

NEWS of SPORT

Mlle. Lenglen REFUSES TO GIVE REPLY

British Tennis Organ Says Her Removal From Amateur Ranks "Is for Good of the Game".

St. Moritz, Switzerland, Aug. 17.—Suzanne Lenglen, whose transition from the amateur to the professional ranks of lawn tennis was the subject recently of a rather uncomplimentary comment by the official organ of the British Lawn Tennis Association, is not particularly unkind words.

Mlle. Lenglen's retirement from the amateur field was described as "for the good of the game" and her temperament "as always making for difficulties."

When asked to make a statement on these comments, all Suzanne would say today was: "I have no intention of replying to such attacks."

TORONTO CLUB GETS \$30,000 FOR HERMAN LAYNE.

Toronto, Aug. 17.—President Lol Solman of the Toronto International League Club has announced that the services of Outfielder Herman Layne have been sold to the Pittsburgh Nationals for \$30,000 and two players, both to be accepted by Toronto before Layne reports to the present world's champions.

Layne is batting at a .354 rate. He has made 143 hits, has scored 79 runs and has made 5 homers. He is a fast man on the bases or in the outfield and Manager Howley believes that he will make the grade in the National League.

CHARGE THAT MISS EDERLE WAS AIDED

Tugboats Protected Her From Waves and Tide — Also Had Advantage of Suction of Ves-el.

London, Aug. 17.—Although 30 observers watched every yard of Gertrude Ederle's Channel swim, the Westminster Gazette will raise the question of how much she was helped by the accompanying tugs.

It quotes the Dover Express, the East Kent News, the Phare de Calais and the Telegraphe de Boulogne all as casting doubt on the swim. The express says:

"It is an extraordinary thing that she made no westward drift with the ebb tide running western seven hours at two knots each hour."

A Folkestone skipper is quoted as saying: "She swam under the lee of one accompanying tug, while the other navigated to keep the heavy seas and running tides away from her. The girl was swimming in calm water and getting along at twice the speed she could hope for in ordinary circumstances. She was too close to the tug she was drawn along by suction."

The skipper, who took photographers to meet the girl, declares the sea was so rough his boat was in difficulties.

This follows considerable discussion in the English press concerning how a girl, even an American girl, could beat the records of men by swimming the channel in 14½ hours, although two men who tried to pace Miss Ederle in her Channel swim had to be taken from the water exhausted.

MEN'S DOUBLES WON BY PORTER AND McINERNEY

Hard Match Against Thomson and Drummie — Maritime Tournament Here Late in the Week.

The match of the New Brunswick Tournament Tuesday afternoon was the final in the Men's Doubles. The title went to J. P. McInerney of Renforth and J. E. Porter of Andover who defeated J. H. Thompson of Rothesay and J. H. Drummie of Renforth in straight sets 6-2, 7-5, 6-1. Some clever tennis was displayed.

Ladies' Doubles.

In the Ladies' Doubles the Fredericton pair was unfortunate losing after outclassing their opponents in the first set. The title went to Miss Jean Knight of Renforth and Miss Frances Frith of Rothesay who defeated Miss Isabel Babbitt and Miss Dot Feeney of Fredericton 0-6, 6-4, 6-3.

The come-back of the visiting pair was the feature of the play.

Other results were:—

Junior Singles.

Johnson defeated Jones 6-3, 10-8.

Mixed Doubles.

McInerney and Miss Knight defeated Drummie and Miss Tilley 6-2, 6-5.

Porter and Mrs. Babbitt defeated Thompson and Miss Henderson 6-2, 6-3.

Ladies' Doubles.

Miss Henderson and Miss Tilley defeated Miss Angus and Miss Armstrong 6-2, 6-3.

Prince Edward Island champions are to play here Friday against the winners of the Nova Scotia-New Brunswick play on Thursday.

FRANK FOX DRIVING AGAIN IN NEW ENGLAND

Peterkin Showing Again — Ribbon Cane is Expected to Go Well on Down East Tracks.

Frank Fox opened his campaign with a nice win behind Luke Bell. The veteran looked to have a useful pacer on the way in Miss Possibility.

Walter Cox will try Tom Bradley over a mile track. The son of Brusilof and Blitzie displayed surprisingly bad manners on the two laps.

Irving Pottle has now staged two comebacks with Diamond Q.

Peterkin, the 1925 potato country sensation is back in winning form.

The 2 year old Signal Flash 2.10½, pulled up lame in warming up for his Goshen engagement.

Charley Mason plans to have Ribbon Cane in top form when she hits the Down East bears.

Hazleton is still lame and the chances of his getting to a start in the Hambletonian are slim.

Hope Frisco, 2.08 and Wanita Ward, 2.09½ are out of training and will be bred to Dillon Axworthy, 2.10½.

Dick McMahon expects the two year old filly by Peter June 2.04½ out. Abbacy, 2.04½ to pace in 2.05 this fall.

Will Leese won the Governor's Cup at Goshen for driving the winner of the fastest trotting heat, Thompson Dillon.

Walter Candler's Lul'water stable scored its first win of the season when Lulla Forbes got to the front at Goshen.

Guy Axworthy 2.08½ is the sire of four of the season's new 2.10 3 year olds; Guy McKenny, 2.05 Catherine, 2.05½; Fully Worthy, 2.05½, and Guy Dean 2.06½.

Belleair 2.09½ and Ignite 2.09½, are new trotters for Etawah 2.03. Callie Direct, 2.05½ will be carried over for the 1927 Grand Circuit stake.

HEYDLER BACKS UP CLUB IN DISCIPLINE

Pittsburgh, Aug. 17.—The attempt of three veteran Pittsburgh National League players to oust Fred Clarke, assistant manager, from the bench, was termed "mistaken zeal" to further what they honestly believed to be for the best interest of the club. John Heydler president of the league, said here tonight after holding extended hearings into the controversy.

The league executive added that should the players, Max Carey, Garson Bigbee and Babe Adams, leave the team, they "will do so with a good name."

Summing up his findings, the league executive, whose only action was to clear the names of the players, said:

"I cannot go back of the right of the officials of a league club to release, suspend, or ask waivers on any of its players, nor would I wish to do so, if I had the right; but it is my opinion after a most complete and thorough hearing of this case that none of the three players—Carey, Bigbee and Adams—has been guilty insubordination or malicious interference to disrupt or injure his club."

"Barbers must be bigger than bakers."

"Why?"

"They're strapping fellows all of them."

Customer—Does a fish diet strengthen the brain?

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