# NAVY QUITS HUDSON REGATTA

### REASON IS THAT THE ARMY IS NOT A COMPETITOR

**Said the Policy of the Naval Academy Is to Limit Outside Competitions to Those in Which West Point Takes Part—The Other Six Colleges Still Are in Race.**

Announcement was made yesterday by the board of stewards of the Intercollegiate Rowing Association of those colleges that will compete June 27 in the regatta over the Poughkeepsie-Highland course. They are Columbia, Cornell, Georgetown, Pennsylvania, Syracuse and Wisconsin. The Naval Academy will not be a competitor, and judging from the terms of the answer of the navy authorities to the invitation of the stewards it not well be until the Military Academy has a crew rowing in the regatta. From all present appearances this is postponing the appearance of the oarsmen in the race indefinitely, because the army authorities consider themselves unable through lack of time to undertake rowing.

The letter of refusal of the navy oarsmen to compete a second time in the Hudson regatta sets forth in effect that the policy at the Naval Academy is to limit competitions outside the direct neighborhood of Annapolis to those in which the Military Academy is a competitor. Thus the annual Army-Navy football game, the Army-Navy baseball game and the intercollegiate fencing meet may be held here held within the terms of this rule. If the army were a competitor in track athletics the navy might also be a competitor there from Annapolis. However, it is clear that the navy authorities do not believe it right for the oarsmen to spend time away from their studies to compete in a class in which they are chosen and natural rivals do not appear. As for the colleges that will be at Poughkeepsie, Columbia, Cornell, Syracuse and Pennsylvania have entered for all three races. Wisconsin has entered for the varsity and freshman eights and Georgetown for the varsity eights only. There thus will be six crews in the varsity eight oared race, four in the varsity fours and five in the freshman eights. The navy crew competed last year in the varsity eight oared race only and finished third, a good showing when the worth of the Cornell and Columbia crews is considered.

At the time that Secretary Metcalf last year gave permission to the Navy men to row at Poughkeepsie, it was made clear that the leave granted one year did not apply to the future that might obtain another season. Events so shaped themselves that the oarsmen were able to get away without detriment to their scholastic standing. Secretary Metcalf said to a reporter for THE SUN about the Poughkeepsie race, put particular stress on this point and pointed out too how the loss of standing in that time in a cadet's career might mean the difference between being an admiral and a captain later on in life. It was the attitude of the Navy authorities that rowing was all right as long as it did not make too much of a road upon the study time of the naval cadets. However, even with this warning in mind, the oarsmen at the academy had an idea that the permission thus granted would be extended right along.

One of the oarsmen said after the race last year: "Well, I expect that we'll be back the next year and that we'll have not only a varsity eight in but we'll try to bring a four too. If there is no other obstacle in the way we ought to be able to raise a freshman crew from the entering class and perhaps next day you'll be treated to the sight of three crews winning all three races. In any event I feel sure that we will be back again next year all right, because we can't get better than third. We want to have the chance to show that we are some of us at this rowing game, even if our best crew has been at two miles before this."

The stewards do not like, as a rule, to see a college in the races one year and out of them the next. Under the circumstances they do not have the same feelings as they have in the case of an institution covered differently from the Naval Academy. It breaks up the regular order of things. Hitherto a college which has entered the regatta has stuck year after year regardless of the success or failure of the crews. The stewards believe that they foster the interests of rowing best by insisting rather on successive competitions. The development of rowing is not particularly helped by having a crew in one year when it is good and out of the other when it is bad. For that reason the stewards do not consider the regatta as regarded closely. However, it is realized that forces beyond the control of the Naval Academy oarsmen are responsible for their withdrawal from the regatta.

The loss of the Navy will rob the regatta of a new and picturesque feature that was in evidence last year. The midshipmen on the observation train and the monitors in the river were unusual and pleasing things to see. These now will be lost. As for the matter of general interest the regatta cannot suffer. The colleges have their determined following, which always will go to the races. The crowd will be none the less and the quality of the races will not be hurt.

Directly after the regatta last year there was some discussion by Richard Glendon, coach of the Navy crews, as to the chances of the eights in the various courses. In fact Coach Glendon figured it out to his own satisfaction that with a different course and therefore a fairer chance his eight would have beaten the Cornell and Columbia crews, which finished so close together. This stirred up a lot of comment, which perhaps may not have sounded pleasantly in the ears of the academy authorities. Probably they preferred not to have competitions which brought up such arguments. That may be part of the reason for withdrawal.

Rowing at the Naval Academy this year will be confined to dual races on the Severn. Harvard will have a race with the Navy, Pennsylvania and Yale will not race the Navy in all probability. Georgetown is likely to meet the midshipmen, but the programme will not be heavy this season. It was announced early in the year that Columbia would race the Navy if the latter was not to be a competitor in the Hudson regatta. This is because the stewards prefer not to have the colleges which race at Poughkeepsie meet one another before the important race of the year. It remains to be seen whether Columbia now will be able to fit in a date for a race with the Navy.

