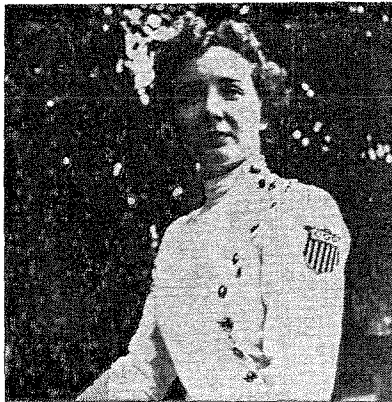


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The following additional Certificates have been issued since the list published in the 1965 issue:

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1965 WORLD JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

Rotterdam, Holland

Foil: 1. Losert, Austria; 2. Dimont, France; 3. Olexa, Czechoslovakia; 4. Czakkel, Hungary

Epee: Brodin, France; 2. Jacobson, Sweden; 3. Donin, USSR; 4. Losert, Austria

Sabre: 1. Maroth, Hungary; T. Komissarov, USSR; 3. Nagy, Hungary; 4. Nazlimov, USSR

Women: 1. Iencic, Rumania; 2. Ghiulai, Rumania; 3. Palm. Sweden; 4. Herbster, France.

Paul Etter tells of his young daughter who was watching him in the sabre final. Just before his last bout she said: "Daddy, remember how you asked me to get a good report card and how the last one I brought home showed all A's and B's?" "Yeah, sure Honey" - "Well", she continued, "how come you've got all D's on your report card on the chart on the stage?"

PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL MESSAGE

It is gratifying for me to send all fencers cordial greetings from the AFLA officers and best wishes for the 1965-66 season.

A formidable task confronts all of us in our common desire to see U.S. fencing further develop on all levels - international, national, collegiate and scholastic. To attain this objective requires the maximum effort of each fencer and each Division Officer. It cannot be accomplished solely at the national level; we in the National Office can only provide leadership and coordinate the many activities leading to the desired development of our sport.

One of the most pressing problems is the lack of adequate resources to enable us to insure greater participation in national and sectional championships, greater international exposure for our best fencers, more extensive development of fencers at the scholastic level, etc.

There recently has been considerable controversy over the national dues structure. Intelligent fencers should realize that the AFLA is a non-profit organization and the officers are charged with two main responsibilities, (1) intelligent use of available funds to benefit all fencing activities, and (2) increasing the financial strength of the AFLA to benefit and insure future development of fencing. With strict adherence to the foregoing, the question of whether the League can operate on greater or lesser funds is unimportant. As all expenditures of the League must be authorized by the Board of Directors, our concern should be that maximum benefits are derived from the use of the funds available.

To provide for greater fund raising activity I will propose a national "Fund Raising Committee" whose sole responsibility will be the solicitation of funds from business establishments and individuals. I also will propose that such funds as are received be categorized as follows: (a) Funds for day-to-day operations; (b) Funds for investment in a trust fund, the income only to be used for AFLA purposes.

In view of the possible, imminent designation of the AFLA as a tax-exempt organization by the Bureau of Internal Revenue, our

fund raising activity should be considerably simplified. Long range planning of the type described in (b) is a requisite to provide for financial security for the AFLA. While the immediate benefits from such a trust may be relatively negligible, succeeding administrations will be able to enlarge the scope of their activities as contributions and/or income increase. Complete details will be submitted to the Board of Directors and Division Officers shortly.

In this connection AFLA members should be aware of the fact that the League presently is the residual beneficiary of a \$25,000 trust from the estate of J. Brooks B. Parker of Philadelphia. When the proceeds are received they must be used exclusively in connection with international fencing competitions. Would that several such bequests existed to alleviate our problems.

I also plan to designate a "National Membership Committee" to promote membership in the League. It is requested that the Chairman of each Division designate an individual who will undertake this task on the division level, so that interchange of ideas, suggestions, etc. re membership development can be coordinated between the national and division offices.

Your National Officers would welcome suggestions or criticisms on any matters pertaining to fencing activities. Rest assured that such communications will receive prompt attention. It is requested that suggestions or critiques deal with subjects directly pertinent to League activities. All members are reminded that agendas and minutes of each Board of Directors' Meetings are sent to the Chairman of each Division. Many questions posed by League members are covered in the Board minutes which are available from your Division Chairman. The burden of correspondence, in addition to other heavy duties assumed by national officers, would be reduced considerably if questions were to be routed initially to the Division Chairman.

Norman Lewis
President

1965 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

by Charles Louis de Baumont

There was record entry of 355 fencers from 60 countries for the 1965 Championships held in Tokyo from the 1st to 12th of July. The new system for individual events appears to be a considerable improvement. After several rounds of pools the match plan for 32 competitors is compiled as before according to the indicators obtained from results in the rounds. Direct elimination then proceeds by a system of repechage so that no competitor can be eliminated until he has lost two matches. The matches, instead of 8 or 10 touches, consist of two normal bouts with a 30-second rest if required. Finally six competitors instead of four fence for the title in each pool. The ladies' champion and several finalists in the other events reached the final pool after repechage, whereas under the previous system they would have been eliminated.

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As at Tokyo, the standard of foil was disappointing, the sabre was good and, this time, the epee was outstanding. The USSR retained the men's foil and sabre team crowns but all other titles changed hands and indeed some of the outstanding winners at Tokyo failed to reach the finals.

Foil (90 entries)

1. Jean Claude Magnan, France
2. Daniel Revenu, France
3. German Svechnikov, USSR
4. Victor Poutiatine, USSR

Foil Team (14 teams)

1. USSR; 2. Poland; 3. France; 4. Hungary

Women (75 entries)

1. Galina Gorokhova, USSR
2. Orban-Szabo, Rumania
3. Valentina Proudskova, USSR
4. Maria Vicol, Rumania

Women's Team (13 teams)

1. USSR; 2. Rumania; 3. Italy; 4. Hungary

Epee (105 entries)

1. Zoltan Nemere, Hungary
2. Bill Hoskyns, Great Britain
3. Gouram Kostava, USSR
4. Jacques Brodin, France

Epee Team (19 teams)

1. France; 2. Great Britain; 3. USSR; 4. Germany

Sabre (71 entries)

1. Jerzy Pawlowski, Poland
2. Miklos Meszena, Hungary
3. Zoltan Horvath, Hungary
4. Tibor Pesza, Hungary

Sabre Team (12 teams)

1. USSR; 2. Italy; 3. France (forfeit); 4. Hungary

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1965 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

by A. John Geraci
National Bout Committee

The 1965 Championships, held in the A Student Union Ballroom, were quite successful despite smaller fields than in years past. Although a good many top fencers did not compete, all of the events were characterized by intensity of spirit.

The tournament ran smoothly under the direction of Chairman Paul Etter and his King Bout Committee - Jack Baker, John Ell, John Geraci, Bill Latzko and Art Wynn. Special commendations go to Fred Meyer and Ned Drago and their respective Organizing and Technical crews for a job well done.

A simple card system carrying the fencer's name, classification, division and club facilitated the seeding of pools the night before the event. The cards were arranged on a card rack which permitted quick rearrangement to compensate for no-show fencers. The system is recommended for future championships.

The Martini & Rossi Trophy was won by NYAC, defending titleholder, with a score of 8 points. The next four teams (see tabular at end) were Salle Csiszar (32), Salle Santelli (24), Fencers Club (23) and Salle de la Salle (17). Representatives of Martini & Rossi, a most generous supporter of our sport, presented the Trophy to the winners. However, they shared the feelings of most others regarding that negligible publicity was given to the event of national importance.

The entire UCLA public relations organization was available but inoperative because it had not been requested to act. A captive audience of several thousand was available among UCLA students, but their interest had been stimulated. No reporter or photographer from the newspapers or wire services was present during the eighth days of activity. As a result, the Nationals went both unnoticed and largely unattended.

Many events produced surprises and upsets. Russell measured up to his ability and came out strong in the foil final to win over Axelrod and Jones. But a shocker in a semi-

final barrage was the elimination of Defending Champion Herb Cohen. No less surprising was Olympian Harriet King's failure to reach the final. Joe Elliott pulled an upset in the weapon of upsets, the epee, to win the title from such former champions as Pesthy, Micahnik and Eisner. Elliott has the potential of international caliber. Other surprise finalists were young Mike Morgan of the U and P and Jeff Checkes of the Fencers Club.

