Pell Beaten by Mortimer for Tuxedo Club Racquets Championship---Harvard's Scoul Signs Contract

MORTIMER DOUBLE TUXEDO CHAMPION

Beats Pell in Final Match of Racquets and Goelet in Tennis.

MANY WATCH BOTH TILTS

TUXEDO PARK, N. Y., Jan. 9.—The club racquets championship for 1915 was decided to-day on the courts of the Tuxedo Tennis and Racquet Club when Stanley Grafton Mortimer defeated Clarence Cecil Pell three games to one in one of the fastest contests of the season. The score was 15—5, 15—3, 6—15, 15—12.

The galleries were filled with a large gathering of people who are here for the week end. Mortimer won the first two games in whirlwind style by scores of 15—5 and 15—3. Pell, who knew the usual tactics of the club champion, was waiting for his chance to come in after his club mate had shot his bolt, but to-day he was mistaken. Mortimer played the game of his life and won out with ease, scoring 51 aces to his opponent's 35. The score:

FIRST GAME.

Mortimer	5 3 4 3—15
Pell	1 2 2 x— 5

SECOND GAME.

Mortimer	3 2 7 3—15
Pell	1 1 1 x— 3

THIRD GAME.

Mortimer	0 2 1 0 3 0 0 0 0— 6
Pell	6 0 0 1 0 5 0 1 2—15

FOURTH GAME.

Mortimer	2 0 2 0 4 0 0 3 1 1 0 2—15
Pell	0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 3 2 0 0—12

Totals—Aces by service, Mortimer, 30; Pell, 15. Aces by opponent's misses, Mortimer, 9; Pell, 5. Aces by placement, Mortimer, 12; Pell, 15. Referee—William Post. Marker—Robert Moore.

Among those in the gallery were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mortimer, Miss Eleanor Mortimer, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Lee, George St. George, Mrs. Stanley G. Mortimer, Preston Davies, Mr. and Mrs. Gerrard Comly, Richard Talbot, Addison Carnmack, Griswold Lorillard, John Elliot, Mr. and Mrs. F. Abbott Ingalls, John Munroe, R. W. Goelet, C. S. Cutting and H. G. Pell.

In the final round of the first class court tennis handicap, which also was decided this afternoon, S. G. Mortimer was again a victor. He defeated Robert W. Goelet in an exciting two set match by a score of 6—1, 9—7. Yesterday Goelet won from F. T. Frelinghuysen and Mortimer defeated C. S. Lee in the semi-finals. Among other entrants in this class were P. Lorillard, Jr., William Post, C. S. Cutting, Lloyd Warren, Newell W. Tilton, John Munroe, George St. George and Maurice Roche.

HARVARD NOW EXPECTS HAUGHTON TO REMAIN

Fact That Baseball Duties Will Keep Him in Boston Makes University Feel Sure He Will Coach Football Team Again—Reggie Brown Signs Contract.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Jan. 9.—Harvard's football strategist, Reginald W. P. Brown, '98, who for many years has been the Crimson's advisory and preparedness coach, has just been signed to another year's contract by Graduate Treasurer Fred W. Moore of the Harvard Athletic Association. The step to retain the valuable services of Mr. Brown was taken just in time, as he was considering offers to coach at one of several large Eastern and Western colleges which within the last two months have offered him large sums to take up the work of active and everyday coaching.

Reggie Brown has been associated with Harvard football for more than twenty years and he has been responsible for the defensive success of the team in the last few years. He has built up Harvard's present efficient scouting system and because of his keenness Harvard, unlike Princeton, found itself able to stop Yale's Minnesota shift of five years ago, the crossbuck of a few seasons later and finally the lateral passing game which Yale put on so successfully until it went into its final match against Harvard in 1914.

It will not be known for several weeks probably who will be Harvard's head coach. Here at Cambridge it is believed that Percy D. Haughton will continue notwithstanding that henceforth he will be the president of the Boston National League Baseball Club. The fact that he will remain in Boston for his baseball business makes the Harvard football authorities much surer than before that they can persuade him to continue as the coach at Harvard.

The retention of Brown means that next fall Harvard will keep a most important feature of its football system intact, and this regardless of who may be in charge of the offensive work of the team and its general development. Reggie Brown's official position is defined as adviser to the varsity coaches and the strategy expert to take charge of the department of special preparation to meet the various methods of attack that may be used against Harvard by its opponents.