It is understood that Wisconsin may race Syracuse on Onondaga Lake this year in return for the race rowed last spring on Lake Mendota at Madison. The way it may be arranged is for the Wisconsin men to come east on the Poughkeepsie trip a bit earlier than heretofore and have the race with Syracuse at Syracuse and then to make the trip to Poughkeepsie with the Salt City men.

There is another item of news that is more important than it seems. Cornell this year will have a motor boat for a coaching launch. The boat, built by John Hoyle in the workshops of Thomas & Grant, in Ithaca, is 22 feet long, 4 feet beam and is equipped with a 25 horse-power Standard motor. If this boat is satisfactory it will be shipped to the Hudson in a car and thus Coach Courtney and Walt Fowler will be saved the journey they used to take in the Ezra Cornell from Ithaca. However, Coach Courtney doesn't like gasolene boats and he feels sure that he's going to get stuck some fine day down at Blue Point and have to be towed in. It will be the first time Cornell has used other than a steamboat for coaching on the Hudson.

### FIRST EXHIBITION GAME.

**Bresnahan's Nine Wins From McGraw's by Timely Rally.**

WACO, Tex., Feb. 29.—An unexpected batting rally in the ninth inning of the first exhibition game of the season caused the defeat of the team of New York Nationals, captained by Manager McGraw, this afternoon by the nine under the leadership of Roger Bresnahan. The final score was 5 to 3, Bresnahan's men batting Roy Beecher for three runs in the last round. A bad throw assisted in Beecher's downfall, but the Bresnahans deserved their victory, as Malarkey pitched a one hit game up to the eighth inning and not an error was made behind him. Both pitchers did well considering the fact that no curves were employed.

McGraw's team led up to the ninth inning, the one hit off Malarkey in the second inning being a home run by Herzog, which scored two men who had been passed to first. The Bresnahans scored twice in the fourth. In the ninth inning a double, followed by a three base hit and Doyle's wild throw, gave two runs to Bresnahan's boys. Shannon's double scored another. Two hits in the last half of the inning did not help the McGrawites, O'Brien being caught at the plate. The team plays here to-morrow, with Crandall and Kenney as the pitchers.

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| Bresnahans | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 5 | 0 |
| McGraws | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 4 |

Batteries—Malarkey and Snodgrass; Beecher and James.

**Lehigh Wins in Uphill Basketball.**

SOUTH BETHLEHEM, Pa., Feb. 29.—Lehigh and State College played a very closely contested basketball game to-night, and the former won by a score of 24 to 15. Better defensive work and Herman's spectacular goal throwing gave the visitors the better of the first half, the score at that time being 13 to 9. In the second half Lehigh led in every department of playing. Anderson did some great goal shooting for Lehigh in this half.

### FRANKLIN FIELD GETS MEET.

**Track Games Awarded to Pennsylvania by I. C. A. A. A. A.—Cross Country Change.**

At the annual meeting of the Intercollegiate Association of Amateur Athletes of America yesterday at the Fifth Avenue Hotel it was voted to send the championship track and field meet to Franklin Field this year in spite of the recommendation of the executive committee that it should go to Cambridge. There was some active lobbying below stairs by the Pennsylvania and Princeton managers and more of the work of getting the meet for Philadelphia was done before the delegates entered the meeting room than was accomplished by discussion of the motion regarding the meet. Last year Pennsylvania made an effort to get the meet away from Harvard and failed, but this time the forces were better organized.

The vote on the proposition was 9 to 7 in favor of Franklin Field. Amherst, C. C. N. Y., Columbia, Michigan, New York University, Pennsylvania, Princeton, Stevens and Swarthmore voted for the Philadelphia field, while Brown, Cornell, Dartmouth, Harvard, Syracuse, Williams and Yale voted for Soldiers Field. There was surprisingly little debate, considering that the executive committee was so strong for the field that wasn't chosen.

A matter, however, that did bring up a big discussion was the proposition to make the cross-country teams to score for the colleges to consist of five men each instead of six, as it was last year. W. C. Loucks of Syracuse, proposed that the old system of starting nine and qualifying six should be retained instead of starting seven men and counting five. His side of the contention was supported by G. M. Townsend of Yale and Clarence G. Bamberger of Cornell. L. D. Thayer of Stevens and J. H. Cochran of Pennsylvania were strongest against the six man proposition, arguing that it hurt the chances of the smaller colleges. The Syracuse man argued just the other result from the same premise, but when it came to a vote the five man team went through by a vote of 10 to 6. The Brown, Columbia, Dartmouth, Harvard, New York University, Pennsylvania, Princeton, Stevens, Swarthmore and Williams representatives voted to have five man teams. Amherst, C. C. N. Y., Cornell, Michigan, Syracuse and Yale voted for the larger number.

