SPORTING TALK OF INTEREST

CREDIT BETTING MAY PREVAIL ON EASTERN TRACKS.

Jockey Club to Institute Reforms Which Will Make It Impossible for Young Men or Irresponsible Persons to Speculate—Cash Wagers May Be Cut Out.

It is understood that a special meeting of the stewards of the Jockey Club will be called in a few days to discuss a plan by which betting on the racetracks will be reduced to a minimum and by which young men or irresponsible persons will not be able to speculate at all. While nobody in authority would discuss the matter yesterday, it was said that it might be decided to have all speculation in future reduced to a credit basis, so that only persons financially able to bet on horses would be in a position to do business with the layers. It was hinted that if it became necessary the turf governors would see to it that no money passed between players and layers at the tracks and that all obligations one way or the other would be settled at some other place. A well posted man said:

"It will not surprise me at all if we find a complete revolution in the betting methods when Aqueduct opens. It is possible that bookmakers' slates and stools will be done away with and the English system of doing business substituted. I am informed on reliable authority that matters will be so arranged that no man can make a bet on a horse-race unless he is known by a bookmaker who is convinced that he is financially responsible. Furthermore it will be impossible for the one and two dollar bettors to do business, for it may turn out that layers will not receive less than a $5 wager, while bets of more than $50 or $100 will be prohibited. It may come down to a case of being able to establish credit with a bookmaker before a speculator can place a wager of any sort, in which event the business in the betting ring will fall off at least more than one-half in volume, while the small bettors will be practically wiped out.

"I do not know exactly how such a state of affairs will be brought about, but you can feel sure that reforms of a sweeping nature will be instituted, so that the betting evil, so-called, will be regulated with more care than ever before. Furthermore, it may be accepted as a fact that the Jockey Club will continue its fight against the poolrooms with increased vigor, so that for at least seven months, while the tracks are open, there will be less speculation than at any previous time in the history of the turf. In that way the Jockey Club will practically aid the opponents of racetrack speculation in suppressing the alleged evil as much as possible. In England there is never any trouble about betting, for it is conducted on conservative lines and is always kept well under control. There is more credit betting over there than in any other country where racing is carried on."

The hearing on the Agnew-Hart bills at Albany on Wednesday was widely discussed by turfmen here yesterday. Those who went to Albany said that the opponents of racing made a strong showing, but that the turf delegation more than offset this. They declared that the sentiment of those who listened to the various arguments was about equally divided. One of the racetrack men with whom THE SUN reporter talked made the unqualified statement that more than 90 per cent. of the agricultural societies were opposed to the anti-betting bills, and that they would back up former Governor Frank S. Black in his arguments, to be made at another hearing before the Codes Committee on March 4.

"It will be a hard fight," said this racetrack man, "but we will keep on pegging away and will win in the end. Public sentiment favors personal liberty, and when it is understood that betting at the tracks will be greatly curtailed, while betting in the poolrooms for seven months of the year will be practically killed, I think the racing game will be saved."

When several speculators learned last night that betting would probably be reduced to a minimum they said that such a reform would doubtless result in decreased gate receipts and consequently a reduction of the value of stakes and purses in due time. But they all agreed that some such measure was necessary to offset the vigorous crusade of the reformers.

Declarations from the $25,000 Brighton Handicap were due yesterday and the only ones received were James R. Keene's Superman, Gretna Green and Transvaal. This would seem to indicate that Mr. Keene expects to win the big race at the Beach with the wonderful Colin.

Father Bill Daly's horses have arrived at Gravesend from their winter quarters at Hartford. Daly has six two-year-olds as follows: Albertinus, b. c., by Albert—Moy Miloi; Aunt Mag, b. f., by Planudes—Ilka; Daly's Lane, b. f., by Herbert—Annie Layne; Denny, b. c., by Yankee—Trilette; Enchantment, ch. f., by Don de Oro—Enchantress, and Willie D., b. c., by Prig—Swatara. Father Bill will begin operations at Bennings as usual.

Kid Gleason, who is no longer a kid, has signed a Philadelphia National League contract. This will be his twenty-first season in major league baseball, as he broke into the game in 1888. He began to attract attention as a pitcher for the Philadelphias under the late Harry Wright in 1890, the Brotherhood year, and afterward became a member of the New Yorks. He was pitching for the Baltimores when they won the championship in 1894, and soon after that developed into a second baseman. He was with the Detroit Americans for a while, but soon drifted back to Quakertown, his first love. Last year Manager Murray replaced Gleason at second base with Knabe and sent the former to Jersey City. But after a few days had passed Gleason was ordered back to Slowville. Gleason has always taken excellent care of his health and is still a fast player. He is one of the strongest men physically in the game and can handle himself cleverly in a fight. But he is well behaved, a hard worker and a credit to his profession. He says he has several years of ball playing left in him and that he will make all of the young bloods hustle this year. Gleason has played major league ball longer than any of the men in harness to-day.

