

# SOFTBALL

## A. HOLLAND FORBES HEADS NEW STATE AERO CLUB THAT IS FORMED IN NEW HAVEN

### Gregory S. Bryan Chosen Secretary and Several Other Prominent Bridgeport Men Are Charter Members of Organization that May Be Foremost in Country

This State hereafter is to be in the foremost ranks of the aeronautic field. At an enthusiastic meeting held in New Haven last night the Aero Club of Connecticut was organized with a charter membership of thirty-two. This membership comprises quite a number of prominent men from the various cities of the State, including Bridgeport. One of the most interesting things the club contemplates is the holding of an aviation meet next summer. There is no doubt certainly as to this, but every effort is to be made to bring it about.

The following officers were elected: President—A. Holland Forbes, Fairfield. First Vice President—William C. Beers, New Haven. Second Vice President—Alton Farrell, Ansonia. Third Vice President—Clarence E. Whitney, Hartford. Secretary—Gregory S. Bryan, Bridgeport. Treasurer—Arthur H. Day, New Haven.

A board of governors was also chosen, which besides the officers named above included the following: Frank V. Chappell, New London; Hiram P. Maxim, Hartford; John B. Buwall, Waterbury.

Mr. Forbes, the president, is one of the best known aviators in the country, and owns the "Viking," which is the largest racing balloon in America. It has a capacity of 20,000 cubic feet of gas and is 90 feet high.

Mr. Forbes is a charter member of the Aero Club of America and one of the greatest enthusiasts in the country. The Connecticut club will be affiliated with the National Council of the Aero Club of America, which is a member of the International Aeronautic Federation.

The club is organized under the following charter:

Be it known that we, the subscribers, do hereby associate ourselves as a body politic and corporate, pursuant to the statute laws of the State of Connecticut, for the purpose of the formation and organization of corporations without capital stock, and the following are our articles of association:

Article 1. The name of said corporation shall be the Aero Club of Connecticut, incorporated.

Article 2. The purposes for which said club is formed are the following: To promote the development of the science of aeronautics and kindred sciences. To encourage aerial navigation, conferences, expeditions and contests. To maintain a club house or club houses, garages and accessories, aeronautics or otherwise, incidental to the purposes of this club, and such other terms as the board of directors may from time to time provide. To do everything necessary, suitable and proper for the accomplishment of any of the purposes of the club, and to exercise all the powers hereinbefore set forth, and to do every other act or thing which may be necessary or connected with the aforesaid purposes, sports or powers of any part or parts thereof, provided the same be not in conflict with the laws under which this corporation is organized.

Article 3. The said corporation is located in the town of New Haven, county of New Haven, and State of Connecticut.

Dated at New Haven, this 13th day of December, 1910.

WILLIAM C. BEERS, ARTHUR H. DAY, ROBERT A. BEERS, Names of Subscribers, State of Connecticut, ss: Office of the Secretary.

The foregoing is a true copy of a certificate filed in this office, and of the endorsement of approval thereon. In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and official seal of said State at Hartford, this 16th day of December, A. D. 1910.

MATTHEW H. ROGERS, Secretary.

The following committees were also named at the meeting:

Contest committee: A. Holland Forbes, chairman; Fairfield; F. V. Chappell, New London; Alton Farrell, Ansonia; Walter Wheeler, Bridgeport; Richard Crane, 3d, Bridgeport.

Law committee: Samuel E. Hoyt, chairman; New Haven; Henry B. Stoddard, Bridgeport; William C. Beers, New Haven.

Auditing engineers: D. Fairchild, Wheeler, Bridgeport; T. H. Macdonald, New Haven; Clarence G. Spalding, New Haven.

Membership committee: Frank V. Chappell, New London; William C. Beers, New Haven; Herbert H. Pease, New Britain.

Consulting engineers: Hiram P. Maxim, chairman; Hartford; Edson F. Galaudet, Norwich; Andrew L. Rifke, Bridgeport.

Among the members are Robert A. Beers, Clarence R. Hooker, Edward L. Hill and Phelps Monomery of New Haven; Nathaniel W. Bishop, General Henry L. Bishop, A. Lake and Arthur Watson, of this city; Edward W. Beach, of Waterbury; Maxwell S. Hart, of New Britain; W. Hart Green and John W. Green, of Danbury.

The club will have for its chief object the promoting of aeronautic sports in the State, and plans for the coming season are already under way. The second meeting of the club will be held in New Haven on January 14, when President Forbes will be the principal speaker. The headquarters of the club will be in the Elm City, and there is every hope that the club will prove one of the foremost in the country.