This afternoon Mr. Brown started for a whirl around a circle of Harvard clubs at Cleveland, Chicago, Madison, Wis., St. Paul, Omaha, St. Louis, Philadelphia and New York. He will lecture in each of these cities on the Harvard football system, showing photographs and moving pictures of Harvard's 1914 and 1915 games against Yale.

SCRATCH GUNNER WINS.

Foster Crampton Leads for Monthly Cup at Knollwood.

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., Jan. 9.—Although he shot from scratch, Foster Crampton led in the competition for the monthly cup at the Knollwood Country Club to-day. He broke 44 targets. W. H. Merrall, 39, 4—43, was second, and Austin D. Brixey, 36, 4—40, third. The winner of the 75 bird shoot for the Cowperthwait cup was Merrall, whose score was 55, 10—65. T. F. Wilcox, 58, 0—58, finished second, and Brixey, 45, 11—56, was third. In the shoot for the season cup the leaders were Brixey, 43, 4—47; Merrall, 41, 5—46, and Wilcox, 44, 0—44.

Nicklas to Quit Baseball Too.

Felix Nicklas, who resigned as captain of the St. John's College basketball team so that he might play with the Crescent Athletic Club five, is to sever all his athletic connections with the college. He is captain of the St. John's baseball team, and this he said he will resign shortly.

TIGERS SCORE AT WILL AGAINST EAST ORANGE

Home Team Tallies Eighteen Goals to Visitors' None in Indoor Polo.

A shift in the arrangements brought the East Orange team against the Tigers instead of the Essex Troop trio in the afternoon practice game of the Indoor Polo Association yesterday at Durland's. The players from New Jersey, who rolled up with many friends in big touring cars from the Oranges, had a pleasant visit but met with defeat by a one sided score of 18 goals to 0. It was not such a bad defeat as the figures would indicate, for under the handicap list to govern the match series to start at West Point next Saturday the Tigers would have had to concede about thirteen goals.

It was an open, long hitting game, with an absence of the close formation plays over the ball that sometimes spoil the interest for the onlookers. The mounts were above the average and of class enough for Meadow Brook or Point Judith. Herman S. Crossman's first and second prize winners at the recent national horse show in the class for lightweight polo mounts, Comet and Moteor, both thoroughbreds, were ridden respectively by the owner and Archer W. Kinny. Kinny on Meteor was the shooting star of the game. The lineup:

TIGERS	EAST ORANGE
1. Herman S. Crossman	1. T. Marshall
2. Max Phillips	2. P. Hay
2. Archer W. Kinny	3. G. Shackelton
3. George C. Sherman	

Tigers—18. East Orange—0. Individual goals—Kinny, 10; Sherman, 4; Phillips, 3; Crossman. No penalties. Time—Two ten minute periods. Referee—Cyril Carr. Scorer and timer—W. A. Bartle.

Dundee Keen for Decisions.

Johnnie Dundee and his manager, Scotty Monteith, are hoping that the Boxing Commission will adopt the referee's decision scheme before Thursday night. On that evening Dundee will meet Freddie Welsh in the Seventy-first Regiment Armory and Dundee is sure that he is going to win. Monteith is so sure of the same thing that he has collected a number of signatures at the foot of a petition praying for decisions and will hand the petition, signatures and all, to the commission.

JUAREZ RACING RESULTS.

First Race—Selling; three-year-olds and up; six furlongs—Marie Coghill, 103 (H. Shilling), 4 to 1, 3 to 2 and 2 to 3, first; Oil Randall, 107 (Haynes), 6 to 1, 2 to 1 and even, second; Wawmal, 110 (McCabe), 8 to 1, 2 to 1 and even, third. Time, 1:14 2-5. Rose Garden, Miss Sedalia, Madeline, Musgrave, Alisa, Dare, Joe Busher, Louis Dreyfus, Bat Masterson, Goggety, Albert White, J. Nolan and King Chilton also ran.

