

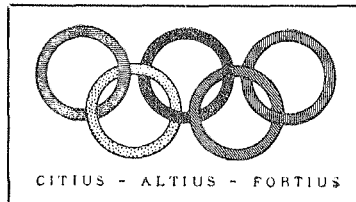
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Personals

We are proud to report that M. A. de Capriles has been named Dean of the N.Y.U. School of Law.

Our best wishes to John F. Farrell, Jr. and Cecilia Anne Immordino, married on Saturday, November 28.

CORRECTION

The SW Championships, reported on p. 4 of the September issue, listed the Foil Team winner as Oklahoma. All team events were won by North Texas, with Oklahoma second and Gulf Coast third. The No. Texas men's team was composed of Bickley, Sims and Towry. The women's team was Livingston, Reynolds, Towry.

Oscar Parsons, Nominating Committee, is from Oklahoma - not S. W. Ohio.

THE 1964 OLYMPIC CHAMPIONSHIPS

by Jose R. de Capriles

With some notable exceptions, the caliber of fencing was below that of former Olympiads. A "super-champion" in the style of D'Oriola, Mangiarotti or the several Hungarian sabre greats did not materialize and no team contained an overwhelming balance of strength. Thus the competition for top honors was hotly contested among several contenders, but at a lower level of competence.

Hungary, Russia and Poland won all the gold medals, with France and Italy each taking two runner-up spots. The physical advantage enjoyed by the Russians and the Poles in recent years has been blunted by the generally improved conditioning of other contenders and fencing technique and tactics is regaining the dominant role.

Thirty-two countries participated in fencing. The individual competitions preceded the respective team events and the seeding of teams was based on the performance of each nation's individual entires. The system is objective and impersonal, and in the World Championships (where five entries are permitted) it has merit. In the Olympic Games, however, the rating of a team of five on the basis of the performance of three individuals is not satisfactory.

The U.S. fielded what seemed to be a well balanced, technically well-equipped team. Yet the results were the worst we have had since 1924. We were unlucky in the foil and epee team, and the Captain's report will tell the whole story but we must note that we have never seen a U.S. team compete with less spirit and less support from "the bench". Undoubtedly every one of our fencers wanted to win and tried very hard, but a spark was noticeably missing. The comment heard too frequently was "your fencers know how to fence but they don't know the tactics of fighting".

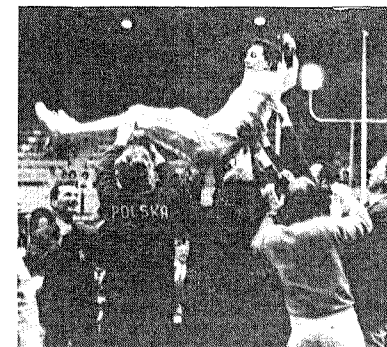
The Japanese were amiable hosts and the organization was excellent. Unfortunately the weather was bad and the large fencing hall was unheated.

The U.S. was able to furnish considerable assistance in the judging of the events. Harold Van Buskirk directed some Pentathlon matches and judged in sabre; William Kunzig, James Flynn and Fred Linkmeyer directed Pentathlon and Epee events and were used on sabre juries; Nick Muray was used in Pentathlon and sabre; Albert Axelrod directed epee and was used in sabre; Robert Blum, Al Morales, Dave Micahnik, Tom Orley and Ed Richards also helped in sabre; but the star was Daniel Bukantz who directed in all three weapons and was asked to direct the final of the epee individual and the important semi-final sabre match between Russia and Poland.

FOIL INDIVIDUAL

Champion: E. Franke, Poland
2nd: J. C. Magnan, France
3rd: D. Revenu, France
4th: R. Losert, Austria

Franke's victory was popular and he was a good sport on the strip. Most champions require a lot of ability and a little luck. Franke's good fortune came when, in the final, World Champion Magnan hit him twice with a weapon that didn't register. Defending Olympic Champion Zdanovich and Albert Axelrod were eliminated in the round of 16. Axelrod's loss to Franke by one touch was a tough break because the winner then had to meet Hoskyns for a place in the final of four.



Franke being tossed.

Foil Individual

Preliminaries (4 qualify)

Pool A - Sveshnikov, USSR, 5/0; Magnan, France, 4/1; Cohen, USA, 2/3 (d. Elkalyoubi 5-1, Hahn 5-2, lost to McKenzie 5-3, Sveshnikov 5-2, Magnan 5-1); Elkalyoubi, UAR, 2/3; McKenzie, Australia, 2/3; Hahn Korea, 0/5. Fence-off: Cohen 1/1, 24 t.r., 23 t.s.; Elkalyoubi 1/1, 24 t.r., 21 t.s.; McKenzie 1/1, 26 t.r.

Pool B - Sehem, UAR, 4/1; Parulski, Poland, 4/1; Okawa, Japan, 3/2; Curletto Italy, 3/2; Penabella, Cuba, 1/4; Lund, Australia, 0/5.

Pool C - Mano, Japan, 5/0; Franke, Poland, 4/1; Guyricza, Hungary, 3/2; Jay, Great Britain, 2/3; Min, Korea 1/4; Taboadda, Argentina, 0/5.

Pool D - Midler, USSR, 5/0; Brecht, Germany, 4/1; Zaba, Hungary, 3/2; Madani, Iran, 2/3; Echeverri, Colombia, 1/4; Foxcroft, Canada, 0/5.

Pool E - Granieri, Italy, 5/0; Revenu, France, 3/2; Abdelrahman, UAR, 3/2; Tabuchi, Japan, 3/2; Andru, Canada, 1/4; Almasi, Iran, 0/5.

Pool F - Courtillat, France, 5/0; Drimba, Rumania, 4/1; Hoskyns, Great Britain, 3/2; Ryan, Ireland, 3/3; Nannini, Argentina, 1/4; Zarnegar, Iran, 0/5.

Pool G - Kamuti, Hungary, 5/0; Losert, Austria, 4/1; Leckie, Great Britain, 3/2; Posada, Colombia, 2/3; Richards, USA, 1/4 (d. Bouchier-Hays 5-2, lost to Leckie 5-4, Posada 5-3, Losert 5-2, Kamuti 5-4); Bouchier Hays, Ireland 0/5.

Pool H - Hauckler, Rumania, 6/0; Woyda, Poland, many, 3/2; McCowage, Australia, 2/4; Tomayo, 5/1; La Regione, Italy, 4/2; Gerresheim, Ger-Colombia, 1/5; Theseira, Malaysia, 0/6.

Pool I - Muresan, Rumania, 4/1; Axelrod, USA, 3/2 (d. Zdanovich 5-2, Kim 5-0, Bisellach 5-0, lost to Muresan 5-4, Schmitt 5-3); Schmitt, Germany, 3/2; Zdanovich, USSR, 3/2; Kim, Korea, 1/4; Bisellach, Argentina, 1/4.

Second Round

Pool A - Sveshnikov 4/1; Drimba 3/2; Woyda 3/2; Curletto 3/2; Guyricza 2/3; Leckie 0/5.

Pool B - Midler 5/0; Hoskyns 3/2; Franke 3/2; Tabuchi 2/3; Sehem 2/3; Ryan 0/5. Fence-off: Tabuchi d. Sehem 5-3.

Pool C - Losert 3/2; Schmitt 3/2; Zdanovich 3/2; Elkalyoubi 2/3; Granieri 2/3; Hauckler 2/3. Fence-off: Elkalyoubi d. Granieri and Hauckler.

