GIANTS WIN PAIR OF PENNANTS WITH EASE

No World's Series After 1904 Success, but 1905 Brings Double Honors.

ATHLETICS WEAK VICTIMS

Succumb in Four of Five Games, Each Victory Being by a Shutout.

This next to last chapter of the Giants' history takes them through the period when the National League champions of to-day were in the process of building. Such men as Doyle, Meyers, Marquard, Merkle, Devore and Murray did their first service as Giants during the time covered by this narrative. Next week's instalment will conclude the story of the Giants, bringing the recital up through the world's series of 1912.

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In 1904 McGraw made a trade by which he yielded up Cronin, Babb and $6,000 in exchange for Shortstop William Dahlen. He also gathered together several youngsters who later gained fame on the diamond, among them Arthur Devlin and George Wiltse.

Mathewson, McGinnity, Taylor and Ames were left of the old staff of pitchers after Cronin was let go. McGinnity became the "Iron Man" in this year, although he pitched in only three more games than did Mathewson. These two with Taylor were the principal pitchers. Ames proved a good substitute, though he was not thought seasoned enough to take his regular turn on the rubber. Dunn appeared in only part of one game and continued to prove a reliable extra infielder. Only two pitchers were added to the staff before the opening of the season. They were William J. Milligan, from the Buffalo club, who was willing enough, but was called upon to work in only five games, and George Wiltse, who was with the Troy club in 1902 and 1903 and was used by the Giants in twenty-four games. In August McGraw obtained Claude Elliott from the Cincinnati club, which that year got him from the Milwaukee American Association club. Elliott was shut out 5 to 0 by the Chicago team in the first game in which he pitched during the season.

Bowerman, Warner and Bresnahan were on the list of catchers, but as Bresnahan was again employed as an outfielder, Bowerman and Warner did all the catching. In July William R. Marshall was secured from the Philadelphia club, but after a month he was released to the Boston club. He returned to the Giants before the close of the season.

Lauder and Babb were missing from the infield in 1904. Lauder again quit the game, and this time for keeps, but his name was carried on the reserve list of the New York club for several years. Babb, as told above, went to the Brooklyn club in a trade. Arthur Devlin was secured from the Newark club to take Lauder's place at third and Dahlen of course supplanted Babb at short. McGann remained at first base and Gilbert at second. None of the infielders required very much help during the season. Dunn took care of all odd jobs and McGraw helped out a few times at second and short. It was the last time in his career that McGraw picked up grounders. After 1904 he occasionally figured as a pinch hitter, but only for a couple of years.

Van Haltren adhered to his decision to retire from baseball so far as it concerned the East, he being California bred, and was honorably released, joining the Seattle team. To fill his place in centre field the New York club signed Harry McCormick of the Jersey City club. Mertes continued in left field and Browne in right. McCormick, in August, was sent to the Pittsburg club in a three cornered deal. The Cincinnati club got him from the New York club for Mike Donlin and then traded him to the Pittsburg Club for Outfielder Sebring. Donlin proved an awkward hand in centre field for the Giants and he was shifted to left field, Mertes going to centre. So they finished the season. Bresnahan played a considerable number of games in all three outfield positions.

The season of 1904 was made memorable in New York by the return of two old players to the game, "just for fun." Jim O'Rourke, after a slip of twelve years, was again attacked by the "catching itch," appeared behind the bat for the Giants and caught McGinnity's delivery. The game was played on September 22 against the Cincinnati team. The Giants won by a score of 7 to 5, and Old Jim made a single off Pitcher Kellum. The other old timer to return to the "big league" for a day was Dan Brouthers, who played first base for the Giants against the St. Louis team on October 3. The Giants won, 3 to 1, but Big Dan did not get a hit off Kid Nichols.

