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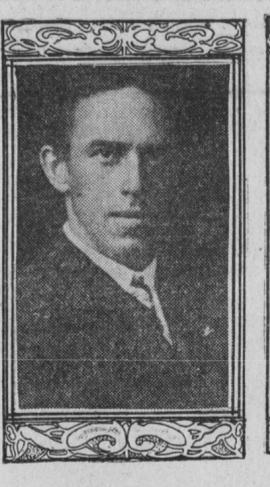
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LOS ANGELES ATHLETIC CLUB ANNEX TO BE OPENED SATURDAY

SEASIDE BRANCH AT VENICE BEING MADE READY FOR FORMAL OPENING WITH SMOKER AT END OF WEEK

Elegant Quarters Provided in New Bath House and Furnishings Will be Installed This Week—Instructors Will Make Regular Visits to Teach Classes in Boxing, Physical Culture and Fencing—Thoroughly Down-to-Date in Every Particular

BY CHESTER LAWRENCE

The formal opening of the beach annex of the Los Angeles Athletic club at Venice will occur next Saturday evening and will be the occasion of a celebration by the club members at a smoker to be given in the club rooms by the sea. Quite a large number of members are planning to go to Venice early in the day, to inspect the new quarters, and not a few of them will remain through the night.

Billy Henderson, assistant secretary, and DeWitt C. Van Vort put in several busy hours yesterday with local furniture houses selecting the furniture, carpets and general equipment of the annex. It is intended that the annex shall be furnished in keeping with the high tone that characterizes everything about the local club rooms, and the outfitting will cost about \$1500. These will be installed this week, and all will be in readiness for the opening.

The annex is located at the north end of the new bath house, and comprises half a dozen rooms. A parlor, gymnasium, buffet and reading rooms and a large room for lockers will be among the attractive features of the annex. In addition to these conveniences, the club members will have the use of the magnificent plunge, one of the largest and finest on the coast, and a cement runway will extend to the ocean for the convenience of bathers. Briefly summed up, the annex will furnish the club members with all the conveniences and appointments of a modern city club on the seaside.

The gym room is 43x34 feet in size, and will be fully equipped with all the apparatus necessary to a modern gymnasium. Lockers, numbering sixty in all, shower baths, wash stands and sleeping accommodations also are provided. A piano, writing table and all the latest magazines and local newspapers will be found in the sunny parlor that overlooks the sea, and it is proposed eventually to furnish a complete and up-to-date reading room.

The quarters for those desiring to train for amateur boxing bouts will be under the direct supervision of DeWitt C. Van Vort, who, with Physical Instructor Al Treloar, will make two trips a week, or more if necessary, as the classes grow larger, and give the Venetians the same training that they would receive were they attending the Los Angeles classes. There will be a boxing ring on the gymnasium, and a wrestling mat will occupy another corner. Taken altogether, it will be a miniature duplicate of the main club house on Spring street, and all attendants will be on hand all the time to look after the personal comfort of the members.

History of the Club Emerson once said in an essay upon "Compensation," "Speak and set your latent conviction and it shall become the universal sense." Thirty-five years ago a small number of Los Angeles men met to organize an athletic club in Los Angeles and the foregoing phrase was their original charter, and what was a miniature duplicate of the main club house on Spring street, and all attendants will be on hand all the time to look after the personal comfort of the members.

Organized in the year 1873, with hardly a hundred members and an initiation fee of \$20, the club now has 800 members and the initiation is \$100, and before many months have passed it will be \$250. Starting with a couple of small rooms in the Downey block it was moved after two years into the Stewell building, now the Germain block, and in 1878 it again was moved, this time to the present location at 534 South Spring street. It struggled along in this location for about a year and in 1879 suspended for lack of funds. The club held its original charter, and what was more important, held a few of the veteran members, who still believed that the club would be made a success, and were willing to expend time, money and energy in the attempt. They believed that if they could get the business men of Los Angeles interested in the club and sell the club stock they could put the club on a permanent basis. Leading advocates of this plan were R. A. Rowan of the real estate firm of R. A. Rowan & Co., Frank A. Garbutt, Theodore Bessing and Charlie Eytton.

