

What Capital Bowlers Are Doing--Averages, Scores, and Gossip of Leagues

THREE DISTRICT TEAMS TO BOWL AT ST. LOUIS

Bureau, Chamber of Commerce and Fat Men's Will Compete in Big Tourney--Other Gossip of Interest.

By "LEN" COLLINS.
Secretary Myers, of the city association, reports that the applications for membership in the local organizations are not coming in quite as fast as had been expected. Of course, this does not mean that the entry list in the coming tournament will necessarily be affected, for, like every other kind of an athletic event, the bowlers generally put off sending in their entries until the last possible moment.

It begins to look as though only three teams from this city will be entered in the five-men events held under the auspices of the American Bowling Congress at St. Louis the latter part of January and the first three weeks of February. These quints are the Chamber of Commerce, Fat Men, and Bureau. Regardless of reports to the contrary, Manager Hamner stated emphatically last night that the Chamber of Commerce application would be entered not only in the St. Louis events, but also those to be run off by the National Bowling Association at Buffalo. The Bureau has gotten into the habit of attending each annual tournament, and it is a pretty safe bet that they will be in the Mount City when the big noise starts. Rumor one time will have the Fat Men as going and the next time that they are not, but it is almost a certainty that the Fats will be in line.

The baseball profession is pretty strongly represented among the knights of the maple, such men as Kid Nichols, Fred Falkenberg, Harry Davis, Al Selbach, Jigger Donohue, and many others being stars at the pastime. Only the past week Washington has had one of the greatest pitchers in the business,

Christy Mathewson, who is no slouch at the game. While Christy modestly admitted that his average for the season was a few points shy of the double-century mark, he nevertheless confessed to the ownership of an average around the 190's.

The writer some time ago made the prediction that fifty teams would be entered in the coming championship to be held under the auspices of the Washington City Bowling Association, and it begins to look as though that prediction will be exceeded. Several bowlers connected with the Saengerbund League are endeavoring to line their men up and swing them into the five-men event. They say that the few men which have been approached are heartily in favor of contesting, and possibly three teams will be entered.

Secretary Langtry, of the American Bowling Congress, sends word that over 800 teams will be down on the slate to shoot in the five-men event at St. Louis. The reports that the affair was in a precarious condition are misleading. At a meeting called by Secretary Langtry no less than 255 teams were represented, and no doubt as to the tournament committee being unable to sell the \$3,000 worth of stock, so as to insure the prize list, were made under, as before the amount of stock could have been disposed of.

We wish once more to call the attention of every team in the city to the fact that while plenty of time intervenes between now and the date of opening, it would expedite the work of the tournament committee if the applications for membership in the city association were sent in at the earliest possible time. The coming tournament is going to be the most successful ever held, and those who fail to enter are sure to regret it.

SAENGERBUND NOTES.

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Standing and average of all games up to and including December 8, 1910.

Name	Games	W.	L.	Av.
Mozart	18	12	6	.667
Reinhart	15	10	5	.667
Shubert	18	10	8	.556
Haydn	18	10	8	.556
Beethoven	18	10	8	.556
Wagner	18	10	8	.556
Schumann	18	10	8	.556

DOWN THE ALLEYS.

ARCADE DUCKPIN LEAGUE.
Games, W., L., Av.

Name	Games	W.	L.	Av.
Robert	18	12	6	.667
Smith	18	10	8	.556
Johnson	18	10	8	.556
Williams	18	10	8	.556
Miller	18	10	8	.556

QUAKERS' TRACK PROSPECTS BRIGHT

Pennsylvania expects to win Big Intercollegiate Meet.

Philadelphia, Dec. 10.—The University of Pennsylvania athletic interests are now turning to track and field sports, and enthusiasm in it has almost reached the high-water mark. Pennsylvania's ambition is to win the thirty-sixth championships, which are to be settled within the stadium of Syracuse University. Not in a good many years have the prospects been as bright as they are at the Quakers retain virtually all of their 1910 point winners who won the championship, and they will have as an addition an unusually good lot of men from last year's freshman team.

