Amateur Class C Performers Make Rapid Progress in Billiard World With Display of Exceptional Merit

RICE AND TERRY LEAD AT BILLIARDS

Veteran and Youngster Make Splendid Showing in Class C Tourney.

MOORE TO PLAY McCOURT

Probably never before in the history of 18.2 balkline billiards have such high class performances been seen in the national tournament for the class C title, which was completed at Maurice Daly's room last Friday. In winning the trophy for the second time Clyde B. Terry had a grand average of better than 5, which is high enough to qualify him for class B competition.

Even more surprising than the steady, accurate playing of Terry, however, were the performances of Julian Rice, the young Columbia University player, who was engaged in his first tournament. Rice finished second to Terry in actual games won, but in brilliance of execution and record breaking feats Rice more than led the field. During the competition Rice set a new class C record run of 76 and established a new one game average record of 13 1-3, both of which would qualify him for class A championship eligibility.

In his first match of the final round-robin Rice gave an inkling of the billiards he was to play by getting his needed 200 points in twenty-seven innings for an average of 7 11-27 and establishing a high run record of 69. This he later bettered. In his next game Rice met Terry and lost the title, as Terry inflicted his only defeat. Terry was too experienced and wise in safety play for the youngster.

In his fourth game Rice played steady, consistent billiards and raised the high average record to 9 11-21. In his next match he outdid the best efforts of any class C player by getting 200 points in fifteen innings for an average of 13 5-15. In this he had a record run of 76. Rice then followed with a cluster of 43. He had a grand average for the six final games of 5 17-20, which qualifies him for class B competition if he cares to enter that championship tourney.

Dr. H. W. Hawley of Danbury, Conn., who held the title before the play started, was not up to his usual form and was distanced early. Dr. Hawley lost his first four games before registering one victory.

Moore to Defend Title.

George W. Moore, champion of the world at three cushion carrom billiards, will defend his title against Charles A. McCourt of Cleveland at Doyle's Academy on January 31, February 1 and 2. The challenger, who was in New York Wednesday to play an Interstate League match with Charles Otis, whom he defeated, 50 to 46, had a conference with the champion and tried to persuade him to accept an offer from Ed Helm to play in Cleveland. Eventually McCourt agreed to play at Doyle's. The Brunswick-Balke-Collender Company consented to have the match played there, and the event accordingly became a fixture.

McCourt, who won the Interstate League championship in the season of 1915-16, held the world's championship from May 16, 1916, until September 27 the same year. He won it at Pittsburg by one point from Charles Ellis. Inasmuch as it was optional with him whether to defend his title during June, July and August, he refrained from playing in those months and thus held the championship through the summer. His first defensive experience resulted in a defeat by Hugh Heal of Toledo. Heal had a similar experience, for Moore took the championship trophy from him at Toledo November 8. On December 19, 20 and 21 at Doyle's Alfredo de Oro contested for the trophy and was beaten by Moore, 150 to 128. In addition to the world's championship Moore holds the professional record for a high run at three cushion. His record of 15 has been equalled only by an amateur performance, scored in a tournament in Argentina by Augusto Verges. Runs of 18 have been made, but not under conditions required for records.

The pending match will be 150 points, played in three sessions, for $250 a side, the diamond trophy and a purse of $300 added by John T. Doyle. The purse will be divided, 65 per cent. going to the winner and 35 per cent. to the loser. Albert G. Cutler has been agreed upon for referee. The winner will have to play Horace B. Lean in not less than thirty nor more than forty days from February 3, which will be between April 5 and 15.

Mortier, French Expert, Here.

Robert Mortier, artist, amateur billiardist and author of a French work on billiards, was a passenger on the Spanish steamer Montserrat, which arrived in New York January 14. He came from Barcelona, to which city he had journeyed from Paris. His brother, Alfred Mortier, the greatest of all amateur billiard players, has an aversion to travelling on the ocean and cannot be induced to visit America. Robert Mortier's vocabulary of English is limited to two words, "No speak." Through an interpreter he communicated that Cure, in Paris, is playing wonderful billiards, and Adorjan, whom he saw in Spain, is also playing very strongly.

