

ACTIVE YEAR FOR SPORTS PREDICTED

Amateur Athletic Union Official Foresees Keenest of Competition

BIG MEETS SCHEDULED

Indoor National Championships Will Take Place in New York March 17 and Premier Athletics of Nation Will Enter.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—An active year in sports under the jurisdiction of the Amateur Athletic Union is forecast for 1917 in a statement issued here today by F. W. Rubien, secretary-treasurer of the organization.

"The various district associations report an increase in the number of indoor meets scheduled for the winter and keen competition will result," Mr. Rubien said.

Best Athletes to Compete

"The indoor national championships take place in New York March 17 and the best athletes in the country will compete. The outdoor national championship, all-around championship and relay championships will take place at St. Louis in September and increased interest in that section of the country is looked for. The outdoor meets will make these championships as equal of any held heretofore and owing to its central location it will be possible for athletes from any part of the country to take the trip in a few days.

"International boxing will take place as the result of an invitation from the Scandinavian countries and it is likely that the winners of the National boxing championships to be held at Boston in March will be selected to represent this country.

Visit Abroad Helps

"The small team of track athletes consisting of Meredith, Tompkins, Simpson, Murray and the others, will make a favorable impression abroad and another team will be sent to represent America this summer if it is found impossible for the Scandinavian athletes to leave their countries on account of military duty. These countries deserve great credit for their interest in inviting our prominent athletes to visit them and our boys appreciate the splendid reception accorded them abroad."

Baseball Briefs.

THERE will be a dispute over woman's rights if Mrs. Helen Hathaway Britton hooks someone for \$300,000 for the Cardinals.

"Tub" Spencer, the Detroit catcher, has been signed by Manager Joe Aurrochechea, of Santa Clara College, to officiate as baseball coach of the Mission team. "Tub" will give up his berth in a San Francisco department store and spend the winter in Santa Clara to take up his new duties.

Spencer also will assist in shaping up the basketball squad. Efforts are being made to elect Otto Grebe, who has handled Manual Arts, Pomona and other Southern California quintets, but he is not secured. Tub will step in and do the work, as he has had some experience in that line, as well as on the diamond. Manager Aurrochechea is pleased with the acquisition of the Detroit receiver. He explains that the Mission ballplayers were anxious to have a catcher on hand to tell them the fine points of the game. It is the reason Justin Fitzpatrick, the Seattle outfielder, who gave satisfaction last spring, was not re-engaged. There are some promising prospects in the Santa Clara squad whom Spencer hopes to develop. Fitzpatrick, the Rubeys star, who has been playing the outfield, will attempt to remain with the team. There are Hickey, Leonard and O'Neill. An extensive schedule of games will be mapped out for the team. A regular season will be held in Santa Clara with the Chicago Cubs at San Jose, and it is practically settled that contests will be staged with the Seals. A series with Portland and Eugene, the usual meetings with Stanford, California and Southern California are in sight. At the conclusion of last season Santa Clara was classified fourth in the national league, and it is possible that another trip will be arranged for the squad. Spencer will remain with the team as coach until March 1 which he will go East to report to Detroit.

A flock of young players will be given an opportunity to show their worth at the Spring training camps of the Coast League teams. This will be due to J. Cal Ewing's rule, which each club must carry four of the 18 limit who have less than a full season in the majors. William A. Leavelle, of course, it does not necessarily specify that the players must be bushers, as recruits can be gathered from Class A and league level. The manager, but the managers, in the main will attempt to pick up talent off the sandlots.

The Oaks have tendered an offer to Bobby Meusel, a star outfielder of Los Angeles and a brother of Irish Meusel. Portland is also after the busher.

