GOLFERS NEED NOT SPLIT

COMPROMISE POSSIBLE ON THE MALLET PUTTERS.

C. B. Macdonald Suggests an Interpretation of Rule on American Lines—Writes From Scotland to Secretary Watson and Expounds the Situation.

C. B. Macdonald, former amateur champion and founder of the National Golf Course, is now in Scotland, where he is an old member of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews and as one of the rules committee fully conversant with the recent ruling regarding the form and make of golf clubs. A feeling has been prevalent here that the Schenectady putter has been unjustly discriminated against, and as to this it is an open secret that the delegates to the annual meeting of the United States Golf Association on January 14 do not propose to accept the St. Andrews ruling.

By request of Robert C. Watson, secretary of the United States Golf Association, Mr. Macdonald has sent to him a history of the facts leading to the recent ruling. A copy of this communication is to be sent to each golf club in the country in order that the situation may be thoroughly understood. This is the new rule that the U. S. G. A. must indorse or evade:

"The rules of golf committee intimates that it will not sanction any substantial departure from the traditional and accepted form and make of golf clubs, which in its opinion consists of a plain shaft and a head which does not contain any mechanical contrivance, such as springs; it also regards as illegal the use of such clubs as those of the mallet headed type or such clubs as have the neck so bent as to produce a similar effect.

"Note, the rules of golf committee intimates that the following general considerations will guide it in an interpretation of this rule:

"1. The head of a golf club shall be so constructed that the length of the head from the back of the heel to the toe shall be greater than the breadth from the face to the back of the head.

"2. The shaft shall be fixed at the heel or to a neck, socket or hose which terminates at the heel.

"3. The lower part of the shaft shall, if produced, meet the heel of the club, or (as, for example, in the case of the Park and Tulloch clubs) a point opposite the heel, either to the right or left, when the club is soled in the ordinary position for play."

The rules until the code of 1908, in the training of which the U. S. G. A. took an active part, held no clause regarding the form and make of golf clubs. A player has always been left to play with any kind of club he desired, no matter how great a freak. In 1909 the St. Andrews rules committee in reply to a query decided: "A small croquet mallet is not a golf club and is inadmissible."

"This caused much comment," states Mr. Macdonald, "in golfing circles abroad, especially in England, and there was considerable pressure brought to bear on the rules committee to define more particularly the form and make of golf club which was permissible. In April last the committee made this ruling: 'To add to the clause on form and make of golf clubs words which shall declare all clubs with heads of the mallet type to be a substantial departure from the traditional and accepted form and make of golf clubs.'

"Mr. Macdonald through correspondence told the members of the rules committee that through the numbers in this country who favored the Schenectady putter the ruling would be unpopular here. The committeemen expressed their regret that the Americans were not in sympathy with them. There is a strong feeling in Great Britain against centre shafted clubs. Mr. Macdonald by further correspondence found the way to a compromise, providing at the U. S. G. A. annual meeting there is a prejudice manifested against the ruling on the form and make of golf clubs.

"This is Mr. Macdonald's summing up:

"Now, to come to the situation in this country. Since the formation of the United States Golf Association in 1894 the strongest sentiment has animated the association to play the same game of golf as is played in the home of its birth, and not to have two different games. The varied and widespread interests of golf under different conditions in this country only emphasize the importance of our adhering to a standard and avoiding the adoption or permission of anything that would seem to place one competitor at a disadvantage with his adversary. There has always been a by-law of the United States Golf Association stating:

"Competitions shall be played in accordance with the rules of golf as adopted by the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews, with the rulings and interpretations as adopted by the United States Golf Association.

"In view of the present situation all of us in this country must decide whether we will play the game as it is played in Scotland or whether we shall break away and play the game according to various whims and fancies, which certainly must mean that there would be a different game of golf in nearly every section of the United States before long.

"There is another way out—one of compromise. The United States Golf Association can adopt the St. Andrews rules and interpret a mallet headed type of club so as not to bar the Schenectady. I have a letter from Capt. Burn, chairman of the rules committee, as follows:

"The enclosed is a copy of the clause on form and make of golf club as added to by the rules committee under the mandate of the general meeting of the club in May. The wording is not what the committee would have selected had it not been for the views expressed in your letter of October to the committee, which have endeavored by inserting the note to leave to the United States Golf Association an opportunity to interpret the clause on form and make of golf club to its own satisfaction without nominally refusing to adopt the rules of golf as passed by the R. & A. club, which I think clearly shows that in this instance, as in every instance to my knowledge, the rules of golf committee have tried to do everything in their power to meet the wishes and desires of the United States Golf Association and American golfers.

JACK ATKIN BEATEN.

Follie Levy Defeats Favorite in Azteca Handicap.