Beaux, the French expert, who was a playing partner of Cassignol, is dead. Adorjan appears to be contented in Spain and not likely to come to the United States. The visitor says he has not practised billiards in five years, but hopes to play some while in New York. Until he can get a line on what he can do he will practise alone. When in his best form he made a run of 246 at 18.2 balk line. Maurice Daly says both Alfred and Robert Mortier are possessed of comfortable wealth.

TUFTS' BASEBALL DATES.

C. C. N. Y. and Fordham Are to Be Played in This City.

Medford, Mass., Jan. 20.—The Tufts College varsity baseball schedule announced to-night is the longest yet planned for a Tufts team. Twenty-seven games have been provided and four more are expected to be arranged soon. On the annual Southern trip the College of the City of New York and Fordham will take the places in the schedule formerly held by Seton Hall and the Navy. The schedule:

April 9, Braves at Boston; 11, Rhode Island State at Medford; 18, College of the City of New York at New York; 20, Maryland Aggies at College Park, Md.; 21, Catholic University at Washington; 23, Georgetown at Washington; 24, Fordham at New York; 25, Army at West Point; 28, Colby at Medford.

May 2, Catholic University at Medford; 5, Bates at Medford; 9, Brown at Providence; 11, Georgetown at Medford; 12, Boston College at Medford; 16, Bowdoin at Brunswick, Me.; 17, Bates at Lewiston, Me.; 19, Bowdoin at Medford; 22, Boston College at Newton; 24, Dartmouth at Medford; 26, Springfield Y. M. C. A. College at Medford; 30, Massachusetts Agricultural College at Medford.

June 2, Dartmouth at Hanover; 9, Fordham at Fordham; 13, Yale at New Haven; 16, Alumni at Medford; 23, Fordham at Medford.

CHAMPION, RUNNER UP AND UNSEATED LEADER OF CLASS C CUEISTS.

JULIAN RICE
WHO FINISHED SECOND

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CLYDE B. TERRY

THE NEW CHAMPION

DR. H. W. HAWLEY

WHO LOST THE TITLE

'Lucky Punch' Landed on Many Prominent Boxers

By CROSS COUNTER.

The downfall of Johnny Dundee at the hands of a comparatively unknown boxer named Willie Jackson brings to mind the fact that many other prominent boxers, including two American and several foreign title holders, have been subjected to the humiliation of a knock-out in the first round.

In addition many a champion posing gracefully on the top wave of popular favor has been tumbled ignominiously into the breakers of defeat by what has been termed a "lucky punch."

The two American champions who were vanquished inside of three minutes were Frank Erne, who was put to sleep by Joe Gans May 12, 1902, at Fort Erie with the first punch that the Baltimorean released in the opening round. The world's lightweight title changed hands on the result of that punch.

The second title holder to lose his laurels was George Chip, who was wafted to slumber in the first round of a bout at the Broadway Sporting Club, Brooklyn, May 7, 1914. That punch gave the world's middleweight championship to McCoy.

Terry McGovern made himself the bantam champion of the world by knocking out Pedlar Palmer, the bantam champion of Europe, in the first round at Tuckahoe in 1899. A series of heavy body blows settled Palmer.

Georges Carpentier captured the heavyweight championship of Europe by stopping Bombardier Wells in the first round of a battle at London December 8, 1913.

The summary manner in which Fulton disposed of Tom Cowler is recent history, although no title hinged on the result.

Their Alibis.

The victims of these sudden defeats have in the main attributed the reverse to carelessness on their part or luck for the victors, and the fact that many a boxer who has received a staggering wallop in the first round has recovered and eventually won seems to sustain the theory that a knockout punch in the opening session is largely a matter of luck.

However, in the case of Dundee the disaster that befell him has long been anticipated by close students of his jumping and leaping tactics. The boxer who receives a blow while his feet are off the ring floor must naturally expect to get a severe jolt. It was what Dundee called his "aeroplane punch" that was his undoing. He had made a flying leap at Jackson and was about to send in his favorite punch when a short right from Jackson connected with the Italian's chin.