REDS THINK THEY HAVE STAR.

Cincinnati is said to have had Walter Parker and will give him a tryout next spring. Attention was drawn to Parker, who pitched ten straight games and won them all in the Minnesota-Wisconsin League.

ONE OF DISTRICT'S LEADING BOWLERS.



"LEN" COLLINS, Of the Chamber of Commerce team.

STRIKES AND SPARES.

Are you going to enter the city tournament? Yes? Good for you. Barclay, of the Puritans, had a 228 total in the Iroquois set. Wonder who he is taking lessons from. Are you one of those nursing a sore head from last season? Come on; be a good fellow and forget the past. Everything comes to him that waits. Baell got a 235 total in one of his sets last week. Hooray for the captain. Conroy got into the Rulers-Stampers set last Monday night for totals of 123, 113, and 134. Gracious! what bum totals. Do you want to see the District rank high in the bowling world? Then get on the band wagon and whoop'er up. Every little bit helps.

What did you think of Gurley's 255 game in the Mechanical-Engineers set? That accounts for his carrying his arm in a sling the next day. Shaffer totaled 255 in his second game of the Central Y. M. C. A.-Saengerbund set. Didn't you feel just a trifle dizzy getting up so high, George?

Taken from the history of the Famous duckpin team in the Washington Duckpin League. When is a bowler not famous? When he is Rotten. Oh, joy!

The Iroquois won all three games in the Puritan set last week. Capt. Seaton's team has taken a new lease on life since Brown returned to the alley, setting a set of 221, 195, and 222 totals in the Railroad Y. M. C. A. games.

The Warriors took two games from the Interiors last week. About time for those red men to take a big break if they want to finish anywhere near the top.

Miller, of the Navy Yard quint, bowled totals of 181, 181, and 223 in the Agricultural games. Come on, Charlie boy; you're due to start something real soon.

Rumor has it that Capt. Parker is going to take another trip very soon. Wonder if the Treasury team dropping two games to the Census has anything to do with it.

The Chamber of Commerce bowlers dropped two out of three games to the Carroll Institute team. Shake yourselves, boys; you are delivering an inferior line of goods.

Ricketts averaged 116 in the Goodfellow-Arlington games last Tuesday night. Did he come back after his poor set of totals in the Congressional games? He most certainly did.

Burdine is surely setting a merry pace for the rest of the Saengerbund team. Those totals of 217, 195, and 201 in the Y. M. C. A. games show that Big Dick has his eye on the pins.

The Navy Yard bowlers, champions of last season in the Departmental League, dropped two out of three games to the Farmers last week. Looks as if the Navy is in a sinking condition.

Some class to Mellington, of the Mechanical team. He had a set of 121, 122, and 158 totals in the Lighting Company games, and he worked mighty hard to even get those measly small totals.

Brown, one of the Iroquois braves, rolled 200 and 211 totals in his second and third games against the Pilgrims. Forget that first game, Brownie; every good bowler gets his once in a while.

Oh, look at Billy Crist with his little

HAS REMEDY FOR LACK OF HITTING

Veteran Suggests Only Two Twirlers Per Game.

RULES SHOULD BE AMENDED

Baseball Lawmakers Urged to Take Some Action Which Will Permit of More Batting and Fewer 1 to 0 Contests--Twirlers Are Not Handicapped Enough, Is the Claim.

Pitcher supremacy, that baseball bugaboo of several years' standing in the community, has again raised its head, and loud shouts and complaints are again being made that there is not batting enough to suit those lovers of the national game who prefer much swatting to shut-out scores and a dozen or more strike-outs to a game, says Sam Crane, the well-known veteran player.

Pitchers' contests are well enough if they are sandwiched in between games in which there is some fence-breaking wallowing done and runs are not as scarce as hens' teeth.

