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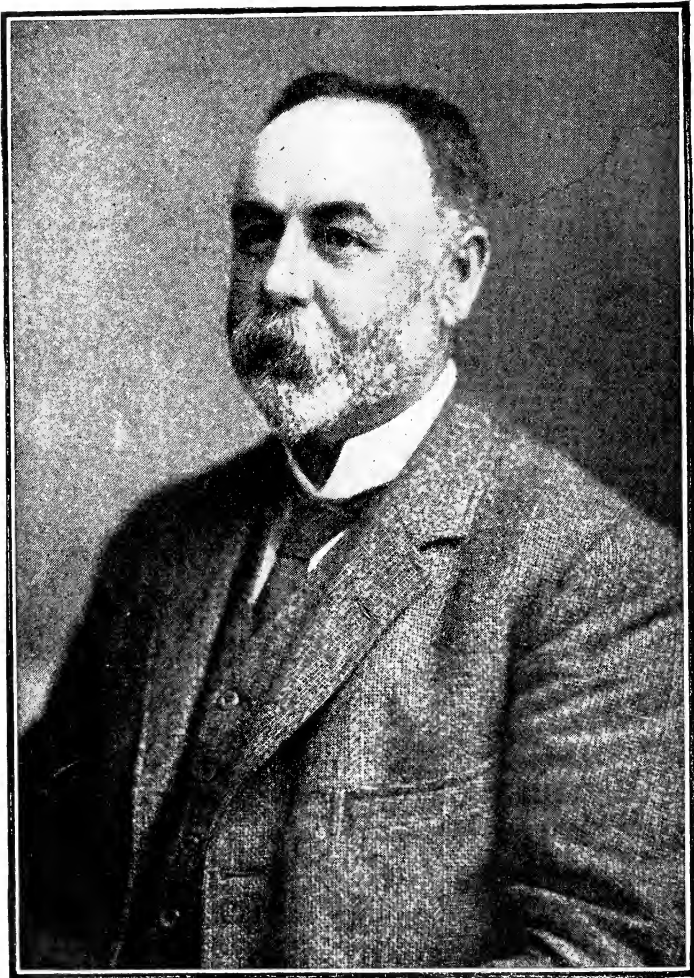
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Foreword

Though the GUIDE is a little late in making its appearance this season, the reason therefor is a perfectly legitimate one. It was held back primarily that its readers might find out all about the trip of America's first international team, the one which covered itself with glory in Scandinavia in the late summer. The Editor of the GUIDE was honored by being placed in charge of the trip by the National and International Games Committee of the United States Football Association, under the auspices of which, as a matter of course and of football law, the trip was arranged. The rush of matters which piled up during the absence of the Editor naturally brought about the delay in the appearance of this volume.

Late as it is, however, it is not too late for the Editor to congratulate association football enthusiasts the country over on the wonderful progress the sport is making. It is beyond question the fastest growing sport in the country, its adoption in the public schools, in the United States Army and on the municipal recreation grounds all over the United States being a great tribute to its worth both as an athletic exercise and as a spectacle.

In this latter aspect it stands close to the top of the list of athletic games. It is a game easy to understand, easy for the novice to play, and beautiful when developed to the limit of its possibilities by the expert. There is not an athletic director in any educational institution in the country who is not ready to commend it, and it is a game which never fails to catch and hold the interest of the casual spectator without a partisan interest in the fortunes of one or the other of two contending teams, and this is the highest tribute that can be paid to any game from the spectacular point of view.

The Editor also wishes to take this occasion to thank the United States Football Association for the wonderful work it has done to foster interest in the sport and to bring its organization and government to a proper basis.

The National Challenge Cup Competition is the main feature in developing this interest and it has proven a wonderful success. It has given to soccer the one great thing it needed, a national championship title which could not be questioned. The contest for this trophy last year was brilliant, and the final success of the Bethlehem Steel Company F.C. was achieved only after a terrific struggle, which involved a tie in the semi-final with the Pullmans, played in Chicago, and a play-off in Bethlehem, where the home team won after a tremendous battle. Then came the final between Bethlehem and the Fall River Rovers, played at Pawtucket, R. I., before the largest crowd that ever attended an association football match in the United States. A splendid entry has been made for this same trophy for 1916-17, and an even more successful season is certain.

In submitting this issue of the GUIDE to the soccer public, therefore, the Editor feels that the work which has been done by the enthusiasts in the game has been crowned with a great success and that the brilliant future of soccer is assured.

THE EDITOR.

The All-America Team Tour of Norway and Sweden

By "REX."

While many panegyrics have been written and uttered as to the tremendous growth in public favor of soccer football under the direction and control of the United States Football Association, the most solid proof of this great progress rests in the wonderful success of the trip of the American team to Scandinavia, under the direction of Mr. Thomas W. Cahill, Hon. Secretary of the United States Football Association.

The tour began July 26, when the team sailed from Hoboken, and ended September 19, when the tourists, flushed with the pride of success and filled with memories of the most pleasant experience of their careers, landed at their port of departure.

It was a courageous venture for the Americans to undertake such a trip in war times, with a hurriedly picked team which had had no opportunity whatever to play together, to meet teams that have been able to hold their own with, and even to defeat, the best teams that could be turned out by Great Britain, the mother of the game. Incidentally, the Swedish combination team defeated at Stockholm by the American team, 2 goals to 1, since has defeated the crack Denmark Federation team, 4 to 0. The Danes in their last meeting with one of England's strongest elevens—just before the war—defeated the Englishmen.

The whole American-Scandinavian competition had its inception in the brain of Mr. C. I. Kornerup, Hon. Secretary of the Swedish National Gymnastic and Sporting Association and Vice-President of the Federation Internationale de Football Association. Under date of February 11, 1916, he wrote to Secretary Cahill, to thank him for a copy of Spalding's Official Soccer Football Guide which Mr. Cahill had sent him. In his letter, Mr. Kornerup said the thought had occurred to him that it would be a good thing if the United States could send a team to Sweden to try conclusions with the Scandinavians on their native heath.

The idea immediately impressed Mr. Cahill as a splendid one and he wrote to Mr. Kornerup to that effect. He likewise took up the subject with Chairman Douglas Stewart of the National and International Games Committee of the United States Football Association and other men prominent in the affairs of that body. The idea took root and grew rapidly, and there was a hurried correspondence between Messrs. Cahill and Kornerup, mainly by cable, so that the matter soon was in such shape that the National and International Games Committee of the U.S.F.A. was able to go before the annual meeting of the association in Philadelphia on May 29, 1916, and ask formal approval and consent for the enterprise, which were readily obtained.

After the arrangement of guarantees, between Messrs. Cahill and Kornerup, the next matter was the choosing of a team. Like every other move in the whole matter, this, too, had to be done hastily, and proved a difficult task. It was hard to obtain the consent of some of the players desired to make the trip. Far distant sections wanted to be represented, but there was no time to arrange for preliminary tryouts, and, in the end, the selection of the team had to be left to the knowledge and experience of the members of the National and International Games Committee. It is a splendid tribute to the judgment of these men that it since has been said by experts that it is doubtful if a team better than the one chosen turned out to be, could possibly have been selected. The All-America team comprised the following players:

Name.	City.	Position.
GEORGE TINTLE	Harrison, N. J.....	Goal
JAMES M. ROBERTSON.....	New York City.....	Right full-back
C. H. SPALDING.....	Philadelphia, Pa.....	Left full-back
THOMAS MURRAY	Philadelphia, Pa.....	Right half-back
NEIL G. CLARKE.....	South Bethlehem, Pa.....	Center half-back
ALBERT BLAKEY	Philadelphia, Pa.....	Left half-back
JAMES FORD	Kearny, N. J.....	Outside right
THOMAS SWORDS (Captain).....	Fall River, Mass.....	Inside right
JOHN J. HEMINSLEY.....	Newark, N. J.....	Center forward
MATTHEW B. DIEDERICHSEN.....	St. Louis, Mo.....	Inside left
HARRY COOPER	Newark, N. J.....	Outside left

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CLARENCE SMITH	Bayonne, N. J.....	Half-back, full-back, goal
WALTER L. BURGIN.....	Philadelphia, Pa.....	Forward
CHARLES H. ELLIS.....	Brooklyn, N. Y.....	Forward or half-back

The team of fourteen players, Trainer Harry A. Davenport of Newark, N. J., and Manager and U.S.F.A. Representative Thomas W. Cahill of New York City sailed from Hoboken on the Frederick VIII of the Scandinavia-America line on the afternoon of July 26. So dubious were American followers of soccer generally as to the outcome of the enterprise, that hardly a handful of enthusiasts gathered at the pier to bid the team good-bye and wish it luck. Many telegrams of Godspeed, however, were received by the departing tourists.

On Thursday, July 27, their first day out, they had their first meeting. The players assembled at 10 a. m. Mr. J. S. Edstrom of Stockholm, Sweden, Vice-President of the Swedish Olympic Committee, who chanced to be a fellow passenger, was invited into the meeting and as a matter of courtesy was made chairman.

The routine of the meeting consisted of reading to the players all correspondence in connection with the tour, this being done to fully post the players concerning the conditions under which the tour was conducted.

Then Mr. Edstrom addressed the players briefly, advising them of the standard of soccer in Sweden. He informed them of the frame of mind of the people of Scandinavia with reference to the Great War and urged them to observe the strictest neutrality in their conduct and speech.

The election of a captain of the team was called for, and the following were nominated: Thomas Swords, Harry Cooper and Neil G. Clarke. The ballot resulted as follows: Swords, 6; Cooper, 5; Clarke, 4; total votes cast 15.

Mr. Swords then thanked his fellow players for the honor and informed them that he intended to be a team captain in reality as well as in name. He declared that he would require strict discipline as to training.

Trainer Davenport explained the system he would follow and told the players of the co-operation he would expect from them in the matter of keeping in condition.

The following paraphernalia was taken along for training purposes: For use on deck—One 11-lb. medicine ball, one set boxing gloves, seven skipping ropes with handles, one-half dozen tennis balls. For use on land—Three Olympic soccer balls, three dozen National League base balls, one catcher's mitt, one catcher's mask, one body protector, nine infielders' and outfielders' gloves, one first baseman's mitt, one set of bases, nine bats.

The daily training routine consisted of deck walking from 6:30 to 7 a. m., before breakfast. At 10:30 a. m. calisthenics, body exercises, rope skipping, boxing and hand tennis. This programme was followed out until arrival at Christiania on August 7, the Frederick VIII having laid over thirty-eight hours at Kirkwall.

At Christiania the tourists were met by a committee consisting of Erik Bergvall and Anton Johanson, Secretary of the Swedish Football Association, who escorted them to the Frogner Sactern for their first meal in Scandinavia. The balance of the afternoon was passed in sightseeing and at 7 p. m. the

team left for Stockholm, where they arrived at 7 a. m. on Tuesday, August 8. They were quartered in Stockholm at the Strand Hotel, one of the finest in all Scandinavia, and here they were afforded every accommodation. Everything possible was done to make them comfortable and their stay pleasant.

Arriving in Stockholm, still under the cheerful and wonderfully competent guidance of Mr. Edstrom, the first function arranged for the visitors was a great banquet at the Strand Hotel on the night of August 11. All of the American party attended, and among the other prominent guests were Messrs. Kornerup, who acted as toastmaster; Mr. Edstrom; Anton Johanson, Secretary of the Swedish Football Association, which arranged the banquet; Captain H. J. Orth, director of the Stadium; Director Ruben Gelbord, and Captain Rubenson.

After a splendid menu had been disposed of Mr. Edstrom proposed a toast to Mr. Cahill. The toast was made in a pretty and witty speech, to which Mr. Cahill responded in kind.

Toastmaster Kornerup then delivered the following speech of welcome to the American team:

DIRECTOR KORNERUP'S WELCOMING ADDRESS.

"Since the political cloud that cast its terrible shadow over Europe in July, 1914, and a few weeks later burst in all its force, enveloping nearly the whole world in war, much has happened both in the various conflicting countries and in neutral lands. During these two years the hand of discord has held its sway and the angel of death has reaped the richest of harvests.

"Had things progressed as we had all expected and hoped, the nations of the world would just now have been assembled in Berlin in friendly rivalry under the pacifying influence of sport. Amid all the horror of the past and the sorrow of the present your visit to us from America comes as a ray of welcome sunshine and bids us to take new courage, for is this not the first occasion that a party of football sportsmen has dared the trials of an Atlantic voyage to encounter their Swedish comrades on the football ground in our stadium, whose walls in 1912 rang to the cheers of an assembled international brotherhood? Gentlemen, I take at once this opportunity to congratulate you on the enterprise you have shown and ourselves on the honor of the occasion!

"We realize perfectly well that our American friends upon receiving our invitation have had only one point in view: 'When Sweden has asked us to come over, we must do every possible thing to be able to accept their invitation.' I take this opportunity to thank Mr. Cahill and all his friends for eliminating all the difficulties in their way.

"Now, gentlemen, there is a financial side to this visit, too, and a very important point it is. I don't think I am letting the cat out of the box when I tell you, that without the financial support of 'Dagens Nyheter'—our 'Daily News'—it would have been impossible for us to have realized our hopes. This journal has on several previous occasions come to our assistance and has always shown the greatest sympathy in all our undertakings. I am quite sure that our American friends will join with us in expressing our gratitude to 'Dagens Nyheter' for what they have done.

"Apart from the intrinsic value of international competitions in all branches of sport, it is my confirmed belief that any match played on foreign ground brings nearer the day when nations will better understand each other—become friends—individual meet individual—misunderstandings disappear—the hand of friendship and good will be stretched forward and honestly grasped.

"The ties of kinship that already unite Sweden and the great United States of America in the West are very great. Hundreds of thousands of our countrymen have found homes on your shores and a fusion of your blood and ours is today doing good work in various fields of activity.

"We receive you as brothers, we regard you as friends, and we look forward to the day when you will come back to us, either to reap further laurels on the sporting fields of Sweden or to further in some way or other the mutual interests of our peoples.

"With these few words I desire to welcome you to this country and to its capital town, hoping that your visit here will be of such a nature that you

can return home to the industrial cities and prairies of America with pleasant reminiscences of your stay in Sweden during the red war year of 1916.

"On behalf of the Swedish Football Association and all Swedish sportsmen I wish you welcome and lift my glass in your honor!"

Mr. Cahill responded on behalf of the Americans as follows:

SECRETARY CAHILL'S RESPONSE.

"Gentlemen, if you find any evidence of undue pride in what I say to you, I would like to ask your consideration. I do not know just how it will strike you people, but to me it seems that our United States Football Association has some reason to be proud of its achievements. Here we are, in only the third year of our national existence in the world domain of association football, sending a team for a series of games in this far country. But I must not let my pride in our accomplishment in any way dim our great sense of appreciation of the kindness with which we have been greeted in your hospitable country, nor of the fact that the first thought of this tour came to Mr. Kornerup, and it was merely in pursuance of his suggestion and his invitation that we woke up to our opportunity, rushed our arrangements through and—here we are.

"The thought of organizing a team to send abroad in these troubled times would not have occurred to us, because, being so far removed from the scene of strife, we did not think the great difficulties that existed could be overcome, but when we received Mr. Kornerup's challenge it put it up to us to get busy, and we did.

"Gentlemen, it is my sincere hope that this visit of ours to your beautiful country is but the beginning of a series of international meetings on the fields of sport—not only of association football, but in every line of endeavor where the human element is the big, the decisive factor in attaining the result. This is the age of machinery, I know. We have machine-made everything, and the long steel arm is everywhere driving out the arm of bone and flesh and blood in keeping pace with the ever-growing desires of mankind, but it takes a human mind to devise and a human hand to direct those inanimate but wonderfully effective servants of ours, and so the human element must be developed and conserved. And there is no way in which the needs of the human mind and the human body can be so well served, so prepared for their tasks, so recuperated after their accomplishment, as by athletic exercises. And of all athletic exercises—and I have been associated with many—I know of none that better meets the requirements of mankind than association football. To succeed at the game requires an alert mind, an active body and a heart that never despairs, not only of success but of ultimate triumph.

"It is a great sport, a grand pastime which you, over here in the Land of the Midnight Sun, as well as we, under the folds of the Stars and Stripes, are serving to the best of our ability. Furthermore, it is the nearest approach to a universal sport which the world knows, and I have not the slightest doubt that even in such places as it has not yet gained a substantial footing, it will soon prove itself and be nationally accepted. We have it on our great western continent from the line of eternal snows to the tropics north of the equator, and passing the tropics, we find it again, from the other side of the equatorial belt as far south as civilization has made its lasting mark. And everywhere we find it played under the same rules, the same regulations and in the same spirit with which we find it played throughout Europe and in our own far western country.

"Association football is not a new thing in the United States. We have played it for some three decades or more—I played it myself over thirty years ago, but it was not until we organized the United States Football Association that any serious and properly guided effort was ever made to nationalize the game by nationalizing its government. We had local associations all over the country, each doing as well as it could in its limited local sphere of influence, but no one of them co-operating with any other. It was to bring these various associations into one body where their energies, directed by one head, could be concentrated upon a common object and utilized with a common end in view that we organized our national body. And, gentlemen,

I am not exaggerating in the slightest degree when I tell you that since our organization, the game has increased at least four-fold in popularity, in the number of its admirers and followers.

"Though young in years, we feel proud of our progress, and we are fully alive to the importance of this tour as an aid to us in our development. It has helped tremendously to direct national attention to our organization and to the game we serve so joyfully and so enthusiastically, and where we can get the public to study the game but a little while, we ask no more. Its beauties and its great uses are so obvious that the casual observer becomes an interested onlooker and the interested onlooker automatically develops into a veritable devotee, or a 'fan,' as we call them in the base ball slang of the United States. Perhaps I ought to explain to those of you who do not know the keen delight of a well contested base ball game, that 'fan' is a colloquial diminutive of 'fanatic,' and the fact that base ball followers became so enthusiastic as to deserve the name of fanatics on the subject will give you an idea of just how enthusiastic the average American can become over a sporting contest.

"Gentlemen, in conclusion permit me to renew my assurances of appreciation of the many courtesies we have received in this country, both at the hands of the officers of the Swedish National Gymnastic and Athletic Association, the Swedish Football Association, its members and their friends, but from the people generally. And I wish to express this appreciation on behalf, not only of myself and of my associates on this trip, but on behalf of the United States Football Association and of the people of the United States. We know enough of you people over here to look for hospitality as a matter of course, but the cordial friendship which you shower upon us has affected us all deeply, and I will not rest content until we have had the opportunity to welcome a team from the Scandinavian states to our shores that we may reciprocate, in so far as it is possible for us to do so, the endless courtesy and kindness we have met since we set foot on your shores.

"Gentlemen, I thank you."

Both speeches were greeted with enthusiastic applause and at the conclusion of the banquet Mr. Cahill, as the representative of the Americans, was picked out as the recipient of a rather strenuous honor they pay to people they like in Sweden, which in the vernacular is called "den hiss." Hiss is merely the Swedish word for "hoist," and the ceremony consisted in a half dozen Swedish giants seizing Mr. Cahill by arms and legs and three times tossing him to the high ceiling, but each time catching him before he could hit the floor.

Wednesday, August 9, the tourists spent in sightseeing.

Thursday, August 10, the team commenced training for the games in Stockholm. The mornings of the tenth, eleventh and twelfth were devoted to football and the afternoons to base ball.

Sunday, August 13, the Americans continued sightseeing.

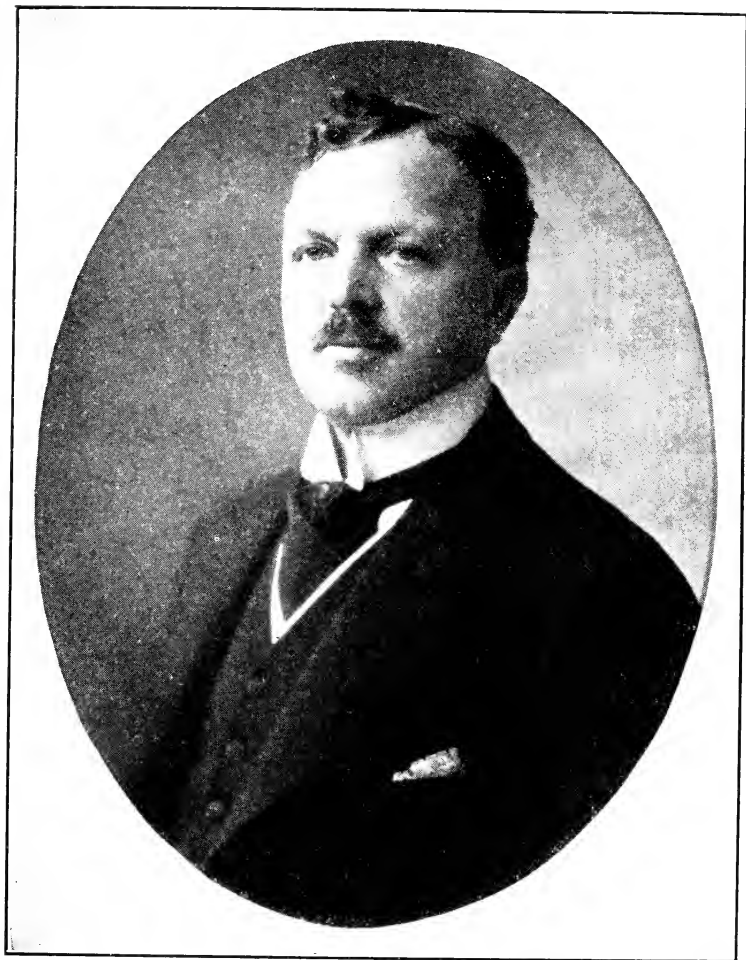
Monday, August 14, the players indulged in their last preparatory practice, a light, short morning workout. Long walks filled out the day.

"The letter of the day," which appeared in the *Nordiskt Idrottsliv* on August 15, 1916, the day of the first match participated in by the All-America team in Sweden, is presented herewith, as translated from that paper. While in the form of an open letter, it is a fair example of a great number of communications received by the American team in the Scandinavian countries. While the signature is a *nom de plume*, the writer of the following is known to be one of the foremost soccer authorities in Sweden and is a famous player and captain of the Stockholm Tigrarna as well.

To Mr. Cahill, Leader of American Team, Strand Hotel, Stockholm, Sweden:

While apologizing to you for not complying with the laws of politeness and writing to you in your own tongue, I only wish to add my unpretending greeting of welcome to the many others that have been tendered you since you a week ago set foot on the platform of the Central Station, Stockholm.

I have a special cause to rejoice over seeing you again, as in 1912 I had the pleasure of "discovering" you on the ball ground of Ostermalm, and by means of a photographer and "Dagens Nyheter" introduced you to the Swedish public and the international public also that was gathered then.



C. L. KORNERUP,

Honorary Secretary Svenska Gymnastik Och Idrottsforeningarnas Riksförbund and First Vice-President of the F.I.F.A. It was Mr. Kornerup who conceived the idea of having the Americans visit Scandinavia, who opened up the correspondence on the subject with Secretary Cahill of the U.S.F.A., who secured the guarantees for the visitors, suggested the itinerary and started in motion all the machinery which made the tour the brilliant success it was. Throughout the visit of the Americans he was at all times the ideal host, and it was with genuine regret the American party bade him adieu when it sailed for home.



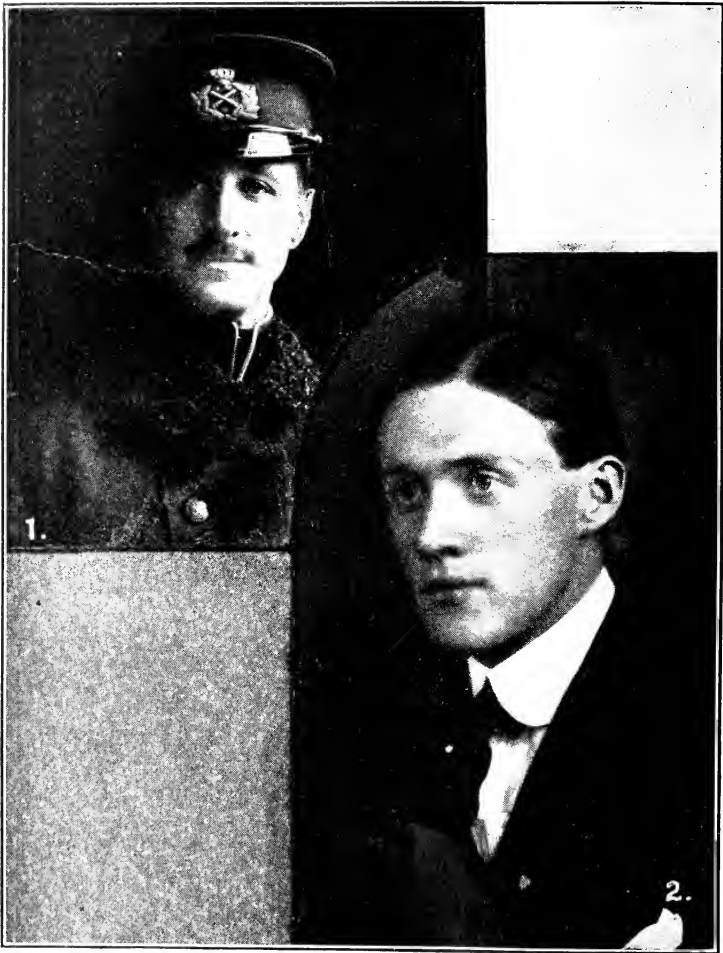
ANTON JOHANSON.

Secretary Swedish Football Association—a veritable dynamo of soccer energy. It was his part to look after the schedule of games and to see that all preparations were made, both for the games and for the needs of the players on and off the field, and he discharged his numerous tasks with an energy, a thoroughness and savoir faire that made every one of the visitors his sworn friend.



J. S. EDSTROM.

President of the International Amateur Athletic Federation and one of the best friends of soccer and base ball in Sweden. He sailed from New York on the same ship with the American team and made himself its guide, philosopher and friend, and guarded its welfare from the time it reached Scandinavia until it was aboard ship again on its way home. The Americans are indebted to him deeply for the care he took of them.



1. Captain G. Rubenson, "Leader" of the Stockholm Tigrarna (Tigers), which played a 1-1 tie with the Americans. Captain Rubenson made it his special business to look after the social entertainment of the visitors and piled up in the minds of the Americans a series of events which they will ever fondly remember. 2. Walter G. Molander of Dagens Nyheter, the leading newspaper of Stockholm, to whom the American team is indebted for innumerable courtesies and whose sportsmanship and fairness always impressed the tourists.

We have not forgotten you here at home since then. The Swede always sympathizes with the lone strong man who starts out on a three thousand mile journey in order to gain sanction among not altogether too friendly football men from all the corners of the world, for the organization, for the existence of which all the praise falls on the name Cahill, namely, American Amateur Football Association, later United States Football Association.

This is no empty praise, Mr. Cahill; it is a fact testified to by many witnesses worthy of credence. "He is the man who made American soccer football," your traveling companions say, and look so serious as these happy people are able to. And for this reason it is strictly in place that you are the one who leads and governs the fate of the American football players the first time they cross the Great Water in order to fight against the Stockholm Tigers and other equally wild beasts in the classic jungle of the Stadion.

I know one thing: you will be terribly nervous when, on Tuesday night, you are sitting in your reserved seat in the Stadion and see how the undersigned is tossing the coin with Mr. Swords in order to choose sides. You will probably see in perspective a terrible defeat which will make your countrymen at home furious and make them turn their mind away from soccer to base ball, college football, and other fine things you have over in the U. S. A. In such a case you ought to have Mr. Davenport at your side. If anybody can give consolation, he is the one to do it. He is just as sure that the Americans will win as I am that every Swede is going to strain himself like the devil to prevent them from doing it.

There is another thing I know, and that is that the match is going to be a hard one, but for all—gentlemanly. That much I have been able to figure out during the few days I have been together with you and "the boys."

Therefore I bid you good-bye until to-night, and I am sorry that I cannot at the same time say "good luck" to you. If I did it would be with my lips, for my heart desires that the Swedes shall win.

Yours sincerely,
SPECTATOR.

Tuesday, August 15, at 7 p. m., the All-America team played its first game of the Stockholm series in the Olympic Stadium. The attraction was All-America vs. Stockholm Tigrarna, and the attendance was approximately 20,000, paid. The game resulted in a 1—1 tie. King Gustaf V occupied the royal box and during the half time sent for Mr. Cahill and in a brief address thanked the U.S.F.A. through him, for sending the team over, complimented the association on its enterprise and daring in sending abroad an athletic team during war time and dilated upon the increased good fellowship between the United States and Sweden which, he said, would result from the soccer competition. Mr. Cahill responded, thanking the King for his expressions and voicing an appreciation of the attitude of the Swedish people toward the team.

The line-up:

Stockholm Tigrarna (1).

Positions.

All-America (1).

H. Almkvist.....	Goal.....	George Tintle
T. Husen (captain).....	Right back.....	James M. Robertson
H. Pettersson.....	Left back.....	C. H. Spalding
G. Karlsson.....	Right half-back.....	Thomas Murray
S. Petersen.....	Center half-back.....	Neil G. Clarke
Verner Karlsson.....	Left half-back.....	Albert Blakey
A. Sellin.....	Outside right.....	James Ford
T. Levin.....	Inside right.....	Thomas Swords (captain)
R. Gunnarsson.....	Center forward.....	John J. Heminsley
O. Dahlstrom.....	Inside left.....	Mat B. Diedrichsen
B. Karlson.....	Outside left.....	Harry Cooper

Referee—H. Vestergaard, Copenhagen, Denmark. Linesmen—E. Larsson, Stockholm; Clarence Smith, U. S. A. Goals—Heminsley 1, R. Gunnarsson 1. Time of game—1 hour and 30 minutes.

After this game a banquet was tendered the tourists at Berns Gardens. A warm welcome was extended, and many of the prominent officials of Stockholm, the members of both teams and followers of the sport were in attendance. A silver cup was presented to Mr. Cahill and he and the players were made life members of the Tigrarna Fotbollklubben.

On Thursday, August 17, on invitation of Edwin Johnson, president of the Västeras Base Ball Club, and Mr. Edstrom, the team journeyed to Västeras, Sweden, for an exhibition base ball game against Västeras. It resulted in a 21—15 victory for the American team, although at the end of the third

inning the game was so one-sided that the players were redistributed so as to give Västeras several of the Americans. The score:

U. S. A.	AB.	R.	H.	P.	A.	E.	VASTERAS.	AB.	R.	H.	P.	A.	E.
Heminsley, ss.	6	3	5	1	5	5	B. Fernström, 1b.	4	0	2	3	0	0
Diederichsen, 1b.	6	4	6	4	4	2	Axell, 2b.	4	2	3	4	1	0
Swords, rf.	3	1	3	0	0	0	Johanson, ss.	4	1	3	3	1	0
Malmström, cf.	3	2	2	3	0	0	Oskarson, 3b.	4	4	2	0	0	0
Spalding, cf.	3	1	3	1	0	0	Svensson, lf.	2	2	2	0	0	0
Lönnkvist, rf.	3	2	1	0	0	0	Wallen, lf.	2	1	1	0	0	0
Cooper, lf.	6	2	3	1	1	0	Malmström, cf.	2	1	2	0	0	0
Burgin, 3b.	6	2	2	0	0	2	Spalding, p.	2	1	2	3	3	0
Blakey, 2b.	6	2	4	5	0	0	Nygren, rf.	2	0	2	0	0	0
Tintle, c.	5	3	3	5	1	7	Swords, c.	0	1	0	4	1	5
Ford, p.	5	4	5	1	2	2	Nyrgen, rf.	2	0	0	0	0	5
							Larson, p.	2	0	1	0	6	0
							Lönnkvist, c.	2	1	1	3	0	5
							Larson, cf.	1	0	0	1	0	0
Totals	52	26	37	21	13	18	Totals	33	14	21	21	12	16

Score by innings:

U. S. A.	2	4	10	2	1	4	3-26
Västeras	3	1	5	0	3	0	2-14

Two-base hits—Spalding 4, Cooper 2, Heminsley, Diederichsen 3, Swords, Burgin, Blakey 3, Axell, Oskarson, Larson. Three-base hits—Tintle 3, Svensson. Home run—Blakey. Stolen bases—Ford 4, Spalding 4, Heminsley 2, Diederichsen, Swords, Malmström, Lönnkvist 3, Oskarson. Earned runs—U. S. A. 16, Västeras 4. Missed grounders—U. S. A. 8, Västeras 5. First base on balls—Off Ford 2 (Swords). Struck out—By Spalding 4 (Burgin, Cooper, Tintle, Malmström); by Ford (Lönnkvist). Pitching records—Off Larson: 26 hits, 16 runs in 3 innings; off Spalding: 11 hits, 10 runs in 4 innings. Left on bases—U. S. A. 4. Umpires—T. W. Cahill and C. Wersäll. Time—1h. 32m. Attendance—2,000. Game called by agreement.

[Editor's Note—It will be seen plainly that the fielding was practically faultless and the pitching something at which to marvel. Incidentally, however, the Swedish scoring rules obviously are at variance with our own. What in America go as "fielders' choices" invariably were scored hits over there. Sacrifice hits and flies were not recorded, and it is evident that catchers and pitchers were given errors on passed balls and wild pitches, respectively, which, in our own country, are chalked up only as battery bobbles. Also, as the two games originally were scored, every trip to the plate counted at a time at bat and pitchers were given put-outs on strike-outs, but on these points the score was revised for the boxes presented herewith.]

After the game the tourists were entertained by the citizens of Västeras at Elba, a pretty island resort, where the United States base ball team was presented with a cup.

On Friday, August 18, and the following day the Americans indulged in light practice and sightseeing.

Sunday, August 20, at 2 o'clock, the All-America footballers, now back in Stockholm, met the Swedish Federation team (All-Sweden) and scored a 3+2 victory. The game, which was considered the biggest and most important of the entire series, was played in a light mist, but 17,000 fans turned out. The Swedes would much rather have won this game than all of the others of the tour. It was the match of the competition and the victory was a great triumph for American soccer. The line-up:

Swedish Federation (2).	Positions.	All-America (3).
F. Ruden, Djurgardens I.F.	Goal.	Tintle
V. Lund, I.F.K., Goteborg	Right back.	Robertson
H. Svensson, I.F.K., Goteborg	Left back.	Spalding
R. Wicksell, Djurgardens I.F.	Right half-back.	Murray
K. Tornkvist, I.F.K., Goteborg	Center half-back.	Clarke
Groth, Djurgardens I.F.	Left half-back.	Clarence Smith
H. Magnusson, Orgryte	Outside right.	Ford
K. Schylander, I.F.K., Goteborg	Inside right.	C. H. Ellis
K. Gustafsson (capt.), Djur. I.F.	Center forward.	Heminsley
E. Hjelrn, I.F.K., Goteborg	Inside left.	Swords (captain)
J. Appelgren, Orgryte	Outside left.	Cooper

Referee—H. Vestergaard, Copenhagen. Linesmen—A. Anderssen, Stockholm G. and S.A.; Walter L. Burgin, U. S. A. Goals—Cooper 1, Ellis 1, Spalding 1, Tornkvist 2. Time of game—1 hour and 30 minutes.

In the evening after this momentous victory the American players were given a banquet at Hasselbacken, at which representatives of all the various soccer organizations of Stockholm were in attendance. Speeches were made by the more prominent football people and a large and extremely beautiful trophy, a gold and silver filigree cup, was presented to the United States Football Association, through its secretary, Mr. Cahill.

Monday, August 21, the Americans returned to sightseeing.

Tuesday, August 22, the All-America tourists again played the Västerås Base Ball Club, but this time at the Olympic Stadium. The Americans were divided between the teams at the start and the nine carrying the name of the U.S.F.A. won, 8 to 7, in ten innings. The Swedish King attended this game and was so interested that he had an interpreter explain the detailed play to him. The score:

VASTERAS.						U. S. A.					
	AB.	R.	H.	P.	A. E.		AB.	R.	H.	PO.	A. E.
Axell, cf.	5	1	2	1	0 0	Ford, p.	5	1	2	2	4 2
Larson, rf.	5	0	0	0	0 0	Blakey, c.	5	0	2	7	0 1
Swords, p.	5	1	1	2	6 3	Diederichsen, 1b.	4	2	1	16	1 0
Ellis, 2b.	5	1	1	2	2 2	Cooper, 2b.	5	0	2	5	3 0
Tintle, c.	5	0	1	6	1 2	Heminsley, 3b.	4	1	2	0	1 1
Murray, lf.	5	0	1	1	0 1	Burgin, ss.	5	1	1	0	4 3
Johanson, ss.	5	2	3	1	2 2	Clarke, lf.	5	2	1	0	0 0
Oskarson, 3b.	5	2	2	4	0 1	Smith, cf.	5	1	2	0	0 0
B. Fernström, 1b.	5	0	3	10	2 2	Robertson, rf.	5	0	5	0	0 0
Totals	45	7	14	27	13 13	Totals	43	8	18	30	13 7

*None out when winning run was scored.

Score by innings:

Västerås	2	0	0	2	0	2	1	0	0	0-7
U. S. A.	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	2	1	1-8

Two-base hits—Ellis, Tintle, Heminsley, Ford. Stolen bases—Axell, Swords, Oskarson 2, Fernström, Diederichsen 3, Cooper 2, Heminsley, Clarke, Smith 2, Robertson 2. Double play—Ford to Diederichsen to Cooper. Wild pitches—Swords 2. Earned runs—Västerås 3, U. S. A. 3. Bases on balls—Off Swords 2 (Diederichsen, Heminsley); off Cooper 1 (Axell). Struck out—By Swords 5 (Ford, Blakey, Cooper, Smith 2); by Ford 7 (Axell 2, Larson, Swords 3, Tintle, Murray, Oskarson, Fernström). Left on bases—Västerås 9, U. S. A. 10. Umpires—T. W. Cahill and C. Wersäll. Time—1h. 25m. Attendance—1,100.

Wednesday, August 23, the team devoted to sightseeing.

On Thursday, the 24th, at 7 P. M., the All-America team met defeat for the first time, and, as it transpired, the only time, on the tour. A combination team made up from the A.I.K. and Djurgardens I.F., the two strongest elevens of Stockholm, turned the trick, 3 goals to 0. The line-up:

Combination team from A.I.K., Stockholm, and Djurgardens I.F., Stockholm (3).	Positions.	All-America (0).
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F. Ruden, Djurgardens I.F.	Goal	Tintle
Th. Malm, A.I.K.	Right back	Robertson
R. Wicksell, Djurgardens I.F.	Left back	Spalding
B. Lindstrom, A.I.K.	Right half-back	Murray
S. Ekberg, Djurgardens I.F.	Center half-back	Clarke
L. Groth, A.I.K.	Left half-back	Blakey
R. Bergstrom, A.I.K.	Outside right	Ford
V. Gunnarsson (capt.), A.I.K.	Inside right	Ellis
I. Svenson, A.I.K.	Center forward	Heminsley
S. Soderberg, Djurgardens I.F.	Inside left	Swords (capt.)
K. Karlstrand, Djurgardens I.F.	Outside left	Diederichsen

Referee—H. Vestergaard, Copenhagen. Linesmen—C. Smith, U. S. A.; E. Bergerlist, Stockholm. Goals—S. Soderberg 2, I. Svenson 1. Time of game—1 hour and 30 minutes.

On the evening of the 24th the Stockholm Sporting Association tendered a banquet to the All-Americans, also at Hasselbacken, which was largely attended by soccer celebrities and the members of both the winning and losing teams

of the day. Numerous speeches were made, in one of which Mr. Cahill frankly admitted that for the first time during their visit the All-Americas had been outplayed. He said the tourists were proud to fall before such worthy and sportsmanlike opponents. With a pretty simile, Mr. Cahill likened the situation of the American eleven to that of a defeated boxer. He explained the meaning of the word "alibi" as an excuse given by a loser aimed to support a plea for a return match. Mr. Cahill insisted he was not "alibi-ing" in this instance, but expressed the belief that his team had grown stale, and pointed out that in each match up to that time his club had gone up against a fresh and a different team.

In the end the Swedes granted the All-America team a return match set for the finish of the regular tour. This displayed at its best advantage the true character and sportsmanship of the Swedish people.

Through Mr. Cahill, a large loving cup, the gift of the *Dagens Nyheter*, was presented the U.S.F.A.

The evening was one of the most enjoyed by the Americans on the entire tour and went far to relieve the strain, which had been heavy, upon the visiting athletes.

After this game Manager Cahill was convinced the team would do better to leave the city, and the Swedish Association procured accommodations for the Americans at a country place. The following day they left Stockholm for Gothenburg and put up at Hotel Eggers and the next day moved into quarters at the Hotel Hindas, a summer resort thirty-seven miles from Gothenburg, in the pineries and mountains.

On Sunday, the 27th, in Gothenburg, the All-Americas played the Orgryte Idrottssallskopf, winning 2—1. The line-up:

Orgryte Idrottssallskopf, Gothenburg (1).	Positions.	All-America (2).
J. Zander	Goal.....	Tintle
Alb. Anderson	Right back.....	Robertson
C. E. Lilienberg	Left back.....	Smith
H. Wassberg	Right half-back.....	Murray
E. Johansson	Center half-back.....	Clarke
A. Molin	Left half-back.....	Blakey
H. Magnusson	Outside right.....	Ford
A. Kristiansson	Inside right.....	Heminsley
A. Zachrisson	Center forward.....	Ellis
J. Clarsson	Inside left.....	Cooper
J. Appelgren (capt.).....	Outside left.....	Swords (capt.)

Referee—P. Chr. Andersen, Norwegian Football Association. Goals—Appelgren 1, Ellis 1, Swords 1. Time of game—1 hour and 30 minutes.

The only unpleasant incident of the tour occurred after this game when ruffians, who on two other occasions had attacked the Manchester City (England) team and the Scottish Rangers, assaulted the American players and stoned them in the automobiles returning to their hotel. Fortunately there were no severe injuries. The King was vexed at the incident and ordered a special commission to investigate and punish the offenders. The Swedish football officials apologized for the affair, for which they were in no wise to blame, and did everything possible to square matters with the Americans.

The tourists passed the entire week at the Hindas, training lightly and recuperating from their hard series of matches.

On Saturday, September 2, they returned to Gothenburg, en route to Christiania, and were dined by the football association of that city at noon.

The United States Football Association was presented with a trophy, in the form of a mounted silver statue of a soccer player. The visiting players were given medals, and in speeches made by the mayor of the city and other prominent men regrets for the unpleasantness of the day were expressed feelingly. That afternoon the Americans left for Christiania, where they arrived that evening.

Sunday, September 3, All-America and All-Norway played a 1—1 tie. After thirty-five minutes player Diederichsen was crippled and the All-

Americas played with ten men only. During the second half player Smith also was hurt and they finished the game with but nine men. The line-up:

All-Norway (1).	Positions.	All-America (1).
Ingolf Pedersen, Odd.....	Goal.....	Tintle
Otto Aulle, Odd.....	Right back.....	Robertson
Y. Tornros, Kvik.....	Left back.....	Spalding
R. Smedvik, Frigg.....	Right half-back.....	Murray
Per Haralsen, Odd.....	Center half-back.....	Clarke
Gunnar Andersen (capt.), Lyn.....	Left half-back.....	Smith
Rolf Aas, Mercantile.....	Outside right.....	Ford
David Andersen, Frigg.....	Inside right.....	Heminsley
H. Ditlev-Simonsen, Ready.....	Center forward.....	Ellis
Kaare Engebretsen, Mercantile.....	Inside left.....	Diederichsen
P. Helsing, Ready.....	Outside left.....	Swords (capt.)

Referee—Ernst Albihn, Norrköping, Sweden. Linesmen—Arne Wendelborg, Frigg, Norway; Harry Cooper, U. S. A. Goals—K. Engebretsen 1, Ellis 1. Time of game—1 hour and 30 minutes.

In the evening, after this match, the visitors were banqueted by the Norwegian Football Association. It was a most enjoyable evening, in the course of which a football diploma was presented to the U.S.F.A., while the American players were given costly medals.

On Monday, the 4th, the team left for Stockholm, arriving Tuesday. On Wednesday they met and defeated, 2—1, the combination team which had won from them, 3—0. The line-ups were the same as in the previous game. This same team since has defeated the All-Denmark eleven in a Federation competition participated in by Sweden also, and the importance of the victory of the Americans on this occasion needs no emphasis here. The line-up:

Combination team from A.I.K., Stockholm, and Djurgårdens I.F., Stockholm (1).	Positions.	All-America (2).
F. Ruden, Djurgårdens I.F.....	Goal.....	Tintle
Th. Malm, A.I.K.....	Right back.....	Robertson
R. Wicksell (capt.), Djurgårdens I.F.....	Left back.....	Spalding
B. Lindstrom, A.I.K.....	Right half-back.....	Cooper
G. Ekberg, Djurgårdens I.F.....	Center half-back.....	Clarke
L. Groth, A.I.K.....	Left half-back.....	Smith
R. Bergstrom, A.I.K.....	Outside right.....	Ford
V. Gunnarsson, A.I.K.....	Inside right.....	Heminsley
I. Svensson, A.I.K.....	Center forward.....	Ellis
S. Soderberg, Djurgårdens I.F.....	Inside left.....	Swords (capt.)
K. Karlstrand, Djurgårdens I.F.....	Outside left.....	Burgin

Referee—Ruben Gelbord, Stockholm. Linesmen—A. Blakey and A. Nilsson. Goals—Wicksell 1, Ford 2. Time of game—1 hour and 30 minutes.

With this game the tour ended officially.

The summary of the scores of games participated in by All-America team on tour is as follows:

	Played.	Won.	Drawn.	Lost.	Goals.		Points.
					For.	Against.	
United States	6	3	2	1	9	9	3
Stockholm Combination	2	1	0	1	4	2	2
Norway (All-Norway)	1	0	1	0	1	1	1
Tigrarna (Stockholm)	1	0	1	0	1	1	1
Swedish Federation (All-Sweden) ..	1	0	0	1	2	3	0
Orgryte, Gothenburg, Sweden	1	0	0	1	1	2	0

U. S. A. goal scorers—Ellis 3, Ford 2, Heminsley 1, Spalding 1, Cooper 1, Swords 1.

In the evening, after the last game, the All-Americans were guests of honor at a huge affair at which Swedish soccer notables were in great number. The Swedish Football Association presented the players with statues and cups, while Mr. Cahill was presented with a bronze figure of a football player. Mr. Anton Johanson was made the recipient from the overseas visitors of a gold watch as a token of appreciation of the hospitable manner in which he

had looked after them. The banquet was the occasion for general jollification, and regrets were expressed that the trip was not just commencing, rather than drawing to its finish.

Among the many Scandinavian sportsmen who contributed so greatly to the comfort and pleasure of the Americans, Messrs. C. L. Kornerup, J. S. Edstrom, Anton Johanson, Erik Bergvall, R. Gelbord, Ernie Hjertberg, Capt. G. Rubenson and Edwin Johnson were constantly and generously active. Recognition is also due to the splendid work of the men who acted as field officials in the various games.

But the one big force which really made the trip possible was the *Dagens Nyheter*, the leading newspaper of Stockholm, especially in its treatment of sporting topics. It was this newspaper which, when the trip was first suggested, immediately advocated it and guaranteed the Swedish Football Association against loss if the Americans could be induced to come over. And its treatment of the visitors was marked by the same admiring enthusiasm which seemed to be common to the whole of Sweden, and of Norway as well.

The tourists left Stockholm Thursday evening for Christiania, where they arrived the next morning. They sailed by the steamship Oscar II that evening and arrived at Hoboken the morning of Tuesday, September 19. Friends of the returning tourists accorded them a warm welcome on their arrival on the native heath.

Thus ended the first tour, and, too, the first international series in which an American soccer football team ever took part. It was a series of surprises from start to finish, and almost invariably the surprises were of the most pleasing nature. Most conspicuous of all the features of the trip was the wonderful playing of the American team. Every man chosen knew, when he left the United States, that he was face to face with a difficult task, and a task in which his well wishers, while wishing him well, feared for the results.

