COMMENT ON SPORTS

BASEBALL WAR OVER.

News and Views on Live Topics of the Day.

Ban B. Johnson, president of the American League, aided and abetted by August Herrmann and his forces, carried his point last week and brought about the withdrawal of John M. Ward as a candidate for president of the National League, even at the sacrifice of John A. Heydler and R. W. Brown. New York, Brooklyn, Chicago and Philadelphia fought for a principle, and begged their associates not to bow to the will of the president of a younger organization, as indicated by a statement that was little short of insulting, and altogether undiplomatic, but all in vain. Never before in the history of the National League have some of the owners appeared to such a disadvantage, and while the election of Thomas J. Lynch as president may have been a happy solution of the deadlock, it was without credit to August Herrmann, Barney Dreyfuss, Stanley Robison and John Dovey, who for reasons hard to understand permitted their league to be placed in a more or less ludicrous position. Mr. Johnson is quoted as saying that a baseball war has been averted. This is amusing after his conciliatory telegram, which was placed on the minutes of the National League meeting. If war had been declared it is safe to say that Mr. Johnson would have been the only sufferer, as the "fans" to a man would have been with the National League, and possibly some of the owners in the American League as well. If Mr. Johnson and his friends in the National League can get any satisfaction from what they may be pleased to call a victory they are quite welcome to it. I do not know Mr. Lynch, but if he proves as good an executive as he was an umpire the National League will be well served. Mr. Heydler deserves much credit for his loyalty to the game in accepting a minor position after serving as president. Now that the internal strife is over, the sooner it is forgotten the better.

Ban B. Johnson has come out in his true colors. Because of the dictatorial and quite untenable position he took in the fight over the election of a president for the National League, an older organization, he has lost to a large extent the confidence of the baseball "fans." Mr. Johnson was not in a position to say with whom he would or would not serve on the national commission, and he did not strengthen his position by his telegram to August Herrmann, in which he retracted, under pressure no doubt from the club owners in the American League, his previous statement by saying that there was no wish to influence or embarrass the National League in the election of an officer. The hidden purpose of this was indicated when he followed it up with another statement from Chicago, in which he declared that he was still unalterably opposed to the election of John M. Ward. This made it appear that the telegram read at a session of the National League was an insincere effort to appease for the sake of aiding August Herrmann to play politics and break the deadlock. Johnson, who has been noted for his keenness and shrewdness, has made a serious blunder, the effects of which will be felt for some time. He has lost caste, and his opinions will carry less weight than heretofore.

The two major leagues took a long step in the right direction last week in limiting the number of players which a club may carry on its reserve list. It is high time that those who control the destinies of professional baseball should pay closer attention to the rights of the minor leagues, which, as a rule, have more or less of a struggling time to make ends meet. It has not been unusual in the past for major league clubs to draft players promiscuously from the minor leagues at a small price, to hold them for a short time and then turn them back to some rival club, perhaps of the same league, at a big advance. The major league clubs must be recruited from the smaller organizations, but this should not be done at the expense of discord and a charge of unfairness.

In talking with Charles A. Comiskey, president of the Chicago White Sox, last week I was led to believe that any chance for reform in the use of the present murderous spike was too small to be worthy of consideration. Mr. Comiskey, a prince of good fellows, in whose opinion, as a rule, I have much confidence, is plainly opposed to the substitution of any device that would slow up the game, and, further than that, applauds the player who takes the trouble to buy a file to keep his spikes well sharpened. Mr. Comiskey is on a committee with Ban B. Johnson which has full power to act for the American League on this important question, which means, no doubt, that the spike will stay. The National League has the same question under advisement, but the election of a president put everything else in the shade last week and it did not get fair consideration. Mr. Heydler had a number of devices to submit for approval as a substitute for the spike now in use, and one of them appeared to have much merit. It is fashioned in much the same way as the present spike, but with a blunt edge, which cannot be filed. It is so constructed, however, as to take hold readily, and the man who devised it says that it has stood the test and does not slow up a man in fielding or running bases.

The National League made a mistake, in my opinion, in lengthening the playing season by authorizing a schedule of 168 games, as against 154 last season. It would have been better to shorten it.