The New York team won the championship with ease. The Giants started off by winning fourteen of the first seventeen games they played, not counting a fifteen inning game with the Philadelphia team. This put them in first place. However, they did not remain in the lead. On May 20 they suddenly dropped from first to third place. The situation in the race that brought about this sudden fall was like this: On May 19 the first three teams were New York, won 17, lost 8, percentage .680; Chicago, won 17, lost 8, percentage .654; Cincinnati, won 18, lost 10, percentage .643. On May 20 Chicago defeated New York and Cincinnati won from Philadelphia. This made the record read: Chicago, 18 won, 9 lost, percentage .667; Cincinnati, 19 won, 10 lost, percentage .655; New York, 17 won, 9 lost, percentage .654. The next day the New York and Cincinnati teams both won, which made them a tie at first place, and on the following day the Giants again went to third place because of a defeat by Chicago. The Cincinnati Red Stockings had now undisputed possession of first place, which they held until Ma 27, when the Giants moved to the front, and, with the exception of three days, held the possesion by the good margin of a dozen games over the Chicago team, having won 106 games, the greatest number ever won before or since by a New York team during a single season.

There were no contests for the championship of the world that year, the New York club refusing to allow its team to meet the Boston team, which won the championship of the American League. This refusal led to a discussion by the National Commission, the supreme court of baseball, compelling the winning teams in the National and American leagues to contest for the world's championship and every year since the contests have taken place.

In 1905, with not a change from 1904 in the pitching staff, the Giants again won the championship. McGinnity and Mathewson were the mainstays, being ably assisted by Ames, Taylor and Wiltse. Ames and White as a result of their meritorious work earned their degrees and were counted among the "regulars." Taylor had gained his distinction some years earlier. Claude Elliott remained with the Giants, but served in only ten games, in but two of which he began and finished, and both were of the "doubleheader" variety, one being of eight innings and the other of five. However, Elliott must be given credit for appearing in more "big score" games that season than any other New York team pitcher. In seven games he was used after the Giants had made so many runs as to assure a victory and in one game after the opposing team had the Giants beaten beyond a reasonable doubt. He never began as pitcher in any game until October 3 at Cincinnati. It was the second game of a doubleheader and it ended in a tie, 4 to 4, after eight innings had been played. Elliott began and finished in the last game the Giants played in the regular season. It was against the Philadelphia team at New York and was also the second game of a doubleheader. The Giants having won the first game after ten innings Philadelphia won the game being "called" on account of darkness after five innings had been played. Had Elliott won the Giants would have equalled their record of 106 victories. Milligan, the Buffalo recruit of 1904, was let go before the season opened. Jack Dunn was also let go in order to allow him to accept the management of the Providence team, which won the Eastern League championship that year.

Catcher Warner's services were sold to the St. Louis club before the opening of the season, and now Bresnahan played solely behind the bat, relinquishing the fuctions of a substitute in and outfielder. From this period until he quit the Giants in 1909 to take charge of the St. Louis team he was the premier catcher of the New York team. His helpmate in 1905 was Bowerman, and they divided the work about equally between themselves. Bill Clarke, who bought his release from the Washington club, caught a game or two, but was mostly engaged at first base. Marshall, who came back from the Boston club, and finished the season of 1904 with the Giants, was released to the Minneapolis club.

There was no change in the infield. McGann began the season at first base, Gilbert at second, Devlin at third and Dahlen at short. Sam Strang, who jumped the New York club in 1902 to the Chicago American League Club and who was released the following year and signed by the Brooklyn club, now came back to the Giants as extra infielder. He began the season in right field, before Browne was ready to occupy the position, and finished at short, after Dahlen had decided to take a rest. Clarke was extra first baseman and gave McGann assistance in fifteen games. Offa Neal, an infielder from the Springfield, Ill., club, sat on the bench for a while and was then sent to the Baltimore club of the Eastern League. He returned in September and was seen in a few games at second and third bases.

The outfield also presented no change except that Mike Donlin, having evidently lost his awkwardness, played in centre field during the entire season, Mertes covering left field. Browne, after missing a few games at the beginning of the season, fell into line and finished the season in right field. The only extra outfielders during the season were Sam Strang, Archie Graham and Robert Hall. The latter in June was loaned to the Brooklyn club. Graham, who came from the Manchester, N. H., team of the New England League, relieved Browne in one game.