Pool D - Gerresheim 5/0; Revenu 3/2; Cohen 2/3 (d. La Regione 5-2, Muresan 5-2, lost to Revenu 5-3, Mano 5-1, Gerresheim 5-2); Mano 2/3; Muresan 2/3; La Regione 1/4. Fence-off: Cohen d. Mano 5-1, Muresan 5-1; Mano d. Muresan 5-3.

Pool E - Axelrod 4/1 (d. Madani 5-2, Parulski 5-4, Jay 5-2, Courtillat 5-1, lost to Szabo 5-2); Szabo 3/2; Jay 2/3; Madani 2/3; Parulski 2/3, Courtillat 2/3. Fence-off: Jay 2/1, 31 t.r.; Madani 2/1, 33 t.r.; Parulski 1/2; Courtillat 1/2.

Pool F - Okawa 4/1; Magnan 3/2; Kamuti 3/2; Brecht 3/2; Abdelrahman 2/3; Posada 0/5.

Round of 24 (Top 8 received byes)

Revenu d. Jay 10-2; Axelrod d. Tabuchi 10-5; Mano d. Elkalyoubi 10-8; Zdanovich d. Brecht 10-6; Hoskyns d. Curletto 10-6; Szabo d. Schmitt 10-2; Drimba d. Madani 10-4; Okawa d. Cohen 10-4.

Round of 16

Losert d. Drimba 10-6; Kamuti d. Zdanovich 10-9; Franke d. Axelrod 10-9; Gerresheim d. Mano 10-4; Revenu d. Woyda 10-6; Hoskyns d. Svshnikov 10-8; Magnan d. Okawa 10-7; Szabo d. Midler 10-8.

Round of 8

Losert d. Szabo 10-9; Revenu d. Gerresheim 10-5; Magnan d. Kamuti 10-7; Franke d. Hoskyns 10-4.

For 5th and 6th Places

Kamuti d. Hoskyns 10-6 and Gerresheim d. Szabo 10-6; Kamuti d. Gerresheim 10-4.

Final

Franke 3/0; Magnan 2/1; Revenu 1/2; Losert 0/4.

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WOMEN'S INDIVIDUAL

Champion: I. Rejto, Hungary

2nd: H. Mees, Germany

3rd: A. Ragno, Italy

4th: G. Gorokhova, USSR.

A three-way tie for the title was won by World Champion Rejto with only one touch scored against her in the fence-off. Defending Olympic Champion Schmid was eliminated in the round of 16, as was our last hope in this event, Harriet King.



M. de Capriles congratulates Mrs. Rejto.

Preliminaries (4 qualify)

Pool A - King, USA, 5/1 (d. Rousselet 4-3, Mees 2-1, Rejto 4-3, Redman 4-0, Shin 4-0, lost to Wahlberg 4-3); Rejto, Hungary, 4/2; Mees, Germany, 4/2; Rousselet, France, 3/4; Wahlberg, Sweden, 3/4; Redman, Australia 1/5; Shin, Korea 1/5. Fence-off: Rousselet d. Wahlberg 4-1.

Pool B - Sakovicz, Hungary, 6/0; Colombetti, Italy, 1/1; Rossini, Luxemburg, 4/2; Dersidan, Rumania, 1/4; Yasui, Japan 2/4; Winter, Australia, 1/5; Veidel, Canada, 1/5. Fence-off: Dersidan d. Yasui 4-1.

Pool C - Gapais, France, 3/2; Owada, Japan, 3/2; Alm, Sweden, 3/2; Juhasz, Hungary, 3/2; Vicol, Rumania, 2/3; Angel, USA, 1/4 (d. Owada 2-1, lost to Gapais 4-1, Vicol 4-0, Palm 4-3, Juhasz 4-1).

Pool D - Gorokhova, USSR, 4/1; Szabo, Rumania, 2/2; Scherberger, Germany 3/2; Netherway, Great Britain, 2/3; Romary, USA, 2/3 (d. Szabo 4-2, Gorokhova 4-3, lost to Netherway 4-3, Scherberger 4-3, Takeuchi 4-2); Takeuchi, Japan, 1/4. Fence-off: Netherway d. Romary 4-2.

Pool E - Ragno, Italy, 6/0; Rostvorova, USSR, 5/1; Watts Tobin, Great Britain, 4/2; Rodriguez, Cuba, 3/3; Flesch, Luxemburg, 2/4; Skinner, N. Rhodesia, 1/5; Hopner, Australia, 0/6.

Pool F - Prudskova, USSR, 4/1; Masciotta, Italy, 4/1; Schmid, Germany 3/2; Romano, Argentina, 2/3; Level, France, 1/4; Bewley, Great Britain, 1/4.

Second Round

Pool A - King, USA, 3/2 (d. Prudskova 4-1, Rousselet 4-1, Rodriguez 4-1, lost to Juhasz 4-2, Colombetti 4-2); Juhasz 3/2; Colombetti 3/2; Rousselet 3/2; Prudskova 2/3; Rodriguez 1/4.

Pool B - Szabo 4/1; Rostvorova 4/1; Sakovicz 3/2; Mees 2/3; Rossini 2/3; Netherway 0/5. Fence-off: Mees d. Rossini 4-0.

Pool C - Ragno 4/1; Schmid 4/1; Romano 2/3; Watts Tobin 2/3; Owada 2/3; Gapais 1/4. Fence-off: Romano and Watts Tobin d. Owada.

Pool D - Gorokhova 5/0; Dersidan 3/2; Masciotta 2/3; Rejto 2/3; Scherberger 2/3; Palm 1/4. Fence-off: Masciotta and Rejto d. Scherberger.

Round of 16

Rousselet d. King 8-6; Juhasz d. Schmid 8-4; Ragno d. Dersidan 8-4; Mees d. Sakovicz 8-5; Rejto d. Rostvorova 8-6; Colombetti d. Watts Tobin 8:16; Masciotta d. Szabo 8-6; Gorokhova d. Romano 8-4.

Round of 8

Rejto d. Colombetti 8-3; Gorokhova d. Masciotta 8-7; Mees d. Rousselet 8-6; Ragno d. Juhasz 8-4.

For 5th and 5th Places

Juhasz d. Rousselet 8-7 and Masciotta d. Colombetti 8-6; Juhasz d. Masciotta 8-5.

Final

Rejto 2/1; Mees 2/1; Ragno 2/1; Gorokhova 0/4. Fence-off: Rejto d. Ragno 4-1, Mees 4-0; Mees d. Ragno 4-2.

Harriet Grasson Gordon

We regret to announce the death of Mrs. Gordon on August 14, 1964.

Harriet was a daughter of Yale's famous Robert Grasson and was an accomplished fencer. She had taught fencing at Bryn Mawr since 1941. While studying in Belgium she was on two national Belgian championship teams with the Adams sisters and was first alternate on the 1928 Belgian Olympic Team. She returned to the U.S. in 1930 and married R. Henri Gordon.

She is survived by her husband, a daughter Elizabeth and son Robert, as well as her mother, two sisters and two brothers. Our condolences.

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FOIL TEAM

Champion: USSR

2nd: Poland

3rd: France

4th: Japan

The World Champion USSR retained its Olympic title and thus was the only champion to repeat. The winner's Svesnikov was undefeated in the title match. It is also interesting to note that the first three places were in identical order to the 1963 World Championships. Japan earned a spot in the semi-final by defeating Hungary 9/7. Germany defeated Rumania for 5th place. The individual results had seeded the first ten teams as follows: France, Poland, Hungary, USSR, Germany, Japan, Great Britain, USA, Rumania, Italy.

