

DR. D. P. FREDERICKS AND C. D. WHYTE IN GOLF FINALS

WEATHER IMPROVES SPORT ON MARSHES

Rain Seems to Make the Duck Shooting a Trifle More Satisfactory

By FRANK O'DONNELL

As was expected, the turn in the weather toward the close of last week made conditions at duck shooting resorts a little better than they had been. But the improvement was not general nor was it such as to cause any great enthusiasm among sportsmen, who were held in large numbers in expectation of the going being good after the storms. According to advices received from all quarters, shooters on gun club preserves had fair to good sport in regions that were favored with an abundance of game, but instances where independent scout hunters from the city enjoyed a good and profitable day's sport were rare, as usual. Unattached hunters who can afford to leave the season opened and affairs for several days at a time may perhaps locate a good shooting ground that is open to all comers. The average hunter, however, who must be satisfied with one or perhaps two days off in a week is not having much fun with wild fowls unless he is a member of a gun club, because the birds are not "working" well in the shooting grounds around the bay shores to which he has free access.

On many of the sloughs tributary to the Sacramento river ducks are seen in large flocks, but they do not show any inclination to come within range of the guns of sportsmen. They are falling to the guns of market hunters, however, as is evidenced by the well filled bags that are coming into the wholesale commission district from that region daily. At all but a few of the shooting resorts on the San Joaquin valley, ducks and geese are in abundance and along the Sacramento river clear up to Red Bluff native and visiting sportsmen find birds plentiful enough. Inexperienced hunters returning from preserves in these regions are frequently heard to complain of poor sport, but men who have been following the game for years say that had marksmanship, coupled with ignorance of the fine points of duck shooting, are responsible for the indifferent success of amateur sportsmen who visit the valley ducking grounds.

W. D. McArthur is a frequent visitor to a favored preserve in the vicinity of Rio Vista and is never heard to complain of sport being poor. Limit strings of ducks filled out with a bunch of fine gray geese are the rule with him and the same is true of Frank Carroll and Murray Lehman, who are often his companions. Larry Adams, who has been most successful at Rio Vista this season, has changed his base of operations to the San Joaquin valley. Adams shot on the Gustine club preserve last Sunday and gathered all the law allows with little trouble. Walter Wood and his shooting companions, Messrs. Sherwood and McGruder, have entertained several guests at their Ingomar lodge near Los Banos almost every Sunday since the season opened and the sport there has been uniformly good.

Harvey McMurchy of New York and Fred Willis are guests at Ingomar today. Both sportsmen had a splendid shoot there last Sunday. The Newman club shooters are getting limit assortments with ease right along. All kinds of ducks except canvasbacks are in evidence on the Newman club preserve according to reports. The Newman club shooters are getting limit assortments with ease right along. All kinds of ducks except canvasbacks are in evidence on the Newman club preserve according to reports.

Shooting was good in spots on the Suisun marsh during the week, and the fact that results were not always satisfactory on all of the ponds is attributed by some to the absence of a constant bombardment directed at the ducks on that famous shooting ground since the season opened. It was said early in the week that the marsh was about shot out, but the regulars had a fair sport. The Newman club shooters are getting limit assortments with ease right along. All kinds of ducks except canvasbacks are in evidence on the Newman club preserve according to reports.

The blinds on the San Pablo bay shores and the marsh area on the west side of the bay were as popular as ever with week enders last Sunday. Duck shooting was a little better than it had previously been. The Newman club shooters are getting limit assortments with ease right along. All kinds of ducks except canvasbacks are in evidence on the Newman club preserve according to reports.

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GOOD SCORES ON LINKS DESPITE POURING RAIN

Large Gallery of Spectators Splashes Over Course to Witness Semifinals

SOME good golf was played yesterday by both the men and women in the final and semifinal matches at the Claremont Country club. The weather conditions were all against the sport, and nearly all of the matches were played in a heavy rain. The course was soft and cut up and the greens were soggy and slow, so that putting was a difficulty.

The greatest interest was taken in the semifinal matches of the men's match play, and, despite the wet weather and muddy course, a large number of enthusiasts followed the players around in the two matches of the first flight, and they were repaid for their disagreeable trip over the 18 holes. As a result of the play, Dr. D. P. Fredericks of the Claremont Country club and C. D. Whyte of the San Francisco Country and Golf club will fight it out today for first honors.

The best match of the day was between C. D. Whyte and F. C. Newton and it went 21 holes before C. D. Whyte could be returned to the clubhouse. The players were both at the top of their form and although everything was against them, they played some splendid golf. Newton looked like a winner when he led one up on the sixteenth hole, but Whyte stymied him on a putt and halved the sixteenth and also the seventeenth hole, and by halving out the eighteenth in four to Newton's five, tied the score. Then they continued on their way in a deadlock for two more holes, and Whyte brought the match to an end by making the twenty-first hole in three to his opponent's four. The match was full of exciting plays. On the eighth hole Newton got to the edge of the green with a long drive and then holed out a long putt in the next stroke, making the hole in two. Whyte was pressing him hard, but his drive was not as long and he required two more strokes to hole out, making it three.