But how well the men who selected the team had builded was soon apparent. The fidelity with which the men, every one of them, met every requirement, every suggestion of trainer and manager, proved that the determination to win was deeply sown in every heart. This spirit not only permeated every member of the group, but seemed to feed and grow on itself, so that by the time Sweden was reached, every man in the party had forgotten any fear he ever had as to the result. Every man knew then that the American team was going to win simply because, being an American team, it had to win for the honor of the United States Football Association and the glory of the flag to which they owed allegiance.

The effect of all this was apparent as soon as the men got on the field. They had won their places on the team by fine work at home, but never in their experience in America did they play the wonderful football they showed on foreign fields. They seemed to be inspired with a skill and a courage that was almost beyond understanding. In every game the same thing was present, a common determination that every man must work for the common welfare, and this uniformity of intent, coupled with dashing enterprise and wonderful speed at which the Swedish and Norwegian experts always marveled, made possible the result which no American expert had really dared to hope for before the series had begun. In passing and in combination work the Swedish and Norwegian teams were perhaps the masters of the Americans, but this advantage was swept aside and overturned by the dash and fire of the American play.

To try to pick out individual members of the American team for separate praise would be as difficult as it would be unfair. Every man played a wonderful game and to say that any one contributed more than another to the successful issue of the tour would be to say something untrue. It would not be possible to select a gamer, more exemplary team of football players than this.

Through the liberality of their hosts, the tourists were able to liquidate every obligation incurred on the trip, so that the cost of the entire tour to the United States Football Association was nothing.

Another outstanding feature of the trip was the high degree of sportsmanship which prevailed throughout the tour. The Swedes and Norwegians are excellent sportsmen. They play a clean game, always fair, and they were met in the same spirit by the Americans. The result was a series of games

unmarred by but one episode of the sort which is altogether too common on soccer fields in this country. The only outbreak on the whole trip happened in Gothenburg, as has been told elsewhere in this article.

Another memory which will always remain sweet in the minds of those who made the trip was the treatment accorded to every member of the party in a social way. There was nothing left undone to make the entertainment of the visitors as complete as the highest type of hospitality could suggest, and when the party left Stockholm it seemed as though the whole of the capital city had turned out to bid their visitors farewell. The station was literally thronged and the scene and the chorus of good wishes shouted out left a memory in each mind that will endure forever.

AN APPRECIATION FROM SWEDEN.

SVENSKA GYMNASTIK OCH IDROTTSFÖRENINGARNAS RIKSFÖRBUND.
(The Swedish National Gymnastic and Sporting Association.)

Patron,

H. M. THE KING.

President,

H.R.H. THE CROWN PRINCE.

Hon. Secretary,

C. L. KORNERUP.

President of the Executive Committee,

J. S. EDSTRÖM.

STOCKHOLM, Sept. 20, 1916.

JOHN A. FERNLEY, ESQ.,

President U.S.F.A., Central Falls, R. I., U. S. A.

DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:

It has for some time been on my mind to send you a word of thanks for what you have done to make the recent visit of American football sportsmen the success it actually turned out to be.

I rejoice together with my colleagues and thousands of interested sportsmen, that the visit has been realized and trust and feel confident that our American friends returned home satisfied with their long overseas tour. It is my belief that they have bridged the gulf and defeated distance. In the future it is our hope that many similar visits will be undertaken and successfully accomplished.

We have seen the fresh, breezy rushes of your men and learned to admire them and their tactics on the football field, and to regard them as our friends, both before and after the fray. We have learned to look up to your Mr. Cahill as a most able leader, enthusiastic on the field and loyal in business. The way he avoided the temptations which were made to try to increase the number of matches for another country was sufficient to make us realize the sterling nature of his character.

In conclusion, we beg you to accept our cordial greetings and to assure you that the memory of your national flag swaying over our stadium will ever be dear to us.

Yours very faithfully,

(Signed) C. L. KORNERUP.

ANTON JOHANSON,

Secretary Swedish Football Association.

Federation Internationale de Football Association

Instituted at Paris May 21, 1904.

COMMITTEE 1916-17.

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- Belgium—Union Belge des Sociétés de Football Association. A. Verdijck, Laeken, 240 Avenue de la Reine.
- Canada—Dominion of Canada Football Association. T. Robertson, Toronto, 130 Garnet Avenue.
- Chile—Asociacion Atlético y de Football de Chile. E. Guerra, Valparaiso, Casilla No. 1454 (t. a. Football, Valparaiso.—Office: Calle Blanco 590).
- Denmark—Dansk Boldspil Union. L. Sylow, Copenhagen, 30 Frederiksberggade.
- England—The Football Association. F. J. Wall, London, 42 Russell Square (t. a. Football Association, Westcent, London).
- Finland—Suomen Palloliitto. Kaarlo Soinio, Helsingfors, 10 Gördelgata.
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- Hungary—Magyar Labdarugók Szövetsége. Roman von Malecki, Budapest VIII, 63 Rakoczy út (t. a. Football, Budapest).
- Ireland—Irish Football Association. J. Ferguson, Belfast, 18 Wellington Place.
- Italy—Federazione Italiana Giuoco del Calcio (1898). Ant. Edgardo Minoli, Turin, Galleria Subulpina, la Scala, Piazza Castello (t. a. Federcalcio, Torino).
- Luxemburg—Fédération des Sociétés Luxembourgeoises de Sports Athlétiques. J. Geschwind, Luxemburg, 2 Boulevard de la Foire.
- Netherlands—Nederlandsche Voetbalbond (8 December 1889). J. Hijlkema, The Hague, 22a Hoogstraat (t. a. Nedvoetbalbond, Haag—Teleph. 8479, Haag).
- Norway—Norges Fotballforbund (30 April 1902). P. Chr. Andersen, Kristiania, Raadhusgaden 28 III.
- †Portugal—União Portuguesa de Football. Raul Nunes, Lisbon, Rua dos Retrozeiros 149, 1º.
- Russia—Wserossysky Futtbolnyi Soiuz. Georges Duperron, Petrograd, Alexandroffski Prosp. 21.
- Scotland—Scottish Football Association. J. K. McDowall, Glasgow, 6 Carlton Place (t. a. Executive, Glasgow).

†Means affiliated provisionally.

- South Africa—South African Football Association (1892). M. Commaille, Capetown, Box 799 (t. a. Soccer, Capetown).
- Spain—Real Federacion Española de Football. Ricardo Ruiz Ferry, Madrid, 64 Carrera de San Geronimo 3.
- Sweden—Svenska Fotboll Förbundet. Ant. Johanson, Stockholm, 3 Kungsholms Hamnplan (t. a. Fotboll, Stockholm.—Teleph. Rikstelef, 12413).
- Switzerland—Schweizerischer Fussball Verband. Association Suisse de Football. P. Buser, Basel, 12 Münsterplatz.
- †Uruguay—Asociacion Uruguaya de Football. Rodolfo E. Bermudez, Montevideo, Avenida 18 de Julio 1484. (Teleph. la Uruguay, 217, Cordon).
- U. S. of America—United States Football Association (April 5, 1913). T. W. Cahill, New York City, 126 Nassau Street. (Tel. 2686 Beekman).
- Wales—Football Association of Wales. T. Robbins, Wrexham, High Street (t. a. Robbins, Wrexham).

Application for admission received from :

Paraguay—Liga Paraguaya de Football. Ramon P. Herreros, Asuncion, Calle Ayolas 373.

The associations are reminded of the following articles :

Without the consent of the Federation football shall not be entertained between its members and associations, clubs or persons, which are not members of an association recognized by the Federation. Associations and clubs in membership with the Federation must not permit clubs or teams not recognized by the Federation to play on their grounds.

Each national association must inform the other national association concerned when consent has been given for matches applied for.

Each association shall forward to the secretary-treasurer and the other affiliated associations their official organ, handbook and important communications.

C. A. W. HIRSCHMAN,

Hon. Secretary-Treasurer F. I. F. A.

AMSTERDAM, September 1, 1916.

BALANCE SHEET, APRIL 30, 1916.

INCOME.		EXPENDITURE.	
Bank balance, May 1, 1915	fl. 2,035.06	Printed matter	fl. 25.80
Subscriptions	571.14 ½	Stamps, telegrams, etc..	18.60
Interest	68.62	Bank balance, April 30, 1916	2,630.42 ½
	<u>fl. 2,674.82 ½</u>		<u>fl. 2,674.82 ½</u>

C. A. W. HIRSCHMAN,

Hon. Secretary-Treasurer.

United States Football Association

INSTITUTED AT NEW YORK CITY, APRIL 5, 1913.

Incorporated under the Laws of State of New York, The Governing Soccer Organization of the United States.

Affiliated with the Federation Internationale de Football Association.

THIRD ANNUAL MEETING.

The third annual meeting of the Council of the United States Football Association was held Monday, May 29, 1916, at the Hotel Walton, Philadelphia, Pa. The meeting was called to order at 10:30 A. M. by President John A. Fernley.

Present—

ROLL CALL.

President, John A. Fernley.
 First Vice-President, Peter J. Peel.
 Second Vice-President, Douglas Stewart.
 Third Vice-President, William D. Love.
 Treasurer, Archibald Birse.
 Secretary, Thomas W. Cahill.
 Ex-President, Dr. G. R. Manning.

Affiliated Associations were represented by the following delegates:

Allied Amateur Cup Competition, William Palmer (J. B. Farrell, alternate).
 Amateur Athletic Union, absent.
 American Football Association, Andrew M. Brown (William Campbell, alternate).
 California Football Association, Albert W. Keane.
 Chicago and District Association Football League, William Cameron.
 Connecticut State Football Association, Joseph Booth.
 Michigan Soccer Association, George Healey.
 Missouri Soccer Football Association, George Ritchie.
 National Association Football League, William Patrick.
 National Collegiate Athletic Association, absent.
 New Jersey State Football Association, John Lone.
 North Massachusetts and New Hampshire State Football Association, George M. Collins.
 Northwestern Association Football League of Seattle, absent.
 Northwestern New York State Football Association, E. L. Mockler.
 Ohio State Football Association, E. P. Duffy.
 Peel Challenge Cup Commission, George H. Kirk.
 Public Schools Athletic League, R. A. Patterson.
 Southern New England Football Association, Richard Bolton.
 Southern New York State Football Association, R. W. Holder.
 The Football Association of Eastern Pennsylvania and District, Morris W. Johnson (J. H. Carpenter, alternate).
 United States Referees' Union, D. M. Whyte (W. E. Hinds, alternate).
 Utah Association Football Union, William W. Davidson.
 Western Pennsylvania Football Association, R. S. Burleigh.
 Wisconsin State Football Association, H. Sandager (O. Hemingway, alternate).

President Fernley called for the report of the Credentials Committee, which was read by Chairman Andrew M. Brown of that Committee, as follows:

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE.

Meeting of the above Committee held at the Hotel Walton, Philadelphia, Pa., May 28, 1916, at 9 P. M., the following members being present: Presi-

dent John A. Fernley (ex-officio), Secretary T. W. Canill (ex-officio), Andrew M. Brown, Edward P. Duffy and George M. Collins.

Upon motion by Edward P. Duffy, Andrew M. Brown was elected Chairman and George M. Collins, Secretary.

The Committee considered grounds for representation and privilege of delegates sitting on the Council.

Motion made by President John A. Fernley that the interpretation of this Committee of Rule VI is "That any delegate who has represented his Association in the Council of the U. S. F. A. during the past year and seeking to continue is entitled to the protection afforded by the rule."

Motion seconded by Edward P. Duffy and carried.

I beg to report that the following Associations have *not paid* their affiliation fee for 1916-17:

Utah Association Football Union.

Northwestern Association Football League of Seattle.

All other affiliations are in order and approved by the Committee.

I beg to submit this report.

Yours truly,

(Signed)

GEORGE M. COLLINS, Secretary.

ANDREW M. BROWN, Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Sandager, the report was accepted and its recommendations adopted.

When the President called for the reading of the minutes of the last meeting, it was moved by ex-President Manning, seconded by Mr. Kirk and unanimously adopted, that the reading be dispensed with, as all of the members had already received a copy of the same.

The President's report was submitted and, on motion of Mr. Mockler, seconded by Mr. Sandager, its reading was dispensed with, the members having in advance received printed copies.

Discussing the report, ex-President Manning spoke in a complimentary vein of the recommendation that the Association ultimately be divided into four districts, with district competitions, but expressed regret the President had not dwelt upon the general movement toward co-operation among all sporting bodies with the end to formulating uniform rules and definitions.

Mr. Brown approved the recommendation that the Association take up and foster the development of soccer football in the schools and to approve the report generally.

The Secretary's report was submitted and, on motion of Mr Stewart, seconded by Mr. Sandager, was accepted and its reading dispensed with, the members having printed copies.

The Treasurer's report likewise was submitted without reading, printed copies having been distributed in advance. In connection with the report, Mr. Peel raised a question as to whether it was necessary that the Association go to the expense of sending Secretary Cahill to Chicago as delegate to the National Challenge Cup semi-final game between the Pullman F.C. and the Bethlehem Steel Co. F.C. The President ruled this out of order, saying it would more properly come up under the report of the National Challenge Cup Competition Committee. Ex-President Manning inquired whether any interest had accrued on the Association's bank balance, none being noted in the report. The President explained that the funds were kept in a national bank, which allowed no interest. It was explained the deposits would be withdrawn and placed in banks which paid interest on daily balances.

Mr. Peel asked on what specific authority payments were made by the Treasurer, and the President explained that up to the present time payments had been made on the authority of the President or the Chairman of the Finance Committee, but that there was a motion to come before the Council that made a recommendation of the Finance Committee necessary before payments could be made. The Treasurer's report then was approved by unanimous vote.

For the Finance Committee, Chairman Palmer reported as follows:

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Report of the above Committee on bills paid since the U. S. F. A. Council meeting held in Boston, Mass., on February 13, 1916:

February 21	\$110.95
February 27	16.00
February 29	43.71
March 2	6.00
March 14	69.86
March 16	40.73
March 27	73.79
April 7	90.39
April 29	55.32
May 5	12.72
May 13	8.87
May 15	13.70
May 18	9.42
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	\$551.46

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM PALMER, Chairman.

(Signed)

The President stated that the Chairman of the Committee was prepared to read an itemized statement of the report, but, on motion of Mr. Mockler, seconded by Mr. Healy, this was dispensed with.

The report of the Finance Committee was unanimously approved.

Chairman Albert W. Keane read the report of the National Challenge Cup Competition Committee, as follows:

NATIONAL CHALLENGE CUP COMPETITION COMMITTEE.

TO OFFICERS AND DELEGATES OF THE 1916 MEETING OF THE U. S. F. A.:

In submitting my annual report for the year ending May 15, 1916, it is my sincere desire to congratulate every member of this body, and through you, the various State Associations, which you represent, on the greatly increased public interest in soccer football in general and the National Challenge Cup Competition in particular.

The wonderful success of this Competition is so well known by almost every delegate that it is unnecessary to delve into details. Suffice to say, that while the National Challenge Cup Competition has been a success in its previous two years of existence, its past season excelled all other records in United States Football Association history.

Eighty-eight of the premier soccer football clubs of the country last fall entered the competition as against eighty-two last year from Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Michigan and Illinois. More than 1,200 players, professional and amateur, participated. One hundred and two games were played, including replays. To these games 67,970 persons paid admission, the gate receipts totaling \$16,742.97, in comparison with last year's figures of 52,934 spectators and receipts of \$13,543.35. Of this gross income the U. S. F. A. received, net, \$1,955.21.

The National Challenge Cup Competition Committee has held seven meetings during the past season, viz.: At New York City, October 3, 1915; at Providence, R. I., November 21, 1915; at New York City, January 2, 1916; at Providence, R. I., January 9, 1916; at Boston, Mass., February 13, 1916; at Providence, R. I., April 23, 1916, and at Philadelphia, May 28, 1916.

The Committee has been called on several times to curb infringements of rules by clubs and players, these actions being communicated to you by the bulletins from Honorary Secretary Cahill.

At a special meeting of the Committee in this hotel last night (May 28, 1916), the Committee placed a suspended sentence of two years on John J. Sullivan, a player of the Fall River Rovers F.C. of Fall River, Mass., for misconduct during the final game of the National Challenge Cup Competition.

It was voted to request the Council to take such action as they see fit against R. W. Holder of the Southern New York State Football Association for statements regarding this Committee published in the New York Globe on May 4, 1916.

The general statistics and tabulated results of games played will be seen in the report of the Secretary.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed)

ALBERT W. KEANE,
Chairman N. C. C. C.

The report was accepted by unanimous vote.

Mr. Peel again raised his question concerning the need of sending Mr. Cahill to Chicago as the delegate to the National Challenge Cup Western semi-final.

Mr. Keane explained that the officials had been chosen before the place of the game had been decided upon, and that, furthermore, it was desired to have a man of Mr. Cahill's experience in charge. Mr. Peel said he did not see why any special experience was necessary and thought one of the two national officers resident in Chicago might have been chosen. Mr. Johnson expressed the opinion that only members of the Cup Committee should have charge of semi-finals and finals. Mr. Mockler advanced the idea that as the sending of a game so far west as Chicago was considerable of an experiment, the Cup Committee wished to leave nothing to chance that might militate against the success of the game, and chose Mr. Cahill partly because the two national officers in Chicago were not friendly, and partly because Mr. Cahill's experience had been long and unmarred by failure. There was further debate, participated in by Messrs. Healey, Keane, Kirk and Secretary Cahill. Mr. Peel accepted Mr. Mockler's explanation as sensible and satisfactory and the discussion ended.

The Reinstatement Committee, having had no meetings since the last Council meeting, had no report to make.

Chairman Stewart submitted the report of the Appeals Committee as follows:

APPEALS COMMITTEE.

The Appeals Committee has held four meetings since June, 1915, i. e., June 30, 1915, July 25, 1915, December 19, 1915, at New York City, and February 12, 1916, at Boston, Mass., and heard and acted on three matters brought before it, as follows:

Appeal of the officers and delegates of the American League of Association Football Clubs of Philadelphia, Pa., from the decision of the Football Association of Eastern Pennsylvania and District. The hearing and action on this appeal required the two meetings of June 30 and July 25, 1915, and was decided by reversing the decision of the Football Association of Eastern Pennsylvania and District as to the delegates and sustaining it as to the officers, and the fee of \$25 was ordered forfeited by the appellants.

Appeal of Columbia Oval F.C. from the decision of the American Football Association. This appeal was heard and acted on December 19, 1915, and not sustained, but it was ordered that the costs of the appeal should be borne by the Brooklyn Celtic F.C.

Appeal of Archibald Birse from decision of Peel Challenge Cup Commission was heard and acted on February 12, 1916, and sustained—the suspension being lifted—the Peel Challenge Cup Commission required to immediately formulate and submit a proper set of rules governing the organization, and the expenses incident to the appeal ordered borne by the parties, in the proportion of one-third by Archibald Birse and two-thirds by the Peel Challenge Cup Commission.

The Peel Challenge Cup Commission has not yet complied with the requirement with regard to rules for that body.

The expenses of the Committee amounted to \$35.19.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed)

DOUGLAS STEWART,
Chairman Appeals Committee.

Mr. Sandager moved and Mr. Love seconded that the report be received.

Mr. Brown, as a member of the Appeals Committee, asked for information as to how Mr. Birse had complied with the requirements of the Peel Challenge Cup Commission.

Mr. Kirk said: "The Commission wishes to know if the statement was made that Mr. Birse was to turn over his vouchers. We furnished the Chairman of the Appeals Committee with a list of items amounting to in the neighborhood of \$1,191.26.

"I have with me all the books and papers that have been furnished the Commission, and with all those canceled vouchers, and statements and numerals made thereon in Mr. Birse's own handwriting, we are still at a loss to know who received the \$1,191.26, and I cannot see by what process of reasoning Mr. Stewart holds that Mr. Birse has complied with the requirements. I think we should be furnished with some satisfactory evidence that these items have been paid. We have repeatedly requested Mr. Birse to furnish us with them, and we cannot get any satisfaction. We had to appeal to the Committee to uphold its reasoning, and now Mr. Stewart holds that he has complied with it. And Mr. Brown, another member of the Appeals Committee, does not understand how it has been complied with. It is only fair to find out how it is that this \$1,191.26 remained unaccounted for by this splendid system of bookkeeping that allows such things to happen. I do not think Mr. Stewart's construction is the right one. Notice was sent to Mr. Stewart, as Chairman of this Committee, that we did not like his letter, and that we intended to bring it up. He knew that long before the meeting, and I think that it was of sufficient importance to get the Appeals Committee together yesterday."

Mr. Sandager then withdrew his original motion and moved that the matter be referred back to the Appeals Committee. The motion was seconded. After considerable discussion, in which Mr. Stewart explained that his report was merely to the effect that, in his opinion, the statements both of Mr. Birse and of the Peel Challenge Cup Commission proved that Mr. Birse had more than complied with his obligations, and he did not think it necessary to call a meeting of the Committee. Mr. Sandager's motion that the whole matter be referred back to the Appeals Committee was carried.

The President then called attention to the fact that since the last meeting, Mr. Thomas C. Cliff, delegate of the Michigan Soccer Association, had died. On motion of ex-President Manning, adopted by a rising vote, the Secretary was instructed to draw up a fitting resolution on the death of Mr. Cliff and to see that a copy be sent to his daughter.

The report of the Press Committee was read by Chairman Edward P. Duffy and accepted, as follows:

MR. PRESIDENT AND DELEGATES OF THE UNITED STATES FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION:

The Press Committee has not found it necessary to hold any meetings during the year, but the Chairman of your Committee can very truthfully say that, despite this, soccer football never before has received so much publicity. The Press Committee does not appropriate any credit for this condition, because the publicity obtained has been of the haphazard variety. Newspapers in sections where the game has been played give good space to the doings of the game, but publications in other sections do not seem to take kindly to soccer. The game has not, up to the last three years, been conducted everywhere as it should have been, and your Chairman finds very heavy marks against the sport. That is the fault of those in charge of the game. They are too prone to run to the newspapers with their recriminations, verbal assaults and accusations. Even a delegate to this Council is responsible for a libelous article in a New York newspaper.

A Mr. R. W. Holder sent a very ungentlemanly and unsportsmanlike letter to a local New York paper. (Clipping filed.) This man should be punished for his untruthful article.

"Sporting Life's" activity in the soccer field has done wonders for soccer and will do more next season. The thanks of this Association should be

voted the publishers of the paper and a letter containing such evidences of that appreciation should be sent by the Secretary to them.

The President, in his report, suggests propaganda work among the schools and colleges. That is where this work should start, and his proposition is one which this Association should provide means to prosecute.

In order to point out the way to raise the necessary funds, the Chairman of this Committee thought long and hard and his proposal to amend Rule XXI by adding the following new clause: "All players, amateur and professional, must pay a registration fee of 25 cents to the United States Football Association. If a player is transferred or released by the club by which he was originally signed, he shall pay 25 cents for every additional registration during the year," is the result of his study.

The wonderful propaganda work done by the Amateur Athletic Union can be traced directly to the 25 cents registration fee every athlete member of the A. A. U. pays for registration.

There is no player in soccer who would begrudge that quarter for propaganda work, but even if he does, I think he ought to pay it, anyhow, for he is the only individual deriving a benefit from the game who is asked to pay nothing. All the officers give their time and money, and the Associations pay fees, but the players are called upon to do nothing, in a financial way, though their contracts and agreements with clubs are made absolutely secure by the United States Football Association. I hope, gentlemen, when that comes up for consideration you will vote favorably on it.

There have been several mean newspaper controversies settled by your Chairman since the last Council meeting. One man has been gentlemanly enough to cease being a "knocker" and has gotten into the fold, but it was found necessary by this Committee to suggest the suspension of another. This man was set down indefinitely and should be kept there for some time, as an example to others.

This Association is entering on a very important era. All the members should see to it, even if disagreements do crop up, that they be kept out of the newspapers in the form they have taken in the past. You can have an honest disagreement with a man without calling him out of his name in the newspapers. I would suggest a heavy hand for such as these and would recommend that the Chairman of this Committee be given the power to make an investigation of any such occurrences and report to the Emergency Committee recommending the punishment he thinks necessary until the next Council meeting. This is the only way to deal with this evil and something along these lines must be adopted or all the other propaganda work among the schools and colleges will go for naught. How can we hope to have players from the schools and colleges continue in the game after their courses have been completed if our legislators call each other ignorant, and the like, in the papers? The better class of young men, and their parents, too, do not want anything to do with such, and you cannot blame them.

Our propaganda work we hear so much about is not so much telling them what a fine game soccer is, but to convince them it is a gentleman's game in America, on and off the field.

One year ago the Chairman asked for the appointment of committeemen to help him get propaganda matter before the country. Some have helped. Others have not. I therefore appeal to the President again to select men who will help in this important work. I would respectfully suggest that the Council select a Vice-President from East, West and Middle West who should co-operate with four members at large to be appointed by the President as the Press Committee. In this way some really valuable work would be found for these more or less ornamental—not to say handsome and willing—officers. These Vice-Presidents could take charge of their sections and give out all formal statements for the Association. Through lieutenants whom they might select in the districts within their jurisdiction they could spread the gospel of soccer. It is expected that they would co-operate with the Committee in suggesting material for articles; the necessity at the psychological time of a visit to those sections to right some wrong impression; to preach for clean play in the fields, and to let the country in general know the wonderful possibilities of soccer as the great winter outdoor game, and what is being done for it.

Soccer has been handicapped severely, I may repeat, by malice, envy and jealousy. Evidence of this has been seen in newspaper articles all too frequently. Outside of the bare results of games, most of the articles published by sporting editors contained a "black gentleman in the woodpile"—a gentle little rap for some unsuspecting brother.

Let those who will compose the Committee next year please remember these few suggestions from the Chairman this year. This Committee, once going right, can be one of the most important of the Association, for the success of soccer, like that of other sports, depends on publicity. Newspapers will publish what the public wants, so seek to elevate the standard of our game, both on the field and off, and in the proper time the newspapers will seek your material and you won't be laughed at by the sporting editors you approach, in sections other than where soccer is played, whenever you seek space.

In conclusion, I would say that this Committee can do very little if the officers, delegates and players do not co-operate in getting the game to the edifying standard set by the management and players of the "Champion Bethlehem Steel Works Eleven." They are worthy champions and the Press Committee of 1915-1916 is glad to proclaim them as a representative eleven and a model.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed)

EDWARD P. DUFFY,

Chairman Press Committee.

The President reported that the Olympic Games Committee had held no meetings and had no report. He made a similar statement as to the National and International Games Committee.

The report of the Emergency Committee was read by President Fernley and, after some preliminary discussion, it was decided to take it up, section by section. The report follows:

TO THE DELEGATES OF THE UNITED STATES FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION:

Your Committee begs leave to report the following matters which have been acted upon by them since the Council meeting held in Boston, Mass., on February 13, 1916. It may be pertinent to state here that, following the Council meeting, Secretary Cahill was taken seriously ill and was ordered to refrain from work for a few weeks. Edward P. Duffy, the Chairman of the Press Committee, was persuaded to do what he could to keep matters in shape for the Secretary while he was absent, and your President wishes to state that this Association owes him a vote of thanks for his kindness in sacrificing his own affairs to promote the interests of this body.

Friday, February 25—Alex. Cave, former Secretary-Treasurer of the Connecticut Referees' Association, suspended indefinitely by that Association.

Sunday, March 12—Meeting of Committee held in New Bedford, Mass. Communication from Cuba regarding international game was considered and a reply sent calling their attention to the fact that they were not affiliated with the F. I. F. A.; also a letter from Sweden was given consideration. Secretary Cahill was ordered to reply to the latter communication.

The question of the North Massachusetts and New Hampshire State Football Association extending their boundaries was also discussed, and the Secretary instructed to take the matter up with that body.

A letter from ex-President Manning also was taken up and disposed of.

Request from North Massachusetts and New Hampshire State Football Association for permission to do propaganda work in Maine was granted; also to extend playing season until May 30, 1916.

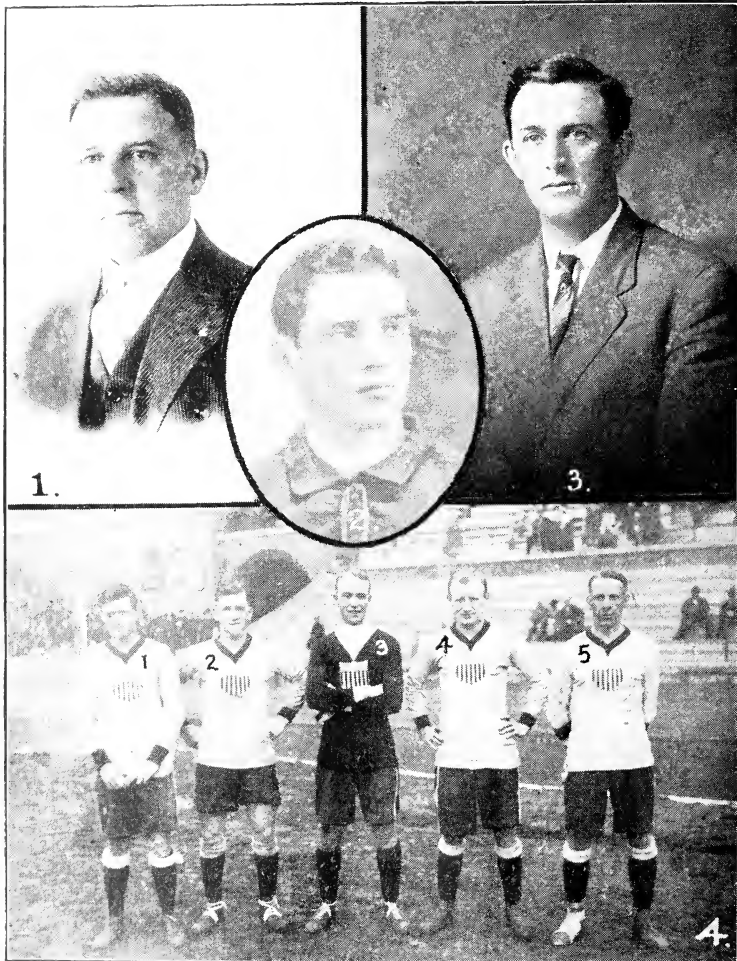
Wednesday, March 22—Letter from Andrew M. Brown, President of the American Football Association, received, inviting the Council to make Newark the place of its next meeting. The matter was deferred for a time to see what could be done, but the invitation finally was declined, owing to the fact that publicity and tentative measures had already been taken looking to the meeting being held in Philadelphia.

Thursday, March 23—A request from the Chicago and District Association Football League for endorsement of their action relative to players Rox-



1, Thomas Swords, Captain All-America team; 2, Thomas W. Cahill, U.S.F.A. Representative and Manager; 3, C. L. Kornerup, Vice-President F.I.F.A.; 4, Erick Bergvall; 5, Harry Davenport, Trainer All-America team; 6, Anton Johanson, Secretary Swedish Football Association.

THE MEN WHO MANAGED THE TOUR OF THE ALL-AMERICA SOCCER TEAM.

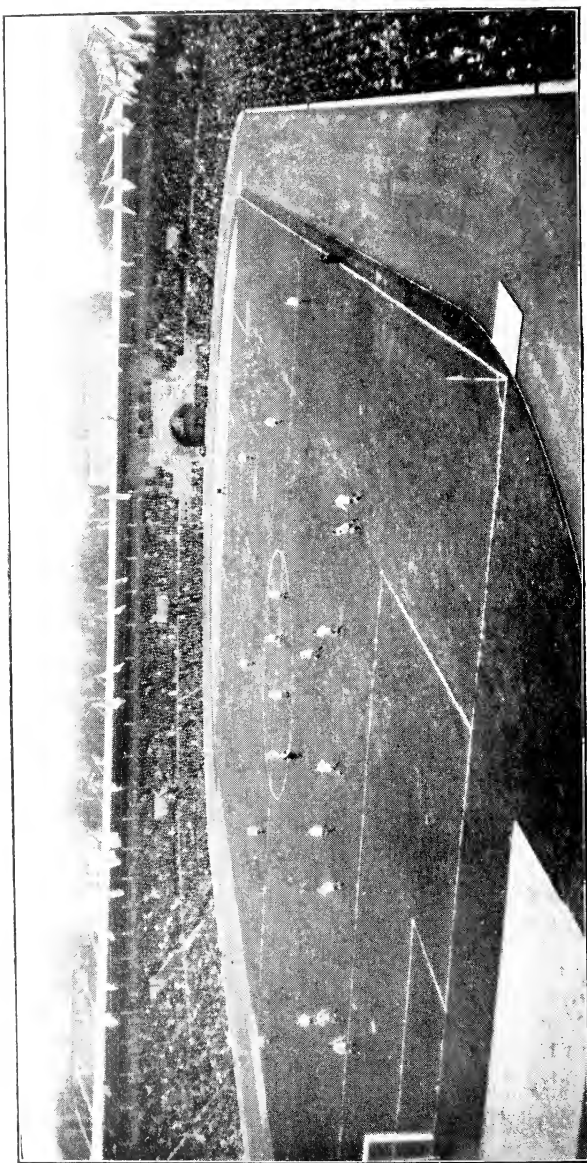


(1) Thomas W. Cahill, Hon. Secretary, who, on behalf of the United States Football Association, arranged the trip and conducted and managed the American team on its tour. (2) Thomas Swords, All-America captain, to whom credit is due for much of the success of the tourists. (3) Harry Davenport, Newark, N. J., the All-America team's trainer. (4) The five Jersey men whose ability completed the success of the All-America team—1, James Ford; 2, John J. Heminsley; 3, George Tintle; 4, Harry Cooper; 5, Clarence Smith.



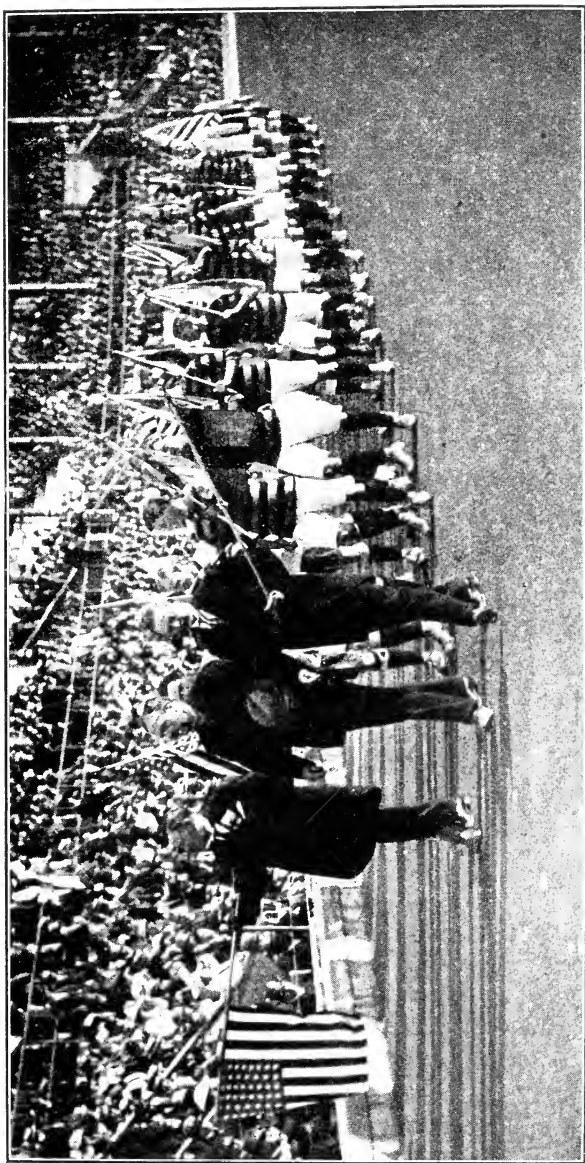
1, C. H. Ellis, Brooklyn, N. Y.; 2, G. Tintle, Brooklyn, N. Y.; 3, C. H. Spaltz, Philadelphia, Pa.; 4, T. W. Cahill, Hon. Sec. U.S.F.A.; 5, W. L. Burgin, Philadelphia, Pa.; 6, C. Smith, Bayonne N. J.; 7, J. M. Robertson, New York, N. Y.; 8, T. Murray, Bethlehem, Pa.; 9, N. Clark, Bethlehem, Pa.; 10, A. Blakey, Philadelphia, Pa.; 11, J. Ford, Jersey City, N. J.; 12, T. Swords, (Capt.), Fall River, Mass.; 13, J. J. Heminsley, Newark, N. J.; 14, M. B. Diederichsen, St. Louis, Mo.; 15, H. Cooper, New York, N. Y.

ALL-AMERICA SOCCER TEAM WHICH TOURED NORWAY AND SWEDEN DURING AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER, 1916.



VIEW OF OLYMPIC STADIUM, STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN.

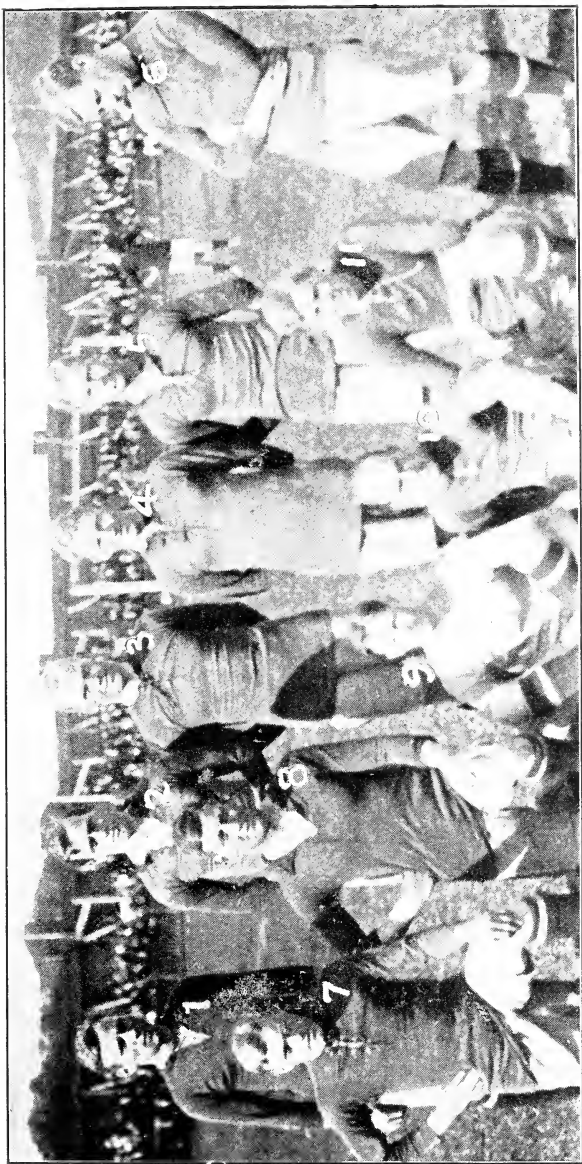
All Stockholm games of the Americans were played in this Stadium. H. M. King Gustaf V. and a large crowd witnessed the opening game. Stockholm Tigrarna and All-Americans are shown on field. The game resulted in a 1-1 tie.



PARADE BEFORE THE OPENING GAME IN THE STADIUM, STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN, AUGUST 15, 1916.



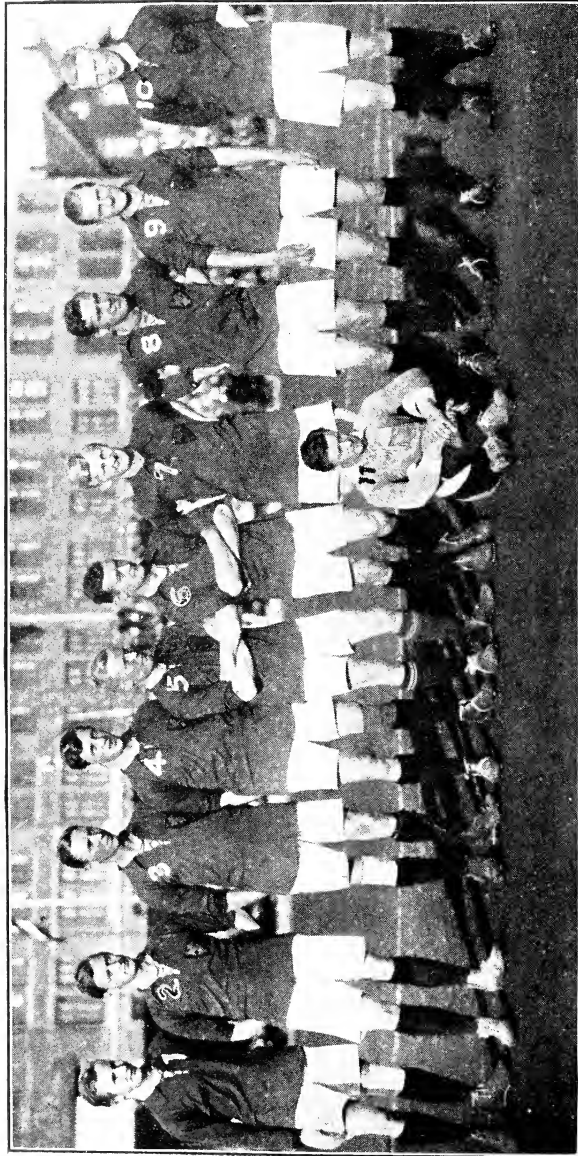
(1) Swedish Federation Eleyen (All-Sweden), which the All-Americans defeated, 3-2, August 20, 1916. This win was a distinct triumph for American soccer football. (2) All-Stockholm team, which first defeated the Americans, 3-0, and in return match lost, 2-1. This is the same team which, with two changes, defeated the Denmark team, 4-0, October 8, 1916, and is the first Swedish team that has ever scored a goal against Denmark in a Federation match—1, Linselman; 2, Soderberg; 3, Bergstrom; 4, Svensson; 5, Lindstrom; 6, Karlstrand; 7, Wicksell; 8, Groth; 9, Ekberg; 10, Ruden; 11, Malm; 12, Gunnarsson. (3) Tigrarna Football Club of Stockholm, Sweden—1, Karlsson; 2, Selin; 3, Levin; 4, Gunnarsson; 5, Husen; 6, Dahlstrom; 7, B. Carlson; 8, V. Carlson; 9, Peterson; 10, Almkvist; 11, Petterson.



1, Magnuson; 2, Applegren; 3, Claesson; 4, Zachrisson; 5, Wassberg; 6, Yohanson; 7, Molin; 8, Anderson; 9, Zander; 10, Lilienberg; 11, Kristiansen.

OERGRYTE IDROTTSALLSKAP FOOTBALL CLUB, GOTTENBURG, SWEDEN.

Defeated by the American team, 2 goals to 1, August 27, 1916.

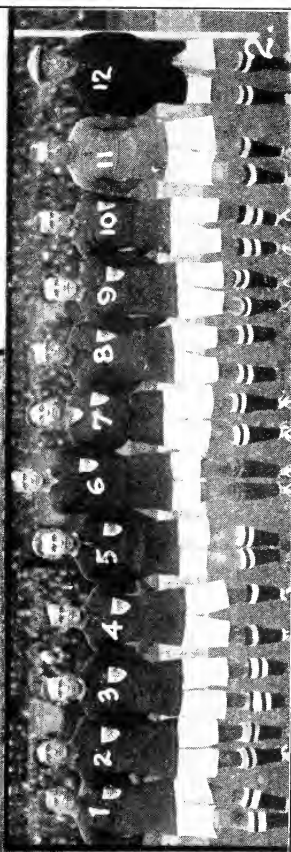
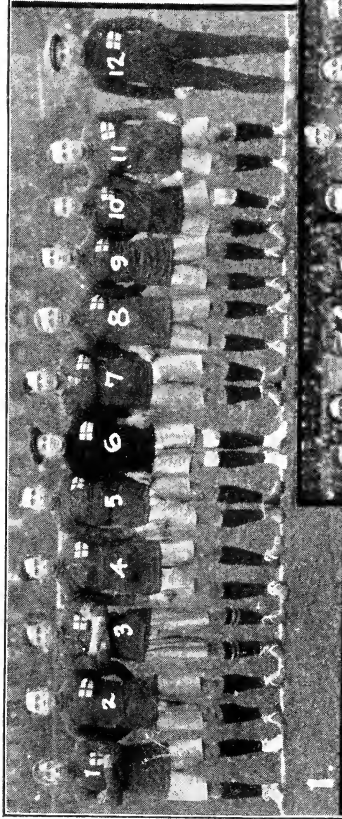


1, Helsing; 2, Haraldsen; 3, Tornros; 4, Anlie; 5, Engebretsen; 6, Aas; 7, Andersen; 8, Ditlev-Simonsen; 9, Andersen; 10, Smedevik; 11, Pedersen.

ALL-NORWEGIAN TEAM THAT PLAYED 1-1 TIE WITH ALL-AMERICA TEAM,

Christiania, Norway, September 3, 1916.

All-Americans played last ten minutes of first half with ten men and for nine minutes in second half played with nine men.



(1) ALL-STOCKHOLM TEAM—1, Bergstrom; 2, Svensson; 3, Wickell; 4, Lindstrom; 5, Gustafsson; 6, Almkvist; 7, Frkyman; 8, Groth; 9, Karlstrand; 10, Soderberg; 11, Malm; 12, Linesman. (2) ALL-DENMARK TEAM.

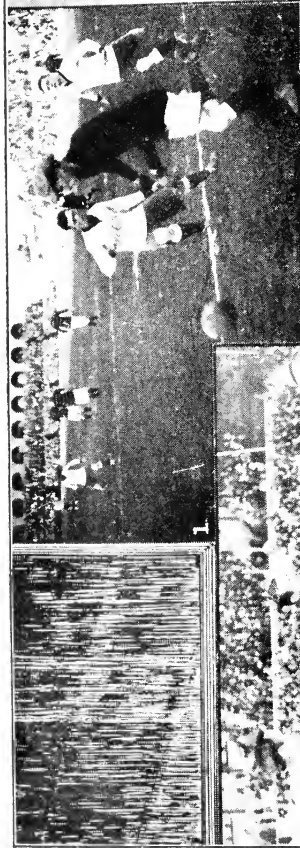
In the Federation match of October 8, 1916, Sweden defeated Denmark, 4-0, at the Stadium, Stockholm, Sweden.



(1) The All-America soccer team's base ball nine, which defeated Vasteras, 21-15, at Vasteras, Sweden, August 17, 1916. (2) Base Ball at Vasteras, Sweden. Heminley, All-America, at bat; Swedish player catching. (3) Tinifle, All-America, catching. (4) Members of the Vasteras Base Ball Club and All-America soccer team nine before Stadium, Stockholm, August 22, 1916. Americans won, 8 to 7, in 10 innings.



(1) The All-America soccer team as it appeared on arrival at the Strand Hotel, Stockholm, Sweden, August 8, 1916, after its long journey from New York City. (2) Part of the bleacher crowd at Christiania on September 3, 1916. (3) The All-America team snapped at Christiania, Norway, just before the game on September 3, 1916, which resulted in a tie, 1-1.



1, Stockholm Tiger goal-keeper saving a goal on a cross by Diederichsen, Ford beaten for possession. 2, Referee H. Vestergaard of Copenhagen, Denmark, who officiated in three of the international contests. Here he is seen with the ball in the background while the rival captains are meeting before the first U. S. A.-Stockholm Combination match. 3, Referee Ruben Gelbord and the rival captains tossing for choice of ends in the final game in which All-America defeated the Stockholm team, 2-1, on September 5, 1916. 4, Half-time. Stockholm Tigers and All-Americans leaving field. In the foreground, in citizen's dress, Mr. Ernest W. Hjertberg, whose training brought to a point of perfection the Tiger's play.

borough and Halsall was received. Further information on this matter was requested by your President, to make certain adjudication of the matter fairly. Halsall was signed on "C" form and not released from same, and yet played for another club, and the Chicago and District Association Football League appeared to allow such proceeding to occur without any penalty, in fact, claimed the right to release said player, contrary to club's desires. The Bricklayers and Masons F.C. of Chicago, Ill., protested (through Secretary Burrows) to the U. S. F. A. against the player being released.

Sunday, April 9—William Lomax F.C. of Fall River, Mass. The suspension previously placed on the officials of this club was raised at their request and upon promises to live up to the rules and obey the orders of the U. S. F. A.

Wednesday, April 26—Case of Manager Thomas T. Adam of the West Hudson F.C. and players Robert Lennox and Albert Dennison was taken up: Manager Adam was suspended from participation in organized football until the Council meeting, for using professional players who were unregistered.

