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# N. Y. U. AGAIN WINS 3-WEAPON HONORS AT FENCING MEET

**Tauber Retains Epee Title as  
Violet Also Captures Team  
Epee and Foil Crowns**

**STOKES OF NAVY A VICTOR**

**Steinhardt, St. John's, First—  
Harvard and City College  
Share Saber Laurels**

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PRINCETON, N. J., Sunday, March 30—The flashing blades of the New York University swordsmen carved a generous slice of the honors at the forty-eighth annual championships of the Intercollegiate Fencing Association in the Princeton gymnasium as fifteen hours of almost continuous swordplay ended this morning.

The Violet made a runaway of the competition for the three-weapon trophy, captured the team épée and team foil titles and picked up an individual crown for good measure when Arthur Tauber retained his laurels with the dueling sword.

The annexing of the team épée title was a stunning surprise, but the three-weapon and foil trophies, the latter the famed Little Iron Man, had been pretty much earmarked for N. Y. U. all the way. In saber, lone blade to escape the Violet sweep, the pupils of Julio Martinez Castello tied for third, a point behind Harvard and City College, the joint winners.

## Former Boxer Wins Title

The individual saber victor was the completely unheralded midshipman, G. P. Stokes of Navy. A reformed middleweight boxer who never had handled a sword until he entered Annapolis three years ago, Stokes reached the final on a "rain-check" by squeezing into the last round after a three-way fence off. But in the final he never lost a bout until his championship was clinched. Then he relaxed a bit too soon.

In foil the decision as to the individual winner was long delayed. Competition was pretty keen and three men wound up at the completion of the regular round robin in a triple tie for the honor with six victories and two defeats. The three were Tauber, Charles Steinhardt of St. John's and Alfred Moody of Army. So they had another private round robin of their own and from this Steinhardt emerged as the champion.

The afternoon semi-finals practically settled the foil championship, as N. Y. U. sent up all three of its men to the final. Since the Violet already had a lead when that happened there was no possibility of the team missing. So Tauber, Roland Monzeglio and Stan Levy dashed right along without a care in the world.

## Epée Finish Is Close

At the end they had compiled 36 points to 27 for St. John's, 21 for Columbia and 16 for Army.

In épée the New Yorkers barely edged out Columbia in the final bout on the dueling sword program, 25½ to 24½, with Navy third at 21½, and Harvard fourth at 21.

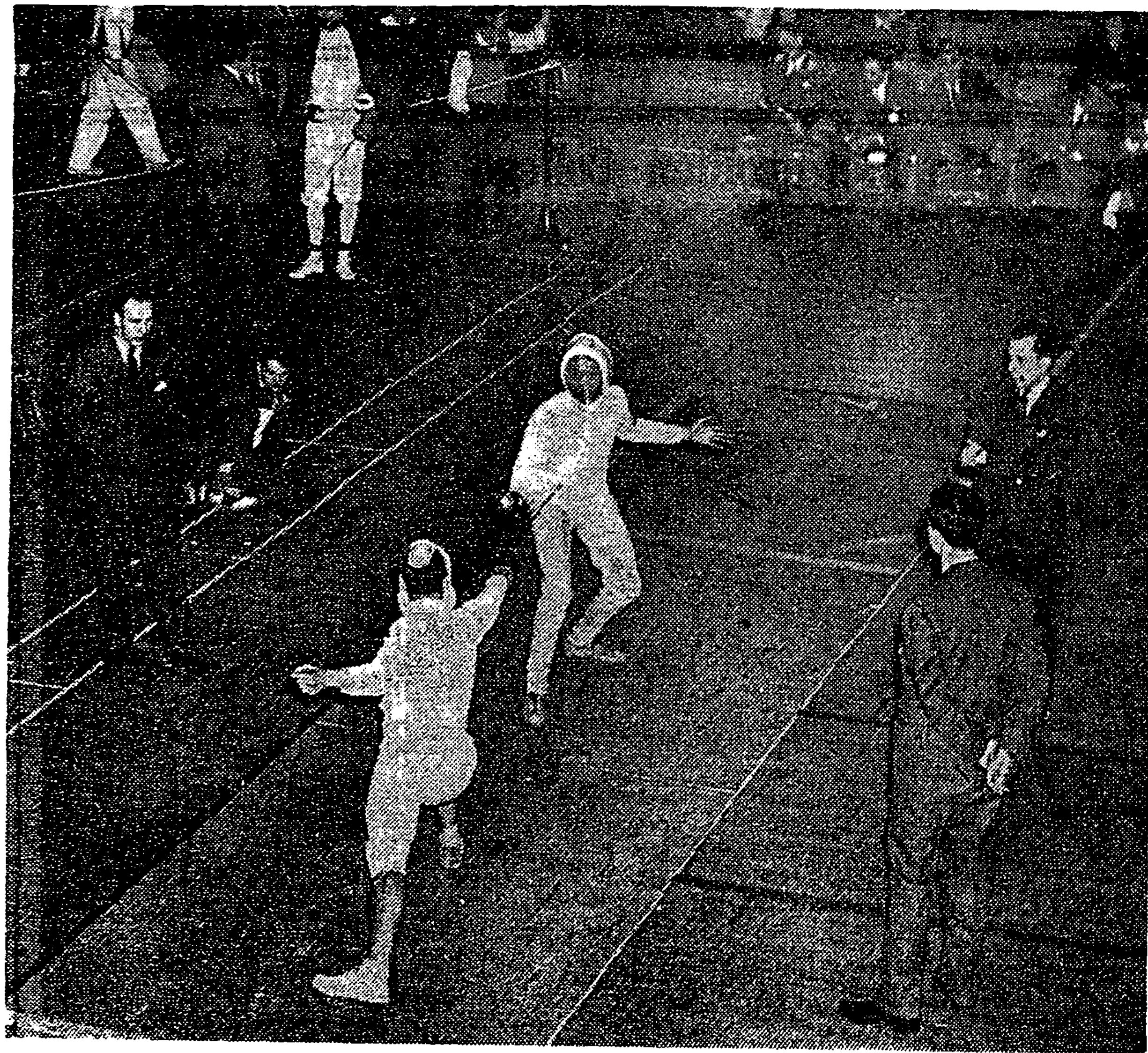
The saber finish was the closest of them all. Favored St. John's failed to hold up in the final round, with the result that Harvard and City College tied at 23 points for first. N. Y. U. and St. John's deadlocked for third at 22.