Bob Emslie, the veteran umpire, had a narrow escape from death at a skating rink in St. Thomas, Ont., the other night. While standing under a window a heavy iron bar fell from the ledge and bored a small hole in his scalp. Emslie had on a derby hat, which broke the force of the blow. He admitted when he came to that it was not the kind of a strike he is accustomed to deal with. The injury was not serious.

Al Kaufmann, the California heavyweight, says that after he gets through with Jack (Twin) Sullivan he will issue a challenge to Tommy Burns.

Football Dates for Dartmouth.

HANOVER, N. H., Feb. 20.—The schedule of the Dartmouth football team for the season of 1908 was given out to-night. The schedule consists of eight games, four of which are to be played at home and four away. Two teams which were on last season's list have been dropped, Norwich University and New Hampshire State College. Princeton and Williams, who did not appear on the 1907 schedule, are down for games, the former game to be played at New York. The schedule is:

September 30, University of Vermont at Hanover; October 3, Massachusetts Agricultural College at Hanover; October 10, Tufts at Hanover; October 17, Williams at Williamstown; October 24, Holy Cross at Worcester; October 31, Amherst at Hanover; November 7, Princeton at New York; November 14, Harvard at Cambridge.

Golf.

PALM BEACH, Fla., Feb. 20.—The thirty-six hole final for the golf championship of South Florida was decided to-day. Walter Fairbanks of Denver Golf Club beat Dr. W. S. Harlan of Columbia Golf Club, Washington, D. C., 4 up and 5 to play; G. O. Christian beat B. E. Rumbaugh, 4 up and 3 to play, for the second sixteen cup, and Sidney Maddock beat C. S. Brackett, 4 up and 2 to play, for the third sixteen cup.

PULLIAM BACK AT HIS POST.

Rule Changes That He Will Recommend Next Week—A Disclaimer From Yale.

Harry Pulliam, president of the National League, returned yesterday from a three weeks sojourn in the Adirondacks and in Canada. He was feeling very fit, he said, barring a cold which he captured on a heated sleeper coming down from Montreal. He has been tobogganing and taking in ice trotting and hockey in Ottawa and is a member of the rooters club of Ottawa when that organization gets busy in Canadian hockey games. He is going back up to Ottawa a week from to-morrow to see the deciding hockey struggle.

Mr. Pulliam said he thought that outside of the adoption of the schedule the most interesting thing in the National League meeting next week would have to do with proposed changes in the playing rules. Pulliam, Chance and Murray are the members of the National League rules committee, while Griffith, Mack and Comiskey compose the American League committee. Pulliam will suggest that neither committee recommend any changes for adoption to its league unless the six members are unanimous in agreeing on changes. He will recommend that pitchers' boxes be on a level with the rest of the diamond and he favors a clearer rule as to when an umpire shall call time in a game.

He wants the umpire's duties regarding calling time more clearly defined. At present the rule provides that time shall not be called in certain cases until the ball is back in the pitcher's hands. Pulliam says there are times when an umpire should have the authority to call time instantly, in case of some accident or unusual occurrence in the stand, for instance.

Then in case af accidents to players he advocates no calling of time until the play is completed when the circumstances are such that to call time would be unfair to the other side. As to the agitation against pitchers soiling a new ball, the president points out that if pitchers are not allowed to rub a new ball in the grass and take off the gloss the catcher will take up time and discolor the ball by smearing tobacco juice on it, and he thinks it is better to allow the pitcher to soil it by rubbing it on the ground.

The national commission will meet in President Pulliam's office next Tuesday morning. "I don't know the object of the meeting," said Harry; "it has been called by Herrmann."

"Will there be any breaking of furniture at that meeting?" was asked.

"Oh, no," was the laughing reply. "I am a man of peace."

When the president reached his office yesterday morning he found a letter from J. C. Thornton, manager of the Yale varsity nine. The Yale manager wrote regarding the recent report that Harvard, Yale and Princeton had turned down President Pulliam on the umpire question and would appoint their own arbitrators for their big games hereafter. Manager Thornton explained that Yale was not responsible for the plan of the colleges appointing their own umpires. He went on to say that there was no want of appreciation of Pulliam's courtesy in furnishing umpires for the college games, that it was fully realized that this was a matter of courtesy on Pulliam's part and that it was thought the agreement would relieve Pulliam of unnecessary work. In fact Pulliam suggested a couple of years ago that the colleges agree on some such plan. Mr. Thornton added that in case the colleges couldn't agree on an umpire they very likely would ask President Pulliam to provide one for them.

HUSKIES AT BOSTON SHOW.

Esquimaux Dogs Attract Attention—New Champion in Boston Terriers.

BOSTON, Feb. 20.—A cessation of hostilities on the part of the weather brought crowds out in force to-day at the dog show. The most interesting event on the programme was the judging of the Esquimaux huskies, the sledge dogs which were brought to this country from Alaska by Robert Guggenheim of New York and which have already proven the educational feature of the show. The different dogs in the outfit divided the prizes among themselves, Jock taking that for the best husky in the show, and the others carrying off several ribbons apiece.

