In Spectacular Five Set Match Richards, New York's Tennis Star, Is Beaten for Middle States Honors by Tilden

TILDEN TRIUMPHS IN TENNIS FINAL

Germantown Player Defeats Richards for Middle States Singles Crown.

PLAY FIVE SET MATCH

Victor Makes Great Rally in Deciding Set—Scores Are 4-6, 6-3, 5-7, 6-2, 7-5.

Special Despatch to THE SUN.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Feb. 28.—William T. Tilden 2d of the Germantown Cricket Club won the Middle Atlantic States covered court singles championship to-day by defeating Vincent Richards of New York in the most remarkable tennis match ever staged in Philadelphia. The score was 4—6, 6—3, 5—7, 6—2, 7—5.

The final set proved a heart breaker for young Richards. With the sets even up he took the lead in this at 5 to 1. He also had the score at 30 love and it seemed almost impossible for Tilden to win out. But the tall Germantown player came back with a rally that simply surprised the New Yorker, and fighting a game finish Tilden came through victoriously.

To say that Tilden was brilliant, sparkling, scintillating, is putting it mildly. He seemed to be all over the court at once, and some of his shots were absolutely uncanny. It was not that Richards let down. The young star kept his nerve and played his usual steady game. Despite the dizzy pace he set, however, Tilden kept his head and varied his game just enough to put Richards always on the defensive. Tilden volleyed, smashed, chopped, sneaked little measly shots just across the net, cut the far corners and spun the ball along the side lines a fraction of an inch in court.

"The greatest match I ever saw, and one of the best I ever expect to see," was the way one ringside critic put it, and that about sums up this battle royal that will go down in tennis history as one of the classics of the court game.

Brilliant Play by Loser.

There was almost as much glory for the vanquished as for the victor, however, as this frail 16 year old lad certainly put up a brand of tennis that was beautiful to behold. Never flurried, never worried, cool and collected throughout, he outguessed Tilden many, many a time, anticipated what his more experienced opponent was planning to do and blocked him with a neatness and despatch that drew round after round of applause from the big crowd that packed the Wanamaker Roof to view this thrilling clash.

Slowly but surely Tilden crept up on Richard's comfortable lead. The nearer he came the more brilliant became his play. Slashing and smashing at everything, Tilden had the youngster, who had been actually outplaying him but a moment before, striving desperately to get just one game, that would mean victory.

When the games were called at 5 all Richards seemed to drop. Up to that time he fought as hard as he knew how. He did not have Tilden's strength, however, and the five straight sets without rest were telling against him. The last two games Richards fought gamely but was utterly unable to stem the tide.

The Point Score.

First set—														
Tilden	6	1	1	4	0	6	1	4	2	—	4			
Richards	4	4	4	4	1	4	3	4	1	—	6			
Second set—														
Tilden	2	3	4	4	4	4	3	4	—	6				
Richards	5	4	3	3	0	2	3	2	—	3				
Third set—														
Tilden	1	7	4	4	1	1	0	6	4	4	1	2	—	5
Richards	4	6	2	1	4	4	4	2	2	4	—	7		
Fourth set—														
Tilden	2	4	4	5	4	4	4	—	6					
Richards	4	2	0	2	1	1	1	—	3					
Fifth set—														
Tilden	0	6	4	4	2	4	4	4	4	4	6	—	7	
Richards	4	4	6	1	4	4	2	1	2	2	4	—	5	

PRINCETON SWIMMERS BEST.

Defeat Rutgers in Dual Meet by 31 to 22.

Special Despatch to THE SUN.

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Feb. 28.—Princeton swimmers nosed out Rutgers here to-night in a hotly contested dual meet. The feature of the meet was Lefurgy, who put another dent in the plunge record with a plunge of 71 feet just before the final event, the relay, the score stood Princeton 23, Rutgers 22. Then the Tigers rallied and won 31, Rutgers 22. In the relay Georgie, a freshman of Princeton, nosed out Capt. Ludens, the anchor man. The summary:

50 Yards—Won by Johnson, Princeton; second, Lukens, Rutgers; third, Georgie, Princeton. Time, 26 4-5 seconds.

100 Yards—Won by Lukens, Rutgers; second, Foster, Princeton; third, Harris, Princeton. Time, 1:09 3-5.

220 Yards—Won by Wolff, Rutgers; second, Twitchell, Princeton; third, Mason, Rutgers.

Dive—Won by Anderson, Princeton; second, Sherwin, Rutgers; third, Quay, Princeton.

Plunge—Won by Lefurgy, Rutgers, 71 feet; second, Kinnard, Princeton, 67 feet 6 inches; third, Driscoll, Princeton, 63 feet 6 inches.

Relay—Won by Princeton (Murray, Harris, Johnson, Georgie); second, Rutgers (Redmond, Summerill, Gardner, Lukens). Time, 1:47 3-5.

