Collegiate Hockey Season Opens With Princeton as Victor—Moore Overtakes De Oro in Title Billiard Match

PRINCETON SEVEN BEATS WILLIAMS

Tigers Take Season's First Collegiate Hockey Contest by 2 to 1 Score.

PATCH HERO OF GAME

Princeton triumphed in its season's first intercollegiate hockey contest, defeating Williams College last night at the St. Nicholas Rink by the score of 2 to 1.

Before starting play Williams allowed it to be known that not once this season had the team practised on ice, for the reason that there was no ice at Williamstown, where the team hails from. What little practice the men had was confined to a gymnasium floor.

This being the case, Williams put up a surprisingly good defence against the Princeton veterans. Little teamwork was exhibited. Rochester, left wing for Williams, was a big factor. He led every offensive attack started by Williams and usually was the man who took the disk away from some ambitious Tiger who got within hailing distance of the Williams goal.

Patch Is Applauded.

There was one other Williams hero of the game and one who drew most of the applause. He was Patch, the goal keeper. Patch is no more than five feet tall, but he was as wide as he was high, and offered a substantial blockade to every assault of the Princeton squad.

For one so plump he was decidedly active. He said after the game that his weight is the only thing that keeps him from winning the position as rover, instead of the less significant job of tending goal.

Princeton seemed fortunate to win the contest. The first goal scored was open to question, as it seemed to all distinterested parties that Cushman, the player who shot the puck into the cage, was hiding behind the net and came out when the disc was shot down the ice by Capt. Schoen. Schoen carried the rubber half way down the rink and then shoved it to one side and ahead of him. Cushman bobbed up from somewhere, the exact point being open to dispute, and shot the goal. Cries from the crowd that Cushman was offside failed to elicit any action by the referee and Princeton received credit for the goal.

Little Scoring Is Done.

That goal by Cushman was the only score of the first half, which was filled with a lot of fancy club swinging but mightily little hockey. Williams was slow to get started and played in the first half as if trying only to block the attempts of Princeton.

Princeton withstood this determined rush of the New England visitors and finally carried the play to the Williams side In a scrimmage in front of the Williams goal just three minutes before the end of the game Capt. Schoen managed to slide the disc past the bulging Patch for Princeton's second goal.

It seemed Williams was certain of defeat, but the players never abandoned hope. They played faster, if anything, and exhibited the first real hockey of the game when Coleman and Banks made a passing rush across the ice, Banks passing to Rochester, who shot a goal two minutes before the game ended. The lineup:

Princeton (2).		Williams (1).
Ford	Goal	Patch
Scully	Point	Collins
Hills	Cover point	Brown
Schoen	Centre	Coleman
Comey	Rover	Hegardt
Cushman	Right wing	Banks
Humphreys	Left wing	Rochester

Referee—Mr. Heffernan, Crescent A. C. Assistant Referee—Mr. McCarty, Crescent A. C. Time of Halves—20 minutes. Goals, First Half—Cushman from pass by Schoen in 4:26. Second Half—Schoen from scrimmage in 17. Rochester from pass by Coleman in 17:30.

Yale and the St. Nicholas team will play an exhibition game at the rink tomorrow night. It will be the first game of the season for each team.

SYRACUSE BEATS TIGERS.

Wins 45th Home Game in Extra Period, 26 to 24.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Dec. 20.—Syracuse University won its forty-fifth home game without a defeat and its sixth consecutive victory over Princeton at basketball here to-night by defeating the Tiger five in an extra period game, 26 to 24.

The score at the end of the game was 24 to 23 for Syracuse. Referee H. L. Henderson of Oberlin called a foul on Capt. Rafter of Syracuse as the whistle blew. Capt. Haas of Princeton believed the infraction occurred before time, but the referee denied it.

Graduate Manager Walter S. Smith of Syracuse demanded the foul be allowed since Capt. Haas believed it had been called. Haas converted it into a point and the score was tied. Crisp, Syracuse guard, broke through the Tiger defence after four minutes of playing in the extra session and caged a goal, winning the game. The lineup:

Syracuse (26).		Princeton (24).
Rafter (Capt.)	L. F.	Paulson
Casey	R. F.	Parmalee
Osman	Centre	Foster
Crisp	L. G.	Rasil
Schwarzer	R. G.	(Capt.) Haas

Goals—Syracuse, 26; Princeton, 24. Field baskets—Rafter, 5; Osman, 2; Crisp, 2; Paulson, 2; Foster, 2; Haas, 2. Fouls—Crisp, 10; Paulson, 10; Parmalee and Haas. Referee—H. L. Henderson, Oberlin. Time—Prof. W. C. Lowe. Time of periods—20 minutes.

INDORSE N. Y. A. C. OFFICERS.

Dr. Hammond and Confreres Again Choices of Committee.