Jan Romary maintained her national supremacy, finishing strongly to defend her title in a fence-off with Pilar Roldan-Giffenig of Mexico. Further indicating the strength of our southern neighbor, Dr. Cicero and Sr. Almada of the Mexican Olympic Team also fenced powerfully in their events. In the women's foil, however, the girl to watch is Carol Abby who may be ready for a berth on the 1968 Olympic Team, given additional seasoning and training to complement her indomitable will.

Alex Orban easily took the measure of the sabre field to win the title. A combination of superior technique, heavy training and emerging maturity gave Orban confidence to handle his opponents in convincing fashion. But we cannot overlook Bill Goering's heroic effort to reach the top. He fought Orban touch for touch, only to lose 5-4.

Epee team was the most hotly contested title. First place was decided by two touches against; third place by one touch. Don Margolis sprained his thumb early in the competition, keeping the Fencers Club from making the final even closer. The young Salle d'Nord team of Elliott, Block and Borack showed surprising strength, but unfortunately they have much yet to learn in sportsmanship.

There were several other glaring unsportsmanlike incidents that marred an otherwise outstanding Nationals. Several among the veteran sabremen vocalized contempt for directors' decisions. The Bout Committee had to admonish these individuals that continued misbehavior would bring suspension from further competition.

On the plus side, a system of using as many qualified directors as possible in the quarter-finals, semi-finals and, if qualified, the finals, resulted in an equitable and pleasant distribution of duties. About 10 different directors shared a rotating system of two or three bouts at any one time in the finals.

Two serious incidents concerning valid entries came to light which necessitated protracted deliberations and decisions by the Bout Committee and Jury of Appeal. The first involved Herb Cohen and delayed the start of the foil for 3 hours. The second concerned Tom Balla and interrupted the sabre for 3 hours.

The Bout Committee discovered that Cohen had not sent in his entry. He presented his case and said he failed to submit an entry due to a mental block caused by several authoritative letters received from various sources indicating the League was paying his passage and that he was expected to defend his title. He assumed he was entered as an automatic qualifier. Citing the rules for certification and entry to the Nationals, the Bout Committee voted 6-1 against allowing him to fence, referring to the rule which states "The Bout Committee has no power to amend the rules of fencing". Cohen appealed to the Jury of Appeal which voted by a large majority of some 40 persons to allow him to defend his title.

In the Balla incident, it was reported that he had not qualified from his division, nor had he received Board of Directors permission to compete from any other division. This information came to light between the first and second rounds of the individual sabre. Examination of the records showed that he was on the certified list of the Philadelphia Division although he had not been allowed to fence in the qualifying competition because he arrived an hour late for that event. The Bout Committee voted 6-0 to disqualify him. Balla appealed and stated he assumed he was an automatic qualifier because he was second in the North Atlantic Sectional Championships and that Hamori, who won, was already an automatic qualifier. The Jury of Appeal decided by one vote to allow him to continue

in the competition. Censure of the administration of the Philadelphia Division is in order for placing Balla's name on its certified list with the knowledge that he had not qualified.

The Committee met a refreshing display of honor while settling Balla's status. Mike Morgan also was not qualified from Philadelphia because he had not fenced in the qualifying competition, yet his name also appeared on the certified list from Philadelphia. When he learned of the Bout Committee's decision on Balla he voluntarily withdrew from the competition. Following the Jury of Appeal's vote on Balla, the Bout Committee, in fairness to the honorable Mike Morgan, asked him to continue in the sabre competition.

The Cohen and Balla cases will be on the agenda of the next Board of Directors Meeting.

FOIL INDIVIDUAL John Allaire Memorial Torphy

Champion: Robert Russell, Salle Santelli
2nd: Albert Axelrod, Fencers Club
3rd: Uriah Jones, Salle Santelli

Preliminaries (3 qualify)

Pool 1 - Davis, SC, 5/0; Wolf, BFC, 4/1; Benge, SCFC, 2/3; Copeland, MIT, 2/3; Baldwin, DFC, 2/3; Saucedo, Mex., 0/5.
Fence-off: Benge 1/1, 28 t.r., 25 t.s.; Copeland 1/1, 28 t.r., 23 t.s.; Baldwin 1/1, 30 t.r.
Pool 2 - Elliott, SdN, 5/0; Russell, SS, 4/1; McMahon, UP, 3/2; Schwarz, LGH, 2/3; Townsend, LIS, 1/4; Munson, UK, 0/5.
Pool 3 - Spinella, NYAC, 4/1; Checkes, NYFC, 4/1; Wiedel, Can., 3/2; Brownlee, LGH, 2/3; Morgan, UP, 1/4; Adomian, LAFA, 0/5.
Pool 4 - Bruce, DFC, 4/1; Green, PAC, 4/1; Gilman, Ill., 3/2; De Bellis, V, 2/3; Jordan, USAF, 2/3; Huguenin, DCFC, 0/5.
Pool 5 - Grafton, NYFC, 4/1; Garfagno, HU, 4/1; Fisher, SC, 3/2; Esponda, CCSF, 3/2; Bodner, MFC, 1/4; Marsh, FSF, 0/5.
Fence-off: Fisher d. Esponda 5-1.
Pool 6 - Pinchuk, BFC, 5/0; Micahnik, SC, 4/1; McKinley, TFC, 3/2; Fineman, SdN, 2/3; Mannino, SL, 0/4; Ware, USAF, 0/4.
Pool 7 - Zombolas, CFC, 5/0; Ellatif, Can., 3/2; Cicero, Mex., 3/2; Milletare, SCFC, 2/3; Sims, DYFC, 2/3; Olson, TFC, 0/5.
Pool 8 - Farrell, NYAC, 4/0; Wilson, CFC, 3/1; Williams, SCFC, 2/2; Vigil, TFC, 1/3; Kirkwood, MP, 0/4.
Pool 9 - Anger, Unatt., 3/1; Whiteman, SS, 3/1; Berger, LAFA, 3/1; Pasol, LGH, 1/3; Spalinger, JHU, 0/4.

10 - Arp, SCFC, 5/0; Small, BFC, 4/1; Guerara, ix., 3/2; Russell, Unatt., 2/3; Galway, AHS, 4; Geraci, NYFC, 0/5.

11 - Fajardo, Mex., 4/1; Murck, YU, 3/2; vera, LAFA, 3/2; Zeisig, MFC, 3/2; Dollard, C, 2/3; Forrest, CGFC, 0/5.

Fence-off: Murck and Rivera d. Zeisig.

Quarter-final (3 qualify)

1 - Elliott 4/1; Davis 4/1; Grafton 4/1; Wilson 3; Fisher 1/4; Small 0/5.

2 - Axelrod, NYFC, 5/0; Wolf 4/1; Arp 3/2; ace 1/4; Cicero 1/4; McMahan 1/4.

3 - Fajardo 4/1; Green 3/2; Spinella 3/2; iteman 3/2; Williams 2/3; McKinley 0/5.

Fence-off: Green and Spinella d. Whiteman.

4 - Jones 5/0; Carfagno 4/1; Micahnik 3/2; evara 2/3; Bengé 1/4; Farrell 0/5.

5 - Berger 4/1; Zombolas 3/2; Checkes 3/2; ick 2/3; Wiedel 2/3; Pinchuk 1/4.

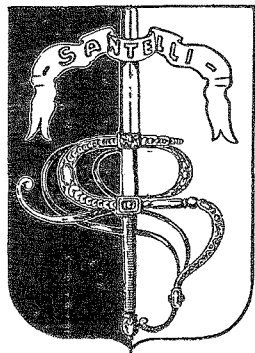
6 - Cohen, NYFC, 4/0; Anger 4/1; Russell 3/2; atif 2/3; Rivera 1/3; Gilman 0/5.