But to be obliged to take 1 to 0 scores as a regular diet becomes monotonous, and those of us who prefer heavy batting and lots of runs have a perfect right to voice our complaints and to pray for some new rule that will give the batter an equal show, at least, with the all-pre-dominating and big-caloried artist who occupies the mound.

It is most fortunate that all the pitchers are not Mathewsons, Fords, Coles, Benders, Combes, and twirlers of the high class, for then batting would be a lost art, indeed, except on very rare occasions.

The way to increase batting would be to have the baseball lawmakers who meet here next week pass some new rule so as to give the less effective pitchers more of a chance than they have had in the past.

Wait for More Hitting.

The wall for more hitting is usually made annually just before the league meetings, as is right and proper, and that is the reason why I take up the cudgels for the "wallow wanters" at this time, for there is a possible chance that the magnates may want something to talk about to while away their time next week, as from the present outlook they will not have overmuch business to transact--not nearly so much as last year, anyhow.

The rules of the game as they are now allow a manager or captain of any team to put as many pitchers in a game as he sees fit. If only one ball is pitched by the twirler, he can be yanked out and the "hook" can be applied as often as there are pitchers on a team.

This allows, of course, of much juggling by managers and captains in rearranging their plans of battle and in changing them. But baseball patrons do not go to games to see a battle of wits between managers. It is the contest on the green diamond that appeals most to them, and that is what they pay their good money for.

It is rather disappointing, aggravating, in fact, for a rooter for one team, when, with a bases full and a favorite left-handed slugger going to bat, and with brilliant prospects of making a clean-up, to have the manager of the opposing team yank the right-handed pitcher who is in the box out of it and substitute a fork-hand slinger whose delivery the aforesaid slugger couldn't hit with a long, wide plank.

Manager Steps In.

That is where the manager with his acumen, nimble wit, shrewdness, etc., etc., et cetera, comes in and spoils a most interesting situation. The manager's act becomes a clog on batting, but under the rules a manager who wouldn't take advantage of his privilege at such a critical stage would be acclaimed a benehead.

Now, there are certain pitchers whom certain players cannot hit with a paddle, and wise managers are well posted on all such weaknesses and take advantage of them.

It has happened frequently that in such cases a pitcher who may be doing grand work has been taken out of the box without apparent cause to the spectator, and a new pitcher substituted.

Now, it would seem that the pitchers have enough of a handicap on the poor batters without that rather unfair advantage. There is nothing done, of course, that the rules do not allow of, but, still, it looks like an unfair advantage, at that, and it so strikes the spectators.

The managers cannot be blamed--it is the rules that are at fault.

How can that handicap to batters and batting be obliterated, do you ask? Easier than falling off a log.

By having the playing rules so read that no club can have but two pitchers in any one game, except, of course, in case of a pitcher being injured.

Hedges Always in Limeright.

Regarding the ability of Col. Robert Lee Hedges to conduct the fortunes of a major league baseball club, the experts may differ in opinion, but when it comes to the advertising end of the game--getting something out of nothing--the colonel has 'em all rooted to the spot.

Next to having the best manager in the world, the best thing is having no manager at all and working it for what the traffic will bear.

Play the string out, colonel--only 146 more days.

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Y. M. C. A. QUINTET DEFEATS ROVERS

Winners Practice Teamwork in Second Period of Game.

THORNTON'S PLAYS FEATURE

Passing of Hoppe and Balk Had Losers' Forwards on the Run--Tie Score End of First Half--Game of Volley Ball Between Halves Proves Interesting--Real Helps Teams.

STANDING OF THE TEAMS.

Team	W.	L.	Av.
Y. M. C. A. Regulars	1	2	.333
Y. M. C. A. Rovers	0	2	.000
Ingram Memorial	0	0	.000

The Regulars of the Y. M. C. A. and the Rovers of the same institution met in the fifth game of the Washington City Basketball League last night. The Rovers sprung a surprise on the Regulars in the first half, but in the second half the Regulars ran away from them, scoring 31 points, while the Rovers managed to cage only three baskets, giving them a score of 5 points. The teamwork of the Regulars, combined with the goal shooting of Thornton, the big center, was too much for the Rovers, and they were defeated, 36 to 18.

