

# NEWS AND GOSSIP IN THE WORLD OF SPORTS

## TOURNAMENT IS ON FOR THE BOWLERS

Tenpin Knights in Every Organization of Washington Will Roll for Honors on the Palace Alleys.

Competition to Continue for Two Weeks—Averages of Teams and Standing of Players in Local Leagues.

The District, Departmental, Bank Clerks', and Plate Printers' Leagues will play no more championship games until January 4, thereby causing a lull in league bowling circles. The Railway Relief Association and Y. M. C. A. Leagues, however, will continue their schedules.

Despite the fact that only two leagues will bowl, the alleys will be more crowded than usual, as there will be plenty of individual matches and exhibition contests. Then there will be the usual Christmas tournament, under the auspices of the management of the Palace alleys, which will begin this evening and continue for two weeks. Last year the tournament, which was won by Rodrick, of the Jolly Fat Men's Club, proved very successful, and this year the management will endeavor to make it even more so. Any bowler in the city is entitled to compete. The twenty men making the highest averages in a set up to the night of January 2 will qualify for the finals, which will be rolled on the following Tuesday. Six cash prizes will be awarded to those in the win-up in addition to the many prizes which will be awarded by Washington merchants to the player making the highest single, average, and so forth.

### Departmental League.

The first half of the season's play has been completed and the Bureau and Interiors teams, which had a close race for first honors in the Departmental League last year, are again fighting it out for the lead, with the plate printers showing ahead by a slight margin. The leaders recently set the highest mark for one game ever made in Washington, a five-man team bowling the phenomenal score of 1,014. The Agricultural unit, which ranks next last, made the second highest total on last Friday evening, knocking over 1,055 pins. Crist, who led for highest single, 254, was overhauled by Gorman, of the Farmers, and Glade, of the Government Printing Office, who made the same scores. Joe Hardie still retains his lead for first position in individual honors, with Rice, Crist, Orsada, Gorman, Helmericks, Meyers, Hough, Smith, Burns, Lord, and Budke following in the order named. The official standing of the clubs follows:

|                  | W. | L. | Pct. | H.G.  |
|------------------|----|----|------|-------|
| Bureaus          | 32 | 10 | .761 | 1,074 |
| Interior         | 27 | 15 | .643 | 996   |
| Communications   | 27 | 15 | .642 | 981   |
| Postoffice       | 25 | 17 | .595 | 964   |
| Navy Yard        | 20 | 22 | .475 | 867   |
| Printing Office  | 19 | 23 | .452 | 851   |
| Treasury         | 18 | 24 | .428 | 1,023 |
| War Department   | 17 | 25 | .404 | 1,059 |
| Agriculture      | 16 | 26 | .385 | 1,059 |
| Commerce & Labor | 6  | 36 | .142 | 849   |

### District League.

The Jolly Fat Men have won eleven straight games in the District League and are now in first place, four games ahead of the Saengerbunds, who have been giving the corpulent bowlers a hard fight.

The Acme Bowling Club, the baby of the league, has recently shown a marked improvement in its work and is now in third place. It bowled six games last week and won one from the Germans and three from the Golden Eagles. Two of the Acme's bowlers, Campbell and Spleen, rank first and second, respectively, in individual averages, with a good margin over Crist, of the Fat Men, who is third. Following Crist in the order named are Kraus, Burdette, Miller, Elker, Rodrick, Ray, and Brandt. The team standing follows:

| Clubs    | W. | L. | H.G. | Pct. |
|----------|----|----|------|------|
| J. F. M. | 16 | 5  | 851  | .761 |
| W. S. B. | 14 | 7  | 793  | .666 |
| A. E. C. | 11 | 12 | 719  | .479 |
| B. M.    | 9  | 12 | 924  | .428 |
| G. E.    | 6  | 14 | 843  | .333 |
| E. B. C. | 6  | 14 | 840  | .333 |