The time is at hand for Western golfers to face an issue which has been pending for almost two years, and which may result in secession from the United States Golf Association. Any doubts that have existed in the minds of Eastern golfers as to the seriousness of certain rumors of war and rebellion which have come out of the West were dispelled last week when the committee appointed at the last annual meeting of the Western Golf Association reported favorably on a resolution to change the name of that body to the American Golf Association and by doing away with sectional restrictions make it national in its scope. If the resolution is adopted at the annual meeting on January 15, it will mean nothing more or less than a direct challenge to the United States Golf Association for the control of the sport in this country. The insurgents in the West who are of the opinion that the national body has been too conservative and too narrow to meet the needs of a great and growing sport have brought about a condition that may work for harm. There are many golfers in and around Chicago who are not in sympathy with the movement, and it is safe to assume that the question will stir up an internal strife, even if it does not bring about an open break with the United States Golf Association and the players in the East who are loyal to the parent body.

In talking with leading golfers in the East the opinion appeared to be more or less general that the conservative golfers in the West would vote against the amendment, and that they would outnumber the insurgents. If, however, the amendment is adopted, it is safe to assume that a number of the more prominent clubs will break away from the Western body and swear allegiance to the United States Golf Association. In my opinion the fight in that case would be too one-sided to be worthy of the name. There is not room for two governing bodies in this country, and the one with which the leading golfers and more prominent clubs were affiliated would quickly assume a position of importance that would make its championship tournaments the leading fixtures and its rulings the ones to be accepted.

The United States Golf Association has been open to some criticism in the past, but Rome was not built in a day, and the insurgents in the West are too impatient. Under the circumstances it would not be wise for the smaller clubs to hold the balance of power, and almost of necessity the sport must be governed by the leading clubs. The old cry of taxation without representation hardly applies in this case. It sounds well as a talking point, but it means little or nothing for all practical purposes. The United States Golf Association has nothing to gain by limiting the authority, and the welfare of the sport is the first and only consideration, in spite of the cry of some disgruntled golfers in the West.

Polo will get a much needed stimulus in this country if the provisional challenge from England for an international match bears fruit. When Harry Payne Whitney and his associates for the Meadow Brook club went to England last summer in quest of the now famous trophy, there was little hope of success. A clean cut and well deserved victory was won, however, and the cup is now in this country, subject to a challenge from Great Britain. The committee of the Hurlingham Club in England decided at first against a challenge for the cup next year, but this aroused such a storm of criticism abroad that the committee, fearing to lose its long established control of the sport, bowed to the inevitable and reconsidered its former stand by deciding to send a provisional challenge. The match is dependent upon the committee being able to send a representative team, properly mounted on good ponies, and those who have been loudest in their criticism abroad must now do their part to see that the Hurlingham committee gets the proper support and help in bringing about a match.

The University of West Virginia is one of a group of colleges that have denounced football as now played and demanded a radical change in the rules, making for greater safety. The University of West Virginia met Washington and Jefferson on Thanksgiving Day in a game so rough that Lieutenant Hackett, of West Point, the umpire, said he would ask the central board of officials to assign no more judges of play for games in which the University of West Virginia was a participant. Slugging of every sort and foul play of great variety were indulged in by some members of the team, and Joe Pendleton, the referee, told me that the players were totally ignorant of the rules. In this case, as in many others, a careful study of the present rules should be made before advice as to revision is offered. The part taken by West Virginia in this game was a blot on the season and on the sport.

Lou Criger will be a welcome addition to the Yankees next season, and he should strengthen the team to a marked extent. A capable, heady backstop, such as Criger, can do much to steady young pitchers and add to their effectiveness.

Walter Camp's All-American football team in the current issue of "Collier's" is bound to meet with general approval. It shows keen study and a careful analysis. Seven of the players named found a place on The Tribune's All-Eastern team, but in point of fact it differed only in two positions, as Western players were not considered by The Tribune. Mr. Camp named Benbrook, of Michigan, as one guard, and McGovern, of Minnesota, as quarterback, but places Tobin, guard, and Howe, quarterback, The Tribune's selections, on his second team, which an All-Eastern eleven would have moved up. Mr. Camp gave Hobbs, of Yale, the preference over McKay, of Harvard, at one tackle, and Regnier, of Brown, the call over Gil Brown, of Harvard, at one end. Kilpatrick, end; Andrus, guard; Cooney, centre; Fish, tackle; Minot, Philbin and Coy, backs, were the players common to both elevens.

