

TEAMS READY FOR FOOTBALL GAME NEW YEAR'S—SOCCER AND OTHER SPORTS NEWS

NATIVE SONS TO COMPETE ON THE EASTERN CINDERS

Leland Stanford and University of California Will Send Track Teams

MUST JOIN I. C. A. A. A.

Another California track team plans to invade the East. This time it is Leland Stanford University, and the men from Palo Alto propose to compete in the 41st championships of the Intercollegiate A. A. A. wherever they may be held. They also want a dual meet with Harvard and Yale. It is virtually certain that the University of California will also be on hand, so that the games will be truly national in character.

Before competing Leland Stanford must join the association as an active member. There may be some difficulty in accomplishing this, for the I. C. A. A. will certainly not admit the Pacific Coast collegians unless they agree to compete regularly. These were the conditions under which the University of California was admitted. Whether or not Leland Stanford will agree to these conditions of membership is a question. They will forfeit their membership if they do not send at least three men in alternate years.

Leland Stanford expects to have a high-class team next spring. Its brightest star is Fred Murray, who captured the 120 and 200-yard hurdles at the A. A. U. championships last summer. He has done 15.5 seconds over the high sticks, and 22.5 seconds for the low event, but in each case he had the help of the wind. Anyhow, he is considered as fast as Fred Kelly, of Southern California, the Olympic champion. Other good men on the Leland Stanford team are Norton, who is not far behind Murray as a hurdler; Cauley, a 45-foot shot putter; Tompkins, who is strong in both jumps; Willis, a 429 meter, and Sisson, a 23-foot broad jumper.

Captain Eddie Mahan, of the Harvard football team, intends to try for the Crimson track team in the spring. He has won his letter in football and baseball and wants to win it also on the track. During his freshman year Mahan was credited with having run 100 yards in 10 seconds, but as soon as he became eligible for the varsity he was grabbed off by the baseball team. He will have to do some wonderful sprinting to win his track letter this year, because Harvard already has one second man in Teschner, while Foley is almost as fast.

The Intercollegiate A. A. A. is so well pleased with the result of its experiment in having only college men of date at its indoor and outdoor championship games that the same rule will be observed for the year. An indoor meet to be held in Madison Square Garden, New York, on March 4.

The third annual cross-country run of the Middle Atlantic League of Philadelphia has been postponed until the morning of being held on New Year's morning. It will be held on Saturday, January 2, and over the course of the Germantown Boys' Club.

Soccer Meeting Tonight

The Pennsylvania League of Association Football Clubs will hold a meeting tonight. As it is the intention of the organizers to have a 10-club circuit, there are still vacancies for two strong manufacturing teams. Those desiring to have contracts on hand at tonight's meeting.

YALE LOST ITS GREATEST IDOL WHEN SHEVLIN DIED

YALE and the intercollegiate world lost one of their greatest athletic heroes in the sudden death of Tom Shevlin yesterday. Shevlin was the type of man who fairly radiated an enthusiastic personality, whether it was on the athletic field, on the campus or in the classroom. He was a natural leader, and everybody liked him.

In an athletic sense, Shevlin, of course, was greatest as a football player. He went to Yale from the Hill School. When he tried for the Yale team he played nearly every position at one time or another. First he was a tackle, and he even played guard. Then the coaches tried to find his right place in the back field. Finally he was transferred to end, instantly he became an All-American star, and his great speed and strength made him a terror to all opponents.

Great Hammer Thrower

Shevlin's second major sport was track athletics. In this he threw the hammer, was one of the best for this event the Ellis ever produced. He was always a point winner for the Ellis in the intercollegiate championships, and represented Yale in the international meet which Yale and Harvard held with Oxford and Cambridge.

Shevlin was a millionaire in his own name when he entered Yale, and he was said to have made a lot more in the lumber business since his graduation. During his undergraduate days he was constantly doing kindnesses to his fellow students. More than one Yale man has Shevlin to thank for gifts which saw them through college. And Shevlin was the type of man who saw to it that his beneficiaries never knew who their benefactor was.

But famous as Shevlin was as an athlete during his undergraduate days, he won even greater fame later as an amateur coach. He was responsible for one of the greatest "come-backs" known to

CULVER IS WINNER OF LAKEWOOD SHOOT

Breaks 81 Out of 100 Targets in Open Handicap Event

LAKEWOOD, N. J., Dec. 29.—Dr. D. L. Culver, of the New York Athletic Club, yesterday won the Lakewood handicap, the concluding event of the annual series of shooting tournaments given by the Laurel House Gun Club. He broke 81 out of 100 targets, capturing the trophy, a beautiful sterling silver loving cup.