TORREZ, Mexico, Dec. 18.—The 3,000 racing enthusiasts at Terrazas Park to-day received the worst blow of the meeting when their favorite, Jack Atkin, met defeat by Follie Levy in the Azteca Handicap at six furlongs. Although defeated Jack Atkin was not disgraced, as he was required by the handicapper to dut up 140 pounds and conceded lumps of weight to his entire field. The task proved too much of a burden and second was the best he could get.

The filly jumped away with a four length lead early, and although Jack Atkin made several attempts to cut down the lead the filly was there with a burst of speed to hold him safe and won easing up by four lengths. Jack Atkin was a neck before Round the World.

The summaries:

First Race. Six furlongs—Won by Sain Fox (102, Molesworth), 15 to 1; You Win, 107 (Murphy), 4 to 1, second; McNally, 107 (Rettig), 3 to 2, third. Time, 1:15 3-5. Personally, Rather Royal, Senator Paynter, St. Joe, John Sparks, Judith Page and Tom Franks also ran.

Second Race. Selling, six furlongs—Won by Jim Top, 114 (S. Smith), 7 to 1; Preen, 107 (Rey-nolds), 7 to 1, second; The Slicker, 107 (Murphy), 4 to 1, third. Time, 1:14. Lista, Roberta, Hi Silver, Pal Hart, Pannell and Flying Pearl also ran.

Third Race. One mile—Won by Meadow, 123 (Molesworth), 9 to 10; Lomond, 98 (Nolan), 4 to 1, second; Ocean Queen, 100 (Moore), 4 to 1, third. Time, 1:39. Lucky Mose and Harlem Maid also ran.

Fourth Race. The Azteca handicap, six furlongs—Won by Follie Levy, 113 (Murphy), 7 to 1; Jack Atkin, 140 (Molesworth), even, second; Round the World, 102 (Vanmusen), 6 to 1, third. Time, 1:15 3-5. Trance, Al Muller, Cherryola and Helmet also ran.

Fifth Race. Five and a half furlongs—Won by Imperial Pearl, 109 (Allen), 4 to 1; Helen Scott, 105 (Nolan), 5 to 2, second; Commendation, 105 (Lane), 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:07 4-5. Pit-a-pat, Bob Farley, Deadwood, The Hague, Union Jack and Idle also ran.

Sixth Race. Selling, one mile—Won by General Greenmont, 109 (R. Wilson), 3 to 1; Bad News, 109 (Reide), 13 to 5, second; John Louis, 113 (Murphy), 2 to 1, third. Time, 1:39 3-5. Barney Oldfield and Fred Mulholland also ran.

Cornell's Lacrosse Schedule.

ITHACA, Dec. 18.—The Cornell lacrosse schedule for this coming spring calls for seven games, the longest schedule in this sport made at Ithaca in a good many years. Johns Hopkins, Swarthmore, West Point and Maryland University are new games this year. The schedule follows:

April 6, Navy at Annapolis; 7, Maryland University at Baltimore; 8, Johns Hopkins University at Baltimore; 16, Swarthmore College at Swarthmore; 22, Rochester L. C. Club at Ithaca.

May 5, Columbia at New York; 6, Crescent A. C. at New York; 13, Harvard at Ithaca; 19, West Point at West Point; 20, Stevens Institute at Hoboken; 30, Hobart at Geneva.

TRAP SHOOTING.

Full Score Made in All Matches at Larchmont G. C.

There was a record attendance at the Larchmont traps yesterday where a score of members of the gun club competed at the weekly shoot for the prizes offered in six contests. The conditions were all in favor of the shooters, resulting in full scores in all of the matches.

R. Lewis with a total score of 116 was high gun for the day. K. R. Hooker was the runner up with 113 to his credit. Nineteen faced the traps in the ten target scratch contest and this was won by Hooker with a full score. He also won the leg for the Sauer gun with all his targets smashed. R. Lewis, shooting against eighteen others in the fifteen traget scratch contest, captured the prize with a full score.

The leg for the commodore's cup was won by G. J. Bready with a full score after shooting off with L. C. Dalley. O. the fifteen gunners that competed for the leg for the December cup J. Crawford, shooting from scratch, proved the winner. He smashed all of his 25 clay birds.

The high gun record is as follows: R. Lewis, 116; K. R. Hooker, 113; J. S. Batterson, 108; S. Samson, 108; E. G. Wilson, 105; J. Crawford, 102; W. B. Short, 102; G. Lembeck, 101; W. J. Elias, 100; Dr. Collins, 99; G. J. Bready, 98; H. Johnson, 94; E. C. Abbott, 84; Hallenger, 79. The summary:

10 Targets, Scratch—K. R. Hooker, 10; W. J. Elias, 9; R. Johnson, 9; R. Lewis, 9; J. Crowe, 9; Dr. Collins, 8; G. Lembeck, 8; E. C. Abbott, 8; E. A. Wilson, 8; J. F. Fanny, 8; S. Samson, 8; W. B. Short, 8; J. Crawford, 8; J. G. Bready, 7; L. C. Dalley, 7; J. G. Batterson, 6; J. Morrison, 4.