### Bank Clerks' League.

The Citizens National and Capital teams are making a good fight for first place in the Bank Clerks' League, with the former now leading. All the other quints have lost more games than they have won. The Bell & Co. boys have shown a marked improvement in their work recently and have a good chance to overhaul the Metropolitan for third place. Barber leads the bowlers, followed by Barclay, Ghiselli, Walker, Harrison, and Vogt. The standing of the clubs follows:

| Clubs          | Won. | Lost. | Pct. |
|----------------|------|-------|------|
| Citizens       | 20   | 7     | .741 |
| Capital        | 18   | 9     | .667 |
| Metropolitan   | 12   | 14    | .461 |
| Bell & Co.     | 11   | 16    | .407 |
| A. S. & T. Co. | 11   | 16    | .407 |
| Riggs          | 5    | 15    | .250 |

### Railway Relief League.

The Eastern five in the Railway Relief Association league has won nineteen games and lost only two, and is so far in the lead there is little hope of any other team overtaking it. The individual bowlers rank as follows: Whitney, Crosby, McIntire, Staub, Jenkins, Stark, Dodson, Ballenger, and Garber.

### Y. M. C. A. League.

Rodrick leads the bowlers in the Y. M. C. A. League, but has played in only six games. The ten men following are closely bunched. The official averages follow:

| Player and Team    | Ave.   | Total | High. |
|--------------------|--------|-------|-------|
| Rodrick, A.        | 184.2  | 1,106 | 215   |
| Hilton, H.         | 176.4  | 1,110 | 214   |
| Donlon, N.         | 175.4  | 2,104 | 209   |
| Buell, A.          | 175    | 825   | 189   |
| Fowler, M.         | 174.9  | 1,749 | 205   |
| Barrett, K.        | 174.2  | 224   | 211   |
| Roesch, M.         | 172.14 | 3,128 | 232   |
| Elker, K.          | 171.4  | 3,096 | 224   |
| E. S. Brahears, H. | 170.14 | 1,674 | 224   |
| S. Brahears, C.    | 168.12 | 3,406 | 203   |
| Hine, E.           | 166.1  | 699   | 176   |
| Webb, G.           | 165.9  | 1,939 | 198   |
| Kirby, E.          | 165.1  | 331   | 196   |
| Gould, L.          | 162.6  | 2,674 | 211   |
| Beckett, G.        | 162.14 | 2,599 | 210   |
| Ludwig, H.         | 162.1  | 187   | 184   |
| Farlee, G.         | 160.7  | 2,847 | 218   |
| Overacker, C.      | 157.15 | 2,823 | 179   |
| Doling, L.         | 156.6  | 2,546 | 204   |

## RACEHORSE GOLD MINE DOWN AT NEW ORLEANS

Plenty of Good Stakes and Purse at Crescent City, But Not Fast Thoroughbreds.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 21.—There is a "gold mine" down here for any enterprising Eastern horseman who is willing to come down here and work for it. It is known as the Crescent City Jockey Club. All that is necessary to secure the hidden wealth are good fast thoroughbreds. The lack of good quality among the thoroughbreds this winter became so apparent this week that several clever trainers started hot foot for New York to buy up some fresh horses and ship them South. A long series of training and racing this summer sapped the vitality and fleetness of foot of the Western horses, and they are so leg-weary that many of them are not within seconds of their best speed. The field is, therefore, practically open to any man who is willing to bring down fresh horses.

From present indications John W. Schorr, the wealthy Memphis brewer, and Sam Hildreth, the debarred trainer from the Western tracks, will cut up the richest plums between them. These two men have some fresh horses in the city and are making the highest averages in a set up to the night of January 2 will qualify for the finals, which will be rolled on the following Tuesday. Six cash prizes will be awarded to those in the win-up in addition to the many prizes which will be awarded by Washington merchants to the player making the highest single, average, and so forth.

## MUNROE ACCEPTS DEFT OF SHARKEY

His Manager Will Meet Salary Today and Post a Forfeit of \$2,500.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Jack Munroe intends to force Tom Sharkey to fight or quit fighting challenges at him. The Butte miner-pugilist is on his way to Montana for a visit, but at 1 o'clock this afternoon his manager will meet Sharkey and post a forfeit of \$2,500 for a fight. Munroe does not care where the fight takes place—Boston, Chicago, Philadelphia, or San Francisco—but he will insist that it take place in three months.