## IS M'CANN PLANNING TO LEAVE STATE LEAGUE FOR FAST COMPANY ELSEWHERE?

Manager Gene McCann of the local team, according to a report coming from Baltimore, where he is spending the holidays is tired of the tight little Connecticut league and is hankering after faster company. The report says that he wants to land in the Eastern league, and is willing to buy stock in one of the clubs, also that he has a fondness for the Park City and thinks might well of the Nutmeg circuit; but he has a yearning to break into faster company, preferably the Eastern league where he broke in as a pitcher and finished as a manager.

Efforts to increase batting has made a bit with the Berry Wall of the circuit. Gene gives out a few suggestions on this topic. The report follows:

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While business was very good last season in Bridgeport, Gene would like to break into the Eastern league again. He has been looking over the field and is ready to buy some baseball stock if the proper opportunity is presented. He would like to see the wall of Providence, and it would not be surprising if Gene got his fingers on some of the stock. Of course, if he should succeed, he would run the team.

There is no doubt about McCann's ability to manage a club. When he was with Jersey City he did not look so good. It was not up to the race and Gene lost his berth. But as the season wore on the class of material in the Eastern league the team began to display itself. McCann secured for Jersey City three men who later became Yankees after

Gene began to scout for the New York High School.

One of the men he developed was Russell Ford, who was the pitching sensation of the American league last year. Kid Foster, the clever little shortstop, now with the Yanks, was brought out by the Baltimorean, and last but not least, Gene developed Earl Gardner, the second baseman of the New York Americans.

After making good as a scout for the Yankees, Gene bought the Bridgeport club, and he was always in the race for the flag. He is popular in Bridgeport, but McCann would much rather be in the Eastern league where he won fame as a twister.

Gene is a Rock Hill boy. When he was a youngster he displayed much talent for throwing a baseball the fastest distance. He has the medal still and is very proud of it.

All the talk about perfecting some of the pitchers has been a great success. An awful hit with Gene, is a deep student of the game and was a pretty cunning fox on the mound in his day. No sooner than the news of Gene's idea to move the pitcher's box back. He says it would aid the pitcher and not help the batters except who smote for 200 yards such a move would do to the base runners.

By moving the box back, he says, the pitchers will be on a line with first base, and have no trouble keeping runners glued to the initial sack when the pitcher's shoe with the Gene idea that the mound should be raised to a level with the batter. A pitcher makes the pitcher's shoe with the Gene idea, has the advantage of a batsman, because every ball is thrown over the plate at a downward angle. Gene's idea is to raise the mound, McCann says, the batter will have a better chance to solve the curves.

The league ought to be awarded to Slattery of Toronto, who was swatted for only 310 and was out-ranked by half a dozen athletes, played in 100 games. Spade, the alleged leader who smote for 275, participated only in thirteen contests.

Fred Jacklisch a member of the St. Louis club, who has been in the Rochester club of the Eastern league. Next season the Phillies will have Manager Doolin, Moran and McDonough as backstops.

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## FANS WOULD BE SORRY TO LOSE GENRAL "GENE"

What do you know about Gene McCann? Can't blame the old scout for making an attempt to better himself. He has the coin to buy himself into the Eastern league, and has the ability to produce a winning aggregation.

Would hate to lose General Gene however. Certainly did not get enough of him in one season's work. He put Eddie Lennox on the ball map last season. Want him to put the Park City among the list of the country's winners next season.

## BASKETBALL AT ARMDRY PROVED PRETTY SWIFT

Game Was Exciting Even If Score Was Somewhat One-Sided

The Blue Ribbons, having struck their stride, are thundering their way through the State league teams. Last evening the Y. M. C. A. team of New Britain, in a game with the Blue Ribbons, with the avowed intention of slipping over a defeat on the residents. Instead the Blue Ribbons spilled defeat all over the invaders, the score being 52-20. Such a score looks like a one sided contest.

The score was, but the game was fast and interesting from the start. With the first whistle, the rebels made a great attempt to get the jump, even going so far as to throw a few baskets before the Blue Ribbons started. Their spirit put a little adrenaline life into the game, awakening the Ribbons to greater things. The Ribbons, however, were not to be trifled with a few baskets, started their procession of perfect passing and team play, resulting in a walk away.

In the State League contest at New Haven last evening, New Haven won from Naugatuck 53-27.

The seniors are the class of the High school. Yesterday they won the interclass series at basketball from the Sophomores respectively. Della Vane's teams were brought together, through the defeats the day before of the Juniors and Freshmen by the Seniors and Sophomores respectively. Della Vane's of the upper class men spilled several baskets, while Porter was close behind all over the score being 29-12. Luppold 1. Referee and umpire Brock.