The many special classes for cocker spaniels were cleared up, and the water spaniels had the ring. Later the Boston terriers took the attention of the judges. Two champions were eliminated as heads of their classes. Retribution for an over pugnacious disposition fell upon one of the two. This was champion Fosco, owned by Mrs. W. S. Hunter. Fosco was not willing that any other dog should tread the same sawdust that he walked upon, and constantly strained on his leash to make war upon his nearest neighbors.

This constant straining had thrown his shoulders back so much that when Judge Mortimer looked upon him he passed him by. Champion Revilo Peach, owned by John G. Sullivan, was the other title holder to meet his Waterloo. Too much weight beat him.

To Sir Barney Blue, owned by George S. Thomas of Hamilton, went the supreme honors, for he took the blue in the winners' class over the two old champions.

Champion Handsome Boy, the old English sheepdog, imported by Mrs. Tyler Morse of this city, died of pneumonia on Tuesday. He was entered for the show. With his kennel mate, Dane Doris, he captured first and special prizes at the Philadelphia and New York shows.

RACING AT NEW ORLEANS.

Five of Nine Starters in the Steeplechase Fall or Lose Riders.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 20.—The steeplechase over the short course furnished the excitement at City Park this afternoon. After five of the nine starters tossed their riders Corrigan's Dunning ran over Buckman and won with plenty of reserve. Pedro won the sever furlong handicap easily.

First Race—Three furlongs—She Wolf, 105 (J. Lee), 13 to 5, won; Miss Hapsburg, 112 (Shirvin), 15 to 1, second; Yoseka, 108 (A. Martin) 12 to 1, third. Time, 0:36 4-5. Grace Gum, Gaga, Fancy Dance, Lady Chilton, Manora, Maylee, Miss Snack, Alamia, Sister Ollie, Chalice and Helen Kidder also ran.

Second Race—Steeplechase; short course—Dunning, 147 (Reider), 4 to 5, won; Buckman, 150 (McClain), 11 to 2, second; Rejectable, 142 (Hufham), 20 to 1, third. Time, 3:10. W. K. Slade, Onyx II, and Bank Holiday fell. Little Wally and Lindale lost riders. Dacon also ran.

Third Race—Five furlongs—Mae Hamilton, 105 (C. Koerner) 11 to 20, won; Pirate Diana, 100 (McCahey), 40 to 1, second; Dolando, 108 (McDaniel), 7 to 1, third. Time, 1:04 4-5. Lady Seaborn, Belle of Kent, Edina, My Love, Ansonia, Adeliane, Royer, Miss Vigilant, Meadowgreen and Agnes Wood also ran.

Fourth Race—Seven furlongs—Pedro, 109 (McDaniel), 11 to 10, won; Ace High, 104 (Lee), 10 to 1, second; Lad of Langden, 104 (Delahy), 3 to 1, third. Time, 1:31 3-5. Ketchemike and Al Muller also ran.

Fifth Race—One mile—Posing, 100 (Ott), 10 to 1, won; Gambrinus, 107 (McDaniel), 10 to 1, second; Katie Power, 109 (Glasser), 40 to 1, third. Time, 1:47 4-5. Sir Toddington fell. Hughes, Tivolini, Kilinchan and Keator also ran.

Sixth Race—Seven furlongs—Animus, 97 (Sumter), 7 to 2, won; Martius, 105 (Lee), 20 to 1, second; Black Mantilla, 103 (Ferris), 12 to 1, third. Time, 1:31 4-5. Stefiland, Hilldale, Wawrin, King Cole, May Rowe, Daring, Annie Sanford, Morning Light, Lafayette, Stella Perkins and Roundelay also ran.

Seventh Race—One mile and a sixteenth—Salnesaw, 98 (McCahey), 3 to 1, won; Rexane, 100 (Sumter), 4 to 5, second; Miss Manzoni, 95 (Flynn), 7 to 1, third. Time, 1:54 3-5. Kitty Smith, Goldquest, Apt, Bitter Fair, Thomas Calhoun and George H. White also ran.

LAWN TENNIS.

Record Entry for Indoor Championship Which Begins To-day.

England, Germany and the United States are strongly represented in the ninth annual indoor national lawn tennis championship which begins to-day on the courts of the Seventh Regiment Armory. Fifty-five players are drawn for the singles and twenty-seven pairs for the doubles. The best previous record is forty in singles and sixteen pairs in doubles. In both events the holders play through Theodore Roosevelt Pell in the former event and Frederick B. Alexander and Harold H. Hackett in the latter.

The draw was made publicly last night, the competitors being bracketed as their billets were drawn. The result was that the top half of the singles shows the greatest strength. It contains Pell, the title holder; F. E. Uhl, Oxford University, England; Wylie C. Grant, ex-champion; Irving C. Wright and Wallace F. Johnson, winner of national interscholastic. The lower section contains Richard H. Palmer, H. S. Rothschild, Baden, Germany, and William B. Cragin, Jr., Seventh Regiment champion.