Semi-final (3 qualify)

1 - Jones 3/2; Zombolas 3/2; Anger 3/2; hen 3/2; Arp 2/3; Micahnik 1/4. **Fence-off:** nes 2/1; Zombolas 2/1; Anger 1/2, 31 t.r.; hen 1/2, 32 t.r.

2 - Axelrod 4/0; Berger 3/1; Checkes 3/1; vis 2/3; Green 1/4; Carfagno 0/4.

3 - Fajardo 4/1; Grafton 3/2; Russell 3/2; nella 2/3; Elliott 2/3; Wolf 1/4.



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WOMEN'S INDIVIDUAL

AFLA Trophy

Champion: Janice Romary, Salle Vince

2nd: Pilar Roldan, Mexico

3rd: Carol Abby, NYU

Preliminaries (3 qualify)

Pool 1 - O'Connor, SS, 4/1; Lux, CFC, 4/1; Richmond, BFC, 3/2; Arrendondo, Mexico, 3/2; Bond, WFC, 1/4; Attaway, Colo., 0/5. **Fence-off** - Richmond d. Arrendondo 4-2.

Pool 2 - La Monte, HFC, 4/1; Moore, Sel, 4/1; Holloway, PAC, 2/3; Flynn, PSU, 2/3; Sutton, Canada, 2/3; Freda, SdN, 1/4. **Fence-off** - Holloway d. Flynn 4-2, Sutton 4-0.

Pool 3 - Emr, FDU, 3/1; Abby, NYU, 3/1; Genton, Unatt., 2/2; Filerman, SdN, 1/3; Boche, Sel., 1/3.

Pool 4 - Mitchell, LAFC, 5/0; Lucero, PAC, 4/1; Melnick, PSU, 3/2; Ferretti, TT, 2/3; Cagle, UK, 1/4; Hyland, LSDA, 0/5.

Pool 5 - Brungis, SS, 4/0; Drago, SCFC, 2/2; Sauer, V. 2/2; Steinacker, 1/3; Hrabar, 1/3.

Pool 6 - Wiedel, Can. 3/1; Gardner, FSF, 3/1; Johnson, HSF, 2/2; Pareyon, Mex. 2/2; Galwey, 0/4. **Fence-off:** Johnson d. Pareyon 4-2.

Pool 7 - Gerakin, FSF, 4/0; Terhune, TT, 3/1; Mosley, SS, 2/2; Steinhauser 1/3; Stark 0/4.

Pool 8 - Mori, LAFA, 3/1; Smith, DFCF, 3/1; Miyamoto, TT, 2/2; Meyerson 2/2; Wemmers 0/4. **Fence-off:** Miyamoto d. Meyerson 4-1.

Pool 9 - Roldan, Mex. 4/0; Ford, PSTC, 3/1; Partanen, PAC, 2/2; Rose 1/3; Kriens 0/4.

Pool 10 - Linkmeyer, SCFC, 4/0; Del Moral, Mex. 2/2; Reid, SS, 2/2; Huddleson, HSF, 2/2; Gallego, TFG, 0/4. **Fence-off:** Del Moral 2/0; Reid 1/1; Huddleson 0/2.

Pool 11 - Santelli, SS, 5/0; Ichiyasu, LAFC, 4/1; Jones 2/3; Doherty 2/3; Marx 2/3; Elder 0/5. **Fence-off:** Jones d. Doherty and Marx 4-2.

Quarter-final (3 qualify)

Pool 1 - Moore 4/1; Romary 4/1; Mori 3/2; Reid 2/3; Lucero 2/3; Jones 0/5.

Pool 2 - Mitchell 5/0; Genton 3/2; Melnick 3/2; King 3/2; Ford 1/4; Del Moral 0/5. **Fence-off:** Genton and Melnick d. King.

Pool 3 - Miyamoto 4/1; Sokol 3/2; Drago 3/2; Sauer 3/2; Lux 2/3; Emr 0/5. **Fence-off:** Sokol and Drago d. Sauer.

Pool 4 - O'Connor 4/1; Terhune 4/1; Weidel 2/3; Gardner 2/3; Ichigasu 2/3; Holloway 1/4. **Fence-off:** Weidel d. Gardner and Ichiyasu.

Pool 5 - Linkmeyer 4/1; Abby 3/2; Mosley 3/2; Partanen 2/3; Gerakin 1/4; Santelli 1/4.

Pool 6 - Roldan 5/0; Drungis 4/1; Johnson 2/3; La Monte 2/3; Smith 1/4; Richmond 1/4. **Fence-off:** Johnson d. La Monte 4-1.

Semi-final (3 qualify)

Pool 1 - O'Connor 4/1; Linkmeyer 3/2; Genton 3/2; Sokol 3/2; Johnson 1/3; Mori 0/4. **Fence-off:** Linkmeyer 2/0; Genton 1/1; Sokol 0/2.

Pool 2 - Romary 4/1; Roldan 4/1; Weidel 3/2; Miyamoto 3/2; Mosley 1/4; Melnick 0/5. **Fence-off:** Weidel d. Miyamoto 4-2.

Pool 3 - Terhune 4/1; Moore 4/1; Abby 3/2; Drungis 3/2; Mitchell 1/4; Drago 0/5. **Fence-off:** Abby d. Drungis 4-1.

Final

Romary, Vince, 7/1; Roldan, Mexico, 7/1; Abby, NYU, 6/2, 17 t.r.; Linkmeyer, SCFC, 6-2, 23 t.r.; Terhune, TT, 3/5, 27 t.r., 25 t.s.; Weidel, Canada, 3/5, 27 t.r., 22 t.s.; O'Connor, SS, 2/6, 29 t.r.; Genton, Met. 2/6, 30 t.r.; Moore, Sel. 0/8.

FOIL TEAM

AFLA Trophy

Champion: Fencers Club (Axelrod, Checkes, Grafton, Margolis)

2nd: Salle Csizsar (Davis, Fisher, Micahnik)

3rd: New York AC (Eisner, Farrell, Pesthy, Spinella)

Preliminaries

Pool 1 - New York AC d. Salle D'Nord 7/2 (Spinella 3/0, Pesthy 2/1, Farrell 2/1; Elliott 2/1, Borack 0/3, Fineman 0/3).

Pannonia AC d. Salle d'Nord 5/4 (Yasuda 2/1, Green 2/1, Dollard 1/2; Elliott 3/0, Borack 1/2, Fineman 0/3).

New York AC d. Pannonia AC 6/3 (Eisner 3/0, Spinella 2/1, Pesthy 1/2; Dollard 1/2, Green 1/2, Yasuda 1/2).

Pool 2 - Fencers Club d. BFC 6/3 (Axelrod 3/0, Checkes 2/1, Grafton 1/2; Berge 2/1, Small 1/2, Wolf 0/3).

Los Angeles FA d. BFC 6/3 (Rivera 3/0, Berger 2/1, Prostick 1/2; Berge 2/1, Wolf 1/2, Small 0/3).

Fencers Club d. Los Angeles FA 6/3 (Checkes 2/1, Margolis 2/1, Axelrod 2/1; Berger 2/1, Prostick 1/2, Rivera 0/3).

Pool 3 - Salle Csizsar d. Letterman GH 9/0 (Fisher, Davis, Micahnik; Brownlee, Pasol, Schwarz).

Letterman GH d. So. California FC 5/4 (Brownlee 2/1, Schwarz 2/1, Pasol 1/2; Arp 2/1, Bengé 1/2, Goldberg 1/2).

Salle Csizsar d. Tulsa FG 8/1 (Davis 3/0, Micahnik 3/0, Fisher 2/1; Vigil 1/2, A. Olson 0/3, N. Olson 0/3).

So. California FC d. Tulsa FG 8/1 (Arp 3/0, Bengé 3/0, Goldberg 2/1; Vigil 1/2, McKinley 0/3, Classon 0/3).

Letterman GH d. Tulsa FG 8.1 (Pasol 3/0, Schwarz 3/0, Brownlee 2/1; N. Olson 1/2, A. Olson 0/3, Vigil 0/3).

Salle Csizsar d. So. California FC 7/2 (Davis 3/0, Fisher 2/1, Micahnik 2/1; Goldberg 1/2, Arp 1/2, Bengé 0/3).

