

NAVAL FENCERS LEAD FOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

Columbia and Cornell Fight for Second Place.

WEST POINT'S POOR SHOWING

Intercollegiate Tournament of the Seven Teams Will End To-day at New York Athletic Club.

At the close of the first night's competition in the intercollegiate fencing championship tournament, which began last night in the gymnasium of the New York Athletic Club, the team from the Naval Academy at Annapolis had secured a big lead. Out of the eighteen bouts fenced by the team its members scored sixteen victories, only suffering two defeats. The Navy and Columbia were the only teams to finish their quota of contests for the evening, and after a strong fight the Columbia men stood second in the evening's results, with ten victories to eight defeats.

The West Point cadets, with two unfinished bouts, earned 7 victories to 9 defeats. Cornell, with three unfinished bouts, pushed Columbia hard for second honors, for her record was 9 victories to 6 defeats. Yale only succeeded in winning 2 bouts out of 17, Harvard won 7 out of 13, while the University of Pennsylvania won 4 and had 9 defeats.

These seven teams were all represented by their best swordsmen, foils only being used, and as each team of three has to fence fifty-four bouts the contest will not be finished until late to-night, and it will be necessary to fence this afternoon in order to conclude the tournament during the day.

The surprise of the night was the mediocre showing made by the championship holders from West Point. For the last two years the army cadets have held the intercollegiate team championship. Their team has been weakened this year, Barber being the only one left from last year's squad. He and Williford, however, the latter a left-handed fencer, did excellent work. Pitou and Lage, the leaders on the Columbia team, both defeated Barber, while Kehrlein of Columbia beat Williford and Humphreys, the third men on the West Point team.

A. Sharp of the naval team carried off the individual honors of the evening, for in the large number of bouts that he fenced he was not once defeated. The other Annapolis men, Dichman and Knox, were defeated once, the former being beaten by Fleischer of the University of Pennsylvania, while Frick of the University of Pennsylvania defeated Knox. These victories for the Quakers were among the unlooked-for things, as the Pennsylvania team was by no means a strong one.

Pino and Delcassé did some excellent work for Cornell. Delcassé is also a left-handed fencer, but he showed quickness and cool judgment in most of his bouts. It was a peculiar fact that both of the left-handed fencers, Delcassé and Williford, were among the most agile, aggressive combatants, quick to take every advantage, and defending themselves with skill. The teams are:

Yale—Louis L. deV. Mores, C. L. Lawrence, A. Mendoza.

Cornell—G. Delcasse, F. F. Pino, H. Heckheimer.

University of Pennsylvania—H. O. Frick, L. M. Fleischer, H. Scott.

West Point—F. E. Williford, A. B. Barber, F. E. Humphreys.

Harvard—R. L. Earle, A. Tyng, W. MacLeod.

Columbia—E. Pitou, F. Lage, O. Kehrlein.

Annapolis—A. Sharp, H. G. Knox, G. C. Dichman.

The results of the bouts follow:

Knox, Harvard, beat Lawrence, Yale; Pitou, Columbia, beat MacLeod, Harvard; Williford, West Point, beat Pino, Columbia; Dichman, Annapolis, beat De Mores, Yale; Lage, Columbia, beat Tyng, Harvard; Heckheimer, Cornell, beat Humphreys, West Point; Sharp, Annapolis, beat Mendoza, Yale; Barber, West Point, beat Delcasse, Cornell; Knox, Annapolis, beat De Mores, Yale; Earle, Harvard, beat Kehrlein, Columbia; Williford, West Point, beat Heckheimer, Cornell; Dichman, Annapolis, beat Mendoza, Yale; Lage, Columbia, beat MacLeod, Harvard; Sharp, Annapolis, beat Lawrence, Yale; Tyng, Harvard, beat Lawrence, Yale; Tyng, Harvard, beat Kehrlein, Columbia; Williford, West Point, beat Delcasse, Cornell; Knox, Annapolis, beat Mendoza, Yale; Earle, Harvard, beat Pitou, Columbia; Pino, Cornell, beat Barber, West Point; Dichman, Annapolis, beat Lawrence, Yale; Knox, Annapolis, beat Fleischer, Penn.; Sharp, Annapolis, beat De Mores, Yale; MacLeod, Harvard, beat Kehrlein, Columbia; Dichman, Annapolis, beat Frick, Penn.; Sharp, Annapolis, beat Scott, Penn.; Tyng, Harvard, beat Pitou, Columbia; Lage, Columbia, beat Earle, Harvard; Fleischer, Penn., beat Dichman, Annapolis; Heckheimer, Cornell, beat Mendoza, Yale; Sharp, Annapolis, beat Frick, Penn.; Pitou, Columbia, beat Barber, West Point; Knox, Annapolis, beat Scott, Penn.; Delcasse, Cornell, beat De Mores, Yale; Lage, Columbia, beat Williford, West Point; Sharp, Annapolis, beat Fleischer, Penn.; Kehrlein, Columbia, beat Humphreys, West Point; Dichman, Annapolis, beat Scott, Penn.; Heckheimer, Cornell, beat De Mores, Yale; Williford, West Point, beat Pitou, Columbia; Frick, Penn., beat Knox, Annapolis.

Lawrence, Yale, beat Delcasse, Cornell; Lawrence, Yale, beat Humphreys, West Point; Pino, Cornell, beat De Mores, Yale; Barber, West Point, beat Kehrlein, Columbia; Lawrence, Yale, beat Heckheimer, Cornell; Fleischer, Penn., beat MacLeod, Harvard; Humphreys, West Point, beat Pitou, Columbia; Delcasse, Cornell, beat Mendoza, Yale; Earle, Harvard, beat Frick, Penn.; Lage, Columbia, beat Barber, West Point; MacLeod, Harvard, beat Scott, Penn.; Kehrlein, Columbia, beat Williford, West Point; Fleischer, Penn., beat Earle, Harvard.

The judges were:

W. P. Helntz, New York A. C.; Dr. M. J. Echeverria, New York A. C.; W. T. Lawson, New York A. C.; Charles G. Bothner, New York A. C.; Fitz Hugh Townsend, Fencers' Club; Atherton Brownell, Boston A. A.; John Allaire, New York Turn Verein; Charles Tatham, Fencers' Club; W. Scott O'Connor, Fencers' Club; Charles E. Goodhue, New York A. C.; B. F. O'Connor, New York A. C.