## COLLEGE FENCERS OPEN MEET TODAY

Field of 150, Representing 12 Institutions, to Seek Titles at Commodore.

NEW SYSTEM OF SCORING

Columbia, N. Y. U., Yale, Harvard and Navy Among Entries in 2-Day Competition.

With twelve colleges and universities sending approximately 150 candidates, the forty-second annual championships of the Intercollegiate Fencing Association will commence today in the converted salle d'armes in the main ballroom of the Hotel Commodore.

Army, C. C. N. Y., Columbia, Cornell, Hamilton, Harvard, M. I. T., Navy, N. Y. U., Pennsylvania, Princeton and Yale are the competing teams.

A new system of point scoring and the fact that all of the individual championships are vacant have served to intensify the interest in the tests which will begin at 10 A. M. By 10 o'clock tomorrow night the three-weapon, foil, épée and saber team crowns in addition to the individual titleholders will be decided.

Columbia University, the defender of the three-weapon championship, will be hard pressed to retain its laurels.

The foremost of the contenders

for Columbia's crown looms in New York University's combination.

Harvard's chief threat to its épée team title is expected to come from the Naval Academy, while C. C. N. Y.'s team honors in foil will be chiefly contested by New York University. The latter, with Castello, winner of the Amateur Fencers League of America junior foils crown, is an almost certain victor.

Castello is favored for the individual foils crown held by John G. Hurd of Harvard last year. Charles Andrews and Edward Flanick of Army, winners of the saber and épée titles, respectively, will not be present to defend their championships.

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