ROB CRAWFORD APPEARS TO BE SECOND KIVIAT

Flushing Schoolboy Wins Four 'Cross-Country Contests This Season

A new local schoolboy star has appeared on the horizon in Robert L. Crawford, of Flushing High School, a seventeen-year-old boy, whose performances over the steepest hill and dale courses during the last season have startled athletic followers of the East. This bespectacled youth's feats stamp him as a promising successor to Abel R. Kiviat, the former amateur of the Irish-American Athletic Club, also produced by the Public Schools Athletic League of this city. Kiviat jumped into prominence by winning both the one-half and one-mile outdoor schoolboy championship races in one afternoon in record time in 1912, and later developed into one of the best middle distance runners in the world. Crawford has five successive 'cross-country victories to his credit this season.

The Flushing youth is rangy, with a smooth running stride and is a good judge of pace. After competing for two years, Crawford won the one-mile outdoor championship last year. However, it was not until this season that he enjoyed most success against his rivals. With the help of Ike Messer, a former Flushing graduate, Crawford has trained over the Long Island hills to gain speed. Credit for his quick jump into the limelight is due to the speed set by Messer in these practice runs.

Begins with Cornell Meet

Crawford began his series of successes by outfooting a large field of interscholastic runners in the event held by Cornell University over its steep hills surrounding Ithaca. Two miles out from the start, the ninety runners were compelled to test their stamina over hills for about two miles. It was a terrific strain, but Crawford was one of the three runners that did not walk up the miniature mountain. He held the van at all stages, completing the three and a half miles in the fine time of 19 minutes, 55 seconds. His teammates secured fourth place out of a field of fifteen school teams.

Then followed his hard and thrilling fight with Allen Swede, of Mercersburg Academy, in the Columbia University run of three and a quarter miles. It was a nip and tuck issue, but Crawford jumped away in the closing 100 yards, to win by a fair margin in 20 minutes, 12 seconds. Again the Flushing team was fourth in the point competition. Crawford's third victory was in the championship run for Queens County schools, when he led at all times to win by 35 seconds, in 16 minutes, 7 seconds. The course of two and eight-tenths miles was laid out over macadamized roads, with a hill to climb twice. The Flushing team won its first title in this race.

Crawford then paid his own way to Philadelphia to compete in the interscholastic run of four and a half miles held by the University of Pennsylvania. Again he was called upon to meet Swede, the Mercersburg student, but proved the speedier in another strider-for-stride contest, to win in 22 minutes 37 seconds. Swede was second. No Flushing team took part in this contest, as the general organization of the school refused to pay the railroad expenses. However, when Crawford returned the victor the athletic body called a special meeting, and by virtue of his victory Crawford's travelling money was returned.

Crawford's Greatest Triumph

The greatest triumph of Crawford came when he defeated a field of 138 runners in winning the championship held over the stiff Van Cortlandt Park course. Conditions were severe, ice, mud and snow covering the ground, but the Flushing school student won decisively by a margin of 100 yards. His teammates captured the point honors, but only after a close battle with Richmond Hill High School.

Poor marking out of the course cost Crawford much valuable ground in this race. As he descended from Mosholu Parkway down into a ravine there were no flags in evidence to mark off the trail. Consequently, Crawford turned erroneously to his left, and before he had retraced his steps his rivals were only ten yards behind. He had lost twenty-five seconds through the carelessness of the officials. However, when on the right path again Crawford lengthened his stride to cover the two and a half miles over the hazardous ground in the especially fast time of 15 minutes 24 seconds.

Will Join Irish-American

As his victories over interscholastic runners increased a grand scramble ensued between club and college coaches to add Crawford to their track team. He has declined all invitations, declaring that he will join the colors of the Irish-American Athletic Club in recognition of the help given by Messer, a member, when the proper time arrives.

PENN STATE MATMEN HAVE HARD SCHEDULE

State College, Penn., Dec. 16.—Penn State's wrestling schedule, as announced to-day by A. W. Roberts, student manager, provides the Blue and White matmen with the most difficult series of matches ever arranged for State's wrestlers. Six contests are booked, one more than last year.