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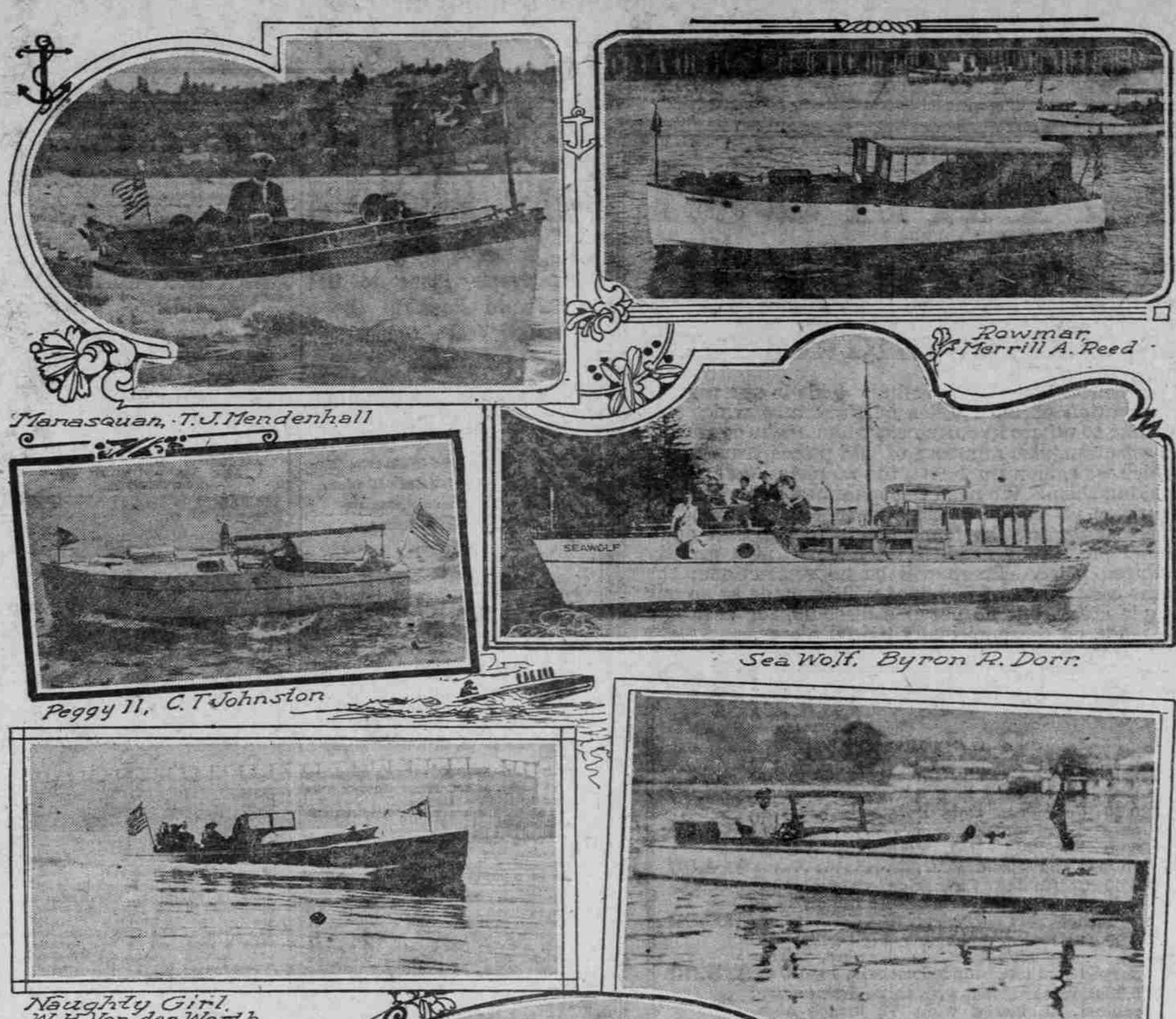
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SOME OF THE BOATS WHICH WILL COMPETE IN THE FIRST ANNUAL MIDWINTER REGATTA UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE PORTLAND MOTORBOAT CLUB ON NEW YEAR'S DAY.