15 Targets, Scratch—R. Lewis, 15; S. Samson, 14; G. Lembeck, 13; Dr. Short, 13; K. R. Hooker, 12; J. G. Batterson, 12; E. A. Wilson, 12; J. Fanny, 12; R. Johnson, 12; J. G. Bready, 12; J. Hallenger, 11; W. J. Elias, 10; J. Crawford, 10; Dr. Collins, 9; J. Morrison, 9; L. C. Dalley, 8; J. Crowe, 7. Won by R. Lewis.

Baudouine Cup—25 targets, handicap—W. J. Elias, 3, 25; K. R. Hooker, 2, 25; J. G. Batterson, 2, 25; E. A. Wilson, 1, 25; J. Fanny, scratch, 24; L. C. Dalley, 7, 24; Dr. Munyon, 2, 23; Dr. Collins, scratch, 22; G. Lembeck, 1, 22; G. J. Bready, 2, 22; S. Samson, 1, 22; R. Lewis, scratch, 23; J. Hallenger, scratch, 20; E. C. Abbott, 2, 18; J. Crawford, scratch, 18; R. Johnson, scratch, 16; J. Morrison, 2, 16; J. Crowe, scratch, 15. Won by J. G. Batterson.

Commodore's Cup—25 targets, handicap—G. J. Bready, 3, 25; L. C. Dalley, 7, 25; K. R. Hooker, 2, 24; R. Lewis, scratch, 24; J. Crawford, 2, 23; W. B. Short, 2, 23; J. G. Batterson, 1, 22; J. Fanny, scratch, 22; S. Samson, 1, 22; E. A. Wilson, 1, 21; G. Lembeck, 1, 20; Dr. Collins, 1, 20; G. Emmerson, 3, 19; J. Morrison, 2, 19; R. Johnson, scratch, 17; E. C. Abbott, 2, 17. Tie between Dalley and Bready, won by Bready.

Sauer Gun, 25 Targets, Handicap—W. J. Elias, 3, 25; K. R. Hooker, 2, 25; J. G. Batterson, 1, 24; J. Fanny, scratch, 24; E. A. Wilson, 2, 25; R. Lewis, scratch, 23; G. Lembeck, 1, 22; S. Samson, 1, 22; G. J. Bready, 3, 21; R. Johnson, scratch, 20; W. B. Short, 2, 20; J. Hallenger, scratch, 19; E. C. Abbott, scratch, 19; J. Morrison, 2, 19; Dr. Collins, scratch, 18; J. Crawford, scratch, 18. Tie between Elias and Hooker won by Hooker.

December Cup, 25 Targets, Handicap—J. Crawford, scratch, 25; K. R. Hooker, 2, 24; R. Lewis, 1, 24; S. Samson, 1, 24; W. J. Elias, 3, 23; W. B. Short, 2, 23; Dr. Collins, scratch, 22; J. G. Batterson, 1, 22; G. J. Bready, 2, 22; E. A. Wilson, 1, 21; G. Lembeck, 1, 20; R. Johnson, scratch, 20; E. C. Abbott, scratch, 19; T. Lenane, Jr., 3, 18; J. Hallenger, scratch, 11. Won by Crawford.

LAUNCH OF ENCHANTRESS.

Schooner Built for W. E. Iselin Takes Water at Boston.

BOSTON, Dec. 18. The schooner yacht Enchantress, built at Lawley's for William E. Iselin, was launched from her builder's yard in South Boston yesterday. Mr. and Mrs. Iselin and members of their family and many yachtsmen were present to see the handsome craft take her first dip in the water. Mrs. Iselin christened the yacht and broke the conventional bottle of wine on its bow as it started to glide down the ways.

Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Iselin, Theodore D. Ferris, representing the designers of the yacht, A. Cary Smith & Ferris, Gordon Dexter, A. W. Longfellow, Capt. Oliver Smith, who has had charge of Mr. Iselin's yachts for many years, Capt. Edward Sherlock and several other captains whose yachts are now laid up at Lawley's.

The Enchantress is a steel vessel 136 feet on deck, 109 feet on water line, 27 feet beam, 15 feet draught and 4 feet 8 inches least freeboard. She is classed 00A3 at Lloyd's. The hull is built of steel, the strakes are narrow and all laps are double riveted. The keel is built on the trough principle and a centreboard drops through the lead. The deck is of selected white pine. The companion house is 33 feet from the taffrail and is of steel covered with teak. It has seats inside and outside and has large deadlights fore and aft and windows at the sides.

The companionway leads below to a vestibule. Aft of this is a double stateroom for the owner, and forward on the starboard side is the owner's bathroom and on the port side a large guests' room. There are two forward other staterooms, all well appointed, lighted and ventilated. The main saloon is forward of these staterooms and is 14 feet by 18 feet between the sofas. There are swinging tables to seat four and eight respectively. The yacht is to be heated by hot water and in the saloon is an open grate.