CORNELL BEATS TIGERS.

Outscores Princeton Basketball Team, 35 to 18.

Special Despatch to THE SUN.

PRINCETON, N. J., Feb. 28.—The Cornell basketball team invaded Tigertown to-night and handed the Princeton five a severe drubbing to the tune of 35 to 18. The visitors had matters their own way throughout the contest. The count at half time was 18 to 10.

Kendall was the shining light for the Ithacans. He scored five field goals. The score:

Princeton.		Cornell.
Ogle	Right forward	Stewart
Zabriskie	Left forward	Ortner
Gray	Centre	Nolinet
Margetts	Right guard	Slydnan
Schmidt	Left guard	Kendall

Field goals—Kendall 5, Nolinet 5, Ortner 3, Stewart 2, Gray 2, Margetts 2, Zabriskie. Foul goals—Ortner 5 out of 6, Zabriskie 3 out of 3. Opie 5 out of 9. Substitutions—Princeton—Davis for Schmidt, Wood for Ogle, Hunt for Davis. Cornell—Cornish for Slydnan. Referee—Mr. Thorpe. Umpire—Mr. Cartwright. Time of halves—20 minutes.

CRESCENT A. C. VICTORIOUS.

Defeats Army and Navy Five by 38 to 23.

The Crescent Athletic Club basketball team last night defeated a team made up of former army and navy officers on the Brooklyn club's court by 38 to 23. The army and navy men played well in the first half, but went to pieces in the final period. The first half ended 13 to 13. The lineup:

Crescent (38).		Army-Navy (23).
Calder	Left forward	Seaman
Nicholas	Right forward	Smith
McTigue	Centre	Dodson
Ashmead	Left guard	Griffin
Stewart	Right guard	Combes

Field goals—Calder 2, Nicholas 3, McTigue, Ashmead 3, Stewart 4, Austin 4, Seaman, Smith 3, Dodson 2, Griffin 3, Combes. Goals from foul—Calder 4, Seaman 3. Substitutes—Austin for McTigue. Referee—John O'Brien, Central Y. M. C. A. Time of halves—20 minutes.

Bombardier Wells May Again Meet Beckett

LONDON, Feb. 28.—The announcement made by the Central News that W. O. W. Beckett of Southampton, who knocked out Bombardier Wells last night, would meet Georges Carpentier, the heavyweight champion of Europe, is not confirmed as yet. Sporting writers in this morning's newspapers say that the winner of the fight between Beckett and Frank Goddard will meet the Frenchman.

While Wells technically retains title as champion of England, because his bout with Beckett was not held under the auspices of the National Sporting Club, there is no doubt the winner of the Goddard-Beckett contest will meet Wells in a championship bout.

FLORIDA TITLE GOES TO MISS BJURSTEDT

Famous Tennis Champion Beats Mrs. Wood in Final at Palm Beach, 6-1, 6-2.

Special Despatch to THE SUN.

PALM BEACH, Fla., Feb. 28.—Miss Molla Bjurstedt, national woman's tennis champion, very easily gathered up the Florida State title this afternoon. In the final of the annual tourney here she defeated Mrs. Rawson Wood of the West Side Tennis Club in two straight sets, 6—1, 6—2.

One of the largest galleries ever gathered here watched the match. Miss Bjurstedt played without apparent effort and seemed to be able to anticipate every move her opponent made. Critics here say that her back hand stroke, in which she has shown some weakness, has undergone a noteworthy improvement, and that as she played to-day she was almost invincible.

The Norse girl protected her court with exceptional cleverness, at the same time drawing Mrs. Wood out of position at every opportunity, and her passing shots were very pretty to watch.

Later in the doubles Mrs. Wood, paired with Miss Eleanor Sears of Boston, defeated Mrs. E. M. Moore and Mrs. L. M. Heim, both of New York, 6—1, 6—2.

CHACE TAKES TWO SWIMMING RACES

Scores in Century and Furlong in Marquand Meet.

Paul Chace of Berkeley-Irving High School and the New York A. C. last night won the bulk of the honors in the second annual interscholastic swimming meet of the Marquand Preparatory School in the Central Y. M. C. A. pool in Brooklyn. Chace won the 220 yard swim from a select field in the exceptionally fast time of 2 minutes 38 1-5 seconds and later captured first place in the 100 yard swim.

In the 220 yard event, the feature, the Berkeley-Irving lad defeated Clarence Ross of Erasmus Hall, the P. S. A. L. champion, by two feet. In the century swim Chace defeated Joseph Burril by a foot in 1 minute 2 3-5 seconds. The summaries:

600 Foot Relay—Won by Erasmus Hall (Burrill, Franken, Ross and Rossettie); Marquand Prep (Familton, Mazet, R. Maze and Morison), second; Boys High (Boller, Braisted, Patton and Seitz), third. High School of Commerce (Frisch, Searle, Springer and Steinthal), fourth. Time, 1:33 2-5.