Manasquan, T.J. Mendenhall

Sea Wolf, Byron R. Dorr

Peggy II, C.T. Johnston

Naughty Girl, W.H. Von der Werth

Service, Truman Cook

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GOLF WONDER IS BOY

Atlanta Puts Forth Lad of 17 Who Beats Bobby Jones.

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 30.—(Special)—Help! Bring out reinforcements. Atlanta has another boy wonder, who, in the recent city golf championships "hammered the wadding" out of the now famous Bobby Jones. The new wonder's name is Tom Perry, who is only 17 years of age, just two years older than Bobby. He is the same age as Perry Adair.

Tom put Bobby out of the running, but Perry eliminated Tom from further competition. Perry succeeded his father, who twice won the city men's golf title. As the city contest is only three years old, Adair is the only name that graces the handsome silver trophy symbol of the championship. Outsiders cannot be blamed for thinking that the family has a chattel mortgage on the silverware.

All over the South golfing prodigies are springing up like weeds. With their golfers, like watermelons, the Southern policy is to pick 'em green and allow them to ripen in transit. Fourteen-year-old Pollock Boyd, Chattanooga, who began three years ago with toy clubs, lives across the street from the Country Club, just one drive and a put Jack Tarrant, of San Antonio, is but a year like George Clarence Mangham, an another coming Texan, almost veteran, inasmuch as he is 18 years old now.

He set the gallery a-tingle in the qualifying rounds of the Western championships. New Orleans has the youngest candidate of all, Sidney Legendre, years old, who made Maine resorts, last summer, sit up and take immediate notice. The first kindergarten class in golf now will start forward, please.

Even Miss Alexa Stirling, the women's National champion, is not without rivals at home. Mrs. Thomas Paine, runner-up in the last Southern title, has so many trophies her home looks like a silvermith's display-room. And such is golf in the South.

DALLAS, Oct. 30.—(Special).—The Dallas basketball team opens the season here tonight in a game with the Corvallis team. Three of the regular Oregon Agricultural College team will be in the lineup of the visitors. The Dallas team has been having regular practice for about two weeks. The team is made up of men who have established reputations in the basketball world. "Pebo" Shaw, Carl Fenton, Walter Ballantyne and other celebrities will be in the lineup. Several games have already been scheduled.

Profits of six principal meat companies of Argonins in 1915 reported at \$3,000,000 United States currency; their capital is approximately \$21,000,000.

2 TIE FOR HIGH RUN

F. L. Boalt and S. S. Sanders Get 6 in 3-Cushion Game.

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"Ruddy Mack" Is Dead.

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 30.—Joseph McNamara, once famous in the baseball world as "Ruddy Mack," died suddenly at his home in Newport, Ky. McNamara was 33 years old and had retired from baseball only three years ago. His last venture being the managerial charge of a West Virginia club.

Sports of All Sorts.

EARL COOPER'S Stutz, dogged from shadow, won the championship race at the Ascot Speedway. Los Angeles, Christmas day. And the shadow was not dead, hard luck, tire trouble or anything like that—it was Eddie Pullen bestriding a blood-red Mercer.

"Baseball is going to thud dogs. I tell ya," said one of the fellows around at the Hot Stove Club yesterday. "Look at it now, and then what it used to be. Why, not so very long ago there were 10 or 15 minor circuits, and now how many are there? You could almost count 'em on your fingers. Some of 'em barely managed to get skid through by stretching the wire, didn't. Even as big a circuit as the Western League, which used to be almost on a par with the National, just did skid through by stretching the wire. An' look at Troy and Albany—big towns—couldn't support a class B outfit. Why, Troy used to be in the National League, and so did Worcester where the club didn't pay expenses last year. Montreal, with more'n half a million people, won't support an international club. An' look at the Southern League attendance figures. An' Denver—why, they say the umpires outnumbered the spectators some days, but can't remember when some of the Pennsylvania mining towns paid their independent clubs more money in a month than they can pay all the players of a league in a season now. The game is going to thud canines, I tell ya."