It behooves boxers of drawing ability to exercise more care in the first round.

With Jim Corbett playing twins in a moving picture and Bob Fitzsimmons branching out as an evangelist, no one can deny that the prizering is on the up grade.

Rocap Explains.

Billy Rocap, whose decision shifted the bantam crown from the dome of Kid Williams to the head of Pete Herman, gives his reasons for his verdict as follows:

Williams directed his attack for Herman's body. He never varied that attack throughout the entire twenty rounds. After taking enough blows under the heart and on the kidneys to beat down a half dozen bantamweights Herman lowered his guard, and after the eleventh round not one of the three blows which Williams directed for a vulnerable spot landed. They were cleverly blocked by Herman's forearm or elbow.

Magicians can convince you that a man's hands can deceive your eyes; in fact, at times they are faster than your vision. The crowd far from the ringside, especially those who had a bet on Williams, thought all these blows landed. The referee was in the ring. He moved around as fast as the contestants and scored each round at its end. He could have given a decision at any time during the twenty rounds. First Williams led, and then Herman took the advantage. At the end the New Orleans bantamweight led by a margin sufficient to earn him the decision.

If Harry Wagner, the Racine middleweight, sticks to his word that he will not enter the ring again it will complete a queer chapter of sporting history.

Wagner is the son of "Father John" Wagner, the Racine promoter, and he met a person named Joe Robedeau on January 1. The thing began as a joke, but Wagner insisted on going through with it. His father protested and finally extracted a promise that no matter what the outcome Harry would not don the mitts again. As it was, the youth wore eight ounce gloves because "Father John" feared he would get marked.

It was lucky for the Robedeau person that the gloves were pillowy or he might have taken a visit to dreamland.

Father Wagner told his boy he would give him the whole proceeds from the show, and here is the funny part—Harry drew down just about $600 for his bit, a sum that many a boxer of reputation would have been glad to have received.

Preliminary Boy.

Jackson, who knocked out Johnny Dundee, was regarded as a good preliminary boxer and a trial horse for the top notchers. He always put up a flashy battle, but was not considered seriously. He never showed evidences of a knockout punch, and in his last appearance here was almost knocked out by Johnny Nelson after outpointing him for five rounds. Last spring Jackson met Johnny Kilbane and the referee stopped the bout in the fourth round when Willie was helpless.

Willie Jackson is a Hebrew and is 19 years old. He has been in the boxing game for three years, starting in when he weighed ninety-eight pounds. Willie's real name is Oscar Tobin, and he lives in New York.

Jeff Smith's Threat.

Jeff Smith, a middleweight of Bayonne, who engaged in two unsatisfactory bouts with Darcy in Australia, in one of which the Jerseyman was disqualified in the second round for foul, declares that he will smash the Australian on sight. As the attack has not as yet taken place it may be that Smith does not know where to find the Australian.

There is small doubt that Darcy is well able to take care of himself in any kind of a dispute, but it would seem that Smith, who is gifted with a fair amount of common sense, should know that a street brawl would not do him any good or increase his reputation as a fighter.

It was the custom in the London rules days for a fighter to pick a quarrel with a prospective opponent in order if possible to intimidate the victim. But all that is past and gone and the boxer nowadays who indulges in street fights will get nothing except condemnation for his reward.

Wrestler in the Films.

Pierre Le Colosse, the mammoth French wrestler, whose antics convulsed the onlookers at the tournament in the Manhattan Opera House, is now engaged in educational work on the screen. He is posing in a series showing the efforts of a fat man to reduce by gymnasium work, and he is in a genuine perspiration every time he starts work.

FORDHAM TO HAVE A STRONG TENNIS TEAM

All of Last Year's Players Are Eligible Men to Tour South.

The prospects for a good tennis team at Fordham University next spring are exceptionally bright. Manager Matty Taylor has arranged a list of a dozen matches, six of which will be played on the Maroon courts. The alumni have become interested in the racquet wielders and have arranged with the athletic association to allow the team three matches on Southern college courts.