HERBERT.

TIGER HOCKEY TEAM TO PLAY.

Will Meet St. Paul Players at St. Nicholas Rink To-morrow Night.

Princeton University will open the hockey season at the St. Nicholas Rink on Tuesday night in a game with the St. Paul players, which promises to be replete with interest. The St. Paul team was the only one which last season defeated the Harvard University team, the winners of the intercollegiate championship, and, judging from the practice games in which each of the teams has participated in this season, the Tigers will have to show a material improvement in their game to escape defeat.

The St. Paul players have been practising on their open air rink at Concord, N. H., for several weeks past, and the team has been selected from the sturdiest experts in the squad of fifty candidates for hockey honors.

HOLMER TAKES MOHEGAN RUN.

Canadian Sets New Mark for Course in The Bronx.

Hans Holmer, the Canadian professional runner, who is now attached to the Mohegan Athletic Club, easily won the five and a quarter mile run of the Mohegan Club over the usual course in The Bronx yesterday. Holmer had an advantage of over three hundred yards at the line on Dick Devlin, the track captain of the Mott Haven Athletic Club, who was second. Holmer's time of 27:47 establishes a new record for the course.

The Canadian had an easy task, keeping an eye on his Mohegan comrades until the third mile, when he set sail for the leaders, overtaking them in a short time. Devlin challenged Holmer a half mile from home, but he was easily shaken off.

The summary follows:

Pos.	Name and club.	Time.
1.	Hans Holmer, Mohegan A. C.	27:47
2.	F. Devlin, Mott Haven A. C.	28:57
3.	G. Dietrich, Loughlin Lyceum	29:17
4.	J. O'Brien, Mohegan A. C.	29:33
5.	P. Coulter, Mohegan A. C.	30:05
6.	C. Murphy, Mohegan A. C.	30:08
7.	G. Nielson, Mohegan A. C.	30:17
8.	W. De Baun, Mohawk A. C.	31:45
9.	J. Astley, Mohegan A. C.	31:46
10.	R. Smith, Mohegan A. C.	31:50
11.	G. Marzulo, West End A. A.	31:56
12.	Ph. Stiefel, Mohawk A. C.	32:10
13.	Dr. Brandster, Mohegan A. C.	33:16
14.	J. Benfield, West End A. A.	33:35
15.	W. Schnabel, Mohawk A. C.	34:00
16.	J. Benjamin, Una A. C.	34:30
17.	S. Muller, Irish-American A. C.	34:35
18.	J. O'Neill, Mohegan A. C.	34:40
19.	W. Mollin, Tietjen A. C.	34:45
20.	G. Treubig, Poet A. C.	34:50

M'CULLOUGH WINS FOR GLENCOE

Tom McCullough, the fast runner who was recently annexed by the Glencoe Athletic Club, won his first race for his new organization yesterday, easily capturing the weekly run of the Pennant Athletic Club. McCullough's time for the four-mile course was 21:25. J. Reynolds, of the Liberty Athletic Club, pushed the Glencoe athlete in the early part of the race.

The summary follows:

Pos.	Name and club.	Time.
1.	Tom McCollough, Glencoe A. C.	21:25
2.	J. Reynolds, Liberty A. C.	21:36
3.	E. H. Reitz, St. Ignatius A. C.	21:40
4.	G. McGregor, Glencoe A. C.	21:45
5.	G. Brown, Glencoe A. C.	21:52
6.	E. Escobacci, Pennant A. C.	22:00
7.	W. Molers, East Side Y. M. C. A.	22:22
8.	J. Dean, Mohawk A. C.	22:38
9.	A. Harper, Mohawk A. C.	22:40
10.	C. Griswold, Pennant A. C.	23:05

Wagner and Pittsburg Lead

Pirates' Shortstop Heads National League Batting List Again—Mitchell and Seymour Tied for Second.

