

American Fencing

The 1952 National Championships

by Miguel A. de Capriles
Chairman, Bout Committee

With the selection of the Olympic team hanging in the balance, the individual events of the 1952 National Championships attracted a record field, and the team events suffered by comparison. Each individual championship was held on two successive days, immediately following the team event, in order to simulate as far as possible the conditions at the Olympics, and every individual final consisted of twelve fencers—the largest national championship finals ever held.

With the exception of Dr. Tibor Nyilas, all defending champions—both team and individual—were beaten. Every outstanding American candidate for the Olympic team competed, as well as several excellent foreigners: Mr. Abelardo Menendez of Cuba, who won the epee after two exciting fence-offs; Colonel Umberto de Martino of Italy, who was second in sabre; Mr. Paul Gnaier of Germany, who was a semi-finalist in foil; and Mr. Forbes Carlisle, Australia's lone representative in the Olympic Modern Pentathlon, who was a semi-finalist in epee.

The most difficult technical problem arose in the epee, where the record entry of 63 contestants taxed the limited space of the Fencers Club beyond normal capacity, requiring nine preliminary strips which could be fenced only three at a time. That the competition ran on schedule, without serious delays, was due solely to the devoted efforts of Mr. Charles Willous, the AFLA's technical expert who kept the electrical machines in top operating condition, to Jimmy Castello's extraordinary ability to repair both the machines and the weapons of the fencers, and to George Santelli's and Rene Pinchart's help in weapon repair. These men were the unsung heroes of those difficult days, and this word of recognition leaves us all heavily in their debt.

For judging and directing the hundreds of bouts, credit is due to many individuals. Without making invidious distinctions, I wish particularly to thank Daniel Bukantz, Jose de Capriles, War-



CHAMPS—Members of the Northern Ohio Division team which won the national duelling sword championship in New York City on June 14 are pictured above with the trophy which was first awarded in 1906. Left to right: Walter Henry, Captain Howard Fried, Donald S. Thompson and William Durrett.

ron Dow, Dernel Every, Salvatore Giambra, Tracy Jaeckel, Fred Linkmeyer, William Lundeberg, Kenneth Marx, Austin Prokop, Donald G. Thompson and George Worth, whose services went far beyond the call of duty. Dernel Every also headed the Committee on Arrangements, which was responsible for the fencing facilities for every competition and for the Gala Night. A word should be said about Mme. Pinchart's tireless and suc-

cessful efforts in collecting contributions from spectators for the Olympic fund. But, as every bout committee chairman knows, a tournament can be run well only if everybody lends a helping hand; it was a great source of satisfaction to me to get the wholehearted cooperation of competitors, professionals, committee members, officials and spectators whenever the need of their assistance arose.

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Letters to the Editor

DEPARTMENT OF WELFARE
CITY OF CHICAGO
A. E. Rose, Commissioner

Dear Sir:

This is to advise all chairmen of provinces west of the Alleghanies that there actually is a Connecticut Trophy and that it is now safely locked up in the province of Illinois. And we mean locked! After what your correspondent went through to get it, nothing short of force of arms by a superior province is going to take it away. And we ain't kiddin', men!

We should mention here that after winning the trophy we waited a year for it to arrive and then began to have grave doubts about there being such a thing. Your correspondent was finally commissioned to make delicate inquiry concerning its existence during the National Championships.

Secretary Every was located in person and averred that there most certainly was a Connecticut Trophy. He said it was at a place called Stolls, being repaired, and that if it was ready he'd have it sent out and we could take possession.

Your correspondent was delighted. A telephone call indicated it was ready and arrangements were made to have it sent immediately to the Fencers Club where your correspondent was taking some preliminary lessons in epee.

But two days went by and no trophy showed up. Your correspondent then learned that Stoll's was located in the heart of the Fulton Street fish market and he began to wonder again about the trophy and Mr. Every. Particularly about Mr. Every.

This time when he found Mr. Every, who seemed to be playing hide and seek, Mr. Every reported (again with a straight face) that Stolls had tried to send the trophy out but no cab driver would undertake its transportation because the crate in which it was housed was so big it wouldn't fit into a New York hack.

Now your country correspondent was sure somebody was trying to pull somebody's leg! He advised Mr. Every that he would like to drive in person to this fish market and at least have a look at the trophy. Mr. Every acquiesced without batting an eye.

Little did your correspondent realize what he was letting himself in for. The trip to the fish market was a nightmare of one way streets, no left turns, no right turns, traffic lights located where traffic lights shouldn't be, and hordes of exasperated policemen.

Every cab driver seemed to be in a league with somebody trying to prevent with flying blocks the progress of any car bearing an Illinois license.

Finally after much sweating and perseverance Stolls was reached, but there also stood a "No Parking" sign. Having got that far, your country cousin parked anyway, got two Stoll men to lug a huge crate, that was padlocked, to the curb and then said with fire in his eye, "Open it!" We had no intention, by that time, of catring an empty crate back to Illinois. It wouldn't fit in the car anyway.

And now, we beg your pardon, Mr. Every. The big beauty was neatly packed inside. Without the crate, it fit nicely into our Illinois car.

Thanks to all the New York fencers for your friendly hosting (off the strip). To those from the other provinces, once again we of the Illinois Division warn you—the Connecticut Trophy is hard to win, but it's going to be still harder to get.

Sincerely,
A. E. ROSE, Chairman
Illinois Division AFLA

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ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the AFLA convened at 8:10 P.M. June 17th at the New York Fencers Club. Secretary Dernel Every reported on membership, the loss to the League in the death of J. Brooks B. Parker in November and the AFLA's efforts to finance the Olympic Team and the Women's Team to the World Championships.

President Miguel de Capriles reported that the AFLA had underwritten the expenses of the three girls on the Olympic Team and their Captain to travel from Helsinki, Finland to Copenhagen, Denmark and return to take part in the World Championships. The League was also trying to find a qualified girl who could finance her own way to Europe to make up a fourth member of the team. He also reported on forthcoming F.I.E. elections, Jehan Buhon's visit to and foil exhibitions in New York City and the proposed reprinting of the Constitution.

The officers elected for the 1952-53 season are: Miguel A. de Capriles, President; Dr. Paul Makler, Vice-President; Edward Carfagno, 2nd Vice-President; Donald S. Thompson, 3rd Vice-President; Ralph Goldstein, Secretary; Rudolph Ozol, Treasurer, and Tracy Jaekel, Foreign Secretary.

The Nominating Committee to propose candidates for office in 1953-54 was selected and consists of the following: Dernel Every Chairman; Carl M. Burge, Horace S. Craig, Betty Jean Fox and Salvatore Giambra.

The meeting then heard reports of divisional activities from Dr. Paul Makler, Philadelphia; Anthony Buzzelli, Western New York; Jose de Capriles, Westchester; Al Kunzmann, Michigan and Polly Craus and Fred Linkmeyer, Southern California.

Non-Divisional Meeting

The Annual Non-Divisional Meeting was held at the Fencers Club on June 17th and the following were elected to the Board of Governors: Martin Brandeis, Saltus-McBurney; Eve Cohen, Salle Santelli; Warren A. Dow, NYAC; Robert S. Driscoll, Fencers Club; Dorothy Friedman, Salle Santelli; Sol Gorlin, Salle Santelli; Nathaniel Lubell, Fencers Club; Albert Vogt, NYAC and George Worth, Salle Santelli. These governors are to serve from September 1, 1952 through August 31, 1953.

A Nominating Committee for non-divisional governors to take office for 1953-54 was also chosen and consisted of the following: Dernel Every, NYAC, Chairman; Mrs. Dolly Funke, Fencers Club; Wallace H. Goldsmith, NYAC; Wilfred Ritayik, Saltus-McBurney and Leonard Turk, Salle Santelli.

There was a general discussion of non-divisional affairs in which it was particularly urged that plans for a judging and officiating school be pressed. Each Non-divisional Governor was to be asked to designate a member from his fencing club to serve on a Metropolitan Committee to foster such a school. It was also recommended that the Metropolitan Bout Committee undertake the development of the new season's schedule earlier than in the past.

CORRECTION

In our June issue we reported the University of Kentucky as winning 27 bouts and placing 25th in the NCAA Championships held on March 29th. Actually, Kentucky scored 38 points and placed 17th.

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ARTHUR S. LYON DIES IN CALIFORNIA

Early during the National Championship Week, word was received that Arthur S. Lyon, himself one of America's most colorful national champions, had died at Santa Monica, California, on June 13th, at seventy-five years of age.

Although, as a fencer, Mr. Lyon was proficient with all three weapons, his specialty was the sabre, in which weapon he was national champion in 1917 and 1919, placed second in 1916 and third in 1915 and 1920. He placed second in the 1919 National Foil Championship, third in the 1922 National Epee Championship and second in the 1915 and 1920 National Three Weapon Championship. He was a member of the National Championship Sabre Team in 1914 and the National Championship Foil Team in 1922.

Mr. Lyon was a member of three U. S. Olympic Fencing Teams. In 1920 he fenced in all three weapons at the Seventh Olympiad at Antwerp and received the bronze Olympic medal as a member of the foils team which placed third in that Olympics. In 1924, Mr. Lyon was captain of the fencing team which took part in the Eighth Olympiad at Paris. He fenced in the foil and sabre team events in that Olympics. In 1928, Mr. Lyon again fenced on an Olympic Team, this time in the sabre team event at Amstcrdam, Holland.

Mr. Lyon was also a member of the first United States Team to compete in the International British-American Fencing Team Competition in 1921 and took part again in the British-American matches in 1926, where he starred by winning seven of his eight foil and epee bouts.

For many years Mr. Lyon was a donor of the medals for the Outdoor Sabre and Epee competitions held at Travers Island. In 1947 he presented the AFLA with a bronze trophy, known as "The Duel," which has been fought for annually ever since in a special two-man team competition featuring the sabre and epee, his favorite weapons.

At the time of his death, Mr. Lyon was a member of the New York Athletic Club, a life member of the New York Fencers Club, a Mason and an Elk.

With his death, the fencers of the United States lost a past champion whose brilliant record speaks for itself and an enthusiastic friend whose medals and trophy were given to stimulate others to try the thrill of competition.

THE AIR FORCE ON THE WING

The three services were ably represented at our National Championships this year. Every service entry performed strongly and it is to be hoped that the men will be able to continue their fencing wherever they may be stationed. The Air Force had the largest contingent and Lt. Col. Carhart and Corrie who are spark-plugging an Air Force Fencing Program deserve much credit. We sincerely hope that next year will witness the establishment of the sport at all major Air Force bases and that teams from the Air Force will be competing in our Division, Sectional and National Championships.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Mr. L. Csiszar and his pupils sent us \$50. but it arrived too late to have us insert their good wishes to the Olympic Team in the June issue. We take this means of acknowledging the donation and thanking Mr. Csiszar and his men for their assistance. The activities of this group has had a marked effect on the growing prestige of the Philadelphia Division.

In Answer to J. R. de Capriles

I have reference to your article in the April issue, titled "Sportsmanship Comes First," and must say that in general I disagree with its content—not with the title, which is so true as to be axiomatic. Yours may be the abstract, mature view of the problems you deal with, but my thoughts rise out of that very immaturity which marks most of us who fill out the competitive rosters.

I agree that all juries will make mistakes—but I disagree with your general tenor of complacency about it. We are the competitors, and it is **they**, realizing that they do err, who should be appreciative of and courteous to **us**. This is an Olympic year, as you point out, and there is all the more reason for jurymen to double their efforts and for Bout Committees to provide top-notch officials—and I don't think they have! There is the strongest preference for 5-man juries expressed in Rules 603 and 604, yet when I mentioned the absence of two judges from the strip on April 13th I was told a 5-man jury would make matters more confusing. Similarly, in the March sabre try-out a very good director was having difficulty finding a judge for the last few bouts and asked someone sitting near me to judge. This person said he did not feel qualified to judge sabre, but the director waved him on the strip saying: "It's all right. Do your best and I'll correct any mistakes you make." Why, the poorest director would not have said that! I have observed many such breaches of the rules and it becomes apparent that the officials and not the fencers are the ones at fault.