All interest in the doubles centres in the lower section. Alexander and Hackett hold a bracket there and will meet W. C. Grant and R. H. Palmer in the second round. Irving C. Wright and T. R. Pell, M. S. Clark and R. L. Bryan and Dean Mathey and W. S. Johnson are also in this half. The best pairs in the top half are William B. Cragin, Jr., and Miles S. Charlock and the Bostonians, P. L. Schuyler and Richard Bishop.

Basketball Notes.

Yesterday afternoon Stuyvesant High School basketball team defeated the Johnstown High School team on the Stuyvesant court by the score of 39 to 23.

MEDFORD, Mass., Feb. 20.—The Dartmouth basketball team defeated Tufts here to-night 31 to 11.

AMONG THE AUTOMOBILISTS

NEWARK'S FIRST AUTO SHOW TO BE OPENED TO-NIGHT.

Exhibition Will Be Formally Launched on Its Career by Mayor Haussling and City Officials—Twenty Entries for Brooklyn to Montauk Point Contest—Gossip.

Newark's first automobile show is to begin to-night in the Electric Park Auditorium on South Orange avenue and will be open from 10 o'clock in the morning until 11 o'clock at night every week day thereafter until Saturday, February 29. This local exhibition will also be the first affair of the sort that has ever been held in the State of New Jersey, and the joint committee of the New Jersey Automobile and Motor Club and the New Jersey Automobile Trade Association has made elaborate plans for the opening. To a certain extent the committee has followed out the idea of the Paris Salon managers by having a formal opening of the show by public officials. In Paris the annual automobile show is formally opened by the President of the French Republic, while in Newark the affair to-night will be launched on its career of eight evenings and seven days by a trio of Mayors—Mayor Jacob Haussling of Newark, Mayor Isaac Shoenthal of East Orange and Mayor William J. Cardwell of Orange, who will have charge of the inaugural programme.

All of the exhibitors are expected to have their stands ready for inspection early this afternoon and the decorators have promised to have their tasks completed in ample time for the opening to-night. The suggestion has been made that a convention of automobilists be held in connection with the show during its progress next week for the discussion of good roads problems and the proposed changes in the State motor vehicle law. Should this be decided upon, invitations will be sent to all of the automobile clubs in the State and all of the automobile dealers' organizations, as well as a general invitation to unattached automobile owners and tradesmen. It is likely that the State organization of clubs, the Associated Automobile Clubs of New Jersey, will be asked to call such a convention, as Newark automobilists are of the opinion that considerable benefit would result from united action by the automobile owners and dealers of the State.

All of the officers of both the New Jersey Automobile and Motor Club and the New Jersey Automobile Trade Association, as well as the officers of the other automobile clubs in the State, have been invited to attend the opening this evening. In addition to the three Mayors invitations have been sent to the following prominent Newark men to be present to-night: Peter Campbell, president, and James M. Reilly, secretary, Board of Trade; Adam H. Groel, president Road Drivers' Association; Dr. William Buerman, president Clinton Hill Improvement Association; George J. Jeager, secretary Federation of Essex County Improvement Societies; City Clerk James F. Connelly, W. J. Vance, secretary to the Mayor; Comptroller J. Henry Bachelder, City Treasurer Albert T. Guenther, City Auditor George Forman, City Counsel James R. Nugent, Tax Receiver Robert L. Ross, Sheriff Frank H. Sommer, Patrick H. Ryan, president Common Council; Dr. H. C. H. Herold, president Board of Health; Arthur R. Denman, Frank J. Beck, Thomas Halpin, George H. Lambert and Augustus Eggers, members Board of Works; Superintendent of Buildings William O'Rourke, Police Commissioners William Harrigan, John Baeder, William Bennett and W. Kane; Chief of Police Corbitt, Fire Commissioners A. F. Gnichtel, Charles Logan, Thomas Burke and W. A. Weber; School Commissioners G. W. Tomkins, Dr. Thomas M. McCabe, James Taafe, Leslie Lehman, John Bruenig, Benedict Prieth, F. S. Guild, C. P. Taylor and Edgar Brown.

A. R. Pardington, chairman of the contest committee of the Long Island Automobile Club, announced last night that nothing but absolutely impassable roads caused by an unexpected snowstorm of unusual severity can prevent the 242 mile economy test of the club on Tuesday next from Brooklyn to Montauk Point and return from being a great success. At 6 o'clock last night the owners of twenty cars had signified their intention of entering the hard run, though regular entries were not due to close until midnight. The starters already assured at 6 o'clock last night were as follows: three Acmes, two Pope-Hartfords, two Loziers, two Maxwells, and one each of Hol-Tan, Franklin, Frayer-Miller, Haynes, Cadillac, Pullman, Mora, Studebaker, Rambler, American Mors and Rolls-Royce. One of the first entries received yesterday was that of a 30 horse-power Studebaker, to be driven by John Holm, who was one of the pair of drivers that finished second with a Studebaker in the second twenty-four hour race at the Morris Park motordrome last fall.