Hans Wagner, the famous shortstop of Pittsburg, not only leads the batters of the National League again this year, but his club, which won the world's championship for the season of 1909, is at the head of the list in team batting averages, according to the official list given out yesterday by John A. Heydler, who was deposed as president of the League last week.

Wagner's percentage is .339. He made 168 hits for a total of 242 bases. His winning average last year was .354.

In team batting Pittsburg leads with .259, against .254 made by the New York Giants, who stand second.

Mitchell, the outfielder of Cincinnati, with a percentage of .310, ties Cy Seymour, the centrefielder of the Giants, for second place. Seymour, however, played in about half as many games as Mitchell.

The five other leading batters on the New York team are Doyle, Snodgrass, Bridwell, McCormick and Meyers, who finished in sixth, seventh, ninth, twelfth and twentieth positions on the list. Mathewson, who pitched in thirty-seven games, had a batting average of .263.

Players on the New York nine with less than a .250 percentage were: Schiel, .244; O'Hara, .236; Tenney, 235; Merkle, 233; Fletcher, 214; Raymond, 203; Wiltse, .200; Herzog, .185; Shafer, .179; Marquard, .148, and Ames, .62.

Bescher, of Cincinnati, led the base stealers, purloining fifty-four bases, while Doyle, the Giants' second baseman, headed the list of "shoe getters" with six home runs. The Pittsburg team led in run getting, completing the circuit 701 times.

The percentages of the players who made an average of 250 points or better and the team batting averages follow:

CLUB BATTING.

Clubs.	G.	A.B.	R.	H.	T.B.	2B.	3B.	H.R.	S.H.	S.B.	P.C.
Pittsburg	154	5,129	701	1,332	1,809	218	92	25	211	185	.259
New York	157	5,218	622	1,327	1,714	173	68	26	151	210	.254
Cincinnati	157	5,088	606	1,273	1,642	159	72	22	212	280	.250
Chicago	155	4,999	632	1,227	1,610	203	60	20	248	187	.245
Philadelphia	154	5,034	515	1,228	1,555	185	53	12	239	185	.244
St. Louis	154	5,108	583	1,242	1,547	148	56	15	119	161	.243
Brooklyn	155	5,056	442	1,157	1,496	176	59	16	173	141	.228
Boston	155	5,017	428	1,121	1,376	124	43	15	189	190	.223

INDIVIDUAL BATTING—LIST OF PLAYERS WHO HAD A PERCENTAGE OF .250 OR OVER.