Secondly, your remark that it is from the champions and established fencers that complaints against officials come most often. The significance of this truth is that only the established fencers dare. I think you have lost your perspective, sir, unless you realize that I, for one,—and Lord knows how many others like myself—dare not speak up to insist on propriety for fear (1) of offending the officials and (2) of offending our opponents and thereby being forced to fence an apologetic bout. We do not have the experience to be sure of ourselves; only one who has established himself as you, your brother, Dr. Nyilas or Mr. Worth and others can forthrightly insist on excellence. This is not right. Excellence in officiating is a duty owed by those who officiate to **every** fencer.

Again I say you have lost your perspective when you suggest that if winning overrides every other consideration we ought to look elsewhere for our "recreation." You have forgotten what it is to be a "hungry" fencer. You seem not to remember what sacrifices the sport called for from you when you were unestablished, nor to remember how willingly you must have answered them—because fencing is not just a "relaxation" but a way of life. You have forgotten what it is to strive six, eight or ten years for the glory of the medals and skill, and the thrill (beyond mere "recreation") of winning the established positions. Your wins must come easily, sir, if winning means so little to you.

I agree that sportsmanship does come first, but my sportsmanship is strained when it is subjected to a constant buffeting by sincere but incompetent judging or by competent but improper directing. I don't think I am a poor sportsman; it is merely that losing is uncomfortable enough to me and others on the way up that I want not to lose except because of my opponent's superior skill. You who have earned through the years a reputation of greatness in fencing, and are therefore rightly the guardians of its traditions, owe us such strict adherence to the Rules you have promulgated and such excellence of judging that public appeals such as you have made become unnecessary.

Robert M. Blum

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WOMEN'S TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP AFLA Trophy

Won by Southern California Composite
Paced by Pacific Coast Champion, Maxine Mitchell, a strong composite team from Southern California dethroned the Faulkner School of Fencing, 5-4, in the opening event of the 1952 National Championships on June 13th at the Fencers Club. There were 11 teams entered. Faulkner's two stars, Bernardine Meislahn and Polly Craus, put up a spirited defense, both defeating the then present National Champion, Janice Lee York, and Barbara Baxter; but the third member of their team, Panchita Shafer, was not yet ready for topflight competition. With the score tied at 4-all, Miss York defeated Miss Shafer, 4-0, in approximately 30 seconds. The Fencers Club of New York, led by Madeline Dalton, put up a spirited fight but succumbed to the two teams from California by close 5-4 scores in the final round.

First Round (direct elimination)

(1) **Paterson Teachers' College** defeated **Washington Fencers Club** 6-3.

Gloria Bevelacqua (P.T.C.) defeated Lissie Nielsen 4-1 and Penny Newton 4-2; Margaret Cappello (P.T.C.) defeated Nielsen 4-1 and Newton 4-3; Elvera Pizzarelli (P.T.C.) defeated Ruth Pergande and Newton 4-3. Nielsen (W.F.C.) defeated Pizzarelli 4-3; Pergande (W.F.C.) defeated Bevelacqua 4-3 and Cappello 4-1.

(2) **Tri-Weapon Club** (Baltimore) defeated **Mid-N.Y. State Composite** (Syracuse) 5-0.

Fisela Trurnit (T.W.) defeated Lynn Holbrook 4-1 and Fran Breton 4-1; Abbie Herring (T.W.) defeated Rea Juvelier 4-0, and Holbrook 4-2; Jacquelyn Cayer (T.W.) defeated Juvelier 4-1.

(3) **New York Composite** defeated **International "Y"** (Baltimore), 5-0.

Mildred Boyce (N.Y.C.) defeated Jane Burger 4-0 and Ginny Brown 4-3; Ann Drungis (N.Y.C.) defeated Mary Lathroum 4-0 and Brown 4-0; Louise Knab (N.Y.C.) defeated Lathroum 4-1.

(BYES) **Faulkner School of Fencing** (Hollywood), defending champions; **Southern California Composite**; **Fencers Club** (N.Y.); **Salle Santelli** (N.Y.); **Salle de Tuscan** (Detroit).

Semi-Final (direct elimination)

(1) **Faulkner S. F.** defeated **Paterson T. C.** 5-0. Bernardine Meislahn (F.S.F.) defeated Lorraine Murad (P.T.C.) 4-0 and Cappello 4-2; Polly Craus (F.S.F.) defeated Cappello 4-0 and Pizzarelli 4-1; Panchita Shafer defeated Pizzarelli 4-1.

(2) **Southern California Composite** defeated **New York Composite** 5-0.

Barbara Baxter (S.C.) defeated Drungis 4-2 and Boyce 4-1; Janice Lee York (S.C.) defeated Drungis 4-0 and Knab 4-1; Mrs. Maxine Mitchell (S.C.) defeated Boyce 4-1.

(3) **Fencers Club** (N.Y.) defeated **Tri-Weapon Club** (Baltimore) 5-0.

Dolly Funke (F.C.) defeated Cayer 4-0 and Herring 4-3; Madeline Dalton (F.C.) defeated Herring 4-1 and Trurnit 4-0; Diane Millstein (F.C.) defeated Trurnit 4-3.

(4) **Salle Santelli** (N.Y.) defeated **Salle de Tuscan** (Detroit) 5-1.

Eve Sohen (S.S.) defeated Sallye Chambers 4-0 and Paula Sweeney 4-3; Betty Dedousis (S.S.) defeated Carol Christensen 4-2 and Sweeney 4-2; Grace Acel (S.S.) defeated Christensen 4-0. Sallye Chambers (SdeT) defeated Acel 4-3.

Finals (Round-Robin of 4 teams)

(1) **Southern California** defeated **Salle Santelli** 6-3.

Mitchell (S.C.) defeated Acel 4-1, Cohen 4-1, and Dedousis 4-3; York (S.C.) defeated Acel 4-0 and Cohen 4-2; Baxter (S.C.) defeated Baxter 4-3 and York 4-3; Cohen defeated Baxter 4-1.

(2) **Faulkner** (S.F.) defeated **Fencers Club** 5-4.

Meislahn (F.S.F.) defeated Funke and Millstein 4-3; Craus (F.S.F.) defeated Funke 4-0 and Millstein 4-1; Shafer (F.S.F.) defeated Millstein 4-2. Dalton (F.C.) defeated Meislahn 4-2, Craus 4-1 and Shafer 4-1; Funke (F.C.) defeated Shafer 4-3.

(3) **Southern California** defeated **Fencers Club** 5-4.

York (S.C.) defeated Dalton 4-3; Millstein 4-3 and Funke 4-1; Mitchell (S.C.) defeated Dalton 4-1; Baxter defeated Funke 4-3. Millstein (F.C.) defeated Baxter 4-1 and Mitchell 4-2; Dalton defeated Baxter 4-1; Funke defeated Mitchell 4-1.

(4) **Faulkner** (S.F.) defeated **Salle Santelli** 6-3.

Meislahn (F.S.F.) defeated Acel 4-1, Cohen 4-3 and Dedousis 4-2; Craus (F.S.F.) defeated Cohen 4-0 and Dedousis 4-0; Shafer (F.S.F.) defeated Dedousis 4-0.

(5) **(Third Place Match) Fencers Club** defeated **Salle Santelli** 5-2.

Millstein (F.C.) defeated Cohen 4-1 and Vivienne Sokol (S.S.) 4-3; Toni Jauch (F.C.) defeated Cohen 4-3 and Acel 4-3; Dalton (F.C.) defeated Acel 4-1, Cohen (S.S.) defeated Dalton 4-1; Sokol (S.S.) defeated Jauch 4-3.

(6) **(Championship Match) Southern California Composite** defeated **Faulkner School of Fencing** 5-4.

Mitchell (S.C.) defeated Meislahn 4-1, Shafer 4-2, Craus 4-2; Baxter (S.C.) defeated Shafer 4-3; York (S.C.) defeated Shafer 4-0.

Meislahn (F.S.F.) defeated Baxter 4-3 and York 4-2; Craus (F.S.F.) defeated Baxter 4-2 and York 4-3.

3-WEAPON TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP George C. Calnan Memorial Trophy

Won by Salle Santelli

Without the loss of a single bout, a powerful trio from the Salle Santelli, employing Albert Axelrod in foil, Ralph Goldstein in epee and George Worth in sabre, gave that club its first National Team title since 1950. All three men fenced strongly and demonstrated such superiority in each category, that they not only won all of their bouts, but were touched a total of only 12 times in their 9 bouts.

There were 9 teams entered in this opening men's competition held at the Fencers Club on June 13th.

Preliminary Round Direct Elimination

(1) **Northern Ohio Division d. Washington F. C.** 2-1.

Foil: Howard Fried (N.O.) d. Horace Craig 5-2. **Epee:** William Durrett (N.O.) d. Hugh Salzburg 3-2. **Sabre:** Al Sully (W.F.C.) d. Walter Henry 5-2.

(2) **Philadelphia F.C. d. Maryland Division** 3-0.

Foil: Jack Altabel (Phila.) d. Calvert Schlick 5-3. **Epee:** Dr. Paul Makler (Phila.) d. Alan Rose 3-2. **Sabre:** Spl. Rex Dyer (Phila.) d. Bruce Reymond 5-2.

(3) **Michigan Division d. SaltusMcBurney Club** 3-0.

Foil: Cpl. Robert Derderian (Mich.) d. Martin Brandeis 5-2. **Epee:** Richard Berry (Mich.) d. Steve Stephens 3-1. **Sabre:** Fred Freiheit (Mich.) d. Wilfred Ritayik 5-3. **Byes:** **N.Y.A.C., Salle Santelli, Fencers Club.**

Semi-Finals

Direct Elimination

(1) **N.Y.A.C. d. No. Ohio Division** 2-1.

Foil: Silvio Giolito (N.Y.A.C.) d. Fried 5-2. **Epee:** Durrett (N.O.) d. Wallace Goldsmith 3-1. **Sabre:** Ralph Marson (N.Y.A.C.) d. Henry 5-3.

(2) **Salle Santelli d. Phila. F. C.** 3-0.

Foil: Albert Axelrod (S.S.) d. Altabel 5-2. **Epee:** Ralph Goldstein (S.S.) d. Makler 3-2. **Sabre:** George Worth (S.S.) d. Dyer 5-2.

(3) **Fencers Club d. Michigan** 3-0.

Foil: Nathaniel Lubell (F.C.) d. Derderian 5-2. **Epee:** Ensign. Paul Utterbach (F.C.) d. Berry 3-0. **Sabre:** Jose de Capriles (F.C.) d. Freiheit 5-3.

Final Round Robin

(1) **Salle Santelli d. Fencers Club** 3-0.

Foil: Axelrod (S.S.) d. Lubell 5-2. **Epee:** Goldstein (S.S.) d. Utterbach 3-0. **Sabre:** Worth (S.S.) d. de Capriles 5-0.

(2) **Fencers Club d. N.Y.A.C.** 2-1.

Foil: Lubell (F.C.) d. Giolito 5-1. **Epee:** Goldsmith (N.Y.A.C.) d. Utterbach 3-2. **Sabre:** de Capriles (F.C.) d. Marson 5-4.

(3) **Salle Santelli d. N.Y.A.C.** 3-0.

Foil: Axelrod (S.S.) d. Giolito 5-3. **Epee:** Goldstein (S.S.) d. Goldsmith 3-0. **Sabre:** Worth (S.S.) d. Marson 5-1.

FOIL TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP AFLA Trophy

Won by Salle Santelli

A team from the Salle Santelli, led by Albert Axelrod, won its second team title by defeating all of its opposition in a small field of 6 teams competing at the N. Y. Athletic Club on June 16th. The Fencers Club, after a first round defeat at the hands of the Washington Fencers Club, rallied to take second place, while the Philadelphia Fencers Club nosed out the Washington Fencers Club to place third.

PRELIMINARIES

(2 qualify from each pool)
POOL I.

Washington F. C. 5, Fencers Club, N. Y. 4.