Semi-final (direct elimination)

New York AC d. Los Angeles FA 5/0 (Spinella 2/0, Eisner 2/0, Farrell 1/0; Rivera 0/2, Berger 0/2, Prostick 0/1).

Fencers Club d. Letterman GH 5/1 (Axelrod 2/0, Grafton 2/0, Checkes 1/1; Schwarz 1/1; Brownlee 0/2, Pasol 0/2).

Salle Csizsar d. Pannonia AC 5/1 (Micahnik 2/0, Davis 2/0, Fisher 1/1; Green 1/1, Yasuda 0/2, Dollard 0/2).

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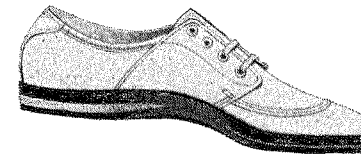
Fencers Club d. New York AC 8/1 (Axelrod 3/0, Checkes 3/0, Grafton 2/1; Eisner 1/2, Farrell 0/3, Spinella 0/3).

d. Salle Csizsar 5/4 (Axelrod 3/0, Grafton 1/2, Checkes 1/2; Davis 2/1, Micahnik 1/2, Fisher 1/2).

Salle Csizsar d. New York AC 5/4 (Davis 3/0, Fisher 1/2, Micahnik 1/2; Pesthy 2/1, Spinella 1/2, Eisner 1/2).



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EPEE INDIVIDUAL

W. Scott O'Connor Memorial Trophy

Champion: Joseph Elliott, Salle de Nord
2nd: Gil Eisner, New York AC
3rd: David Micahnik, Salle Csiszar

Preliminaries (3 qualify)

1 - Farrell, NYAC, 4/1; Schwarz, LGH, 4/1; Morgan, UP, 3/2; Berge, 2/3; Schmidt, 1/4; Joots 1/4.

2 - Micahnik, SC, 5/0; Sims, DYFC, 2/3; Paterson, Unatt., 2/3; Boucher 2/3; Barden 2/3; Kerr 2/3. **Fence-off:** Sims 3/1; Paterson 2/2, 35 t.r.; Boucher 2/2, 36 t.r.; Barden 1/3; Kerr 1/3.

3 - Weidel, Can. 4/1; Margolis, NYFC, 4/1; Borack, N, 3/2; Baldwin 2/3; Dupont 2/3; Valheim 0/5.

4 - Christie, BFC, 4/0; Elliot, N, 3/1; Checkes, NYFC, 2/2; Isakoff 1/3; Currie 0/4.

5 - Carfagno, HU, 5/0; Jordan, AF, 3/2; Almada, Mex., 3/2; Pasol 2/3; McMahan, 2/3; Pickers 0/5.

6 - Spinella, NYAC, 4/1; Pinchuk, BFC, 4/1; Menge, SCFC, 3/2; Rosenthal 2/3; Kroon 1/4; Orrest 1/4.

7 - Eisner 5/0; Fuertes, USA, 4/1; Dollard, AC, 2/3; Russell, N. Tex, 2/3; Gilman, Ill. 1/4; Wilson, Colo. 1/4. **Fence-off:** Dollard d. Russell -3.

8 - Bruce, DFC, 4/1; Block, N., 4/1; Johnson, IP, 3/2; Simonds 2/3; Pacheco 1/4; Berge 0/5.

9 - Townsend, LI, 3/1; Kirkwood, MT, 2/3; Oxcroft, Can., 2/3; A. Olson, Ariz., 2/3; Goldberg, SCFC, 1/3; **Fence-off:** Kirkwood 1/1, 21 t.r.; Foxcroft 1/1, 25 t.r.; Olson 1/1, 26 t.r.

10 - Linkmeyer, SCFC, 3/1; N. Olson, Ariz., 1/1; Geraci, NYFC, 2/2; Copeland, N. 2/2; Birchcloth, MT, 0/4. **Fence-off:** Geraci d. Copeland -3.

11 - Arp, SCFC, 3/1; Bakonyi, Can., 2/2; Cicero, Mex. 2/2; Huguenin, DCFE 2/2; Vigil, FG 1/3. **Fence-off:** Bakonyi 2/0, Cicero 1/1; Huguenin 0/2.

Quarter-final (3 qualify)

1 - Carfagno 5/0; Powell 4/1; Dollard 3/2; Borack 2/3; Bruce 1/4; Kirkwood 0/5.

2 - Pesthy 5/0; Morgan 3/1; Cicero 2/3; Block 2/3; Olson 1/4; Wiedel 1/4. **Fence-off:** Cicero d. Block 5-3.

3 - Bakonyi 3/2; Bengé 3/2; Sims 3/2; Margolis 2/3; Anger 2/3; Christie 2/3.

4 - Micahnik 4/1; Farrell 4/1; Elliot 3/2; Jordan 2/3; Geraci 1/3; Johnson 0/4.

5 - Schwarz 4/1; Checkes 4/1; Spinella 3/2; Fuertes 2/3; Foxcroft 1/4; Linkmeyer 0/5.

6 - Eisner 4/1; Peterson 3/2; Almada 2/3; Arp 2/3; Pinchuk 2/3; Townsend 2/3. **Fence-off:** Almada 3/0; Arp 2/1; Pinchuk 1/2; Townsend 1/3.

Semi-final (3 qualify)

Pool 1 - Micahnik 4/1; Cicero 3/2; Bakonyi 3/2; Farrell 3/2; Peterson 2/3; Dollard 0/5. **Fence-off:** Cicero and Bakonyi d. Farrell.

Pool 2 - Almada 4/1; Eisner 3/2; Checkes 2/3; Carfagno 2/3; Bengé 1/4; Spinella 1/4. **Fence-off:** Checkes d. Carfagno 5-4.

Pool 3 - Pesthy 4/1; Morgan 3/2; Elliott 3/2; Schwarz 2/3; Sims 2/3; Powell 1/4.

Final

Elliott, SdN, 6/2; **Eisner**, NYAC, 5/3 24 t.r.; **Micahnik**, SC 5/3, 27 t.r.; Checkes, NYFC, 5/3, 30 t.r.; Bakonyi, Can., 4/4, 29 t.r.; Morgan, UP, 4/4, 32 t.r.; Pesthy, NYAC, 3/5; Cicero, Mex., 2/6, 33 t.r.; Almada, Mex., 2/6, 35 t.r.



WOMEN'S TEAM

AFLA Trophy

Champion: Salle Santelli (Mosley, O'Connor, Reid, Santelli)

2nd: Pannonia AC (Holloway, King, Lucero, Partanen)

3rd: Salle Vince (Romary, Rose, Sauer)

Preliminaries

Pool 1 - Salle Vince d. Tulsa FG 9/0 (Sauer 3/0, Rose 3/0, Romary 3/0; Gallego, Parker, Galway). Paterson State d. Tulsa FG 7/2 (Melnick 3/0), Jones 3/0, Flynn 1/2; Gallego 1/2, Parker 1/2, Galway 0/3).

Salle Vince d. Paterson State 6/3 (Romary 3/0, Rose 2/1, Sauer 1/2; Jones 2/1, Melnick 1/2, Flynn 0/3).

Pool 2 - Faulkner SF d. Fairleigh Dickinson 8/1 (Gerakin 3/0, Gardner 3/0, Kriens 2/1; Ford 1/2, Gibb 0/3, Emr 0/3).

Halberstadt SF d. Fairleigh Dickinson 6/3 (Huddleson 3/0, Johnson 2/1, Steinhauser 1/2; Gibb 2/1, Ford 1/2, Emr 0/3).

Halberstadt SF d. Faulkner SF 6/3 (Johnson 2/1, Steinhauser 2/1, Huddleson 2/1; Gerakin 2/1, Gardiner 1/2, Mencher 0/3).

Pool 3 - So. California FC d. Selberg 5/4 (Linkmeyer 2/1, Hillyard 2/1, Drago 1/2; Moore 2/1, Boche 1/2, Meyerson 1/2).

So. California FC d. Terry Tigers 6/3 (Linkmeyer 3/0, Drago 2/1, Arp 1/2; Stegman 2/1, Miyamoto 1/2, Terhune 0/3).