220 Yard Swim—Won by Paul Chace, Berkeley-Irving; Clarence Ross, Erasmus Hall, second; Archie Morison, Marquand Prep, third; Bunker Rossette, Erasmus Hall, fourth. Time, 2:38 1-5.

Plunge for Distance—Won by Phillip Copelin, Berkeley-Irving, with 60 feet 6 inches; Daniel Lowey, Stuyvesant, and J. Pick, Stuyvesant, with 57 feet, second; Marsans, Marquand Prep, with 53 feet, fourth.

50 Yard Swim—Won by Herbert Familton, Marquand Prep; Rudolph Saacke, Hamilton Institute, second; Horace McMullen, Erasmus Hall, third; J. Kilte, Manual Training, fourth. Time, 27 4-5 seconds.

100 Yard Swim—Won by Paul Chace, Berkeley-Irving; Joseph Burrill, Erasmus Hall, second; J. Braisted, Boys High, third; R. Mazet, Marquand Prep, fourth. Time, 1:02 3-5.

Fancy Dive—Won by Rudolph Saacke, Hamilton Institute, 90.2 points; H. Searle, Commerce, with 80.4 points, second; J. Kirkpatrick, Erasmus Hall, with 73 points, third.

Point Score—Erasmus Hall, 19; Berkeley-Irving, 18; Marquand Prep, 18; Stuyvesant, 5; High School of Commerce, 5.

SELECTS YALE CREW.

Temporary First Eight Chosen by Coach Abbott.

NEW HAVEN, Feb. 28.—Coach Abbott of the Yale crew picked out a temporary first eight to-day from the two crews of equal strength that have been rowing since Wednesday. The nearness of the Pennsylvania race on April 19 necessitated an earlier selection than usual but competition for the seats will continue as keen as ever. The seating of the first eight was as follows:

Coxswain, Hadden; No. 1, Schiffin; No. 2, Mead (captain); No. 3, Rockefeller; No. 4, Brownell; No. 5, Allen; No. 6, Adams; No. 7, Brown; bow, Driscoll.

EQUALS SKI RECORD.

Anders Haugen Clears 203 Feet in Tournament.

STEAMBOAT SPRINGS, Col., Feb. 28.—The world's record ski jump of 203 feet was equalled to-day by Anders Haugen of St. Paul at the annual ski tournament. He won the professional event with 349 points, defeating by 6 points his brother, Lars Haugen, who failed to retain his footing after jumps of 208 and 212 feet. Nels Jensen of the Great Lakes Naval Training Station won the amateur event with 265 points and a jump of 118 feet.

NEW ORLEANS ENTRIES.

First Race—Four furlongs—Annette Teller, 107; Dismed, 116; Barrar, 116; Mile. Dazie, 118; Guaranteed, 113; Lady Mountjoy, 113; Raganna, 113.

Second Race—Five and a half furlongs—Bert Williams, 118; Earlymorn, 113; Jack K., 113; Miss Fauntleroy, 108; Meddling Miss, 108; Laura Miller, 108; Relloc, 108; Ruth Strickland, 108; Clip, 104; Marie Connel, 99; Attleboro. Also eligible—General, 118; Leiserzer, 113; Churchill Downs, 108; Lil' Maudie, 99; Broncho Billy, 113; Liberator, 113.

Third Race—Five and a half furlongs—Charlie Leydecker, 116; Franklin, 115; W. W. Hastings, 112; Assume, 111; Basil, 110; Kate Bright, 107; Marie Miller, 106; Bill Boy, 105; Cobalt Lass, 105; Orlando of Havana, 103.

Fourth Race—Two miles—Lord Herbert, 109; Queen Apple, 108; Pit, 106; Puis and Calla, 106; Fern Handley, 105; Benefactor, 103.

Fifth Race—One mile and a furlong—Handful, 112; Ellison, John Hurie, Fountain Fay, Bar of Phoenix, Aldebaran, Hogart, Fairly, 109 each; Dalwood, 107; Senator Bredenick, 107; Leila, 105; Brown Velvet, 104; Honolulu Boss, 102; Ornery, 107.

Sixth Race—One mile and seventy yards—Sheeth, 114; Prunes, 108; Iolite, 109; King Neptune, 109; Broom Peddler, 107; Jerfarer, 106; Amelite, 102.

DEMPSEY-WILLARD MAY BOX IN JERSEY

So Declares Downs, Chicagoan Who Purchases European Picture Rights.

A world's heavyweight championship battle in a bout limited to eight rounds, upsetting all titular traditions, may be the medium of settling the question of supremacy between Jess Willard and Jack Dempsey. Furthermore, the ring may be pitched on the reddish clay so plentiful in the State of New Jersey.