Whyte made an exceptionally good putt on the tenth hole. He got into difficulties early on the next hole, and practically lost it at the outset. He went into the ditch and from that into the woods. On the shooting gallery holes, the fourteenth, fifteenth and sixteenth, Whyte had a chance to win all by good putts, but he fell down on each of them, halving two and losing the other.

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WINGED V'S MEET CENTURIES TODAY

American Football Championship of State to Be Decided in Oakland

One of the most important games of the season in American football will be played this afternoon in Oakland on the Grove street grounds. The contesting teams are the old rivals the Century club of Oakland and the Winged V's of Vallejo.

For several seasons these two teams have been the best of the local organizations that strive to win the American game, as played in the east, and each year the local championship has been between these two.

The Vallejo team has the exceptional record of holding the championship for four years, and never suffering a defeat in the past six years. Their closest games have been with the Century club, but the best they could do was to play two tie games, and then lose a game to the Century club last year.

Castinetti, the big fullback, is a great ground gainer, as he has a great kick and is a very clever boy making the forward pass. He can pass accurately for 25 or 40 yards, and uses good headwork in selecting the man to whom to make the pass.

The Century club has a team of all star high school players and they have among them some clever boys. The backfield is exceptionally good, as Kiser and Ince are the halves and Buns the fullback. The halfbacks are two of the best ground gainers and defensive backs that have been developed in the last four years on any of the high school teams.

Kiser is a big fellow, weighing 195 pounds, and a demon to stop when he starts around an end. He is very clever at backing up the line on defense, in fact, he does it all alone, and gives his team the advantage of another fullback in the middlefield. It is due to this that the Vallejo team will probably find that their forward passes will not work with any regularity, and they may have to resort to a bucking and kicking game.

BASKET BALL BECOMES POPULAR SPORT HERE

Game Originated by Y. M. C. A. Is Taken Up By All Classes of Athletes

BASEBALL is the only sport that can boast of more actual players than basketball. Not even football, with its large university following, has such a large clientele as the well known basket ball. This is a peculiar state of affairs, and it is all the more remarkable when it is known that basket ball has only been in existence about 20 years.

It was about 1890 that the students at the Young Men's Christian association training school in Springfield, Mass., devised the game to take the place of football after the season had closed, and also to provide for something of a strenuous nature that would give indoor exercise. From that start the game has developed into a scientific pastime and is played by women as well as men. It is a game that has taken a great hold all over the country, and in California particularly it is entrenched as a favorite midwinter and spring sport.

With very few exceptions the game is played by every school, either high or grammar, in the city, and the girls get just as much pleasure and exercise out of it as do the boys. There are hundreds of clubs all over the city playing the game, and the universities and all the colleges go in for it extensively.

The success of the championship series of the state that was promoted last winter by the Pacific Coast amateur athletic association has encouraged that body to organize a similar affair this season and the great indoor tournament will start February 1. Last winter there were 50 teams entered in the tournament, from all sections of the state, and from present appearances that number will be easily surpassed by teams from this city alone. According to the rules of the Pacific athletic association entries for the event will have to be in the hands of the committee not later than January 15 and entry blanks are now ready for distribution.

There will be five championships to decide and the classes will be the same as last year. The smallest championship will be the 110 pound class. Then will come the 120 pound, 130 pound, 140 pound and the unlimited class.

The University of California, St. Mary's college, Santa Clara college, St. Ignace college, most of the high schools from this city and Oakland, Berkeley and Alameda will all enter teams. The Olympic and Berkeley athletic clubs will also probably have teams in the unlimited class, and dozens of other local teams will be seen in action. A number of entries from other cities are expected.

ST. MARY'S STONED BIG GYM HERE

Innovation in Athletic Tournaments to Be College Feature This Week

[Special Dispatch to The Call] OAKLAND, Dec. 10.—The first gymnasium contest in elementary mass and apparatus work at St. Mary's college will be held Wednesday night in the college gymnasium and at present the students of the academic and commercial classes are directing their efforts to prepare their teams for the contest. This idea is new at St. Mary's, but was adopted upon the advice of Brother Joseph, athletic moderator of the college, who is a firm adherent to the policy that athletics are beneficial to education.

The contestants will be divided into two sections with the banking, first commercial and first academic classes forming the first squad. The second part will contain more classes, but the performers will be of smaller stature than the others. In this are the second, third and fourth academic and the second commercial classes.

St. Joseph's academy, the preparatory school for the larger institution, will also contest in the second division. These students have been drilling steadily under the direction of their instructor, Al Forslund, for the last few months and are expected to compete favorably with the academic classes which have been drilled by George Hammer, physical instructor at St. Mary's.

