

TRAP SHOOTERS WILL AGREE THAT A BIRD IN THE HAND IS WORTH TWO IN THE CLAY

SPORT WORLD NEWS OF ALL KINDS

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ROBERTSON'S AUTO Q'S AND A'S.

Revocation of Licenses the Most Effective Way of Curbing the Increasing Recklessness of Automobile Drivers.

If a motorist is a consistent offender for reckless driving why should he not be deprived of his driver's license? The most amazing feature of Secretary of State Hugo's annual report is the fact that no licenses were revoked in 1917 because of reckless or negligent driving.

Fines and even jail sentences don't check the increasing recklessness of motorists. The most effective means would be the revocation of licenses. Secretary Hugo plans a closer co-operation with the Courts of General and Special Sessions, and the habitual traffic offender is in line for an unpleasant surprise.

Two of the cylinders are scorched and I have been advised that by placing a small quantity of powdered graphite around the walls before replacing the valves it would at least partially fill the crevices in the cylinders and lessen the noise of the slap. Do you consider this advisable? J. M. PAULIS.

It is always practical in taking your valves out for grinding to mark them so that you will know the cylinder that each was taken from, as it is absolutely advisable to put them back in their proper cylinder.

As to removing carbon with the oxygen burning, would suggest that you use the old fashioned method of scraping with regular carbon scrapers made for this particular use.

I do not advocate the use of powdered graphite on walls of your cylinders. Automobile Editor: Is it possible for a boy under eighteen to obtain a driver's license? If so, kindly tell me how.

I have been driving my father's car for over a year and can safely say that I can handle it as well as most

could not start the same and was advised to give the magneto shaft another turn and couple it up again; I did this and was then able to start the motor, but it does not fire on all four when driving, though all the spark plugs fire when running idle. I have a self-starter. As per the instruction book, the firing order is given as 1-2-3-4 connected with the terminals 1-2-3-4. It is present connected as 1-2-3-4 with the terminals 3-4-2-1. If I reconnect as per instruction book and turn the magneto shaft, do you think I will get my timing right?

Would also ask whether it is a good plan to put felt-packed thinblades over worn valve guides to insure better compression, or is it necessary and rebushed. Which is the more costly job? C. W. HASS.

There is absolutely no question but that your motor is out of time, and, as proper timing of a motor is absolutely essential to good running, I would suggest that you have some one assist you—some one who is thoroughly conversant with motor timing. I do not approve of putting felt-packed thinblades over worn valve guides to insure better compression, but would suggest having new guides, which will greatly increase the efficiency of your motor.

Kindly tell me in your automobile column of the two following routes that I may take by auto: 1. From Brooklyn to Morristown, N. J.; 2. From Brooklyn to Mount Vernon, N. Y.

From Brooklyn to Morristown: New York via West 42d Street Ferry to Weehawken; Miles. Total Miles. To Jersey City 5.6 11.9 To Newark 1.9 13.9 To Orange 1.9 15.8 To Springfield 5.2 21.1 To Chatham 4.4 25.5 To Madison 2.9 28.4 To Morristown 4.4 32.8 From Brooklyn to Mount Vernon: Brooklyn to New York through Central Park to Lenox Avenue and 110th Street, up 110th Street to 145th Street to Mont Avenue, North on Mont Street to Concourse, up on Concourse to 184th Street, East on 184th Street, to Webster Avenue, North on Webster Avenue to 22d Street to White Plains Road to Mount Vernon.

Automobile Editor: I am past sixteen years of age. According to law can I drive my brother's car? E. Balzer.

According to law, driving licenses are not to be issued to anyone under eighteen years of age.