This opinion was yesterday expressed by L. S. Downs of Chicago, who has just purchased the European moving picture rights for the battle for $20,000. Mr. Downs arrived in this city yesterday and engaged an agent to go to Europe and make arrangements for the exhibition of the films.

Mr. Downs stated that under the contract which he and Rickard signed the bout must not be limited to less than eight rounds. This is the limit permitted by the New Jersey boxing law.

Downs said he had excellent reason to believe that Rickard had practically decided to stage the bout in New Jersey, the chief reason being that the contest would then draw on the great centres of population in the East.

It was pointed out to Downs that John S. Smith, chairman of the New Jersey Boxing Commission, had announced some time ago that he was opposed to the Willard-Dempsey battle being fought in that State and that the commission would not issue a sanction for such a bout. Downs declared that Rickard and Smith had since been in frequent communication and that the New Jersey Commissioner had changed his views on the subject. Downs admitted that his statement was not official, but intimated that he received his impressions during a conference with Rickard in Chicago when the picture contracts were signed.

So far as the exact location of the battleground was concerned Downs had no information, but as Rickard has stated that he would build an open air arena it is probable a tract of ground close to Weehawken would be selected.

It has been asserted that a bill increasing the rounds to twelve and providing for decisions will be introduced as an amendment to the present Jersey boxing law, and if this were put through before the present session ends it would pave the way for the big bout.

Taken in connection with Rickard's recent declaration that the bout would be staged in the East the statements of Downs are rather significant.

ERASMUS AND POLY ARE HOCKEY VICTORS

Triumph in Long Island Interscholastic League Games.

STANDING OF THE TEAMS.

	W.	L.	T.	Pts.
Erasmus Hall	5	1	0	10
Poly Prep	4	1	1	9
Jamaica	3	0	0	6
Manual Training	3	2	0	6
Flushing	1	3	2	4
New Utrecht	1	3	2	4
Commercial	1	4	1	3
Boys High	0	5	0	0

The hockey teams representing Erasmus Hall and Poly Prep were victorious in the Long Island Interscholastic League last night in the Brooklyn Ice Palace. The Buff and Blue sextet beat Jamaica, 3 to 2, in the opening contest, while the Dyker Heights' lads disposed of Commercial in the final game by 4 to 0. The victory of Poly and Erasmus places these teams in the final match for the championship which is to be played on March 21.

Robert Hall, the crack centre of Erasmus, accounted for his team's victory, while the Farah brothers, Frank and Harold were responsible for Poly's triumph. The lineups:

Erasmus (3).		Jamaica (2).
Huntington	Goal	Jennings
Bartel	Point	Dyer
Hall	Centre	Madden
Garside	Cover point	Bates
Rollins	Left wing	W. Thompson
Wyckoff	Right wing	Clifford

Goals, first period—Rollins (2:04), Rollins (6:53), Madden (10:18). Goals, second period—Clifford (3:24), Hall (7:32). Referee—Tom Howard, Brooklyn Club of New York. Timers—Fred Mohle, Brooklyn Hockey Club, and I. King, Erasmus Hall. Time of periods—15 minutes.

Poly Prep (4).		Commercial (0).
Lott	Goal	Thomas
Doppel	Point	Felmler
Jelliffe	Centre	Jewell
F. Farah	Cover point	Peek
H. Farah	Left wing	Horstrom
Morris	Right wing	Asch

Goals, first period—F. Farah (10:15), H. Farah (12:15). Goals, second period—F. Farah (1:55), F. Farah (4:40). Substitute—Woodbridge for Morris. Referee—Tom Howard, Brooklyn Hockey Club. Timers—Fred Mohle, Brooklyn Hockey Club, and I. King, Erasmus Hall. Time of periods—15 minutes.

IN THE SQUARED CIRCLE.

An attempt is being made by the Nevada Legislature to pass the twenty-five round boxing bill over the veto of Gov. Boyle. This would seem to indicate that Nevada has not given up hope of getting the Willard-Dempsey fight.

Larry Williams threatens to put Jim Coffey to sleep when they meet next Monday night in the Armory at Jersey City. Williams appears to be lacking in respect for the prowess of the Roscommon giant.

English patrons of boxing declare that Bombardier Wells, were it not for excessive temperamental weakness, would be able to beat any man in the world. It would seem that Wells is gradually overcoming this drawback. In previous bouts his temperament usually got the upper hand in the first or second round. In his last encounter he held his temperament at bay until the fifth. At that rate of progress the Bombardier should in a few years be able to box fifteen or ten rounds without completing the referee to do any mathematical work.

HAVANA RESULTS.

