

TALKING IT OVER BY JOE WILLIAMS

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—"Johnny Hayes of New York wins Olympic marathon!" This startling headline appeared in late afternoon editions of our newspapers on July 18, 1908. New York was delighted and New York was amazed. But earlier in the day the cables had brought the information that the international distance classic, finishing in Shepherd's Bush stadium, near London, had been won in most dramatic style by Dorando Pietri, an Italian baker.

Interspersed in the divergent results flashed from the English capital was the Olympic story of stories—a thriller that coups and disqualifications and a strange international factor that ran through all the London meets.

As we look forward to the Olympic track and field games to be held in Los Angeles in the wake of the little events at Lake Placid, it is indeed fitting to look back to the Dorando triumph.

The little shop clerk, who now is a most recent winner in the Olympic games.

The fact the international sprint has been the arch destroyer of American hopes in seven of the nine revivals of the ancient Greek festival is well known to the track and field world. Tony Hinkle's

T. Hicks, our only other victor, finished

first in the 1908 meet at St. Louis.

Then there was the stadium near London that torrid afternoon in 1908 when the heat and the turmoil of the sensational finish.

The little baker from Milan was first into the stadium.

After a long journey of twenty-six miles 385 yards to the finish line, he had to run the distance, Dorando frightened the official doctor, who examined the Italian's heart. Gave him a shot of brandy and then sent him for twenty yards, and then he fell.

Salient around the ring for the Olympic games was the question, "Who is the competitor to be assisted?"—that help meant instant disqualification.

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BY this time the stadium was a bedlam. The crowd, of course, was with Dorando. Five times the little Italian fell, and finally he was dragged across the finish line. Those who assisted the baker were not Italians. They were officials and well informed as to the rules.

While the English officials, with the best of human intentions, were helping Dorando, little Hayes came scurrying into the stadium.

George Cameron, the professional bicyclist, had followed Johnny on the long journey, pried him into the arena, and then dashed back to Hayes shouting, "Everybody's goofy."

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Purdue, Indiana, and De Pauw also return to action. Indiana goes to Cincinnati Tuesday to meet Xavier, Purdue entertains Marquette Wednesday and the Milwaukee cagers invade Bloomington to test I. U. Thursday.

De Pauw is host to Franklin on Wednesday and Miami on Saturday. The complete state card:

Tonight—Notre Dame vs. Iowa at South Bend; O. Ball vs. State Normal at Terre Haute; Rose Poly at Terre Haute.

Wednesday—Ball college vs. Indiana Central.

Thursday—Central Normal vs. Oklahoma City; DePauw, Indiana, vs. Marquette at Bloomington.

Friday—Wabash vs. Wittenberg at Springfield; O. Ball college vs. Butler at Terre Haute; Indiana Central vs. M. Chester at New Manchester; Oklahoma City vs. Indiana Central.

Saturday—Wabash vs. Ohio Wesleyan at Marion; De Pauw vs. Miami at Greenacres; Earlham vs. Huntington at Richmond; Valparaiso vs. Indiana Central; Valparaiso vs. Franklin; Indiana State Normal at Franklin; Notre Dame vs. Pittsburgh at Pittsburgh.

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Miami Beats Wabash

Wabash outscored Miami, eleven goals to seven in Saturday's tea

ture tussle, but free throws gave the Buckeyes five a 31 to 25 decision.

Smith scored six field goals to lead the Scarlet and Ott snagged six for Miami.

A last half rally, led by Nix and Raney, gave Hanover a 31 to 23

triumph over Oakland City, and Blair Gullion's crippled Earlham

quintet nosed out Dayton, 21 to 18. Joliet thumped Concordia, 27 to 18, in the only other fray.

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