Name and club.	G.	A.B.	R.	H.	T.B.	2B.	3B.	H.R.	S.H.	S.B.	P.C.
Wagner, Pittsburg	137	495	92	168	242	39	10	5	27	35	.339
Mitchell, Cincinnati	145	523	83	162	225	17	17	4	15	37	.310
Seymour, New York	73	280	37	87	112	12	5	1	9	14	.310
Hoblitzell, Cincinnati	142	517	59	159	216	23	11	4	29	17	.308
Wheat, Brooklyn	26	102	15	31	44	7	3	0	5	1	.304
Doyle, New York	144	570	86	172	239	27	11	6	12	31	.300
Snodgrass, New York	22	70	10	21	29	5	0	1	2	7	.300
Hyatt, Pittsburg	49	67	9	20	31	3	4	0	1	1	.299
Bridwell, New York	145	476	59	140	161	11	5	0	19	32	.294
Bransfield, Philadelphia	138	527	47	154	196	27	6	1	22	17	.292
Bates, Philadelphia-Boston	133	502	70	146	186	26	4	2	24	37	.291
McCormick, New York	110	413	68	120	166	21	8	3	9	4	.290
Clarke, Pittsburg	152	550	97	158	205	16	11	3	24	31	.287
Konetchy, St. Louis	152	576	88	165	228	23	14	4	12	25	.286
Hofman, Chicago	153	527	60	150	185	21	4	2	32	20	.285
Hulswitt, St. Louis	77	289	21	81	95	8	3	0	4	7	.280
Hummel, Brooklyn	145	542	54	152	197	15	9	4	31	16	.280
J. B. Miller, Pittsburg	150	560	71	156	222	31	13	3	29	14	.279
Beck, Boston	88	334	29	66	91	4	6	3	9	8	.278
Myers, New York	64	220	15	61	84	10	5	1	4	3	.277
Egan, Cincinnati	126	480	59	132	158	14	3	2	30	39	.275
Lindaman, Boston	15	22	0	6	6	0	0	0	0	0	.273
Zimmerman, Chicago	47	183	23	50	63	9	2	0	4	7	.273
Wilson, Pittsburg	154	569	64	155	213	22	12	4	26	17	.273
Jordan, Brooklyn	95	330	47	90	125	20	3	3	12	13	.273
W. D. Scanlan, Brooklyn	19	44	3	12	17	5	0	0	1	1	.273
Chance, Chicago	92	324	53	88	112	16	4	0	12	29	.271
Burch, Brooklyn	152	601	80	163	198	20	6	1	8	38	.271
Storke, Pittsburg-St. Louis	80	292	23	79	93	10	2	0	10	6	.271
Magee, Philadelphia	143	522	60	141	208	33	14	2	27	38	.270
Titus, Philadelphia	149	540	69	146	189	22	6	3	23	23	.270
Oakes, Cincinnati	67	415	55	112	141	10	5	3	16	23	.270
Grant, Philadelphia	154	631	75	170	199	18	4	1	31	28	.269
Ellis, St. Louis	145	575	76	154	191	10	9	3	5	16	.268
Warner, Philadelphia	63	184	21	49	61	8	2	0	6	7	.266
Devlin, New York	143	491	61	130	165	19	8	0	18	26	.265
Gibson, Pittsburg	150	510	42	135	184	25	9	2	15	9	.265
Schulte, Chicago	140	538	57	142	192	16	11	4	27	23	.264
Beaumont, Boston	111	407	35	107	126	11	4	0	14	12	.263
Thomas, Boston	77	281	36	74	85	9	1	0	11	5	.263
Murray, New York	149	576	74	150	210	15	12	7	16	18	.263
Mathewson, New York	37	95	9	25	34	4	1	1	1	1	.263
Evers, Chicago	126	463	88	122	156	19	6	1	12	28	.263
Lennox, Brooklyn	121	435	33	114	156	18	9	2	13	11	.262
Leach, Pittsburg	151	587	126	153	216	29	8	6	27	27	.261
Deininger, Philadelphia	46	169	22	44	53	9	0	0	4	5	.260
Abstein, Pittsburg	135	512	51	133	176	20	10	1	27	16	.260
Evans, St. Louis	143	498	67	129	164	17	6	2	12	14	.259
McLean, Cincinnati	95	324	26	83	105	12	2	2	10	1	.256
Tinker, Chicago	143	516	56	132	192	26	11	4	22	23	.256
A. C. Downey, Brooklyn	19	78	7	20	21	1	0	0	1	4	.256
Harmon, St. Louis	21	51	3	13	14	1	0	0	4	0	.255
Sheckard, Chicago	148	525	81	134	176	29	5	1	46	15	.255
W. Miller, Cincinnati-Pitts.	40	169	19	43	50	3	2	0	3	11	.255
Clement, Brooklyn-Phila.	89	343	35	87	104	8	4	0	19	11	.254
Steinfeldt, Chicago	151	528	73	133	158	27	6	2	31	22	.252
Paskert, Cincinnati	88	322	49	81	96	7	4	0	11	23	.251
Thomas, Clarke, Cincinnati	17	52	8	13	20	3	2	0	5	3	.250
Lumley, Brooklyn	52	172	13	43	57	8	3	0	14	1	.250

JOLTS IN BOWLING

Many Athletic League Surprises—Averagen to Date.

Official figures of the Athletic Bowling League season, now three weeks old, show that thus far it has been an almost continuous performance of surprises. Newark Bay seems to have got the jump on the others, and, what is more to the point, its record of eight games won and one lost has not been gained through meeting weak teams, for among the victims were the Roseville Athletic Association, last season's champion five, and the New York Athletic Club.