Old Club Reorganized These old standpatters reorganized the club in December, 1895, with an issue of capital stock in the sum of \$500,000. They attempted to sell the stock to local business men, who at first were skeptical, but soon saw that the men behind the club were representative citizens of Los Angeles, and

the directors of the Los Angeles Athletic club learned of his success and lost no time in employing him. The victor coach of Stanford university, "Dad" Moulton, since has termed him "one of the finest instructors in the country." In addition to teaching wrestling and coaching the four-car crews of the club, Treloar is an expert on the flying rings, traveling rings, horizontal bar, parallel bars, vaulting horse and back pulley weights, both upper and lower back, wrist machine, finger machine, vertical bars and punching bags, in all of which he gives daily instruction to large classes of members.

DeWitt Van Court

There is a gray-haired boxing instructor at the club whom the boys call "Van." His name is DeWitt C. Van Court, and the boys, besides knowing him as one of the best fellows in the whole wide world, consider him the best boxing instructor in the country. Van's action when on the floor before his gray hair. He is as quick as lightning, and the greenest pupil soon finds him to be as harmless as the thunder. No matter who you are, Van laughs with you, not at you. Every man who knows him is his friend. He stands without a peer as the master of the clean and manly sport, the art of self-defense.

Van was born at a little town called Mountain View, which is in Santa Clara county, California, in the year 1860. His first real work as an instructor was with the Acme club of Oakland, which was organized in the year 1882, and later developed into one of the foremost athletic clubs on the coast. He was boxing instructor at the Acme club until 1889, when he was engaged by the Olympic club of San Francisco. For several years, and until the Frisco fire, he taught boxing at both these clubs, with the exception of the years 1896-1898, when he was with the Los Angeles Athletic club. He went back to the Olympic club at San Francisco, where he remained until the reorganization of the club in 1901. The organization of the Los Angeles Athletic club has never been equaled. In addition to training James J. Jeffries and other famous fighters, Van has turned out thirty amateur champions. His first champion was James Leahy, who won the coast championship at 158 pounds in 1887. Frank Cooley of the Olympic club also won the coast championship of featherweight championship. M. S. Espinosa, another Olympic boy, won the featherweight championship while being involved with his parents in Los Angeles in 1876. He attended the local schools and about ten years ago established the real estate firm of R. A. Rowan & Co., of which he is the senior member.

R. A. Rowan

R. A. Rowan is president of the club. He was born in Chicago in 1875 and came to Los Angeles in 1876. He attended the local schools and about ten years ago established the real estate firm of R. A. Rowan & Co., of which he is the senior member. He is extensively interested in oil interests in Southern California. He also is a prominent member of the South Coast Yacht club. He was born at Mason City, Ill., in 1875. At the age of 3 years he moved with his parents to Colorado and came to Los Angeles in 1882. He attends to the general business of the club, and devotes a great portion of his time to the organization.

Robert W. Kenny

The treasurer of the club is Robert W. Kenny. He was born in San Francisco in 1863 and came to Los Angeles in 1886, taking a responsible position with the Los Angeles National bank, and in 1898 was appointed cashier of the Broadway Bank and Trust company, which position he now holds. All his life he has been connected, more or less prominently, with the business of the club, and is well able to hold the position as cashier.

Charles Eytton

Charles Eytton holds the position of Secretary. He was born in New Zealand in 1873. After many years at the theatrical business along the western coast of the United States and throughout Australia he came to Los Angeles in 1900 and took the position of assistant manager of the Burbank theater, which position he now holds. Eytton is a great believer in clean amateur sports, one of the foremost boxing referees of the day, and has done much toward elevating general sports throughout Southern California.

Billy Henderson

As Eytton's theatrical business requires a large portion of his time, it was necessary to find a young man who could manage the details of the club business and act as assistant secretary. Such a man was found by the officers within two weeks after the reorganization of the club. This was the present holder of the position, "Billy" Henderson. Billie is 28 years of age, was born in Hamilton, Ontario, and came to California at an early age. It was a case of the position seeking the man. From the day Henderson entered the office he has been untiring in his efforts to conduct the club business along systematic business lines.

