TIMELY BITS OF SPORT

Russell Ford and Others Sign Contracts with Yankees.

MORE GIANTS IN THE FOLD

Al Mattern May Be Rescued from the Minors by New Manager of Cubs.

With two of his pitchers and three outfielders now under contract, Frank Chance will not have to worry much over the bugaboo of hold-outs. Within a few days it is expected that most of the Yankees will be in the fold. Jack Warhop sent in a document with his name attached to it early this week, and yesterday Russell Ford, Harry Wolter, Jack Lelivelt and Bert Daniels followed suit.

Wolter, who broke his leg in sliding to second base last season, expects to be able to take up his duties in right field and perform up to specifications. He is one of the most valuable players in the league, being particularly proficient in delivering hits when they are needed the most. His reappearance in the line-up will make the Yankees a totally different team as compared to the one that finished the race last fall. Russell Ford had a rather indifferent record last summer, but writes that he is keeping in condition and is looking forward to the opening of the season.

Two more contracts were received yesterday by the New York Giants, when La Rue Kirby, a young pitcher, and George Wiltse, the veteran twirler, sent in their signed documents.

Charles Webb Murphy, president of the Chicago Cubs, declares that the newspaper men who travel with his team next season will be expected to observe the "anti-liquor" rules which he framed recently. It is hard to see how he can enforce this order, but it can be safely stated that Murphy will not be elected an honorary member of the Chicago Chapter of the Baseball Writers' Association.

In his wide search for a good left-handed twirler for the Cubs, Johnny Evers has been "tipped off" to Al Mattern, of the Montreal club of the International League. The owner of the Cubs has offered to turn over several players to Montreal for Mattern. His offer is being considered, and probably will be accepted. Pitching for the Boston Braves in 1911, Mattern made quite a name for himself, and McGraw offered several players for the pitcher, only to be refused. Last season, however, Mattern fell down badly and was shunted to the minors. He pitched good ball for Montreal, a second division team, winning seventeen and losing ten games, and Evers believes that he can "come back."

Eddie Summers, the former pitching star of the Detroit Tigers, has the permission of Hughie Jennings to negotiate for a position as an umpire. Summers was released to Providence by the Tigers last summer, but, believing his arm gone, he refused to report. He hopes to land a job as an umpire in some minor league.

Eddie Cicotte, the pitcher, who wanted more money, is no longer a "hold-out." He has signed his contract with the White Sox.

Arthur Devlin, not so long ago with the Giants, will remain a private with the Boston Braves. Bill Sweeney, the star second baseman, has been reappointed captain of the team by George Stallings, the manager. Sweeney, who is on the stage in Cincinnati, brings to light the fact that during the nine years he has been in professional baseball he has made only six home runs. For a man who has always been well up among the leaders in batting this is unusual.

Murphy is irritated over the reports that Bresnahan is getting old. He says Roger is only thirty-two and a half years old and that he has many years of baseball left.

Andy Smith, head coach of the Pennsylvania football eleven last fall, may coach the Ohio State University team next season.

The story is now going the rounds that the veteran players on the Detroit team are rebelling against the rule of Hughie Jennings. It does not have a true ring.

Charley Dooin, manager of the Phillies, after foregoing the stage all winter, is now booked for an engagement of five weeks in vaudeville. The lure of the footlights is almost as strong as the lure of baseball.

When Tom Jones, manager of Al Wolgast, sought out Charley Cutler, manager of Jess Willard, recently and sought to buy the latter's interest in the giant fighter for $2,000, Cutler is credited with replying: "Nay, nay, Jonesie, there are others who find it necessary to eat now and then, and yours truly is one of them. True, that 2,000 plunks might buy a little chop suey for a time, but you know I am accustomed to steak and mushrooms, and my private physician has instructed me I must not change my diet until he gives instructions."

An added attraction for the seventh annual games of the Paulist Athletic Club in the 12th Regiment Armory on January 22 will be a two-mile scratch bicycle race, for which twenty-four entries have been received, including Vanden Dries, Goodwin and Townsend.

"Step" Martin again has been elected captain of the Pennant Athletic Club, and an active campaign on track and field is assured.

Entries are pouring in for the thirty-seventh annual athletic games of the Pastime Athletic Club, which will take place at the 22d Regiment Armory on Tuesday evening, January 28. Many of the present day champions received their early training while members of the Pastime club, and all are anxious to compete at these games to help the old club along.