The Enchantress will spread considerable canvas and much attention has been paid to the rigging by the designers. She will carry three boats on the davits and next season will take part in races whenever possible.

SPORTS AT SYRACUSE.

Graduate Coaching May Be Taken Up for the Football Team.

SYRACUSE, Dec. 18.—Next Tuesday evening at the University Club a meeting of the former captains and football players of Syracuse University will be held to consider the question of graduate coaching. The student body is demanding that the present system be changed to that in vogue in most of the other large colleges of the East. A strong alumni demand has also arisen for graduate coaching.

The meeting is to be informal and any action taken will not bind the local athletic authorities. It is probable that the meeting will record itself in favor of a Syracuse coach. Among those in favor of the plan are District Attorney George H. Bond, Mayor Edward Schoeneck and other influential alumni. The coaching of Tad Jones this fall was eminently satisfactory, but it is argued that a permanent system of coaching by graduates would in the long run be more successful.

Among the men spoken of are De Forest Cummings, a prominent attorney of Buffalo, who for the last five years has turned out the strongest elevens in the western part of this state. M. Beal Banks, who has been coaching Kentucky State, Bill Horr, the All America tackle, formerly coach at Northwestern, H. H. Patten, linecoach this year, and Earl Boland, assistant backfield coach. Henry Costello is also being favorably considered. C. W. P. Reynolds, coach of Hobart for the last two years, is another man mentioned.

Prospects for a winning football team next year are bright. At the football banquet this week seventy-one men from the freshman and varsity squads agreed to be on hand before the opening of college next fall for early practice. This material is the finest that it has ever been the privilege of Syracuse to draw from. Among the new men are:

Rafferty of Boston, the old Mercersburg quarterback, and Hillinger, a Buffalo High School star; Ed Brown, the old Mercersburg tackle; Reed, the local giant, Bruce Wakefield of Orange, Vt., and Lewis Johnson of Ogdensburg. All but four of this year's team will return to college in the fall. Wilkinson is coming to be recognized as one of the strongest halfbacks in the East and Dean Waite, the Ohio lad, is as good a kicker as there is in the country.

No announcement has yet been made regarding next year's football schedule. The intercollegiate situation is somewhat muddied this year and at the present time practically all the Eastern colleges are playing a waiting game.

The basketball team is the best seen here since the days of Powell, Redline and the other Buffalo boys who won for Syracuse the intercollegiate championship. By defeating the picked team of local amateurs last week the university team won the amateur championship of the city. The first college game was played with Rensselaer Saturday night.

Cornell Again Declines to Join Intercollegiate Athletic Association.

ITHACA, Dec. 18.—For the second time since the Intercollegiate Athletic Association of the United States was formed Cornell has declined to become a member. The university faculty at its last meeting considered an invitation from that organization which urged Cornell to join, but after consideration the proposition was turned down. To-day's action is to be final.

CURRENT SPORTING GOSSIP

"ONE ROUND" HOGAN ANOTHER LIGHTWEIGHT FACTOR.

Beats Frayne to a Frazzle in Frisco Although the Latter Stays Twenty Rounds—Welsh Favorite Over Driscoll for To-morrow's Big Scrap in Wales.

One Round Hogan, a new candidate for lightweight honors, beat Johnny Frayne on a decision in twenty rounds in San Francisco Saturday afternoon. Hogan was unheard of a year ago, but he has suddenly come into the limelight with a number of quick knockouts. He had Frayne almost out in the fourth round, but he could not land a finishing wallop. In every succeeding round Frayne received an unmerciful beating, but he weathered the gale and stayed to the end. Both of Frayne's eyes were closed and he fell into his chair almost helpless when the final gong sounded. Hogan is 21 years old and a native son. For a lightweight he is a terrific puncher, but lacks a sufficient amount of science to be classed as a first rater. But experience will do much for him, it is believed, and after a while he says he will challenge Wolgast, Moran and Welsh, the English champion.

Frayne has been fighting for six years or more. He boxed no decision bouts here in 1908 with Amby McGarry, Jack Dorman, Bert Keyes and Freddie Welsh. Last year he trimmed Young Corbett in California, while he got a decision over Fighting Dick Hyland in twenty rounds. This winning streak was cut short, however, by Lew Powell, who beat him in eight rounds. Frayne figured to beat Hogan on pugilistic form, so the latter's victory was somewhat surprising. Hogan may come East shortly to meet K. O. Brown, Tommy Murphy, Pal Moore, Jack Goodman or any other good lightweight.

Freddie Welsh, the lightweight champion of England, is a 10 to 8 favorite for his twenty round bout with Jem Driscoll, the British featherweight champion, to be decided in Cardiff, Wales, to-morrow. This match is interesting ring followers on both sides of the Atlantic Ocean. The men will box for a purse of $12,500, the weight being 132 pounds ringside, and Peggy Bettinson of the National Sporting Club of London will referee. Both Welsh and Driscoll were born in Wales, where glove fighting is the rage just now.

