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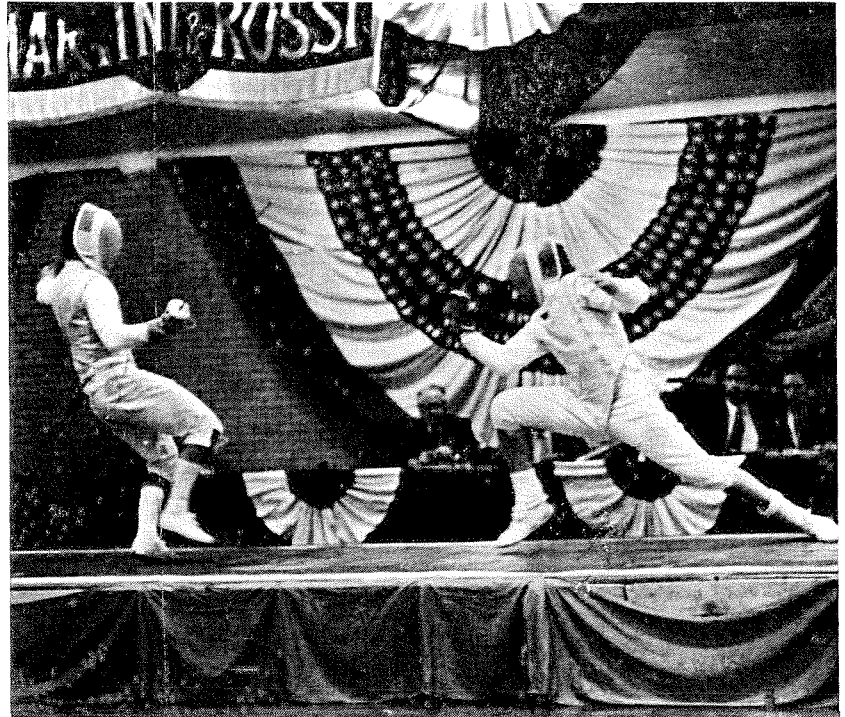


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U.S.A.'s hardy perennial, Albert Axelrod, launches himself at Archangelo Pinelli of Italy in the 1/2 final of the foil.

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EDITORIAL

We are confused and we suspect that some of our readers also may be confused by the recent actions of the Olympic Fencing Games Committee. For the benefit of those of our readers who are not familiar with this body let us explain that the Olympic Fencing Games Committee is part of the U.S. Olympic organization and is composed of nine members from the AFLA, three members from the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) and a representative of the U.S. Armed Forces, all nominated by their respective organizations. This committee is responsible for the selection and training of the U.S. Olympic and Pan American fencing teams.

Some time ago the committee announced a strict and objective point system for the selection of the 1972 teams. Subsequently, it changed the system to allow the committee to independently pick some of the team members.

The committee's recent selection of a Coach-Armorer for the 1972 Olympic team was rejected by the U.S. Olympic Committee as faulty. As a result the word "Coach" was dropped from the title of the position.

The Fencing committee had also announced the setting up of four official Olympic training camps in various parts of the United States and, after this news was announced in both a committee report and the AFLA Secretary's Newsletter in American Fencing, cancelled these camps in favor of an alternative.

With so many changes in basic direction, one begins to wonder whether sufficient thought was initially given to these important decisions.

In addition, we note that five of the thirteen members of this committee are officials of the U. S. team going to Munich. In fact the only non-committee officials are the two Olympic coaches. This is curious in view of the many other competent and experienced AFLA members who are available for such duties. We do not question the qualifications of those selected but we do suggest that, in the interest of complete objectivity, future official team cadres should not themselves be members of the selection committee.

EMERALD GREEN INTERNATIONAL TOURNAMENT INITIATED; AVERIL GENTON AND PAUL APOSTOL

Leisure Time Developers Inc. Sponsor New Tournament To Be Annual Feature on AFLA and FIE Schedule

EMERALD GREEN

by Jeffrey Tishman

On June 3-4, the Catskill Mountains of Sullivan County, New York, provided a congenial setting for what is sure to be an annual event of importance - the Emerald Green Fencing Tournament. Sponsors of this sabre and women's foil event were Leisure Time Developers Ltd., creators of Emerald Green, a year round vacation community only eighty miles from New York City.

Entries in the women's contest came from as far as Texas, Illinois, Buffalo, and Boston. Some sabre entries journeyed from Michigan, Indiana, and Ohio; while Peter Mather of the United Kingdom stayed an extra week after the Martini-Rossi to compete.

Excellent facilities were arranged by Chaba Pailaghy, vice-president of Leisure Time Developers and Jimmy Otto, organizer of the tournament. "The Entertainium," a large

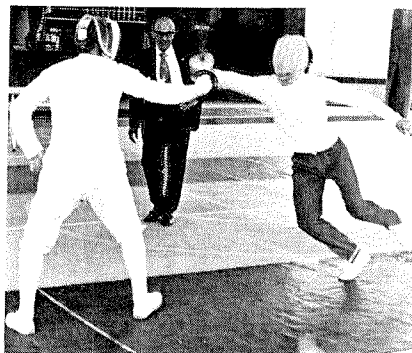


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Curt Ettinger (left) of the U.S.A. warms up with Peter Mather of Great Britain before the Sabre event of the Emerald Green International Tournament, as Ralph Goldstein directs.

gymnasium and community center, the fencing site. Prizes included a ring for each finalist as well as wrist watch and pen sets. A plaque bearing the name of the winners will go on permanent display at Emerald Green.

Plans are already under way for next year's tournament. Meanwhile, leave the Emerald Green on your calendar for an extra-special fencing week. The finalists in order:

SABRE: 1) Paul Apostol, Fencers Club New York;
2) Robert Dow, Fencers Club New York;
3) Thomas Balla, Salle Csizsar;
4) Peter Westbrook, New York
5) Csaba Gall, New York Athl
6) Frank Nagorney, Case Western Reserve University;

WOMENS' FOIL

1) Averil Genton, Fencers Club New York
2) Ruth White, Fencers Club of
3) Barbara Keel, Brandeis Uni
4) Lois Goldthwaite, Texas Christian University
5) Sharon DeBiase, Salle Csizsar
6) Ilona Maskel, Hungarian Church.

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BALLINGER FENCES II GIOVANNINI FOIL

Ed Ballinger, fencing in the tough Giovannini Foil tournament on Jur Bologna, Italy, made the quarter final placed nineteenth. The all star field of many ex world champions drop out the way. Talvard of France and Grotto of Italy, who recently starred in the New Martini-Rossi, won the Gold and Silver respectively.

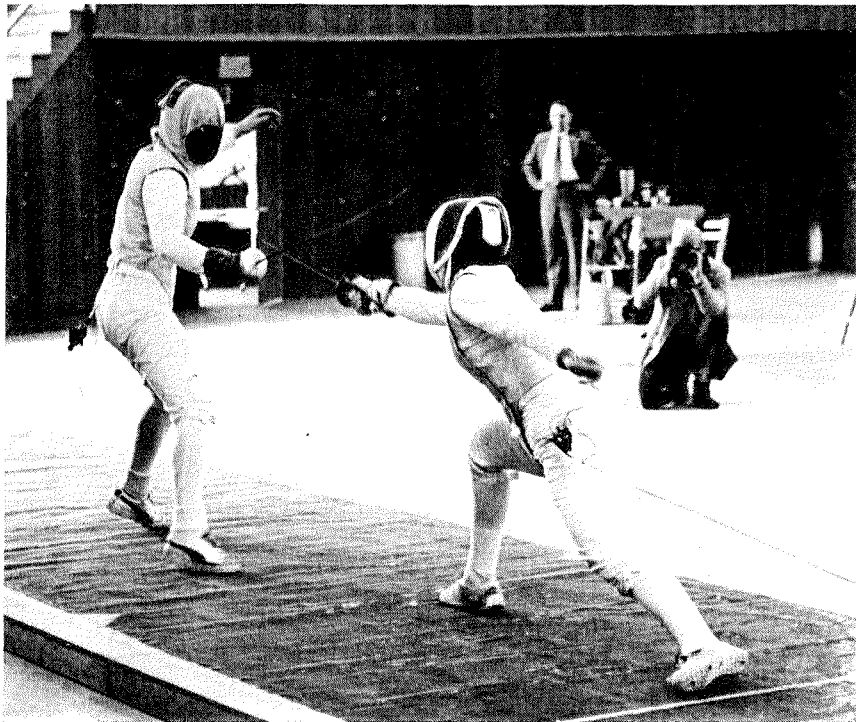


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Averil Genton of the Fencers Club of N. Y. lunges at Ilona Maskal of the Hungarian Reformed Fencing Club of New Jersey in the finals of the women's foil of the Emerald Green International Tournament. Miss Genton defeated Ruth White "la belle" for a clean sweep in the final and the gold medal.