The feat of Capt. Elliot Binzen in winning the national indoor junior championships two consecutive seasons has caused so much comment at Fordham that it is expected tennis will be on a par with all other sports at Fordham this spring. A dozen new large courts and a tennis house, which were built last season, will be kept in perfect condition by a groundkeeper, and it is reported that Matt Austin, who coached the N. Y. A. C. tennis team, will also coach the Fordham players.

The entire team from last season is intact, and in the freshman classes there are thirty candidates who have distinguished themselves on the court either in prep schools or at summer resorts. Arrangments are being made to practice indoors in a local armory. The schedule:

April 21, C. C. N. Y. at Fordham; 25, Columbia at Columbia; 28, New York at Fordham; 30, Georgetown at Fordham.

May 5, Amherst at Fordham; 8, C. C. N. Y. at City College; 11, Columbia at Fordham; 12, Trinity at Fordham; 16, Rutgers at New Brunswick, N. J.; 17, Georgetown at Washington; 18, George Washington at Washington; 19, Navy at Annapolis.

COLUMBIA'S WRESTLING BOOM.

Many Grapplers Work Daily in Morningside Gymnasium.

Wrestling stock has taken a big boom at Columbia during the past week as a result of the strong showing made in the meet with Princeton. Although the Blue and White grapplers failed to defeat the experienced Tiger team, Coach Gus Peterson was gratified by the showing of several of the new members of the Morningside team, especially T. Barrish in the welterweight division.

A number of new candidates have come out during the last few days as the result of a new campaign to popularize wrestling as one of the leading minor sports. An added stimulus has been given by the offer of a set of seven medals for the season, one for each weight donated by an alumnus, E. P. Kilroe, '04. In order to put all contestants on an equal footing a point system has been devised by Capt. F. N. Girdner and Coach Peterson to determine the medal winners, whereby the men on the squad will be given credit for all of the work they do on the mat.

Another prominent alumnus, F. D. Shaw, '74, has given a sum of money to secure additional coaching to aid Peterson in handling the increased squad of wrestling candidates.

HARVARD AWARDS HOST OF NUMERALS

Freshman Football Team, Assistant Manager and R. H. Post Honored.

Cambridge, Mass., Jan. 20.—The executive committee of the student council at Harvard has ratified the following appointments: C. D. Murray, '19, as second assistant manager of the university football team; G. R. Young, '19, as second assistant manager of the second football team; J. C. Bolton, '20, an manager of the freshman track team; H. D. Costigan, '20, as assistant manager of the freshman track team; H. P. Perry, '19, as second assistant manager of the university association football team; W. P. Belknap, Jr., '20, as manager of the freshman football team; Chase Mellen, Jr., '20, as assistant manager of the freshman football team; E. A. Hill, '19, as second assistant manager of the university musical clubs; J. M. French, '17, as manager of the university gymnastic team.

The award of numerals to the following members of the freshman football squad was ratified: H. O. Apthorp, A. Aspinwall, B. Bianchard, W. G. Brocker, W. Casswell, W. H. Cheney, F. C. Church, Jr., A. S. Cohen, G. Coolidge, J. W. Geary, R. G. Hadley, R. P. Hallowell, G. S. Hobbs, A. Horween, F. S. Johnson, R. A. Lancaster, J. R. Litchfield, G. Livingston, S. McKittrick, C. Thorndike, L. M. Weld, J. S. Whitney, T. W. Woods and W. P. Belknap, Jr., manager.

It was voted not to grant numerals to C. Mellen, Jr., '20, assistant manager of the freshman football team. In accordance with a petition from the members of the university and freshman football squads and coaches it was voted to award numerals to R. H. Post, '20, for his work this fall. It was voted not to grant the "H24" to R. Hoffman, '19.

ONLY SIX MATCHES FOR NAVY.

Tennis Schedule Smallest Midshipmen Have Had in Years.

Annapolis, Md., Jan. 20.—The Midshipmen will meet only six opponents at tennis this spring, according to the schedule announced to-day. It calls for the smallest number of matches the Navy has had in many years.

The dates are April 14, St. John's; April 21, Johns Hopkins; April 28, Princeton; May 5, University of Virginia; May 12, Georgetown; May 19, Fordham.

