

NEWS of the SPORT WORLD

Vines Ranked by English as Best

Best of All Time, Say English Tennis Critics—The Passing of Borotra Mourned—Woods' Gallery Conscious.

London, Eng., July 13—If there had been any doubt these last few years that Wimbledon provides the sternest test of individual tennis skill to be found anywhere, it must surely have been dispelled by the events on, and around the famous center court during the last two weeks of the championships of 1932.

No one disputes the fact that Wimbledon is a gorgeous show—one of the greatest spectacles in the sport calendar—but some of our tennis officials lately have advised against sending a team on the ground that the competition is not strong enough to justify the time wasted and the money spent. If they had sat in the stands during the two weeks of this year's competition, they would have seen the brand of tennis thrown at six of our top ranking young men, I think they might have changed their minds.

Indeed there has probably never been a field of 123 men at Wimbledon or in any other championship where class was scattered so liberally through the draw or where there were so many players from widely scattered sections of the globe with a real chance of winning a title.

All other events are, of course, secondary to men's singles, and although they took from Wimbledon the title of "world championships" many years ago, young Ellsworth Vines, Jr., may congratulate himself on coming through the greatest array of tennis talent possible to assemble at present. There were no giants among them like Tilden or Lacoste, but Cochet was there and so was Borotra, and there were many more players of world class than in the day of tennis giants.

Vines Called Greatest Ever

The high light of the meeting was the form of Vines and the way he completely smothered all opponents to join William Tilden 3rd and Gerald Patterson as the only men who have ever won a Wimbledon title in their first attempt. English experts, who have seen them all since and including the Dohertys, had no hesitation in placing Vines at the top of the list; all said without equivocation that he was the greatest lawn tennis player that the world had ever seen.

This may be somewhat extravagant praise, but there can be no question that Vines is of the truly great, for in winning both at Wimbledon and Forest Hills before his twenty-first birthday anniversary he has accomplished a feat that no one has ever done before.

In a field from which Cochet had been eliminated, Vines and Austin were the logical finalists. If Cochet had come through to the final in Austin's half it is still likely that Vines would have been crowned champion.

America's grip on the men's doubles was broken, but we retained two single's titles, and Miss Elizabeth Ryan won here seventeenth doubles title when she paired with Enrique Maier, of Spain.

England's tennis revival is manifested by the fact that she placed a finalist in the men's singles for the first time in nearly a generation and by the fact that she nearly captured the men's doubles. All England's five national titles, however, passed overseas once more.

The most disappointing happening from an American point of view, was the collapse of Wilmer Allison and John Van Ryan, regarded by many as the finest doubles pair in the game. It was a wholly baffling performance that cannot be explained.

In all its fifty-five years, Wimbledon never has known such tense excitement as the men's final brought.

Thousands stood in line all night to buy standing room and then stood all afternoon on the terraces around the center court to see their man routed and a new champion hailed.

From the standpoint of attendance Wimbledon broke all records. On opening day there were about 16,000 on the ground, an extraordinary thing when you consider that you must promise a juicy spectacle such as a Tilden-Lacoste match, to get anywhere near that many out for a final at Forest Hills.

As early as the fourth day the gates of the center court had to be locked and the "courts full" sign hung out. Even this did not keep hundreds from queuing up before the ticket windows in the vain hope that someone would leave his seat in the unreserved section. Twenty-five thousand and more paid their way into the grounds twice before the end of the first week, and five times in all.

Queues for the eight shilling seats that go on sale at noon each day formed at dawn, and the passageway between the center and the outside courts was always jammed with those denied admission to the main arena, following the course of play on the electric scoreboard.

NEW WONDER HORSE

New York, July 12—Ammon Ra, three-year-old gelding owned by C. C. Sheath, is expected to develop into another Phar Lap and eventually to compete in the United States, reports the Associated Press from Wellington, New Zealand.

Ammon Ra, by Limond from Hayde, has won fifteen races in eighteen starts from stakes totalling more than \$95,000.

The Sheath horse will be entered

CANADA WON KOLAPARE CUP, SPLENDID WIN

Bisley Camp, Eng., July 12—Canada today scored her first victory at the great National Rifle Association meeting, capturing the historic Kolapare Cup from the defenders, the Mother Country by 21 points.

Canada lost this great team trophy to the Mother Country two years ago, and last year failed by a scant four points to recover it. Today the picked Canadian team of eight marksmen, led by Lieut. Desmond Burke of Ottawa, went into the lead at the first distance and increased it on the second and third.

The result was as follows:

Canada	1,123
Mother Country	1,102
Jersey	1,079
Guernsey	1,077
India	1,070

It was the greatest Canadian achievement of the National Rifle Association's big Empire meeting, since 1930, when Canada won the McKinnon cup—which she will attack on Thursday. The last two years have been rather lean ones for Canadian marksmen at Bisley, but 1932 promises to be a Canadian triumph.

