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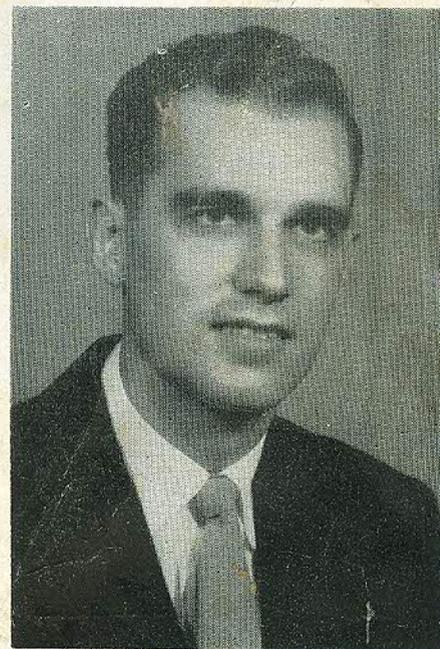


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## DEFENDING CHAMPIONS



JANICE LEE ROMARY  
Women's Foil



RICHARD BERRY  
Epee



DR. DANIEL BUKANTZ  
Foil



DANIEL MAGAY  
Sabre

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## National Championships

### Schedule

Jun. 29—9 AM—Sabre Team  
 12 noon—Women's Team  
 7:30 PM—Finals of both

Jun. 30—9 AM—Foil and Epee Team

July 1—9 AM—Sabre Individual  
 July 2—9 AM—Epee Individual  
 July 3—9 AM—Women's Individual  
 July 4—9 AM—Foil Individual  
 July 5—9 AM—3-Weapon Team  
 2 PM—AFLA Annual Meeting  
 8 PM—Gala Night

Electric Foil will be used in the semi-final of individuals and in the final of team and individual events.

As per notice of February issue and Chapter V of the Rules Book all entries should reach Jose de Capriles, 601 Douglas Road, Chappaqua, N.Y., not later than June 10, and be accompanied by the appropriate fee: \$5. for individual, \$10. for team.

It is expected that the World Championship Team will be announced on July 5th at Gala Night.

### New Trophy

The National Championships this year will determine the first winner of the perpetual Martini-Rossi trophy. This new award will be similar in scope to the Prince Rainier trophy given at the World Championships. The club with the best performance in all team and individual championships will receive the trophy for one year.

Points toward the trophy will be awarded to the first four teams in team championships and to the first six finalists in the individuals. All members of the winning club who have scored points toward the trophy will receive individual prizes.

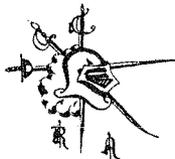
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## LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

### IN RESPONSE TO DR. ZOLD

by Julio M. Castello

In reference to your article "Modernize Your Sabre" (which I would call "Modernize Your Sabre Rules") in the February issue, I am glad to accept your invitation for comments.

It is nothing new in the game to touch and parry. The same would be true after any broken time action as after a successful attack or parry-and-return. We must not forget that fencing is the art of touching without being touched, even if the adversary tries to hit with an unjustifiable redoublement after being touched. We should always practice to try to come out of the action, if possible, untouched.

This has always been a difficult thing to do, but the practice of this is very beneficial towards the development of a good fast hand. Assuredly, this practice should be encouraged and your suggestion of allowing two touches to the defensive fencer is a very good idea to introduce into the sabre rules. I would even say to allow as many touches as have been scored by fencer before he is touched, he scores off target, or before the director calls halt.

Please notice that I do not only include touches made by stop-cut and parry and return but also after a successful remise or redoublement in both directions, etc.

To make it more graphic, I will cite several personal experiences relating to this same problem. While I was touring in exhibitions, many occasions arose when I was forced to fence with individuals who were not well versed in the rules of the game,

and after I had touched them they would in turn hit me too. This provoked the individual to state "you touched me first, but I touched you too". Since most of the audiences were equally unfamiliar with the rules, you can easily see that the only way to prove myself superior was to touch and parry and touch again as many times as was necessary.

I have used this example to show that although your suggestions are right they are by no means modern, for I have cited an example which occurred to me fifty years ago. Believe me, Doctor, there is nothing basically new in fencing today, neither in sabre, foil, nor duelling sword. I will nevertheless state that the **rules** could stand such an improvement and in this I am with you 100% - and more.

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## CLASSIFICATION OF 'A' AND 'B' FENCERS AND RATING OF GROUP I AND II COMPETITIONS

by Abram D. Cohen, Chairman  
Classification Committee

From a practical standpoint it is impossible for the Classification Committee, with the records now available to it, to provide a complete and accurate listing of A and B fencers. All divisional executive committees are requested to apply Rules 521-527 and determine the individual status of their fencers and file a report as suggested below.

The national body cannot assume that any sectional or divisional events of the past two seasons were Group I or II because of the inequality of strength of competing fields from year to year. Therefore, if a division or fencer feels that a name should be added to the list of A or B fencers published in the December 1956 issue of American Fencing, the request for such classification must contain the following information:

1. Name and year of each event believed to qualify the fencer for classification.
2. Number of competitors in each event.
3. Names of officially designated A and B fencers in each event.

On the basis of reports thus received, a new listing of Class A and B fencers will be published at the beginning of the 1958-59 season.

The criteria for determining Group I and II competitions has been established as follows:

### Group I

- (1) A minimum of 18 contestants.
- (2) Not less than 3A and 1B fencers, or 2A and 2B fencers.

### Group II

- (1) A minimum of 12 contestants.
- (2) Not less than 3A fencers, or 2A, 1B and 1C fencers, or 1A and 2B fencers, or 1A, 1B and 2 C fencers, or 2B and 3C fencers, or 3B and 1C fencers.

In order to qualify for Group I or II rating the competition must meet standard (1) and one of the combinations of standard (2) in its respective grouping.

For the 1957-58 season only, competitions will be reviewed retroactively and the 1958-59 competitions will be rated on the caliber of the 1957-58 showing. The 1959-60 events will be rated on the caliber of the previous two seasons. After that, as a matter of policy, when reviewing ratings for each ensuing season, the Classification Committee will be guided by the size and quality of an event for the previous three seasons. If the committee at any time feels that for two consecutive seasons the caliber of the event has not maintained expected standards, that event will be given a lower rating.

All requests for Group I and II ratings for this season's 1957-58 events must be in the hands of the Classification Committee by July 15th together with the following information:

- (1) Name of event and requested rating.
- (2) Number of competitors.
- (3) Name of Class A, B and C fencers participating.



PIETER MIJER ILL

The indestructible Pieter Mijer has been forced to leave the epee strip due to a serious illness and is confined at St. Vincent's Hospital, St. Joseph's wing. His host of fencing friends and admirers will be glad to hear that our last visit found him cheerful and much improved. A great many letters have been received by him and at his request we enter herewith his reply:

**"Dear Friends: Thanks for your good wishes for an early recovery. I am on my way back, perhaps not as good as before, but don't worry . . . this candle is only flickering and the wick is a real Dutch one.**

Yours,  
Pieter Mijer."

## A GENERATION AGO ---

(Taken from 1937-1938 issues of Riposte)

### Nadi on U.S. Fleching

**Ed. Note:** Aldo Nadi wrote regularly for the Riposte. His sharp pen was as explosive as his renowned lunge. The following was written after a foil competition.

"The time has come to say what we think of the fighting ways of too many fencers in this country. Who ever told them to use the fleche in foil as an ordinary attack? . . . It isn't that we condemn *a priori* an attack which requires only good timing and light feet. But when we see that constantly the fleche is executed by everybody, we think it is our duty to call a stop to such an absurd, extravagant, dangerous (somebody was killed in the Paris championships by a fleche) and non-technical way of attacking your opponent. He who uses the fleche undersigns his lack of technique. Anybody can attack in fleche, even a beginner. But how many fencers in this country know how to execute a *balestra* perfectly?"

"Also, the fleche as it is practiced here bewildered the writer. You see the attacker run beyond his opponent for many yards . . . falling sometimes amongst the spectators . . . always leaving the strip! And what is the idea of ALWAYS going off the side of the strip, even without a fleche? (Note, Mr. Giolito)."



### Helena Mayer World Champion

Helena Mayer, U.S. Champion in 1934, '35 and '37, regained the World Crown she had held in 1928 by defeating the 1936 Olympic Champion Ilona Elek of Hungary and the 1932 Olympic Champion Ellen Preis of Austria. The 1937 championship was held in Paris.

Marzi of Italy won the men's foil title; Schmetz of France the epee; Kovacs of Hungary the sabre.

Lt. Thomas Sands, USA, reached the epee final and placed fifth.