Clark JOEL (W.F.C.) d. Arthur SPINGARN 5-4 and Martin SLATTERY 5-1; Maj. Thomas CARHART, U.S.A.F. (W.F.C.) d. Spingarn 5-4 and Slattery 5-3; Alphonse SULLY (W.F.C.) d. Slattery 5-3. Evan QUINN (F.C.) d. Sully 5-0, Joel 5-3 and Carhart 5-1; Spingarn (F.C.) d. Sully 5-2.

Fencers Club 6, New York A. C. 3.

Spingarn (F.C.) d. Dernel EVERY 5-3, Albert VOGT 5-4, and Paul ANDERSON 5-3; Quinn (F.C.) d. Vogt 5-1 and Anderson 5-2; Edward TREVES (F.C.) d. Vogt 5-1. Every (N.Y.A.C.) d. Quinn 5-4 and Treves 5-3; Anderson (N.Y.A.C.) d. Treves 5-4.

New York A. C. 5, Washington F. C. 4.

Every (N.Y.A.C.) d. Sully 5-2 and Carhart 5-1; Vogt (N.Y.A.C.) d. Joel 5-2 and Carhart 5-0; Anderson (N.Y.A.C.) d. Sully 5-1. Joel (W.F.C.) d. Every 5-4 and Anderson 5-1; Sully (W.F.C.) d. Vogt 5-4; Carhart (W.F.C.) d. Anderson 5-3.

Fencers Club and Washington F. C. qualified with 10 and 9 victories, while N.Y.A.C. was eliminated with 8 victories.

POOL II

Philadelphia F. C. 7, Salle de Tuscan 2.

Jack ALTABEL (P.F.C.) d. Peter YOUNG 5-3, Raymond CHAMBERS 5-3 and Harry JENSEN 5-0; Cpl. Rex Dyer, U.S.A. (P.F.C.) d. Chambers 5-1, and Jensen 5-3; Dan EDWARDS (P.F.C.) d. Chambers 5-3 and Jensen 5-3. Young (S.deT.) d. Dyer 5-0 and Edwards 5-4.

Salle Santelli 7, Salle de Tuscan 2.

Allan KWARTLER (S.S.) d. Young 5-2, Chambers 5-1 and Jensen 5-3; Albert AXELROD (S.S.) d. Chambers 5-2 and Jensen 5-0; Leonard TURK (S.S.) d. Young 5-4 and Jensen 5-0. Young (S.deT.) d. Axelrod 5-4; Chambers (S.deT.) d. Turk 5-4.

Final Round Robin

1. Salle Santelli d. Washington F. C. 7-2 (Axelrod 3-0, Kwartler 2-1, Turk 2-1; Sully 1-2, Joel 1-2, Carhart 0-3); and Philadelphia F. C. 5-2 (Axelrod 3-0, Kwartler 2-0, Turk 0-2; Altabef 1-1, Edward 1-2, Dyer 0-2).

2. Fencers Club d. Philadelphia F. C. 6-3 (Quinn 2-1, Treves 2-1, Spingarn 2-1; Dyer 2-1, Altabef 1-2, Edwards 0-3); and Washington F. C. (Spingarn 3-0, Treves 1-1, Quinn 1-1; Sully 2-1, Carhart 0-2, Edward 0-2).

3. **Match for 3rd Place** won by Philadelphia over Washington 5-4. Altabef (Ph.) d. Sully 5-2, Joel 5-2 and Carhart 5-3; Dyer (Ph.) d. Sully 5-4 and Carhart 5-2. Sully (W.F.C.) d. Edwards 5-2; Joel (W.F.C.) d. Edwards 5-2 and Dyer 5-4; Carhart (W.F.C.) d. Edwards 5-3.

4. **Championship Match:** Salle Santelli 5, Fencers Club 2.

Axelrod (S.S.) d. Treves 5-3, Slattery 5-2 and Spingarn 5-3; Kwartler (S.S.) d. Slattery 5-3; Turk (S.S.) d. Treves 5-3. Spingarn (F.C.) d. Kwartler 5-3 and Turk 5-3.

**WOMEN'S INDIVIDUAL
CHAMPIONSHIP
AFLA Trophy**

Won by Mrs. Maxine Mitchell

Fresh from her victory in the Pacific Coast Championship and her starring role in the team events, Mrs. Maxine Mitchell of the Cavaliers, who had twice placed second, captured her first national individual championship by winning 9 of her 11 bouts in the finals of the Women's Individual Championship held at the Fencers Club on June 15th. Only Janice Lee York and Madeline Dalton defeated the new champion, and then only by narrow one-point margins.

Miss York started poorly in defense of the crown she had held since 1950, losing three of her first four bouts in the final. Then she rallied to score seven consecutive victories; but by that time Mrs. Mitchell had clinched the title.

Polly Craus, Diane Millstein and Madeline Dalton tied in bouts for third place; the first two were also completely tied in touches, while Miss Dalton dropped to fifth on two touches against. In the fence-off, Miss Craus avenged a 4-3 defeat in the finals by defeating Miss Millstein, 4-2, thereby preserving Southern California's monopoly on women's national medals for the fourth consecutive year.

Forty-three girls started in the competition.

PRELIMINARIES

(3 to qualify from each pool.)

BYES: Janice Lee YORK (So. Calif.); Polly CRAUS (Faulkner Sch. of Fencing); Maxine MITCHELL (Cavaliers).

POOL I

(1) Grace ACEL (S.S.) 4-0; (2) Tony JAUCH (Fencers Club) 4-0; (3)* Carol CHRISTENSEN (Salle de Tuscan) 2-3; (4) Celia LEIGHTON (Mich.) 2-3; (5) Laura ROWSE (Goucher Coll.) 1-4; (6) Lissie NIELSEN (Wash. F.C.) 1-4.

*Christensen defeated Leighton 4-1 in the fence-off for 3rd qualifying place.

POOL II

(1) Paul SWEENEY (S. de Tuscan) 5-0; (2) Bernadine MEISLAHN (Faulkner S. F.) 4-0; (3) Betty Jean FOX (Gulf Coast) 4-1; (4) Abbie HERRING (Tri-Weapon) 3-4; (5) Julia DOERSCHUK (F.C.) 0-4; (6) Rea JUVELIER (Mid-N.Y.) 0-4; (7) Gail THOMPSON (No. Ohio) 0-4.

POOL III

(1) Diane MILLSTEIN (F.C.) 5-0; (2) Eve COHEN (S.S.) 4-0; (3) Frances CARTER (Halberstadt S.F.) 4-1; (4) Betty DEDOUSIS (S.S.) 2-3; (5) Helen SCHWARTZ (Goucher Coll.) 1-4; (6) Judy GOODRICH (Mich.) 1-4; (7) Lynn HOLBROOK (Mid-N.Y.) 0-5.

POOL IV

(1) Maria TISHMAN (F.C.) 4-1; (2) Sue THOMPSON (Univ. Club) 4-1; (3) Sallye CHAMBERS (S. de Tuscan) 4-1; (4) Harriet BREWSTER (New England) 2-3; (5) Ruth PERGANDE (Wash. F.C.) 2-3; (6) Jane BURGER (Int'l. "Y") 1-4; (7) Shirley STEIN (Mich.) 0-4.

POOL V

(1) Madeline DALTON (F.C.) 4-0; (2) Vivienne SOKOL (S.S.) 4-0; (3) Gisela TRURNIT (Tri-Weapon) 3-2; (4) Fran BRETON (W.N.Y.) 1-3; (5) Donna HILL (Mich.) 0-3; (6) Rebecca ROBINSON (N.J.) 0-4.

POOL VI

(1) Dolly FUNKE (F.C.) 5-1; (2) Marilyn JOHNSON (S. de Tuscan) 5-1; (3) Jean MADDEN (N.J.) 5-1; (4) Barbara BAXTER (So. Calif.) 3-3; (5) Penny NEWTON (Wash. F.C.) 1-4; (6) Jacquelyn CAYER (Tri-Weapon) 1-4; (7) Terry LO PRESTI (No. Texas) 0-6.

SEMI-FINALS**POOL I**

(1) YORK (So. Cal.) 6-0; (2) DALTON (F.C.) 5-1; (3) COHEN (S.S.) 4-2; (4) JAUCH (F.C.) 3-3; (5) Chambers (S. de T.) 2-4; (6) Fox (Gulf Coast) 1-5; (7) Johnson (S. de T.) 0-6.

POOL II

(1) MILLSTEIN (F.C.) 5-1; (2) CRAUS (Faulkner) 4-2; (3) SWEENEY (S. de T.) 4-2; (4) ACEL (S.S.) 4-2; (5) Trurnit (T.W.) 3-3; (6) Thompson (No. O.) 1-5; (7) Madden (N.J.) 0-6.

POOL III

(1) MITCHELL (Cav.) 5-1; (2) MEISLAHN (Faulkner) 5-1; (3) TISHMAN (F.C.) 3-3; (4) FUNKE (F.C.) 3-3; (5) Carter Halberstadt) 2-4; (6) Sokol (S.S.) 2-4; (7) Christensen (S. de T.) 1-5.

WOMEN'S FINAL

1. MITCHELL defeated Cohen 4-3, Accl 4-0, Craus 4-2, Meislahn 4-0, Fishman 4-2, Millstein 4-2, Sweeney 4-1, Funke 4-2 and Jauch 4-0. Won 9, Lost 2.

2. YORK defeated Craus 4-2, Mitchell 4-3, Dalton 4-3, Rishman 4-0, Millstein 4-2, Sweeney 4-1, Funke 4-1, and Jauch 4-2. Won 8, Lost 3.

3. CRAUS defeated Cohen 4-0, Accl 4-3, Meislahn 4-3, Dalton 4-0, Fishman 4-2, Funke 4-3, and Jauch 4-1. Won 7, Lost 4 (28-36). Defeated Millstein 4-2 in fence-off for 3rd place.

4. MILLSTEIN defeated Cohen 4-2, Accl 4-0, Craus 4-3, Fishman 4-2, Sweeney 4-1, Funke 4-1, and Jauch 4-3. Won 7, Lost 4 (28-36).

5. DALTON defeated Accl 4-1, Meislahn 4-3, Mitchell 4-3, Tishman 4-3, Millstein 4-2, Sweeney 4-0, and Jauch 4-2. Won 7, Lost 4 (30 t.r.).

6. FUNKE defeated Cohen 4-3, Meislahn 4-3, Dalton 4-2, Tishman 4-1, Sweeney 4-2, and Jauch 4-3. Won 6, Lost 5 (34-33).

7. ACEL defeated York 4-2, Cohen 4-3, Meislahn 4-2, Tishman 4-2, Funke 4-3, and Jauch 4-2. Won 6, Lost 5 (34-30).

8. MEISLAHN defeated York 4-1, Cohen 4-1, Millstein 4-2, Sweeney 4-3, and Jauch 4-3. Won 5, Lost 6.

9. COHEN defeated York 4-3, Dalton 4-1, Tishman 4-1, and Jauch 4-3. Won 4, Lost 7 (36 t.r.).

10. SWEENEY defeated Cohen 4-3, Accl 4-2, Craus 4-1 and Jauch 4-3. Won 4, Lost 7 (37 t.r.).

11. TISHMAN defeated Meislahn 4-1, Sweeney 4-2, and Jauch 4-3. Won 3, Lost 8.

12. JAUCH lost all 11 bouts.

EPEE TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP**J. Sanford Saltus Trophy****Won by Northern Ohio**

The A.F.L.A.'s most handsome silver cup, The J. Sanford Saltus Trophy emblematic of the National Epee Team Championship, left the Eastern Seaboard for the first time in many years when a fighting team from Northern Ohio outscored West Point and New Jersey in the three-cornered final round. Hero of the new champion team was Donald S. Thompson, the League's new vice-president for the Mid-West, who won two 3-0 victories in the deciding match. Second place went to the West Point Division, represented by the four members of the U. S. Olympic Modern Pentathlon Team, despite the gallant performance of New Jersey's star, Allan Maksimoski.

With positions on the Olympic epee team wide open and depending on the results of the individuals, several leading epeeists remained out of the team event. As a result, the competition was extremely close, all matches being decided by 5-4 and 5-3 scores, and all six seeded teams being beaten in the first round.