A motion to contribute $1,000 to the Olympic games fund was passed unanimously, as was one appropriating $250 for a cup for the intercollegiate cross country championship, to be presented to the college winning it first five times, exclusive of ties. Appropriations also were made for flags to be presented to the winning college for a sign of each succeeding victory.

Gustavus T. Kirby took occasion to make a comeback at the British athletic officials who had criticised the athletes of the colleges outside of Harvard and Yale as hardly amateurs, or words to that effect. Mr. Kirby said that some colleges might have professionals but that institutions watched over by the I. C. A. A. A. A. could send to such a meeing as the proposed international only the purest of amateurs. Mr. Kirby said it was his belief that the inability of the British to get together a team without many months of work was the real cause, and he quoted from a private letter sent to him by Lord Desborough in support of that idea. He ended by asking the various separate college athletic associations to help along the Olympic fund.

At the meeting were present as delegates the following men from the colleges named: Amherst, H. E. White; Brown, G. D. Taylor; C. C. N. Y., R. Thomson; Columbia, A. P. Montgomery; Cornell, C. G. Bamberger; Dartmouth, H. W. Cowee; Harvard, Guy Emerson; Michigan, Harry Hill; New York University, A. J. H. Magrath; Pennsylvania, A. L. Geyelin; Princeton, John Hagron, Jr.; Stevens, L. D. Thayer; Swarthmore, W. W. Krider; Syracuse, W. C. Loucks; Williams, W. E. Slattery; Yale, G. M. Townsend. Haverford and Johns Hopkins were not represented. Fordham, Bucknell, Colgate, Boston University, Georgetown and Lafayette were dropped from membership, but through the efforts of R. W. Black Fordham later was restored to standing. The Bronx men did not get a vote yesterday, however. The chair was held by Guy Emerson in the absence of John J. Rowe, Harvard, president of the association.

The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Clarence G. Bamberger, Cornell; honorary vice-presidents, Donald Abbott, Amherst, and Harry Hill, Michigan; secretary, A. J. H. Magrath, New York University; treasurer, Harry Hall, Columbia. The executive committee was elected as follows: G. M. Townsend, Yale; G. Emerson, Harvard; J. Havron, Jr., Princeton, and J. H. Cochran, Pennsylvania. A vote of thanks to Harvard and Pennsylvania for having offered the use of their athletic fields for previous meetings was passed.

Present at the meeting as visitors were W. F. Garcelon, the graduate director of track athletics at Harvard; H. L. Geyelin, the organizer of the I. C. A. A. A., thirty-one years ago; Merrill B. Sands, former Yale member of the executive committee; Frank B. Ellis, the manager of the Pennsylvania relay games, and Samuel H. Cook, graduate manager of athletics at Syracuse.

### BILLIARDS.

**Edward Gardner Reels Off Points at a Fast Clip—Cassignol Here From France.**

Edward Gardner, the former amateur champion, has reeled off billiards at a fast clip several times lately in informal games. One day last week, while playing at Tim Flynn's, he averaged 50 for 200 points at 18.2 balk line. In the course of the game he ran 119.

Tim Flynn, by the way, took an interest in the playing of William McKay, the septuagenarian, who competed in the three cushion tournament at Doyle's Academy. "Many a game I played with Mac forty years ago," said Mr. Flynn, "and I reckon I played more games for money with him than with anybody else. It was straight rail that we played in those days. Forty years ago he and I had a setto at Chris Connor's room, at Fourteenth street and Broadway. We played until after daylight, and a funny thing about it was that I beat him as long as the lights were burning, but as soon as it got light enough to play by daylight he beat me. I couldn't play as well by daylight as by artificial light."

L. M. Cassignol, the French expert, arrived here yesterday from the other side on the steamship La Savoie. He was accompanied by his wife and is on a trip around the world. He will be in New York for some time, and beginning next Wednesday night will play a series of ten games of 18.2 balk line with George Slosson in the latter's academy. The games will be 400 points each. After these games are over Slosson and George Sutton will engage in a series of ten games at 18.2. On March 19 Slosson and Edward Gardner will play exhibition at the Crescent Athletic Club, Brooklyn.

An amateur of this city who was in Paris not long ago speaks highly of the ability of Cassignol. Cassignol was one of the academy players taking part in the three cushion, rouge and other betting games, but though he has been at balk line for about a year only he plays that game strongly. He is credited with being an exceptionally good masse player.