Preliminaries

Pool A - USA d. Rumania 8/8 (54-62)

Axelrod 2/2, 14 t.r.; Anastasi 2/2, 13 t.r.; Glazer 3/1, 12 t.r.; Cohen 1/3, 15 t.r.

France d. Argentina 16/0

Rumania d. France 11/5

USA d. Argentina 11/5

Cohen 4/0; Richards 1/3; Anastasi 3/1; Glazer 3/1

Rumania d. Argentina 9/0

France d. USA 9/3

Anastasi 1/2; Glazer 0/3; Cohen 2/1; Axelrod 0/3

France and Rumania qualified.

Pool B - Poland d. Australia 13/3

Italy d. Great Britain 9/7

Poland d. Great Britain 11/5

Italy d. Australia 13/3

Pool C - Japan d. United Arab Republic 11/5

Hungary d. Korea 13/3

Japan d. Korea 11/0

Hungary d. UAR 9/4

Pool D - USSR d. Colombia 16/0

Germany d. Iran 14/2

USSR d. Iran 10/0

Germany d. Colombia 9/0

Second Round

Japan d. Hungary 9/7; USSR d. Germany 9/3;

France d. Italy 9/5; Poland d. Rumania 9/2.

For 5th and 6th Places

Germany d. Italy 9/5 and Rumania d. Hungary 9/5;

Germany d. Rumania 8/8 (57-60)

Semi-Final

Poland d. Japan 9/4; USSR d. France 9/6

For 3rd Place

France d. Japan 9/4

Championship Match

USSR d. Poland 9/7 (Svesnikov won 4).

EPEE INDIVIDUAL

Champion: G. Kriss, USSR

2nd: H. W. Hoskyns, Great Britain

3rd: G. Kostava, USSR

4th: G. Saccaro, Italy

Last year's bronze medalist, Kriss, had to defeat Great Britain's versatile Hoskyns in a fence-off for the title. A fence-off for third place was also necessary and the champion's team-mate, Kostava, turned back Italy's Saccaro 5-0. Defending Olympic Champion Delfino was eliminated in the round of 24 and World Champion Losert in the round of 16.



Bukantz, who directed the final, congratulates Kriss.

Preliminaries (5 qualify)

Pool A - Lagerwall, Sweden, 6/1; Khabarov, USSR, 6/1; Losert, Austria, 5/2; Polledri, Switzerland, 4/3; Humphreys, Australia, 4/3; Casco, Argentina, 2/5; Kim, Korea, 1/6; Theseira, Malaysia, 0/7.

Pool B - Kriss USSR, 6/1; Gnaier, Germany, 5/2; Dreyfus, France, 4/3; Sayid, Lebanon, 4/3; Okawa, Japan, 3/4; Van Den Driesche, Belgium, 3/4; Kuan Viet Nam 1/6; Ryan, Ireland, 1/6. Fence-off: Okawa d. Van Den Driesche 5-1.

Pool C - Jacobs, Great Britain, 6/1; Nielaba, Poland, 5/2; Kostava, USSR, 5/2; Lindwall, Sweden, 4/3; Bouchier-Hays, Ireland, 3/4; Gemayel, Lebanon, 3/4; Serp, Argentina, 2/5; B. Zarnegar, Iran, 0/7. Fence-off: Bouchier-Hays d. Gemayel 5-4.

Pool D - Gonsior, Poland, 6/1; Saikali, Lebanon, 5/2; Trost, Austria, 5/2; Saccaro, Italy, 4/3; Hauckler, Rumania, 4/3; Anger, USA, 3/4 (d. Saccaro 5-4, Andru 5-1, S. Zarnegar 5-2 and lost to Trost 5-4, Gonsior 5-2, Hauckler 5-2, Saikali 5-3); Andru, Canada, 1/6; S. Zarnegar, Iran, 0/7.

I E - Bourquard, France, 7/1; Pellegrino, Italy, 1/2; Bar, Switzerland, 6/2; Abrahamson, Sweden, 1/3; Hecke, Germany, 5/3; Hahn, Korea, 3/5; Vergara, Chile, 2/6; Tamayo, Colombia, 1/7; Almasi, Iran, 1/7.

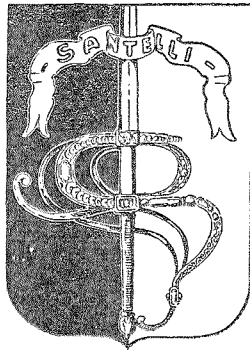
I F - Rompza, Germany, 6/1; Kulczar, Hungary, 1/2; Delfino, Italy, 4/3; Jay, Great Britain, 4/3; eyrer, Austria, 3/4; Lund, Australia, 3/4; Foxroft, Canada, 2/5; Sastre, Colombia, 0/7. FENCE-OFF: Leyrer and Lund had double loss (time), with eyrer qualifying with 31-34 to Lund's 31-30.

I G - Tabuchi, Japan, 5/2; Guittet, France, 5/2; teininger, Switzerland, 4/3; Kausz, Hungary, 1/3; **Micahnik**, USA, 4/3 (d. Guittet 5-2; Echeverri 5-4, Hobby 5-3, Jimenez 5-3 and lost to Kausz 5-3, Tabuchi 5-4, Steinniger 5-1); Hobby, Australia, 3/4; Jimenez, Chile, 2/5; Echeverri, Colombia, 1/6.

I H - Hoskyns, Great Britain, 6/1; Nemere, Hungary, 6/1; **Pesthy**, USA, 4/3 (d. Shin 5-2, aboada 5-0, Araki 5-3, Gloffka 5-2 and lost to Hoskyns 5-0, Glos 5-3, Nemere 5-3); Shin, Korea, 1/3; Glos, Poland, 4/3; Araki, Japan, 3/4; loffka, Chile, 1/6; Taboada, Argentina, 0/7.

Second Round (4 qualify)

I A - Kulczar 5/1; Lagerwall 4/2; Sayid 3/3; elfino 3/3; Glos 2/4; Bouchier-Hays 1/5; abuchi 1/5.



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Pool B - Kriss 4/2; Hoskyns 4/2; Pellegrino 4/2; Abrahamson 3/3; **Micahnik** 3/3 (d. Kriss 5-2, Pellegrino 5-4, Kausz 5-4, lost to Dreyfus 5-2, Abrahamson 5-5, Hoskyns 5-3); Kausz 2/4; Dreyfus 1/5. FENCE-OFF: Abrahamson d. Micahnik 5-4.

Pool C - Saccaro 5/1; Guittet 4/2; Steininger 4/2; Gnaier 3/3; Leyrer 2/4; Jacobs 1/5; Shin 1/5.

Pool D - Gonsior 4/2; Trost 4/2; Nemere 4/2; Hecke 3/3; Khabarov 2/4; Okawa 2/4; Polledri 2/4.

Pool E - Losert 5/0; Bourquard 3/2; Kostava 3/2; Lindwall 2/3; Haukler 0/5; Saikali 0/5.

Pool F - Nielaba 4/1; Rompza 4/1; Bar 2/3; Humphreys 2/3; Jay 2/3; **Pesthy** 1/4 (d. Nielaba 5-3, lost to Rompza 5-2, Jay 5-2, Humphreys 5-4, Bar 5-4). FENCE-OFF: Bar and Humphreys d. Jay.

