

# TENNIS RANKINGS IS DISAPPOINTING

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Doubles Ranking for 1910.  
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With the announcement last night of the Portland tennis rankings as given out by a committee composed of R. W. Wilson, L. M. Starr and W. L. Brewer, a few surprises have been sprung on the players of this city as well as the tennis enthusiasts who have watched the same develop during the season of 1910.

It is concluded by all who have seen much play in which the Portland players took part, that Wickersham is entitled to first place, with Ralph Gorriell running a close second. The same can be said of these players in the doubles. Without question they played the best and at times most consistent game seen on Portland or outside courts.

How the ranking committee could give Wakeman third place over Ewing cannot be imagined. If comparative scores were taken on which to base the results, and scores are the only basis on which a ranking committee can rightly accomplish results, scratch play, too, should also be used where feasible.

For instance, in the Spring handicap tournament for the Katz trophy, Ewing easily defeated Wakeman in straight sets, 6-1, 6-4. In the Breakers tournament Wakeman defeated Ewing, but not in straight sets, but only after five hard sets, the scores being 2-6, 6-0, 6-7, 5-7, 6-3, the results showing Ewing secured four sets out of the total of seven played by the two men.

### Ewing's Showing Good.

Ewing's showing also in the international and the Inland Empire tournaments at Spokane speak highly for him and could not but help materially with any ranking committee. Though the Portland man played well in such tennis experts as Tyler, the ex-champion, and Fitz, of Seattle, he made a great showing. In neither of these tournaments did Wakeman play, thereby losing an opportunity to meet the best men at the game in the Northwest. With Tyler, Ewing took six games out of a total of 18 played, and with Fitz he took one set and a total of 13 games out of 29 played. It is impossible to tell how Wakeman might have shown against either victor.

It is almost impossible to place tennis players properly with handicap scores alone on which to figure results. Wakeman during the season played in three tournaments which were not handicap affairs, while Ewing played in four, the scores giving the latter the best of the deal and entitled rightfully to third place, with Wakeman occupying fourth.

Another surprise which the ranking committee has sprung is the placing of Black in fifth place, ahead of both Andrews and Cooke. Tournament scores alone show that Andrews should occupy fifth place with Cooke sixth and Black seventh. In the two scratch tournaments during the year, the Oregon state, where he met and defeated J. H. Knight, E. Van Loan and J. E. Edgar, not especially easy men by any means, Black was not Wakeman by the scores of 2-6, 5-4, 5-4, a good showing against a fast man.

In the case of Black, it is the strongest men of the Northwest this year and made an especially good showing. He played in four scratch tournaments during the year and only lost to such men as Emerson, Wickersham, Champion Schwengers and Tyler.

How a ranking can be made on one scratch journey, placing men above those who have appeared in more than one showing in four is beyond the understanding of the knowledge of ranking as it should be carried out and is carried out in tournament play. Cobb would not have won the automobile and highest honors as America's best baseball batsman if he had appeared in but one game, and La Jolie had appeared in four. The same principle applies in tennis rankings.

### Cooke Sixth by Right.

That S. R. Cooke is acknowledged to have made a showing entitling him to sixth place goes without saying. He made a better all-around record by scores than did Black, appeared in more tournaments and without question is a stronger man, most evident to anyone who has seen the two men play. Cooke appeared in two scratch tournaments and lost in each to Wakeman and Wickersham respectively, taking one set from the former. Age apparently has little effect on Cooke's playing, as he still wields a steady racquet and undoubtedly could put up a strong fight for sixth place should he ever meet Black in tournament play.

That Harrison is given the place ahead of Rosenfeld will meet with satisfaction. Rosenfeld played a steady game during the year, yet he was defeated by Harrison in straight sets, 6-2, 6-1. In the case of Rosenfeld, in the position ahead of Shives, the former showed his superiority over the latter only after three hard sets, the first of which Shives took in the Oregon state championship, after which Rosenfeld carried off the honors by a 6-2, 6-0 score.

In the ranking of the doubles, the committee made a good choice for first place, as Wickersham and Gorriell, with the local and international championship belts are the only ones left to choose. In placing the other teams, the committee forgot ability or eliminated tennis altogether from the ranking. How Andrews could have been erased from consideration after his showing for Portland at Spokane when he played with Ewing, with Wickersham in the Starr-Reynolds cup play and with Emerson in the Oregon State tourney is beyond the comprehension of tennis enthusiasts. Andrews is one

of the strongest doubles men in play in Portland today and is necessarily entitled to a place in the doubles with Ewing, his Spokane tournament partner. Andrews played in three times as many scratch doubles tournaments as Rohr, who like many others, failed to show up strong enough in anything but handicap play, which would entitle him to the place of second in a doubles placing. Starr and Jordan played a consistent game, when comedy was eliminated, and are easily given third place, but the showings of Kafa and Gilbert would put them ahead of Zolinger and Ferriss as a team this year, though the latter team in past seasons has shown up well toward the top.

