press, "and shall continue to do so, but for myself only. For myself I do not care. When I lose it is only for me. But when it is your country—no, I must step aside. I am too busy to train properly."

"Doubles I may play. That is not so strenuous, nor does it depend on one man alone. I shall be ready if France needs me next Summer to play doubles."

Lascote May Play
The Great Frenchman one of the most colorful of all international players, four times indoor champion of America, twice Wimbledon singles finalist, many times champion of his own country indoors and once outdoors, is 34 years old, a veteran of the World War and possessor of a fortune he has made himself in the last 14 years.

He has been a member of French Davis Cup teams since 1922 and was a member of the team which won the cup from the United States in 1927.

although he himself had no part in the victory, playing only in the doubles, which France lost.

Asked what he considered France's chances to defend the cup this year, Borotra said it all depends on Henri Cochet.

"He must win three matches," Borotra said. "I know of no young player of ours who would be favored to defeat either the English or American singles players."

Career On Courts Long
Borotra believes Rene Lascote who has been out of active competition for some years with a lung ailment may be able to play this year. He is not overly hopeful, however, and thinks his place may be taken by one of the players who came to New York with him.

The three Frenchmen will play in the nationals, with Borotra and Boussus again pairing in defence of their doubles titles, and then will engage an American team in an international series played along Davis Cup lines. Borotra and Boussus won the series last year, three matches to two.

The American team has not been selected, but probably will be chosen from among Frank Shields, Berkeley Bell, George M. Lott, Jr., John Van Ryn, Sidney B. Wood, Jr., Cliff Sutter and Wilmer Allison. Bell was a finalist against Borotra in singles last year and Shields defeated both Borotra and Boussus at singles in the team matches.

The nationals begin Saturday with the international series to be played March 21, 22 and 23.

FEWER BIG GAME WERE KILLED DURING SEASON OF 1931

There were 447 moose and 9594 deer killed in New Brunswick during 1931, according to figures contained in the annual report of Chief Game Warden, H. H. Ritchie to the Minister of Lands and Mines, Hon. L. P. D. Tilley.

The decrease in the kill of moose last year, compared with 1930 when 1066 moose were killed was 619, but according to the Chief Game Warden this decrease was anticipated following the amendment to the Game Act prohibiting the sale of game meat. The sale of resident deer licenses reached a new peak in 1931 of 11,926. The Chief Game Warden reports the estimated kill of deer in 1931 to have been 9594 as compared to the estimated kill of deer in 1930 of 10,930.

An interesting feature of the report shows that from October 1st to October 15th, 15 per cent of the kill was reported; from October 16th to October 31, 18 per cent; from November 1st to 15th, 28 per cent and from November 16 to November 30th, 39 per cent. The general tendency to shoot buck deer in preference to doe is shown by the returns as 65 per cent to 35 per cent.

Non-resident hunters reported a kill of 84 moose and 504 deer in 1931, the report states.

"A very successful partridge season was reported, with a bag of 44,469 birds, and also very favourable reports of a large increase in the number of partridge seen after the close of the partridge season as compared to last year," states the Chief Game Warden.

Woodcock Figures
"The Province enjoyed a very favourable season for breed of this choice game bird as well as for hunting, with reports of 4,000 birds taken by residents and visiting sportsmen. The flight appeared to leave the Province somewhat earlier than usual, about October 26th from the southern part of

the Province, and a week later from the central part.

Geese, Ducks and Brant

"A normal season was reported as regards native birds as well as those breeding in the far north, with the exception that the earlier flight of brant showed a low percentage of young brant from 7% to 20% reported by different observers, a condition which seems to change from year to year, possibly accounted for by stormy weather in the north at hatching time. "The reported kill is as follows: geese, 2,119; ducks, 16,406; brant, 1,675. The much discussed shortage of ducks did not affect the situation in New Brunswick, where fortunately we are not subject to drought conditions, as in the Western Provinces.

