

American Fencing



Photos courtesy Edward Vebell

(1) Janice Lee York, Women's Champion, receives trophy from Helena Dow while master of ceremonies Tracy Jaeckel looks on approvingly; (2) Norman Lewis, Epee Champion, receives trophy from Capt. Donaldson's grandmother; (3) Tibor Nyilas, Sabre Champion, holds trophy presented by J. Brooks B. Parker; (4) Silvio Gialita, Foil Champion, and trophy; (5) Nyilas and Armitage at the end of championship bout; (6) George Worth and Norman Lewis hold three-weapon team trophy while Col. Gustave Heiss looks on; (7) Nathaniel Lubell and Daniel Bukantz receive foil team trophy from Col. Henry Breckinridge. Jaeckel peeking; (8) Chairman of Gala Night committee, and master of ceremonies—Tracy Jaeckel; (9) Polly Craus, Bernadine Meislahn, Janice Lee York with women's team trophy; (10) Norman Lewis, Marvin Metzger, Ralph Goldstein, Paul Moss and epee team trophy; (11) Nickolas Muray, Ralph Marson, James Flynn, Samuel Stewart and sabre team trophy.

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Third Maccabi Games

The Maccabi games will run from September 29 to October 8, 1950 in Haifa, Israel. They are open to all Jews throughout the world provided they are amateurs and belong to one of the recognized International Fencing Federations. Each country is limited to six entries, and it is expected that some of our prominent fencers will compete. We will try to obtain the results in time for our early issue next season.

Any Americans who wish to fence, and can make the trip, will represent the U. S. and must therefore notify Dernel Every, Secretary of the AFLA, prior to August 21st. Selections must be made by the Board of Governors and certified to the International Fencing Federation before the entries leave for the games.

Inter-Allied Fencing Tournament
 by DONALD J. J. THOMAS

The Belgian Army of Occupation sponsored a 3-weapon event at Cologne for occupation troops of all allied nations. Seven teams competed; two French, two American, two Belgian and one British. Teams consisted of two men in each weapon, and the weapons were fenced in round-robin pools. The team event was won by the French from Baden-Baden, while their countrymen stationed in Austria placed second. The Americans did remarkably well to place third over the strong British and Belgian teams.

The Americans were strongest in Epee. Commodore Doughty won the individual pool and Cpl. Thomas, stationed at Weisbaden, placed second. Capt. Sullivan, from Heidleberg, placed third in the sabre and Lt. Gordon, from Santoffen, took fourth in foil. Many of the Americans are working with a Hungarian coach, Mr. Nicholas Toth, and are showing marked improvement.

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International Directors

The F.I.E. has just issued the list of approved international Presidents of Juries for the year 1950-51. Sixteen Americans have been included, in the following categories:

Norman Armitage	F.	S.
Daniel Bukantz	F.	
Jose de Capriles	F.	E. S.
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Tibor Nyilas	F.	S.
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Donald Thompson		E. S.
George Worth	F.	S.

Prof. SANTELLI—3rd?

Christopher "Nino" Santelli, eight-year-old son of our well-known coach, is following the family tradition. He played the role of Cyrano in a presentation staged by the Grace Church School and triumphed over his deadly rival (also aged eight), in the famous duelling scene.

AU REVOIR—

This is the last issue of our first volume. Publication will be resumed in the fall.

We take this opportunity to thank our many contributors for their cooperation, and our advertisers for their support. Our sole aim has been to promote closer contact among fencers throughout the country and to contribute to the development of the sport in all sections. We believe some progress has been made in the right direction and will welcome any criticisms or suggestions for the future.

A pleasant summer to all. . . .

Americans in World Championships

For the first time in many years the U. S. will have several entries in the World Fencing Championships.

Captain Donaldson, Jack Hughes and Joachim Titolo will compete in the epee event, while Jack Gorlin and Alex Treves will enter the sabre. The Championships are held at Monte Carlo from July 9th to 23rd.

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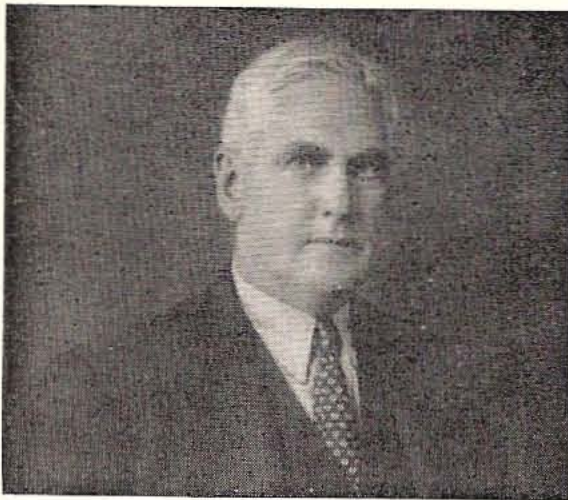
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LEON M. SCHOONMAKER

American fencing lost a true friend and great champion on May 30, 1950. Mr. Schoonmaker, affectionately remembered as "Schoony," learned to fence at Princeton and was a member of the Fencers Club. Memorial resolutions have been spread upon the permanent records of the United States Olympic Fencing Games Committee and the Amateur Fencers League of America. We quote herein the resolution of the A.F.L.A.:

"MEMORIAL RESOLUTION TO LEON M. SCHOONMAKER

WHEREAS, the Amateur Fencers League of America has, in the death of Mr. Leon M. Schoonmaker, lost a leader whose broad vision and energy had made him one of the most earnest and continuing promoters of fencing in the United States, and

WHEREAS his proved ability as a fencer, his strong character, good sportsmanship and loyal team spirit earned him not only the admiration and warm respect of the fencers, but also such tangible awards as the National Individual Sabre Championship in 1923, the National Individual Silver Sabre Medal in 1922, the National Individual Silver Three-Weapon

Medal in 1921 and a place on the 1924 National Championship Sabre Team representing the Fencers Club, after having been a member of the 1920 United States Olympic Sabre Team at Antwerp, Belgium, and

WHEREAS Mr. Schoonmaker had served the Amateur Fencers League of America in various administrative capacities, which included its presidency in 1934 and 1935 and its secretary-treasurership from 1930 through 1933, and was a member of its Board of Governors continuously from 1911 until his death, a period of 39 years, and was A.F.L.A. representative to the United States Olympic Association in 1936, 1940, 1944 and 1948, and

WHEREAS as an experienced fencer and administrator his constructive policies, conservative advice and respected judgment had contributed heavily to the sound and progressive growth of fencing in the United States, and

WHEREAS his untimely death, which put an unexpected end to his experienced counsel, came as a shock to everyone who knew him,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Officers, Board of Governors and Members of the Amateur Fencers League of America express their extreme sorrow at his sudden death on May 30, 1950, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Memorial Resolution be spread upon the permanent records of the Amateur Fencers League of America and that a copy be sent to his family."

"Schoony" served as a Major in the A.E.F. during the First World War. An engineer of note, he planned and designed Horace Harding Boulevard and many other major highway projects in Long Island. He was an authority on highway development and municipal financing.

He is survived by Mrs. Florence L. Schoonmaker, women's champion in 1925, 1926 and 1929, and by a son, Gerrit, now studying at Princeton.

Twentieth Annual P.S.A.L. Championships

The Public School Athletic League of New York has been conducting a schedule of fencing events each season, and a series of awards are presented at the individual championship finals. Mr. William F. Strobel, Director of P.S.A.L. fencing, has been responsible for the continued development of the sport in this most important field and has obliged us by reporting the season's results.

Stuyvesant H. S. won the Team Championship and received the Wm. F. Strobel Trophy. The members of the team—Herbert Gardner, Alfred Gehn, Harvey Miller, Donald Rosenberg, Walter Rubinstein and Herman Wallner—received the Morris H. S. Alumni Fencers Assn. Medals presented by Mr. Demo S. Bouclis.

The Individual Championship final of six was won by Walter Rubinstein (Stuyvesant), with George Kramer (Forest Hills) second and Ronald Alessio (Bayside) third. These men received P.S.A.L. medals. The other finalists were Jack Berger (Lincoln), Norman Talkovsky (Lincoln) and Martin Wertlieb (Clinton).

Medals for the "Team Form" championship were awarded to Bayside H. S. by Bertram J. Goudket, president of the Interscholastic Fencing Directors Association. The members receiving medals were: Frank Adamo, Ronald Alessio, Ronald Brostek, William Johnson, Edward Law and Kenneth Paltrow.

The Individual "Form" championship was won by Benjamin Kramer (Eastern District). Walter Rubinstein, Stuyvesant, placed second and Ronald Alessio of Bayside was third. These men received the Wm. F. Strobel Medals.

GROMBACH WINS MASTERS' EVENT

Col. J. V. Grombach, N.Y.A.C., won the Saltus Dress Sword competition, limited to members of an Olympic Epee team and medalists in at least two National Championships. The event drew an entry of eight "Masters" and was fenced as a double round-robin of one-touch bouts with the aggregate score determining the winner. Col. Grombach scored six victories in the first round and four in the second to receive the Miguel de Capriles gold medal. Silver medals for second and third went to Al Skrobisch, Fencers Club, and Ralph Goldstein, Salle Santelli. Bronze medals were awarded to Lt. Col. F. R. Weber, Pieter Mijer and Henrique Santos for the fourth, fifth and sixth places. Tracy Jaeckel and Jose de Capriles, medalists in last year's event, did not fare so well this time.

After the presentation of the Trophy and medals, Mr. de Capriles presented a duplicate gold medal to Mr. Rene Pinchart in appreciation of the important role the latter has played in developing American epee fencing.

Metropolitan Interscholastic Championship

The annual A.F.L.A. individual foil competition for High School and Prep School fencers was held at Washington Irving High School on May 6th.

George Kramer of Forest Hills won the title and Walter Rubinstein of Stuyvesant placed second. These two men thus reversed the standings they achieved in the P.S.A.L. Championship the week before. Benjamin Kramer of Eastern District was third.

TILL NEXT SEASON

Fencing slows down when the hot months come upon us and before our many friends disappear from their salles, we want to take this opportunity to thank them for their patronage and to wish them a pleasant summer.

We would like to congratulate the winners of the National Championships and to add a word of praise for the many fine fencers who competed well but did not make the grade. The general calibre of their fencing was extremely high and augers well for a strong season in 1951. We must also call attention to the excellent work of the professional and amateur coaches and instructors who have been the bulwark of club and school fencing and especially to those who have been instrumental in the development of new national competitors.

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The manufacturing of blades is an art, the problems of which are little understood by the American fencer. For this benefit I shall discuss recent developments in this field.

Whereas before the war the manufacturers of blades were very numerous in France, Italy and Germany, there are but few today for the American importer to choose from. Most of the pre-war producers of blades converted to the manufacture of war essentials and were subject to bombings, so that after the war there were only three in France, one in Italy, and none in Germany. These bombings in themselves, however, were not the direct cause of the decline in their numbers. Blade manufacturing is a highly skilled and laboriously learned profession; the knowledge of these skills is passed on from master to apprentice. Unfortunately, great numbers of these masters perished in the war and no amount of material aid can replace them. This accounts for the failure of post-war blades to reach the pre-war level.

Most fencers in the United States think that Pion, Prieur, Soudet, and Souzy are manufacturers. Actually, they are distributors buying from the three manufacturers of their country. The manufacturers preferred by these distributors and also by our own American importers are Balp (of St.-Etienne) and Jean-Blaise, both located in the Loire provinces of France.

