BILLIARDS AND BOWLING

The popularity of the duckpin game in the National Capital can best be attested by making known the fact that there are at the present time exactly forty leagues in operation in this city, with two more to get under way during the coming week. These circuits range in size all the way from the R. P. Andrews, Geological Survey, National and Reclamation leagues of three-men teams, to the Masonic organization whose membership includes twenty-five five-men quints, undoubtedly the largest bowling league in the world. To arrive at the exact number of followers of the game in this city is practically an impossibility, but estimating that there are two unattached pinners to every one shooting with some club, the total would easily pass the seven thousand mark as there are over 2,100 men who are now connected with some regularly organized team.

The present season promises to not only be the most successful from the number of teams and leagues competing, but from every other standpoint as well. The scores are showing a vast improvement over those of last year, thanks to the Brunswick-Balke-Collender Company, following out the suggestion of Harry Krauss in making the taper of the pin less from the center of its height down. The advantage to be gained in this is that with the added "body" below the center the ball cannot get under the pin, thereby causing the pin to hurdle or fly over a pin that may be directly in its path as it leaves the spot. With the 4 3-4 inch ball it was not an uncommon sight to see a bowler make what appeared to be a difficult split spare break and after the completion of the shot to find that the object had went over the top of the other pin.

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Speaking of Harry Krauss reminds us that to this sterling bowler belongs the undisputed credit for placing the duckpin game in this city. The writer well remembers that during the month of September, 1904, when Krauss was managing the Subway Alleys of the Palace, that after seeing the small game's hold in Baltimore, he ordered a couple of sets of the little pins and balls. The first game of ducks ever rolled on the Palace, or Subway Alleys, as they were popularly known by, was participated in by Krauss, Eddie Keane and the writer, the games being bowled on No. 7 alley. While the exact scores which were recorded have slipped the writer's memory, it can be truly said that none of them went over the century mark. No effort was made to see what the best results that could be obtained with the little balls and pins would be, it being the sole object of the players to see how many of the little fellows they could knock into the air, the pins having a tendency to soar at least seven and eight feet high and in the majority of cases descend upon some part of the spotter's anatomy, generally that part farthest from the ground.

Inside of two weeks the game had taken hold and among those who could be seen shooting the little balls down the alleys each afternoon and evening were such later developd stars as List, Rodrick, Gerry, Frank McKnew, Eddie Bennett, Brandt, Parker and others. During the early part of that season those bowlers who had taken up the duckpin game contented themselves to shooting "dot and pot" games and it was not until January 4, 1905, that a match game between two clubs was staged. While there had been many occasions when ten men bowling would line up and indulge in a friendly game of "sides," it was not until the date mentioned above that a match between two regularly organized quints, namely the Government Printing Office and Washington Post, was rolled. The scores of that first match, which had been widely advertised and attracted a large gallery, was as follows:

Post.				G. P. O.			
Sprucebank	93	92	99	Atkinson	77	83	91
Warner	84	93	103	Cotter	78	74	77
Benzler	90	66	82	Spencer	69	92	76
Statler	89	90	82	Tuttle	85	88	84
Essex	84	91	77	Williams	102	95	105
Totals	439	432	443	Totals	411	436	433

Of those two teams, only three who participated in the match are still shooting the wood, namely, Essex, who is pinning in the Star League; Benzler, who is still with the Post circuit, and Jack Williams, who has retired, come back, retired and then come back a second time, better than ever. Williams now confines his efforts to winning games for the Palace team, of the National Capital League.

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Tom Jones, national secretary of the Atlantic Coast Bowling Association, is predicting great things for the third annual tournament to be held in Syracuse, scheduled to open on April 2 next. At a meeting held in New York City last week, representatives from nearby cities were present and at that time over 600 teams were pledged from New York and Philadelphia States alone. Should these two States contribute 600 entries to the five-men event, there is no doubt but what the entry in this event will exceed the 800-mark, as with Washington, Baltimore, Connecticut State, Massachusetts and other adjacent States to draw on, it will be no hard ask to induce 200 teams into the tourney from the outlying districts. There is no doubt but that the Syracuse tournament will prove a success when it is made known that President Hurlburt W. Smith, of the L. C. Smith Typewriter Company, who is the national president, has practically assured the other national officers that the Syracuse chapter will enroll over 5,000 members. This enrollment alone would insure the success of the tourney. While only tentative plans have been drawn as to the number of alleys, etc., that will be required to run the different events off, the New Yorkers have decided that they will install not less than sixteen alleys, and should the entry list come up to expectations they will place an additional eight into service.