Thinking it over, there is more or less truth in this, but it is only half truth. As a matter of fact, there is a lot old to recall the time when the Southern League couldn't play out its season for lack of support. It wasn't so many years ago when the Toronto club, now a valuable possession, could have been bought for "a plugged nickel."

The present Western League has had hard sledding at times, but the old Western League is still prospering, for it is now Byron Bancroft Johnson's 171 old American League. Yet it must be admitted that there is a lot of room for improvement in the minor league situation. In the smaller cities the spirit of sportmanship and civic pride that led the citizens to support league clubs seems to be gradually dying out. These Pennsylvania cities that paid such big salaries to their stars in the old days didn't get the money at the gate—the "altosna" dug

into their pockets. Too many minor league clubs nowadays are started by men whose sole object is to try to get a little coming out of the game. What is needed is a revival of the "sporting spirit" in which the game is the thing. And in the meantime, if the major leagues would pay a little more attention to encouraging and fostering baseball in the small cities and towns, they would be advancing their own interests.

According to Leo Darcy himself he will be able to step "some" over the ten-round rule in this country. He is quoted in New York as follows: "I do not think our ten-round limit over here will have any effect on my boxing, for I travel at the same pace as all my bouts, and 10 or 20 rounds will make no difference. I am in good condition right now, and could engage in a bout with three weeks' training or less. I have never received more than 14 days of actual training in Australia. Over there, though, we loafed a lot between fights, but then we fought by moonlight and we did not know who will be my first opponent, but I think I will meet George Chip again before leaving the country. He has called me requesting a match."

In February the schedule committees of the major leagues will gather in New York to make up the next schedule. This is expected to consume some time, but is somewhat important in that opening days in the various cities will be allocated and the majority of fans always are anxious to know which entry begins the season on the home lots.

Thanks for the International League has steadfastly refused to obey the National Commission in its ruling that they must play the Hercules Battle 1909. However, the league being maintained just now gives rise to the belief that some adjustment of this call can be brought about.

THIRD GAME IS SOUGHT

OREGON CITY ELEVEN WOULD MEET COLUMBIA PARK.

Manager Smith Claims Independent Championship of State Despite Defeat by One Point.

OREGON CITY, Or., Dec. 30.—(Special).—The Oregon City Football Association still claims the football championship of the state and wants to play Columbia Park, of Portland, a third time, Harry G. Smith, president of the association and manager of the team, said today.

"The members of the Oregon City Athletic Association and the football fans of Oregon City are not satisfied with the deal handed them by Columbia Park three weeks ago," reads a statement made by Mr. Smith. "It was almost impossible to get games for my team and in order to get a date with Columbia Park we had to agree to play a light team and all the accompanying men on the squad, so that Columbia Park would be able to put up a good game."

"The first game was a scoreless tie; the second game both teams made a touchdown, but Oregon City failed to kick goal, thus giving Columbia Park victory."

"Oregon City still claims the state championship and in order to prove their right will agree to play the same lineup on a neutral ground, and it is worth while we will put up a purse of \$1000 as a side bet to be covered by Columbia Park, the winners to get the purse."

"Columbia Park has no grounds to claim the championship, as they are not an organized club this year, merely a bunch gotten together for something that does not justify being to them."

The scheduled Sunday game between the locals and the Army team at Vancouver, Wash., has been canceled by the manager of the barracks eleven.

BAKER TO CATCH FOR SEALS

Detroit Manager Probably Will Release Him After Training.

DETROIT, Dec. 30.—Thirty-three players are expected to compose the Detroit American League baseball squad which will start Spring training at Waukegan, Ill., early in January. These official members of the club, made public tonight, indicated that Manager Jennings would look over the largest band of recruits he has ever tried out. It is understood that neither Catcher Del Baker nor Frank Fuller, utility infielder, will train with the Detroit Club. Baker will probably be released to San Francisco and Fuller also is to be let out to minor league club.