In Italy, the situation is still worse. There remains only Polotti. In England, the situation is similar, with the Wilkinson Sword Company their sole manufacturer. The evil of this situation is evident: where before the war several producers in each of these countries carried on a spirited competition resulting in lower prices and finer blades for the fencer, today we have to rely entirely upon the honesty of these manufacturers in getting blades of quality.

In the years since the war, the situation has started to return to normal, however, resulting in a marked improvement in quality of blades from Italy, and France especially. I have found that the best are made by Jean-Blaise, distributed by Soudet, and marked with the sun imprint.

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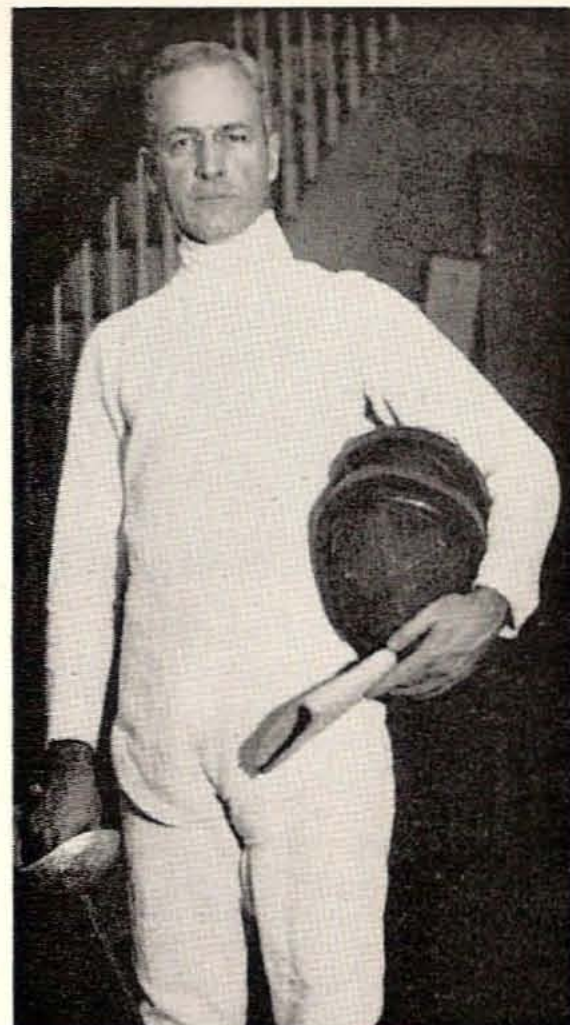
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PARKER ELECTED TO INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE

The International Olympic Committee, meeting in Copenhagen, Denmark, on May 11 to 20th, unanimously elected Mr. J. Brooks B. Parker of Philadelphia as a member from the United States to take the place of Mr. Frederic R. Coudert recently resigned.

The International Olympic Committee is the governing body for the Olympic Games. It is made up of representatives from all countries participating in the Olympics. The United States is entitled to three members, the other two American members being Mr. Avery Brundage of Chicago and Mr. John Jewett Garland of San Francisco. Membership on the Committee is permanent, terminable only by resignation or death.

Mr. Parker qualified as a fencer on the 1920 United States Olympic Team and participated in the VIII Olympics held in Paris in 1924. He has maintained his interest in all amateur athletics, with particular emphasis on fencing and the equestrian sports. He is at present a member of the Pan American Fencing Games Committee and the 1952 United States Olympic Fencing Games Committee.

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SECTIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

PACIFIC COAST CHAMPIONSHIPS

by FRED LINKMEYER
Vice-President, AFLA

The 1950 Pacific Coast Championships were the most successful to be conducted in many years. The organization, directing and judging were above criticism and the spirit of good-fellowship and sportsmanship which prevailed was most gratifying to all.

The bouts were witnessed by hundreds of interested spectators, many of whom had never witnessed fencing before.

The hard-fighting and beautifully-trained trio from the Olympic Club, Salvatore Giambra, Gerard Biagini and Frank Giambra were the outstanding fencers in the open events while Muriel Bower of the Los Angeles Athletic Club fought her way to the Pacific Coast title by defeating the National Champion, Polly Craus, the runner up of the National, Maxine Mitchell, and the 1948 Olympic Team fencer, Jan York as well as all the other fencers in the finals of the Women's Open. Sewell Shurtz, the youthful ball of fire from the Faulkner School of Fencing piled up four first place victories in the junior and intermediate events and placed third in the Open Foil. The official results of the tournament are as follows:

FOIL

Junior Men—(1) S. Shurtz, F.S.F.; (2) P. Romano, F.S.F.; (3) A. Lane, H.S.F.

Junior Women—(1) Frances Carter, H.S.F.; (2) Susan Maguire, F.S.F.; (3) Patricia Powers, H.S.F.

Intermediate Men—(1) S. Shurtz, F.S.F.; (2) G. Bell, F.S.F.; (3) F. Giambra, O.C.

Intermediate Women—(1) Mathilde Clem, L.A.A.C.; (2) Grace Makabe, H.S.F.; (3) Frances Carter, H.S.F.

Open Men—(1) S. Giambra, O.C.; (2) G. Biagini, O.C.; (3) S. Shurtz, F.S.F.

Open Women—(1) Muriel Brower, L.A.A.C.;

(2) Polly Craus, F.S.F.; (3) Maxine Mitchell, Cav.

FOIL TEAMS

Junior Men—Faulkner School of Fencing (D. Rice, S. Shurtz, P. Romano).

Junior Women—Halberstadt School of Fencing (Frances Carter, Gloria Isrin, Patricia Powers).

Open Men—Olympic Club (Sal Giambra, Frank Giambra, Gerard Biagini).

Open Women—Los Angeles Athletic Club (Muriel Bower, Mathilde Clem, Frances Tally).

EPEE

Junior—(1) S. Shurtz, F.S.F.; (2) W. Comley, F.S.F.; (3) B. Cottle, H.A.C.

Intermediate—(1) S. Shurtz, F.S.F.; (2) G. Biagini, O.C.; (3) C. Hodder, H.S.F.

Open—(1) G. Biagini, O.C.; (2) D. Reynolds, L.A.A.C.; (3) B. McBirney, F.S.F.

Junior Team—Faulkner School of Fencing (William Comley, Charles Irby, Sewell Shurtz).

Open Team—Faulkner School of Fencing (Bruce McBirney, David Rice, Sewell Shurtz).

SABRE

Junior—(1) P. Romano, F.S.F.; (2) D. Rice, F.S.F.; (3) E. Spencer, L.A.A.C.

Intermediate—(1) Torao Mori, L.A.A.C.; (2) F. Giambra, O.C.; (3) J. Baker, H.S.F.

Open—(1) S. Giambra, O.C.; (2) J. Lampl, L.A.A.C.; (3) T. Mori, L.A.A.C.

Junior Team—Faulkner School of Fencing (David Rice, Phil Romano, Sewell Shurtz).

Open Team—Los Angeles Athletic Club (Torao Mori, Josef Lampl, Fred Linkmeyer).

GRECO THREE WEAPON TROPHY

Northern California Team, composed of S. Giambra, F. Giambra and G. Biagini, all of the Olympic Club, San Francisco.



Affiliations: F.S.F., Faulkner School of Fencing; H.S.F., Halberstadt School of Fencing; H.A.C., Hollywood Athletic Club; L.A.A.C., Los Angeles Athletic Club; O.C., Olympic Club; Cav., Cavaliers.

SOUTHWEST CHAMPIONSHIPS

by ARDIEN B. RODNER

The finals for the A.F.L.A. Southwest Championships were held in Galveston on May 13th and 14th and produced keen competition in every rank. The Gulf Coast and North Texas Division had strong representation, but the Colorado Division was unable to compete. The Open Team Champions are:

Women: St. Joseph Hospital, Houston

Foil: Buccaneers, Galveston

Epee: Buccaneers, Galveston

Sabre: Rice Institute, Houston

The individual events, covering every category, resulted as follows:

WOMEN

Open: (1) Betty Jean Fox, Unatt., Houston; (2) Mrs. Naomi Abbott, Buccaneers, Galveston; (3) Mrs. Hal Lattimore, "Y" F. C., Fort Worth.

Junior: (1) Mrs. Hal Lattimore, "Y" F. C., Fort Worth; (2) Mary McDaniels, St. Joseph Hosp., Houston; (3) Margaret Pack, Rice Institute.

Novice: (1) Ruth Rogers, St. Joseph Hosp., Houston; (2) Marion Olsen, "Y" F. C., Fort Worth; (3) Mary McDaniels, St. Joseph Hosp., Houston.

Prep: (1) Mary McDaniels, St. Joseph Hosp., Houston; (2) Val Sponberg, John Tarleton College; (3) Ruth Rogers, St. Joseph Hosp., Houston.

FOIL

Open (1) Jack Baird, Buccaneers, Galveston; (2) Bobby Meyer, Tarleton College; (3) Lacy Breckenridge, Tarleton College.

Junior: (1) Gus Mistrot, Texas A. & M.; (2) Frank Lever, Rice Institute; (3) Bobby Meyer, Tarleton College.

Novice: (1) Owen Holzheuser, Buccaneers, Galveston; (2) Gerald Monks, Texas A. & M.; (3) Dick Cottingham, "Y" F. C., Fort Worth.

Prep: (1) Fred Reed, Tarleton College; (2) E. T. Jenness, Texas A. & M.; (3) Roddy Hobson, "Y" F. C., Dallas.

EPEE

Open: (1) W. T. Brown, Buccaneers, Galveston; (2) John Clayton, Tarleton College; (3) Hal Lattimore, "Y" F. C., Fort Worth.

Junior: (1) Hal Lattimore, "Y" F. C., Fort Worth; (2) Leopold French, Rice Institute; (3) Gerald Monks, Texas A. & M.

Novice: (1) Leopold French, Rice Institute; (2) Frank Lever, Rice Institute; (3) Carl Williams, Tarleton College.

Prep: (1) John Clements, Tarleton College; (2) Fred Reed, Tarleton College; (3) M. A. Nicholas, Texas A. & M.

SABRE

Open: (1) Jack Baird, Buccaneers, Galveston; (2) Hal Lattimore, "Y" F. C., Fort Worth; (3) W. T. Brown, Buccaneers, Galveston.

Junior (1) Frank Lever, Rice Institute; (2) Bobby Meyer, Tarleton College; (3) Roddy Hobson, "Y" F. C., Dallas.

Novice: (1) Charles Hickerson, Tarleton College; (2) Everett Abbott, Buccaneers, Galveston; (3) Howard Luttrell, "Y" F. C., Fort Worth.

Prep: (1) Fred Reed, Tarleton College; (2) R. D. Jones, Texas A. & M.; (3) Howard Luttrell, "Y" F. C., Fort Worth.

THE MIDWEST CHAMPIONSHIPS

by HOWARD HAYDEN
Vice President, A.F.L.A.

Eleven divisions sent 137 entries to Columbus, Ohio on May 20 and 21, to form the largest Midwest Championships ever held. The Michigan Division took first place, with a total of 97 points against Illinois' 67 for second place. The women's team and the men's team trophies were both taken by Michigan also.

Individual places were taken as follows:

Men's Foil—(1) Byron Krieger, Michigan; (2) Peter Young, Michigan; (3) Edgard Miclef, Michigan.

Women's Foil—(1) Paul Sweeney, Michigan; (2) Lynn Twitchell, Michigan; (3) Estelle Atkins, Central Illinois.

Epee—(1) Donald Thompson, Illinois (North-area); (2) Lincoln Turner, Illinois (Northern area); (3) Leon Youlkowski, Michigan.

Sabre—(1) Byron Krieger, Michigan; (2) Richard Yassenchak, Michigan; (3) John Westley, Illinois (Northern area).