Selberg d. Terry Tigers 6/3 (Moore 3/0, Boche 2/1, Myerson 1/2; Miyamoto 2/1, Ferretti 1/2, Terhune 0/3).

Semi-final (direct elimination)

Pannonia AC d. Faulkner SF 5/4 (King 3/0, Lucero 1/2, Holloway 1/2; Gerakin 2/1, Gardner 1/2, Kriens 1/2).

Salle Santelli d. Paterson State 5/1 (Santelli 2/0, O'Connor 2/0, Mosley 1/1; Melnick 1/1, Jones 0/2, Flynn 0/2).

Salle Vince d. Selberg 5/1 (Romary 2/0, Sauer 2/0, Rose 1/1; Meyerson 1/1, Moore 0/2, Boche 0/2).

Halberstadt SF d. So. California FC 5/3 (Johnson 3/0, Steinhauser 1/2, Huddleson 1/2; Linkmeyer 2/1, Drago 1/1, Hillyard 0/3).

FINAL

Salle Santelli d. Halberstadt SF 6/3 (O'Connor 3/0, Reid 2/1, Santelli 1/2; Johnson 2/1, Huddleson 1/2, Steinhauser 0/3).

d. Salle Vince 5/2 (O'Connor 2/0, Reid 2/1, Santelli 1/1; Romary 1/2, Sauer 1/1, Rose 0/2).

d. Pannonia AC 6/3 (O'Connor 3/0, Santelli 2/1, Mosley 1/2; King 2/1, Lucero 1/2, Holloway 0/3).

Pannonia AC d. Salle Vince 6/3 (King 3/0, Partanen 2/1, Holloway 1/2; Romary 1/2, Sauer 1/2, Rose 1/2).

d. Halberstadt SF 6/3 (King 3/0, Partanen 2/1, Holloway 1/2; Johnson 1/2, Steinhauser 1/2, Huddleson 1/2).

Salle Vince d. Halberstadt SF 8/1 (Romary 3/0, Rose 3/0, Sauer 2/1; Johnson 1/2, Huddleson 0/3, Steinhauser 0/3).

SABRE INDIVIDUAL

Dr. G. M. Hammond Memorial Trophy

Champion: Alex Orban, New York AC

2nd: Eugene Hamori, Salle Csiszar

3rd: William Goering, Detroit FC

Preliminaries (3 qualify)

Pool 1 - Hamori, SC, 5/0; Foxcroft, Can. 4/1; Brownlee, LGH, 3/2; Tripp, SCFC, 2/3; Russell, Unatt. 1/4; Rayser, LAAC, 0/5.

Pool 2 - Byer, SC, 4/1; Morgan, UP, 4/1; Garbatini, NYAC, 4/1; Lampl, V., 2/3; Olson, TFG, 1/4; Nonomura, HSF, 0/5.

Pool 3 - Micahnik, SC, 5/0; Goering, DFC, 4/1; Lawson, N.V., 3/2; Guevara, Mex., 2/3; Scheile, Unatt. 1/4; Grain, LGH, 0/5.

Pool 4 - Szabd, NV, 5/0; Boucher, WU, 4/1; Baker, PAC, 3/2; Pastorino, NYT, 2/3; De Bellis, V, 1/4; Sims, DYFC, 0/5.

Pool 5 - Pongo, NYAC, 5/0; Simonds, SCFC, 3/2; Geraci, NYFC, 3/2; Olson, TFG; McMahan, UP 1/4; Damus, HU, 1/4.

Pool 6 - Orban, NYAC, 4/0; Fishman, WFC, 2/2; Wertlieb, V, 2/2; Currie, TFG, 1/3; Fuertes, Unatt. 1/3.

Pool 7 - Gall, NYAC, 4/1; Borack, N, 4/1; Wilson, CFC, 3/2; Romary, V, 3/2; Cilio, NJ, 1/4; Vigil, TFG, 0/5. **Fence-off:** Wilson d. Romary 5-4.

Pool 8 - Balla, SC, 4/0; Etter, V, 3/1; Abaunza, Mex. 2/2; Theye, Tex., 1/3; Forrest, CGYC, 0/4.

Quarter-final (3 qualify)

Pool 1 - Balla 4/1, Goering 4/1; Pongo 3/2; Baker 2/3; Boucher 1/4; Wertlieb 0/5.

Pool 2 - Etter 4/1; Gall 4/1; Micahnik 4/1; Brownlee 2/3; Morgan 1/4; Geraci 0/5.

Pool 3 - Orban 5/0; Byer 3/2; Borack 3/2; Foxcroft 2/3; Abaunza 2/3; Lawson 0/5.

Pool 4 - Hamori 5/0; Garbatini 3/2; Fishman 3/2; Szabo 2/3; Wilson 2/3; Simonds 0/5.

Semi-final (3 qualify)

Pool 1 - Orban 5/0; Balla 3/2; Gall 3/2; Goering 2/3; Micahnik 2/3; Borack 0/5. **Fence-off:** Goering d. Micahnik 5-2.

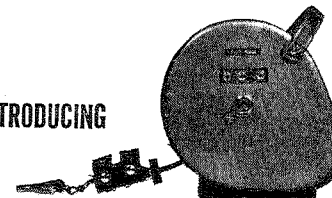
Pool 2 - Pongo 4/1; Hamori 3/1; Etter 3/2; Fishman 2/2; Byer 1/4; Garbatini 1/4.

Final

Orban, NYAC, 7/0; **Hamori**, SC, 5/2; 17 t.r.; **Goering**, DFC, 5/2, 27 t.r.; Balla, SC, 4/3; Pongo, NYAC, 3/4, 26 t.r.; Gall, NYAC 3/4, 28 t.r.; Etter 1/6; Fishman 0/7.



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EPEE TEAM

J. Sanford Saltus Trophy

Champion: Salle Csiszar (Balla, Byer, Hamori, Micahnik)

Runner-up: New York AC (Eisner, Pesthy, Powell, Spinella)

Third Place: Fencers Club (Checkes, Geraci, Grafton, Margolis)

Preliminaries

1 - So. California FC d. Pentathlon I 6/3 (Arp 0, Bengé 2/1k Goldberg 1/2; Kirkwood 2/1, rr 1/2, Johnson 0/3).

Pentathlon I d. Tulsa FG 7/2 (Kerr 3/0, Kirkwood 2/1, Johnson 2/1; Currie 2/1, Vigil 0/3, Jasson 0/3).

So. California FC d. Tulsa FG 6/2 (Goldberg 1, Bengé 2/1, Linkmeyer 2/1; Vigil 1/2, Jasson 1/2, Currie 0/3).

2 - Letterman Gen. Hosp. d. Paterson 6/2 (Schwartz 3/0, Pasol 2/1, Brownlee 1/2; Szabo 2, Celio 1/2, Lawson 0/3).

N.Y. Fencers Club d. Paterson 8/1 (Margolis 0, Geraci 3/0, Checkes 2/1; Lawson 1/2, Szabo 3, Celio 0/3).

N.Y. Fencers Club d. Letterman GH 5/3 (Margolis 2/1, Checkes 2/1, Geraci 1/2; Schwarz 1, Brownlee 1/2, Pasol 0/3).

3 - Salle Csiszar d. Pentathlon II 5/4 (Micahnik 3/0, Byer 1/2, Hamori 1/2; Walheim 1, Coots 1/2, Faircloth 1/2).

Salle d'Nord d. Pentathlon II 8/1 (Elliott 3/0, rack 3/0, Block 2/1; Coots 1/2, Faircloth 0/3, Walheim 0/3).

Salle d'Nord d. Salle Csiszar 5/3 (Block 3/0, Elliott 2/1, Borack 0/2; Micahnik 2/1, Hamori 2, Balla 0/2).

4 - Cavaliers d. Pannonia AC 7/2 (Maring 0, Lundeberg 2/1, Frazini 2/1; Dollard 1/2, Rado 1/2, Rado 0/3).

New York AC d. Pannonia AC 9/0 (Spinella 0, Pesthy 3/0, Eisner 3/0; Dollard 0/3, Yasuda 3, Rado 0/3).