Twelve teams were entered in this championship held on June 14th at the Fencers Club.

Preliminaries (Direct Elimination)

(1) **New Jersey Division** defeated **Fencers Club** (N.Y.) 5-4.

Allan Maksimoski (N.J.) defeated Abelardo Menendez 3-1 and Tracy Jaeckel 3-2; Thomas Kennedy (N.J.) defeated Menendez 3-2, and Jaeckel 3-0; William Reda (N.J.) defeated Jaeckel 3-1. Joseph Sonnenreich (F.C.) defeated Reda 3-2, Maksimoski 3-2, and Kennedy 3-1; Menendez (F.C.) defeated Reda 3-2.

(2) **Washington Division** defeated **Kentucky Division** 5-4.

Dr. Hugh Salzburg (W) defeated Carl Burge 3-1 and William Seiller 3-2; Major T. C. Carhart (W) defeated Albert Wolff 3-0 and Seiller 3-0; Major Horace S. Craig (W) defeated Seiller 3-1. Wolff (Ky) defeated Craig 3-1 and Salzburg 3-2; Burge (Ky.) defeated Craig 3-1, and Carhart 3-2.

(3) **West Point Division** defeated **Illinois Division** 5-4.

Lt. Fred Denman (W.P.) defeated Alvin Rose 3-1 and Carl Roth 3-1; Lt. Harland Johnson (W.P.) defeated Rose 3-1 and Donald S. Thompson 3-0; Capt. Guy Troy (W.P.) defeated Roth 3-1. Thompson (Ill.) defeated Denman 3-3 and Troy 3-0; Rose (Ill.) defeated Troy 3-1; Roth (Ill.) defeated Johnson 3-0.

(4) **Saltus-McBurney Club** defeated **Philadelphia Division** 5-3.

Frank McGrath (S) defeated Dr. Paul T. Makler 3-0, and Cpl. Rex R. Dyer 3-1; Wilfred Ritayik (S) defeated Dyer 3-1 and Robert Parmacek 3-0; Steve Stephens (S) defeated Dyer 3-2.

(5) **Northern Ohio Division** won from N.Y.A.C. by default.

(6) **Maryland Division** defeated **Michigan Division** 5-4.

Al Hurwitz (Md.) defeated James Campoli 3-2 and Cpl. Robert Dederian 3-1; Allan Rose (Md.) defeated Campoli 3-2 and Dederian 3-1; Calvert Schlick (Md.) defeated Campoli 3-3. Richard Berry (Mich.) defeated Hurwitz 3-0, Rose 3-0, and Schlick 3-2; Dederian (Mich.) defeated Schlick 3-2.

Semi-Finals**(Direct Elimination)****(1) New Jersey Division defeated Washington Division 5-4.**

Maksimowski (N.J.) defeated Craig 3-0 and Salzburg 3-2; Kennedy (N.J.) defeated Craig 3-1 and Salzburg 3-0; Reda (N.J.) defeated Carhart 3-3. Carhart (W) defeated Maksimoski 3-2 and Kennedy 3-2; Craig (W) defeated Reda 3-2; Salzburg (W) defeated Reda 3-0.

(2) West Point Division defeated Saitus-McBurney Club 5-3.

Denman (W.P.) defeated Stephens 3-1, McGrath 3-2 and Ritayik 3-1; Johnson (W.P.) defeated Stephens 3-2; Lt. W. T. McArthur (W.P.) defeated Stephens 3-1. Ritayik (S) defeated Johnson 3-3 and McArthur 3-1; McGrath (S) defeated Johnson 3-1.

(3) Northern Ohio Division defeated Maryland Division 5-4.

William Durrett (N.O.) defeated Hurwitz 3-2, Rose 3-2 and Schlick 3-2; Howard Fried (N.O.) defeated Rose 3-2 and Schlick 3-1. Hurwitz (Md.) defeated Fried 3-2 and Donald S. Thompson 3-3; Rose (Md.) defeated Thompson 3-1; Schlick (Md.) defeated Thompson 3-3.

Finals**(Round Robin)****(1) West Point defeated New Jersey 5-4.**

Johnson (W.P.) defeated Reda 3-1 and Kennedy 3-0; McArthur (W.P.) defeated Reda 3-1 and Kennedy 3-2; Denman (W.P.) defeated Reda 3-1. Maksimoski (N.J.) defeated Johnson 3-2, Denman 3-2 and McArthur 3-2; Kennedy (N.J.) defeated Denman 3-1.

(2) Northern Ohio defeated New Jersey 5-4.

Fried (N.O.) defeated Maksimoski 3-1 and Kennedy 3-1; Durrett (N.O.) defeated Reda 3-1 and Kennedy 3-0; Walter Henry (N.O.) defeated Kennedy 3-1, Reda (N.J.) defeated Fried 3-1 and Henry 3-1; Maksimoski (N.J.) defeated Henry 3-3 and Durrett 3-1.

Championship Match**(3) Northern Ohio defeated West Point 5-3.**

Thompson (N.O.) defeated McArthur 3-0 and Denman 3-0; Fried (N.O.) defeated Johnson 3-1 and McArthur 3-1; Durrett (N.O.) defeated Johnson 3-1.

Johnson (W.P.) defeated Thompson 3-2; McArthur (W.P.) defeated Durrett 3-1; Denman defeated Fried 3-1.

EPEE INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIP**W. Scott O'Connor Memorial Trophy Won by Abelardo Menendez**

For the first time in history, five men finished in a tie for first place in a national championship. The fence-off, postponed to Gala Night at the Hotel Roosevelt on June 20th, resulted in another tie and when the smoke cleared, Abelardo Menendez of Cuba was the new epee champion of the United States. It was a remarkable triumph for the young Cuban, a foil finalist in the Pan American Games, who had started serious work in epee only six months ago under Rene Pinchart.

Dr. Paul T. Makler of Philadelphia made a gallant bid for the title after the more experienced American epeeists had fallen by the wayside and failed by only a single touch. Edward Vebell, 3rd place winner at the Pan American Games, finished third on a count of touches; he had led the field in the regular final and seemed to have victory in his grasp, only to have it slip away in two 3-2 defeats by Dr. Paul Moss (who finished 4th) and Norman Lewis (who finished 7th). Alfred Skrobisch, favored to win the championship fence-off on his season's record, dropped his last four bouts.

PRELIMINARIES**(3 to qualify)****Pool I**

(1) Major T. M. CARHART (Wash.) 5-1; (2) Allan ROSE (Md.) 4-2; (3) James CAMPOLI (Mich.) 4-2; (4) Jose de Capriles (FC) 3-3; (5) Lorand Marcell (SS) 2-4; (6) D. S. Thompson (No.O.) 2-4; (7) Dr. J. H. Flynn (NYAC) 1-5.

Pool II

(1) Alfred SKROBISCH (FC) 5-0; (2) Robert DERDERIAN (USAF) 4-2; (3) Ralph GOLDSTEIN (SS) 4-2; (4) Major Horace S. Craig (Wash.) 3-3; (5) C. L. Dickerson (U.Va.) 2-4; (6) Donald G. Thompson (Ill.) 1-4; (7) Joseph Bodner (Yale) 1-5.

Pool III

(1) Albert WOLFF (Ky) 5-0; (2) Howard FRIED (No.O.) 5-0; (3) Frank BAVUSO (FC) 3-3*; (4) Cpl. Rex R. Dyer (USA) 3-3; (5) Lt. Col. Wirt Corrie (Wash.) 2-4; (6) Giovanni Ughi (Italy-Ne wEngland) 1-4; (7) Leon Yulkowski (No.Calif.) 0-5. *Bavuso defeated Dyer 3-2 on fence-off for third qualifying place.

Pool IV

(1) Jack BAIRD (Gulf Coast, Texas) 5-0; James STRAUCH (FC) 5-1; (3) William LUNDEBERG (So.Calif.) 3-3*; (4) Edmund Dollinger (NYU) 3-3; (5) Edward Brennan (Conn.) 2-4; (6) Al Kunzmann Mich.) 1-4; (7) David Fisher (Conn.) 1-5. *Lundeberg defeated Dollinger 3-1 on fence-off for third place.

Pool V

(1) Edward VEBELL (FC) 6-0; (2) Richard BERRY (Mich.S.C.) 4-2*; (3) Henry KOLOWRAT (Princeton) 4-2*; (4) Kevis Kapner (SS) 4-2; (5) Lt. Harlan Johnson (West Pt.) 2-4; (6) W. T. Brown (Gulf Coast) 1-5; (7) Fred Linkmeyer (LAAC) 0-6. *Kapner lost to Berry 3-1 and Kolowrat 3-2 in fence-off for 2nd and 3rd places.

Pool VI

(1) Dr. Paul T. MAKLER (Phila.FC) 5-0; (2) Norman LEWIS (SS) 4-1; (3) Evan QUINN (FC) 4-2; (4) Alfred Hurwitz (USA) 2-4; (5) Pfc. Thad McArthur (West Pt.) 2-3; (6) Walter Henry (No.O.) 1-4; (7) Alvin Rose (Ill.) 0-5.

Pool VII

(1) Marvin METZGER (SS) 4-2; (2) Robert PARMACEK (U.ofPa.) 4-2; (3) William DURRETT (No.O.) 4-2; (4) Leon Strauss (Ill.) 3-3; (5) Lt. Fred Denman (West. Pt.) 3-3; (6) William Seiller (Ky.) 2-4; (7) Mike Detzer (Westchester) 1-5.

Pool VIII

(1) Ens. Paul W. UTTERBACK (USN) 4-1; (2) Forbes CARLISLE (Australia) 4-2; (3) Hugh SALZBURG (Wash.) 4-2; (4) Alan Ruben (U. of Pa.) 3-3; (5) Richard Wegert (Mich.) 3-3; (6) Leonard Turk (SS) 2-3; (7) Carl Roth (Ill.) 0-6.

Pool IX

(1) Dr. Paul MOSS (SS) 4-0; (2) Abelardo MENENDEZ (Cuba) 4-0; (3) Wallace GOLDSMITH (NYAC) 4-1; (4) Ira Dushoff (U. of P.) 2-3; (5) Capt. K. Troy (West Pt.) 1-4; (6) Calvert Schlick (Md.) 0-3; (7) Carl Burge (Ky.) 0-4.

SEMI-FINALS**(4 to qualify)**

Pool I. (1) Skrobisch 5-3 (13-20); (2) Menendez 5-3 (13-17); (3) Quinn 5-3 (14 t.r.); (4) Fried 5-3 (15 t.r.); (5) Salzburg 4-4 (17 t.r.); (6) Metzger 4-4 (18 t.r.); (7) Campoli 4-4 (20 t.r.); (8) Berry 3-5; (9) Baird 1-7.

Pool II. (1) Moss 6-2; (2) Makler 5-2; (3) Goldstein 5-2; (4) Strauch 5-3; (5) Wolff 4-4; (6) Rose 2-4; (7) Kolowrat 2-4; (8) Durrett 2-5; (9) Carlisle 1-6.

Pool III. (1) Lewis 6-1; (2) Bavuso 5-2; (3) Goldsmith 5-3 (15 t.r.); (4) Vebell 5-3 (18 t.r.); (5) Parmacek 4-4; (6) Utterback 3-5 (17 t.r.); (7) Lundeberg 3-5 (19 t.r.); (8) Derderian 3-5 (20 t.r.); (9) Carhart 1-7.

FINALS

1.* MENENDEZ defeated Strauch 3-1, Bavuso 3-1, Quinn 3-1, Goldstein 3-1, Goldsmith 3-0, Makler 3-2 and Fried 3-0. Won 7, Lost 4.

2.* MAKLER defeated Skrobisch 3-1, Vebell 3-2, Bavuso 3-2, Quinn 3-2, Lewis 3-2, Goldsmith 3-1, Goldsmith 3-1. Won 7, Lost 4.

3.* VEBELL defeated Skrobisch 3-2, Strauch 3-0, Menendez 3-1, Quinn 3-0, Goldstein 3-1, Goldsmith 3-2, and Fried 3-1. Won 7, Lost 4. (16 vs, 30 for).