Second Race—Selling; three-year-olds, five and a half furlongs—Calbria, 112 (Haynes), 2 to 5, 1 to 5 and 1 to 10, first; Leah Cochran, 102 (H. Shilling), 3 to 1, 7 to 10 and 1 to 4, second; Lola, 102 (Moles worth), 8 to 1, 3 to 1 and 7 to 5, third. Time, 1:07 1-5. Lucie L., Belle Roach, Jose and Thelma Marie also ran.

Third Race—Selling; three-year-olds and up; six furlongs—Paper, 112 (Mott), even 1 to 2 and 1 to 4, first; Robert Manteil, 110 (Ormes), 4 to 1, 9 to 5 and 7 to 10, second; Bermudian, 110 (Gross), 3 to 1, 7 to 10 and 1 to 4, third. Time, 1:12 2-5. Sergeant James, Mandadero, High Street, Weyanoke, Capt. Druse, Lady Young, Fairy Fay and Prospero Son also ran.

Fourth Race—Selling; three year olds and up; seven furlongs—Dundreary, 108 (Schermerhorn), 8 to 1, 4 to 5 and 1 to 2, first; Zim, 108 (Gross), 4 to 1, 6 to 5 and 1 to 2, second; Strathearn, 110 (F. Smith), 8 to 1, 3 to 1 and 1 to 5, third. Time, 1:26 2-5. Rabo Cal, Egmont, Billy Joe, Money Maker and Brooks also ran.

Fifth Race—Selling; four-year-olds and up, five and a half furlongs—Pounds, 112 (Dickens), 10 to 1, 3 to 1 and 7 to 5, first; Metropolitan, 110 (Gross), 8 to 5, 4 to 5 and 2 to 5, second; Flanigan, 107 (Graves), 8 to 1, 3 to 1 and 2 to 1, third. Time, 1:07. Frances G., Kenneth, Old Com, Sadie O'Day and Mack R. Eubanks also ran.

Sixth Race—Selling; three-year-olds and up; one mile—Transparent, 105 (Henry), 5 to 1, 2 to 1 and 4 to 5, first; Curlie F., 102 (Graves), 3 to 1, even and 1 to 3, second; Gano, 110 (Gross), 3 to 1, even and 1 to 5, third. Time, 1:39 2-5. Ben Levy, Lady Innocence, Marjorie D., Rose O'Neil and Gerdes also ran.

HAVANA RACING RESULTS.

First Race—Selling; purse $400; three-year-olds and up, six furlongs—Saturnus, 107 (Smyth), 2½ to 1, 6 to 5 and 3 to 5, won; Masseret, 107 (McLaughlin), 4 to 1, 6 to 1 and 3 to 1, second; Lorna Tait, 105 (Ball), 4½ to 1, 2½ to 1 and 6 to 5, third. Time, 1:14 1-5. Rustic Maid, Charles Francis, Louise May, Malik, Chance and Tom Hancock also ran.

Second Race—Selling; purse $400; four-year-olds and up; five furlongs—Sureget, 111 (Watts), 3 to 1, even and 2 to 5, won; B. First, 105 (Schuttinger), 6 to 5, 2 to 5 and out, second; Royal Interest, 107 (Urquhart), 5 to 1, 2 to 1 and even, third. Time, 1:00 1-5. Kopie, Peg, Maryland Girl and Grotund also ran.

Third Race—Selling; purse $400; three-year-olds and up; six furlongs—Ischgabibble, 110 (Connelly), 6 to 1, 2 to 1 and 7 to 10, won; Quick, 113 (Schuttinger), 4 to 5, 1 to 3 and out, second; Fort Monroe, 111 (La Pallier), 3 to 1, 4 to 5 and 1 to 3, third. Time, 1:13. Miss Genevieve, Crisco, Tiger Jim and Sonny Boy also ran.

Fourth Race—Selling; purse $400; three-year-olds; six furlongs—Cossack, 107 (Urquhart), 11 to 5, 3 to 5 and 1 to 3, won; Queen Apple, 100 (Allen), 10 to 1, 3 to 1 and even, second; Leffert, 96 (La Pallier), 4 to 5, 1 to 3 and out, third. Time, 1:13 4-5. Paulson, Medes and Sheban also ran.