First Race—Three-year-olds; claiming; purse $500; six furlongs. Skyman, 112 (Murray), even; 2 to 5 and out, first; Miss Proctor, 112 (Jeffcott), 5 to 2, even and 1 to 2, second; The Six Hundred, 117 (Morrissey), 10 to 1, 4 to 1 and 2 to 1, third. Time, 1:16 1-5. Marmon, Old Rose, Lady Langden and Croix D'Or also ran.

Second Race—Three-year-olds and upward; claiming; purse $500; five and a half furlongs. Deckhand, 103 (Bullman), 4 to 1, 8 to 5 and 4 to 5, first; Cardome, 104 (Doyle), 4 to 1, 8 to 5 and 4 to 5, second; Hazelnut, 108 (Troxler), 8 to 2, even and 1 to 2, third. Time, 1:09 1-5. The Grader, Jim Hoey, Pierrot, Syrian and Quick also ran.

Third Race—Four-year-olds and upward; claiming; purse $500; five and a half furlongs. Petlar, 103 (Burke), 5 to 1, 2 to 1 and even, first; Leoma, 106 (Thurber), 10 to 1, 4 to 1 and 2 to 1, second; Waterford, 106 (C. Howard), 7 to 5, 1 to 2 and out, third. Time, 1:09 2-5. Billy Joe, Toy Miss, Brown Baby and Hope also ran.

Fourth Race—Four-year-olds and upward; claiming; purse $500; five and a half furlongs. Ed Garrison, 109 (Kelsay), 5 to 1, 2 to 1 and even, first; Miss Gove, 107 (Wingfield), 10 to 1, 4 to 1 and 2 to 1, second; James G., 106 (Pickens), 5 to 2, even and 1 to 2, third. Time, 1:09 1-5. Bunice, Hemlock, Bulger and Peaceful Star also ran.

Fifth Race—Four-year-olds and upward; claiming; purse $500; one mile and fifty yards. Lytle, 111 (Roland), 7 to 10, 1 to 4 and out, first; John Graham, 103 (Bullman), 10 to 1, 4 to 1 and 8 to 5, second; O'Malley, 97 (Murray), 4 to 1, 2 to 5 and 1 to 5, third. Time, 1:47. Zodiac, Rapid Fire, Kneelet, Daybreak and Cliff Haven also ran.

Sixth Race—Four-year-olds and upward; claiming; purse $500; one mile and twenty yards. Woodthrush, 108 (Murray), 8 to 5, 1 to 2 and out, first; Cicculate, 104 (Bullman), 8 to 2, even and 2 to 5, second; Capital City, 109 (Thurber), 4 to 1, 8 to 5 and 2 to 5, third. Time, 1:14. Butcher Boy, Egmont and Driffield also ran.

BREAKS WRIST IN BASKETBALL GAME

Wysocki of Lehigh Hurt in N. Y. U. Gymnasium.

The New York University basketball team defeated the Lehigh five last night in the N. Y. U. gymnasium in a fast and rough game by a score of 36 to 17. The Violet lads outplayed the Pennsylvanians in every department of the game and held the upper hand throughout.

Two minutes before the final whistle Wysocki, a Lehigh sub, sustained a broken wrist while attempting to check Egan, the N. Y. U. captain.

Marin, the Violet right forward, was the star of the game. He made two field goals and four out of seven fouls, and he assisted his team mates to score several other baskets.

Donovan and Straut played best for Lehigh. The lineup:

N. Y. U. (36).		Lehigh (17).
Marin	Right forward	Donovan
Kram	Left forward	Savaria
Delaney	Centre	Stewart
Egan	Right guard	Fratn
Broun	Left guard	Straut

Goals from field—N. Y. U.: Kram 4, Delaney 2, Broun 3, Marin 3, Egan. Lehigh: Donovan 2, Fratn, Savaria. Goals from foul—N. Y. U.: Marin 7, Egan 3. Lehigh: Donovan 7. Substitutes—N. Y. U.: Steinberg for Marin, Williams for Broun, Hauser for Delaney. Lehigh: Ketcham for Straut, Wysocki for Stewart, Smith for Fratn. Referee—Mr. Koch of Yonkers Y. M. C. A.

HOMER BAKER TO TRY AGAIN.

The 1,000 yard run and 300 yard dash are the two events on the Osceola Club games programme for to-night at the Seventh Regiment Armory aroused national interest will be centred. In the former Homer Baker, the international half mile champion, who came a cropper at the start of the special 600 at the Millrose games in Madison Square Garden Tuesday night, will try to redeem himself. Baker will give a large field, including Newton Brown, national junior champion, and Larry Scudder, the old University of Pennsylvania distance star, liberal handicaps.

BELLEAIR TENNIS TITLE.

BELLEAIR, Fla., Feb. 28.—The final in the women's tennis tournament which decided the Belleair championship was played here to-day and the result was a victory for Miss Harriet T. Shepard of Hartford, Conn. She defeated Miss Peggy Smith of New Rochelle by 6—2, 6—4.