Another member of the New York Athletic Club, Dr. J. J. Corbett, also of this organization, was high scorer in the Amateur Handicap, which was held on the same day. Corbett broke 77 out of 100 targets, and F. J. Potts, of Lakewood, was high in the 25-yard event.

Culver's score was awarded the gold medal given by the Laurel House Gun Club to the winner of the tournament. Culver also won the Lakewood championship, which was shot yesterday.

CONNIE MACK TACTICS WILL BE FOLLOWED BY HUGGINS, OF ST. LOUIS

Cardinal Manager Signs Up Jimmy Brannigan, 17-year-old Star Third Baseman, for 1916 Season

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 29.—Connie Mack's system of plucking 'em when they're young, in their teens, in prep school and not when they're mature, has won six pennants for the Athletics, so Miller Huggins is going to follow in the footsteps of the lean tactician. Hug has started with the announcement that he has signed Jimmy Brannigan, age 17, born and reared in St. Louis, for the Cardinals, giving the Robinson fielders the first native son on the 1916 squad.

The Cardinals represent St. Louis in the National League. Every one knows that, but out of a squad of some 30 diamond athletes, St. Louis is not represented at all. That is, until Jimmy Jimmie came along and ink upon a baseball contract in Schuyler Britton's office at St. Louis, as a member of the Cardinals.

At 17 young Brannigan becomes a big leaguer. At 20 Jimmy should be one of the greatest third sackers in big league society. You ask, why this boost for Jimmy?

Well, in 20 games with the Decatur Club last summer he swatted 319 and stole 18 bases. The Ben Millers of the Interstate League in 1914, 1913 and 1912, Jimmy out-classed all the other third-sacker guards.

And Jimmy has been playing league ball since 1911. That was his first season as a professional, and in 1911 Jimmy had just celebrated his 13th birthday.

Bob Conery, the Cardinals' scout, was the one who lined up young Brannigan. Bob travels from coast to coast annually, looking over the minor league timber.

The only player he drafted was Third Baseman Hiller, of the Durham (N. C.) Club. When Hug was here last week Conery dropped this:

"You send me through every minor league in the country, don't you?" queried Bob. "Well, I'll tip you off to a lad who is a better prospect than anything I looked at all summer."

Naturally Huggins was curious, and he asked about the latest phenom. Conery's answer was Jimmy Brannigan, so Jimmy was called up to a conference and signed the contract that was put before him.

The Minnesota Shift

While with Williams, Shevlin saw the operation of the "Minnesota shift," which Williams invented. This was the play he took to Yale. Although he had less than a week in which to perfect it for Princeton, he gave this play to the Ellis, and broke all precedents by scrimmaging the men every day. Princeton had a first-class team; but Shevlin's enthusiasm and the Minnesota shift did the trick, for Princeton was outplayed and beaten, 5-3. Although Harvard had had an opportunity to see the new play in action and, therefore, to prepare for it, the Ellis managed to hold the Crimson to a score of 0-5.

Shevlin had his second test this fall, and it was more severe than that of five years ago. Yale had been beaten by Virginia, Colgate and Washington and Jefferson when Shevlin appeared on the scene. He at once started the rejuvenation of the Yale eleven, and in one week reorganized the team so that it held Brown to a score of 3 to 0. The next week came Princeton, and the Tigers were trounced 15-7. It is true that Princeton fumbled enough to have lost to almost any kind of a team, yet the Shevlin spirit had a lot to do with the result.

But not even Shevlin's personality could make Yale win from Harvard, for the Crimson had a wonderful team and benefited by two weeks' rest, since the Princeton game administered to Yale the worst defeat a Blue team ever sustained. But the Ellis were satisfied with what Shevlin accomplished. He will ever be one of their most cherished athletic idols.

VINCOME'S HUSKY BAND OF FOOTBALL WARRIORS



This team will meet the McClure for the championship of Philadelphia and Delaware Counties on New Year's afternoon at Strawbridge & Clothier field, 62d and Walnut streets. The players above are, left to right: Front row—Geraghty, Swartz, Captain Campuzano, Simcox and Osborne. Second row—Manager MacDonald, McCaskey, Hunter, Coghlan, Stannard, Smith and Toland. Third row—Butler, Washburn, Redding and Nask. Fourth row—Peacock, Ryan and Gilmore.

TWO CHAMPIONSHIP SHOOTING SCHEDULED FOR PENNSYLVANIA

Eastern Trap Event to Start State Competition at Lansdale, May 16

BIG PRIZES ARE OFFERED

Philadelphia and Lansdale, Pa., will be favored during the 1916 activities in the realm of sport with two important trapshooting competitions—the Eastern Trapshooting Championship and the Pennsylvania State championship.