George Bothner, the American middleweight wrestling champion, is working hard to get in condition for his match with Henry Irslinger, the middleweight and light heavyweight champion of Europe, on January 23, at Brown's Gymnasium.

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Nerich and Ritter Qualify for Local Swimming Title

Bud Goodwin Also Earns a Place in Final Heat.

GREAT RACE PROMISED

Old Rivals Will Fight It Out To-night in the Tank of City Athletic Club.

Those rivals with amphibious tendencies, Nicholas Nerich, of the New York Athletic Club, and Max Ritter, representing the City Athletic Club, carried off the honors in the trial heats of the 220-yard Metropolitan Amateur Athletic Union swimming championship in the tank of the City Athletic Club last night. When the officials were ready for the trials they were confronted by the small but select field of six swimmers, several of whom had on various occasions done their share toward making aquatic history.

The first heat brought together Nerich, Jack Eddy, of the home club, and J. P. Mantell, of the West Side Young Men's Christian Association. From the moment they hit the water Nerich showed he had the speed of the others, and it was not long before he was leading by half his length. With the race three-quarters over the New York Athletic Club man had victory within his grasp, and from there to the finish he swam well within himself, apparently content to hold his opponents safely.

The real struggle was for the place between Eddy and Mantell. Never more than a few feet apart, the rivals swam down the last length of the tank practically stroke for stroke, making the touch as one man. In fact, so close was the finish that the judges declared it a dead heat. Nerich's time was 2:35 2-5.

For the second heat the starters were Ritter, Bud Goodwin, of the N. Y. A. C., a many times champion, and F. Frerichs, of the City A. C. Ritter always looked like a winner, taking the lead early in the race, and with long, powerful strokes never failing to keep in front of Goodwin, who went splashing along, making twice as much fuss as a 30-foot motor boat. At the final touch Ritter led Goodwin by nearly two lengths, while Frerichs finished a poor third. The winner covered the distance in 0:2:56.

Goodwin qualified to swim in the decisive test as his time was better than that credited to Eddy and Mantell.

The final heat will be held to-night in the same tank, when a rare struggle is promised between Ritter and Nerich. Not long since the latter won the 100-yard metropolitan championship. On the other hand, Ritter can point to the American quarter mile record, which he holds. He is also the present metropolitan 220-yard champion, besides being a member of the champion national relay team. His friends say that he has never been swimming so fast as now. This, by the way, will be Ritter's last race in a long time as he is going abroad to be gone six or seven months.

In addition to the championship final, the programme to-night will include an 80-yard scratch swim, 160-yard handicap and a water polo game. In this an all-star combination will oppose the City A. C. team. The races will begin at 8 o'clock.

PICKS A THOROUGHBRED

General Leonard Wood to Ride Fort Hunter in Parade.

General Leonard Wood, chief of staff U. S. A., has chosen a thoroughbred horse as his mount for the parade attending the inauguration of Woodrow Wilson. General Wilson will ride Fort Hunter, a twelve-year-old that was presented to the United States government by the New York Breeding Bureau. This horse is also New York, bred, being the product of General Stephen Sanford's Hurricane Stud, at Amsterdam. He is a son of Potomac and Rock Rose, and during his career on the turf had many a brilliant race to his credit, including a victory in the Canadian Derby, which was won under the silks of the late John Dyment.

General Wood has long advocated the government purchase of suitable thoroughbred sires to improve the breed of army horses, and Fort Hunter is considered a valuable acquisition.

August Belmont has obtained three services to the stallions of the late James R. Keene. Beldame, the daughter of Octagon—Bella Donna and the most sensational filly of 1904 and 1905, will be sent to Ben Brush, a great racehorse himself and one of the most successful sires of the Castleton band. He was winner of $65,217 during his career on the turf, and among the good ones he sent to the races were Delhi, Von Tromp, Besom, Gretna Green, Lady Amelia, Wild Thyme and Wedding Bells.

The other two services will be to Disguise, and the mares named are Typical and Sand Dune. Typical is a daughter of Rock Sand—Tiptoe, and accordingly bred along the most approved lines. Sand Dune is a daughter of Rock Sand—Octoroon, a daughter of Hastings and from the good mare Ortegal. In sending them to Disguise Mr. Belmont has chosen a son of Domino, whose blood, through Commando, another of his sons, was responsible more than anything else for the marvellous success of the Keene silks on the turf.