This makes a total of 13 Midwest Championships won by Byron Krieger in the 10 years he has been fencing the Midlands.

Arrangements for the tournament were made by Dr. Royall Snow of the Columbus Division. On Saturday the tournament was held in the main gym of the Ohio State University where the preliminaries of foil and epee were run off, and the women's foil was completed. On Sunday the tournament was shifted to the Y.M.C.A. gymnasiums, where the finals in foil and epee, and all of the sabre, were held.

At the meeting of the Midwest Committee, it was decided to award the next year's tournament to either the Kentucky Division or the Wisconsin Division, both of whose representatives requested it on the grounds that it would stimulate fencing in their areas. Final decision was withheld.

Fencing at the Border

by COL. T. WINDSOR
NFCFAA

"This part of the U. S. has been heretofore overlooked in fencing circles. To correct that fault we undertook to establish an annual Fencing meet at El Paso and have called it The Border Invite. We feel this will stimulate interest in a manner never before seen down here. The meet this year drew 500 spectators and three teams, and we expect it will be much larger next year.

"The Unicorns of the Sala de Armas Windsor acted as hosts for the event. The hosts are mostly first year men and met more experienced competition. The Red Raiders of Texas Tech (Lubbock) placed first. They are coached and captained by Travis O. Smith. The Wildcats from Arizona University, coached and captained by Hilary Sandoval, came second and the Unicorns, my team, captained by Wm. Hugh Reagan, were third.

It is the desire of both ourselves and the University of Arizona to enter all our members in the A.F.L.A. We need application blanks for 30 men and all pertinent information as to how we can form a Border Division to cover this part of Texas, Arizona and New Mexico."



Photos courtesy Edward Vebell

(1) Two great champions walk off after the sabre title match—Nyilas and Armitage; (2) Col. Umberto De Martino, who took third in sabre, judged the final bout at Gala Night; (3) Mr. Paul Lukas, distinguished actor, was interested spectator; (4) Maria Cerra Tishman, former champion, was the only woman on the championship-bout jury; (5) Curtis Ettinger and Salvatore Giambra; (6) James Flynn and Warren Dow talk it over; (7) Norman Armitage, Jose de Capriles and Abram Cohen; (8) Nickolas Murray and Irving Cantor discuss world affairs; (9) Giolito and Lubell during exciting championship bout; (10) A good loser congratulates the new foil champion; (11) Armitage stop-cuts Nyilas on Gala Night; (12) Janice Lee York. The intense look is from Tibor Nyilas; (13) Polly Craus; (14) Silvio Giolito.

THE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

by **WARREN A. DOW**

Bout Committee Chairman

The 1950 Championships reflected the steady growth of fencing activity throughout the country since the war. Each year there has been an increase in the number of entries and 1950 set a new record.

The individual championships were conducted on a pool basis with a series of elimination rounds producing a final of eight or nine. The two highest scorers in the final qualified for the championship bout which was fenced on Gala Night for ten touches (eight for women) with a margin of two touches required for victory.

Only one individual champion was able to repeat, and this in epee which is supposedly the least consistent of the three weapons. The team champions were more successful, with only one failing to retain its crown.

Southern California continued to dominate the women's team and individual events, while the East maintained its sway over the men's. The finalists in foil were all from New York and had reached the final round in previous years. In sabre the only new-comer was Alex Treves (Salle Santelli), and the final was again from New York with the exception of the versatile Salvatore Giambra (Olympic Club). In epee we saw a repetition of last year's results when the same three men placed in exactly the same order. Aside from the three medalists, however, the final saw several new and younger faces. Midshipman Utterbach (U. S. Naval Academy), Frank McGrath (Saltus Club), Sewell Shurtz (Faulkner School of Fencing), and Edward Vebell (Fencers Club) made their first appearance in a final and gave a good account of themselves.

The competitions were held at the four major clubs of New York City: the Fencers Club, New York Athletic Club, Salle Santelli, and Saltus Club. The deciding championship bout in each weapon was held at the Hotel Roosevelt.

This was, I think, our most successful Championship Week. No tournament of this size would have been possible without the cooperation of many individuals who gave freely of their time; the League and all the competitors will, I am sure, join me in expressing sincere appreciation for their efforts. I want especially to thank Al Kwartler, Col. F. R. Weber, Frank Buvaso, James Flynn, Samuel Stewart, George Worth, the Misses Dorothy Friedman and Martha Rothman as members of the Bout Committee; Larry Olvin for organizing the scorers and timekeepers; William Latzko, J. Richard Lutz and Isaac Sanders for the many assists in running the events; Charles Willous, our electric epee technician; and Salvatore Giambra and Byron Kreiger who, when not competing, spent many tiring hours judging and directing.

SABRE TEAM

SHERMAN HALL TROPHY
Won by the New York A. C.

This first competition of the 1950 Nationals proved to be the most evenly matched of all team events. The four finalists showed equal strength, but a hard-fighting New York A. C. team nosed out the other three for first place. The Fencers Club, twice beaten, swept over the Washington F. C. 8-1 in their final match to gain a three-way tie for second and earned the silver medals on bouts won. The Salle Santelli, defending champions, placed third and the Washington F. C. was fourth.

Entries

New York A. C. (J. Flynn, R. Marson, N. Muray, S. Stewart); Fencers Club (N. Armitage, A. Cohen, J. de Capriles, M. de Capriles); Salle Santelli (S. Garlin, A. Kwartler, T. Nyilas, G. Worth); Washington F. C. (I. Cantor, W. Kunzig, U. De Martino); New York U. (D. Rubinstein, S. Rubinstein, M. Schneider); Philadelphia (F. Bartone, R. Parmacek, P. Makler).

Final Round

(1) New York A. C. 6, Washington F. C. 3: Flynn d. Cantor 5-4 and Kunzig 5-2; Marson d. Cantor 5-3 and Kunzig 5-4; Stewart d. De Martino 5-1 and Kunzig 5-4; De Martino d. Flynn 5-0 and Marson 5-3; Cantor d. Stewart 5-4.

New York A. C. 5, Fencers Club 4: Marson d. Cohen 5-3, J. de Capriles 5-4 and Armitage 5-2; Stewart d. M. de Capriles 5-4 and J. de Capriles 5-3; Armitage d. Flynn 5-1 and Stewart 5-1; J. de Capriles d. Flynn 5-3; M. de Capriles d. Flynn 5-4.

New York A. C. 5, Salle Santelli 4: Flynn d. Kwartler 5-1 and Nyilas 5-3; Stewart d. Kwartler 5-4 and Worth 5-4; Marson d. Kwartler 5-4; Nyilas d. Stewart 5-4 and Marson 5-1; Worth d. Flynn 5-3 and Marson 5-3.

(2) Fencers Club 8, Washington F. C. 1: J. de Capriles d. De Martino 5-0, Cantor 5-4 and Kunzig 5-2; M. de Capriles d. De Martino 5-2, Cantor 5-3 and Kunzig 5-4; Armitage d. Cantor 5-4 and Kunzig 5-1; De Martino d. Armitage 5-4.

(3) Salle Santelli 5, Fencers Club 4: Worth d. Armitage 5-3, J. de Capriles 5-1, M. de Capriles 5-4; Kwartler d. M. de Capriles 5-4; Nyilas d. M. de Capriles 5-2; Armitage d. Nyilas 5-2 and Kwartler 5-3; J. de Capriles d. Nyilas 5-4 and Kwartler 5-4.

(4) Washington F. C. 5, Salle Santelli 4: De Martino d. Kwartler 5-4, Nyilas 5-3 and Worth 5-2; Cantor d. Worth 5-1; Kunzig d. Kwartler 5-3; Nyilas d. Cantor 5-3 and Kunzig 5-4; Worth d. Kunzig 5-0; Kwartler d. Cantor 5-4.

FIRST ROUND

Pool 1: Fencers Club d. Philadelphia 5-1; Salle Santelli d. Philadelphia 5-1.

Pool 2: Washington F. C. d. N.Y.U. 5-0; New York A. C. d. N.Y.U. 5-2.

WOMEN'S TEAM

A.F.L.A. TROPHY

Won by the Faulkner School of Fencing

The three leading teams (Faulkner's, Fencers Club and Salle Santelli) disposed of the other two entries in a round-robin preliminary on Saturday and then faced each other for the title the following night. The team from the Faulkner School of Fencing defeated Salle Santelli 5-3 and then won easily over the Fencers Club, to take the women's team crown back to California for the third straight year. Fencers Club placed second by defeating Salle Santelli 5-4.

Entries

Faulkner School of Fencing (P. Craus, B. Meislahn, J. York); Fencers Club (M. Dalton, R. Maxwell, D. Stack, M. Tishman); Salle Santelli (G. Acel E. Cohen, T. Jauch, M. Rothman); New York U. (C. Castro, R. Nasce, S. Zacharewitz); N. Y. Composite (I. Balint, A. Gormley, D. Sandford).

RESULTS

(1) Faulkner 6, N. Y. Composite 3: Craus d. Balint 4-1, Sandford 4-2; York d. Balint 4-1, Sandford 4-0; Meislahn d. Gormley 4-0, Balint 4-0; Gormley d. Craus 4-2, York 4-3; Sandford d. Meislahn 4-3.

Faulkner 7, New York U. 2: York d. Zacharewitz 4-0, Nasce 4-1, Castro 4-3; Craus d. Zacharewitz 4-1, Nasce 4-1; Meislahn d. Zacharewitz 4-2, Castro 4-2; Nasce d. Meislahn 4-3; Castro d. Craus 4-2.

Faulkner 5, Salle Santelli 3: York d. Acel 4-2, Rothman 4-0; Craus d. Rothman 4-3, Cohen 4-0; Meislahn d. Rothman 4-1; Acel d. Craus 4-3, Meislahn 4-2; Cohen d. Meislahn 4-3.

Faulkner 5, Fencers Club 1: Craus d. Stack 4-2, Dalton 4-0; Meislahn d. Maxwell 4-1, Dalton 4-3; York d. Maxwell 4-1; Stack d. York 4-3.

(2) Fencers Club 7, New York U. 2: Tishman d. Zacharewitz 4-0, Nasce 4-1, Castro 4-2; Dalton d. Zacharewitz 4-1, Nasce 4-1; Maxwell d. Nasce 4-2, Castro 4-2; Zacharewitz d. Maxwell 4-0; Castro d. Dalton 4-3.

Fencers Club 6, N. Y. Composite 3: Dalton d. Gormley 4-2, Balint 4-1, Sandford 4-0; Tishman d. Gormley 4-2, Balint 4-1, Sandford 4-2; Gormley d. Maxwell 4-3; Balint d. Maxwell 4-3; Sandford d. Maxwell 4-3.

Fencers Club 5, Salle Santelli 4: Dalton d. Acel 4-3, Jauch 4-3, Cohen 4-3; Maxwell d. Jauch 4-2, Cohen 4-1; Acel d. Tishman 4-1, Maxwell 4-2; Jauch d. Tishman 4-3; Cohen d. Tishman 4-2.

(3) Salle Santelli 7, New York U. 2: Acel d. Zacharewitz 4-2, Castro 4-2, Nasce 4-1; Jauch d. Castro 4-3, Nasce 4-1; Cohen d. Zacharewitz 4-3, Castro 4-2; Zacharewitz d. Jauch 4-2; Nasce d. Cohen 4-1.

Salle Santelli 6, N. Y. Composite 3: Cohen d. Gormley 4-2, Balint 4-1, Sandford 4-2; Acel d. Balint 4-3, Sandford 4-0; Rothman d. Sandford 4-3; Gormley d. Acel 4-0, Rothman 4-2; Balint d. Rothman 4-2.