The first half started off with a rush, the Rovers carrying the ball down the floor until they reached their basket, from where Hanna caged the sphere. The Regulars evened things up on the next toss, and Thornton sent the ball through the basket for the tie score. Thornton obtained the jump on W. Valk on the next toss up, and passed the ball to Frazier, who sent it to Malloy, but he was covered and had no chance to shoot, so he passed it to Thornton, who caged the ball from the side lines. W. Valk evened the score up for the Rovers on the next play, when he caged the ball from the middle of the floor. First one side had the lead and then the other side took it all the way through the first half, and when the whistle blew, announcing time, the score stood 12 to 12.

Rest Helps Teams.

Prof. Beckett took the Regulars aside and gave them some pointers during the rest, and when they came upon the floor for the final half they appeared to be a new team. The play started by Thornton getting the jump on W. Valk and caging an easy basket from the side lines. The Rovers tried hard to stop the slaughter, but it was of no avail, for when the dust had cleared and they had caged one basket the Regulars had ten points to their credit.

Hoppe started another rally for the Regulars when he caged a basket from the center of the floor, and by the time the Rovers obtained another goal the Regulars had rolled up eight more points. For the remaining time the Regulars practiced teamwork on the Rovers letting them take the ball all the way down the floor and then taking the sphere away from them, passing it up the floor, from where they scored another goal.

Time was called with the Rovers fighting hard for possession of the ball, while the Regulars were taking things easy. Final score: Regulars, 36; Rovers, 18. Line-up and summary:

Regulars: Positions: Rovers: Frazier, Miller, left forward; Hanna, Strabough, Thornton, center; Malloy, W. Valk, right guard; Beckett, right guard; McKay, Goals-Frazier (2), Miller, Malloy (2), Thornton (4), Hoppe (4), W. Valk (2), Hanna (2), W. Valk (2), Strabough, Frazier, Hoppe (2), W. Valk (1), Referer-Mr. Hughes, Timer-Mr. Beckett. Time of halves--25 minutes.

Volley Ball Game.

During the intermission two teams of the association played a game of volley ball and the morning class came out victorious, defeating the graded and men's class 42 to 3. The game was fast, and the passing of the ball by the winners was the feature.

INGRAM QUINTET WINS GAME.

Swamp Railroad Y. M. C. A. in Fast Basket-Ball Contest.

The first Ingram Memorial basket-ball five easily defeated the Railroad Y. M. C. A. quint in the former's gymnasium before a cheering crowd last night by a score of 25 to 9.

At no time during the game did the losers have a chance, the winner's backs being always on the job, while the Ingram forwards caged goals at will.

Conover started the scoring for Ingram by caging the first two baskets after some pretty lively playing. From then on it was only a question of how large the score would be, the Ingram quint playing all around their rivals, the first half ending 15 to 6.

The Y. M. C. A. boys took a brace in the final half and put up a much better article of basket-ball, holding their speedy opponents down to five goals, the game ending just as Conover tossed in a pretty goal from one side of the floor.

For the winners, Conover, Denner, and Morris put up a good game, while Platz and Senseny played well for the losers. Line-up and summary: Ingram Memorial. Positions: R.R.M.C.A. Keith..... left forward..... Senseny Conover..... right forward..... Thompson Scott..... center..... Platz Denner..... right guard..... Spence Morris..... left guard..... Christophers Goals-Conover (5), Senseny (2), Keith (1), Morris (1), Free tosses-Conover (1), Referer-Mr. Haas, Finner-Mr. Finney, Scorer-Mr. Bolkaa. Time of halves--15 minutes.

YALE'S BOATHOUSE.

Handsome New Structure for Eli's Crews.