"In passing it might be advisable to suggest that serious consideration be given to supervision of the intensive use of sink boxes, sand boxes, and motor boats in Tabusintac Bay, where twenty-eight sets are available, although possibly not more than twenty may be operated at any one time, nevertheless the motor boats which tend on these sets have a tendency to keep the birds on the wing much more than is advisable."

Statistics contained in the report showed that for the last ten years 13,601 moose have been killed in New Brunswick and 69,016 deer.

The enforcement of the Game Act was carried out in a vigorous manner during 1931 as shown by the fact that 181 prosecutions were entered for infractions of this law, from November 1st, 1930, to October 31st, 1931. There were 160 convictions, 44 jail sentences and 40 suspended sentences and fines aggregating \$3,075.00.

SONNENBERG PINS COUNT

Philadelphia, Pa., March 3—Gus Sonnenberg of Boston threw Count George Zarynoff of Ukrania in 36 minutes 32 seconds tonight. After missing many tackles, Sonnenberg used a body press to make the fall. In the preliminaries Charley Strack of Spring Valley, N. Y., disposed of Louis Loew of France in 14:47; Joe Montana of Camden, N. J., and Boris Demitroff of New York, grappled 30 minutes to a draw, and Casey Kazanjian of California, awarded his bout with Pat Reilly of Boston when the latter was disqualified for illegal holds.

GETS SPOTLIGHT

Clearwater, Florida, March 4—Hack Wilson stepped into the Brooklyn Dodgers' practice today and practically stole the show. Hack Wilson didn't do much in his first drill except step on the scales to reveal that he weighs 213 pounds, well above his playing weight, and to join the "awkward squad" in daily calisthenics, but he was the center of attention all day. At the plate he fouled off three of Pea Ridge Day's offerings before straightening one out, then neatly fanned when Cy Moore offered him some curves.

PERRY DEFEATED LEE IN BERMUDA

Hamilton, Bermuda, March 3—In an all-English final Fred Perry today won the men's tennis championship of Bermuda, defeating H. G. N. Lee, 4—6, 6—1, 6—2, 6—4. Perry's sound all-round game gradually overcame Lee's brilliant playing after the latter had captured the first set. Johnny Doeg, of the United States who won the championship last year, did not defend his title. The mixed doubles final, another all-British affair, resulted in an unexpected victory for George P. Hughes and Mrs. Elleen Bennett Whittingstall over Perry and Betty Nuthall. The score was 4—6, 6—1, 6—4. Superior volleying gave the winners their margin. Mrs. Whittingstall was

Kansas, City, Mo., March 4—A shortage of picks and shovels almost spoiled plans for placing more than 1,000 men at work on civil improvement projects. W. J. Teeley, city purchasing agent started out to purchase 3000 shovels and 500 picks. He found that only 100 picks and 400 shovels were available. A rush order was sent to an Ohio firm, which advised that it would hire extra men and complete the order in record time. Now that Berlin is beerless one can picture its citizens trying to blow the forth off their coffee. especially brilliant at the net, while Miss Nuthall was erratic. The English-Bermuda team match was not completed. Stormy weather prevented played on Monday and Tuesday and the English players sail for home tomorrow.

BACK TO THE LAND MOVEMENT IS NOTED IN NEW BRUNSWICK, SOME INTERESTING STATISTICS

"Colonization work among the people of New Brunswick has shown a decided increase during 1931 and all indications point to a strong 'Back-to-the-Land-Movement' on the part of many of our people, not only in the rural communities but in the cities as well."

This statement appears in the annual report of the Department of Lands and Mines as submitted to the Legislature on Friday by Hon. L. P. D. Tilley, K.C., Minister of Lands and Mines.

Dealing with colonization phase of the Department's activities, the report stated that 16,900 acres were allotted to settlers during the year and improvements on 572 lots were inspected.

