

1,000,000 IN DIAMONDS NOW GIVEN AS MISSING

St. Nazaire, France.—Two million dollars' worth of diamonds that were supposed to have been on board the Belgian steamer Elisabethville, torpedoed off the Brittany coast in 1917, are now definitely reported as "missing."

The Italian divers who have successively explored the captain's strong-box and the safes in the postal room announce that they have given up all hope of finding the precious cargo.

These diamonds were always an enigma. No one could be sure whether they were the hulk of the Elisabethville. A temporary captain loaned abroad in Belgian Congo said he turned them over to ship's regular captain at Bordeaux. At that time the diamonds were in the postal safes.

The regular captain, the only man who really knew where the diamonds were stored, went down with his ship.

High Grid Prospects Turn Out

Morris Has Same Squad Of Youngsters For Initial Practice. Several Veterans.

The Shelby High football squad went through its initial practice of the season at the city park yesterday afternoon under the supervision of Coaches Casey Morris and Tilden Falls.

The score or more candidates out were mostly light youngsters coming up from the class elevens of last year. At the outset it seems the lightest outfit ever to report for football work here. However, many of the larger boys, who are working during the summer month, will not be out for practice until next week when school starts.

Four Veterans Although he has several men who have performed in varsity games Coach Morris had only four real veterans to answer the first call Tuesday. They were Joe Singleton, All-State guard, and Milky Gold, All-Western end, in the line, and Quarterback Zeno Wall and Buster Bridges, half back in the backfield. Other experienced men out included Ralph Gardner, substitute center last year; Ed Washburn, end; Mud Poston and Eskridge, substitute back. Bill Lattimore, a husky youngster, who was in quite a number of scrimmages, was the most likely looking of the young prospects; Hubert Wilson, letter guard, was not out for the first practice but may report in a day or so.

Passing, tackling and general rudiments of the game made up the first afternoon's limbering up work.

BEAM MAY CAST LOT WITH BEARS

All State Back Here Last Year May Play With Gurley's Lutherans.

Laymon Beam, star halfback and all state member of the Shelby high football eleven last year, may enter school this fall at Lenoir-Rhyne college to play football under Dick Gurley, according to reports from Hickory.

It is known that Coach Gurley has been anxious to land the backfield flash who started his career here when Gurley coached the Shelby high outfit. However, it has been generally thought that Beam would either enter Wake Forest or State college, although numerous larger colleges have appealed to him through alumni.

First information that Beam, considered one of the best ball carriers ever developed here, would go to Lenoir-Rhyne came in a sports story in the Hickory Record which stated that Gurley hoped to land Beam and several other high school stars of last year to bolster up the weaknesses of his eleven caused by the graduation of Chief Owl and others. Beam, if he enters there, will be considered as Owl's successor as freshmen may play varsity ball there.

Employed during the summer at a local drug store Beam is not inclined to say just where he will enter school. His father died since the last football season and it may be that he will not continue in school.

Workers Should Remember

Stanly News-Herald. That was an awful tragedy which occurred in Shelby Tuesday morning when the First National bank building collapsed causing the death of several leading Cleveland county people. It reminds the people of this section again of the dreadful calamity which visited our neighboring town of Wadesboro more than a dozen years ago, when a drug store building crumbled during some excavation work, causing the death of a number of prominent persons. This thing of digging under the foundations of brick or stone structures is mighty dangerous, unless under the direction of thoroughly capable workers.

Construction workers should remember the Wadesboro and the Shelby tragedies. It is a terrible thing to be responsible for such calamities.

Reward For Slayers.

Raleigh.—Governor A. W. McLean today wired Solicitor Grover C. Davison, Waynesville, and Sheriff M. B. Cannon, of Sylva, offering a reward of \$400 on behalf of the state, for the capture of the slayers of Deputy Sheriff Claude Green.

New Olympic Record Holder



ILLINOIS A. C. HUMAN FISH WHO SMASHED THE OLYMPIC RECORD IN THE 100-METRE FREE-STYLE AT AMSTERDAM. EVEN US FLYIN' FISH HAVE TO TAKE A BACK SEAT! WEISSMULLER'S ABILITY DISCOURAGES THE REGULATION SPEEDERS OF THE WATERWAYS.

By QUIN HALL.

THE British navy may rule the sea, but according to the figures heaped up by the United States during the swimming events held at the recent Olympics, your own Uncle Samuel rules the tanks. It might even be added—"and how!"

Led by the redoubtable Johnny Weissmuller, the fierce stroking aquatic star of the Illinois A. C., the boys and girls from over here captured the major portion of the glories in the tank events in Amsterdam.

In the finals of the 100-metre free style swim Johnny not only won the event but he equaled the new Olympic record of 58 3-5 seconds, which he had rung up the day before in the semi-finals. And in doing this he successfully defended his title won during the 1924 Olympics in Paris and a clipped 2-5 of a second from the record he made at that time.

Johnny has been an outstanding figure in swimming events for several years, and by his recent victory he must be acknowledged as the swiftest human in the water—always bearing in mind that he is a sprinter and not a Channel swimmer.

His victory in Amsterdam was not an easy one, but it was all the more brilliant because of the manner in which he had to exert himself in order to win.