The Giants in 1905 won the championship again with ease. They gained the lead on April 24, ten days after the opening of the season, and never lost it to the finish. They won just one game less than they did in 1904 and beat the Pittsburg team by a good edge. In the series for the world's championship with the Philadelphia team of the American League they were victorious, winning four out of five games played. A most remarkable feature was that in every game they won they did not allow the Philadelphia team a single run.

In 1906, with nearly the same players, the New York team was unable to repeat its achievements of 1904 and 1905, yet they finished in second place. Of the old pitchers there was not one missing. Mathewson, McGinnity, Taylor, Ames and Wiltse took their regular turns on the rubber. Elliott was released to the Louisville club before the season began. The Louisville club in exchange yielded Cecil Ferguson to the New York club. Ferguson, like his predecessor, was used only in games that seemed hopelessly lost, or won to a certainty, by the older pitchers. He began and finished in only one game, which the Giants won from the St. Louis team 2 to 0 in five innings. It was played at New York on October 1 and was the second game of a doubleheader, Ames defeating the Cardinals 3 to 0 in the first game. The New York club also signed Henry Mathewson, brother of Christy Mathewson, who had been pitching for amateur teams in Lewisburg and Scranton. In May he was loaned to the Richmond club, but returned in September and appeared in two games. In the first, on September 28, he relieved his brother after the eighth inning against the St. Louis team with score of 8 to 1 in favor of the Giants. The final score was 8 to 2. Henry pitched his only full game on October 5 against the Boston team at New York and he was beaten 7 to 1.

Bresnahan and Bowerman played steadily behind the bat. Marshall was recalled from the Minneapolis club and in July he and Mertes were traded to the St. Louis club for Porter (Spike) Shannon and Danny Shay. Aleck Smith made his last appearance in the National League that year and caught one game for the Giants. Mat W. Fitzgerald, from the Sharon team of 1905, then managed by Frank Killen, the old pitcher, was signed. He was released to the Utica club, but returned in September and caught in one game. Clarke was released to the Toledo club, which gave him a permanent place on first base.

When the season opened all the old familiar faces appeared in the infield. There were McGann at first, Gilbert at second, Devlin at third and Dahlen at short. Neal had been sent to the Providence club. Strang was the only extra infielder until September, when the services of John Hannifin were purchased from the New Haven club. He was kept busy, especially at short.

Mertes, Donlin and Browne were in the outfield at the beginning, but two, Donlin and Mertes, did not finish the season. Donlin sprained his ankle in June and never played a game afterward, though he occasionally acted as a pinch hitter. Bresnahan was stationed in centre field when Donlin became disabled, but this move weakened the catching department. The New York club then made a bold bid for Cy Seymour of the Cincinnati club, and purchased his services for $10,000. Seymour finished the season in centre field. At nearly the same period the New York club consummated a trade with the St. Louis club by which it got Spike Shannon in exchange for Sam Mertes. Two other players, Marshall of New York and Shay of St. Louis, were thrown in. Shannon at once took possession of left field. Browne missed more games than usual, and Strang was many times obliged to go to his assistance. Frank Burke was purchased from the New Haven club, along with John Hannifin, and played several games in centre and right field. However, the season closed with Shannon in left, Seymour in centre and Browne in right.

Archie Graham, before the season opened, was released to the Memphis club and Bob Hall, who was returned by the Brooklyn club, was sent to the Baltimore club.

The Giants in the race of 1906 made a splendid start. By the beginning of May they were in first place, having won fourteen of the first seventeen games. Then they slumped, losing four of the next six games, which put them in second place. They regained first place off and on, the last time on May 27, after which they dropped to second and then to third. Now they fluctuated between these two positions, until on September 5 they captured second place and held it to the finish.

At the beginning of the season of 1907 there was only one new man on the team. He was Tommy Corcoran. During the season the New York club secured two young players who later became famous, Doyle and Merkle.

McGraw had all of his old pitchers in harness—Mathewson, McGinnity, Taylor, Ames, Wiltse and Ferguson. Not a pitcher was added to the staff prior to the opening of the season, but one, Henry Mathewson, was released to the Wilmington club. In July Mike Lynch, released by the Pittsburg club, was signed, and in September Roy Beecher was secured from the Springfield, Ill., club of the Illinois-Indiana-Iowa league. These were the only additions to the staff. Beecher pitched in two games, being beaten 1 to 0 by the St. Louis team and 7 to 3 by the Philadelphia team. Lynch took part in ten games.