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As predicted in the columns of this paper last week that the high set and team game made by the Royals in the their initial appearance of the season would hardly survive the season, it is only necessary to point out that the Continentals, of the same league, rung up a game of 613 last Thursday night topping the Royals' former mark of 606 by seven pins. Had the Continentals shot any kind of a game at all in their last they would have easily passed the Royals' high mark of 1,700. As it was they only managed to get within five pins of the record, a game of 497 in the last spoiling all chance they had gained in the first two games of making a new reord.

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That Grand Central bunch, headed by Johnny Vaeth, has very little respect for records or record makers. The Royals fresh from their 1,700 set and 606 game, stacked up against the Avenue bunch and not only were beaten, but actually failed to win a game. Then to show that they were consistent they turn right around and in their set against the Columbians, Frank Sherman's representatives, drop two more. But it is a long road that has no turn. With such a crack line-up as the Royals present, it cannot be expected that they are going to be the door mat for many other quints in the District circuit, from this out. Those five defeats in six starts may be just what they need to make them realize that they are in a circuit where you have to shoot the wood at all times if you expect to win.

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Within the next few days, Frank Sherman expects to receive an acceptance of his challenge, issued throught John Cline, to Baltimore billiard and pocket billiard enthusiasts for an intercity match to be held between representatives of the National Capital and the Oriole City. Mr. Sherman, some time ago, made a special trip to the Mounmental City for the express purpose of laying before Mr. Cline the proposition of staging a tournament to determine the intercity champions, and the suggestion met with instant approval. It is planned to bring the best players of the two cities in balkline, three-cushion and pocket billiards together in a home and home series. Should the match be staged there is no doubt but that it would create a considerable amount of interest and at the same time result in some of the best cue games witnessed in this city in a long time.

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Never grumble if your opponent should leave you bad several times in a row. Just glance through this which appeared in the National Billiard Weekly's last issue: Pop Lissberger has been playing billiards with Alex DeLeeuw for twenty-six years. During that stretch they have clashed three times a week, for 300 points each time. Neither specializes in close nursing or position play, with the exception of position for the opponent. Aleck was having a particular hard time of it one day last week, when nearly every turn at the table he was confronted by an unsolvable problem. Finally he could restrain himself no longer. "Pop, in the twenty-six years," he said, "we've played 45,000 points a year, or a total of 1,140,000, and I have yet to see the day when you leave me a shot."

Best kind of revenge would be for the son of the author of "Tessie" to become a member of the Red Sox and play in the world series.

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VIGILANTS DEFEATED BY MOHAWK ELEVEN

Costly Fumbles and Forward Heave Paves Way for Southeast Team.

Costly fumbles and inability to halt the fast charging Mohawk A. C. line paced the way for the Southeast clubmen handing the worst set-back ever administered locally, to the champion Vigilant Athletic Club football team, yesterday at Union League Park, when the Indians landed a hard-fought battle from the big "Vs", by 12-to-0 score.

Coach "Bumps" Turner's plucky Indian eleven out-fought the champions all the way, although the breaks of the game in both penalties and fumbles all went the Mohawk way.

Inability of the Vigilant's backs to hold on to the pigskin burt their chance of scoring while the lighter Mowhawk forwards out-played the Vigilant line on the defensive and time and again broke through and nailed the runner for a loss.

The Indian's light back-field were able to gather but three first downs during the forty minutes of play, while the Vigilants were credited with seven.

After kicking to the Vigilants the Indians held for downs and Bittenbender kicked to Beyer, who ran back the punt fifty yards through the entire Vigilant team for a touchdown. Just before the end of the second period the Mohawks recovered a fumbled ball on the Vigilant's 18-yard line, and after failing at line attacks, the ariel route from Schofield to McGann tallied the second touchdown.