Caught un-awares by the gun, Johnny was away to a poor start in the sprint classic and the remainder of the field had almost a full length start before he hit the water. George Kojac, the youthful New York star, was setting the pace and Johnny probably swam faster than he ever had done before in order to overtake him. Barany, the Hungarian, came up out of the ruck to finish second, leaving a wake behind him like a motor-boat, while Takachi, the bearded Japanese and a fish-like performer, took third. Kojac, after leading most of the distance, had to be content with fourth place, while Walter Lauffer of Chicago finished fifth, ahead of the Canadian, Spence, and Zorillo of South America, the newly crowned 400-metre free style champion.

But Weissmuller hit the cement ahead of the field and goes down in history as another twice crowned Olympic champion. Weissmuller also held the 300-metre relay, the other members of the team being Clapp, Lauffer and Kojac. Kojac, by the way, ranks on a par with Weiss-

muller when it comes to his Olympic showing, as he also won the 100-metre back stroke swim, while on the wins Desjardines outranks both, as he won both the high and low dive.

In the swimming events for women, Miss Albina Osipowich of Worcester, Mass., set a new Olympic record of 1:11 in winning the 100-metre free style final, with Miss Elmer Garratti of San Rafael, Calif., second by only two-fifths of a second. Mrs. Betty Becker Pinkston, wife of Clarence Pinkton, swimming director of the Detroit A. C., captured the high dive, with Miss Georgia Coleman of Los Angeles a close second.

Miss Martha Norelius, as expected, won the 400 metre free style and set a new mark of 5:42 2-5 for the event. Miss Helen Meany captured the low dive, with the Misses Lambert, Osipowich, Garratti and Norelius teaming up to capture the 400-metre relay. So while our athletes failed to make the speed showing on the tracks which was anticipated of them, the fast work of our water crew sort of took away some of the sting suffered on the under paths.

And thereby helped to strengthen our right to the title of Olympic Champions.

WATCHING 'EM



Coach Casey Morris yesterday dropped back into his old pose of looking over the football hopefuls at the city park here. Morris with one afternoon's work is not read to make any prediction as to the outlook for the Shelby high eleven.

Babe Ruth Refuses To Pose With Herb

Washington.—Babe Ruth refused to pose with Herbert Hoover for the photographers at American league baseball park before the opening of the game between the New York Yankees and the Washington Senators.

The request that the home run king go over to the box of the Republican presidential candidate was conveyed by Clark Griffith, president of the Washington club at the request of a photographer.

"It's a matter of politics," Ruth told Griffith in stating his refusal. Before asking that Ruth be invited the photographer inquired of Mr. Hoover's secretary if the nominee would pose and Mr. Hoover consented.

Ruth did not appear but as the game was called by the umpire a minute or so later the candidate assumed that this had prevented the Yankee star from coming to see I am at a loss to explain such unusual conduct on the part of an American league player under such circumstances," Griffith said when confirming reports of Ruth's refusal.

"It is up to Ruth to give some explanation," Griffith said that Mr. Hoover had "very graciously" consented to the request of the photographer and that naturally he could not understand why Ruth had refused.

Manager Miller Huggins of the New York team, said that he believed there had been some misunderstanding and that Ruth's failure to pose probably was due to the fact that the game was called immediately after the request was made.

"You know the Babe is not the kind of fellow who would be discourteous to anyone," Huggins said.

How Papers Stand On Political Question

(Spencer Murphy in Salisbury Post) The New York World wants to know what the Democrats expect to do in California with only ten Democratic newspapers in the state. All of which brings up the question, how many Democratic newspapers are there in North Carolina?

I am not prepared to say, but I have observed that an independent newspaper, in North Carolina at least, seems to mean a Hoover newspaper while a Hoover newspaper means a power-company somewhere in the vicinity.

Oh, well, it'll all come out in the hydraulics.

GERMAN INSTALLS RADIO IN MOST OF THEIR PLANES

Berlin.—Cooperation between the wireless and air service is steadily increasing. All multi-motor planes of the Lufthansa, as well as a great number of one-motor planes have now been equipped with radio receiving and sending sets, the super-planes having in addition a special emergency set.

The special wireless service for giving air pilots their bearings in a fog has been greatly reinforced with the recent installation of exceptionally powerful and up-to-date stations at Berlin, Copenhagen and Munich, whereby an almost direct contact between aerial and land or sea traffic has been established.

To establish a further reliable communication between the land and air, the Lufthansa is planning to introduce a regular wireless telegram service for air passengers, which, it is expected, will soon be followed by a wireless telephone service.

A German is building an automobile 125 feet long and 25 feet wide. He doesn't aim to be crowded off the road next time.—Dallas News.



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NOTICE There will be Democratic speakings at the following places in Cleveland County, on Friday night, Sept. 7th at 7:30. South Shelby School House by Major A. L. Bulwinkle, Capt. Peyton McSwain, and Mr. Horace Kennedy, music by the band. Fallston at the same hour by Judge John P. Mull, Solicitor P. C. Gardner, and Mr. W. S. Beam. Young's Precinct by Mr. C. B. McBrayer and Mr. A. L. Bennett. The public is cordially invited and urged to attend these speakings and hear the issues of the campaign discussed. B. T. Falls CHAIRMAN, County Democratic Executive Committee.

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