### HANS HALBERSTADT

by Mary Huddleson

The grand old man of Pacific Coast fencing, Hans Halberstadt, is now 73 and still actively teaching at his own Salle d'Armes in San Francisco which opened in 1941.

Mr. Halberstadt, who also coaches at the Olympic Club, is one of the few to hold the "Golden Plaquette," an honor award conferred by the German National Fencing Association, the West German equivalent of the AFLA.

Given in recognition of his more than 50 years of service to international fencing, the award was received this March and was accompanied by a citation praising Mr. Halberstadt's performance in four Olympic Games and many international championships as well as his success in building his new life in the United States.

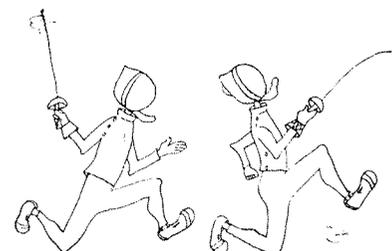
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## PUBLICITY

Publicity and more publicity—especially the kind which educates—is what the sport needs most. The World Championships will afford us a great opportunity in this direction, and we are happy to report that even in Metropolitan New York where news space is so hard to get, we have begun to beat the drum.

In the February 10th issue of Sports Illustrated we had a short but interesting introduction to our World Championships efforts under the column "Events and Discoveries."

The New Yorker, in its issue of May 10, has a long article on the N.Y. Fencers Club which celebrates its 75th anniversary this year. Staff writer Kevin Wallace did an excellent job. The article is informative, gives a perspective of the sport and catches the flavor of our traditions in the inimitable New Yorker style.

A full-page story on women's fencing appeared in the May 20 edition of the N.Y. Daily News. Taking the girls from Salle Santelli as a fine example, feature writer Mabel Greene has done much to educate and interest the public in our sport. Both Mr. Wallace and Miss Greene attended several competitions in the course of their considerable research.

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## Development in Fencing

by Marcia N. Richmond

There is always the question how to boost interest in fencing, and how to increase membership in the A.F.L.A. To Stephen J. Zielinski, chairman of Western New York Division, that has always been a challenge. Several months ago, he heard through the grape-vine that there was a fencing group in Erie, Pa. After exchange of correspondence with Jim Long of Erie, Pa., a trip of 100 miles was made. Accompanying Mr. Zielinski, were Dr. Geza Pokay, Charles Jacobs, Nancy Zielinski and Marcia Richmond, all members of the Western New York Division. The Buffalo group fenced with several fencers of Erie, Pa., who were instructed by Jim Long and Dr. L. J. Ognibene. Plans were made with the group to hold a tournament, sponsored by the newly formed Erie Fencing Club. Mr. Zielinski, with Charles Jacobs, made necessary arrangements for the meet, secured medals and certificates to be given to each entry, and so on March 24th, the Erie Fencing Club held its first foil tournament. Entry by invitation was limited to Novice fencers. The participants were: from Erie, Pa., Joe Gauthier, Harry VanAggelakos, Lou Alexis, and Dr. L. J. Ognibene; from Buffalo, Cecil La Grange, Mike Maleniak, Cleveland, Pete Homorody, Roy Lipstrau and Joe Huszar. The program was well advertised by newspaper, radio and television in Erie, Pa., and drew many spectators. Medals were donated by Lou Alexis, restaurateur of Erie. The entry fee went to the Division's World Championship Fund. The officials were Dr. Geza Pokay, Charles Jacobs, and Nancy Zielinski from Buffalo, New York; Al Styler and Herbert James from Cleveland, Ohio. The results of the tournament were: 1st, Roy Lipstrau, 2nd, Hugh Anderson, 3rd, Joe Huszar and 4th, Dr. L. J. Ognibene. Thus a small fencing group in Erie, Pa. has been, by proper cooperation, encouraged to develop, and may someday grow into a division. At the present time, some of the Erie fencers have become members of the Western New York Division.



### PUERTO RICO

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## NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS

Illinois won the over-all title at the fourteenth annual NCAA tournament, held at Texas Tech in Lubbock. The champions finished the two-day tournament with 47 victories, a margin of four over second-place Columbia. The event limits each school to one entry per weapon and Coach Maxwell Garrett's men moved into the winner's circle when Art Schankin went through 21 sabre bouts without a loss on the second day. Besides Schankin, Illinois fielded Abbey Silverstone in foil and Lee Sentman in epee.

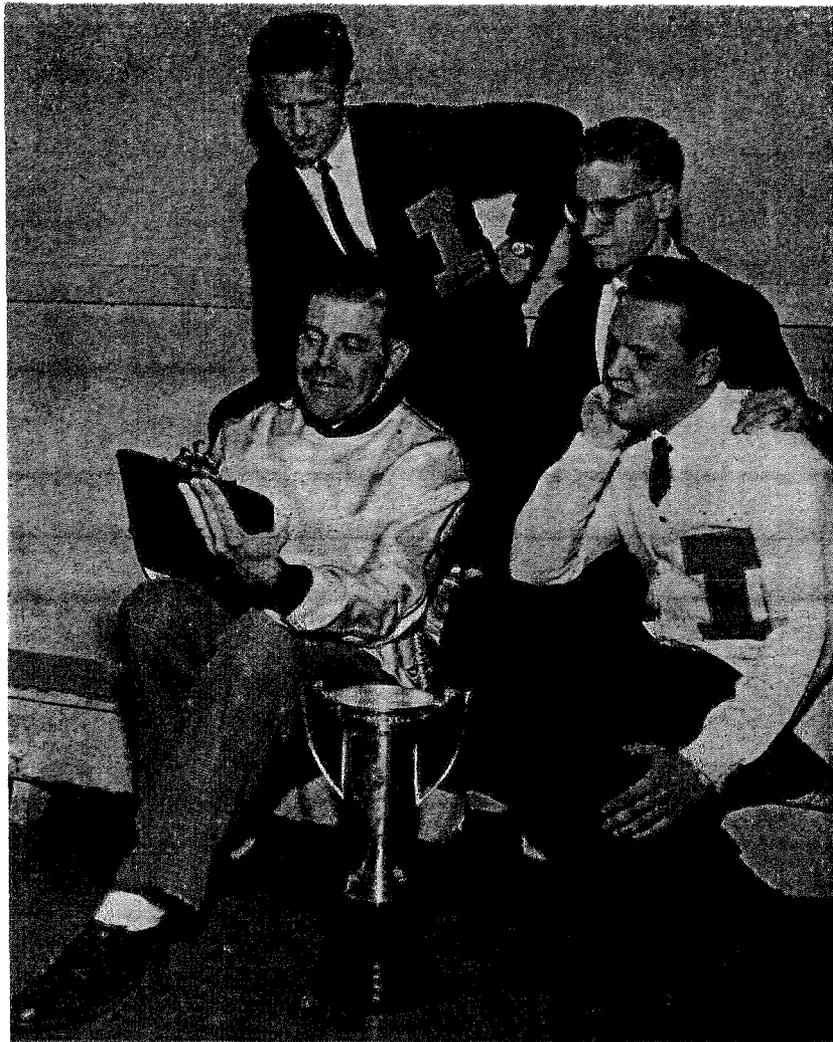
The foil title was retained by defending champion Bruce Davis of Wayne State with a 15/2 record. John Norton of Yale placed second on touches over Illinois' Silverstone.

Midshipman R. R. Womack gave Navy the epee crown with 16/2. Columbia's Steve Buchman placed second Ronald Farrow of Notre Dame nosed out Yale's Jay Powell for third on touches.

Runner-up to Schankin in sabre was Frank Parisi of Columbia, followed by NYU's Mike De Saro.

Twenty-five schools participated, but several failed to field complete teams.

| School         | Results |    |    | Total |
|----------------|---------|----|----|-------|
|                | F.      | E. | S. |       |
| Illinois       | 14      | 12 | 21 | 47    |
| Columbia       | 10      | 14 | 19 | 43    |
| Yale           | 14      | 13 | 15 | 42    |
| Navy           | 12      | 16 | 13 | 41    |
| N.Y.U.         | 13      | 6  | 17 | 36    |
| Wayne State    | 15      | 8  | 12 | 35    |
| Notre Dame     | 13      | 13 | 8  | 34    |
| Wisconsin      | 13      | 7  | 12 | 32    |
| Buffalo        | 7       | 12 | 11 | 30    |
| Iowa           | 5       | 10 | 13 | 28    |
| Detroit        | 5       | 8  | 14 | 27    |
| Texas Tech     | 10      | 3  | 10 | 23    |
| Texas A&M      | 9       | 8  | 6  | 23    |
| Oklahoma       | 2       | 3  | 10 | 15    |
| Michigan State |         |    | 15 | 15    |
| Rice           | 3       | 9  | 1  | 13    |
| Fenn           |         | 11 |    | 11    |
| Princeton      |         | 10 |    | 10    |
| No. Carolina   | 0       | 5  | 5  | 10    |
| Texas          |         |    | 9  | 9     |
| Kansas         | 2       | 3  | 3  | 8     |
| Chicago        |         |    | 7  | 7     |
| Houston        |         |    | 7  | 7     |
| Arizona        | 6       |    |    | 6     |
| Nebraska       |         |    | 1  | 1     |



NCAA CHAMPIONS

Front: Coach Maxwell Garret and Captain Arthur Schankin.  
Rear: Abbey Silverstone and Lee Sentman.