New York AC d. Cavaliers 7/2 (Pesthy 3/0, Marner 2/1, Powell 2/1; Maring 1/2, Frazini 1/2, panean 0/3).

mi-final (direct elimination)

d'Nord d. Pentathlon I 5/0 (Elliott 2/0, Block 0, Borack 1/0; Kirkwood 0/2, Johnson 0/2, rr 0/1).

Varsity Club d. Cavaliers 5/3 (Margolis 2/1, Checkes 2/1, Geraci 1/1; Maring 1/2, Lundeberg 1, Frazini 1/2).

Csiszar d. So. California FC 5/4 (Micahnik 0, Hamori 2/1, Balla 0/3; Arp 2/1, Linkmeyer 2, Bengé 1/2).

New York AC d. Letterman GH 5/0 (Spinella 2/0, Marner 2/0, Eisner 1/0; Pasol 0/2, Schwarz 0/2, Brownlee 0/1).

FINAL

Salle Csiszar d. Salle d'Nord 6/3 (Hamori 3/0, Micahnik 2/1, Balla 1/2; Elliott 2/1, Borack 1/2, Block 0/3) - 29 t.r. by Csiszar.

d. Fencers Club 5/4 (Balla 2/1, Micahnik 2/1, Hamori 1/2; Checkes 2/1, Geraci 1/2, Margolis 1/2) 28 t.r. by Csiszar.

New York AC d. Fencers Club 6/3 (Pesthy 3/0, Eisner 2/1, Spinella 1/2; Margolis 1/2, Checkes 1/2, Geraci 1/2) 29 t.r. by NYAC

d. Salle Csiszar 5/4 (Pesthy 3/0, Spinella 2/1, Eisner 0/3; Hamori 2/1, Micahnik 1/2, Balla 1/2) 34 t.r. by NYAC, 38 by Csiszar.

Fencers Club d. Salle d'Nord 5/4 (Grafton 2/1, Geraci 2/1, Checkes 1/2; Elliott 2/1, Borack 1/2, Block 1/2).

Nord d. New York AC 5/4 (Elliott 2/1, Block 2/1, Borack 1/2; Pesthy 2/1, Spinella 1/2, Eisner 1/2) 34 t.r. by NYAC.

1. Salle Csiszar - 2 match victories, 15 bouts won, 95 t.r.

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4. Salle d'Nord - 1 match victory, 12 bouts won, 108 t.r.

Connecticut

by Burton Moore

Epee Open: 1. Ralph Spinella, NYAC; 2. Stuart Cohn, Unatt.; 3. Anthony Crispino, Waterbury.

Women's Open: 1. Eileen Verrier, Waterbury; 2. Beverly Cyr, Wolcott FC; 3. Karen Henstenburg, Ludlowe FC.

Sabre Open: 1. Tom Pecsvaradi, Unatt.; 2. Carl Gumbiner, Yale; 3. Steve Moyberg, Yale.

Foil Open: 1. Uriah Jones, Santelli; 2. Stuart Cohn, Unatt.; 3. Chris Murck, Yale.

Epee Championship: 1. Stuart Cohn, Unatt.; 2. Burton Moore, Norwalk FC; 3. Ralph Spinella, NYAC.

Women's Championship: 1. Elinor Spinella, Unatt.; 2. Beverly Cyr, Wolcott FC; 3. Eileen Verrier, Waterbury.

Foil Championship: 1. Uriah Jones, Santelli; 2. Ralph Spinella, NYAC; 3. Henry Powell, Met.

Women's Novice: 1. Kathy Ring, Wolcott FC; 2. Karen Henstenburg, Ludlowe FC; 3. Donna Mango, Wolcott FC.

Foil Novice: 1. Anthony Crispino, Waterbury; 2. Steve Gelgud, Waterbury; 3. Mark Ryan, Ludlowe FC.

Boy's High School Championships: 1. Ken Shailer, Croft HS; 2. Anthony Crispino, Croft HS; 3. Howard McMackin, Ludlowe HS.

Team Championship won by Croft, with Ludlowe a close second.

Girl's HS Championships: 1. Eileen Verrier, Catholic HS; 2. Robin Joseph; 3. Elinor Spinella.

Team Championship a tie between Waterbury Catholic HS and Wolcott HS.

SABRE TEAM

Sherman Hall Trophy

Champion: New York AC (Garbatini, Morales, Orban, Pongo)

2nd: Salle Csiszar (Balla, Byer, Hamori, Micahnik)

3rd: Pannonia AC (Baker, Biagini, Magay)

Preliminaries

Pool 1 - Salle Vince d. Paterson State 5/4 (Etter 3/0, Lampl 1/2, Romary 1/2; Szabo 2/1, Lawson 1/2, Celio 1/2).

Paterson State d. Tulsa FG 7/2 (Lawson 2/1, Szabo 3/4, Celio 2/1; N. Olson 1/2, A. Olson 1/2, Vigil 0/3).

Salle Csiszar d. Tulsa FC 8/1 (Balla 3/0, Hamori 3/0, Micahnik 2/1; N. Olson 1/2, Vigil 0/3, A. Olson 0/3).

Salle Csiszar d. Paterson State 6/3 (Hamori 3/0, Balla 2/1, Byers 1/2; Szabo 2/1, Lawson 1/2, Celio 0/3).

Salle Vince d. Tulsa FG 9/0 (Etter, Lampl, Wortlieb; A. Olson, N. Olson, Vigil).

Pool 2 - New York AC d. Letterman GH 7/2 (Orban 3/0, Morales 3/0, Garbatini 1/2; Wayland 1/2, Crain 1/2, Brownlee 0/3).

Pannonia AC d. FFC 9/0 (Biagini, Baker, Magay; Marsh, Cyga, Missler).

Pannonia AC d. Letterman GH 8/1 (Biagini 3/0, Magay 3/0, Baker 2/1; Wayland 1/2, Crain 0/3, Pasol 0/3).

New York AC d. FFC 8/1 (Orban 3/0, Morales 3/0, Pongo 2/1; Missler 1/2, Cyga 0/3, Marsh 0/3).

FINAL

New York d. Salle Csiszar 5/2 (Orban 2/0, Pongo 2/1, Morales 1/1; Hamori 1/1, Balla 1/2, Byer 0/2).

d. Pannonia AC 6/3 (Morales 3/0, Orban 2/1, Pongo 1/2; Magay 2/1, Biagini 1/2, Baker 0/3).

d. Salle Vince 8/1 (Morales 3/0, Garbatini 3/0, Orban 3/1; Wortlieb 1/2, Romary 0/3, Lampl 0/3).

Salle Csiszar d. Pannonia AC 5/4 (Hamori 3/0, Byer 2/1, Balla 0/3; Magay 2/1, Biagini 1/2, Baker 1/2).

d. Salle Vince 7/2 (Hamori 3/0, Balla 3/0, Micahnik 1/2; Romary 1/2, Etter 1/2, Lampl 0/3).

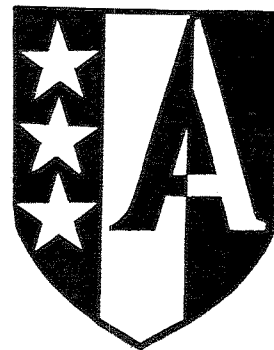
Pannonia AC d. Salle Vince 5/0 (Magay 2/0, Baker 2/0, Biagini 1/0; Etter 0/2, Lampl 0/2, Romary 0/1).

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JUST FOR THE RECORDS

by W. J. Latzko

Whenever a member joins, his name is registered on the official roles of the Amateur Fencers League of America. His address is recorded and used to send AMERICAN FENCING and other mailings to him. During the course of the year, many members of the League move from one place to another. This is particularly true of college students, who reside at school during part of the year and at home during the remainder. Each move necessitates a change in the list, in order to enable mail to reach the member. In the past, these lists were kept on addressograph plates which were maintained by mailing houses, and a duplicate list was maintained by the Recording Secretary on 3 x 5 cards. Because of the nature of such a system, changes were quite difficult to make and members missed certain mailings. Furthermore, this system cost the League almost \$1,000 a year to maintain.