George Sutton is an indefatigable worker. It is his habit, say those who have been with him, to keep his wrist working when going to lunch and at other times when away from the table, this to "keep his hand in." Said a fellow professional: "I was travelling with Sutton once and noticed him shooting over the arm of the sleeper seat with an imaginary cue. 'What are you doing?' I asked. 'Oh, just keeping my arm in practice,' he answered." Sutton is practising in Chicago for his match with Hoppe on March 27. He has been playing the black and white balls, and last week made runs of 211, 74, 132, 98 and 68. In another practice, playing the white and the black, he averaged 75 for 600 points, his scores being as follows: White—16, 73, 113, 20. Total, 222. Black—78, 137, 47, 116. Total, 378.

The annual pool tournament in the Fifth Avenue Hotel billiard room was played last week with the following results:

Preliminary Round—George Roff beat A. F. Andrews, 50 to 19; Frank Bien, Jr., beat J. Dewey, 50 to 31; Edwin Putnam beat Gilman Collamore, 50 to 42; F. B. Colton beat E. C. Rice, 50 to 40.

Semi-finals—Roff beat Colton, 50 to 31; Bien beat Putnam, 50 to 40.

Final—Roff beat Bien, 100 to 99.

The final game was very exciting. Roff had a big lead, but Bien caught and passed him. They were tied near the finish with 94 balls each. Bien got five more, missed a cut shot for the side pocket and left the ball up so that Roff ran out.

The three cushion tournament which has been in progress at Doyle's academy for the last month ended on Friday night. Following is the complete standing of the players:

| | W. | L. | | W. | L. |
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| Ely (25) | 7 | 0 | Keough (21) | 3 | 4 |
| Leonhardt (19) | 5 | 2 | Kirk (18) | 4 | 3 |
| Dankelman (21) | 5 | 2 | Williams (22) | 1 | 6 |
| McKay (25) | 3 | 4 | Kenworthy (18) | 2 | 5 |

To-morrow night Dankelman and Leonhardt will play off for second prize.

A handicap three cushion tournament for amateurs will begin at Daly's academy to-morrow night. The following players will take part: Oblatt, 30; Parsons, 30; Harris, 30; Bradley, 25; Baidrich, 25, and Leidig, 25. Prizes will be given to the winners of first, second and third places. Leidig and Oblatt will play the first game of the tournament.

**Army Fights Hard for Basketball Victory.**

WEST POINT, Feb. 29.—The West Point cadets defeated the Fordham five to-day by a score of 20 to 18. The game was slow and rough, the visitors doing much holding. Conard started the scoring, making a pretty shot from the middle of the court. The half ended 11 to 9 in favor of the Fordham five. The second half was much faster and the Army guarded their men better. Conard shooting two neat goals. Out of seven fouls Beardsley shot six. The feature of the game was the playing of Conard, the Army's fast little forward.

# INTERSCHOLASTIC SPORT

### NEWTON HIGH BASKETBALL TEAM DISBANDED.

**Too Much Enthusiasm in Celebrating Victory the Cause—Games in P. S. A. L. Will Be Forfeited—Athlete at Head of Erasmus Hall General Organization.**

The Newton High School basketball team has been disbanded by the principal of the school, Mr. Dillingham. The team won the championship of the Queens borough schools and behaved in such an unseemly manner in celebrating its victory that Mr. Rillingham thought it was necessary for the sake of discipline in the school to disband it. The P. S. A. L. tournament game which was to be played with Eastern District High School yesterday was forfeited, as the game which is scheduled with Morris High for March 14 will be. Newton was in eighth place in the P. S. A. L. tournament and there was little probability of its finishing anywhere near the top.

Al Korber of Erasmus Hall High School was elected president of the general organization of that school last Tuesday. The general organization at Erasmus is similar to the athletic associations at the other high schools, all the students of the school being eligible for membership upon the payment of a nominal sum of money. One of the crack athletes of the school is always elected president, and it is considered a high honor to hold the position. A great deal of excitement attends the elections, and there is the regular nominating and speechmaking which goes along with a political event of the same character. Each fraternity in the school runs its own ticket and there is also occasionally an independent candidate, as there was this time.

The candidates are nominated at a meeting of the entire organization, and at this meeting nominating speeches are made setting forth the athletic record and favorable points of each candidate. On the day of the nomination the friends of each student who is to run stand outside the school distributing handbills and doing their best to persuade the different students to vote for their man. The day after the nominations are made a vote is taken in each classroom. Against Korber were running Dan Whitney, the half miler, and H. Cotter, who was an independent.

A similar system is used at Boys' High, where the election for football manager was held last Friday. Frank Carruthers and Alean Goulden were nominated and Carruthers won by a vote of 183 to 159. Goulden was assistant football manager last fall and his defeat Friday was somewhat of a surprise.

As it is necessary for the managers of teams as well as athletes at Boys' High to carry thirteen hours of successful work a week the rule was made this year that candidates would have to be passed upon by a committee of the faculty before they could be nominated for any office. The nominating speeches formerly took up so much time that they were limited to three minutes. Handbills have also been prohibited this year. Before this restriction was placed upon the students they even went so far as to place banners with the names of the different candidates on them in streets near the school. At the meeting Friday soccer football was made a regular sport of the school and a special insignia will hereafter be awarded to championship teams.