The other mares at Mr. Belmont's Nursery Stud have been booked to his own stallions—Hastings, Fair Play and Singleton.

BIRD A VICTOR AT SQUASH

Sammis Also a Winner in Tourney at Princeton Club.

S. Hinman Bird won the Class A handicap squash tennis tournament on the courts of the Princeton Club, Gramercy Park, while J. F. Sammis captured the honors in the Class B division yesterday. Altogether forty-two competitors participated in the two tournaments, which began during the holiday season. Bird, holder of the Princeton championship, played from the long mark of minus 7 aces. In the final he met Harold Tobey, the old hockey player, at scratch, defeating him at 15—5, 15—6, 15—11.

Sammis had the handicap of plus 1 hand and 5 aces. In the Class B final he defeated R. C. Olds, plus 1 hand, by the score of 15—13, 15—9, 15—11.

The summary of the finals follows:

Class A handicap (semi-final round)—Harold Tobey, scratch, defeated W. B. Chamberlin, plus 1 hand and 3 aces, 18—13, 15—6; S. Hinman Bird, minus 7 aces, defeated E. B. Whitman, plus ½ hand, 15—10, 15—10.

Final round—S. Hinman Bird, minus 7 aces, defeated Harold Tobey, scratch, 15—5, 15—6, 15—11.

Class B handicap (semi-final round)—J. F. Sammis, plus 1 hand and 5 aces, defeated R. Ely, plus ½ hand, 15—8, 15—2; R. C. Olds, plus 1 hand, defeated K. G. Stearn, minus 5 aces, 15—9, 12—15, 15—10.

Final round—J. F. Sammis, plus 1 hand and 5 aces, defeated R. C. Olds, plus 1 hand, 15—13, 15—9, 15—11.

UNION WINS HARD STRUGGLE

Defeats Colgate Basketball Team After a Spirited Battle.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

Hamilton, Jan. 17.—The Union basketball team defeated Colgate to-night in a hard fought game. The score was 28 to 20. It was the third defeat for Colgate on its home floor in four years. Houghton and Woods were the stars of the struggle.

GOING TO BOSTON TO BOX.

Local amateur boxers will leave this city this afternoon for Boston, where they will compete in an intercity amateur boxing tournament in the Boston Athletic Association gymnasium.

The names and classes in which the boxers will appear are: 105-pound class, Leo Kahn, Pennant Athletic Club; 115-pound class, J. Corzilius, Lafayette Athletic Club, of Paterson, N. J.; 125-pound class, J. Nugent, Paulist Athletic Club; 135-pound class, Harry Rex, Hollywood Inn Club, Yonkers, and 145-pound class, John Ruff, Brooklyn Central Young Men's Christian Association.

TO SETTLE POLO TERMS

Captain Miller Sails to Make Final Arrangements.

London, Jan. 17.—Captain Edward Miller, manager of the Hurlingham Polo Club, will sail for New York to-morrow to complete arrangements for the international polo match with the United States team for the famous trophy.

H. L. Herbert, chairman of the Polo Association, stated yesterday that there had been no formal meeting of the handicap committee and that he had been absent from the city on Thursday. Mr. Herbert said: "Any list of polo handicaps at this time is premature. We have not settled upon the individual handicaps and will not do so until later on. I regret that the uncompleted work of the committee, which is not at all definite, should have been made public when it is subject to revision before it is officially issued by the Polo Association."

It is the intention to issue the list of leading players who will be invited to participate in the trial matches at Lakewood, N. J., within a few days. The Hurlingham officials have formally accepted the dates named by the Americans for the international cup matches, and the first will be decided on the field of the Meadow Brook Club, at Westbury, Long Island, on Tuesday, June 10; the second for Saturday, June 14.

The letter from Major F. Egerton Green to W. A. Hazard, secretary of the Polo Association, follows:

I was very much pleased to get your letter informing me that the American Polo Association have formally accepted our challenge.

I am desired to inform you that the dates you mention, viz., Tuesday, June 10, for the first match, and Saturday, June 14, for the second match, will suit very well.

I hope the contests will be so even that a third match will be necessary, the date of which will naturally be mutually agreed upon later.