F. D. Bandell, a member of the contest committee, and Lew H. Allen, a member of the Long Island Automobile Club, made a trip over the course yesterday in Mr. Allen's 60 horse-power Stearns. The roads on the first part of the course were found to be in fairly good condition, but after leaving Moriches the travelling was very heavy. The party made very good time over the course, however, and posted up road directions in a number of places. Mr. Bandell reported that the contest will be sufficiently severe to bring out the good points of all the competing cars, but that the travelling will be no harder than is usually encountered in the general run of touring at this season of the year. The contest committee of the Long Island Automobile Club will hold a meeting to-night at the clubhouse of the organization, 360 Cumberland street, Brooklyn, at which final details for the event will be arranged.

The special committee on rules of the racing board of the American Automobile Association, consisting of Jefferson De Mont Thompson, chairman; A. L. Riker, Alfred Reeves and S. A. Miles, concluded its labors yesterday on a revision of the A. A. A. racing rules after three days work. The rules as drafted by this committee are to be submitted at a general meeting of the racing board, which will be held on Monday next in this city. Though nothing definite is to be announced regarding the changes in the rules until they have been passed on by the entire board, it is admitted that the amateur definition came up for consideration. The new rule which will be submitted to the racing board defines an amateur as follows:

"A person who has never driven or raced a motor car for pay, either in cash or any other valuable consideration, or competed for a cash prize; who does not make his livelihood or any part of it as a result of racing or driving, either as a demonstrator, tester or chauffeur; who has not otherwise received financial reward for engaging in competition; who has never been declared a professional by any sport governing body, or who, having been so declared, has been reinstated either by such body or by the racing board of the American Automobile Association."

R. M. Owen of the Automobile Club of America left yesterday on a vacation trip to South Carolina. He intends to spend a few weeks shooting and fishing. To the grief of his friends Mr. Owen announced that he would leave his Premier runabout here in New York and go horseback riding when he tires of tramping around with a gun or rod.

The contest committee of the Automobile Club of America has added four events for motor cycles to the programme of the Ormond meet which it will run on the famous stretch of Florida beach on March 2 to 7. This was done at the request of the New York Motor Cycle Club and the Brooklyn Motor Cycle Club, the officers of which assured Chairman Robert Lee Morrell and his associates of the contest committee that they would secure enough entries to make the motor cycle events successful. Among those who have entered is W. H. Wray, Jr., of the New York Motor Cycle Club, who rode a mile in 44 2-5 seconds with his motor cycle on the Ormond beach during the automobile races there a year ago. The motor cycle events for next winter will stand as follows: One mile, flying start, free for all; one mile, record trial; a five mile race and a ten mile race. The entry fee for each one of the events is $10. Entries for these races have been received of Indian, Curtiss, Peugeot and Marsh motor cycles.

C. G. Stoddard, vice-president of the Dayton Motor Car Company and a recently elected member of the committee of management of the American Motor Car Manufacturers Association was in New York yesterday. He said that his concern had decided not to enter a Stoddard-Dayton in either the Savannah or Briarcliff trophy stock car races in March and April, as they have never gone in for road racing and have no experienced driver in their employ who is sufficiently familiar with their car to be able to make a good showing with it against the experienced drivers who have been named for these two events.

The members of the German Reichstag recently held an earnest discussion over the proper means of regulating motor vehicles in the Kaiser's realm, and it was predicted that a very severe measure soon would be introduced for passage. The discussion began when Chancellor von Buelow was called upon to protect pedestrians by prohibiting automobiles from being raced on the roads of the empire and confining such contests to enclosed courses. The member who made this proposal also demanded that legislative measures should be enacted that would suppress noxious odors from motor vehicles. He further asked that all applications for chauffeurs' licenses should be subjected to a rigid examination to determine their fitness before receiving licenses, and that drivers should not receive these certificates until they had driven a car for 10,000 kilometers, or 6,710 miles, under the observance of an official examiner.

The Secretary of State, Herr Nieberding, replied that a bill had been drawn up and was ready for introduction in the Reichstag making the owners of automobiles fully responsible before the civil courts for accidents, while negligent drivers would be subjected, according to its provisions, to the severest penalties, including fines and imprisonment. Chauffeurs will henceforth be made to undergo a rigid examination as to their technical knowledge of automobiles and their trustworthiness and skill as drivers. The questions of road racing and noxious odors were left to be settled by a committee. The action of the Government in proposing such severe regulations was caused by the unusually large number of accidents in Germany during the last year.