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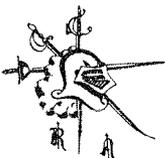


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### North Atlantic Conference

by Sidney Schwartz

Rochester Institute of Technology, coached by Art Plouffe, won the Conference Championship and two of the other three team titles. This was the eighth annual tournament, with last year's champions from Buffalo acting as hosts. The University of Toronto, coached by Julius Alpar, won the Sabre Team and Individual crowns. Buffalo took the foil and epee individual on fence-offs.

Eight schools were entered, with each school permitted two representatives in each weapon. Hobart competed only in foil and Brandeis only in sabre.

| School    | Team Results |    |    | Total |
|-----------|--------------|----|----|-------|
|           | F.           | E. | S. |       |
| Rochester | 12           | 12 | 9  | 33    |
| Toronto   | 9            | 10 | 13 | 32    |
| Drew      | 9            | 10 | 9  | 28    |
| Buffalo   | 11           | 10 | 5  | 26    |
| Syracuse  | 7            | 8  | 8  | 23    |
| Brandeis  | 0            | 0  | 10 | 10    |
| Hobart    | 6            | 0  | 0  | 6     |

#### Individuals

**Foil:** Aaron Ament, Buffalo, 4/1; Rico Buckler, RIT, 4/1; Walter O'Neil, Toronto, 3/2; Rand Castle, Drew, 2/3, 18 vs; Dick Green, RIT, 2/3, 19 vs; Alan Oshrin, Hobart, 0/5. Fence-off: Ament d. Buckler 5-4.

**Epee:** Bob Peterson, Buffalo, 4/1; Derry Mounce, RIT, 4/1; Jim Mason, RIT, 4/1; John Richardson, Drew, 2/3; George Kosboth, Syracuse, 1/4; Bill Greaves, Toronto, 0/5. Fence-off: Peterson 2/0; Mounce 1/1; Mason 0/2.

**Sabre:** Walter Kostiw, Toronto, 4/1; Albert Donovan, Brandeis, 4/1; Henry Sava, Toronto, 3/2; Andrew Dykas, Drew, 2/3; Ron Bambas, RIT, 1/4; Morton Rabkin, Brandeis, 1/4. Fence-off: Kostiw d. Donovan 5-0.



#### EDWARD LUCIA

Edward F. Lucia, coach of C.C.N.Y. and of his own Salle in mid-town New York, has been elected President of the Eastern Collegiate Fencing Coaches Association.

### I.W.F.A.

For the second time in three years Paterson State Teachers College captured the highest intercollegiate women's fencing honors as it defeated all opponents in the 30th annual championship of the Intercollegiate Women's Fencing Association.

The Paterson trio each fenced 26 bouts in the marathon competition, giving a well-balanced performance. Top scorer for the champions was Miss Ruane, with 19-7. Ten teams were entered, but Temple was forced to withdraw on account of illness.

The individual title was won by Dolores Comerio of the host school, Jersey City State Teachers College, with a fine 25-1 performance. Mary Churchill of N.Y.U. was second with 24-2 and third went to Barbara Bielen of Fairleigh Dickinson with 22-4.

#### Team Standings

(1) Paterson S.T.C. 8/0; (2) Jersey City S.T.C. 7/1; (3) N.Y.U. 6/2; (4) Hunter 3/5, 34v; (5) Elmira 3/5, 33v; (6) Fairleigh Dickinson 3/5, 32v; (7) Montclair S.T.C. 3/5, 29v; (8) Brooklyn College 2/6; (9) Rochester I.T. 1/7.



#### INTERCOLLEGIATE CHAMPIONS

Paterson State Teachers College — Patricia Ruane, Carol Stukowski, Marylyn Gerber.

### Middle Atlantic Intercollegiates

by Roger F. Jones

With a surprising show of power, Stevens Institute of Technology dominated the opposition in foil and epee and won the three-weapon title. This was the 7th annual championships and the victory was all the more gratifying because Stevens had been unable in the past to gain a single gold medal in either individual or team competition. The winners are coached by Clifford W. Kirmss.

The foil individual ended with Nick Messtano of Stevens defeating his team mate, Bill Scheffer in a fence-off. Third place went to Weiss of Johns Hopkins.

Stevens' crushing foil victory was duplicated in epee when the team captain Les Pia placed first and his partner Ira Chapman won the silver medal. Third went to Wismer of Lehigh.

The sabre team title was much closer, as only two bouts separated the top three teams. Lehigh, defending 3-weapon titleholder, won this crown when Shoffler and Nesslace placed second and third in the individual. The new sabre champion is Shafstein of Temple whose efforts enabled his school to place over Stevens by one bout.

The championship was held at Muhlenberg College in Allentown. Next year's host will be Stevens.

#### Summaries

| Team          | F. | E. | S. | 3-W. |
|---------------|----|----|----|------|
| Stevens       | 19 | 16 | 13 | 48   |
| Temple        | 15 | 10 | 14 | 39   |
| Johns Hopkins | 12 | 13 | 10 | 35   |
| Lehigh        | 7  | 10 | 15 | 32   |
| Haverford     | 10 | 10 | 9  | 29   |
| Muhlenberg    | 3  | 7  | 7  | 15   |

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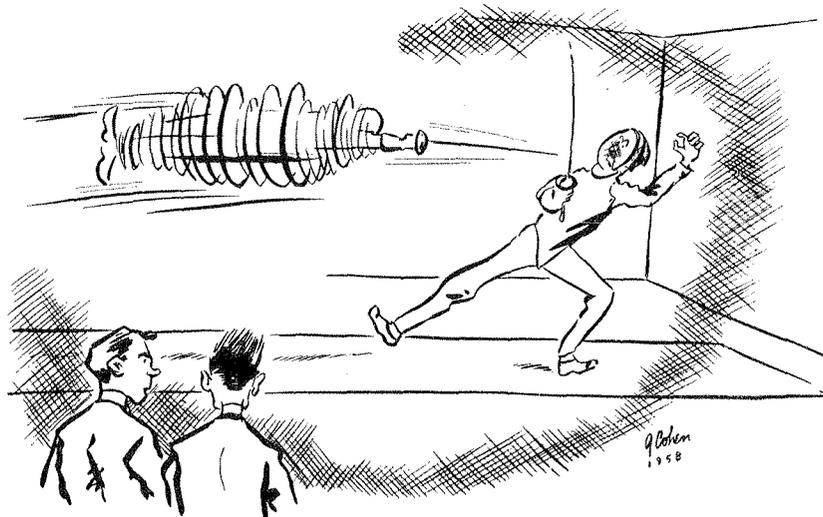
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**I.F.A. CHAMPIONSHIPS**

by J. R. de Capriles

The Intercollegiate Fencing Association, composed of the major eastern colleges, held its annual tournament in New York City on March 14 and 15.

**Team Events**

Columbia took the coveted 3-weapon crown by a surprisingly wide margin of five points; surprising because each of the three team championships was a very tight race and the winner could not be determined until the final match. Coach Irving De Koff's men also won the sabre team title and tied for second in both the foil and epee. A first-bout injury to the defending epee champion, Jim Margolis, forced his withdrawal and probably cost Columbia a third crown.

Cornell's Thomas, Cole and Wiley scored 24 victories in the epee to give the Big Red its first team crown in thirty years. It was a perfect tribute to George Cointe on his twenty-fifth anniversary as fencing master at Ithaca. Columbia and Penn tied for second.

N.Y.U., coached by Hugo Castello, won the Little Iron Man trophy emblematic of foil supremacy. The champions, using Alessio, Davis and Kedish, scored 26 victories for the highest total in any of the team events. Columbia and Navy tied for second. Yale was fourth despite the brilliant performance of John Norton who not only posted the tournament's only undefeated record, but was touched only 11 times in his 11 victories.