Twice the Mohawks picked up fumbled balls and crossed the goal line, but the tallies were not allowed to count, because of penalties being called. Not satisfied with registering their first tally, the Indians held the Vigilants for downs on the second kickoff. Russell, who was running with the ball fumbled, and Cohill recovered it and ran twenty yards for a tally. The ball was brought back because of the Vigilants not having seven men on the line of scrimmage.

In the final period Cohill recovered the Mohawk's kick, but was brought back because the ball first touched one his teammates. The Vigilants only threatened the "Indians'" goal line on two occasions. In the third period, with the help of Palmer, Derby and McBride, the Vigilants marched the ball to the Mohawks' 4-yard line, where they were penalized 15 yards for unnecessary roughness and held for downs.

Just before time was called, with the ball on the 12-yard line and 8 yards to go on the fourth down, the Vigilants tried the aerial heave, from Oliveri to Koogle, but the fast little end dropped the ball just as he crossed the line.

Although Bittenbender, who did the punting for the Vigilant team, outbooted Schofield, of the Mohawks, the Indian ends showed great speed in getting down under the ball, and regularly held the Vigilants' backs to no gains.

This is the first defeat handed the Vigilant team since the Engineer eleven won the championship in that memorial mud battle in 1914. The work of Burns, Bittenbender, DeMarr, Koogle and McBride featured for the Vigilants. The line-up and summary:

Mohawks.		Vigilants.
Cohill (Capt.)	L. E.	Koogle
Hardy	L. T.	(Capt.) Burns
McClure	L. G.	Zeraga
Towers	Center	Miller
Pass	R. G.	De Marr
Deakins	R. T.	Gardella
Durity	R. E.	J. Turner
Schofield	Q. B.	Oliveri
Weaver	L. B.	Cranston
O'Meara	R. B.	Bittenbender
Beyer	F. B.	Russell

Substitutions—McGann for Cohill, Turner for Deakins, Hamilton for O'Meara, Vernstein for Miller, Regan for Vernstein, Vernstein for J. Turner, B. Turner for Zeraga, Mackenfresh for Gardella, Derby for Cranston, Degnan for Derby, McBride for Russell. Touchdowns—Beyer, McGann. Goals from touchdowns missed—Schofield (2). Referee—Mr. Tug Fury, Georgetown. Umpire—Mr. Dugan, Gonzaga. Head lineman—Mr. Kelly, V. A. C. Linemen—Messrs. Murphy and Munch, Timekeepers—Mr. Carroll, for Vigilants; Mr. Farrell, for Mohawks. Time of periods—10 minutes.

PENN FRESHIES HAVE STAR TRACK ATHLETES

Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 15.—Lawson Robertson, coach of the University of Pennsylvania track team, has little intercollegiate championship material this season, but the freshman class at old Penn contains the greatest wealth of material that ever matriculated at an American university.

Capt. Frank Dorsey, of the Penn track eeam, in his talk to the first-year men, said: "If you fellows stay in college, do your work like men and listen to Robertson you will sweep the intercollegiates as in the days when the Red and Blue was the most feared competitor in the championships."

Among the stars who entered Penn this fall are Billy Davis, of the Boston High School, a high jumper; Pick, of the Bloomfield High School, the interscholastic cross-country champion; Everett Smalley, of Central High School, the interscholastic hurdle champion; Gadd, the Central High School quarter-miler; Al Davis, of Mercersburg, the 220-yard champion; Ed Shields, of Mercersburg, who turned a mile in 4:33; Weightman, the Mercersburg quarter-miler; Wallace, of the St. Alban School, the Southern interscholastic weight champion; George Meredith, of Mercersburg, Ted's brother and a fast half-miler; Izzy Hough, the great George School athlete; Sweeney, the Atlantic City High School star; Lukens, the Central High School cross-country crack, and Maxim, the St. Alban School middle distance champions.

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LAUREL SELECTIONS

By GEORGE B. MORRIS.