The election for officers of the High School of Commerce Athletic Association will be held next Tuesday and a lively time is expected.

Mr. Fontaine of the High School of Commerce says that his school will have a crew this year whether or not the Public Schools Athletic League conducts a race. Commerce won the P. S. A. L. eight oared race last year. Harnishfeger, Garvin and Fiemer, who rowed on that crew, are still in the school and will form a good nucleus for an eight this year. Commerce has made a proposition to three rowing clubs to take charge of its crew this spring, and it is expected that at least one of them will accept. De Witt Clinton, which got second place in the race last May, will also probably have a crew.

These two schools have made an agreement to play their annual football game on Thanksgiving Day this year. It has been played on election day up to this time, and was always preceded by one of the big interscholastic games of the year.

Owing to a misunderstanding the Erasmus Hall relay team did not go to Troy last Wednesday night to compete in the half mile relay race in the armory of the Second Regiment. The Erasmus manager was under the impression that the race was open to all the schools in the State and sent in an entry for his team. He discovered that only the schools in the immediate vicinity of Troy were invited to send teams, however, and the trip was given up. Brierton, McNulty, Korber, McCormac and Whitney were the ones selected to compose the team.

The two mile five men Olympic invitation interscholastic relay race promises to be an interesting feature of the De Witt Clinton games to be held at the Twenty-second Regiment Armory next Saturday evening. Manual Training High School and the Central High School of Philadelphia have entered teams, and while it will not be a fair test of superiority between the two schools it will be the first time that these teams have raced against each other this year.

The race is another one of those freak events which are quite popular this winter. The first two men run 220 yards each, the third man a quarter mile, the fourth a half mile and the fifth a mile. Manual can organize a very fast team for this event for it has a crack man for each distance. Youngis practically undefeatable at the mile and Danielson is very fast in the half. Either Clunan or Lynch is good for the quarter, and Cozzens and Sanford, who will probably run the first two relays, are champion sprinters.

The Manual team is also entered in the Twenty-third Regiment games which take place in Brooklyn on the same evening, and it will have to work some quick travelling in order to get from one armory to the other in the short space of time it will have. The Boys High team has entered the race in the Twenty-third Regiment games, which is for the championship of the Public Schools Athletic League, and Mr. Andrews, the coach, would like to have them run in the De Witt Clinton games also. They will try to procure an automobile in which to make the trip.

Some dissatisfaction was expressed with the handicapping of the interscholastic relay teams at the High School of Commerce games last Saturday. The Erasmus Hall boys had to give 55 yards to the Manual Training second team and to Morris High. Korber and McCormac ran splendid races, but were unable to make up the big handicap and failed to qualify for the final heat. Boys High also had a large handicap.

Some idea of the quality of athletes in the schools this year may be had from the fact that fifteen records have been lowered and five have been equalled in the indoor elementary and high school games and the indoor swimming championships this winter. This looks as if some of the outdoor records will also go by the board when the season opens.

A plan of interclass athletic contests has been adopted at Poly Prep and Adelphi Academy which has proved very successful. A basketball team is formed in each class and a tournament is held to decide the winner. At Poly the whole school is divided into two sections, the Blues and the Grays, and these compete in frequent meets. One of these meets will be held next Friday and includes a 220 yard run, junior and senior; shot put, high and broad jumps and several relay races. A basketball game will also be played between the Prep team and one composed of alumni. Among the alumni who have promised to play are Ringe, Trecartin, Ripton, Brown and Leslie. The latter two played on the Poly Institute team which was so successful this season.

The P. S. A. L. has sanctioned through its chairman of the board of coaches, Dr. C. Ward Crampton, the shooting match for high school boys which will take place at the Sports man's Show during this week. Nine teams have already entered from eight high schools and they will shoot on the following dates: Commercial, March 4; Bryant, March 2, and Stuyvesant, March 4. The dates for Boys' High and the High School of Commerce have not yet been decided.

The league will hold its invitation championships at the Seventy-first Regiment Armory on March 14 if arrangements can be made with the military authorities. The invitation trophy will be awarded to the school making the highest score with its first and second team together, the Dieges & Clust trophy to the school making the highest score with its first team, and the Curtis High School trophy to the school making the highest score with its second team. In addition to this there will be four individual matches: Class A, open only to boys shooting on the first teams; Class B, open to boys on the second teams; Class C, open to all boys not competing, and Class D, open only to those boys who are not eligible under the P. S. A. L. scholarship regulations. Preparations are being made for the high schools championship of the city.

The cooperation of the National Guard is expected for the national outdoor championships to be held at Creedmoor during June. Last year the guardsmen helped the boys out considerably by coaching them in their matches.