Round of 24 (Top 8 given byes)

Guittet d. Bar 10-9; Hecke d. Pellegrino 10-9; Nielaba d. Humphreys 10-5; Nemere d. Delfino 10-8; Kostova d. Steininger 10-5; Saccaro d. Gnaier 10-4; Lindwall d. Sayid 10-3; Abrahamson d. Trost 10-9.

Round of 16

Hoskyns d. Nemere 10-7; Lindwall d. Kulczar 10-8; Saccaro d. Lagerwall 10-4; Kostava d. Losert 10-9; Gonsior d. Hecke 10-5; Kriss d. Abrahamson 10-9; Bourquard d. Nielaba 10-7; Rompza d. Guittet 10-10.

Round of 8

Kriss d. Gonsior 10-3; Hoskyns d. Rompza 10-5; Kostava d. Lindwall 10-3; Saccaro d. Bourquard 10-8.

For 5th and 6th Places

Gonsior d. Lindwall 10-7 and Bourquard d. Rompza 10-8; Gonsior d. Bourquard 10-3.

Final

Kriss 2/1; Hoskyns 2/1; Kostava 1/2; Saccaro 1/2
FENCE-OFF for 3rd: Kostava d. Saccaro 5-0
FENCE-OFF for 1st: Kriss d. Hoskyns 5-2.

WOMEN'S TEAM

- Champion:** Hungary
- 2nd:** USSR
- 3rd:** Germany
- 4th:** Italy

A hard-fought but poorly fenced title match gave Hungary the title in the second Olympic championships for women's teams. Germany took third by defeating Italy 9/5 and Rumania was fifth over France by 9/6. The individual results had produced the following seedings: Italy, Hungary, USSR, Germany, Rumania, France, Great Britain, USA, Japan.

Women's Team

Preliminaries

Pool A - France d. Great Britain 9/7
Italy d. Great Britain 9/6

Pool B - Rumania d. USA 10/6
Drungis 1/3; Romary 2/2; O'Connor 1/3; King 2/2

Hungary d. USA 9/1
O'Connor 0/3; King 1/2; Angeli 0/3; Romary 0/3

Pool C - USSR d. Australia 13/3
Germany d. Japan 12/4
Germany d. Australia 9/6
USSR d. Japan 10/4

Second Round (Hungary Italy received byes)
USSR d. Rumania 9/4; Germany d. France 8/8 (40-46)

Match for 5th

Rumania d. France 9/6

Semi-Final

USSR d. Italy 9/5 and Hungary d. Germany 9/6

Match for 3rd

Germany d. Italy 9/5

Championship Match

Hungary d. USSR 9/7.

EPEE TEAM

- Champion:** Hungary
- 2nd:** Italy
- 3rd:** France
- 4th:** Sweden

Hungary staged somewhat of an upset by winning the title from the defending Olympic champions from Italy. Russia and Sweden had been favored. France nosed out Sweden for third by five touches after they had tied at 8/8. World Champion Poland bowed to Italy in the round of 8, but salvaged fifth place by turning back Germany 8/8 and 62-66. The seedings had been: USSR, Sweden, Italy, Germany, France, Poland, Great Britain, Hungary, Austria, Switzerland, Lebanon, Australia, Japan, USA and Korea.

Preliminaries

Pool A - Switzerland d. Lebanon 12/3
USSR d. Argentina 15/1
USSR d. Lebanon 9/1
Switzerland d. Argentina 9/5

Pool B - Austria d. Australia 11/3
Sweden d. Colombia 14/2
Austria d. Colombia 13/1
Sweden d. Australia 9/3

Pool C - Italy d. Iran 16/0
Hungary d. Japan 11/4
Italy d. Japan 9/2
Hungary d. Iran 14/1

Pool D - Poland d. Korea 14/2
France d. Korea 9/0

Epee Team

Pool E - USA d. Great Britain 8/8 (58-61)
Pesthy 3/1, 14 t.r.; Anastasi 1/3, 15 t.r.; 2/2, 14 t.r.; Micahnik 2/2, 15 t.r.
Great Britain d. Germany 8/8 (62-66)
Germany d. USA 9/6
Pesthy 0/4; Anger 2/2; Micahnik 1/3; Anastasi 3/1.

Second Round (6 teams drew byes)

Hungary d. Austria 8/1 and Switzerland d. Great Britain 8/4

Round of 8

Sweden d. Switzerland 9/1; France d. Germany 8/4; Hungary d. USSR 8/4; Italy d. Poland 9/6

For 5th and 6th Places

Poland d. Switzerland 9/5 and Germany d. USSR 8/3; Poland d. Germany 8/8 (62-66)

Semi-Final

Hungary d. France 9/3; Italy d. Sweden 8/2

Match for 3rd

France d. Sweden 8/8 (59-64)

Championship Match

Hungary d. Italy 8/3.

SABRE INDIVIDUAL

- Champion:** T. Pesza, Hungary
- 2nd:** C. Arabo, France
- 3rd:** Y. Rylsky, USSR
- 4th:** U. Mavlikhanov, USSR

The final four ended with a tie for first and a tie for third. Hungary's Pesza won the title by turning back France's Arabo 5-2. The two Russians fought for third, with World Champion Rylsky winning 5-3. Defending Olympic Champion Karpati did not compete. The three U.S. entries went out in the 2nd round-robin.



T. Pesza

Sabre Individual

Preliminaries (4 qualify)

ol A - Rylsky, USSR, 4/1; Chicca, Italy, 4/1; Drimba, Rumania, 3/2; Posada, Colombia, 2/3; Gonzales, Argentina, 2/3; Ryan, Ireland, 0/5. Fence-off: Posada d. Gonzales 5-3.

ol B - Pawlowsky, Poland, 6/0; **Hamori**, USA, 5/1 (d. Loc 5-0, Vintilla 5-0, Boutmy 5-0, Salvadori 5-2, Theseira 5-0, lost to Pawlowsky 5-1); Salvadori, Italy, 4/2; Vintilla, Rumania, 3/3; Boutmy, Netherlands Antilles, 2/4; Loc, Viet Nam 1/5; Theseira, Malaysia, 0/6.

ol C - Piatkowski, Poland, 5/0; Calarese, Italy, 4/1; **Orley**, USA, 3/2 (d. Shibata 5-4, Almasi 5-1, Foxcroft 5-1, lost to Calarese 5-1, Piatkowski 5-3); Shibata, Japan, 2/3; Foxcroft, Canada, 1/4; Almasi, Iran, 0/5.

ol D - Bakonyi, Hungary, 5/0; **Keresztes**, USA, 4/1 (d. Madani 5-0, Kittao 5-4, Theurkauf 5-4, Echevarri 5-0, lost to Bakonyi 5-2); Theiurkauf, Germany, 3/2; Kittao, Japan, 2/3; Echeverri, Colombia, 1/4; Madani, Iran, 0/5.

ol E - Rakita, USSR, 6/0; Lefevre, France, 5/1; Funamizu, Japan, 4/2; Wellman, Germany, 3/3; Oldcorn, Great Britain, 2/4; Zarnegar, Iran, 1/5; Kuan, Viet Nam, 0/6.

ol F - Parent, France, 5/0; Ochyra Poland, 4/1; Kostner, Germany, 3/2; Leckie, Great Britain, 2/3; Sommerville, Australia, 1/4; Bouchier-Hays, Ireland, 0/5.

ol G - Kovacs, Hungary, 6/0; Arabo, France, 5/1; Cooperman, Great Britain, 3/3; Penabella, Cuba, 2/4; Brasseur, Belgium, 2/4; Martonffy, Australia, 2/4; Frecia, Argentina, 1/5. Fence-off: Penabella d. Brasseur 5-4 and Martonffy 5-1.

ol H - Muresan, Rumania, 6/0; Mavlikhanov, USSR, 5/1; Pesza, Hungary, 3/3; Lanteri, Argentina, 3/3; Andru, Canada, 2/4; Tornallya, Australia, 1/5; Posada, Colombia, 1/5.

