### HEADLOCK HAS BEEN BARRED IN WRESTLING MATCHES, BUT FORELOCK IS PERMISSIBLE SOCCER GAMES OFTEN SPOILED BY CROWDS

Club Officials and Referees to Blame When Spectators Hamper Players by Closing In on Contestants. Few Old-Timers Aid Youngsters

By DOUGLAS STEWART

Coach of the University of Pennsylvania Soccer Team, Intercollegiate Champions. To IS a fact that soccer is not so well played in Philadelphia as it was sixteen or eighteen years ago. In those days there were few teams, but they were made up of players who had played the game from childhood in Scotland or England. The teams then were of about the strength and caliber of the Bethlehem Steel Works team, which is made up pretty much of the same class made up pretty much of the same class wonders why. made up pretty much of the same class of players as were the Manz, Blackburn Rovers, Thistle, Albion and later the Hibernians and British Americans.

wonders why.

The linesmen are upset because they cannot efficiently perform their duties and aid the referee as they are expected to do. They can't see the lines; they have to run on the field and dodge appetrators. Soccer teams in and around Phila-delphia today are composed almost exclusively of native Americans, who have learned the game frequently under dis-couraging conditions and at all times

learned the game frequently under discouraging conditions and at all times with only piecemeal or very inadequate tuition.

Boys have not been encouraged sufficiently to play the game, either under or with experienced players, so that they could acquire the degree of skill necessary to match up with the old players. Very few of the old and good players have seen fit to do much in the way of teaching the youngsters.

Spectators.

The referee, of course, is criticized for not properly holding the game. In one way the criticism is fair because it is his duty to stop the game until the field and the touch lines are clear. He can't handle the game properly due to the conditions; and the result is a badly played and poorly handled game, all due to the carelessness of the manager.

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The carelessness of club officials in the matter of encroachment of spectators has a great deal to do with the low plane of playing skill.

Any one who has played lawn tennis knows how it upsets the plays to have anybody crowding the court. The same thing applies to a game of soccer. The winger wants his lines clear so that he can feel free to go at full speed down the line or maneuver for position with

half time. These days when the ground is apt to be soft allowing hundreds of the line or maneuver for position with a half or fullback and have in his mind what he is going to do with the ball as spectators to swarm over it does not soon as he has pulled the opponent out of position or quickly recovered to the position or quickly recovered to the position of quickly recovered to the quickly recove soon as he has pulled the opponent out of position or quickly recover in case of a clearance. How can he feel free to do any of these things when the spectators. No one should at any time during the tors are on the field? game be allowed on the field except the players and the officials. Ropes or like restraining lines should

Playing the game does not mean dodging and having his movements interfered with by spectators. Having this burden on his mind, he cannot fulfill his position properly. He is dissitisfied with his play because his freedom was hampered; his mates are dissatisfied with him because his play was not up to the mark; his inside players are disgusted because he did not do the execution with the ball they know he is capable of; the center forward is also disgusted because he feels that he

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are that Laurel will not get the full twentyfive days requested. The commission has indicated it will cut the facing dates this year
on all the mile tracks. One hundred and
twelve days limit is fixed by law for racing
in Maryland The dates will be given out
after the meeting of the commission or
February 1. Since the financial reports of
the tracks have shown such a large amount
of money passing through the mutuel machines and taken in for admissions the
racing commission is considering means of
reducing the dates to appease the opposition
to betting. Little progress has been made
toward the establishment of a state breedling bureau financed by race track money.

Master Jack has fuifilled the prediction The Belmont Handicap for three-year-olds at one mile is the feature at New Orleans this afternoon. Master Jack can go the distance and should last it out with Fantoche and Bothera-ation. The purse is \$1500. The Fair Grounds management is showing good policy in furnishing a large number of purse races for the younger division of