Hoping you are in excellent health and wishing you the best of luck in the year we have just entered.

SCHOOLBOYS' RIFLE SCORES

Twenty Teams Shooting in a Round Robin Tourney.

Washington, Jan. 17.—The results of the first rifle shooting contest ever held under the auspices of the government between the rifle teams of high schools in the various cities of the country, for which a handsome new trophy has been presented by the War Department, were announced here to-day as follows:

The Iowa City high school defeated the Baltimore Polytechnic by a score of 962 to 789; Deering High School, of Portland, Me., defeated Brookline (Mass.) High by a score of 954 to 693; the Southern High, of Philadelphia, defeated De Witt Clinton, of New York City, by a score of 908 to 894; the Stuyvesant High, of New York City, defeated the High School of Commerce, New York City, by a score of 895 to 813; the Morris High School, of New York City, defeated the Eastern High, District of Columbia, by a score of 898 to 810.

The Springfield (Mass.) "Tech" defeated the Business High, District of Columbia, by a score of 873 to 776; Portland (Me.) High defeated Tucson (Ariz.) High by a score of 903 to 658; Salt Lake City High defeated the District of Columbia Manual Training by a score of 924 to 849; Susquehanna (Penn.) High defeated Sault Ste. Marie (Mich.) High by a score of 834 to 803, and the Utica Free Academy (N. Y.) defeated the St. Louis Manual Training by a score of 678 to 553.

The competition, which began last week, consists of a "round robin" series of matches, in which twenty high schools, covering a territory from Maine to Arizona, and from the District of Columbia to Utah, are taking part. For nine weeks the schools will compete against each other, until by a series of elimination the winning team is determined.

MISS FREEMAN THE VICTOR

Captures Golf Honors in Tourney at Pinehurst.

Pinehurst, N. C., Jan. 17.—Miss M. Eleanor Freeman, of the Dyker Meadow Golf Club, defeated Mrs. Herbert L. Jillson, of Bethlehem, N. H., here to-day in the final round of the women's end of the advertisers' midwinter tournament. Miss Freeman won by 3 up and 1 to play.

Semi-final matches were played in the men's tourney, and R. M. Purves, of Woodland, Mass., will meet Marshall Whitlatch, of the Oakland club, New York, in the final round to-morrow. Purves defeated D. M. Parker, of Garden City to-day, and Whitlatch won from George C. Dutton, of Oakley.

JOHNSON READY TO FIGHT

Says He Will Meet Al Palzer in Paris on June 25.

Jack Johnson agreed yesterday to fight Al Palzer in Paris for the world's championship on the night of June 25, the eve of the Grand Prix.

Tom O'Rourke, Palzer's manager, announced that he had received a telegram from Johnson in Chicago accepting the terms offered by R. Lippe, an American now in Paris arranging the match. The terms provide that the winner shall receive 60 per cent of the gate receipts, with a guarantee of $30,000.

Johnson's telegram follows:

"Terms satisfactory. We will make arrangements when I see you in regard to pictures and transportation. Wire Lippe O. K. Thanks."

GETS FIRM GRIP ON TITLE

Cornell Beats Columbia in a Whirlwind Basketball Game.

Cornell won an undisputed lead in the fight for the intercollegiate basketball championship by defeating Columbia last night in the Morningside gymnasium by a score of 19 to 13. The game was wonderfully fast and replete with brilliant playing.

Although Columbia was outclassed badly, getting only one field goal in the entire game, the Blue and White ran all over the floor with the Ithacans, especially in the second half.

It was only after fighting off a desperate rally by the Columbia five in the second half that the Cornell team was able to win. The Ithacans started with a rush that gave them a lead of half a dozen points before Columbia was alive to the situation. Then, though they fought hard, the home team was unable to get on equal footing with Cornell.

Before the game was five minutes old Captain H. C. Halstead and Haeberle, the centre of the Cornell five, had scored a wonderful shot from the side of the court. Benson got Columbia's only field goal early in the game, and for a minute the Blue and White seemed to have a chance to pull up. Although they had shot after shot, the Columbia team couldn't get the range of the baskets, and only Benson's good work in scoring from the foul line kept the home team in the running.

There were fouls galore on the Cornell team and G. C. Halstead, brother of the captain, was disqualified for having four personal fouls against him. Every man on the Cornell team had two or more personal fouls when the game ended, while Columbia had only nine fouls altogether, only four of which were personal.