(4) New York U. 6, N. Y. Composite 3: Castro d. Balint 4-3, Sandford 4-1; Zacharewitz d. Gormley 3-2, Sandford 4-3; Nasce d. Balint 4-3, Sandford 4-0; Gormley d. Castro 4-3, Nasce 4-2; Balint d. Zacharewitz 4-3.

(5) N. Y. Composite lost all.

FOIL TEAM

A.F.L.A. TROPHY

Won by the Fencers Club

The foil team competition ran true to form. The Fencers Club, defending champions, disposed of their two closest rivals (Salle Santelli and New York A. C.) in close matches and won handily over the fourth finalist, the Philadelphia F. C. The Salle Santelli defeated the New York A. C. for second. Although both these teams gave the defenders a hard fight, neither one could produce a strong enough third man to provide a real threat.

Entries

Fencers Club (D. Bukantz, N. Lubell, A. Prokop, C. Steinhardt); Salle Santelli (A. Axelrod, R. Goldstein, N. Lazar, R. Nielson); New York A. C. (D. Every, S. Giolito, R. Ozol); Philadelphia F. C. (J. Altabef, P. Makler, R. Selvig); Philadelphia Division (F. Bartone, R. Chambers, R. Parmacek); Saltus-McBurney (M. Brandeis, W. Ritayik, L. Schecter, S. Stephens).

FINAL ROUND

(1) Fencers Club 5, Philadelphia F. C. 0: Lubell d. Makler 5-1 and Altabef 5-3; Prokop d. Altabef 5-2 and Selvig 5-2; Steinhardt d. Makler 5-4.

Fencers Club 5, New York A. C. 3: Bukantz d. Ozol 5-1 and Every 5-3; Prokop d. Ozol 5-2 and Giolito 5-4; Lubell d. Ozol 5-2; Every d. Prokop 5-3 and Lubell 5-1; Giolito d. Bukantz 5-1.

Fencers Club 5, Salle Santelli 2: Bukantz d. Axelrod 5-1, Goldstein 5-4 and Lazar 5-3; Prokop d. Lazar 5-2; Lubell d. Axelrod 5-2; Goldstein d. Prokop 5-3; Lazar d. Lubell 5-4.

(2) Salle Santelli 5, New York A. C. 3: Axelrod d. Ozol 5-3, Giolito 5-3 and Every 5-4; Goldstein d. Ozol 5-3 and Every 5-4; Giolito d. Goldstein 5-3; Every d. Lazar 5-4; Ozol d. Lazar 5-4.

Salle Santelli 5, Philadelphia F. C. 2: Axelrod d. Makler 5-2 and Selvig 5-4; Goldstein d. Makler 5-3 and Selvig 5-2; Nielson d. Makler 5-4; Altabef d. Nielson 5-2 and Goldstein 5-3.

(3) New York A. C. 5, Philadelphia F. C. 2: Giolito d. Makler 5-3 and Selvig 5-1; Ozol d. Altabef 5-4 and Selvig 5-2; Every d. Selvig 5-2; Makler d. Ozol 5-3; Altabef d. Every 5-3.

FIRST ROUND

Pool 1: New York A. C. d. Philadelphia Division 5-0; Salle Santelli d. Philadelphia Division 5-1.

Pool 2: Fencers Club d. Saltus-McBurney 5-0; Philadelphia F. C. d. Saltus-McBurney 5-3.

EPEE TEAM

J. SANFORD SALTUS TROPHY
Won by the Salle Santelli

The Salle Santelli won the epee team title for the fourth consecutive year when it defeated the New York A. C. 5½-1½ in the deciding match. Both teams had previously scored over the Fencers Club and Saltus Club. The Saltus Club out-fought the highly favored Fencers Club 5-2 for third place to register a real upset.

Entries

Salle Santelli (R. Goldstein, N. Lewis, M. Metzger, P. Moss); New York A. C. (J. Donaldson, J. Grombach, H. Santos, F. Weber); Saltus-McBurney (F. McGrath, J. Mastropolao, W. Ritayik, F. Scibello); Fencers Club (J. de Capriles, T. Jaeckel, A. Skrobisch, J. Strauch); Kentucky (S. Breckinridge, C. Burge, A. Wolff); New Jersey (J. Funston, W. Hauber, J. Hughes); Philadelphia (F. Bartone, G. Calkins, P. Makler).

FINAL ROUND

(1) Salle Santelli 8, Saltus-McBurney 1: Goldstein d. McGrath 3-1, Ritayik 3-2, Mastropolao 3-0; Lewis d. McGrath 3-1, Ritayik 3-0, Mastropolao 3-0; Metzger d. Ritayik 3-1 and Mastropolao 3-0; McGrath d. Metzger 3-0.

Salle Santelli 5, Fencers Club 4: Goldstein d. Skrobisch 3-1 and Strauch 3-1; Metzger d. Strauch 3-2 and Skrobisch 3-2; Lewis d. Strauch 3-1; J. de Capriles d. Lewis 3-0, Goldstein 3-1 and Metzger 3-1; Skrobisch d. Lewis 3-2.

Salle Santelli 5½, New York A. C. 1½: Lewis d. Donaldson 3-0 and Weber 3-1; Metzger d. Donaldson 3-2 and Grombach 3-2; Goldstein d. Grombach 3-1 and tied Donaldson; Weber d. Metzger 3-0; Donaldson tied Goldstein.

(2) New York A. C. 5, Saltus-McBurney 3: Donaldson d. McGrath 3-1, Ritayik 3-0 and Mastropolao 3-0; Weber d. Ritayik 3-2; Santos d. Ritayik 3-2; McGrath d. Weber 3-2 and Santos 3-2; Mastropolao d. Santos 3-2.

New York A. C. 5, Fencers Club 4: Donaldson d. Strauch 3-2 and J. de Capriles 3-1; Santos d. Strauch 3-1 and J. de Capriles 3-2; Weber d. J. de Capriles 3-2; Skrobisch d. Donaldson 3-0, Santos 3-1 and Weber 3-2; Strauch d. Weber 3-2.

(3) Saltus-McBurney 5, Fencers Club 2: McGrath d. Skrobisch 3-1 and Jaeckel 3-0; Ritayik d. J. de Capriles 3-2 and Skrobisch 3-1; Scibello d. J. de Capriles 3-2; Jaeckel d. Ritayik 3-0; Skrobisch d. Scibello 3-2.

FIRST ROUND

Pool 1: New York A. C. d. Philadelphia 7-2 and New Jersey 5-4; Fencers Club d. Philadelphia 5½-3½ and New Jersey 5½-3½.

Pool 2: Salle Santelli d. Kentucky 5-2; Saltus-McBurney d. Kentucky 5½-3½.

THREE WEAPON TEAM

GEORGE C. CALNAN MEMORIAL TROPHY
Won by the Salle Santelli

The Salle Santelli was forced to rely on the sabre three times during the six-team round robin, but came through undefeated to win its fourth three-weapon team crown since the war. The Fencers Club placed second when it lost the final match 2-1 to the champions, while an aggressive team from the Naval Academy nosed out the New York A. C. for third by beating them 2-1.

Entries

Salle Santelli (A. Axelrod, N. Lazar, N. Lewis, G. Worth); Fencers Club (N. Lubell, J. de Capriles, J. Strauch, N. Armitage); U. S. Naval Academy (J. Stuart, P. Utterbach, E. Wood); New York A. C. (S. Giolito, F. Weber, R. Marson, S. Stewart); Saltus-McBurney (W. Ritayik, S. Stephens, F. McGrath, Tannehill); Kentucky (S. Breckinridge, C. Burge, A. Wolff).

Results

(1) Salle Santelli 3, Saltus-McBurney 0: Axelrod d. Ritayik 5-3; Lewis d. McGrath 3-1; Worth d. Tannehill 5-0.

Salle Santelli 2, U. S. Naval Acad. 1: Axelrod d. Stuart 5-2; Utterbach d. Lewis 3-0; Worth d. Wood 5-1.

Salle Santelli 3, Kentucky 0: Axelrod d. Breckinridge 5-4; Lewis d. Burge 3-0; Worth d. Wolff 5-2.

Salle Santelli 2, New York A. C. 1: Giolito d. Axelrod 5-2; Lewis d. Weber 3-1; Worth d. Stewart 5-3.

Salle Santelli 2, Fencers Club 1: Axelrod d. Lubell 5-3; de Capriles d. Lewis 3-2; Worth d. Armitage 5-3.

(2) Fencers Club 3, U. S. Naval Acad. 0: Lubell d. Stuart 5-1; Strauch d. Utterbach 3-2; Armitage d. Wood 5-1.

Fencers Club 3, Kentucky 0: Lubell d. Breckinridge 5-0; Strauch d. Burge 3-0; Armitage d. Wolff 5-1.

Fencers Club 2, Saltus-McBurney 1: Lubell d. Stephens 5-1; McGrath d. Strauch 3-1; Armitage d. Tannehill 5-0.

Fencers Club 2, New York A. C. 1: Giolito d. Lubell 5-3; de Capriles d. Weber 3-2; Armitage d. Marson 5-2.

(3) U. S. Naval Acad. 2, Saltus-McBurney 1: Stuart d. Ritayik 5-2; McGrath d. Utterbach 3-1; Wood d. Tannehill 5-2.

U. S. Naval Acad. 2, Kentucky 1: Wolff d. Stuart 5-4; Utterbach d. Burge 3-1; Wood won sabre on default.

U. S. Naval Acad. 2, New York A. C. 1: Stuart d. Giolito 5-4; Utterbach d. Weber 3-1; Stewart d. Wood 5-1.

(4) New York A. C. 3, Kentucky 0: Giolito d. Breckinridge 5-1; Weber d. Burge 3-0; Stewart d. Wolff 5-1.

New York A. C. 3, Saltus-McBurney 0: Giolito d. Ritayik 5-1; Weber d. McGrath 3-2; Marson d. Tannehill 5-1.

(5) Saltus-McBurney 2, Kentucky 1: Wolff d. Stephens 5-4; McGrath d. Burge 3-2; Tannehill won sabre on default.

(6) Kentucky lost all.

WOMEN'S INDIVIDUAL

A.F.L.A. TROPHY

Won by Janice Lee York

Miss Janice Lee York of the Faulkner School of Fencing defeated her team mate and defending champion, Miss Polly Craus, 8-4 in the championship bout on Gala Night.

In the final qualifying round Miss York had led the field without a single defeat. The defending title holder had a close call, ending in a three-way tie with Mrs. Muriel Bower of the Los Angeles A. C. and Miss Eve Cohen of the Salle Santelli for the second spot in the championship bout. Miss Craus showed a true champion's heart when she overcame a 3-1 lead by Mrs. Bower and then defeated Miss Cohen to enter the championship bout. Miss Bower defeated Miss Cohen for third place.

Entries

Polly Craus, Bernadine Meislahn, Janice Lee York (Faulkner School of Fencing); Maxine Mitchell (Salle Cavaliers); Muriel Bower (Los Angeles A. C.); Madeline Dalton, Dolly Funke, Ann Jacobsen, Ruth Maxwell (Fencers Club); Grace Acel, Eve Cohen, Herta Friedrich, Toni Jauch, Martha Rothman (Salle Santelli); Aida Gormley (Saltus-McBurney); Gloria Isrin (No. California); Hope Makler, J. Thayer (Philadelphia); Betty Dedousis, LaVivian Hall, Rebecca Robinson (New Jersey); Charlotte Grasson, Elsa Kirschner, Betty Parker, Jane Pascale (Connecticut); Diane Millstein, Penny Newton (Washington F. C.); Sally Zacharewitz (N.Y.U.); Dolores Hotsa, Lynn Twitchell (Michigan).

