

AMERICAN WATER STARS WIN FINAL 6 OLYMPIC EVENTS

World and Olympic Records Go As Yankee Swimmers Clinch Championship.

U. S. Wins Olympic Swims Title Easily

THE United States was an easy winner of the Olympic aquatic championship, as the following point table of the completed meet indicates:

United States	217
Sweden	58
Great Britain	10
Australia	35
France	17
Belgium	13
Japan	8
Denmark	6
Hungary	4
New Zealand	2
Switzerland	2
Holland	2
Czecho-Slovakia	2

Paris, July 21.—Winning the final six events of the Olympic competition at Les Tourelles pool yesterday the American swimmers clinched first place honors by a wide margin. Altogether a total of 217 points was garnered by the Yankee mermen and mermaids, a score never before equalled by any country in Olympic aquatics.

Two world records were broken and another equaled during the day, new marks being set for the 100 meters back stroke for women and the 800-meter men's relay, while the record made by Miss Mariechen Wehselau of Honolulu yesterday in the 100 meters swim free-style was equaled by Miss Ethel Lackie, Chicago, in the finals yesterday.

In three events yesterday Americans finished first, second and third, Johnny Weismuller and Duke and Sam Kahanamoku in the 100 meters free-style; Miss Ethel Lackie, Miss Mariechen Wehselau and Miss Gertrude Ederle in the 100 meters free-style for women, and Al Whit, Dave Fall and Clarence Pinkston in the fancy high diving.

Miss Caroline Smith, Cairo, Ill., won the plain high diving event for women, and the 12,000 spectators gave her a lot of applause.

The 800-meters relay race proved almost a walkover for the United States, whose team was composed of Breyer, Clancy, O'Connor and Weismuller, who took the water in the order named. They won with much to spare from the Australians.

Breyer gave Clancy a seven-meter lead after the first 200 meters. The Australian boy wonder, Charlton, made up four or five of these meters, and when O'Connor headed into the pool he had only about ten feet on Christy of Australia, which he kept until Weismuller plunged in with Henry of Australia for the final 200, racing through the water like a frightened porpoise, and winning easily by fifteen yards, and breaking the world's record by six seconds, turning in 9 minutes 53 2-5 seconds.

Miss Caroline Smith and Miss Elizabeth Becker, the most graceful American women divers, had it all their own way in the plain high diving. The judges declared that Miss Smith was a half point better than Miss Becker, but not without considerable discussion.

Miss Sybil Bauer clipped four-fifths of a second from the world record in the 100 meter backstroke, negotiating the distance in 1:23 1-5. Miss Bauer was much the best of five starters, but there was a keen struggle for second place, Miss Harding of Great Britain just beating out Miss Aileen Riggin. Miss Florence Chambers, San Diego, Cal., could not go along with the leaders after making the pace for half the distance.

The most thrilling race of the day was the 100 meters free-style for women. Miss Mariechen Wehselau, the record holder for the distance of twenty-four hours, led for the greater part of the journey, taking the turn at fifty meters with two yards to the good, with Miss Gertrude Ederle second and Miss Ethel Lackie third. Miss Lackie, however, came through with an irresistible rush in the final twenty-five yards, slapping her hand on the pool wall two-fifths of a second ahead of Miss Wehselau and tying the Honolulu girl's record of 1:12 2-5.