Bresnahan was particularly active behind the bat, catching in no less than ninety-five games. This was made necessary by Bowerman's absence at first base. Mat Fitzgerald figured in part of a game. In August Young Curtis, from the Bradford team which won the Interstate league championship, was signed and played to the end.

William Gilbert was missing at second base, having been released to the Newark club. In his stead Tommy Corcoran, the veteran, was obtained by purchase from the Cincinnati club. Tommy lasted until July 18, when he was released and became the manager of the Uniontown, Pa., team of the Pennsylvania-Ohio-Maryland league. A week later Larry Doyle played his first game for the Giants. This was on September 25 at Pittsburg, when the future captain played second base and got a hit off Leifield. The Giants won the game, 2 to 0. Doyle's services were purchased from the Springfield, Ill., club for $4,500.

McGann, at first base, was not himself, and after trying Bowerman, Hannifin and Strang at the position the New York club in September purchased the services of Fred Merkle from the Tecumseh club of the Southern Michigan League, who finished the season at first base. Devlin and Dahlen missed only a few games at third base and short, Hannifin taking care of the odd games. Danny Shay also appeared in several games at second base.

Shannon, Seymour and Browne were in the outfield from start to finish, with Strang as utility man. The latter had no opportunity to play in left field, Shannon being in that position in every game played. Strang played in nearly seventy games in the other two positions.

The Giants in 1907 finished in fourth place. They reached that point three days before the season closed and it was the lowest they reached during the entire season. They had held first place at the beginning of the race from May 2 to May 21. The Giants made an extremely poor finish, losing ten of their last twelve games. They played their last game at home on September 10 and then began a string of twenty-four games abroad, of which they won only seven.

The poor finish by the Giants in the preceding season brought visions of the five lean years to the New York patrons of the game in 1908. But the race proved one of the most sensational and closely contested in the history of the New York club, the championship depending on the result of the very last game, which the Chicago team won. During the winter of 1907 McGraw made a deal with the Boston club by which he secured three players in exchange for five. He gave up Bowerman, McGann, Dahlen, Browne and Ferguson for Fred Tenney, Albert Bridwell and Thomas Needham.

Manager McGraw still had his great quintet of pitchers to rely on—Mathewson, McGinnity, Taylor, Ames and Wiltse. Ferguson went to the Boston club in the trade. Lynch got his unconditional release before the opening of the season and Beecher, after pitching a game or two, was sent to the Newark club. As extra pitchers McGraw signed Otis Crandall from the Cedar Rapids club, and John Malarkey from the Sharon club. Both remained with the Giants to the end of the season. In September the New York club startled the baseball world by purchasing the services of Rube Marquard from the Indianapolis club of the American Association for $11,000, and with Marquard from the same club came Louis Durham. They made their appearance only once in 1908, both taking part in the same game. It was against the Cincinnati team on September 25. Marquard began the game and was "knocked" off the rubber in five innings, during which the Reds hit him safely seven times and scored five runs. He then made room for Durham, who pitched the next two innings. Two hits and two runs were made off Durham. Taylor finished the game, which the Cincinnati team won 7 to 1. Neither Marquard nor Durham pitched another inning to the end of the season.

Bowerman having been traded to the Boston club left Bresnahan as the only old catcher, both Curtis and Fitzgerald having been released. Bresnahan did the lion's share of work, being assisted by Needham in forty-seven games. As extra catcher the New York club signed Fred C. Snodgrass, from the St. Vincent College team of Los Angeles. He did his first work behind the bat on June 4, when he relieved Needham, and did little else during the season.

Fred Tenney was at first base from begining to end. His understudy was Merkle, who, however, played more games in right field than he did at first base. Doyle was at second base, Devlin at third and Bridwell at short. The team had two extra infielders, a youngster and an old timer. They were Charles L. Herzog, who was drafted from the Reading club of the Tri-State League, and Dave Brain, who was obtained from the Cincinnati club, which had obtained him from the Boston club. Danny Shay was released to the Oakland, Cal., club.