Several years ago, the League was approached by the Columbia Record Club with an offer wherein the Club agreed to maintain the League's list and do their mailings. In return, the Columbia Record Club would use this list to develop statistical analyses of the length of time it takes for mail to travel to various parts of the country. Since the Columbia Record Club is a mail order house, and timing of its mailings is of importance to them, such an independent source of information is quite valuable and well worth the expenditure of maintaining the AFLA list. The League's Board saw the advantage of this arrangement to us, and unanimously approved it.

As a result of the Board's decision, the Columbia Record Club took over the list (still under the supervision of the Secretary's office), and reproduced this list on IBM cards. The IBM card system has an inherent flexibility not available in the addressograph system; consequently, it was possible even within the first few months of operation to clear out duplicates and to rapidly upgrade the list. Today it is rare for a fencer not to receive his magazine if his dues are paid and his Division secretary has promptly forwarded them to the National office. Also, in order to obtain the statistics required, the Columbia

Record Club maintains the AFLA file in a first class condition. All changes are immediately updated and registered on the file.

In addition to now having a first-class file, the AFLA benefits from this arrangement because the Columbia Record Club mails the AMERICAN FENCING magazine free of charge to the League. Such mailings, even though they are second class, still amount to several hundred dollars a year. The printer of the magazine is located in Terre Haute, Indiana, which is also the location of the Columbia Record Club, so there is no delay between the time the printer completes binding the magazine and the time that the magazine is put into the mail.

The Club undertakes to make special mailings to the fencers. For instance, at the beginning of each season the Club prints up the materials and mails a bill and a reminder to every member of the past two seasons, asking them to re-join and informing them where to send their dues. The Club has also printed and mailed, at no cost to the League, such items as ballots and proposed changes to the By-Laws. It is estimated that this service saved the League approximately \$700 last year alone.

Because of the nature of the file, which the Club converted at no cost to us, it is possible to maintain accurate records of members, locate old members when they re-join, and to have the advantage of being able to analyze some of the characteristics of League membership in general, such as how long members remain with the League, where they come from, etc.

From this arrangement the League gained a special but little known service from the Columbia Record Club, namely, the ability for a member, who expects to be at an address for a temporary period of time, to give us this information and to receive his mail at the address where he will be located at the time the mailing takes place. For instance, a college student may tell us that he will be in college from September until May and that he will be at his home address from that May until the following September. By submitting the dates and the address to

ERICAN FENCING, P. O. Box 144, Terre Haute, Indiana, his mail will be automatically directed to the address indicated at the time it is there.

The benefits of the association of the fencer and the Columbia Record Club are both tangible in the form of cost savings, intangible in the form of improved service League members. Under our agreement, there is never at any time any obligation on the fencer with regard to the Columbia Record Club.

The Columbia Record Club makes mailings to its members on a regularly scheduled basis. It is important to them that the mail be received by the member at a particular point in time, because the member of the Club must take action by a cut-off to receive the merchandise he wants. Since the mailings which the Club makes are third and fourth class, since post office service is not uniform throughout the United States with regard to class of mail, information on the delay experienced between the time of mailing and the time of receipt plays a large part in the Club's operations. For instance, from the A data it was found that an eastern searoad postal gateway was consistently slower delivery than all other gateways in the United States. This information was brought to the attention of the postal authorities, who took proper remedial action. This information is also used to determine on what day mail from that particular region should be placed into a post office, in order to reach members living in that area at a specified point in time. This type of action has a direct influence on the profit of the Club's operation, because it is necessary to obtain unbiased information, and not to disturb the Club's regular members, the Club looked about for a list of reliable respondents who are distributed throughout the United States in the same manner as the members of the Club. The Amateur Fencers League of America selected to be of an ideal size and characteristics.

When a new member of the Amateur Fencers League of America pays his dues to the Division secretary and fills out the card which gives the secretary the information, he

starts a process which puts his name on the official AFLA list. The Division Secretary forwards this information and the national portion of the dues to the Recording Secretary, who in turn forwards the information part of the Columbia Record Club's headquarters in Terre Haute, Indiana. There an IBM card is prepared for the member, which shows several things. An account number is given to the fencer prefixed by a code which indicates his team affiliation. Every known team in the United States is coded. If a new group is formed, a new code will be assigned to it. The purpose of this account number and its team identification is to allow us to locate the member rapidly, to know something about him, and also for the Club to take a sample of all members. In addition to this important information, the IBM card contains the member's name, address, division, the last year he paid, the year he joined, the type of membership under which he joined, and mail sorting codes. If a person is already a member of the Amateur Fencers League of America and none of the address information has changed, his card will be corrected to indicate the last year paid when he renews his membership.

Every other week a random sample of 1/10th of the members is taken and a questionnaire card is prepared for them. This questionnaire card is enclosed together with a blotter, a letter, and a business reply envelope. On the card are five questions, and the answer to those five questions are the basis for maintaining our relationship with the Club. The most important question is the date on which the card was received. This indicates when the card was delivered to your home. The next question asks whether or not you were home the day this card was delivered. This question is asked so that it is possible to differentiate between people who actually know on what day the card was delivered, and those who may have been away on vacation and therefore received the card when they looked into their mailbox upon their return. The third question, "How long were you away," is simply a means to gauge the probable fluctuation in delivery dates based upon the possible time period during which this card should have been delivered.

It is also possible that you may have moved. In which case the next question, "Is the address shown correct," is quite important. If the address is not correct you should correct it on the card. If the card was forwarded, the date on which you received the card is not necessarily a true delivery date. The last question dealing with the postmarked date of the post office that forwarded the card is again an attempt to gauge how much time it took for this forwarding process. This information may not always be available.

Six weeks after the first mailing took place a second mailing is made to the member. This mailing consists of a free record and again a questionnaire card identical to the questionnaire card of the initial mailing. The record is, like all other items that you receive from the Club in this manner, yours to keep free of charge with no obligation whatsoever. It is requested, however, that you return the questionnaire card. The information gleaned from this questionnaire card pays for this whole process.

The records which are sent to you in this way are surplus items which cannot be exchanged. They are yours to enjoy as a gift from the Columbia Record Club for your

assistance in this survey. They are always monophonic editions of the recording, since the monophonic record can be played on either monophonic or stereophonic record players. Sometimes when more than one member in the family is a member of the League, they will receive more than one copy of the same recording. This is not controllable without a great expense. Many League members have found that these additional records make very nice presents.

The arrangement between the Columbia Record Club and Amateur Fencers League of America, Inc. is of benefit to both. There is never at any time any obligation upon the League members, in any way, due to these mailings. However, the beneficial arrangement is supported by the strength of the response to the questionnaires. It is therefore urged that in order to continue this arrangement, which is of so much value to the League, that when you receive the Test Section questionnaires you fill them out as requested and return them in the business reply envelope that is furnished with each one of them.



Where Our Mailings Are Handled

AFLA MEMBER COUNT, AUGUST 31, 1965

Life	Active	Associate	Collegiate	Student	Total
—	—	—	—	—	—
—	—	—	—	—	—
—	10	4	5	13	32
—	—	—	1	—	1
2	69	25	52	27	175
—	113	54	75	28	270
1	27	6	39	6	79
—	—	1	7	2	10
—	20	5	10	72	107
—	2	8	1	2	13
—	—	4	—	1	5
—	13	4	10	10	37
—	5	3	2	2	12
—	16	6	11	6	39
—	—	—	—	—	—
—	11	4	9	8	32
—	8	2	14	11	35
—	1	1	2	—	4
1	28	25	16	33	103
—	3	2	15	24	44
—	1	—	2	5	8
—	5	1	18	11	35
—	4	4	22	10	40
—	17	2	8	10	37
—	16	30	15	47	108
—	19	7	34	50	110
6	73	46	70	90	285
—	3	8	—	5	16
—	36	8	42	23	109
1	6	4	7	24	42
—	48	14	57	36	155
10	25	33	114	218	400
—	3	3	—	2	8
—	—	—	—	—	—
2	28	23	13	11	77
—	14	3	1	1	19
—	22	3	23	6	54
—	—	2	4	10	16
7	22	9	40	27	105
2	15	4	1	8	30
—	14	2	12	7	35
—	—	—	—	—	—
—	13	13	9	9	44
—	24	3	20	71	118
1	16	4	4	—	25
—	4	7	—	—	11
3	14	17	43	15	92
—	7	2	1	5	15
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by Cel Castagnoli

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

(Ed Note: The tenor of the new administration is reflected in the following exchange of correspondence.)