The competition for the three-weapon laurels was hardly worthy of the name. The new scoring system, with teams ranked in each blade and then placed in order of rank in the style of cross-country, still could not head off the Violet.

New York had a low of 5½ points (3 would have been a perfect score). Then came Columbia with

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A. E. Gernhardt of Navy and Charles Steinhardt of St. John's during their foils match at the forty-eighth annual intercollegiate championships yesterday.

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## N. Y. U. TEAM KEEPS 3-WEAPON LAURELS

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12, City College with 13, Harvard with 14, St. John's with 14½, Navy with 15, Army with 17 and right down to Hamilton, twelfth with 34.

In the épée competition the last bout decided everything. Tauber defeated Marvin Metzger of Columbia to win the individual championship for himself and the team title for New York University.

The Violet had to go uphill all the way to capture the crown. Although the New Yorkers had led, 18½ to 16½, at the conclusion of the morning semi-finals, they had sent only one man into the final, while the Lions had advanced two.

N. Y. U. was defending the three-weapon championship, which it had won also in 1933, 1935, 1936, 1937 and 1938.

Practically every N. Y. U. man in the hall had given up hope of winning the team laurels—except Tauber himself. He alone could carry the burden, and carry it he did. He dropped a bout to Lynn Brua of Harvard but later Metzger lost one to Cadet Vic Taylor of Army.

### An Exciting Finish

So they came up to their meeting with N. Y. U. and Columbia tied at 24½ apiece and the two individuals each having won six and lost one. So everything hinged on their duel. Fencing followers sat around with bated breaths as they crossed swords.

They fenced cautiously for a few moments and then Tauber lunged in with a direct attack, his blade leaving a red ink mark on Metzger's knee. It was "touche." But the Columbian struck back with a rare hit. His épée slid over the bell guard and just flicked Tauber's glove to leave them even on touches.

Steel clashed against steel as they sparred, but as Metzger attacked Tauber hit him with a stop thrust to the body. He was only one touch away from victory. It came on a direct attack for a 3-1 victory that enabled the N. Y. U. southpaw to retain his title.

In the individual competition Tauber was first, Metzger second and Taylor, the Army man, third.

### The Summaries

#### EPEE

##### SEMI-FINAL ROUND

(First three in each group qualify for final)  
First Strip—Lynn Brua, Harvard, 4-1; Owen Keeler, Navy, 3-2; James Strauch, City College, 3-2; Seymour Gross, N. Y. U., 2-3; Peter Conomikes, Columbia, 1½-3½; George Gillmore, Hamilton, 1½-3½. Brua, Keeler and Strauch qualified.

Second Strip—Marvin Metzger, Columbia, 3-2; Victor Taylor, Army, 3-2; Richard Walker, Navy, 3-2; Paul Corrigan, St. John's, 2-3; Herbert Kane, N. Y. U., 2-3; William McFarland, Pennsylvania, 2-3. Metzger, Taylor and Walker qualified.