Shannon, Seymour and Donlin began in the outfield. Seymour played centre field in nearly every game. Shannon was released to the Pittsburg club in July for $1,500 and Harry McCormick returned from his pilgrimage to Philadelphia and succeeded Shannon in left field. Donlin divided his service between right and left fields. As an extra outfielder the New York club signed Josh Devore from the Meridian club of the Cotton States League. Josh was not quite fit for fast company and was sent to the Newark club for betterment. He returned to the Giants in September, acted as pinch hitter in several games and played two games in right field. Another extra outfielder was Jack Barry, who in August was secured from the St. Louis club. Strang, who this season played under his real name of Nicklin; Merkle and Hannifin were the other extras. Hannifin was early released to the Boston club.

The Giants lost the championship in 1908 by a single game, the result of the last contest between them and the Chicago club on October 8 deciding the honor. The Cubs won by a score of 4 to 2. The game was not regularly scheduled, but was necessitated by a decision of President Pulliam of the National League declaring the game between the two teams played on September 23 a tie, although the New York team claimed a victory by a score of 2 to 1. The game of September 23 was played at New York and when the Giants went in for their half of the ninth inning the score was a tie, 1 to 1. They had McCormick at third and Merkle on first, with two out, when Bridwell hit for a single, bringing McCormick home with what appeared to be the winning run. Merkle, however, did not run to second base, and Second Baseman Evers of the Chicago team, standing on the base, yelled for the ball in order to "force" out Merkle and retire the Giants. The crowd surged upon the field and McGinnity got hold of the ball and threw it away. The Chicago club protested and President Pulliam sustained the protest, allowing the "force" and declaring the score a tie, with one run for each side.

In 1909 there was a break in the quintet of pitchers. McGinnity was unconditionally released to afford him an opportunity to purchase the Newark club, which he did, and his team finished in second place in the Eastern League race. Luther Taylor was released to the Buffalo club. This left only Mathewson, Ames and Wiltse of the old guard. Becker, who was recalled from the Newark club and released, went to the Rochester club. John Malarkey went to the Buffalo club with Taylor. When the season opened Crandall, Marquard and Durham, with the big trio, were the only 1908 pitchers remaining. Durham did not last long. In the only game he pitched he was shut out, 2 to 0, by the Boston team and was then sent to the Toronto club.

The New York club in the winter of 1908 gave Roger Bresnahan to the St. Louis club in exchange for Pitcher Arthur (Bugs) Raymond, Catcher George Schlei and Outfielder John J. Murray. Raymond at once was regularly employed on the rubber; in fact, he took part in more games than any of the other pitchers. In September the New York club secured Albert Klawitter from the Shreveport club of the Texas League, George J. Daly from the Springfield, Ill., club and Louis Drucke from the Dallas club. They all finished the season with the Giants and were reserved for the season of 1910.

It is a fact that when the season of 1909 opened Snodgrass was the only catcher left of the 1908 team. Bresnahan, as told, was traded to the St. Louis club and Needham was released to the St. Paul club. But Snodgrass developed into an outfielder and did very little catching. That work devolved upon John Myers from the St. Paul club, an Indian, who later became one of the star catchers of the National League, and George Schlei, obtained in trade from the St. Louis club. In June Arthur Wilson from the Bloomington club of the Three Eye League was signed as extra catcher.

Tenney was showing evidences of decline and Merkle was seen at first base in many games. Doyle did duty as usual at second base and Devlin at third and Bridwell showed strength at short. As extra infielders the club possessed Herzog of the 1908 team and two new men, Arthur Fletcher from the Dallas club and Arthur J. Schaefer from the Santa Clara College of California. Strang and Brain were released before the season opened.

In the outfield at the start were Herzog in left, William O'Hara in centre and Murray in right. Murray remained a regular right through, but Herzog made way for McCormick and O'Hara for Seymour. Devore and Snodgrass proved good substitutes, Snodgrass finishing the season in centre field.