4.* MOSS defeated Strauch 3-2, Vebell 3-2, Bavuso 3-1, Menendez 3-1, Quinn 3-0, Goldsmith 3-1, and Makler 3-1. Won 7, Lost 4. (20 vs, 27 for).

5.* SKROBISCH defeated Bavuso 3-1, Menendez 3-2, Moss 3-1, Lewis 3-0, Goldstein 3-1, Goldsmith 3-1 and Fried 3-1. Won 7, Lost 4.

6. STRAUCH defeated Skrobisch 3-2, Quinn 3-0, Goldstein 3-2, Goldsmith 3-0, Makler 3-1 and Fried 3-1. Won 6, Lost 5. (21 vs).

7. LEWIS defeated Strauch 3-1, Vebell 3-3, Menendez 3-0, Quinn 3-1, Moss 3-1 and Fried 3-2. Won 6, Lost 5. (23 vs, 25 for).

8. FRIED defeated Bavuso 3-2, Quinn 3-2, Moss 3-1, Goldstein 3-0, Goldsmith 3-1 and Makler 3-2. Won 6, Lost 5. (23 vs, 23 for).

9. GOLDSTEIN defeated Bavuso 3-1, Quinn 3-1, Moss 3-2, Lewis 3-1, and Goldsmith 3-0. Won 5, Lost 6. (23 vs).

10. BAVUSO defeated Strauch 3-2, Vebell 3-2, Quinn 3-1, Lewis 3-3 and Goldsmith 3-1. Won 5, Lost 6. (27 vs).

11. GOLDSMITH defeated Quinn 3-2 and Lewis 3-1. Won 2, Lost 9.

12. QUINN defeated Skrobisch 3-1. Won 1, Lost 10. (* Tied for first place.

FIRST FENCE-OFF

1. Menendez defeated Skrobisch 3-1, Moss 3-1 and Vebell 3-1.

2. Makler defeated Skrobisch 3-1, Moss 3-1 and Menendez 3-1.

3. Vebell defeated Skrobisch 3-2 and Makler 3-2*.

4. Moss defeated Skrobisch 3-1 and Vebell 3-1*.

5. Skrobisch lost 4 bouts.

(* Vebell placed third on touches received: 16 in final and 10 in fence-off, total 26; Moss received 20 in final and 8 in fence-off, total 28.

SECOND FENCE-OFF

Menendez defeated Makler 3-2.

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SABRE TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP**Sherman Hall Trophy
Won by Salle Santelli**

Salle Santelli's powerful sabre team, led by National Champion Dr. Tibor Nyilas, had no difficulty in regaining the title it lost to the N.Y.A.C. last year. The defending champions met a stunning defeat at the hands of a spirited Philadelphia Division trio, which finished second, and forfeited the third-place spot to the Fencers Club.

There were seven teams in this championship.

Preliminaries

1. **N.Y.A.C.**, defending champions, received a bye.

2. **Philadelphia Division 7, Michigan Division 2.**

Daniel Rubenstein, Phila., 3-0; Rex Dyer, Phila., 3-0; Robert Parmacek, Phila., 1-2. James Campoli, Mich., 1-2; Harry Jensen, Mich., 1-2; Al Kunzmann, Mich., 0-2; F. Freiheit, Mich., 0-1.

3. **Fencers Club (N.Y.) 6, Washington Fencers Club 3.**

Ham. Millard, F.C., 3-0; M. de Capriles, F.C., 2-1; Abram Cohen, F.C., 1-2. Alphonse Sully, W.F.C., 2-1; T. M. Carhart, W.F.C., 1-2; Harold Newton, W.F.C., 0-3.

4. **Salle Santelli 8, Buffalo Jewish Center 1.** Allan Kwartler, S.S., 3-0; Alex Treves, S.S., 3-0; Sol Gorlin, S.S., 2-1. Gunther Goldsmith, B.J.C., 1-2; Sidney Schwartz, B.J.C., 0-3; Anthony Buzzelli, B.J.C., 0-3.

Semi-Finals

1. **Philadelphia Division 5, N.Y.A.C. 1.** Parmacek, Phila., 2-0; Dyer, Phila., 2-0; Rubenstein, Phila., 1-1. Nicholas Muray, N.Y.A.C., 1-1; James H. Flynn, N.Y.A.C., 0-2; Rudolph Ozol, N.Y.A.C., 0-2.

2. **Salle Santelli 5, Fencers Club 1.** Dr. Tibor Nyilas, S.S., 2-0; Kwartler, S.S., 2-0; Gorlin, S.S., 1-1. Millard, F.C., 1-1; Norman C. Armitage, F.C., 0-2; Cohen, F.C., 0-2.

Finals

1. Fencers Club won third place over N.Y.A.C. by default.

2. **Salle Santelli 5, Philadelphia Division 2,** for championship.

Nyilas, S.S., defeated Rubenstein 5-1, Dyer 5-3 and Parmacek 5-4; Kwartler, S.S., defeated Rubenstein 5-2 and Parmacek 5-3. Rubenstein, Phila., defeated Treves 5-2; Dyer, Phila., defeated Treves 5-4.

INDIVIDUAL FOIL CHAMPIONSHIP**John Allaire Memorial Trophy
Won by Dr. Daniel Bukantz**

Dr. Daniel Bukantz of the Fencers Club recaptured the crown he had worn in 1949 by completing the final round-robin of 12 with only a single loss. The sole set-back was at the hands of defending champion Silvio Giolito by 5-4, but Bukantz came back to blank Neil Lazar in his final bout to clinch the title.

Nathaniel Lubell placed second with only two losses, both of which were by 5-4 scores, but he had close calls with Krieger, Giolito and Axelrod.

Lt. Harold Goldsmith placed third with an 8-3 record, and his performance was particularly impressive inasmuch as he lost 3 of his first 4 bouts by 5-1, 5-0, and 5-1, but then won seven in a row.

Silvio Giolito needed his last two bouts to place among the first six, and won both by 5-4 to tie Albert Axelrod and Byron Krieger who placed fourth and fifth on touches.

PRELIMINARIES

(3 to qualify in each pool.)

POOL I

Albert Axelrod (S.S.) d. Strauss 5-2, Chambers 5-1, Biladello 5-2, Baird 5-3, and Corrie 5-2; Lt. Charles Steinhart, USAF (F.C.) d. Strauss 5-4, Biladello 5-1, Baird 5-4 and Corrie 5-2; Leon Strauss (Univ. Club, Chicago) d. Chambers 5-2, Biladello 5-3, Baird 5-3, and Corrie 5-2; Jack Baird (Gulf Coast) d. Chambers 5-4 and Corrie 5-4; Frank Biladello (F.C.) d. Corrie 5-3; Raymond Chambers (S. de Tucson) d. Biladello 5-3; Lt. Col. Wirt Corrie, USAF (Wash. D. C.) lost all bouts.

POOL II

Jose de Capriles (F.C.) d. Quinn 5-3, Carhart 5-3 and Markowitz 5-1; Peter Young (S. de T.) d. Quinn 5-4, Carhart 5-4 and Markowitz 5-0; Herbert Spector (S.S.) d. Quinn 5-3, Carhart 5-3 and Markowitz 5-3; Maj. Thomas Carhart, USAF (Wash. D.C.), Evan Quinn (F.C.), and Harold Markowitz (U. of Pa.), lost all bouts.

POOL III

Edward Treves (F.C.) d. Kunzmann 5-2, Bayor 5-3, Menendez 5-3, Edward 5-0, and Hobson 5-2; Donald G. Thompson (Univ. Club, Chicago) d. Kunzmann 5-1, Bayor 5-4, Edwards 5-1, and Hobson 5-2; Abelardo Menendez (Cuba) d. Thompson 5-3, Kunzmann 5-4, Bayor 5-1 and Hobson 5-2; Eaton Bayor (Maryland) d. Kunzmann 5-2 and Edwards 5-1; Albert Kunzmann (Grosse Pte. Sword Club, Mich.) d. Edwards 5-2; Dan Edwards (Phila. F.C.) d. Hobson 5-2; Roddy Hobson (North Texas) d. Kunzmann 5-4.

POOL IV

Lt. Harold Goldsmith, USA (CCNY) d. Jensen 5-3, Brown 5-2, Bodner 5-0, and Orsi 5-2; William Lundeberg (Cavaliers, So. Calif.) d. Jensen 5-0, Yulkowski 5-3, Bodner 5-3, and Orsi 5-3; Leon Yulkowski (No. Calif.) d. Goldsmith 5-2, Brown 5-4, Bodner 5-4, Orsi 5-2; Anthony Orsi (N.J.) d. Bodner 5-4, Brown 5-4, and Jensen 5-1; Harvey Jensen (S. de T.) d. Yulkowski 5-2 and Bodner 5-1; William T. Brown (Gulf Coast) d. Lundeberg 5-4 and Jensen 5-3; Joseph Bodner (Yale) lost all bouts.

POOL V

Curtis Ettinger (F.C.) d. Campoli 5-1, Anderson 5-2, Spingarn 5-4, Sully 5-4, Kolowrat 5-1 and Dollinger 5-2; Arthur Spingarn (F.C.) d. Anderson 5-0, Sully 5-0, Kolowrat 5-2, and Dollinger 5-1; Paul Anderson (N.Y.A.C.) d. Campoli 5-4, Sully 5-2, Kolowrat 5-4 and Dollinger 5-4; James Campoli (Grosse Pte. Sw.) d. Spingarn 5-3; Kolowrat 5-3 and Dollinger 5-4; Al Sully (Wash. F.C.) d. Campoli 5-4 and Dollinger 5-0; Henry Kolowrat (Princeton) d. Dollinger 5-1; Edmund Dollinger (N.Y.U.) lost all bouts.

POOL VI

Clark Joel (Wash. YMCA) d. Roth 5-3, Zurenda 5-0, Marx 5-0, Berry 5-3 and Fried 5-2; Richard Berry (Mich. State) d. Turk 5-3, Roth 5-3, Zurenda 5-3, Marx 5-4 and Fried 5-0; Leonard Turke (S.S.) d. Roth 5-1, Joel 5-3, Zurenda 5-1, and Fried 5-3; Kenneth Marx d. Turk 5-3, Roth 5-4, and Fried 5-2; Carl Roth (Fencers Club, Chicago) d. Zurenda 5-4, and Fried 5-0; George Zurenda (Western N.Y.) d. Marx 5-2; Howard Fried (No. Ohio) lost all bouts.

POOL VII

Jack Altabel (Phila. F.C.) d. Surdi 5-0, Buzzelli 5-4, Derderian 5-4 and Gnaier 5-1; Edward Vebell (F.C.) d. Surdi 5-4, Seiller 5-2, Buzzelli 5-4 and Derderian 5-4; Paul Gnaier (Germany) d. Vebell 5-4, Seiller 5-1, Buzzelli 5-0 and Derderian 5-3; William Seiller (U. of Ky.) d. Buzzelli 5-3 and Derderian 5-2; Vincent Surdi (N.J.) d. Seiller 5-4 and Derderian 5-3; Anthony Buzzelli (West. N.Y.) d. Surdi 5-4; Robert Derderian (USAF) lost all.

Byes: Silvio Giolito (N.Y.A.C.); Daniel Bukantz (F.C.); Nathaniel Lubell (F.C.); Byron Krieger (S. de T.); Neil Lazar (S.S.); Leo Kellerman (F.C.).

SEMI-FINAL

(4 to enter Finals from each pool.)

POOL A

de Capriles d. Lubell 5-1, Lazar 5-3, Goldsmith 5-3, Treves 5-3, Berry 5-1, and Gnaier 5-2; Lubell d. Strauss 5-1, Anderson 5-2, Treves 5-2, Berry 5-0 and Gnaier 5-2; Lazar d. Strauss 5-2, Anderson 5-2, Goldsmith 5-2, Treves 5-3 and Gnaier 5-2; Goldsmith d. Lubell 5-4, Strauss 5-1, Andehson 5-2, Treves 5-0, and Berry 5-4; Gnaier d. Strauss 5-1, Anderson 5-1, and Goldsmith 5-4; Strauss d. Anderson 5-4, Treves 5-4, and Berry 5-4; Berry d. Lazar 5-2, and Anderson 5-2; Treves d. Gnaier 5-3; Anderson d. Treves 5-4.