NORTH TEXAS

by Mary Jane Burton

DIVISIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

WOMEN'S FOIL: 1st. Marietta Towry, DFC; 2nd. Mary Jane Burton, DFC; 3rd. Lois Goldthwaite, Ft. Worth.

SABRE: 1st. Ed Sims, DFC; 2nd. Spencer Johnson, DFC; 3rd. Martin Johnson, NTSU

EPEE: 1st. Spencer Johnson, DFC; 2nd. Ed. Sims, DFC; 3rd. David Ladyman, St. Mark's

FOIL: 1st. Ed Sims, DFC; 2nd. Bobby Walker, Gen. Dyn; 3rd. Spencer Johnson, DFC

LADIES TEAM FOIL: 1st Dallas, Fencers' Club; "A"; Mary Jane Burton, Anna Zimmerman, Helen Reynolds; 2nd. Dallas Fencers' Club "B"; Helen Livingston, Cheryl Sims, Becky Richards.

SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD: Mary Jane Burton, DFC and Travis Hanks, St. Mark's School.

GEORGIA DIVISION

by Jim Bloom

DIVISIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT

Foil: 1. L. Minor; 2. J. Spining; 3. R. Kaltenbach

Women's Foil: 1. B. Denny; 2. C. Hoge; 3. C. Johnson

Epee: 1. J. Spining; 2. C. Harris; 3. T. Green

Saber: 1. R. Kaltenbach; 2. V. Volkoff; 3. R. Sessions

ATLANTA CHALLENGE:

Foil: 1. T. Graham, Miami; 2. J. Steinman, FSU; 3. T. Brown, FSU

Women's Foil: 1. C. Hanse, Gainesville; 2. P. Culshaw, Miami; 3. A. Lewis, Atlanta

Epee: 1. C. Moore, Vanderbilt; 2. J. Spining, Atlanta; 3. J. Mosecki, FSU

VIEWPOINT: RUMORS

Rumors in fencing have ranged from the "secret thrusts" of the old duelling days to the latest wild story about equipment. Recently there was talk of a rule, supposedly a requirement for the 1974 NCAA's, that the bib be sewn permanently to the mask. **Since there is no such rule**, some people who had spent a lot of time, effort, and money to locate such masks were understandably irritated.

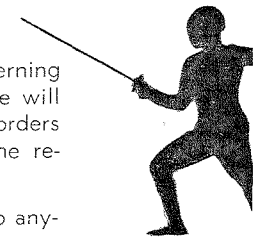
Who knows where these stories start? The FIE—which makes the technical rules for fencing—has not announced any such requirement. Neither has the AFLA or any collegiate association. A proposal now completely shelved, had been circulating last year: it called for a separate NCAA rule book; one of its rules called for bibs to be attached "continuously," starting with the 1973 NCAA's. May that's where the story started?

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LAST NORTH ATLANTICS HELD IN BUFFALO; SECTIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS STARTED IN 1955

by Jeffrey Tishman

The eighteenth and last North Atlantic Championships were held on May 6-7 at Buffalo State College in Buffalo, New York. Beginning next season the section will be divided into three portions, although names have not as yet been selected for them. (See the March-April **American Fencing** for details).

Although the championships have rarely been held in a more remote corner of the section, the turnout for all events was excellent (50 plus entries per weapon); except for sabre which had an abnormally small field (25). Dave Micahnik of Philadelphia gained the epee title, for the fourth time while; Denise O'Connor of New Jersey scored her fifth triumph in the women's event. Paul Apostol and Vito Mannino both of Long Island, each captured his first sectional crown by winning in sabre and foil respectively. All four defending champions started and although none was successful, each made the finals - Bob Dow (NJ) was fourth in sabre; Ron McMahon (Philadelphia) was sixth in epee; Jay Reid (NJ) was fifth in women's foil; and Marty Lang (L.I.) was eighth in foil.

Miss Roxanne Busch, coach of the Buffalo State Women's Team, carried out the same excellent preparations for this championship that she had a year ago for the NIWFA title event. Most members of her varsity team and physical education classes offered their services as timers and scorekeepers; while some commuted continually between the gym and the airport, bus, and train stations to pick up or drop off fencers.

Another feature devised by Miss Busch was a delivery arrangement with a local restaurant, to facilitate the fencers' eating lunch without leaving the gym. A soft-drink concession was made available with the help of Irwin Pastor, a Buffalo Pepsi-Cola distributor.

The trophies were another unusual aspect this year. Besides the full-size replicas of broadswords, cutlasses, and rapiers that traditionally go to the first three places, fourth through sixth place received an attractive piece of sculpture designed by Earl Solomon. Five horseshoe nails and a block of varnished wood created a stylized version of an attacking fencer.

SABRE - 1. Paul Apostol (Long Island); 2. Eugene Homori (Philadelphia); 3. Todd Makler (Phila.); 4. Robert Dow (New Jersey); 5. Thomas Balla (Phila.); 6. Jeffrey Tishman (N. J.); 7. Cal Schlick (L. I.); 8. Steve Sobel (N.J.); 9. Ralph Zimmerman (N.J.).

EPEE - 1. David Micahnik (Phila.); 2. Scott Bozek (New England); 3. Bruce Lyons (Washington); 4. Brooke Makler (Phila.); 5. Todd Makler (Phila.); 6. Ron McMahon (Phila.); 7. Dan Wigodsky (N.J.); 8. Jim Wetzler (Phila.); 9. Jake Redway (N.J.).

FOIL - 1. Vito Mannino (L.I.); 2. James Bonacorda (L.I.); 3. Marty Davis (Phila.); 4. Brooke Makler (Phila.); 5. Uriah Jones (Conn.); 6. Ed Richards (N.E.); 7. Bruce Lyons (Washington); 8. Marty Lang (L.I.); 9. Norman Campbell (Phila.).

WOMAN'S FOIL - 1. Denise O'Connor (N.J.); 2. Ruth White (Maryland); 3. Carol Benjamin (L.I.); 4. Betty Santelli (N.J.); 5. Jay Reid (N.J.); 6. Carolyn Chesney (N.J.); 7. Veronica Smith (Washington); 8. Stella Espino de Saurer (Western Pennsylvania); 9. Barbara Keel (N.E.).

SOBEL AND BERNSTEIN ARE ELECTED

Stephen Sobel and Irwin Bernstein have been elected the President and Secretary of the AFLA for the coming term. A total of 1019 votes were cast in the election. Emily Johnson and Chaba Palloghy, opposing candidates, have offered their full support to the incoming ticket, for the purpose of attacking the various problems which face the League today.

OKLAHOMA DIVISION

by Frances Duke

TULSA OPEN:

Women's Foil: 1. Phyllis Philip OU; 2. Frances Duke, OCFC; 3. Beth Hansel, CSU.

Foil: 1. Art Wade, TYFC; 2. Tom Lacoste, CSU; 3. Kurt Hagen, Phillips 66.

Epee: 1. Tom Lacoste, CSU; 2. Roger Brown, OCFC; 3. Art Wade, TYFC.

COLLEGIATE:

Sabre: 1. John Vadasz, OSU; 2. Tom Morrow, OSU 3. Tom Lacoste, CSU.

Epee: 1. Tom Morrow; 2. Tom Lacoste; 3. Jeff Roniger, OSU.

Foil: 1. Tom Lacoste, CSU; 2. Jeff Roniger; 3. John Vadasz.