Next in order comes the Elizabeth club team, winner of the championship two years ago. Elizabeth has won seven and lost two. Those much strengthened teams, Passaic and Jersey City, follow with six won and three lost, while Roseville and Columbia have each won four and lost five. New York, North End and Montclair are grouped in a triple tie near the bottom of the list. In bringing up the rear end of the procession the new Columbian quintet is only meeting the fate that every recruit has to experience in this league.

That the general pace has been unusually fast is shown by the fact that with one exception all of the ten teams have averages better than 850, while three—Passaic, Elizabeth and Newark Bay—are well past the 900 mark. Passaic's average of 923.2 is exceptional. Jersey City has the distinction of holding high total at present with 1,016.

Among the individuals the struggle is equally keen. Ziegler, of Passaic, although unacquainted with this circuit, has rolled himself into the lead with a mark of 196.3, and Clauss, of Elizabeth, has moved to second place with 194.5. Lee, the leader of the previous week, has dropped back to fifth position. There are seven better than 190 and twenty-two past the 180 mark.

It is a coincidence that the two Charley Meyers should have the same average, 179. They roll as anchors on the Roseville and Jersey City teams, which meet to-night at Roseville. The schedule also calls for New York to visit Columbia this evening. To-morrow night Montclair will go to Newark Bay, Passaic to Elizabeth and Columbian to North End, the last named series having been put forward, as it was originally scheduled for Thursday.

The official averages follow:

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

	Won.	Lost.	Ave.	High Score.
Newark Bay	8	1	908.4	1,014
Elizabeth	7	2	917.4	997
Passaic	6	3	923.2	1,001
Jersey City	6	3	880.3	1,016
Roseville	4	5	892.2	986
Columbia	4	5	862.6	961
New York	3	6	899.7	990
North End	3	6	863.8	914
Montclair	3	6	843.7	909
Columbian	1	8	805	951

INDIVIDUAL AVERAGES.

Name and Club.	Games.	Ave.	H. S.
Ziegler, Passaic	9	196.3	228
Clauss, Elizabeth	9	194.5	238
Thomson, Montclair	3	193.1	206
Dwyer, Newark Bay	9	192.1	224
Lee, Columbian	9	191.7	227
Parson, Roseville	9	191.2	234
A. West, Elizabeth	9	191	245
Brundage, Jersey City	9	188.2	247
Griffith, Newark Bay	9	187.1	245
Sheperd, Columbian	6	186.4	201
Roberts, New York	9	185.7	233
Brunt, Passaic	9	185.2	237
Van Wess, Roseville	9	184.8	227
Bowman, Jersey City	9	183.5	228
Booth, North End	9	182.8	211
R. West, Elizabeth	9	182	223
Thomson, Passaic	9	182	216
Bury, Montclair	6	181.3	202
Sherwood, New York	9	181.2	205
Vreeland, Newark Bay	9	181	221
Applegate, Columbia	9	180.2	202
Jaeger, Newark Bay	9	180	213
Lefferts, Passaic	9	179.8	241
Ball, Passaic	9	179.7	220
Arnold, New York	9	179.4	244
Meyer, Roseville	9	179	208
Meyer, Jersey City	9	179	225
Clute, New York	9	178.1	223
Nolte, Elizabeth	9	177.1	233
Adams, New York	9	175.2	207
Austin, North End	9	174.5	219
Schultze, Columbia	9	174.4	226
Kimball, Columbia	6	174.2	200
Hartzel, Columbia	9	173.8	202
Engle, Montclair	9	173.7	223
Ryan, Elizabeth	9	172.7	204
McCoy, Montclair	9	172	201
Wood, Roseville	9	171.8	202
Baldwin, North End	9	170.7	187
Ferber, Columbia	9	169.6	199
Harris, Jersey City	9	169	182
Getis, Columbian	9	168.3	211
Bischof, Newark Bay	9	168.2	195
Baume, North End	9	167.8	196
Rohdenberg, Columbia	9	167.5	181
Clark, North End	9	167.7	224
Crum, Roseville	9	165.2	198
Leigh, Columbian	3	164.1	183
Lamster, Jersey City	9	160.5	184
Sigler, Montclair	9	157.6	171
Froggett, Columbian	9	156	185
Soverel, Montclair	9	153.7	194
Lessing, Columbia	3	151	160

BEACH RACING DEAD

Autoists Think Ormond-Daytona Knell Has Sounded.