Fifth Race—The Vedado Handicap; purse $600; three-year-olds and up, one mile and a sixteenth—Brave Chevalier, 110 (Tapiro), 9 to 5, 7 to 10 and 1 to 4, won; Stonehenge, 103 (Connelly), 4½ to 1, 8 to 5 and 1 to 4, second; Lady Ellen, 97 (La Pallier), 6 to 1, 2 to 1 and even, third. Time, 1:46 1-5. First Degree, Scoopi and Conflagration also ran.

Sixth Race—Selling; purse $400; four-year-olds and up; one mile—Flying Fox, 111 (Wolstenholme), 8 to 1, 3 to 1 and 6 to 5, won; Lochiel, 111 (Smyth), 4 to 1, 6 to 5 and 1 to 2, second; Altamaha, 106 (La Pallier), 3 to 1, even and 1 to 2, third. Time, 1:40 3-5. Energetic, Ravenal, Jesse Jr. and Zoroaster also ran.

ACTIVE SEASON IN VIEW FOR RACQUETS PLAYERS

Waterbury's Defeat for Championship Last Year by Pell and Mortimer's Victory Over Latter at Tuxedo Yesterday Add to Interest.

The disposal of Lawrence Waterbury as king of the racquets courts last year by Clarence C. Pell, one of the younger players, served to awaken great interest in the sport, and as a result there has been unusual activity among the players in preparation for the regular competitive season, which starts at the end of this month. Pell's defeat by Stanley G. Mortimer in the Tuxedo Club tournament final yesterday is still another item to increase interest. In the last few years the sport, which had been dormant for a long time, has shown a healthy growth, and at the present time there are more young players of ability than ever before in the history of sport in this country.

In former years the ranks of the racquets players were made up principally of the men who played tennis—court tennis, as the more punctillious prefer to call it to distinguish it from lawn and indoor tennis. This was due to the fact that wherever racquets courts have been built, court tennis enclosures usually were found under the same roof. As in court tennis, there have been few additions to the number of racquets courts in the last quarter century. In the earlier days of the sport there were courts in this city, at Chicago, Boston, Tuxedo, Philadelphia, Newport and Aiken, and the same condition exists to-day. The racquets players of to-day, however, for the most part restrict themselves to racquets to the exclusion of court tennis. Pell, the present champion, competes to some extent in lawn tennis, but has not taken to court tennis seriously.

The one thing that tends to keep racquets from being one of the most popular of sports is the expense attached to playing the game. It is easily one of the best substitutes for outdoor sports because the courts are large and well ventilated. There is little chance for the development of the game among young players, juniors, in this country, as only two or three preparatory schools can boast of courts, and the youngsters get no chance to play in the city clubs. In England, where the game originated, the conditions are better for all sorts of players and hence the greatest of the stars have been Englishmen. In John Bull's demesne there are courts at fifteen schools and the schoolboys have an incentive to learn the game in the nature of an annual schoolboy championship.

The racquets court seen in the clubs to-day—there are not more than thirty in this country—is usually about 30 feet high, about the same width and approximately twice as long. The galleries are high up near the roof at the back of the court, and here, with the spectators, sit the referee and marker. The lighting is obtained from the roof.

The floor and walls of a court are made of an especially prepared cement, and this alone is no small item in the cost of building a court. The racquet or bat, from which the game derives its name, unlike that used in lawn tennis, has a wooden hoop about seven inches in diameter, perfectly round and tightly strung with catgut. The handle is about thirty inches long and the weight varies with the player, some preferring the bat light and others heavy. All seem to agree, however, on the fact that the bat must be strung tightly.

The balls are four and one-half inches in circumference and closely resemble those used in the Irish game of handball. They are made of closely compressed strips of cloth wrapped on a cork centre and covered with white skin. They are made only in the Woolwich neighborhood of London. The strips are of the best wool cloth obtainable, and it is said that they improve with age. Certainly the cloth retains an unequalled elasticity under pressure and the balls apparently never wear out. Old coats of soldiers are procured by the ball makers at sales of army stores and these furnish the major part of the strips.

CHESS LEADERS IN BATTLE.

Brooklyns May Tie Progressives When Adjourned Games End.

While the Manhattan and Staten Island Chess clubs disposed of the two college teams, City College and Columbia, respectively, the Brooklyn and Progressive Chess clubs, leaders in the Metropolitan Chess League's championship series, had a battle royal in the fifth round at the rooms of the Brooklyn Chess Club. Two of the games were adjourned at an early hour yesterday morning, and on these the outcome of the match depends.