HIGH LIGHTS AND SHADOWS IN ALL SPHERES OF SPORT

By DANIEL.

JOE BECKETT knocked out Bombardier Billy Wells in the fifth round at the Holborn Stadium in London on Thursday night, but the Lonsdale belt emblematic of the heavyweight championship of England did not pass into the possession of Beckett and officially Wells still is the title holder. The rules provide that all championship fights must be held in the National Sporting Club in London. There have been numerous cases of Lonsdale belt holders being outpointed in English rings other than that of the National Sporting Club, but these defeats never deprived the champions of their titles. We do not remember a previous case of a Lonsdale belt holder's being knocked out outside the National Sporting Club. Wells's case no doubt will call to the attention of the British boxing officials the lack of fairness of the conditions surrounding the titles. It is manifestly not fair to call Wells the champion after he has been knocked out on British soil by a Briton, with a British referee officiating.

It is quite probable that Beckett now will be matched with Frank Goddard and that the winner will be sent against Wells at the National Sporting Club for the title and the privilege of fighting Georges Carpentier for the heavyweight championship of Europe. The chances are that Goddard will beat Beckett, as the former is a hard hitter. Not so long ago he knocked out Dick Smith, the light heavyweight champion of England, in the seventh round, but it was a match at catchweights and Goddard did not get the title.

The fight on Thursday was the second meeting between Wells and Beckett in a little more than two months. They fought in the interallied service tournament in London on December 17 and Wells won. The bout was for only three rounds. Wells had beaten McGoorty, while Beckett had won from Joe Cox, the American sailor, who says he stopped Jess Willard in 1911. As a matter of fact Willard left the hall in the fifth round to get away from the police, who had warned him not to fight.

It was that same old inability to take a punch on the jaw that made Wells a victim of Beckett. Accounts of the fight state that Wells was clever enough, but that a hard right hander on the jaw was all that Beckett needed. In spite of his many defeats Wells continues to be popular.

Dave Sullivan Champion for Only Forty-six Days.

Dave Sullivan's testifying in the O'Leary trial the other day drew attention to the fact that he had been the world's featherweight champion. Dave held the title for only forty-six days in 1898, but he was a sure enough champion in a day when champions thought that their main mission was to defend their titles whenever they were called on to do so. Had Sullivan won the title in this day he would have had a manager who would have insisted on his fighting only in six and ten round no decision bouts and he would have hung on to his honors for a long time. But Sullivan, if we must say it, was foolishly combative. After taking the title from Solly Smith at Coney Island on September 26, when Smith broke his hand in the fifth round; Sullivan immediately accepted a challenge from George Dixon, the greatest of featherweights. Imagine a similar acceptance in this era! Dixon polished off Sullivan in ten rounds on November 11. Oscar Gardner next whipped Sullivan in seventeen rounds, but Dave came back with a twenty round draw with Marty McCue, now an Assemblyman fighting for the passage of a boxing bill at Albany.

Sullivan fought the best of them and he never feared anybody, no matter how big they came. Dave demonstrated that on a February night in 1902 in Louisville. He had fought Terry McGovern that night and had given the Terrible One a great battle, only to be stopped in the fifteenth round. In the fourteenth Sullivan thought he had McGovern beaten. Terry went down and crawled up Sullivan's leg—an act which Dave protested constituted a foul. But Bob Fitzsimmons, who refereed, only laughed and sent them out for the fifteenth, with disastrous results for Sullivan. After the fight they gathered in a nearby cafe, and Sullivan walked right up to Fitz. He minced no words in assailing Bob, who kept on laughing. Finally Sullivan took a terrible swing at Fitz. The blow landed flush on the jaw, but Fitz never even batted an eye. He only laughed some more, and drawled, "Well, Dave, come over and have a drink." That was too much for Sullivan and he had to capitulate.

Harvard Sure to Get Big College Meet To-day.

This afternoon at the Waldorf-Astoria the Intercollegiate Association of Amateur Athletes of America will hold its annual meeting. The session is likely to be the shortest in years. Everything is cut and dried for the delegates to pass on. Both Harvard and Pennsylvania want the track and field championship meet scheduled for May 30 and 31, but there is no doubt that Harvard will land the games. Penn held the championships in 1917, and in 1918 there was no meet, so it is Harvard's turn. Anway, the American Henley will be rowed at Philadelphia on May 31 and we would not like to see any counter attraction in Philadelphia.

The association will adopt the various amendments recently offered for this year, whereby men who have been in the service may not be deprived of their right to compete in the championships. Michigan, Stanford and California may be questioned regarding their intentions in the association, but we look for all three to remain members, in spite of Michigan's having been readmitted into the Western Conference. A Harvard or Yale man will be chosen president, Princeton, Penn and Cornell will divide the vice-presidencies and executive committee jobs, an N. Y. U. man will be elected secretary and a Columbia man treasurer, and everybody will be happy.