Beginning Foil: 1. Jack Fouts, OU; 2. Tom Ingram, CSU; 3. Charlie Crawford, CSU.

Women's Foil: 1. Susan Fightmaster, OU; 2. Bev. Criswell, OSU; 3. Beth Hansel, CSU.

BEGINNING WOMEN'S FOIL: 1. Kathy Brocksmith, OU; 2. Rhonda Gamble, OSU; 3. Tanya Gee.

UNCLASSIFIED MEET:

Foil: 1. Tom Lacoste OCFC; 2. Ray Schwartz, Ind; 3. Mike McKee, OCFC.

Women's Foil: 1. Phyllis Philip, OU; 2. Peters, CSU; 3. Cindy Edgin, CSU.

Parsons' Sabre: 1. Mike McKee, OCFC Morrow, OSU; 3. Jorge Pocaterra, OU

BEGINNERS MEET

Unclassified Epee: 1. John Shanks, TYFC Hagen, Phillips 66; 3. Tom Ingram CSU

BEGINNING FOIL: 1. Pat Williams, Soderstrom, CSU; 3. Joe Bob Smith, C

Beginning Women's Foil: 1. Bright Mor 2. Brenda Elkins, CSU; 3. Cindy Edgin

OKLAHOMA CITY OPEN:

Women's Foil: 1. Joan Hagers, TYFC; Philip, OU; 3. Virginia Peters, CSU.

Foil: 1. Oscar Parsons, OCFC; 2. Ti OCFC; 3. Art Wade, TYFC.

Sabre: 1. Oscar Parsons; 2. Tom Morrow McKee, OCFC.

OPEN:

Women's Foil: 1. Joan Hagers, TYFC; Duke, OCFC; 3. Brenda Elkings.

Epee: 1. Art Wade, TYFC; 2. Tim Gre 3. Kurt Hagen, Phillips 66.

Sabre: 1. Jorge Pocaterra, OU; 2. Mik OCFC; 3. Rick Orr, TYFC.

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FRENCH AND ITALIANS DOMINATE MARTINI-ROSSI; WORLD CHAMPION DEMAILLE WINS BARRAGE

1972 MARTINI-ROSSI

by Jeffrey Tishman

This year's version of the premier fencing tournament in the United States - the Martini and Rossi International - got under way over the Memorial Day weekend (May 26-28) at the New York Athletic Club. Although conflicts with European meets and Olympic training camps held foreign entries to a minimum, starters included two world champions: foilswoman Marie Chantel Demaille of France and sabreur Michel Maffei of Italy; as well as the entire Italian national sabre team.

Rather than the direct elimination system employed in recent years, the format of the tournament reverted to six-man pools concluded by a final round of six (eight in sabre). In his first appearance in this country,

Bernard Talvard of France, a one-time bronze medalist in the World Championships, went undefeated in 25 bouts to take the foil event.

Nicolo Granieri and Archangelo Pinelli, both of Italy, finished in a tie for second with 3-2 records and placed as listed. Tyrone Simmons of the University of Detroit edged out Albert Axelrod of the Fencers Club of New York for fourth place as the top U.S. foil result.

Granieri came back the following evening, however, to overtake five Americans in the epee final, thus winning his first New York Martini after four tries. George Masin and Paul Pesthy, both of the host club, were second and third respectively.

At the same time, Marie Chantel Demaille, the women's world champion, was engaged

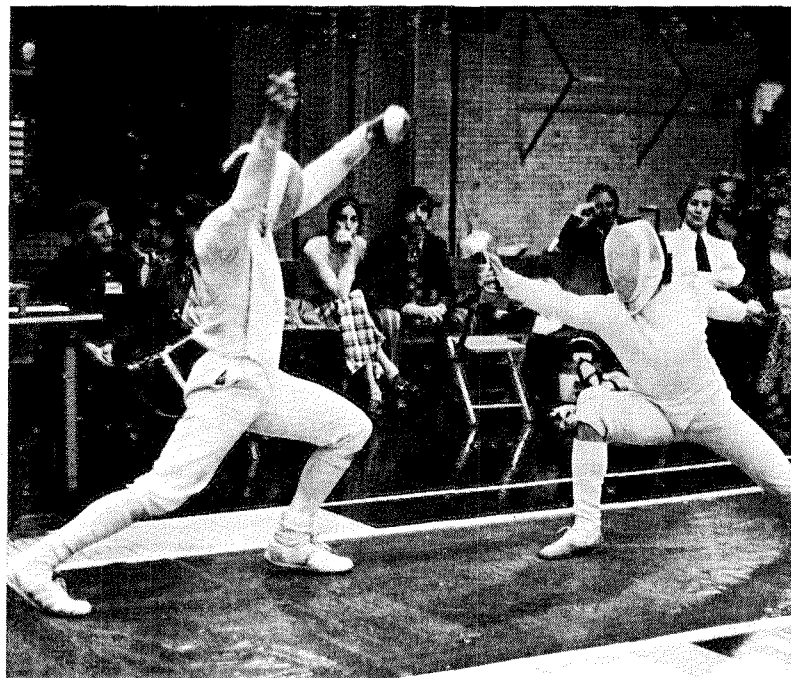


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Dan Cantillon of Detroit throws both arms up to party Nicolo Granieri of Italy in the Epee event Martini-Rossi. Granieri kept up his remarkable record in the Martini by taking the gold medal in

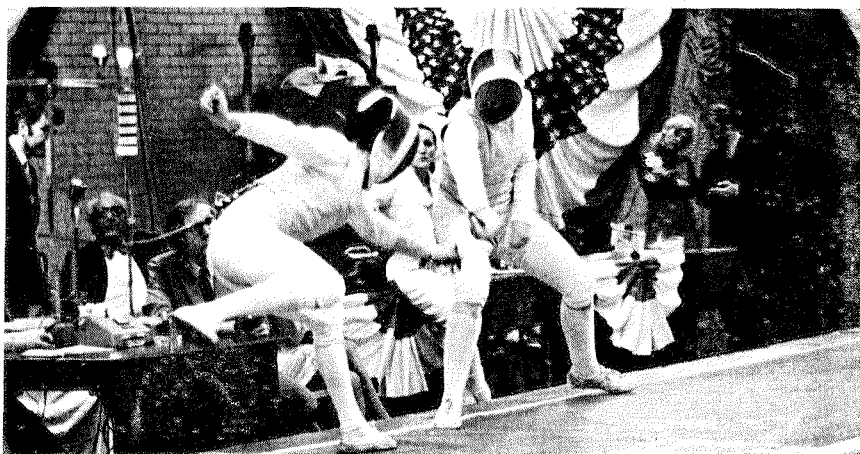


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Marie Chantel DeMaille, the 1971 World Champion (left) slugs it out with Denise O'Connor in the ladies event of the Martini. The French champion survived several tough bouts to take the gold medal in a barrage with Ruth White.

in a first place barrage with Ruth White of New York University and the Fencers Club of New York. Miss White had beaten Mrs. Demaille in the semi-final and the final and one more victory would give her the title. But Ruth lost, 4-3, in a repeat of her barrage last year with Tatanya Adamovich. This year Miss Adamovich finished third.

Because of the thin foreign turnout, the popular three-weapon team event that traditionally followed the sabre on Sunday evening was cancelled. It was superseded, however, by what is hoped will be a new annual fixture - a five man sabre team match between the United States and Italy, the bronze medalists at Vienna. Italy's team consisted of Aldo and Tulio Montano, Rolando Rigoli, Cesare Salvadori, and Michel Maffei. The U.S. contingent was Alex Orban, William Goering, Jack Keane, Al Morales, Paul Apolstal, Csaba Gall; with Robert Dow as

alternate. Italy swept this opening match, but Keane and Apostol each took a bout for the losers.

Sabre had the largest and strongest cut. Besides the Italians; Gerard D and defending champion Phillippe E France started. Bena was a surprise win in the semi-final, and the final of the five Italians, Dellocque, Al Mc the New York Athletic Club and Paul of the Fencers Club of New York. The two cousins, Aldo and Tulio, finished second as listed; and Aldo won bouts in both the semi-final and final proving on his third place finish year. Rolando Rigoli of Italy, champion years ago, was third this time. Paul of the USA prevented an Italian success finishing fourth after tying for third. Italian, Salvadori, took fifth, while the sabre champion, Michel Maffei managed

sixth place in a meet that has always proven difficult for reigning world titleholders.