POOL B

Bukantz d. Thompson 5-1, Spingarn 5-1, Spector 5-0, Yulkowski 5-0, Steinhart 5-0 and Altabel 5-2; Krieger d. Thompson 5-4, Spingarn 5-4, Spector 5-2, Yulkowski 5-2, Steinhart 5-4 and Turk 5-4; Altabel d. Krieger 5-1, Thompson 5-1, Spingarn 5-1, Spector 5-2, Yulkowski 5-1, and Turk 5-4; Steinhart d. Thompson 5-2, Spingarn 5-3, Spector 5-4, Yulkowski 5-3 and Altabel 5-3; Turk d. Bukantz 5-3, Spingarn 5-1; Spector 5-4, Yulkowski 5-3 and Steinhart 5-4; Thompson d. Turke 5-2; Yulkowski d. Thompson 5-2; Spingarn and Spector lost all bouts.

Fence-off for 4th place: Steinhart d. Turk 5-3.

POOL C

Giolito d. Young 5-3, Menendez 5-4, Ettinger 5-1, Joel 5-2, and Vebell 5-3; Kellerman d. Young 5-1, Menendez 5-2, Joel 5-2, Vebell 5-4 and Lundeberg 5-1; Axelrod d. Young 5-2, Menendez 5-3, Ettinger 5-3, Giolito 5-4 and Lundeberg 5-4; Young d. Menendez 5-1, Ettinger 5-1, Vebell 5-1 and Lundeberg 5-1; Vebell d. Axelrod 5-3, Menendez 5-4, Ettinger 5-2, and Lundeberg 5-2; Joel d. Axelrod 5-2, Young 5-3, Vebell 5-4 and Lundeberg 5-2; Menendez d. Joel 5-2 and Lundeberg 5-4; Ettinger d. Joel 5-3; Lundeberg d. Ettinger 5-3.

Fence-off for 4th place: Joel d. Young 5-4; Vebell d. Joel 5-0; Young d. Vebell 5-1. Touches received in regular pool and fence-off: Young 30, Vebell 35, Joel 40.

FINAL

1. **BUKANTZ** defeated Krieger 5-4, Lazar 5-0, Young 5-1, Axelrod 5-0, Altabel 5-3, de Capriles 5-1, Kellerman 5-4, Goldsmith 5-1, Lubell 5-4, and Steinhart 5-2. Won 10, Lost 1.

2. **LUBELL** defeated Krieger 5-4, Giolito 5-4, Young 5-2, Axelrod 5-4, Altabel 5-2, de Capriles 5-2, Kellerman 5-2, Goldsmith 5-1 and Steinhart 5-1. Won 9, Lost 2.

3. **GOLDSMITH** defeated Krieger 5-3, Lazar 5-4, Giolito 5-3, Young 5-2, Axelrod 5-3, Altabel 5-3, Kellerman 5-4, and Steinhart 5-4. Won 8, Lost 3.

4. **AXELROD** defeated Krieger 5-2, Lazar 5-2, Young 5-2, Altabel 5-1, de Capriles 5-4, Kellerman 5-3, and Steinhart 5-0. Won 7, Lost 4. (34 t.r.)

5. **KRIEGER** defeated Lazar 5-3, Giolito 5-4, Young 5-2, Altabel 5-1, de Capriles 5-4, Kellerman 5-3, and Steinhart 5-3. Won 7, Lost 4. (40 t.r.)

6. **GIOLITO** defeated Lazar 5-4, Young 5-1, Axelrod 5-3, Bukantz 5-4, de Capriles 5-4, Kellerman 5-4, and Steinhart 5-3. Won 7, Lost 4. (43 t.r.)

7. **de CAPRILES** defeated Lazar 5-4, Young 5-1, Kellerman 5-0, Goldsmith 5-0, and Steinhart 5-2. Won 5, Lost 6.

8. **KELLERMAN** defeated Lazar 5-2, Young 5-3, Altabel 5-3, and Steinhart 5-4. Won 4, Lost 7.

9. **ALTABEL** defeated Giolito 5-1, de Capriles 5-2, and Steinhart 5-3. Won 3, Lost 8. (46 t.r.)

10. **LAZAR** defeated Young 5-4, Altabel 5-1, and Lubell 5-4. Won 3, Lost 8. (49 t.r.)

11. **STEINHARDT** defeated Lazar 5-2 and Young 5-4. Won 2, Lost 9.

12. **YOUNG** defeated Altabel 5-4. Won 1, Lost 10.

SABRE INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIP Graeme M. Hammond Memorial Trophy

Won by Dr. Tibor Nyilas

Dr. Tibor Nyilas, U. S. and Pan American sabre champion, was the only 1952 champion able successfully to defend his championship, originally won in 1950. What is more remarkable, Dr. Nyilas competed while running a high fever, and his victory was an exhibition of economy of action. In the two day session, Nyilas was beaten but once, by the 1949 champion, Colonel Umberto de Martino, Military Attache of the Italian Embassy, who took runner-up honors by the margin of one touch over George Worth. Jose de Capriles and Abram Cohen threatened the leaders up to the last round of the final, but finished with Allan Kwartler in a tie for fourth place. Sol Gorlin and Alex Treves turned in creditable scores, but Norman Armitage's ninth place was the first lack-luster performance given by the veteran in more than twenty-five years of championship competition. Byron Krieger stood up well after his great effort in the foil and might have done better with a day's rest.

PRELIMINARIES

(4 qualify from each pool.)

POOL I

(1) Dr. Tibor NYILAS, Salle Santelli, 4-0; (2) Dr. James H. FLYNN, N.Y.A.C., 4-1; (3) Herbert SPECTOR, Salle Santelli, 3-2; (4) Arpad BESSERMENYI, Philadelphia F. C., 3-2; (5) Albert Kunzmann, Grosse Pte. Sword Club (Michigan), 1-4; Hans Millard, Fencers Club, 1-4; (7) Walter Henry, Northern Ohio, 1-4.

POOL II

(1) Abram COHEN, Fencer Club, 4-0; (2) George V. WORTH, Salle Santelli, 4-1; (3) Daniel RUBENSTEIN, Philadelphia F. C., 4-1; (4) Roddy HOBSON, North Texas, 3-2; (5) Lt. Col. Wirt Corrie, U.S.A.F., Wash. F. C., 1-4; (6) Gunther Goldsmith, Western N. Y., 1-4; (7) Richard Pfeil, Mich. St. Coll., 0-5, Donald G. Thompson, Univ. Club of Chicago, withdrew.

POOL III

(1) Norman C. ARMITAGE, Fencers Club, 5-0; (2) Salvatore GIAMBRA,lympic Club, San Francisco, 5-0; (3) Neil LAZAR, Salle Santelli, 4-1; (4) *Alphonse SULLY, Washington F. C., 3-4; (5) *Robert Parmacek, U. of Pa., 3-4; (6) Kenneth Marx, Faulkner S.F., Hollywood, 2-5; (7) Jack Baird, Gulf Coast, Texas, 2-5; (8) Cpl. Robert Derderian, U.S.A.F., 1-6.

*Sully defeated Parmacek 5-4 in fence-off for fourth qualifying place.

POOL IV

(1) Col. Umberto DE MARTINO, Italy, 4-0; (2) James CAMPOLI, Grosse Pte. Sword Club, Mich., 4-1; (3) Allan KWARTLER, Salle Santelli, 3-0; (4) Cpl. Rex R. DYER, U.S.A., Philadelphia F.C., 3-2; (5) Carl M. Burge, Louisville Y.M.C.A., Ky., 1-4; (6) W. T. Brown, Gulf Coast, Texas, 1-4; (7) Anthony BUZZELLI, Western N.Y., 0-5.

POOL V

(1) Jose R. DE CAPRILES, Fencers Club, 4-0; (2) Byron KRIEGER, Salle de Tuscan, Detroit, 3-0; (3) Alex TREVES, Salle Santelli, 3-0; (4) Harold NEWTON, Washington F.C., 3-2; (5) Anthony Orsi, N.J., 1-4; (6) Donald S. Thompson, No. Ohio, 1-4; (7) Lt. Peter H. Katz, U.S.A.F., Randolph A.F.B., Texas, 0-5.

POOL VI

(1) Sol GORLIN, Salle Santelli, 5-0; (2) John WESTLEY, University Club, Chicago, 4-1; (3) Nickolas MURAY, N.Y.A.M., 3-2; (4) Fred FREIHEIT, Mich. St. Coll., 3-3; (5) Kevis Kopner, Salle Santelli, 2-4; (6) Major Thomas M. Carhart, U.S.A.F., Wash. F.C., 1-4; (7) Sidney Schwartz, Western N.Y., 1-5.

SEMI-FINALS

(4 qualify from each pool)

POOL I

(1) NYILAS, 6-0; (2) DE CAPRILES, 5-1; (3) *DE MARTINO, 4-3; (4) *FREIHEIT, 4-3; (5) *Flynn, 4-3; (6) Lazar 2-4; (7) Rubenstein, 0-5; (8) Hobson 0-6.

*Flynn lost to de Martino and to Freiheit 5-4 in fence-off for third and fourth qualifying places.

POOL II

(1) WORTH, 4-0; (2) KWARTLER, 5-2; (3) COHEN, 4-1; (4) KREIGER, 4-1; (5) Murray, 1-4; (6) Dyer, 1-4; (7) Spector, 1-4; (8) Newton, 1-5.

POOL III

(1) GORLIN, 5-0; (2) ARMITAGE, 5-1; (3) WESTLEY, 5-1; (4) *TREVES, 4-3; (5) *Giambra, 4-3; (6) Sully, 0-5; (7) Campoli, 0-5; (8) Bessermenyi, 0-5.

*Treves defeated Giambra 5-3 for fourth qualifying place.

SABRE FINAL

1. NYILAS defeated Worth 5-1, Kwartler 5-2, Treves 5-3, Gorlin 5-0, Armitage 5-2, de Capriles 5-1, Cohen 5-3, Westley 5-1, Krieger 5-2 and Freiheit 5-2. Won 10, Lost 1.

2. DE MARTINO defeated Nyilas 5-2, Kwartler 5-3, Gorlin 5-1, Armitage 5-2, de Capriles 5-2, Westley 5-4, Krieger 5-1 and Freiheit 5-1. Won 8, Lost 3 (31 t.r.)

3. WORTH defeated Treves 5-1, de Martino 5-3, Armitage 5-2, de Capriles 5-2, Cohen 5-3, Westley 5-1, Krieger 5-2 and Freiheit 5-2. Won 8, Lost 3 (32 t.r.)

4. DE CAPRILES defeated Treves 5-4, Gorlin 5-1, Armitage 5-2, Cohen 5-3, Westley 5-2, Krieger 5-3 and Freiheit 5-1. Won 7, Lost 4 (36 t.r.)

5. KWARTLER defeated Worth 5-4, Gorlin 5-4, Armitage 5-1, de Capriles 5-4, Cohen 5-1, Westley 5-4 and Freiheit 5-1. Won 7, Lost 4 (39 t.r.)

6. COHEN defeated Treves 5-4, Gorlin 5-1, de Martino 5-3, Armitage 5-2, Westley 5-3, Krieger 5-4 and Freiheit 5-3. Won 7, Lost 4 (40 t.r.)