Third place was the finishing point for the Giants in 1909. They had a poor start and never reached as high as second place during the season. They did not break into the first division until the beginning of June, when they captured third place. They dropped for a while to fourth place, but quickly regained third position, holding it to the end.

In 1910 two players did not report to the club and were never seen in uniform all that season. They were Mike Donlin, who went into the theatrical business, and Harry McCormick, who dropped out of sight for two years, though his name was persistently emblazoned on the reserve list of the New York club.

Manager McGraw before the season began entered into a trade of players with the Boston club by which he got Beals Becker for Herzog and William S. Collins. The latter was an outfielder from the minor league. The New York club had a number of players secured by draft or purchase, but only two were retained after the spring training trip. Elmer Zacher, an outfielder, from the New Haven club, and W. R. Dickson, a pitcher, from the Birmingham club, were found worthy to appear in a championship game. Neither finished with the Giants. Zacher went to the St. Louis club, which refused to waive claim on him, and Dickson was released to the Baltimore club.

The old pitchers, Mathewson, Ames, Wiltse and Crandall, were in line in 1910. So were Klawitter, Drucke and Raymond. Crandall was the busiest man in the lot, appearing in more games than any of the others. Raymond in the middle of the season was suspended for being too convivial. He then joined the Atlantic City team and the Giants had none of his services that year. Klawitter, after pitching one inning for the Giants, was sent to the Memphis club, then recalled and then released to the Baltimore club. Drucke began and finished the season with the Giants.

The only pitcher signed by the club before the opening of the season was W. R. Dickson of the Birmingham club. He was sent to the Baltimore club with Klawitter. In September Ed Hendricks from the Benton Harbor, Mich., independent club, a left hander, was secured. He pitched in only one full game and it was the last contest of the season, the Philadelphia team beating him 6 to 1. In the same month Dick Rudolph was got from the Toronto club and he also pitched in only one full game, being defeated 8 to 2 by the Philadelphia team. At the beginning of the season Durham, who was recalled from the Toronto club, was released to the New Bedford club and Dalby was sent back to the Springfield club.

Meyers this season became the star catcher of the New York team, Schlei taking secondary rank. Wilson was ever ready to lend assistance, but was not required to do much work.

Tenney received his unconditional release and accepted the management of the Lowell team of the New England League. Merkle then became a fixture at first base. Doyle played at second base, Devlin at third and Bridwell at short. Snodgrass helped Merkle somewhat at first, and in September Harry Gowdy was obtained from the Dallas club and played five games at the initial bag. Fletcher and Schaefer continued as the extra infielders and no others were used.

As both Donlin and McCormick failed to report, the outfield looked weak, especially in left field. Devore was placed in that field and played there from first to last of the season. Seymour was in centre field at the start, but in August he was released to the Baltimore club and Beals Becker succeeded him. O'Hara having been released to the St. Louis club, Snodgrass succeeded Becker and finished the season in centre field. Murray played right along in right field, although he took short excursions into left field, when the sun was too glaring to the occupant of that territory. Zacher played several games in the outfield before he followed O'Hara to St. Louis.

The Giants in 1910 made a bold bid for the championship, but only on two days, May 2 and May 7, were they in first place. They went as low as fourth place and no lower during the season. From May 23 to June they won nine games in succession and landed in second place. Later, from August 3 to September 22, they were in third place. Then they made a spurt, winning eleven out of twelve games, which put them in second place, where they finished.

CLINTON AWAKES SUDDENLY.

For One Half Englewood Looks Like Spoiling a Good Record.

The basketball team of De Witt Clinton High School defeated the players of Englewood High School in the Englewood Armory yesterday afternoon by a score of 29 to 24. Clinton found itself running a bad second when the first half ended, but made twenty points in the last half of the game, mainly through the clever shooting of Tichinsky. This is Clinton's thirteenth consecutive victory, and incidentally the Bushwick game for the championship of Greater New York is only a week away.

The Vanderbeck brothers shone brightest for Englewood.