First Round

Pool 1: Cohen d. Craus 4-1, Maxwell 4-2, Robinson 4-1, Makler 4-0, Isrin 4-1; Craus d. Maxwell 4-3, Robinson 4-0, Makler 4-0, Isrin 4-2; Maxwell d. Robinson 4-0, Makler 4-1, Isrin 4-2; Isrin d. Robinson 4-1, Makler 4-1; Robinson d. Makler 4-3; Makler lost all.

Pool 2: Bower d. Acel 4-1, Jacobsen 4-1, Thayer 4-3, Kirschner 4-1, Hall 4-0; Acel d. Jacobsen 4-2, Thayer 4-1, Kirschner 4-2, Hall 4-3; Hall d. Thayer 4-1, Kirschner 4-3 (16 against); Jacobsen d. Kirschner 4-2, Hall 4-3 (17 against); Thayer d. Jacobsen 4-3; Kirschner d. Thayer 4-1.

Pool 3: York d. Funke 4-2, Jauch 4-1, Twitchell 4-2, Parker 4-1; Funke d. Jauch 4-3, Newton 4-1, Twitchell 4-1; Twitchell d. Jauch 4-1, Newton 4-2, Parker 4-2; Parker d. Funke 4-1, Newton 4-1; Jauch d. Newton 4-1, Parker 4-1; Newton lost all.

Pool 4: Mitchell d. Zacharewitz 4-2, Rothman 4-3, Millstein 4-2, Hotsa 4-2, Grasson 4-0; Zacharewitz d. Rothman 4-3, Millstein 4-3, Grasson 4-1; Millstein d. Rothman 4-2, Hotsa 4-2, Grasson 4-0; Rothman d. Hotsa 4-2, Grasson 4-0; Hotsa d. Zacharewitz 4-2; Grasson lost all.

Pool 5: Meislahn d. Gormley 4-2, Friedrich 4-3, Dedousis 4-3, Pascale 4-1; Dalton d. Friedrich 4-2, Dedousis 4-1, Pascale 4-0; Gormley d. Friedrich 4-2, Dedousis 4-0, Pascale 4-1; Friedrich d. Dedousis 4-0, Pascale 4-0; Dedousis and Pascale lost all.

Semi-Final

Pool 1: Cohen d. Zacharewitz 4-3, Gormley 4-2, Maxwell 4-1; Maxwell d. Craus 4-2, Zacharewitz 4-3, Gormley 4-3; Craus d. Zacharewitz 4-1, Cohen 4-1; Gormley d. Craus 4-2; Zacharewitz d. Gormley 4-3.

Pool 2: Dalton d. Mitchell 4-2, Meislahn 4-0, Millstein 4-2, Twitchell 4-2; Mitchell d. Meislahn 4-3, Millstein 4-2, Twitchell 4-0; Meislahn d. Millstein 4-2, Twitchell 4-1; Twitchell d. Millstein 4-3; Millstein lost all.

Pool 3: Acel d. York 4-2, Bower 4-1, Hall 4-0; York d. Funke 4-3, Bower 4-1, Hall 4-0; Bower d. Funke 4-0, Hall 4-1 (9 against); Funke d. Acel 4-2, Hall 4-2 (12 against); Hall lost all.

FINAL ROUND

York d. Mitchell 4-2, Bower 4-2, Craus 4-2, Meislahn 4-2, Maxwell 4-2, Dalton 4-1, Cohen 4-3, Acel 4-2; Craus* d. Mitchell 4-2, Meislahn 4-1, Dalton 4-2, Cohen 4-1, Acel 4-0; Bower* d. Mitchell 4-2, Craus 4-2, Meislahn 4-3, Maxwell 4-3, Dalton 4-2; Cohen* d. Mitchell 4-2, Bower 4-1, Meislahn 4-1, Maxwell 4-2, Dalton 4-1; Acel d. Bower 4-3, Meislahn 4-1, Maxwell 4-1, Cohen 4-1; Mitchell d. Meislahn 4-1, Maxwell 4-0, Acel 4-3 (24 against); Dalton d. Mitchell 4-2, Maxwell 4-1, Acel 4-3 (26 against); Meislahn d. Maxwell 4-1, Dalton 4-1; Maxwell d. Craus 4-0.

*(A triple tie for the second place in the Championship Final was won by Miss Craus, defeating Bower 4-3 and Cohen 4-2; Miss Bower won third medal by defeating Miss Cohen 4-2).

CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL

York d. Craus 8-4.

INDIVIDUAL FOIL

JOHN ALLAIRE MEMORIAL TROPHY

Won by Silvio Giolito

Silvio Giolito of the New York A. C. defeated Nathaniel Lubell of the Fencers Club to gain his first national title in one of the queerest scoring bouts we've seen. Giolito scored the first four touches in lightning succession; the next five were scored by Lubell, who continued to hold the lead until he reached 9-7 and was within one touch of regaining the title he held in 1948; Giolito then exploded again and took the last four to win the title 11-9.

Giolito led the final round robin pool with only one loss (to Lubell) while Lubell had to defeat the veteran Dernell Every of the New York A. C. in a fence-off (5-4) to gain a place in the championship bout. Every of course was third, and Daniel Bukantz, the defending title holder, fourth.

Entries

Daniel Bukantz, Kurt Ettinger, Nathaniel Lubell, Austin Prokop, Charles Steinhardt, Edward Treves, Edward Vebell (Fencers Club); Albert Axelrod, Ralph Goldstein, Allan Kwartler, Neil Lazar, Robert Neilson (Salle Santelli); Dernell Every, Silvio Giolito (New York A.C.); Robert Liebman, Sidney Schwartz (Buffalo); Joseph Mecliff, Frank Tobey, Richard Yasenchak, Leon Yulkowski (Michigan); Mohamed Aly Riaz, Phillip Shakespeare (New England); Scott Breckinridge (Kentucky); William Reda, Vincent Surdi, Fred Weisbrod (New Jersey); Howard Fried (No. Ohio); J. C. Stuart (U.S. Naval Acad.); Paul Anderson, Joseph Bodner, Al Crotti, Francis Daley, Van Heurven, Joseph Jannetty (Connecticut); Salvatore Giambra (No. California); Sewell Shurtz (So. California); Clark Joel, Harold Newton (Washington); A. Goldstein, Gerald Kalb, Leonard Rubin (Mid-New York); Donald G. Thompson, Lincoln Turner (Illinois); Raymond Chambers, Paul Makler, Robert Parmacek (Philadelphia).

First Round

Pool 1: Ettinger d. Breckinridge 5-4, Riaz 5-0, Yasenchak 5-4, Liebman 5-3; Bukantz d. Breckinridge 5-2, Yasenchak 5-1, Liebman 5-0 (13 against); Riaz d. Bukantz 5-3, Breckinridge 5-4, Liebman 5-1 (18 against); Yasenchak d. Breckinridge 5-2, Riaz 5-4, Liebman 5-3 (19 against); Breckinridge d. Liebman 5-3; Liebman lost all.

Pool 2: Steinhardt d. Kwartler 5-1, Surdi 5-4, Fried 5-2, Yulkowski 5-2, Stuart 5-2; Kwartler d. Surdi 5-4, Fried 5-2, Yulkowski 5-1; Stuart d. Kwartler 5-2, Yulkowski 5-2 (19 against); Yulkowski d. Surdi 5-2, Fried 5-4 (21 against); Fried d. Surdi 5-4, Stuart 5-4 (23 against); Surdi d. Fried 5-2.

Pool 3: Giolito d. Treves 5-1, Tobey 5-1,

Heurven 5-0, Mecliff 5-0; Neilsen d. Treves 5-0, Tobey 5-0, Heurven 5-0, Shakespeare 5-3; Mecliff d. Neilsen 5-4, Treves 5-2, Heurven 5-2, Shakespeare 5-1; E. Treves d. Heurven 5-0; Tobey 5-4, Shakespeare 5-4; Tobey d. Heurven 5-2; Shakespeare d. Tobey 5-2; Heurven lost all.

Pool 4: Shurtz d. Lubell 5-4, Weisbrod 5-1, Schwartz 5-1, Crotti 5-3; Lubell d. Giambra 5-2, Schwartz 5-0, Crotti 5-0; Giambra d. Weisbrod 5-2, Shurtz 5-4, Crotti 5-2 (18 against, 21 for); Schwartz d. Giambra 5-4, Weisbrod 5-4, Crotti 5-0 (18 against, 16 for); Crotti d. Weisbrod 5-1; Weisbrod lost all.

Pool 5: Axelrod d. A. Goldstein 5-2, Joel 5-2, Anderson 5-2; Joel d. A. Goldstein 5-4, Reda 5-1, Anderson 5-2; A. Goldstein d. Reda 5-3, Anderson 5-3; Anderson d. Reda 5-2; Reda lost all.

Pool 6: R. Goldstein d. Thompson 5-2, Jannetty 5-0, Rubin 5-0, Parmacek 5-3; Prokop d. Thompson 5-2, Jannetty 5-2, Rubin 5-0, Parmacek 5-1; Thompson d. Jannetty 5-2, Rubin 5-0 (17 against); Jannetty d. Rubin 5-0, Parmacek 5-3 (18 against); Parmacek d. Thompson 5-4, Rubin 5-0 (19 against); Rubin lost all.

Pool 7: Every d. Vebell 5-1, Turner 5-1, Chambers 5-2, Bodner 5-0; Vebell d. Turner 5-1, Chambers 5-3, Bodner 5-0; Chambers d. Turner 5-3, Bodner 5-1; Turner d. Bodner 5-2; Bodner lost all.

Pool 8: Lazar d. Newton 5-1, Makler 5-1, Daley 5-1, Kalb 5-1; Krieger d. Newton 5-3, Daley 5-1, Kalb 5-0; Makler d. Newton 5-3, Daley 5-1, Kalb 5-0; Newton d. Kalb 5-4; Daley and Kalb lost all.

Quarter Final

Pool 1: Bukantz d. Prokop 5-3, A. Goldstein 5-1, Shurtz 5-1 (5 against); Lazar d. Riaz 5-0, A. Goldstein 5-2, Shurtz 5-4 (11 against); Prokop d. Riaz 5-2, Lazar 5-2, A. Goldstein 5-2 (16 against); Shurtz d. Riaz 5-4, Prokop 5-4, A. Goldstein 5-4 (22 against); A. Goldstein d. Riaz 5-2; Riaz lost all.

Pool 2: Every d. Krieger 5-2, Neilson 5-2, Stuart 5-4, Chambers 5-3; Steinhardt d. Krieger 5-4, Stuart 5-1, Chambers 5-1 (11 against); Neilson d. Steinhardt 5-4, Stuart 5-3, Chambers 5-1 (17 against); Krieger d. Neilson 5-3, Stuart 5-4, Chambers 5-1 (18 against); Stuart and Chambers lost all.

Pool 3: Giolito d. Ettinger 5-2, Mecliff 5-2, Vebell 5-4, Thompson 5-1; Ettinger d. R. Goldstein 5-3, Vebell 5-3, Thompson 5-1; R. Goldstein d. Mecliff 5-4, Vebell 5-4, Thompson 5-2; Vebell d. Mecliff 5-2; Mecliff and Thompson lost all.