Second Round (4 qualify)

Pool A - Rylsky 6/1; Wellman 5/2; Pesza 4/2; Parent 4/2; Calarese 3/3; **Keresztes** 3/3 (d. Funamizu 5-4, Calarese 5-4, Parent 5-3, lost to Rylsky 5-1, Wellman 5-0, Vintilla 5-1, Pesza 5-2); Funamizu 2/5; Vintilla 1/6.

Pool B - Pawlowsky 6/1; Mavlikhanov 5/2; Kovacs 5/2; Lefevre 4/3; Drimba 3/4; Theurkauf 3/4; Shibata 1/6; Leckie 1/6.

Pool C - Rakita 7/0; Arabo 6/1; Kostner 4/3; Chicca 4/3; **Orley** 3/4 (d. Kittao 5-2, Chicca 5-3, Lanteri 5-1, lost to Piatkowski 5-4, Arabo 5-4, Kostner 5-4, Rakita 5-3); Piatkowski 3/4; Lanteri 1/6; Kittao 0/7.

Pool D - Ochyra 7/0; Bakonyi 5/2; Salvadori 4/3; Muresan 4/3; **Hamori** 3/4 (d. Penabella 5-3, Cooperman 5-4, Muresan 5-4 lost to Bakonyi 5-1, Salvadori 5-4, Posada 5-3, Ochyra 5-2); Cooperman 2/5; Posada 2/5; Penabella 1/6.

Round of 16

Resza d. Rakita 10-6; Parent d. Muresan 10-7; Wellman d. Kovacs 10-9; Arabo d. Chicca 10-4; Kostner d. Pawlowsky 10-9; Ochyra d. Salvadori 10-6; Nielaba d. Bakonyi 10-9; Rylsky d. Lefevre 10-6.

Round of 8

Rylsky d. Kostner 10-5; Pesza d. Parent 10-7; Mavlikhanov d. Ochyra 10-9; Arabo d. Wellman 10-6.

For 5th and 6th Places

Parent d. Wellman 10-9 and Ochyra d. Kostner 10-5; Ochyra d. Parent 10-5.

Final

Pesza 2/1; Arabo 2/1; Rylsky 1/2; Mavlikhanov 1/2.

Fence-off for 3rd: Rylsky d. Mavlikhanov 5-3.

Fence-off for 1st: Pesza d. Arabo 5-2.

Since one must fence with a mask at all times, he should so train himself. The aspirant fencer should show more sense than his teacher and wear a mask.

I ask that the AFLA pass necessary rules or recommendations to curtail this stupid practice. I ask further that the AFLA propose to the FIE similar action.

I hope that all will see the light before it is put out permanently.

Ed Note: We agree wholeheartedly with Mr. Asselin. It is important to note that during the Olympics in Tokyo, which represent the highest level of competitors and fencing masters, all the lessons and "warm-ups" we observed were with the masks on. Surely the less proficient should follow the example.

SABRE TEAM

Champion: USSR

2nd: Italy

3rd: Poland

4th: France

The USSR was the only team to live up to the seedings. It turned back a surprisingly strong Italy 9/6 despite Calarese's magnificent performance of 4 victories. Italy had upset the Olympic champions from Hungary 9/7 in the round of 8. World Champion Poland lost a chance for first in a close 9/7 match with Russia and salvaged third in an even closer match with France - 8/8 and 59-60. Hungary defeated Rumania 9/0 and then Germany 9/3 to place 5th. A chance to place 6th was lost by the U.S. when it bowed 9/5 to Germany. The seedings had been: USSR, France, Hungary, Germany, Poland, Italy, Rumania, USA, Japan, Great Britain, Argentina.

Dear Editor:

I should like to mention my reactions to the photographs of the Tryout and Nationals reproduced in the September issue of AMERICAN FENCING.

The actions of most of the men fencers would be far more appropriate to the football field than the fencing strip.

Aviation is certainly a very fine thing in our modern world, but I wish to ask if in-flight pilot training is now necessary for National competition? If so, the fencers should be equipped with seat-pack parachutes - else how may they insure safe landings at their flight terminii?

I suppose the next step in fencing progress will be a supply of trampolines, Pogo sticks, or "Jato" (jet assisted take off) equipment.

It should be no mystery to viewers of these pictures about the reason for Mr. Blanc's statement in his article on page 20 which said, "Injuries plagued the sabremen."

Australia, by this showing, should win the Olympics with teams of fencing kangaroos - The Leapin' Lenas of the Forty Foot Strip.

Respectfully yours,
Theodore Jerome
Santa Barbar, Calif.

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Hungary d. Argentina 9/2

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Semi-Final

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Championship Match

USSR d. Italy 9/6 (Calarese won 4)

THIS IS DANGEROUS!

by Roland Asselin

For nearly two decades I have seen, here and abroad, fencing masters giving lessons without the pupil wearing a mask. I must voice a complete and unequivocal disapproval of this practice. It may flatter the vanity of the teacher to think he or she can so control the weapon as not to injure the pupil. It cannot and does not benefit the pupil. In the first place this practice is contrary to all logic. The teacher inevitably holds a riposte or attack or stop-hit short of the target to save the pupil — with the result that the pupil acquires a false sense of security from aggressive action. He therefor has a warped idea as to how to effectively counter his opponent's action.

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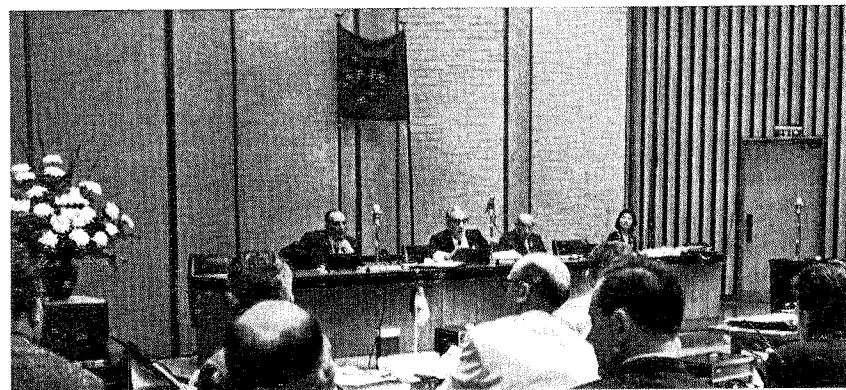
The Congress was convened in Tokyo on Friday, October 11, two days before the competitions started. In addition to the published agenda the Olympic Congress provides for discussion of last minute problems that might affect the conduct of the Olympic tournament. The Bout Committee reviews in detail the plan of competition and advises all Federations as to the method that will be used to inform Team Captains of the next day's competitive and jury assignments. A knowledge of French is not important because simultaneous translation in four languages is made available through earphones. Of even greater importance is the opportunity for the leaders of the participating Federations to become acquainted in the genial atmosphere provided by the luncheon recess.