Columbia's sabre championship was won by Bloom, Parisi and Golden with 25 victories. This title and the 3-weapon crown were uncertain until the last two matches when they showed their true mettle under pressure by defeating NYU and CCNY 2-1. The last named colleges tied for second.

**Individual Events**

John Norton, Yale's captain, won the crown with a 4/1 record and thus finished

two days of fencing with a grand total of 15/1. Ronald Alessio of NYU, Norton's only conqueror, placed second on touches over his teammate Martin Davis and Navy's Ed Studer.

In the epee Princeton's Paul Levy was forced into a triple tie with Stephen Buchman of Columbia and James Powell of Yale. Levy was cool under pressure and earned the crown. Buchman defeated Powell for second.

Another fence-off was required to determine the sabre champion when Mike Desaro of N.Y.U. faltered in the regular round and lost 5-2 to Frank Parisi of Columbia. Desaro rose to the challenge in the fence-off and turned the tables by defeating Parisi 5-2. Third went to Yorke Peeler of Princeton.

| School    | F. | E. | S. | 3-W. |
|-----------|----|----|----|------|
| Brooklyn  | 2  | 5  | 8  | 15   |
| C.C.N.Y.  | 17 | 19 | 23 | 59   |
| Columbia  | 24 | 22 | 25 | 71   |
| Cornell   | 15 | 24 | 19 | 58   |
| Harvard   | 15 | 16 | 17 | 48   |
| M.I.T.    | 15 | 11 | 8  | 34   |
| Navy      | 24 | 17 | 21 | 62   |
| N.Y.U.    | 26 | 17 | 23 | 66   |
| Penn      | 13 | 22 | 19 | 54   |
| Princeton | 20 | 19 | 16 | 55   |
| Rutgers   | 5  | 11 | 5  | 21   |
| Yale      | 22 | 15 | 14 | 51   |

**Individual Scores**

**Foil:** Norton, Yale, 4/1; Alessio, NYU, 3/2, 11 t.r.; Davis, NYU, 3/2, 18 t.r.; Studer, Navy, 3/2, 19 t.r.; Moshang, Col., 1/4, 20 t.r.; Wommack, Navy, 1/4, 24 t.r.

**Epee:** Levy, Princeton, 4/1; Buchman, Col., 4/1; Powell, Yale, 4/1; Cole, Cornell, 1/4, 23 t.r.; Michanik, Penn, 1/4, 23 t.r.; Wiley, Cornell, 1/4, 24 t.r. Fence-off: Levy d. Powell 5-1, Buchman 5-4; Buchman d. Powell 5-2.

**Sabre:** Desaro, NYU, 4/1; Parisi, Col., 4/1; Peeler, Princeton, 3/2; Estep, Navy, 2/3; Bloom, Col., 1/4; Thomas, Harvard, 1/4. Fence-off: Desaro d. Parisi 5-2.

**PRESIDENT OF THE NFCAA AND COACH OF THE YEAR**



Irving De Koff

Well deserved honors have been heaped on Columbia's head coach of fencing: the National Fencing Coaches Association has elected him its president and he received the award as "Coach of the Year" at the conclusion of the recent NCAA championships in Texisa.

The current success of his pupils is witnessed on these pages and the Columbia record during his short 6-year tenure is most impressive: in 1954 his team achieved the unique distinction of winning the foil, epee, sabre and three-weapon IFA titles and tying NYU for the NCAA championship; between 1954 and 1958 they won the NCAA title twice and were second the other three times; they have won the IFA sabre team title four times and the Ivy League Championships the past three seasons. His men have won 13 All-American awards, 5 individual NCAA and 2 IFA titles. With a strong dual meet schedule they have won 59 and lost 8.

"Irv" received his BA in Psychology from Brooklyn College and then an MA in Physical Ed from NYU. He started teaching fencing at the Julliard School of Music in 1947, taught for a year at Cooper Union and then was assistant at Columbia to George Santelli and later Joe Velarde. He also assisted James Montague at CCNY for a brief period and in 1952 was appointed Associate in Physical Education and Head Coach of Fencing at Columbia. He received his fencing training from Joe Velarde, Anthony Greco and Joe Smith. He served in World War II with the Army Signal Corps and was in the South Pacific for two years.

He is married to Belle Kerner, a former NYU student, and has two prospects for the 1968 Women's Olympic Team with a third Olympian expected to arrive soon.

—JRdeC.



**Western Conference**

by Charles R. Schmitter

The University of Illinois, coached by Maxwell Garret, won the team crown by a margin of four bouts. The event was held at the Jenison Gymnasium of Michigan State University. Each school is allowed two entries per weapon.

The Individual titles were well distributed: Wisconsin's Jerry Bodner was undefeated in his 10 foil bouts; Iowa's Dave Dittner won the epee; Illinois' Arthur Schankin took the sabre after a four-way fence-off.

**Team Scores**

| School         | F. | E. | S. | Total |
|----------------|----|----|----|-------|
| Illinois       | 13 | 11 | 8  | 32    |
| Wisconsin      | 16 | 3  | 9  | 28    |
| Iowa           | 8  | 13 | 6  | 27    |
| Michigan State | 3  | 6  | 7  | 16    |
| Ohio State     | 3  | 5  | 5  | 13    |
| Indiana        | 2  | 2  | 0  | 4     |

**Individual Finals**

**Foil:** (1) Bodner, Wis., 5/0; (2) Silverstone, Ill., 4/1; (3) Green, Wis., 3/2; (4) Bathey, Iowa, 2/3; (5) Williamson, Ill., 1/4; (6) Bring, Iowa, 0/5.

**Epee:** (1) Dittner, Iowa, 4/1; (2) Sentman, Ill., 3/2, 19 t.r.; (3) Schorr, Iowa, 3/2, 25 t.r.; (4) Tsilicacos, Ohio, 2/3, 22 t.r.; (5) Jiran, MSU, 2/3, 23 t.r.; (6) Delisman, Ill., 1/4.

**Sabre:** (1) Schankin, Ill., 3/2; (2) McCalla, MSU, 3/2; (3) LeMieux, Wis., 3/2; (4) Brown, Iowa, 3/2; (5) Cartwright, Wis., 2/3; (6) Sobul, MSU, 1/4.

Fence-off: Schankin 3/0; McCalla 2/1; LeMieux 1/2.

**MASTERS . . .**

**COHEN WINS TWO MASTERS EVENTS**

The annual Masters events in each weapon were for the first time all held on the same day. The turn-out was very disappointing; the only professional to compete was Harvard's coach, Mr. Edo Marion.

Abram Cohen, Fencers Club, won the epee on a fence-off against his clubmate Al Skrobisch. Both men had finished the two round-robins of seven (one-touch bouts) with 6/6 records. Ralph Goldstein, Santelli, took third after a fence-off with Edward Vebell and James Flynn. The winner received the Saltus Sword and Miguel de Capriles gold medal.

Cohen was forced into a 3-way fence-off for the Santelli sabre trophy. Al Kwartler placed second and George Worth third, both from Santelli.

The foil also had seven entries and Albert Axelrod, Santelli, was undefeated. He received the Rene Pinchart trophy. Nat Lubell and Harold Goldsmith, Fencers Club, tied for second and placed as listed on the count of touches.

# News from the Divisions

## Arizona

Recent events:

**Women's Unclassified:** (1) Barbara Yurcik; (2) Stella Yurcik; (3) Barbara Winkler.

**Unclassified Foil:** (1) Derewood Bible; (2) Raymond Yurcik; (3) Charles Mehard.

**Unclassified Epee:** (1) Raymond Yurcik; (2) Derewood Bible; (3) Skip Klimek.

**Unclassified Sabre:** (1) Weldon Vlasak; (2) Raymond Yurcik; (3) Skip Klimek.

**Foil "C":** (1) Derewood Bible; (2) Weldon Vlasak; (3) Charles Mehard.

**Epee "C":** (1) Weldon Vlasak; (2) Derewood Bible; (3) Skip Klimek.

**Sabre "C":** (1) Weldon Vlasak; (2) Derewood Bible; (3) Charles Mehard.

**Open Foil:** (1) Charles Willis; (2) James Wolverton; (3) Weldon Vlasak.

**Open Epee:** (1) Raymond Yurcik; (2) Charles Willis; (3) Weldon Vlasak.

**Open Sabre:** (1) James Wolverton; (2) Raymond Yurcik; (3) Derewood Bible.

## Maryland

by Barton Heaps

The end of our season produced the following results:

**Open Foil:** (1) J. Paletta, USNA; (2) E. Bayor, Towson; (3) P. Conomikes, Wash.F.C.

**Open Sabre:** (1) A. Morales, USNA; (2) P. Conomikes, Wash.F.C.; (3) J. Estep, USNA.

**Beginner's Foil:** (1) J. Logis, Int'l.Y.; (2) E. Flynn, Wash.F.C.

**Women's Handicap:** (1) R. Bleir, Int'l.Y.; (2) M. Foerster, Int'l.Y.; (3) D. Hayes, Int'l.Y.

**Women's Pavesi Foil:** (1) J. Buerger, Int'l.Y.; (2) B. Heaps, Int'l.Y.; (3) R. Bleier, Int'l.Y.

**Men's Pavesi Foil:** (1) L. Stanley, Int'l.Y.; (2) A. Hurwitz, Towson; (3) E. Flynn, Wash.F.C.

**Pailey 3-Weapon:** (1) L. Stanley, Int'l.Y.; (2) D. Kelsey, St. John's; (3) B. Weiss, Towson.

**Women's Closed:** (1) R. Bleier, Int'l.Y.; (2) M. Foerster, Int'l.Y.; (3) J. Burger, Int'l.Y.

**Foil Championship:** (1) F. Larson, USNA; (2) W. Lewis, USNA; (3) R. Wommack, USNA.

**Epee Championship:** (1) B. Cauley, USNA; (2) R. Wommack, USNA; (3) A. Hurwitz, Towson.

**Sabre Championship:** (1) A. Morales, USNA; (2) L. Stanley, Int'l.Y.; (3) H. Enten, Towson.



## Philadelphia

by Louise Dyer

The end of our season produced the following results:

**Women's Team:** (1) Central YMCA (Erickson, Parsons, Lichwa); (2) Bryn Mawr (Sherman, Stone, Lasersohn).

**Foil:** (1) John Fratto, unatt.; (2) Roger Jones, Csiszar; (3) Frank Bartone, Csiszar.

**Women:** (1) Anita Beckett, Temple; (2) Sarah Parsons, Central Y; (3) LLse Wallace, unatt.

**Sabre:** (1) Gene Hamori; (2) Paul Makler; (3) Richard Dyer.

**Epee:** (1) Paul Forand, Princeton; (2) Donald Promish, UofP; (3) Paul Levy, Princeton.

**Mixed Doubles:** (1) John Austin-Marilyn Gleason; (2) John Frato-Anita Beckett; (3) Tony Hopkins-Lucy Sherman.

**Yale Trophy Team:** (1) Girard College; (2) N.E. High; (3) Edison High.

**Yale Trophy Ind.:** (1) Timothy Tews, Girard; (2) Charles Zaronne, Girard; (3) Lawrence Shefler, Northeast High.

## Southern California

by Fred Linkmeyer

A World Championships fund raising gala was held at the Salle d'Armes Vince on March 30 and was a success. Janice Lee Romary did an excellent organizing job and we suggest other divisions to try this pleasant and painless way of raising funds.

Results of events:

**Unclassified Foil:** (1) L. Verne Delling, Cav.; (2) H. Missler, FSF; (3) L. LaMont, Aguilas.

**Foil Team:** Won by Faulkner School of Fencing using Arp, Duncan and Lieberman.

**Epee Team:** Won by Faulkner School of Fencing using Andrina, Arp, Duncan and Missler.

**Epee:** (1) J. Adams, Cav.; (2) H. Arp, FSF; (3) F. Rayer, LAAC.

**Sabre Team:** Won by Faulkner School of Fencing using Crawford, Marx and Duncan.

**Open Foil:** (1) F. Andrina, FSF; (2) B. Crawford, FSF; (3) F. Duncan, FSF.

**Open Foil Team:** Won by Los Angeles AC using DeJong, Lampl and Barden.

**Open Epee:** (1) R. Asselin, LAAC; (2) F. Duncan, FSF; (3) S. Barden, LAAC.

**Open Epee Team:** Won by Faulkner's team II, using Davis, Arp, Crawford and Missler.

**Open Sabre:** (1) A. Kereztes, LAAC; (2) J. Lampl, LAAC; (3) A. Orban, LAAC.

**Women's Open:** (1) J. L. Romary, unatt.; (2) M. Mitchell, LAAC; (3) B. Drago, FSF.

**Bowen Handicap Foil:** (1) P. Etter, Vince; (2) A. Reich, BFC; (3) P. McLennan, FSF.

**Women's Handicap Douglas - Aguilas:** (1) M. Mitchell, LAAC; (2) A. Gerakin, FSF; (3) M. Miyamoto, FSF.



## Northern Ohio

by Alexander Musichuk

Our Divisional Championships Finals were held at Sill School in Cuyahoga Falls. Qualifying rounds were at Fenn College and Akron YMCA. The ticket sale has enriched the World Championship Fund by about \$200.

**Women:** (1) Muriel Papurt, Woodland; (2) Joan Steigerwald, unatt.; (3) Alice Stevenson, Simonian.

**Foil:** (1) William Bishop, Case; (2) John Szentkiralyi, Woodland; (3) Ferenc Aprily, Case.

**Epee:** (1) Alexander Musichuk, Simonian; (2) Bud Shaw, Simonian; (3) Guy Pinter, Fenn.

**Sabre:** (1) Tom Legeza, Woodland; (2) John Stomfay-Stitz, Woodland; (3) John Szentkiralyi, Woodland.

## Long Island

by A. Sylvester

Mike Desaro of NYU won an open sabre event conducted as a round-robin of ten. He posted an 8/1 record. Spector placed second on touches over Pongo. The rest of the field finished as follows: Earls, Stein, Bonnici, Gerby, Lightstone, Bachner, Bloomberg.

We had 30 in foil and 20 in sabre for our qualifying rounds for the Nationals. Results:

**Foil:** Bernard Stein, Woodmere; Hank Stein, Levittown; Marvin Amster, Roslyn.

**Sabre:** Hank Stein, Levittown; Mike Earls, E. Meadow; Al Bachner, E. Meadow.

## Gulf Coast

by Mabel Morse

**Women's Unclassified:** (1) Lou Blackwell 4-2; (2) Ann Blackwell 4-2; (3) Odette TeVault 1-5; (4) Lou Gause 0-6.

**Unclassified Epee:** (1) Paul Randall 3-2; (2) Mike Simmons 3-2; (3) George Taylor 3-2; (4) Jared Foster 3-2; (5) Bruce Moore 2-3; (6) Charles Robertson 1-4.

**Open Foil:** (1) John Curry 4-1; (2) Dave Dillehay 4-1; (3) Phil Petmecky 4-1; (4) Jared Foster 2-3; (5) Dick Hardesty 1-4; (6) Mike Simmons 0-5.

**Women's Open:** (1) Marcelle Lucros, Sd'A, 5/1; (2) Betty Day, Sd'A, 4/2, 16 t.r.; (3) Betty Jean Kolenda, nd., 4/2, 18 t.r.; (4) Ruth Goodlet, Corpus, 3/3, 22 t.r.; (5) Mozelle Hampton, Ind., 3/3, 23 t.r.; (6) Mabel Morse, Sd'A, 2/4; (7) Roxan Curry, Sd'A, 0/6.

**Open Foil:** (1) Dave Dillehay, Rice, 3/2; (2) Philip Petmecky, Medina, 3/2; (3) Tom Bickley, Ind., 3/2; (4) Mike Simmons, Rice, 3/2; (5) John Curry, Ind., 2/3; (6) Charles Robertson, Sd'A, 1/4.

**Women's Team:** Won by Vanguard, with Day, Kolenda and Hampton.

**Toil Team:** Won by Salle d'Arme with Robertson, Curry and Petmecky.

**Women's B:** (1) Betty Jean Kolenda, Ind., 6/0; (2) Mozelle Hampton, Ind., 5/1; (3) Betty Day, Sd'A, 4/2; (4) Mabel Morse, Sd'A, 3/3; (5) Ann Blackwell, Beau, 2/4; (6) Lou Blackwell, Beau, 1/5; (7) Odette TeVault, Beau, 0/6.

**Foil "B":** (1) Philip Petmecky, Medina, 4/1; (2) Dave Dillehay, Rice, 4/1; (3) Joe Elliott, A&M, 3/2; (4) Charles Robertson, Sd'A, 2/3; (5) Tom Bickley, Ind., 1/4; (6) Mike Simmons, Rice, 1/4.

**Unclassified Foil:** (1) Richard Hardesty, Sc., 5/0; (2) Tom Dowlern, "Y," 3/2, 17 t.r.; (3) Ed Gause, Bucs, 3/2, 21 t.r.; (4) Ed Gross, Alamo Hts, 2/3, 20 t.r.; (5) Burns Roensch, Alamo Hts, 2/3, 23 t.r.; (6) John Turner, "Y," 0/5.

