

PREPARING FOR OLYMPIC GAMES

MEET OF ALL NATIONS WILL BE HELD AT ANTWERP IN AUGUST, 1920.

New York, Dec. 20.—Adopting the same systematic methods which American athletic authorities proved successful in the past European nations are preparing for the Olympic games of 1920 in a thorough manner which bodes no easy victory for the United States athletes in the international track meet at Antwerp, Belgium next August. Campaigns for the development of teams, collection of funds and other important details, essential to success in such an elaborate undertaking, are already under way, aided in several cases by government supervision and subsidies.

No better example may be cited than the plans and arrangements of the French which involve a generous use of the army methods and system. Three classes remain mobilized of the great army of France at the present time. They are the class of 1917; boys aged 22; that of 1918; aged 21; and the class of 1919, youths of 20. Thus the flower of the French race, physically and from an athletic point of view remains under arms. They are distributed in various garrison towns and departments of France. It is from among these three classes that athletic France expects to recruit thirty or forty first-class athletes to add to the already fair quota of men who are slated to represent France at Antwerp.

The following program has been decided upon by the athletic directors of the French army at the head of whom is Colonel See, chief of the Joinville school of athletics for the French army. Elimination trials will be conducted in every regiment of the above three classes, each soldier making a specialty of the sport for which he has shown the greatest inclination and to which he has been pronounced fittest by the doctor of the regiment. These trials will occur after three, four and perhaps six months of preparatory training under the eye of an athletic director. Soldiers who have shown class warranting their undergoing further training will be picked out and directed to one of the large centers nearest their billet: Strasburg, Lyons, Marseilles, Bordeaux and Paris.

According to the schedule adopted, the men chosen as being worthy of further trial will reach their various headquarters sometime in the spring. Ten semi-finals will be held in Strasburg, Lyons, Marseilles and Bordeaux and it will be a case of the survival of the fittest. These will be sent to Joinville, near Paris, where the final touch will be put to their preparation.

Fifty chiefs of battalions are just now finishing a special course of training at the Joinville school and in a few weeks will be disseminated among the garrison towns of France to commence the training of the men and officers.

Two hundred officers and 150 men are already hard at work at the school, some of them training in their own behalf, other getting ready to take in hand the men who will be sent to them from the provinces. Joinville is close to the Pershing stadium and the final work of the Olympic candidates will be done at the former American stadium.

One million francs of the 10,000,000 voted by the chamber of deputies for

BOY RAISED DOLLARS FOR CHARITY MAN SOLD BILLIONS FOR COUNTRY NOW ASKS MILLIONS FOR CHURCH



LEWIS B. FRANKLIN

Chairman on the Executive Committee of the Joint Commission of the Nation-Wide Campaign of the Episcopal Church

From earning five cents a day the Episcopal Church had entered upon its Nation-Wide Campaign, bonds in less than two years, is something of a jump. It is a jump that was made by Lewis B. Franklin, chairman of the executive committee of the Joint Commission on the Nation-Wide Campaign of the Episcopal Church.

Twenty-five years ago the rector of an Episcopal Church on Long Island suggested that every child in the Sunday School should earn five cents a day for the church during Lent. Young Franklin responded to the suggestion by sawing wood and doing odds and ends. For forty days he kept it up and at the end of that time had earned \$2.20 for the church.

Two years ago Mr. Franklin was called from the Investment Bankers' Association, of which institution he was president, to Washington to take charge of the organization for the first government Liberty Loan campaign. He expected to be in Washington five weeks. He stayed two years and did the organizing work for all four Liberty Loans and for the Victory Loan.

When Mr. Franklin learned that

the intensification of athletic training among French youth has been appropriated for the work at Joinville. The officers and men at Joinville are already training in earnest and an Associated Press correspondent recently saw Tirard negotiate the 100 meters in 11 seconds flat; Seurin cover 200 meters in 22 1/4; Carlaix run 1,000 meters in two minutes, 35 seconds and young Guillemot do 10 kilometers without being pressed in 33 minutes. These performances are very close to championship form. Young most likely successor to the famous J. Bouin. He is somewhat awkward in his style but when it is realized that six months ago he had never competed in a race, the way in which he has been winning from all competitors lately would seem to indicate that with a little more experience and training he will be a hard man to beat at Antwerp.

Guillemot was discovered by an American officer. He was stationed at Brest and attended the field games

of the American army on the 30th of May. Standing on the side lines he expressed the desire to take part in a five-mile race which was just being started. He was allowed to enter more as a joke than anything else. He peeled off his tunic took off his army shoes and ran in his stocking feet, running a splendid race and finishing third.

QUARTER OF CENTURY SPENT ON ONE JOB

Twenty-five years—a quarter of a century—is a long time to serve regularly in one capacity or avocation, especially in these days of restlessness and through the great scramble for places that have been, but if Wm. Steel lives to see another Christmas holiday season this will be his record as night watchman on Rainfox-st. He has seen much of the city's life by night.

To persons who frequent the streets at night or work on the various night shifts and for those who are up very early in the morning, Mr. Steel is one of the most familiar figures, for no matter the weather, he may always be seen about his duties, passing in and out of banks and other business buildings, or at the Western Union Telegraph office until it closes. Ever since the Journal was founded and has used Associated Press news dispatches, these dispatches have been handed from the Western Union to

the editorial rooms of the paper by Mr. Steel. Last night he entered upon his twenty-fifth year of service.

SCORE KILLED IN R. R. WRECK

FREIGHT COLLIDES WITH SPECIAL TRAIN ON CANADIAN PACIFIC—CONDUCTORS AMONG DEAD.

St. Johns, Dec. 20.—The death list in the collision on the Canadian Pacific railroad at Onawa, Maine, today, had increased to 23 tonight, according to reports here.

Onawa, Maine, Dec. 20.—Thirteen persons were killed or burned to death and many sustained burns and injuries today when a freight train collided with a special train from St. John, N. E., loaded with steerage passengers from the steamship Empress of France, on the Canadian Pacific railway near here. The freight train telescoped, the engine and forward cars of the passenger train and the wreckage was burned. The conductors of both trains were among the killed. The bodies of eleven persons were removed from the wreckage to the

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snow-covered embankment awaiting identification. The passengers injured numbered 35. They were taken to a hospital at Brownville Junction on a special train. The collision appears to have been due to men on the freight train overlooking their orders in connection with the Empress steerage special, the statement said.

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WONT DO YA ANY GOOD - POP WONT GIVE YA ANY.

AW, HOW DYA KNOW HE WONT HOWJA KNOW?

'CAUSE POP TOLD MA THAT WE HAD T' BEGIN T' 'CONOMIZE!

POP - DID YOU SAY THAT WE HAD TO ECONOMIZE?

THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT I SAID!

WELL - I I WUZ THINKIN' IF YOU BOUGHT ME A PONY I WOULDN'T WEAR OUT SO MANY SHOES!