Nominations of officers for the ensuing year at the New York Athletic Club were posted by the nominating committee in the clubhouse last night. The list of names is made up of the men who now are directing the affairs of the Winged Foot organization, no changes having been deemed advisable. There is likely to be no opposition ticket.

Dr. Graeme M. Hammond again was nominated for the presidency. The following men were renominated: Jeremiah T. Mahoney, vice-president; Fred R. Fortmeyer, secretary; Martin S. Paine, treasurer, and Arthur McAleenan, captain.

A board of governors, each to serve two years, was named as follows: Matthew P. Halpin, E. W. Kearney, William H. Seaich, A. W. Peele, C. H. Pond, W. A. Hines, W. R. Delahanty and M. F. Loughman. The annual election is scheduled for January 9.

BURKETT CHOSEN COACH.

WORCESTER, MASS., Dec. 20.—Announcement was made to-day that Jesse C. Burkett had been engaged as coach for the Holy Cross College baseball team next season. Burkett formerly played in the National and American leagues and is a former president of the Worcester club of the old New England League.

VANCE CHOSEN LEADER.

BUCKHANNON, W. Va., Dec. 20.—Harry Vance, for the past three years a guard on the football team of West Virginia Wesleyan College, has been elected captain of the team.

Miske Takes Place Among Country's Leading Boxers

Westerner Establishes Claim to Recognition by Defeating Best Light Heavyweights—Hoppe Wins Match in One Run—Other Sport Items.

By INNIS BROWN.

The performance of Billy Miske, St. Paul exponent of the science of punching and blocking, in outpointing Jack Dillon in Brooklyn on Tuesday night has helped materially toward lifting the Westerner's stock in these parts. Just now Pearl Smith's protege is being looked upon as one of the leading light heavyweights in the country.

Miske deserves all of the laurels he has acquired in these parts. He has gained his recognition at the expense of three formidable rivals—Battling Levinsky, Bob Moha and Jack Dillon. Two are known as rough and tumble maulers with a settling wallop. The third, Levinsky, possesses considerable skill. Yet against each, in addition to outboxing his man, Miske showed a willingness to stand up and slug away, punch for punch.

His manager, Smith, has carded him for several more local bouts. His original contract here called for three clashes at the Broadway Sporting Club, two of which he already has fought. However, since making his original agreement Miske has accepted terms for five additional melees, making a total of six more remaining on his programme. If he continues at the clip he has set to date Miske may be in for a complete sweep of all the aspiring wallopers of his class before he runs out his string.

An Awe Inspiring Combination.

Since assuming the rank of a real major league manager Fred Mitchell, new boss of the Cubs, has stepped out with at least one original proposition. Mitchell avers, according to a Philadelphia scribe, that he fears the Phillies more than the Giants in his plans toward lifting the Cubs to the forefront in the league race. Alexander and Pat Moran form the awe-inspiring combination to Mitchell's mind.

In the estimation of National League supporters President Ban Johnson and his colleagues made a mistake in holding off so long as they did in sanctioning the sale of the Boston Red Sox to Messrs. Frazee, Ward and others by Joseph Lannin. The contention is that the time which elapsed between the announced sale as given out by Lannin and the official confirmation left Hub fandom decidedly up in the air. An official of the Boston National League club stated that he would not have had the matter drag along as it did for $25,000 had he been the new purchaser.

Those who profess to know something of the inside of this deal claim that it was carried through without advance information being given to President Ban Johnson, a rather unusual procedure for the club owners of the league. The fact that the announcement was given out so far in advance of the league meeting, when official action could be expected to be taken, rather argues that Johnson was not informed in advance of the deal.

The Cyclone From Streator.

From Chicago last night came a despatch telling of the recovery from a serious operation of Billy Myer, the famous Streator Cyclone of the halcyon days of pugilism.

Myer will be remembered by the older generation of boxing followers as the opponent of Jack McAuliffe, the lightweight champion, in one of the three bouts which composed the famous fistic carnival in New Orleans in 1892. It was on the night of September 5 that Myer faced the champion. They had previously fought sixty-four rounds to a draw with skin gloves at North Judson, Ind.

There were many at New Orleans who favored the Cyclone to win, but McAuliffe killed Myer's chances with a terrific right to the jaw in the second round. Only the bell saved Myer, but he was through. With dogged determination he kept fighting until the fifteenth round, in which Prof. Duffy counted him out.

The second bout of the carnival came on the following night. Jack Skelly, the amateur champion from Brooklyn, tried to take the bantamweight title from George Dixon. Skelly was knocked out in the eighth.

On September 7 the famed battle in which Jim Corbett wrested the heavyweight title from John L. Sullivan was fought. Sullivan was stopped in the twenty-first round. Of the six principals in the carnival only Dixon has gone to the great beyond.

Hoppe Still at It.