Pool 4: Axelrod d. Giambra 5-2, Kwartler 5-2, Joel 5-2, Makler 5-4; Lubell d. Giambra 5-1, Joel 5-1, Makler 5-0; Makler d. Giambra 5-2, Kwartler 5-4, Joel 5-2; Giambra d. Kwartler 5-3, Joel 5-2; Kwartler d. Joel 5-2, Lubell 5-4; Joel lost all.

Semi-Final

Pool 1: Bukantz d. Steinhardt 5-1, Ettinger 5-3, R. Goldstein 5-2, Lazar 5-0; R. Goldstein d. Steinhardt 5-3, Lazar 5-3, Every 5-1; Lazar d. Steinhardt 5-4, Ettinger 5-0, Every 5-3; Every d. Steinhardt 5-4, Bukantz 5-3, Ettinger 5-3; Steinhardt d. Ettinger 5-3; Ettinger d. Goldstein 5-4.

Pool 2: Giolito d. Axelrod 5-3, Prokop 5-2, Neilson 5-0, Makler 5-0; Lubell d. Axelrod 5-4, Neilson 5-0, Makler 5-1; Axelrod d. Neilson 5-4, Makler 5-4; Prokop d. Neilson 5-4, Axelrod 5-3; Makler d. Prokop 5-3; Neilson d. Makler 5-4.

FINAL ROUND

Giolito d. Bukantz 5-2, Axelrod 5-0, Lazar 5-2, Prokop 5-1, Goldstein 5-0, Every 5-3; Lubell* d. Lazar 5-2, Giolito 5-4, Prokop 5-1, Goldstein 5-2, Every 5-1; Every* d. Bukantz 5-4, Axelrod 5-3, Lazar 5-1, Prokop 5-3, Goldstein 5-1; Bukantz d. Axelrod 5-4, Lazar 5-4, Lubell 5-3, Goldstein 5-4; Prokop d. Bukantz 5-2, Lazar 5-1, Goldstein 5-4; Goldstein d. Axelrod 5-2, Lazar 5-2 (29 against); Axelrod d. Prokop 5-1, Lubell 5-4 (30 against); Lazar d. Axelrod 5-4.

*(A tie for second spot in the championship bout was won by Lubell 5-4, giving Every third place.)

CHAMPIONSHIP BOUT

Giolito d. Lubell 11-9.

EPEE INDIVIDUAL

W. SCOTT O'CONNOR MEMORIAL TROPHY

Won by Norman Lewis

Norman Lewis of the Salle Santelli won his third successive epee title by defeating Capt. John Donaldson of the New York A. C. 14-12 on Gala Night. The lead had see-sawed until Donaldson led 9-8. A double touch made it 10-9 and threw the bout into overtime. Lewis tied the score and never trailed again.

Lt. Col. Fred R. Weber of the New York A. C. took third on touches after a four-way tie with Midshipman P. W. Utterbach, Frank McGrath (Saltus Club), and Sewell Shurtz (Faulkner School of Fencing) who finished in the order named.

Entries

Norman Lewis, Kevis Kapner, Marvin Metzger (Salle Santelli); Abram Cohen, Jose de Capriles, John Honeycutt, Alfred Krobisch, James Strauch, Joachim Titolo, Edward Vebell (Fencers Club); Peter Conomikes, John Donaldson, Fred Weber (New York A.C.); William Brown, Jay Funston, Wallace Hauber, John Hughes, George Lambrakis (New Jersey); Joseph Bodner, Joseph Jannetti (Connecticut); Donn Boyle, Edward Haas, William Koheman, Robert Liebman (Buffalo); Richard Berry, Edward Mecliff, Frank Tobey, Richard Yasenchak, Leon Yulkowski (Michigan); Frank McGrath (Saltus-McBurney); Frank Bartone, George Calkins, Paul Makler, A. Rubin (Philadelphia); Carl Burge, Scott Breckinridge, Albert Wolff (Kentucky); Howard Fried, Donald S. Thompson (Ohio); Benjamin Burt, Alfred Hurwitz (Mid-New York); Sewell Shurtz (S. California); Arnold Katz, Donald G. Thompson, Lincoln Turner (Illinois); Calbert Schlick (Maryland); P. W. Utterbach (U.S. Naval Acad.); Milton Shermit (N.Y.U.); Mohamed Aly Riaz (New England); Reyes-Guerra (Salvador); J. Auerbach (Israel).

First Round

Pool 1: Lewis d. Lambrakis 3-1, Bodner 3-0, Boyle 3-0, Mecliff 3-0; Honeycutt d. Lambrakis 3-0, Bodner 3-1, Boyle 3-1, Mecliff 3-1; Mecliff d. Lambrakis 3-1, Boyle 3-1 (11 against); Bodner d. Lambrakis 3-2, Mecliff 3-2 (13 against); Lambrakis d. Boyle 3-2; Boyle d. Bodner 3-0.

Pool 2: Vebell d. Weber 3-2, Kapner 3-1, Jannetty 3-0, Kohsman 3-1; Webed d. Kapner 3-0, Jannetty 3-2, Berry 3-1, tied Kohsman; Jannetty d. Kapner 3-0, Kohsman 3-1, tied Berry (10 against); Kohsman d. Kapner 3-1, Berry 3-1, tied Weber (11 against); Berry d. Vebell 3-2, Kapner 3-2, tied Jannetty (13 against); Kapner lost all.

Pool 3: McGrath d. Donaldson 3-2, Cohen 3-0, Brown 3-1, Doby 3-2, Liebman 3-0; Donaldson d. Cohen 3-1, Brown 3-1, Doby 3-0, Liebman 3-1; Brown d. Cohen 3-0, Doby 3-1, Liebman 3-2; Cohen d. Doby 3-1, Liebman 3-1; Liebman d. Doby 3-2; Doby lost all.

Pool 4: Calkins d. Hauber 3-0, Conomikes 3-0, Burge 3-1, Fried 3-0; Conomikes d. Hauber 3-2, Burge 3-2, Yulkowski 3-1, Fried 3-1; Hauber d. Metzger 3-0, Burge 3-2, Yulkowski 3-1, Fried 3-2; Metzger d. Burge 3-2, Yulkowski 3-1, Fried 3-2; Fried d. Yulkowski 3-2, Burge 3-2; Burge and Yulkowski lost all.

Pool 5: Strauch d. Shurtz 3-2, Turner 3-2, Yasenchak 3-2, Reyes-Guerra 3-2; Shurtz d. Burt 3-2, Bartone 3-1, Yasenchak 3-0, Reyes-Guerra 3-2; Burt d. Turner 3-0, Yasenchak 3-1, Reyes-Guerra 3-2; Bartone d. Strauch 3-2, Burt 3-1, Turner 3-0 (9 against); Yasenchak d. Bartone 3-1, Turner 3-2, Reyes-Guerra 3-1 (13 against); Turner d. Shurtz 3-2; Reyes-Guerra d. Turner 3-2.

Pool 6: de Capriles d. Funston 3-0, Riaz 3-0, Schlick 3-0, Auerbach 3-1, Katz 3-2; Breckinridge d. Riaz 3-2, Katz 3-0, Auerbach 3-2; Riaz d. Funston 3-2, Katz 3-0, Schlick 3-0; Funston* d. Breckinridge 3-2, Auerbach 3-1, tied Katz (15 against 13 for); Katz* d. Schlick 3-2, Auerbach 3-1, tied Funston (15 against, 13 for); Schlick d. Breckinridge 3-1, Funston 3-2 (15 against, 10 for); Auerbach d. Riaz 3-2, Schlick 3-2 (16 against). *(Fence-off for qualification: Funston d. Katz 3-1.)

Pool 7: Skrobisch d. Utterbach 3-1, Makler 3-1, Haas 3-1, D. S. Thompson 3-0, Hurwitz 3-0; Utterbach d. Makler 3-1, Haas 3-1, Hurwitz 3-1; D. S. Thompson d. Utterbach 3-0, Makler 3-2 (11 against); Makler d. Haas 3-2, Hurwitz 3-1 (12 against); Hurwitz d. D. S. Thompson 3-2, Haas 3-1 (12 against); Haas d. D. S. Thompson 3-1.

Pool 8: D. G. Thompson d. Wolff 3-2, Shermit 3-1, Hughes 3-0; Titolo d. Wolff 3-2, Ruben 3-2, Hughes 3-1; Ruben d. D. G. Thompson 3-2, Shermit 3-1, tied Wolff and Hughes (12 against, 14 for); Wolff d. Shermit 3-2, Hughes 3-1, tied Ruben (12 against, 13 for); Shermit d. Titolo 3-1; Hughes d. Shermit 3-1.

Quarter Final

Pool 1: Lewis d. Vebell 3-1, Shurtz 3-2, Hauber 3-1, D. S. Thompson 3-1, Bartone 3-2, tied Honeycutt; Honeycutt d. Shurtz 3-1, Hauber 3-2, D. S. Thompson 3-0, Bartone 3-2, tied Lewis; Shurtz d. Vebell 3-0, Hauber 3-1, D. S. Thompson 3-2 (12 against); Vebell d. Honeycutt 3-1, Hauber 3-2, D. S. Thompson 3-2 (14 against); Bartone d. Vebell 3-2, Shurtz 3-2, D. S. Thompson 3-2 (15 against); Hauber d. D. S. Thompson 3-0, Bartone 3-1; D. S. Thompson lost all.

Pool 2: Utterbach d. Strauch 3-2, McGrath 3-0, Burt 3-0, Ruben 3-2; Donaldson d. McGrath 3-2, Utterbach 3-1, Burt 3-2, Ruben 3-0, Funston 3-1; Strauch d. Donaldson 3-0, Burt 3-1, Funston 3-1 (11 against); McGrath d. Strauch 3-1, Ruben 3-0, Funston 3-2, tied Burt (12 against); Ruben d. Strauch 3-0, Burt 3-2, Funston 3-2 (13 against); Funston d. Burt 3-2; Burt lost all.

Pool 3: de Capriles d. D. G. Thompson 3-2, Weber 3-2, Titolo 3-0, Jannetty 3-1, Brown 3-0, Metzger 3-2; D. G. Thompson d. Weber 3-1, Titolo 3-2, Jannetty 3-2, Brown 3-0, Metzger 3-1; Weber d. Titolo 3-1, Jannetty 3-0, Brown 3-1 (11 against, 14 for); Metzger d. Weber 3-2, Jannetty 3-0, Brown 3-0 (11 against, 14 for); Titolo d. Jannetty 3-1, Brown 3-0, Metzger 3-2 (12 against); Jannetty and Brown lost all.

Pool 4: Skrobisch d. Calkins 3-1, Conomikes 3-1, Mecliff 3-1, tied Riaz; Calkins d. Conomikes 3-2, Breckinridge 3-1, Riaz 3-0; Mecliff d. Calkins 3-1, Conomikes 3-0, Breckinridge 3-1; Conomikes d. Breckinridge 3-0; Riaz d. Breckinridge 3-0, tied Skrobisch; Breckinridge d. Riaz 3-2.

Semi-Final

Pool 1: Lewis d. Thompson 3-2, Mecliff 3-1, Vebell 3-1; Utterbach d. Thompson 3-1, Mecliff 3-1; Vebell d. Utterbach 3-2, Mecliff 3-0; Mecliff d. Thompson 3-1; Thompson lost all.

Pool 2: Strauch d. Donaldson 3-1, Honeycutt 3-0 (7 against); Donaldson d. Honeycutt 3-1, Metzger 3-2 (9 against); Metzger d. Strauch 3-2, Calkins 3-1 (9 against); Calkins d. Donaldson 3-2, Strauch 3-2, tied Honeycutt (10 against); Honeycutt d. Metzger 3-1.