Players Lennox and Dennison were given the same sentence for playing while still unregistered.

Harry Ellam of the Bridgeport Rovers F.C. was suspended by the Connecticut State Football Association for fourteen (14) days for striking an opponent in Connecticut State Football Association Cup-tie game.

Wednesday, April 26—Player Alexander Bell was reprimanded for playing with the Hyatt F.C. without notifying the U. S. F. A., as called for in rules.

Sunday, April 30—Constitution and By-Laws of the Northwestern New York State Football Association and the New Jersey State Football Association were submitted for approval. The President objected to a few items therein, especially in the case of the latter Association, but with these exceptions the rules were approved.

Tuesday, May 2—Peter Nugent, Secretary New Haven Rangers F.C. of New Haven, Conn., was suspended indefinitely for forgery, by the Connecticut State Football Association.

The Emergency Committee has had quite a few requests for extension of the playing season, and has granted all of them as requested,—the extensions ranging from May 31 to June 30.

Monday, May 22—The Secretary received a copy of a constitution sent by the Peel Challenge Cup Commission for the approval of the U. S. F. A. Owing to the Council meeting being so close at hand and the fact that the Executive Committee did not approve of the proposed rules regarding the personnel of the Commission, it was decided to take no action other than refer same to the annual meeting.

In the early part of May a letter was published in the New York Globe, under the signature of Mr. Holder of the Southern New York State Football Association, which, among other things, reflected greatly on the character and probity of your National officers and gave the writer's view of their ability. No action was taken by your Committee, they preferring to leave this matter to you for action thereon.

Another letter was published a few days ago, purporting to be from the pen of Mr. Edward P. Duffy. Ex-President Manning sent communications to each member of your Emergency Committee, asking for action against Mr. Duffy. Your Committee refused to take any action whatsoever, informing the ex-President that the Council undoubtedly would deal with the whole situation.

We also wish to bring to your attention the circular recently sent out by the Chicago and District Association Football League attacking the character, etc., of Treasurer Birse.

Another matter which your Committee wishes to call to your attention is the fact that the American Football Association has planned to play a game in their Competition on June 10th without asking permission from this Association.

Yours truly,

(Signed)

JOHN A. FERNLEY,
Chairman Emergency Committee.

President Fernley then explained that the matter of omitting certain matter from the agenda for the meeting, requested to be placed thereon by ex-President Manning, had been so omitted because the same matter had been decided twice by a vote of the Council to be outside of the Council's prerogatives.

The next item bore upon a letter written by R. W. Holder, alternate from the Southern New York State Football Association, to a New York newspaper, impugning the intelligence and integrity of the officers of the Council. On Mr. Stewart's request, the letter was read. On a query by Mr. Collins, Mr. Holder admitted the authenticity of the letter. On a query by Mr. Peel, Mr. Holder said he had written the letter as a private individual and had not signed it as an officer of the National Council. Mr. Burleigh condemned the general idea of anyone writing letters to newspapers abusing the officers of the organization. Mr. Stewart asked if Mr. Holder had any proof that the organization was being run in the interest of the New England associations, as charged in his letter, and suggested that, if he had, he produce it. Mr. Holder expressed the opinion such a question was ridiculous—that that expression was merely the opinion of the reporter who had written the story accompanying the letter. As a New Englander, Mr. Collins protested against Mr. Holder's charge that the U. S. F. A. favored the New England bodies and asked a retraction of that part of the letter. Mr. Bolton made a similar protest. Inasmuch as Mr. Holder produced no proof of the statements made in his letter, Mr. Stewart moved that he be suspended for two years from June 1, 1916; Mr. Healy seconded. Mr. Collins pleaded that Mr. Holder be given a chance to retract and apologize, a sentiment that was indorsed by Mr. Burleigh. Mr. Brown also took this position, but Mr. Sandager protested. Mr. Healy spoke in support of the original motion. Mr. Mockler upheld the right of any man to express his opinion, so long as he traduced no man, and while condemning the letter, asked that punishment be kept in abeyance until Mr. Holder had had time to consider and make a proper apology to the officers, directly and through the same newspaper that published his attack. Mr. Kirk indorsed these sentiments, as did Messrs. Johnson and Peel. President Fernley called Mr. Peel to the chair and spoke from the floor and vigorously defended the officers from Mr. Holder's charges. Mr. Davidson spoke for the resolution, expressing the opinion that if Mr. Holder got off with a two years' suspension he was lucky. Mr. Lone spoke for clemency and Mr. Holder stated that he was not asking for clemency and did not care what the Association did. But he admitted that the last paragraph of his letter was unjustified and he retracted the statement therein contained on the floor.

Mr. Burleigh offered an amendment to the pending motion that until July 1, 1916, be given Mr. Holder to make a proper apology to the officers and that if he should fail to do so in that time he should stand suspended for two years. Mr. Bolton seconded and the amended motion was then put and carried.

The meeting then adjourned until 2:15 P. M. for luncheon.

The afternoon session was called to order at 2:15 P. M., President Fernley in the chair; Secretary Cahill at his post.

The Emergency Committee report relative to international games with Norway and Sweden was taken up. Correspondence between Secretary Cahill and C. L. Kornerup, Secretary of the Swedish National Gymnastic and Sporting Association, in which the Swedish proposition to guarantee \$4,000 for such a tour, was read. On motion of Mr. Mockler, the entire matter was referred to the National and International Games Committee with full power to act and with instructions to do everything possible to bring about the games.

A proposition by William A. Campbell, President of the National Football Federation of Cuba, for an International game with an American team representing the U. S. F. A., was referred, on motion of Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Sandager, to the National and International Games Committee.

Mr. Peel asked, on behalf of the Chicago and District Association Football League, permission for a charity game with a Canadian team, to be played in Chicago on July 1, 1916. On motion of Mr. Collins, it was ordered that when the request was presented in proper form it should be granted.

The Emergency Committee reported disapproval of the rules submitted by the Peel Challenge Cup Commission, under order from the Appeals Committee of the U. S. F. A. It was ordered that representatives of the Peel Challenge Cup Commission confer with the Rules Revision Committee of the U. S. F. A. and make their rules conform to the rules of the U. S. F. A.

The suspension of Thomas T. Adam, manager of the West Hudson F.C., imposed April 26, until the Council disposed of his case, was ordered lifted on motion of ex-President Manning, it appearing that he acted in ignorance of the rule, but without intent to be insubordinate. The similar suspensions of players Robert Lenox and Albert Dennison were likewise ordered lifted.

A letter from ex-President Manning, asking the suspension of Edward P. Duffy, Chairman of the Press Committee, for reflections upon ex-President Manning contained in a letter written by Mr. Duffy to a New York newspaper, in answer to the Holder letter considered at the morning session, was referred to the Council by the President. On motion of Mr. Burleigh, seconded by Mr. Keane, it was decided that the Council should not consider the matter, as it was a purely personal affair between Mr. Duffy and ex-President Manning.

The report of the Special Committee on Amateur Registration, read by Chairman Stewart, was approved and ordered filed.

The matter of encouraging Association football on municipal recreation grounds, brought forward by Secretary Cahill, was the subject of considerable discussion, as a result of which the following resolution by ex-President Manning, offered as a substitute for the one on the agenda, was adopted:

Resolved, That this Association favor any effort made by the Municipal Playground Associations to aid in the development of Association (Soccer) Football; and, be it further

Resolved, That this Association provide, through its Emergency Committee, for a suitable small banner to be awarded to each team that has attained the championship of its municipal district, with the consent of the Municipal Playground Associations.

Secretary Cahill submitted designs for an official banner of the U. S. F. A. which he had been ordered to procure at the last Council meeting. It was ordered that the design Mr. Cahill submitted be approved and that he be authorized to purchase the banner.

The following resolution of condolence on the death of Delegate Thomas C. Cliff, submitted by Secretary Cahill, was read and approved by a rising vote:

Whereas, Our beloved colleague in the National Council of the United States Football Association,

THOMAS COOPER CLIFF

has been summoned suddenly from a life of great activity and usefulness to rest, and,

Whereas, His wise judgment and keen interest in the development of soccer football in New York City and district has materially aided the United States Football Association in the furtherance of our ambition and proper establishment in this country, and New York City and vicinity in particular; and,

Whereas, His unbounded love and enthusiasm for soccer, and, in fact, for any clean and pure sport, has endeared his name to each and every one of us; be it therefore

Resolved, On behalf of each and every officer and member of this Council, that we express our deep regret at the untimely death of our dear and beloved member, Thomas Cooper Cliff, and, furthermore, that we extend to his daughter our heartfelt sympathies in her bereavement; and, be it further

Resolved, That this resolution be copied in the minutes of this meeting and that a copy of same be sent to his daughter.

The Rules Revision Committee report was then taken up in detail and various changes ordered, which will appear in the new printed copy of the rules.

The election of officers for the ensuing year was the final order of business and resulted as follows:

Mr. CAMPEELL and Mr. PALMER were appointed tellers.

JOHN A. FERNLEY of Pawtucket, R. I., was nominated for President and elected by acclamation.

DOUGLAS STEWART of Philadelphia, Pa., and PETER J. PEEL of Chicago, Ill., were nominated for First Vice-President.

Mr. STEWART received 18 votes and was declared elected, Mr. PEEL receiving 7 votes.

GEORGE HEALEY of Detroit, Mich., was nominated for Second Vice-President and elected by acclamation.

GEORGE M. COLLINS of Boston, Mass., and WILLIAM D. LOVE of Pawtucket, R. I., were nominated for Third Vice-President, Mr. COLLINS receiving 16 votes and Mr. LOVE 10 votes.

THOMAS W. CAHILL and WILLIAM CAMERON were nominated for Secretary. Mr. CAHILL was elected by 22 votes to Mr. CAMERON'S 4.

ARCHIBALD BIRSE and JOHN LONE were nominated for Treasurer, Mr. BIRSE being elected by 21 votes to 6.

On motion of Mr. Keane, and by a rising vote, the Football Association of Eastern Pennsylvania and District was thanked for the many courtesies it had shown the delegates.

Andrew M. Brown introduced a resolution that the U. S. F. A. ask the Football Association of Eastern Pennsylvania and District to restore P. H. MacLaren, J. A. Frost, Ernest Jones and Thomas Ferns, suspended for long periods. On the argument of the Football Association of Eastern Pennsylvania and District that this was purely a matter of local jurisdiction and outside the authority of the national body, the motion was defeated.

It was regularly moved, seconded and carried unanimously that the meeting adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

T. W. CAHILL,

Honorary Secretary.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

TO THE DELEGATES TO THE ANNUAL MEETING OF 1916.

Gentlemen—Once again I have the honor of presenting to you a report on the work which your association has accomplished, and also to offer a few suggestions which should be considered by the association, with a view to adoption. It is now three years since this association was formed, years full of work and activity; and we must all agree that the result attained has been of such magnitude and importance as to repay for all the sacrifices that have been made in its accomplishment. No matter what the present set of officials and workers throughout the association may deserve for their great work and self-sacrificing efforts to build up the organization (and their work has been such that whatever I could say in praise of same would fall far short of meeting the requirements), yet we must all accord our praise to those who were the instruments in forming and fostering the association while yet in its infancy. Many of those who were among the most earnest and enthusiastic of its sponsors have remained in the background, content to work in their own quiet way, asking only that their work should be conserved and enlarged upon; while others have been called upon to accept official positions in the organization, and it is to their honor that they have so unstintingly given of their ability, time and means, for the advancement of the cause which we all have so much at heart. To all of these workers, official or otherwise, we offer the thanks of the association, assuring them that their work is appreciated; asking only that the

same loyalty, fidelity and earnestness may characterize their future work for the association that animated them in its inception. Personal prejudice and animosities should have no place in any organization, much less in one whose sole object is the fostering of manly and healthgiving sport; and it is much to be desired that whatever of this nature has cropped out in the past activities, may be dropped and forgotten. Difference of opinions, with honest criticism of what we do not approve, is always to be expected; and no one should object to such; in fact, it is quite largely through these that an organization grows; and fortunate is the body that has those among its members who will fearlessly avail themselves of the opportunity to present such; but more fortunate is the one whose members can give and receive such criticism and opposition in a spirit which seeks only the interest of the organization, and not personal feelings and desires. Your association and its interests should be pre-eminent, and no matter what our personal feelings may be, loyalty to the organization of which we are a part should preclude our allowing them to enter into our work. The greatest boon that one can ask for this association during the coming year is that the new officials may be given the wholehearted and united support of its members, with the fostering of a desire to subserve our own personal wishes, or even the wishes of affiliated bodies, for the benefit of the organization as a whole.

The annual meeting of 1916 will undoubtedly have many very serious problems to meet, the correct solution of which will tax to the utmost the best thought of the members, but they are problems which must of necessity be met at some time, and the best way to do is to settle them now rather than to postpone action thereon. If surgery is a necessity—and apparently a large number of the members think it is—then a wise physician would not delay the operation. Upon the manner in which such work is done, and with which it is received, depends a great deal as to the future progress of the association. One thing is sure, this association has a splendid future before it, and while we may think otherwise, yet the fact is apparent that none of us are indispensable to its progress. We can certainly assist in its growth, and it is to the great credit of our members that despite adverse conditions so much of value has been accomplished. The colleges have quite generally adopted "Soccer" as a major sport, and the schools are fast coming into line with leagues and inter-school games. A conservative estimate of the boys now actively playing the game is like a fairy story when compared with three years ago, and we can hope that three years more may show equal results. New York with its athletic association is doing a great work on these lines, and its circular giving the results of last year's work is worthy of being taken up by this association and sent broadcast throughout the schools of our cities, just to show what has been accomplished. We should appoint a special committee, whose work would be the dissemination of literature among our schools and smaller colleges. They should be empowered to obtain local help in districts where such is available, and supplement the very splendid work which some of our affiliated associations are now doing on these lines. This would prove the best work that we could take up, as it is apparent that "Soccer" needs only its introduction to prove its popularity, and any outlay for this purpose would surely bring good results. Propaganda work among unaffiliated clubs has been undertaken by some of the State associations, and we are reaping the reward in additions to the ranks of organized ball. This association owes thanks to those who have willingly gone out after these clubs, and who have worked through their State organization for the extension of "Soccer" activities. It is necessarily a matter which can best be served by these local associations, and only by such organizations going after the clubs in their districts can we hope to extend our area of activity. The national organization should stand ready to assist, either by circulars or other means; but it is to be hoped that the State associations will do their part. Where no State organization exists, your secretary has been doing great service in missionary work, and has devoted himself wholeheartedly to furthering the sport. He has given of his time most liberally, and has also traveled extensively in the interests of the association.

I can only reiterate what has been said in past years, that this body owes a great deal to his zeal and unswerving fidelity to soccer: Measures should

be taken to ensure a more uniform enforcement of the laws as found in our Rule Book. The time is fast approaching, if not already at hand, when each association should be expected to see that violations are properly taken notice of. At the present time some bodies fail to take any action whatsoever, thus putting work upon the emergency committee which should not be required of them. A careful study of conditions leading up to this failure, convinces me that it is necessary for this association to take some measures whereby one body, and only one, shall be in charge in any one State or section. This change will involve radical amendments to our existing laws, but should be undertaken, not only for its benefit to local enforcement of laws, but also for the revision of representation which is so urgently needed. If more than one representative is allowed from any affiliated area, then it should be for the number of clubs such area includes and be based upon the work such bodies have accomplished. Provision could be made giving to the larger organizations representation according to the clubs they report, but if this is done they should be compelled to pay dues to correspond. At the present time a change reducing the representation to an equal basis seems to be the best method to adopt. Another point which has become prominent during the past season, is the question of some clubs entering into a large number of cup competitions. This practice has been the means of retarding the growth of the game, and in some localities has virtually stopped local games. Many clubs, unfortunate as to cup games, have been entirely idle for many weeks, owing to the fact that other clubs were busy playing cup ties. On the other hand, some clubs have had so many cup games that they could not meet their engagements in such, causing delay and friction. The adoption of a law prohibiting any cup competition from accepting entries beyond the limit of the association in which their headquarters are located, except by permission of the other association involved, and the consent of this association, would do much to remove this trouble. Another matter that seems to be worthy of consideration, is the revision of our cup rules, so as to give more encouragement to the many clubs which now reap no benefit from its games. At the present time the great advantage is gained by a few clubs, while others which join are actual losers by their so doing. The rules should be so changed as to give a better return to the clubs in the early rounds and less in the final rounds.

Looking to the future, we should take action relative to formulating sectional organizations, each controlling matters in their part of the country, with a tribunal to whom could be referred matters of a national character. To divide the country into four or five sections should be entirely feasible, with their own cup competitions, etc., and at the end of each season arranging a series of games between the sectional champions, would seem to promise great results. I wish to thank all those who have assisted in making the past year one of progress and advancement, and to those members who have given of their time and labor in committee work I extend my appreciation. To "Bethlehem," "Champions of America," my congratulations are extended; also to H. Edgar Lewis, W. H. Trend and the others who have worked to insure their success. Your treasurer will make a report showing the financial returns for the year, which I am sure you will agree is very creditable to the association. He has performed his work to the satisfaction of those who had dealings with his department, and has adopted a new method of taking care of the association interests which does him credit. It seems to be necessary for the association to adopt some means to relieve the secretary of much detail, and I would suggest that the present method of having him secretary of the different committees be done away with, except in the case of the N. C. C. C. Committee. This method, and the local associations being given greater powers, would take away a great deal of the present work.

In conclusion, I wish to state that I have found much pleasure in the work of the past year, and in retiring from the presidency extend my personal thanks to the members for the many courteous and pleasant relations I have enjoyed, and trust that the friendships formed may continue.

Truly yours,

JOHN A. FERNLEY.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SECRETARY

MR. PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE UNITED STATES FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION:

Gentlemen—In submitting my annual report for 1915-16, I would like, first of all, to impress upon everyone the great good our national organization has done the game, as attested by the growing attendance reported from all sections, and this in a season that was unusual in the preponderance of disagreeable weather, necessitating postponements. The unfavorable weather was not confined to one section of the country, but seems to have prevailed everywhere. In the Middle West the game has been developing in popularity with great strides, as proof of which I have only to point to the fact that in our Western semi-final we sent the Bethlehem Steel Company F.C. from Bethlehem, Pa., to Chicago, Ill., and then brought the Pullman A.F.C. from Chicago, Ill., to Bethlehem, Pa., for a replay of the tie, and each game showed a profit in advance of any explanation. The Chicago game was played on a day when rain began in the morning and continued until one o'clock in the afternoon. The contest was played on grounds surrounded by only a canvas covered wire fence, with one carriage gate and one gate for pedestrians, and no turnstiles or ticket offices other than a table, and in opposition to the opening of the American League base ball season, with the St. Louis club, led by Fielder Jones, a Chicago favorite, making his first Chicago appearance in organized base ball since he won the American League and World Series Championships with the Chicago White Sox. And despite all of this it was a success. I do not need to impress upon you the fact that before our organization was formed such an enterprise as this would not even have been suggested, let alone carried through to a successful conclusion. I am mentioning all of this only to show the substantial basis for my great faith in the future development of the organization, and the immense aid it is bound to prove in the promotion of the game, and to prove to everyone that our organization is one to be proud of, one to be worked for and one that is bound to grow by leaps and bounds in exact proportion to the loyal and faithful service we are all prepared to render to the one ideal that should be ever before all us—the welfare of the game.

There was an unfortunate occurrence connected with the playing of the final, due to the fact that we were rather overwhelmed by the crowd. It was in great excess of all anticipations, and the grounds were not properly policed, with the result that a mob of rowdy partisans of the Fall River team broke through the lines and made an outrageous and wholly unprovoked assault on the referee, David M. Whyte. The fact that similar outbursts have occurred in base ball games in this country and at foot ball games in England and Scotland is not to be accepted as in any way justifying such demonstrations as that which occurred at Pawtucket, and no measure of precaution must be overlooked to prevent a recurrence of such an outbreak.

During the year I made one Western trip on propaganda work as no cost to the association and found interest flourishing. I aided in the preliminary work of forming a new association to take in a circuit of six cities along the western border of Missouri and the eastern border of Kansas, with headquarters in Kansas City, Mo.

During my Western trip I found a general sentiment among supervisors of municipal recreation and playgrounds in favor of a Municipal Recreation Ground soccer championship, to be contested for by teams playing exclusively on municipal grounds and under municipal auspices, the games to be governed by rules formulated by a committee of park commissioners to establish qualifications for membership on a competing team.

As at present constituted these municipal playground teams draw no line between amateurism and professionalism, though they are permitted to receive no compensation of any sort while playing on these teams. The acceptance of money is a disqualification. In other words, while the players may be professionals or amateurs as a matter of fact, while playing on a municipal team they must compete under conditions which ordinarily govern amateur competitions.

I have placed the suggestion on the agenda for the annual meeting that our association foster and encourage such a tournament, and the matter can be thoroughly considered and disposed of in the Council meeting. I earnestly hope the Council will see fit to accept my recommendation. These playground teams are composed both of growing youths and adults, and the grounds being public property and maintained by public funds, no restrictions can be placed upon anyone who wishes to participate, but the vast majority of these players are amateurs in every sense of the word. I can conceive of no means by which knowledge and love of the game can be better propagated than by its encouragement under these public auspices.

Propaganda work was considerably interfered with by the immense growth of the routine work of the secretaryship. It has taken up all my days and a goodly portion of my nights, in which I have had only the paid help of a female stenographer who has been drawing a salary of but \$10 a week. As I stated in my last annual report, the work of the office is unnecessarily increased by correspondence which it should not be asked to handle. I wish to urge again upon all officers of State and district associations and managers of leagues in such organizations that they will help materially if they will confine their correspondence with the national secretary to national matters and not write to him in matters which are for the State associations to primarily adjust for themselves. The delegates to the National Council could aid in this matter if they would have their associations to refer matters about which they are in doubt to the delegate, who could in the majority of cases answer the questions direct, or indicate to the person in doubt what the proper procedure would be.

I would also like to impress upon the officers of all State associations that it is up to them to see that the rules of the United States Football Association are obeyed in their districts, and where they have been defied to take immediate steps to bring the offenders to book.

I respectfully submit to you here the statistical record of the past year.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT.

National Challenge Cup Competition Committee—Albert W. Keane, Chairman, care of New Bedford Times, New Bedford, Mass.; William Palmer, Philadelphia, Pa.; Thomas C. Cliff, New York City; Joe Booth, Bridgeport, Conn.; Edward P. Duffy, Newark, N. J.; Secretary of Committee, Thomas W. Cahill.

Appeals Committee—Douglas Stewart, Chairman, 712 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa.; William D. Love, Pawtucket, R. I.; Thomas C. Cliff, New York City; William W. Davidson, Bayonne, N. J.; Andrew M. Brown, Yonkers, N. Y.; George M. Collins, Boston, Mass.; Secretary of Committee, Thomas W. Cahill.

Finance Committee—William Palmer, Chairman, 3321 N. Mascher Street, Philadelphia, Pa.; Oliver Hemingway, Philadelphia, Pa.

Olympic Association Football Committee—John A. Fernley, Chairman, 236 Central Avenue, Pawtucket, R. I.; Winton E. Barker, St. Louis, Mo.; George H. Kirk, Chicago, Ill.; William Cameron, Chicago, Ill.; R. S. Burleigh, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Dr. G. R. Manning, ex-president, New York City; Secretary of Committee, Thomas W. Cahill.

National and International Games Committee—John A. Fernley, Chairman, 236 Central Avenue, Pawtucket, R. I.; Andrew M. Brown, Yonkers, N. Y.; W. U. Baird, Yonkers, N. Y.; Richard Bolton, Greystone, R. I.; M. F. Kelly, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Dr. G. R. Manning, ex-president, New York City; Peter J. Peel, Chicago, Ill.; Secretary of Committee, Thomas W. Cahill.

Press Committee—Edward P. Duffy, Chairman, 279 High Street, Newark, N. J.; M. F. Kelly, Brooklyn, N. Y.; George M. Collins, Boston, Mass.; Joe Booth, Bridgeport, Conn.; Douglas Stewart, Philadelphia, Pa.; George Healey, Detroit, Mich.; Secretary of Committee, Albert W. Keane.

Reinstatement Committee—George M. Collins, Chairman (Northern Massachusetts and New Hampshire District), care of C. F. Hovey Company, 33 Summer Street, Boston, Mass.; Joe Booth (Connecticut), Bridgeport, Conn.; Oliver Hemingway (Eastern Pennsylvania), Philadelphia, Pa.; William D. Love (Southern New England), Pawtucket, R. I.; George Healey (Michigan), Detroit, Mich.; William W. Davidson (New Jersey), Bayonne, N. J.; R. S. Burleigh (Western Pennsylvania), Pittsburgh, Pa.; Secretary of Committee, Thomas W. Cahill.

Rules Revision Committee—W. U. Baird, Chairman, 89 Linden Street, Yonkers, N. Y.; Richard Bolton, Greystone, R. I.; William W. Davidson, Bayonne, N. J.;

Archibald Birse, Chicago, Ill.; Douglas Stewart, Philadelphia, Pa.; Secretary of Committee, Thomas W. Cahill.

President John A. Fernley and Secretary Thomas W. Cahill are ex-officio members of all committees.

U. S. F. A. COUNCIL MEETINGS.

Since the general annual meeting of June 5, 1915, the Council has met on two occasions, viz.: At Providence, R. I., November 21, 1915, and at Boston, Mass., February 13, 1916. The expenses attached to these two meetings totaled \$273.58.

NATIONAL CHALLENGE CUP COMPETITION COMMITTEE.

The National Challenge Cup Competition Committee held seven meetings during the past season, viz.: At New York City, October 3, 1915; at Providence, R. I., November 21, 1915; at New York City, January 2, 1916; at Providence, R. I., January 9, 1916; at Boston, Mass., February 13, 1916; at Providence, R. I., April 23, 1916, and at Philadelphia, Pa., May 28, 1916.

The expenses for the conducting of this competition and committee, including committeemen's traveling expenses, telegrams, postage, admission tickets, printing, etc., amounted to \$431.63.

Eighty-eight of the premier soccer football clubs of the country last fall entered the competition, as against eighty-two last year, from Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Michigan and Illinois. More than twelve hundred players, professional and amateur, participated. One hundred and two games were played (including replays). At these games 67,970 persons paid admission, the gate receipts totaling \$16,742.97, in comparison with last year's figures of 52,934 spectators and receipts of \$13,543.35. Of this gross income the U.S.F.A. received \$1,955.21.

The tabulated results of the National Challenge Cup Competition for the season 1915-1916, with the names and officials, are as follows:

QUALIFYING ROUND.

NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY DISTRICT.

October 24, 1915, at Pennsylvania Oval, New York City—Cameron F.C., New York City, 2; Greenpoint F.C. of Brooklyn, N. Y., 1. Referee, T. Cunningham, Brooklyn, N. Y.; delegate, A. Crommey, New York City.

October 24, 1915, at Tibbits Field, Yonkers, N. Y.—Alley Boys F.C., Harrison, N. J., 2; Clan MacDuff F.C., New York City, 0. Referee, A. Burnside, Brooklyn, N. Y.; delegate, J. G. Barclay, Brooklyn, N. Y.

October 24, 1915, at Marquette Oval, Brooklyn, N. Y.—Clan MacDonald F.C., Brooklyn, N. Y.; 3, New York Hibernian F.C. of New York City, 1. Referee, A. Lawrie, Newark, N. J.; delegate, H. Magee, New York City.

October 24, 1915, at Degnon Field, Long Island—Our Boys F.C., Brooklyn, N. Y., 4; Greenville F.C. of Jersey City, N. J., 1. Referee, Charles E. Creighton, New York City; delegate, C. Mundell, Jersey City, N. J.

October 24, 1915, at Olympic Park, Paterson, N. J.—I. R. T. Strollers F.C., New York City, 2; Haledon Thistles F.C. of Paterson, N. J., 0. Referee, G. Caldicott, Woodhaven, L. I.; delegate, T. W. Cahill, Newark, N. J.

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA DISTRICT.

October 23, 1915, at Bethlehem, Pa.—Bethlehem East End F.C., Bethlehem, Pa., 2; Nativity Men's Club Team of Bethlehem, Pa., 1. Referee, James Walders, Philadelphia, Pa.; delegate, B. Horsfall, Bethlehem, Pa.

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA DISTRICT.

October 23, 1915, at Treveskyn Field, Treveskyn, Pa.—Treveskyn F.C., Cuddy, Pa., 2; Donora Steels Works F.C., Donora, Pa., 1. Referee, Wilbert Reid, Carnegie, Pa.; delegate, Ivor A. Hopkins, Swissvale, Pa.

October 23, 1915, at Homestead Park, Homestead, Pa.—Braddock F.C., Pittsburgh, Pa., 3; Pittsburgh Rovers F.C., Pittsburgh, Pa., 0. Referee, Frank Walters, Cuddy, Pa.; delegate, Joseph Lever, Wilkinsburg, Pa.

MASSACHUSETTS DISTRICT.

October 12, 1915, at New Bedford, Mass.—Cove Albions F.C., New Bedford, Mass., 3; Hose XI F.C., New Bedford, Mass., 2. Referee George E. Mitchell, New Bedford, Mass.; delegate, William A. McHugh, New Bedford, Mass.

October 12, 1915, at New Bedford Celtic Park, New Bedford, Mass.—New Bedford Cotton Mill F.C., New Bedford, Mass., 2; Beehive Rangers F.C., New Bedford, Mass., 1. Referee, Thomas Crompton, New Bedford, Mass.; delegate, H. H. Williamson, New Bedford, Mass.

October 23, 1915, at Fall River, Mass.—Pan-American F.C., Fall River, Mass., 6; Gem A.A., New Bedford, Mass., 2. Referee, Robert Gore, Pawtucket, R. I.; delegate, C. C. Murphy, Fall River, Mass.

October 23, 1915—Taunton City F.C., forfeited game to Boston-American F.C. on account of disbandment of club.

October 23, 1915, at West Lynn, Mass.—Lynn Hibernian F.C., West Lynn, Mass., 1; St. George F.C., Boston, Mass., 0. Referee, George Lambie, Belmont, Mass.; delegate, Marton Hogan, West Lynn, Mass.

October 23, 1915, at South Lawrence, Mass.—Clan MacPherson F.C., South Lawrence, Mass., 2; Clan Lindsay F.C., Cambridge, Mass., 1. Referee, F. Houghton, Lawrence, Mass.; delegate, E. J. Anderson, Andover, Mass.

October 23, 1915, at Worcester, Mass.—Lynn Fosse F.C., of East Lynn, Mass., 3; Swedish-American F.C., Worcester, Mass., 0. Referee, A. T. Underwood, Worcester, Mass.; delegate, G. M. Mann, Worcester, Mass.

CONNECTICUT DISTRICT.

October 24, 1915, at Naugatuck, Conn.—Naugatuck F. C., Naugatuck, Conn., 4; Bridgeport Rangers F.C., Bridgeport, Conn., 1. Referee, James Miller, New Haven, Conn.; delegate, George Good, Naugatuck, Conn.

RHODE ISLAND DISTRICT.

October 23, 1915, at Plainfield, Conn.—Smithfield Ave. Men's Club, Pawtucket, R. I., 6; Plainfield F.C., Plainfield, Conn., 0. Referee, William Taylor, Pawtucket, R. I.; delegate, James Royle, Plainfield, Conn.

October 23, 1915, at Crompton, R. I.—Crompton F.C., Crompton, R. I., 4; Greystone A.C.F.C., Greystone, R. I., 2. Referee, Harry Wade, Pawtucket, R. I.; delegate, George Ritchie, Providence, R. I.

NORTHWESTERN NEW YORK DISTRICT.

October 24, 1915, at Rochester, N. Y.—Rochester City A.F.C., Rochester, N. Y., 7; Celtic A.F.C., Rochester, N. Y., 2. Referee, Frank Boniface, Rochester, N. Y.; delegate, James McKinlay, Rochester, N. Y.

CLEVELAND DISTRICT.

October 24, 1915, at Cleveland, O.—Woodland Rovers F.C., Cleveland, O., 6; Sons of St. George F.C., East Liverpool, O., 2. Referee, John Storrie, Cleveland, O., delegate, James B. Smith, Cleveland, O.

CHICAGO DISTRICT.

October 24, 1915, at Chicago, Ill.—MacDuff F.C., Chicago, Ill., 1; Chicago-American F.C., Chicago, Ill., 1. Referee, Al Morris, Chicago, Ill.; delegate, Archibald Birse, Chicago, Ill. Note—Extra time played.

October 31, 1915, at Chicago, Ill. (Replay)—MacDuff F.C., Chicago, Ill., 2; Chicago-American F.C., Chicago, Ill., 0. Referee, Al Morris, Chicago, Ill.; delegate, Archibald Birse, Chicago, Ill.

October 31, 1915, at Chicago, Ill.—Hyde Park Blues F.C., Chicago, Ill., 1; Campbell Rovers F.C., Chicago, Ill., 1. Referee, Thomas Dempsey, Chicago, Ill.; delegate, Samuel Darwent, Chicago, Ill. Note—Extra time played.

November 7, 1915, at Chicago, Ill. (Replay)—Hyde Park Blues F.C., Chicago, Ill., 2; Campbell Rovers F.C., Chicago, Ill., 1. Referee, Thomas Dempsey, Chicago, Ill.; delegate, Samuel Darwent, Chicago, Ill.

DETROIT DISTRICT.

October 24, 1915, at Detroit, Mich.—Detroit F.C., Detroit, Mich., 5; Beaudette United F.C., Pontiac, Mich., 0. Referee, William Ferguson, Detroit, Mich.; delegate, Joseph Daniels, Detroit, Mich.

October 24, 1915, at Detroit, Mich.—St. George F.C., Detroit, Mich., 2; Caledonia F.C., Detroit, Mich., 1. Referee, John B. Stark, Detroit, Mich.; delegate, George Healey, Detroit, Mich.

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NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY DISTRICT.

November 14, 1915, at Jersey City, N. J.—Brooklyn F.C., Brooklyn, N. Y., 2; Yonkers F.C., Yonkers, N. Y., 2. Referee, T. Cunningham, Brooklyn, N. Y.; delegate, W. U. Baird, Yonkers, N. Y.

November 25, 1915, at Yonkers, N. Y. (Replay)—Yonkers F.C., Yonkers, N. Y., 1; Brooklyn F.C., Brooklyn, N. Y., 0. Referee, T. Cunningham, Brooklyn, N. Y.; delegate, W. U. Baird, Yonkers, N. Y.

November 14, 1915, at Harrison, N. J.—West Hudson A.A., Harrison, N. J., 1; Clan MacDonald F.C., Brooklyn, N. Y., 1. Referee, Charles E. Creighton, New York City; delegate, J. G. Barclay, Brooklyn, N. Y.

November 21, 1915, at Hawthorne Field, Brooklyn, N. Y. (Replay)—West Hudson A.A., Harrison, N. J., 2; Clan MacDonald F.C., Brooklyn, N. Y., 2. Referee, Charles E. Creighton, New York City; delegate, C. Ostrander, Brooklyn, N. Y.

November 28, 1915, at Harrison, N. J. (Replay)—West Hudson A.A., Harrison, N. J., 2; Clan MacDonald F.C., Brooklyn, N. Y., 1. Referee, Charles E. Creighton, New York City; delegate, C. Ostrander, Brooklyn, N. Y.

November 14, 1915, at Brooklyn, N. Y.—Brooklyn Celtic F.C., Brooklyn, N. Y., 5; Our Boys F.C. of Brooklyn, N. Y., 1. Referee, A. Burnside, Brooklyn, N. Y.; delegate, H. Magee, New York City.

November 14, 1915, at New York City—I. R. T. Strollers F.C., New York City, 5; Columbia Oval F.C., New York City, 1. Referee, W. Erskine, New York City; delegate, T. C. Cliff, New York City.

November 14, 1915, at Harrison, N. J.—Babcock & Wilcox F.C., Bayonne, N. J., 2; Alley Boys F.C., Harrison, N. J., 1. Referee, G. Caldicott, Woodhaven, L. I.; delegate, William Patrick, Bayonne, N. J.

November 14, 1915, at New York City—Continental F.C., New York City, 5; Cameron F.C., New York City, 0. Referee, Andrew Lawrie, Newark, N. J.; delegate, A. Crommey, New York City.

November 21, 1915, at West Side Park, Jersey City, N. J.—Jersey A.A., Jersey City, N. J., 2; Scottish-American F.C., East Newark, N. J., 1. Referee, G. Caldicott, Woodhaven, L. I.; delegate, A. E. Clary, Brooklyn, N. Y.

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA DISTRICT.

November 13, 1915, at Tacony, Philadelphia, Pa.—Disston A.A., Tacony, Philadelphia, Pa., 3; Wanderers F.C., Philadelphia, Pa., 0. Referee, John Walders, Philadelphia, Pa.; delegate, William Palmer, Philadelphia, Pa.

November 13, 1915, at Bethlehem, Pa.—Bethlehem Steel Co. F.C., Bethlehem, Pa., 9; Bethlehem East End F.C., Bethlehem, Pa., 0. Referee, J. H. Carpenter, Bethlehem, Pa.; delegate, H. W. Trend, Bethlehem, Pa.

November 13, 1915, at Philadelphia, Pa.—Hibernian A.F.C., Philadelphia, Pa., 15; Peabody F.C., Philadelphia, Pa., 0. Referee, W. E. Hinds, Philadelphia, Pa.; delegate, O. Hemingway, Philadelphia, Pa.

November 13, 1915, at Philadelphia, Pa.—Viscose F.C., Marcus Hook, Pa., 2; Putnam F.C., Philadelphia, Pa., 1. Referee, James Kerr, Philadelphia, Pa.; delegate, W. A. Barton, Marcus Hook, Pa.

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA DISTRICT.

November 13, 1915, at Homestead, Pa.—Braddock F.C., Pittsburgh, Pa., 3; Homestead Steel Works F.C., Homestead, Pa., 0. Referee, Frank Walters, Cuddy, Pa.; delegate, Joseph Lever, Wilkensburg, Pa.

November 20, 1915, at Homestead, Pa.—Beading F.C., Beading, Pa., 2; Treveskyn F.C., Cuddy, Pa., 0. Referee, James Spence, Pittsburgh, Pa.; delegate, Ivor A. Hopkins, Swissvale, Pa.

MASSACHUSETTS DISTRICT.

November 6, 1915, at Fall River, Mass.—Pan-American F.C., Fall River, Mass., 8; Charlestown F.C., Charlestown, Mass., 2. Referee, E. Pemberton, Pawtucket, R. I.; delegate, A. W. Keane, New Bedford, Mass.

November 6, 1915, at New Bedford, Mass.—New Bedford Celtic F.C., New Bedford, Mass., 5; Brockton F.C., Brockton, Mass., 1. Referee, William Taylor, Pawtucket, R. I.; delegate, H. H. Williamson, New Bedford, Mass.

November 13, 1915, at Boston, Mass.—Boston-American F.C., Boston, Mass., 2; Cove Albion F.C., New Bedford, Mass., 1. Referee, Samuel McLerie, Boston, Mass.; delegate, J. Gibson, Boston, Mass.

November 13, 1915, at New Bedford, Mass.—New Bedford F.C., New Bedford, Mass., 5; Andover United F.C., Andover, Mass., 2. Referee, George Lambie, Belmont, Mass.; delegate, John A. Fernley, Pawtucket, R. I.

November 13, 1915, at Quincy, Mass.—Fore River F.C., Quincy, Mass., 4; Lawrence F.C., Lawrence, Mass., 0. Referee, R. Ritchie, Somerville, Mass.; delegate, William McGregor, Boston, Mass.

November 13, 1915, at New Bedford, Mass.—Lynn Hibernian F.C., W. Lynn, Mass., 3; New Bedford Cotton Mill F.C., New Bedford, Mass., 2. Referee, John Dobson, Fall River, Mass.; delegate, B. Redfern, New Bedford, Mass.

November 13, 1915, at Fall River, Mass.—Fall River Rovers F.C., Fall River, Mass., 3; Clan MacPherson F.C., S. Lawrence, Mass., 0. Referee, George E. Mitchell, New Bedford, Mass.; delegate, D. A. Coholan, New Bedford, Mass.

November 13, 1915, at Holyoke, Mass.—Farr Alpaca F.C., Holyoke, Mass., 1; Chicopee Rovers F.C., Chicopee Falls, Mass., 0. Referee, George A. Hart, Holyoke, Mass.; delegate, C. S. Burnett, Holyoke, Mass.

November 13, 1915, at Lynn, Mass.—General Electric F.C., Lynn, Mass., 1; Lynn Fosse F.C., E. Lynn, Mass., 1. Referee, William Andrew, Boston, Mass.; delegate, H. Bordicott, Lynn, Mass.

November 20, 1915, at Lynn, Mass. (Replay)—General Electric F.C., Lynn, Mass., 2; Lynn Fosse F.C., E. Lynn, Mass., 0. Referee, William Andrew, Boston, Mass.; delegate, H. Bordicott, Lynn, Mass.

CONNECTICUT DISTRICT.

November 14, 1915, at Bridgeport, Conn.—Bridgeport City A.F.C., Bridgeport, Conn., 5; Naugatuck F.C., Naugatuck, Conn., 0. Referee, J. Miller, New Haven, Conn.; delegate, Joe Booth, Bridgeport, Conn.

RHODE ISLAND DISTRICT.

November 6, 1915, at Pawtucket, R. I.—Crompton F.C., Crompton, R. I., 2; Howard & Bullough F.C., Pawtucket, R. I., 1. Referee, Robert Gore, Pawtucket, R. I.; delegate, William D. Love, Pawtucket, R. I.

November 13, 1915, at Pawtucket, R. I.—J. & P. Coats F.C., Pawtucket, R. I., 4; Smithfield Ave. Men's Club, Pawtucket, R. I., 0. Referee, Thomas Crompton, New Bedford, Mass.; delegate, George Ritchie, Providence, R. I.

NORTHWESTERN NEW YORK DISTRICT.

November 11, 1915—Schenectady General Electric F.C., Schenectady, N. Y., forfeited game to Rochester City A.F.C., Rochester, N. Y.

CLEVELAND DISTRICT.

November 7, 1915, at Cleveland, O.—Thistles F.C., Cleveland, O., 2; Akron F.C., Akron, O., 1. Referee, John B. Stark, Detroit, Mich.; delegate, James B. Smith, Cleveland, O.

November 14, 1915, at Cleveland, O.—Cleveland F.C., Cleveland, O., 2; Woodland Rovers F.C., Cleveland, O., 2. Referee, John B. Storrie, Cleveland, O.; delegate, James B. Smith, Cleveland, O.

November 20, 1915, at Cleveland, O. (Replay)—Cleveland F.C., Cleveland, O., 3; Woodland Rovers F.C., Cleveland, O., 0. Referee, John B. Storrie, Cleveland, O.; delegate, James B. Smith, Cleveland, O.

CHICAGO DISTRICT.

November 14, 1915, at Chicago, Ill.—Pullman A.F.C., Chicago, Ill., 2; Bricklayers and Masons F.C., Chicago, Ill., 1. Referee, P. Gemmill, Chicago, Ill.; delegate, Peter J. Pecl, Chicago, Ill.

December 5, 1915, at Chicago, Ill.—MacDuff F.C., Chicago, Ill., 2; Hyde Park Blues F.C., Chicago, Ill., 2. Referee, W. Napier, Chicago, Ill.; delegate, Archibald Birse, Chicago, Ill.

February 20, 1915 (Replay)—Hyde Park Blues F.C., Chicago, Ill., forfeited to MacDuff F.C., Chicago, Ill.

DETROIT DISTRICT.

November 14, 1915, at Detroit, Mich.—Packard F.C., Detroit, Mich., 3; Detroit F.C., Detroit, Mich., 3. Referee, John B. Stark, Detroit, Mich.; delegate, George Healey, Detroit, Mich.

November 21, 1915, at Detroit, Mich. (Replay)—Packard F.C., Detroit, Mich., 2; Detroit F.C., Detroit, Mich., 0. Referee, John B. Stark, Detroit, Mich.; delegate, George Healey, Detroit, Mich.

November 14, 1915, at Detroit, Mich.—St. George F.C., Detroit, Mich., 7; Roses F.C., Detroit, Mich., 0. Referee, William Ferguson, Detroit, Mich.; delegate, Joseph Daniels, Detroit, Mich.

SECOND ROUND.

NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY DISTRICT.

December 12, 1915, at Federal League Park, Harrison, N. J.—West Hudson A.A., Harrison, N. J., 0; Yonkers F.C., Yonkers, N. Y., 0. Referee, Alex Burnside, Brooklyn, N. Y.; delegate, W. U. Baird, Yonkers, N. Y.

January 2, 1916, at Federal League Park, Harrison, N. J. (Replay)—West Hudson A.A., Harrison, N. J., 2; Yonkers F.C., Yonkers, N. Y., 0. Referee, Alex Burnside, Brooklyn, N. Y.; delegate, W. U. Baird, Yonkers, N. Y.

December 12, 1915, at Bayonne, N. J.—Babcock & Wilcox F.C., Bayonne, N. J., 3; Rochester City A.F.C., Rochester, N. Y., 0. Referee, T. Cunningham, Brooklyn, N. Y.; delegate, W. W. Davidson, Bayonne, N. J.

December 12, 1915, at Harlem Oval, New York City—Continental F.C., New York City, 3; I. R. T. Strollers F.C., New York City, 0. Referee, Charles E. Creighton, New York City; delegate, C. Ostrander, Brooklyn, N. Y.

December 12, 1915, at Marquette Oval, Brooklyn, N. Y.—Brooklyn Celtic F.C., Brooklyn, N. Y., 5; Jersey A.C., Jersey City, N. J., 4. Referee, George Caldicott, Woodhaven, L. I.; delegate, A. Clary, Brooklyn, N. Y.

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA DISTRICT.

December 11, 1915, at Bethlehem, Pa.—Bethlehem Steel Co. F.C., Bethlehem, Pa., 1; Disston A.A., Tacony, Philadelphia, Pa., 1. Referee, James Walders, Philadelphia, Pa.; delegate, H. W. Trend, Bethlehem, Pa.

December 25, 1915, at Tacony, Philadelphia, Pa. (Replay)—Bethlehem Steel Co. F.C., Bethlehem, Pa., 3; Disston A.A., Tacony, Philadelphia, Pa., 0. Referee, James Walders, Philadelphia, Pa.; delegate, H. W. Trend, Bethlehem, Pa.

December 11, 1915, at Marcus Hook, Pa.—Hibernian A.F.C., Philadelphia, Pa., 2; Viscose F.C., Marcus Hook, Pa., 2. Referee, John Walders, Philadelphia, Pa.; delegate, W. A. Barton, Marcus Hook, Pa.

December 25, 1915, at Philadelphia, Pa. (Replay)—Hibernian A.F.C., Philadelphia, Pa., 3; Viscose F.C., Marcus Hook, Pa., 3. Referee, John Walders, Philadelphia, Pa.; delegate, W. A. Barton, Marcus Hook, Pa.

January 1, 1916, at Philadelphia, Pa. (Replay)—Hibernian A.F.C., Philadelphia, Pa., 4; Viscose F.C., Marcus Hook, Pa., 1. Referee, John Walders, Philadelphia, Pa.; delegate, R. Bell, Philadelphia, Pa.

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA DISTRICT.

December 11, 1915, at Homestead, Pa.—Braddock F.C., Pittsburgh, Pa., 3; Beadling F.C., Beadling, Pa., 1. Referee, Frank Walters, Pittsburgh, Pa.; delegate, Ivor A. Hopkins, Swissvale, Pa.

MASSACHUSETTS DISTRICT.

December 11, 1915, at New Bedford, Mass.—New Bedford F.C., New Bedford, Mass., 1; New Bedford Celtic F.C., New Bedford, Mass., 0. Referee, George Lambie, Belmont, Mass.; delegate, John A. Fernley, Pawtucket, R. I.

December 11, 1915, at West Lynn, Mass.—Lynn Hibernian F.C., W. Lynn, Mass., 1; Boston-American F.C., Boston, Mass., 1. Referee, T. T. Ritchie, Lowell, Mass.; delegate, J. Gibson, Everett, Mass.