Local contests are slated with Massachusetts Tech, Pittsburgh, Cornell and Princeton. The grapplers representing Lehigh and the Navy will be met on their home floors. Cornell's intercollegiate winners will meet the State College team for the first time since 1911.

The schedule follows:

January 27, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, at home; February 16, Pittsburgh, at home; February 17, Lehigh University, at South Bethlehem; February 23, Cornell University, at home; March 1, Princeton University, at home; March 3, Naval Academy, at Annapolis.

RENSSELAER POLY MAY HAVE NO TRACK TEAM

Troy, N. Y., Dec. 16.—There is a possibility that Rensselaer Poly will not be represented by a track team this season for the first time in years.

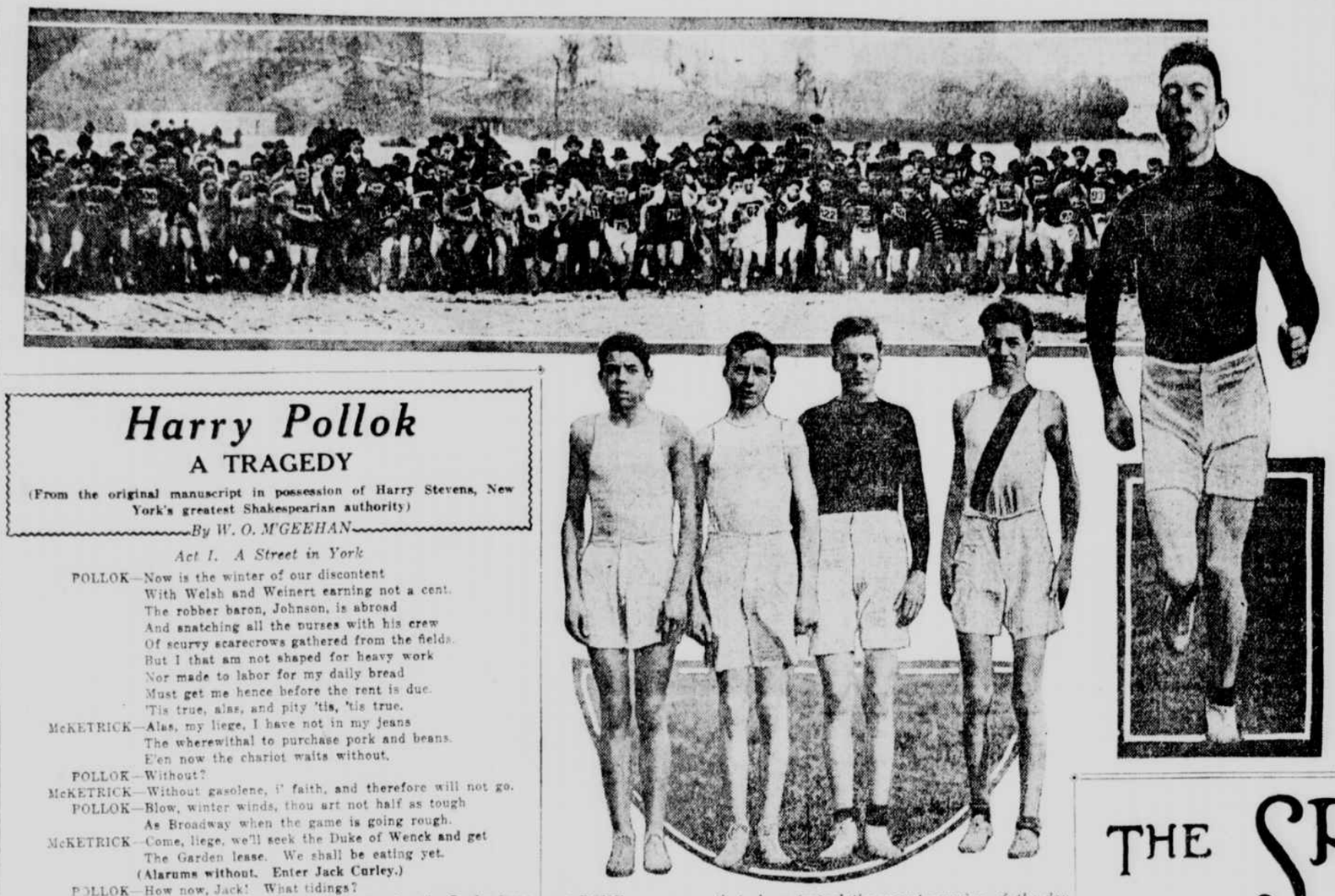
The material is not so good this year as it has been in the past, and last year's graduating class so depleted the ranks of the team that the athletic council has not as yet allowed the scheduling of any meets.