First race—Seawave, Polly J., Lynette.
Second race—Abdon, Cynosure, Rusila.
Third race—Belmont entry, Reprobate, Friendless.
Fourth race—Venetia, Parr Maid, Lady Teresa.
Fifth race—Jacklet, Thesieres, Wizard.
Sixth race—Manslayer, Nigel, Keziah.
Seventh race—Dryad, Capt. Parr, Queen of Paradise.

LAUREL ENTRIES.

FIRST RACE—Two-year-old maidens; six furlongs. Beaver Bill, 114; Melodrama, 114; Courtship (imp), 114; Olyn G., 104; Sea Wave, 111; Sandale (imp), 111; Polly J., 111; Smart Money, 114; Tioga, 114; N. K. Beall, 114; Lynette, 111; First Ballot, 111; Hesse, 111; Bright Star, 111.

SECOND RACE—Four-year-olds and upward; selling; steeplechase; about two miles. Abdon, 147; Gloucester, 139; Cynosure, 139; *Susan B., 139; Otto Floto, 141; Chevron, 139; Rusila, 134; *Frigolee, 137.

THIRD RACE—Two-year-olds; six furlongs. Pickwick, 115; Daddy Longlegs, 115; Reprobate, 115; Sandal, 112; Serenest, 112; King Baggott, 112; Woodtrap, 115; Bally, 115; Fairy, 112; Friendless, 112; Piraeus, 112. Serenest and Woodtrap, Belmont entry.

FOURTH RACE—All ages; fillies and mares; purse; one mile. Pen Maid, 111; Venetia, 106; King's Oak, 100; Lady Teresa, 108; Lady Hillington, 102; Artemis, 84.

FIFTH RACE—Three-year-olds and upward; selling; six furlongs. Thesieres, 116; Tantivy, 113; Jacklet, 112; Pierrot, 112; Wizard, 108; Sandel, 108; *Preston Lynn, 111; *Task, 104; The Busybody, 113; Naushon, 112; Leoma, 112; Meelicka, 109; Hinda, 108; Broom Corn, 105; *Wenonah, 104.

SIXTH RACE—Three-year-olds; one mile and twenty yards. Golden Gate, 114; Algardi, 114; Repton, 108; Disturber, 107; Fonctionnaire (imp), 113; *Navigator, 98; Man Slayer, 113; Nigel, 109; Keziah, 107; Ed Brood, 103; *Dolina, 103; *Piquette, 95.

SEVENTH RACE—Three-year-olds and upward; selling; handicap; one and one-sixteenth miles. Soldier, 110; Queen of Paradise, 108; Billy Baker, 106; Volumpa, 100; Ray o' Light, 109; Capt. Parr, 107; Dryad, 106.

*Five pounds apprentice allowance claimed.

KENILWORTH ENTRIES.

FIRST RACE—Selling; purse, $600; six furlongs; 3-year-olds and upward. *Miss Fay, 100; McBride, 106; *Exmer, 111; Otero, 116; Dorothy Carlin, 105; Sacal, 106; *Last Spark, 111; Vivian S., 106; Old Pop, 111; Sir Arthur, 113.

SECOND RACE—Selling; 3-year-olds and upward, purse, $300; five and one-half furlongs. Dave Campbell, 98; Miss Tipperary, 105; Mad Tour, 108; Berthier, 111; *Dore, 100; Juriadiction, 105; Little Wonder, 108; Alan, 111; Lady Betty, 114; Smilogene, 116; Riposta, 111; Moly Maguire, 111. Also eligible: *Sleepy Sam, 106; Genova, 108.

THIRD RACE—Selling; purse, $600; six furlongs; 3-year-olds and upward. Souvenir, 103; Anxiety, 106; No Manager, 106; Hayden, 110; Blue Rock, 106; *Miss Waters, 106; Cornbroom, 106; Heartbeat, 110; King Tuscan, 106; *Ada Ann, 106; Gordon, 109; Energetic, 108. Also eligible: Paymaster, 111; Baby Cole, 111; Royal Tea, 109.