It was unfortunate and difficult to understand why the President of the AFLA chose to ignore his responsibility in this area. The President of every other Federation, present in Japan, appeared in person and many

brought other officials of their Federation. The AFLA was represented by proxy issued to Tom Orley, with Chaba Gall as alternate. Both of these men are members of the AFLA but neither has been an officer of the League and the latter was officially listed as "stateless". Present at the Congress, by invitation of the F.I.E. Bureau, were James Flynn and Fred Linkmeyer, former Vice Presidents of the AFLA and Daniel Bukantz, many times member of the Board of Governors.

This was the last Congress under the leadership of the all U.S. Bureau, and President Miguel de Capriles received a touching tribute from the assembled Federations for the excellent spirit of international cooperation he had fostered and the encouragement of smaller fencing nations by holding the World Championships and Congresses in widely scattered cities during the past four years.

J.R.deC.



M. de Capriles presides at Congress for last time.

ALLAN S. KWARTLER

by Ralph M. Goldstein

In 1945, at the age of 28, Allan S. Kwartler started fencing. Now in 1964, he turns professional.

A remarkable record as an amateur spans the 19 years between. It is most unusual for such a late starter in our sport to reach Olympic heights, but Al Kwartler did that and more. It was due to sound coaching and solid determination that he was able to accomplish it all.

For the first year, while at Wayne University, his coach was Bela de Tuscan. At Michigan State, for the next three years, it was Charlie Schmitter who carried Al forward. In June, 1948, Al returned to his native New York and joined Salle Santelli. Here, with Giorgio's sabre coaching and Ed Lucia for foil, Al started his great competitive career. His first effort was a first place in Epee in the 1951 All Eastern championship! (The previous year, while at the Maccabean games in Israel, Al took first in Sabre and 2nd in Foil). In 1951 he won the gold medal at the Canadian Invitational event.

Concentrating on Sabre, and after only seven years of fencing, Al made his first Olympic team and competed in Helsinki. The following year he placed 2nd in the U.S. National Foil championships. The fact that

Al was selected in foil and sabre for the 1956 and 1960 Olympic teams as well as the 1955 Pan American team, makes quite an impressive record. He was a star performer on the U.S. Championship teams while fencing for Salle Santelli, and between 1950 and 1964 was a ranking fencer.

But Al was not one to be content with the fruits of his own competition. He also felt that he had time to serve his sport. He was most active in running the Metropolitan Division as chairman in 1958-60. He helped run a directors school, was a member of the Board of Governors as well as secretary of the AFLA from 1960 to 1963.

It is not often that a man with such solid and successful background in fencing turns professional. I believe that our sport and especially its "up and coming" young fencers are most fortunate that, at this time, Al Kwartler has.

He has started to coach at Salle Santelli and is currently planning to teach at a local college. He is also working with a group in the nearby suburbs. It is clear that Al Kwartler's aspirations in the field of fencing are to emulate those previous Olympians who turned professional . . . such as Ralph Faulkner, Aldo Nadi, and George Santelli. We wish him well in his newly chosen venture!



Bukantz, Orley, Flynn and Gall at the Congress.

REPORT ON TOKYO

by Paul Makler, Captain

U.S. Olympic Fencing Team

Preparation

From the time the team was selected, all possible efforts were made to train for Tokyo. Coaches Alaux and Elthes met with the fencers in New York from 3 to 5 days a week. The Fencers Club and the Athletic Club made their facilities available and we owe them our thanks. Hamori and Anger travelled from Ithaca to New York. Anastasi and Micahnik came from Philadelphia. Morales was stationed in New York for the summer and Richards practically lived in New York. Orley in Paris naturally could not meet and train with the team but worked at the Racing Club. Bleamaster, Kerestes, Romary, Angel and King worked in California. When the team left for Tokyo the fencers were in good condition.

The training site in Tokyo was severely limited in terms of space and time. We trained once or twice each day, some fencers worked more and others less in accord with the opinion of the coaches as to how much work they needed. Although different men train differently, I felt as team captain that they were motivated solely by a desire for good results. At no time did I feel that outside activities or interests were distracting the team from its primary job. Morale was good and no significant conflicts grew in the group. We began the fencing in good condition and with hope of success based on good results in practice meets with England, Russia, and others.

The Fencing Results

Men's Individual Foil Richards was eliminated early. Cohen made the round of 32 where he met and was defeated by Okawa. Axelrod defeated Tabuchi in the round of 32 and was defeated by Franke 10-9 in the round of 16. Inasmuch as Franke, Magnan, and Okawa looked like the 3 best foil fencers in the room, the defeat of our men was no disgrace. Axelrod looked particularly strong and

observers stated that he fenced as well as in Rome.

Men's Team Foil Our preliminary pool was France, U.S.A., Roumania and Argentina. Since the other teams seemed likely to beat Argentina, we needed a win over Roumania to go up. Axelrod, Cohen, Anastasi, and Glazer fenced and we won on touches with a bout score of 8-8. Glazer won three, Axelrod and Anastasi each won two, Cohen won one. Our expectations however were disappointed. An over-confident France lost badly to the strong Roumania team while we beat Argentina 11 to 5 with Cohen winning 4, Anastasi and Glazer 3 each, and Richards winning 1. Therefore we had to beat France to go up and this we were unable to do. They beat us 9-3, Cohen winning 2, Anastasi 1, and Glazer and Axelrod winning none.

Women's Individual Romary and Angeil were eliminated early. King advanced through both preliminary pools to enter the round of 16. There she met and lost to Rousselet of France who she had beaten in each of the preliminary rounds.

Women's Team Our pool consisted of Hungary, Roumania, and the U.S.A. Roumania beat us 10-6 (Drungis and O'Connor each winning 1, and Romary and King each winning 2). Hungary beat us 9-1 (King won 1 bout, O'Connor, Angel and Romary did not win.)

Epee Individual Pesthy and Anger were eliminated early. Micahnik advanced to the second round and had the misfortune to be in an extremely difficult pool. He was eliminated in a barrage with Abrahamson of Sweden. The other eliminees being Kausz of Hungary and Dreyfus of France. Kriss who took 1st, Hoskyns who took second, Pelligrino of Italy were the others who advanced.

Ed Note: Pesthy also passed to the second round where he was eliminated by 1/4 record.

Epee Team Our pool was Germany, Great Britain and U.S.A. It seemed that we needed a win over Great Britain to advance. We beat them on touches in an 8-8 match. (Pesthy won 3, Anger and Micahnik 2 each and Anastasi 1). England then upset Germany 8-8 and so we had to beat Germany to go up. We lost 9-6 (Anastasi won 3, Anger 2, Micahnik 1 and Pesthy none). I regret to say that Les Bleamaster did not get a chance to fence. All our men fenced well against England and so I did not want to alter the team against Germany.

Sabre Individual All our men advanced through the first pool and all 3 were eliminated in the second pool. Kerestes had a very difficult pool in this round, Hamori and Orley had somewhat weaker strips.

Sabre Team Our pool was Russia, U.S.A., Japan. We beat Japan 12-4, Blum winning 4, Hamori and Morales 3 each and Orley 2. Russia beat Japan and we advanced. In the direct elimination round of 8 we met Russia (the eventual winner) and lost 9-4. Morales won 2, Hamori and Kerestes (who had replaced Orley) won one each and Blum did not win. After being eliminated we fenced Germany (since 5-6 had to be fenced for) and lost 9-5. Hamori and Orley won 2 each, Kerestes won one, and Morales did not win.