WRECKING FED PARK.

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan., 20.—The local Federal League baseball park, constructed at the cost of thousands of dollars, is being wrecked. The material taken from the wooden grand stand will be used to build barns, cribs and pig pens in the country near here. The original cost of the structure was $75,000. The ground will be used for the erection of a large interurban freight house.

PLAYERS CURBED BY NEW CONTRACTS

Clause 3 Prohibits Barnstorming, Football or Other Athletic Sport.

FULTZ WAS STAR IN 1902

By SHORTSTOP.

One feature of the new ball player's contract which has never been discussed—owing to the ball player's strike—is that the new document is so worded as to prevent any future barnstorming trips, or the participation in any other outdoor sport—football, basketball, inside baseball or any other athletic sport.

In fact the clause might be so interpreted to prevent a player ice skating or indulging in any outdoor activity which might come within the definition of athletic sport.

The clause dealing with this case is cleverly worded. While the player signs for a period of only six months the player actually binds up his activities for the entire twelve months, inasmuch as the contract reads that "The player further agrees that during the term of this contract he will not, except with the consent of ——— league, engage during the ——— league season, or at any other time in any game or exhibition of baseball, football, &c."

While in one part of the contract it is stated that the player "during the term of this contract" is bound to these conditions, in a few lines further down the fact is mentioned that he is bound not only for the league season, but for "any time."

Will Prevent Barnstorming.

Whether this clause would stand a legal acid test, a test case in the courts would have to bring forth. There is no question, however, about the interpretation which the major league club owners will put on it. While the idea of a twelve month contract was rejected by the National League through clause 3 the owner certainly intends to have jurisdiction over the player throughout the year.

It also is interesting to note that the contract reads, the player must appeal to the league and not to his club for permission to engage in any outside exhibition game.

This clause strictly enforced will prevent all barnstorming trips, winter leagues of major league players, big leaguers managing basketball teams, as Hans Wagner used to do, or playing football, as Jim Thorpe did last fall.

One interesting feature of it is: If a one year contract expires can the player be held by this clause if his contract lasted only from April to October? The clause in question follows:

Clause 3. The player agrees to render for the club owner, at such times and places during the term of this contract as the club owner shall designate, his best services as a ball player; and he agrees to keep himself in the best possible physical condition from the date hereof until the termination of this contract; and the violation of either of the foregoing provisions of this paragraph shall be such a breach of contract as shall entitle the club owner either to terminate this contract forthwith, by written notice, or to suspend the player, by written notice, without pay until the club owner is satisfied that the player is ready, able and willing to resume his services in the manner in this paragraph provided. The player further agrees that, during the term of this contract, he will not, except with the consent of the American League, engage, either during the American League season or at any other time, in any game or exhibition of baseball, football, basketball or other athletic sport, except as herein provided.

Fultz's Career.

Since Dave Fultz has become the storm centre of the baseball strike numerous requests have been received for information as to what kind of player Davey was. It is not so long ago since Davey wore the spangles and almost dashed out his brains against the skull of Kid Elberfeld on the old Hilltop grounds, but the fan quickly forgets.

Early in Fultz's major league career he showed every promise of becoming one of the real big stars of the game, but instead of getting better Dave reached his height soon after he came into the American League and then began to go back. Fultz played baseball and football at Brown University, being especially proficient at the gridiron game. In the late '90s he was one of the leading halfbacks in the East.

Fultz played in the middle West after getting out of college and was once bought by Ebbets, but never was given a tryout. He joined the Athletics in 1901, the year Mack put a team in Philadelphia, and quickly developed into a star. He hit .295 and stole 36 bases.

In 1902 Fultz gave promise of developing into a real topliner. He always was very fast at college and was a dangerous man on the bases. Playing centre field on Mack's first Philadelphia champions, Fultz hit .300, stole 48 bases, and in a 140 game season led his league in run getting with 110 runs.

Disappoints in This City.

The next year the entire league was called upon to dig up material to place an all star team in New York to oppose the Giants. Mack gave up Fultz, as he was no longer able to meet the Brown man's salary demands. However, Dave was a big disappointment in New York and never again played the game he had shown in Philadelphia. He hit .240 in 1903, .278 in 1904 and .232 in 1905.