Manager Jennings and President Nativ have decked upon a training trip which will be radically different from any the Detroit club has ever taken. The coaching staff will include several minor league clubs, but a series of exhibition contests with the New York Nationals will be played in Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas.

DIETZ WILL LEAVE PULLMAN

Football Coach Hopes to Land \$5000 Job With Carlisle.

PULLMAN, Wash., Dec. 30.—William (Loncater) Dietz, for the last two years coach of the Washington State college football team, announced today that he will refuse the offer to be made to him by Athletic Director Bohler, of \$4000 to return to Washington State College for next year.

"I cannot see my way clear to accept the offer of the athletic department," he said.

Dietz has an application in for the position of coach at Carlisle, his alma mater, and he received an encouraging letter from the school today. The coach's salary at Carlisle is \$5000 a year.

He will leave next week for Chicago to take the position for Summer employment with a motion picture concern.

CARRIGAN'S PROFITS ARE BIG

Boston American's Manager Last Season Is Paid \$23,300.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—William F. Carrigan was paid \$23,300 for managing the Boston Americans last season, it was learned today. Of this amount \$15,000 was for his contract, \$3360 his world series share, \$2500 a special bonus for winning the American League pennant and \$2840 a percentage allowance on the receipts of the Boston club.

Carrigan, who announced his retirement last Fall, is now considering an offer from the new owners of the world champions to resume direction of the team. Although money was not mentioned in the negotiations, President H. H. Franze said he was ready to pay an amount in excess of \$18,000.

CUBS MAY TRAIN IN TUCSON

Chicago Team's Manager Would Have Men Pass 2 Weeks There.

TUCSON, Ariz., Dec. 30.—C. G. Williams, business manager of the Chicago Cubs, has written a letter to the Chamber of Commerce asking if arrangements can be made to have the Cubs spend two weeks here on their Southern Winter training tour.

Tucson will make every effort to have the Cubs winter here, and the University of Arizona gymnasium and given athletic privileges there.

SILVERTON Defeats Dallas High.

SILVERTON, Or., Dec. 30.—(Special).—The Silverton High School basketball team defeated the Dallas High School crew Friday by a score of 27 to 8 on the home floor.

RELEASE OF DUBUC MARKS GOING OF SLOW BALL MARKS

If the report that John Dubuc has passed from Detroit to the minor leagues is true, the American League has lost the champion slow ball pitcher of the universe. Dubuc was one pitcher who really had slow ball, one a trifle slower, and still one slower yet. He could mix up this assortment so scientifically that a batter would lunge at two slow ones and miss them by a wide margin, only to hit the third one against the fence. When some one expressed surprise that a batter could be twice fooled so badly and then while the third one Dubuc philosophically replied: "When you continue to throw nothing but slow balls, the batter is bound to hit one of them. If he will just continue to swing."

There are approximately 7500 hunters in Multnomah County. All are requested to attend Thursday night's meeting, when officers will be elected.

Carl D. Shoemaker, State Game Warden.

BINZEN WINS AGAIN AT INDOOR TENNIS

National Junior Singles Ends With Defeat of O'Boyle in Straight Sets.

NET PLAY IS STIRRING

Champion, When Put to Test, Uses Net Smashing and Overhead Drive Effectively and Captures 5 Games in Row.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Elliott H. Binzen, of Fordham University, successfully withstood the assault upon his National Junior indoor tennis singles championship today in the final match of the tournament on the courts of the Seventh Regiment Army.

In straight sets he defeated Henry B. O'Boyle, of Georgetown University, whose home is in Pittston, Pa. The score was 6-1, 7-5, 6-2.

Net Play Is Good

Stirring net playing carried Binzen through to his second holding of the National junior honors. He handled the fast service of O'Boyle with ease and certainty. In the first set Binzen made a run of six straight games for the set. O'Boyle steadied and used his crossing drives so ably that he advanced to the lead at 4-3 and 6-5 on games in the second set. Once more Binzen put his net smashing and overhead drives to the test and won the games in a row for the set. From that to the end Binzen was always in command, winning the desperate rallies at close range.