The ring will be pitched in a skating rink where more than 6,000 spectators can be accommodated. Although Welsh will have to exert himself to make the weight he will get into the ring with about four pounds more than Driscoll's avoirdupois, which may prove a distinct advantage. There is no doubt that Welsh and Driscoll are the greatest boxers that Great Britain has produced in years. In fact it is a question whether any boxer in the world can excel them in point of science. But neither has a knockout blow and for that reason it is generally believed the bout will go the limit. Driscoll has so much confidence in himself that he will wager $5,000 on the side at prevailing odds. If he wins he says he will visit this country again in search of a match with Abe Attell for the world's featherweight title. Welsh may come over too prepared to meet either Wolgast or Moran.

Packy McFarland went back to Chicago Saturday afternoon after vainly trying to induce Abe Attell to live up to his agreement to meet him at the Fairmont A. C. Attell wouldn't budge an inch, much to McFarland's disgust. The National Sporting Club announced yesterday that Attell had been matched to box ten rounds next Friday night with Jack Goodman, the weight to be 135 pounds at 6 o'clock. If the bout actually materializes, it will prove one of the most interesting of the winter. Goodman is not so clever as McFarland but he is a harder hitter and will outweigh Attell by at least a dozen pounds.

Jack Johnson announces that he is ready to take part in several six round bouts either in Pittsburg or Philadelphia. He has been doing some strenuous work in private lately and declares that he is in excellent condition. The Pittsburg and Philadelphia boxing promoters may ask Johnson to meet Sam Langford in a short bout and will guarantee him a big bunch of money. Langford is ready to fight the heavyweight champion under such conditions, but whether Johnson will agree to tackle the Boston slugger or not remains to be seen. Joe Jeannette, by the way, has finally decided not to meet Langford again at least for some time to come.

Two bouts of importance are offered by local clubs for to-night. Jimmy Walsh, the American bantam champion, and Joe Coster, will box ten rounds at catch weights in the Marathon A. C., Brooklyn, while Jack Dorman and Johnny Marto will clash in a similar contest at the Olympic A. C. in Harlem.

Another "hope of the white race" has been discovered and will soon receive a test in the ring. His name is Carl Morris and he was formerly a railroad fireman. He has been fighting for three months in Oklahoma and has reduced to 240 pounds. Morris has knocked out all comers with a right hand swing and is said to have displayed remarkably agility for a man of his weight and inches. To find out whether he is a real contender or not sporting men of Sapulpa, Okla., have matched Morris with Marvin Hart, the Louisville heavyweight and they will meet in that city to-morrow for fifteen rounds.

Robert Emslie, who has been umpiring in the National League for nearly twenty years, will not be assigned to further duty next season. He will be pensioned by the league, it is said, because of his long and faithful service. Hank O'Day will succeed him as the "dean of umpires." Emslie pitched for the Baltimore American Association team back in the '80s and for a time was a star in that capacity. He became a great umpire after Honest John Kelly, Gaffney, Ferguson, McLean and other judges of play had retired. Together with Tom Lynch, now president of the National League, Hank O'Day, Tim Hurst and Charley Snyder, Emslie maintained discipline on the ball field and enjoyed the confidence of players, magnates and fans. Last year it was charged that Emslie's eyesight was defective, but this was denied by the veteran umpire. Among the applicants for places on the National League's umpire staff are Jack Doyle and John J. McMahon, once with the champion Baltimores, and George Gore of the Chicagos and Giants twenty years ago.

When asked about the present agitation for increased batting Ban Johnson said he didn't favor changes in the rules because of the adoption of a new ball last season. This ball has a cork centre and is said to be "livelier" than the old sphere with a rubber core. Johnson believes that the cork ball insures more batting and that it simply requires another test. While many suggestions have been made only one appears to find general favor, the removal of the raised pitcher's box. It is the consensus that the placing of the pitcher on a level with with the batsmen and basemen will increase the batting to a marked degree. Baseball men who are looking into the matter declare that no good reason exists for the present elevation of the slab. It is said that at several ball parks the slab is raised nearly two feet higher than the plate, which gives the pitcher a tremendous advantage in that he hurls the ball down hill at the man with the stick. The rules committee will consider this point at length at its meeting in February.

The Highlanders will train at Athens, Ga., after all. They may visit Hot Springs, Va., late in February, but will not train in Richmond, as it is now believed the weather is not warm enough there for early spring practice. The club has a lease on the grounds at Athens, where the team prepared for last season's campaign. Secretary Davis says these men have already signed for 1911: Sweeney, Clair, Quinn, Warhop, Vaughn, Fisher, Caldwell, Chase, Gardner, Knight, Cree and Hemphill. Contracts have been sent to Ford, Hughes, Austin, Roach, Foster, Daniels, Walter, Laporte, Mitchell and Walsh; also to the new players, Elliott, Priest, Jube, McClure, Litschie, Daily and Revelle. All these men will go South to be put through a gruelling by Manager Chase and Scout Irwin.

