

# BLOOMER CAPTURES FOILS TITLE, 9 TO 1

Columbia Star Takes Intercollegiate Honors—Calloway of Navy Wins With Epee.

## CLARKE SABRE CHAMPION

Also Helps Army Team Win With That Weapon—Harvard Scores With Foils and Navy With Epee.

The 1924 intercollegiate fencing championships, both team and individual, with all three weapons, foil, épée and sabre, were decided last night in the grand ballroom of the Hotel Astor before one of the largest crowds that ever witnessed the annual events. The spacious room where the bouts were held was packed to its capacity. Row upon row of chairs surrounded the two strips on which the bouts were conducted and every seat was occupied, while other enthusiastic witnesses stood around the walls or watched the duels from the boxes above.

Harold Bloomer of Columbia captured the individual foils title with a truly brilliant display of swordsmanship. Charles Calloway of the United States Naval Academy carried off the individual honors with the dueling sword, winning every bout in which he engaged with splendid handling of his blade, while Cadet Francis Clarke of the United States Military Academy carried off the individual sabre crown, having secured the title through his victories on Thursday. Harvard won the famous Iron Man, emblematic of the foils championship; the Army carried off the sabre team title and the Navy team was victorious in the épée events, losing only one bout and winning fifteen. The three-weapon trophy also was captured by the Navy, which scored its points by taking first place with the dueling sword, second with the sabre and fourth with the foils.

Both the foil and sabre team championships resulted in ties, and Harvard and Columbia had to fence off for the foil title, while Army and Navy were forced to fight it out for first place with the sabres.

The final standing of the foil team matches was as follows:

	Bouts Won.	Bouts Lost.
Harvard .....	27	18
Columbia .....	27	18
Yale .....	23	22
Navy .....	21	24
Army .....	18	27
Hamilton .....	18	27

### Bloomer Puts Team Ahead.

The Columbia and Harvard fencers were called back to the mat to fence off for the foils championship. Bloomer put his team in the lead by defeating Fleer of Harvard, but E. H. Lane, one of the famous brothers who carried the Crimson colors nearly single handed, put his team on even terms by defeating Fuertes of Columbia and then sent Harvard ahead, with two bouts to one, by defeating Block. Fuertes again tied the score for Columbia, outfencing Fleer, but E. L. Lane, who had been suffering from a dislocated hip, came onto the mat and swept to victory over both Block and Fuertes, and when his brother, E. H. Lane, followed this up with a triumph over Bloomer the championship was clinched for Harvard and Columbia had to be satisfied with second honors.

When the scheduled team matches in the sabre events had been completed the teams stood as follows:

	W.	L.
Army .....	8	4
Navy .....	8	4
Yale .....	5	7
Hamilton .....	3	9

The Army won the fence-off and the title in three straight bouts, Clarke, the individual champion, defeating Woodyard, 5-1, and Rhamstein, 5-2, while Moore of the Army conquered Rhamstein, 5-2. The two Army swordsmen came through these matches in a manner that indicated they were determined to carry off the title from their ancient foe from Annapolis. Clarke was especially brilliant, attacking with vigor and confidence and driving his opponents down the mat with his agile thrusts. Clarke's work with the sabre, both in the individual and team bouts, was one of the finest features of the championships.

The Navy epee team, composed of Charles Calloway and Floyd Fletcher, both from the South, was the only one to take a championship in a clean-cut manner. The two midshipmen showed with equal brilliance. Although Calloway won the individual title and Fletcher finished third after a triple tie had resulted between him and the two Army contestants, Hains and Haskell, the one defeat by the Navy team was charged to Calloway, while Fletcher won all his bouts when fighting for the Academy. Calloway won the individual title three years ago, and at that time Fletcher had never had a sword in his hand. He went to the champion, a boyhood friend and classmate at the Academy, and Calloway started to teach Fletcher the art of handling the duelling sword. What Calloway was able to teach Fletcher brought the latter into third place last night.