FOURTH RACE—Handicap; purse, $800; 3-year-olds and upward; six furlongs. Judge Wright, 100; Little String, 108; Early Sight, 103; Korfhage, 100; Raoul, 105; All Smiles, 117.

FIFTH RACE—Selling; purse, $600; mile and one-sixteenth; 3-year-olds and upward. Egmont, 92; *Greenwood, 98; Amphion, 104; Herbert Temple, 93; *Thanksgiving, 100; Monocacy, 111; King Box, 97; Athens, 101.

SIXTH RACE—Selling; purse, $600; mile and seventy yards; 3-year-olds and upward. *Larkin, 106; *Dick's Pet, 105; Rusty Coat, 107; Margaret G., 107; Baby Sister, 107; Page White, 107; Dartworth, 100; Virgie Dot, 110; Electric, 110; Regular, 110; *Eddie Mott, 110; Aida, 13. Also eligible: Bobolink, 99; Galeswinthe, 99; Col. Ashmeade, 110.

SEVENTH RACE—Selling; purse, $600; five and one-half furlongs; 3-year-olds and upward. Ruth Strickland, 102; Palm Lead, 106; Wolf's Bath, 106; Doctor Kendall, 106; Salvanity, 107; Freeman, 108; Morristown, 108; Wild Bear, 108; Burnice, 111; Beverly James, 111; Laura, 111; Sordello, 111. Also eligible: Borel, 111; Rebecca Moses, 111; Aunt Elsie, 106.

*Apprentice allowance claimed.

LATONIA ENTRIES.

FIRST RACE—Selling; 2-year-old maiden fillies; five furlongs. *Beauty Spot, 105; *Lady Bennett, 105; *Blue Plume, 105; *Fuss and Frills, 105; Queen's Park, 110; Bell Cow, 110; English Lady, 110; Velvet, 110; Flashlight, 110; Immense, 110; Plunger, 110; Polly Anna, 110; Arrow, 110.

SECOND RACE—Selling; 3-year-olds; six furlongs. *Dilly Wiley, 99; *Al Pierce, 104; *Lady Mildred, 104; Norvice, 106; *Owana, 106; *Alex Getz, 107; Thornwood, 108; M. Burt Thurman, 109; Anthony's Lass, 109; Iron Master, 110; Water War, 110; Stephen R., 111; Lucky R., 114.

THIRD RACE—Two-year-olds; six furlongs. May Book, 94; *May W., 100; Cynthia Dwyer, 101; Blue Bannock, 102; Buckner, 103; *Regresso, 104; *Rhymer, 105; Bullion, 106; Perseus, 107; Snowdrift, 107; George C. Love, 108; Knebelkamp, 110; Rhyme, 111.

FOURTH RACE—Highland Country Club Handicap; 3-year-olds and upward; mile and a sixteenth. Sands of Pleasure, 92; Hanovia, 100; Capt. Rees, 100; McAdoo, 102; Manager Waite, 103; Prince Hermia, 104; Merrymaker, 108.

FIFTH RACE—Three-year-olds and upward; six furlongs. Biddy, 99; Black Beauty, 99; Dimitry, 104; Ima Frank, 106; Jane Straith, 106; Dr. Larrick, 107; Fleetabelle, 108; Bars and Stars, 108; Conning Tower, 108; J. J. Murdock, 112.

SIXTH RACE—Selling; 3-year-olds and upward; mile and a sixteenth. *Galaway, 99; *Cadenza, 103; Bonanza, 106; Commauretta, 106; Turco, 108; Miss Fannie, 113.

SEVENTH RACE—Advance money selling; 3-year-olds and upward; mile and a sixteenth. Uncle Will, 95; *Bill Simmons, 96; *Big To Do, 95; *Brown Velvet, 95; Chief Brown, 100; Lady Worthington, 100; *Birka, 104; *W. W. Clark, 101; *Almeda Lawrence, 104; Chad Buford, 105; Louise Paul, 106; Gold Color, 106; Jawbone, 109; First Degree, 109; Col. Marchmont, 109.

*Apprentice allowance claimed.