When Charles Webb Murphy arrived in Chicago from the league meeting here last week he announced that he might arrange a deal with the Pittsburg club by which Pitcher Overall of the Cubs would be traded for Pitcher Camnitz. Murphy tried in vain to unload some of the Cubs here, but the other magnates could not see any of his propositions with a telescope. If the Overall-Camnitz deal goes through baseball sharps say it will be an even break, as both men have seen their best days.

BILLIARDS.

Intercity and Championship Matches Here This Week.

Alfred De Oro and John W. Daly are to play this week for the Lambert trophy, which is emblematic of the three cushion championship. The match will be played at Doyle's billiard academy on West Forty-second street to-morrow, Wednesday and Thursday nights.

Although De Oro is said to be playing the cushion game as well as he ever did there are many who doubt his ability to go at a championship pace so soon after winning the world's pool championship. During his practice for the pool contest with Keogh the marvellous Cuban dropped three cushions entirely. Three weeks ago he won the pool title and immediately switched back to three cushions.

Daly is one of the experts who believe in specializing at only one game. Once he was a pool expert and participated in many big tournaments and matches. When he took up three cushions he dropped pool. Jerome Keogh, former pool champion, shuns all billiard games, but De Oro and Thomas Hueston are two headliners who claim that one man can play both games well enough to defend both championships. Hueston has a challenge in to meet the winner of this match. De Oro has twice won the three cushion title, defeating Hueston for it both times. Last winter he was caught off his game by Fred Eames of Denver and lost the title, but regained it last spring from Hueston, who had wrested the honors from Eames.

The match will be for the usual affair of 150 points divided into three sections. At stake is the Lambert trophy, a diamond emblem worth $1,000, a $500 wager, the title and the entire gate receipts.

The Philadelphia National League billiard team will begin a series of three games to-night with the local club at Doyle's Forty-second street academy. To-morrow and Wednesday the games will be played in the afternoon, as in the evening the academy will be used for the De Oro-Daly match. Sol Allinger, the manager of the Philadelphia club, will accompany his team, which will likely be led by Joseph Mayer, the well known amateur.

HOCKEY.

Crescents Win and Lose at Cleveland—N. Y. A. C. Team.

The Crescent Athletic Club hockey team visited Cleveland last week and played two exhibition games against the newly organized team of the Cleveland Hockey Club. The first game was somewhat of a surprise to the New Moon players. They found the local players a most aggressive lot and rough house tactics were indulged in freely. In the first half the score was 2 to 1 in favor of Cleveland. In the second half the Crescents scored twice and Cleveland once, making the game a tie. An extra period was played and Cleveland made the winning goal.

In the second game the Crescent team played well and fast and won by a score of 3 to 0. The game was very rough. Kennedy and Martin were hurt, and in both games the Cleveland players incurred the displeasure of the umpire so that many were sent to the bench.

Ray Mallen, the new player on the New York Athletic Club hockey team, is attracting much attention at the St. Nicholas Rink in the practices of the team because he is said to have just as much speed as Jimmy Shirreff, who is this year playing with his first club, the Crescents, and what is still better works well with Castleman. Mallen is a new importation; the New Yorks are great at bringing in new players without paying duty and this year the team has been strengthened very much, because Ben Rhodes wants to keep the cup his team has won twice. The New Yorks have another star player, also from Canada, named Magor. He is 6 feet tall, weighs 190 pounds and formerly played with the Victorias of Montreal. He plays on the defence. White, Broadfoot and Magor are fighting for the position of point. The Wingess Foot aggregation is showing up wonderfully well at practice, but injuries often fall down when they get in a real game. There are five doctors on this team, Mills, Pennworthy, Sims, White and Barry. They may be useful some time during the season to help patch up wounded players.

The Intercollegiate Hockey League will meet at the St. Nicholas Skating Rink next Wednesday and settle where the Yale-Princeton-Harvard games are to be played this season. Harvard insists that both Yale and Princeton shall go to Boston, while Yale and Princeton are in favor of the Yale-Harvard game being played here. Yale and Princeton recently flipped a coin to see which team should play Harvard at the local rink. Yale won the toss and Princeton is determined to back the Blue against Harvard.

The annual meeting of the New Jersey Amateur Hockey League was held recently and the election of officers resulted as follows: K. B. Gordon, president; G. A. Hornfeck, vice-president; M. Goodhody, secretary and treasurer. The league will be made up of four clubs, the same as last year, the Montclair Athletic Club, the Englewood Field Club, the Short Hills Hockey Club and the South Orange Field club.