No definite action has been taken, but it is entirely probable that the athletic council will limit cinder track activities to interclass affairs for this season.

Sheckard May Be Coach

Chicago, Dec. 16.—Fred Mitchell, new manager of the Chicago Nationals, hopes to sign Jimmy Sheckard, former star outfielder of the club, as coach for his 1917 team, according to word received here to-day from New York. Mitchell is quoted as saying the place would correspond to that filled by Mitchell with the Boston Nationals.

Champion Flushing Runners and Start of Big Record Race



ABOVE are scenes that characterized the recent running of the day high school students' 'cross-country championship over the Van Cortlandt Park course. The trail of two and a half miles was covered with ice and snow, while the youngsters also battled against a biting wind. In the panel is the record field of 138 starters, being sent away from the starting line. On the right is shown Robert L. Crawford, of Flushing High School, as he led home the field. The four standing athletes (left to right) are C. Fyles, R. Wangler, C. Werber and A. Tracey, who finished as named, in aiding Crawford to win the team honors for his school.

Harry Pollok

A TRAGEDY

(From the original manuscript in possession of Harry Stevens, New York's greatest Shakespearian authority)

By W. O. M'GEEHAN

Act I. A Street in York

POLLOK—Now is the winter of our discontent
With Welsh and Weinert earning not a cent.
The robber baron, Johnson, is abroad
And snatching all the purses with his crew
Of scurvy scarecrows gathered from the fields.
But I that am not shaped for heavy work
Nor made to labor for my daily bread
Must get me hence before the rent is due.
'Tis true, alas, and pity 'tis, 'tis true.

McKETRICK—Alas, my liege, I have not in my jeans
The wherewithal to purchase pork and beans.
E'en now the chariot waits without.

POLLOK—Without?

McKETRICK—Without gasolene, i' faith, and therefore will not go.

POLLOK—Blow, winter winds, thou art not half as tough
As Broadway when the game is going rough.

McKETRICK—Come, liege, we'll seek the Duke of Wenck and get
The Garden lease. We shall be eating yet.

(Alarums without. Enter Jack Curley.)

POLLOK—How now, Jack! What tidings?

CURLEY—Alas, we are undone. Rickard hath taken the Garden lease.

POLLOK—The Garden gone? Is this the truth you speak?
Then Dan and I and all of us are gone.
Fly to the Duke of Wenck and seek him straight.
And Heaven grant us, Dan, 'tis not too late.

(Exeunt all. Alarums and excursions.)

Act II. Chamber of the Duke of Wenck

WENCK—Sirrah, summon me John, the barber-surgeon.
The knave has once again refused to send
Those twenty Annie Oakleys that I sought.
He makes a mock of us and all our court.

PAGE—The Annie Oakleys, sire, are on their way;
He doth your grace's gracious pardon pray.

WENCK—'Tis well for him they are upon their way,
Or else his head should pay the forfeit.
So much for John, the barber-surgeon.

(Alarums and excursions without.)

WENCK—What's this? Who knocks upon our gates so hard?
What ho, guards and warders bar the gates!

(Thunders and excursions. Enter Pollok.)

POLLOK—Have you not heard that Rickard's in the Garden?

WENCK—Ay, Pollok and with my safe conduct.

POLLOK—Tammany shall hear of this anon, thou knave.
Run, Daniel, now, and rouse the sleeping town
And tell the mob that Wenck has thrown us down.