H. C. Halstead was the star for the Ithaca five. Meenan was back in the Columbia line-up after a month's absence and played a fast game.

The league standing is now:

	W.	L.	P.C.		W.	L.	P.C.
Cornell	3	0	1.000	Princeton	1	2	.333
Pennsylvania	2	0	1.000	Columbia	0	3	.000
Dartmouth	1	2	.333				

The line-up and summary follow:

Cornell (19).	Position.	Columbia (13).
Cross	L. F.	Lee
Lunden	R. F.	Meenan
Haeberle	C.	Roberts
G. C. Halstead	L. G.	Jaques
H. C. Halstead	R. G.	Benson

Substitutes—Riley for G. C. Halstead, Reynolds for Meenan, Burghard for Roberts. Goals from field—H. C. Halstead (2), Haeberle (2), Lunden, Cross, G. C. Halstead, Benson. Goals from foul—H. C. Halstead, 5 out of 9; Benson, 11 out of 13. Referee—E. Fauver, Oberlin. Umpire—C. A. Weymouth, Yale. Time of halves—Twenty minutes each.

"HOBEY" BAKER LOOMS UP

Princeton Favorite in Hockey Match with Yale Team.

Yale and Princeton will face each other at the St. Nicholas Rink to-night, and hockey enthusiasts are looking forward to the keenest and most exciting struggle that has been seen here this season.

With "Hobey" Baker leading the line, hockey critics look for a victory for the Tigers. But Captain Harmon, of Yale, has a strong team, on which is Cox, who is said to be quite as good a player as Baker. Cox in the game with Columbia showed strength in all positions.

Both teams arrived here for final practice yesterday, with a retinue of former college stars to coach the players. Seats are in great demand.

The line-up will be as follows:

Yale.	Position.	Princeton.
Tilney	G.	Winants
Gore	P.	Lee
Martin	C. P.	Bryan
Cox	R.	Baker
Harmon	C.	Kuhn
Chauncey	L. W.	Patterson
Heron	R. W.	Kilner

W. C. Russell, president of the Amateur Hockey League, will act as referee.

EXPLAINS FOUR TRIP PLAN

Chivington Says It Will Boost Attendance at Ball Games.

Chicago, Jan. 17.—Explaining his stand in favor of the four-trip plan adopted by the American Association, Thomas Chivington, the president, said to-day:

"Under the three trips it often occurred that a team was playing on its home grounds for an entire month at a time. Likewise, it would be away from home for that length of time and the 'fan' lost interest. Under the plan of making four trips around the circuit teams will be at home and abroad for periods of about sixteen days.

"The expenses under the new scheme are a little greater because of the additional railroad fare, but it is thought the added attendance will more than make up the difference."

ATHLETIC LEAGUE BOWLING

Home Teams Win Their Games —Harris Gets Fine Average.

Home teams won the odd in two Athletic Bowling League series last night. At the Roseville Athletic Association the Columbia Club five fell away more than a hundred pins in its last game, while at Newark Bay the Jersey City Club team made its best score in the decisive tilt.

The feature of the series at Bayonne was the work of Harris, the individual champion, who made an average of 216.1. This will place him close to the top of the list.

In the Roseville-Columbia series the first two games were hard fought, remaining in doubt until the last balls had been rolled. Van Ness and Wood pulled the first set-to out of the fire for the home team by striking out in the tenth frame. Hartzell won the second for Columbia by getting a triple wind-up.

The scores were as follows:

JERSEY CITY CLUB.				NEWARK BAY CLUB.			
Harris	212	232	215	Bischof	168	208	193
Miller	188	201	203	Ring	105	156	199
Clark	129	164	182	Jaeger	159	131	151
Erler	147	208	164	Perry	182	188	203
Brundage	183	144	170	Dwyer	160	239	219
Totals	859	949	934	Totals	774	922	965

ROSEVILLE A. A.				COLUMBIA CLUB.			
Meyer	180	171	155	R'denburg	221	204	143
Van Ness	225	161	163	Applegate	178	168	181
H'macher	193	203	184	Schultze	187	191	182
Moffat	160	195	178	Pope	188	173	127
Wood	189	177	165	Hartzell	159	181	176
Totals	947	907	845	Totals	933	917	809

HOUSE NOT OVERSOLD

So Say McMahon Brothers on the Cross-Rivers Bout.