It was during the latter part of the 1905 season that Fultz had his collision with Elberfeld, which almost closed the earthly career of both ball players. Fultz retired after that to devote all his time to his law practice, and until the organization of the Fraternity was associated by the public more with football than with baseball, as he officiated in all the big college games in the East.

TO MEET RUTGERS "FISH."

Columbia Adds Jersey Team to Swimming Schedule.

A meet with Rutgers to be held at Columbia on Friday, February 9, has been added to the Columbia swimming schedule, according to announcement yesterday of manager S. C. Merrill. This will be the first meeting between swimming teams representing these institutions, as the New Brunswick College adopted swimming only two years ago. In connection with the Rutgers meet, a special 100 yard interscholastic race will be held, with entrants from all of the high and prep schools in New York and vicinity. The winners will be awarded gold, silver and bronze medals.

TO SHOOT FOR TITLE.

The ninth annual amateur clay bird championship of Long Island Sound will be held under the auspices of the Manhasset Bay Yacht Club on January 20. It is open to all recognized clubs on Long Island Sound and waters thereof. The match will be at 100 targets. A trophy will be presented to the club whose members score the greatest number of points.

BASEBALL AT RUTGERS.

New Brunswick, Jan. 20.—Indoor baseball practice at Rutgers will start in earnest Monday. Preliminary gymnasium work already is under way. It is expected that there will be a squad of about fifty men working out.

SCHOOLBOY HOCKEY BEGINS THIS WEEK

Manual Meets Flushing and Commercial, Jamaica—The Schedule.

Championship hockey among the schools of Brooklyn and Long Island will start next Saturday with a double header at the Brooklyn Ice Palace, the new skating rink at the corner of Atlantic and Bedford avenues. The contesting teams will be Manual vs. Flushing and Commercial vs. Jamaica. Seven schools have entered teams in the race, the others being St. John's Prep, Boys High and Erasmus.

The teams will play a single round-robin for the championship. With the exception of Wednesday evening, February 21, the contests will all be decided either on Friday or Saturday evenings of each week. The season will end on Friday, March 16, with games between St. John's Prep and Jamaica and Erasmus vs. Boys High School.

The Crescent Athletic Club is taking unusual interest in the league. Already several of the members of the New Moon team have consented to coach the schoolboys. George Hallock will look after Boys High. Emil Desjardins has offered his services to Commercial. Mickey Roach is to coach Erasmus and William Dobby will look after Manual. The championship schedule follows:

January 27, Manual vs. Flushing, Commercial vs. Jamaica; February 2, St. John's Prep vs. Boys High, Manual vs. Erasmus; 3, Flushing vs. Commercial; 9, Jamaica vs. Flushing, Commercial vs. Boys High; 10, St. John's Prep vs. Erasmus; 16, Manual vs. Jamaica, Erasmus vs. Commercial; 17, St. John's Prep vs. Flushing; 21, Manual vs. Boys High, Flushing vs. Erasmus; 23, Commercial vs. St. John's Prep; 24, Jamaica vs. Boys High; March 2, Manual vs. Commercial, Flushing vs. Boys High; 9, Manual vs. St. John's Prep, Jamaica vs. Erasmus; 16, St. John's Prep vs. Jamaica, Erasmus vs. Boys High.

YALE OARSMEN AT WORK ON MACHINES

Coach Abbott Taking Off the Rough Edges Before Guy Nickalls Returns.

New Haven, Conn., Jan. 20.—The return of Guy Nickalls to New Haven within the next fortnight will be the means of reviving interest in rowing at Yale. When the English coach comes to New Haven he will find that considerable work has been done looking toward the ultimate goal—a victory over Harvard on the Thames.

Every afternoon this week Assistant Coach Abbott has had a squad of men at work on the machines in the gymnasium, although there has been no regular call for candidates. There is a general stir among the oarsmen of the university soon after the midwinter term opens, and this year is no exception to the rule.