**Unclassified Sabre:** (1) Dick Hardesty, Sc., 3/0; (2) Paul Randall, "Y," 2/1; (3) Tom Dowlern, "Y," 1/2; (4) Albert Nice, Randolph, 0/3.

**Foil "C":** (1) Dave Dillehay, Rice, 5/0; (2) Mike Simmons, Rice, 3/2, 15 t.r.; (3) John Curry, Ind., 3/2, 16 t.r.; (4) Charles Robertson, Sd'A, 2/3, 15 t.r.; (5) Ed Gause, Bucs, 2/3, 21 t.r.; (6) Max Endel, HFC, 0/5.

**Women's "C":** (1) Mozelle Hampton, Ind., 3/2; (2) Roxanne Curry, Sd'A, 2/1; (3) Lou Gause, Bucs, 1/2; (4) Mary Ferrer, Sd'A, 0/3.

**Sabre "C":** (1) Ivan Molina, A&M, 4/2; (2) Tom Bickley, Ind., 4/2; (3) James Cline, Longhorn, 4/2; (4) Philip Petmecky, Medina, 4/2; (5) Len Layne, A&M, 3/3; (6) C. F. Liveley, Longhorn, 2/4; (7) George Taylor, Sd'A, 0/6.

**Epee "C":** (1) James Cline, Longhorn, 3/0; (2) Larry Reeves, A&M, 1/2; (3) C. F. Liveley, Longhorn, 1/2; (4) John Flynn, A&M, 1/2.

The division has held two meets at the Randolph A.F. Base Service Center where Mrs. Loraine Towne has been most helpful in arranging for publicity, housing and refreshments.

**Epee Team:** Won by Salle d'Arme with Curry, Petmecky and Robertson.

**Sabre Team:** Won by a Composite with Bickley, Hardesty and Trevino.

**Open Epee:** (1) David Dillehay, Rice; (2) John Curry, Ind.; (3) Richard Hardesty, Scorp.; (4) T. F. Bickley, Ind.; (5) Philip Petmecky, Medina; (6) Ed Gause, Buc.

**Open Sabre:** (1) Philip Petmecky, Medina; (2) Desi Trevino, Ind.; (3) John Curry, Ind.; (4) David Dillehay, Rice; (5) Richard Hardesty, Scorp.

### Illinois

by Lois Tykodi

#### State H.S. Championship

The Team Championship was won by Austin High with Rotberg, Palles, Schulz.

Individual title went to J. L. Howison of Culvert M.A. Highest of Illinois Division were: E. Brand, Senn; A. Palles, Austin; H. Taylor, Senn.

**Open Foil Team:** Won by Salle Calvert (Abele, Zombolas, Shapiro, Silverman).

**Women's Foil:** (1) C. Bond, Wis.; (2) C. Remenyik, Calvert; (3) H. Matousek, Calvert.

**Foil:** (1) N. Shapiro, Calvert; (2) L. Silverman, Calvert; (3) T. Zombolas, Calvert.

**Epee:** (1) W. Cleland, UFC; (2) H. Robbins, Wis.; (3) M. Fain, UFC.

**Sabre:** (1) T. Legeza, N. Ohio; (2) L. Silverman, Calvert; (3) R. Tykodi, UFC.



### Northern California

by Mary Huddleson

The fifth annual Helene Mayer Memorial Competition was won by Maxine Mitchell. Evidently refreshed by a brief lay-off due to bursitis, Maxine fenced right-handed and completely dominated the tourney with her speed and new precision. Last year's winner, Janice Lee Romary, did not compete.

**Final round:** Mitchell 5/0; Tommy Angell 3/2; Patricia Barkdull 3/2; Mary Huddleson 2/3; Donna Holloway 1/4; Frances Matthies 1/4.

### Wisconsin

by Kathleen Carlin

**Open Foil:** Edmond Zeisig won for the third straight year after a triple fence-off and retired the Carstens trophy. Clark Joel was second and James Mortimer third.

**Open Sabre:** (1) Dr. William Meyer; (2) John Cartwright; (3) Wally Moore.

**Open Epee:** (1) Paul Martenson; (2) Herb Robbins; (3) Ed Zeisig.

**Women's Open:** (1) Carol Bond; (2) Ruth Ziering; (3) Geneva McClellan.



### Iowa

by W. R. Irwin

The first annual competition for the Iowa Club Trophy was held at Grinnell College and the trophy went to the State University of Iowa Club for one year. The victors had 30 points as against 10 for Grinnell College and 7 for Des Moines YMCA.

Individual place winners were:

**Foil:** (1) Philip Schorr, SU; (2) W. R. Irwin, SU; (3) Thomas Vincent, SU.

**Women:** (1) Judy Martineau, YMCA; (2) Jeanette Souer, SU; (3) Carol Finch, YMCA.

**Sabre:** (1) Michael Gibbs, SU; (2) Philip Schorr, SU; (3) W. R. Irwin, SU.

Entry fees will be contributed to the World Championship Fund.



### Kentucky

by Francis Wolff

Recent competitions had the following results:

**Open Sabre:** (1) Bob Hensley, Lexington F.C.; (2) Carl Burge, YMCA; (3) Desi Trevino, Ft. Knox; (4) Francis Wolff, YMCA; (5) Charles Thomas, YMCA; (6) Jerry Cartwright, YMCA.

**Open Women's Foil:** (1) Mary Gehant, YMCA; (2) Virginia Durrett, J.C.; (3) Bert Scholl, YMCA; (4) Pat Brown, YMCA; (5) Rolland Durrett, JCC; (6) Nancy Kambach, YMCA; (7) Barbara Grant, JCC; (8) Margaret Gaines, YMCA; (9) Ann Furnish, YMCA; (10) Julie Bloch, YMCA; (11) Freda Krieger, JCC.

**Open Foil:** (1) Bob Hensley, Lexington FC; (2) Desi Trevino, Ft. Knox; (3) Carl Burge, YMCA; (4) E. V. Smith, Ft. Knox; (5) John Gehant, YMCA; (6) Francis Wolff, YMCA; (7) Walter French, Purdue U.; (8) Paul Ross, Lexington F.C.; (9) Jay Mitenthal, Jewish Center; (10) Bobby Johnston, JC; (11) Gary Johnston, J.C.

The following are results of State Championships:

**Foil:** (1) Carl Burge, Louisville Y; (2) John Gehant, Louisville Y; (3) E. V. Smith, Ft. Knox.

**Sabre:** (1) Francis Wolff, Louisville Y; (2) Carl Burge, Louisville Y; (3) Bill Seiller, Louisville.

**Epee:** (1) Bill Seiller, Louisville; (2) Charles Thomas, Louisville Y; (3) Jerry Cartwright, Louisville Y.

**Women:** (1) Mary Gehant, Louisville Y; (2) Vicki Johnston, Lexington FC; (3) Jay Hensley, Lex. FC.



### New Jersey

by Mary Ellen Bemler

**Women's Unclassified:** (1) R. Notto, JCSTC, 5/0; (2) M. Gerber, PSTC, 3/2; (3) P. Ruane, PSTC, 3/2; (4) C. Marich, JCSTC, 2/3; (5) F. Sidotti, JCSTC, 1/4; (6) M. E. Bemler, Unatt.

**Sabre Championship:** (1) Dean Cetrulo, Santelli, 6/0; (2) Robert Flynn, Verona, 5/1; (3) Rudy Ozol, NYAC, 4/2.

### Georgia

by Vincent Faraone

Our competitions are held at the YMCA in Atlanta. Results to date are:

**Novice Foil:** (1) Ewing Humphries; (2) William Arnold; (3) Vincent Faraone.

**Open Foil:** (1) Lt. Herman Velasco; (2) Carl Maico; (3) William Arnold.

**Open Sabre:** (1) Dr. Ted Levitas; (2) Carl Maico; (3) Richard Morenus.

**Open Epee:** (1) Richard Morenus; (2) Dr. Ted Levitas; (3) Phillip Massey.

### Minnesota

by Paul E. Dahl

The 30th Annual State Championships were held in the Gold Room of the Radisson Hotel in Minneapolis on April 27th. Results were:

**Women:** (1) Dawn Anderson, Coon Rapids; (2) Joan Messmer, Robbinsdale; (3) Marianne Lasley, Minneapolis.

**Foil:** (1) James Humphrey, Bloomington; (2) Terry Covert, Minneapolis; (3) Berton Dahl, Excelsior Jr. High.

**Sabre:** (1) Lt. Col. Thomas Carhart, USAF; (2) Janis Stankevics, Minneapolis; (3) Paul E. Dahl, Minnetonka.

The Championships in other categories resulted as follows:

**Boys' Prep:** (1) Mike Whitney, Hopkins Jr. High; (2) Pat Kadlec, Glen Lake.

**H.S. Girls:** (1) Sue Lopez, Wayzata High; (2) Renee Le Tendre, Excelsior Jr. High; (3) Loretta Nelson, Wayzata High.

**Women's Novice:** (1) Sandra Steahle, Minnetonka High; (2) Marilyn Bockley, Minneapolis; (3) Laura Smith, Minnetonka High.