JOE RIVERS FINDS CINCINNATI A HOODOO

New York, Oct. 15.—Joe Rivers, the light-weight, is off Cincinnati for life, he says. Joe has fought in the Ohio metropolis twice, and has met with two serious injuries. Once he fell and hurt his leg; another time a foul blow almost finished him.

"I guess this is my hoodoo town," said Joe while packing his trunks preparatory to returning to Chicago. "When I fought Richie Mitchell here I hurt my leg so badly that I was out of the game all summer. Monday night Joe Sherman, from Chicago, hit me low and almost ruined my fighting chances in the future. I will be back later on, but for the time being I will confine my efforts to the East."

Rivers has been matched to meet Benny Leonard in New York City on November 9.

NO PLANS ARE MADE FOR SPRING TRAINING

Manager Griffith Denies He Is Through with Charlottesville Camp.

"No definite arrangements have been made for the training of the Nationals next spring," said Manager Griffith, of the local ball club last night when interviewed in regards to the club not going back to Charlottesville.

"We have made no plans for next season, but it is not altogether certain that I will not go back to Charlottesville. I have heard many complaints from my players in reference to the cold weather which we have run into in the Virginia college town, but I am perfectly satisfied with the results which I have obtained in Charlottesville and I must see a great deal better proposition than the present one before I will make definite plans to desert Charlottesville."

The veteran players of the local club are disgusted with the climate conditions of Charlottesville for training purposes and to a man are in favor of the change, but Manager Griffith has always been in favor of the little Virginia town and it would not be at all surprising to see the final plans made to hike the squad to Charlottesville early next March.

Manager Griffith would no doubt consider a proposition of taking the team to Cuba, as it is believed that in the exhibition games the club could clean up on the heavy expenses of the training trip, but it is not likely that any offers from towns further South than Charlottesville would be given any real consideration.

HIGHLAND A. C. PLAYS TROJANS TO DRAW

The Trojan football team and the Highland A. C., of Anacostia, played an exciting and interesting game on the Potomac Park grounds yesterday, neither side being able to score after forty minutes of play.

The lads from Anacostia used the forward pass with deadly effect, twice getting within ten yards of their adversary's goal where they were held for downs.

The Trojans were outplayed in the first half of the struggle, but came back strong toward the finish, losing the ball when Raba tried for a field goal from the 12-yard line. The feature of the game was the great defensive work of both teams. The line-up and summary:

Trojan A. C.		Highland A. C.
Kaplan	L. E.	Hagan
Newland	L. T.	Ludke
Hickey	L. G.	Tolson
Regan	Center	Dyer
Daly	R. G.	Childs
Altemus	R. T.	Metz
Gensburg	R. E.	Estep
Raba	Q. B.	(Capt.) Townsend
Taylor (Capt.)	L. B.	Cornish
P. Gerardi	R. B.	Richards
Metelits	F. B.	Green

Substitutions—Havenner for Ludke, Ernshaw for Hagan, Wassaman for Metelits, Haislip for Gensburg, Ripp for Hickey, and Gainer for Newland. Referee—Mr. S. Kaplan, C. H. S. Umpire—Mr. Curran, G. U. Head lineman—Mr. Fry. Linemen—Messrs. Ward and Jones. Timekeeper—Mr. J. Soper. Time of periods—10 minutes.

CHANCE MAY AGAIN COMMAND THE CUBS

New York, Oct. 15.—According to a friend who lives in New York, it has been practically decided that Frank Chance will manage the Chicago National League club next season. The former leader of the Cubs who gained the sobriquet of Peerless Leader with the famous Windy City aggregation and who later was in command of the New York Yankees for two years, has been active this season.

Last spring he purchased an interest in the Los Angeles Club of the Pacific Coast League. Chance showed such fine reconstructive ability with this Class AA club that his team soon became the sensation of the circuit.

Charles Weeghman, president of the Cubs, has chosen Pasadena, Cal., as a training camp for 1917. It is said that the former idol of the West Side Park, Chicago, will be in command when the club reports there. Joe Tinker's contract expires January 1, 1917.