Sharkey announced last night that he would accept a side bet of \$5,000, and he will be accompanied by Munroe, however, says Sharkey is the favorite, the side bet should be at the prevailing odds, and is willing to leave it to Al Smith, in the East, or Harry Corbett, in the West, to judge the odds.

Munroe, before leaving, said he had doubts about Sharkey's desire to fight, but that if the sailor is in earnest he will get all the fight he is looking for. Munroe prefers twenty rounds, but will agree to any limit to get a fight.

Sharkey, on the other hand, does not take any stock in Munroe's assertions and says if he ever gets a chance at the miner he will quickly accept his forfeit. Unless one or the other backs down, Sharkey and Munroe will furnish the next heavyweight battle of any importance.

## JABEZ WHITE COMING TO U. S. TO FIGHT BRITT

Charlie Mitchell, former champion of England, will send over to Tom O'Rourke Jabez White, the English lightweight who is coming to this country looking for lightweight pugilistic honors. His first effort will be with "Jimmie" Britt. White is considered first class in England and has met and defeated the best over there. He is not looked upon as a winner over the lightweight side of the water. Sportsmen here believe that there are half a dozen lightweight in this country who would have little difficulty in disposing of White. Engagements will be made for him by Tom O'Rourke.

## THE ANNUAL ELECTION OF COLUMBIA HIVE

Columbia Hive, No. 3, Ladies of the Macabees of the World, at its last review elected the following officers for the ensuing year:

Past lady commander, Fannie P. Cary; lady commander, Ada L. Hartman; lady lieutenant commander, Mary Cosgrove; lady recorder, Clara E. Van Vorst; lady treasurer, Margaret J. Sherratt; lady sergeant, Grace C. Bernhardt; lady M. A. at, Eliza D. Persing; lady sentinel, Jennie Rudloff; lady picket, Maria B. Brooks; lady chaplain, Kate L. Gross; lady pianist, Helen E. Rome.

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## LIPTON'S CHALLENGE NOT YET RECEIVED

New York Yacht Club Has Heard Nothing From Him.

## NEW BLOOD PREFERRED

Kenneth M. Clark May Send Boat Over in an Effort to Win the Famous Trophy.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Secretary Cormack, of the New York Yacht Club, said today that he had received no communication from Sir Thomas Lipton regarding a fourth challenge for the America's Cup.

At a banquet in London Saturday evening, when the American colony presented the Irish baronet with a silver service, Sir Thomas said he had written the New York Yacht Club, saying that he was prepared in the absence of another challenge, to have one more trial. This is the letter supposed to have arrived in the Lucania, but which the New York Yacht Club, through its secretary, claims not to have received.

### Clark May Challenge.

There are unofficial statements about the club that a challenge from Kenneth M. Clark for the America's Cup is on its way across the ocean, and that Sir Thomas Lipton, being acquainted with the fact, is endeavoring to have the New York Yacht Club recognize what he deems his prior right to contest the possession of the trophy.

Mr. Clark has given an order to George L. Watson, the great English designer, to prepare a new boat under the new rule of measurement of the New York Yacht Club. Mr. Watson has designed two boats, the Valkyrie II and the Shamrock II, that came nearer winning the America's Cup than any challengers during the fifty years of contest.

Mr. Clark, who is chairman of the board of directors of J. P. Coates, Limited, has owned several famous racing yachts, including the Katoomba and the Karlad. When Sir Thomas challenged in behalf of the second Shamrock, Mr. Clark came out openly in favor of the Karlad, which he thought a better boat than the second challenger.

He wanted Sir Thomas to give him a chance to race the Karlad against Shamrock II, the winner to come to America to compete for the cup. Sir Thomas refused to do this, and the matter was then dropped.

### Better Than Shamrock II.

The new boat of Mr. Clark is to be built by the Hendersons, who have built several cup challengers, and is said to be an improvement on the Shamrock II, allowing for difference in her model to conform with the new rules.