Willie Hoppe is at his old tricks. In an exhibition match against Young Jake Schaefer at San Francisco on Tuesday night the world's billiard champion ran 250 from the spot at 18:2 balk line. As the match was for only 250 points Schaefer never got a chance to get started and Hoppe retired without missing. The story from San Francisco credited Hoppe with a new world's record, but that is erroneous. In the first place no mark made in an exhibition is given official recognition.

Hoppe ran 622 from the spot at 18:2 balk line in a match in Paris some years ago. The contest was limited to 300 points, but in accordance with the option given by the French rules Hoppe kept on until he missed. Hoppe's record in a championship match is 308, made in the handicap tournament at the New York Theatre Concert Hall. Young Welker Cochran was his opponent.

Hard Task for Mitchell.

Fred Mitchell will face a rather disordered household when he assumes charge at Tinker's old stand. The Cub infield last season was a decidedly spotted proposition. Whether or not Larry Doyle will come around from his broken leg will be a big factor in settling Mitchell's problems there. If Larry is in shape he will settle the second base proposition. Young Wortman is no wizard at short, but may develop.

At third Zeider is likely to lose out to young Herbert Hunter. Hunter looked like a sure find last season until injuries set him back for so long a time that he lost the chance which would have come his way. Saier or Mollwitz ought to deliver at first.

In the outfield Cy Williams, Leslie Mann and Max Flack make a fair looking trio, and there is a strong probability that young Jacobson will prove of real worth. Members of the Giants think the youngster is a great player and believe he will land a regular job. Mitchell's battery material will be nothing extraordinary, but fair.

Battling Bill Hurley, so report goes, is through with the prize ring. Hurley's manager has just announced that the Hattler will not meet Artie Fink as originally scheduled. Hurley was well known in ring circles as a tough mixer of the give and take type of slugging.

MUST RENDER DECISION.

Referee in N. Y. A. C. Amateur Bouts Erred, Say A. A. U. Officials.

The local registration committee of the Amateur Athletic Union decided at a meeting yesterday afternoon that George Schwegler, official referee of the New York Athletic Club, erred last Saturday night when he refused to give a decision after Edwin Sivori, unattached, and Samuel J. Lagonia of the Bronxville A. C. boxed an extra round in the club's amateur tournament. Swegler declared that the boys were evenly matched and that in his opinion neither had gained any advantage over the other. As the rules of the A. A. U., however, distinctly state that a referee must render a decision in an amateur bout after an extra round has been held, the committee ordered him to render a decision within the next three days. The committee also informed him that hereafter he must give a decision even if he has to toss a coin to decide the winner.

Just before the meeting Frederick Rubien, president of the association, announced that he will appoint a committee to govern boxing in New Jersey. The committee will be composed of seventeen members, representing the different clubs in the State. Fred Metz of the Prudential A. A. was appointed chairman of the committee.

TO OPEN WITH FORDHAM.

Lafayette College Football Schedule Presents Number of Changes.

EASTON, Pa., Dec. 20.—Lafayette College has completed the football schedule for next season. The list announced today includes nine contests, five of which will be played in Easton. There are a number of changes as compared with the schedule of the last few years. The constant points in the calendar are the games with Princeton at Princeton about the middle of October, the game with Pennsylvania on the first Saturday of November, and the Lehigh game as the last attraction of the season. State College, which has been on the Lafayette schedule for the past three years does not appear this year.

Rutgers appears for the fourth game in the season. Lafayette will open the season with Fordham on March Field as in 1916. For the first time in a long period, Lafayette will play at Swarthmore. The schedule:

September 23, Fordham at Easton. October 6, Dickinson, at Easton. 13, Princeton, at Princeton; 20, Rutgers, at Easton; 27, Muhlenberg at Easton. November 3, Penn, at Philadelphia; 10, Swarthmore, at Swarthmore; 17, Albright, at Easton; 24, Lehigh, at South Bethlehem.

TO COME NORTH OFTEN.

West Virginia Eleven Will Play Army Among Others.

MORGANTOWN, W. Va., Dec. 20.—Games with the Army, Pittsburg, Washington and Jefferson, Dartmouth and Rutgers featurh the West Virginia University football schedule announced today. Ten games have been arranged. The Army replaces the Navy on the schedule. Three trips will be made north. The schedule follows:

September 29, Pittsburg, at Morgantown; October 6, George Washington, at Morgantown; October 13, Army, at West Point; October 20, Dartmouth, at Hanover; October 27, Gettysburg, at Morgantown; November 3, Rutgers, at New Brunswick; November 10, Virginia Poly, at Huntington, W. Va.; November 17, Washington and Jefferson, at Fairmont, W. Va.; November 24, West Virginia Wesleyan, place undecided, and November 29, North Carolina A. and M., at Morgantown.

NAVY FIVE TRIUMPHS.