WENCK—Two stars cannot move in a single sphere,
Nor can one Broadway brook the double reign
Of Harry Pollok and the Duke of Wenck.
Do thy worst, Pollok; I defy you.

(Alarums and excursions. Exit Pollok.)

Act III. Grand Central Pavilion

FIRST CITIZEN—Good morrow, neighbor; what's i' the wind?

SECOND CITIZEN—They say that Wenck and Pollok have fallen out.

FIRST CITIZEN—Fair news, by the Rood; when they fall out
'Tis time, mayhap, that honest folk agree.
How came their quarrel, neighbor? Hast thou heard?

SECOND CITIZEN—They say that Wenck defied great Tammany. He told
McKetrick, too, to chase himself. He's bold.
The end's not yet.

FIRST CITIZEN—Ay, Pollok in his day hath started many fights,
But finished none of them as yet. He seems
A glutton when it comes to punishment.

(Alarums and excursions. Enter Pollok and McKetrick.)

POLLOK—How far that little candle throws its beams—
As far as Curley throws a little bull.
But soft. The Duke of Wenck will soon approach.
We'll crush him as the scullion cracks a roach.

McKETRICK—My liege, I beg you, do not take the field.
The Duke is fierce. They say that he is heeled.

POLLOK—Fie, Daniel, order up my troop. I'll meet
This renegade, the Duke of Wenck, anon.

(Alarums and excursion. Enter Wenck.)

WENCK—Stand aside, sirrah, and let me pass.

POLLOK—Take that! Remember Tammany, false Duke.

(Pollok strikes, but misses. Wenck kicks him from the rear.)

POLLOK—Oh, Duke, I fear I have a mortal hurt.
That fateful kick of yours has done me dirt.
A cushion, a cushion! My kingdom for a cushion!

McKETRICK—Sit down, dear liege, while I shall seek a leech.

POLLOK—Alas, I cannot sit. That villain's kick
Was shrewdly placed. I fear that I must stand
And ne'er again sit down in all this world.
My brain doth reel. The hurt is mortal, Dan.

McKETRICK—Call murder, watch. Bring succor quickly here.
My noble liege, it was a scurvy trick,
And Broadway shall avenge that dastard kick.

POLLOK—A cushion, a cushion! My kingdom for a cushion!
I fear that till my span of life shall cease
I'll eat my food from off the mantelpiece.

FIRST CITIZEN—Where was my lord Pollok kicked?

McKETRICK—In the Grand Central Pavilion.

SECOND CITIZEN—Alas! We get no Annie Oakleys then
Till Pollok's wound will let him sit again.

(Exeunt all.)

LEHIGH ANNOUNCES PLANS FOR LACROSSE

South Bethlehem, Penn., Dec. 16.—The lacrosse and wrestling schedules at Lehigh University have been announced. Both are highly pleasing to the student body, in that many of the larger colleges in the East will appear at South Bethlehem. For instance, in lacrosse, Cornell, Swarthmore, Penn State and Yale are scheduled for games here, while in wrestling the University of Pittsburgh, Penn State, Harvard and Cornell will be visiting teams.

The lacrosse schedule follows:

April 11, Cornell, at home; April 14, open; April 21, Penn State, at home; April 28, Yale, at home; May 5, Swarthmore, at home; May 12, Johns Hopkins, at Baltimore; May 19, University of Pennsylvania, at Philadelphia; May 26, Crescent A. C., at Brooklyn.

The wrestling matches are:

January 27, Springfield Y. M. C. A. Training School, at home; February 10, University of Pittsburgh, at home; February 17, Penn State, at home; February 22, Harvard, at home; February 24, University of Pennsylvania, at Philadelphia; March 3, Army, at West Point; March 9, Cornell, at home; March 16, 17, intercollegiates, at Cornell.

RHODE ISLAND STATE PICKS A. A. OFFICERS

Kingston, R. I., Dec. 16.—The annual election of the Rhode Island State College Athletic Association was held here this afternoon. George I. Malloy was elected president, H. K. Wilder was made vice-president and Charles E. Mason was elected secretary. Walter B. Davis will manage the 1917 football team.