The Progressives lead by 3½ to 2½, but the indications were that Brooklyn might tie the score. B. Kostic and C. Jaffe, with victories over R. T. Black and G. J. Schweitzer respectively, were the winners on the Progressive side, while M. Schroeder scored for Brooklyn against M. D. Hago. Drawn games were recorded on three of the boards.

At the fourth board, where the game was adjourned, Oscar Chajes of the Progressives has a difficult position, for he took half an hour to seal his move. His opponent, H. Helms, has a dangerous pawn on the seventh row. At the fifth board A. C. Cass of Brooklyn had won the exchange against S. Lubowsky, but the latter has the superiority in pawns. The two unfinished games will be completed next Saturday night.

PROMOTERS MUST DECIDE.

If They Spurn New Cycling Body Latter Will Exist Anyway.

The men interested in the reorganization of the sport of bicycling met yesterday at the Metropolitan Opera House and after a long discussion appointed a ways and means committee to draw up a constitution and by-laws for the proposed organization. Harold Dibblee, who has been prominent in cycling and A. A. U. affairs for many years, was made chairman of the committee.

It is planned to form an association to govern the sport that will be independent of both promoters and riders. Hitherto the National Cycling Association, which is composed of the promoters, has run the sport, and recently the professional riders got together and formed a union, of which Alfred J. Goullett is the head. This union has promised to put its members under the control of the proposed governing organization and the promoters of the National Cycling Association will be invited to do likewise. If they refuse the new organization and the riders will get along without them.

WITH THE DISTANCE MEN.

The Harlem Athletic League run was won by the team of the Glencoe A. C. Its score was 36 points, as against 43 for the Macomb's A. C., which was second. C. Mitchell of St. Marks A. C. with 4 minutes handicap, finished first and also made the best actual time, 25:20. T. Mullane, a Glencoe man, was second.

Hugh Honohan of the New York A. C. was the victor in the ten mile run of the Pennant A. C. H. McGuinn of the Paulist A. C. took the four mile event and W. Martin of the Pennant A. C. was first in the four mile walk.

The Union Settlement A. C. held a three and a half mile event which resulted in a victory for A. W. Feher of the Hungarian-American A. C.

Mohawk A. C. plodders took the team honors in the three and a half mile contest of the St. Anselm's A. C. in which George Mazzucca of the winning club crossed the line in front.

James Flatley of the St. Anselm's Athletic Club won the first handicap race of the Young Men's Catholic Archdiocesan Union, held over the three and three-quarter mile course of the Victorian Lyceum in The Bronx. Mike Colling, a clubmate, finished twenty-five yards behind.

NEW BRAVES' CHIEF AT HIS DESK TO-DAY

Haughton Receives Telegram From Stallings—Many Wires of Congratulation.

ALL BOSTON IS HOPEFUL

BOSTON, Jan. 9.—Yesterday's sale of the Boston National League club to a syndicate of local men represented by Percy D. Haughton and Arthur C. Wise was the talk of fandom here to-day and many conjectures were heard as to the success of the Braves under the new ownership. Regrets were heard in many quarters that Gaffney had sold out, but there were more people ready to say that they believe it was a mighty good thing to have the Boston club owned by Boston men.

Gaffney made himself very popular here but at the same time there always has been a slight undercurrent of feeling against an out of town ownership. Haughton, it is confidently believed, will succeed as a magnate and as he is known to be a level headed man no one anticipates his interference in the slightest way with the playing end of the business in spite of the fact that he knows considerable about baseball.

Manager Stallings of the Braves sent the following telegram to-day from Haddock, Ga., to Haughton: "The sale of club entirely unexpected by me. Deeply appreciate the tone of your telegram. Best wishes."

Haughton will assume active work in his capacity as president of the local club to-morrow, making his headquarters at Braves Field. He received to-day many despatches of congratulation and wishes for success from all parts of the country.

NATIONAL COMMISSION TO DISSOLVE, IS RUMOR

Supreme Court of Baseball No Longer Wanted by Two Major Leagues.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 9.—The resignation of August Herrmann of Cincinnati, chairman of the National Commission, and the dissolution of the commission, which has been the court of last resort for baseball affairs since 1904, will come with the final disposition of all matters relating to the peace agreement between organized baseball and the Federal League, according to information received here to-night.