7. GORLIN defeated Worth 5-4, Treves 5-3, Armitage 5-3, Westley 5-4, Krieger 5-3, and Freiheit 5-2. Won 6, Lost 5.

8. TREVES defeated Kwartler 5-4, de Martino 5-4, Westley 5-0, Krieger 5-3, and Freiheit 5-4. Won 5, Lost 6.

9. ARMITAGE defeated Treves 5-4, Krieger 5-1 and Freiheit 5-2. Won 3, Lost 8 (47 t.r.)

10. KRIEGER defeated Kwartler 5-2, Westley 5-4 and Freiheit 5-2. Won 3, Lost 8 (48 t.r.)

11. WESTLEY defeated Armitage 5-4 and Freiheit 5-1. Won 2, Lost 9.

12. FREIHEIT lost all 11 bouts.

Pacific Coast Championships

by Fred Linkmeyer

The 1952 Pacific Coast Championships, held at Los Angeles Athletic Club May 23, 24 and 25, were by far the most successful in the long history of these events. The arrangements and organization were perfect and the beautiful program which was provided by the Los Angeles Athletic Club was appreciated by all who attended. A fine spirit of friendship and sportsmanship was very evident. Professor Anthony Greco came over from Tucson, Arizona, to present his beautiful trophy to the winning team. The final results of the Championships are as follows:

GRECO THREE WEAPON TEAM TROPHY

Won by the Southern California Team by score of 102-33. The winning team and the points scored by each were: Josef Lampl of Los Angeles Athletic Club, 36 points; Edw. Carfagno of Los Angeles Athletic Club, 34 points; Sewall Shurtz of Faulkner School, 32 points.

Open Foil for Women

Won by Faulkner School of Fencing over Halberstadt School of Fencing by score of 8-1. F. S. F. Team: Bernadine Meislahn, Polly Craus and Panchita Shafer.

Open Foil for Men

Won by Los Angeles Athletic Club over Stanford University by score of 5-1. L.A.A.C. Team: Edw. Carfagno, Josef Lampl and Torao Mori.

Open Epee

Won by Los Angeles Athletic Club over Olympic Club by score of 5-4. L.A.A.C. Team: Fred Linkmeyer, Edw. Carfagno and David Rise.

Open Sabre

Won by Los Angeles Athletic Club over Olympic Club by score of 5-1. L.A.A.C. Team: Josef Lampl, Edw. Carfagno and Torao Mori.

INDIVIDUAL EVENTS

Intermediate Foil for Women

1. Marian Comley Faulkner S.F.
2. Barbara Baxter Unattached
3. Frances Carter Halberstadt

Intermediate Foil for Men

1. Wm. Lundeberg Cavaliers (No. Calif.)
2. Clayton Williams Los Angeles A.C.
3. Daniel de la O Olympic Club

Open Foils for Women

1. Maxine Mitchell Cavaliers
2. Janice Lee York Unattached
3. Polly Craus Faulkner S.F.

Open Foil for Men

1. Edw. Carfagno Los Angeles A.C.
2. Sewall Shurtz Faulkner S.F.
3. Torao Mori Los Angeles A.C.

Intermediate Epee

1. Torao Mori Los Angeles A.C.
2. Wm. Lundeberg Cavaliers (No. Calif.)
3. S. H. Barden Los Angeles A.C.

Open Epee

1. Sewall Shurtz Faulkner S.F.
2. Edw. Carfagno Los Angeles A.C.
3. Fred Linkmeyer Los Angeles A.S.

Intermediate Sabre

1. Frank Giambra Olympic Club
2. Sewall Shurtz Faulkner S.F.
3. Ken Marx Faulkner S.F. (U.S. Army)

Open Sabre

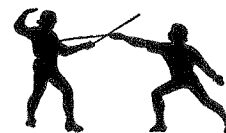
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THE MID-WEST CHAMPIONSHIPS

On May 24 and 25, in the gymnasium of Wayne University at Detroit, 60 contestants from 7 divisions held their annual gathering. The Michigan Division took the team championship and the women's team championship, followed by Northern Illinois, Kentucky and Wisconsin. Individual results follow.

Next year the championships will be held in Chicago, with Northern Illinois Division acting as host.

Men's Foil

1. James Campoli, Michigan, Grosse Pointe Sword Club.
2. Byron Krieger, Salle de Tuscan, Michigan.
3. Leon Strauss, Illinois, University Club.

Women's Foil

1. Paula Sweeney, Michigan, Salle de Tuscan.
2. Lynn Twitchell, Michigan, Michigan State College.
3. Sallye Chambers, Michigan, Salle de Tuscan.

Epee

1. Albert Wolff, Kentucky.
2. Don Thompson Jr., Illinois, Univ. Club.
3. Richard Wegert, Michigan, Grosse Pointe Sword Club.

Sabre

1. John Westley, Illinois, University Club.
2. Byron Krieger, Michigan, Salle de Tuscan.
3. James Campoli, Grosse Pointe Sword Club, Michigan.

The Shorter Your Stance, the Longer Your Lunge

Dernell Every

I don't know why it is—laziness, perhaps—but some foilsman when they advance (or retreat) do not follow with the "second" foot as far as they have advanced (or stepped backward) with the "first" foot: result, a too-wide stance. This is a fault of many of even our best foilsman. In fact, the majority of foilsman stand well on guard in good balance at the command "Fence," but after a bit of shifting back and forth their feet become spread anywhere from 6 inches to a foot too far apart.

Fifteen inches between the heels is enough for a good on guard position; eighteen inches is plenty; more is a waste of striking distance and perhaps balance.

The point of a foil is advanced in a lunge by two actions. First, there is the extension of the arm and secondly there is the lunge. The forward motion of the point which results from the lunge itself is equal to the distance the front foot advances plus a bit more which results from some forward bending of the body. Let us stop for a minute and analyze the component parts of this point-advancing sequence.

First, there is the extension of the arm. Fencers vary considerably as to arm length and the degree to which they keep their arm bent or extended, "on guard." The French School advocates a well bent arm on guard; the Italian School a more extended arm. Each position has its purpose and I do not intend to argue the advantages of either of them. I merely want to acknowledge their existence and point out that, whichever position a foilsman favors, it becomes constant with him; he does not fence some bouts one way and some bouts another. As a result, regardless of his arm length or how bent he keeps his arm when on guard, the distance he advances his foil point on any extension is always the same.

Secondly, there is the lunge. When in full lunge you have practically done a "split" except that the forward knee remains bent to provide (1) a cushion for the lunge and (2) a spring to permit a quick recovery to the "on guard" position. Insofar as its forward action is concerned the lunge is an all-out action. With each foilsman it is always the same. In other words, it too is a constant. Having already explained that the dis-

tance each fencer extends his arm in the lunge is constant to him and that the amount of split in each full lunge is a constant with each fencer, it would then seem plausible to assume that the striking distance with the point would also be a constant. **Not at all.** The striking distance of the point in the lunge depends upon how far the feet are apart at the start of the lunge. If the feet are far apart in the on guard position, the striking distance of the lunge will be short; if the feet are close together the striking distance will be long.

If the last statement is correct then the "longest" lunge would be made if the feet were the closest together they could get; in other words, if heels were touching. Ridiculous, but TRUE. Try it. It can be done. Get into the on guard position, straighten up and draw back the forward foot until the heels are touching. Lunge from this position. You do this by falling in the direction of the lunge and, as you fall, step out into the full lunge. The forward motion of your point in this action is the maximum that can be achieved by you in any lunge. It is slower to fall forward than to push forward into the lunge. The fifteen inch stance, therefore is the ideal position. It is the minimum which still permits the back leg to be bent or cocked under you to propel you forward. It gives you the maximum forward lunge with speed. It gives you good balance for a riposte and good mobility for a march or retreat as well as for a lunge.

Having purposely explained this in detail to emphasize its importance, I now urge every foilsman to check upon his own stance. Don't be surprised to find it too wide most of the time. Keep correcting it and try to gain control over this bad habit which has cost you a great many inches of reach and therefore, a great many tournaments.

And so to make a few suggestions on simple ways whereby most foilsman can improve their scores, I add one more—**shorten your stance.** Easier said than done, perhaps, for lazy habits are hard to break but try it and remember that for every inch you can comfortably shorten your stance you will add an inch to the forward reach of your foil in full lunge. There is an old saying that an inch is a lot if it is on the tip of your nose. It is also a lot if it is on the tip of your foil—and **very, very valuable.**


The book of Fencing Rules is a guide. It cannot cover every possible contingency. For instance, one fencer in electrical epee hits the floor and is immediately touched validly. The floor hit is registered by the machine and shuts off the good hit. The floor hit is not a foul and yet the rules do not award the good hit. Just another case where the book of rules cannot keep up with every possible variation.

It is a strange thing that epee which is decided entirely by time is fenced by a group of men who apparently do not seem to know that time exists. In the days of the standard epee, bouts dragged on while men inked up, cleaned their jackets or rotated slowly for inspection by the judges. Today, with the electrical epee there are similar delays for plugging in, adjusting body cords and testing. Must we await atomic epee to speed up this lackadaisical group of swordsmen?

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Foil Team Championship

Won by the Boston F.C. team composed of D. Thorndike, R. Dion and G. Pomodoro.

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1. Grace Marchant Boston F.C.
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THE OLYMPIC TEAM SELECTIONS

by Dernel Every

Secretary, U. S. Olympic Fencing Committee
Nine of the twelve members of the Olympic Fencing Committee participated in the selection of the 1952 team: N. C. Armitage, M. A. de Capriles, W. A. Dow, R. S. Driscoll, Dernel Every, G. M. Heiss, Alvar Hermanson, Tracy Jaeckel and Norman Lewis. Absent for reasons of distance were Ferard Leicester, R. C. Steere and Harold Van Buskirk. The Committee met three times during the National Championship Tournament. The announcement of the team at Gala Night brought the inevitable joy and heart-break.

The point system set up to assist the Committee in its deliberations proved very helpful in the great majority of cases; but difficult problems remained in a few instances where several fencers of comparable ability were bidding for the fifth or sixth places in a particular weapon. Among the men, due to the various weights given to six Olympic tryouts, a consistent difference of a single place would result in an advantage of 13 points; for the girls, with seven tryouts, the advantage would be 15 points. Therefore, a spread of less than 10 points among the men or 12 points among the girls was inconclusive as to relative performance, and the Committee in such cases had to rely upon qualitative factors and the collective judgment of its members to make the correct choices.

The Women's Team

The ten leading candidates for the three places on the women's team finished with the following point scores:

Janice Lee York	110*
Maxine Mitchell	99*
Polly Craus	93*
Diane Millstein	73 (Alt.)
Madeline Dalton	64
Bernadine Meislahn	61
Grace Acel	56
Dolly Funke	50
Eve Cohen	45
Maria Tishman	43

The selection of the first three girls and the alternate was subject to no argument.

The Foil Team

The point standing of the ten leading candidates for six places on the foil team was as follows:

Dr. Daniel Bukantz	95*
Nathaniel Lubell	89*
Albert Axelrod	71*
Silvio Giolito	69*
Byron Krieger	64*
Harold Goldsmith	52*
Jose de Capriles	34 (Alt.)
Dr. Leo Kellerman	24
Neil Lazar	12
Leonard Turk	12

Here again, the Committee had no difficulty in choosing the six top scorers for the team and the seventh as the alternate.

The Sabre Team

The ten leading candidates for six places in sabre finished in the following order on points:

Dr. Tibor Nyilas	98*
George Worth	88*
Jose de Capriles	69*
Norman Armitage	55*
Allan Kwartler	48*
Sol Gorlin	36 (Alt.)
Byron Krieger	33
Alex Treves	28*
John Westley	24
Abram Cohen	22

The first five places were clear; all of the remaining five men on the list were considered for the sixth spot, but the choice finally narrowed down to Gorlin or Treves, whose comparative records in five tryouts were practically identical. Gorlin's small edge on points was earned by his third place in the 1951 Nationals, which Treves did not enter due to his absence in Europe, where he participated in two World's Championships (missing the finals of one by one bout) and other events, such as the Italian University Championships (which he won). The Committee was closely divided in opinion, but finally decided on Treves for the team, with Gorlin as alternate.