Among other matters discussed at the meeting was the awarding of sweaters to men who won their letters in any sport. Heretofore, it has been customary to give sweaters to the men in the senior year. In the future men in any year will receive the sweaters.

TWO MORRIS HIGH FIVES WIN GAMES

Basketball teams of Morris High School captured two games from Mamaroneck High School at the Bronx Church House yesterday. In the contest between the first teams Morris won as it pleased by a score of 63 to 16. Springhorn and Silver starred for the victors, collecting 26 and 17 points, respectively.

The Morris second team triumphed by a score of 20 to 6. It was the first time since 1909 that Morris has put a basketball team in the field.

Walter G. Schuyler Real Sportsman in Every Sense

Dozen Athletic Institutions Monuments to His Ability of Organization

By CAPT. J. C. SUMMERS

"Who is Walter G. Schuyler?"

Ask that question of any member of the New York Athletic Club, of the 7th Regiment, or of any man of the thousands who have been proud to grasp his hand and call him friend, and to a man they will eagerly tell you, in effect:

"Lieutenant Colonel Walter Grinnell Schuyler, sir, is a soldier, a gentleman, an athlete and a man who 'does things,' as his record shows."

As a matter of fact, Colonel Schuyler, who was born in this city and is a direct descendant of Revolutionary ancestors, is one of the best known former officers of the National Guard in this state. His regimental activities have been most conspicuous. For thirty years he was president of the 7th Regiment Athletic Association, which he organized. Its members honored him when he retired by presenting him with a set of engrossed resolutions. They also had his portrait painted, life size, and hung in the regimental gallery. His active service in the regiment covers a period of forty years, in which time he served as lieutenant, quartermaster, captain and major, retiring with the rank of lieutenant colonel. For many years he has been a member of the 7th Regiment Veteran Association. He served for twenty-five years as regimental treasurer and executive officer of the armory committee.

Colonel Schuyler has been an earnest and active advocate of athletics as a necessary part of the preparedness of every citizen soldier and of rudimentary instruction in public schools in the essentials of athletic exercise and rifle practice. He collaborated with Colonels N. B. Thurston and C. A. Luscomb in the promotion of the Military Athletic League.

As a life member of the New York Athletic Club, Colonel Schuyler has been more prominently identified with its activities and welfare than perhaps any other member. He was captain of the club from 1885 until 1888, vice-president in 1889 and president in 1890. For many years he was chairman of the general athletic committee. While he was captain of the club he was instrumental in arranging for the purchase by the club from John Hunter of the twenty-seven acres of ground and land under water, which the club at a meeting named Travers Island, in honor of its former president, William R. Travers. While he was president of the club he advocated the purchase of the Fifty-ninth Street site and the erection of the present city clubhouse.

Among the many trophies presented to Colonel Schuyler at various times is a bronze group, entiled "Love's Victory," from the aquatic and athletic members of the New York Athletic Club, and a gold cross of honor, with brilliants and its miniature, from the commissioned officers and his other associates of the 7th Regiment.

Colonel Schuyler had surveyed and laid out the Morris Park course and the five-mile course at Fort George and inaugurated the famous 'cross-country runs there. He also introduced water polo and ladies' day exhibitions of fencing, wrestling and boxing at the clubhouse. With Colonel Daniel Appleton, upon whose staff Colonel Schuyler served for many years, he was instrumental in preparing the sterling silver shield presented by the 7th Regiment Athletic Association, N. G. N. Y., as a perpetual challenge trophy for baseball competition at West Point, between the United States Military Academy and the 7th Regiment. The prize was won this year by the cadets.

Walter G. Schuyler

SOCCER FOOTBALL MEN IN SPECIAL MEETING TO-DAY

With snow on the grounds, soccer football players must content themselves with legislative work to-day, and of this there will be plenty, as a special meeting of the council of the United States Football Association will be held at the Continental Hotel in Newark.