Both the American and National leagues favor the plan to do away with the commission, it is said, and had the peace terms been settled finally at the time, the recent meeting in Cincinnati would have been the final one.

The fact that the members of the commission had the dissolution of the body in view became known at the meeting in Cincinnati, and it was this that caused the delay in the reorganization of the commission to act for another year. In view of the many difficult problems which might develop, however, with the demise of the Federal League, it was thought best to go on and the old officers were reelected for another term.

An amicable agreement has been reached and the dissolution of the commission will occur before the close of another championship season, it is stated.

HIGGINSON HAS KEEN EYE.

Captures High Scratch Prize and Travers Island Trophy.

B. M. Higginson, a former national champion, did the best work in the week end shoot of the New York Athletic Club yesterday. He was the high scratch gunner, with a total of 93 out of a possible 100 targets. Also he won the Travers Island prize, the only shoot that is completed each week, with a straight string of 25 blue rocks.

It was not the only straight score of the afternoon. Danny McMahon, one of the best shooters in the club, scored a leg on the monthly cup with a perfect score. A. L. Burns also turned the same trick, annexing a special shoot that completed the programme with a run that was without a miss.

Five gunners scored legs on the tournament cup. They were B. M. Higginson, A. L. Burns, Conrad Stein, R. L. Spotts and W. R. Delehanty. All had full scores of 25 targets. In the shoot for the accumulation prize W. B. Ogden, J. S. Connors, R. Leighton, R. L. Spotts and D. L. Culver all made perfect runs and each got credit for a win. The high handicap gunner was D. L. Culver, who had a full score of 100 targets.

WITH THE TRAPSHOOTERS.

A dozen men faced the traps of the New Rochelle Yacht Club yesterday. A. W. Melaughlin, member, winning the high scratch prize with 47, proved the winner of the 15 bird scratch contest with 14 as his score. In shooting off a tie at 22 with A. T. Duffy he won the special 25 bird handicap prize. He also won a leg for the monthly and one for the accumulation cup. A. T. Bennett was the winner of the 100 bird handicap match with a score of 88 on his handicap of 20.

Commodore T. J. McCahill captured the high scratch and the high handicap prizes at the weekly shoot of the Larchmont Yacht Club, but as only four men faced the traps he conceded the handicap prize to be turned over to Commodore F. M. Wilson, the second man in the 100 bird match.

Dr. G. W. Schenck, shooting against twelve others at the Keystone Yacht club, Woodmere, L. I., proved the winner of the high scratch prize in the 100 bird handicap event by breaking 93 out of a possible 100. J. H. Hendrickson was the high handicap man. He returned a card of 94 on his handicap of 20.

Of the ten men who took part in the weekly shoot of the Manhasset Bay Yacht Club yesterday, Tracy H. Lewis won the high scratch and H. F. L. Funke the high handicap prize. Shooting from scratch Lewis broke 96 out of a possible 100, and Funke 100 on his handicap of 8. W. M. Collins, H. F. L. Funke, J. W. Alker, Waldo Grose, R. Grose and J. O'Brien tied with full scores of 25 each in the shoot for the monthly cup and in the shootoff Funke and O'Brien tied for the leg. They will shoot off next week. Four men tied in the match for the yearly cup and in the shootoff T. H. Lewis won with a perfect score. Funke, Alker and R. Grose tied in the 50 bird shoot for the lake home trophy. They will shoot off next week.

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WILL CHOOSE LINKS FOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

Golfers at U. S. G. A. Meeting Will Consider Claims of Eleven Clubs.

DATA ON RIVAL COURSES

When the United States Golf Association meets in Chicago on Friday evening of this week one of the chief duties of the delegates will be the selection of the three national championship courses for 1916. They must confine their choice to the list which will be presented to them at the meeting by the executive committee, and that list as it stands at present contains the names of eleven clubs. It may be added to during the week, but it probably will be presented in its present form. Three of the eleven clubs are applicants for the national amateur championship, four for the open and the remaining four for the women's.

The facts and figures which follow will show as well as mere facts and figures can the merits of the courses which have been approved by the executive committee. It is impossible to give a detailed description of eleven courses in a limited space, but any golfer will be able to learn a great deal about them by an inspection of the tables of distances and par which follow.