T. Francis Moore, secretary of the Automobile Manufacturers committee, which will run the Briarcliff trophy road contest for stock cars in Westchester county on April 24, yesterday put himself on record as a patriot and an upholder of the American automobile industry. It was during a discussion of the probable result of the Westchester county race at the Flat Tire Club luncheon table that a visitor hazarded the opinion that no matter what car won the contest it would surely be an imported machine that would be first over the finishing line. The visitor remarked that the foreign car entrants had secured the pick of the drivers in this country who have had any racing experience so far as road contests are concerned, and in addition to having the best driving talent their cars were better fitted for racing purposes. Secretary Moore disputed the assertions made on behalf of the foreign cars and expressed the opinion that drivers trained in the strenuous and fast schedule endurance runs of this country would be better fitted for winning the Briarcliff trophy contest than drivers who had received their training on the smooth, hard roads of Great Britain or continental Europe. The upshot of the matter was that Mr. Moore wagered $5 against $10 that an American car would win the stock car event in Westchester county on April 24.

W. W. Burke, who entered a Mora in the Brooklyn to Montauk Point and return economy contest of the Long Island Automobile Club for next Tuesday, remarked yesterday that he had gone into the affair because he is a great believer in endurance events on the public highways, no matter at what time of the year they may be held. He thinks that the cars that have the greatest seating capacity for passengers are the ones most likely to capture the three prizes which have been offered by the Long Island Automobile Club.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Feb. 20.—Outdoor stunts by salesmen took up much of the attention at the Cleveland automobile show to-day, scores of sales being recorded in the Central Armory after the outdoor demonstrations.

With the streets a glare of ice, following the freezing weather of last night and to-day, which came on the heels of a snowfall and near rain, the feat of the Reo car in hill climbing was remarked by enthusiasts. Other cars were doing hazardous feats on the glaring pavements, but none attempted the particular stunt of the Reo.

With George S. Patterson driving, and three others, one a woman, in the car with Patterson, the Reo was put up the 300 yard hill at the union passenger station, a 20 per cent. grade, on the high and low speeds. Then it mounted banks at a fifty-five foot angle. At the dare of the woman passenger Patterson sent the car backwards up the long hill with himself and the three extra passengers aboard.

Automobile music was played in the armory to-day by Robertson's band, a catchy air, "In the Merry Oldsmobile," being the first instalment of what the dealers assert will be a series of automobile songs and dances.

Visitors were many to-day, the attendance being up to that of previous days and without a special feature on the programme. Sales were many and dealers reiterated to-day the opinion that people were buying machines as freely as before a hint of financial upheaval had been started. The ready sale of machines of various prices has startled many close students of the automobile situation who had feared a falling off that would be glaringly apparent.

CHESS.

Mrs. Burgess Wins First Two Games for Women's Championship.

If the character of the play in the first two games of the match for the women's chess championship of the United States played at the Hotel Martha Washington yesterday afternoon is any criterion, the title will remain in possession of Mrs. S. R. Burgess of St. Louis, who scored two victories. Mrs. Burgess was opposed by Mrs. Charles E. Nixdorff of Cambridge, Mass., the challenger for the title. The latter showed to better advantage in the second game, but was outplayed in the ending.

Mrs. Burgess had the move in the first game and played the queen's gambit, which Mrs. Nixdorff accepted. The challenger, however, erred in her development with the result that she lost a rook on the seventh move without any compensation. Thereafter she was completely at the mercy of her opponent, who scored after thirty-three moves.

In the second game Mrs. Burgess having the black pieces resorted to the French defence, winning a pawn on the eleventh move. This, however, cost Mrs. Burgess the "exchange." On the other hand, the black centre pawns looked very formidable. The champion was obliged to move her king, but on the twenty-first move gained a rook in return for a bishop. The play of Mrs. Nixdorff then became very aggressive and Boston's representative made some headway. An indifferent move resulted in the loss of a piece; nevertheless she recovered ground splendidly and the two players emerged in an even rook and pawn ending. Mrs. Nixdorff mismanaged the ending which ensued and lost a pawn and the game after fifty-one moves.

Mrs. Isaac L. Rice, president of the Anti-Noise Society of this city has donated a handsome gold medal which will go to the winner of the match. The third game of the series will be played at 10 o'clock this morning.

BILLIARDS.

Gallagher Wins From Morningstar in Three Cushion Tournament—Other Results.

By beating Orlando Morningstar last night Tom Gallagher registered his first victory in the three cushion tournament at Daly's academy. Gallagher made his 50 points while Morningstar was collecting 43, each player having seventy-five innings. The two were close together at all stages, but when they were in the last stretch Gallagher made runs of 6 and 4, which were big factors in his victory, especially as he went out with a cluster of 3. Morningstar missed numerous shots by the narrow thickness of a piece of tissue paper. His best run was 4. The most profitable period of playing was from Gallagher's fourteenth to eighteenth inning inclusive. In that time he netted 10 points. He made his first 18 points in eighteen innings. Gallagher and McLaughlin will play to-night. McLaughlin has won two games and lost none, while Gallagher and Morningstar have each won one and lost two.

H. H. Ridder still leads in the three cushion tournament at Slosson's. He defeated K. Truesdell (16) yesterday by a score of 22 to 7 in a game of seventy innings. M. Lissner defeated T. Truesdell (22) by a score of 16 to 14 in a game of eighty-four innings. The standing of the players: Ridder, won 3, lost 0; Slattery, won 1, lost 1; Levy, won 1, lost 1; Lissner, won 1, lost 1; K. Truesdell, won 1, lost 2; T. Truesdell, won 0, lost 3.