**Dartmouth Beats Wesleyan.**

HANOVER, N. H., Feb. 29.—Dartmouth defeated Wesleyan in a basketball game here to-night by the score of 24 to 18.

### GRANT AGAIN THE CHAMPION.

**For Fourth Time He Takes Indoor Lawn Tennis Title.**

Wylie C. Grant yesterday for the fourth time won the indoor national championship in lawn tennis singles. In the final round of the tournament in the Seventh Regiment Armory he defeated Gustave F. Touchard, 6—2, 6—3, 6—3, 6—4. Grant won the title in 1903, 1904, 1906 and 1908, and has the record of having been either winner or runner up in every indoor tournament for the last seven years. Yesterday's was Touchard's first prominent appearance in indoor tennis. Last year he was put out in the tournamant in the third round by G. L. Wyeth.

The match yesterday was well and keenly played. There was no great amount of lobbing, both players taking to a hard, driving game. Touchard, whose experience as a player has not been great, did not always use the best judgment in selecting his plays. He did not play Grant's backhand as often as he might profitably have done. In general work he was not much inferior to Grant and in particular he received the champion's service very well. He scored no less than seven love games against Grant, while the title holder earned only two such games against him.

Touchard started to play the ball very hard in the first set and in consequence sent many drives out of court. He showed, however, what were his capabilities in the sixth game of the first set, when with the score 40—15 against him he pulled up and took four points and the game. However, he lost the next two and the set.

There was better tennis by Touchard in the second set, which was a hummer all the way through. Grant became overeager and his opponent found his range better, so that he began to drop the ball over Grant's head out of reach. Touchard had the score 2—1 and 40—love in the second set, but began to play them wild again and so lost the fourth game, which squared the match. They ran on even terms to the eighth game and there Grant pulled ahead. Touchard took the service and made a love game, squaring the match at 5—5. The crowd was with him. Touchard couldn't hold it up and lost the next game, making only a point. Here, however, he turned loose some of his extraordinary smashes and took two love games and the set at 8—6.

Grant began then to play some of the tennis of which he is capable and soon had the lead at 3—1. From then on he matched games with Touchard until getting to 5—3 he went out on his own service. He had the fourth set 4—2 and apparently was safely in the lead, when Touchard braced up and got two of the next three games, one of them at love. However, with that he shot his bolt and lost the tenth game, the set and match.

Touchard's play was popular with the crowd and he showed no anxiety or nervousness as to the outcome. He was liberally applauded. The point score and summary:

FIRST SET.

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| Grant (6) | 4 | 3 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 5 | —32 |
| Touchard (3) | 1 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 2 | 3 | —21 |

SECOND SET.

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| Touchard (8) | 5 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 5 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 4 | 4 | 4 | —47 |
| Grant (8) | 3 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | —36 |

THIRD SET.

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| Grant (6) | 4 | 5 | 0 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 2 | 4—30 |
| Touchard (3) | 0 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 2—24 |

FOURTH SET.

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| Grant (6) | 0 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 5 | 0 | 4—28 |
| Touchard (4) | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 2—27 |

Indoor National Championships. Men's singles: Final and championship round—Wylie C. Grant, New York L. T. C., defeated Gustave F. Touchard, New York L. T. C., 6—2, 6—3, 6—3, 6—4.

### RACING AT NEW ORLEANS.

**Sam Hoffheimer Easily Takes the Pickwick Club Steeplechase.**

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 29.—The Pickwick Club steeplechase at City Park to-day resulted in a hollow victory for W. M. Gerst's Sam Hoffheimer, ridden by Sobell and one of the outsiders in the betting. Sam Hoffheimer landed eight lengths in front of Dr Heard and Rejectable. C. Koerner's riding was responsible for the victories of the Corrigan racers, John Carroll and Alma Dufour. Cella's Sea Swell, carrying 123 pounds proved easily best of a fair lot of youngsters in the opening event.

Jockey Troxler was suspended for ten days by Starter Cassidy. Pickens and Ferris got five days each. Summary:

First Race—Three and a half furlongs—Sea Swell, 123 (J. Lee), 4 to 5, won; Anne McGee, 107 (C. Koerner), 4 to 1, second; Pinion, 104 (S. Flynn), 5 to 1, third. Time, 0.41. Mount, Broughan, Fundamental, Gloriole and Roseburg II also ran.

Second Race—Six furlongs—Rhinestone, 102 (Huestis), 15 to 1, won; Bess Ward, 96 (C. Koerner), 7 to 2, second; Florence N., 95 (C. Henry), 9 to 1, third. Time, 1:14 4-5. Hostile, Hyphen, Gee Whiz, Grallot, Betwitched, Linda Lake, Don Q., Rifle Range, Dick Rose, Alveolar and Virginia Maid also ran.