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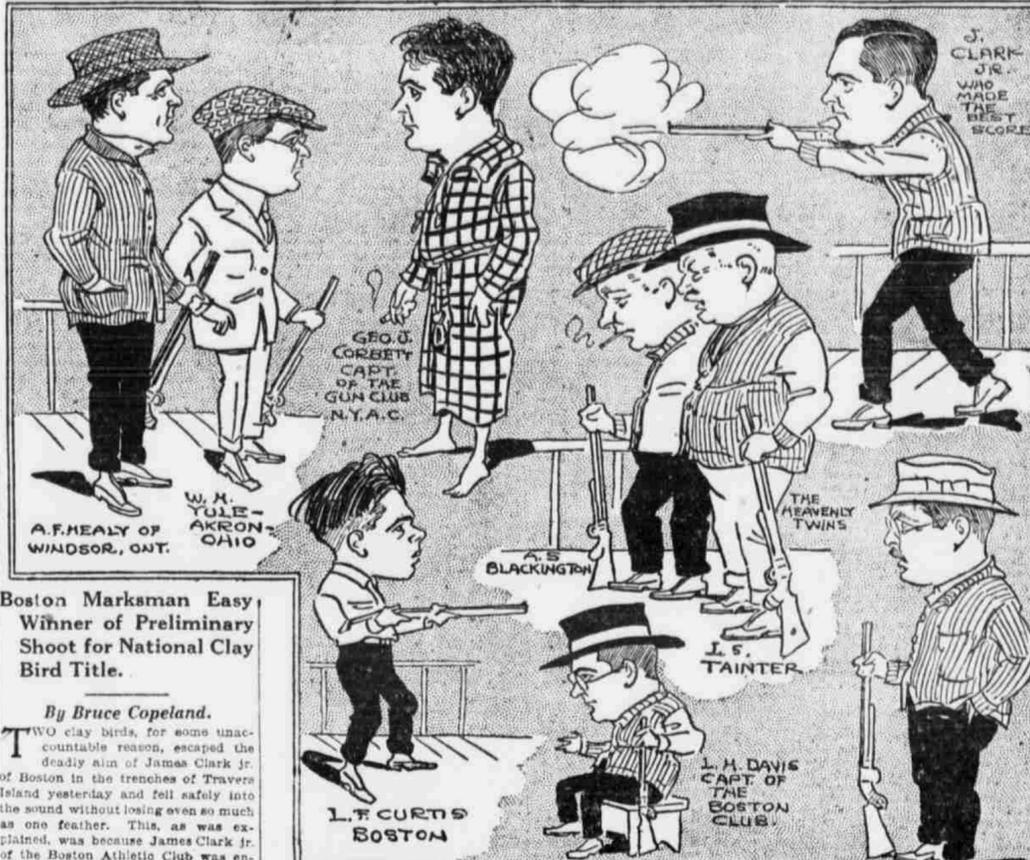
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Missing Only Two Birds of 200, Clark Makes Record at N. Y. A. C. Traps



Boston Marksman Easy Winner of Preliminary Shoot for National Clay Bird Title.

By Bruce Copeland.

TWO clay birds, for some unaccountable reason, escaped the deadly aim of James Clark Jr. of Boston in the trenches of Travers Island yesterday and fell safely into the sound without losing even so much as one feather. This, as was explained, was because James Clark Jr. of the Boston Athletic Club was enjoying an off day.

The deadshot Adams from the Hub WAS slightly off his stride, missing two birds out of 200. Discount all rumors of 75-mile pen-shooters blazing away at a distant target, by-guess-and-by-Jupiter! A man who can stand in changing light and a sportive May sea breeze and shatter 128 clay pigeons while 300 shells is entitled to an off day.

Clark also shattered all the trap shooting records of the New York Athletic Club, under whose auspices the big national championships are being held. No amateur who ever pulled a trigger or allowed his vision to roam hopefully along the sights of his favorite shotgun would hardly dare hope for such a slaughter.

This achievement is noteworthy in that Clark was shooting on unfamiliar ground into ever changing light and against a sea breeze that seemed to feel as skittish as last year's fiver in a new coat of paint.

Every time a thin wreath of smoke belched from the muzzle of his gun, Clark had the supreme satisfaction of seeing pigeons flying in all directions and fall into the sound. But on two occasions the traps must have kept the battery charged or it is impossible. As the Magneto naturally generates current I have thought that this could be done.

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It had been for the droll wits of Amos Blackington and Lou Tainter, the famous "Hag & Hain" twins of the Boston pigeon killers, Amos was the lowest on the list for the day with a measly 108, but he hit well above his with the gallery throughout the afternoon.

His partner fared little better with his gun, but redeemed himself by giving a perfect imitation of Falstaff at a country club. Blackington and Tainter might well be called the German Schaefer and Nick Alcock of the range, and still give the baseball comedians cards and all the acts in the deck. The best we can say for them is that they could get a laugh out of a diving clay pigeon.

After the today's marksmen had packed away their guns and called it a day, Amos and Lou discovered had blood between themselves. To tell the truth, this happened when Lou got too playful and tried to scratch his initials on the nose of Amos. In order to get revenge for the wound, Amos hit his partner a 50 Liberty bond that he was the best shot.

They were given a range and a referee and told to go to it.

Amos soon discovered that the traps were throwing him too many curves, and for a moment he thought he saw a hundred birds, but he gritted his teeth and blazed away, taking a chance on hitting one on the edge of the flock.

Lou was more conservative with his ammunition and managed to wing some gold ones. Amos might have been the victim of a practical joke. Some of his shots didn't even shoot, although he gave his trigger the secret tug. Sure enough upon breaking the pin down and the shell fell, but each time Amos got the benefit of a "misfire" and proceeded to let another bird escape. Eventually Amos lost his Liberty bond.

J. M. McLaughlin, one of the crack shots of the N. Y. A. C., was surprised during one of the squad shoots when his gun went dead on an easy flight. He pulled his trigger with perfect rage, but there was no report and the clay pigeon fell into the water unscathed. A deeper shade of crimson marked the marksman's nose when, upon breaking his gun, he discovered the chamber was empty.