Pennsylvania is known as the leading trapshooting center in the country. There are more organizations in and about Philadelphia than any other city in the United States. There are more gun clubs in Pennsylvania than any other State. There are 40 gun clubs within a 20-mile radius of this city, and about 500 in the State.

More than 500,000 licenses were taken out by Pennsylvania gunners to hunt in the field this year, and it is safe to say that at least one-third of this number spends some time shooting at the "blue rocks." Most noticeable is that the sport is receiving a tremendous boom.

The Pennsylvania State championship tournaments will be held on the grounds of the Lansdale Gun Club, at Lansdale, Pa., May 16, 17, 18 and 19, and the Great Eastern Championship shoot will take place on the traps of the Keystone Shooting League, at Holmesburg Junction, July 18, 19 and 20.

Prizes in the tournaments will be even better than in the previous years. The Interstate Trapshooting Association has arranged its classification of States, and Pennsylvania is now in Class A, and the state championship in consequence will receive a donation of \$250.

There will be \$1000 added money given to the Great Eastern handicap shoot. This is the 10th annual tournament. The winner will be guaranteed \$50 and a trophy, besides a trip to the Grand American Handicap, the blue ribbon event in St. Louis, second prize winner will be guaranteed \$25 and a trophy, while the third high gun will get \$50 and a prize.

Charlie Wilbank is setting a stiff pace for winter sports. In his last two tries to the mark he has returned with a clean slate. Twice he has run 15 straight kills in the Bow Creek matches.

The Alerine Hunting Club, of Cedar Run, Pa., had a good season in camp this year. Members bagged a large number of pheasants and rabbits, and also killed two large hawks and a bear. The following members made up the camp: Porter G. Jones, of Philadelphia; William Bell, of Williamsport; H. W. Corson, Robert Green, William Corson, Sam Seaman, John Michael and Charles Reiter; Ben Mumery, of Harrisburg; and Augustine Bennett, of State Run.

BOWLING RESULTS

MANAYUNK			
Name	1	2	3
Elliot	256	292	484
Luke	243	188	213
Langren	192	179	184
Cook	256	195	221
Totals	1063	1668	1013

MAYFIELD			
Name	1	2	3
Shaffer	191	178	290
Preskarn	193	149	168
Wright	191	171	169
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Totals	766	669	666

LANSINGTON			
Name	1	2	3
Dynes	150	181	164
Kelly	158	180	182
McCall	147	165	158
Jones	144	181	180
Totals	599	687	684

WYNDHAM COLTS			
Name	1	2	3
Hardy	113	184	180
Cook	147	165	158
McCall	147	165	158
Jones	144	181	180
Totals	451	695	676

GLANTS			
Name	1	2	3
Mangrove	115	184	182
Moore	115	184	182
Kelly	115	184	182
Totals	350	556	546

KICKING DUEL WILL FEATURE NEW YEAR'S FOOTBALL GAME

Charley McGuckin and Harold Lentz, Two Booting Marvels, Expected to Do Great Work for Their Teams

ARENSATIONAL KICKING DUEL IS EXPECTED ON NEW YEAR'S AFTERNOON

When those arch enemies of the football world, Vincome and McClure, clash in a game to decide the grailron supremacy of Philadelphia and Delaware Counties on the Strawbridge & Clothier field, 62d and Walnut streets.

Fitted against one another for the first time in football history will be two of the best drop kickers and punters ever produced by the Philadelphia schools. They are Charley McGuckin, halfback on this season's Villanova College team and 1915 field goal champion of the United States, and the well-known Harold Lentz, the sensational quarterback of the Central Manual teams of 1911-12-13.

Kicked Into Fame

Ever since this pair of athletes broke into scholastic football they have been big factors in the winning of important games. McGuckin, who is a graduate of the South Philadelphia High School, this season kicked his way into fame by defeating Muhlenberg, Ursinus, Fordham, Swarthmore and West Point.

While the old Manual team was winning games under Bill Crowell, Lentz made a practice of scoring three-pointers at liberty. Against Swarthmore Prep he started the scholastic element by kicking a field goal from the 52-yard line.

After leaving high school Lentz forsook numerous opportunities to enter college and to launch into a business career. At the same time, however, he has kept in touch with the game by playing with the strong Victor and Holmesburg elevens.

DE NERI SWAMPED BY CAMDEN FIVE

Skaters Win Eastern League Game by Score of 65 to 35

STANDING OF THE TEAMS.
W. I. P. C. W. I. P. C.
Greystock 12 4 150 De Neri 8 5 471
Trenton 9 8 320 Jasper 4 12 350

TONIGHT'S SCHEDULE
De Neri at Jasper.

De Neri was overwhelmingly defeated by Camden in their Eastern League basketball game, played on the latter's floor last night, the score ending 65 to 35. The contest for the greater part of the first half of the game the contest was close and interesting, both teams scoring freely.