The epee team championship ended with the following standing:

	Won	Lost
Navy .....	15	1
Yale .....	8	8
Columbia .....	7	9
Pennsylvania .....	6	10

### Bloomer Fences Brilliantly.

Bloomer's victory with the foils was won by a clear margin of nine victories and only one defeat, and most of the triumphs were convincing margins. E. L. Lane, the Harvard star, was the only fencer to score over Bloomer in the individual competition. Bloomer numbered among his defeated rivals Packer of Hamilton, who failed to score a single touch against the Columbia swordsman; Scott of Hamilton, Fuertes of Columbia, E. H. Lane of Harvard, Grandfield of the Navy, Elwell of Yale, Huntington of Yale, Stebbins of the Army and Stubb of the Navy. Bloomer fought with the science of a well trained swordsman, and so he is, for between his father, Millard J. Sr., a former fencer, and his brother, Millard J. Jr., individual titleholder two years ago, the Columbia youth has learned many of the intricacies of the sport.

The annual meeting of the Intercollegiate Fencing Association was held at the Astor yesterday afternoon, at which time the following officers were elected for the coming year: H. W. Davies of Pennsylvania, President; C. H. Blatchford of Yale, Vice President, and C. S. Babcock of the United States Military Academy, Secretary and Treasurer. The following committee was elected to handle the intercollegiate championships next year: A. P. Walker, Yale, Chairman; Lieutenant J. C. King, Army; J. Watson, Harvard, and F. B. O'Connor, Cornell.

It was decided at the meeting to admit Syracuse University to the association, but no division was designated for the Orange swordsmen. It also was announced that Lehigh is considering joining the association. The officials advised that Harvard form a sabre team for next season.

The summaries:

#### Individual Foils.

Contestants.	Won.	Lost.
Bloomer, Columbia .....	9	1
H. H. Lane, Harvard .....	7	3
E. L. Lane, Harvard .....	7	3
Grandfield, Navy .....	7	3
Fuertes, Columbia .....	5	5
Elwell, Yale .....	5	5
Stebbins, Army .....	4	6
Huntington, Yale .....	4	6
Packer, Hamilton .....	3	7
Stubb, Navy .....	3	7
Scott, Hamilton .....	1	9

E. L. Lane defeated Fuertes, 5-3; Packer, 5-1; Bloomer, 5-2; Scott, 5-4; Grandfield, 5-3; Stubb, 5-0; Elwell, 5-1.

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Huntington defeated Scott, 5-4; Stebbins, 5-3; Stubb, 5-2; E. L. Lane, 5-3.

Elwell defeated Huntington, 5-3; Stubb, 5-3; Packer, 5-1; Stebbins, 5-3; E. H. Lane, 5-4.

Grandfield defeated Huntington, 5-4; El-

## Bloomer, Foils Star, Broke Neck in 1920 Cane Rush

Despite the fact that he sustained a broken neck in the annual Sophomore-Freshman cane rush at Columbia in the Fall of 1920, Harold Bloomer, star fencer on the Blue and White team, today holds the 1924 individual intercollegiate foils championship. He comes of a family which has long been interested in the sport of parry and thrust. Three years ago his brother, Millard J. Bloomer Jr., won the same intercollegiate fencing title. The success of the two brothers is due to the efforts of their father, Millard J. Bloomer Sr., who taught both of them the rudiments and later the finer points of fencing.

well, 5-2; Fuertes, 5-2; E. H. Lane, 5-3; Scott, 5-3; Stebbins, 5-4; Stubb, 5-4. Packer defeated Huntington, 5-1; Grandfield, 5-4; Scott, 5-3. Scott defeated Elwell, 5-3. Bloomer defeated Packer, 5-0; Scott, 5-2; Fuertes, 5-3; E. H. Lane, 5-4; Grandfield, 5-2; Elwell, 5-4; Huntington, 5-1; Stubb, 5-2; Stebbins, 5-2. Fuertes defeated Packer, 5-4; Scott, 5-1; Huntington, 5-4; Elwell, 5-2. Stebbins defeated E. L. Lane, 5-3; Packer, 5-3; Scott, 5-2; Stubb, 5-2. Stubb defeated Packer, 5-4; Fuertes, 5-4; Scott, 5-3.

#### Team Foils.

Contestants—Yale (Huntington, Kelsey, Elwell); Navy (Grandfield, Stubb, McDill); Harvard (E. H. Lane, E. L. Lane, Fleer); Hamilton (Packer, Scott, Kittell); Columbia (Bloomer, Block, Barrett, Fuertes); Army (Stebbins, Tasker, Lynch).