**Novice Foil:** (1) James Humphrey, Bloomington; (2) Robert Dumas, Long Lake; (3) James Torres, Minneapolis.

**Women's Junior:** (1) Dawn Anderson, Coon Rapids; (2) Louise Green, Robbinsdale; (3) Renee Le Tendre, Minneapolis.

**Junior Foil:** (1) James Humphrey, Bloomington; (2) Robert Dumas, Long Lake; (3) Berton Dahl, Excelsior Jr. High.

### Washington, D.C.

by Letty Rogers

Here are results of recent competitions held by our division:

**Open Sabre:** (1) Vernon Elder, D.C.F.C.; (2) Frank Zimolzak, D.C.F.C.; (3) Peter Conomikes, W.F.C.

**Unclassified Foil:** (1) George Martin, D.C.F.C.; (2) Henry Rodriguez, D.C.F.C.; (3) Tom McDonald, D.C.F.C.

**Women's Unclassified:** (1) Miss Billie Bryan, D.C.F.C.; (2) Miss Evanne Zimmer, D.C.F.C.; (3) Mrs. Joan Rodriguez, D.C.F.C.

**Unclassified Epee:** (1) Peter Matson; (2) Jack Michaelson, D.C.F.C.; (3) John Pinkerton, D.C.F.C.

**Women's Open Championship:** (1) Miss Billie Bryan, D.C.F.C.; (2) Miss Joan Lakey, W.F.C.; (3) Mrs. Una Flynn, W.F.C.

**Open Epee Championship:** (1) Peter Conomikes, W.F.C.; (2) Daniel Lyons, D.C.F.C.; (3) George Lambrakis, D.C.F.C.

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## New England

by Lillian Aylward

**Epee "C":** (1) Morton Rabkin, Brandeis; (2) Larry Johnson, Harv.; (3) Richard Johnson, Harv.

**Open Foil:** (1) E. Sanchez, Conn.; (2) R. Spinella, Conn.; (3) L. Johnson, Harv.

**Open Epee:** (1) R. Pew, Un.; (2) R. Bowman, Un.; (3) L. Johnson, Harv.

**3-Weapon Team:** Won by Harvard with Klapper, Parker and Thomas. Seven teams competed.

**Foil "C":** (1) R. Dion, BFC; (2) R. Johnson, H; (3) W. Trebilcock, H.

**Open Sabre:** (1) E. Richards, S.E.; (2) A. Karp, S.E.; (3) E. Kaktins, LFC.

**Epee Team:** Won by Composite using Andre, Borle and Trebilcock. Five teams competed.

**3-Weapon:** (1) E. Richards, S.E.; (2) A. Karp, S.E.; (3) L. Johnson, H.

**Foil Championship:** (1) Edwin Richards, S.E.; (2) Richard Johnson, H; (3) Michael Klapper, H.

**Women's Championship:** (1) Helen Kenney, Y; (2) Harriet Brewster, BFC; (3) Eleanor Turney, R.I.

## THE ELEANOR BALDWIN CASS TROPHY

New England has received a beautiful silver bowl for the annual women's championship of the division. The trophy was presented by Dr. Leo Cass to honor his remarkable mother who has made a profession of fencing for over 30 years.

Mrs. Cass, with her five sons, has taught in private, preparatory schools and camps around New England since 1914 when she opened at the B. F. Keith House in Boston with 20 fencing girls. The family book on fencing, published in 1929 has been translated into French and German. Mrs. Cass graduated from Sargent Normal School of Physical Training and then spent the summer at "Villigen" in Germany where she concentrated entirely on fencing. Now living in New York and approaching 80 she has won three annual scholarships to Columbia and is writing two books on fencing.

## Metropolitan . . .

### Women's Prep

by Dorothy Wortman

Gail Day, Paterson Teachers, outfenced a final of eight to win the Evelyn Van Buskirk gold medal. Fran Sidotti, Jersey City Teachers, placed second on touches over Penny Prudden, Mosque FC. Sixteen competed.

### Women's "C"

by Joel Prostick

Averil Genton of the Salle Lucia won the final of six. Second went to Miss Melcher, Bel, on touches over Miss O'Connor of Santelli. Twenty-seven competed.

### Epee Class B

by Jack Keane

Mike Desaro of N.Y.U. took the Metropolitan Class B Epee just took weeks after winning the Intercollegiate Fencing Association sabre title. Desaro's record in a nine-man round-robin final was 7 won, 1 lost. Richard Gradkowski of the Saltus Club fenced a very strong game to finish second with a record of 6-2. Christian Pascal of N.Y.U. was third with 5-3.

The finalists in the fifteen man field were: Ronald Allesio, N.Y.U.; John Geraci, unatt.; Marty Seigel, N.Y.U.; Robert Russel, Santelli; Peter Warfield, unatt.; Edgar Sanchez, unatt.

## New Mexico

by Herbert Holeman

Jack White, formerly of the Naval Academy, won the Class C sabre in March. Herbert Holeman of West Mesa AF Station won the Class C epee by defeating Brother Michael of Santa Fe in a fence-off. Merritt Barton placed third. Holeman also won the Class C foil with James Willis and Andrew Smith, both of Kirtland AFB, placing second and third. Leo Galvan who had previously won three consecutive Unclassified events barely lost to Bill Clark in a fence-off for the Handicap Foil.

## MOONEY WINS 3-WEAPON

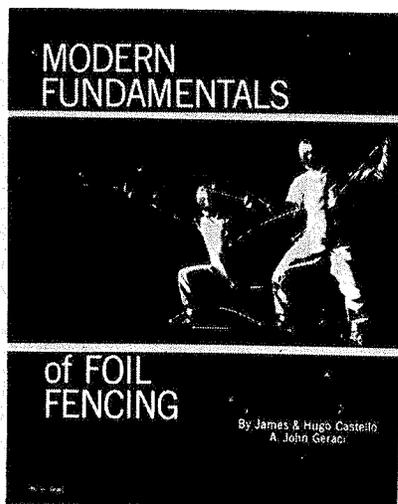
by Frank Leoni

Jack Mooney, NYAC, won the metropolitan 3-weapon individual championship from a field of ten after a fenceoff with Green of N.Y.U. The Leo G. Nunes medals were the prize.

### Results

**First round** (direct elimination): Jackowitz d. Leoni 8-7; Pascal d. Geraci 8-3; Matusek d. Espirito 8-3; Green d. Gradkowski 8-5; Mooney d. Kadish 8-5.

**Final:** Mooney 3/1; Green 3/1; Jackowitz, NYU, 2/2; Pascal, NYU, 1/3, 26 t.r.; Matusek, NYAC, 1/3, 31 t.r. Fence-off: Mooney d. Green 8-3.



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### Sabre "B"

by Larry Olvin

Robert Blum, Salle Santelli, won the gold Kwartler medal with a 6/1 record in the final. Mike Desaro, NYU, placed second over Umberto Milletari, F.C., on touches. Twenty-three competed. The other finalists, in order, were Spingarn, Leoni, Shore, Haaf, Marcell. Farber qualified but withdrew.

### Women's Class B

Miss King of the Salle Lucia won with a 4/1 record. Second went to her teammate Miss Genton on touches over Miss O'Connor of the Salle Santelli. Other finalists were: Terhune, Greenwald and Kopp, all of the Salle Santelli.

### SABRE TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP

by Basil McL. Whittingham

The Salle Santelli "A" was undefeated. The champions used Cetrulo, Kwartler, Pallegly and Worth. Cetrulo was undefeated in the final and Pallegly finished the entire event with 14/1. Philadelphia (Farber, Hamori, Makler, Otto) placed second. Eight teams competed. Santelli, Fencers Club and N.Y.A.C. qualified for Nationals.

### Final Round

Santelli "A" d. Santelli "B" 7-2, Fencers Club 6-3, Philadelphia 5-2.  
Philadelphia d. Fencers Club 6-3. Santelli "B" 5-4.  
Fencers Club d. Santelli "B" 5-0.