As always, the weekend ended with the Fencers Gala at the New York A.C. ballroom.

RESULTS:

FOIL: (65 entries): 1) Bernard Talvard, France; 2) Nicola Granieri, Italy; 3) Archangelo Pinelli, Italy; 4) Tyrone Simmons, USA; 5) Albert Axelrod, USA; 6) Walter Krause, USA.

EPEE: (62 entries): 1) Nicola Granieri, Italy; 2) George Masin, USA; 3) Paul Pesthy, USA; 4) Todd Makler, USA; 5) Dan Cantillon, USA; 6) Gerry Johnson, USA.

WOMEN'S FOIL: (30 entries): 1) Marie Chantal Demaille, France (after barrage); 2) Ruth White, USA; 3) Tatanya Adamovich, USA; 4) Emily Grompone, USA; 5) Kyoko Aoyama, Canada; 6) Cynthia Carter, USA.

SABRE (65 entries): 1) Mario Aldo Montano, Italy; 2) Mario Tullio Montano, Italy; 3) Rolando Rigoli, Italy; 4) Paul Apostol, USA; 5) Cesare Salvadori, Italy; 6) Michel

Maffei, Italy; 7) Gerard Dellocque, France; 8) Al Morales, USA.

BOY SCOUTS PRESENT FENCING MERIT BADGES

by Dr. Norma Goldberg

A surprise ceremony for fencing merit badges was held at the Martini-Rossi International Tournament this year.

Mr. Pierre Thyvaert, Assistant Director of Field Activities for the greater New York Council of Boy Scouts of America made the presentations, with the assistance of Mr. Peter Tishman, AFLA Treasurer, and Ralph Goldstein, Editor of American Fencing.

Seven scouters and eighteen boy scouts were honored. The merit badge shows engaged silver weapons on a dark blue field. The Scout requirements for the patch are: for First Class rank, 300 hours of training and practice under the direction of an instructor, quarterly public competition (inter troop) knowledge of the Fencing Rules Book, and the history and language of fencing.

TWENTY EIGHTH ANNUAL NCAA FENCING CHAMPIONSHIPS

by Irwin Bernstein

The University of Detroit won the 1972 NCAA team championships by three points over NYU with Columbia third. Detroit thus became the first non-Eastern school to win the title since Illinois in 1958.

Columbia's Bruce Soriano won an unprecedented third consecutive sabre crown with a 22-1 final round record as he lost only to Ken Blake of Detroit. Blake's teammate Tyrone Simmons won his second straight foil championship as he went undefeated in 23 bouts. Ernesto Fernandez of Pennsylvania captured the epee honors.

LEADING TEAMS

	E	S	F	3W
1. Detroit	21	24	28	73
2. N.Y.U.	23	23	24	70
3. Columbia	17	27	22	66
4. Pennsylvania	26	15	22	63
5. Navy	18	18	21	57
6. Illinois	16	16	24	56
7. Wayne State	15	21	18	54
8. Princeton	22	14	14	50
9. Army	16	21	12	49
9. Notre Dame	14	19	16	49

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

EPEE: - 1. Ernesto Fernandez, Penn 2. George Szunyogh,, NYU, 18-5; Wigodsky, Princeton,, 17-6; 4 Tetrallyay, Harvard, 16-7; 5. Fred Detroit, 16-7; 6. Ed Battle, Muh 13-10; 7. Peter Solecki, Navy, 1; Bob Berg, Air Force, 13-10; 9 Kramer, Columbia, 12-11; 10. Da California State, Long Beach, 12-

FOIL: - 1. Tyrone Simmons, Detroit 2. Ed Littell, Illinois, 19-4; 3. Mar NYU, 19-4; 4. Brooke Makler, Pen 5. Gary Pepper, Columbia, 17-6. Donofrio, Navy, 16-7; 7. William Wisconsin, 16-7; 8. Jacob Haywar Hall, 14-9; 9. Rich Malazoo, Wayr 13-10; 10. Bob Nagorney, Case Reserve, 13-10.

SABRE: - 1. Bruce Soriano, Columbia 2. Ken Blake, Detroit, 19-4; 3. Je man, NYU, 18-5; 4. Steve Danosi, State, 16-7; 5. Dave Huntoon, Ar 7; 6. Dan Capece, Pace, 14-9; 7. Sollitto, Notre Dame, 14-9; 8. Snipper, Yale, 14-9; 9. Frank N. Case Western Reserve, 13-10; 10. Reilly, St. Johns, 13-10.

NORTHERN OHIO DIVISIONAL

by Ilona Kadar

A total of sixty-six fencers participated in the Divisional Championships this season.

Results are:

Foil: 1. W. Reith, CFF; 2. A. Kestler, SK; 3. B. Nagorney, SK; 4. F. Nagorney, SK;

Epee: 1. G. Kocob, SK; 2. W. Reith, CFF; 3. W. Shaw, CFF; 4. H. James, CFF;

Sabre: 1. B. Nagorney, SK; 2. F. Nagorney, SK; 3. H. James, CFF; 4. D. McCormick, CFF;

Women's Foil: 1. J. Kowlewski, SK; 2. H. Erossy, CMAC; 3. A. Susel, CFF; 4. Pake, ATC;

Under-19 Foil: 1. M. Mitchell, JFK; 2. P. Willis, CFF; 3. D. Mason, JFK; 4. J. Davis, JFK;

The Youth meets were held on March 5th, Sunday with a total of 57 entries. Results:

Boys 14 yrs: 1. D. Murray, PHFC; 2. T. Arenz, PHFC; 3. M. Mathews, CDR; 4. E. Wooten, CDR;

Girls 14 yrs: 1. K. Bohl, PHFC; 2. C. Murray, PHFC; 3. A. Bohl, PHFC; 4. L. Pahys, CFF;

Boys 15 - 17 yrs: 1. M. Weatherspoon, JI Mitchell, JFK; 3. L. Booker, JFK; 4. PHFC;

Girls 15 - 17 yrs: 1. H. Bailey,, PHFC; Nagorney, SK; 3. K. Mahoney, JM Damiano, JM;

Foil: 1. H. Shaw, CCC; 2. R. MCElroy, CI Thomas, CCC; 4. J. Kowalski, CFF;

Women's Foil: 1. R. Dubin, SK; 2. B. Bar 3. P. Sorce, KSU; 4. S. Bachmeer, KSU

The All-Ohio Championships were held at Kent State Univ. on Saturday, April 14, with a total of 43 entries.

Results are:

Foil: 1. W. Reith, CFF; 2. A. Kestler, SK; 3. H. James, CFF; 4. E. Sosman, CFF;

Epee: 1. W. Reith, CFF; 2. B. Shaw, CI James, CFF; 4. F. Nagorney, SK;

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CALI AND AMERICAN FENCING

by Csaba Elthes

What is the future for American fencing? In the sixth Pan Am Games a new situation developed. The fencing was dominated exclusively by the United States and Cuba. Our customary opponents, Canada and Argentina have declined. Beside the Cubans, only the Mexican sabre team showed improvement.

What I predicted in my previous article came true. The work of the Cubans, who enjoy full state support, has borne fruit. They are not just young, aggressive athletes, they are technically well-trained fencers. They were weaker than we in only one weapon—the epee. They are better than we are in men's and women's foil. And sabre is their strongest weapon. Only a good Orban could stop them.

It would be unwise to take heart from the five gold and two silver medals we won in Cali. Since we won only four gold medals four years ago at Winnipeg, it might appear that all is still well. Sorry, **But that is far from the truth.** Our two team victories in foil were a combination of luck, enthusiasm, obedience to tactical advice, and not the least, Cuban overconfidence as a result of their great victories the previous two days in the individual events. The opinions of our experts are most definite—they are better foil fencers than we are at present. We don't need too much imagination to know what will happen in Santiago four years from now. In Winnipeg, Cuba won only one bronze medal. With the slightest break this year they would have earned even more than the three gold and four silver medals they received.