Yale Pair Unsteady

Willard Botsford and Rowland B. Haines, of Columbia University, won the championship of the state. They defeated F. W. Hopkins and E. L. Hopkins of Yale, in the final at 6-5, 5-2, 6-3. The teamwork of the Yale pair was unsteady at the critical stages of the games. Botsford and Haines won by individual brilliancy.

BRONSON TO BOX PELSINGER

Portland Fighter to Try to Regain Featherweight Title.

"Muff" Bronson will get a chance to regain his title of Pacific Coast featherweight champion in a bout with Harry Pelsinger, of San Francisco, at the Eleventh-Street Playhouse on January 19. The Western Athletic Club will be in charge of the festivities. Bronson a week or so ago thought that he would have to postpone the tilt with Pelsinger, but he has now been substituted. Pelsinger was awarded a hairline decision over Bronson at Seattle some time ago. It is the only decision that has ever been lost.

Mascott may meet Bert Hughes, of Vancouver, in another big event. Hughes is willing and all that remains is to get the consent of Mascott.

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TWO YET ARE UNDEFEATED

George Hart and Ed Trumbull Lead in Second and Fourth Divisions, Respectively—C. M. Swinney Loses Six in Succession.

The only feature of last week's play in the Waldorf handicap three-cushion billiard tournament was the breaking and tying of the high-run record. Fred L. Boalt made a high run of six in his game Wednesday, breaking the previous mark of five. He held it but two days, for Si S. Sanders Friday night tied Mr. Boalt's continuous-run mark.

George Hart and Ed Trumbull still have the honor of being undefeated. Hart leading the second division and Trumbull the fourth. By defeating C. M. Swinney, 27 to 21, on Friday night, M. A. Raven finally broke into the win column and as a result Swinney is at the bottom with six losses and no victories. He is the only contestant out of the 22 entries in all four divisions who has not won at least one game.

By defeating Fred L. Boalt, 47 to 34, Friday night, J. C. Gillespie went to second place in the first division, while Si S. Sanders managed to keep out in front in the first section by defeating Al W. Lundstrom, 30 to 28, both playing to 30.

Following are the standing of the players:

Table with 4 columns: Player Name, Wins, Losses, Points. First Division: S. S. Sanders (5-1-533), J. C. Gillespie (4-1-500), Fred L. Boalt (3-1-371), C. M. Swinney (2-3-290), Al W. Lundstrom (1-2-333), Dan DeLantieri (1-2-367).

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Table with 4 columns: Player Name, Wins, Losses, Points. Third Division: H. E. O'Connell (3-1-750), S. H. Woodland (2-2-714), E. L. Hopkins (2-2-590), Ed Rieck (2-2-423), E. L. Albert (2-2-423), Al W. McAllister (2-2-423), M. M. Levinson (2-2-423), F. E. Moore (1-3-468).

Table with 4 columns: Player Name, Wins, Losses, Points. Fourth Division: Ed Trumbull (6-0-1000), G. H. McClure (5-1-750), C. C. Kelly (5-2-590), E. L. Albert (4-3-490), E. L. Hopkins (4-3-490), Y. E. Price (3-4-390), G. H. McClure (3-4-390), Peter Shephard (1-5-367).

There are six more games to be played in the fourth division, four more in the third section and seven more in each of the first and second classes. Because of the holidays last week, several of the entries were out of the city and as a result the tourney was delayed somewhat, but Manager Rhoades announced last night that everything would be completed so that the finals could be started some time next week.

No games will be played tomorrow in the Waldorf billiard parlors because of New Year's day. Contests will be played Tuesday afternoon, starting at 2:15 o'clock, while the night matches are billed for 8:15 o'clock.

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