Has to Play Hard to Score Over St. John's of Annapolis.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Dec. 20.—The Naval Academy basketball team had to extend itself this afternoon to defeat St. John's, the local college, by 26 to 15. The college lads scored twice before the midshipmen could get going, and it was not until near the close of the half that the navy got a fair lead. The lineup:

Naval Academy (26).		St. John's (15).
Calhoun	L. F.	Jarman
Allen	R. F.	Cook
Von Heimberg	Centre	Feeney
Roberts	L. G.	Andrews
Byers	R. G.	Watson

Substitutes—Gregory for Allen, Weaver for Cook, Lentz for Watson. Goals from Field—Calhoun, 5; Allen, 2; Von Heimberg, 2; Byers, 2; Jarman, 2; Andrews. Goals from Fouls—Calhoun, 4 out of 10; Jarman, 9 out of 17. Referee—Mr. Rice, Georgetown. Umpire—Mr. Colliflower, Georgetown. Time of Halves—20 minutes.

BOYS PLAY INDOOR TENNIS.

Practice for Junior National Tourney in 7th Regiment Armory.

Elliott H. Binzen of Fordham University, holder of the national junior indoor tennis title, was among the young collegians who tuned up their strokes for the coming tournament yesterday in the Seventh Regiment Armory. He also played in doubles with Matthew Taylor. Columbia was represented by Rowland B. Haines, William Bottsford and H. W. Haldenstein.

Amherst sends a trio of competitors to the tourney, as J. L. Briggs, Kenneth B. Gow and Fred Matthews are on the list. William Katz stands as the leading aspirant from New York University.

Forty young players tried out their strokes for the tourney, which will begin next Tuesday.

HOCKEY LEAGUE MEETING.

Schoolboys Will Arrange Season's Schedule.

A schedule for the newly organized Long Island Interscholastic Hockey League will be drawn up at a meeting of the organization in the Eagle Building in Brooklyn to-morrow. The sport last Tuesday was sanctioned by the games committee of the Public Schools Athletic League. The members of the league will include Erasmus Hall, St. John's Prep, Poly Prep, Manual Training, Commercial, Flushing and Boys' High.

The contests will be staged in the new Brooklyn Ice Palace, Bedford and Atlantic avenues, in Brooklyn. Double headers will be played Friday and Saturday nights, according to tentative arrangements. The competition will be on a round robin basis and the winner will be awarded the borough championship.

CORNELL WRESTLING DATES.

Five Dual Meets and Intercollegiates Are Scheduled.

ITHACA, N. Y., Dec. 20.—The Cornell wrestling schedule, announced to-day, contains five dual meets besides the intercollegiate championships, which are to be held in Ithaca. The schedule follows:

February 23, Penn State, at State College. February 24, Princeton, at Princeton. March 3, Pennsylvania, at Ithaca. March 9, Lehigh, at South Bethlehem; March 16, Navy, at Annapolis; March 16, intercollegiate preliminaries, at Ithaca; March 17, intercollegiate finals at Ithaca.

DE ORO IS PASSED IN QUEST OF TITLE

Challenger's Advantage Overcome by Moore in Three Cushion Match.

CHAMPION LEADS, 100 TO 95

George W. Moore, champion at three cushion carrom billiards, not only overcame the lead of 12 points that Alfredo De Oro, the Cuban wizard, had gained in the first block of their 150 point match at Doyle's room, but he ran ahead of the challenger last night. Moore scored 62 points in eighty-seven innings while De Oro was getting 45 hard fought for buttons, giving the champion the advantage by 100 to 95. When the champion and his rival face each other to-night in the final block the title holder will have only fifty to run as against fifty-five by the left handed expert.

The play last night was exceedingly interesting and at times bewilderingly brilliant. Moore counted consistently while De Oro had long runs of goose eggs, the Cuban making twenty misses between the twenty-sixth and forty-seventh innings. De Oro missed many well planned shots by the proverbial eyelash, and several times it seemed that the cue ball just whispered to the second object sphere.

As far as the breaks were concerned the champion was the favored son of fortune, one of the four final buttons being a palpable scratch—so much so that Moore himself paused for a smile.

Moore again excelled in bank shots, several of his three cushion efforts being of the hair raising sort and evoking the most enthusiastic applause. In the forty-fifth inning both missed well played banks by a hair and there were exclamations of disappointment all over the house. Moore gradually crawled up on his opponent and in the forty-seventh inning the champion had counted 48 times to 24 by the challenger.

Later on De Oro gained a little, but the ill luck that pursued the challenger again asserted itself and he fell back.

The champion took a firm grip of the situation after the forty-fifth inning and forged ahead without any uncertainty. His play was the perfection of accuracy, and many of his shots were so wonderful that the applause was long continued.