Automobilists interested in the speed tournaments that have been held on the famous Ormond-Daytona (Fla.) beach for the last several years were of the opinion when seen yesterday that the failure to hold the contests this winter, as told in Sunday's Tribune, would in all likelihood put an end to the holding of such contests on a sand course that has proved to be the fastest in the world.

Since 1902 these contests have been held on the Florida sand course, on which the present world's records from one mile to three hundred miles have been made. W. J. Morgan, who promoted the first tournament there and whose untiring efforts have brought about the succeeding ones, is among those who think that there is much doubt about another race meeting being held there.

The course over which the Ormond-Daytona races are held is sixteen miles long and as smooth as a billiard table. At low tide it is from two hundred to three hundred feet in width. It is safe to say that on no other course have so many well known automobilists contested. Some of those who have made remarkable records are William K. Vanderbilt, jr., Edward Russell Thomas, William Wallace, H. L. Bowden and Samuel B. Stevens.

One of the most remarkable races ever held on the sand course was that between Barney Oldfield and Mr. Vanderbilt in the tournament of January, 1904. The distance was a mile. Both men won their respective heats. In the final heat Mr. Vanderbilt bungled in throwing his high gear, and the race as a result went to the former elevator boy from Ohio.

Mr. Vanderbilt was the first to put the mile record below 40 seconds. This was on the Florida course. He drove a mile in 39 seconds, and for some time following his remarkable record was the chief topic among automobilists. The time, though beaten often since, was a distinct sensation when it was made.

SCOTT SHOOTS WELL.

High Gun at Larchmont—Good Scores Rule.

Nearly two hundred persons watched and took great interest in the trapshooters of the Larchmont Yacht Club yesterday, as they competed in one of the best series of matches of the season. The weather was ideal for the sport, although a trifle cold on the trigger fingers of the marksmen. Stuart Scott proved high gun for the day. He broke the same number of targets—131 out of a possible 145—that he did on December 5. He also won a leg on the Halstead cup. A feature of the day was that there were nine full scores shot and that in the twenty-five target matches only three men broke less than twenty birds.

The summaries follow:

HALSTEAD CUP (HANDICAP)—25 TARGETS.

Name.	H.	T.	Name.	H.	T.
S. Scott	0	25	G. F. Pelham	1	22
W. J. Elias	1	25	W. B. Short	2	18
T. Lenane, jr.	1	20	J. R. Collins	3	23
J. Corbett	2	21	W. E. Bemis	5	25

In the shoot-off Stuart Scott won.

SAUER GUN (HANDICAP)—25 TARGETS.

S. Scott	0	24	G. F. Pelham	2	20
W. J. Elias	1	23	W. B. Short	2	22
T. Lenane, jr.	1	24	J. R. Collins	3	24
J. Corbett	2	15	W. E. Bemis	5	21
R. L. Spotts	1	21			

Won by Spotts.

ACCUMULATION CUP (HANDICAP)—25 TARGETS.

S. Scott	0	24	G. F. Pelham	2	18
W. J. Elias	2	24	W. B. Short	3	20
T. Lenane, jr.	0	21	J. R. Collins	4	23
J. Corbett	2	22	W. E. Bemis	5	25
J. R. Spotts	2	24			

In the shoot-off Corbett won.

BAUDOUINE CUP (HANDICAP)—25 TARGETS.

S. Scott	0	22	G. F. Pelham	2	22
W. J. Elias	2	23	W. B. Short	3	23
T. Lenane, jr.	2	22	J. R. Collins	4	24
J. Corbett	3	21	W. E. Bemis	5	22
J. R. Spotts	2	25			

Won by Spotts.

Ten doubles (scratch)—Scott, 9; Elias, 9; Lenane, 5; Corbett, 7; Pelham, 6; Short, 8; Spotts, 7; Collins, 8; Bemis, 4. In the tie, the shoot-off was won by Elias.

Ten targets, doubles (scratch)—Scott, 13; Elias, 9; Lenane, 7; Short, 9; Spotts, 11; Bemis, 12; Collins, 12; Corbett, 8. Won by Scott.