QUOTE THE FIGURES, TOO

Statement Shows That Number of Seats Were Not Occupied on Tuesday Evening.

Jesse and Eddie McMahon, managers of the Empire Athletic Club, issued the following statement last night concerning the crowd which was turned away at the Rivers-Cross bout at the Manhattan Casino on Tuesday evening:

"We hereby respectfully submit our side of the story of the incidents attendant upon the Rivers-Cross bout held at the Empire A. C. on Tuesday, January 14. We will begin by quoting the figures sent to the Boxing Commission in our report on that contest.

"Here are the seats that were at the disposal of the 'fans' at the Manhattan Casino that night.

42 boxes, upstairs, each box seating six persons	252
96 boxes on ground floor, nine seats in a box	864
2,000 seats on the ground floor	2,000
250 seats on ground floor	250
40 seats around ringside at reporter's table	40
Total seating capacity	3,406

Paid admissions at Cross-Rivers bout were as follows:

228 at $2 a seat	$456
1,716 seats at $3 a seat	5,148
390 seats at $5 a seat	1,950
423 seats at $7 a seat	2,961
13 exchanges at from $2 to $3	13
Total	$10,528

Seating capacity	3,406
Paid admissions	2,757
Less than seating capacity	649
Press and complimentary	401
Seats unoccupied	248

"Now, with all due consideration for those who were 'left out in the cold,' we feel justified in sending out this statement, so that the opprobium that has been heaped upon us can be refuted. Already many of the persons who were loudest in the condemnation of the way things were handled outside of the clubhouse that night have personally declared to us that they do not blame us, but they do blame somebody. The only thing we are interested in proving is this fact: 'We did not oversell the house.'

"The fact that the mismanagement outside, over which we had absolutely no control, kept out some of those who had tickets we do not believe should be placed at our door.

"We not only welcome a complete investigation, we are heartily anxious that one be made, for then everybody will be shown that it was not upon us. We will cite the fact that there were 3,100 paid admissions to the Cross-Brown bout, which in itself demonstrates that we did not oversell the house on January 14.

"We personally blame the police arrangements outside for the congestion that occurred. Persons who had tickets, for whom there were room inside, were prevented from entering the building by the police, who would not allow those who held tickets to get near the doors.

"It is only comon sense to argue that if we were trying to 'grab,' as has been charged, we would not have so cheerfully refunded money to those who were unfortunately kept out of the building.

"We have been promoting boxing shows in this city for a long time and this is the first time that we have been accused of trying to 'hog' things.

"All that we ask is that our side of the case be presented in a fair manner. We maintained order inside of the clubhouse, and the arrangements outside were in charge of those who are officially delegated by the city to take up and handle such things. I think that all those who were inside will attest to the fact that we did our part well, just as those outside did not satisfactorily do their part."

TO SIFT NEW BOXING CASE

Commission Wants to Hear from Firemen and Police.

Charley Harvey, secretary of the State Athletic Commission, addressed a letter of request yesterday, on the order of the chairman, to the Police Department, the Fire Department and the McMahon brothers, who control the Empire Athletic Club, to send representatives to a meeting of the commission next Wednesday for the hearing growing out of the overcrowding of the Rivers-Cross bout last Tuesday night.

Every effort will be made, according to the members of the commission, to place the blame. Under the law subpoenas could have been issued to insure the attendance of those whose testimony is required, but it was not thought necessary to resort of this extreme.

TO HOLD RELAY CARNIVAL

Baxter Puts Up New Cup To Be Won at Columbia Games.

Columbia will hold its twelfth annual indoor relay carnival in the 71st Regiment Armory on February 15. The Columbia track authorities are not at all superstitious, for they have arranged a programme of thirteen events, which consist of six relay, six open handicap races and the Baxter mile.

Of the six relays four will be collegiate events, the one and two-mile indoor intercollegiate relay championships, a one-mile intercollegiate relay Class B, and a race of the same distance between the classes of the university. The other two races, which will bring together the crack quarter-milers of the clubs and the regiments, are a one-mile national guard relay and a one-mile club relay, both being handicap events.