## DR. WIBER, NOTED ATHLETE, DEAD

(Special from United Press.)

Washington, Dec. 29.—A national figure in amateur athletics, Dr. Elmer Wiber, died at his home in New York City, of acute indigestion. Dr. Wiber represented the United States abroad in athletic matters on several occasions. He was the first to appoint an American representative on the committee for the next Olympic games.

## OPERATION MAY LEAVE GEN. BOOTH STONE BLIND

London, Dec. 29.—Gen. Booth, who has now permanently lost the sight of his right eye, is shortly to undergo another operation for the removal of a cataract from his left. At present, although he still does a little writing by sense of touch, he is nearly blind that he cannot recognize persons standing within a foot of him.

The general himself is anxious to have the remaining operation hastened as much as possible, but his physicians are determined not to act until they are absolutely certain the proper time has come. He has the feeling that if he will be stone-blind for the rest of his life, coupled with the risk inevitable from an operation upon so old a man, he will have them additionally cautious.

## BOWLING

CITY LEAGUE.		
West Ends, 2; Wonders, 1.		
West Ends.		
Mazzoni	84	92 100—277
J. Musante	77	121 99—238
Petersone	78	78 101—257
Schell	93	78 87—258
Banks	131	82 105—218
Totals	463	452 492—1407
Wonders.		
Dondero	101	88 97—286
Pitzgerald	94	122 95—311
Larson	82	91 79—252
Robson	94	105 89—288
Gildersleeve	78	93 77—248
Totals	460	519 428—1407
West Ends, 3; Sokols, 0.		
West Ends.		
Mazzoni	93	87 81—272
Petersone	79	108 82—275
Schell	84	106 288
Banks	86	110 95—291
Totals	431	495 452—1378
Sokols.		
Zimmer	92	98 83—273
Timko	71	74 70—215
Emerson	80	92 70—242
Rosenpauy	76	72 220
Merva	80	84 82—246
Totals	399	407 405—1211

## INDUSTRIAL LEAGUE.

Cudahy Packing Co., 2; Handy & Harmon Co., 1.		
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Garlick	76	70 — 146
Cone	66	82—149
Lovely	80	81 73—234
Wood	76	81 73—234
Pearson	86	81 81—248
Douglas	79	77 90—246
Totals	387	385 422—1194
Cudahy Packing Co.		
Schultz	77	77 72—226
Meyer	87	81 76—244
Downey	86	81 81—248
Chapman	86	81 81—248
Hays	81	74 92—247
Totals	400	392 390—1191

## ELKS' TOURNAMENT.

Team H, 2; Team A, 1.		
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Brook	204	96 182—483
W. Buckley	173	139 151—463
McLaughlin	122	131 162—415
Gus Buckley	167	129 159—456
Walsh	167	129 159—456
Totals	835	643 796—2273
Team A.		
Lannon	135	147—430
Johnson	134	86 106—326
Grant	178	170 167—515
Erickson	165	202 141—498
Hals	156	148 140—444
Totals	771	741 704—2213

## FOOTBALL STOPPED BY WET GROUNDS IN M. MPHIS YESTERDAY

(Special from United Press.)

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 29.—The football game between the Harvard Law School football eleven and the All-Southern team, composed of the stars from Vanderbilt and Sewanee Universities, will be played here next Saturday.

## BOXING

(Special from United Press.)

New York, Dec. 29.—Huro Kelly, now claiming the middleweight championship, since Billy Papke was whipped by Dave Smith in the Antipodes, is coming to New York to attend the Frank Marshall-Jack Twinn Sullivan battle at the National Sporting Club, tonight. Kelly will challenge the winner and endeavor to defeat him to win the title.

The Italian, although claiming the title from Papke, wants to whip all comers in this country before Papke returns to America, in February, so that he will have a clear road to challenge Papke. Kelly has already fought two draws with Papke and has lost to him once. Both Maxwell and Sullivan are aspirants for the middleweight championship.

## ROLLER POLO

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## NEW TOWN.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Thickett are moving this week into their new home the work of building having been done almost entirely by Mr. Thickett and must surely be a source of pleasure and satisfaction to the builder. The family will be missed by their neighbors and friends on the street, all of whom will do in extension to their health and happiness in their pretty home.

The Sodality of the Children of Mary of St. Basil's church will observe Holy Communion in a body next Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Carley with their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Marley will be present at the home of Miss Vermet who has expected to spend the winter here all enjoyed a visit in Bridgeport Wednesday.

It is expected that a large gathering will be present at the Old Fashioned Masquerade to be given at the Town hall Friday evening, by subscription. No tickets will be sold at the door. The admission is by card only.

