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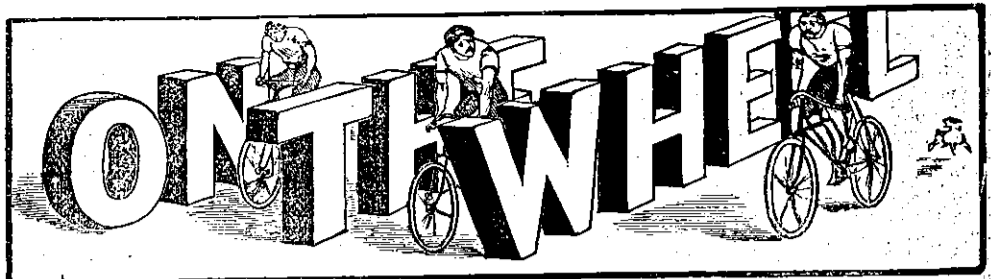
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The proposed road race between G. Henning and R. Dacre, the outcome of a dispute in connection with the annual road race of the amateur club, has fallen through, Henning not agreeing to certain of the conditions proposed by Dacre.

Mr Norden, of Auckland, called on the Christchurch Press cycling contributor last week just before going to press to say, with reference to the statement from an Auckland cash man that the proposition to form a North Island cash governing body would be supported by Auckland, was not correct so far as the Auckland Cash Club was concerned. Mr Norden is the energetic gentleman who was mentioned as a suitable man to be at the head of the north body but Mr Norden says he has no sympathy with any movement that may be going on to form a North Island League—he is satisfied with the League in Christchurch. It is to be hoped the League will fix up its internal and external troubles satisfactorily to themselves and their supporters.

Johnny—"Ma, do flowers ever ride bicycles?" Mother—"No, my son; what makes you ask such a silly question as that?" Johnny—"Oh, nothin', except that I heard pa tell another man that he goin' tandem ridin' with a 'daisy' tonight."

It is now definitely announced that Zimmerman will again race this season in America, his first engagement being a match E. Bald, another Yankee crack.

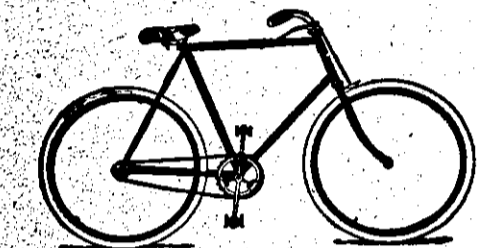
Sutherland and Wall, the two well-known League riders who visited Australia a few weeks ago, returned to Wellington by the Talune on Monday last. It had been their intention to try conclusions with the champions of the sister colonies, but this has been abandoned for the present, and both will be seen on the New Zealand tracks next season.

News is to hand from Spain of an exciting contest between a racing cyclist and an expert horsewoman, for the sum of £300 a side. The race was for three hours, and was run upon two tracks, one within the other, the outer circle being 234yds in circumference and the inner one 4yds shorter. The lady had the use of five horses and the option of changing as often as she desired, whilst the cyclist could change his machine (a Dunlop-tyred Ormond) if found necessary. For the first ten minutes the race was an evenly-contested one, the lady, who had selected the outer circle, having a slight advantage, but from this out the cyclist gradually drew ahead of the equestrienne, although she made repeated changes without reducing the gap. As time crept on the equestrienne began to regain her lost ground, and the excitement rose to fever pitch as it was seen that the cyclist was tiring away. But the hard riding was telling heavily on the horses, who were now thoroughly exhausted and unable to respond to their rider's efforts to reduce the cyclist's lead. At the expiration of 3 hours the cyclist was pronounced the winner by five miles, he having covered 58 miles 800yds (unpaced), as against his fair antagonist's 53 miles 280yds. Both riders received a great ovation from the thousands present for their plucky and spirited riding throughout the contest.

Is racing as nearly played out in France as looks likely. It is said that Huret is unable to obtain a job, and will probably visit England to look for work. Things certainly do not seem gay in Paris, and with the exodus of so many of the cracks to America matters will be very tame this summer. But they played the game while it lasted for all it was worth, so it can hardly be a matter for surprise that the fickle Parisians are now somewhat off cycle racing. If trade is as bad this season as some people prophecy it will not surprise me in the least if some of our leading pros. have a difficulty in finding engagements. Nothing would surprise me less than to find that the Dunlop racing team was to be disbanded. Competition is so keen in the tyre trade that it seems almost impossible for the big company to maintain its present high prices, and with the fact becoming more and more certain that the racing advertisement is of little use to those who purchase high grade tyres and cycles, the team will probably have to go. It may not be this season, nor perhaps next, but it will come about sooner or later.

The European team of cyclists lately gone out on a visit to the States has come through quite an "experience." Lamberjack, Gougoltz, Eden and Cissac were yachting off the coast of Florida when suddenly a Spanish torpedo boat loomed up. Eden thought it looked very like a whale. So did Cissac. The discussion was closed by a summons from on board the new arrival to surrender. The summons, though in a language the cyclists did not understand, was promptly obeyed. They went on board the torpedo boat, which took their hired yacht in tow. They were suspected of laying mines. Their explanations were listened to, but apparently the torpedo boat captain's difficulty in the matter of languages equalled that of his captives. He declared them prisoners of war, and off they went to Havana. On April 26 General Blanco declared the captives free.

A lady physician who cycles gives some excellent advice to her sisters who also ride the wheel, as follows:—"Never mount your bicycle until fully half an hour after dining, and then ride very judiciously. It is a wise plan to take a short rest about once every thirty minutes, too, at any time, as a rest to the limbs, and also to prevent fatigue. No woman who respects her dignity, her health, and the boon a bicycle is, will ever pretend to race or attempt fancy figures on it, however fascinating the wheel may be to her."



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