At the risk of being branded an alarmist, I make another prediction. If we don't make significant changes in our methods, in Santiago we won't win **any** gold medals—unless blind fortune helps us.

Our sabre team, due to poor team selection and lack of proper preparation for recent World Championships, has lost the world ranking it held for the last ten years. Aside from the five great fencing nations,

we also have to contend with West Germany, East Germany, Bulgaria, and Romania, which have all improved in the last few years. If we want to beat these teams in Munich, we must work and prepare much more seriously. Of course, this is also true for the other weapons.

We must realize our limited situation. The previously mentioned nations have state support, and we are still perfectly amateur. We can do nothing but take the advice of a very old Hungarian proverb:

"If your sabre is short, add a step."

Our resources are limited—how can we add that step?

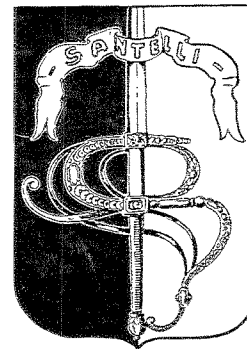
- (1) We must change the team selection method. It is not in our best long-range interest to base the selection of our teams on the results of one isolated competition.
- (2) We must have an Olympic Squad with a properly organized training schedule.
- (3) We must have a **mandatory** training camp for two weeks prior to Munich.
- (4) Since our only practical hope for a World Championship or Olympic medal is in the team events, we must prepare for this type of competition by having four-man teams in our own competitions, especially the Nationals.
- (5) The Martini-Rossi Competition must be run by correct FIE rules.
- (6) The AFLA, with limited resources, must use its money to better advantage. We should not send people to FIE competition to lose, but support better preparation at home.
- (7) We must have much better contact between team members, leaders, and coaches.
- (8) We have to make funds available to establish a Central Coaches Clinic.
- (9) We should not send inexperienced, unrespected leaders to FIE competitions.
- (10) We have to find a way to let coaches who are **able** to develop international-class fencers **do** so, instead of being overworked with pleasure fencers.
- (11) If possible, we should establish perma-

nent contact with the Cubans, who are our only real opponents in the hemisphere.

- (12) Fencing is growing **worldwide**. This fact must be realized by the United States Olympic Committee. The AFLA and USOC should have closer contact. The USOC has to learn that fencing is not a secondary sport in the rest of the world, but without financial help will die here.

We have to face our situation. On an amateur basis, it is dreaming to think of Olympic medals. But we can be the best of the rest.

It is already too late to make most of these changes as far as Munich is concerned. But what about 1976, when the Olympics will be in our own backyard?



Maker of Champions

ALABAMA DIVISIO

by John R. Jordan

The Alabama Division champion held on the University of Alabama at Huntsville on April 22 and enthusiasm displayed by the 33 p indicates a trend in the Southeast ing is here to stay.

A calendar of events is being p the coming year. It will attempt the eager participants and allow growth in the southern half of the

Results of the 1972 Alabama Divi pionships:

Epee: Elias Katsaros; John Jordan; Joe

Sabre: Joe Dabbs; Emil Luff; John Orc

Foil: John Jordan; Joe Dabbs; Emil I

Women's Foil: 1st place - Donna Sand-Jones; 3rd place - Virginia Zumbad

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MUNICH PREPARES

by Richard Gradkowski

On my way back from the World Championships in Vienna last summer I had an opportunity to stop over in Munich for several days. Being an Olympics fan (Rome 1960, Tokyo 1964, Mexico 1968) I was eager to take a look at the preparations for the Games, especially for the fencing.

Munich is a very interesting city from both the cultural and historic points of view. The old capital of Bavaria, it has museums and monuments galore, and of course, its food and beverages are well known. Munich is the home of Lowenbrau Beer (with an attractive beer garden at its brewery) and of the famous BMW (Bayerische Motor Werke) automobile factory. It is a very cosmopolitan city, with a large foreign flavor and thousands of residents of non-German stock (notably many Turkish and Yugoslavian workers). Munich is also very famous for its Oktoberfest, the annual beer party. Fencers should note that it is right at the site of this Oktoberfest that the fencing events will take place. The Oktoberfest is held on a huge field where many famous breweries set up enormous tents (some seating 6000).

The Olympic Park and Village are on one side of town at the site of an old airfield, about a half hour drive from the center of town (the Hauptbahnhof railroad station). However, the fencing will take place on the opposite side of the city at an exposition grounds (the Messegelände) immediately adjacent to the Oktoberfest field. As in Mexico and the other Olympics, special busses will transport the fencers to and from the Olympic village and fencing strips. At the Messegelände the sports of wrestling, Judo, and Weightlifting will also be going on, in buildings inside a pleasant park.

An unusual feature of this Olympics will be the use of two separate buildings for the preliminaries and the finals of the fencing. All preliminaries will be run off in Hall 20, a spacious area about 180 by 340 feet in size, with fourteen strips. This hall will have complete facilities for any kind of fencing activity, including offices, lockers, technicians' benches, etc. The training strips will be set up in the basement, with a connecting

escalator to the competition floor. Unlike most other championship fencing sites, which are like gymnasiums, this hall has a relatively low ceiling with a number of supporting columns, and may present some problems of viewing and acoustics.

The finals will be held about a quarter mile away from the preliminaries building in building 12, the Bayernhalle. This hall will have seats for 3000, all with a good view of the strip upon which the final bouts will be fought. Special lighting will be set up for TV reception but with care not to dazzle the competitors. The German TV and press will be well prepared to report on the competitors. While the 1971 World Championships were going on in Vienna, as part of my job as manager I had to fill out a number of forms for the Germans listing the backgrounds and biographies of our U.S. team members. All this information was put onto tape and, should one of our fencers do something spectacular, a push of a button on a computer will print out his complete fencing biography on a TV screen.

With all this preparation, American fencing fans are still out of luck. The reputed Germanic efficiency has assigned most Americans accommodations in hotels in the Garmisch Partenkirchen resort area, about sixty miles outside of Munich. This is fine if you want to relax at a resort, but pretty much useless if you are interested in the Olympic fencing events. The train ride from Garmisch to the Hauptbahnhof in downtown Munich take about 80 minutes. Assuming a round 20 minutes at each end of the trip for connections, this amounts to a two hour journey one way. As the fencing will begin at 9:00 a.m. and the finals are over generally by 10:00 p.m., your fencing fan will have to get up at six o'clock each day, and get to sleep about one a.m. in the morning. Any sightseeing, shopping, or dining will have to be fitted in elsewhere on the schedule. And the fencing goes on for eleven days.

Tickets for the Olympics have also been bollixed up, with changes in agencies resulting in delays and incomplete orders.

Fencers back here in the U.S.A. will be even worse off with regard to getting the news of events at the Olympics. Informal inquiries at the U.S. Olympic Committee and

at various Press services have elicited a blank wall as far as fencing coverage is concerned. Unless the unlikely event happens of an American taking a gold medal, fencing fans here will probably have to wait, with the usual long delay, until U.S. team members or officials return with their reports. Here for those of you who may be interested in knowing what you are missing is the complete schedule of the Olympic fencing.

Tuesday, August 29:	Foil Individual
Wednesday, August 30:	Saber Individual
	Foil Individual Final
Thursday, August 31:	Saber Individual Final
Friday, September 1:	Foil Team
Saturday, September 2:	Womens Foil
	Foil Team Final
Sunday, September 3:	Saber Team
	Womens Individual Final
Monday, September 4:	Epee Individual
	Saber Team Final
Tuesday, September 5:	Epee Individual Final
Wednesday, September 6:	Womens Team
Thursday, September 7:	Epee Team
	Womens Team Final
Friday, September 8:	Epee Team Final

1972 OLYMPIC TEAM

The United States Olympic Committee has selected the following team to represent the U.S.A. in Munich.

Foil: C. Borack, M. Davis, B. Freeman, T. Simmons, J. Nonna, A. Davis (alt.).
Epee: J. Melcher, S. Bozek, G. G. Masin, T. Makler, S. Netburn, B. Makler (alt.).
Saber: P. Apostol, R. Dow, J. Keane, A. Morales, A. Orban, C. Gall (alt.).
Women: T. Adamovich, N. Clovis, H. King, A. O'Donnell, R. White, S. Armstrong (alt.).