P. Leonhardt (19) defeated Harry Kenworthy (18) last night in the three cushion tournament at Daly's academy. The score was 19 to 18. Leonhardt's high run was 3 and Kenworthy's 2. The game lasted forty-seven innings. This afternoon A. C. Williams (23) will play William Kirk (18), Ely and McKay, both scratch men (25), will play in the evening.

At the Knickerbocker Academy, Brooklyn, last night, in the juniors amateur 14 inch balkline tournament, J. A. Keane won by a close margin, defeating his opponent by four points in a 200 point game. Keane made high runs of 15 and 14 and averaged 2 28-86. Lewis's high runs were 12 and 12 and his average was 2 26-85.

McCallie, Halfback, Leaves Cornell.

ITHACA, Feb. 20.—The Cornell football team will have another severe loss through the coming departure of Bob McCallie, the crack right halfback, for his home in Chattanooga, Tenn. McCallie will leave for his home to engage in business, his brother being called to Florida by illness. With the loss of Thompson and Mar in the line and McCallie in the backfield the football team will be badly crippled. McCallie was an all around athlete and was a prominent candidate for the baseball team.

SPORTSMAN'S SHOW IN GARDEN

CROWD ATTENDS EARLY ON THE OPENING NIGHT.

Swimming Contests in Big Tank Prove Interesting to Spectators—Guides Feel at Home in Setting of Trees—Capt. Bill Graham and Uncle Jerry on Hand.

The fourteenth annual Motor and Sportsman's Show opened last night in the Madison Square Garden, and the building was crowded. Many special features had been arranged in the way of contests, especially in the swimming tank, and those who are interested in competitions of this kind were on hand early. They took in the general attractions of the show first, as far as they were able to, and then devoted themselves to the sport, and as a result the Fourth avenue end of the big building was in a very congested condition. Around the big tank built for the swimmers the spectators were standing as closely as they could be packed, and in the balconies there were hundreds more.

The arrangements in the Garden this year are very simple. The decorations are plain but in taste. The American flag has been used lavishly in covering up the sides of the galleries and is suspended from the roof girders. Stands of flags are displayed everywhere, and then around the sides different barks have been used to cover up the bareness and here and there are pine trees to give some semblance of the woods.

There is an aroma of pine and balsam, and with the camps of the guides scattered about, with the fish swimming in the tanks and the fowl on the pool at the Madison avenue entrance the scene does remind one of wood life, even if exhibits of trade are displayed. The guides are there in force. Some are from diffepent provinces in Canada, some from Maine, others from different parts of this State and then there is Capt. Bill Graham from Blue Point, Mine Host of Ye Anchorage, and A. B. Moncure with Uncle Jerry from Virginia.

Capt. Bill is not yet receiving at his shack, because it is not in shape yet for visitors; but it will be some time to-day and then things will be lively there. The Long Island exhibit is a shack which is to be neatly furnished, and outside will be lots of sand to remind one of the shore, and then there will be ducks and fish nets, scooters and Bill. Some wag yesterday painted on the side of the shack, "Long Island cider 5 cents a glass." Every one who went near the shack wanted some cider, and Bill, who never drinks anything stronger than Long Island water, had to retire to the gallery, where he held court all the evening.

It was expected that the scooter Eagle and an ice boat would be at the show, but the match on Orange Lake is not over yet. As soon as it is the Eagle will be sent to the show and the baymen who have won in the match will celebrate.

In the exhibition there are motor boats of all kinds, sailing craft and a few freaks that will attract the attention of the nautical visitor. There are exhibits from fish hatcheries which will prove interesting to fish, birds, a few animals and lots of stuffed animals, fish and birds, which with the stories that the guides will tell about their capture will make the visitor long for the time to come when he can go into the woods.

In addition to all these good things the management has arranged that there shall be something in the way of a contest every afternoon and evening. On the Twenty-seventh street side of the Garden the fly casters will be busy with their tournament, and they began the task of going through the long list of events arranged last night. A single handed fly casting contest for distance and open to only those who have cast sixty feet or more in any tournament was won by A. J. Marsh with a cast of 72 feet. E. H. Fitch was second with a cast of 70 feet 2 inches.

At the ranges the boys are to shoot for prizes under the auspices of the Junior Sportsmen's Association. This tournament will prove an interesting feature of the show and many of the crack shooters of the schools are expected to compete. It will start to-day and last until the show ends on March 7.

Under the auspices of the Bath Beach Swimming Club contests have been arranged in which many of the best known swimmers are to compete. These contests will be conducted on alternate nights and began last night. To-night, under the auspices of the United States Volunteer Life Saving Corps, exhibitions are to be given, and there will also be mattress race, tugs of war, canoe tilting and other contests.