December 25, 1915, at W. Lynn, Mass. (Replay)—Lynn Hibernian F.C., W. Lynn, Mass., 3; Boston-American F.C., Boston, Mass., 0. Referee, T. T. Ritchie, Lowell, Mass.; delegate, J. Gibson, Everett, Mass.

December 25, 1915, at West Lynn, Mass.—General Electric F.C., Lynn, Mass., 2; Fore River F.C., Quincy, Mass., 1. Referee, F. Houghton, Lawrence, Mass.; delegate, J. T. Merchant, Boston, Mass.

December 25, 1915, at Fall River, Mass.—Fall River Rovers F.C., Fall River, Mass., 1; Pan-American F.C., Fall River, Mass., 0. Referee, William Taylor, Pawtucket, R. I.; delegate, P. Donnelly, Fall River, Mass.

CONNECTICUT DISTRICT.

December 12, 1915, at Bridgeport, Conn.—Bridgeport City A.F.C., Bridgeport, Conn., 3; Farr Alpaca F.C., Holyoke, Mass., 3. Referee, James Miller, New Haven, Conn.; delegate, Joe Booth, Bridgeport, Conn.

January 5, 1916 (Replay)—Farr Alpaca F.C., of Holyoke, Mass., forfeited to Bridgeport City A.F.C., Bridgeport, Conn.

RHODE ISLAND DISTRICT.

December 11, 1915, at Crompton, R. I.—Crompton F.C., Crompton, R. I., 2; J. & P. Coats F.C., Pawtucket, R. I., 1. Referee, George E. Mitchell, New Bedford, Mass.; delegate, Harry Sandager, Pawtucket, R. I.

CLEVELAND DISTRICT.

December 12, 1915, at Cleveland O.—Thistles F.C., Cleveland, O., 1; Cleveland A.F.C., Cleveland, O., 0. Referee, John B. Storrie, Cleveland, O.; delegate, James B. Smith, Cleveland, O.

CHICAGO DISTRICT.

February 27, 1916, at Chicago, Ill.—Pullman A.F.C., Chicago, Ill., 3; MacDuff F.C., Chicago, Ill., 1. Referee, Al Morris, Chicago, Ill.; delegate, Peter J. Peel, Chicago, Ill.

DETROIT DISTRICT.

December 12, 1915, at Packard Park, Detroit, Mich.—Packard F.C., Detroit, Mich., 2; St. George F.C., Detroit, Mich., 2. Referee, John B. Stark, Detroit, Mich.; delegate, George Healey, Detroit, Mich.

December 19, 1915, at West End Park, Detroit, Mich. (Replay)—Packard F.C., Detroit, Mich., 0; St. George F.C., Detroit, Mich., 0. Referee, John B. Stark, Detroit, Mich.; delegate, George Healey, Detroit, Mich.

January 9, 1916, at Packard Park, Detroit, Mich. (Replay)—Packard F.C., Detroit, Mich., 2; St. George F.C., Detroit, Mich., 1. Referee, John B. Stark, Detroit, Mich.; delegate, George Healey, Detroit, Mich.

THIRD ROUND.

NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY DISTRICT.

January 16, 1916, at Harlem Oval, New York City—Continental F.C., New York City, 1; Brooklyn Celtic F.C., Brooklyn, N. Y., 0. Referee, Alex Burnside, Brooklyn, N. Y.; delegate, C. Ostrander, Brooklyn, N. Y.

January 16, 1916, at Harrison, N. J.—West Hudson A.A., Harrison, N. J., 2; Babcock & Wilcox F.C., Bayonne, N. J., 1. Referee, Charles E. Creighton, New York City; delegate, William Patrick, Bayonne, N. J.

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA DISTRICT.

January 15, 1916, at Bethlehem, Pa.—Bethlehem Steel Co. F.C., Bethlehem, Pa., 6; Hibernian A.F.C., Philadelphia, Pa., 0. Referee, W. E. Hinds, Philadelphia, Pa.; delegate, H. W. Trend, Bethlehem, Pa.

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA AND CLEVELAND DISTRICT.

January 15, 1916, at Homestead, Pa.—Thistles F.C., Cleveland, O., 3; Braddock F.C., Pittsburgh, Pa., 1. Referee, D. M. Whyte, Brooklyn, N. Y.; delegate, Ivor A. Hopkins, Swissvale, Pa.

MASSACHUSETTS DISTRICT.

January 22, 1916, at Fall River, Mass.—Fall River Rovers F.C., Fall River, Mass., 4; Lynn Hibernian F.C., W. Lynn, Mass., 0. Referee, Robert Gore, Pawtucket, R. I.; delegate, P. Donnelly, Fall River, Mass.

January 29, 1916, at Lynn, Mass.—New Bedford F.C., New Bedford, Mass., 7; General Electric F.C., Lynn, Mass., 2. Referee, George Lambie, Belmont, Mass.; delegate, John A. Fernley, Pawtucket, R. I.

RHODE ISLAND AND CONNECTICUT DISTRICT.

January 16, 1916, at Crompton, R. I.—Bridgeport City A.F.C., Bridgeport, Conn., 2; Crompton F.C., Crompton, R.I., 0. Referee, William Taylor, Pawtucket, R. I.; delegate, George Ritchie, Providence, R. I.

CHICAGO AND MICHIGAN DISTRICT.

March 12, 1916, at Chicago, Ill.—Pullman A.F.C., Chicago, Ill., 2; Packard F.C., Detroit, Mich., 0. Referee, W. Napier, Chicago, Ill.; delegate, Archibald Birse, Chicago, Ill.

FOURTH ROUND.

CONNECTICUT AND NEW YORK DISTRICT.

March 5, 1916, at Bridgeport, Conn.—Continental F.C., New York City, 1; Bridgeport City A.F.C., Bridgeport, Conn., 0. Referee, Alex. Burnside, Brooklyn, N. Y.; delegate, Joe Booth, Bridgeport, Conn.

NEW JERSEY AND EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA DISTRICT.

April 2, 1916, at Federal League Park, Harrison, N. J.—Bethlehem Steel Co. F.C., Bethlehem, Pa., 1; West Hudson A.A., Harrison, N. J., 0. Referee, D. M. Whyte, Brooklyn, N. Y.; delegate, W. Davidson, Bayonne, N. J.

MASSACHUSETTS DISTRICT.

April 1, 1916, at New Bedford, Mass.—Fall River Rovers F.C., Fall River, Mass., 1; New Bedford F.C., New Bedford, Mass., 1. Referee, P. Houghton, Lawrence, Mass.; delegate, John A. Fernley, Pawtucket, R. I. Note—Extra time played.

April 8, 1916, at Fall River, Mass (Replay)—Fall River Rovers F.C., Fall River, Mass., 6; New Bedford F.C., New Bedford, Mass., 0. Referee, F. Houghton, Lawrence, Mass.; delegate, John A. Fernley, Pawtucket, R. I.

CLEVELAND AND CHICAGO DISTRICT.

March 19, 1916, at Cleveland, O.—Pullman A.F.C., Chicago, Ill., 3; Thistles F.C., Cleveland, O., 1. Referee, John B. Stark, Detroit, Mich.; delegate, James B. Smith, Cleveland, O.

SEMI-FINAL ROUNDS.

WESTERN DIVISION.

April 16, 1916, at Hyde Park Blues Oval, Chicago, Ill.—Bethlehem Steel Co. F.C., Bethlehem, Pa., 0; Pullman A.F.C., Chicago, Ill., 0. Referee, John B. Stark, Detroit, Mich.; delegate, T. W. Cahill, New York City; linesmen, Al Morris, Chicago, Ill., and Walter Napier, Chicago, Ill. Note—Extra time played.

April 22, 1916, at Lehigh University Stadium, S. Bethlehem, Pa. (Replay)—Bethlehem Steel Co. F.C., Bethlehem, Pa., 2; Pullman A.F.C., Chicago, Ill., 1. Referee, John B. Stark, Detroit, Mich.; delegate, T. W. Cahill, New York City; linesmen, J. H. Carpenter, Bethlehem, Pa., and James Walder, Philadelphia, Pa.

EASTERN DIVISION.

April 15, 1916, at Coats Field, Pawtucket, R. I.—Fall River Rovers F.C., Fall River, Mass., 1; Continental F.C., New York City, 0. Referee, George Lambie, Boston, Mass.; delegate, John A. Fernley, Pawtucket, R. I.; linesmen, Robert Gore, Pawtucket, R. I., and W. Taylor, Pawtucket, R. I. Note—Extra time played.

FINAL ROUND.

May 6, 1916, at Coats Field, Pawtucket, R. I.—Bethlehem Steel Co. F.C., Bethlehem, Pa., 1; Fall River Rovers F.C., Fall River, Mass., 0. Referee, David M. Whyte, Brooklyn, N. Y.; delegates, Andrew M. Brown, Yonkers, N. Y., and George M. Collins, Boston, Mass.; linesmen, Joe Booth, Bridgeport, Conn., and George E. Mitchell, New Bedford, Mass.

FINANCIAL STATISTICS SUMMARY.

Season 1915-1916.

Rounds.	Total Receipts.	To		Delegates		U.S.F.A. Net Gain.
		U.S.F.A.		Fees.	Exps.	
Qualifying	\$991.97	\$49.60 (5%)		\$18.00	\$7.30	\$24.30
First	3,107.05	310.66 (10%)		52.50	7.64	250.52
Second	3,328.35	332.92 (10%)		33.00	11.85	288.07
Third	1,087.00	108.70 (10%)		9.00	4.50	95.20
Fourth	2,712.80	271.28 (10%)		4.50	.73	266.05
Semi-finals	3,543.05	544.07 (1/3 Net Receipts)		544.07
Final	1,972.75	487.00 (1/3 Net Receipts)		487.00
	<u>\$16,742.97</u>	<u>\$2,104.23</u>		<u>\$117.00</u>	<u>\$32.02</u>	<u>\$1,955.21</u>

Total paid attendance for season, 67,970.

REINSTATEMENT COMMITTEE.

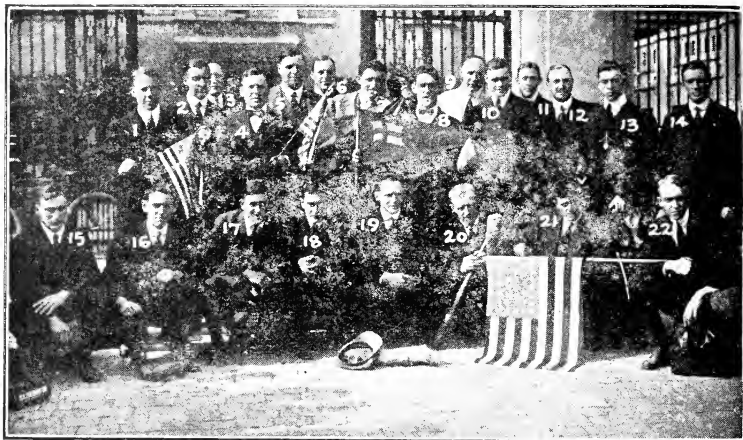
The Reinstatement Committee during the past season received and acted upon forty applications of professional players desiring reinstatement as amateurs. The committee approved thirty-six and rejected four. The revenue derived from the work of this committee amounted to \$36. The names and addresses of those reinstated are as follows:

1. By John Lone, New Jersey District, June 3, 1915, Dick Gibb, 265 Clifton Place, Brooklyn, N. Y.
2. By William Davidson, New Jersey District, July 23, 1915, Peter Sweeney, 34 West 17th Street, Bayonne, N. J.

3. By William Davidson, New Jersey District, August 13, 1915, Harry Neil, 1 Peach Street, Paterson, N. J.
4. By William Davidson, New Jersey District, August 26, 1915, John G. Stokes, 305 Grant Avenue, Kearny, N. J.
5. By William Davidson, New Jersey District, August 26, 1915, Samuel Bustard, 245 Hope Avenue, Passaic, N. J.
6. By William Davidson, New Jersey District, August 26, 1915, Urquhart Adamson, 47 Henderson Street, Paterson, N. J.
7. By O. Hemingway, Philadelphia District, August 28, 1915, William H. Matthews, 507 Broad Street, East Bethlehem, Pa.
8. By Joe Booth, Connecticut District, August 29, 1915, Robert James, 92 Harriet Street, Bridgeport, Conn.
9. By William Davidson, New Jersey District, September 14, 1915, John Ross, 91 Lexington Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.
10. By William Davidson, New Jersey District, September 15, 1915, Kenneth MacKay, 434 West 17th Street, New York City.
11. By G. M. Collins, Massachusetts District, September 15, 1915, Walter Warburton, 878 Western Avenue, Lynn, Mass.
12. By O. Hemingway, Philadelphia District, September 20, 1915, Arthur Newton, 139 South Lumber Street, Allentown, Pa.
13. By O. Hemingway, Philadelphia District, September 20, 1915, Frederick Smart, 3403 Tampa Street, Philadelphia, Pa.
14. By O. Hemingway, Philadelphia District, September 21, 1915, Clarence W. Griswold, 5913 North Mervine Street, Fern Rock.
15. By O. Hemingway, Philadelphia District, September 21, 1915, Willie Clegg, 3547 Ainslie Street, East Falls, Philadelphia, Pa.
16. By G. M. Collins, Massachusetts District, September 22, 1915, Donald Meldrum, 493 Quincy Avenue, East Braintree, Mass.
17. By O. Hemingway, Philadelphia District, September 24, 1915, William Alexander, 181 Fifth Avenue, Mainsonneuve, Mont., Can.
18. By O. Hemingway, Philadelphia District, September 30, 1915, Thomas H. Walder, 651 East Thayer Street, Philadelphia, Pa.
19. By O. Hemingway, Philadelphia District, September 30, 1915, Robert Robinson, 525 West Cornwall Street, Philadelphia, Pa.
20. By O. Hemingway, Philadelphia District, September 30, 1915, Fred Foster, 3019 North 7th Street, Philadelphia, Pa.
21. By O. Hemingway, Philadelphia District, September 30, 1915, George O. Grimditch, 127 East Allegheny Avenue, Philadelphia, Pa.
22. By William Davidson, New Jersey District, October 1, 1915, James Dimmack, 51 Quitman Street, Newark, N. J.
23. By Joe Booth, Connecticut District, October 1, 1915, George Bunning, Oneco, Conn.
24. By Joe Booth, Connecticut District, October 1, 1915, George Underwood, Oneco, Conn.
25. By William Davidson, New Jersey District, October 5, 1915, Archie Strain, 19 Kearny Avenue, Kearny, N. J.
26. By O. Hemingway, Philadelphia District, October 14, 1915, John O'Brien, 2939 North 3rd Street, Philadelphia, Pa.
27. By R. S. Burleigh, Western Pennsylvania District, October 18, 1915, Alex Blackwood, Turtle Creek P. O., Pa.
28. By R. S. Burleigh, Western Pennsylvania District, October 18, 1915, William Morrison, 6323 Howe Street, Pittsburgh, Pa.
29. By R. S. Burleigh, Western Pennsylvania District, October 18, 1915, James Whyte, 229 Eighth Street, Pittsburgh, Pa.
30. By R. S. Burleigh, Western Pennsylvania District, October 18, 1915, Thomas Young, 2422 Sidney Street, S. S., Pa.
31. By R. S. Burleigh, Western Pennsylvania District, October 18, 1915, Robert Boyle, 1023 Cliffe Street, Braddock, Pa.
32. By R. S. Burleigh, Western Pennsylvania District, October 18, 1915, John W. Lowther, 321 South Highland Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa.
33. By R. S. Burleigh, Western Pennsylvania District, October 18, 1915, Charles Howe, 337 Freeport Road, New Kensington, Pa.
34. By R. S. Burleigh, Western Pennsylvania District, October 18, 1915, James McHenry, Cherry Valley, Pittsburgh, Pa.
35. By R. S. Burleigh, Western Pennsylvania District, October 19, 1915, James Brown, 2113 Locust Street, Swissvale, Pa.
36. By William Davidson, New Jersey District, October 21, 1915, Jaek Conlon, 3 Hoyt Street, Kearny, N. J.



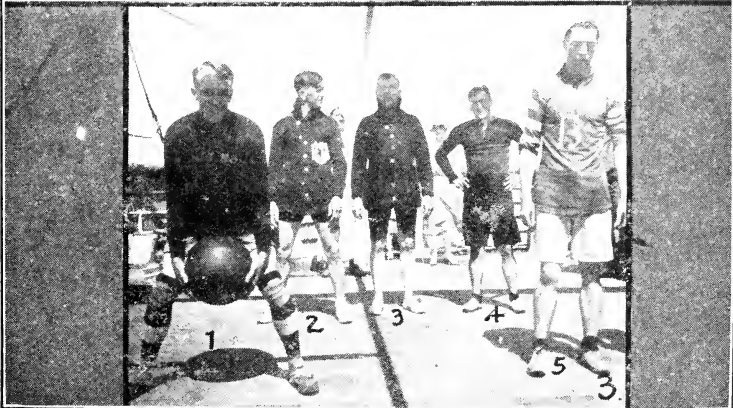
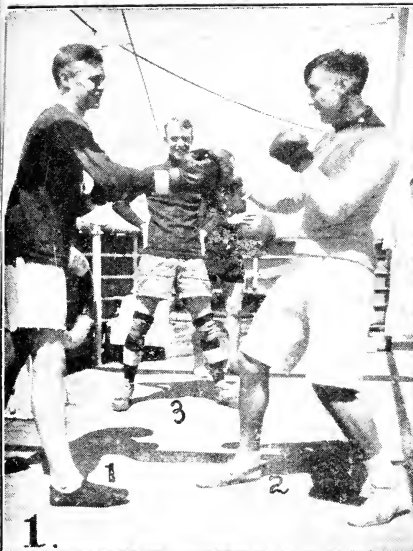
1. Tintle, All-America goal-keeper, in great effort to prevent first goal scored by Swedes in game of August 24, 1916, wherein tourists met their only defeat. 2. In attack on All-America goal, the forward of Swedish team is just beaten for ball by Neil G. Clarke, center half, through great headwork of American player. Jumping into the air, Clarke cleared the ball with his head in magnificent style, thereby preventing the Swedes from scoring.



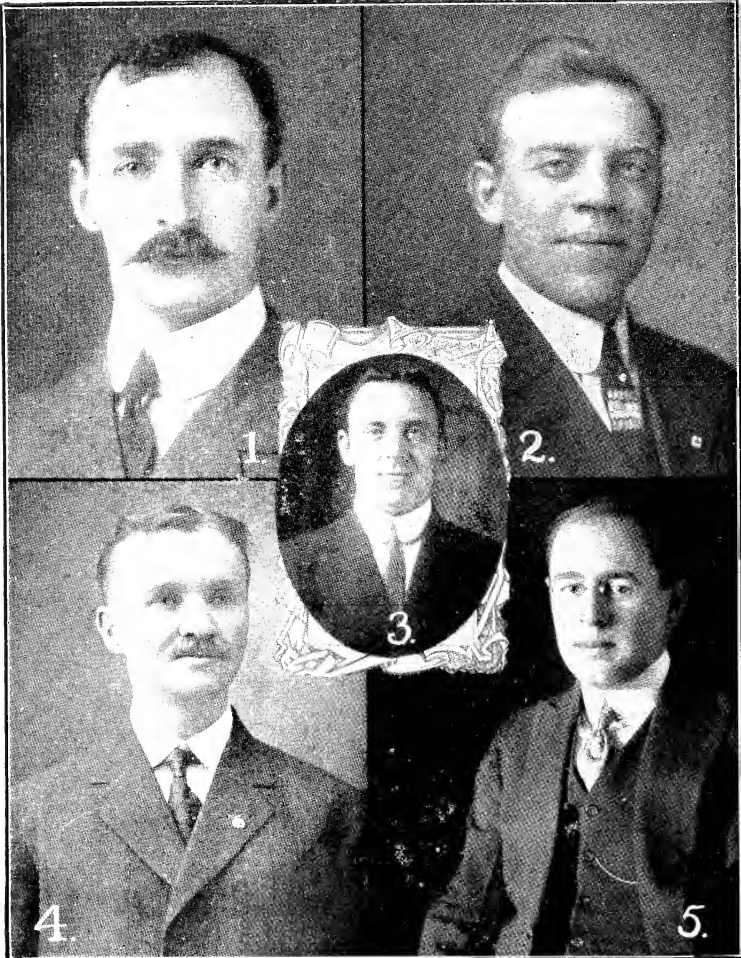
AMERICAN FOOTBALL TEAM AT VASTERAS, SWEDEN.
August 17, 1916.
Guests of Mr. J. S. Edstrom and the Vasteras Base Ball Club.



STADIUM AT STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN.
This photo shows a part of the 20,000 spectators that witnessed the contest on August 15, 1916. Ernie Hjertberg (in ring) is shown leading the cheering.



(1) American boxing on board Frederick VIII—1, Diederichsen; 2, Spalding; 3, G. Tittle, Referee. (2) 1, J. S. Edstrom, Vasteras, Sweden; 2, K. Schwenson, Copenhagen, who trained with American players on shipboard en route to Scandinavia. (3) American team throwing the medicine ball on shipboard.



(1) Douglas Stewart, Philadelphia, Pa., First Vice-President United States Football Association; President Football Association of Eastern Pennsylvania and District. (2) George Healey, Second Vice-President United States Football Association; President Michigan State Soccer Association, 1914-16. (3) George M. Collins, Boston, Mass., Third Vice-President United States Football Association; Secretary Northern Massachusetts and New Hampshire State Football Association. (4) Archibald Birse, Chicago, Ill., Treasurer United States Football Association, 1913-17. (5) Albert W. Keane, New Bedford, Mass., Chairman National Challenge Cup Competition Committee of the United States Football Association, 1915-16.



(1) Dr. James A. Babbitt, Haverford College, Chairman Committee on Association Football Rules of the National Collegiate Athletic Association; Toastmaster at Annual Dinner of the United States Football Association, held at Hotel Walton, Philadelphia, Pa., May 29, 1916. (2) Major A. B. De Saullles, President Blue Mountain Soccer League, 1914-15.



GEORGE W. ORTON,
University of Pennsylvania,
Secretary Committee on Association Football Rules of the National Collegiate
Athletic Association; Editor Spalding's Official College
Soccer Football Guide.

APPEALS COMMITTEE.

The Appeals Committee has held four meetings since June, 1915, viz.: June 30, 1915; July 25, 1915; December 19, 1915, at New York City, and February 12, 1916, at Boston, Mass., and heard and acted on three matters brought before it as follows:

Appeal of the officers and delegates of the American League of Association Football Clubs of Philadelphia, Pa. from the decision of the Football Association of Eastern Pennsylvania and District. The hearing and action on this appeal required the two meetings of June 30 and July 25, 1915, and was decided by reversing the decision of the Football Association of Eastern Pennsylvania and District as to the delegates and sustaining it as to the officers, and the fee of \$25 was ordered forfeited by the appellants.

Appeal of Columbia Oval F.C. from the decision of the American Football Association. This appeal was heard and acted on December 19, 1915, and not sustained, but it was ordered that the costs of the appeal should be borne by the Brooklyn Celtic F.C.

Appeal of Archibald Birse from decision of Peel Challenge Cup Commission was heard and acted on February 12, 1916, and sustained—the suspension being lifted—the Peel Challenge Cup Commission required to immediately formulate and submit a proper set of rules governing the organization and that the expenses incident to the appeal be borne by the parties, in the proportion of one-third by Archibald Birse and two-thirds by the Peel Challenge Cup Commission.

The expenses of this committee amounted to \$35.19.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The Finance Committee during the past season has assisted the treasurer in a most creditable manner and as all bills have had to have their approval before being allowed, it can be readily seen that this committee's duties have been very responsible. The treasurer's report will demonstrate how faithfully they have performed their duties.

RULES REVISION COMMITTEE.

This committee will submit its report to the Council on May 29.

OLYMPIC ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL COMMITTEE.

No meeting. No report.

NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL GAMES COMMITTEE.

No meeting. No report.

I cannot close my report without extending my highest compliments to the Bethlehem Steel Company Football Club, winners of the National Challenge Cup for second successive year. A cleaner and more sportsmanlike club could not be organized than this one, and while throughout the entire contest a high general average of sportsmanship was maintained, the experience of the Cup Committee with the Bethlehem Steel Company F.C. has been of the pleasantest. Neither this year nor in the preceding one was there ever the slightest complaint made against the club, its management, or any of its players for any infraction of the rules, intentional or accidental. The Bethlehem club is a team of champions of which the United States Football Association can well be proud.

In conclusion, I wish to sincerely thank my associate officers and all of the members of this Council for the hearty co-operation I have had from them in the conduct of the affairs of my office during this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS W. CAHILL,
Hon. Secretary U.S.F.A.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

THE OFFICERS, DELEGATES AND COUNCIL OF THE U.S.F.A.

CHICAGO, ILL., May 16, 1916.

I have pleasure in submitting this, the third annual report of the finances of our national body. The handsome balance remaining in our treasury will be gratifying to the entire membership. To my mind, the perfect and prompt service rendered by Secretary Cahill to this department of our body cannot be excelled.

Respectfully submitted,

ARCHIBALD BIRSE,

Treasurer.

RECAPITULATION.

Receipts	\$4,683.30
Disbursements	2,270.58

Balance on hand, May 16, 1916.....	\$2,412.72
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ARCHIBALD BIRSE, Treasurer.

HERBERT R. BURROWS,

JOHN C. SOUTTER,

U.S.F.A. Auditors.

U. S. F. A. ANNUAL BANQUET.

BY DOUGLAS STEWART, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

The third annual banquet of the United States Football Association was held on the night of May 29, 1916, at the Hotel Walton in Philadelphia. It was given under the auspices of the Football Association of Eastern Pennsylvania and District. The toastmaster was Dr. James A. Babbitt of Haverford College, Secretary of the Association Football Committee of the National Collegiate Athletic Association. His remarks in opening the speaking for the evening were interesting and to the point, and his remarks on introducing the various speakers stamped him as a toastmaster of a high degree.

H. Edgar Lewis was to have responded to the toast of the United States Football Association, but owing to illness Mr. Roberts took his place and made a very interesting address.

Professor John D. Mahoney of West Philadelphia High School responded to the toast of Philadelphia in a manner which made all Philadelphians proud of him and those not of Philadelphia glad to have heard him. Professor H. R. Reiter of Lehigh University responded to the toast of Athletics, his remarks going to show the beneficial effect of athletics in the physical and mental upbuilding of a man and particularly its effect on his will and his moral courage.

Rowland A. Patterson of New York City responded to the toast of Public School Athletics. He showed what a remarkable improvement had taken place in the development—physically, mentally and morally—of the children in the various public schools into which athletics had been properly introduced and maintained.

George S. Graham, Sporting Editor of *The North American*, responded to the toast of the Press and showed in an amusing, but none the less enlightening, manner why everybody couldn't always get what they wanted into the paper and why the newspapers really couldn't devote the whole of their sporting space to association football.

President John A. Fernley presented the National Challenge Cup to the Bethlehem team and the winners and runners-up medals to the appropriate players. Other speeches of much interest were those of Peter J. Peel of Chicago, Mayor de Saulles of Bethlehem and Mr. Hershey of Allentown, after which the diners settled down to a concert of vocal and instrumental music, which lasted into the small hours of the morning, and everybody felt good and happy.

National Challenge Cup Final, 1915-16

BY HARRY SANDAGER, PAWTUCKET, R. I.

BETHLEHEM STEEL WORKS OF BETHLEHEM, PA., 1; ROVERS OF FALL RIVER, MASS., 0.

Now that the tumult and the shouting has died out and the trouble which marked the final of the National Challenge Cup competition in Pawtucket, R. I., on May 6, 1916, is fast fading into oblivion, officers of the United State Football Association look back upon the scene through rose-colored glasses. Like true optimists, they maintain that the very fact that Referee David M. Whyte was mobbed is proof positive of the constantly increasing interest in soccer, for the crowd of 10,000 people which watched the Bethlehem Steel Works eleven defeat the Rovers of Fall River, Mass., so far surpassed expectations that the management neglected to provide adequate police protection.

It is indeed to be regretted that so hard fought a game should have had its 1-0 score made possible through the medium of a penalty kick, and inasmuch as Referee Whyte escaped from the angry Fall River rooters with nothing worse than a torn shirt and a fisticuff or two, the experience may teach the U.S.F.A. officials a lesson on how to handle big games hereafter.

There is no question but that the best team won. The Rovers not once in the ninety minutes of play forced a corner. But it is a pity that at least one of the three goals that Bethlehem missed earlier in the game could not have stood as the deciding score. No less than thrice Bethlehem forwards drove shots against the crossbar or uprights, but the goal that won the game came when Charley Burns charged Neil Clarke inside the penalty area ten minutes from time. Burns bowled Clarke over as he leaped into the air to head the ball and on the resultant penalty Fleming whipped the sphere past Albin for the deciding tally.

This score so angered the 2,000 Fall River rooters present that anybody with half an eye could see that there would be trouble when the game was over, as the police during the last ten minutes of play had to enlist the services of civilians to keep the excited crowd back from the lines.

The fans came to Pawtucket from all parts of New England by autos, train and electric cars, and soon they created a jam at the box offices so great that hundreds clambered over the fence, not so much to evade fare as to get a vantage point before the best seats were gone. The gatemen found it impossible to keep pace with the rush and a good many dollars strayed away from the U.S.F.A. coffers because of the unpreparedness.

The game was started promptly at 3.30 o'clock. Lieutenant-Governor San Souci began the contest by marching from the sidelines with the ball in his hands. He gave it to Referee Whyte, who placed it in position, and the game was on. The Rovers had won the toss, so Clarke kicked off for Bethlehem. The first kick-off was a false start, however, for Swords was in motion before the ball left Clarke's foot. Whyte called the teams back and the next time everybody was onside and the bitter battle for the cup was on.

Bethlehem in the first half exhibited by far the better teamwork and had all the advantage. Shortly after the kick-off Dalton gave Duncan a save, but that was the only time in the forty-five minutes that the big Scotchman handled the ball except to place it for a goal kick. The Rovers had to fight tooth and nail to keep the ball out of their net, but they were equal to the emergency, although three times luck alone saved a score. Neil Clarke twice hit the uprights, and once, after some clever passing with Clarke and Fleming, Butler drove a cannon-ball shot against the crossbar. The Bethlehem forwards pressed constantly, but near the goal their game lacked execution. They were too methodical about it and the Rovers found it easy to stop them. They were further handicapped in the first half by an injury to Campbell, who bumped into Bouchard of the Rovers, and was compelled

to leave the field. After the wound had been bandaged, however, he re-entered the game and soon was himself again.

In the second half the Rovers showed a big improvement in their play, but they didn't have the punch when they got near the goal, and Duncan had precious little to do, despite the persistent efforts of Swords and Sullivan. As the time limit approached the game grew rougher and rougher. Just before the play that decided the contest Sullivan was penalized for an illegal charge. On the free kick that followed the Bethlehem forwards came down the field, and as the ball was lifted in the air Clarke jumped and attempted to head it into the net. Charley Burns threw himself against the Bethlehem center and sent him rolling over and over upon the turf. Whyte's whistle shrilled sharply and a silence fell over the fans. Then, as they saw the referee place the ball in position for a penalty kick and they watched how the Rovers crowded around him, protesting vehemently, the Fall River faction shrieked its disapproval.

There was another silence as Fleming prepared to take the kick, and when the sphere went humming into the net there was a wild yell from the Bethlehem sympathizers and a medley of hoots and groans from the Fall River fans, who worked themselves up into a perfect frenzy of rage in the last ten minutes of play that might well have boded ill for Whyte had not the players surrounded him and fought their way off the field to the clubhouse at the end of the contest.

It was an unfortunate termination to a splendid game. Nobody likes to see a game lost on a penalty kick, but to the credit of Secretary Harold Crook of the Rovers he it said that he was among the first to congratulate the winners, and did so with an absence of bitterness that was in marked contrast to the excited Spindle City rooters.

The line-up:

Bethlehem (1).	Position.	Rovers (0).
Duncan	Goal.....	Albin
Fletcher	Right Full-back.....	Booth
Ferguson	Left Full-back.....	C. Burns
Murray	Right Half-back.....	F. Burns
Campbell	Center Half-back.....	Bouchard
Morrison (captain)	Left Half-back.....	Stone
McDonald	Outside Right.....	Morgan
Pepper	Inside Right.....	Sullivan
Clarke	Center Forward.....	Dalton
Butler	Inside Left.....	Swords (captain)
Fleming	Outside Left.....	Garant

Goal—Fleming. Referee—David M. Whyte, president of National Referees' Union. Linesmen—Booth of Bridgeport, Conn., and Mitchell of New Bedford. Time of halves—45 minutes.

Bethlehem Steel Company Football Club

BY H. W. TREND, SECRETARY.

*Officers—Bethlehem Steel Company Athletic Committee—*Chairman, W. F. Roberts; vice-chairman, W. H. Bischoff; secretary-treasurer, A. N. Roberts; member, H. E. Lewis; base ball, S. T. Harleman, R. A. Lewis, W. J. Priestley, E. T. Fonda.

CLUB RECORD.

Champions of the United States.

Winners of National Challenge Trophy, 1915-1916.

American Cup Winners, 1914-1916.

*Team—*H. Edgar Lewis, manager; H. W. Trend, secretary; R. Morrison, captain; T. C. Fleming, vice-captain; W. Duncan, S. Fletcher, J. Ferguson, L. Murray, J. Campbell, N. A. Clarke, G. McKelvey, S. MacDonald, F. Pepper, D. Brown, P. Butler, R. Scaife, J. Wilson, R. Graham, J. Dean and J. Lance.

RECORD OF THE TEAM, 1915-1916.

Date.	Opponents.	Kind of game.	Where played.	Goals Beth.	Goals Opp.
1915.					
Sept.	25—West Hudson F.C.	Exhibition	Home	1	0
Oct.	6—Hibernian F.C.	Exhibition	Home	5	1
"	9—Columbia F.C.	Exhibition	Home	7	0
"	16—Boys' Club	League game	Home	3	0
"	23—Victor Talking Machine Co.	League game	Away	10	0
"	30—Hibernian F.C.	First round A. Cup	Home	6	0
Nov.	6—Allentown Y.M.C.A.	Exhibition	Home	4	0
"	13—Bethlehem East End F.C.	First round N. Cup	Home	9	0
"	20—Disston F.C.	League game	Away	1	2
"	25—Pick of Blue Mountain League	Exhibition	Home	4	3
Dec.	4—Ranger F.C.	League game	Home	2	0
"	11—Disston F.C.	Second round N. Cup	Home	1	1
"	25—Disston F.C.	*Second round N. Cup	Away	3	0
1916.					
Jan.	9—Boys' Club	League game	Away	5	0
"	15—Hibernian F.C.	Third round N. Cup	Home	6	0
"	22—Hibernian F.C.	Exhibition	Away	1	0
"	29—Clan MacDonald F.C.	Second round A. Cup	Home	2	0
Feb.	12—Ranger F.C.	League game	Home	13	0
"	19—Victor Talking Machine Co.	†League game	Home	—	—
Mar.	25—Pick of Blue Mountain League	Exhibition	Home	5	3
Apr.	2—West Hudson F.C.	Fourth round N. Cup	Away	1	0
"	16—Pullman of Chicago	Semi-final N. Cup	Away	0	0
"	22—Pullman of Chicago	*Semi-final N. Cup	Home	2	1
"	24—Hibernian F.C.	League game	Away	4	1
"	30—Jersey City F.C.	Third round A. Cup	Away	5	0
May	6—Fall River Rovers	Final N. Cup	Away	1	0
"	11—Disston F.C.	League game	Home	2	1
"	13—Hibernian F.C.	League game	Home	7	0
"	20—Fall River Rovers	Semi-final A. Cup	Away	3	1
"	27—Disston F.C.	*League game	Away	0	0
June	10—Scottish-Americans	Final A. Cup	Home	3	0
	Total			116	14

*Replay. **Play-off. †Forfeit to Bethlehem.

When the sporting annual records for this year are made up the compilers will record for the first time an achievement in soccer or association

football that has never before been accomplished by the same team. The eleven represents the Bethlehem Steel Company, one of the greatest eleven ever organized in this country. They not only captured the National Challenge Cup but also the American Football Association Cup. The twofold victory of the steel workers was not only a great triumph for the member of the team and its officers, but also a reward of effort, a deserving reward that comes to those who devote their time and effort for the advancement of good, clean athletics, the foundation on which the Athletic Committee of the Bethlehem Steel Company is building all its branches of athletics.

The remarkable feat accomplished during the season just closed, namely the winning of the National and American trophies, gives them the title of undisputed champions of America, which is very gratifying to the officials of the Bethlehem Steel Company and its Athletic Committee, and also the followers of the Bethlehems, who royally supported their champions throughout the entire soccer season. The remarkable success of the Bethlehem Steel Company team can be attributed to three things: first, the painstaking efforts and sound judgment of its manager, H. Edgar Lewis; second, the careful and consistent training of the team, coupled with the harmony that existed among the members at all times; third, the untiring work of those in charge and the constant publicity of the game.

The record of thirty-one games played with only one defeat is all the more wonderful when one stops to consider that a great many of the cup games were played away from home, the team in many instances being forced to travel hundreds of miles before playing these very important matches. The season opened on August 1, 1915, on which date Bethlehem Steel played a picked team of Philadelphia professionals at Point Breeze, and closed on June 10, 1916, when the final for the American Cup was played, ending one of the longest and hardest seasons in the history of the Bethlehem Club.

Much of the success of the team is due to Mr. C. M. Schwab, the steel magnate, who is a firm believer in the theory that "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy," so he encourages athletics among his 25,000 employees. In order to more fully provide proper facilities, Mr. Schwab has just caused to be laid out an athletic field, on which will be expended \$150,000 in providing the handsome grandstands, field house with gymnasium, quarter-mile track, soccer field, base ball field, tennis courts, etc. The field was formally presented to the employees of the company by President Eugene G. Grace on June 24, 1916, before ten thousand people who attended the ceremonies. This athletic field is one of the most modern and most expensive of its kind any industrial concern has furnished for its employees. While Mr. Schwab has provided the financial end, yet the real credit for the great success of the champion soccer team is attributed to the efforts of H. E. Lewis, the manager, a man who stands for only that which is just and right. He has gained the admiration and friendship of all with whom he has come in contact. He has a great faculty for picking out a star player and also displays great ability in getting out of the men the best that is in them. Another very noticeable feature of the team is their clean playing.

The personnel of the Bethlehem Steel team comprises Scotch, English, Irish and American-born players. For several years this eleven has played together, except for an occasional change when a new star was added to the list. The players receive no remuneration for playing, however; they all occupy good positions in the steel plant and are given time to practice and make the long trips which are necessary in the various cup competitions.

The individual goal averages of the players for the season are: Fleming 17, Brown 17, Clarke 17, Pepper 16, MacDonald 9, Graham 5, Miller 5, Murray 5, McKelvey 4, Dean 3, Butler 3, Lance 3, Fletcher 1, Morrison 1, Camoletti 1, Opponents 3.

Work and Needs of United States Football Association

BY DOUGLAS STEWART, FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT.

The year ending on May 29, 1916, can, without doubt, be marked down as a period of progress in the history of the United States Football Association. The conduct of affairs indicates that the association is commencing to find itself and more or less grasp the nature of the problems which exist in the proper government of the game of association football in the United States. This condition is undoubtedly due, in some degree, to the general improvement in the personnel of the Council, which is waking up to the necessity of taking a broader and more impersonal view of things than has hitherto existed. This of course is beneficial, not only to the game, but its government, and it is believed the members of the association will see the wisdom of sending only their best men as delegates to the Council.

The conduct of the meetings shows improvement, but there is room for still greater and much improvement. There is too much time taken up in the discussion of details which should be handled only by committees, thereby leaving insufficient time for the discussion of matters of national import, and the president should find it unnecessary to go into the details of any matter at the meeting—this is a prerogative of the members of the Council.

The committees appointed to handle matters brought before them should be capable of handling these matters in the best possible way and should be of such caliber as to command the respect and confidence of the other members of the Council. These committees should give full reports of their proceedings at the meetings of the Council so that the Council can grasp the purport and effect of the action of the committees, and any recommendations made by them be received with respect.

The National Challenge Cup Committee seems to have handled all matters within its jurisdiction in a capable and successful manner and strictly in accordance with the rules.

The Appeals Committee has apparently handled all business brought before it in a satisfactory manner, but the procedure of the Appeals Committee is as yet a rather indefinite quantity. By certain amendments incorporated in the rules at the annual meeting the work of the committee will be facilitated, but there yet remains the necessity of a better understanding of the nature of the work of this committee among the members of the association. Business brought before it should be done in such a manner that the members of the committee should not be obliged to patiently listen for hours to more or less disjointed and disconnected arguments as to the merits of a case before they glean a knowledge of the facts. The idea seems to prevail that the Appeals Committee is a mere trial board, instead of the legal committee of the association, and that it is proper for the contestants to bring all their witnesses and have the case fully tried before the committee. Undoubtedly, in the present condition of the government of the game, this is more or less necessary.

The State or district associations, however, should be so organized that appealable cases will be carefully and thoroughly tried by them and a complete record of the proceedings sent to the Appeals Committee so that it could go over the facts and the evidence adduced in support thereof, and when the Appeals Committee meets let it be for discussion and deliberation of the case presented to it and the hearing of any additional information required by it. The real procedure is perhaps a trifle too altruistic for a football organization, but it is, nevertheless, the proper way to handle such a matter. It would have the effect of causing the parties to be very careful in their actions and give them the opportunity to think twice before the matter came to the Appeals Committee. Decisions given by State associations are not usually given with the degree of care such matters warrant and the average appellant should be taught to realize that an appeal to the

United States Football Association is not such a simple matter as protesting a game. Of course the Appeals Committee procedure should not be made so expensive that an appeal would be prohibitive, yet there is no reason why the United States Football Association should be put to a great deal of trouble and expense simply because State associations do not take the trouble to properly handle their own affairs.

The Rules and Revision Committee is a body which has not distinguished itself during the past year by a full and proper exercise of its functions. The rules governing every member should be passed upon by this committee and no association admitted to membership before the committee has passed on its rules and found them to conform to the requirements of the rules of the United States Football Association. Also any proposed changes of the rules of the U.S.F.A. should be submitted to it from time to time and their adoption be dependent on the approval of the Rules and Revision Committee. In other words, any proposed changes or new laws should be sent to this committee sufficiently far ahead of the annual meeting to enable the committee to go carefully into the matter of the propriety or fitness of the proposed changes or additions, and publish them in time for consideration by the members of the Council before the meeting, so that the adoption of the recommendations of the committee would be more or less of a formality unless where vital principles were involved and required discussion and consideration by the Council as a whole. The other committees seem to have handled the work allotted to them in a satisfactory manner.

The problem of adequate representation on the Council of the various State or district associations has been partially met by the provision that each State or district shall have but one governing body and that these State or district associations shall have representation on the Council in proportion to their membership. The problem of cup competitions holding direct affiliation with the U.S.F.A. will straighten itself out in time.

With the game developing as it is the new method of representation will before long be found inadequate, and it will then be necessary to divide the country into divisions, say of Eastern, Middle and Western and perhaps Southern; the State or district associations holding direct membership in these divisional associations and the divisional associations making up the membership of the United States Association.

Insufficient propaganda work is done by the association among the schools and colleges. Who ever, among any of the high schools, preparatory schools or colleges, hears or knows of the existence of the United States Association at all, to say nothing of its doing anything for the game? Extremely few. The average member is too much taken up with the present—the imported player—nursing him along in such a manner that the average player always asks how much there is in it for him when he is asked to play, and properly so; because, if he were not pandered to as he is, the thought would not occur to him. The managers and those responsible for the managers do not seem to realize that they are missing golden opportunities; take the money they so freely spend on their imported pets and spend it on the American boy in such a way that he will learn how to play the game properly and well and, when he is old enough, fight for and make his place on a team, glad of the opportunity to play by reason of the real, healthy satisfaction, mentally and physically, that he gets out of the game. It is the duty of the U.S.F.A. to see that this spirit is encouraged in every way. Cups are not very expensive things; let the U.S.F.A. put up cups for inter-class competition at schools and colleges. In that way the youngsters will learn of the U.S.F.A. and what it is doing for the game, and when they get away from their school or college and keep on playing with some team or other they will always bear in mind the U.S.F.A. with what it is for and what it does.

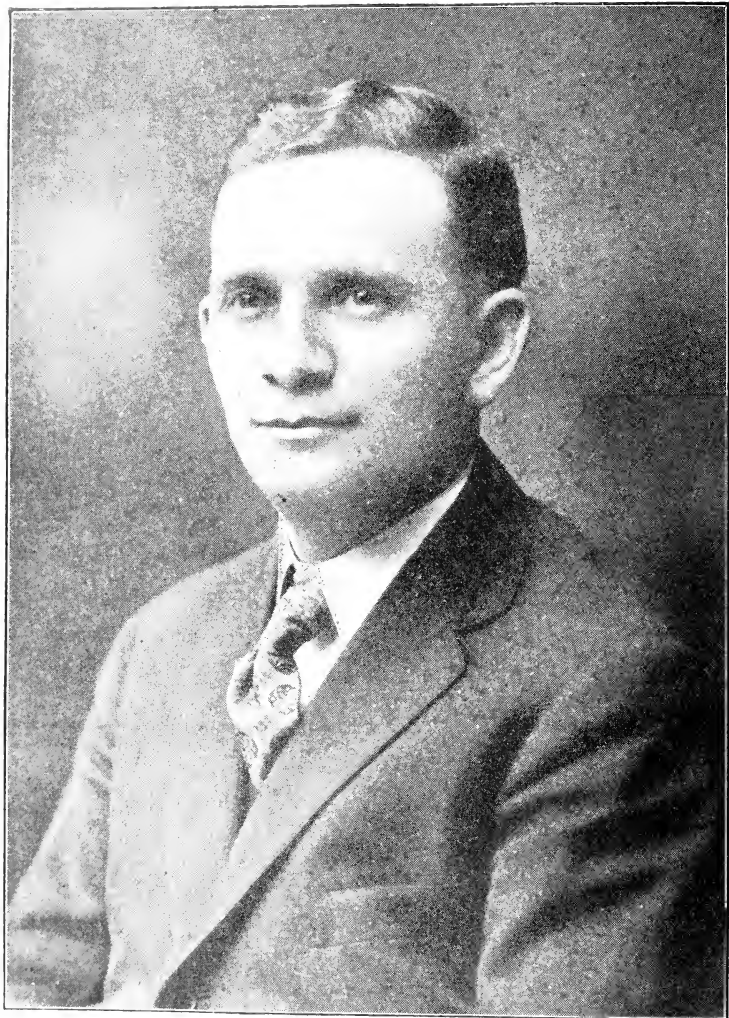
I am also of the opinion that the U.S.F.A. should run more than one cup competition; let it run divisional competitions, at present, eastern and middle divisions, with committees mainly selected from the particular divisions, with, say, one member of the National Challenge Cup Committee on each, and let the winners and runners-up in these divisional competitions play each other for the National Challenge Cup. This, however, is a matter which will doubtless receive attention before the next season has passed.



E. G. GRACE.

President of the Bethlehem Steel Company, who recently presented the new \$150,000 Athletic Field and its splendid equipment to the employees of the company. Mr. Grace has done considerable in the way of welfare work for his employees, and this is only one of many such thoughts that he has encouraged. Himself a great athlete, having captained his university base ball team, he follows with keen interest the contests of the employees of his company, and has done much good for soccer.

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H. E. LEWIS,

Manager Bethlehem Football Club of Bethlehem, Pa., Soccer Champions of the United States, Seasons 1911-15-16, to whom belongs the honor of making Soccer the premier autumn, winter and spring sport in the Lehigh Valley, and who built up a national championship team in three years. He is one of the most valuable of the numerous earnest workers in the United States Football Association.



JOHN M. HERBIG

DIED DECEMBER 22, 1915

BY H. W. TREND.

The sudden death of John M. Herbig, which occurred on Wednesday evening, December 22, at Mr. Schwab's Yuletide Dinner which he gives annually to his lieutenants, was a sad blow both to the Steel Company and the athletic world. Mr. Herbig had just concluded his address at the banquet before midnight when he was stricken with heart failure, which proved fatal. He was connected with the Bethlehem Steel Company for a period of twenty-five years, and at the time of his death was superintendent of machine shops, in charge of all heavy and light ordnance work. He took great interest in athletics and was president of the Athletic Committee of the Bethlehem Steel Company; also took much pride in the Steel Company soccer team, national champions.