In his report to the Minister of Lands and Mines, T. A. MacDonald, Inspector of Colonization says:

"Statistics show that in practically every period of economic depression during the history of the Province there has been a gradually growing increase in the number of people applying to the Crown Land Department for land for settlement purposes. The past year has been no exception. A strong 'Back-to-the-Land-Movement' is apparently under way. Your Department has had many enquiries from our own New Brunswick people, particularly from the northern counties of the Province (Victoria, Madawaska, Restigouche, Gloucester, Northumberland and Kent) for land where new settlements might be established and new parishes formed. Not only from natives of this Province are enquiries being received very frequently persons write from different Provinces of the Dominion and from different States of the Republic to the South of us, asking if it is possible for them to secure land in New Brunswick for the purpose of homesteading.

"Possibly one of the greatest future assets of the Province will be through the improvement and development of its agricultural resources. And 'Back-to-the-Land-Movement' which may be started should be encouraged.

"Changes are rapidly taking place in our rural communities. We are, I believe, entering a period which will necessitate the placing of hundreds of families on our vacant Crown Lands. Changes in our rural economy which must result from the present economic crisis through which the world is pass-

ing and which is inevitably being felt in our rural districts, make it imperative, that our plans for successful settlement be formulated along the lines of future development, so that settlers of rural New Brunswick may lead a useful and prosperous future, if they have the energy and the determination to work for it."

Some Statistics
On the 169 lots "approved" last year says the report, 19 were in the Blue Bell Tract and 150 in other parts of the Province, being divided among the counties as follows:

Restigouche	44
Madawaska	41
Northumberland	28
Gloucester	25
Kent	8
York	4
Victoria	4
Albert	2
Queens	2
Sunbury	1
Westmorland	1
	150

Colonization Road Money has been spent, for the most part, under direct supervision of the Public Works Department in the counties as set forth herewith:

Restigouche	\$ 954.15
Gloucester	1,260.90
Northumberland	150.50
Queens	395.83
Sunbury	201.38
Victoria	30.20
Madawaska	784.52
	\$3,777.48

DOLL CLUB IN PHILADELPHIA

Philadelphia, March 4—The Wharton Memorial Settlement House in Philadelphia has a "circulating doll club." Big dolls, little dolls, boy dolls and girl dolls are all there awaiting the pleasure of their little "mothers." They are loaned out like library books and may be kept for two weeks. Then they may be returned and another taken out.

Lina Boone says the optimists are not all dead yet.

Training News

Tigers Oppose Seals

Palo Alto, California, March 4 — Manager Bucky Harris, was notified today that Ken Strong, recruit outfielder from Toronto, will not be able to join the Detroit Tigers until they reach Detroit. Strong had a silver of bone removed from his wrist this winter and the wrist has not healed as rapidly as was expected.

Harris said today that Charlie Gehringer, star second baseman, would be left behind when the first squad goes to San Francisco next week to open a seven game series with the Seals. No chances will be taken on a recurrence of an arm ailment that handicapped Gehringer last season.

Heilmann Practices

Tampa, Florida, March 4—Two developments brought joy to the Cincinnati Reds' training camp today. Harry Heilmann, spark plug of the 1930 attack, who was out all the 1931 season with arthritis in his wrists, participated in practice for the first time in a year.

The ex-champion League batting champion slugged the ball to all corners of the lot and appeared to have recovered from his illness.

Tony Cuccinello, holdout second baseman, informed Pres Sidney Weil he was willing to split the difference between the club's figures and his demand. He asked a 5,000 increase.

Rice In Camp

Biloxi, Mass., March 4—Sam Rice spent his first day in the Washington Senators' camp today and watchers from the sidelines looked for him to make a stiff contest for the left field berth.

Heinie Manush who gets on the schedule as the regular left fielder while Rice has been looked for a bench position, has not signed his contract yet. Rice is known to have definite designs on that position, and the dope runs that if Heinie places himself in the extended holdout class he may find Rice in left field when the season opens.

Sam was third of the players out-side of battery men to report.

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