

DESCH ESTABLISHES NEW WORLD'S HURDLE RECORD

Robert Legendre Of The
Georgetown University
Shows Up Well.

PARIS TEAM PRESENT

French Team Furnishes An
International Atmos-
phere To Meet.

Philadelphia, April 29—The establishing of a new world's record for the 410 yard hurdles by A. Desch of Notre Dame university, and an excellent all around performance of Robert Legendre of Georgetown university, in winning the Pentathlon, were the outstanding features of the annual university of Pennsylvania rally carnival which opened here today.

The international atmosphere of the meet was furnished by the University of Paris team, which finished fourth in the spring medley relay race.

A Desch was a member of the United States Olympic team, who won third place in the 400 meters hurdles at Antwerp last summer, opened the two day track and field games at Franklin field by soaring over the 2 1-2 foot quarter mile hurdles in the splendid time of 53 1-5 seconds.

His record race cut 2-5 of a second from the best previous time, 51 1-5 seconds made over the same course last season by J. W. Watt of Cornell.

The race was a contest from the start between a trio of middle western hurdlers. Desch jumped into a lead almost as soon as the first hurdle was cleared and although Pittinger and Hill of Ohio state, pressed him hard, during the early part of the flight, the Notre Dame hurdler drew away rapidly in the final stretch, winning by a comfortable margin with Pittings second and Hill third.

Legendre again demonstrated that he is one of the best all around athletes in the country by winning first place in the Pentathlon from a classy field, including Brutus Hamilton of the University of Missouri, 1920 champions; L. L. Bradley, University of Kansas intercollegiate champion and William Bartels, University of Pennsylvania, who like Legendre was a former Pentathlon winner.

Five events composed the Pentathlon—the broad jump, javelin throw, 200 metre run, discus throw and the 1,500 metre run. Points were allotted to each man in the order in which he finished in each event. Legendre was first with the low score of 10 points, Hamilton second with 13; Bradley third with 16; Bartels fourth with 19. C. Reinarts, Muhlenburg college, and V. Clapp, of the United States naval academy, tied for fifth place with 20 points. These six athletes were the only survivors of the 21 which started in the all around contest.

High School Wins

First place honors in the inter-scholastic medley championship went to the Huntington high school, of Boston, which won with a trifle to spare from the Cedar Rapids team. Huntington set a new record for the event of four minutes 39 2-5 seconds. The former record, 4:44 was made by Exeter last year.

The distance medley relay was a clean cut victory for the western runners. The University of Illinois, with the Ohio state team at its heels, won after a grueling struggle carried almost to the finish line. Eastern colleges divided the balance of the honors in this event, Pennsylvania being third and Columbia fourth.

The races were run under a leaden, drizzling sky and rain slowed up both tracks and field to such an extent that record breaking was out of the question. Nearly 15,000 spectators witnessed the contests.