Third Race—Six furlongs—Bitter Sir, 108 (Powers), 8 to 1, won; Rural Boy, 111 (Troxler), 4 to 1, second; Arrow Swift, 102 (J. W. Murphy), 15 to 1, third. Time, 1:14 3-5. Bisk, Berard, Jr., La Scour, Dew of Dawn, Dolando, The Thorn and Aunt Jose also ran.

Fourth Race—Pickwick Club Steeplechase: full course—Sam Hoffheimer, 154 (Sobell), 12 to 1, won; Dr. Heard, 150 (J. Kelly), 8 to 1, second; Rejectable, 141 (Huffman), 12 to 1, third. Time, 3:54. Gold Circle, Bank Holiday, Woodside, Buckman, Pete Vinegar, Dr. Logan, Ralph Reese, Gault and Coal Black Lady also ran.

Fifth Race—One Mile—John Carroll, 104 (C. Koerner), 11 to 5, won; Hyperion II., 109 (J. Lee), 11 to 5, second; Blagg, 107 (Notter), 9 to 5, third. Time, 1:40 3-5. Tokalon and Quagga also ran.

Sixth Race—One mile and a sixteenth—Alma Dufour, 109 (C. Koerner), even money, won; Green Seal, 100 (C. Henry), 3 to 1, second; Beau Brummel, 104 (Notter), 8 to 1, third. Time, 1:47 1-5. Halbard and Donna also ran.

Seventh Race—One mile and a quarter—Belle Scott, 105 (Notter), 3 to 5, won; John Smulski, 104 (Flynn), 11 to 1, second; Gilpin, 109 (C. Booker), 15 to 1, third. Time, 2:08 3-5. Anna Day, Dry Dollar, George Bally and Warner Griswell also ran.

### ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

**Crescents Defeat Bensonhurst Thistles by 9 Goals to 1.**

An overwhelming defeat was sustained by the Bensonhurst Thistles at the hands of the Crescent A. C. in the soccer fixture played at Bay Ridge yesterday. The score was 9 goals to 1. Although having the wind in their favor in the first half the visitors were unable to withstand the onrush of the home team and despote all their efforts three goals were negotiated before half time was called, while the Thistles managed to pass the net but once.

Jackson scored the first goal for the Crescents, followed by Kerr. The Thistles opened splendidly, Nixon cleverly passing the goal keeper for a tally within three minutes of play. This proved, however, to be their only credit, and during the second half the Crescents carried everything before them, Kerr at centre forward playing in splendid style and scoring goal after goal in rapid succession.

At Marquette Oval, Brooklyn, the Critchley Football Club defeated the Brooklyn Zingari football team by the score of 3 goals to 1. The Brooklyns won the toss and decided to take the north goal, which was favored by the wind. Play was evenly contested in the first half, each side securing a goal before time was called. H. Owen scored the goal for the home team, the ball being passed from W. Stiles at centre forward, while shortly after I. Agar put through a nice shot for the Critchleys, the ball passing from W. Leatham at outside right. Shortly after the restart J. McDonald saved a clever goal for the Brooklyns and was well applauded. Things kept even for a time, when I. Agar aided by the wind scored two goals in rapid succession.

### CHESS.

**Julius Finn Successfully Defends His Title to State Championship.**

Julius Finn, State chess champion, defended his title successfully in the final round of the annual championship tournament of the New York State Chess Association, contested at the Everett House in this city yesterday afternoon. In the preliminary rounds a week ago Finn had a clean score of three wins and needed only to draw his last game.

He was paired with Harry Rosenbaum of the Rice Chess Club, who played the black side of a Ruy Lopez in excellent style, but could only draw after forty-one moves. H. Helms of the Brooklyn Chess Club, who preceded Finn as State champion, defeated M. Ayala of the Manhattan Chess Club in twenty-six moves, the former having the black pieces in a Ruy Lopez.

Helms finished with a total score of three points, but was tied for second place by J. Rosenthal of the Rice Chess Club, who with the black pieces won a queen's pawn opening from E. Delmar of the Manhattan Chess Club after fifty-eight moves. Fourth prize was awarded to Rosenbaum, whose score was 2½ points.

**Track Meets for the Indians.**

CARLISLE, Pa., Feb. 29.—Glenn S. Warner, head coach of athletics at the Carlisle Indian School, has announced the following schedule of the field and track events for this spring:

April 18, annual cross-country race; 25, relay races at Philadelphia; May 2, annual interclass meet; 9, State College vs. Carlisle Indians, at State College; 15, Syracuse University vs. Carlisle Indians, at Elmira, N. Y.; 23, triangular meet, Swarthmore, Dickinson and Carlisle Indians, at Carlisle; 30, Intercollegiate State championship meet, at Harrisburg.