Among those who saw the game and enjoyed the brilliant execution were Cap Anson, Wild Bill Donovan and Hal Chase. The score by innings:

De Oro—0, 0, 7, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 2, 2, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 3, 1, 1, 2, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 5, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 4, 0, 0, 1, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 2, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0. Total, 45. Two nights' play, 95; high run, 7.

Moore—0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 2, 3, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 2, 0, 1, 0, 3, 0, 2, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 6, 2, 0, 0, 1, 2, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 6, 0, 1, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 3, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 3, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 2, 0, 4. Total, 62. Two nights' play, 100; high run, 6.

Referee—Albert Cutler.

Questions & Answers

By TOM MacNULTY.

Dear Tom—This is the second time I am writing you to find out who won the wrestling match Tuesday evening at George Bothner's gymnasium, Bull Montana or Young Hackenschmidt.
LAWRENCE.

Your query was answered, old boy. We told you Hackenschmidt won in two straight falls.

Dear Tom—Kindly look up your files and let me know who it was who fought Johnny Griffiths at Akron, Ohio, October 19, 1915.
LANK.

According to Tom Andrews's record book Griffith did not fight in between September 6, 1915, and November 1, 1915. Neither has Sam Austin's sporting annual recorded any battle engaged in by Griffiths between those two dates.

Dear Tom—Kindly tell me where there are any gymnasiums near the Brooklyn Bridge on the New York side that are open in the evenings or mornings. Also adjacent to the above address. A gymnasium with reasonable fees for instruction in gymnasium work and also boxing.
J. McMAHON.

I know of none located near the New York end of the Brooklyn Bridge.

Dear Tom—(1) Was Walter Rutt married in Madison Square Garden at a six day race? (2) Was there a professional rider by the name of Eaton.
TOM MARTIN.

(1) No. (2) Yes.

Dear Tom—A claims that at the time of the Johnson-Willard fight Johnson was barred from England. B claims he was not barred from England. Who is right?
H. AND R.

B is right.

Dear Tom—(1) What has become of the McNulty brothers baseball club, the semi-professional ball team? (2) What became of Homer Smoot, the old St. Louis Cardinal?
A. F. W.

(1) Out of existence. (2) Don't know where Homer went after leaving the American Association.

WEINERT SCORES KNOCKOUT.

Bout With Kendall at Poughkeepsie Ends in Second Round.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., Dec. 20.—Charlie Weinert of Newark knocked out Jack Kendall of Kansas City in the second round of a ten round bout at the Poughkeepsie A. C. to-night. A left swing to Kendall's stomach ended the fight in the second round. Weinert weighed in at 195 pounds and Kendall weighed 197.

Kendall was the aggressor in the first round, but Weinert cut loose in the second round and had no trouble in putting Kendall away. Weinert's reach kept Kendall at a safe distance in that session.

RUTH IN AUTO SMASHUP.

Suffers Injury With His Wife in Accident in Boston.

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 20.—Word reached here to-night of a serious automobile smash-up in Boston, in which Babe Ruth, the left hander whose sensational pitching for the Red Sox won him great renown, and his wife figured. While the big fellow escaped with a few cuts and bruises Mrs. Ruth had to be removed to a Boston hospital. George H. Ruth, father of Babe, was informed by telegram of the accident.

Babe and his wife were enjoying the comforts of a recently purchased machine in a suburb of the Hub when it collided with another automobile. The impact was terrific and Mrs. Ruth was pitched into the roadway.

YALE HOCKEY TEAM LOSES.

Eli's Varsity Players Downed by Freshmen, 4 to 3.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 20.—The Yale hockey team suffered an unexpected defeat at the hands of the freshmen in the opening game of the season here tonight, 4 to 3. It required two extra five minute periods to determine a winner. Martin shot the deciding tally. The contest was fast throughout.

CRAVATH'S RECORD IS UNSURPASSED

Retiring Philly Outfielder Knocked Out 84 Homers in Five Seasons.

BARROW HAS NEW PLAN

By FREDERICK G. LIEB.

During the league meetings here last week, Pat Moran, the silent manager of the Phillies, did a lot of gumshoeing up and down Peacock Alley, and every now and then Pittsburg Pat would whisk some fellow manager into a corner and whisper something to him about swapping outfielders. However, trade winds were not blowing well at the Waldorf-Astoria last week, and Pat took nothing back to Pittsburg with him but the insult of a fellow Pittsburger.

"I'll give you Good for Schulte," said Pat to Jimmy Callahan of the Pirates. "I know you will, but I don't want Good. But as you are a fellow citizen of Pittsburg I'll help you out, Pat. You can have Schulte, and I'll take Whitted or Stock."

Pat appealed to some friends to hold his hands, so he would not lose his temper.

Hard Task for Moran.