The following schedule was adopted for the season:

January 7, Englewood at Montclair, South Orange at Short Hills; 14, Short Hills at Englewood, Montclair at South Orange; 21, South Orange at Englewood, Short Hills at Montclair; 28, South Orange at Montclair, Englewood at Short Hills; February 4, Montclair at Englewood, Short Hills at South Orange; 11, Short Hills at Montclair, Englewood at South Orange.

CROSS-COUNTRY RUNNING.

Regular Weekly Spins of the Morningside A. C. and Pennant A. C.

Of the packs out for the regular weekly exercise yesterday the most formidable turned up at the Morningside A. C., and out of the array which covered the road way the fine string of thirty-five got the course of three and three-quarter miles. For the last mile and three-quarters it was the hottest sort of a tussle between Frank Masterson of the Mohawk A. C. and Eddie Jordon of the Xavier A. A. After the pack got under way the pacing was done by Charles Timmins and A. Mallory of the home club. They stayed in the van for two miles when Masterson and Jordon came along and shot into the lead with a rush. From that to the finish the pair raced each other with every muscle strained. A hundred yards from the line they were level, but in the sprint which followed Masterson had a little more speed and he won by a couple of yards.

The summary:

Pos.	Name and Club.	Time. M. S.
1	F. Masterson, Mohawk A. C.	20 00
2	E. Jordan, Xavier A. A.	20 01
3	J. Hayes, Irish A. C.	20 15
4	C. Timmins, Morningside A. C.	20 26
5	E. Brown, Mohawk A. C.	20 30
6	W. Wilson, Hudson Guild	20 43
7	C. Rossenico, Leguria A. C.	20 49
8	G. Booth, Mohawk A. C.	20 54
9	A. Malloy, Morningside A. C.	21 00
10	C. Burres, New West Side A. C.	21 03
11	J. Tepper, West End A. A.	21 22
12	J. Brooks, Bronx Catholic Club	21 25
13	S. Ost, Morris A. A.	21 27
14	C. McCann, Morningside A. C.	21 30
15	J. Gurin, Trinity A. C.	21 41
16	J. Boschi, Xavier A. A.	21 51
17	J. Olsen, West End A. A.	21 57
18	J. Vlahane, Mohawk A. C.	22 03
19	E. Hammil, B. L. C.	22 16
20	J. Munier, Hudson Guild	22 17
21	F. Crosby, unattached	22 33
22	Pat Dunn, unattached	22 51
23	J. Brown, Xavier A. A.	22 55
24	A. Sacht, unattached	22 56
25	J. Mersfelder, Xavier A. A.	22 59
26	J. Dwyer, Trinity A. C.	23 00
27	L. Nathan, Irish American A. C.	23 01
28	J. McGuigan, Morningside A. C.	23 05
29	C. Levy, Deerfoot A. C.	23 23
30	H. Hawnan, Kenwood A. C.	24 19
31	J. Olsen, Trinity A. C.	24 24
32	J. Blessing, Lakewood A. C.	24 40
33	J. Inglia, Pavonia A. C.	24 46
34	W. Bowker, Monitor A. C.	24 51
35	J. O'Kane, Homestead A. C.	24 52

The size of the Pennant A. C. pack suffered on account of the other runs, but nevertheless those who covered the club course of three and three-quarters miles hit up a fast gait. George Schwing of the West End A. C. made the running all the way and won by over a quarter of a mile. The summary:

Pos.	Name and Club.	Time. M. S.
1	George Schwing, West End A. A.	21 20
2	Emil Guastaferro, Pennant A. C.	23 30
3	Dante Gerelli, Unione Sportiva Italiano	23 40
4	L. Borgers, St. Paul's Guild	24 00
5	T. Blackwood, West New York A. C.	24 20
6	S. Benfatto, Unione Sportiva Italiano	26 00

F. Voelker came home first from a pack of twenty in the weekly six mile run of Trinity Club yesterday. He covered the distance in 33 minutes and 3 seconds, which is 3 seconds faster than the old mark for the course.

Large fields participated in both the walking and running races held by the Jamaica A. A. yesterday. T. Carroll of the home club was the winner of the walk in 19 minutes flat. Frank Plant of the Long Island A. C. was the victor of the running event in 31 minutes.

AMONG THE AUTOMOBILISTS

URGING THE FORMATION OF A GRAND CIRCUIT.

Nationwide Interest in Racing May Have Reward in a More Rational Schedule of Dates—Our Cars Will Develop More Speed With More Competition.

One of the biggest items of expense in the racing business for manufacturers is caused by the long jumps about the country that have to be made to take in the leading meets. Maintaining a racing stable costs all the way from $50,000 to $100,000. Some makers pay less than this low figure, but they have only small teams and do not enter many meets. Others again pay above the $100,000 mark. They have many cars and many drivers and large squads of helpers.

The cost of racing in this country would amount to surprising figures if the various companies that are prominent in it could be got to tell exactly what they expend. Many of them, however, believe that is nobody's business but their own. They get it all back and a lot more when they are successful, and if they aren't, why, they just take what is coming to them and hope for better luck next time.