Hugh Baxter, onetime national champion, has given a second trophy to succeed his first famous Baxter cup. This was won by A. R. Kiviat, of the Irish-American A. C., of this city, who is several times national and Canadian one-mile champion. Kiviat came back in the last year's Baxter race and outran Oscar Hedlund, of Boston, for this trophy after Hedlund had defeated him at the Boston Athletic Association meet the week before. The rules governing this cup are as before, that it must be won three times by the organization, and the trophy will belong to the contestant, who, while representing such organization, makes the fastest time in winning the race.

The open American Athletic Union events will consist of a 60-yard dash, a 600-yard run novice, a 1,000-yard run, a five-mile run, a high jump, six-inch limit handicap, and a 16-pound shot-put. All these, except the 600-yard, are handicap competitions.

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RECORDS SURE TO FALL

Star Athletes to Compete in Millrose "Diamond Meet."

DREW AND MEYER TO CLASH

Five Relay Races to Furnish Close Competition in Indoor Games.

Athletic history is sure to be made to-night at the 71st Regiment Armory, when athletes of note in and around greater New York and many from other cities will be seen in competition at the "diamond meet" of the Millrose Athletic Association.

In connection with the indoor events one of the greatest distance races of the winter season, the ten-mile Millrose road race, will be run. One hundred and fifty entries have been received, among whom will be found the names of the Olympic stars, Hannes Kolehmainen, Harry Smith, Gaston Strobino, Johnny Gallagher, Fons Johannson and J. J. Reynolds. J. J. McNamara, the winner of the event last year from scratch; Eddie Jordan, Harry Jensen, Will Rozette and Tom Nelson will also start.

The world's record of 7 1-5 seconds for seventy yards is due for a tumble when Howard P. Drew, the negro sprinter of the Springfield High School, and Alvah T. Meyer, the metropolitan crack, toe the mark. Among others entered in the sprints are C. B. Clark, Jim Rosenberger, Jim Archer, J. J. Eiler, Ike Lovell, Charlie Hoyt, W. E. Conway and F. L. Stevenson.

William J. Kramer, the 'cross-country king, will start from scratch with Louis Scott, the star distance runner of the South Paterson Athletic Club, in the two-mile handicap, in an attempt to keep the handsome trophy from becoming the permanent property of the Irish-American Athletic Club, which has won two legs on the bronze. Tom Collins, Jack Monument, M. A. Devanney, M. D. Huysman and E. A. Hunger will be among the prominent men on the back marks.

The 1,000-yard handicap will have Abel Kiviat, the national champion, in the post of honor, and he will allow handicaps to a big field in which Matty Geis, champion middle distance runner, of Buffalo; Dave Noble, J. A. Meeks, Harry Garing and J. J. Gaffney loom up as the most likely to make it interesting.

The five relay races on the programme are expected to furnish plenty of close competition. All the big clubs will send their stars after the valuable trophy in the one-mile intercity relay. The Irish-Americans will be represented by the all-star quartet of Kiviat, Sheppard, Rosenberger and Pepis. The New Yorks will depend upon De Grutchey, Frick, Paton, Kuhn or Edwards. The Pastime A. C., the Naviers, the Nationals and the West Side Y. M. C. A. will also be strong contenders.

The two-mile Military Athletic League relay will bring together the pick of the athletic talent in the regiments of greater New York. The 71st Regiment has entered two teams, and the 23d and 13th regiments will also make their presence felt. The relay events for the Y. M. C. A. and the C. A. L. organizations are also well filled, and some keen competition should result.

In the one-mile walk R. B. Gifford, the senior national champion, will be seen in action, with all the star "peds" of the metropolitan district. The five-mile bicycle race is expected to be a hard race between Billy Van den Dries and Eddie Goodwin, two rivals of long standing.

BOY GYMNASTS SHOW SKILL

Teams from Curtis and Clinton High Give Exhibition.

Gymnasts from Curtis and De Witt Clinton High schools met in an exhibition in the gymnasium of the latter school yesterday, and the athletes went through their manœuvres in their best form.

Samuel and Enrique Hemirey, of De Witt Clinton, Cuban twin brothers, gave a demonstration of their skill in the tumbling contest, carrying off the premier honors. José Azinaro, another Cuban athlete, favorably impressed the gathering by his work on the long horse. Others who represented Clinton in the competitions were A. Istrick, its captain; P. Manchopsky, F. Samuels and U. Haza. R. Mildrum and O. Dowl were the most prominent performers for Curtis.