All of which is interesting, but what is more to the point is that Moran has quite a man's sized job in front of him to find a substitute for Cactus Cravath, his hard hitting right gardener of former years. Moran wanted Schulte to fill old Cactus's shoes, as the celebrated home run hitter has asked for waivers on Philadelphia and announced that hereafter all his home running will be done in the more salubrious climate of his native State, California.

The passing of Cravath from the big leagues brings out the fact that in his sojourn with the Phillies Cravath hit more home runs in five years than any other player has ever knocked out in the major leagues in a similar period since the real early days when scores ran all the way to 100 runs and over per game.

Cravath came to Philadelphia in 1912, and during the next five seasons he drove out 84 home runs, an average of almost 17 a season. Cravath started with 11 home runs in 1912, jumped to 19 in 1913, repeated with 19 in 1914, reached his top figure of 24 in the Philadelphia pennant year, 1915, and receded to his 1912 figure last season, 11.

A Remarkable Record.

Baker, Schulte, Wagner, Harry Davis, Seybold, Crawford and other famous long distance hitters have never approached the five year figure which Cravath set up during his stay in Philadelphia. The short fences in the Philadelphia park unquestionably helped swell Cravath's home run output, but he also made his share of home runs on other fields. Next to the Philadelphia cigar box the Polo Grounds was Cravath's favorite home run setting, and during the past five years there seldom was a time that Cravath visited Gotham without pumping at least one souvenir ball into the right field grand stand at the Brush Stadium.

Cravath's feat is all the more noteworthy as he was far past the recruit age when the Phillies purchased him in 1912, and he was not considered a regular until he made a pinch home run off Matty in 1913 while batting for a pitcher. During the 1908 and 1909 seasons Cravath was up in the American League, and went from Boston to Chicago to Washington before he was sent back to the minors. During his career in the American League Cravath displayed little ability, hitting .236 in 1908 and .164 in 1909. Tris Speaker succeeded him in Boston. Cravath was past 30 before he put on a Philadelphia National uniform.

His career should be an object lesson to major league discards in the minors that it pays to keep hustling. However, Cravath could hardly be called a comeback, as he did not really "arrive" until 1912.

Barrow on Drafts.

In the event that the National Commission does not see its way clear to eliminate the draft entirely from the Class AA minor league President Barrow of the International League is of the opinion that the present agitation will bring about reform in the present drafting system which will greatly benefit not only the Class AA minors but the minors all the way down the line.

"There are many objectionable features of the present drafting method which I believe the commission will remedy," said Barrow yesterday. "For instance, the big leagues have been in the habit of drafting clubs instead of players. We would have them put in drafts only for players if they cannot see their way clear to eliminate the draft entirely. For instance, a big league club does not draft a Newark player, but the Newark club. That gives them the privilege of selecting any player on the entire Newark team.

"But what I want stopped is the ruthless drafting by some big league clubs. Some clubs have at times put in as many as twenty-five drafts and then cancelled all but two or three. If the commission prohibits cancellation of drafts and prevents clubs from trading their draft rights on various players it would be a big step for the uplift of minor league conditions."

EASY FOR HARVARD SEVEN.

Boston Hockey Club Fails to Give Crimson a Real Test.

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 20.—The Harvard hockey squad, now reduced to twenty men, was given a tryout against the Boston Hockey Club aggregation at the Arena to-night. Harvard won by 7 to 2. The lineup:

Harvard (7).		Boston (2).
Wylie	Goal	Mackay
J. Morgan	Point	Clafflin
Baker	Coverpoint	Prendergast
Percy	Rover	Clifford
T. Rice	Centre	Lombard
Thacher	Left wing	Doty
Gross	Right wing	Smart

Goals—T. Rice 2, Percy, Baker, Fisher, Townsend, Smart, Clifford. Substitutes—Harvard: Abbot for Wylie, Appleton for J. Morgan, White for Thacher, Bright for Gross, Fisher for Percy, Townsend for Baker, W. Morgan for T. Rice, Martin for Abbot, Eckfeldt for Appleton, Gardner for White, Condon for Fisher, W. Rice for W. Morgan. Referees—Messrs. Sands and Wanamaker. Time of halves—20 minutes.

TO PLAY BASKETBALL.

In the basketball double header for next Sunday afternoon at Manhattan Casino New York will meet Bridgeport in an Interstate Basket League game and the Manhattan A. C. All Stars will have as opponents the Knickerbockers, champions of the old Protective League. Bridgeport is represented by Beckman, Clinton, Swenson, Harvey, Murray, White and Boggio. Bridgeport has won ten games and lost three and is tied for first place with Danbury. A series of ladies' days will be inaugurated Sunday in order to stimulate interest among the fair sex.

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM FROM WORLD OF AMATEUR SPORT

By DANIEL.

At the annual football rules discussion in Philadelphia last Tuesday night it was voted that the colleges represented should leave the appointment of officials to the central board and that their names be kept secret until the day of the game.