#### HARVARD 5, NAVY 4.

Harvard—E. H. Lane defeated Stubb, McDill; E. L. Lane defeated Grandfield, Stubb, McDill. Navy—Grandfield defeated E. H. Lane, Fleer; Stubb defeated Fleer; McDill defeated Fleer.

#### HAMILTON 5, ARMY 4.

Hamilton—Packer defeated Tasker, Lynch; Scott defeated Tasker, Lynch; Kittell defeated Tasker. Army—Stebbins defeated Packer, Scott, Kittell; Lynch defeated Kittell.

#### COLUMBIA 5, YALE 4.

Columbia—Bloomer defeated Huntington, Elwell; Fuertes defeated Huntington, Elwell; Block defeated Elwell. Yale—Kelsey defeated Bloomer, Fuertes, Block; Huntington defeated Block.

#### COLUMBIA 6, ARMY 3.

Columbia—Bloomer defeated Stebbins, Ker; Fuertes defeated Lynch, Stebbins, Ker; Block defeated Ker. Army—Stebbins defeated Block; Lynch defeated Bloomer, Block.

#### NAVY 5, HAMILTON 4.

Navy—Grandfield defeated Scott, Kittell; Stubb defeated Packer, Scott. Hamilton—Packer defeated Grandfield, McDill; Scott defeated McDill; Kittell defeated Stubb.

#### YALE 5, HARVARD 4.

Yale—Kelsey defeated E. L. Lane, Fleer; Huntington defeated Fleer; Elwell defeated E. H. Lane, Durham. Harvard—E. H. Lane defeated Kelsey, Daventry; E. L. Lane defeated Elwell, Huntington.

#### Fence-Off.

#### HARVARD 5, COLUMBIA 3.

Harvard—E. H. Lane defeated Fuertes, Block, Bloomer; E. L. Lane defeated Block, Fuertes. Columbia—Bloomer defeated Fleer; Fuertes defeated Fleer.

#### Individual Sabre.

Contestants.	Won.	Lost.
Clarke, Army .....	6	1
Woodyard, Navy .....	5	2
Applebaum, Penn .....	3	4
Moore, Army .....	4	3
Bell, Columbia .....	4	3
Hastings, Yale .....	1	6
Ogilvie, Hamilton .....	4	3
Adams, Yale .....	1	6

Clarke defeated Hastings, 5-3; Moore, 5-3; Bell, 5-1; Woodyard, 5-4; Adams, 5-3; Applebaum, 5-1.

Woodyard defeated Moore, 5-4; Ogilvie, 5-4; Hastings, 5-2; Adams, 5-2; Applebaum, 5-1.

Applebaum defeated Moore, 5-4; Adams, 5-4; Hastings, 5-3.

Moore defeated Bell, 5-4; Ogilvie, 5-3; Hastings, 5-2; Adams, 5-2.

Bell defeated Applebaum, 5-1; Ogilvie, 5-3; Woodyard, 5-4; Adams, 5-3.

Hastings defeated Bell, 5-2.

Ogilvie defeated Clarke, 5-4; Applebaum, 5-3; Adams, 5-3; Hastings, by default.

Adams defeated Hastings, 5-3.

Fence-off for third place—Ogilvie defeated Moore, 5-4; Ogilvie defeated Bell, 5-4.

#### Individual Epee.

Calloway, Navy .....

Thomson, Penn .....

Haskell, Army .....

Fletcher, Navy .....

Hains, Army .....

Brown, Yale .....

Saunders, Harvard .....

Calloway defeated Fletcher, Hains, Thomson, Haskell, Saunders, Brown.

Thomson defeated Brown, Haskell, Hains, Saunders.

Haskell defeated Brown, Hains, Saunders.

Fletcher defeated Brown, Haskell, Thomson.

Hains defeated Fletcher, Brown, Saunders.

Brown defeated Saunders.

Saunders defeated Fletcher.

Fence off for third place—Fletcher defeated Hains; Hains defeated Haskell, Fletcher defeated Haskell.