NATIONALS SUMMARY

A full report on the National Championships will appear in our next issue.

FOIL: 1. B. Freeman; 2. M. Davis; 3. T. Simmons.
EPEE: 1. J. Melcher; 2. S. Bozek; 3. G. G. Masin.
SABER: 1. A. Orban; 2. P. Apostol; 3. R. Dow.
WOMEN: 1. R. White; 2. N. Clovis; 3. A. O'Donnell.
FOIL TEAM: 1. Salle Santelli; 2. N.Y.A.C.; 3. Salle Csiszar.
EPEE TEAM: 1. N.Y.A.C.; 2. Salle Richards; 3. Salle Csiszar.
SABER TEAM: 1. N.Y.A.C.; 2. Fencers Club; 3. Fencing Academy of Michigan.
Women's Team: 1. Salle Santelli; 2. West End FC; 3. Fencers Club.

A MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY - ELEC

My first goal as Secretary of will be to try to reestablish proper contact with all members of the AF has been said and written about in our recent mailing operations and ing this will be my first task. All can help by sending me the addresses of any members who have receiving their magazines and other mail as well as any former men should be encouraged to rejoin. Directors are urged to submit the Division officers and additional members to the National Board of Directors. Communication is a two way matter assistance will enable me to serve you.

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Letters to the Editor

The Editor
American Fencing

Dear Mr. Goldstein,

I was interested in the Jack Keane article, "The National Coach". In Great Britain we have had a National Coach coupled with a National training system since 1949 which has had a profound influence on British fencing. The National Training scheme had its early protest and mis-givings mainly from the older fencers and some of the senior Masters. However it has proved the most valuable contribution ever made to British fencing, the older Masters who assumed that the scheme would deprive them of a living soon came to realise the contrary, that it not only created more work, but more fencers, more Clubs and in fact greater security.

Some of the many aims of National Training were to establish a basic method to unified teaching. The scheme produced many hundreds of Amateur Coaches, who developed fencing in undeveloped areas, encouraging and producing fencers, where, because of the shortage of professionals, the game had been neglected. Many of these Amateur Coaches eventually joined the professional ranks and because of their early training through the National Training scheme were accepted by the British Academy of Fencing and were able to develop with experience to become top British Masters.

The National Training scheme promoted fencing in our schools and colleges and, with the aid of the local authorities, classes were established in Adult Educational Centers, Youth Clubs etc.

The grant by the Government has now become an institution firmly established in Great Britain. At a higher level the National Coach became responsible for the training of National and Olympic teams. In Great Britain we have an Olympic Coach for each weapon, selected by the sub-committees of the weapon, with the National Coach as the overall director of training.

It would take many hundreds of words to describe the many transitions brought about

by National Training and the work of the National Coach, but I can highly recommend its adoption by American fencing. It would be a major step forward, that, I can assure you, with the right preparation and planning for such a scheme would bring about a major reformation and result worthy of the effort.

Yours sincerely,
Steve Boston
Vice President, British Academy
of Fencing
London, England

The Editor
American Fencing

Dear Sir:

As chairman of the AFLA Electrical Equipment Committee I am asked all kinds of questions. One that has recently been put to me results from the little item that appeared on page 15 of the last **American Fencing**, concerning the powering of scoring machines. The item, though technically correct, has proved puzzling, since unfortunately it can be read as implying that it is not proper or legal for a fencing machine to be equipped with an input for AC power (either 120 or 240 volt).

On the contrary, all the machines used in the official FIE competitions for many years now have been equipped to run either on 12 volt batteries or on AC (though a built-in transformer-rectifier-filter system).

What the FIE requires is (1) that at the official FIE competitions (i.e., World Championships Olympic Games, and Under-20 World Championship), and preferably at other major events on the international calendar, the scoring machines be operated only by batteries; and (2) that the battery connections and the AC connections be of entirely different construction so that one cannot be mistaken for the other.

Dr. Joseph A. Byrnes,
Elizabeth, New Jersey



AMERICAN FENCING

BLUE RIDGE FENCING CONFERENCE

by Dean Rose

In the 1972 Blue Ridge Fencing Conference Championships, defending champion Augusta Military Academy retained its title, fighting off a strong and spirited challenge from Mercersburg Academy. The two teams ran away from the rest of the field which was weakened by the loss of the Yellow Jackets Club of Hyattsville, Maryland, and John Carroll High School of Belair, Maryland. The conference should be back at full, seven-team strength next year. The results of this year's tournament, conducted on the pattern of the IFA championships, are as follows:

3-Weapon Team

- | | |
|---|----|
| 1. Augusta Military Academy
(Fort Defiance, Va.) | 29 |
| 2. Mercersburg Academy
(Mercersburg, Pa.) | 27 |
| 3. Frostburg Fencers (Frostburg, Md.) | 18 |
| 4. Jewish Community Center (Baltimore) | 5 |
| 5. Tri-weapon Club (Central YMCA, Baltimore) .. | 4 |
| Foil Team: Augusta Military Academy | 11 |
| Epee Team: Augusta Military Academy | 10 |
| Sabre Teams: Mercersburg Academy | 10 |

Foil Individual

- D. Brusowankin, Jewish Community Center 5/0;
- Ramsey, Augusta Military Academy 4/1;
- Johnson, Mercersburg Academy 3/2

Epee Individual

- Femrite, August Military Academy 4/1 (fence-off);
- Jaffee, Mercersburg Academy 4/1;
- Zook, Augusta Military Academy 3/2.

Sabre Individual:

- Isaacson, Mercersburg Academy 5/0
- Malnati, Augusta Military Academy 4/1
- Hanks, Mercersburg Academy 3-2

TENNESSEE DIVISIC

by Kamillo Szathmary

Foil: 1. Hank Powell, unatt.; 2. Cc Sallie Csizsar; 3. Lance Porter, U Kentucky, Lexington, Ky.

Epee: 1. Lance Porter, University c 2. Ray Finkleman, Vanderbilt Univ. ville, Tenn.; 3. E. Michael Moore, bilt Univ. 3. Kamillo Szathmary, Kno

Sabre: 1. Jim Bright, Vanderbilt Univ Vanstrum, Vanderbilt Univ.; 3. Ka mary, Knoxville YMCA.

Women's Foil: 1. Fredricks Borland Univ.; 2. Dorothy Harner, Vanderv Mary Sue Barry, Vanderbilt Univ.

Under 19 Foil: 1. Doug Thomson, Univ.; 2. Mike Szathmary, Unvers nnessee, Knoxville; 3. Steve White, Tennessee.

Under 19 Epee: 1. Dale Drinnon, U Tenn.; 2. Doug Thomson, Vanderb Kevin Connors, Univ. of Tenn.

Under 19 Sabre: 1. Mike Szathmar Tenn.; 2. Andy Auerbach, Oak R Club; 3. Doug Thomson, Vanderbilt

Under 19 Women's Foil: 1. Mary Sue derbilt Univ.; 2. Coleman Miller, Univ.; 3. Beth Davis, Vanderbilt Ur

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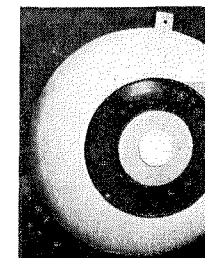
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PACIFIC COAST CHAMPIONSHIPS

by E. Turney

SABRE:

1. S. Lekach De Nord 2. C. Jones De Nord 3. M. Marion De Nord 4. T. Pecsvaradi L.G.H. 5. J. White De Nord South 6. B. Glassgold L.G.H.