Third Strip—Donald Kent, Cornell, 5-0; Sanford Rogers, Columbia, 4-2; Arthur Tauber, N. Y. U., 3-2; Amos Murphy, Harvard, 2-3; William Cochran, Army, 1-4; Harold Horn, Pennsylvania, 1-4. Kent, Rogers and Tauber qualified.

##### ROUND-ROBIN FINAL

Tauber, N. Y. U., 7-1; Metzger, Columbia, 6-2; Taylor, Army, 5½-2½; Brua, Harvard, 5-3; Strauch, City College, 5-3; Keeler, Navy, 3-5; Walker, Navy, 2½-5½; Rogers, Columbia, 2-6; Kent, Cornell, 0-8.

##### FINAL TEAM STANDING

	Pts.		Pts.
N. Y. U.	25½	Cornell	12
Columbia	24½	Pennsylvania	10
Navy	21½	St. John's	9
Harvard	21	Princeton	8
Army	18	Hamilton	7½
City College	12	M. I. T.	2

#### FOIL

##### SEMI-FINAL ROUND

(First three in each strip qualify for final)  
First Strip—Alfred Moody, Army, 4-1; Daniel Kelley, Cornell, 3-2; Stanley Levy, N. Y. U., 3-2; Robert Greenbaum, Penn., 2-3; Benjamin Johnson, Harvard, 2-3; Robert Guillard, City College, 1-4. Moody, Kelley and Levy qualified.

Second Strip—Charles Steinhardt, St. John's, 4-1; Arthur Tauber, N. Y. U., 4-1; Armand Mascia, Columbia, 3-2; Dick Brown, Princeton, 2-3; Allen Gernhardt, Navy, 2-3; Ruben Clarvit, Cornell, 0-5. Steinhardt, Tauber and Mascia qualified.

Third Strip—Roland Monzeglio, N. Y. U., 5-0; Neil Lazar, City College, 4-1; Andre Deladrier, St. John's, 3-2; Herbert Spiselman, Columbia, 2-3; Edward Sherburne, M. I. T., 1-4; William Metzger, Navy, 0-5. Monzeglio, Lazar and Deladrier qualified.

##### ROUND-ROBIN FINAL

Moody, Army, 6-2; Steinhardt, St. John's, 6-2; Tauber, N. Y. U., 6-2; Mascia, Columbia, 5-3; Monzeglio, N. Y. U., 4-4; Kelley, Cornell, 3-5; Goettlicher, St. John's (substitute for Deladrier), 2-6; Lazar, City College, 2-6; Levy, N. Y. U., 2-6; Klein, N. Y. U. (substitute for Levy), 0-1. (Steinhardt defeated Tauber and Moody in the fence-offs for first place).

##### FINAL TEAM STANDING

N. Y. U.	36	Navy	9
St. John's	27	Harvard	8
Columbia	21	Pennsylvania	8
Army	16	M. I. T.	7
City College	15	Princeton	6
Cornell	14	Hamilton	4

#### SABER

##### ROUND-ROBIN FINAL

Griffith Stokes, Navy, 7-1; Tom Wright, Harvard, 6-2; Herbert Spector, City College, 6-2; Sol Gorlin, N. Y. U., 4-4;

Robert Greenbaum, Pennsylvania, 4-4; Andrew Costantino, St. John's, 3-5; Andre Deladrier, St. John's, 3-5; Kermit Lansner, Columbia, 2-6; Leonard Pasclak, Army, 1-7. (Wright defeated Spector in fence-off for second place.)

##### FINAL TEAM STANDING

City College	23	Columbia	13
Harvard	23	Army	12
N. Y. U.	22	Cornell	10
St. John's	22	M. I. T.	8
Navy	20	Hamilton	3
Pennsylvania	15	Princeton	2

##### FINAL 3-WEAPON STANDING

	Epee	Foil	Saber	Total
N. Y. U.	1	1	3½	5½
Columbia	2	3	7	12
City College	6½	5	1½	13
Harvard	4	5½	1½	14
St. John's	9	2	3½	14½
Navy	3	7	3	15
Army	5	4	8	17
Cornell	6½	6	9	21½
Pennsylvania	8	6½	8	22½
M. I. T.	12	10	10	32
Princeton	10	11	12	33
Hamilton	11	12	11	34

### Fencing Champions

Three-Weapon Team—\*N. Y. U.  
Foil Team—\*N. Y. U.  
Epée Team—N. Y. U.  
Saber Team—Harvard and City College (tie).  
Foil Individual—Charles Steinhardt, St. John's.  
Epée Individual—\*Arthur Tauber, N. Y. U.  
Saber Individual—G. P. Stokes, Navy.  
\*Retained title.