From Richard F. Oles, Maryland

"I've been following with interest the ruckus created by Albert Manley's now-celebrated article on the AFLA. Rebuttals by individuals beg the question or become indignantly righteous but there's been no direct reply from our National Office. I am not a Manley disciple nor am I sure lowering the dues would do any good, but I do believe members deserve a decent, complete and non-condescending answer to their questions from a National Officer, and not be shrugged off or ignored. Furthermore, Messrs. Goldstein and Solomon write as if what occurs in the Metropolitan Division is typical of the country over. So they have a 58-event schedule? They should come down from their ivory tower to the peasant's country where despite all efforts the high schools won't touch fencing with a 10-foot pole, you're lucky to have 12 events a year, you don't have a choice of fencing clubs to visit every night of the week, and the news media put fencing results on a par with the jai-alai scores from Lower Popocatepetl. These two gentlemen should join us for a year to get a true insight into the problem confronting the majority of divisions. (Ed. Note: Mr. Goldstein belonged to the Miami Valley Division and Mr. Solomon was a member of the St. Louis Division where he helped establish the Midwest Section.)

I restate some of Mr. Manley's questions and add one or two of my own:

WHY is the AFLA so small?

WHY do we have an annual turnover of 50%?

WHY when smaller and poorer nations do it, can we not build a team of international caliber?

WHY, in 1963 with some \$3,000 in the International Fund and \$6,000 in Unappropriated Reserves, did we not use some of the money to send our best men to the World Championships?

WHY, with the AFLA needing money, are some 1,500 ex-members still receiving American Fencing and/or the Rules Book?

WHY are almost 1/5th of our members Associate?

WHY, after the constant complaint that the Nationals are too big and too long, hasn't this tournament been cut down by restricting it to qualifiers from the Sectional Championships?

WHY, in the expense-per-member figures for 1963-64 is there a discrepancy between Dr. Makler's figures (\$3.50) and the Treasurer's Report (\$2.50)?

These are, I think, perfectly reasonable questions."

From Norman Lewis, President of AFLA

"Thank you so much for your letter. I completely agree with you that questions directed at the National Office should receive replies. That's a minimum courtesy. I would appreciate it, however, if such questions were directed to the President of the AFLA who will then have the responsibility to reply or to see that a reply is made. (Ed Note: In other words, if you want official replies please use proper channels instead of posing questions in American Fencing.)

In direct reply to your questions - WHY is the AFLA so small and with such a large annual turnover? The size of our membership is pathetic. Probably a contributing cause is the lack of a well-organized public relations program designed to attract new members and retain existing ones. I propose to establish a Membership Committee to work on this problem and am asking the Secretary of the AFLA to furnish a list of members for the past three years so that follow-up procedures can be instituted at the National and Division level to recapture old members. In addition, we will seek out a prominent Alumnus from each college to solicit members whether or not they now fence.

Re Caliber of International Teams. From personal experience it seems that the main reasons are lack of frequent exposure to top-notch international competitions, scarcity of top-caliber coaches consistently exposed to world fencing, lack of government financial support, lack of publicity to entice athletic youths to participate in fencing, etc. (Ed. Note: In addition to Mr. Lewis the US has had one or more individual finalists in every Olympic Games from 1928 to 1960 except in

36 and has won team medals in 1920, 32 and 1948 in addition to having other alist teams in 1920, 1932, 1948, 1952, 56 and 1960.)

Re 1963 World Championships. The Board of Directors felt that such an expense is not advisable. You will note that according to the financial statement for the year ended August 31, 1962 the AFLA expended considerable funds for the 1962 World Championships and also for a U.S. Core Team to a competition in Poland. The Core Team also faced the cost of a new Rules Book, distributed in 1965.

Why ex-members receive American Fencing new Rules Book. Basically, the Board of Directors wants the widest possible distribution of American Fencing and the new Rules Book to interested fencers. It directed that a new Rules Book be sent to all non-dependent members who had paid their dues in 1964 whether or not they had joined for 65. The matter is covered in the minutes



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Why are 1/5th our members Associates. I can't answer without extensive research. Perhaps you can help from the experience in your own division.

Why are Nationals still so large. This is our only National event and convention. The Board has been reluctant to reduce its size despite frequent debates on the system you suggest. The question can be argued on either side, but thus far the feeling is for status-quo.

AFLA expenses per person. Here there is no speculation. The membership and financial reports are distributed to all divisions. The 1963-64 reports show:

Operating expenses	\$4,132
Magazine expenses	3,187
	\$7,319
No. of Members	2,767
Expense per members	\$2.65

These are facts. Presumably previous figures were based on interim reports.

I find it unnecessary to comment on your review of the Goldstein - Solomon articles. You will agree they are entitled to air their views as much as you are. As to Mr. Manley's views on AFLA "profits", I refer you to the 4th paragraph of my annual Message on page 3 of this issue. The matter of printing the Rules Book is covered in previous minutes of the Board. One fact should be stressed. Reprints are impossible. In the history of fencing we have never been able to use a reprint because rules change too frequently. The idea of a loose leaf edition was studied and discarded as too clumsy and too expensive.

In closing let me say that your background and work in and for fencing is commendable. Would that we had more devoted fencers and we would not, probably be experiencing the problems we are discussing."



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West Point

by Maj. Leon Zimmer

Foil: 1. Barney Horvath, Met; 2. Calvert Schlick, FCNJ; 3. Richard Endicott, West Point.
Epee: 1. Scott Dyller, Pat. State; 2. Calvert Schlick, FCNJ; 3. Edward Harrison, Pat. State.
Sabre: 1. Calvert Schlick, FCNJ; 2. Richard Sinnreich, West Point; 3. John Cilio, N.J.

Colorado

by Jo Sullivan

Divisional Championships -
Foil: 1. Chuck Wakefield, CFC; 2. Neil Greene, CFC; 3. Robert Schapp, CFC.
Epee: 1. Chuck Wakefield, CFC; 2. Neil Greene, CFC; 3. Tom Meschko, AFA.
Sabre: 1. Chuck Ryerson, AFA; 2. Chuck Wakefield, CFC; 3. Mel Wilson, CFC.
Women: 1. Jo Sullivan, CFC; 2. Terry Pressman, CUFC; 3. Edythe Gissing, LSd'A.
Foil Team won by Colorado FC (Wakefield, Schopp, Pratt)
Epee Team won by Colorado University FC (Clayton, Schoolman, Gallagher).
Sabre Team won by Colorado University FC (Reubens, Schoolman, Clayton).
Women's Team won by Colorado FC (Sullivan, Thomson, Skrbina).
 The Iron Man Trophy for the most bouts won during the entire season was won and retired by Chuck Wakefield who has held it for three straight years.

No. California

by Alice Partanen

Division Championships:
Sabre: 1. J. Baker, PAC; 2. L. Brownlee, LGH; 3. S. Pasol, LGH
Sabre Team won by Pannonia AC (Baker, Biagini, Magay)
Women: 1. H. King, PAC; 2. T. Angell, PAC; 3. D. Holloway, PAC
Women's Team won by Pannonia AC (Angell, Holloway, King)
Epee: 1. K. Christe, BFC; 2. P. Schwarz, LGH; 3. S. Pasol, LGH
Epee Team won by Berkeley FC (Berge, Christe, Pavlath, Resch)
Foil: 1. G. Esponda, CCSF; 2. J. Green, PAC; 3. F. Marki, PAC
Foil Team won by Letterman GH (Brownlee, Pasol, Schwarz)

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Women: 1. T. Angell, PAC; 2. H. King, PAC; 3. D. Holloway, PAC
Women's Team won by Pannonia AC (Angell, Holloway, King, Lucero)
Epee: 1. K. Christe, BFC; 2. H. Arp, SCFC; 3. J. Elliott, SdN
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