When a company goes in for racing with special machines designed in a way that isn't stock at all it has to pay a great deal more than a firm that races strictly stock cars. The latter, if it is particularly fortunate in racing, makes a greater margin of profit. Especially so as the ability to say truthfully that a car which made a fine record is a stock car is one of the strongest arguments in favor of speed and stability that can be offered as a rule.

The long jumps from one meet to another, as has been said, make a very formidable item in the cost of maintaining a racing stable. It is because of this that it is being urged with greater force for next season to establish a circuit of speedway racing. The speedway races have been much before the public of late, although the big road races attract attention particularly because of the international fields.

If a circuit were arranged so that teams could go from one track to the other, making short jumps in a definite order the public would probably become more conversant with what is being attempted and the manufacturers would be able to reduce expenses materially. Racing is one of the best forms of advertisement, just as successful competition in athletics is an asset to a college, and the makers who are in the racing business will not readily give it up anyway.

But a more general participation in racing events would be possible if the schedule of dates were arranged so that more makers would be able to enter.

The folks most interested in racing believe that now is the time to work hardest for the grand circuit next season. The season's dates will be announced soon by the contest board of the A. A. A., which only recently requested the promoters to get their requests for sanctions in early, so that figuring could be done.

Fred J. Wagner, starter of all the prominent automobile contests in the country, believes this is the right time to begin planning for the circuit. He has seen the big events of the year from coast to coast and he knows the interest that folks have in racing. The far West is particularly keen on it and he feels that this interest should be rewarded. When the Pacific Coast people get better trained in the handling of race meets they will probably get many more topnotch cars out there. The result should be an even bigger boom in that section.

Racing at the beginning of the year could be conducted best on the Pacific Coast in those sections where it is warm. Santa Monica's boulevard course, in full view of the ocean, is a fine spot for racing, and it is apparently one of the fastest if not the fastest of all the courses. San Francisco and Seattle are other places where there could be races in the spring as late as the end of April, it is suggested.

From the Coast the racing stables would journey to the middle West. On the Indianapolis speedway late in May there will be one of the biggest meets of the year. It is suggested that various conditions make it necessary for the drivers to practice and tune up their machines for several weeks after leaving the Coast and getting into the different climatic conditions of the middle West.

Chicago, Cleveland and other tracks thereabout would follow naturally in the circuit and then the racers would come further east. Buffalo and New York would get the meets thereafter for a time and then would come the racing in Philadelphia, where the Fairmount Park event has been a successful feature for some seasons.

This would carry until well in the autumn, after that Atlanta. Following the Georgia city would come New Orleans and the places in Texas where race meets are held, Galveston, Dallas and San Antonio. There would be beach races at Galveston and then later on the sand paths at Ormond and Jacksonville. This would round out a full year of racing, with every section getting as much as was needed and demanded.

The result of all this racing would undoubtedly be a much higher average of performance. The foreigners enjoyed an advantage over Americans for years because their drivers had had so much more experience in big and important racing events. They had eight or a dozen events of high grade in a season in which they could take part and as a result they did better when they came to this country.

If our drivers have all this experience of racing they will undoubtedly arrive at a point where they will show the way, all of them, and presently should hold undisputed sway in this country, no matter who is competing. It may be too that an invasion of foreign territory can be made later and that the cars of this country will show the foreigners the advances that have been made in building automobiles, not alone for touring but for racing too.

Studying the performances of some of the American cars in the last season or so it is obvious that as more things are learned about campaigning the machines here will attain speeds that once upon a time were thought almost out of the question for a domestic automobile. As it is there are stock cars in this country which can go with the best of them and it is to be recalled that an American stock car has now very close to the highest speed average attained anywhere in the world and that that highest speed average was made some years ago on the other side. On the other hand our cars are getting faster right along.

The Warren Motor Car Company will send a machine overland to the New York show. It isn't very good weather for an automobile to make the trip from Detroit to this city and that is one reason why this Warren-Detroit machine will undertake the journey to the Grand Central Palace exhibition. When it gets here there will be so much the more credit for having undertaken the trip.

Women who buy furs for use in motoring are apt to buy men's coats, says a salesman in a fur store. They don't care so much about the fit of things and they like a big, enveloping coat. If it is something for street wear that is another thing entirely.

Eddie Hearne may take part in the twenty-four hour race that is to be run on the one mile board speedway at Los Angeles on December 25-26. He has received an invitation to make the journey out to California to compete and he may accept it. Hearne lives in Chicago. Following his competing in the Fairmount Park race in Philadelphia a couple of months ago Hearne announced his withdrawal from the automobile racing game. He wanted to study aviation.

Since the receipt of the California offer it is likely he will send his big Benz out to Los Angeles. He will probably have as relief driver Leon Randall, who acted for him as mechanic in the Vanderbilt and Fairmount Park races.

A letter