In many cases such figures fall far short of telling the whole story, especially in the case of courses where there are two or three tees for every hole and the length of a hole may be changed from day to day, but they do afford an opportunity to compare many features of the various courses, the number of short holes, the general length of the second shots and other similar features.

For the amateur championship the three clubs on the executive committee's list are the Merion Cricket Club near Philadelphia and the Nassau Country Club and the Piping Rock Club, which are only about a mile apart on Long Island. If no other club is named the executive committee's action will assume the playing of the amateur tourney in the East. The courses:

Merion Cricket Club.

The proud boast of Merion is that it is the possessor of two eighteen hole courses. Both are new, having been constructed within the last four or five years. The west course is the one which is almost certain to be used if Merion gets the championship. It is not so flat as the east course, which is laid out on meadow land. The Lesley cup matches of 1915 were played on Merion's west course and the golfers who took part in them were practically unanimous in their approval of the links. The courses:

WEST COURSE

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	T'ls
Distances	320	415	525	165	435	135	280	275	450	3000
Par	4	4	5	3	4	3	4	4	5	—37
Hole	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
Distances	340	415	335	367	440	235	446	155	365	2906
Par	4	4	4	3	5	3	5	3	4	—36

Total distance, 6,015 yards. Par, 73.

The east course at Merion, although considerably longer than the west course, is by no means as hard, the second nine being particularly easy. The course:

EAST COURSE

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	T'ls
Distances	335	513	427	385	525	420	190	320	170	3285
Par	4	5	4	4	5	4	3	4	3	—36
Hole	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
Distances	385	235	420	125	407	320	453	230	430	3100
Par	4	4	4	3	4	4	4	3	4	—34

Total distance, 6,430 yards. Par, 70.

Nassau Country Club.

Nassau presents a course that has been materially changed and lengthened within a year. One entirely new hole, the short but rather terrifying fourth, and two or three holes have been lengthened, notably the fifteenth, which now is 575 yards in length and ends in a kind of pocket that demands an extremely accurate approach. As it now is Nassau's course is of championship calibre in every sense of the word. The course:

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	T'ls
Distances	396	400	166	148	523	441	361	145	356	—3167
Par	4	4	3	3	5	4	4	3	4	—34
Hole	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
Distances	375	370	251	390	192	575	418	400	385	—3356
Par	4	4	3	4	3	5	4	4	4	—36

Total distance, 6,477 yards. Par, 70.

Piping Rock Club.

Like Nassau, Piping Rock is a Long Island course with Long Island's sandy soil. It was laid out only three or four years ago by Charles H. Macdonald and is a typical Macdonald course. In the tournaments which have been held there since it was opened low scores have been infrequent.

The course:

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	T'ls
Distances	400	367	173	373	350	526	441	201	210	—3179
Par	4	4	3	4	4	5	5	4	4	—37
Hole	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
Distances	433	157	367	300	400	367	364	145	494	—3238
Par	4	3	4	4	4	4	4	3	5	—35

Total distance, 6,304 yards. Par, 72.

For the open championship three Western courses have been named and one in the East. As the open tourney was in the East last year the chances are that one of the three Western courses, Minikahda of Minneapolis, the Country Club of Detroit and the Kent Country Club of Grand Rapids. The Englewood Country Club just across the Hudson is the single Eastern club proposed. The courses:

Minikahda Club.

Two years ago the Minikahda Club was proposed for the open championship, but received only a few votes at the meeting. Its chances should be better this year, although reports from the West say that Kent or Detroit are more likely to be chosen. It is said that many of the professionals do not wish to go as far west as Minneapolis if they can avoid doing so. The course:

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	T'ls
Distances	310	495	170	530	365	200	420	410	400	—3303
Par	4	5	3	4	4	3	4	4	4	—35
Hole	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
Distances	190	385	475	365	200	365	190	395	515	—3180
Par	3	4	5	4	3	4	3	4	5	—36

Total distance, 6,150 yards. Par, 71.

Country Club of Detroit.