3. General Observations

Men's Foil seemed to be the most difficult weapon, there being 10 teams of considerable strength. In the other arms there were about 8 strong teams. Although with the exception of Russia's Men's Foil Team there may have been no teams present as great as Hungary's sabre teams of the past, or the French foil team of 1952, it is probably true that there are more good teams today than ever before. Russia and Hungary continue to be the best. Poland is now strong in epee and foil as well as sabre. Germany and Roumania have joined France and Italy as being of strength in every weapon even if not being medalists. Fol-

lowing these 7 come Great Britain (Hoskyns), U.S.A., Sweden's epee fencers, Japan (Okawa). The U.S.A. men's teams showed a consistent pattern in one respect. Our 4th and 5th men held up quite well but we did not come up with a big winner in our top men. The top 3 based on our Olympic tryouts were the ones who fenced the individual events. In short, the U.S. teams were adequate in depth but lacked stars. It was not a case of having several strong men but nobody to support them. Our number 3 and 4 men compared favorably with their opposite numbers.

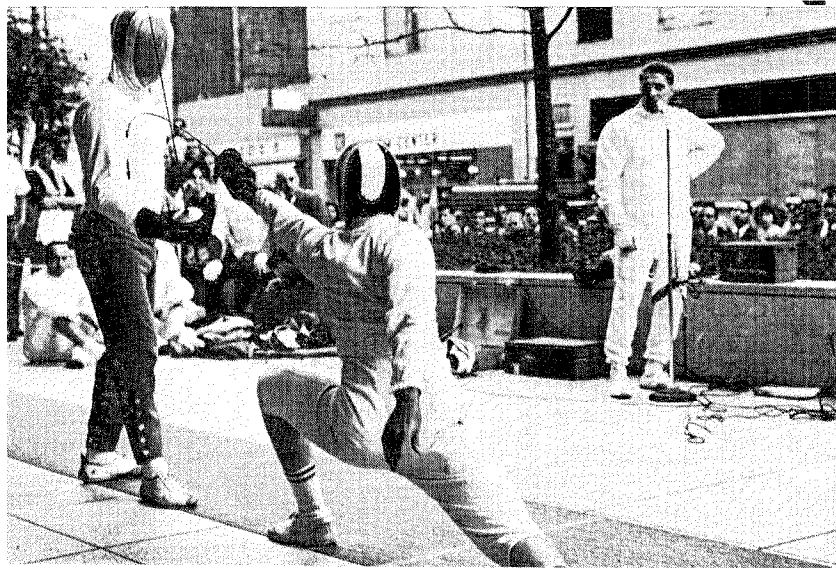
In the individual events Axelrod was our best performer, followed by Cohen and King.

Neither I nor other observers to whom I spoke felt that a new technique or approach had been unveiled in these games. I watched other coaches and fencers carefully and did not feel that our concepts needed revision. They are all practicing the same things in the same manner as our fencers are doing. Our fencers did not seem inferior in physical condition, in age, in hand technique. Why then did we not do better? The only answer I have is a very simple one but I believe it absolutely. I spoke to fencers and team officials of many countries. They all state that their fencers fence at least 5 days a week, not for a few weeks before the Olympics but all year long. Obviously also they compete in more big tournaments than our people can reach. I think we will have to match this degree of preparation if our results are to be markedly better.

In conclusion, I want to thank the team and coaches and armourer for their efforts. They all did their best, without reservation. Our stay in Tokyo was enhanced by the presence of many U.S. officials and observers. They contributed signally to the conduct of the games and we all thank them. The F.I.E. Bureau brought credit to U.S. fencing life and Jose de Capriles on the Directoire Technique reflected well on our sport.

U. S. Performance Summary

Individuals	Team				Total
Alrod	8/4 (4 rounds)	2/2 (Rumania)	0/3 (France)		10/9
Ben	4/7 (3 rounds)	1/3 (Rumania)	4/0 (Argentina)	2/1 (France)	11/11
Hardy	1/4 (1 round)		1/3 (Argentina)		2/7
Stasi		2/2 (Rumania)	3/1 (Argentina)	1/2 (France)	6/5
Zer		3/1 (Rumania)	3/1 (Argentina)	0/3 (France)	6/5
G	8/4 (3 rounds)	2/2 (Rumania)	1/2 (Hungary)		11/8
Nary	2/3 (1 round)	2/2 (Rumania)	0/3 (Hungary)		4/8
Jell	1/4 (1 round)		0/3 (Hungary)		1/7
Ingis		1/3 (Rumania)			1/3
Donnor		1/3 (Rumania)	0/3 (Hungary)		1/6
Hahnik	7/6 (2 rounds)	2/2 (Gr. Br.)	1/3 (Germany)		10/11
Ger	3/4 (1 round)	2/2 (Gr. Br.)	2/2 (Germany)		7/8
Thy	5/7 (2 rounds)	3/1 (Gr. Br.)	0/4 (Germany)		8/12
Stasi		1/3 (Gr. Br.)	3/1 (Germany)		4/4
Amaster					
Mori	8/5 (2 rounds)	3/1 (Japan)	1/2 (USSR)	2/2 (Germany)	14/10
By	6/6 (2 rounds)	2/2 (Japan)		2/1 (Germany)	10/9
Esztes	7/4 (2 rounds)		1/2 (USSR)	1/2 (Germany)	9/8
M		4/0 (Japan)	0/3 (USSR)		4/3
Roles		3/1 (Japan)	2/2 (USSR)	0/4 (Germany)	5/7



FENCERS ON PARK AVENUE

The Olympic Fencing Team practiced on the terrace of the Pepsi Cola Building on Park Avenue and 59th Street, in full view of the passing public. This was after work (5-6 P.M.) in conjunction with the Olympic exhibition conducted by the refreshment company, and it attracted large crowds. Pictured above are Mr. Aloux and Herb Cohen with John Geraci at microphone.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Annual Meeting
September 10, 1964

The meeting was attended by 28 directors and members. Dr. Makler noted that this was the first meeting of the newly incorporated Amateur Fencers League of America, Incorporated. Due to the transition it became necessary to fill the vacancies of Director-at-Large and Non-Divisional directors; a motion was carried to fill these vacancies with the former incumbents until the next election.

The secretary reported that the total membership for the 1963-64 season was 2767.

The treasurer reported a net income of \$4,791. It is expected that the publication of the Rules Book expected for early 1965 will make a substantial dent in our cash reserves.

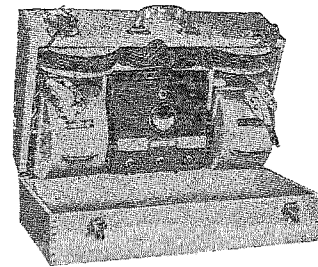
Mr. Anthony Orsi reported that the 1964 National Championships were a financial success. It will not be necessary for the New Jersey Division to use any funds from the National Championship Rotating Fund.

Mr. Linkmeyer, Organizing Committee chairman of 1965 Nationals, reported that the tournament will run from June 26 through July 3. Accommodations will be at U.C.L.A. for \$2.50 and \$4.50 a day.

At the next Board meeting the directors will select the name of an individual writer, photographer and/or editor who has contributed his respective talent to furthering the interest of fencing by his work. The name will be submitted to Martini-Rossi who in turn will submit it to the National Sports-writer Association to give the selected individual a Citation and Plaque.

A motion was approved to transfer \$11,000.00 from the Unappropriated Fund to an account to cover the cost of printing the new Rules Book. In connection with this printing certain changes in prices of AFLA materials were decided upon. The new prices are: Rules Book \$3.00; AFLA pins \$3.00; AFLA patches \$1.00; stars for these patches \$0.25 each; National Championship patches \$1.50; score sheets \$2.00 per hundred, minimum order one hundred; Spectator Leaflets \$4.00 per hundred, minimum order 100.