DRAKE UNIVERSITY GETS STAR SPRINTER

New York, October 15.—Howard Drew, the crack negro sprinter, has left the University of Southern California, and will matriculate at Drake University in Des Moines. Drew expects to be able to return to the cinder path this spring. Drew has fallen victim to the newspaper game, he admits, and expects to write his way through college.

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Enter pigskin, exit rawhide: in the "ball world," now that the world's series is history, the curtain rises on the football season of 1916.

The results of the early season games starts agog the annual fan-fest of the prospects, for the champions in their various divisions and the different sections of the country, true there will always be the customary "alibis" as to early season form, lack of team work causing many incompleted forward passes, frequent fumbling, confused signals and the like in this recently revised pastime that brings teams from the smaller colleges on an equal footing with their some time much "beefier" opponents, and the question of skill in execution and speed oftimes accounts for the seeming incongruities in scores.

This fact was brought out in the games last Saturday between Princeton and Tufts, when Tibbott, acting as a substitute back, dropped a goal from the field for the only score of the game, from a team that defeated Harvard a week previous also in the Penn-Swathmore game, in which by virtue of a skillful pass, devised under the tutelage of "Bill" Roper, the ex-Princeton coach, overcame the rushing charges of the heavier Pennsylvania, who on two occasions forced the ball to Swarthmore's ten-yard line, but were unable to register a point. While Colgate, heretofore known as a "small-time" college, at Hamilton, N. Y., journeyed forth to one of the champion teams of the Western "big eight" conference, the University of Illinois, on their own grounds and administered a defeat of 15 to 3, thus are the vagaries of the game explained, and in fact one may look for anything to happen under the present rulings which, after all, go to make a game that is replete with excitement in the possibilities of the weaker team making an interesting contest, although in the Middle West there must have been a woeful deficiency of either the knowledge of the game or any idea of the skill necessary, when Ohio State University rolled up the score of 128 points to Oberlin's 0.

In the Harvard-North Carolina game which was a much lower score than anticipated, same being 21 to 0 in favor of the Cambridge team, yet it proved convincingly that the Mahan style of skirting the ends has an able exponent in Carey, who carried the ball in masterful style.

Yale gave fair bidding for her claim to the Eastern intercollegiate championship in defeating that usually strong team of Lehigh's, for in their back field they possess a tower of strength and two of the cleverest and most agile opponents of the open game in Harry Legore and Bingham, the former demonstrating his dodging skill when running with the ball, while Bingham can be depended on for the line gains.

One of the finest early-season games played thus far was that between the Navy and the University of Pittsburgh, whose destinies are guided by that wizard and master hand, Glenn Warner, who piloted this same team to a victorious season last year, considering the veteran back field of Hastings, DeHart and McLaren. The Navy deserves great credit for its showing, there being but a missed goal, from Holtman's toe, by a matter of inches, that kept them from sharing the game on a tie basis. Coming from behind in the last period with the score 13-20, they scored the desired goal when Whelchel, substituting for Orr at quarter, picked up an interrupted forward pass that had bounced from the head of one of Pittsburgh's men and crossed the goal line for what would have been the tieing score, finally executed.

Such are the exigencies that arise that go to make it the blood-coursing, nerve-gripping game of the autumn which shares its popularity, so far as attendance figures go, with baseball, and furnishes the greatest of mediums for college spirit and enthusiasm that is dear to all those in whose lives memory plays a part.

Many improvements in the various teams are bound to be shown as the practice and training season progresses, faults will be remedied, and new and more complex plays devised to greater degree of accuracy; substitutions of different players will be observed, with a view to establishing the greatest possible strength of the material in hand; disappointments and discouragement will give place to renewed hopes and revived confidence while seeming slumps often occur from a prematurely developed optimism, founded on perhaps lucky "breaks." However, next month will tell the story.

RYAN PICKS KILBANE AS WALSH CONQUEROR

Chicago, Oct. 15.—Johnny Kilbane, feather-weight champion, is the only man capable of lifting Freddie Welsh's light-weight crown, according to the former middle-weight star, Tommy Ryan, who declared today that Welsh and Kilbane are the best boxers in the country. Ryan believes the Cleveland fighter is about the best in the business.