The lineup:

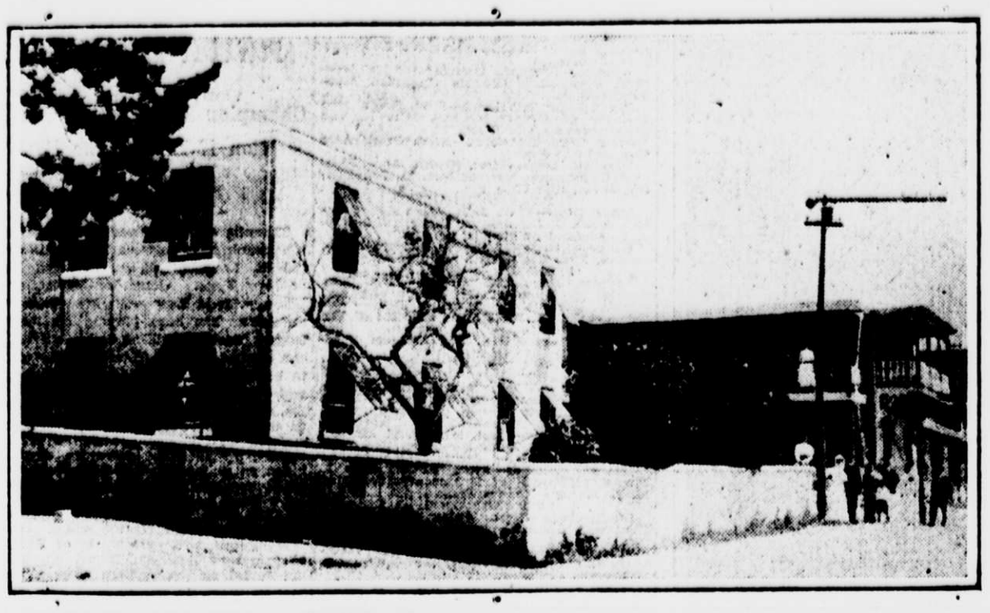
	Positions.	
Dewit Clinton	Englewood.	H. S.
Tichinsky	Left forward	Brady
Kirchen	Right forward	Picinick
Lieberman	Centre	L. Vanderbeck
Christgau	Left guard	Emery
Brain	Right guard	S. Vanderbeck

Score—Clinton, 29, Englewood, 24. Goals from field—Kirchen, 3, Tichinsky, 6, Lieberman, 1, Brady, 2, Picinick, 4, Brady, 2, L. Vanderbeck, 2, S. Vanderbeck. Goals from foul—Kirchen, 7, S. Vanderbeck, 6. Substitute—Lauer for Christgau. Referee—Logan, Englewood. Umpire—Parnelly, Clinton. Time of halves—20 and 15 minutes.

Cantah Coaches Soccer Players.

Although South Field was covered with an inch of snow yesterday afternoon, the soccer football players of Columbia University were out in full force, expecting to meet a combined team representing the high schools of New York. The latter, however, failed to put in an appearance and the wearers of the Blue and White put in the afternoon at some much needed practice. Francis H. Tabor, a former Cambridge University player, was on hand and helped to put them through their paces.

WHERE CHANCE WILL INAUGURATE HIS TRAINING TABLE



The Brunswick Hotel at Hamilton, Bermuda, which will be the temporary home of the New Yorks during the coming spring training campaign

YALE TO USE THE PURE ENGLISH STROKE

Crew Starts New System With Instructions to Forget Previous Rowing.

NEW HAVEN, Feb. 8.—Yale's crew squad to-day had its first tase of the new rowing system which has been inaugurated by Head Coach W. A. Harriman and Capt. C. N. Snowden, who returned last week from England, where they have been studying rowing methods at Oxford for the past month. The new system will be further developed on the arrival of Harcourt Gold and H. G. Kirby, Oxford and Leander coaches, who will reach New Haven May 15 to coach the Yale crew until it meets the Harvard boat at New London in June.

As a preliminary to the transition from the modified English stroke formerly in use here to the pure English stroke, Capt. Snowden told his men: "You men forget everything you ever knew about rowing."

Several weeks out of the five months left in which to get in form for the Harvard race will be devoted to gaining an elementary knowledge of the new stroke, according to the plan of crew work outlined by Capt. Snowden. The work on the harbor, made possible by the unsualiy warm weather which held until a week ago, has been discontinued and the crew squad's daily practice consists of long runs followed by work on the machines and in the tank. "Hard work will be the order of the day for crew men from now on," said Coach Harriman.