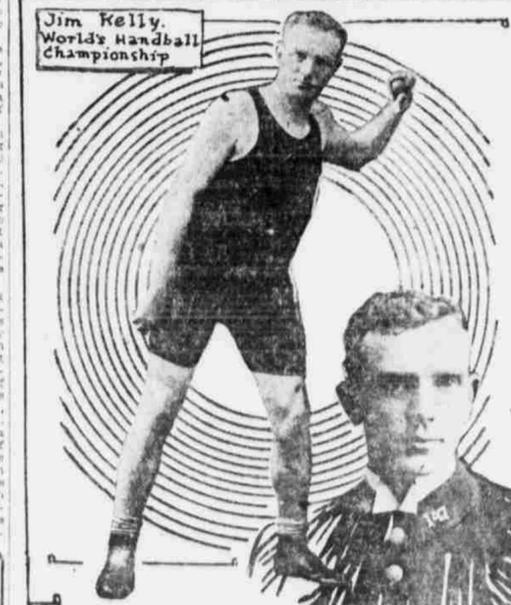
W. H. Yule of Akron, O., was a mean gun in behalf of the City of Cincinnati. If you choose, the City with the Golden Bough, Akron is famous for its rubber and its sportmen; and Yule of Akron was so alert that our heavy lifting cartermist had the gall to ask him if his

natty knickerbocker tweeds were the official shooting regalia. He said they were.

The success of the meet was due to the good nature of George J. Corbett, Captain of the N. Y. A. C. infantry. But after the smoke had cleared, Capt. Corbett, who said he is not related to "Gentleman Jim," thought the best part of the day was his session under the showers—in the club house. Corbett sure likes his bath.

Yesterday's meet was only confined to the preliminary shoots. The big guns will be fired to-day all along the Travers Island front, and after they run out of ammunition, there will be a new amateur champion among the national trapshooters.

Kelly, Traffic Policeman, Is Back From Cincinnati With U. S. Handball Title



Like Other Famous Athletic Officers He Comes From Mayo.

By Arthur ("Bugs") Baer.

PEDESTRIANS, pecked on the curb at Times Square and waiting for Traffic Officer Kelly to slip 'em the Go-Go sign, do not realize that the genial, blue-eyed officer is one of the many athletes who have brought home the championship crown to New York's police force. Sheriff Dan Flinn, Mayor's aide, is all famous names which who so clattering down in athletic history as birds who could step out of their uniforms and grab off a string of medals like enough to make a larval out of They were all blue-eyed champs from New York, and County Mayo, where he plays Ed Griffin, national champion at the soft ball game.

MAJORS REFUSE TO INVAD "BELGIUM OF BASEBALL"

Next Move of National Commission May Reveal Motive for Order to Destroy New International League by Scheduling Clubs to Play Regular Games on Sundays at Harrison, N. J.

By Hugh S. Fullerton.

THESE will be no Sunday baseball in Harrison, N. J., next Sunday, and the odds are that the major leagues will never play ball there. The threatened war between the National Commission, American and the American and National Leagues, against the little International Commission, probably is over, and in its stead there appears to be an active rebellion in organized baseball against the National Commission.

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The story of Mr. Ebbets is especially pleasing and sportantastic, since he had more to gain by playing at Harrison than any of the other owners and probably needs patronage worse. He is very diplomatic and says: "Some of us do not agree on the question of territorial rights, but we are all agreed that we should not play until we have reached an agreement."

Further, the National Commission is not only judicial, but it is executive and administrative. It can pass a law, enforce it and then decide appeals against it for every ball club, ball player and owner in the land. It

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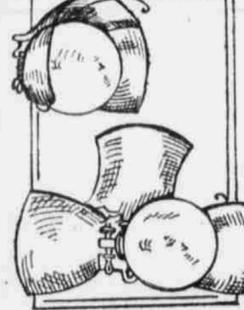
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HEADLIGHT CONTROLLER.



Here is a novel device, a new light control. This equipment controls the lights instead of dimming them—a feature that is most important. If one is driving down an unfamiliar road at night, it is a dangerous practice to dim the lights at the approach of another car. This new headlight, says the Illustrated World, provides a strong light, yet controls it when the driver wishes—either straight ahead, or along the road only a few feet. It is mechanical in action, and consists of three nickel-plated wings which fit over the lamp sockets. A wire, housed in a flexible conduit, connects these wings to a foot lever in the floor of the car.

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Automobile Editor: Have a Dodge, new July, 1917, and cannot make it climb any short steep hills (not long ones) without having it knock. I refuse the spark which helps a trifle, but the car will knock on a 5 per cent grade with a good run to get upon hill 200 feet long. Otherwise the car has given me all service and am well pleased with it. I find it work better (but cannot eliminate the knock) by not pressing too hard on an accelerator.

The car is registered in my name as an owner (New York license). Can my daughter, age twenty-one, run it and comply with the law? A READER.

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