Nickalls will start the regular work of the crew men immediately after the junior promenade, which will be held on February 6. Capt. Cord Meyer is ready to start in when the time arrives, and Yale undergraduates hope for a better showing on the river next June than was made in 1916.

Considerable interest is being shown at Yale over the outcome of the experiment of moving the crews over to the Housatonic River at Derby. There are many Yale men who believe that it will mean a great deal to Yale crews of the future because of the better water conditions, and there are many who believe that the scene of practice will prove too far removed from the campus. No athletic experiment ever made at Yale has caused the interest this one has, but as it has the hearty indorsement of Coach Nickalls, Yale is perfectly willing to give it a good tryout.

TEN MEETS FOR FORDHAM.

Maroon Athletes to Have Busy Indoor Season.

Fordham University track management has specified eight indoor meets for the winter in which at least ten Maroon runners will compete. This is double the number of approved meets sanctioned by the athletic association last year, and it is rumored that the schedule will be raised to a dozen indoor games. Coach Bernie Wefers hopes to have a pack of fifty runners on the Maroon team, and plans to invade the local indoor meets from now on.

The Fordham meet will be held on February 24 at the Twenty-second Regiment Armory and will be the largest the Bronx collegians ever managed, despite the fact that in former years Fordham staged very creditable indoor games annually. The schedule:

January 20, Millrose A. C. games; 26, Young Men's Democratic League games; February 3, Boston A. A. games at Boston; 10, New York A. C. games; 17, Brooklyn College games; 21, Second Naval Division games at Hartford; 24, Fordham University games; March 3, indoor intercollegiate meet at Philadelphia.

A dual meet with Colby and Bucknell at the respective tracks will be announced shortly.

TO REVIVE ATHLETICS.

Col. Vanderbilt Suggests All Engineers Take Up Sport.

Following the suggestion of Col. Vanderbilt that all the members of the Twenty-second regiment take up athletics the engineers held a meeting last night and organized an athletic council. Capt. Charles Dieges was appointed director of athletics, and the following officers were chosen for the athletic committee: Capt. W. A. Ross, Company A; Lieut. A. W. Lamb, Company B; Lieut. C. W. Wagner, Company C; Lieut. F. E. Whittesley, Company D; Lieut. E. Semple Meale, Company E, and Lieut. L. C. Donovan, Company F.

It was decided at the meeting to start the season with a set of games for novices. It is the intention of the committee to put the regiment back in the position it held in the athletic world a few years ago.

Lieut.-Col. Conrow has appointed several of the engineers to rebuild the track. It will have a 220 yard straightaway.

BROOKLYN HORSE SHOW.

Twenty-fifth Annual Event Will Be Held in April.

The twenty-fifth annual Brooklyn Horse Show will be held in the Riding and Driving Club of Brooklyn on April 18, 19, 20 and 21 this year, according to an announcement made yesterday by President Thomas L. Leeming.

The show will be in the hands of a committee of seventy men prominent in riding circles, and an executive committee, picked from this list, will have charge of the active management.

The sixty classes last year drew close to 600 entries, but it is expected that the quarter of a century anniversary show will greatly surpass this record. The prize list will not be ready for distribution until March. W. S. Blitz will be manager.

GRADUATE COACHES RARELY SUCCESSFUL

Professional Mentors Have Developed Most of Leading Gridiron Teams.

HAUGHTON AN EXCEPTION

By SOL METZGER.

Coach of Washington and Jefferson Football Team.

"The All America team," so Walter Camp writes, "is picked primarily for its ability to win games and secondarily as a reward of merit."

To date no All America team has won a game in thirty-odd seasons of football, which puts quite a crimp in the primary reason. And why not, since it appears necessary to reward merit, confer the Iron Cross? Divine right and All America teams are splendid bedfellows. But there is not much reason for either—positively none in democracy.

Williams College, in spite of its marked presidential leanings toward intramural sport, has secured Ira Thomas of the Philadelphia Athletics as baseball coach. Williams did not have the necessary coin in its athletic treasury to get a special coach but a friend of the college who is not a graduate and who will not permit his name to be given in this connection made the deal and has presented Thomas to Williams.