Football Rules Meeting Call Is Long Overdue.

Though the colleges are preparing for the return of football on a prewar basis next autumn the football rules committee has not yet come out of the hibernation into which it went some two years ago. The call for the annual meeting is long overdue and a proposition has been advanced for the committee again to pass up its session and permit the rules to stand without amendment for at least another year. E. K. Hall of Dartmouth, chairman of the committee, has been busy in Washington and has not been able to give the matter his attention. However, he said yesterday that he would communicate immediately with the members of the committee and get a line as to their attitude. It may be that there will be no session, and it may be that a few members will be delegated to take up leading matters.

It will be remembered that last year the football meeting was done away with because the committee felt that during war time and with football not as active as of yore it was not worth the time and expense of the committee members to gather here. While there aren't any really urgent questions demanding the consideration of the committee there are several points that should be cleared up before the colleges enter on the big football boom that is coming next fall. We expect that the committee will decide to meet here late this month.

WAR MASK IS BEST IN MEDITERRANEAN

Macomber Stable Castoff Wins New Orleans Feature.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 28.—War Mask, one of the best of "war" horses which carried the colors of A. K. Macomber on the metropolitan tracks last year, ran off with the Mediterranean Handicap, the feature event at the Fair Grounds track this afternoon. Only three horses, Phantom Maid, Under Fire and Rot Craig opposed him. He was much the best and won rather easily. The results:

First Race—Two-year-olds; maidens; claiming; purse $600; four furlongs. Peccant, 114 (Brown), 7 to 2, 3 to 5 and 1 to 3, first; Hello Pardner, 112 (Connelly), 9 to 2, 2 to 1 and out, second; Lady Parfait, 109 (Willis), 12 to 1, 5 to 1 and 2 to 1, third. Time, 0:51 1-5. Kerry Lass, Nellie Witwer, Goldie Rose, Miss Horner, Vagary, Frank W. and Wild Flower also ran.

Second Race—Three-year-olds; maidens; claiming; purse $600; five and a half furlongs. Milda, 108 (Brown), 4 to 1, 8 to 5 and 4 to 5, first; Nelle York, 105 (Boyle), 3 to 1, 2 to 1 and even, second; Victor, 110 (Erickson), 7 to 2, 2 to 1 and even, third. Time, 1:11 2-5. Hand Blue, Connecticut, Tantalus, Toadstool, Padua, Billy B., Black Wing, Lady Marathon and Staff also ran.

Third Race—Three-year-olds and upward; claiming; purse $600; five and a half furlongs. Words o' Wisdom, 113 (Barrett), 7 to 2, 6 to 5 and 1 to 2, first; Sabretash, 118 (Stalker), 6 to 5, 1 to 2 and out, second; Maud Bacon, 115 (Erickson), 15 to 1, 4 to 1 and 2 to 1, third. Time, 1:11 1-5. Squeeler, Harry Burgoyne, John, Jr., King K. also ran.

Fourth Race—Three-year-olds; the Mediterranean Handicap; purse $1,000; one mile. War Mask, 119 (Connelly), 8 to 5, 1 to 2 and out, first; Phantom Maid, 99 (Erickson), 10 to 1, 2 to 1 and out, second; Under Fire, 116 (Stalker), 4 to 5, out and out, third. Time, 1:46 1-5. Rot Craig also ran.

Fifth Race—Three-year-olds; claiming; purse $600; one mile. Water Willow, 106 (Erickson), 5 to 2, 3 to 5 and 1 to 5, first; Mister Mark, 103 (Sneideman), 10 to 1, 4 to 1 and 2 to 1, second; Harvey Smarr, 103 (Troxler), 20 to 1, 8 to 1 and 4 to 1, third. Time, 1:46 2-5. Calm Spring, Democracy, Clare Beothe, Piurenzi, Espano and Lutetia also ran.

Sixth Race—Four-year-olds and upward; claiming; purse $600; one mile and sixteenth. Thistle Green, 102 (Dursch), 9 to 5, 1 to 2 and out, first; Keho, 112 (Rowan), 4 to 1, 8 to 5 and 7 to 10, second; Al Pierce, 107 (Brown), 7 to 2, 1 to 2 and out, third. Time, 1:52 1-5. John Hurie, Vermak, Dahabiah II, Jason and Tonic Drift also ran.

Seventh Race—Four-year-olds and up; claiming; purse $700; one mile and a sixteenth. Philistine, 112 (A. Collins), 4 to 1, 8 to 5 and 3 to 5, first; Progressive, 101 (Sneideman), 7 to 2, 6 to 5 and 1 to 2, second; Luthier, 112 (Rice), 8 to 1, 2 to 1 and out, third. Time, 1:52. Mary Belle, Alma Louise, Semper Stalwart also ran.