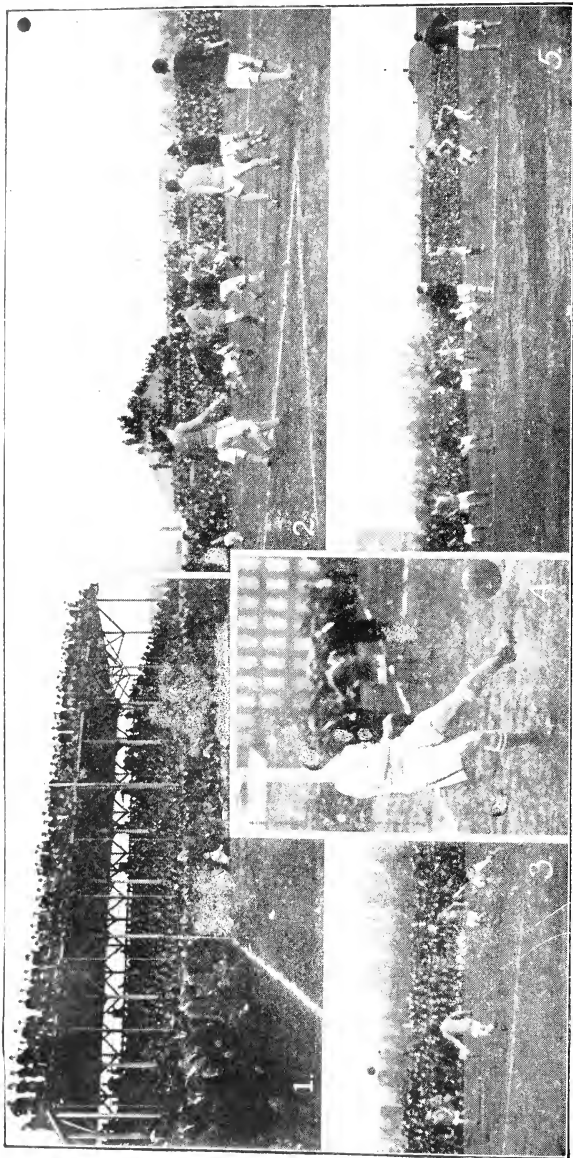


UNITED STATES FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION NATIONAL CHALLENGE CUP
COMPETITION TROPHY.
Emblematic of the Soccer Championship of the United States. Won by Bethlehem
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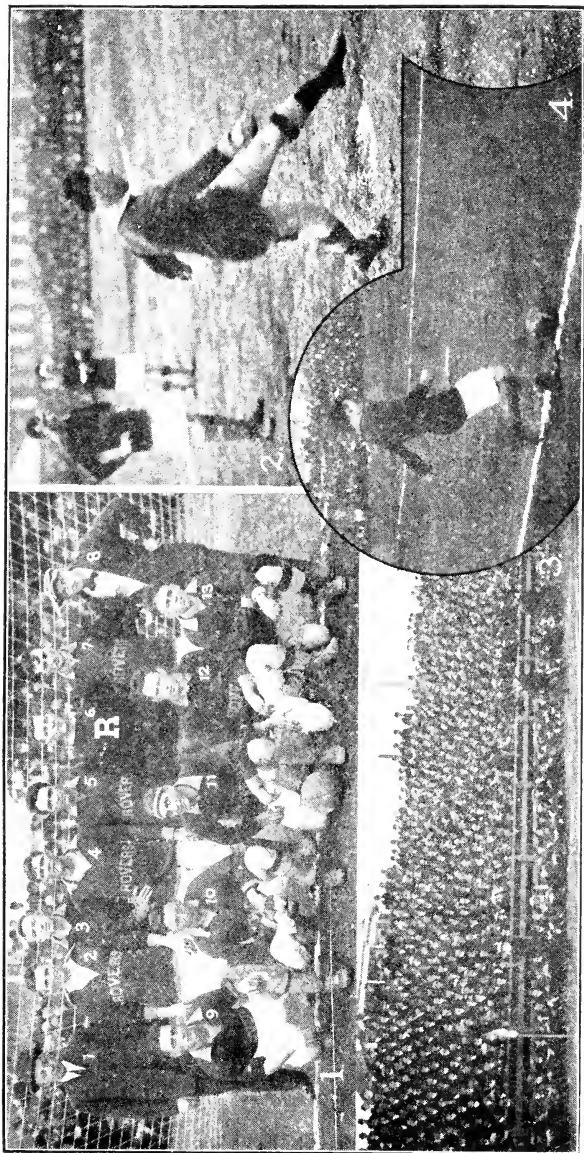


H. W. TREND,
Bethlehem, Pa.,

Secretary Bethlehem Steel Company Football Club and an effective force behind
the development of the champions.



1, Corner of grand stand at Coats' Field; 2, 3, 4 and 5, Incidents of play.
NATIONAL CHALLENGE CUP FINAL, PAWTUCKET, R. I., MAY 6, 1916.



1, Fall River Rovers, runners-up; 2 and 4, Incidents of play; 3, Section of the grand stand at Coats' Field, giving an idea of the great throng that witnessed the game.

NATIONAL CHALLENGE CUP FINAL, PAWTUCKET, R. I., MAY 6, 1916.



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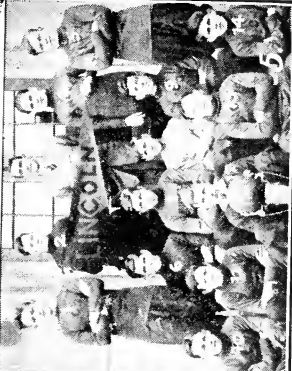
WILBUR CUP, EMBLEMATIC OF THE SOCCER CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE BLUE MOUNTAIN SOCCER LEAGUE OF BETHLEHEM, PA.



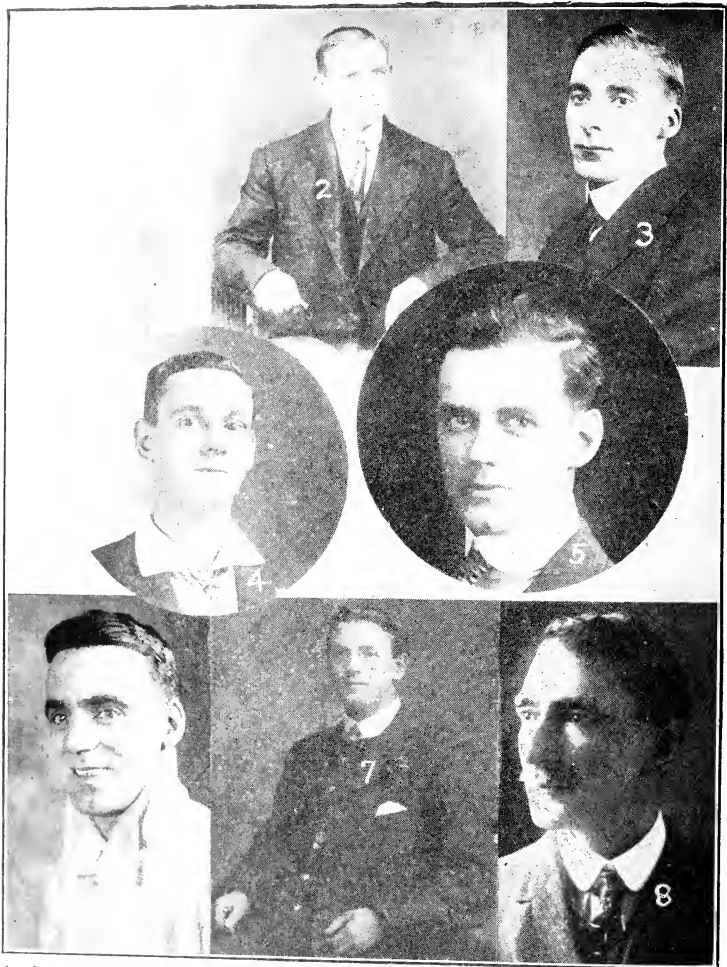
(1) David M. Whyte, President United States Referees' Union; Referee United States Football Association Final, Bethlehem (Pa.) Steel Company vs. Fall River Mass.) Rovers, played at Coats Field, Pawtucket, R. I., May 6, 1916. (2) A. Mercer Addison, President Philadelphia Referees' Association; First Vice-President United States Referees' Union. (3)—1, James Walders, Linesman, Philadelphia, Pa.; 2, John B. Stark, Referee, Detroit, Mich.; 3, John H. Carpenter, Linesman, Bethlehem, Pa.; Officials for the Replay of the Semi-final National Challenge Cup Tie Game, Lehigh University Stadium, South Bethlehem, Pa., April 22, 1916. Bethlehem (Pa.) F.C., 2; Pullman A.F.C., Chicago, Ill., 1.



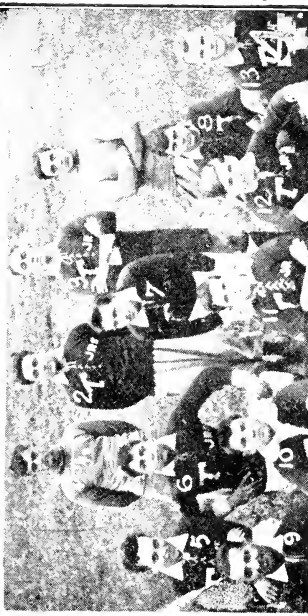
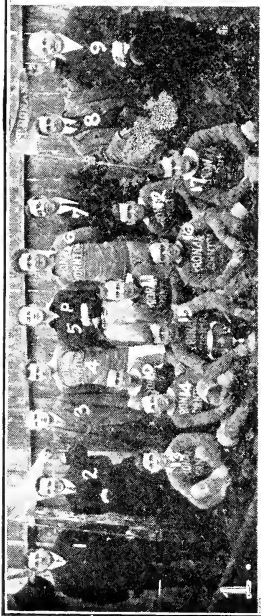
1, George Good, Naugatuck, Conn.; President Connecticut State Football Association. 2, Joe Booth, Bridgeport, Conn.; the Connecticut Live Wire; Secretary Connecticut State Football Association; Secretary Connecticut State League; Secretary Bridgeport Junior League; Secretary Bridgeport Schoolboys' League. 3, William B. Martin, Vice-President Connecticut State Football Association; Vice-President Connecticut State League. 4, Ed S. Eversfield, Bridgeport, Conn.; Treasurer Connecticut State Football Association. 5, J. E. Walton, Delegate-at-Large Connecticut State Football Association. 6, T. Wilson, Delegate-at-Large Connecticut State Football Association. 7, John McMenemy, Ex-President Connecticut State Football Association. 8, James Kelly, President Bridgeport Rangers Football Club.



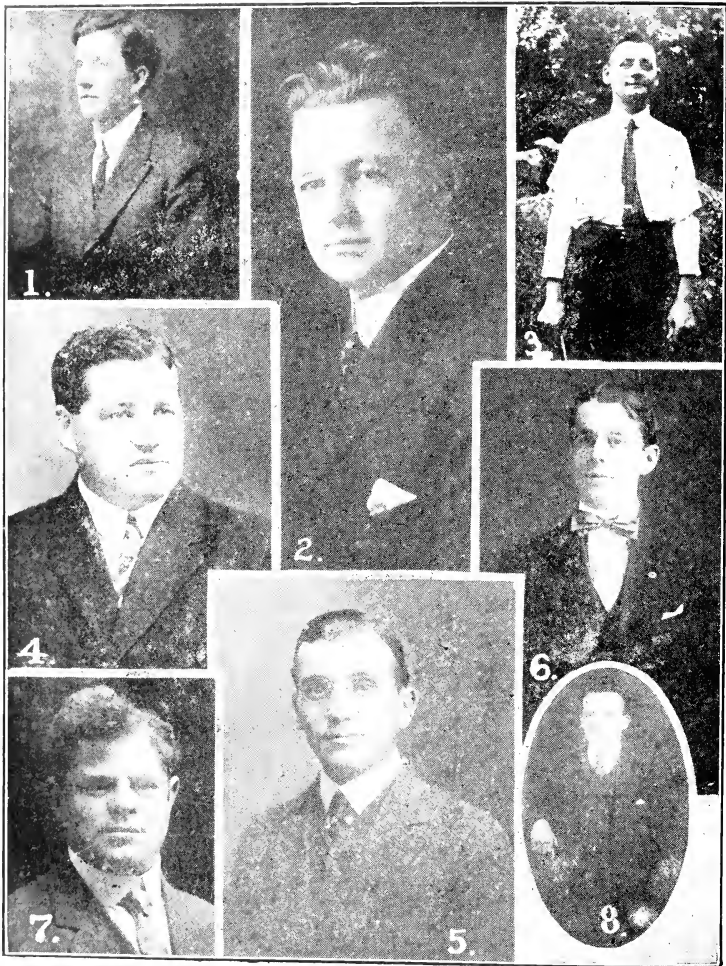
(1) BRIDGEPORT (CONN.) CITY FOOTBALL CLUB. Winners Connecticut Cup Competition—1, J. E. Walton, Pres.; 2, Austin; 3, Todd; 4, Callis; 5, Capt.; 6, Drinkwater; 7, Finley; 8, Wilford, Trainer; 9, Eversfield, Mgr.; 10, Waiter; 11, Dickson; 12, Fildes; 13, Heppinstall; 14, J. Stamford, Sec.; 15, Griffin; 16, Forsyth. (2) CONNECTICUT SCOTTISH INTER-NATIONAL FOOTBALL CLUB—1, G. Gaffney; 2, Hogg; 3, Reilly; 4, Todd; 5, McKay; 6, Jenkins; 7, Rossi; 8, Miller, Referee; 9, Rintoul; 10, A. York, Jr.; 11, A. York, Coach; 12, Bole; 13, Kelly; 14, J. Griffin; 15, Wilson; 16, Austin; 17, Francis; 18, Williams; 19, J. Bryan; 20, R. Behnder; 4, H. Dethlefsen; 5, Bailey; 6, J. Behnder, Trainer; 7, Bayles; 8, Garfield; 9, Ashford; 10, Canfield; 11, C. Bryan; 12, C. Gothberg; 13, Dunn; 14, Bott; 15, George Good, Sec.; Press; 16, A. Dethlefsen; 17, Price, Mgr.; 18, Sinclair; 19, Tickey; 20, Ryan, Capt.; 21, F. Vovone; 22, E. L. Zink, Prince; 23, O'Neil; 24, Felix.



1, J. C. Ross, President Connecticut State League. 2, Arthur Stead, Bridgeport, Conn.; President Connecticut Amateur League; President Bridgeport Junior League; Vice-President Bridgeport Schoolboys' League. 3, James Trench, Vice-President Connecticut Amateur League. 4, Charles Martin, Secretary Connecticut Amateur League; Vice-President Bridgeport Junior League. 5, J. G. Cockrane, Treasurer Connecticut Amateur League. 6, Harvey Calliss, Captain Bridgeport City Football Club. 7, A. Duncan, Vice-President Connecticut Referees' Association. 8, Robert L. Zink, Principal Lincoln Grammar School, Bridgeport, Conn.; Second Vice-President Bridgeport Schoolboys' League.



(1) ST. RONANS FOOTBALL CLUB, THORNTON, R. L.—1, Ritchie; 2, Murray, Mgr.; 3, Lawless; 4, Tomlinson; 5, McFarlane; 6, Quinn; 7, Crompton; 8, L. Aitchison; 9, W. Aitchison; 10, Wade; 11, Edwards; 12, Jordan; 13, Donaldson; 14, Dunmore; 15, Reynolds, Capt.; 16, Manely; 17, Manely; (2) MOUNT PLEASANT FOOTBALL CLUB—1, MHLIGAN; 2, TRUESDALE; 3, GIB; 4, I. MURPHY; 5, RUTTER; 6, J. WILLIAMS; 7, J. WILLIAMS; 10, WATT; 11, COX; (3) POCASSET ROVER FOOTBALL CLUB—1, REYNOLDS, MGR.; 2, MELLORS; 3, BOYD; 4, CARRINGTON; 5, KNOWLES, ASST. MGR.; 6, TOBIN; 7, GOSS; 8, HOLROYD; 9, PAULSON; 10, O'BORN, CAPT.; 11, COPE; 12, CADDICK; 13, LEONARD; 14, BOVE; (4) THORNTON (R. L.) JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB—1, ZANFAGNA; 2, RICE; 3, HALL; 4, SIMO; 5, YONDE; 6, CAMPANELLI; 7, VOTOLATO, MGR.; 8, COLL; 9, FERRI; 10, BARONE; 11, ANGELL; 12, GROCE; 13, PEET, CAPT.



1, William D. Love, Pawtucket, R. I., whose efforts in behalf of the game has done much to popularize it in Southern New England. 2, Harry Sandager, Pawtucket, R. I., President Southern New England Football Association, 1915-16. 3, Richard Bolton, Greystone, R. I., Vice-President Southern New England Football Association, 1914-16. 4, George Ritchie, Providence, R. I., Secretary-Treasurer Southern New England Football Association, 1914-16. 5, Thomas Taylor, Providence, R. I., President Rhode Island League. 6, Herbert F. Murray, Secretary-Treasurer Providence and District League. 7, John Goosetrey, Crompton, R. I., a booster of Soccer in Southern New England. 8, Walter Murray, Manager St. Romans Football Club.

United States Referees' Union

BY DAVID M. WHYTE,
President United States Referees' Union.

After a year of experience in the school of hard work for football the United States Referees' Union can point with much satisfaction to the results of the season of 1915-16 and can look forward to a season of much higher promise in 1916-17. During the first year of our organization we had affiliations from all but three districts in organized soccer and at the time of writing one of these three has come through and will be numbered as of the progressives in refereeing. What the remaining two will do is a problem for their own solution, as both have been asked to join.

Arguments put forth a year ago as to the difficulty of getting referees to come together and join a national organization will, I suppose, be polished up and redecorated so as to look like new, but to the club officials and players and to the followers of the game in all sections, if they will only stop to consider the matter, these old, stale arguments must sound badly. When a body of referees or their representatives come out and say they "cannot afford" to join the U.S.R.U. there is a big something the matter with that body. Too poor to pay their affiliation fee, but not too proud to accept a fee for refereeing a game when others have spent their fees several times over to make conditions better for them and to make the game better. Difficulties keep them back from meetings. This lack of enthusiasm among a body of referees is amply reflected in the display of their members on the field; no enthusiasm, no life, no spirit and lack of uniformity in decisions on points of laws of the game; players always "at sea" on critical points of law because of various different decisions and a general air of dissatisfaction at the games. Given these conditions, it is easy to assume the U.S.R.U. has not been able to break through the crust that has grown so hard around the minds of these referees. They know there are wrongs to be righted, but when they are asked to face the daylight and do their share they demur.

The big question before the football public is without doubt the question of neutral linesmen in games. This was one of the changes suggested to the U.S.F.A. by the U.S.R.U., but the ruling body could not "see" it as we do. Of course, the question of expense must arise in such a change, but such an item would be so small and the benefit to the game so great that the question of expense should not have cut any figure and, inasmuch as the U.S.F.A. has all along made provision for neutral linesmen in semi and final round ties, it would only have shown their appreciation of the need for them in all ties had they agreed to the change now. The idea underlying the use of neutral linesmen goes much further and is much more important than most football officials think. To have charge of a game when the linesmen are simply neutral parties who may not know the finer points of the game, does not give a referee so very much more of a chance to catch on to every infringement. The linesmen will give him assistance only in determining when the ball has gone out of play and which side is entitled to the ball, but beyond that it would be foolish to ask or expect help. Why, then, put a man on the line who can do only such a little bit of good when the right man to put on the job is one who can take full charge of the game should he be called on to do so and who can be relied on to help the referee should he have a doubt on any point. Referees are the men who should be called on to act as linesmen and referees only are thoroughly capable of doing justice to the position.

For this season the destinies of the U.S.R.U. are in the same hands as last year, except that C. E. Creighton of New York has been chosen as second vice-president. Perfect harmony prevails in the board and among the rank and file of the membership, so we are quietly awaiting the time to sound the whistle to start a better and bigger year for football.

Collegiate Soccer

BY GEORGE W. ORTON,

Editor Spalding's Official College Soccer Football Guide.

College soccer is in a very flourishing condition in this country. No other game has come to the front so quickly as soccer has during the past ten years. The past season saw many new colleges taking up the game, while scores of schools were added to the list. It is true that in many sections of the country colleges have very little intercollegiate competition. Fortunately, soccer is growing throughout the clubs even faster than in the colleges, so that when a college is so situated that it can find no college competitors it can generally get competition with club teams in the vicinity. The initiation of soccer by a college is invariably followed by its being started in other nearby colleges, as the first college becomes a center of soccer sentiment and soon attracts attention to the game in other rival institutions. In this way soccer is being developed throughout our colleges like an endless chain. A similar advance for the next ten years will see the game well entrenched in all the college centers of this country.

Perhaps the best guarantee for the future of soccer in this country is found in the thousands of schools that are playing the game. New York, Philadelphia, Chicago and many other cities have regular scholastic leagues, both for the high schools and the grammar schools. Practically all of the preparatory schools—of the East especially—are taking up the game. This means that the colleges will not only receive many seasoned players from the school elevens, but that these scholastic players will carry the soccer idea into the colleges and force the college authorities to start soccer teams if they have not already done so. Everything points to soccer as eventually becoming the big sport for fall and early winter for the schools and colleges of this country.

The season of 1915 in the Intercollegiate Association Football League was more interesting than ever before. Harvard, Yale, Princeton, Cornell, Pennsylvania, Columbia and Haverford belong to this league. It is one of the big recommendations of soccer as a sport to note that the championship last fall was won by the smallest college of the group, namely, Haverford. Soccer is a game that calls for quick thinking, speed and cleverness more than brute strength, and this gives everyone a chance. Of course Haverford is a college that has played soccer longer than any other American college excepting Pennsylvania. There is the greatest enthusiasm for soccer at Haverford, and with good coaching this enthusiasm was well directed and the consequence was a championship team. This championship was won also in a year in which the standard of soccer throughout the league was the highest in its history.

Haverford had one of the best teams, therefore, that this league has ever produced. The men played a very good team game. The backs were fast and strong kickers, while Shipley at goal played a wonderful game at all times. He was one of the big factors in Haverford's victories. In only one game during the season did the Haverford team fail to play up to form, namely, against Cornell. The former played listlessly in this match and the result was a tie. This game was very much in contrast with the very spirited game the Haverford men put up against Pennsylvania in the deciding match of the season. Playing on a very windy day and on a very heavy field, Haverford in the first half scored a goal. In the second half the latter played desperately and cleverly and held the strong Penn team to one goal. Penn threatened in the second half many times, but Shipley was in the way or one of the backs relieved. This match, despite the poor conditions, was one of the fastest and best played games of the year. Besides Shipley, Haverford had two other men deserving of special mention. They were Stokes and Carey, both forwards. They were the mainstays of the offense and were dangerous at all times.

Pennsylvania, the champion of 1914, had a very fine team, as indicated by the fact that it was defeated by Haverford for league championship honors by only one point. The loss of the Columbia game proved to be the deciding factor in the season's play. This game proved very disappointing because Pennsylvania had much the better of the play, but was unable to score. Chance after chance was lost, mainly owing to the very high wind, which made accurate shooting much a matter of luck. Columbia, on the other hand, took advantage of one of its very few chances to score and won the game by 1 to 0. Pennsylvania won all of the other games until the game with Haverford. The former was then in the position of needing a victory to win the championship. Though Pennsylvania played brilliantly, Haverford held their opponents to a tie, and they finished second in the league.

Yale, though finishing third, had a very good season. It defeated Harvard for the first time since 1911. The real feature at Yale was the great interest displayed in the game. A much larger squad than ever before turned out and a second team schedule was played through for the first time. This second team developed some very good men and they, with those not graduated, assure for Yale a splendid nucleus for this season's eleven.

The Columbia season was disappointing. The team won three games and lost three. When at its best Columbia showed a high standard of play, but the work of the team was erratic. Shanholt, as in the previous year, was the star of the team. Columbia's fault may have been in putting too much reliance on this star.

Princeton started off very strongly and it looked in the early season as if that team would be fighting for the lead at the finish of the year. Injuries and ineligibility cut down the efficiency of the team greatly and the latter part of the season was very unsuccessful. The league's All-America selections give Princeton four places. The university has developed great interest in soccer and with a little better team work may be expected to finish near the top from now on.

Cornell was the comer in the league. With only four men back, it was compelled to put an inexperienced team into the field. By the end of the season the men were playing well. They showed this by tying Haverford and defeating Harvard.

The results of the series of league games showed that there was a higher standard of play than ever before. This resulted in less roughness, for the men were more intent on playing the ball than on playing the man. In the early years of the league, especially with a poor referee, the men watched each other mainly and did everything but openly tackle one another. Now they have found that the ball is the most important thing on the field to watch, and the players follow it closely and thus avoid much roughness that was evident only five years ago. The coaches, because they recognize that a real team game can be developed only by attention to the ball, have eliminated the big, heavy dreadnought type of player. It is no longer easy for the big, husky college Rugby player to come out and make the soccer team through main strength and roughness.

The greater attention given to the ball has resulted, as might be expected, in greater cleverness in handling the ball. Some very clever dribbling was seen in many of the matches. More attention has been paid to heading the ball, though as yet the college men are far behind the best of the club teams in this department of play. The backs in general are still inclined to kick the ball too hard instead of placing it. As a rule, the forwards are not up to the mark in shooting. Nearly every club team has at least one really good shot on goal, but most of the intercollegiate teams are without any really hard shooters, their goals being made through team work and precision, which is of course the surest way for any team to score.

The Intercollegiate League has shown a tendency to alter the rules. It would be very unfortunate if any real changes should be made by the league so that the college game of soccer would drift away from the universal type as played in all countries of the world. Fortunately, the changes made by the league are not in the real rules. The league allows substitutes, which may be all right in its particular case. It has also changed the time of halves to thirty-five minutes. This seems altogether unnecessary. The teams of the league are probably in better condition to stand forty-five-minute

periods than any other teams in America and there was no real reason why this should have been changed.

STANDING OF COLLEGES IN LEAGUE FOR 1915.

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Points.
Haverford	6	4	0	2	10
Pennsylvania	6	4	1	1	9
Yale	6	3	2	1	7
Columbia	6	3	3	0	6
Princeton	6	2	3	1	5
Cornell	6	1	4	1	3
Harvard	6	1	5	0	2

ALL-AMERICA COLLEGE SOCCER TEAM, 1915.

The vote by the managers of the Intercollegiate Association Football League for the All-America College Soccer team resulted in Princeton getting four places, Pennsylvania three, Haverford two, and Harvard and Cornell one each. The team selected is as follows:

Goal.....	Jackson, Princeton	Outside Right.....	Stokes, Haverford
Right Full-back.....	Thomas, Cornell	Inside Right.....	Gates, Princeton
Left Full-back.....	Moore, Princeton	Center Forward.....	Barron, Pennsylvania
Right Half-back.....	Haskins, Princeton	Inside Left.....	Carey, Haverford
Center Half-back.....	Hirst, Pennsylvania	Outside Left.....	Weld, Harvard
Left Half-back.....	Mohr, Pennsylvania		

ALL-AMERICA INTERCOLLEGIATE SOCCER TEAM.

The following, chosen by George W. Orton and Douglas Stewart of Philadelphia, is interesting, expressing as it does the opinions of two competent followers of the game, Dr. Orton being the editor of the College Soccer Guide, while Douglas Stewart is probably the best known referee in the United States.

Goal	Shipley, Haverford	Outside Right.....	Stokes, Haverford
Right Full-back.....	Moore, Princeton	Inside Right.....	Gates, Princeton
Left Full-back.....	Thayer, Pennsylvania	Center Forward.....	Barron, Pennsylvania
Right Half-back.....	Hartwell, Harvard	Inside Left.....	Shanholt, Columbia
Center Half-back.....	Hirst, Pennsylvania	Outside Left.....	Weld, Harvard
Left Half-back.....	Mohr, Pennsylvania		

INTERCOLLEGIATE ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL LEAGUE, 1916.

Officers—President, J. K. Hoyt, Jr., Harvard; vice-president, R. D. Stevens, Pennsylvania; secretary-treasurer, H. Chapin, Princeton.

The annual meeting of the Intercollegiate Association Football League was held at Columbia University, January 8. All seven members of the organization were represented, as follows: Haverford, Maxwell and Greene; Pennsylvania, Mohr, Wende and Stevens; Yale, Tucker, Robin and Ely; Columbia, Franklin and Schwartz; Harvard, Dixon; Cornell, Thomas, Grinnell and Brandt.

Questions of eligibility rules, together with a tentative schedule of games for the 1916 championship series, were debated. Efforts were made to have the league adopt rules barring graduate students, freshmen and players who had represented a college for more than three years, but of the three propositions only the graduate rule was adopted. The proposed regulations were based on the eligibility code adopted by the Intercollegiate Basketball

League, save for the three-year and graduate rules, which do not apply to Columbia until 1917.

By the new soccer rules a student holding a degree from his own or another institution is ineligible to play in a game in the soccer league, whether he is eligible by reason of the four-year playing rule or not. In other words, the soccer league plans to limit participation in its games to bona fide undergraduates.

When the proposal to adopt a rule barring freshmen from the 'varsity teams was brought up it was looked upon favorably by Princeton, Cornell and Harvard, but Columbia and Haverford stood out in open opposition and Pennsylvania and Yale adopted a neutral attitude. The result was that the rule failed to pass when a vote was taken. The proposed rule barring men who had played any three years was defeated, too, with the colleges voting as they did in the case of the freshman rule.

After a long discussion the league decided to shorten the time of halves to thirty-five minutes. The rule hitherto has followed the English code, which calls for two playing periods of forty-five minutes each. The league officials made a careful study of the effects of the game on the players in the last season and came to the conclusion that the shorter games would be more beneficial to the players and would not in general produce any change in the relative standing of the teams at the end of the season.

It was decided that the Harvard-Princeton game which was left unplayed at the end of the season should not count for or against either team. Princeton defeated Harvard early in the season and then discovered that three players were ineligible. The Tiger authorities immediately rescinded the results of the games in which these three men had taken part, and all were replayed save the Harvard-Princeton contest, which was counted as being defaulted to Harvard. The decision of the league to let the game stand as undecided changed the final listing of the teams.

1. C. 1, Bridgeport City 1; replay, Farr Alpaca F.C. 0, Bridgeport City 2; Chicopee Rovers 2, Fore River F.C. 2; replay, Chicopee Rovers forfeited to Fore River F.C.; Alley Boys F.C. 1, Scottish-American F.C. 3; West Hudson F.C. 1, Jersey A.C. 1; replay, West Hudson F.C. 0, Jersey A.C. 1; Columbia Oval F.C. 0, Brooklyn Celtic 3; Ialedon Thistle 1, Kearny Athletics 3; I. R. T. Strollers 2, Brooklyn F.C. 2; replay, I. R. T. Strollers 0, Brooklyn F.C. 3; protested replay, I. R. T. Strollers 0, Brooklyn F.C. 1; Fall River Rovers 2, G. E. of Lynn 0; Hibernian F.C. of New York City forfeited to G. E. of Schenectady, N. Y.

Second round—Fore River 2, Babcock & Wilcox 2; replay, Fore River 0, Babcock & Wilcox 3; Kearny Athletics 0, Scottish-American F.C. 4; Continental F.C. 1, Brooklyn Celtic 3; Jersey A.C. 1, G. E. of Schenectady 1; replay, Jersey A. C. 1, G. E. of Schenectady 0; Bridgeport City 3, Brooklyn F.C. 1; Bethlehem F.C. 2, Clan MacDonald 1; Falls F.C. forfeited to Pan-American F.C.; Henry Disston F.C. 0, Fall River Rovers 1.

Third round—Scottish-American F.C. 2, Brooklyn Celtic 0; Bridgeport City 1, Babcock & Wilcox 2; Jersey A.C. 0, Bethlehem F.C. 5; Pan-American F.C. 0, Fall River Rovers 2.

Semi-final round—Babcock & Wilcox 1; Scottish-American F.C. 3; Fall River Rovers 1, Bethlehem F.C. 3.

Final round—Bethlehem F.C. 3, Scottish-American F.C. 0.

ANNUAL REPORT OF PRESIDENT BROWN.

In submitting the annual report for the season of 1915-16 I beg to offer the following suggestions for the purpose of securing to this association a more definite plan for the management of the Challenge Cup competition. During the past season the dates set aside for our competition have conflicted with the dates set aside by some of the State associations; in certain districts the differences have been of such a serious nature as to lead to a straining of relations, and an attempt was made at the annual meeting of the U.S.F.A. to remedy this by the adoption of very drastic legislation affecting the existence of this association; this attempt did not meet with success, nevertheless it must be acknowledged that a distinct cause for grievance exists and that so far no acceptable remedy has been offered.

It is therefore recommended that a committee be appointed to confer with representatives from the State associations, whose territories are entered by this association, and, as a result of the proposed conference, it is hoped that a way may be found to secure an amicable and permanent adjustment of this difficulty.

This association and its officers have on several occasions been placed in a somewhat embarrassing position by the actions of those concerned in the management of several of our clubs in their failure to obey the mandates of the U.S.F.A. and its officers. So long as this association remains in the ranks of organized football (and surely it can never be to our advantage to do otherwise), the decision of the national officers must be respected and accepted until an appeal from such decision shall have been upheld and the decision reversed; it should therefore be impressed on everyone that we are to be concerned only in carrying on the cup competition and to be unhampered in maintaining our present relations with the U.S.F.A.; we should not be called upon to interfere with the operation of any decision rendered by the officers of the U.S.F.A. affecting only clubs and individuals.

Attention is directed to the advisability of conferring greater powers on your Advisory Board; they should be given full power in all matters of protested games; in other matters of fine, suspension or disqualification, arrangement for replayed games, settlement of all disputes, etc.; their powers should be more clearly determined. For the purpose of establishing confidence, this board should be a fully representative body and each territory should be entitled to direct representation.

In conclusion, I take this opportunity to thank the members of the association for the genuine support given by them in the settlement of many vexatious problems, and for the courteous manner in which every decision has been accepted; the task of presiding over your deliberations has been made agreeable by this unflinching courtesy, and the real work of the association has, with your help, been performed by your very capable and loyal secretary.

New York Footballers' Protective Association

Officers—Hon. president, T. C. Cliff; Hon. vice-presidents, J. Lone, J. Weightman, W. Newman, M. VandeWeghe; president, J. Maskell; vice-president, A. Lonie; secretary-treasurer, Theodore Dillman, 561 Sixty-second Street Brooklyn, N. Y. Executive Committee—Manhattan, F. Heller, F. Mather, J. Robertson; Bronx, A. Lonie, H. P. Flynn, R. McNeill; Brooklyn, J. S. Murray, R. M. Hutchison, T. McGreevey; Yonkers, W. Gallow; New Jersey, D. Stewart, K. Napier.

The fourth year of the New York Footballers' Protective Association was a very successful one in every respect. Starting with a deficit of \$14.77, the season was finished with a balance of \$25 on hand after purchasing \$169.50 worth of medals for the winners and runners-up in the international competition. The enrollment comprised 162 members, an increase of twenty-eight over the previous year. Seventeen members who were hurt during a football game received \$165.05 in benefits. The international games, which are played every year and which furnish the association with funds to meet the claims of injured players, drew large crowds and were very well contested. The American team won the international championship by defeating Scotland, 2 to 0. Following is a summary of the international games played:

Scotland vs. England, played at Lenox Oval, Thanksgiving Day, 1915.

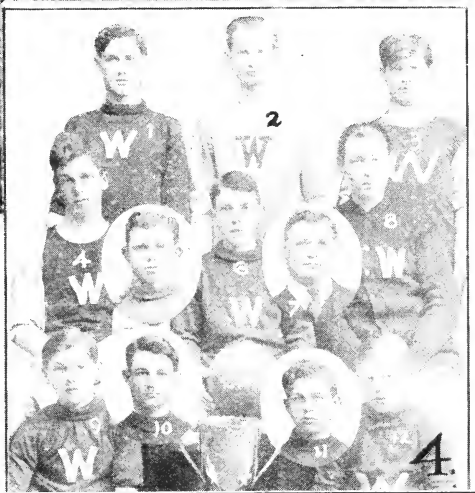
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Murray, Greenpoint.....	Goal.....	Mathers, I.R.T.
Gibb, I.R.T.....	Right back.....	Garland, St. George
Kelly, Brooklyn Celtics.....	Left back.....	F. Maskell, Columbia Oval
Hill, Columbia Oval.....	Right half.....	Durney, I.R.T.
McCann, Clan MacDonalds.....	Center half.....	Matthews, Continentals
McLean, Continentals.....	Left half.....	Blatchford, Columbia Oval
Irvine, St. George.....	Outside right.....	B. Maskell, Columbia Oval
McKenna, Degnou Boys.....	Inside right.....	Lonie, Continentals
Halliday, Greenpoint.....	Center.....	Hayes, Continentals
Young, I.R.T.....	Inside left.....	Wilkinson, I.R.T.
McChesnie, Clan MacDonalds.....	Outside left.....	Hill, Columbia Oval

Ireland vs. America, played at Lenox Oval, Christmas Day, 1915.

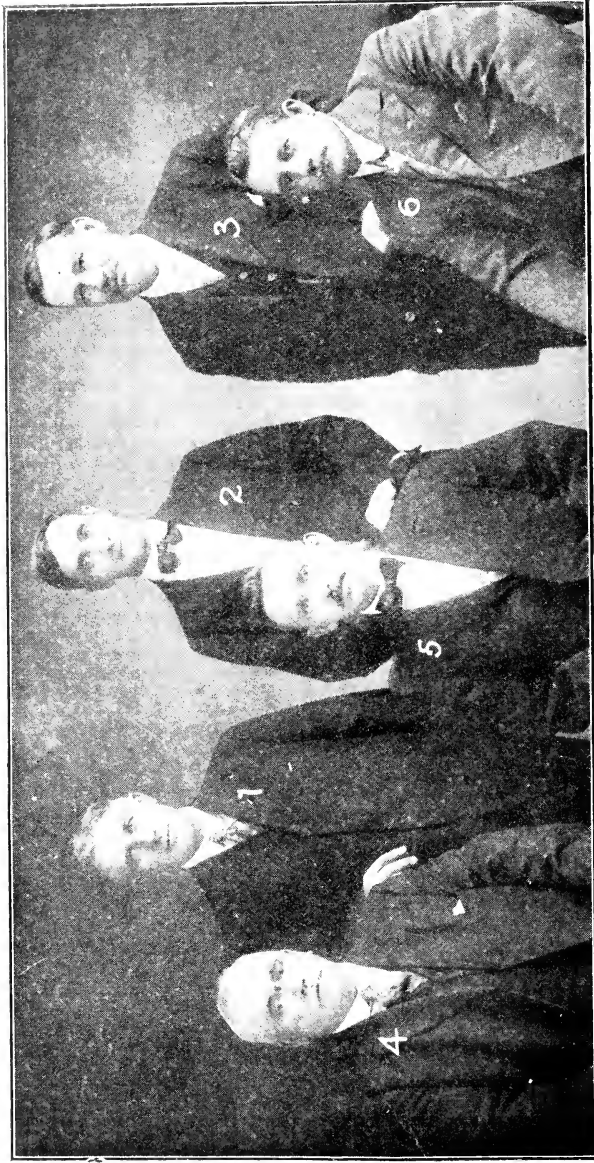
Ireland (1).	Positions.	America (1).
Cavin.....	Goal.....	Jones
Douris.....	Left back.....	McMulvey
McNeill (vice-captain).....	Right half.....	J. Robertson
Glass.....	Left half.....	J. Ingram
O'Hare (captain).....	Center half.....	Lennox
Casey.....	Right half.....	Waldron (captain)
McGreeney.....	Outside left.....	Brierley
Moran.....	Inside left.....	Cooper
Dixon.....	Center.....	Ellis (vice-captain)
O'Halloran.....	Inside right.....	Helmsley
Hutchison.....	Outside right.....	Ford

Ireland vs. America, played at Harlem Field, Lincoln's Birthday.

America (4).	Positions.	Ireland (3).
Tintle, Alley Boys.....	Goal.....	Reid, MacDuffs
Waldron, Jersey A.C.....	Right back.....	Dahill, I.R.T.
Lennox, West Hudsons.....	Left back.....	Friel, Subway F.C.
Meyerdierks, Continentals.....	Right half.....	O'Hare, Brooklyn Celtics
Post, Scottish-Americans.....	Center half.....	Bustard, West Hudsons
T. Ingram, Continentals.....	Left half.....	Mahan, Greenpoint
Zehnbauser, West Hudsons.....	Outside right.....	Hutchison, Greenpoint
Helmsley, Scottish-Americans.....	Inside right.....	Campion, Greenpoint
Ellis, Brooklyn Celtics.....	Center.....	O'Halloran, Brooklyn Celtics
John Ford, Jersey A.C.....	Inside left.....	Casey, Brooklyn Celtics
James Ford, Jersey A.C.....	Outside left.....	McGreevey, Brooklyn Celtics

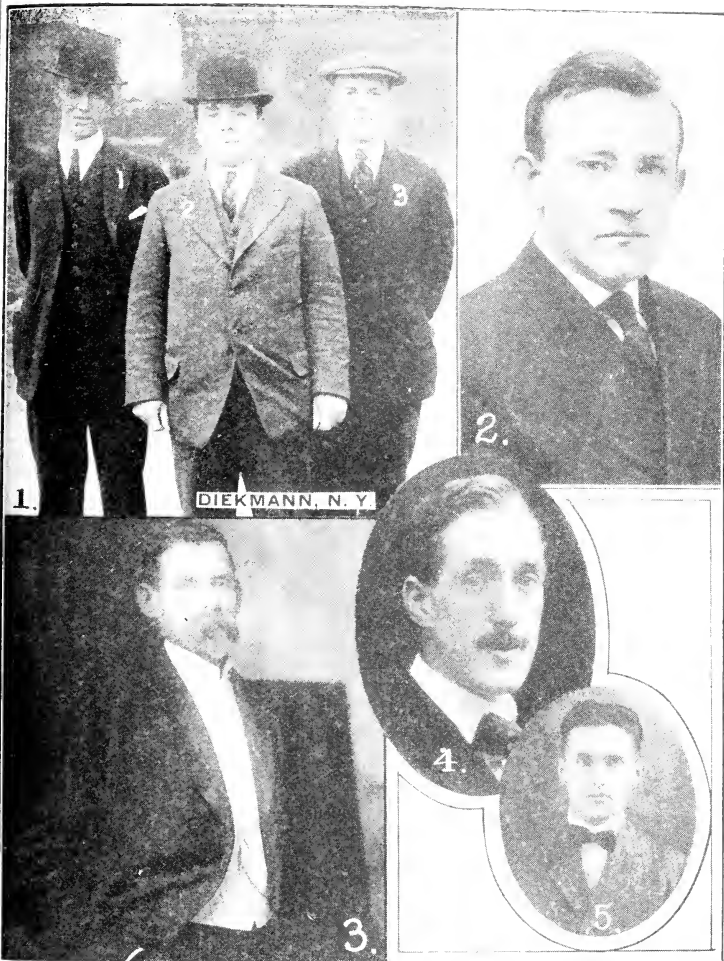


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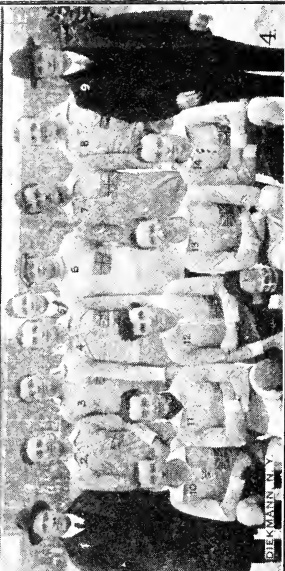
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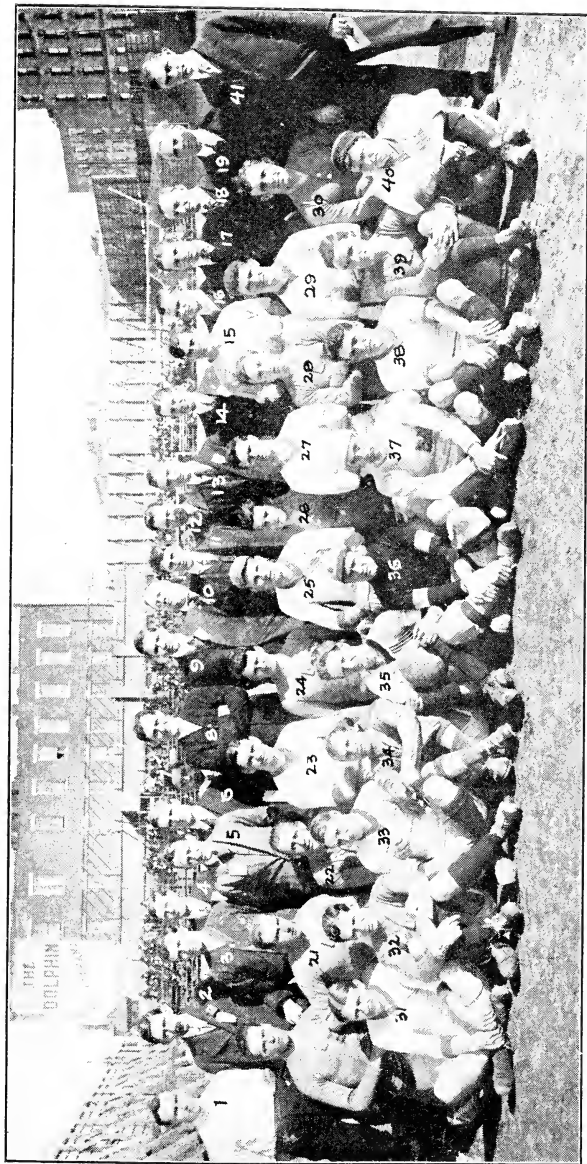
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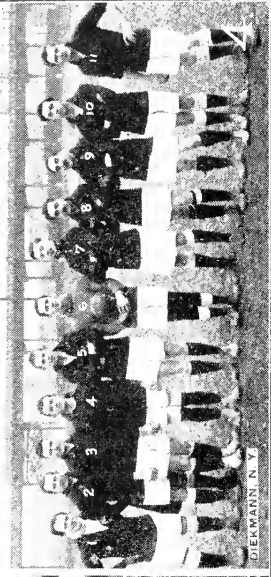
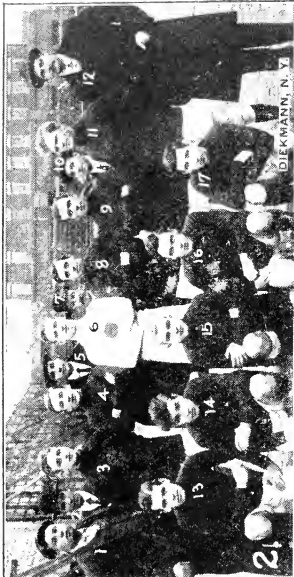
(1) AMERICAN TEAM. (2) SCOTCH TEAM—1, MacCulloch; 2, Laverty; 3, Fitzpatrick; 4, W. Gallagher; 5, McCann; 6, Wilson; 7, Dye; 8, Wilson; 9, Gibb; 10, Hollywood; 11, J. Gallagher; 12, McKenna; 13, Millar; 14, Young; 15, McChesnie. (3) CONTINENTAL TEAM—1, Caldwell; Referee; 2, A. Hager; 3, M. Vandeweghe; 4, Van den Eynde; 5, Heiser; 6, A. Vandeweghe; 7, Erickson; 8, E. Hunzicker; 9, R. Hunzicker; 10, Bleich; 11, Rubin; 12, J. Hager. (4) ENGLISH TEAM.

NEW YORK PLAYERS PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION COMPETITION.



PLAYERS AND OFFICIALS IN GAME OF APRIL 15, 1916—AMERICA VS. SCOTLAND.