At one time during the early negotiations Connie Mack was being carefully considered as the proper baseball guide. At any rate, whatever others think, Williams believes Mack is still able to deliver another $100,000 college infield. Probably if Connie was consulted he evinced a desire to avoid collegiate sanctuary for the time being. How unlike ex-President Taft he is!

Graduate Coaches in South.

Washington and Lee University, coached very successfully in football for some three years by "Jogger" Elcock, the former Dartmouth star, is about to adopt a system of graduate coaching in all branches of sport. Elcock has resigned to give full time to business. It remains to be seen if the ideal plan advocated by so many is to prove a success at W. & L.

Football coaches come and go, but the graduate system, with few exceptions, has not proved a success. Glenn Warner and Fielding Yost, coaches of Pittsburg and Michigan respectively, have longest been in service of the big fellows. Neither is a graduate of the institution whose team he coaches.

Harvard is the only notable exception in the East, but not until its eleven had passed through years of failure. Princeton's successes with the system in a period of twenty years could be counted by a child of 3. Pennsylvania is right now enjoying a flurry in graduate coaching quotations, but its most consistent and telling gridiron record was made under George Woodruff of Yale twenty years back. Cornell's graduate system was a complete failure. Dartmouth hasn't much to brag about.

Of the smaller colleges in the East that have assumed gridiron supremacy at various times Brown, under Robinson, and Penn State, under Harlow, both graduates of these respective institutions, have been uniformly successful, but they have not reached any higher pinnacles than either Colgate or Washington and Jefferson, both small colleges, coached by Dartmouth and Pennsylvania men. Bankhart, the Colgate tutor, has worked wonders and Folwell, now at Penn, certainly gave W. & J. a gridiron joy ride.

In the West the Conference teams have invariably sought football tutors in the open market. Chicago, Minnesota and Northwestern have Yale coaches; Illinois, Ohio State and Indiana Wisconsin graduates; Purdue a Holy Cross teacher; Wisconsin a flock of Harvard men of the Haughton school and Michigan has Yost, who is a West Virginia product, all reports to the contrary notwithstanding.

In the far West, Washington has made its American record of nine undefeated seasons under Dobie, a Minnesota man, and the other Pacific Coast teams are in the same boat. California made a new start last fall, necessarily under a non-graduate system.

Material Is Necessary.

The graduate system is ideal on paper or wherever the college gets the right man. But who is the right man? Haughton was a failure at Cornell before becoming the savior of Harvard's football, the latter his alma mater. Warner, great at Carlisle and greatest at Pittsburg, was little better than Haughton when he coached his alma mater, Cornell. Which leads one to conclude that a real topnotch coach must have the goods to work with before he can deliver them. Neither is this true in football alone. It works in all branches of sport. The graduate system is not as good, all things considered, as going out into the open for the right man.

Football coaches and trainers rarely work together. Pennsylvania enjoyed its greatest football prosperity under George Woodruff when he and Mike Murphy were at odds. Both were equally good men and neither strong will bowed to the other. No one has yet found out what Mike Sweeney, who the late Tom Shevlin said knew more football than any man in the country, did at Yale last fall. He was taken from the Hill school to act as trainer, but he spent a listless fall in New Haven. Tad Jones was absolute.

It seems that the man who has the skill, knowledge, common sense and personality to make a successful coach has the knack of conditioning his charges. And when the coach and successful trainer meet, each with absolute authority, one is bound to go.

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NEW QUARTERS CHOSEN.

Intercity Baseball Association to Meet Hereafter in Brooklyn.

The first meeting of the Intercity Baseball Association this year will be held in the new assembly rooms at 10 De Kalb avenue, near Fulton street, Brooklyn, on Tuesday evening, March 6, at 8 o'clock. In the future all meetings will be held at that address, instead of in the World Building, New York, which has been the headquarters for several years.

The year 1916 marked the biggest year for the Intercity B. B. A. Several hundred teams from Long Island, Brooklyn, New York, New Jersey and Connecticut were enrolled in the organization. Henry Schmidt, 484 Harmon street, Brooklyn, is secretary.

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