### INTEREST KEEN IN BILLIARDS

### Spectators at Wright-Dunway Exhibition Learn New Shots.

Added interest has been caused in the Multnomah Amateur Athletic Club billiard tournament for the Dr. A. D. Walker cup by the Wright-Dunway exhibition last week. Many of the players in the club's tournament were interested spectators at the exhibition match and learned many new shots from the former amateur champion of the United States.

The play, so far in the club tourney has been close with a few exceptions. Dr. A. D. Walker, donor of the trophy, and J. L. Richardson, played a close match last week. Dr. Walker winning by a score of 50 to 49. Eleven matches were played last week. The play is for two gold medals for second and third place, and the Walker trophy for first prize. The tournament is a handicap event. The scores of last week's play follow:

H. A. Tommer won from M. F. Leves, 50 to 25; Parke Myers beat G. R. Knight, 50 to 14; J. P. Lombard beat Parke Myers, 50 to 27; E. H. Burton beat Ed. Morris, 50 to 23; Ed. Morris beat J. P. Lombard, 50 to 28; Elmer Young beat Ed. Morris, 40 to 25; Ed. Morris beat G. R. Knight, 50 to 46; P. S. Glicker beat H. A. Tommer, 40 to 25; Dr. A. D. Walker beat J. L. Richardson, 50 to 49; L. F. Buck beat T. Cleland, 50 to 25; T. Cleland beat J. J. Cahalin, 50 to 34.

# BASKETBALL MEN OUT

### MULTNOMAH CLUB EXPECTS TO HAVE FAST TEAM.

### It Is Expected That Games Will Be Arranged With Colleges in the Northwest Conference.

With nearly all of his last year men back in harness, Captain Morris, of the Multnomah Amateur Athletic Club basketball team, is optimistic of the season's showing. Practice work with the intermediate and second teams has been going on for several weeks and the team work of the major quintet is rounding in to form.

Correspondence with the conference college teams of the Northwest is being carried on by Manager Mackie and results are expected soon. In their visits from one college to another, the conference college basketball teams pass through Portland. In this manner, it is the hope of the winged "M" team to arrange games. Last year several college teams were played and Multnomah defeated them, placing it in a position to claim the championship of the Northwest. That is again the ambition of the team. His team reinforced with several fast youngsters from college and high school, Captain Morris believes that his men have an excellent chance of winning the championship of the Northwest.

Games have been arranged with Dallas College and Willamette University. It is possible that the University of Washington and the University of Idaho were played. Multnomah wins from all of them by close scores. The games will be played at the Portland Academy gymnasium this year.

Harry Fischer and W. F. Young, last year's forwards, are trying for the team spots. Keith Morris, of Portland Academy last year, is also trying for a forward position. Captain Morris will play center. For guards there are several capable men. Among them are Bert Allen, Harold Pugh, formerly of Oregon Agricultural College, and Kropp, from Tonawanna High School, New York. Kropp comes from the same locality as Dan Bellinger, a famous basketball player of several years ago. He is acquainted with Bellinger and has played in Upper New York state for six years. He is a sturdy fellow and fast.

Charles Barton, because of stress of business will not play unless the club needs him. Barton is one of the few players that can remain away from practice for weeks and still be in the game as clever as any guard. He is one of the best guards of the Northwest. Pugh started with the college team. He is a little fellow, but an aggressive guard, who can shoot baskets with dexterity.

Basketball among the intermediates is also booming. These had a team entered in the Columbia Basketball League and will commence play this week. Among the players are Walter Hummel, Dell O'Hanlon, Tommie Peters and David Welch. Practices are held at the gymnasium on Monday and Thursday nights.

### WASHINGTON BOOMS SPORTS

### Students to Take Charge of Basketball, Wrestling and Tennis.

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON, Seattle, Dec. 2.—(Special.)—At the meeting of the student board of control last night it was decided that minor sports, as basketball, wrestling and tennis, would be taken over, under the auspices of the Associated Students of the University of Washington.

Henceforth, the University of Washington basketball team has financed, coached and selected its own team with good success, so this year, under the supervision of the students, a brilliant season for the team is brighter than ever before.

Wrestling will now become more acknowledged as a university sport than previously felt. Dates will be arranged with the University of Idaho, Washington State College, Whitman College and the Oregon Agricultural College.

### Vancouver Bowlers Get in Trim.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—Ten of Vancouver's best bowlers will go to Spokane next March to compete in the tournament of the Western Bowling Congress. The ten high average men will compose the hopes of the Vancouver Bowling Club at the tourney in Spokane.

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# PIN SETTERS BUSY

### Bowling Leagues Promise to Thrive in Portland.

### NEW ALLEYS ARE OPENED

### Game Is Revived This Season and Old-Time Stars Take Up Play Again—Chesterfield Team Leads City League.

Bowling is rapidly becoming a more popular sport in Portland this season than at any time previously, for the various league and inter-sectional competitions are occurring so frequently that the alleys in Portland are hardly spacious enough to accommodate the tourneys as well as the transient players.

Two leagues are now operating at the alleys in the Medical building and these teams occupy most of the time at that place. Some high-class games have been played in the last two weeks and the bowlers are showing marked improvement right along. All the teams so far entered have bowled upwards of six games to date and have shown fine averages.