# CRESCENTS WIN AT THE TRAPS

### DEFEAT BOSTON A. A. IN FIRST HALF OF TEAM SHOOT.

**New Moon Gunners Take the Lead at Opening of Match and Finish With Score of 580 to 543 for Boston—F. B. Stephenson the High Gun—N. Y. A. C. Results.**

One of the annual fixtures in the winter schedule of sporting events is the meeting of teams representing the Boston Athletic Association and the Crescent Athletic Club the traps. For several years these two clubs have shot a match, one-half on the Crescent grounds and one-half on the Boston grounds, and in all these contests the Boston team has finished second. This match was started yesterday at the Crescent Athletic Club traps at the Parkway Driving Club and the Crescent team finished in the lead by thirty-seven targets.

This year each club is represented by eight marksmen and each man shoots at 100 targets. The scores at the close of yesterday's shooting were: Crescent A. C., 580; Boston A. A., 543.

The match will be finished at the Boston club's grounds on March 14, when teams of eight for each side will again shoot at 100 targets each. The Boston team was weakened this year through the absence of Dr. Gleason, whose professional services were much needed in Boston yesterday. The docor is the amateur champion, but even if he had broken 90 out of his 100, which would have been good shooting yesterday, the Boston team would not have won.

Last night the visitors were entertained at dinner by the Crescent A. C. and at the dinner a medal was presented to G. Mayer of the Boston team for making the best score of the visitors. G. Mayor and Roy Faye tied at the end of the shoot for high gun with 73 each, and the shoot off followed in the next match, when Mayor broke 22 and Faye 21.

It was a good day for shooting, but not one that was of benefit to high scoring. A gusty wind swept across the traps, the light was very bright and it was cold. The Boston team after having luncheon at the town house of the Crescent club was taken to the shooting grounds in automobiles and after a few preliminary shoots soon got ready for the big event.

The visitors looked very neat wearing blue sweaters bound in yellow braid and adorned with brass buttons and on each sweater was a unicorn's head, the club emblem. The Crescent men were not so neat. Some wore the club's gray sweater with the red Crescent, while others had on leather shooting jackets, and the headgear was varied. H. M. Henry wore a Davy Crockett cap, which is of coon skin with big ear flaps, which gave him a picturesque appearance. L. M. Palmer, Jr., anticipating St. Patrick's Day, wore a brilliant green cardigan jacket, and other costumes were as picturesque.

Jack Fanning was the referee of the match and officiated at No. 2 traps. D. Dewey, Jr., of Boston, was the judge at that set. At the other set C. B. Tucker of Boston was the referee and Dr. S. P. Hopkins of the Crescent Club was the judge, but things ran along so smoothly that no officials were necessary.

The men shot in squads of four, two Crescents and two Boston men. These squads shot at 25 targets first at No. 1 traps and then moved on to No. 2. On the first squad were F. W. Moffet and D. T. Leahy of the Crescents and W. G. Titcomb and F. W. Owen of Boston. Moffett started and missed. Titcomb followed and missed and Leahy and Owen each killed, so that at the end of the first round the teams were tied. Moffett missed again, Titcomb missed, Leahy killed and Owen missed. In the third round Leahy was the only one to kill and in the fourth round Moffett and Leahy killed. This put the Crescent team in the lead by 4 and after that they were never headed.

At the end of the first twenty-five the score was Crescent, 40; Boston, 31. At the end of the first fifty the score was Crescent, 83; Boston, 67. At the end of the third squad shooting the scores were Crescent, 125; Boston, 94, and with one-quarter of the match over the scores were Crescent, 167; Boston, 144. Each mar had then shot at twenty-five targets and the Crescents led by 23.

On the second round the Crescent shooters broke 137 and the Boston shooters 125, so that the Crescents' lead had been increased to 35. On the third quarter of the match the Crescent lead was increased to 36 and on the last quarter to 37.

The best shooting of the match was done by Frank B. Stephenson, who broke 85 out of 100. H. M. Henry was second with 76 and F. W. Moffett third with 74.

The scores by squads, which will tell at a glance how the shoot progressed, are as follows:

FIRST SQUAD.

| Name and Club. | | | | |
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| F. W. Moffett, C. A. C. | 18 | 19 | 22 | 15—74 |
| G. Titcomb, B. A. A. | 17 | 10 | 16 | 14—57 |
| D. T. Leahy, C. A. C. | 22 | 14 | 16 | 18—70 |
| F. W. Owen, B. A. A. | 14 | 17 | 20 | 16—67 |

SECOND SQUAD.

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| J. T. Gilman, B. A. A. | 16 | 15 | 18 | 17—66 |
| A. G. Southworth, C. A. C. | 23 | 13 | 18 | 11—65 |
| G. R. Clark, B. A. A. | 20 | 15 | 15 | 18—68 |
| G. G. Stephenson, Jr. | 20 | 17 | 19 | 15—71 |

THIRD SQUAD.

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