Mrs. P. Campbell, Miss Augusta Campbell and Miss Margaret Blake attended the funeral of Mrs. Anne Campbell at Bridgeport, Wednesday morning.

Mrs. Rudolph Grenier of Bridgeport was attending two days with Mrs. P. Gannon.

John Mathews an old resident of the town who has been in failing health for several months at the home of his daughter is growing weaker.

Rev. and Mrs. O. O. Wright entertained a family party Monday among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Wright and son of New Bedford, Mass. Miss Lucy Wright of Boston, Cecil Wright of New Haven.

## NEWEST NOTES OF SCIENCE

Both Russia and Italy are experimenting with battleships designed to hold three large guns, one more than ever before so carried by any navy.

A statue of Washington, 100 feet high, is planned by the city of Seattle for the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of statehood in 1914.

From human hair, first spun into yarn, an English manufacturer weaves a cloth for interlining clothing that cannot be broken, shrunk nor creased.

The last complete figures for this year placed the tonnage of the world's shipping at 41,915,000 tons, of which 37,291,000 were steam and 4,624,000 sail. Especially notable dentists ally make accurate diagnoses of the condition of teeth and jaws is a portable X-ray apparatus that has been perfected in Germany.

The standard gallon used in the United States was established in the reign of Queen Anne in England, and which country adopted a new standard nearly a century ago.

Scientists fighting African diseases have been encouraged by the discovery of a wasp that feeds its larvae on the tse-tse fly, the distributor of many deadly germs.

Light rays, concentrated from a source of sufficient actinic power, can be made to penetrate the entire human body, therapeutically affecting all the inner organs.

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## ZBYSZKO WANTS ANOTHER CRACK AT THE CHAMP

According to a dispatch from Omaha, Neb., Frank Gotch, champion wrestler of the world, who retired from the mat after defeating Hackenschmidt, has decided to re-enter the ring, and through Farmer Burns his trainer, has issued a challenge to any man in the world for \$20,000, the winner to take the entire wrestler's share with the gate receipts and the purse. Burns backs up his statement with posting \$500 with an Omaha newspaper.

No sooner than the news of Gotch's re-entry became known in the East, than J. H. Herman, manager of Zbyszko, accepted Gotch's challenge. Zbyszko makes the stipulation that the side bet be \$10,000 instead of \$20,000. Herman has posted \$1,000 with the sporting editor of the New York American.

Herman is willing to bet \$10,000 that Gotch cannot throw his man again. When the two met formerly, Gotch put Zbyszko to the mat in six seconds. As the Pole extended his hand for the usual shake, Gotch dove between the foreigner's legs and pinned his shoulders down before he knew what happened. Zbyszko was so mortified that it took considerable persuasion to get him out of his dressing room for the second bout, which Gotch won in a trifle less than thirty minutes. Since that time the Pole has learned considerable of American tricks and is boiling for another chance.

## Connecticut Patents

The following were issued Dec. 27, 1910. List furnished from office of A. M. Wooster, solicitor of patents, Bridgeport, Conn.

Geo. M. Eames, Bridgeport, Sewing machine.

W. W. Goodridge, Bridgeport, Pull box for electric lamp.

Gilbert E. Porter, New Haven, Key-less clock.

Ignatz Wrosina, West Haven, Piano action.

Merrill S. Jackson, Hartford, Collapsible form.

Louis Ney, Hartford, Typewriting machine.

Henry R. Sherman, Hartford, Trolley guard and fender.

Geo. Walker, New Britain, Spring scale.

Henry G. Veight, New Britain, Sash cord pulley.

Antonio Colosmo, New Britain, Lock.

Philip J. Handel, and A. E. Teich, Meriden, Shade holder.

Wm. D. Pierson, Waterbury, Crandine machine.

Verneer H. Perkins, Cheshire, Shade holder.

Isaac E. Palmer, Middletown, 2 patents: Bearing; framed hammock; electric cable connection; gas connection for outlet boxes.

Alonso W. Bennett, Hamden, Turbine.

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## FALSE HAIR MARKET IS SUFFERING A FAMINE

Paris, Dec. 29.—False hair, locally known as "chichi," is almost totally lacking, dealers say, and soon a "hair famine" will be in full swing in France. It is said to be the result of so much hair being sent to America. Briyani girls, Arabians and so on, who sold their hair at the beginning of the "chichi" craze are still short-locked and can therefore no longer supply the ever increasing demand. Coiffeurs declare a new style will be the result and it is predicted that the powdered heads of long ago will come back.

Separate blouses of chiffon cloth, chiffon voile and nets are elaborated with embroideries of the porcelain beads. The effect is remarkably dainty.

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