Tomorrow, bolstered by the magnificent win in the Kolapare, the Canadians go individually into the first stage of the King's Prize, the blue riband of marksmanship. There will be over a thousand competitors, and the first entry will reduce the entry to the 300 highest scores.

Aristide Briand, many times premier of France but never an under-sheriff in New York, left an estate of only \$3,435 in money and a couple of small farms.

In the big tests in Australia.

Phar Lap's victory in the Agua Caliente Handicap has encouraged Sheath over chances of horses from the antipodes in America despite the subsequent death of the "Wonder Horse."

—TURNING THE DIAL—

Throwing the "bean ball" is again deplored by officials. William Harbridge, president of the American League, has declared war on American League pitchers who are said to be "dusting them off" this season. The practice has been ordered stopped immediately, and heavy fines will be imposed on the pitchers who continue this odious practice.

New Brunswickers are always interested in the doings of Bob Shawkyt, once star pitcher of the New York Yankees. The word has come that Bob—who has made many friends in the capital through his hunting excursions here—has signed a job to manage the Scranton team in the New York-Pennsylvania League. He succeeds William (Derby Day) Clymer and has already joined the Miners. Shawkey managed the Yanks last year, but his debut as manager was not so successful.

In his "Down the Line" column in the New York Herald-Tribune, W. O. "Bill" McGeehan again reverts to the age-old flatbush argument of a new name for Brooklyn National League baseball club. In supporting a letter written to the club asking that the name "Dodgers" be changed, the noted columnist quotes the letter, which is in part as follows: "In fastening on the name 'Dodgers' as a permanent nickname the management makes their club sound ridiculous from the start. The Brooklyn fans always have resented the name. It

MARYSVILLE BEAT IMPS AT QUEEN'S SQ.

Marysville, moving ahead at a great rate since the revamping of its infield, advanced another notch last night, when they trimmed decisively the Fredericton Imperials 10-3 before a fairly large crowd at Queen's Square Diamond last night. Nichols, the kid pitcher for the Imps, sailed along fairly well, but his support was terrible erratic. Even the addition of Wally Barteaux behind the bat did not seem to improve the play of the Imps much, although Barteaux himself, was fine and looks like a real peppy addition.

Cain hurled steadily for the visiting nine and was ably supported both at bat and afield. Cain himself, and Fraser Minue at shortstop were excellent afield, and the big Marysville shortstop garnered several beautiful hits too. McLennahan gathered three hits for the losers, but was erratic at third base.

4-HEAT RACES FOR 2-YEAROLDS

(By WALTER MOORE)

After the two-year-old trotters had raced four furious heats in the Horse Review Futurity at Springfield, Ill., in 1913, setting a world's record for their age, gait and number of heats, editorial turf writers and others began to crusade immediately to prevent two-year-olds, especially trotters from having to contest as many as four heats in a race. Despite the crusade the same colts raced four furious heats in the Kentucky Futurity a month later.

To read the editorials regarding the two races, one would think that all the colts that had participated in these stakes were hopelessly knocked out and would never appear in public again. To refresh one's memory, the summaries of each race is printed.

Charley Chaplin will favor the press shortly with a statement covering the world's economic ills and the remedy thus making it unanimous, if he does.

certainly was not chosen by them. For the Brooklyn club to have accepted it, to have practically made it official, showed lack of imagination, if not lack of common sense. It is the silliest name in baseball, and now that it has been made official, will have a profound effect upon the team.

Rumor of where Nels Stewart will play next winter flit about the summer stove league, if there are any of these in the summer. There is an eminent possibility, and it is supported by none other than the owner of the Bruins who is in this city at present that Stewart may line up with the Foston club for the winter of 1932-33. Boston fans would like to have the flashy Stewart on their roster.

Tommy Hitchcock, Jr., is still starring at his old love, polo. At Meadowbrook on Sunday he "rode with his old time fury" as Harry Cross tells us in the Herald-Tribune story from Westbury, L.I. The name Hitchcock is synonymous with the name itself.

The stiff sentence given Bill Dickey for his attack on Carl Reynolds, indicates the feeling of the officials about such infractions of the rules. Dickey got suspension until August 4th, and also a fine of \$1,000. The Yankees and Dickey are indignant but the other owners are warning their players about controlling their tempers. Few clubs in these days wish to lose players and money via fine.

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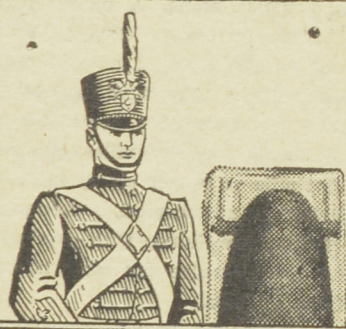
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