BLAKE CRESCENT CHAMPION.

Young Gunner Surprises Old Guard by Capturing Title in Gale.

C. Blake, one of the younger contingent of Crescent Athletic Club shooters, arrived at Bay Ridge yesterday and to the great surprise of the New Moon gunners walked off with the annual championship of the organization, the plum of the Brooklyn shooting year. The event was at 200 targets. It was decided in a forty mile gale that blew the bluerocks into almost impossible shooting angles. Notwithstanding the high wind the youthful Nimrod captured the event with the excellent total of 163 targets.

It was a close fight throughout the afternoon between the new champion and Clinton R. James and was not won until the final bluerock was trapped. M. Stiner, the former titleholder, also was in the running, finishing third with a total of 159 targets.

The new champion started his prize winning streak by capturing the take home trophy with 88 out of a possible 100 targets. In this event, however, he shot with an allowance of 8 birds. A leg on the Hyatt trophy also fell to Champion Blake, as did also one on the Remsen prize.

W. W. Pell captured the committee cup, winning with a total of 46 out of a possible 50 targets. The high gun in the monthly cup was George Brower.

Ready for Class C Billiards.

The class C billiard tournament under the auspices of the National Amateur Billiard Players Association, managed by Maurice Daly at his academy, will commence to-morrow evening. Twenty-five of the leading amateurs of this contingent have entered. They represent Connecticut, Brooklyn, New Jersey and upper counties of New York State and all the leading players of this class residing in New York city. The association has donated a beautiful silver cup emblematic of the championship, in addition to contributing some valuable prizes. Maurice Daly is devoting a few hours every day demonstrating and lecturing to the players in order to improve their game and if possible develop a few players strong enough to enter the class B and possibly the class A division.

D. F. McMahon High Gun.

In the weekly shoot of the New York Athletic Club yesterday twelve members found the weather as cold as they have been called upon to face so far this year. In one of the trophy shoots three shootoffs were necessary before D. F. McMahon took the prize. Throughout the afternoon Mr. McMahon did excellent work. He was not only the high scratch but also the high handicap gun of the day. As it was impossible for him to capture both prizes the handicap trophy was given to W. B. Ogden. The February cup also fell to the setady aim of the high scratch marksman, E. M. Huggins took the Monthly cup with a 24 out of a possible 25 and won the club shoot with one target less. The Travers Island trophy went to R. R. Debacher, only, however, after a shootoff in which D. H. McMahon also competed. G. Jones won the distance handicap.

OPEN EVENTS FOR CLINTON.

School Decides to Branch Out in Indoor Games on March 7.

The annual indoor games of the Clinton High School will be held on that day evening, March 7, in the first Regiment Armory. Unlike previous years, several events will be open to athletes of other high and preparatory schools. At the last meeting of the high school athletic committee a sanction was granted for a furlong sprint and a one mile run to all high and prep school athletes. Sanction also was obtained from the A. A. U. for a three mile open run. The rest of the events will be closed to the boys of Clinton A. A.

Among the star schoolboy athletes who will toe the mark in the mile run will be Louis Ezra Wenz, the Boys' High School 1:60 mile national interscholastic champion, whom James E. Sullivan recently selected for the all scholastic team.

In the three mile A. A. U. run the entry of Harry Smith, ten mile national champion, already has been received. William Kramer, Hannes Kolehmainen, Edward Jordan, Sid Leslie, Louis Scott and others have been asked to enter.

Further Kick, More Points.

On the eve of the annual meeting of the football rules committee the following suggestion is of interest.

Sporting Editor of THE SUN:

Why should not the suggestion be made that in football a field goal from a longer distance from the goal line should count for more than one where it is so easy to kick it?

It seems as if a goal kicked from the field inside of the twenty-five yard line ought not to count for as much as one kicked from a point fifteen yards farther back, and it is easily seen that it would add interest to the game if a premium were given for the successful, longer kick.

New York, February 7. A. P. R.

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