Columbus was the first to discover America, but he was so busy doing feats of legerdemain with eggs that he let all the valuable franchises go to Rockefeller and Morgan.

LEAGUE RECORDS FOR PAST WEEK

LEAGUE.	TEAM.	One.	Two.	Three.	T.	NAME.	TEAM.	One.	Two.	Three.	T.
R. P. Andrews	Contract	285	295	259	839	Wagoner	Balcony	91	116	99	306
Arcade	Phi Mu Sigma	535	526	544	1605	Noack	Phi Mu Sig	96	140	123	359
Bankers	District	454	471	442	1367	Robbins	Nat. Metro.	88	100	97	285
Bureau Engraving	Examiners	464	495	477	1436	Palmer	Examiners	96	117	103	316
Bureau Standards	Unions	468	443	478	1389	Hill	Unions	91	97	130	318
Capital City	Rafferys	504	530	514	1548	Heart	Rafertys	100	123	127	350
Capitol Hill	Bryans	460	440	489	1389	Peck	Bryans	105	95	131	331
Chesapeake & Potomac	Construction	467	480	489	1436	Robertson	Construction	98	113	103	314
Columbia	Columbians	477	545	479	1501	Wostenholme	Franks	116	107	101	324
Commercial	Allegheny	513	504	484	1501	Penn	Allegheny	123	122	120	760
Departmental	Navy	490	515	502	1497	Kempton	Commerce	92	94	133	319
District	Continentals	613	585	497	1695	Vaeth	Grands	146	124	105	375
Evening Star	Indians	461	500	467	1428	Crampton	Indians	120	121	94	338
Fourteenth Street	Early Birds	538	503	451	1492	Dunn	Henderson	106	108	113	327
Geological Survey	Land Board	330	297	317	924	Callahan	Land Board	107	100	122	329
Georgetown Commercial	Columbia	462	490	482	1394	Miland	Frats	93	106	128	327
Government	Recruits	479	478	500	1456	Gordon	Auditors	90	115	119	324
G. P. O.	Clerks	471	480	489	1440	Addison	Foundry	117	108	105	330
Hyattsville	Chillum	490	471	458	1419	Smith	Arcades	105	95	114	314
Interbureau	Entomology	453	498	502	1453	Birum	Entomology	91	127	104	322
Interdenominational	St. Marks	528	521	474	1533	Noack	St. Marks	133	103	108	344
Interstate	Homers	480	528	474	1482	Bartel	Fourth Section	108	108	112	328
Knights of Columbus	Columbias	472	492	500	1464	Lowry	Ferdinand	116	109	117	342
Masonic	Stansbury	520	528	577	1625	Halley	Stansbury	119	106	168	393
Mount Pleasant	Colonial	479	507	501	1487	Keene	Newtons	127	101	98	326
National Capital	Ingleside	553	592	533	1683	Whitford	Ingleside	122	118	128	368
Navy Yard	Foundry	517	502	485	1504	Risler	Foundry	116	114	106	336
Northeast	Gibraltar	470	462	548	1480	Norton	McHughs	116	122	98	336
Phi Mu Sigma	Alphas	486	473	469	1428	Rebnitzki	Chi	112	83	107	302
Post	Cocoas	419	442	437	1298	Ferber	Pecans	114	94	94	302
Post-office	Station B	468	532	461	1461	Gerardi	Subs	115	124	99	338
Reclamation	Commissioners	295	320	229	884	Parkinson	Commissioners	112	124	90	326
Southeast	Model Lunch	554	594	480	1628	Frye	Cannon Balls	105	123	124	352
Terminal Y. M. C. A.	Southern	437	462	461	1380	Sareiter	Southern	104	83	104	291
Washington Centennial	Team No. 1	406	413	429	1239	Talbott	Team No. 3	95	105	109	309
Washington Herald	Bewicks	453	445	440	1338	Brigham	Bewicks	108	93	102	303
Washington Post	Hickorys	445	480	487	1412	McAlwee	Almonds	113	103	86	303
Washington Tenpin	Iroquois	973	925	898	2790	Eaton	Pioneers	153	226	211	590

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