FOIL:

1. K. Morgareidge De Nord 2. M. Tarascio H.F.C. 3. J. Beatty H.F.C. 4. J. Elliott Mori 5. T. Ahern L.G.H. 6. G. Clovis LAAC

WOMEN'S FOIL:

1. N. Clovis LAAC by Fence off 2. T. Angel Marki 3. B. Devan LAAC 4. H. King H.F.C. 5. I. Lucero H.F.C. 6. B. Hoepner Marki

EPEE:

1. J. Elliott Mori 2. R. Bailey Los Gatos Fencing Club 3. W. Johnson C.S.C.H. 4. C. Miller L.G.H. 5. K. Christie Mori 6. J. St. Clair LAAC

SABRE TEAM:

1. LAAC (Kirchner, Clovis, St. Clair) 2. L.G.H. (Wolf-Priessnitz, Pecsvaradi, Glassgold, Spencer.

FOIL TEAM:

1. L. G. H. (Chlaron, Wolf- Priessnitz, Schwarz, Ahern) 2. H.F.C. (J. Beatty, N. Otero, J. Shamosh, M. Tarascio)

WOMEN'S TEAM:

1. LAAC Clovis, Devan, Drago, Linkmeyer) 2. Marki School of Fencing (Angell, Hoepner, Jesseph, Moody)

EPEE TEAM:

1. Mori (Christe, Elliott, Goldberg) 2. Salle De Nord (Benge, Cushing-Murray, Morgareidge).

GATEWAY DIVISION

by Roy Lasris

Results of the 1972 Gateway Divisional Championships held April 29-30 at Stetson University were as follows:

Foil: 1. Roy Lasris (Stetson Fencers); 2. Gerry Garner (Florida Fencers); 3. Mike Sandin (Stetson).

Epee: 1. Bob Lightner (Florida); 2. Gerry Garner (Florida); 3. Richard Hubbel (Florida).

Sabre: 1. Steve Herrick (Jacksonville Fencing Club); 2. Steve Rawls (Stetson); 3. Mike Sandin (Stetson).

Under-19 Foil: 1. Roy Lasris (Stetson); 2. Andy Nichols (Ocala Fencing Club); 3. Brian Haan (Ocala).

Women's Foil: 1. Barbara Peterson (Florida); 2. Elena Piquer (Florida); 3. Sara Jo Brown (Ocala).

Under-19 Women's Foil: 1. Elena Piquer (Florida); 2. Marilyn Moriarity (Florida); 3. Sara Jo Brown (Ocala).

ASTM PROTECTIVE SPORTS EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE AUTHORIZES SPECIAL FENCING TASK GROUP

by Steve Sobel

At the May meeting in Las Vegas of Committee F8 on Protective Equipment for Sports of the ASTM (American Society for Testing and Materials), Steve Sobel was invited to address the Executive Committee with the purpose of initiating work in the area of fencing. Following his presentation, he was elected to active membership on the committee, and appointed chairman of a newly formed task group to write standards for protective fencing equipment.

ASTM is a voluntary consensus standards organization that writes, publishes and revises annually over 30 volumes of standards which are recognized and used world wide. Committee F8 already has projects underway specifically on football cleats, helmets, ladies protective equipment, wrestling mats and ski bindings.

In fencing, although the FIE rules have some precise definitions, such as the fencing mask which "must be made up with meshes (spaces between the wires) of maximum 2.

7mm and from wires with a minimum of diameter 1 mm" (Rule 27, No. are many vague general statements should be replaced by more precise

For example Rule 27, No. 1 st competitor must have the maximum compatible with the freedom of movement necessary for fencing"; Rule 5 states that clothing "must be sufficiently robust material and be in condition"; Rule 216 (a) which states "the jacket must compulsorily be lined making a double thickness for the sleeve", without defining what constitutes a single thickness.

Standards writing in ASTM is a team of producers and consumers to develop rules for buying and selling products. It is a voluntary consensus

This is the first time that a fencing representative was invited to a meeting of Committee F8 on sports protective equipment and as a result a special task group solely to protective equipment in fencing is authorized. Now, the job is urgent, just beginning. Anyone interested in and working on this task group should contact Steve Sobel directly (18 Beaver Cedar Grove, New Jersey 07009).

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SOUTHEAST SECTION CHAMPIONSHIPS

by Kate Alexander

Sabre:

1. Fred Sharfstein, MFC;
2. Dean Alexander, MFC;
3. Manny Forrest, EAL.

Women:

1. Sophie Trett, Unatt.;
2. Pam Culshaw, A.O.F.C.;
3. Celia Ayuso, D'Alerto.

Epee:

1. Weldon Vlasak, Ft. Laud, FC;
2. Miguel Olivella, Broward JC;
3. Gerald Garner, Univ. of Fla.

Foil:

1. Bob Neal, FPC;

2. Miguel Olivella, Broward, JC;
3. Larry Minor, ATL

S. E. Section Under 19 Championships:

Women:

1. Jennefer James, FSU;
2. Cindy Hite, FSU;
3. Elena Piques, FSU

Sabre:

1. Tim Graham, EAL;
2. Bob Weller, FSU;
3. Jim Michaeljohn, FSU

Foil:

1. Tim Graham, EAL;
2. Jan Scher, MDJC;
3. Jim Walker, Unatt.

Epee:

1. Tim Graham, EAL;
2. Jim Michaeljohn, FSU;
3. Jan Scher, MDJC

Coaches Corner



WILLIAM C. HEINZE

by Edmond F. Zeisig

The Wisconsin Division was saddened by the death on June 10, 1972, of its oldest living member, William C. Heinze, age 90.

Mr. Heinze had been active in fencing for over 58 years. He was a fencing instructor at the Milwaukee YMCA for over 40 years, having started classes there in 1922. His students numbered over 2,000. He was a leader in the organization of the Wisconsin Fencers League in 1932 and in 1946 was instrumental in obtaining the Wisconsin Division's charter in the AFLA.

Mr. Heinze kept a remarkable set of records, pictures and news clippings throughout the many years that he taught, which have now been accepted by the Milwaukee Public Library. He was a member of the National Fencing Coaches Association and a life associate member of the AFLA.

Out of his very modest estate he left a bequest of \$500.00 to the National Fencing Coaches Association of America, \$500.00 to the AFLA, and \$100.00 to the Wisconsin Division.

Our sincere condolences are extended to his family and many friends.

POST OLYMPIC CONFERENCE TO BE HELD AT N.Y.U.

A Post-Olympic Conference with associated workshop activities will be held in New York City on Friday and Saturday, September 15 and 16, 1972.

Topics will include the latest developments and trends in directing, and in fencing tactics and strategy, as well as the preparation and training of international competitors. Special topics that may be suggested by whatever happens in Munich will be included as appropriate. Penelists and discussion leaders will be drawn from present and former U.S. Olympic coaches and team members and internationally experienced personnel, including Mr. Chaba Pallaghy.

Participation is open to NFCAA members and to all fencing officials who have at least the AFLA No. 2 ranking as a director in any weapon. No fees will be charged participants, but notice of intention to attend is required. For further information, or to register your intention to attend, please contact Hugo M. Castello, 836 Broadway, New York, N. Y. 10003.

COLONEL BROWNLEE

Colonel Lawrence H. Brownlee (U.S. Army, Ret.) died on June 25, at Letterman Army Hospital in San Francisco. A member of the West Point class of 1929 he served in the Army for 36 years, winning numerous honors for service in World War II and the Korean Action.

Colonel Brownlee participated in 13 national fencing championships and was a dedicated organizer and administrator of fencing activities on the west coast. He was Honorary Chairman of the Northern California division at the time of his passing. Our sincere condolences are extended to his wife, his three daughters, and his many friends.

CHARLES de BEAUMONT

As we go to press we are informed of the untimely death of Charles de Beaumont on July 7. His great influence on British and International fencing and his work for the sport are well known. He was the author of several books on fencing and was best known for his translation of the official FIE Rules into the English language. Our sincere condolences are extended to his family and to all British fencers.

BELA BALOG

by Sharon G. Rees

News of the sudden death of Bela Balog shocked Michigan fencers as they recalled his recent visit to their state just prior to the Martini-Rossi Tournament. Mr. Balog visited his old friends, Margit and Istvan Danosi, for three days at the Fencing Academy of Michigan.

FAM members and Wayne State University fencers lined up for the opportunity to take a lesson from the famous Maestro Balog. The lessons were conducted in a mixture of Hungarian, French and Spanish, but language problems proved to be no barrier. Dan Cantillon recalled, "He really seemed to enjoy himself. His eyes just sparkled as he moved around the gym floor."

