

DECOTEAU FAILED TO PLACE IN 5000 METRES

The Event Classes With the 800 Metres as the Greatest Race Thus Far at the Olympic Games—Frenchman Won the Event

Stockholm, July 11.—The final of the 5,000 metre flat race will rank after the 800 metres flat race on Monday as the greatest race thus far in these Olympic games. J. Bouin, France, and H. Kohelmalnen, Finland, had their own way. It was a wonderful struggle between them for victory. E. W. Hutson, England, who secured third place, passed George V. Bonhag at the last moment and crossed the tape a lap ahead of the American runner. The Finlander and the Frenchman were five yards ahead of the field on the fourth lap; fifty yards on the sixth lap, 110 yards on the ninth lap; 150 yards on the tenth lap and finished 160 yards ahead. The Finn led for seven laps but the Frenchman was a yard ahead on the twelfth lap when the Finn spurted on the home stretch and crossed the tape a yard in front of the Frenchman who threw up his hands as though saying, "I'm done."

During the first mile of the race, Geo. Bonhag took third place. At the end of the fourth lap the order was Geo. Bonhag, Louis Scott, A. Decoteau, Canada; at the eighth lap M. Carlsson, Sweden, passed Bonhag but was unable to stay and soon fell behind. On the ninth lap Tel S. Berna, Cornell, was leading the field with Carlsson and Bonhag side by side just behind them and Hutson, the Englishman, next. At the opening of the tenth lap the order was Bonhag, Carlsson, Scott, Berna and Hutson and the race belonged to any of the five runners. Bonhag and Hutson made a fine effort in the last 50 yards but the Englishman passed him ten yards from the finish only a foot or two ahead with Carlsson, Berna and Scott close behind.

The 1500 metres flat race at the Olympic games yesterday furnished

one of the greatest thrills of the meeting. A harder struggle has seldom been seen on the cinder path. Melvin W. Sheppard, I. A. A. C., drew the inside place for the start with A. Arnaud, France, John Paul Jones, Cornell, Oscar F. Hedlund, Boston and A. N. S. Jackson, England.

In order to get to the front Jackson had to run round four men on the last lap which he did at the final turn.

The race in the last hundred yards was a magnificent one. Until the runners had reached within ten yards of the tape, the event might have belonged either to Jackson or to Abel H. Kiviati, Irish American A. C., but the Oxford university athlete fairly leaped ahead and carried off the victory.

The Frenchman Arnaud and the three Swedes, J. Sander, E. Bjorn and E. Wide, made the running in the first lap. E. Von Sigel, Germany, made a hard try but outran himself and was left behind in the home stretch. At the beginning of the second lap; the order of runners was Arnaud, France; Von Sigel, Germany; Kiviati, Hedlund, Sheppard, United States; and Jackson, England, who were all in a bunch. At the beginning of the last lap the order was Jones, Kiviati, Sheppard, Taber and Jackson. The hopes of the Americans ran high when they saw that Jackson whom all feared, was eight feet behind the first man but in the first stretch of the lap Jackson began to gain which he continued to do to the finish. Jackson was more exhausted when he dropped to the ground after the race than any competitor has been at this meeting. He fainted and doctors came to his assistance and worked over him for half an hour before he gained strength enough to stand.