Mr. Cormack refuses to be quoted regarding any challenge, and said that it was a matter of public interest only when the cup committee had received and acted upon it. A retired commodore of the club, who was at the clubhouse today, said that he understood Mr. Clark has prepared a challenge.

That it was probably coming here now, and that Sir Thomas Lipton, hearing of it, was desirous of forestalling a new competitor.

Mr. Clark is an expert amateur sailor and should he challenge it will probably be done through the Royal Ulster Yacht Club, which has been sponsor for Lipton's former challengers. Mr. Clark will doubtless have charge of the challenger himself should he come to America in search of the cup.

### Waiting for Letter.

Some members of the New York Yacht Club are of the opinion that Sir Thomas should be given another chance before others, but there are quite a few who believe a more interesting series of races would result from a challenge from new blood.

Secretary Cormack said yesterday afternoon he had waiting all day for a letter from Lipton and that as it had not come he thought it might be on another ship due next week. He added it was now too late for a challenge for the cup unless the club should waive the ten months' clause. The time expired in October.

## SURGEONS GIVE GIRL ENTIRELY NEW SCALP

Skin Transplanted to Head From Other Parts of Her Body.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Margaret Carroll, fifteen years old, of 222 Willow Avenue, Hoboken, who lost her scalp in a straw making machine last Tuesday, has been provided with a new scalp.

The skin transplanting was done by Dr. P. E. Bush, of 45-Charlton Avenue, Manhattan, and Dr. Julius F. Zenneck, of 204 Eleventh Street, Hoboken. The girl was under the influence of ether during the operation.

The area of the skull which the doctors covered with strips of skin taken from the girl's body was sixty-four inches square. Dr. Zenneck said the operation was a success surgically, but he could not promise that all the skin would grow where it had been transplanted.

## FRANK FARRELL TALKS ON FOUL STRIKE RULE

Still the Bone of Contention Between Leagues.

## ONE FAVORS; OTHER OPPOSES

American May Surrender Point if the Joint Conference Decides to Stand Pat.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Although the foul strike rule, which has been a bone of contention between the major baseball leagues since its adoption eleven months ago, was unanimously rescinded by the American League delegates at their annual meeting at Chicago last week, it does not follow that it will be abolished by the clubs in that organization during the playing season of 1904.

Frank J. Farrell, treasurer of the Greater New York Baseball Club, and the principal stockholder in that organization, arrived in New York yesterday from Chicago, where he had been attending the annual session. Farrell, with J. Kilfoyle, of Cleveland, and Charles Comisky, of the Chicago club, are the members of the rules committee appointed to represent the American League in the joint conferences of similar committees from the National League and National Association, at which all amendments to, or changes in, the uniform rules now governing the game must be made.

Mr. Farrell expressed himself as being more than pleased with the action taken by the delegates on every matter of importance that was discussed at their annual session, and he said that the outlook for the coming season was very promising.

"We had a good season in 1903, and while the Greater New York club was handicapped in many ways, the financial results were perfectly satisfactory to everyone concerned. It was our initial season, and while we made strenuous efforts to have everything in order at our park, we were unable to complete the grounds, but this drawback will be wiped out before the first game of the coming season. The deep hole in right and left center field will be filled up, so that the players in those two sections will not be hampered in their work by the fence which impeded them last season."

### National Members Instructed.

"Regarding the controversy about the abolition of the foul strike rule, the committee, of which I am a member, was not instructed in any particular, and the American League as a body is well satisfied that our committee will act for the best interests of the league in everything which it votes upon. The National League issued instructions to its committee on rules to steadfastly oppose any change in the foul strike section, while myself and the other two members of our committee are left to use our own judgment."

"There is some talk of amending the rule so that the first foul may be called a strike, but the first two, as is now the case, I cannot say that any or many changes may be made, but it has been suggested that a compromise rule be substituted, and perhaps this will meet with the approval of the committees."