Of the two leagues now being operated one is comprised of six teams and the other of four teams and all are showing the greatest of enthusiasm. A knockout league is also peering away for the championship, while a seven-pin league is in the process of organization, all of which indicates that the famous indoor sport is to enjoy a revival of interest surpassing the fondest expectations of the most enthusiastic knights of the alleys.

Many bowlers who have absented themselves from the alleys for two or three years have recently resumed the game. One of the drawbacks to the game in Portland recently has been the lack of accommodations, but the installation of new alleys has offset this disadvantage and the sport seems likely to thrive.

In the games thus far played in the City League the Chesterfields have a commanding lead so far, though the Neustadlers' loss of the Roads are close up. The standing of the City League teams in the contest up to this week are as follows:

Team	Won	Lost	Average
Chesterfields	9	3	150
Neustadlers' Boss of the Roads	8	4	147
B. D. Case Co.	7	5	146
Nichols' Monies	4	8	137
The Jacques	4	5	133
Parsons	3	6	132
Arens	2	7	131
Ames	2	7	130
Kneass	2	7	129
Harrison	2	7	128
Harris	2	7	127
Cape	2	7	126
DeLeon	2	7	125
Corbin	2	7	124
McMonies	2	7	123
Keay	2	7	122

The individual averages of the players competing in the regular competitions so far are as follows:

Head	Average	Winnings	Losses	Average
Reynold	180	1	0	149
Kropp	180	1	0	147
Henry	180	1	0	147
Hall	180	1	0	146
Graham	180	1	0	146
Ahrens	180	1	0	145
Arens	180	1	0	144
Ames	180	1	0	142
Kneass	180	1	0	142
Harrison	180	1	0	141
Harris	180	1	0	140
Cape	180	1	0	138
DeLeon	180	1	0	137
Corbin	180	1	0	136
McMonies	180	1	0	135
Keay	180	1	0	134

The "Big Four" bowling league, the second of the two organizations indulging in the popular indoor sport this winter, has started off in fine form. With four well-balanced teams the league is having some red hot contests.

The teams bowling in this league are the Excelsiors, Dillworth Brothers, R. M. Grays and Gevurtz Brothers. The Excelsiors have taken the lead in the games thus far played, while the Dillworth's are last, but the race is so close that any night of play may reverse the order.

The standing of the teams and the average of the individual players in the "Big Four" league are as follows:

Excelsiors	Winnings	Losses	P. C.
R. M. Grays	5	4	55.9
Gevurtz Bros.	4	2	44.4
Dillworth Brothers	2	6	33.3

Driver	Chatter	1st	2nd	3rd	Chrisman	1st	2nd	3rd	Chrisman
171	171	171	171	171	171	171	171	171	171

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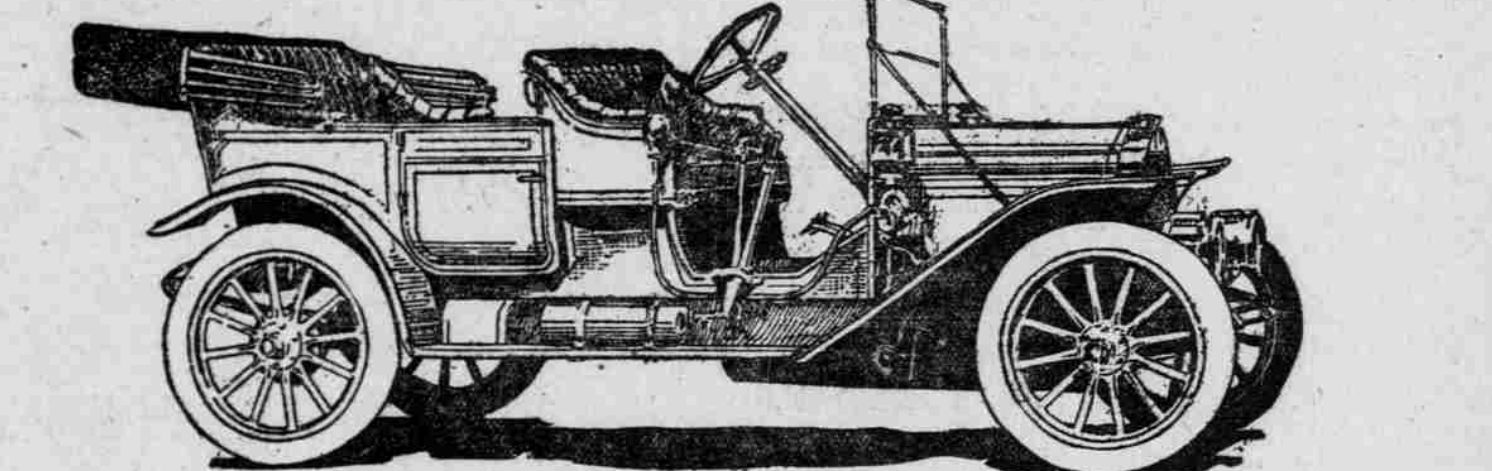
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