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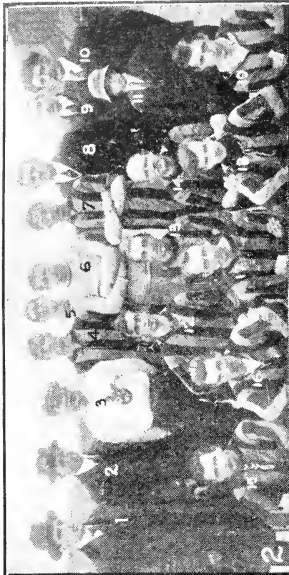


(1) AMERICA TEAM and (2) SCOTLAND TEAM—New York Players' Protective Association International Series, (3) NEW JERSEY STATE ASSOCIATION—1, P. Dolan; 2, McLeod; 3, Stark; 4, Ingram; 5, Quinlan; 6, Ward; 7, Adamson; 8, Clow; 9, Mills; 10, Keile; 11, J. Ewen, Trainer; 12, Ford; 13, Stark; 14, Hemsley; 15, Ward; 16, Bell. (4) HUNGARIAN-AMERICAN F.C.

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Scotland vs. England, played at Lenox Oval, Washington's Birthday.

Scotland (3).	Positions.	England (0).
Wilson, Clan MacDonalds.....	Goal.....	Mather, I.R.T.
Lavery, Clan MacDonalds.....	Right back.....	Bailey, St. George
Gibb, I.R.T.....	Left back.....	Quinlan, Brooklyn F.C.
J. Gallagher, Greenpoint.....	Right half.....	Durney, I.R.T.
McCann, Clan MacDonalds.....	Center half.....	Garland, St. George
Dye, Clan MacDonalds.....	Left half.....	Porter, Degnon Boys
W. Gallagher, Greenpoint.....	Outside right.....	Garside, Yonkers F.C.
McKenna, Degnon Boys.....	Inside right.....	Carver, Yonkers F.C.
Miller, Babcock & Wilcox.....	Center.....	Wilkinson, I.R.T.
Young, I.R.T.....	Inside left.....	Puxty, Continentals
McChesnie, Clan MacDonalds.....	Outside left.....	Lonie, Continentals

America vs. Continent, played at Lenox Oval, Washington's Birthday.

America (5).	Positions.	Continent (3).
Tittle, Alley Boys.....	Goal.....	Heiser, Continentals
Post, Scottish-Americans.....	Right back.....	M. VandeWeghe, Continentals
Lennox, West Hudsons.....	Left back.....	A. VandeWeghe, Continentals
Meyerdierks, Continentals.....	Right half.....	A. Hager, Hungarian F.O.
Waldron, Jersey A.C.....	Center half.....	Vanden Eynde, Continentals
T. Ingram, Continentals.....	Left half.....	Erickson, Greenpoint
Knowles, Brooklyn F.C.....	Outside right.....	E. Hunzicher, Brooklyn F.C.
Ford, Jersey A.C.....	Inside right.....	R. Hunzicher, Brooklyn F.C.
Helmsley, Scottish-Americans.....	Center.....	Bleich, Continentals
Ellis, Brooklyn Celtics.....	Inside left.....	Rubin, Brooklyn F.C.
Cooper, Continentals.....	Outside left.....	J. Hager, Hungarian F.O.

Final for international championship, America vs. Scotland, played at Lenox Oval, April 15.

America (2).	Positions.	Scotland (0).
Tittle, Alley Boys.....	Goal.....	Porter, Yonkers
Post, Scottish-Americans.....	Right back.....	Lavery, Clan MacDonalds
J. Robertson, Yonkers.....	Left back.....	Gibb, I.R.T.
T. Ingram, Continentals.....	Right half.....	W. Gallagher, Greenpoint
Lennox, West Hudsons.....	Center half.....	McCann, Clan MacDonalds
Waldron, Jersey A.C.....	Left half.....	Dye, Clan MacDonalds
Zehnbauer, West Hudsons.....	Outside right.....	McChesnie, Clan MacDonalds
Knowles, Brooklyn F.C.....	Inside right.....	Madden, Clan MacDonalds
John Ford, Jersey A.C.....	Center.....	Millar, Babcock & Wilcox
Ellis, Brooklyn Celtics.....	Inside left.....	Young, I.R.T.
James Ford, Jersey A.C.....	Outside left.....	J. Gallagher, Greenpoint

It is surprising how few footballers join the New York Footballers' Protective Association. The annual membership fee, 50 cents, is so small that every football player of the metropolitan district should join. A good many players do not seem to be familiar with the rules of the association. This, of course, is the fault of the club managers.

The association was founded for one reason only, i. e. to help injured football players. Formerly, when a player got hurt during a game and had to lay off work for some time, his club members sold chances for a raffle or played a benefit game. It is the aim of this association to do away with these forms of benefits and to pay its injured members a certain stipulated weekly sum while they are incapacitated. In past years we paid from \$5 to \$6 per week. No doubt this sum could be increased if more players would join the association. Therefore, every manager who has the good and the welfare of his players at heart should see to it that all the members of his club enroll for the 1916-17 season. Additional information may be had from the secretary, Theodore Dillman, 561 Sixty-second Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Allied American Football Association of Philadelphia, Pa.

BY W. H. BREALY, SECRETARY A.A.F.A., PHILADELPHIA, PA.

The 1915-16 season of soccer football was without doubt the most successful in the history of the Allied American Football Association. Forty-five clubs joined the association to compete in the various divisions and nine other clubs joined as affiliated members.

In this association we have five divisions, namely, first, second, third, fourth and the Junior Church divisions. The clubs are graded according to strength and playing abilities. Cups and gold medals are presented to the winners and silver medals to the runners-up in the first, second and third divisions. The fourth and Church division winners receive cups and bronze medals.

The first division last season was composed of ten of the leading amateur clubs in this vicinity and produced a very close contest for the trophy, the prize going to the strong Putnam club, which beat out the Falls C. and F.C. by a single point. This is the second time that the Putnam F.C. has won the First Division Cup, and they have a record of which to be very proud. In the 1911-12 season they finished in third place; in 1912-13 were winners of the third division; in 1913-14 were winners of the second division; in 1914-15 were winners of the first division, and last season they again won the first division. They also won the Allied Amateur Cup.

In the second division the Veteran A.A. was returned the winner, going through the season without a defeat. All the players are American-born boys, which goes to show the great strides soccer is taking with the American youth. The Tacony A.A. led the third division of eight clubs, with only one defeat in fourteen games, and Providence carried off the honors in the fourth division without the loss of a game.

The Kensington Junior Church Division was composed of seven church teams, as follows: Bethany A.C., Puritan F.C., Simpson Memorial, North Philadelphia Y.M.A., Trinity R.E., St. John's P.E., St. Simeon P.E. and St. Barnabas. The winner was the Puritan F.C., which went through the season without a defeat. It was the third consecutive season that the Puritans carried off the honors of the division.

The following is the official standing of the clubs at the end of the season:

FIRST DIVISION.

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals.		Points.
					For.	Against.	
Putnam	18	14	1	3	45	12	31
Falls C. and F.C.....	18	13	1	4	47	14	30
Wanderers	18	10	4	4	23	18	24
St. Nathaniel	18	10	6	2	31	24	22
Cardington	18	9	6	3	23	28	21
Puritan Y.M.L.	18	5	7	6	24	34	16
Diaston	18	7	10	1	23	34	15
Viscose	18	6	10	2	23	22	14
Norristown	18	2	15	1	15	19	5
Peabody	18	0	18	0	6	51	0

SECOND DIVISION.

Veteran A.A.	14	13	0	1	52	12	27
North American Lace Co.....	14	12	2	0	51	9	24
Wilmington	14	9	5	0	26	13	18
Somerset	14	6	7	1	27	16	13
Edgemoor	14	5	8	1	6	27	11
Stetson A.A.	14	4	9	1	14	49	9
St. Michael T.A.C.....	14	3	9	2	6	24	8
Cyne Point	14	1	12	1	5	40	3

THIRD DIVISION.

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals.		Points.
					For.	Against.	
Tacony A.A.	14	12	1	1	75	15	25
Fairhill A.A.	14	10	4	0	33	16	20
Puritan Reserves	14	9	4	1	42	16	19
Kensington Reserves	14	9	5	0	26	5	18
Ontario Pres.	14	4	8	2	11	45	10
Bridesburg A.C.	14	3	9	2	14	35	8
H. K. Mulford Co.	14	3	11	0	15	77	6
West End A.A.	14	2	12	0	11	16	4

FOURTH DIVISION.

Providence	18	15	0	3	36	11	33
Fairhill B.C.	18	11	2	5	27	13	27
Walker A.C.	18	11	7	0	39	20	22
Alma	18	7	6	5	21	17	19
Edgemoor Juniors	18	8	8	2	15	22	18
St. Carthage Juniors.	18	8	9	1	19	12	17
Robin A.C.	18	7	9	2	24	18	16
Cardington Juniors	18	6	12	0	34	35	12
Puritan Juniors	18	5	12	1	9	72	11
*Wissinoming B.C.	18	1	14	3	12	16	5

*Disbanded.

THE ALLIED AMATEUR CUP COMPETITION.

By OLIVER HEMINGWAY, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

The Allied Amateur Cup Competition for the Telegraph Cup attracted only sixteen entrants, but what was lacking in numbers was made up for by the splendid contest which took place.

The sixteen clubs comprised eight allied first division clubs, four second division clubs, two clubs from the third division and two from the United League. In the eight games of the first round four resulted in victories of only one goal each, one of the remaining games resulting in a tie of one goal each and the replay was decided by one solitary goal. After the draw had been made for the second round it was decided to call it the third round, to enable the Association to receive 15 per cent. of the gate receipts. The most important game of the round was the Putnam-Falls game. This game was drawn to be played on the Putnam grounds and although the field was covered with mud, the referee decided that the game should be played, but after wallowing in mud for forty-three minutes he decided that they could not finish the game and called it off, with the score one goal each. The committee then ordered the game to be played at the Falls ground and after playing eighty-eight minutes it was called on account of disturbances in the stands and on the field. The committee decided to award the game to Putnam, which was in the lead by 3 goals to 1, with two minutes to go when the game was stopped.

In the semi-final round the Veteran A. A. and the Wanderers F.C. played one of the finest games of soccer ever seen in Philadelphia. At the end of the regulation ninety-minute period neither team had scored and extra periods of fifteen minutes each were played, when the Wanderers scored.

The final tie was staged at Third Street and Lehigh Avenue on April 24 and was a game to be remembered for years by those who were present to witness it. Putnam won by 3 goals to 0.

The following is the result of the competition, round by round:

First round—Putnam 2, Ascension 1; Falls 6, North Philadelphia Y.M.A. 3; Viscose 3, North American Lace Company 2; St. Nathaniel 6, H. K. Mulford Co. 0; Veteran 2, Tacony 1; Somerset F.C. 1, Puritan Reserves 1 (replay, Somerset 1, Puritan 0); Puritan Y.M.L. 4, Cardington 3; Disston 1, Wanderers 4.

Second round—Putnam 1, Falls 1 (replay, Putnam 3, Falls 1); Viscose 3, St. Nathaniel 1; Veteran 5, Somerset 0; Puritan 0, Wanderers 4.

Semi-finals—Putnam 3, Viscose 1; Veteran 0, Wanderers 1 (extra time).

Final—Putnam 3, Wanderers 0.

Review of Soccer Activities, 1915-16

SOCCER IN NORTHERN MASSACHUSETTS AND NEW HAMPSHIRE.

BY GEORGE M. COLLINS,

Third Vice-President United States Football Association.

Soccer football or association football, or call it what you will, evidently is a "necessary evil," judging from the increased attendance at the games played all over our territory, from the number of clubs playing the same, and from the increased number of players who actively play the game. Here in Northern Massachusetts and New Hampshire we are growing by leaps and bounds. Every week we are adding new converts to our list of soccer patrons. In our industrial cities and centers we have the schoolboys anxious to try this game of soccer. Such cities as Boston, Springfield, Holyoke and Brockton have schoolboy leagues and competitions. This fall the authorities in Lawrence and Lynn are going to have their schools add the game to their quota of outdoor sports. There must be something in this soccer game, or the men in charge of athletics in schools would not be so anxious to have their boys try the game.

Let me try and explain, from my point of view, the cause of the growing popularity of soccer. The rudimentary points are easily mastered, and once mastered it is a very simple matter to connect them with the higher elementary points of the game. What more can a healthy man or boy desire than a game of soccer? There is that exhilarating feeling of strength which comes to one while playing in the game. There is associated with the game a joy of living, after a spanking run down the field, a fast cross and return, and the culmination of a brilliant play in a goal, the achievement one has set out for. There is no man living who would not feel a better man after such an exercise. His wind capacity is in a better condition, his brain is clearer, his muscles are all a-tingle with the effort which he has just finished. All in all, his condition, mentally and physically, is just about 90 per cent. higher than when he set out to play in the game. As a conditioner there is no sport that compares with soccer. As a game of muscle, brawn and brain, there may be other games, from a playing point of view, equal to it, but there is none better and very few equal.

The most important change, in my mind, in the soccer game in this section in the last few years, particularly the season of 1915-16, and one change that was badly needed before progress could be made, has been the conduct of the men playing the game. The players in this district have certainly been an added asset. All through our Cup competition we only had two players put out of the game for misconduct. When one considers that close on to one thousand players took part in the competition, which included almost forty games, the conduct of the players was very exemplary. May they continue along those lines is my earnest wish.

The Fore River F.C. of Quincy won the State Cup and championship by defeating the Boston and District League champions, Lynn Fosse F.C. of Lynn, by 7 goals to 1, in the final game, which was played at Glen Essex Park, Lawrence. Our entries in the National Cup competition were, to use a turf expression, "also rans," but the number of entries doubled the previous year's triers. The teams in our outside affiliations have improved greatly in their playing. We will be heard from yet in the race for the championship of the United States. My only hope is that some day one of our Massachusetts and New Hampshire entrants will land the prize.

President James E. Schofield, of the North Massachusetts and New Hampshire State Football Association, in his annual report says:

I very much regret to say that owing to the adverse weather conditions, the past season has not been as successful as previous years. The climatic conditions have interfered with the programs of the different leagues and competitions and the State cup competition also suffered severely by having the dates of the most attractive games turn out very wet days.

The conduct of the clubs and officials and players, generally, has remained at the high standard of recent years, and great praise is due to the officials of the different controlling bodies for the manner they have conducted the administrative duties of their several bodies.

The State executive committee have had an arduous season and have performed their duties in a fearless and impartial manner. They have all given unlimited time and energy to the game, and are deserving of the highest praise for the splendid and creditable manner they have performed their different duties.

The work of the State Association is much curtailed through lack of finances. The traveling expenses of the delegates are unavoidably heavy, and this item alone takes up a lot more money than is derived from the dues of the affiliated bodies. Had it not been for the splendid generosity of a few friends of soccer it would have been impossible for your State Association to have met its obligations. I would strongly urge that only the expenses of the officials management committee in future be paid from the State treasury. The expenses of the "delegates-at-large" ought to be met by the associations they represent. The matter of finances requires the most careful consideration, as the vital existence of your body to a great measure depends on same.

The State cup series appear to have interfered extensively with the different league schedules. It is necessary that some plan be adopted whereby this clashing be avoided. It would be more satisfactory, judging from past experiences, if the State cup series were not entered on until the spring.

SOCCER FOOTBALL IN SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND.

BY A. W. KEANE, NEW BEDFORD, MASS.

New England has often been termed as the most progressive and enterprising section in United States soccerdom and lovers and followers of the sport in other parts of the country often wonder how the "Down East Yankees" have fostered the sport until it is becoming New England's winter game. The answer is in one word—"Organization."

That word means much to we lovers of soccer football in New England. The writer can look back some dozen years ago when soccer was played all through New England in little leagues here and there, but with no head nor tail to the game, and with the players "running the leagues" instead of the duly elected officials. And then we can well remember how the little leagues dropped off one by one, owing to the trouble caused by not having the players and clubs under proper restraint, until four years ago there were but two or three leagues operating and but very few independent clubs.

But the last three years have been rosy ones and the future looks even brighter. "Organization" explains it all. The United States Football Association has lent a helping hand to all New England and eased the burden over some of the rough spots the sport has had to cross each year and the sport has reached its objective point stronger than at the start of the season. Without the U.S.F.A. football would have been a dead issue in New England, and instead of thousands of schoolboys participating in the pastime last fall in our public schools, benefiting both brain and body, there would have been nothing but chaos in New England soccer and the boys would probably have indulged in the college game of football.

And this is the reason why New England is the most loyal and unswerving supporter that the national governing body has. From the inception of the United States Football Association this section has thrived greatly and has been willing to give back to the parent body a goodly share of the benefits it has derived.

New England points with pride to the fact that at the head of the U.S.F.A. is a New England man, John A. Fernley of Pawtucket, R. I. The national president has worked might and main to make soccer a success countrywide, but being in this district naturally has had a chance to see

what was needed at first hand and his guidance has helped the growth of the game in many ways.

And New England also takes great pride in the fact that out of three final games for the National Challenge Cup, two have been played before New England crowds in a New England city—Pawtucket. And each time New England has responded to the honor of having the game given it by turning out bumper crowds.

The results of the various cup competitions were unsatisfactory to one who would like to see the honors garnered by a single club and to have an unquestioned champion. The Fore River club of Quincy was leading the Southern New England League when the season closed, but owing to bad weather so many games were postponed that the schedule could not be finished. The club also won the Massachusetts State Cup in easy style. The Fall River Rovers fought their way to the final for the National Challenge Cup, but were eliminated in the semi-final for The Times Cup, emblematic of the Southern New England championship, which was won by New Bedford F.C., 2—1, over the J. & P. Coats. So New England has many champion clubs, with honors easy.

Prospects are bright for the coming season. Clubs are springing up with rapidity and there will be more leagues in operation than ever before.

SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION.

Affiliated with the U.S.F.A.

BY GEORGE RITCHIE, PROVIDENCE, R. I.

Officers—President, Harry Sandager, Auburn, R. I.; vice-president, Richard Bolton, Greystone, R. I.; secretary-treasurer, George Ritchie, Providence, R. I.

Progress is still the order in the Southern New England District. The membership keeps increasing every year. The following leagues were affiliated with the association last season: Southern New England League, Rhode Island League, Providence and District League, New Bedford City League, Fall River City League. There are several other leagues now in progress of formation. Soccer football should be boosted around this section in fine style this season. I cannot pass on without paying tribute to the grand support given the association by the newspapers in this section. The Pawtucket *Times* and the New Bedford *Times* deserve special mention for the great publicity given the grand old game.

The Times Cup competition again proved a big drawing card for the association, twenty clubs having entered, an increase of eight over the previous year. Owing to the very bad weather during the last months of the season the committee decided that all games must be played to a finish, resulting in a record being made for the length of a game. Fall River Rovers and J. & P. Coats F.C. played two hours and forty minutes before the game was decided, J. & P. Coats winning by 1 goal to 0.

The competition by rounds follows:

First round—Bee Hive Rangers 3, Rogans F.C. 1; St. Ronans F.C. 5, New Bedford Celtics 3; Greystone A.C. 3, Taunton City F.C. 2; J. & P. Coats F.C. 3, Pan-American F.C. 1.

Second round—St. Ronans F.C. 2, Howard & Bullough F.C. 1; New Bedford F.C. 4, Smithfield Avenue F.C. 2; Ashton F.C. 2, Mount Pleasant F.C. 1; J. & P. Coats F.C. 2, Lonsdale F.C. 0; Greystone A.C. 2, Cove Albions F.C. 1; Crompton F.C. 9, New Bedford Cotton Mill F.C. 0; Fall River Rovers 6, Bee Hive Rangers F.C. 1; Prospect Hill forfeited to Beacon Mills F.C.

Third round—J. & P. Coats F.C. 4, Crompton F.C. 3; New Bedford F.C. 6, Beacon Mills F.C. 1; St. Ronans F.C. 3, Ashton F.C. 1; Fall River Rovers 4, Greystone A.C. 0.

Semi-final round—J. & P. Coats F.C. 1, Fall River Rovers 0; New Bedford F.C. 3, St. Ronans F.C. 1.

Final round—New Bedford F.C. 2, J. & P. Coats F.C. 1.

BOSTON AND DISTRICT LEAGUE.

By R. McWHIRTER, SECRETARY.

Officers—President, Joseph Gibson, Everett, Mass.; vice-president, A. Williams, Lynn, Mass.; secretary, R. McWhirter, Winter Hill, Mass.; treasurer, J. Neil, Waltham, Mass.

Soccer football in Boston had a successful season from a player's point of view, but from the spectators' point of view it was poor. Continued bad weather, after half of our league schedule was completed, was responsible for the lack of interest in the league. The championship of the Southern Division was won by the Lynn Fosse F.C. of Lynn, Mass., after a tie game with the General Electrics of Lynn. In the Northern Division the Brockton F.C. won the championship for the first time in the history of the club. These teams met in a district championship game at Lynn and Brockton went down to defeat to the tune of 5 goals to 1.

Our finances were in good condition despite the wretched weather, and gold medals were presented to the champions and silver medals to the runners-up. The Thomas Grieve Cup also was awarded to Lynn Fosse Club.

The league decided at its annual meeting to go back to one division of ten clubs, so this season we should have better football, more interest from the fans' point of view, and an added incentive from the players' point of view. The official records of the clubs follow:

SOUTHERN DIVISION.

	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals.		Points.
				For.	Against.	
Lynn Fosse	8	1	2	26	9	18
General Electrics	8	2	0	30	12	16
Lynn Hibs.	7	2	1	32	10	15
Lynn Thistle	3	7	0	6	25	6
Clan Sutherland	2	7	1	6	24	5
Boston Americans	1	9	0	4	20	2

NORTHERN DIVISION.

Brockton	7	2	1	15	12	15
Charlestown	6	4	0	17	12	12
St. George's	3	6	1	21	16	7
Clan Lindsay	2	8	0	4	12	4
Fore River*	7	3	0	14	6	2
Trimou	1	9	0	2	15	2

*Twelve points deducted for ineligible players.

Championship game won by Lynn Fosse, which defeated Brockton, 5 goals to 1.

BOSTON REFEREES' ASSOCIATION.

By "SEESTU."

Officers—President, Robert Ritchie; vice-president, Alex Robertson; secretary, S. McLerie; treasurer, Joseph Diamond.

From a very modest start four years ago the Boston Referees' Association has steadily grown in numbers and efficiency and it is now considered one of the finest referees' associations affiliated with the National Referees' Union of the United States. The members have varied very little since the formation of the organization. A more congenial lot of fellows it would be hard to find anywhere. To give soccer readers just a little idea of how this referees' association is helping to boom the game I want to tell you that at its last annual meeting it invited all the club managers of the Boston league teams to be its guests at an entertainment. Believe me, the evening was a very pleasant one. Such times as these at which all interested in the game of soccer can get together do more good for the game than anything else I know of. In George Lambie we have one of the best referees in the

country. Several of the other members of our association have seen service in the important games in the National Cup competition.

We have a new list of members for this season and trust that soccer in this district will continue to flourish.

JOE BOOTH—CONNECTICUT'S "LIVE WIRE."

Joe Booth, known throughout New England soccer circles as Connecticut's "Live Wire," has been an active worker for the success of the game as winter's premier sport. That he is worthy of this appellation is shown by the following interesting facts:

He is an organizer and present secretary of the Connecticut State Football Association; organizer and secretary of the Connecticut Amateur League, but retired from office on account of his numerous other duties; organizer, promoter and secretary of the Bridgeport Schoolboys' League; organizer of the Connecticut Referees' Association; organizer and secretary of the Bridgeport Junior League; organizer of the Esling Shield competition.

Mr. Booth has been secretary of the following organizations: Connecticut State Football Association, three seasons; Connecticut State League, four; Bridgeport Schoolboys' League, three; Bridgeport Junior League, two; Connecticut Amateur League, and Connecticut Referees' Association. He represents Connecticut in the National Council and has been a member of the Press Committee, two seasons; National Challenge Cup Committee, two; Reinstatement Committee, three; Appeals and Rules Revision Committees.

Since being in office Mr. Booth has procured five trophies for competition in Connecticut. He has been a referee sixteen seasons and acted as linesman in National Cup final. Last season he wrote more than 1,200 columns of soccer news and more than 2,770 letters and postal cards. He has the reputation of never having missed a meeting of any description since his entry as an official in Connecticut football.

CONNECTICUT STATE FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION.

Affiliated with the U.S.F.A.

BY JOE BOOTH, SECRETARY.

Officers—President, G. Good, Naugatuck; vice-president, W. Martin, New Haven; treasurer, E. S. Eversfield, Bridgeport; secretary, Joe Booth, 83 Ogden Street, Bridgeport; delegates-at-large, T. Wilson, Bridgeport; A. Downie, New Britain, and J. E. Walton, Bridgeport; delegate to the United States Football Association, Joe Booth.

Great progress has been made in the game in Connecticut during the past season among the junior element of the State, and if the same progress is maintained during the next few seasons we shall not be troubled with the scarcity of players, as the boys of to-day will, in the course of time, turn into senior players. It is true, however, that senior football in Connecticut during the past season has been on the wane on account of so many players returning to their homes across the Atlantic. The Executive Committee, however, did their work splendidly under the disadvantages and came out with a good balance in hand at the end of the season. Harmony has been the backbone of success in Connecticut during the past season, as very few appeals have been lodged by the clubs. During the past season there were five leagues affiliated—Connecticut State League, Connecticut Amateur League, Eastern Connecticut League, Bridgeport Junior League and the Bridgeport Schoolboys' League—which is an increase on the previous season of two leagues. The State Cup competition drew an entry of seven clubs. In the final tie Bridgeport City defeated the New Haven team, the previous holders, after extra time, by 3 goals to 1.

In the Spring Cup competition only six clubs competed and the final round proved a runaway game for the Bridgeport City team, which defeated the Swedish F.C. by 13 goals to 1.

During the season an international game was played between players born in England and Scotland. The game was won by Scotland by 4 to 0. The Bridgeport *Sunday Herald* put up a silver cup for the winner.

During the season Bridgeport City made strenuous efforts to lift both the National and American Cup competition trophies, but in each competition were eliminated in the round preceding the semi-final round. The club, however, achieved the honor of lifting three cups, namely, the Connecticut State Cup, Connecticut Spring Cup and the Connecticut State League Cup.

CONNECTICUT STATE LEAGUE.

Affiliated with the C.S.F.A.

By JOE BOOTH.

Officers—President, J. C. Ross, Bridgeport; vice-president, William B. Martin, New Haven; secretary, Joe Booth, Bridgeport.

This league proved the disappointment of the game in Connecticut owing to the large number of the senior teams of the State ceasing to exist. Another reason for the failure of this league was the starting of the Connecticut Amateur League and also the Bridgeport City club securing the cream of the players in the State, with a view of lifting the National Cup. The present officials are determined on bringing the league back to its recent strength and are working hard for that result. Last season five teams started the league, but only three finished, as follows:

Club.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.	Club.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Bridgeport City.....	8	0	0	16	Naugatuck	0	8	0	0
Bridgeport Rangers.....	4	4	0	8					

CONNECTICUT REFEREES' ASSOCIATION.

By ARNOLD DAWSON.

Officers—President, J. Miller, New Haven; vice-President, A. Duncan, New Haven; secretary-treasurer, A. Dawson.

This association, which was started by the State secretary two seasons ago, would have had a very successful season had not the late secretary run away with the funds of the association. The result was that the association did not become affiliated with the United States Referees' Union, although the late secretary had been instructed to do so. Notwithstanding this great disadvantage, the association did well and several meetings were held, and the attendance at the meetings was quite satisfactory. Thirteen members were affiliated with the association and all took a great interest in the business transacted. The association will become affiliated with the national organization and also the Connecticut State Football Association.

CONNECTICUT AMATEUR LEAGUE.

Affiliated with the C.S.F.A.

By JOE BOOTH.

Officers—President, A. Stead, Bridgeport; vice-president, J. Trench, New Haven; treasurer, J. G. Cockrane, New Haven; secretary, Charles Martin, Stratford.

Club.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.	Club.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Bridgeport Rovers.....	12	2	0	24	Norwalk	5	7	2	12
Waverleys	8	3	3	19	Bridgeport United.....	4	8	2	10
Swedish F.C.....	8	5	1	17	New Haven Rangers.....	4	9	1	9
Woodlawn	6	6	2	14	Bridgeport Athletics.....	4	10	0	8

This league was started with a view of finding a competition for the players of the State who were not considered strong enough to compete in the

senior league of the State, and after several meetings had been held it was decided to start the league, which was the continuation of the Esling Shield competition of the previous season. Eight teams entered the new league and proved very successful throughout the whole of the season. The competition for this league's championship was keen throughout. The Waverleys held the lead almost throughout the season, but in the concluding stage of the season the Rovers came along in fine style and won by a safe margin.

BRIDGEPORT CITY FOOTBALL CLUB.

BY JOE BOOTH.

The Bridgeport City Football Club completed the most successful season of its career, as three trophies were won, though the club was unfortunate in not lifting the two premier competitions of the country. Injuries to players, however, proved the stumbling block in these competitions, and the club was defeated by the odd goal on each occasion. In Connecticut football, however, the club had a succession of victories, for besides winning the Connecticut State Cup competition and the Connecticut Spring Cup competition, it was also successful in winning the Connecticut State Football League competition without a defeat. In the National Cup competition the club managed to reach the fourth round after defeating Naugatuck F.C., Farr Alpaca F.C. of Holyoke, Mass., and Crompton F.C. of Rhode Island. The Continentals of New York were met in Bridgeport and at the call of time the score was a tie. It was in the extra period the Continentals scored the only goal of the game and passed into the semi-final round. In the American Football Association Cup competition, the Farr Alpaca F.C. and the Brooklyn F.C. were defeated, but the team finally succumbed to the Babcock & Wilcox F.C. by the odd goal in three. In the opinion of the writer, the Bridgeport team was far better than either of the teams that contested the final tie at Pawtucket, R. I.

BRIDGEPORT JUNIOR LEAGUE.

BY JOE BOOTH.

Officers—President, A. Stead, Bridgeport; vice-president, C. Martin, Stratford; secretary-treasurer, Joe Booth, Bridgeport.

This league was started in order that the Bridgeport Schoolboys' League might be able to keep the game going after their school days are over. It proves a connecting link between the Bridgeport Schoolboys' League and the Connecticut Amateur League. The past season's work was a great success and four teams entered the league, which proved a very interesting affair from the start to the finish, and the Bridgeport Celtics proved the fortunate winner of the Dieges & Clust trophy, owing to the Federals playing ineligible players, and who, in consequence, had to be seriously punished. This cost them the championship of the league. Several of the players in this league will be found in the ranks of amateur league teams this season. The complete league standing was as follows:

Club.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.	Club.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Bridgeport Celtics.....	4	1	1	9	Bridgeport High School....	3	2	1	7
Federals	4	2	0	8	Ellsworth	0	6	0	0

BRIDGEPORT SCHOOLBOYS' LEAGUE.

BY ARTHUR STEAD.

Officers—President, Harvey C. Went; first vice-president, A. Stead; second vice-president, R. L. Zink; secretary-treasurer, Joe Booth.

Two seasons ago, when Joe Booth, the secretary of the Connecticut State Football Association, asked the officials of that association to foster the game among the schoolboys of the State, he was told that it was an impos-

sibility as it had been tried three seasons previously with utter failure. He therefore persuaded the committee to let him have a try and form his committee. He circularized several members of the State association to serve on this committee but all refused, so he decided to work alone on the matter. He approached the physical instructor of the Bridgeport Public Schools, who stated that he would do his best although he was not sure of its success. The question of footballs was spoken of and the secretary asked that it be left to him. A subscription list was raised which realized almost \$30, and each school was provided with a ball. Success was attained at once. Last season ten teams started, which was an increase of two over the previous season, and after a season of bad weather, which caused games to be postponed continuously, the league race was completed and Lincoln School proved to be the winners for the second season in succession. The past season introduced to the game several principals of the public schools, and these are now taking a great interest in it, with the result that a rules revision committee has been arranged to make standing rules, and the committee comprises three of the members of the Athletic Board of the Public Schools of Bridgeport. The standing of the league was as follows:

Club.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.	Club.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Lincoln	17	0	1	35	Staples	3	10	5	11
Black Rock.....	16	2	0	32	Prospect	2	10	6	10
Franklin	14	3	1	29	Wheeler	2	10	6	10
Longfellow	11	5	2	24	Summerfield	1	13	4	6
Barnum	10	7	1	21	Webster	1	17	0	2

RHODE ISLAND LEAGUE.

BY WALTER MURRAY.

This league started the season with eight clubs, but on account of sickness to the manager of one club, ground troubles with a second club, and the third club was so weakened by the manager's generosity in allowing the biggest part of his players to transfer to a club in a higher league, the Rhode Island League finished the season with five clubs. The games were keenly fought and after an exciting race, in which the winner was not decided until the very last game had been played, Crompton was returned the winner of the handsome trophy presented to the league by Governor Beekman and known as the Beekman Challenge Cup. The Crompton team played a wonderfully consistent game and was defeated only once, by St. Ronan's Thornton, the runner-up, 2—0.

The St. Ronan's Thornton, which finished second, put up a good fight and was defeated on the post by one point for the league championship. The team practically lost the championship in the very first game of the season when it had to face the strong Crompton line-up, on the Crompton grounds, minus three of the regular forwards, including its clever captain, Jack Reynolds. The Home Bleach and Dye, Prospect Hill and Red Men finished in the order named. All three teams put up a fine brand of football and any one of them was capable of giving either one of the two top teams a good game. The Home Bleach and Dye team was perhaps the best of the three. Prospect Hill and the Red Men were pretty well matched. Much credit is due to Manager Porter of the Red Men, who pluckily held the team together in spite of the fact that the first six games ended in defeats.

The league had a very successful season, although the schedule was badly upset by the severe weather which kept the teams idle for over two months. The records of the clubs follow:

Teams.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals.		Points.
				For.	Against.	
Crompton	13	1	0	44	9	26
St. Ronan's Thornton.....	12	1	1	39	10	25
Home Bleach and Dye.....	8	5	1	18	17	17
Prospect Hill	6	5	3	37	26	15
Red Men	6	8	0	13	45	12

WILLIAMS CHALLENGE CUP COMPETITION OF RHODE ISLAND.

BY WALTER MURRAY.

In spite of the bad weather this competition had one of its most successful seasons. There were ten entries for the cup, namely: Crompton, St. Ronan's Thornton, Prospect Hill, Red Men, Smithfield Avenue, Rogans, Ashton, Lonsdale, Mount Pleasant and Greystone A. C. The first and second rounds produced some good games, but the excitement was the greatest when the semi-final stage was reached. Crompton was drawn to meet Mount Pleasant, and Thornton to meet Lonsdale. Crompton, as was expected, proved too strong for Mount Pleasant, but the Thornton and Lonsdale game produced a stubborn battle. Thornton won by the score of 2 to 1, and therefore qualified to meet its old rival, Crompton, in the final.

The Crompton team had to win the cup once more to become its permanent owner. The game was played on May 20 on the J. & P. Coats grounds. Notwithstanding a heavy downpour of rain a large crowd was present and the spectators saw a fast and exciting game, which lasted for two hours and thirty minutes without being able to decide a winner. The score stood one goal each. The game was replayed on Memorial Day. Play swayed from one end of the field to the other for thirty-five minutes, when Cullerton broke through for Crompton and scored a good goal. After the interval Fallows added another goal for Crompton with a long shot and Maneely scored a neat goal for Thornton. Crompton finally won by two goals to one. Having won the cup three times in succession it became the permanent property of Crompton.

RHODE ISLAND JUNIOR LEAGUE.

BY VINCENT VOTOLATO, SECRETARY, THORNTON, R. I.

Officers—President and treasurer, Herbert F. Murray; secretary, Vincent Votolato.

Members—Thornton Juniors, Pocasset Rovers, Greystone Athletic Club Reserves, Crossman Rovers, Greystone U.S.L.S.C., Royal Athletic Club.

This organization has been in existence but two years, and although it has an age limit the brand of football that is displayed often excels that of the higher leagues.

The race was very close during the entire season, the Greystone A. C. Reserves, Thornton Juniors and Pocasset Rovers always being in the thick of the fighting. The cup winner was not decided until the last game was played, the Pocasset Rovers finally defeating the Greystone A. C. Reserves and thereby winning the Beekman Trophy, which was awarded by Governor Beekman. The final league standing is as follows:

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals.		Points.
					For.	Against.	
Pocasset Rovers	20	10	4	6	35	22	26
Thornton Juniors	20	10	7	3	38	42	23
Greystone A. C. Reserves.....	20	9	7	4	36	31	22
Greystone Life Savers.....	20	9	10	1	31	30	19
Royal A.C.	20	6	9	5	30	34	17
Crossman Rovers	20	6	13	1	30	40	13

An All-Star team was selected by the managers as follows:

Goal, Mellors, Pocasset Rovers; left full-back, Lester, Greystone A. C. Reserves; center half-back, Votolato, Thornton Juniors; outside right, Ferri, Thornton Juniors; center forward, Duckworth, Greystone A. C. Reserves; inside left, Barone, Thornton Juniors; right full-back, Royley, Crossman Rovers; right half-back, Tobin, Pocasset Rovers; left half-back, Cregson, Royal A.C.; inside right, Lindley, Crossman Rovers; outside left, Dove, Pocasset Rovers.

PROVIDENCE AND DISTRICT LEAGUE.

By HERBERT F. MURRAY, SECRETARY-TREASURER, PROVIDENCE, R. I.

Officers—President, H. S. Bingham; vice-president, J. Morrow; secretary-treasurer, Herbert F. Murray.

The Providence and District League enjoyed the best season in its history in 1915-16. The race for the Lupien Cup, a perpetual trophy, was a close one and was not decided until two post-season games were played.

Lonsdale captured the championship, but was hard pressed by Greystone A.C. and Ashton during the entire season. With a soccer boom due this fall the officials and managers of the circuit are looking forward to another successful season. Final standing of the clubs:

	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals.		Points.
				For.	Against.	
*Lonsdale	12	2	2	46	18	26
Greystone A.C.	12	2	2	45	14	26
Ashton	12	2	0	33	23	24
Mt. Pleasant	5	10	0	19	25	10
Lymansville	2	12	1	17	54	5

*Won championship play-off.

SOCGER IN ROCHESTER AND DISTRICT.

By D. HORROCKS.

Soccer in the Rochester District prospered during the 1915-16 season, although there were several obstacles in the way of the workers who have boomed the game. In the first place, there were many of the star players who crossed the border line to serve in the Canadian army; also very few new faces appeared, which made it difficult for the clubs to get sufficient talent. The local league looked for a big season when it received the Niagara and Buffalo teams in their midst, but these teams found the expense too great, and after traveling two or three times they had a hard time to make up a team. Credit must be given the Niagara Wanderers, who stuck it out almost to the last.

The McNaughtons were winners of the Reach Trophy, but were given a great battle by the Rochester City team. The latter won the Prince of Wales Relief Cup, which was put up for the first time. The local teams which entered the competition are to be complimented for their efforts in making it a success. The Northwestern Challenge Cup was won by the Niagara Wanderers after a hard fought final with the Rochester City team, which protested the game, but later withdrew the protest and appealed directly to the headquarters at New York. This move by the Rochester City management did a whole lot to bring harmony to the game in general.

The Saturday Amateur League had a fairly good season, but found it hard to get supporters out to the games. The people in this district look to Sunday playing as more convenient to watch. The Genesee Rovers won the cup and medals awarded in this league.

The local high schools were at it during the season and had many exciting games. Soccer is also taking hold in the public schools, several schools now being equipped with playing fields and paraphernalia. A few employers seem to have an interest in the game, notably the Eastman Kodak Company, which got together a well balanced team. The representatives of this company in the near future will be contesting for the premier honors of soccer in the city.

In the national competition the Celtic and Rochester City teams entered, the latter reaching the second round, being drawn to Bayonne, N. J. The team is to be complimented on undertaking such a trip, which resulted in a defeat.

The season of 1916 opened with good prospects. The Saturday League disbanded, but its teams entered the Sunday League, which was composed of the McNaughtons, Rochester Citys, Celtics, Kodak Parks, Genesee Rovers

and Thistles. Each team has strengthened its line-up, the City players being the favorites for the coming season. They were busy last fall and acquired several new faces, which strengthens their chances for lifting the honors in 1916. The Rovers, Thistles and Kodaks are the infants of the league, but expect to make it lively for the older members.

The Northwestern Association is growing, having stretched out so as to include the Utica district. The Syracuse team is also affiliated.

Rochester has many hard workers for soccer, but would welcome more. The efforts of such men as Dr. Rutherford, G. Spencer, J. McKinlay, Sr., J. Campbell, H. Hughes, W. Peters, G. Mutch, J. Ackroyd and A. Webster are particularly helpful.

SOCGER IN NEW YORK CITY AND VICINITY.

BY H. HELMS, NEW YORK CITY.

Despite unprecedented weather conditions, that is, unprecedented in the recent years during which soccer in this vicinity has made its long strides ahead, the season of 1915-16 in New York City and vicinity may be set down as distinctly successful, and every minute was enjoyed by those who were genuinely enthusiastic. Soccer never had a harder row to hoe hereabouts, and it speaks volumes for the grit and fiber of the association football players of New York that they should not have lost heart, but played clear through into the hot weather in order to wind up the various schedules necessary to establish titles to the cups and championships that were at stake. In the discharge of their duties to managers and clubs, the players of Gotham frequently turned out when the mercury was down to the freezing point, taking long chances in the way of injury, and many were the mud baths indulged in involuntarily when, with the referee's reluctant permission, games went on with fields well nigh unplayable in order to make sure of completing certain schedules. These disadvantages, however, were accepted in the keenest spirit of sportsmanship.

It has been well suggested that the question of so many cup ties should receive the careful and immediate attention of the governing bodies, but it should be remembered that the past season was a most exceptional one; weather conditions will not always be the same and we are due to enjoy some "open" winters for a change. Besides, this matter can well be left in the capable hands of those who are managing the affairs of such staunch organizations as the Southern New York State Football Association, the New York State Association Football League, the Metropolitan Football League, the Field Club Soccer League, Saturday Amateur and Intercollegiate Leagues, and, above all, to the United States Football Association, the parent body, which gradually, by dint of unrelenting effort of the most persevering sort, has brought order out of chaos and, year by year, established soccer on a footing that it has not enjoyed heretofore.

With all the vast population of New York City, and with all the powerful resources of publicity at hand, it must be a source of much wonder to outsiders that the really large soccer attendances of the East are not to be found here, but must be sought elsewhere, namely, in New England and Pennsylvania, as the managers of the important cup finals have been quick to find out. Whether the U. S. F. A. or A. F. A. finals could command the gates to be had in the sections named were they to be staged at the Polo Grounds, or Ebbets Field in Brooklyn, supposing the schedule had advanced far enough to play them in seasonable weather, is purely a matter for speculation and reflection. The game played by the Pilgrims against New York at the Polo Grounds, the first year the English team came to this country, approximated an attendance of five thousand people, but, truth to tell, this has not been equaled by any match of like importance held in this vicinity since. On the other hand, new clubs have sprung up all over the district and the game enjoys a vogue it did not have in those days. Counter attractions are so many and varied in and around this cosmopolitan city that it is never possible to gauge the popularity of any given outdoor attraction, and par-

ticularly the so-called minor sports, among which soccer is classified by some of the newspapers.

It is essential to the welfare of the game that rowdyism, rough work between the players and, above all, interference with the referee should be unreservedly frowned upon. The sanctity of the decisions of the official to whom is intrusted the thankless task of judging play, which at times is too fast even for the human eye to follow, is the very life of the game, and it is imperative that his person should be regarded as inviolate.

FIELD CLUB SOCCER LEAGUE.

Member of Southern New York State Football Association.

Officers—President, Dr. G. R. Manning, Bensonhurst F.C.; Hon. secretary-treasurer, A. Nixon, Montclair A.C., 1121 Bedford Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Members—Staten Island Cricket and Tennis Club, Crescent Athletic Club, Montclair Athletic Club, Bensonhurst Field Club, N. Y. V. Richmond County Club, Englewood Field Club; associated with the Associated Cricket Clubs' Soccer League of Philadelphia.

Trophy—Crescent Challenge Cup. Won by Crescent Athletic Club, 1910-11; Belmont Cricket Club, 1911-12; Staten Island Cricket and Tennis Club, 1912-13; Crescent Athletic Club, 1913-14; Merchantville Field Club, 1914-15.

Owing to adverse weather conditions the schedule for 1915-16 remains unfinished. Bensonhurst and Montclair have yet to decide their game, which will possibly change the second, third and fourth positions in the present standing.

Staten Island, after a splendid display of football, succeeded in leading the League by a small margin, thereby winning the right to meet the winners of the Philadelphia League for the "Crescent Challenge Cup," which will not be competed for until the fall of 1916.

The only clubs to defeat the Staten Island team were the Montclair A.C. and Bensonhurst F.C., and much depended upon the result of their last game of the season as to whether they assured themselves of the championship. It was in this game that Staten Island showed their playing qualities by tying with Richmond County, after the latter club held the lead the greater part of the game.

Montclair A.C. have made a splendid showing and not until the result of Staten Island's last game were they out of the running. In actual games played Montclair have lost one and that to the league winners, their other loss being a forfeit to Richmond County. It is possible for Montclair to drop to third position.

Richmond County was exceedingly strong as compared with previous seasons. This is justified by their goal average of 15—13. Much interest was centered on their last game, as a win would have created a closer fight to retain their present position, which depends on the result of the Bensonhurst and Montclair game.

Bensonhurst F.C., which played all their games away from home, have had a successful season. Should they be as successful in annexing the points from Montclair as they were against Staten Island they will take command of second place. A win will assure them of a better goal average than Montclair; a tie will give Bensonhurst third place over Richmond County because of a better goal average.

The Crescent A.C. hold a very unfamiliar position. The reason for same is attributed to having played many games below their full strength and because of competing teams being stronger than in previous seasons.

Englewood's only point was obtained against Montclair. This was Englewood's initial season in League football and their second year of soccer. Known as the "All-American" team, they are to be congratulated for the past efforts and good sportsmanship. They have the wishes of all the clubs for their future success. The League standing to date is as follows:

	Played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals.		Points.
					For.	Against.	
Staten Island	10	7	2	1	35	11	15
*Montclair A. C.....	9	5	2	2	21	13	12
Richmond County	10	4	3	3	15	13	11
Bensonhurst F.C.	9	4	3	2	21	14	10
Crescent A.C.	10	3	4	3	13	16	9
Englewood F.C.	10	0	9	1	6	44	1

*Forfeited one game to Richmond County.

That great interest is now being taken in the competition is gathered from the fact that 250 registrations have been sent in by the various clubs. In every department the games during the season were of a higher standard than previous years and the progress at the present rate is being recognized by a marked increase in attendance at the games.

The intercity game played on the Crescents' ground, Bay Ridge, on December 5th, resulted in a win for the Philadelphia representatives by 3—1. So far the results of this annual game are equally divided, as the following record shows:

Played 6, each League having won 2, lost 2 and drawn 2, with a goal average of 15 against 15.

Of the "cup" games played between the winners of the Field Club League and the Associated Cricket Clubs' Soccer League of Philadelphia, New York has won 3 and the Philadelphia clubs 2.

SATURDAY AMATEUR SOCCER LEAGUE, 1915-16.

BY JAMES G. BARCLAY, BROOKLYN, N. Y.

Officers—President, J. G. Barclay, Y.M.C.A.; vice-president, Fred Maskell, Columbia Oval; secretary, Cornelius Ostrander, Y.M.C.A. Strollers; treasurer, George L. Smith, Overseas; delegate to Southern New York State Football Association, W. Newman, I. R. T. Strollers.

The Saturday Amateur Soccer League started its second season on October 9, 1915, with six teams, Columbia Ovals, Overseas, Strollers, Centrals, Brooklyn and I. R. T. Strollers, enrolled in the competition. The I. R. T. Strollers were forced to withdraw on account of their inability to put a team on the field on Saturdays. The remaining five teams played the schedule out, with the Columbia Ovals just nosing out the Overseas, former champions. The final standing:

	G.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.		G.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Columbia Ovals	8	7	0	1	14	Central Y.M.C.A.	8	2	0	6	4
Overseas	8	6	1	1	13	Brooklyns	8	1	0	7	2
Strollers	8	3	1	4	7						

The season was particularly noticeable for its lack of disputes. There was not a protest filed during the entire season. The conduct of the players on the field was also commendable, resulting in fast, clean sport.