Pool 3: Shurtz d. McGrath 3-1, de Capriles 3-0, tied Weber; Weber d. Skrobisch 3-2, McGrath 3-2, tied de Capriles and Shurtz; McGrath d. de Capriles 3-0, tied Skrobisch (9 against, 9 for); de Capriles d. Skrobisch 3-0, tied Weber (9 against, 6 for); Skrobisch d. Shurtz 3-1, tied McGrath (10 against).

FINAL ROUND

Lewis d. Donaldson 3-1, Shurtz 3-2, Metzger 3-1, Strauch 3-1, Weber 3-0, Utterbach 3-2, McGrath 3-2; Donaldson d. Vebell 3-1, Shurtz 3-0, Metzger 3-0, Strauch 3-1, McGrath 3-0;

Weber d. Donaldson 3-2, Metzger 3-1, Utterbach 3-1, McGrath 3-0, tied Shurtz (16 against); Utterbach d. Vebell 3-1, Donaldson 3-2, Metzger 3-2, Strauch 3-0 (17 against, 18 for); McGrath d. Vebell 3-1, Metzger 3-2, Strauch 3-1, Utterbach 3-1 (17 against, 16 for); Shurtz d. Vebell 3-1, Metzger 3-1, Utterbach 3-2, McGrath 3-2, tied Weber (18 against); Strauch d. Shurtz 3-1, Metzger 3-1, Weber 3-1 (18 against); Vebell d. Lewis 3-1, Strauch 3-2, Weber 3-1 (19 against); Metzger d. Vebell 3-1.

CHAMPIONSHIP BOUT

Lewis d. Donaldson 14-12

INDIVIDUAL SABRE

G. M. HAMMOND MEMORIAL TROPHY Won by Dr. Tibor Nyilas

Tibor Nyilas of the Salle Santelli regained the title he last held in 1946 by defeating ten-time champion Norman Armitage, Fencers Club, 10-7. The bout was touch for touch until the score was 6-6, then Nyilas took the lead and never relinquished it.

In the final round robin Nyilas and Armitage tied with Col. Umberto De Martino, defending champion from the Washington F. C. De Martino lost to Nyilas 5-4 and Armitage 5-3 in the fence-off, thus placing third.

Entries

Irving Cantor, Umberto De Martino, William Kunzig, Harold Newton (Washington); Sol Gorlin, Kevis Kapner, Allan Kwartler, Neil Lazar, Tibor Nyilas, Hugh Salzburg, George Worth (Salle Santelli); Norman Armitage (Fencers Club); James Flynn, Ralph Marson, Nickolas Muray, Rudolph Ozol, Samuel Stewart (New York A. C.); Byron Krieger, Richard Yasenchak (Michigan); Robert Blum, Romolo Garbatini, Ronald Gilbert, Carl Knobloch (Connecticut); Herbert Spector (Montague); E. H. Wood (U.S. Naval Acad.); Howard Fried (No. Ohio); Salvatore Giambra (N. California); William Reda, Alex Treves (New Jersey); Marc Rise (Mid-New York); Sewell Shurtz (S. California); Anthony Buzzelli (Buffalo); Richard Dyer, Paul Makler (Philadelphia); Carl Burge (Kentucky).

First Round

Pool 1: De Martino d. Giambra 5-3, Salzburg 5-3, Knobloch 5-4; Giambra d. Treves 5-2, Salzburg 5-3, Knobloch 5-4; A. Treves d. Salzburg 5-2, Knobloch 5-0; Knobloch d. Salzburg 5-3; Salzburg lost all.

Pool 2: Worth d. Stewart 5-4, Fried 5-1, Garbatini 5-3; Kunzig d. Stewart 5-4, Fried 5-2, Garbatini 5-2; Garbatini d. Stewart 5-4, Fried 5-3; Stewart d. Fried 5-1; Fried lost all.

Pool 3: Ozol d. Nyilas 5-4, Newton 5-3, Spector 5-4, Gilbert 5-0; Wood d. Newton 5-1, Gilbert 5-1, Ozol 5-4 (16 against); Nyilas d. Newton 5-3, Gilbert 5-1, Wood 5-3 (17 against); Spector d. Nyilas 5-4, Gilbert 5-4, Wood 5-3 (21 against); Newton d. Spector 5-4, Gilbert 5-0; Gilbert lost all.

Pool 4: Cantor d. Flynn 5-4, Yasenchak 5-2, Buzzelli 5-1, Burge 5-3; Flynn d. Yasenchak 5-2, Buzzelli 5-2, Burge 5-2; Kwartler d. Cantor 5-4, Yasenchak 5-1, Burge 5-3; Yasenchak d. Buzzelli 5-4; Buzzelli and Burge lost all.

Pool 5: Lazar d. Muray 5-1, Blum 5-1, Dyer 5-2, Rice 5-3, Kapner 5-2; Muray d. Krieger 5-3, Blum 5-2, Dyer 5-0, Rice 5-0, Kapner 5-0; Krieger d. Blum 5-3, Dyer 5-3, Rice 5-0, Kapner 5-0; Kapner d. Dyer 5-4, Rice 5-0; Blum d. Dyer 5-4, Rice 5-0; Dyer and Rice lost all.

Pool 6: Armitage d. Makler 5-2, Shurtz 5-0, Reda 5-1; Marson d. Gorlin 5-3, Shurtz 5-0, Reda 5-1; Gorlin d. Makler 5-3, Shurtz 5-2, Reda 5-2; Shurtz d. Makler 5-3; Makler and Reda lost all.

Semi-Final

Pool 1: De Martino d. Lazar 5-4, Krieger 5-1, Treves 5-1, Muray 5-2; Muray d. Lazar 5-4, Ozol 5-2, Krieger 5-11 (17 against); Treves d. Lazar 5-2, Ozol 5-3, Muray 5-3 (18 against); Krieger d. Lazar 5-4, Ozol 5-2, Treves 5-3 (19 against); Lazar d. Ozol 5-1; Ozol lost all.

Pool 2: Armitage d. Worth 5-2, Marson 5-4, Kwartler 5-2, Garbatini 5-0; Worth d. Kwartler 5-2, Cantor 5-3, Garbatini 5-1 (16 against); Marson d. Worth 5-4, Cantor 5-1, Garbatini 5-1 (16 against); Kwartler d. Marson 5-2, Cantor 5-3, Garbatini 5-2 (17 against); Cantor d. Armitage 5-3; Garbatini lost all.

Pool 3: Nyilas d. Kunzig 5-4, Gorlin 5-3, Wood 5-2, Giambra 5-4; Flynn d. Nyilas 5-2, Gorlin 5-1, Wood 5-3, Giambra 5-0; Giambra d. Kunzig 5-3, Gorlin 5-0, Wood 5-3; Gorlin d. Wood 5-3, Kunzig 5-1; Kunzig d. Flynn 5-4, Wood 5-2; Wood lost all.

Final Round

Nyilas *d. Flynn 5-1, De Martino 5-3, Treves 5-3, Worth 5-3, Armitage 5-1, Giambra 5-2; Armitage *d. De Martino 5-4, Treves 5-1, Marson 5-4, Worth 5-0, Giambra 5-2, Muray 5-2; De Martino *d. Flynn 5-4, Treves 5-4, Marson 5-3, Worth 5-1, Giambra 5-4, Muray 5-4; Worth d. Flynn 5-4, Treves 5-0, Marson 5-4, Giambra 5-3, Muray 5-4 (30 against); Flynn d. Treves 5-3, Marson 5-2, Armitage 5-4, Muray 5-2 (31 against); Muray d. Nyilas 5-2, Treves 5-1, Giambra 5-2 (30 against); Marson d. Nyilas 5-4, Treves 5-3, Muray 5-3 (35 against); Giambra d. Flynn 5-4, Marson 5-4; Treves d. Giambra 5-3.

*(A triple tie fence-off saw Nyilas and Armitage defeat De Martino for the two places in the championship bout. Nyilas won 5-4 and Armitage 5-3. De Martino won third medal.)

CHAMPIONSHIP BOUT

Nyilas d. Armitage 10-7.

Post Mortems . . .

We have just completed our most successful Championship Week. . . . One hundred and sixty-three competed for the individual titles, and thirty teams fenced in the team events. The Gala Night was the best ever, and although we had a record crowd we were surprised that so many fencers failed to attend the biggest event of the fencing season.

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We were proud to note that the championship issue and the programs distributed by American Fencing were well received.

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We knew the defending sabre champion, **Col. De Martino**, had been suffering from a sacro-iliac sprain several weeks before the Nationals. We received the following which expressed the true sportsmanship expected from all, and especially from champions:

"I could, of course, not defend my title and not be defeated. However, I feel that this would not be the sporting way to repay your very great kindness and generosity to me last year . . ."

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We were glad to see **Silvio Giolito** win the foil. . . . He has been a medalist on four previous occasions and had reached great heights during the final round of eight. He had to be very good to beat **Lubell** in the championship bout. **Every's** third place was a superb effort.

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California certainly dominates the women's field these days and credit must go to our old friend **Ralph Faulkner**. His girls made a successful defense of the team title and then proceeded to place 1-2 in the individuals. **Jan York** showed excellent style and control in beating the ebullient **Polly Craus**. California made it a clean sweep when **Muriel Bower** of the Los Angeles A. C. placed third.

Norman Lewis became the first epee champion to hold the title for three successive years since **Charles Tatham** in 1903 . . . incidentally, Normie was the only successful defender. **Captain Donaldson**, again the runner-up, has improved greatly during the past year and came very close to dethroning the champion. A nice touch was introduced at the Gala Night when Donaldson's grandmother was asked to present the medals. **Lt. Col. Weber** took third, as he did last year.

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This was the first time, at least within our memory, that a father and son competed in the same National Championship. **Donald S. Thompson** (entered from Ohio) reached the quarter-final in epee while his son **Donald G.** (entered from Illinois) reached the semi-final round. We hope to see father and son with us again many times.

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We believe, contrary to the opinion of many, that the epee field is the strongest among the men and shows the most promise for the future. It is now the biggest field and is producing many more young men who can challenge the veterans. The sabre field is the most static and the foil has not yet produced new material strong enough to upset those who have been at the top for the past six years or more. We do not think the correct answer is that the epee veteran lacks technique or ability.

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Sewell Shurtz of the Faulkner School of Fencing shows more promise in foil and epee than any youngster we've seen in recent years. . . . Aside from the natural timing and speed of youth he has a competitive savvy far beyond his years.

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Tibor Nyilas has been a medalist in every National sabre championship since his first appearance in 1941. We believe he has the

technique and potential to beat any sabreman in the world. He won the title for the third time by defeating ten-time champion **Norman Armitage**. Norman's presence in the championship bout, without any training, is a tribute to his determination and establishes him as one of the cagiest competitors of all time.

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American Fencing presented certificates to the coaches of the winning teams in recognition of their efforts. Messrs. **Faulkner, Niederkirchner, Pinchart** and **Santelli** were the recipients.

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An international flavor was added to the championships by the entry of **Mahammed Aly Riaz**, a visiting scholar from Egypt and now representing the New England Division; **J. Aeurbach**, representing the new nation Israel; and **Antonio Reyes-Guerra** from Salvador.

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In addition to the performances of the champions and medalists, a tournament of this type produces many outstanding incidents—some become part of the competitor's pleasant memories, others cause heartache and disappointment. They're just part of the game—to be taken in stride—but are worth while mentioning:

Touch!

Utterbach's defeat of **Lewis** (3-0) in the three-weapon team. (When congratulated, he didn't know who **Lewis** was!)

Shurtz's defeat of **de Capriles** (3-0) to reach the epee final.