Master Jack has fuifiled the prediction that he is one of the best, if not the best, two-year-olds at New Orleans, with the exception of Muskallonge. His victory over a field of such entries as Trust Official and Bunga Buck in commanding fashior is all that need be said of the Nash crack. The "talent" was looking out the window, for he was at olds of 15 to 1. Young Ching is another. The Widener cast-off showed his heels to a likely band. The first race brings together another The first race brings together another band of three-year-olds. John Arbor is a high-class colk, and will meet such good ones as Repent and Mable Josephine. In the other races, horses in good condition and well placed are: Second Lieutenant Perkins, Repeater, Burgoyne 3d, George Starr, Apple Jack 2d and Rancocas. This race will be the 2d and Rancocas. This race will be the most inte esting contest for a number of days, bringing the lightning George Starr against the speedy Apple Jack 2. Every horse in the race is of high class. Fifth, Blaise, Frederick the Great, Jock Scott; sixth, David Craig, George Duncan, Counterbalance; seventh, Arbitrator, Captain Burns and Lottery.

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Eddie Hill's Strong Sextet Opposes Speedy Former Club Stars Tonight

New Rochelle will make its season's ice hockey debut tonight. Quaker City, lead by Captain Eddie Hill, will do everything possible to make the visitors' introduction a complete failure. The hockey ceremonies will open at 8:15 o'clock on the Ice Palace's glassy surface. surface.
Coverpoint Hunter is a Cornell star;
Murphy, the point, once played with

the Crescents. Smith, the center, played with the Wanderers before joining the New Rochelle forces.

Coach Dion gave Quaker City its final workout last night. His squad is limited in numbers and for that reason be did much inguise in order to have

he did much juggling in order to have, all in shape when called upon to play. Alan Orawford, one of the most improved players in the east this year, has clinched a post at right wing. The absence of Schnaar and Wanamaker gave Crawford his chance and he made

Another big game is slated for tomorrow night when St. Nicholas will
use the Ice Palace for its home rink
to entertain the powerful Boston Shoe
Trades team, which is headed by Raymie Skilton, noted star.
The line-up for tonight's game:

New Rochelle Neonan Smith Wellington

Former N. E. High School Captain Will Play Against Penn Five Tomorrow

Easton, Pa., Jan, 28.—Lafayette College will make another invasion of Philadelphia tomorrow. The occasion of the latest trip from the college on the hill to the City of Brotherly Love will be the annual basketball game between Lasayette and the University of Pennsylvania in Weightman Hall. Fafayette has made many attempts in the past to take the measure of Penn

in basketball, and the result virtually always has been the same—a defeat for Lafayette. But this year—well, Coach Bill Anderson and his men are not mak-

Bill Anderson and his men are not making any extravagant statements, but they are thinking an awful lot about beating the Red and Blue.

Since the return of Gendal Reeves, the former Northeast High School captain, Lafayette has been on a winning streak. One of the main reasons for the victories over Temple, Lehigh and St. John's College, of New York, has been the sensational foul-goal shooting of Reeves. of Reeves.

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In the game with the Temple University five Reeves scored 11 out of 15 fouls. He continued his excellent work against Lehigh, caging 10 out of 14. Last week he threw in 6 out of 7 against the St. John's team. Up to this defeat at Easton the St. John's team. team had won six straight games. They walloped Catholic University, which team Penn defeated by a mere two points. St. John's also had defeated Fordham, which, in turn, had won from Yale.

Men in Modified Marathon Tomorrow Afternoon

Over seventy entries have already been received for the modified marathon run to be held under the auspices of the Southwestern Business Men's district police station.

police station, Twentieth find Federa The course, over some thirty-three city streets, will be as follows, starting

and finishing at the Seventeenth district police station: Starting at the Seventeenth district police station, Twentieth and Federal streets, west on Federal street to Twenty-eighth street, south on Gray and Hisler Are Scratch Twenty-eight street to Wharton street. west on Wharton street to Thirty-third street, south on Thirty-third street to Tasker street, east on Tasker street to Twenty-third street, south on Twentythird street to Point Breeze avenue, Twentieth and Federal streets, the race finishing in front of the Seventeenth

Catholic University, which in defeated by a mere two it. John's also had defeated which, in turn, had won o'clock, from the Seventeenth district in the recent Shanahan run.

It is possible that Gray and Hisler will again be on scratch, and a good run can be looked for, Hisler having finished just six seconds ahead of Gray in the recent Shanahan run.

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