It is entirely fitting that Dr. Babbitt's board be given the exclusive right of naming officials, but why the secrecy? It smacks of a professional baseball spirit, this keeping the identity of the referee and the umpire dark. Surely it cannot be that the coaches fear somebody will induce the officials to see things a certain way! Just what is the idea?

It might be explained that a coach, Wilmer Crowell of Lafayette, brought up the subject. A coach, Bob Folwell, of Pennsylvania, made the motion and a coach, Dr. Price of Muhlenburg, seconded it. Coaches are sometimes apt to let their professions get the better of their calm judgment.

Nobody thought much of Percy Haughton's suggestion that a certain number of plays and not a time limit govern the length of a period. Folwell brought out the illegality of a play which he declared was a standby of the Oregon eleven, which is soon to meet his team. Folwell said Oregon used a formation which brought the tackles one yard back, leaving only five instead of the required seven men on the line of scrimmage. If Oregon has been working that all season there is an evident need for better officiating on the Pacific coast.

Not since several years ago, when it defeated a Yale seven by 4 to 1, has a St. Paul School hockey team been able to score over a varsity combination here, but the lads from the snowbound fastnesses of New Hampshire can always be relied on to play a remarkable game and to bring out several youngsters of uncommon ability. Last December the sensation was Conover, who is related to the great Hobey Baker, himself a St. Paul product.

This season the shining light is little Carson, 110 pounds of concentrated grit, fleetness on skates and nimbleness in stick work. At St. Paul practically every boy plays hockey. They get ice up there very early and half a dozen rinks are laid out. Interhouse tournaments develop those who are chosen to represent the school.

Some time ago Jay Gould announced that he had declined the challenge of George Covey of England for the world's open championship in court tennis and intimated that the title went to the Briton by default. According to the way we see it the title is vacated, but if anybody except Gould is given consideration it must be Walter A. Kinsella, the professional at the Squash Club.

Last winter Kinsella issued a challenge to Gould, but received no reply. Kinsella took it for granted that Gould did not care to play at that period and decided to bide his time. Gould's reply to Covey practically forestalls another challenge by Kinsella. In view of this situation, where does Covey fit in?

A statement from George T. Adee, president of the United States National Lawn Tennis Association, regarding the threatened revolt of the Pacific States Tennis Association, on the score of the proposed Amateur rule, may be forthcoming within the next week, said Adee last night. Adee got first news of the "revolt" in the exclusive report from San Francisco printed in THE SUN last Saturday. With the report was the official statement from the coast association.

While anything from Adee would be of interest, we cannot see why he should issue any statement. It is not his fight. The proposed amateur rule has been drawn up and if the members of the national association do not like it it will be voted down. Threats from the coast are in very bad taste and we hope they will not influence the delegates one iota. One thing must be remembered. The delegates will vote in full cognizance of the fact that the disqualification of any of our stars will have no immediate effect on our showing for the Davis cup. That was a rather bothersome consideration heretofore, we fear.

"You ask why does Brown call Delaware College, with which it has nothing in common, to play football at Providence," writes John Howard from the lair of the Bear. "The answer is very simple. Brown cannot make up a schedule for next season, as everybody seems to be afraid of its eleven. Dr. Marvel announced the other day that Amherst, Williams and Trinity had declined offers of games." Brown is now beginning to feel the effects of the Dartmouth variety of gridiron isolation.

New York University will present some new teams on its football schedule next season. The latest newcomer is Rochester, which will visit Ohio Field on October 13.

Unless the floor in Madison Square Garden is repaired the Intercollegiate Association of Amateur Athletes will not stage its third annual indoor meet there in March. It is likely that the event will be transferred to Philadelphia. While we would like to see the meet stay here, it might be for the best interests of the game to shift it to the Quaker City and rotate it in a limited circuit which might include Boston. New York soon tires of a good thing.

We are assured that there is no truth in the report that Harvard has sent Dave Fultz a pair of blinders as a Christmas present.

The *Winged Foot*, the journal of the New York Athletic Club, refers to Platt Adams as an athlete "who shows great promise." Along similar lines Jay Gould is showing great promise as a court tennis player and Percy Haughton may yet develop into a star coach.

WINSTON SCORES OVER BULL, JR., AT SQUASH

Champion Has Narrow Escape From Defeat—Harvard Team Wins.

One of the most exciting and hardest fought team matches of the Metropolitan Squash Tennis League found the Harvard Club victors over the Princeton Squash Club Class A team by 5 matches to 2 at the Squash Club yesterday.