The **Saltus Club's** third place in the epee team, and the **U. S. Naval Academy's** third in the three-weapon team.

Marson's defeat of **Armitage** (5-2) in the deciding bout of the sabre team.

Stuart's defeat of **Giolito** (5-4) in the three-weapon team.

de Capriles' defeat of **De Martino** (5-0) in the sabre team.

Armitage's defeat of **Worth** (5-0) in the sabre final round of eight.

Worth's defeat of **Armitage** (5-3) in the deciding bout of the three-weapon team championship.

Maxwell's defeat of **Craus** (4-0) in the final round-robin.

Parried!

Eve Cohen tied for second in the Women's Individual but was dropped to fourth in the fence-off.

Schwartz (Buffalo) eliminated in the foil on touches for, and **Krieger** and **Shurtz** a similar fate on touches against.

de Capriles eliminated from epee final on touches for, after winning twelve in succession. **Wolff** and **Titolo** also out on touches, while **Katz** was eliminated in a fence-off.

Krieger's hard luck in the foil was repeated in sabre when he and **Kwartler** missed the final on touches.

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Warren Dow and his Bout Committee handled a difficult task very well. Unfortunately the schedule made it almost impossible to procure top-notch juries for all the early rounds.

Tracy Jaekel and his Gala Night Committee gave us the best fencing party in many a year, and Tracy made an excellent master of ceremonies.

The electric epee machines have functioned

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The **Longines watches**, used as the official watches for every event, made all feel confident that the bouts were being timed correctly.

—J. R. de C.

INDIVIDUAL THREE-WEAPON CHAMPIONS

- 1907—G. Reimherr, V. Curti, K. B. Johnson.
- 1908—W. L. Bowman, F. J. Byrne, G. H. Breed.
- 1909—W. L. Bowman, G. H. Breed, A. V. Z. Post.
- 1910—V. Curti, G. W. Postgate, A. Strauss.
- 1911—J. T. Shaw, J. E. Gignoux, E. B. Meyers.
- 1912—S. Hall, J. P. Parker, J. E. Gignoux.
- 1913—L. A. MacLaughlin, G. Reimherr, S. Pitt.
- 1914—W. VonBlyenburgh, S. Hall, S. Pitt.
- 1915—S. Hall, A. S. Lyon, S. Pitt.
- 1916—No data.
- 1917—S. Pitt, P. W. Allison, C. R. McPherson.
- 1918—War. No contest.
- 1919—S. Hall, S. Pitt, A. Strauss.
- 1920—S. Hall, A. S. Lyon, S. Pitt.
- 1921—L. G. Nunes, L. M. Schoonmaker, E. T. Stella.
- 1922—L. G. Nunes, P. Mijer, F. B. O'Connor.
- 1923—R. Peroy, H. Van Buskirk.
- 1924—J. W. Dimond, L. G. Nunes, J. E. Gignoux.
- 1925—J. E. Gignoux, C. D. Headlee (Direct Elimination).
- 1926—L. G. Nunes, A. P. Walker.
- 1927—G. C. Calnan, R. D. Elwell.
- 1928—L. G. Nunes, R. Peroy.
- 1929—J. L. Levis, N. Muray.
- 1930—L. G. Nunes, H. Van Buskirk.
- 1931—J. R. Huffman, W. A. Dow.
- 1932—J. R. Huffman, N. C. Armitage.
- 1933—M. A. de Capriles, N. Muray.
- 1934—M. A. de Capriles, L. G. Nunes.
- 1935—J. R. Huffman, J. R. de Capriles.
- 1936—J. R. Huffman, J. R. de Capriles.
- 1937—J. R. Huffman, J. R. de Capriles.
- 1938—J. R. Huffman, J. R. de Capriles.
- 1939—J. R. de Capriles, J. R. Huffman.
- 1940—J. H. Huffman, N. C. Armitage.
- 1941—M. A. de Capriles, N. C. Armitage.
- 1942—M. A. de Capriles, N. C. Armitage.
- 1943-1946—No competition.
- 1947—M. A. de Capriles, J. R. de Capriles.
- 1948—T. Nyilas, M. A. de Capriles.
- 1949—T. Nyilas, N. Lazar.
- 1950—T. Nyilas, J. Strauch.

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News from the Divisions

New England

by WALTER P. HERTZ

This is a report of the renaissance of fencing in Boston. We have just closed our first post-war A.F.L.A. season, and our schedule of sixteen events attracted competitors from other Division.

Miss Olympia Dukakis, Boston F. C., is our new women's champion. She is a student at Sargent and took her first lessons from Mr. Clifford Powers who is still supervising her work at the Boston F. C.

The men's Foil, Epee and Sabre championships were all won by Mohammed Ali Riaz of the B.F.C. and a graduate student at M.I.T. Riaz was a member of the Egyptian national team and participated in last year's World Championships at Cairo. We all enjoyed working with him and learned with regret that he will not be in Boston next season.

Professor "Nick" Grossman of M.I.T. resigned as Chairman of the Division and is succeeded by Phil Shakespeare, now of the B.F.C. and formerly of Philadelphia. The new chairman brings with him invaluable experience in organized fencing. Martin Martinian of Boston U. will continue as Secretary and Joe Vera of Harvard will be Treasurer.

"Vic" Vitale has taken over from Joe Levis the coaching of M.I.T. teams and is also in charge of instruction at the Boston F.C. The Fencing Club, with seventy members, is the leading organization in the Division. Leo Danton, its current president, is to be succeeded by Walter Hertz. The club hopes to move to more spacious quarters next September. Toni Scafati, well known coach from New Jersey, has moved to Boston and promises to help the cause along.

Colorado

by HAROLD WEST
Division Secretary

The Divisional Championships resulted as follows:

Foil: (1) Robert Johnson, (2) Dean Foltz, (3) Vincent Sheridan.

(Epee and Sabre results not forwarded.)

Minnesota

by P. E. DAHL
Division Chairman

Activities during the past year repeated the pattern of the previous year. Membership received no great promotional effort; a considerable number of prospective members exist in the various colleges and schools but the dues structure offers some obstacle to greater student participation in League activities.

At the Annual meeting Bryce L. Clark, our present Secretary-Treasurer, was elected Chairman for next year. I take this opportunity to extend to him my best wishes for a successful term and my sincere cooperation in fulfilling the office from which he is retiring. Dr. Charles Manlove is to be Vice-Chairman, and the Executive Committee will include William Balmut and Terry Covert.

Central Illinois

by ESTELLE ATKIN
Division Secretary

The Division Championships resulted as follows:

Foil: (1) Allen Mills, (2) Jorge Quiros, (3) Carl Carlson.

Epee: (1) Charles Swensen, (2) Paul Steinle, (3) Carl Carlson.

Sabre: (1) Bruce Sublette, (2) Jorge Quiros, (3) Kendal Aksel.

Spokane

by ROBERT B. HISLOP
Division Chairman

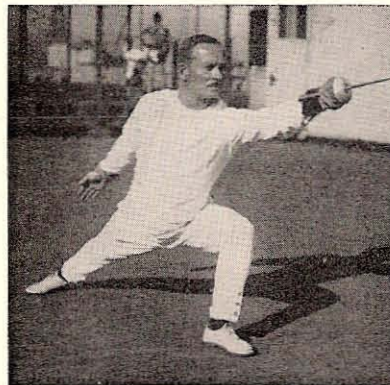
This was the first year of our Division, and membership has been doubled since the charter was granted.

Competitive fencing in the Inland Empire had been previously conducted with loose organization by the various colleges, by an inter-collegiate fraternal organization, and by the Spokane F. C. which furnished the nucleus upon which the Division was formed. The creation of the Division provided coordination of these activities and, with the official sanction of the League, a definite program of tournaments with prizes, titles and classification of fencers.

Our schedule of events listed ten tournaments. Of these ten, six are strictly Divisional while the rest were under other auspices, but through cross-relationships of organization personnel the Division has influence if not control over these events.

Fencers from the British Columbia association were invited, and competed in our Inland Empire tournament, as did fencers from the Seattle Division.

This first year finds us active and progressing, advancing the cause of fencing far more than we could have done without our own Division.



Professor Henri J. Uyttenhove

by FRED LINKMEYER

One of the most beloved and highly respected of all fencing masters, Henri J. Uyttenhove, was born in Herch-la-Ville, Belgium in 1878 and has just passed away.

His spectacular rise in European fencing circles found him, at the age of twenty-six, Head Professor of Fencing at the National Belgian Normal School of Fencing where fencing masters were taught their profession, trained and received their diplomas. Many presently living Belgian fencing masters treasure their diplomas signed by Professor Uyttenhove.

He arrived in the United States in September, 1907, and after a short stay in New York and Chicago came directly to Southern California. Mr. Frank Garbutt, President of the Los Angeles Athletic Club, immediately recognized his superb qualities and offered him the position of fencing master. He remained with the A. C. for five years where he was successful in building the popularity of the sport. He then opened his private salle in Pasadena. Probably the first fencing competition held in Southern California was between his Pasadena pupils and his pupils at the Los Angeles Athletic Club.

Northern Ohio

by MADISON H. DODS
Division Secretary

During the past season we have held 27 meets with a total entry of 267. Our new officers for the 1950-51 season are: Margaret Warnock, Chairman; Madison H. Dods, Vice-Chairman; George Morris, Secretary; James Gosline, Bout Committee Chairman; Joyce Imhof, Public Relations; Stephen Marshall, Member at Large. The Treasurer has not yet been selected.

The Division Championships resulted as follows:

Foil: (1) John Shelly, (2) Madison Dods, (3) Robert Boyajian.

Women: (1) Doris Duran, (2) Betty Vogel, (3) Alice Stevenson.

Epee: (1) Nelson Gibson, (2) Charles Simonian, (3) Howard Fried.

Sabre: (1) John Shelly, (2) Robert Boyajian, (3) E. P. Quigley.

John Shelly, winner of the foil and sabre titles, is a recent and very welcome addition to our Division. He comes from Hungary and obtained his fencing training from the elder Santelli and from the Hungarian military academy before the war.

Beginning about 1916 his services were in great demand by the motion picture industry and in rapid succession, with Douglas Fairbanks, Sr., as his pupil, he was appointed the technical director of "The Modern Musketeer," "The Mark of Zorro" and "The Three Musketeers."

He returned to the Los Angeles A. C. in 1921 and remained as fencing master there until 1950 when he retired in favor of his personally selected successor, Prof. Jean L. Heremans. His duties also included coaching at the Hollywood Athletic Club, a subsidiary of the Los Angeles A. C., until 1939 when he installed Duris W. De Jong as coach.

In 1922 the University of Southern California decided to make fencing one of their sports and, under his inspirational coaching, interest in fencing increased. It was from his classes at the University that fencers such as Edward Carfagno, Herman Hersum (who is now Chairman of the San Diego Division), and the writer of this article were developed.

Without remuneration, and in the interests of the sport, he started classes at the University of California at Los Angeles and continued until a proper coach could be found in the person of Capt. John Duff, a prominent English fencer.

A committee of Belgian fencing masters, headed by the late Professor Deladrier of the U. S. Naval Academy, recently petitioned the Belgian government for the award of the Legion of Honor to Professor Uyttenhove in recognition of his great contribution to the promotion of the Belgian school in the United States.

Here, truly, was a maker of champions. His pure, classical form, his great ability as a teacher, his personal magnetism and above all, his innate humility and sportsmanship won for him the love and loyalty of all with whom he came into contact. Without question, here was one of the Greats among fencing masters, who did much to promote the sport of fencing in this country. He will live long in our memories. His passing is a great loss to fencing.