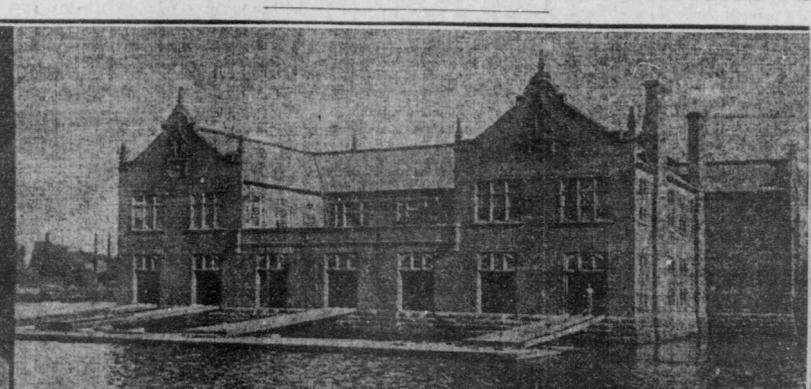
With ceremonies in which all Yale participated, the new George Ade memorial boathouse, the finest structure of its kind in the country, was formally opened recently. The edifice will serve as the home of all the Yale oarsmen, both varsity crews and freshmen.

The building is of dull red and black brick built on a foundation of nearly 500 piles driven into the mud of the harbor bottom. Stone and concrete were also largely used in the construction of the edifice. The large main floor is capable of holding about fifty shells. The left wing contains a boiler room and heating plant. Crew quarters and lockers and bathing rooms are handsome and well equipped. There is also a fine lounge room for the use of the crew candidates. The house is architecturally very handsome, with bronze and iron grille work on the doors and leaded glass windows.



COACH KENNEDY.

YALE'S HANDSOME NEW HOME FOR ITS CREWS.



CAPT. FROST.

FROM BEING THIRTY-SECOND ON THE LIST, KENNEDY MOVED UP TO FOURTEENTH.

Hope Tiny Tom's sport will not be short-lived. The Mozarts hold high team score with 913, and high team set with 2,647. For a league of this caliber, this isn't half bad, what?

You're quite right, Huhn, that last set of yours was not up to the standard, but then the best of them will fall down occasionally.

Redeker rolled 232, 204, and 178 in the Brahm-Schubert match. But for three misses in the last game, Jack would have had high set.

Scheuermann's set of 57 helped some toward that high team set. George seems to be having a good season this year, to judge from his average.

In one of the most closely contested series of the season, the Brahms trimmed the Schuberts twice, thereby leaving that tie for first place still unbroken.

Pete Mendell is hard at work trying to master the "Doodle" curve. Pete is one of those enthusiasts who give up business (and eating if it interferes with bowling).

Eckstein still leads the league in individual standing. Eck lost several points in his average lately, but has a good margin over De Yoe, who is now in second place.

Walter, the league baby, surprised himself by rolling 167 in the Schubert-Drahm set. For a newcomer to the bowling game, Capt. Oscar is doing quite well, thank you.

Schulze could only collect 29 pins in the first game of his last set, after starting out with six straight strikes. Yes, Hugo, those confounded splits sure do break up a nice score.

Dame Rumor has it that Redeker is contemplating entering the "matrimonial league." According to good authority, Jack displays excellent taste in the selection of his "frat." Why didn't you introduce the bunch to her, Siney.

Wonder where Percy took that party of visitors when he played guide the other night? The start was rather late and but for the fact that Little Gene was along to chaperon them, "Trimminings" would certainly have to give an explanation.

The rejuvenated Wagners took two games from the Haydns by close scores. Vogelsang's 192 game was directly responsible for one of these scalps. Fred has a habit of sneaking in good games every once in a while when they count most.

De Yoe got real provoked when he saw how Eckstein held just about every individual record and decided to take a hand in the proceedings himself, with the result that he rolled high individual scores of 220 and high set of 617. Jeff is somewhat of a socialist and doesn't believe in one man having everything.

A. C. MACHLER.