The Columbia Oval team is to be commended for winning the league championship the first season they entered the competition. The team is made up mostly of Saturday players who play for sport's sake, and credit is due their manager, Fred Maskell, for the example he sets, which is helping to put soccer football on a higher plane.

The Overseas Club lost out by one point, but it was not until the last game was played that the team gave up the fight to win the cup for the second time.

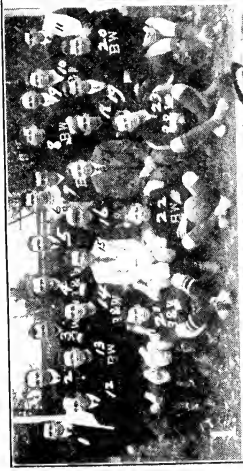
The Strollers made a very creditable showing when it is considered that the team is composed of American-born players of the Brooklyn Central Y.M.C.A., who have recently learned the game in the various high schools. Nell Ostrander, secretary of the league, organized this team, and it is



(1) GREENPOINT FOOTBALL CLUB, BROOKLYN, N. Y.—1, J. Murray, Sec.; 2, Graham; 3, Torney; 4, W. Gallagher; 5, Enshaw; 6, Gavin; 7, D. Skelton, Pres.; 8, Skelton, Jr.; 9, Gray; 10, J. Williams; 11, McIntosh; 12, E. Williams, Vice-Pres.; 13, Mahan; 14, Erikson; 15, J. Gallagher; 16, Harrington; 17, Dougherty; 18, Halliday; 19, Moran; 20, Hutchison. (2) CURTIS HIGH SCHOOL, SLAVER ISLAND, N. Y.—1, Lennington; 2, Markham; 3, Taylor; 4, Vosburgh, Mgr.; 5, Callahan; 6, Brown; 7, Doyle; 8, Smith, Capt.; 9, Letz; 10, Meyerson; 11, Barth; 12, Clason; 13, Sullivan; 14, Ulrich. (3) ST. GABRIEL'S PARK FOOTBALL CLUB, NEW YORK CITY—1, Ross; 2, J. Murtha, Instructor; 3, Pollack; 4, Kendall; 5, Murray; 6, Corbett; 7, Callahan; 8, L. Callahan; 9, McCandall; 10, McEhan; 11, Gorman; 12, Kane. (4) BENSONHURST FOOTBALL CLUB, BROOKLYN, N. Y.—1, Hall; 2, Macpherson; 3, Spaeth; 4, Creifelt; 5, Taylor; 6, Womersley; 7, Leman; 8, Smith; 9, Barriskill; 10, McIntosh; 11, Pett; 12, Muir; 13, Gracey; 14, Mowatt.



(1) YONKERS (N. Y.) FOOTBALL CLUB—1, Williams, Linesman; 2, Cunningham, Referee; 3, J. Robertson, Trainer; 4, Fleming; 5, McDonald; 6, Kydd; 7, Smith; 8, W. Raitt, Sec.; 9, W. Hollywood, Secretary New York State Football Association; 10, Porter; 11, Falks; 12, Henderson; 13, A. Robertson; 14, Baird; 15, Garside; 16, Kerr; 17, Carver; 18, Gallow; 19, Petric; 20, Lawrie; 21, Young; 22, Brown. (2) BROOKLYN (N. Y.) CELTIC FOOTBALL CLUB—1, T. McCamphill, Sec.-Mgr.; 2, Bell; 3, Bownes; 4, C. Kelly; 5, Hynes; 6, Tintle; 7, J. O'Halloran; 8, Ferguson; 9, M. Kelly; 10, Rodden; 11, A. O'Halloran; 12, Broadbent; 13, McGreevey; 14, Owens; 15, R. O'Halloran; 16, Hughes; 17, Hardy; 18, Parker; 19, McKenna.



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(1) BARCOCK & WILSON FOOTBALL CLUB, BAYONNE, N. J.—1, Tait, Asst. Trainer; 2, Findlay, Mgr.; 3, Wilson Davidson; 4, Napier; 5, Boyd, Trainer; 6, Bowie; 7, Harding; 8, R. Smith; 9, J. Buchanan, Committee; 10, Moore; 11, Dick, Asst. Trainer; 12, T. Boice, Committee; 13, Holden; 14, Finn; 15, J. Stonger, Secy.; 16, Millar, Capt.; 17, W. Davidson, Chairman; 18, Aitken; 19, W. Patrick, Treas.; 20, Sweeney; 21, Broadbent; 22, C. Smith; 23, Stewart. (2) SPLITDORF FOOTBALL CLUB, NEWARK, N. J.—1, Yaley; 2, F. J. McNeil, Treas.; Splitdorf A.A.; 3, L. Brierley; 4, Lennox; 5, Van Anten; 6, T. H. Kincaid, Sec.; Splitdorf A.A.; and Sec. Mfg. League; 7, Tintle; 8, Ford; 9, Flynn; 10, R. Roy, Mgr.; 11, W. Bailey, Mascot; 12, Hackett; 13, Hogan; 14, Mills; 15, Meyers; 16, Costello; 17, G. Brierley; 18, Connors. (3) WEST HUDSON FOOTBALL CLUB, HARRISON, N. J.—1, Barr; 2, Carr; 3, Murray; 4, Nelson; 5, Buxstard; 6, Adam, Mgr.; 7, Lennox; 8, Leggett; 9, Embauer; 10, Low; 11, Muir, Capt.; 12, Ward; 13, Glass; 14, Wilkes; 15, G. Smith, Mgr.; 16, Glasstetter; 17, Abathnot; 18, Leggett; 19, Connors. (4) SIMMS MAGNETO FOOTBALL CLUB, EAST ORANGE, N. J.—1, Quinn; 2, Cundiff; 3, Meyerdiecks; 4, Russell; 5, Unsworth; 6, Wilkes; 7, T. Smith, Mgr.; 8, Glasstetter; 9, Abathnot; 10, Ingram; 11, McAllister; 12, Hunziker; 13, Hemmisteley; 14,



(1) GREENVILLE FOOTBALL CLUB, JERSEY CITY, N. J.—1, Devlin; 2, Hansen; 3, Heider; 4, Parkinson; 5, Goeltis; Capt.; 6, Hubner, Mgr.; 7, C. Mundell, Secy.; 8, Lowe; 9, Hager; 10, Nuss; 11, Dillon; 12, Koelsch; 13, S. McKnight; 14, Johnson; 15, J. McKnight. (2) VISITATION FOOTBALL CLUB, NEW YORK CITY—1, Jacoby; 2, Pevin; 3, Graham; 4, Karney; 5, Bogue; 6, Sittle; 7, Stewart; 8, Gillette; 9, Beggs; 10, Hough; 11, Thompson; 12, Murthigh; 13, McGowan; 14, Pepper; 15, Lee; 16, Maroney; 17, Meadowcroft. (3) ALLEY BOYS FOOTBALL CLUB, HARRISON, N. J.—1, D. Andrews, Mgr.; 2, J. Deignan, Trainer; 3, Meyers; 4, Flynn; 5, Tittle; 6, Summers; 7, P. O'Hara, Trainer; 8, Short; 9, Reynolds; 10, McMahon; 11, Costello; 12, Fisher; 13, Walsh; 14, McEligh; 15, O'Rourke; 16, Brierly. (4) FORD FOOTBALL CLUB, KEARNY, N. J.—1, Butler; 2, G. Rummell; 3, Bowers; 4, Ford; 5, W. Rummell; 6, Collins; 7, W. Adamson; 8, Carney; 9, H. Adamson; 10, Conlon; 11, Neil; 12, Brown.

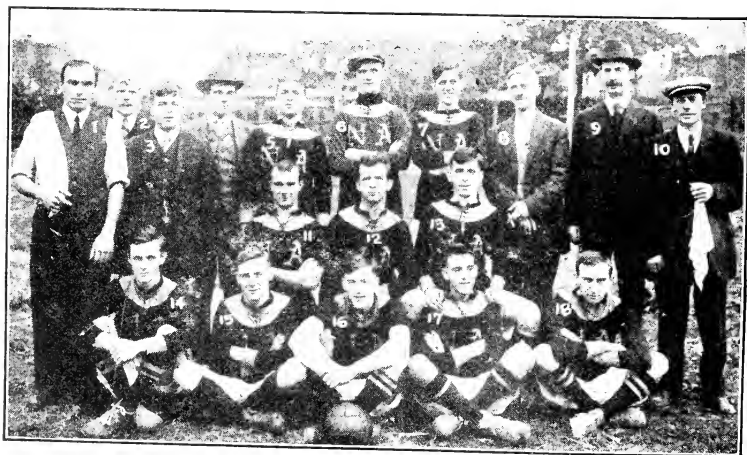


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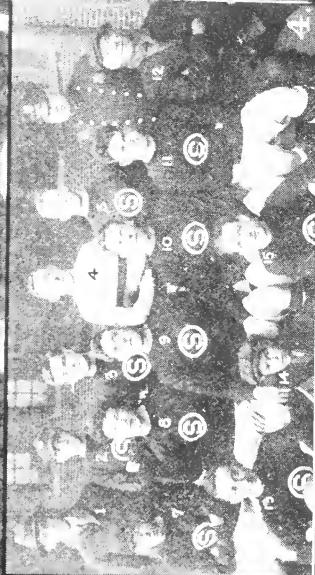
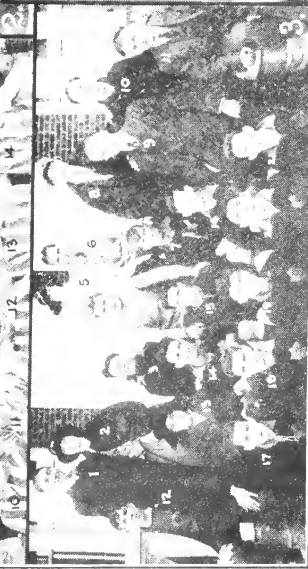
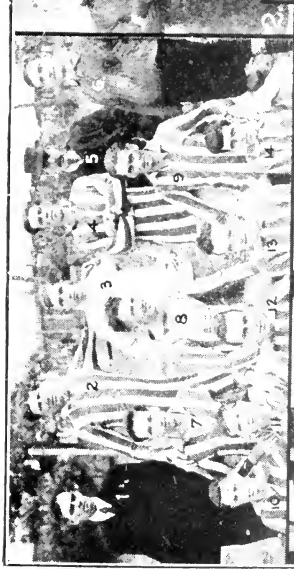
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PURITAN Y.M.L. FOOTBALL CLUB, PHILADELPHIA, PA.



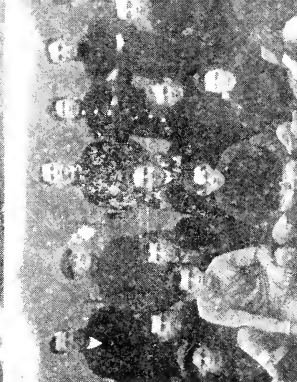
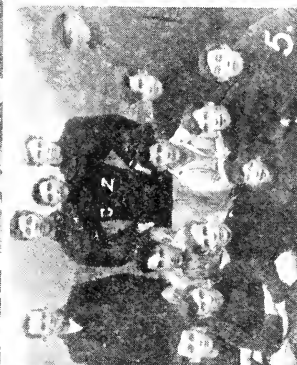
NORTH AMERICAN LACE COMPANY FOOTBALL CLUB, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

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ALLIED AMERICAN FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION TEAMS, PHILADELPHIA, PA.



(1) CASTLE SHANNON (P.A.) JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB. (2) PITTSBURGH (P.A.) ROVERS JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB.
 VAN METER (P.A.) FOOTBALL CLUB. (4) COULTERSVILLE (P.A.) FOOTBALL CLUB. (5) SHANER (P.A.) FOOTBALL CLUB.
 (6) BUENA VISTA (P.A.) FOOTBALL CLUB.

through his efforts they are making such headway. There is no other team in the league that has so much "pep" or fighting spirit as the Strollers.

The Brooklyn Central Y.M.C.A. club was a disappointment, compared to the showing they made during the previous season. The cause is attributed to the fact that the Y.M.C.A. was without a "home" for some months, while the new million-and-a-half-dollar building was being completed, so that the team seemed to get scattered.

The Brooklyn F.C. had rather an unfortunate season, being unable at times to place a full team on the field, which was probably due to the fact that they wished to make this a purely Saturday team and did not want to draw from their Sunday players.

The league is greatly indebted to Mr. Ostrander for the way in which he handled the affairs of the association. The selecting of the referees and the arranging of postponed games, which were left in his care, was carried out to the satisfaction of all concerned.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

Owing to inclemency of the weather, the 1915-16 season of the National Association Football League did not come up to expectations, particularly in point of attendance. Nevertheless the play was of a high order almost without exception. Interest in the teams seemed, despite the weather conditions, to enjoy a healthy growth, and three teams finished well bunched at the top. The final standing of the clubs follows:

	G.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.		G.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Alley Boys	8	5	2	1	11	West Hudson	3	1	0	2	4
Scottish-American	7	4	2	1	9	Brooklyn F.C.	3	1	2	0	2
Babcock & Wilcox....	6	3	0	2	8	Jersey A.C.	4	0	4	0	0

BROOKLYN CELTIC FOOTBALL CLUB.

Champions of New York State Association Football League, Seasons 1913-14-15-16.

By THOMAS McCAMPBELL, MGR.

The following is the record of the team for the past season:

National Challenge Cup Competition—First Round: 5, Degnon Boys' F.C. 1. Second Round: 5, Jersey City F.C. 4. Third Round: 0, Continental F.C. 1.

American Football Association Cup Competition—First Round: 3, Columbia Oval F.C. 0. Second Round: 3, Continental F.C. 1. Third Round: 1, Scottish-American F.C. 2.

Southern New York State Cup Competition—First Round: West Side Rangers F.C. scratched to Brooklyn Celtic F.C. Second Round: 3, Columbia Oval F.C. 0. Third Round: 0, Yonkers F. C. 2.

Exhibition Games—4, West Hudson F.C. 3; 0, Yonkers F.C. 0; 0, Greenpoint F.C. 1; 3, Clan McDonald F.C. 0.

New York State Association Football League—3, Bay Ridge F.C. 1; 4, Clan McDuff F.C. 0; 3, Cameron F.C. 0; 2, Yonkers F.C. 2; 1, Degnon Boys' F.C. 0; 2, Cameron F.C. 0; 2, Bay Ridge F.C. 0; 1, Yonkers F.C. 1; 2, Columbia Oval F.C. 0; 3, Continental F.C. 1; 3, Clan McDuff F.C. 0; 1, Clan McDonald F.C. 0; 7, Continental F.C. 1.

Played, 16; won, 14; drawn, 2; goals scored for, 34; goals scored against, 6; points, 30. Degnon Boys' F.C., Columbia Oval F.C. and Clan McDonald F.C. scratched.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS ATHLETIC LEAGUE OF NEW YORK CITY TOURNAMENT.

By ROWLAND A. PATTERSON.

The tenth annual soccer football tournament of the Public Schools Athletic League was the most successful tournament ever conducted by the league. The ten teams that entered showed a better knowledge of the game

than the teams of previous years. A spirit of good sportsmanship prevailed in every game; there was no protesting of decisions and no complaint about the officiating. Much of the credit for the success of the tournament is due to the officials who refereed the games.

At the beginning of the season most of the schools filed their schedule, noting the time and place for playing the games, and the officials were assigned for the entire schedule. The members of the National Football Referees' Association and of the Southern New York State Football Association rendered assistance by serving as referees.

There is even a brighter outlook for the future of the soccer activities of the league because of the interest that is being taken by the various associations and clubs. A representative of the league has been elected to membership in the Southern New York State Football Association, and a closer co-operation between the league and this association is assured.

Curtis High School won the championship and has been awarded the William H. Maxwell Trophy. The standing of the teams follows:

W. L. D. Pts.					W. L. D. Pts.				
Curtis H.S.	7	1	1	15	Manual Training H.S.	3	4	2	8
Erasmus Hall H.S.	5	1	3	13	Morris H.S.	2	4	3	7
DeWitt Clinton H.S.	5	2	2	12	H.S. of Commerce	2	6	1	5
Evander Childs H.S.	5	3	1	11	Townsend Harris Hall H.S.	1	5	3	5
Commercial H.S.	3	1	5	11	Boys' H.S.	1	7	1	3

The players of the champion Curtis team were: Vergil Markham, goal; George D. Lennington, right back; Andrew Brown, right half-back; Gustav Ulrich, outside left; Samuel Meyerson, outside right; Carl C. Clason, center; Edgar Taylor, left back; Austin K. Doyle, center half-back; Irving R. Smith (captain), left half-back; Joseph Sullivan, inside left; Joseph Barth, inside right; Lawrence Latz, substitute; Eugene Collamore, Jr., substitute; William Vosburgh, manager; William W. Rogers, faculty adviser.

SOCCER FOOTBALL IN THE NEW YORK PARK PLAYGROUNDS.

BY WILLIAM J. LEE,

Supervisor of Recreation, Department of Parks, Boroughs of Manhattan and Richmond; Secretary-Treasurer Interpark Playground Athletic Association.

The popularity of soccer football in the park playgrounds is increasing each year. The interpark tournament has advanced from fourteen to eighteen teams. St. Gabriel's Park Playground played through the entire tournament with only one goal scored against them.

No institution is doing more to promote soccer football in the minds of the young than the Bureau of Recreation. Over six thousand spectators watched the final game. Let all the associations help keep up the good work in this great out-of-doors game that fits both man and boy.

The following are the results of the tournament:

Southern Section.

	Goals.						Goals.						
	W. L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.		W. L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.		
Seward	8	2	0	22	7	16	Columbus	5	4	1	12	11	11
Tompkins Square	7	2	1	27	12	15	Cherry and Market	2	6	2	17	23	6
Corlears Hook	4	3	3	11	11	11	Hamilton Fish	1	9	0	3	23	2

Central Section.

	Goals.						Goals.						
	W. L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.		W. L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.		
St. Gabriel's	9	0	1	38	1	19	Yorkville	3	6	1	10	21	7
Thomas Jefferson	7	2	1	20	12	15	John Jay	3	7	0	11	31	6
Queensboro	4	4	2	16	13	10	East Meadow	0	9	1	3	20	1

Western Section.

	Goals.						Goals.						
	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.		Pts.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
stor Field	8	1	1	29	9	17	Jasper Oval	5	5	0	14	18	10
helsea	7	2	1	24	16	15	West 59th Street....	3	7	0	22	36	6
e Witt Clinton....	5	5	0	13	25	10	Central 65th Street.	3	7	0	14	19	6

Finals.

	Won. Lost. PC.				Won. Lost. PC.		
t. Gabriel's	2	0	1.000	Astor Field	0	2	.000
eward	1	1	.500				

GREENVILLE FIELD CLUB, JERSEY CITY, N. J.

Officers—President, John Schmidt; vice-president, Ed Hager; secretary and delegate, Camp Mundell; treasurer, Harry Nuss; sergeant-at-arms, Tom Hyatt; board of trustees, Henry Lyons, chairman; George Seylar, Ed Hamel, Martin Hyatt, William Koelsch and William Hagerman; managers, Chris pence and Herman Heubner.

After four years of hard work in the interests of amateur soccer football in Hudson County, N. J., the Greenville Field Club of Jersey City was well rewarded for its previous efforts by producing a Metropolitan League championship winner and victor of Metropolitan and New York District Cup tie competition. The Greenville club was undefeated in thirty-one games before being declared the winners of both honors. Holding the highest record for goals scored in one game, fourteen, in organized soccer and winning the first place over Fulton Camerons by the close margin of 1 point, brought to a close the Metropolitan League's most successful season. The league is composed of fourteen strong amateur clubs of New York and New Jersey. Since its organization, the Greenville Field Club is considered one of the foremost promoters of amateur athletic sports in Jersey City.

PLAYING RECORD.

Opponents.	Games.	Goals.		Opponents.	Games.	Goals.	
		G.F.C.	Opp.			G.F.C.	Opp.
t. George	2	22	1	White Rose	2	4	0
ulton Camerons	2	4	1	Jersey Blues	2	2	1
onkers Thistles	2	4	1	Yonkers Rovers	2	6	1
oboken F.C.	2	10	3	Visitation F.C.	2	4	1
V. S. Rangers	2	8	1	German F.C.	2	2	0
ay Ridge F.C.....	2	4	0	Spartan F.C.	2	2	0
Hudson United	2	4	1				

Individual goals made during the season—Koelsch, 26; S. McKnight, 12; J. McKnight, 10; Hansen, 10; Ben Lowe, 7; Jack Lowe, 6; Johnson, 6; Gedettes, 5; McLoughlin, 4; Spence, 3; Dillon, 1; Devlin, 1; Parkinson, 1; total, 92.

CUP TIE COMPETITION RESULTS.

United States Football Association Cup—Our Boys 4, Greenville 1. American Football Association Cup—Babcock & Wilcox 2, Greenville 1. Metropolitan Cup—Bay Ridge 0, Greenville 5; Fulton Camerons 3, Greenville 3; Fulton Camerons 1, Greenville 3; Visitation F.C. 1, Greenville 1; Visitation F.C. 1, Greenville 2.

THE WEST HUDSONS, HARRISON, N. J.

By THOMAS T. ADAM, HARRISON, N. J.

The West Hudsons started the season looking like winners, but fell down toward the end after having eliminated three of the strongest teams from the U.S.F.A. competition, namely, Clan McDonald, Yonkers F.C. and Babcock

& Wilcox. They were in turn defeated by Bethlehem in the fourth round 1—0, on April 2. Bethlehem scoring on a penalty kick. They were also put out of the running in the A.F.A. Cup by the Jersey A.C., 1—0, after having played a drawn game, 0—0. In the U.S.F.A. competition the West Hudson had to play three games with Clan McDonald in the first round; also two games with Yonkers in the second round. Following is the record of the club for the season:

U.S.F.A.—First round: 1, Clan McDonald 1; replay, 2, Clan McDonald 2; replay, Clan McDonald 1. Second round: 0, Yonkers 0; replay, 2, Yonkers 0. Third round: 2, Babcock & Wilcox 1. Fourth round: 0, Bethlehem 1.

A.F.A.—1, Jersey A.C. 1; replay, 0, Jersey A.C. 1. National League—3, Babcock & Wilcox 2; 3, Scots 2; 2, Brooklyn 1; 0, Babcock & Wilcox, 0; 1, Alley Boys 1; 0, Jersey A.C. 0 (unfinished); 2, Scots, 6.

Exhibition Games—1, Continental 4; 1, Brooklyn Celtics 3; 0, Bethlehem 1; Haledon Thistles 2; 1, Alley Boys 3; 3, Jersey A.C. 2.

Goals scored—U.S.F.A.: Against opponents, 9; by opponents, 6. A.F.A.: Against opponents, 1; by opponents, 2. National League: Against opponents, 11; by opponents, 12. Exhibition: Against opponents, 11; by opponents, 12. Total: Against opponents, 32, by opponents, 32.

BABCOCK & WILCOX FOOTBALL CLUB.

BY J. STENGER, SECRETARY.

The season of 1915-16 proved the best in the short history of the Babcock & Wilcox Football Club of Bayonne. In previous years the club has been looked upon as good juniors, but this past season it became ambitious, joined the National League, and gathered a team that proved to be one of the best in the metropolitan area. The West Hudson Football Club knocked them out of the U.S.F.A. Cup competition in the third round, but the team managed to fight its way to the semi-final of the American Cup, defeating such splendid teams as Fore River F.C. and Bridgeport F.C.

The Scottish-Americans, however, put an end to its ambitions for this season. Altogether the team played 23 games, won 15, lost 5, drew 3, scored 68 goals and lost 32 goals.

THE MANUFACTURERS SOCCER LEAGUE OF NEWARK, N. J.

Officers—President, C. Edson of Hyatt Roller Bearing Company; vice president, E. Gately of Simms Magneto Company; secretary, T. H. Kinnala of Splittorf Company, 98 Warren Street, Newark, N. J.; treasurer, W. Murray of Weston Electric Company.

The Manufacturers' Soccer League of Newark was organized last season, the following teams being granted franchises: Splittorf Company, Hyatt Roller Bearing Company, Simms Magneto Company, Nairn Linoleum Company, Hartshorn Company, Weston Electric Company.

The league prospered from the start and finished its full schedule without a break. The cup and medals were won by the Simms Magneto Company; Splittorf second, one point behind; Hyatt third; then Nairn, Hartshorn and Weston.

The league held a successful field day at Hillside Park, Belleville, in June, Splittorf being the point winner in the events, and also winning the medals for the six a side game.

The league intends playing Sunday ball the coming season and also to increase the number of clubs.

The league holds weekly meetings every Friday, at 19 West Park Street, Newark, N. J.

AUDUBON A.A. SOCCER FOOTBALL CLUB, CAMDEN, N. J.

The Audubons played seventeen games during the season of 1915-16, of which they won twelve, lost four, and one was drawn. They scored a total of fifty-five goals to twenty for opponents. The record follows:

2, West Philadelphia 3; 0, Somerset F.C. 2; 4, Textile F.C. 2; 3, La Mott 0; 3, Fairhill B.C. 0; 7, Callowhill P.R.T. 0; 2, West Philadelphia 0; 3, P. R. Transportation Department 0; 4, Textile F.C. 2; 4, Hurley F.C. 2; 2, Callowhill P.R.T. 0; 1, N. American Lace 3; 8, St. Michael 0; 2, Alma 2; 1, Fairhill B.C. 2; 3, Loretta F.C. 2; 6, H. K. Mulford F.C. 0.

REFEREES' ASSOCIATION OF PHILADELPHIA.

Affiliated with the United States Referees' Union.

BY A. M. ADDISON, MAPLE SHADE, N. J.

Officers—President, A. M. Addison; vice-president, E. Waldron; treasurer, W. E. Hinds; secretary, B. Groves, 549 Indiana Avenue, Philadelphia.

Examining Board—D. Stewart, chairman; E. Waldron, secretary; D. Gould, G. Young, Jas. Walder.

Formed in 1903 by five well known soccer men, this Association has again had a most successful year. The Association is undoubtedly one of the strongest in the United States, and its members have set an example for work in the field of soccer that would be hard to beat, not only in controlling the game, but many of its members are called upon to assist other Associations in promoting that game which is so dear to us all. It has been often urged that a referee should not associate with other bodies in the management or control of soccer, but in Philadelphia it is thought otherwise, and many a league has found that the referee is a man to be called upon in controlling the affairs and his assistance has been the means of giving sound foundation to their Associations.

The annual dinner, held at the close of the season this year, was a notable affair. The Association had the honor of having with them the officers of the U. S. F. A., as follows: John A. Fernley, president; Douglas Stewart, first vice-president; T. W. Cahill, secretary; Archibald Birse, treasurer. These, with a host of other gentlemen well known in the soccer world, made the affair a splendid finish to a grand season. One of the most pleasing events of the evening was the presentation by the members to its esteemed treasurer, Walter E. Hinds, of solid gold links and pin with his initials set in blue enamel.

Following is a record of games refereed during the season of 1915-16.

Allied League, First, Second, Third and Fourth Divisions, 207; Allied League, Telegraph Cup competition, 17; American League, 24; Cricket League, First and Second Divisions, 53; Club games (miscellaneous), 62; Blue Mountain League, including final cup games, 10; Benefit games, 11; Intercity games, 3; Inter-league games, 5; Intercollegiate games, 15; Miscellaneous Cup games, 16; Philadelphia League, 50; Industrial League, including Hohlfeld Cup series, 33; United League, 79; Scholastic League, 19; School games (miscellaneous), 5. Grand total, 609.

The association furnished linesmen during the season on eighteen occasions, including semi-final for National Cup, Allied League Telegraph Cup series, Hohlfeld series, United League, Eastern District Football Association, benefit games, etc.

A comparative list of games handled by this association from 1909 to date is as follows: Season of 1909-10, 222; 1910-11, 319; 1911-12, 363; 1912-13, 564; 1913-14, 532; 1914-15, 642; 1915-16, 609.

FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION OF EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA AND DISTRICT.

BY WILLIAM PALMER, SECRETARY.

Officers—President, D. Stewart, University of Pennsylvania; first vice-president, Wesley W. Kurtz, Cricket Clubs League, Philadelphia; second vice-

president, G. W. Rieger, Jr., Public Schools Association; treasurer, Arthur Watson, Philadelphia League; secretary, William Palmer, Allied American Football Association.

Association football has grown very rapidly in this State. During the season of 1914-15 the membership of the association comprised 103 clubs, while the season of 1915-16 shows an increase of 39, making a total membership of 142 clubs. This is, I believe, easily the largest individual membership in the United States Football Association. This membership is made up as follows:

Allied American Football Association—Five divisions, forty-five clubs and nine associated clubs, making in all, fifty-four clubs.

American League of Associated Clubs—One division, six clubs and one associated club, in all, seven clubs.

Football League of the Associated Cricket Clubs—Two divisions, eleven clubs.

United League—One division, ten clubs and two associated clubs, in all, twelve clubs.

Blue Mountain Association Football League of South Bethlehem—One division, six clubs and one associated club, in all, seven clubs.

Philadelphia Class A League—One division, seven clubs and two associated clubs, in all, nine clubs.

Philadelphia Class B League—One division, ten clubs.

Industrial Association Football League—One division, eight clubs.

The Grammar School Athletic Association—Four divisions, twenty-four clubs.

The Referees' Association—Sixty-nine active members.

This results in the association having on its rolls ten separate football organizations, with seventeen divisions and an aggregate of 142 clubs, of which, however, only 118 are dues paying clubs, the Grammar School Athletic Association being exempted from the payment of dues.

The association registered over three thousand players during the season, of which more than 97 per cent. are amateurs. The professionals are becoming more of a minority each season. The game played between the amateurs and the professionals resulted in a score of 4 goals to 1 in favor of the amateurs.

To enable the competition among the public high schools to be properly handled on the field, this association, together with the Referees' Association, provided funds for the provision of competent referees for all of the games in the competition. To further assist in the development of the game in the high schools the Eastern District Cup was procured through funds supplied by the Football League of the Associated Cricket Clubs and presented to the Northeast High School, the winner of the competition, by this association.

The association has been greatly reorganized during the past season, the rules governing each organization holding membership in the association, and where such rules were in conformity with the laws of the U.S.F.A. and this association each organization was requested to file a copy of its rules for examination and revision if necessary. The Council has also decided to have the books of each organization examined once a year.

Of our large membership and position in the U.S.F.A. councils we have cause to be proud. We have also reason to be proud of our clubs and players. We have not only the largest and the pioneer Referees' Association on our rolls, but we have scholastic, club and college teams also on our rolls. Our club teams have a high position in the country, one of them, at least, the Bethlehem Steel Works team, having won in open competition the two highest championships of the country, that is, the National Challenge Cup and the American Cup. Undoubtedly much of Bethlehem's success is due to the efforts of H. E. Lewis, third vice-president of the Bethlehem Steel Works, who has managed the team and is responsible for its being. Not only are we honored in this way, but on the occasion of the United States Football Association sending to Norway and Sweden this summer its first international team, the committee in charge selected five of the fourteen men being sent from this district.

AMERICAN LEAGUE OF PHILADELPHIA, PA.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

Club.	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals.		Points.
					For.	Against.	
Disston	11	9	1	1	54	3	19
Bethlehem	11	9	1	1	34	3	19
Boys' Club.....	9	4	5	0	14	26	8
Hibernians	7	3	4	0	13	10	6
Victor T. M. Co.....	8	1	7	0	6	43	2
Ranger	8	0	8	0	4	45	0

GOALS SCORED.

Kirkpatrick, Disston	9	Spalding, Disston	2
Andrew, Disston	7	P. Smith, Hibernian.....	2
Pearce, Disston	6	Montgomery, Boys' Club.....	2
Fleming, Bethlehem	6	McDonough, Boys' Club.....	2
Renney, Boys' Club.....	6	Dean, Bethlehem	2
A. Robinson, Disston.....	5	Lance, Bethlehem	2
McEwan, Disston	5	Ford, Victor T. M. Co.....	2
Rogers, Disston	5	Russell, Ranger	2
Pepper, Bethlehem	5	Nare, Disston	1
Barrett, Hibernian	5	Bughar, Disston	1
Brown, Bethlehem	4	Dutcher, Disston	1
Clarke, Bethlehem	4	Butler, Bethlehem	1
Graham, Bethlehem	4	McDonald, Bethlehem	1
Gavna, Bethlehem	4	Murray, Bethlehem	1
Gallagher, Hibernian	3	Richardson, Hibernian	1
Homson, Disston	3	D. Scott, Hibernian	1
Scott, Disston	3	Coursey, Hibernian	1
McIntyre, Boys' Club.....	3	Clauderally, Boys' Club.....	1
Fisher, Disston	2	Hardy, Ranger	1
Bailey, Disston	2	Scholin, Ranger	1
Small	2	Goodwin, Victor T. M. Co.....	1
Joyce, Victor T. M. Co.....	1	Brown, Victor T. M. Co.....	1
Buch, Victor T. M. Co.....	1		

GOAL TENDERS' RECORD.

	No.			No.	
	Games.	Goals.		Games.	Goals.
Pearce, Disston	4	1	Kerr, Boys' Club.....	3	6
Wiess, Disston	7	2	Rennie, Boys' Club.....	2	4
Duncan, Bethlehem	5	2	Knott, Boys' Club.....	2	3
Scharfe, Bethlehem	2	1	McCanley, Boys' Club.....	1	1
Hughes, Hibernians	5	6	Cameron, Ranger	6	30
Rawson, Hibernians	1	7	Campbell, Ranger	1	13
Butler, Bethlehem	2	1	Hall, Victor T. M. Co.....	1	15
Tryne, Boys' Club.....	1	5	Burch, Victor T. M. Co.....	6	28

PITTSBURGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

The season of 1915-16 was by far the most successful in the history of the Pittsburgh and District Association Football League, the class of football displayed and the attendance at the games surpassing all previous records. The league was composed of six teams, among which were the now well known Homestead Steel Works Club, thrice league champions; Noblestown F.C. (late Sturgeon), last season's runners-up, and Pittsburgh Rovers, who have always shown good form.

The cup winners, Noblestown F.C., thoroughly deserved the trophy, as they were the most consistent performers throughout the season, meeting defeat on one occasion only out of ten games played, and that on the ground of their opponents. Homestead Steel Works, cup winners 1914-15, were much weaker than the previous season, due to the loss of several star players, and consequently they were compelled to be content with a tie for

second place in the league standing, although their record of eight games won and two lost was a very creditable performance. Pittsburgh Rovers started the season in good style, but at a crucial stage in the season they lost the services of E. George, a mainstay of the team, and one of the finest fullbacks ever seen in Western Pennsylvania. Nevertheless they tied for second place with Homestead Steel Works.

The climax of the season was reached in the interleague game which was played New Year's Day, on the ground of the Pittsburgh Federal League Base Ball Club, between teams representing Pittsburgh and District League and the Pittsburgh Press League, which resulted in a decisive victory for the District eleven, after a strenuous contest under rather unfavorable weather conditions.

This league also had the satisfaction of again seeing one of its teams, namely, Homestead Steel Works, emerge victorious in the Western Pennsylvania Cup Competition, the final game between that team and Beadling of the Press League resulting in a win for the steel workers.

In the National Cup Competition the best performance was again shown by Homestead, but they were put out of the running by Braddock F.C., after defeating in turn Donora of the Press League, Juniata Burns of Johnstown, Pa., and Pittsburgh Rovers.

The standing of the clubs follows:

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals.		Points.
					For.	Against.	
Noblestown	10	9	1	0	41	9	18
Pittsburgh Rovers	10	8	2	0	27	13	16
Homestead Steel Works.....	10	8	2	0	25	11	16
Westinghouse Air Brake Co.....	10	3	7	0	15	17	6
Beadling Rovers	10	2	8	0	11	35	4
Allegheny United	10	1	9	0	7	41	2

THE PITTSBURGH PRESS SOCCER FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

Affiliated with Western Pennsylvania Football Association.

BY WILLIAM S. HADDOCK, PITTSBURGH, PA.

Soccer football was developed to a higher degree during the season of 1915-16 than ever before in Western Pennsylvania. The Pittsburgh Press stood sponsor for four leagues, which were made up as follows: Central League, seven clubs; Monongahela League, six clubs; the Yough. Valley League, six clubs; the Pittsburgh Press Junior League, eight clubs. Treveskyn, Braddock, Gratztown and Bridgeville Juniors were the winners in their leagues.

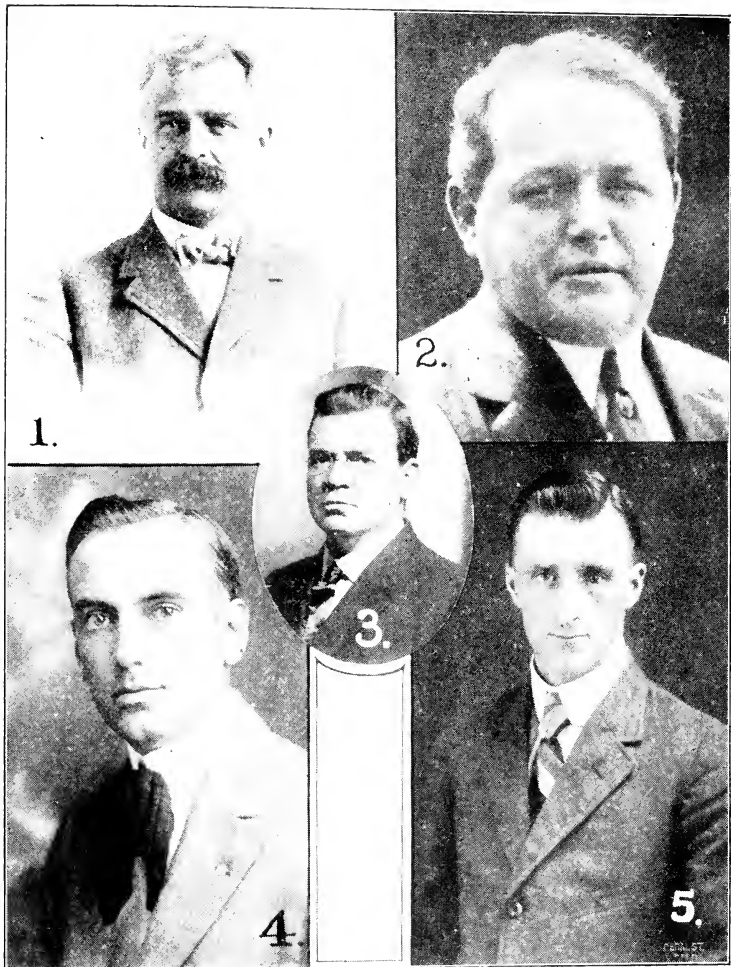
An inter-league series of three games, for the championship of the Press League, was played between Braddock and Treveskyn, the result being in favor of Braddock by one victory and two draws. Braddock thereby won the magnificent silver trophy and gold medals offered by the Pittsburgh Press.

Gratztown had a comparatively easy time winning the handsome bronze trophy offered by the Press for the championship of the Yough. Valley League. The Bridgeville Juniors had a hard fight to win the silver trophy offered by the Press for the champion junior team.

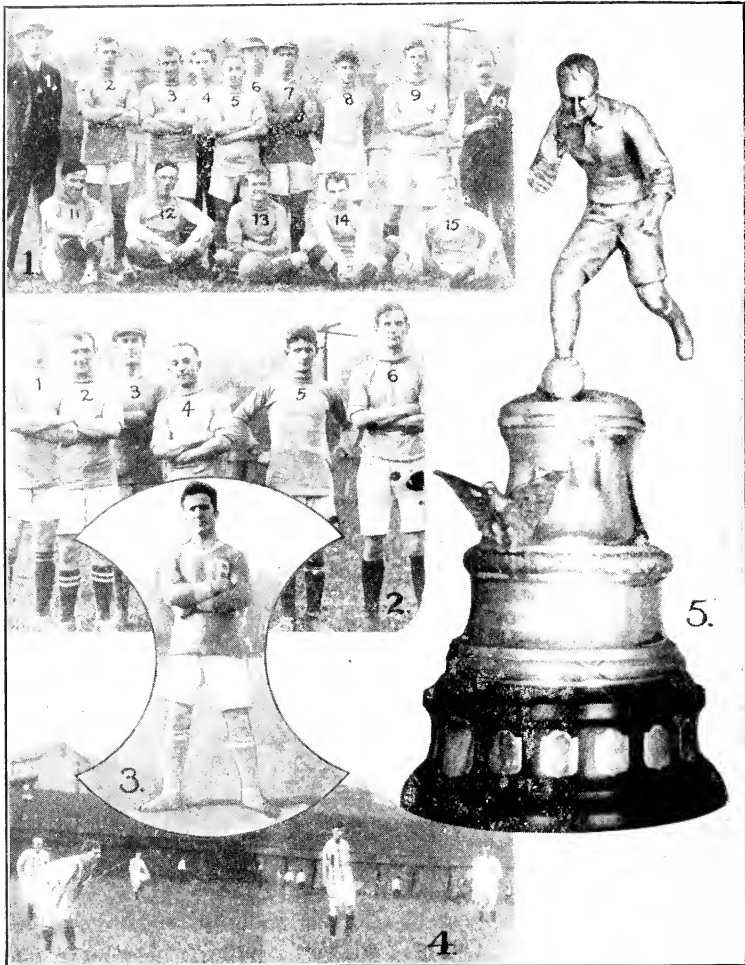
The Press Junior League was an innovation started by the officials of the Press League and was made up of young men, eighteen years of age and under. The league was an unqualified success and will be continued on a larger scale than ever in the future.

The officers of all the Press leagues were: President Ralph S. Davis, sporting editor of the Press; secretary-treasurer, William S. Haddock.

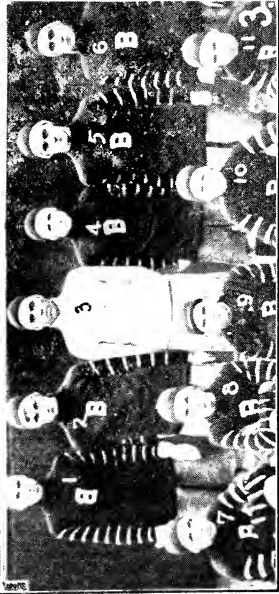
In their annual game with the Pittsburgh District League All-Stars, the Press All-Stars were defeated, 5 to 3. The local season wound up with a banquet at the Colonial Annex Hotel on February 26, when all the trophies were presented. The standing of the teams in the various leagues follows:



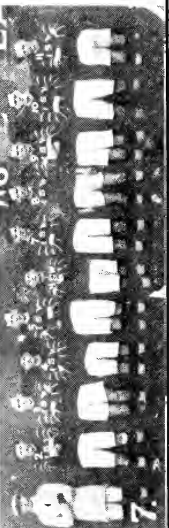
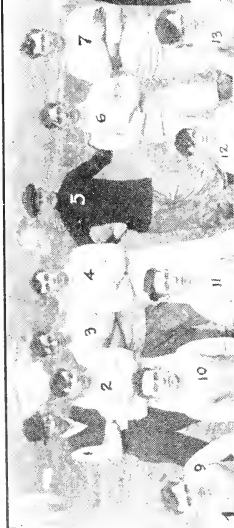
1. R. Stanley Burleigh, Supervisor of Athletics Pittsburgh Public Schools; President Western Pennsylvania Association, U.S.F.A. 2. William S. Haddock, Pittsburgh, Pa., Secretary-Treasurer Pittsburgh Press Soccer Football League, Seasons 1913-1916. 3. Joseph Lever, Wilkesburg, Pa., Vice-President Western Pennsylvania Football Association; President Pittsburgh District League. 4. Ralph S. Davis, Pittsburgh, Pa., Sporting Editor Pittsburgh Press and President Pittsburgh Press Soccer Football League, Seasons 1913-1916. 5. David C. Adamson, Pittsburgh, Pa., Secretary Western Pennsylvania Football Association, Seasons 1913-1916.



(1) BRADDOCK (PA.) FOOTBALL CLUB—1, A. Morrison, Secretary; 2, W. Morrison; 3, Stocker; 4, Lowther, Mgr. and Trainer; 5, Crowthers; 6, Little, Committee; 7, Brown; 8, Blackwood; 9, Whyte; 10, Holmes, Committee; 11, Shearer; 12, Young; 13, Boyle; 14, Donagh; 15, Hunter. (2) Group of stars of the Braddock (Pa.) Football Club—1, Morrison; 2, Stocker; 3, Brown; 4, Crowthers; 5, Blackwood; 6, Whyte; (3) Jack Lowther, Manager Braddock (Pa.) Football Club, 1915-16. (4) Russell Johnson and King of Donora waiting for Braddock to kick off. (5) PITTSBURGH PRESS SOCCER FOOTBALL LEAGUE TROPHY.



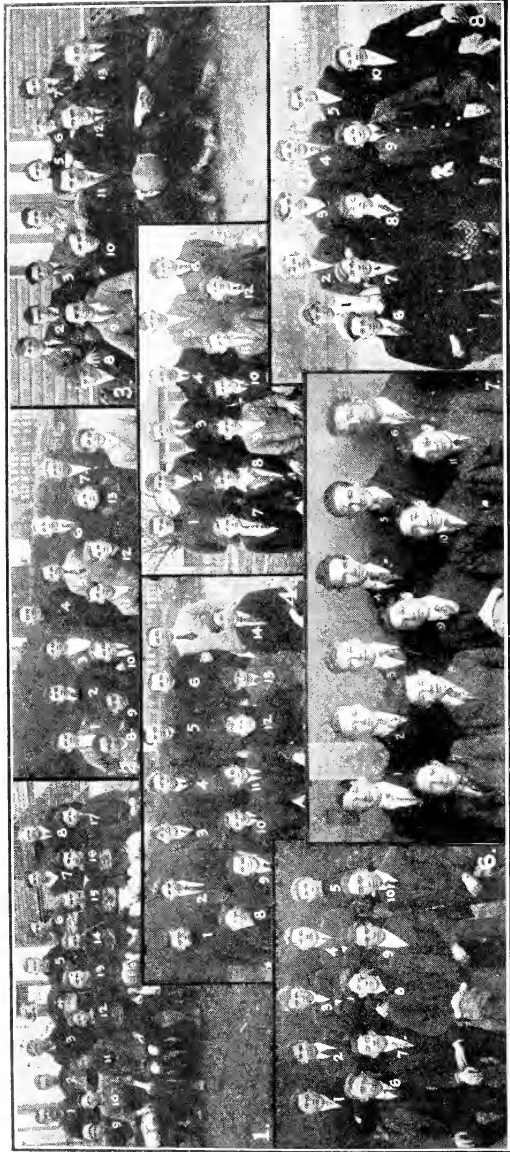
(1) PITTSBURGH (PA.) PRESS SOCCER LEAGUE ALL-STARS—1, Anderson; 2, Ince; 3, Boyle; 4, O'Neill; 5, White; 6, Blackwood; 7, Kiewiez; 8, Jones; Capt., 9, McHenry; 10, Dolan; 11, McCheskey. (2) BRADDOCK (PA.) FOOTBALL CLUB—1, Boyle; 2, Blackwood; 3, Whiteford; 4, Morrison; 5, Donahue; 6, Whyte, Capt.; 7, Kiewiez; 8, Young; 9, McHenry; 10, Shearer; 11, Howe. (3) BRIDGEVILLE JUNIORS FOOTBALL CLUB, PITTSBURGH, PA.—1, McCaffrey; 2, Drake; 3, Bowers; 4, Jones; 5, Chivers; 6, Elschlager; 7, Taylor; 8, Savage; 9, Johns; 10, Lutz; 11, Eastertday. (4) PITTSBURGH (PA.) PRESS JUNIOR ALL-STARS—1, Raymond, Referee; 2, McCheskey; 3, Stark; 4, Cushman; 5, Mitchell; 6, Duches; 7, Hale; 8, Machay; 9, Jaap; 10, Morgan; 11, Craddock.