It will be an all-day session. There will be a report from a special committee on the subject of the "New Jersey situation" and also "communications" from John A. Fernley, president, and Thomas W. Cahill, secretary, who represent divergent policies.

President Fernley's resignation, which was not accepted at the Bridgeport meeting, will again be a subject of discussion. A motion to consider further the finance committee's report, submitted at the last council meeting, will tend to prolong the deliberations of the delegates from all sections of the country.

All of the United States Football Association cup tie games in the East, scheduled for yesterday and to-day, have been called off and will be played on dates to be agreed upon later. The champion Bethlehems will meet the Brooklyn Celtics at Bethlehem, Penn., on January 6.

De Pauw Quits Conference

Indianapolis, Dec. 16.—De Pauw University resigned to-day from the Indiana Collegiate Athletic Association at a meeting of delegates from the eight schools in the state conference. The reason back of De Pauw's action, it was said, was the conflict of football dates in Indianapolis on November 11 last, when De Pauw and Wabash played here and Butler and Franklin also met in Indianapolis.

Soccer Water Polo Fails to Suit College Swimmers

Rugby Game Preferred—New Diving Star Discovered in J. S. Davidson

Notwithstanding the effort made by some of the delegates at the annual meeting of the Intercollegiate Swimming Association to have soccer water polo officially adopted instead of the Rugby game now in use, recent events indicate that soccer is far from popular with the average 'varsity swimmer. In fact, the plan recommended by the authorities, that the league colleges form teams and give the new style of play a fair test by holding exhibitions at all meets, is not proving a startling success. Some of the colleges have frankly stated that they prefer Rugby, while those most anxious for the change confess to difficulty in finding material. Meanwhile, Princeton, Columbia and C. C. N. Y. have from forty to sixty candidates on their Rugby squads.

The scratch fancy diving contest held last Saturday at the New York A. C. served to bring out a new star in John S. Davidson, a former Lawrenceville boy, now a freshman at Yale. In winning the event he defeated by a safe margin Joseph Dunn, Frank Mullen and F. Sponberg, who have figured in many championships, and the finished form he exhibited leaves very little doubt he is headed straight toward title honors.

Incidentally there is a lesson for divers in Davidson's victory. He did not attempt any spectacular, uncertain, high scoring feats; he stuck to dives valued at no more than 1.9 points, but of the perfect execution which he felt confident. Most of his rivals instead went in for optional dives more difficult and more highly rewarded. They failed to perform them correctly and lost the decision.

The annual Princeton sophomore-freshman swimming meet was decided last week and resulted in favor of the first year men, 37 to 16. The most remarkable feature of the carnival was the 200-yard relay race, won by Herling, Johnson, Harris and Georgi, the freshman team, in 1 minute 46 2-5 seconds, or within two seconds of the intercollegiate record.

If the report proves authentic that Miss Edith Beck, of Pittsburgh, recently swam 100 yards with the breast stroke in 1 minute 16 seconds, she is beyond question the speediest girl in the country at this style of natation.

The New York A. C. has set January 10 for its next open A. A. U. aquatic meet. The list of events will be announced shortly.

Rutgers has already received a number of entries for the set of interscholastic water events it will hold in the New Brunswick pool on January 6, and among them are those of several star New York boys.

At a recent meeting of the Yale athletic authorities it was decided to send a swimming team to the annual intercollegiate 400-yard relay championship at the Chicago A. A. The New Haven sprinters won the event last season in the record time of 4 minutes 1 2-5 seconds.

Norman Ross, of San Francisco, who recently covered 220 yards in 2 minutes 21 3-5 seconds, a world's record, has written to find out when and where the national championship at the distance will be held. It looks as if he intended to go after it.

C. B. Pavlicek, of Chicago, the crack backstroke swimmer, declared a professional some time ago for taking a position as life guard, hopes to be reinstated under the new A. A. U. rule permitting this kind of work for amateurs, and will be a contender for the title if his case is favorably passed upon.

Miss Florence McLaughlin, the fourteen-year-old Philadelphia girl, who was placed second last summer in the National A. A. U. one-mile swim for women, thrashed fifty yards last week under 32 seconds and promises to figure hereafter in sprinting as well as in distance races.