Eric S. Winston, national champion, played his first match this season with the Harvard Club and was all but defeated by C. M. Bull, Jr., of the Squash Club. Bull won the first game, 15—7, in rather easy style and was leading, 14 to 11, in the second game when Winston made one of the rallies for which he is noted, smashed the ball viciously against the wall and stormed Bull with such aggressiveness the Squash Club expert fell before the attack and lost the match by 7—15, 17—14, 15—6. Bull tired perceptibly in the third game.

Hardly had the gallery witnessed the success of Winston than it found another terrific match being played between Fillmore S. Hyde, the young Harvard Club exponent, and Armin W. Riley, champion of the Princeton Club. Hyde's aggressiveness gave Riley more than he could attend to, and the youngster was the victor by 12—15, 15—8, 15—10.

The success of Winston and Hyde presaged greater glory for the Harvard Club, but just the opposite was the case, as Anderson Dana, who recently won the national handicap tournament, was defeated by John Taylor of the Princeton Club, and J. W. Appel, jr., another star of the Harvard Club, lost to W. H. Van Der Poel of the Squash Club. The summaries:

E. S. Winston, Harvard, defeated C. M. Bull, Jr., Squash Club, 7—15, 17—14, 15—6. F. S. Hyde, Harvard, defeated A. W. Riley, Princeton, 12—15, 15—8, 15—10. W. H. Van Der Poel, Squash Club, defeated Anderson Dana, Harvard, 15—17, 17—16. John Taylor, Princeton, defeated J. W. Appel, Jr., Harvard, 15—11, 15—6. E. M. Morrison, Harvard, defeated H. Tobey, Princeton, 15—7, 15—7. W. H. Hackett, Harvard, defeated H. R. Missell, Princeton, 15—12, 15—6. H. G. Bushmore, Harvard, defeated K. G. Stern, Princeton, 15—6, 11—15, 15—11.

C'EST MOI DECLARED BEST.

Mrs. Taylor's French Bull Wins Honors in Gregorian.

Mrs. Harry Taylor's puppy C'Est Moi was declared best at the match of the French Bulldog Club of America last night in the Gregorian Hotel. He went from winners in the puppy class to winners dogs, and then Frederick I. Hamm, the judge, awarded him the premier honors of the match.

Mrs. R. Lacaillade of Boston made the trip from her home to show Fillette, a five and a half months' old bitch. Fillette showed well, and her first appearance before a judge was crowned with success, for Fillette was awarded the blue in the class for puppy bitches under six months old. But when she made her second trip to the bench in the novice class she was compelled to accept second prize to John E. Hasham's Mademoiselle Felice.

CATHEDRAL BEATS ADELPHI.

Collegians Prove Too Fast for Academy Five, 24 to 10.

The Cathedral College basketball team defeated the Adelphi Academy five on the latter's court in Brooklyn yesterday afternoon by 24 to 10. Adelphi scored only one field goal, by Hill.

Half of the Cathedral scores were made by McCoy. He made four field goals and an equal number of foul baskets. Durham, centre, played well for Adelphi. The lineup:

Cathedral (24).		Adelphi (10).
McCoy	R. F.	Roll
O'Reilly	L. F.	Hill
Hart	Centre	Durham
Madden	R. G.	Williams
Clarke	L. G.	Hamlin

Goals from Field—McCoy, 4; O'Reilly, 2; Hart, 2; Madden, Clarke, Hill. Goals from Foul—McCoy, 4; Durham, 3. Time of Halves—15 minutes. Referee—Mr. Doherty.

O'ROURKE TO REFEREE BADOUD-CROSS BOUT

Tex Named by Boxing Commission After Managers Fail to Agree.

When George Monroe, who was the third man in the ring during the recent combat at the Empire A. C. between Albert Badoud and Marty Cross, stopped the bout on the ground that the foreigner was in a helpless condition he settled his chances of officiating at to-night's meeting between the same boxers. Badoud's manager insisted that a great injustice had been done his man by the stoppage, and that had the contest continued the Swiss eventually would have won.

While Dan McKetrick stood practically alone in that opinion, still he absolutely declined to have Monroe as referee. Sam Wallach, manager of Cross, refused to consider any man named by McKetrick, and as they could not agree the selection of a referee was left to Chairman Wenck of the Boxing Commission. He named Tex O'Rourke of Brooklyn. O'Rourke is the man who trained Willard for his battle in which he won the heavyweight title from Jack Johnson.

The managers of the Clermont S. C. announced yesterday that they had signed Billy Miske to box Battling Levinsky at that club on the afternoon of January 1. The Clermont officials said they had first obtained the consent of the Broadway Sporting Club before approaching Miske, who is under contract to the club conducted by Johnny Weismantel.

Frankie Callahan and Harry Pierce will have their long deferred joust at the Clermont to-night. It should be a peppery affair, as both men are full of combativeness.

XAVIER FIVE IN FRONT.

Hands Hamilton Institute Passers a Beating by Score of 28 to 9.

Xavier High School's basketball team defeated the