Speaking of the make-up of the Greater New York team for next year, Mr. Farrell said that it would be considerably strengthened by another catcher, one more pitcher, and an outfielder, in addition to Anderson, thus increasing the hitting powers of the team. There is a deal under way for the purchase of these players, the names of whom will not be divulged just now.

As to the question of consolidation, New York representative said that such a move is not contemplated, as it does not find favor among the league members.

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## O'LEARY WILL MAKE MILLION-DOLLAR BOOK

Chicago Turfman Plans to Take in Much Money on Future Events.

## MASSSES ON CHRISTMAS.

On Christmas Day masses will be said at St. Mary's Catholic Church at 5, 6, 7, 9, 9:30 and 10 o'clock. That at 5 o'clock will be a solemn high mass.

CHURCHGOERS FEW.

The morning services at the churches in this city were poorly attended yesterday on account of the bad weather, but in the evening the churches were well filled.

The Rev. Dr. Flippo conducted services at the First Baptist church and the Rev. Mr. Schroeder preached at the Immanuel Lutheran church.

MASSSES AT TRINITY.

Masses at Holy Trinity Catholic Church, corner Thirty-sixth and O Streets northwest, will be celebrated on Christmas morning as follows: Solemn high mass at 5 o'clock, low masses at 7 and 7:30, Sunday school and children's mass at 9, and solemn high mass at 11 o'clock. Music for the high masses will be furnished by the boys' choir, under the personal direction of Prof. George Herbert Wells, organist and choirmaster of Trinity Church. Solos will be rendered by Mrs. Armand Gumprecht, wife of Prof. Armand Gumprecht, organist at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, of Washington.

## GEORGETOWN PREPARES BIG INDOOR MEET

Western Colleges to Participate—Race Planned Between West Point and Naval Academy.

If the promoters of Georgetown University's annual indoor meet carry out their plans, the meet will be the biggest and most successful in the history of the institution. The relay race between the leading colleges, universities and high schools of the country will be the feature of the games. If plans carry it is probable that in addition to the big Eastern universities, Michigan, Notre Dame, Minnesota and Chicago will be represented.

A strenuous effort is being made by those in charge to arrange a relay between West Point and Annapolis, which will prove the stellar attraction if it goes through. The Middies have consented to the event, but as yet no word has been received from the Cadets. James Sullivan, of the Amateur Athletic Union of America, will run and referee the meet.

## RESCUERS DISCOVER THREE DEAD IN MINE

HOUGHTON, Mich., Dec. 21.—A party of miners reached the surface from the old workings of the Grand Portage section of the Isle Royale mine yesterday afternoon, having been down four hours, and report finding the bodies of Charles Peterson, aged forty-two; his son, Axel, aged twenty-one, and John Gregorovich, where they had been overcome by gas while fleeing from the fire in the shaft.

It will be necessary to build a road to bring the bodies to the surface.

## MAFIA SUSPECT ARRESTED ON CHARGES OF FRAUD

Tony Ross Threatened to Kill a Man Who Testified Against Him.

BINGHAMTON, Dec. 21.—The police believe that Tony Ross, an Italian, arrested here, is connected with the Mafia gang which is charged with counterfeiting and several murders in New York.

Ross is held on a warrant, charged with representing himself as the "Big Boss" of a railroad, and agreeing to get a green emigrant a place for \$32. While being examined by District Attorney Clark Ross made a peculiar sign to one of the Italians appearing against him, causing great fear in the man. Others Italian present say it was the Mafia sign, meaning: "I will kill you."

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## ALEXANDRIA NEWS NOTES

(Special to The Washington Times.)

ALEXANDRIA, Va., Dec. 21.—O'Kane Council, Catholic Benevolent Legion, held a meeting in St. Mary's Hall, yesterday afternoon and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: James Roche, president; Thomas D. Downey, vice president; Thomas F. Burroughs, secretary; Robert Wenzel, treasurer; John McKenna, collector; James P. Quinn, orator; Terence McGowan, marshal; Michael Creggan, chancellor; John Nugent, inside guard; Michael Downey, outside guard.

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