THE SPORT LIGHT

By Grantland Rice

Acknowledging One Limit

I have raked over bards, both the living and dead;
I have parodied all of the poets in sight,
From "Paul Revere's Ride" to the maiden who said
"I'll put the kibosh on the curfew to-night";
I've sprung the old stuff about Casey at bat,
And yet I have known certain limits,
For I never have written a parody that
Began "'Twas the night before Christmas."

I have rambled along with "The Vampire" and such,
At sighting "The Raven" I've burst into cheers;
I have frequently fastened my parodic clutch
On the trooper from Bingen who fell at Algiers;
Ben Bolt and Maud Muller—I've had them down pat,
And yet I have come to a limit,
For I never have written a parody that
Began "'Twas the night before Christmas."

According to John J. Evers, the renowned Trojan, too many entries are inclined to become too easily discouraged, whether it be baseball or life. "Too many people," says Johnny, "are inclined to fall off in their work and to act listlessly when the breaks come from the wrong direction. This is, of course, the time to try and hustle all the harder. When the break is coming your way there isn't the same need to keep on your toes. But when they are coming from the wrong direction, the only help then in sight is to meet the occasion with all you have."

Johnny is well qualified to speak along these lines, as no man in sport has encountered harder raps from Fate and has then come back at such a clip. Fate started picking on John J. some time ago, but we have a hunch that it has about become weary of the job.

The "Always There"

Pat Moran was discussing Grover Cleveland Alexander. "Alex," said Pat, "is a great pitcher because he has the stuff. But he is still greater for another reason. If you will look up the records you will find that Alexander has been in the big league for six years. Through this time he has worked in something like 280 games—an average of forty-eight games a year. He isn't one of these stars who are always hurt or who are good for twenty or twenty-five games a season. He is not only there in quality, but in quantity. He has never taken part in less than forty-five games a year. And in four out of six years he has won twenty-seven games or more, which is more games than a good many others ever pitch."

The test of pitching greatness must be based upon quantity as well as upon quality. The ability to win twelve out of fourteen games means very little compared to the ability needed to win thirty games out of forty. Alexander, Mathewson, Johnson and Walsh—the four greatest pitchers of the last twenty years—have always been good for a span between forty and fifty games a season.

And as a rule they rarely packed away less than twenty-five victories, not counting the games they saved by rescue work in the closing spasms.

Sheehan, of the Mackmen, last season won one game and lost sixteen. He must have had a queer, not to say dizzy, feeling when he turned in that one triumph.

Football Schedules

"I notice," writes Neutral, "that as one of the smaller colleges develops strength it is immediately dropped by the larger elevens, on the theory that 'too hard a game' will result. What are these larger universities looking for in a football way? All the easy marks they can find? Yale this season had to face Colgate, Brown, Princeton and Harvard on successive Saturdays, yet Yale, after the hardest schedule in the country, was stronger at the finish than Harvard was, and apparently fresher. The main trouble is that among too many of these elevens there is too much 'milk and water' and too little 'blood and iron.' Princeton, for example, might have made a far better showing against Harvard and Yale if she had prepared herself by tackling Pittsburgh, Colgate or Brown before the test. If Harvard had thrown her first eleven against Brown, this added experience might have won the Yale game."

It does seem that a big university with plenty of reserve material could face at least four hard games in eight weeks. Yale is pretty sure to do it with Colgate, Brown, Princeton and Harvard. Colgate last fall faced Illinois, Syracuse, Yale and Brown without being forced to substitute more than one man in the four games.

A squad that isn't good enough to face four hard games isn't going to be good enough to win.

The Ultimate Straw

"In the fell clutch of circumstance,"
As Mr. Henley said,
I rarely yelp or cry aloud
Or bow my gory head.

But there are times my iron will
Is softer than a worm's;
And one of these is when I read
"Jess Willard names his terms."

"All you had to do to tackle a Pittsburgh halfback this fall," remarked one who saw them play several times, "was to knock down the five men who surrounded him in Glen Warner's interference. Outside of that it was a cinch."