Al G. Treloar

Al G. Treloar, physical instructor, has been trained by many years of practical work and almost can see at a glance what his many pupils require in the line of physical training. He was born at Allegan, Michigan, in 1873, and graduated from the Manister high school at an early age. He then entered Harvard university, where he took up the normal course in physical training, and after graduating from the university acted as coach for the Harvard freshman rowing crew for one year. He then accepted the position of physical instructor of the St. Paul Athletic club. Later he taught privately, and for ten years he traveled all over the country, giving private lessons to a host of pupils who had heard of his system of teaching. In January, 1907,



HARRY UYTENHOVE, Fencing Instructor.

any man in the world either with broadsword or dueling sword. The club is fitted with a complete Turkish bath system, and each day many of the member undergo a thorough massaging at the hands of the barber shop is a dandy. There are two billiard tables and two pool tables in the large smoking room, and many interesting matches are played here all the time. The music room of the club contains a piano and a down-to-date library of classical music occupies a large space in the room. All the tables of the beautiful reading room while the floors are covered with heavy green Brussels carpets. In the reading room may be found all the latest magazines of the day, and all the Los Angeles and many of the San Francisco papers are kept on file. The reading room also is used for a game room, and at almost any hour of the day one may find games of chess, checkers, cribbage or whist going on and always someone willing to take a hand. The most beautiful reading room is adorned with many original paintings, presented to the club by one of its members, Frank A. McDonald, a leading artist of Los Angeles. Luncheon may be had by the members in the large grill room at any hour of the day, while regular meals are served between 12 and 2 o'clock and 8 and 10 o'clock. On the top floor are many sleeping apartments for any member who wishes to stay at the club. Here are also more bathing shower and tub, with an attendant always on hand. The members of the club pride themselves with having two of the best handball courts to be found on the coast, as well as the best handball players in the same area of country. Above the handball courts is a spacious gallery, and as handball is one of the favorite games of the club the gallery rarely is empty.

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Great International Rifle Team Match Revelation of Skill of Yankee Sharpshooters—Score 2553

By Associated Press.

BISLEY, England, July 11.—The great international team match shoot, the most important event of the Olympic rifle contests, has been won by America, and American marksmen thus become the champions of the world. The American aggregate score was 2533, that of the British team 2486, while the Canadian score was 2439, all at 1000 yards. Starting with a lead of 10 points at the end of the first range, the Americans never were displaced, and with the exception of the contest at the 600-

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yard range they scored highest totals for each of six distances than the finest teams that Canada and all Europe could put in the field.

In the individual aggregate the Americans always were prominent, first Lueshner and then Martin leading all the world's crack riflemen. Many experts consider the outcome a victory not only for the men but for the rifles. They declare that the short barreled new Springfield rifle proved itself a far better arm than the new short barreled Lee-Enfield, in use in the British service.

Also Win Revolver Shoot

The Americans also won the revolver team competition. The magnificent performances of the Americans made them public favorites. In the revolver shoot Belgium was second and England third. The aggregate scores are as follows: America, 1914; Belgium, 1864; and England, 1816.

In the rifle shoot, scores of the other competitors were as follows: France, 2272; Sweden, 2213; Norway, 2192; Greece, 1986; Denmark, 1908. In the team revolver competition, which occupied most of the day, the American team scored another fine victory. They defeated the teams composed of four men each of the United Kingdom, Sweden, France, Belgium, Holland and Greece. The American revolver team was composed of Gorman, Axtell, Calkins and Dietz. With a grand individual aggregate of 561, Gorman had the satisfaction of beating the Belgian, Van Aebroek. Van Aebroek was the winner in yesterday's individual competition, but today he was able to pile up only 493. The individual competition scores of the other

American revolver team were: Calkins, 473; Dietz, 472; Axtell, 468. Dr. R. H. Sayre, captain of the American revolver team, declared that the team was delighted with its success today, but he expressed disappointment at the decision of the judge with regard to Gorman's shot in the individual competition.

YANKEE CRICKETERS DEFEAT ENGLISHMEN

Gentlemen of Philadelphia Victorious in the First of Four Contests. Wood Effective at Bat

By Associated Press.

WORCESTER, England, July 11.—The American cricket team, representing the Gentlemen of Philadelphia, today won the first match of the four that are booked to be played against the English county teams by defeating Worcestershire by ninety-five runs. The credit for this victory is due largely to Wood, who played magnificently. In the second inning he scored 132 before giving a chance. He finally was caught out. He was at the bat for three hours and twenty minutes. His hits included one six and nineteen fours.

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