# METROPOLITAN CHAMPIONSHIPS . . .

## Axelrod Cops Foil by Joseph Sonnenreich

Albert Axelrod, Boston Fencers Club, was undefeated on his march to the title. There were 40 contestants and the marathon event saw the NYAC'S Giolito withdraw at the end of the second round with a 9/0 record and only 11 touches received. Second place went to Harold Goldsmith, Fencers Club, who lost only to Axelrod. Leonard Essman, unattached, placed third on touches over NYU's young Mortin Glazer who has been a consistent finalist this year. This event also marked the return to competition of Norman Lewis.

### Final Round

(1) Axelrod, BFC, 5/1; (2) Goldsmith, FC, 4/1; (3) Essman, unatt., 2/3, 19 t.r.; (4) Glazer, NYU, 2/3, 22 t.r.; (5) Goldstein, SS, 1/4, 23 t.r.; (6) Lewis, SS, 1/4, 24 t.r.



## Dyer Takes Sabre by Allan Kwartler

Richard Dyer, Csiszar, regained top form to win the title with an over-all 15/1 performance against a strong field. The final of eight ended with Tibor Nyilas, Santelli, placing second over his clubmate George Worth. Paul Makler also showed better than his recent performances and outranked

## Strauch Wins Epee by Lazlo Pongo

James Strauch defeated Abram Cohen, both Fencers Club, by 5-1 in a fence-off for the title. Strauch's victory was over a strong field of 32. Third went to Dick Pew, Boston F.C., on touches over Ralph Goldstein of Santelli.

A tournament of this size could not have been completed were it not for the generous assistance of Joseph Donovan, Jim Margolis and John Mooney who stayed until the very end.

The elimination of Vebell and Skrobisch was a surprise.

### Final Round

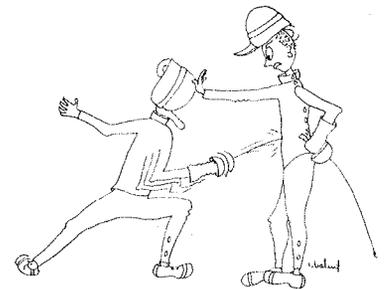
(1) Strauch, F.C., 7/1; (2) Cohen, F.C., 7/1; (3) Pew, BFC, 5/3, 27 t.r., 34 for; (4) Goldstein, SS, 5/3, 27 t.r., 32 for; (5) Kolowrat, FC, 4/4; (6) Quinn, NYAC, 2/6, 36 t.r., 30 for; (7) Chafetz, FC, 2/6, 36 t.r., 27 for (8) Lasaro, NYU, 2/6, 37 t.r., 25 for (9) Stevens, Col., 2/6, 37 t.r., 19 for.

## Drungis Women's Champion by Jose R. de Capriles

Anne Drungis of the Salle Santelli topped a strong field of 31 with a record of 7/1 in the electric foil final. Five girls posted 5/3 scores to tie for second. Harriet King was silver medalist and third went to Eve Siegel by a margin of three touches 'for' over Grace Hillyer. Ida Balint and Averil Genton followed in that order. Young Miss O'Connor showed considerable promise. Surprise absentees from the final were Louise Dyer, Beverly Greenwald and Betty Santelli.

### Final Round

(1) Drungis, SS, 7/1; (2) King, Lucia, 5/3, 18 t.r.; (3) Siegel, SS, 5/3, 21 t.r., 29 for; (4) Hillyer, SS, 5/3, 21 t.r., 26 for; (5) Balint, unatt., 5/3, 22 t.r.; (6) Genton, Lucia, 5/3, 24 t.r.; (7) O'Connor, SS, 2/6 (8) Schwabe, Lucia, 1/7, 30 t.r.; (9) Terhune, SS, 1/7, 31 t.r.



Blum, Cetrulo and Cohen on the count of touches. There were 24 contestants.

### Final Round

(1) Dyer, Csiszar, 7/0; (2) Nyilas, SS, 5/2; (3) Worth, SS, 4/3; (4) Makler, Csiszar, 3/4, 27 t.r.; (5) Blum, SS, 3/4, 28 t.r.; (6) Cetrulo, SS, 3/4, 30 t.r.; (7) Cohen, FC, 3/4, 31 t.r.; (8) Desaro, NYU, 0/7.

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# SECTIONAL . . .

## Mid-West

by Kathleen Carlin

In winning three of the four championships the Michigan Division scored an impressive victory over the nine other divisions represented. The event was held at Louisville, Kentucky, on May 10 and 11 and drew 97 entries.

The individual foil was won by Larry Silverman of Illinois, with Ed Zeisig (Wis.) and Jim Campoli (Mich.) tying for second and placing as listed.

The women's foil produced an exciting fence-off between two Michigan greats: Olympian Judy Goodrich and former National Champion Paula Sweeney. Judy won 4-3. Charlotte Remenyik of Illinois was third.

National Champion Dick Berry, Michigan, led the field in epee, followed closely by Pan American Champion Raul Martinez currently of Michigan. Third went on touches to Al Musichuk over Howard Fried, both of Northern Ohio.

A fence-off between two Michigan entries decided the sabre title: Frank Bitonti defeated Al Kunzmann 5-4, Larry Silverman, Illinois, placed third on touches over Kentucky's Bill Seiller.

### Results

**Division Standings:** (1) Michigan, 122; (2) Northern Ohio, 68; (3) Illinois, 58; (4) Wisconsin, 54; (5) St. Louis, 22; (6) Indiana, 11; (7) Iowa, 6; (8) Central Illinois, 5; (9) Miami Valley, 3; (10) Minnesota, 2.

**Foil:** (1) Silverman; (2) Zeisig; (3) Campoli; (4) Peter Frank, Ill.; (5) Jerry Bodner, Wis.; (6) Fred Freiheit, Mich.; (7) Bill Bishop, N. Ohio.

**Women:** (1) Goodrich; (2) Sweeney; (3) Remenyik; (4) Carol Bond, Wis.; (5) Myrel Papurt, N. Ohio; (6) Muriel Witte, St. Louis; (7) Ortrud Conrad, Ind.; (8) Joan Steigerwald, N. Ohio.

**Epee:** (1) Berry; (2) Martinez; (3) Musichuk; (4) Fried; (5) Charles Thomas, Ky.; (6) Steve Mutschenbacher, Ill.; (7) Gregory Flynn, Mich.; (8) Michael Gibbs, Iowa.

**Sabre:** (1) Bitonti; (2) Kunzmann; (3) Silverman; (4) Seiller; (5) Jim Campoli, Mich.; (6) John Stomfay-Stitz, N. Ohio; (7) John Cartwright, Wis.; (8) Dan Edwards, St. Louis.

## Southwest

by Mabel Morse

The 1958 tournament was held at St. John's Gymnasium in Houston, Texas, on May 3 and 4. In addition to the open team and individual championships there were events in the junior individual categories. In the individual events entries were restricted to 12 in the open and 4 in the junior. The host division, Gulf Coast, won nine of the twelve titles.

### Results

**Women:** (1) Betty Jean Kolenda, Gulf Coast; (2) Marcelle Ducros, Gulf Coast; (3) Helen Gray, N. Texas.

**Foil:** (1) Frank Griffin, N. Texas; (2) Dave Dillehay, Gulf Coast; (3) Desi Trevino, Gulf Coast.

**Sabre:** (1) Philip Petmecky, Gulf Coast; (2) Frank Griffin, N. Tex.; (3) Desi Trevino, Gulf Coast.

**Epee:** (1) John Curry, Gulf Coast; (2) Tom Bickley, Gulf Coast; (3) Dave Dillehay, Gulf Coast.

**Women's Junior:** (1) Betty Jean Kolenda, Gulf Coast; (2) Marietta Towry, N. Tex.; (3) Mozelle Hampton, Gulf Coast.

**Junior Foil:** (1) Dave Dillehay, Gulf Coast; (2) Philip Petmecky, Gulf Coast; (3) Bill Towry, N. Tex.

**Junior Sabre:** (1) Philip Petmecky, Gulf Coast; (2) Delano McLane, N. Tex.; (3) Dave Dillehay, Gulf Coast.

**Junior Epee:** (1) Dave Dillehay, Gulf Coast; (2) Tom Bickley, Gulf Coast; (3) Town Dowlearn, N. Tex.

**Women's Team:** (1) Vanguard (Kolenda-Day-Hampton), Gulf Coast.

**Foil Team:** (1) Texas Tech (Griffin-McLane-Bruce), N. Tex.

**Sabre Team:** (1) Texas Tech (McLane-Bruce-Griffin), N. Tex.

**Epee Team:** (1) Salle d'Arme (Curry-Petmecky-Robertson), Gulf Coast.



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