Who can answer this? When ball players back in the old days were drawing from $1,800 to $2,400 a year most of them were keenly interested in developing their games. Now, with salaries up around a bulge from $5,000 to $12,000, only a very few pay any great attention to improving their play.

Golf clubs composing the United States Golf Association have the chance of their careers ahead to unravel this amateur tangle if they will only give the matter a fair amount of serious attention. But the odds are that three-fourths of those interested will pay no attention to the matter until after the vote is in, and then kick in with lusty roars of disapproval over the final verdict.

While the committee at large is trying to find a suitable opponent who might dethrone Jess Willard, old Doc Time, the eternal champ, is warming up with the K. O. buried in either paw. The Old Doc has never lost a decision yet, and he isn't going to lose at his next start.

SWIMMING TEAM FOR RENSSELAER POLY

Troy, N. Y., Dec. 16.—The athletic council of Rensselaer Poly, has approved of the inauguration of a 'varsity swimming team, and this season the engineers will be represented in this sport for the first time in the history of the Troy Tech.

No manager has been appointed, and it is probable that at the most three meets will be scheduled for this year. The only date definitely settled is with the Williams College team for February 7, the meet to be held in Rensselaer's pool.

RHODE ISLAND FIVE WILL PLAY AMHERST

Kingston, R. I., Dec. 16.—Basketball is in full swing at Rhode Island State College these days. The first game will be played against Amherst, on January 6, at Amherst, and a fair-sized squad has reported for practice.

The schedule follows:

January 6, Amherst, at Amherst; 13, Northeastern College, at Kingston; 20, Boston College, at Boston; 27, Massachusetts Aggies, at Amherst; February 3, Connecticut State, at Kingston; 17, Connecticut State, at Storrs; 21, New Hampshire State, at Durham; March 3, New Hampshire State, at Kingston.

GUY LEE WILL TRAIN STABLE OF SLAUGHTER

Cleveland, Dec. 16.—Guy M. Lee, the Cleveland horseman who for several years has made his headquarters at Union City, Tenn., will for the first time in his career train a private stable of light harness horses. Lee returned from Detroit yesterday, where he went to sign a contract to work for George W. Slaughter, wealthy Detroit horse fancier.

Lee will have charge of a splendid assortment of trotters and pacers that are quartered at Slaughter's Deep Run Farm, at Birmingham, Mich., just above Detroit. Four of the trotters beat 2:10 the last season, exclusive of the sensational trotting mare, Lucille Spier, 2:03½, who will be staked on the Grand Circuit in 1917 and trained by Tom Murphy.

Harry Fleming, who worked for Slaughter the past season, has gone to work for W. B. Dickerman, owner of Hillandale farm. John Dickerson, who has trained for Dickerman many years, will remain as head trainer, but Fleming probably will do the race driving.

Lee takes charge of his new job December 15.

FIFTEEN GET FOOTBALL LETTERS AT R. I. STATE

Kingston, R. I., Dec. 16.—Fifteen men have received their football letters at Rhode Island State College, the list including Captain LeBœuf, Captain-elect Dodge, Call, McIntosh, Bartels, Gibbs, Melloy, Dunham, Murphy, Knott, O'Brien, Moore, Kimball, Greenhalgh and Manager Taylor.

While the prospects for a winning team next year, because of the loss of several veterans due to graduation, are not bright, Coach Baldwin and Captain-elect Dodge firmly believe that the undeveloped material will produce excellent candidates. The men who are to graduate next year are Captain LeBœuf, McIntosh, Bartels, Gibbs and Dunham.

St. Francis Xavier Meet

The fifth annual meet of the College of St. Francis Xavier will be held at the 23d Regiment Armory on February 17. The feature event will be the 1,000-yard race. There will be a special relay for C. A. U. clubs and another for Catholic schools.

O'Leary Goes to Texas

Chicago, Dec. 16.—Charley O'Leary, formerly with the Detroit Americans, signed here to-day to manage the San Antonio club of the Texas League next season. O'Leary played with St. Paul in the American Association last season.