In the second half Dark was forced to quit through illness and Beckman was in poor condition to play, so that De Neri really had only three men, and Camden scored at will.

St. Columbia, by defeating Xavier by the score of 30 to 24, broke the tie for second place in the American League. The contest for the greater part of the 60 minutes of play was of the violent nature, score being a tie at 12, 12, 12, 12, 15 and 21. In the concluding minutes the Lehigh eleven developed a scoring attack, winning out in very fashion. In the other game Madison, who had won by the score of 33 to 31, the winning field goal by Livingston being scored in the last half minute of play.

Good Season for Caddies

Caddies to the number of 25 were entertained at dinner by the Springhaven Country Club at Wallingford last night. Prizes were distributed to the caddies who had proved themselves the most efficient during the season and there was an excellent entertainment. For in the way of an entertainment follows the dinner.

The Arminink Country Club will host 150 caddies at the clubhouse, Laurel Hill, tomorrow. The season of caddies will be ready at 12 o'clock in the evening and will not be adhered to on this occasion and the season will be ready at 12 o'clock.

Boxing at the Gayety

In the 105-pound class at the Gayety Theatre last night Young Wallace won from Young Gijlar. In the special bouts John Brown defeated Gijlar in three rounds, while in the 110-pound class semifinals, Young Jerry defeated Kid Litt in three rounds.

U. S. COULD GET TOGETHER FAST SOCCER TEAM

Would Be Able to Compete in Olympic Matches at Stockholm

FOREIGNERS NOW WEAK

If it is true that Sweden will get the Olympic games next year, now is the time for the United States to seriously consider sending over a soccer team with the rest of its athletes. There is no reason why this country should not get together a good amateur team and as the foreign teams will assuredly not be up to the standard of previous years, an American team, if it is carefully selected, should at least make a fair showing.

It is not to be expected that an American team would defeat its more experienced opponents, but there is certainly no reason why this country should any longer lag behind in international soccer. There are many good amateurs in this country, who, if they could play a few games together, would undoubtedly give an excellent account of themselves.

In Philadelphia there are several players who, if given the opportunity, would make good on such a team. It would be a good idea for the National Association to arrange matches in various districts and delegate members of the association to witness the games so that the very best men could be selected.

There is always the question of expense in such an undertaking, but it should not be a very difficult matter to raise the necessary funds. The gates from the district games could be utilized for this purpose and it is certain that various associations throughout the country would arrange other games and in various ways contribute. Soccer clubs are not as a rule overburdened with wealth, but several "gate" of \$100 apiece would form a very good nucleus for the sum needed.

"TED" SULLIVAN PLANS SOUTH AMERICAN TOUR

Wants to Take Two Major League Baseball Clubs Next Fall

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Baseball, the American pastime, will be made pan-American if negotiations begun today succeed. "Ted" Sullivan, of the Chicago White Sox, who helped pilot two teams from the American and National Leagues around the world, today conferred by invitation with representatives of the principal South American States with a view to taking two all-star teams to that continent next fall and giving the natives a first-hand view of the game that unbalances the minds of ten million sane United States citizens every year.

The plan is to charter a special steamer and visit the principal South American cities, playing exhibition games. Both Andy McClure and William McDonald, managers of the rival teams that meet New Year's, are delighted over securing a high class drop kicker and punter. Each points out that his offense has been strengthened at least 50 per cent, as a score is almost certain once his team gets within the 20-yard line.

Aside from being remarkable drop kickers and punters, both Lentz and McGuckin are excellent runners with the ball, accurate forward passers and brassy players. As Saturday will be the first occasion that men of this calibre have opposed one another on a local gridiron, adherents of both elevens are counting on a lively battle for kicking honors.

The demand for tickets for New Year's has been growing steadily during the last few days and it was decided this morning to put pasteborders on sale at A. G. Spalding's, 1219 Chestnut street.

Academy Holds Shoot on Saturday

Philadelphia Shooting Academy has arranged a program for New Year's afternoon. Two 25-target events will be held, with prizes for every contestant in each event. The Lewis Class System will be used in making the awards. The shoot is open to all.

SQUASH RACQUETS TEAMS TIE IN OPENING GAMES

Contests Staged on Courts at Mannheim and Noble

With one exception the opening matches in the interclub squash racquets championship were extremely close. At Mannheim Team A of Germantown and the Racquet Club broke even with three matches apiece; at Noble, Huntington Valley and Team B of Merion also equally divided the six matches, and the same result was seen in the contest between Overbrook and Team B of Germantown, but there was every excuse for the loser, since he had had very little practice this season, and in addition, he was suffering from a sore wrist.

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