Mr. Balog died in Mexico City. Our sincere condolences are extended to his family and many friends.



photo by The D

Discussing their trip to New York for the Rossi Tournament are (from Left) Da Istvan Danesi, Bill Goering, Steve Dan late Bela Balog.

SAN FRANCISCO METROPOLITAN HIGH SCHOOL FENCING ASSOCIATION

by Herbert Gee

BOYS FOIL TEAM:

SUBURBAN DIVISION: 1. Granada, Livermore; 2. Clayton Valley, Concord.

ACADEMIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION (San Francisco): 1. Galileo; 2. Balboa; 3. W. Wilson; 4. G. Washington; 5. S. Gompers, Lowell; 7. Polytechnic, A. Lincoln.

INTERDIVISION CHAMPIONSHIP: 1. Galileo; 2. Balboa; 3. Clayton Valley; 4. Granada.

BOYS FOIL INDIVIDUAL: 1. Tom Bennett, Granada; 2. Tom Duff, Balboa; 3. Hoi Ming Ko, G. Washington; 4. Ian Dea, Galileo; 5. David Nonomura, G. Washington; 6. Ed Price, Balboa; 7. Robert Chiu, Galileo; 8. Willie Lawson, Balboa.

The 13th annual Junior Olympic High School Foil Tournament sponsored by Roos Atkins drew 71 entries, boys and girls, to the Lettermen Sports Center in San Francisco on May 20, 1972.

Ian Dea is the first young man to win the Senior Boys event for 2 consecutive years.

Senior Boys: 1. Ian Dea, San Francisco; 2. Romeo Washington, San Francisco; 3. Tom Bennett, Livermore.

Senior Girls: 1. Kristine Lam, San Francisco; 2. Denise Stern, San Francisco; 3. Komcrowsky, Hayward.

Junior Boys: 1. George Nonomura, San Francisco; 2. David Nonomura, San Francisco; 3. Manzano, San Francisco.

Junior Girls: 1. Heidi Nonomura, San Francisco; 2. Ellen Schultz, San Francisco; 3. Bertram, Concord.

Outstanding Fencers: Senior Boy-Iran Girl-Kristine Lam; Junior Boy-George Junior Girl-Heidi Nonomura.

CORPS A CORPS AND FLECHE ATTAC

At foil, when a fencer intent systematically causes the corps a c with neither brutality nor violence be penalized by having one hit scor him after he has been warned c same bout.



VETERANS EVENING

by Alex Solomon

The Fencers Club, on May 19, held its fourth annual Veterans' evening of fencing, fraternization and food for veteran fencers. Just as there were changes in locale, from the old to the new club headquarters there was also a change in the overall format. Originally the evening had been a foil competition, but today we have women's lib to consider, so all qualified women were also invited. To make attendance acceptable no eye was mentioned and the advance notice simply stated "A veteran is any fencer who considers himself one, whether or not he is on the mailing list we have struggled to put together". So having invited both sexes we also included the devotees of all weapons. As a result, the eventual assemblage included such well know and diverse faces from the past as Leo Nunes, Bob Driscoll, Dernell Every, Dan Bukantz, Al Vogt, Maria Cerra Tishman, Henrique Santos, Al Skrobisch and many others, who, as the evening wore on, engaged in more fraternization and food than fencing. But there was an abundance of all these three things with the high spot of the evening unquestionably being the lessons Georgio Santelli gave to pupils he hadn't had



photo by Ellis

Maestro Georgio Santelli (left) chats with Leo G. Nunes at the Veteran's Gala held at the New York Fencers Club. Leo started fencing in 1902 and Georgio in 1903; a total of 139 years of fencing experience.

a chance to work with for 10 years or more. Among other memories that will linger will be the ample and tasty buffet prepared by Joel Wolfe.

FLORIDA GOLD COAST DIVISION

by Kate Alexander

Divisional Foil

1. Ed McFarland, MFC;
2. Rudy Valledores, IVA;
3. Tim Graham, EAL.

Divisional Epee

1. Weldon Vlasak, Ft. Lauderdale FC;
2. Jan Scher, MDJC;
3. Jim Walker, ACFC.

Divisional Sabre

1. Tim Graham, EAL;
2. Fred Sharfstein, MFC;
3. Dean Alexander, MFC.

Divisional Women's Foil

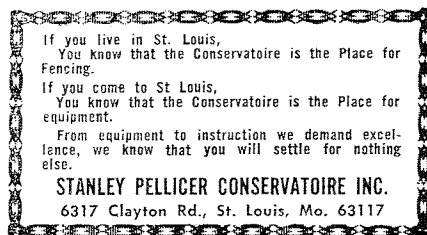
1. Celia Ayuso, D'Altera;
2. Lisa Dobloug, Ft. Lauderdale FC;
3. Pam Culshaw, ACFC.

QUICKIE QUIZ

In a six man pool a fencer wins four of his bouts. What is his Victory Indicator? (See page 96, Table 1 of the 1970 Rules Book.)

NEW PONGO

Lois and Laszlo Pongo announce the entry of Andrea Ruth Shara on May 1, 1972. Congratulations and best wishes.



U.S. JUNIOR OLYMPIC PROGRAM - PHASE TWO

by Rev. Lawrence Calhoun, Nat. Chair. JODC.

In consultation with Mr. Richard Oles, and based on the effectiveness of the program this year, there are a few minor changes in the overall program at this time. A few more changes of minor import are foreseen for next year. It is felt that these revisions will help clarify any errors in the past. We realize that changes in a new program can cause question about the program's stability, but you the readers and J.O. chairmen must advise me of such problems. Please also advise me of its successes. An article will be out on the U.S.J.O. tournament at another time. Please refer to my article on the U-19 program, part two.

National Ranking System:

Add point 5 to read.

A fencer should earn the rank in each weapon. There is no carry over of "A" in foil is a "B" in epee and sabre. A fencer earns his rank per weapon and thus his rating means something for seeding purposes nationwide. Note, that a boy (girl) with a higher rating in another weapon can wear that higher chevron and additional patches are un-necessary and redundant.

Junior Olympic Patches:

Upon the completion on the Junior Olympic minimum requirements, the fencer will receive a certificate signifying his being a Junior Olympic fencer, and having the privilege of wearing the J.O. patch, which symbolizes the certificate. The conditions for this certificate/patch are as follows:

1. Be an AFLA member. Complete application blank with parents' signature.
2. Pass the rules exam with grade of 85 or better.
3. Fence twice a week at least plus at least one lesson a week from a Jr. Olympic coach.
4. Observe all rules of conditioning and training of Division and AFLA-FIE rules.
5. Compete in all youth tournaments in division.

6. Observe strictly the fencing sportsmanship.
7. Earn 20 or more points in one
8. Attend awards banquet (if d one).
9. Divisions are free to strengthen to these above requirements fo fencers, **but no weakening of tl is allowed.**

Point system: Note there are sor here that are significant!

1. AFLA J.O. tournaments (Age weapons), Unclassified meets.
Final of 6: 10,6,4,3,2,1
Super-finals of 6: 25,16,9,5,2
Final of 8: 15,11,8,6,4,3,2,1
Super-finals of 8: 30,21,12,9,
2. AFLA meets - Opens and Clas
Final of 6: 15,9,6,5,3,1
Final of 8: 20,14,9,7,5,3,2,1
3. Sectionals, Nationals, U.S.J.C
Divisionals (Adult & U-19).
Finals of 6: 30,21,12,9,5,3
Finals of 8: 30,21,12,9,7,5,3,
4. Restricted meets (all those above, and where there is a entry/final. Also, novice an events.
Round of 6: 6,5,4,3,2,1
Round of 8: 8,7,6,5,4,3,2,1

MIDWEST UNDER- TEAM RESULTS

by Rev. Lawrence Calho

Foil-W Epee Foil !

1. Illinois	24	36	39
2. Kansas	25	17	17
3. Wisconsin	3	18	31
4. Kentucky	29	1	16
5. Cent. Ill.	—	—	30
6. Michigan	13	2	8
7. Minnesota	14	—	12
8. No. Ohio	1	—	19
9. St. Louis	6	1	1
10. Tennessee	—	—	—
11. Indiana	—	—	1

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