QUAKERS GET OUT ON DIAMOND

Philadelphia, Jan. 17.—The weather in Philadelphia was so warm to-day that the candidates for the University of Pennsylvania baseball team established a winter record by practising in the open at Franklin Field. Roy Thomas, the coach, put the men through good batting practice.

The maximum temperature at 3 p. m. was 62 degrees, the highest for January 17 in the history of the local weather bureau.

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NAME NEW COMMITTEES

New York Athletic Club's Appointments Please.

MORE HONORS FOR HALPIN

To Boom Interest in Gymnastics Among the Younger Members.

Appointments to the standing committees of the New York Athletic Club were made at a meeting of the board of governors on Thursday evening and formally approved by William H. Page, the newly elected president, yesterday. The appointments are regarded as the strongest that have been made in several years. Among the club members interest centred upon the athletic committee, because of the fact that the recent election at the club marked a complete victory for that faction of the organization which believes that every branch of amateur athletics and sports is paramount to every other feature of the club.

Matthew P. Halpin, who has been moved up into the board of governors following his splendid work as captain of the Olympic teams, is named as chairman of the athletic committee. His associates are all men who have won laurels in various branches of sport. The list includes Jeremiah T. Mahoney and Paul Pilgrim, both of whom have been prominent on New York Athletic Club track teams and Olympic teams. Mahoney formerly held the captaincy of the club, and Pilgrim has just been elected to that position.

Douglas Grahame Smyth has been prominently identified with rowing, having been coxswain of the famous "chippy" eight-oared crew. The others are Robert Appleton George, J. M. Corbett and Dr. B. F. O'Connor. This committee held a meeting and appointed Hugh Baxter, the former champion pole vaulter and track athlete, as official handicapper.

It is the intention at the club to boom the gymnasium, especially as the amendment to the constitution will bring in a host of young members. There will be regular class work with the apparatus, under the direction of Gene Giannini and Mart Austin, the instructors.

It is planned to increase the facilities at the city clubhouse, and Dr. James N. West, the newly elected vice-president, is chairman of the house committee, with an able staff of aides. William L. Mitchell heads the committee on baths, while Dr. Bernard F. O'Connor is chairman of the committee on billiards and bowling. The appointment of Charles L. Leonori as chairman of the restaurant committee was pleasing to the members.

The important improvements planned at Travers Island, which will comprise the building of new bulkheads and the rearrangement of the grounds, focussed interest on the Travers Island committee. Charles H. Pond, who resides near the country clubhouse, as chairman, along with Dr. John F. Connors, William L. Mitchell and Douglas Grahame Smyth, was regarded as highly satisfactory.

The committee appointments follow:

House—Dr. James N. West, chairman; Matthew P. Halpin, Charles L. Leonori, William L. Miller, William L. Mitchell, George T. Montgomery, Dr. Bernard F. O'Connor, Charles H. Pond and Powhatan R. Robinson.

Admissions—William L. Miller, chairman; Robert Appleton and George J. M. Corbett.

Athletic—Matthew P. Halpin, chairman; Robert Appleton, George J. M. Corbett, Jeremiah T. Mahoney, Dr. Bernard F. O'Connor, Paul Pilgrim and Douglas Grahame Smyth.

Baths—William L. Mitchell, chairman; William H. Seaich and Frederick E. Williamson.

Billiards and Bowling—Dr. Bernard F. O'Connor, chairman; John A. Topping and Frederick E. Williamson.

Engineer's Department—Powhatan R. Robinson, chairman; George J. M. Corbett and Dr. Bernard F. O'Connor.

Restaurant—Charles L. Leonori, chairman; George T. Montgomery and William Mitchell.

Office and Auditing—George T. Montgomery, chairman; Dr. John F. Connors and William H. Seaich.

Travers Island—Charles H. Pond, chairman; Dr. John F. Connors, William L. Mitchell and Douglas Grahame Smyth.

TO BEGIN JUDGING EARLY

All who wish to participate in the membership show of the Bulldog Breeders' Association, either as exhibitors or spectators, will do well to be at the Murray Hill Lyceum early to-day, for judging starts promptly at 11 o'clock.

The show promises to warrant this effort, for there are ninety dogs and 188 entries, and this includes practically all of the crack dogs in the metropolitan section. A number of good homebreds will make their initial appearance.

Charles Hopton will judge.

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