

## America Must Train Distance Team for Next Olympic Games

Los Angeles Looms as Ideal Place for 1924 World Olympic Battles.

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NEW YORK, Nov. 12.—"America is through. The athletic crown worn so long by the United States is destined for another head in the Olympic games of 1924."

This boast was made in Antwerp by the Finns and the Swedes following the late Olympic contests in which the Americans were overwhelmingly victorious. The Finns, who were "clean up" in the track events above the sprinters, led the foreign experts to draw the conclusion that the poor showing was the result of a decline in the physical powers of the new school of American athletes.

It is a matter of record that the Americans did fail to take any of the distance events with the exception of the 3000-metre team race, won on the last day of the games.

But the conclusion of the European critics that the poor showing was the result of a decline in the physical powers of the new school of American athletes is wrong.

NOT FAULT OF MEN THEMSELVES.

The American distance runners did not sweep the tracks as did the sprinters, because they had no opportunity to train. The time was so short before the opening of the games, the conditions so disagreeable on their trip to Antwerp and the weather so abominable that they were the victims of unavoidable circumstances.

The Swedes and the Finns, whose power was noted in the long distance runs, had the advantage of two weeks in Antwerp previous to the opening of the games, during which they were able to use the stadium track daily and get acclimated to the peculiar weather conditions. It is a fact that America had a harder time to win the 1920 games than she ever had before and it is a foregone conclusion that she will have much stiffer opposition in 1924.

Seeing upon the showing made by the American distance men, the foreign nations, especially Sweden, Finland and England, are going to set out to develop new talent in the field and track events in which the Americans were able to make the cleanup that gave them victory.

OLD SCHOOL MEN THROUGH.

America's task before the next games will be to develop a new school of distance runners and to find youngsters to take the place of that McDonald, Paddy Ryan, Matt McGrath, Ben Ahorn, Mike Devaney, Ted Meredith and some others of the "old school" who showed in the last games that they are through.

England, strong in the running events, will turn her attention to the development of hurdlers and field stars. The Swedes feel the necessity of developing a bunch of good sprinters. The Finns—superstars in the javelin, will set out to develop other field stars and sprinters to help balance a team strong in long distance power.

American athletic officials have already started a campaign to encourage athletics in high schools. Their hope is to have eventually a skilled man in charge of athletics who can discourage young athletes from "burning themselves out" in trying to win every event on the program.

The next Olympics probably will be held in Los Angeles. The International Olympic Committee meets in Lucerne next spring and will decide between the California city and Rome, which has been making a strong bid for the games.

EUROPEANS WANT TO COME OVER.

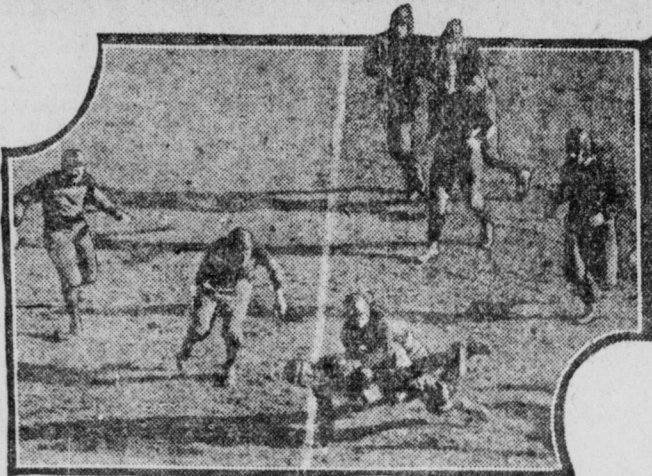
Los Angeles seems to be the favorite. The Swedes, Finns, English and French, disgusted with the manner in which the games were conducted in Antwerp, have demanded that the games be given to America, not only because they believe an American city can handle them best, but because they are anxious to get the "joy ride trip" to the Pacific coast.

Held in America, the next games would not present as many problems for the Americans that would be faced by the necessity of another long trip to a foreign country. The weather conditions in California would be ideal for the Americans, the short trip would insure the good condition of the men and more talent could be made available for final selection.

If the powers directing amateur athletics in the United States can interest young athletes more in the mile, two mile and the longer events and shatter the idea that a sprinter is the greatest hero on the track, much will be done to make a 1924 team better balanced than the one which carried the shield this year.

With such high class coaches in charge of the track squads at all the big universities the outlook is much brighter as American teams of the future will be

## DOWNED IN HIS TRACKS



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The Princeton-Harvard game at Cambridge last Saturday, which ended in a 14-to-14 tie, was replete with thrills of all sorts, but the above photograph pictures one of the most hair-raising attacks of the battle. Quarter Back Lourie of the Princeton team is seen being downed in his tracks by a speedy Harvard end

after receiving a Harvard punt in the first half of the contest. The tackle was so steady that Lourie's body and that of the tackler hurried several feet through the air and in the picture they are seen coming down, with Lourie's right hand the only part of his body resting on the ground. Eight players are shown in the picture.

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MOORE GETS DECISION. SHREVEPORT, Nov. 12.—Pat Moore of Memphis, Tenn., was awarded a referee's decision over Dick Griffin of Ft. Worth in a fifteen-round bout here Thursday.

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## Yank Decathlon Man Deserves Right to Dispute Title Claim

Gave Norwegian Winner at Olympic Games Hot Battle All the Way.

A boy from Missouri has shown American athletes the way in all-round ability and has a right to dispute the claim to the title of greatest all-round athlete in the world.

The lad we speak of is Butts K. Hamilton, student at the University of Missouri.

Hamilton and Capt. Hodge Loveland of Norway, finished the decathlon—the test of all-round ability—in the Olympic games with averages so close that a recount in the complicated system of scoring points was necessary. Loveland won out in this recount.

Hamilton has a right to question Loveland's supremacy. The American won two first places in the ten events included in the test. Loveland failed to capture one event. Loveland won out by scoring more consistently in the discus, high jump, pole vault, 100-meter run, shot put and discus throw.

While Hamilton won the shot put and 100-meter dash and did fairly well in the discus throw, javelin throw and broad jump, he finished poorly in the 100-meter run, shot put and discus throw.

The defeat of the Missouri student was a huge disappointment to him and his teammates. With the title of all-round champion athlete of the world, which Loveland acquired, went the cup donated by the late czar of Russia. The American stars hoped to capture this cup and bring it to the United States.

Jim Thorpe won the decathlon and the trophy at Stockholm in 1912, but the great Indian had to forfeit the cup because his amateur standing was questioned.

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We make this correction in the interest of clear, truthful advertising, and in the future we will not allow haste to prevent the verification of every statement made.

The statement made that we bought the woollens at approximately 40% less than the appraised value has been proved correct.

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