Although it held the 1915 amateur championship, Detroit wants the open this year. Length, wide fairways and wonderful turf are the outstanding features of the Detroit links. It is the extreme length more than any other thing that makes it so difficult to make low scores. The course:

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	T'ls
Distances	422	447	458	341	161	424	144	515	401	—3313
Par	4	4	4	3	3	4	3	5	4	—36
Hole	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
Distances	307	525	401	390	216	364	537	416	185	—3335
Par	4	5	4	4	3	4	5	4	3	—36

Total distance, 6,651 yards. Par, 72.

Kent Country Club.

The 1914 championship of the Western Golf Association was held on the Grand Rapids course, and it was reported last week that the women's Western for 1916 would be played there. The course is not particularly hard and some extremely low scores were made over it during the progress of the 1914 Western tourney. The course:

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	T'ls
Distances	367	388	200	350	340	353	123	375	423	—3187
Par	4	4	3	4	4	4	3	4	4	—36
Hole	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
Distances	306	358	315	140	410	542	215	375	563	—3024
Par	4	4	3	3	4	5	3	4	5	—35

Total distance, 6,200 yards. Par, 71.

Englewood Country Club.

Every Metropolitan golfer knows the Englewood course, which has been the scene of many championships in the past. No course in the country is kept in better condition than is Englewood, and if unexpectedly the national open should be sent there it would be well taken care of. The course:

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	T'ls
Distances	372	345	400	375	342	521	200	355	364	—3254
Par	4	4	4	4	4	5	3	4	4	—36
Hole	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
Distances	370	178	592	409	420	156	412	353	175	—2965
Par	4	3	5	4	4	3	4	4	3	—35

Total distance, 6,219 yards. Par, 71.

The executive committee also has named four courses for the women's national championship. Three of them, New Haven, Belmont Spring and Greenwich, were on the list first announced and the fourth, Baltusrol, was added only last week. All four courses are good ones and any one of the four except possibly Belmont Spring has an excellent chance to win. The Boston course seems likely to be overlooked because of the attitude of the leading women golfers of the Boston district last year. When it was first proposed to send the women's tourney to Chicago the Boston women announced that they would not go so far from home to play and when the time for the tourney arrived Boston was represented by only one golfer of prominence. For that reason Boston's claim to the 1916 championship is likely to be treated with indifference.

New Haven Country Club.

The course is at Whitneyville, Conn., just outside of New Haven. No national championship ever has been held there, in fact the club was transferred from allied to active membership in the U. S. G. A. only a short time ago and so never before has been eligible to hold a national tourney. The course:

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Totals.
Distances										
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	347	300	165	375	410	325	175	400	290	—2787
Par	4	4	3	4	4	3	3	4	4	—35
Hole	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
Distances										
	447	231	565	340	205	325	185	427	435	—3210
Par	5	4	5	4	3	4	3	5	5	—38

Total distance, 6,117 yards. Par, 73.

Belmont Spring Country Club.

Belmont Spring is one of the newer Boston courses. It has only three short holes and there are six holes in sequence, from the eighth to the thirteenth inclusive, that are all about the same length, the longest one of the six being only seventeen yards longer than the shortest. The course:

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	T'ls
Distances	353	198	399	390	127	415	155	390	360	—2313
Par	4	3	4	4	3	5	3	4	4	—37
Hole	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
Distances	367	331	363	390	417	385	174	390	367	—3124
Par	4	4	4	4	4	4	3	4	4	—36

Total distance, 6,237 yards. Par, 73.

Greenwich Country Club.

The women golfers of Boston, New York and Philadelphia played the Griscom cup matches of 1914 at Greenwich and they all liked the course, which at that time proved itself suitable for women's golf. It is intended to make a number of changes in the course during the coming spring, so if the women's championship is sent to Greenwich it will be played on thoroughly good and up to date links. The course:

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	T'ls
Distances	310	350	320	350	120	410	145	330	150	—2315
Par	4	4	4	4	3	4	3	4	4	—34
Hole	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
Distances	160	355	210	410	400	370	415	380	400	—3300
Par	3	4	3	4	4	4	4	4	4	—35

Total distance, 6,300 yards. Par, 72.

Baltusrol Golf Club.

Few courses change from year to year as little as does Baltusrol. Minor changes are made, but in the main it has been the same for many years. The women have played there twice in the past, and although they have found it to be a pretty hard test of their skill, they never have expressed anything but approval of the big New Jersey club. The course:

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