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WIMBLEDON AGAIN : J. Borotra provides an early sensation by defeating his compatriot

A.Merlin, despite influenza handicap. Surrey-

Picture.

APPIAUSE.

A good game is anticipated from Borotra and Merlin in the Mens' Singles.

Applause.

The Basque on the left has a touch of flue but-

-he's still game. Its depressing effect is noticable in his play. Lacking his usual-

-- judgment and verve, he slices into the net, serves double faults, and generally shows--

- -- a failing in form. His game is good but--
- -- not so uncannily perfect as is usual with this--
- --exceptional player. Merlin, his compatriot, plays with easy assurance and confidence, --
- -- and is credited with a love set. It--
- -- looks as if Borotra might be--
- --eclipsed. But the Basque has now donned his beret and begins to--
- -- find his form. (AFPLAUSE).

He ends up as usual with a clean victory. (APPLEURE).

Having won, he discards his national head gear, shakes hands with Merlin-

-- for giving him such a nice game, and walks off, having beaten influenza and his opponent.