

TENNIS TOPICS

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Tilden, Bettins, Richards, Slated for Skokie Event

William Tilden II, arrived in Chicago on Thursday, May 18, via "The Overland" from San Francisco. He was accompanied by Vinny Richards of Yonkers, N. Y. and Phil Bettins of San Francisco.

Our receiving party comprised Mr. Stewart, President of the Western Tennis association, Mr. Miller, Chairman of the Tennis committee, Skokie Country club and the writer. Having welcomed the players, we took charge of the seven suitcases and Tilden's special package of six rackets. Messrs. Tilden and Miller hurried away to "The Blackstone," while the rest of the party piled the luggage into Mr. Stewart's car and rode to the Penn. depot, where Richards saw to the reservations on the "Broadway Limited," leaving at 1:40 p. m.

Next stop "The Blackstone," where we found Tilden and Miller. Here we discussed Tennis; and right here, it gives me great pleasure to state, that Tilden will play in the Illinois State Championship at Skokie on June 26. By the way, Phil Bettins, whom Tilden is taking East, was the California Junior State Champion for three years. He is now nineteen years old. Tilden thinks a lot of Bettins game and stated that Bettins would also play at Skokie. Vinny Richards would not say definitely that he would be here in June, but I, personally, think so and look to see Dick Williams Washburn, and possibly Garland, playing at Skokie. Won't it be some Tournament? The new Stadium which is being erected at Skokie will seat a thousand people and will be completed June 24.

Now a word about the Juniors. Tilden is going to bring from Philadelphia two very good youngsters, Sandy Wiener, and Don Strachan. Look out, you fellows! Take it from me, they can play. Just you watch their exhibition match which precedes the Skokie tournament. Yes, they are eligible for the Boys and Junior matches and are entered in both.

I asked Vinny about his ankle, which he sprained in San Francisco. He said it was doing fine, but regretted that it had forced him to retire from the Pacific coast matches. From Bettins I learned that Vinny was playing Howard Kinsey, and with the score 7-6 and point set up, Vinny put over an ace, came down on his ankle, spraining it just as he had won the first set. He is looking well and has put on more weight.

I have not seen Vinny since his return from Bermuda in April and I predict that he is now more dangerous than ever. Yes, I think he will move up from his Number 3 standing.

After luncheon all hands headed for the Penn Station where we found Mr. Stevens of "The Chicago Daily News" awaiting us. Mr. Stevens had some pictures taken of the bunch and then it was "good-bye; good luck; see you soon again."

Entry blanks for the Daily News Gold Medal tournament, for Boys and Girls and Juniors, can be had at the office of this paper. There is no entrance fee. All matches from this district will be played at Skokie.

There is a dandy practice board at The Indian Hill club, the board is proving very popular, and certainly is a fine place to tune up one's strokes on.

The "Tribune" announces that this season's match schedule will be in charge of regular umpires, and, as the "Tribune" puts it, the association has reached a point of Hard, Hot, Aggressive Play, where a decision on one point may well sway the fortunes of the entire club.

The 'Umps' job soon will be a hot one, especially if the home club stands to lose even part of its fortune, guess there will be a call for the special police to escort the 'Umps' from the courts.

Recently gave some instruction to a golf fan, who thought he would take up tennis, he waxed enthusiastic when I mentioned, Keep your eye on the ball, follow through and the words, slice, chop, swing, drive, top, spin, distance.

This week's Question for the kiddies.

Can a player reach over the net with his racket, provided he has played the ball from his own side of the net?

Mlle. Lenglen, the French Tennis star, has won the woman's singles title, in the International Hard Court Championship. Mlle. Lenglen defeated Miss Elizabeth Ryan of California in the final round, by the score 6-3 6-2. The match was held in Brussels, Bel-

gium. It is interesting to note that during the semi-final round, when Mlle. Lenglen was playing Miss McKane of England, the score was 3 love in Mlle.'s favor first set, at this point however, Miss McKane took 4 games straight, breaking through the champion's service twice. At this stage she looked like a certain winner, for the champion began to complain of pains near her heart. She faltered in her strokes, and her service hardly came over the net. The champion rallied enough to capture the set at 10-8, then as Miss McKane tired, won the last set 6-2.

Now for the big news, Mrs. Molla Bjurstedt Mallory, woman's national tennis champion sailed Saturday May 20, from New York for England, where she will make her third attempt to win the British Tournament to be held at Wimbledon June 26. Mrs. Mallory has been seen playing at Forest Hills Long Island this Spring, and her game is better than ever. Mrs. Mallory sincerely hopes that she will meet Mlle. Lenglen, as it will set at rest the question as to who is the better player.

It was my good fortune to have witnessed the last meeting of the two, at Forest Hills, last summer, and I do not hesitate to say that if Mrs. Mallory plays the way she did then, she will defeat the French champion. I do not believe there could be a finer spirit of sportswomanship shown, than this act of Mrs. Mallory's, going abroad to give her rival another chance.

Tilden and the youthful Bettins defeated Washburn and Hardy 7-5, 6-2 in an exhibition match at Larchmont on Monday.

There is a rule that prohibits the use of a player's name on any racket etc., wonder what is going to be done about the Pullman company. They have named a car TILDEN. The car usually is attached to the Lake Shore Limited Number 19 Train from

New York via N. Y. Central, leaving on Saturdays. Come on ye rule makers.

John McEwen jr., Talcott Griswold, and Loren Massey are entered from Malcolm Stevenson, John B. Mordock, The Indian Hill club for the Chicago Daily News tournament.

Vinny Richards has just a few rankings for his last year's work on the courts. I give them in the order

of their appearance:

National Men's Singles Number 3.
National Men's Doubles Number 1. (with Tilden).
National Men's Doubles Number 4 (with Voshell).
National Junior Singles Number 1 Metropolitan Tennis association. (N. Y. Division) Men's Single number 1.
Metropolitan Lawn Tennis association Doubles 1 (with Voshell).

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There is a very practical mother in our neighborhood who has written us the following letter:

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