'FED' SUIT BRINGS COMMISSION TRUCE

Herrmann to Remain Chairman Until Baltimore Case Is Settled.

By FREDERICK G. LIEB.

The new conspiracy suit of the Baltimore Federal League directors against organized baseball, which comes up in the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia in Washington on March 10 has brought about a truce in the National Commission situation. As a result Garry Herrmann, the present chairman, is likely to remain indefinitely.

John Heydler, president of the National League, said yesterday that the joint committee which has the selection of a commission chairman in charge never held a meeting, and that there is little likelihood of any such meeting being held in the near future.

"The question of selecting a new chairman of the National Commission is entirely up to this committee," said Heydler, "and I have kept my hands off. I believe that also has been Johnson's attitude. But I do not think anything will be done on the commission matter until the end of the Federal League suit.

"The suit is lodged against the National Commission, the major league club presidents and Gilmore and Sinclair, formerly of the Federal League. As Mr. Herrmann was chairman of the commission when the peace treaty with the Federal League was signed and is likely to figure quite prominently in the trial it would not be advisable to change the chairman just now."

There also is a belief in some baseball circles that it might prejudice the case were a new chairman selected after the case had come up for trial. Herrmann was the leading witness for organized baseball in the Federal League's anti-trust suit, heard before Judge Kenesaw Mountain Landis in Chicago in 1915.

By the time the Baltimore Federal suit is over the baseball season will be only a few days away, and if Herrmann continues to fill the office of commission chairman when the season opens it is a certainty he will hang on for another year.

Perritt Means Business.

Poll Perritt's declaration that he will be unable to spare the time to play with the Giants next season owing to an oil strike near his ranch in Louisiana seems to have more behind it than the usual baseball holdout yarn of the late winter. According to Perritt's friends he has made a rich strike.

John Heydler made the interesting disclosure yesterday that Perritt's absence from the Chase trial a few weeks ago was due to Polly's statement that "it would cost him a couple of thousand dollars to come to New York," and the player made an urgent request that Heydler accept his affidavit instead. At the time Perritt wrote to Heydler of an oil strike in his part of the State and that he would be unable to leave his interests even for a few days.

Judge Cornelius F. Collins of the Court of Special Sessions, is the latest jurist to enlist in the fight for Sunday baseball. Judge Collins will accompany the baseball delegation to Albany on March 5, and will address the Legislature on the benefits that Sunday baseball would bring to New York city if the Gibbs local option bill is passed.

Judge Collins, who is an intimate friend of Judge McQuade, new treasurer of the Giants, has been an advocate of Sunday baseball a long time. He takes the stand that "if the people of New York city want Sunday baseball it is an injustice to keep it from them."

Gleason Seeks Players.

Kid Gleason, who has been in town several days trying to trade nothing for something to either the Yankees or the Red Sox, has given it up as a bad job and has returned to Philadelphia.

Gleason spent much of his time with Ed Barrow. He tried to separate the manager of the world's champions from a pitcher. Barrow tried to make a deal with Gleason for Shano Collins, the veteran outfielder, but Gleason wanted one of the Boston regulars for him.

Barrow has definitely decided to use Babe Ruth only as a pitcher and pinch hitter next season, and would like one more seasoned outfielder in the event that Hooper does not sign.

Eddie Sicking, substitute third baseman on the Giants last season, yesterday advised the club that he has been discharged from the army and is all ready for the march on Gainesville.

TO KEEP SHORT SCHEDULES.

Heydler Says Change Is Not Likely to Be Made.

The agitation started by local club owners in favor of a repeal of the 140 game schedules adopted last January and a return to the old schedules of 154 games brought John Heydler into the controversy yesterday.

Heydler agrees with Judge McQuade of the Giants that the schedules adopted could readily be repealed if enough club owners desired such action, but said such a change would not be feasible.

"It would take a three-quarter vote in our league to change the schedule, and we could do nothing unless the American League also agreed to a shift," said the National League president.

"While it would be possible to change the schedule even at this date, I doubt if the necessary clubs could be obtained to back such legislation. Most of the clubs have signed contracts for training and made training reservations, which would have to be changed entirely if new schedules were adopted."

YALE AT POLO GROUNDS.

Requested by Giants to Play Here on April 22.

Special Despatch to THE SUN.

NEW HAVEN, Feb. 28.—Manager Noel Armstrong of the Yale baseball team received a letter from John B. Foster of the New York Giants to-day to the effect that the Giants are willing to meet Yale on the Polo Grounds on April 22. The game originally was scheduled to be played in New Haven but Yale asked to play in New York.

TO HOLD PRO SQUASH