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OLYMPIC CLINIC

The World's Fair sponsored a fencing demonstration clinic under the auspices of the U.S. Olympic Development Program on Sunday, September 27th, at the World's Fair Pavillion.

It was the program's final summer clinic and included participants from New Jersey, Metropolitan New York and Long Island.

Prominent coaches and former Olympians who lectured and gave demonstrations regarding fencing techniques and training procedures were Irving Dekoff and Louis Bankuti, Columbia; Andre Deladier, Annapolis, Stan Sieja, Princeton; Hugo Castello, James Castello and Al Peredo, N.Y.U.; Tom Cakouros, Newfield H.S.; Pat Clapp, Ramapo Regional H.S.; Irwin Bernstein, Chairman, N.J. Division; Jim Canvin, Chairman, L.I. Division; Tony Orsi, Secretary, AFLA; Ralph Goldstein, Former Captain, U.S. Olympic Team; Evelyn Terhune, Olympian; Ralph Spinella, Olympian; Allan Kwartler, Olympian; Roland Asselin; Madeline Dalton and Madeline Miyamoto.

Among the youngsters who had participated in the summer program and who were selected to demonstrate what they had learned were Mike Gaylor, Ramapo Regional High, N.J., the current N.J. Schoolby Champion; Jeff Kessler, Stuyvesant High, N.Y. City PSAL Champion; Fred Catapano, Huntington High, 1964 Long Island Champion; Arthur Baer, Sewanahaka High, 1963 Long Island Champion; members of the Newfield High & Ramapo Regional High teams, and the Freshman teams of N.Y.U. and Columbia.

The purpose of the U.S. Olympic Development Program's clinics is to initiate training programs in schools and clubs to interest youth in competitive fencing. This year's final clinic was organized and co-ordinated by James Castello of New York University.

NEW RULES BOOK

The new Rules Book and Manual is now in page proof and it is expected that distribution to the membership will be made late in January.

No. Texas by Marietta Towry

Three-weapon team won by Sims, DYFC, Nelson, DSC, and Keen, NFC.
Novice Foil: 1. Lynn Hurlbert, Denton; 2. Hugh Hodgins, GD; 3. Ted Vitek, GC.
Women's 8-touch: 1. Marietta Towry, DYFC; 2. Naimi Abbott Waco; 3. Helen Livingston, DYFC.
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JONES BEACH TOURNAMENT by Alfred Bachner

The annual "4-weapon" team and individual competition attracted seven teams and 27 individual entries. A composite team made up of R. Spinella (NYAC) in foil, E. Spinella (Santelli) in women's foil, E. Sanchez (NYAC) in epee and R. Garbatini (NYAC) in sabre, was the winner.

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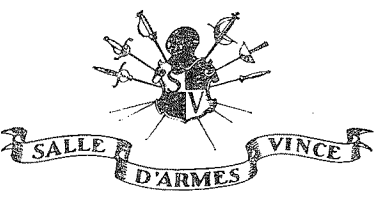
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HOW IT ALL STARTED

by W. L. Osborn

In the spring of 1949 Mike and Joe de Capriles, Dernel Every and I would meet on our commuter train and talk fencing. We were regretting the demise of the Riposte (a war casualty) which had been founded by Joe in 1935 and carried on by Dernel in 1939 when Joe embarked on his law studies at night. We felt the AFLA Newsletter was inadequate and national membership was fluctuating between 800 and 900. Colleges and clubs all over the country knew little of what went on in the fencing world and less about the AFLA. Equipment was being purchased all over the country but there was a need to promote the AFLA. I knew from my own fencing days in Ohio that most small fencing centers had no contact with other groups throughout the country.

From our joint experiences we decided that a national magazine could survive if it were supported by the AFLA as its official organ. After many discussions, the Board of Governors approved the plan with Joe as editor and myself as publisher. American Fencing was born, with the first issue dated November, 1949. All advertising and other revenue goes to the AFLA and all printing and mailing costs are paid by the League.

Our labor of love has paid off and most of the credit is due to Joe de Capriles who has edited the material for 15 years despite his important job and his many committee assignments for the AFLA and the FIE. Credit is also due to our faithful advertisers.

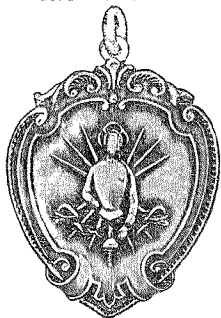
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12	— Arizona No. Calif. No. Dak.	— Mixed Doubles — Women's Introductory — Foil, Unclassified		9 AM 1:30 PM 8 PM	Tucson Armory Balboa H.S. Fargo-Moorhead FC Kansas U	\$1.25 1:00 2.00
13	— Kansas Michigan New England No. Calif.	— Foil, Beginners — 4-Weapon Team — Foil Unclass. and Women's 'C' — Epee Open		12 Noon 2 PM 1:30 PM	Detroit FC Brandeis Letterman GH	1.00 1.00 2.00
17	— Washington D.C.	— Epee Unclassified		7:30 PM	MJHS	1.50
19	— No. Calif. No. Dakota No. Ohio Metropolitan	— Foil Introductory — Open Invitation all weapons — Foil & Women's Open — Sabre A/B		1:30 PM 1 PM 2 PM 12 Noon	Balboa HS Fargo Moorhead FC Akron Turner NYAC	1.00 2.00 1.50 2.00
20	— New England No. Calif. Metropolitan	— Epee Prep, Sabre 'C' — Women's Open — Foil A/B		1 PM 1:30 PM 10:30 AM	YMCA Letterman GH F.C.	1.75 2.00 3.00
26	— Metropolitan	— Foil, College Invitation		10 AM	NYAC	3.00
27	— Metropolitan	— Sabre Pillar Invitation		12 Noon	NYAC	2.00
January						
2	— No. Calif. Metropolitan	— Piller Memorial, Sabre & Foil — Foil, Jr. Olympic		10 AM 3 PM 12 Noon	Pannonia AC NYAC	2.00 1.25
3	— No. Dakota Metropolitan	— Women's Unclassified — Epee B		2 PM 10:30 AM	Fargo-Moorhead FC NYAC	2.00 3.00
9	— Arizona No. Calif. Wash. D.C. Metropolitan	— Foil Women & Epee — Direct Elimination — Piller Memorial, Women & Epee — Darrieulat Epee — Sabre B		9 AM 10 AM 1:30 PM 12 Noon	Tucson Armory Pannonia AC MJHS NYAC	1.25 2.00 1.50 2.00
10	— Arizona Kansas Metropolitan	— Halberstadt Sabre — Foil & Epee Unclassified — Foil B		9 AM 10:30 AM	Tucson Armory Kansas U. FC	1.25 1.00 3.00
16	— No. Calif. No. Dakota Metropolitan	— Women's 'B' and Sabre 'B' — Epee Unclassified — Epee C		10 AM, 3 PM 8 PM 12 Noon	Panonia AC Fargo Moorhead FC NYAC	1.50 2.00 3.00
17	— Wash. D.C. Metropolitan	— Foil — Women's A/B — Epee A/B		1:30 PM 10:30 AM 10:30 AM	YMCA FC NYAC	1.50 3.00 3.00
23	— Kansas No. Calif. Metropolitan	— Air Force vs. Wichita FC — Women's 'B' Team and Epee 'B' — Sabre Team Open		10 AM, 3 PM 12 Noon	AF Academy Pannonia AC NYAC	1.50 6.00

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