The tank in which the swimmers compete is 60 feet long and 5 feet deep. At each end is a platform for the officials and from which the contestants start. The feature of last night's sport was the contest between Charles M. Daniels and C. D. Trubenback, both of the New York Athletic Club. Daniels was to give Trubenback 6 seconds start in 100 yards, and as Trubenback has a record of 1.03 it was expected that Daniels would have to make a new record to win.

Daniels was a little slow getting away, but he soon began to overhaul Trubenback, and with half the distance covered looked like a sure winner. Then Trubenback held his lead and was leading when they turned for the last twenty yards. Daniels then had to do his best, and he gradually overhauled Trubenback and won the race by just five inches. The time was 57 2-5 seconds.

It took three heats and a final to decide the 50 yard novice race. Five men started in a heat. This was won by O. Tscheutschler of the Twenty-third Street Branch of the Y. M. C. A. with J. Curran second. In the 100 yard handicap five heats and a final were necessary and each heat was closely contested. This race was won by W. C. Manley of the New York A. C., with Raymond Mulvey of the Bath Beach Swimming Club second.

Then came the fun in the shape of horse tilting. There were twelve entries for this contest and the antics of the contestants kept the crowd in roars of laughter. Each man was astride of a horse which had a habit of turning over just at a critical time. P. B. McCahill and D. M. Daley, both of the New York Swimming Association, won in the semi-finals and met in the final, and this was won by McCahill. The summaries:

Single handed fly casting for distance. Open to all except those who have cast 60 feet or more in any club or tournament contest.—Won by A. J. Marsh, with a cast of 72 feet; E. H. Fitch, second, with a cast of 70 feet 2 inches; W. L. Hodgkins, 68 feet 5 inches, third; H. B. Humphrey, Jr., 68 feet 3 inches, fourth, and W. B. Young, 61 feet, fifth.

SWIMMING.

Eighty Yard Novice—First heat—Won by O. Tscheutschler, Twenty-third Street Y. M. C. A.; J. Smith, East Side Y. M. C. A., second. Time, 60 2-5 seconds. Second heat—Won by J. Curran, New York Swimming Association; P. Ruttger, New York Swimming Association, second. Time, 58 4-5 seconds. Third heat—Won by Jack MacAuliffe, Bath Beach Swimming Club; Guy Lyman, N. Y. A. C., second. Time, 62 2-5 seconds.

Final Heat—Won by O. Tscheutschler, Twenty-third Street Y. M. C. A.; J. Curran, New York Swimming Association, second; P. Ruttger, New York Swimming Association, third. Time, 55 3-5 seconds.

100 Yard Swim: Handicap—First heat—Won by Jack White, Bath Beach Swimming Club. Time, 1 minute 13 2-5 seconds. Second Heat—Won by R. L. Smith, Newark Y. M. C. A. Time, 1 minute 10 2-5 seconds. Third heat—Won by R. Mulvey, Bath Beach Swimming Club. Time, 1 minute 9 2-5 seconds. Fourth Heat—Won by J. Ruddy, N. Y. A. C. Time, 1 minute 10 1-5 seconds. Fifth Heat—Won by W. C. Manley, N. Y. A. C. Time, 1 minute 12 1-5 seconds.

Final Heat—Won by W. C. Manley, N. Y. A. C.; 4 seconds; Raymond Mulvey, Bath Beach Swimming Club, 4 seconds, second; J. White, Bath Beach Swimming Club, 5 seconds, third. Time, 1 minute 9 3-5 seconds.

100 Yard Match Race—Won by Charles M. Daniels, New York A. C., scratch; C. D. Trubenbach, New York A. C., 6 seconds, second. Time, 57 2-5 seconds.

Horse Tilting—Final heat—Won by P. B. McCahill, New York Swimming Association; D. M. Daley, New York Swimming Association, second. Time, 4 minutes.

PRINCETON WRESTLERS WIN.

Tigers Throw Columbia Grapplers in Every Bout but One.

Princeton overwhelmed Columbia in the local team's gymnasium last night and won the dual wrestling meet with six bouts to her credit and only one defeat. The New Jerseyites won the first six bouts in quick succession, and outclassed the Blue and White in every weight.

Capt. Shimmon won the only bout for Columbia. He received the decision over Mount in the 145 pound class after two periods of six minutes each. Shimmon's work was the more creditable in that he had wrestled Latimer in the 135 pound event earlier in the evening. Holzworth put up a good fight against King, but the Princetonian was not to be defeated, and Holzworth was thrown with a three-quarter Nelson in a trifle under eight minutes. The summaries:

135 Pound Class—E. Latimer, Princeton, threw A. Shimmon, Columbia, with a half nelson and body hold. Time, 4 minutes 49 seconds.

115 Pound Class—A. Passapinto, Princeton, threw W. Winsnow, Columbia, with scissors hold on head and bar hold. Time, 5 minutes 37 2-5 seconds.

125 Pound Class—A. G. Ober, Princeton, threw J. Gray, Columbia, with bar and body hold. Time, 4 minutes 41 2-5 se