Fifteen targets (scratch)—Scott, 14; Elias, 15; Lenane, 9; Corbett, 7; Pelham, 13; Short, 10; Spotts, 14; Collins, 11; Bemis, 11. Won by Elias.

High gun for the day out of 145 targets—Scott, 131; Spotts, 127; Elias, 123; Collins, 111; Bemis, 105; Lenane, 102; Short, 98; Pelham, 96; Corbett, 94.

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LOCAL RULE CHANGES

Codifying May Be General—Bay State Golfers Rated.

It is believed that the decision of the Metropolitan Golf Association to do what it can in the way of codifying local rules will start the thinkers to work in other sections. The Royal and Ancient Golf Club furnishes the following recommendations for local rules:

When necessary, local rules should be made for such obstructions as trees, hedges, fixed seats, fence gates, railways and walls; for such difficulties as hoof-marks and other damage done by animals, and for such local conditions as the existence of mud, which may be held to interfere with the proper playing of the game.

Many of the clubs have printed on the back of the score card the local rules, while at others it is necessary for the home golfer to instruct the visitor as to the rules as they journey round the course. A suggestion has been made that a small sign be attached to the tee box on every hole indicating the local rule governing such hole. These signs would doubtless be a blessing, not only to strangers, but to many home players as well, who will not take the time to acquaint themselves even with the rules peculiar to their course.

Although unsuccessful in the national amateur championship tournament and the tri-city matches for the Lesley cup, the Massachusetts golfers played as well as if not better, this year than during any previous season. In a backward glance Ralph Cracknell, the well known critic, rates the first ten amateurs of the Bay State, and gives his reasons, in part, as follows:

1. P. W. Whittemore, Country Club; tied for sixth place in strong field of Eastern professionals at the invitation tournament of the Country Club, score 161, and was only defeated at the nineteenth hole in match with Alex Ross; won Lesley cup match, defeating Norman Macbeth at Philadelphia.

2. V. M. Claflin, Wollaston; qualified in United States amateur championship at Chicago and took A. Sillwell to second extra hole in first match; won Lesley cup match with W. T. West; won open amateur tournament of Philadelphia Cricket Club.

3. A. G. Lockwood, Allston; qualified at Chicago, and was defeated by Mason Phelps by 2 and 1; lost Lesley cup match to W. G. Pfeil, but won foursome match; won the Country Club spring tournament.

4. H. H. Wilder, Vesper; won Lesley cup match with W. C. Fownes, jr., and foursome match, paired with W. C. Chick against H. B. McFarland and Dr. Simon Carr; won Abenaqui tournament.

5. Percival Gilbert, Brae Burn; won Massachusetts amateur championship; played good match with H. B. McFarland in Lesley cup match, losing by 2 up.

6. J. G. Anderson, Woodland; won Connecticut match with R. L. Jackson; won Rhode Island match with D. Fairchild, champion of the state; failed to qualify by one stroke at Chicago.

7. A. L. White, Brae Burn; qualified at Chicago and defeated by 2 up by Harold Weber; won Connecticut match with S. D. Bowers and Rhode Island match with B. M. Smith.

8. H. R. Johnstone, Myopia; qualified at Chicago and defeated by 1 up by R. A. Gardner, the national champion; won Rhode Island match with C. H. Gardner.

9. J. B. Hylan, Vesper; won the Country Club's fall tournament, defeating W. J. Travis by 2 up and P. W. Whittemore by 1 up.

10. C. T. Crocker, jr., on his all-round showing during the year; he was a strong factor in the Massachusetts amateur championship, and won his match when chosen to play against Connecticut.

G. H. Crocker and W. C. Chick would be the next choices. W. C. Chick did not play enough to get into his real form. T. R. Fuller had an off year.

VICTORY FOR MALONE

Mohawk Athlete Leads Large Field in Glencoe A. C. Run.

Joe Malone, of the Mohawk Athletic Club, had little trouble in leading home the large pack of sixty runners who left the Glencoe Athletic Club in Harlem for a four-mile run yesterday. Stewart Kennard, of the Xavier Athletic Association, finished second, some two hundred yards behind, while Nathan Meyer, of the United States Italian, was close on his