The Epee Team

In epee, the point system covered the first ten places (instead of eight) in all tryouts; the twelve leading candidates for six places had the following point scores:

Alfred Skrobisch	84*
James Strauch	71*
Edward Vebell	68*
Jose de Capriles	67*
Norman Lewis	64*
Albert Wolff	52 (Alt.1)
Marvin Metzger	52
Paul Makler	50*
Ralph Goldstein	48
Paul Moss	46 (Alt.2)
Paul Utterback	33
Frank Bavuso	28

The first five places were clear. Then followed a group of five men within a range of six points, with little to choose among them. The problem was further complicated by the fact that two of them (Makler and Moss) had been in the multiple tie for the National Championship. Furthermore, Lewis had indicated the likelihood that he would be unable to make the trip for business reasons, so that the choice of the first alternate might well be tantamount to selection for the team. By a substantial majority, the Committee voted to place Makler on the team as the top-ranking American in the 1952 Championships (he had also placed 6th in 1951), and to name Wolff as a possible replacement for Lewis. The latter decision was based primarily on the strength of Wolff's game for international competition as demonstrated in the 1948 Olympics and the 1951 Pan-American Games. For the next alternate position the choice was very difficult between Goldstein, Metzger and Moss, the latter being selected largely on his steady improvement during the entire series of 1952 tryouts, culminating in his tie for the Championship.



NATIONAL EPEE TEAM CHAMPIONS

- 1906—New York A. C.: C. Bothner, Dr. G. M. Hammond, Dr. S. McCullough
1907—New York A. C.: C. Bothner, V. P. Curti, W. D. Lyon
1908—Fencers Club: G. H. Breed, W. S. O'Connor, C. T. Tatham
1909—N. Y. Turn Verein: J. Allaire, P. Benzenberg, G. Reimerr
1910—New York A. C.: W. L. Bowman, V. P. Curti, Dr. J. E. Gignoux
1911—New York A. C.: W. L. Bowman, V. P. Curti, Dr. J. E. Gignoux
1912—Fencers Club: G. H. Breed, P. J. Meilan, A. de La Poer
1913—Boston A. A.: Dr. F. W. Allen, O. D. MacLaughlin, F. Schenck
1914—New York A. C.: H. von Bleijenburgh, W. D. Bowman, Dr. J. E. Gignoux
1915—Washington F. C.: C. L. Boune, S. D. Breckinridge, J. A. MacLaughlin
1916—New York A. C.: W. L. Bowman, V. P. Curti, L. G. Nunes
1917—West Point Officers Club: G. Halsington, W. H. Wilbur, W. H. Young
1918—War
1919—New York A. C.: V. P. Curti, W. L. Gottshall, S. Pitt
1920—Boston A. A.: E. R. Gay, W. H. Russell, Dr. E. Wallen
1921—Washington F. C.: H. Breckinridge, F. W. Honeycutt, H. Rayner
1922—Fencers Club: G. H. Breed, P. J. Meylan, A. S. Lyon
1923—Wash. Square F. C.: N. Muray, D. Waldhaus, C. V. Webb
1924—Yale University: H. J. Boulton, H. H. Brown, E. P. Mengel
1925—Fencers Club: G. C. Calnan, W. H. Russell, A. P. Walker
1926—Fencers Club: H. Breckinridge, G. C. Calnan, A. P. Walker
1927—Boston A. A.: E. H. Lane, F. L. Lane, C. C. Shearn
1928—Fencers Club: G. C. Calnan, R. C. Elwell, A. P. Walker
1929—Wash. Square F. C.: F. M. Bianco, K. Inukai, P. Mijer
1930—University F. C.: M. A. de Capriles, M. Kapner, E. H. Sorenson
1931—University F. C.: J. R. de Capriles, M. A. de Capriles, M. Kapner
1932—Fencers Club: G. C. Calnan, G. M. Heiss, T. Jaeckel
1933—Fencers Club: G. M. Heiss, T. Jaeckel, M. Pasche
1934—Fencers Club: G. M. Heiss, T. Jaeckel, T. Sands
1935—Fencers Club: G. M. Heiss, T. Jaeckel, T. Sands
1936—Fencers Club: G. M. Heiss, T. Jaeckel, T. Sands
1937—Fencers Club: W. Cornett, R. Driscoll, A. Skrobisch
1938—New York A. C.: J. V. Grombach, L. G. Nunes, F. R. Weber
1939—Fencers Club: N. C. Armitage, G. M. Heiss, T. Jaeckel
1940—Salle Santelli: J. R. de Capriles, M. A. de Capriles, N. Lewis
1941—Fencers Club: R. Driscoll, G. M. Heiss, T. Jaeckel, A. Skrobisch
1942—New York A. C.: N. Muray, L. G. Nunes, H. Santos
1943 to 1946 — War — No Contests
1947—Salle Santelli: J. R. de Capriles, R. Goldstein, N. Lewis
1948—Salle Santelli: J. R. de Capriles, R. Goldstein, N. Lewis, M. Metzger
1949—Salle Santelli: J. R. de Capriles, M. Metzger, P. Mijer, P. Moss
1950—Salle Santelli: R. Goldstein, M. Metzger, N. Lewis
1951—Fencers Club: J. R. de Capriles, A. Skrobisch, J. Strauch, E. Vebell

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1929—Julia Jones, N.Y.U.; 1930—Elizabeth Ross, Cornell; 1931—Elizabeth Ross, Cornell; 1932—Dorothy Hafner, N.Y.U.; 1933—Frances Siegal, N.Y.U.; 1934—Stella Fox, Brooklyn; 1935—Madeline Dalton, Hunter; 1936—Mildred Stewart, Hunter; 1937—Mildred Stewart, Hunter; 1938—Maria Cerra, Hunter; 1939—Helena Mroczkowska, Hofstra; 1940—Maria Cerra, Hunter; 1941—Grace Acel, Cornell; 1942—Grace Acel, Cornell; 1943—Grace Acel, Cornell; 1944—Grace Uthoff, Hunter; 1945—Julia Kassell, Brooklyn; 1946—Barbara Weiss, N.Y.U.; 1947—Estelle Osher, Hunter; 1948—Diane Greenberg, N.Y.U.; 1949—Diane Greenberg, N.Y.U.; 1950—Sally Zacharewitz, N.Y.U.; 1951—Rosemary Nasce, N.Y.U.; 1952—Anne Drungis, Hunter.

Teams

1929—New York University; 1930—Cornell University; 1931—New York University; 1932—New York University; 1933—New York University; 1934—Brooklyn College; 1935—Hunter College; 1936—Hunter College; 1937—Hunter College; 1938—New York University; 1939—Hofstra College; 1940—Hunter College; 1941—Brooklyn College; 1942—N. J. State Teachers College (Jersey City); 1943—N. J. State Teachers College (Jersey City); 1944—Hunter College; 1945—Brooklyn College; 1946—Hunter College; 1947—Hunter College; 1948—Hunter College; 1949—New York University; 1950—New York University; 1951—New York University; 1952—Hunter College.

SORRY

We regret the tardiness of this issue. When we left for the Olympics we thought everything was arranged to have this copy reach you around the first week of August. Unforeseen circumstances made this impossible and upon our return from the Games we had to throw this together and rush it to the printers.

Next issue will reach you in October and will cover the Olympic Games in full.



DR. PAUL TODD MAKLER
Vice President, East Coast

TRACY JAECKEL
Foreign Secretary

Tracy Jaeckel is our Ambassador of fencing. As Foreign Secretary he is our main point of contact with the F.I.E. and the fencing organizations of other countries.

Tracy started fencing at Princeton and in 1928 he became the first Princetonian to win an Intercollegiate fencing championship. An excellent tennis player to this date, he was also on the varsity Tennis and Squash Rackets teams. Tracy has been one of our most consistent top-notch epee fencers during the past twenty years as a member of the N. Y. Fencers Club. A finalist and medalist in numerous National Championships, he was a member of the 1932 and 1936 Olympic Teams and was on the 1934 U. S. Team which defeated Great Britain. He has been a particularly effective team fencer, being on seven National Championship Epee Teams.

Our Vice-President for the East was born in Philadelphia in 1920. He attended William and Mary College and then went to the University of Penn Medical School, graduating in 1943. Subsequently he did Graduate work in Medicine at the U of P, served two years in the Army Medical Corps and entered private practice in 1950. He specializes in Internal Medicine and is on the faculty of the U of P Graduate School of Medicine. Married to Miss Hope Welsh of Philadelphia in 1943, he has four sons and lives in Merion, Penna. with his offices in Philadelphia.

Dr. Makler's fencing began in 1936 at the College of William and Mary where he captained the fencing team. In 1940 he took third place in foil and epee in the Eastern Intercollegiate Fencing Conference. Following graduation from college that year, Dr. Makler began AFLA competition in the Philadelphia Division and has won divisional championships several times in all three weapons as well as in three-weapon competition. In 1950

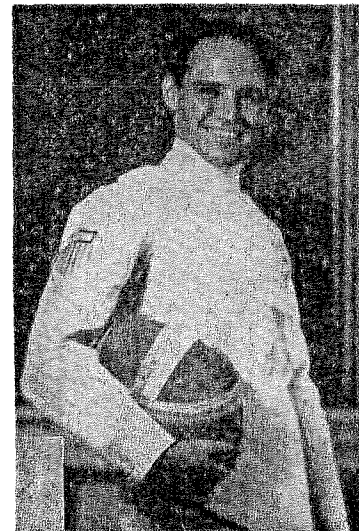
he took second place in the All Eastern Intermediate Epee competition. In 1951 he took second in both Foil and Sabre All Eastern Intermediate meets and in 1952 he won the All Eastern Intermediate Sabre Championship. His steady improvement was climaxed at the Nationals this year, where he tied twice for the epee championship and was the highest-ranking American in that weapon.

Dr. Makler first entered National Championship competition in 1950 when he was ranked tenth in foil. The next year he was ranked sixth in Epee and eighth in Sabre, thereby becoming the fourth fencer to be ranked in all three weapons since the present system of National Rankings was established.

Administratively, Dr. Makler has served as chairman of the Phila. Division of the AFLA, as President of the Phila. Fencers Club, as chairman of the Bout Committee for the All Eastern Intermediate competitions in 1952, and as a member of the bout committee for the Intercollegiate Fencing Association.

Tracy has for many years played an important role in promoting intercollegiate fencing, and is a former Treasurer of the Intercollegiate Fencing Association. An officer of the N. Y. Fencers Club, he has been on the A.F.L.A. Board of Governors several years. In 1948 he became the first American to serve on the Directoire Technique of the Olympic Games and his activities in that capacity were highly praised. Since that time American prestige in international fencing circles has enjoyed a steady growth and Tracy has been appointed to the F.I.E. Commission on Presidents and Juries. He very naturally was requested to serve on the Bout Committee for the Pan American Games last year.

Tracy is a prominent fur and fashion consultant. During World War II he served with the O.S.S. as a Special Counter Intelligence agent and was awarded the Bronze Star by General Bradley.



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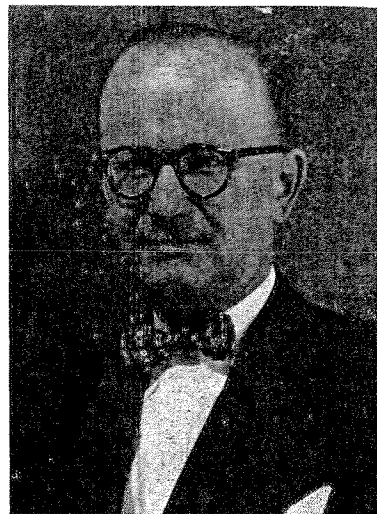
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"Rudy" started his fencing career in 1932 at M.I.T., and was varsity captain in 1936. After graduation he joined the Salle Santelli and later moved to his present club, the New York A. C. A resident of Union, New Jersey, he soon made his mark in the New Jersey Division and Metropolitan tournaments in all three weapons. A strong and respected competitor, major fencing titles have eluded him except for the National Foil Team Championship of 1946. Although

never a medalist in the National Individual Championships, he has been a finalist in both foil and sabre.

In addition to fencing, Rudy has devoted a great deal of time to golf and has gained considerable local prestige in that field. He is presently club champion of the Suburban Golf Club of New Jersey, and in 1951 he qualified to play in the National Amateur Championship—something that probably thrilled him even more than being on the 1946 National Foil Championship Team.

Rudy served overseas with the Army during World War II and is now a family man with two children, dividing his time between the golf links and fencing strips.



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