The officers of the athletic association have selected Nick Prendergast of the Olympic club, Cecil Martin of the Oakland Y. M. C. A. and a former physical director at St. Mary's, and L. A. Wolff, manager at Spalding's, as judges. Prizes are to be awarded for the following: Lineup, marching, drill, setting up work, apparatus work, appearance and discipline. Besides neatness of appearance and quickness in answering commands will also be considered.

Each team will be under the direction of the class captain and the success of the team will depend upon the way in which his orders are carried out. In the first division the banking class has selected Oliver Scott to lead them, while the first academic will be directed by Charles Wisnaby and the first commercial by Dale Mumma.

In the other class the captains will be: Second commercial, George Klemmer; second academic, Charles Cecil; third academic, Joseph Simonich; fourth academic, Eddie Murphy.

At some future date the college classmen will be required to compete in a like manner and after the opening of the new year the athletic contest will be held among the academic and commercial classes.

St. Mary's Basket Ball Game Forfeited

All American Team Is Picked by Camp

[Special Dispatch to The Call] OAKLAND, Dec. 10.—The fourth academic class forfeited its scheduled game this afternoon in the interclass tournament at St. Mary's college to the second academic and thereby placed that team in the lead for the second division championship. No reason was given for the nonappearance of the team.

The independents, a team composed of candidates for the varsity, lost another last night to the Loyal Sons of Oakland, 14 to 10. The game was close and fiercely contested with the score about even, but some fast playing and sensational goal shooting in the last five minutes of play won out for the Loyal Sons.

The college team was plainly out of condition, and its work in the second half was very ragged.

At St. Ignace grammar school, in the Richmond district, a basket ball court will be ready for the boys and girls when they return from their holidays.

Nine of St. Ignace's veteran baseball players will return to school for the coming baseball season.

Rosevelt grammar has three girls' basket ball teams, and Principal Lyster is particularly proud of the progress of these teams. Roosevelt boys' team was hand some last trophy at last tournament.

Rosevelt will enter by teams in the 95 pound class and the 115 pound class in the basket ball tournament for the grammar schools teams.

Principal Lyster intends to reorganize the Roosevelt field ball team after Christmas and to get games with other schools. Principal Lyster is of the opinion that this form of game is the best of all to develop the growing grammar school boy, and for the girls he has great faith in the basket ball game.

New outdoor basket ball courts have just been completed at Polytechnic high school and extra baskets have been put up in convenient places for practice.

A meeting of the Academic Athletic League will be held at Cogswell school on Tuesday night. President Dodd has called the meeting in order that the basket ball situation may be discussed and arrangements made for the coming tournament, which will be started soon after the schools reopen after the Christmas holidays. Representatives will be present from all the local high schools as well as from St. Ignace and Sacred Heart colleges.

President O. A. Johnson of the Peninsula sub-league of the A. A. I. yesterday announced the basket ball championship schedule of the league. San Jose, Redwood, St. Matthew's, San Mateo, Palo Alto and Campbell high schools are all competitors in the tournament and the games arranged will not be completed until February 4. The winning team of this sub-league will represent the league in the championship finals that will be held under the auspices of the A. A. I. early in February. The complete schedule is: December 13, San Jose vs. Campbell, at Campbell; January 20, Campbell vs. San Mateo, at San Mateo; January 14, Campbell vs. Palo Alto, at Palo Alto; January 14, San Jose vs. Redwood, at San Jose; January 20, Campbell vs. San Mateo, at San Mateo; January 21, Campbell vs. St. Matthew's, at St. Matthew's; January 21, Redwood vs. Palo Alto, at Palo Alto; February 2, San Jose vs. St. Matthew's, at St. Matthew's; February 4, Palo Alto vs. St. Matthew's, at St. Matthew's.

Glen Hamilton was elected captain of the Lowell basket ball team at a meeting of the squad Friday night.

Crocker grammar school has had an active intercollegiate football season. Tuesday night will meet the successful candidates: President, Clarence Linn; vice president, Gladys Kreamer; secretary, Florence Krupp; financial secretary, Wobles Stafford; pull leader, Joe Murphy; track captain, Wayne Farrar; cross country captain, Henry Hall; baseball manager, Clarence Linn.

Manager Millington of Mission high football team is trying to arrange a game with the Woodland high team for the Christmas holidays.

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Golden Gate Marksmen End Season Today

OAKLAND, Dec. 10.—The Golden Gate rifle and pistol club will wind up its season at the Shell Mound targets tomorrow with the annual king shoot, banquet and distribution of prizes. The Nationals will hold their last shoot of the year tomorrow and the San Francisco turner schuetzen, Germania schuetzen club, San Francisco schuetzen verein, Independent rifles, Company A, Irish volunteers, and the Nord-deutscher schuetzen club will hold their regular monthly medal and bullet-eye competitions. The Shell Mound rifle and pistol club has decided to enter a team in the indoor pistol league of the United States revolver association and Willie Siebe has been elected captain.

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