(1) NOBLESTOWN (PA.) FOOTBALL CLUB—1, P. H. Wacker, Sec.; 2, Longstreth; 3, Edward; 4, R. Snedden; 5, Dixon; 6, McFalls; 7, Edwards; 8, Conners; 9, C. Shedden; 10, McHugh; 11, Callahan; 12, Noonan; 13, Morgan. (2) PITTSBURGH DISTRICT LEAGUE ALL-STARS—1, Wright; 2, Edwards; 3, Dixon; 4, Henney; 5, Leith; 6, McFalls; 7, Shedden; 8, McHugh; 9, Lynch; 10, Morgan; 11, Patterson. (3) BEADLING (PA.) FOOTBALL CLUB. (4) DAVID JONES, Captain Beadling (Pa.) Football Club. (5) GALLATIN (PA.) FOOTBALL CLUB—1, Witherspoon, Mgr.; 2, Wallace; 3, Browning; 4, Miller; 5, Gellena; 6, Dooley; 7, Mentzer; 8, Cox; 9, Stevenson; 10, Cooms; 11, King; 12, Kloss; (6)—1, Ivor A. Hopkins, President Pittsburg District Association Football League; 2, William Davidson, Ex-President Western Pennsylvania Referees' Association. (7) HOMESTEAD (PA.) STEEL WORKS FOOTBALL CLUB—1, Bache; 2, Lumsden; 3, Heinar; 4, Huhme; 5, Brannagan; 6, Leith; 7, Crowley; 8, Taylor; 9, Leach; 10, Battery; 11, Patterson. (8) MANOWN FOOTBALL CLUB, PITTSBURGH, PA.—1, Secrist; 2, F. Crompton; 3, J. Sickles; 4, Ventereni; 5, Grant; 6, Labodie; 7, Burgoyne; 8, P. Sickles, Capt.; 9, Richardson; 10, J. Crompton; 11, Davis.

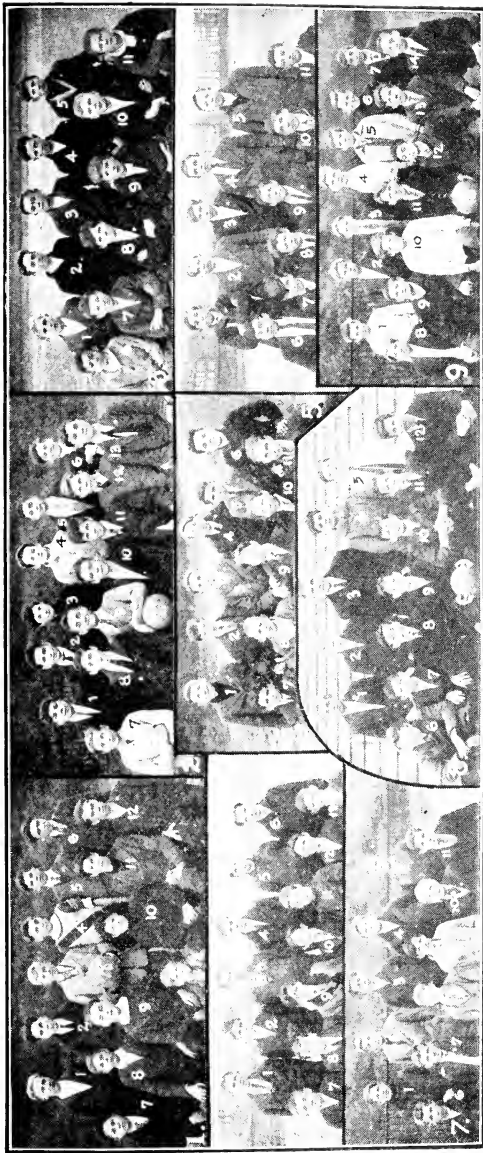


(1) GARFIELD SCHOOL, PITTSBURGH, PA.—1, Keir; 2, L. Crum; 3, M. Crum; 4, Scanlon; 5, Glass; 6, Jones; 7, Dillard; 8, McCabe, Capt.; 9, Haber; 10, Griss; 11, Barefoot; 12, Wilcox; 13, Vogel, Mascot; 14, Prof. J. F. Moore, Sup. Princ. (2) Boys representing Horace Mann, Woods Run, Halls Grove and John Morrow Schools in Soccer, North Side, Pittsburgh (Pa.) Public Schools. (3) Soccer players from Hazelwood, Gladstone, Greenfield, Roosevelt and Logan Schools, Group 5, Central District, Pittsburgh (Pa.) Public Schools. (4) Soccer players representing Shakespear, Osceola, Friendship and Liberty Schools, Group 7, East End District, Pittsburgh (Pa.) Public Schools. (5) Soccer players representing Perry, Linwood, McNaughten, Clayton and Valley Schools, Group 1, North Side, Pittsburgh (Pa.) Public Schools. (6) Boys representing Brashear, Wickersham, Morse, Humboldt, Birmingham, Bedford and Knox Schools in Soccer football, Group 1, South Side, Pittsburgh (Pa.) Public Schools.



(1) Sparrows Point H. S., Baltimore County High School Champions—1, Hartley, Leader; 2, Lynch; 3, Cladfelter; 4, Hannah; 5, Newlin; 6, Stabler; 7, Lane; 8, J. Blair, Principal; 9, Kirschner; 10, Haggerty; 11, Cox; 12, Lindaman; 13, Wright; 14, Hornet; 15, O'Rourke; 16, Crist; 17, McFadden. (2) T. S. No. 83, Heavyweight City and Southeastern District Champions—1, Kerr; 2, Gretzner; 3, Duhan; 4, Johnson, Coach; 5, O'Hara; 6, Otto; 7, Gardner; 8, Laumann; 9, Neun; 10, Otto; 11, Koenig; 12, Greenwood; 13, Little; 14, Seifert. (3) P. S. No. 62, Heavyweight Champions of Northwestern District—1, William; 2, Faingles; 3, Coleman; 4, Fregoe; 5, Smith; 6, Pledge; 7, Kann; 8, Rea; 9, Riffe; 10, Yannel; 11, McPhail; 12, Hudson; 13, Kline; (4) P. S. No. 99, Heavyweight Champions of Northeastern District—1, Booze; 2, Lipscomb; 3, Boylan; 4, A. Bosley; 5, Schmidt; 6, Day; 7, Snyder; 8, Fryer; 9, Gittings; 10, Watson; 11, Sommers; 12, R. Bosley; 13, Bailone; 14, Kilduff. (5) P. S. No. 84, Heavyweight Champions of Southern District—1, Spedden; 2, Mullinix; 3, Ellis; 4, W. Edward F. Taylor, Principal; 5, Pennel; 6, Kirby; 7, Toohy; 8, Tomolan; 9, Stevenson; 10, Edmunds; 11, Littleton; 12, Lancaster. (6) P. S. No. 75, Heavyweight Champions of Southwestern District. (7) Chifton Park Station, Junior Heavyweight City Champions—1, Snyder; 2, Cristy; 3, Bosley; 4, Burton; 5, Forrest; 6, Miller, Leader; 7, Freyer; 8, Booze; 9, Thom; 10, Di Paula; 11, Devereau. (8) P. S. No. 85, Middleweight City and Northeastern Champions—1, Johns; 2, Goeller; 3, Haslup; 4, Ambach; 5, Springham; 6, Harrison; 7, Tuckey; 8, Shipley; 9, Kuzmaul; 10, Long. (9) Christliff, Photos.

BALTIMORE (MD.) PUBLIC SCHOOL TEAMS.



(1) P. S. No. 78, Middleweight Champions of Northwestern District—1, Samers; 2, Quimby; 3, Strigle; 4, T. Frazier; 5, Cromwell; 6, Gerwig; 7, H. Sandler; 8, Crowl; 9, R. Frazier; 10, B. Sandler; 11, Honck; 12, Clary; 13, Gross, Mascot. (2) P. S. No. 1, Middleweight Champions of Southwestern District—1, Imbragnilia; 2, Lipnick; 3, Goldstein; 4, Holt; 5, Tieman; 6, Feldman; 7, Holzer; 8, Edelson; 9, Smith; 10, Londenslager; 11, Siegel; 12, Nieboher; 13, Hoffman. (3) P. S. No. 6, Middleweight Champions Southeastern District—1, Brill; 2, Musch; 3, Rogers; 4, Hammer; 5, Gruntowicz; 6, Harmon; 7, Gluck; 8, Despeaux; 9, Brooks; 10, Barr; 11, Eser. (4) P. S. No. 47, Lightweight City and Southeastern District Champions. (5) P. S. No. 62, Lightweight Champions of Northwestern District. (6) P. S. No. 39, Lightweight Champions of Northeastern District—1, Streb; 2, Koetting; 3, Sweigler; 4, Brantigan; 5, Waters; 6, Maguire; 7, Caldwell; 8, O'Donnell; 9, Bayers; 10, Haskup; 11, Optiz. (7) P. S. No. 76, Lightweight Champions of Southern District—1, Jackson; 2, Bosley; 3, Duxal; 4, Biederman; 5, Malone; 6, Wianiski; 7, Steinitz; 8, Polzin; 9, Hamburg; 10, Saakne; 11, Sparr. (8) Patterson Park Station, Junior Light weight City Champions—1, Gardner; 2, Itopkins; 3, Hartley, Leader; 4, Lacy; 5, F. Fitzberger; 6, Cogdy; 7, Doyns; 8, Shaffer; 9, Donald; 10, T. Fitzberger; 11, Ranney; 12, Cox. (9) P. S. No. 72, Lightweight Champions of Southwestern District—1, Young; 2, Conway; 3, Strunge; 4, Bishop; 5, Lang; 6, McConville; 7, Dimarco; 8, Jenkins; 9, Goldstein; 10, Zench; 11, Muzdakakis; 12, Fried; 13, Carroll; 14, Meushaw.

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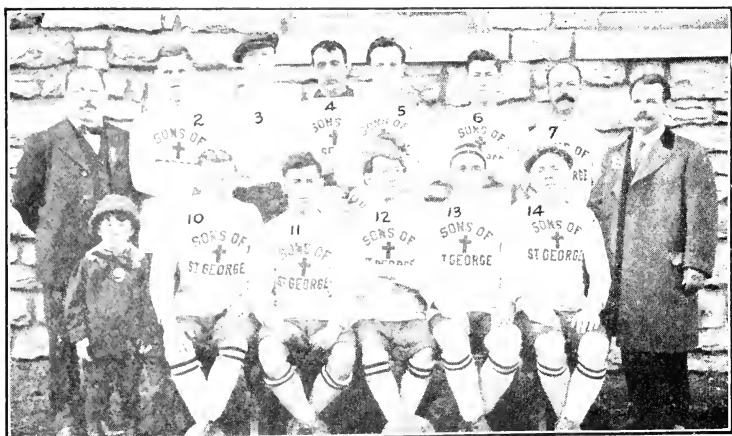
BALTIMORE (MD.) PUBLIC SCHOOL TEAMS.



(1) CLEVELAND (OHIO) ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL CLUB. (2) James B. Smith, Cleveland, Ohio., Secretary Ohio State Soccer Association, 1914-16. (3) OFFICIALS CLEVELAND (OHIO) ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL CLUB—1, James Blackhall, Treasurer; 2, R. Govan; 3, A. Dorward, Secretary; 4, H. Woolgar; 5, Thomas Scott, President; 6, W. Marr; 7, A. McDougall, Vice-President. (4) A. Frank Counts, M.A., LL.B., Cleveland, Ohio, President Ohio State Soccer Association, 1914-16.



ROYAL STANDARD FOOTBALL CLUB, TOLEDO, OHIO.



SONS OF ST. GEORGE SOCCER FOOTBALL CLUB, KANSAS CITY, MO.

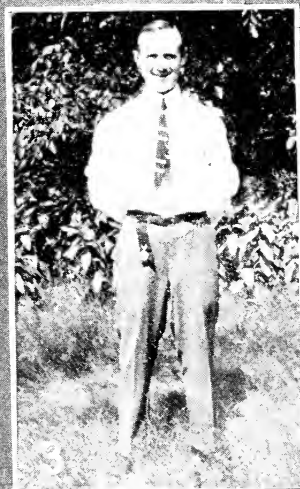


1. Winton E. Barker, President St. Louis (Mo.) Soccer League. Mr. Barker has done more to promote Soccer in the Middle West than any other person, and is indirectly responsible for the organization of the United States Football Association, and it was through his influence and capital that the Pilgrim Soccer Football Club of England toured this country on two occasions. 2. James Goggin, President Chicago American Football Club. 3. William Norris, Secretary Chicago-American Football Club. 4. William Foley, Manager Innisfails Football Club, St. Louis, Mo., 1915-16. 5. Andrew Little, Captain Kansas City (Mo.) Tigers Football Club, 1915-16. 6. Samuel Darwent, Chicago, Ill., Manager Hyde Park Blues, 1915-16.

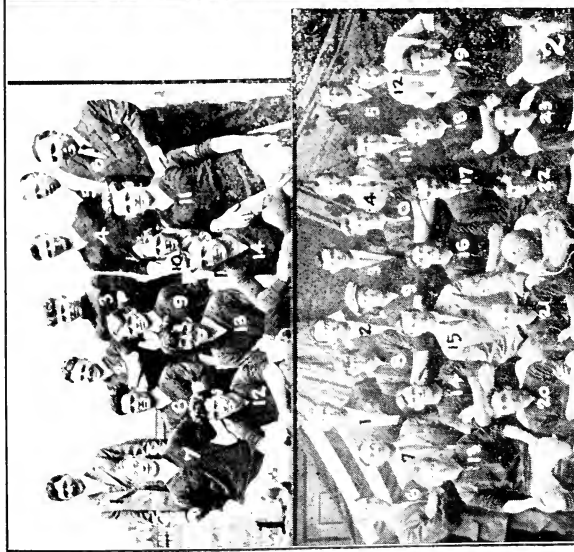


1, Fitzgibbons; 2, Marro; 3, Sexton; 4, King; 5, Shea; 6, Ben Miller, Pres.; 7, P. J. Ratican, Mgr.; 8, Zarshel, Capt.; 9, H. Ratican; 10, G. Miller Sec.; 11, McHenry; 12, Lancaster; 13, Murphy; 14, Horan; 15, McLaughlin. Conkling, Photo.

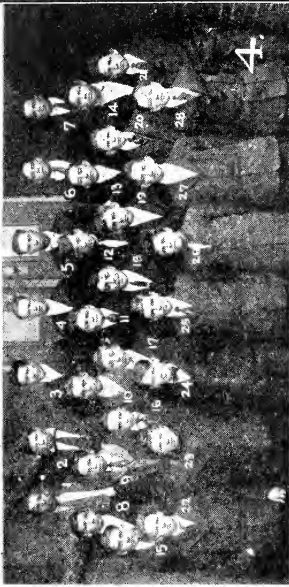
BEN MILLER FOOTBALL CLUB, ST. LOUIS, MO.



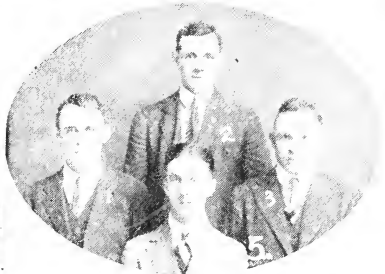
1, A. Leishman, Detroit, Mich. 2, H. Elliott, Detroit, Mich., Vice-President Michigan State Soccer Association, 1915-16. 3, C. C. Pickford, Jackson, Mich., President Southern Michigan Soccer League. 4, J. W. Cant, Secretary Michigan State Soccer Association, 1914-16.



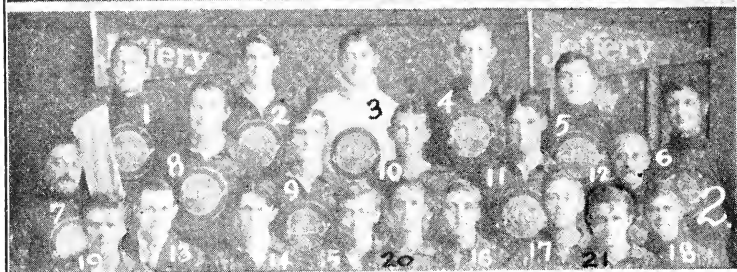
(1) DETROIT MICHIGAN FOOTBALL CLUB, (2) CALEDONIAN CLUB—Champions of Michigan State League; winners of Clan Campbell Cup, 1916, (3) W. H. Elliott, Vice-president Michigan Soccer Association, (4) J. W. Cant, Secretary Michigan Soccer Association.



(1) CAPTAINS OF NINE CHAMPION TEAMS—1, Huebner, Logan; 2, Di Pouis, George; 3, Everette, Goldberg; 4, Shaw, Mumford; 5, De Block, Williams; 6, Greiner, Houghton; 7, Alger, Burton; 8, Coates, Franklin; 9, Wolff, Doty. (2) FOOTBALL CAPTAINS, EAST SIDE—1, Greiner, Houghton; 2, Coates, Franklin; 3, Hexel, Campau; 4, Klein, McKinstry; 5, Brown, Bishop; 6, Fletcher, Smith; 7, Poquette, Tilden; 8, Elliott, Hancock; 9, Oshourb, Farrand; 10, Leowe, Dunfield; 11, Patterson, Jefferson; 12, Cohen, Garfield; 13, Parent, McKinley; 14, Rueben, Russell; 15, Clourman, Washington; 16, Finlayson, Webster; 17, Clements, Bellevue; 18, Lippitt, Trowbridge; 19, Clark, Owen; 20, Raymond, Maybury; 21, Mizner, Irving. (3) FOOTBALL CAPTAINS, CENTRAL DISTRICT—1, Mengel, Berry; 2, Miller, Nichols; 3, Blisha, Stevens; 4, Meier, Hilger; 5, Shaw, Mumford; 6, Cunningham, Van Dyke; 7, Brendon, Field; 8, Reid, Alger; 9, Stoll, Dwyer; 10, Constable, Thomas; 11, Perkins, Thomas; 12, Joseph, Pingree; 13, Wilder, Grousel; 14, Hoemke, Harris; 15, Nelson, Scripps; 16, Vase, Ross; 17, Berend, Ferry; 18, Cohen, Lincoln; 19, Holz, Lillibridge; 20, Neuston, Campbell; 21, Tudell, Marcy. (4) FOOTBALL CAPTAINS, WEST SIDE—1, Matlock, Bennett; 2, Grostlick, Higgins; 3, Furando, Sampson; 4, Everette, Goldberg; 5, Dean, Marr; 6, King, Tappan; 8, Aids, Chaney; 9, Weeks, Wingert; 10, Hoffman, Monteith; 11, Grant, Monteith; 12, Bodenhofer, Parke; 13, Langlois, McMillan; 14, Howland; 15, Alger, Burton; 16, Martin, Marr; 17, Rauspach, Amos; 18, Spencer, Thirkell; 19, Huebner, Logan; 20, Henderschoff, McGray; 21, Campbell, Crossman; 22, Lloyd, Pitcher; 23, Rebb, Pitcher; 24, Kinney, Condon; 25, Jeannette, Gillies; 26, Tremaine, Doty; 27, Doty; 28, Harris, Moore.



1. Dr. J. W. Frew, President Milwaukee Soccer League. 2. Joseph Naylor, Secretary-Treasurer Wisconsin State Football Association. 3. Edgar Naylor, Secretary-Treasurer Milwaukee Soccer League. 4. William Hewitt, First Vice-President Lake Shore League. 5. Officials Lake Shore League—1. A. Robinson, Secretary-Treasurer; 2. W. Charling, Second Vice-President; 3. L. Carolan, Third Vice-President; 4. J. Boeck, President. 6. R. J. C. Bott, Vice-President Wisconsin State Football Association. 7. W. A. E. Hall, Kenosha, Wis., President Wisconsin State Football Association. 8. A. Robinson, Delegate-at-Large Wisconsin State Football Association.



(1) HORLICK'S RACINE FOOTBALL CLUB, MILWAUKEE, WIS. (2) JEFFERY FOOTBALL CLUB, KENOSHA, WIS.—Members Lake Shore League. (3) MAC WHYTE FOOTBALL CLUB, KENOSHA, WIS.—Members Lake Shore League.

CENTRAL LEAGUE.

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals.		Points.
					For.	Against.	
Treveskyn	10	10	0	0	31	1	20
Beadling	7	6	0	1	38	5	13
Curry	12	4	5	3	25	26	11
Bridgeville	10	4	4	2	20	15	10
Cecil	12	4	7	1	17	17	9
Castle Shannon	12	3	8	1	12	26	7
Sturgeon	11	1	8	2	8	40	4

MONONGAHELA LEAGUE.

Braddock	10	7	1	2	28	9	16
Dunlevy	10	6	3	1	18	17	13
Gallatin	10	5	3	2	18	18	12
Roscoe	10	6	4	0	18	15	12
Manown	10	2	7	1	8	25	5
Donora	10	0	8	2	1	8	2

YOUGH. VALLEY LEAGUE.

Gratztown	9	9	0	0	51	6	18
Shaner	10	6	4	0	20	11	12
Coulten	9	5	4	0	19	16	10
Buena Vista	10	3	6	1	9	30	7
Whitsett	6	1	4	1	7	16	3
Van Meter	5	1	4	0	7	14	2
Fitz Henry	6	1	5	0	5	15	2

THE PRESS JUNIOR LEAGUE.

Bridgeville	14	13	1	0	41	13	26
Morgan	14	12	2	0	61	7	24
Homestead	13	6	4	3	29	23	15
Castle Shannon	13	7	5	1	25	37	15
Swissvale	12	5	6	1	26	37	11
Y. A. Heidelberg	11	5	6	0	24	33	10
Braddock	12	2	10	0	4	49	4
Pittsburgh Rovers	13	0	11	2	6	38	2

PITTSBURGH DISTRICT VS. PRESS LEAGUE.

By IVOR A. HOPKINS.

The Pittsburgh District and the Press League teams met on January 1 in the fourth annual contest for the interleague championship, at Exposition Park, Pittsburgh, and the encounter resulted in a decisive victory for the District League eleven, after a strenuous contest on a heavy field and through incessant rain.

Previous to this meeting the Press team had proved superior in a majority of the games and was generally expected to again emerge victorious, especially as its opponents were compelled at the last moment to include two substitutes in the line-up, Leith and McFalls doing duty for Brannigan and Barr. The line-up follows:

Pittsburgh District, 5.	Position.	Pittsburgh Press, 3.
Dixon, Noblestown.....	Goal.....	Boyle, Braddock
Henny, Homestead.....	Right Back.....	Anderson, Castle Shannon
Edwards, Noblestown.....	Left Back.....	Blackwood, Braddock
Wright, Pittsburgh Rovers.....	Right Half.....	Ince, Beadling
Leith, Homestead.....	Center Half.....	O'Neil, Bridgeville
McFalls, Noblestown.....	Left Half.....	Whyte, Braddock
Sneddon, Noblestown.....	Outside Right.....	Kiewitz, Braddock
McGinn, Noblestown.....	Inside Right.....	Jones, Beadling
Lynch, Homestead.....	Center.....	McHenry, Braddock
Morgan, Noblestown.....	Inside Left.....	Dolan, Beadling
Patterson, Homestead.....	Outside Left.....	McClusky, Cecil

Referee—James Spence, W. P. R. Association. Time of halves—45 minutes. Goals scored—By Lynch, Morgan (2), Patterson, McGinn, Dolan, McHenry, Kiewitz.

SOCCKER IN PITTSBURGH PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

BY R. STANLEY BURLEIGH,
Supervisor Grammar School Athletics.

Pittsburgh schools have taken giant strides in soccer. It is one of the major sports in our high schools and the only football in the grammar grade schools. I have in the grammar grades 105 schools. Each school has a team. First, the schools are divided into four districts, namely: North Side with 23 schools, South Side with 22 schools, Central with 22 schools, and the East End with 38 schools. The schools are grouped into leagues: North Side, five leagues; South Side, six leagues; Central, five leagues, and East End, nine leagues. Each league plays each school in its group two games. The winners of each league play each other until there is a championship team for each district; then the district champions play for the championship of the city. A. G. Spalding & Bros. have donated a splendid trophy for the championship team.

Last season we did not play further than the group championship, as we had some trouble getting grounds and officials who understood the game. This year that problem has been met. There were 300 games played last season by the grammar schools alone; this year over 400 games are scheduled. Last season 1,500 boys played, but this year there will be over 3,000 in the game. The new physical directors for the high schools come with a knowledge of the game, and we expect to have soccer posts on every field.

That the boys are interested in the game shows when they played up to the Christmas holidays last season and several of the teams got suits and played other games not scheduled. The Board of Education encouraged the games in many ways. If other cities in the United States are doing as much for the game, it will not be many years until our Thanksgiving Day athletic feature will be soccer. We play according to the rulings of the U.S.F.A., and eight high schools belong to the Western Pennsylvania Association.

BLUE MOUNTAIN LEAGUE.

By J. H. CARPENTER, BETHLEHEM, PA.

The Blue Mountain League of Association Football Clubs finished the second season of its career. Organized in 1914, it has made a rapid growth and a wide reputation in football circles, due mainly to the officials at the head and honorary members, who have done all in their power to make it successful both financially and socially. The bad weather during eight weeks of the past season, when all clubs were idle, made it impossible for some of the teams to finish on time, but the season on the whole was very satisfactory, and closed with bright prospects for 1916-17.

Allentown Y.M.C.A. won the league championship, and great credit is due both players and officials, especially Harvey E. Hersh, the manager, who devoted a great amount of valuable time to the uplift of association football, not only in Allentown, where he organized a school league and gave to the champions of their class a beautiful silver cup and bronze medals, but through the Lehigh Valley in general. Bethlehem East End won the trophy, known as the Wilbur Cup, in the Amateur Cup competition, conducted in conjunction with the Blue Mountain League. Allentown Y.M.C.A. having reached the final of the Wilbur Cup, great credit is due the Bethlehem East End team, which defeated them in the final game, 3—0, being the only team to lower the colors of the Y.M.C.A. boys during the season of 1915-16.

The official standing for the season follows:

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals.—		Points.
					For.	Against.	
Allentown Y.M.C.A.	10	6	0	4	32	6	16
Saucon Cross Roads F.C.	10	4	6	0	21	22	8
Nativity Men's Club.....	10	3	6	1	17	13	7
Bethlehem E.E.	10	2	7	1	6	6	5
Summit Hill F.C.	10	2	7	1	17	20	5
Hellertown F.C.	10	0	10	0	6	32	0

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA STATE CUP COMPETITION.

Under the Auspices of the W.P.F.A.

BY DAVID C. ADAMSON.

First round—Donora Steel Works F.C. 3, Braddock F.C. 1; Westinghouse Airbrake F.C. 3, Allegheny United F.C. 1; Treveskyn F.C. 4, Noblestown F.C. 3; Youngstown F.C. 3, Youngstown Thistles F.C. 2.

Byes—Homestead Steel Works F.C.; Juniata Y.M.C.A.; Mannington (W. Va.) United F.C.; Grand Independent F.C., East Liverpool, O.; Struthers (O.) F.C.; Cecil F.C.; Madison F.C.; Pittsburgh Rovers F.C.; Follansbee (W. Va.) United F.C.; All-Scots F.C., Youngstown, O.; Bridgeville F.C.; Beadling F.C.

Second round—Homestead Steel Works F.C. 2, Donora Steel Works F.C. 0; Madison F.C. 2, Juniata F.C. 1; Pittsburgh Rovers F.C. 2, Westinghouse Airbrake F.C. 0; Grand Independent F.C., E. Liverpool, O., 2, All-Scots F.C. 1; Youngstown (O.) F.C. 4, Struthers (O.) F.C. 1; Mannington (W. Va.) United F.C. 3, Follansbee (W. Va.) United F.C. 1; Treveskyn F.C. 3, Bridgeville F.C. 1; Beadling F.C. 7, Cecil F.C. 2.

Third round—Homestead Steel Works F.C. 4, Madison F.C. 0; Grand Independent F.C., E. Liverpool, O., 1, Pittsburgh Rovers F.C. 1; replay, Pittsburgh Rovers F.C. 3, Grand Independent F.C. 1; Beadling F.C. 5, Treveskyn F.C. 1; Mannington United F.C. 2, Youngstown F.C. 0.

Fourth round—Homestead Steel Works F.C. 7, Pittsburgh Rovers F.C. 2; Beadling F.C. 5, Mannington United F.C. 0.

Final round—Homestead Steel Works F.C. 2, Beadling F.C. 2; replay, Homestead Steel Works F.C. 3, Beadling F.C. 2.

PUBLIC ATHLETIC LEAGUE, BALTIMORE, MD.

Last season was the fifth year of soccer under the direction of the Public Athletic League of Baltimore. The season was divided into three parts. The first division was for juniors, 95 lbs. and under, in which five of Baltimore's parks were represented, Carroll, Clifton, Easterwood, Latrobe and Patterson.

The second division was for juniors of unlimited weight. Six teams composed this division, Carroll, Clifton, Easterwood and Latrobe entering one team each and Patterson two teams.

The junior divisions of the tournament played on a round robin basis, Patterson winning the lightweight city championship, Clifton capturing the honors in the heavyweight class.

The results of games in the junior lightweight class were as follows:

Easterwood 1, Clifton 1, at Easterwood
Carroll 4, Latrobe 0, at Latrobe
Patterson 11, Easterwood 0, at Patterson
Clifton 1, Carroll 0, at Clifton
Easterwood 1, Latrobe 0, at Easterwood
Carroll 0, Patterson 0, at Carroll

Patterson 1, Latrobe 0, at Patterson
Carroll 1, Easterwood 0, at Carroll
Clifton 1, Latrobe 0, at Latrobe
Patterson 0, Clifton 0, at Clifton
Patterson 1, Clifton 0, at Patterson

In the junior unlimited class the games resulted as follows:

Clifton 1, Easterwood 0, at Clifton
Latrobe 1, Patterson 0, at Patterson
Carroll 0, Patterson T.C. 0, at Carroll
Latrobe 1, Easterwood 0, at Latrobe
Patterson T.C. 1, Clifton 0, at Patterson
Carroll 2, Patterson 0, at Carroll
Patterson T.C. 1, Easterwood 0, at Patterson

Clifton 1, Patterson 0, at Clifton
Latrobe 1, Carroll 0, at Latrobe
Easterwood 0, Patterson 0, at Easterwood
Latrobe 0, Patterson T.C. 0, at Latrobe
Clifton 1, Carroll 0, at Clifton
Carroll 1, Easterwood 0, at Easterwood
Patterson 1, Patterson T.C. 1, at Patterson
Clifton 1, Latrobe 0, at Clifton

The senior tournament was composed of six unlimited weight senior teams. Bad weather was rather a drawback during the season. The tournament of the Public Athletic League for seniors was the only organized soccer in Baltimore. St. Elizabeth's, Public Athletic League, holders of the championship, repeated their performance by taking the top honors in fine shape. The senior division of the tournament was conducted on an elimination basis. The results of the games follow:

Patterson Tigers 1, Carroll 1, at Carroll
 Patterson Tigers 1, Carroll 0, at Patterson
 Patterson Tigers 2, Carroll 1, at Clifton
 Patterson Argos 5, Clifton 0, at Patterson
 Patterson Argos 0, Clifton 2, at Clifton
 Patterson Tigers 0, St. Elizabeth's P.A.L.
 5, at Patterson
 Patterson Tigers 0, St. Elizabeth's P.A.L.
 5, at Patterson

Patterson Argos 2, Clifton 1, at Carroll
 Patterson Argos 1, Easterwood 0, at
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 Patterson Argos 0, St. Elizabeth's P.A.L.
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 Patterson Argos 0, St. Elizabeth's P.A.L.
 1, at Patterson

CHAMPIONSHIP WINNERS—NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT—CLIFTON PARK

Lightweight Class—Won by P.S. 99A: won 5, lost 0 (Bauers, Brautigam, Caldwell, Koetting, Maguire, O'Donnell, Opitz, Streb, Swegler, Waters).

Middleweight Class—Won by P.S. 85: won 3, lost 0 (Haslup, Goeller, Harrison, Imback, John, Kaszmaul, Long, McCabe, Offley, Springham, Tuckey, Vavrina).

Heavyweight Class—Won by P.S. 99: won 3, lost 0 (Bailone, Booze, Bosley, Boylan, Day, Fryer, Gittings, Kilduff, Lipscomb, Snyder, Summers, Vester, Walton).

CHAMPIONSHIP WINNERS—NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT—EASTERWOOD PARK.

Lightweight Class—Won by P.S. 62A: won 3, lost 0 (Abramson, Brown, Carroll, Conway, Crawford, Dorrida, Ferguson, Harrison, Jarvis, North, Philips, Rudy, Stulman, Weaver).

Middleweight Class—Won by P.S. 78: won 2, lost 0 (Clary, Chairs, Cromwell, B. Frazier, T. Frazier, Gerwig, Gimmel, Houck, Quimby, Strigle, Sauers, H. Sandler, F. Sandler, Wissel).

Heavyweight Class—Won by P.S. 62: won 3, lost 0 (Coleman, Faingloss, Hudson, Kline, Kann, Mannel, Pledge, Ritte, Rea, Smith, Tregoe, McPhail, Williams).

CHAMPIONSHIP WINNERS—SOUTHERN DISTRICT—LATROBE PARK.

Lightweight Class—Won by P.S. 76: won 3, lost 0 (Bummershat, Biederman, Malone, Price, Penn, Hamburg, Swanke, Sparra, Polzin, Steinetz, Wilhelm, Wisnowski).

Middleweight Class—No teams entered.

Heavyweight Class—Won by P.S. 84: won 2, lost 0 (Becker, Bradenburg, Ellis, Fry, Heinz, Kirby, Littleton, Hammond, Mullinex, Pennell, Spedden, Tomollan, Wilson, Wallace).

CHAMPIONSHIP WINNERS—SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT—PATTERSON PARK.

Lightweight Class—Won by P.S. 47: won 4, lost 0, tied 1 (Downs, Fitzberger, Fryer, Gebhart, Gwynn, Koprivier, McGarity, Reinish, Schaffer, Swain, Schunkler, Williams).

Middleweight Class—Won by P.S. 6: won 2, lost 1, tied 1 (Brok, Brill, Deckert, Eser, Gruntowicz, Glock, Hammer, Rogers, Szanborski, Uttenreitter).

Heavyweight Class—Won by P.S. 83: won 2, lost 1 (Duham, Gardner, Griffith, Gretzner, Greenwood, Johanns, Kerr, Koenig, Little, Laumann, Neun, O'Hara, Otto, Seifert).

CHAMPIONSHIP WINNERS—SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT—CARROLL PARK.

Lightweight Class—Won by P.S. 72: won 4, lost 0 (Bishop, Carroll, Dimarco, Freed, Goldstein, Jenkins, Lang, McConville, Meushaw, Muzdakakis, Strunge, Young, Zeuck).

Middleweight Class—Won by P.S. 1: won 3, lost 0 (Edelson, Goldstone, Holt, Hetzer, Chipman, Loudenslager, G. Neibuhr, H. Neibuhr, Smith, Siegel, Tieman.)

Heavyweight Class—Only one team entered, P.S. 75 (Carrick, Birkett, Dunton, Drennan, Firoved, Irvin, Kretchmer, Miller, Manzar, Peters, Smith, Raus, Travelers, Walton).

CITY CHAMPIONSHIPS.

Lightweight Class—Won by P.S. 47: won 4, lost 1, tied 4 (Downs, Fitzberger, Fryer, Gebhart, Gwynn, Koprivier, McGarity, Reinish, Schaffer, Swain, Schunkler, Williams).

Middleweight Class—Won by P.S. 85: won 4, lost 0, tied 1 (Goeller, Haslup, Harrison, Imback, John, Kaszmaul, Long, McCabe, Offley, Springham, Tuckey, Vavrina).

Heavyweight Class—Won by P.S. 83: won 4, lost 1, tied 5 (Duham, Gardner, Griffith, Gretzner, Greenwood, Johanns, Kerr, Koenig, Little, Laumann, Neun, O'Hara, Otto, Seifert).

BALTIMORE COUNTY SCHOOL SECTION CHAMPIONSHIP.

Won by Sparrows Point; won 7, lost 2 (Cox, Crist, Baker, Badgley, Dorrett, Flaggerty, Gladfelter, Haines, Hisley, Kuschner, Kagle, Harms, Lane, Lindamon, Layne, H. Lynch, J. Lynch, Kennedy, McFadden, A. Miller, Murray, F. Miller, Newlin, O'Rourke, Powers, Johnson, Roberts, Sprucebank, Stabler, Todd, Lynch, Wright).

SOCCER FOOTBALL IN OHIO.

By JAMES B. SMITH,

Honorary Secretary Ohio State Football Association.

The Ohio State Football Association made marked progress during the season of 1915-16. It launched its first championship series for the Abel Shield, which was won by the Cleveland Club by defeating the Thistles at Harvard Park, by 4 goals to 2.

True, the entries were not so numerous as expected, none being received from Columbus, where a good league is now in operation, but in another season we hope to have entries from all over the State. There is a great deal of propaganda work to do in this State as the whole of the southern part is not yet in organized football, and if the executive body of the U.S.F.A. ever see their way to send an organizer a fruitful field is open to work in.

A little hardship has been entailed by the Youngstown clubs being affiliated with the Western Pennsylvania Association, and also Toledo being affiliated with Michigan, but with the affiliation of the Youngstown and Toledo clubs the Ohio State will soon rank among the best.

There were no Interstate games played last season, but we expect to make up for that in the near future. Five clubs competed for the National Challenge Cup and Thistles made the best showing, reaching the round before the semi-final, which is the furthest any Ohio team has gone yet, and with a little luck we may yet get the U.S.F.A. trophy.

Some of the clubs in the Cleveland League are being put in the field by industrial firms, notably the White Autos and Cuyahoga Works. This, in my opinion, is going to help soccer football in this district. With the proper kind of men at the helm of the Ohio State Association, backed and supported by the U.S.F.A., giving no favors but simple justice to all clubs, we can easily control and legislate for the good of the game. I look for the season of 1916-17 to show even more progress than the previous season.

SOCCER FOOTBALL IN CLEVELAND AND DISTRICT.

By FRANK COLLINS, CLEVELAND, OHIO.

The season of 1915-16 saw the Thistles capturing a well earned share of honors in the various competitions in the Cleveland District. The league race was hotly contested, and the Thistles kept well up in the race until March, when suddenly they began to drop on account of several of their best players leaving the city. However, with their usual fighting spirit, they managed to keep a secure hold on fourth place, only a few points behind the Clevelands, league champions. In the Labor Charity Cup competition they captured the trophy by defeating the league champions and also Akron, runners-up in the league race, both games being played the same afternoon before a record crowd. The Thistles proved to their staunch supporters that they were the best team in the city when it came to cup ties. Their next honors were gained in the Bowler Cup competition, when they again defeated the Clevelands in the first round, 1-0, and disposed of the Rubber City eleven in the final round to the tune of 5-3. The Thistles were the sole survivors representing Cleveland in the National Challenge Cup competition, having defeated Akron and the Clevelands for the third time. They then traveled to Homestead, Pa., and were returned winners over the crack Brad-

dock team, 3—1. Their next opponents were the Pullmans of Chicago in the fourth round, and after playing ninety minutes on a muddy field they were defeated by the car men, 3—1, before one of the largest and enthusiastic crowds that ever witnessed a game of football in Cleveland. The Thistles' only alibi was that they were defeated by a better team. Praise must be given to the referee, J. B. Stark of Detroit, for the efficient manner in which he handled this game. The next competition was for the Able Shield, and after reaching the final the Thistles were defeated by the Clevelands, 4—2, in the most exciting game ever seen in the city.

On account of this most successful season, the Thistles were presented with a magnificent trophy by Walter Phillips, president of the Cleveland Swimming Club, he being one of the most enthusiastic soccer fans in Cleveland. The players appreciated this unexpected gift highly. The same officials were again re-elected, and too much praise cannot be given President Gordon Lawson and Secretary Alex. McDougal for their untiring efforts in the team's behalf.

CLEVELAND ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL CLUB.

BY A. S. DORWARD, CLEVELAND, OHIO.

This well known soccer combination had a very successful season, winning the premier honors of the league for the second year in succession, also winning the championship of the Ohio State League, which carries along with it the handsome Abel Shield. The club has always been of a progressive nature and is the only soccer organization of the State to own its own grounds, which is considered to be one of the finest soccer fields in the country. Harvard Park, the name of the field, is easily accessible from all parts of the city.

The club, as usual, entered for the National Challenge Cup, but its rival, Thistle F.C., after a great display of soccer, won by the odd goal. Although the club is practically the pioneer of soccer in the Sixth City, only in the last two or three years has it had a winning team. This was accomplished through the efforts of its worthy president, Tom Scott, and vice-president, Allan Macdougall, who have stuck nobly to the old club, until now they have one of the best teams in the country, as their records will show. I might also say at this time that their president celebrated his silver wedding and was presented by the club with a handsome eight day clock, and our worthy treasurer, Lieutenant James Blackhall, of the Engineers, journeyed to Mexico under the Stars and Stripes.

The season of 1915-16 was a very successful one. The team won twenty-one games, lost four and three were drawn. The outlook for the season of 1916-17 seems good. Having retained the best of last season's players, namely, Thwaites, goal-tender; Stevenson and Fairweather, backs; McKenzie, Williams, Barker and Walls, half-backs; Bradford, Walker, Scott and Dodsley, and with the addition of several prominent players of considerable repute, under the able guidance of that prince of forwards, Captain Bobbie Walker, this old club hopes to keep right to the front of soccer.

FOOTBALL IN AND ABOUT CHICAGO.

BY C. A. LOVETT,

The internecine strife which has kept soccer football at a high tension in Chicago for the past two years has been gradually disappearing and seems now to be entirely wiped out and a measure of harmony restored. The political troubles which have kept things torn up had their effect on the attendance at the games; the weather during the 1915-16 season was also unfavorable in the highest degree. As a result schedules were pretty well broken up. During midwinter several weeks passed without weather conditions admitting of a game anywhere in the entire Chicago district. In the

late winter, however, conditions improved and the schedules were finally completed.

The Peel Challenge Cup competition was, as usual, successfully conducted, and produced football of a high order. The Chicago Americans finally succeeded in breaking in on the long record of wins of the Pullman F.C.

The Chicago and District Association Football League schedule was marked by the keenest competition in all four divisions, as indicated by the following table:

FIRST DIVISION.

Club.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals.		Points.
				For.	Against.	
Pullman	12	1	1	47	11	25
Joliet	12	1	1	44	7	25
Chicago Americans	8	3	3	25	17	19
B. & M.	6	7	1	23	25	13
Rovers	5	8	1	17	26	11
MacDuff's	4	9	1	13	42	9
Hyde Park Blues.....	4	10	0	9	16	8

SECOND DIVISION.

Corinthians	9	1	2	36	10	20
Swedish-American 1st	8	4	0	35	21	16
Lincoln Park	6	3	3	27	15	15
International Harvester	5	6	1	22	47	11
Caledonians	5	7	0	23	25	10
Slavia	3	8	1	13	27	7
Kenwood	2	9	1	11	22	5

THIRD DIVISION.

Harvey	11	2	1	44	19	23
Fram	9	3	2	38	14	20
Palmer Park Juniors.....	8	4	2	21	23	18
Chicago Screw	6	3	3	23	12	15
Washington Park	5	6	3	34	33	13
Hawthorne St. George.....	4	8	2	26	37	10
Lake Forest	4	9	1	33	23	9
Cambridge U.....	0	12	0	7	60	0

FOURTH DIVISION.

Swedish American 2nd.....	12	1	1	48	16	25
Cecchie	11	1	2	46	24	24
Calumet Park	8	6	0	19	20	16
Burnside United	7	7	0	17	16	14
Mohawks	5	6	3	25	72	13
Olympia	4	8	2	16	30	10
Chicago Hungarian	3	9	2	16	23	8
Paramounts	1	13	0	9	36	2

Chicago football prospects are brighter than they ever have been, as a result of the new harmony which has been established and which has eventuated in the formation of an Illinois State Football Association. This body takes in and exercises jurisdiction over all of the State of Illinois north of a line drawn from east to west through Springfield, the State capital.

This association succeeds the Chicago and District Association Football League, which in its time had succeeded the Association Football League of Chicago, and the successful formation of a State association is due largely to the efforts of Peter J. Peel and his colleagues.

The officers of the new association are as follows:

Honorary presidents—Hon. Wm. Hale Thompson, Senator Richard J. Barr, Harry S. Knox. Vice-president—H. H. Fettes. Secretary-treasurer—W. R. Cummings. Delegates-at-large—James Ferguson, J. A. Elmsley, Robert John-

ston, M. Schwartzkopf. General Schedule Committee—H. Walker, chairman; J. Mathieson, D. L. Hall, Carl W. Johnson, A. F. Burroughs. Registration Committee—E. W. Knowles, chairman; A. J. Vertunó, D. Mathieson, J. H. Evans. Rules Committee—H. H. Fettes, chairman; D. L. Hall, James Goggin. Games Committee—J. A. Elmsley, chairman; John A. Shea, Joseph Cunat. Propaganda Committee—A. M. Paterson, chairman; Walter Roy, D. Mathieson, M. Schwartzkopf, T. Westby. Emergency Committee—Peter J. Peel, chairman; W. R. Cummings.

The formation of the Illinois State Football Association has already begun to bear fruit in the organization of many new clubs in Chicago and district, and missionary work is already under way to encourage the formation of leagues throughout the State at large. The new basis of representation in the National Council of the U.S.F.A. is serving as an incentive to the Illinoisans, as they wish, naturally, to have as big a representation in the National Council as they can possibly build up, and they are confidently looking forward to having at least the one extra vote they will gain by the formation and affiliation of thirty new clubs in addition to the twenty-five clubs which are now the basis of one vote.

Some of the older clubs in Chicago which have been playing professionally have organized a professional league and have obtained affiliation with the new State association. This branch of the sport will also be kept under a stricter control than has heretofore been the case.

CHICAGO AMERICANS FOOTBALL CLUB.

Winner of the Peel Challenge Cup, 1915-1916.

BY "BOULZIE HILL."

James Goggin, the most active of Chicago's soccer magnates, conceived the idea some years ago of creating and owning the champion team of the Windy City. His first two efforts, the West Side Rangers and Hibernians, were bitter disappointments and brought to Mr. Goggin nothing but experience. Out of the remnants of these two clubs and those of the defunct Mason Park team he formed one of the strongest teams ever seen in Chicago and bestowed upon it the name, Chicago American. Immediate success followed, and in spite of mid-season disasters, in the shape of injured players, the team finished third in the Chicago and District Association Football League, with the following excellent record: Won 8, lost 3, drawn 3, goals for 24, goals against 15, points 19.

In the Peel Challenge Cup competition, acknowledged to be the premier test in Chicago soccer, this team won the trophy to the surprise of this big city, by defeating, by 2 goals to 1, the crack Jollets after an extra-time game, and this after Jollet had defeated our long-time champion Pullmans, who it will be remembered held Bethlehem, champions of the United States, to a tie in the semi-final for the National Challenge Cup at Chicago on April 16.

President Goggin's team is strong and well balanced in all departments, and includes such well-known players as Alex. Currie, captain, Heart of Midlothian, Edinburgh; Alex. C. Graham veteran of Kilmarnock, Ardrie and Clyde; John Armstrong Motherwell, all of Scotland; E. V. Woollard, Columbia Oval; E. F. Edwards, a native born in New Mexico, and James Shea, the goal keeper, a star Gaelic player who was induced to take up soccer and has become a star of great magnitude.

The Peel Cup final proved to be a splendidly contested game and one of the best ever staged in Chicago.

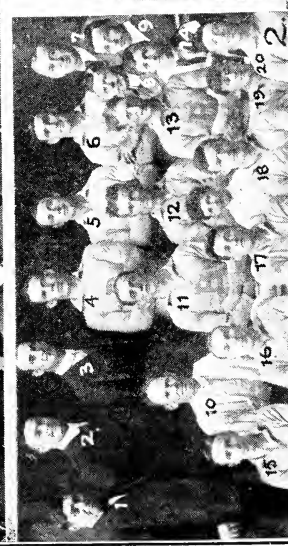
President Goggin, whose energy and enterprise brought into existence this team, and whose fondest hope is the capture of the national trophy next season, is to be congratulated on his excellent contribution to the soccer game in Chicago, and let it be recorded that William Morris, secretary of the Chicago American Club, a Chicago soccer veteran, has vastly contributed to the efforts which brought about the team's wonderful success.



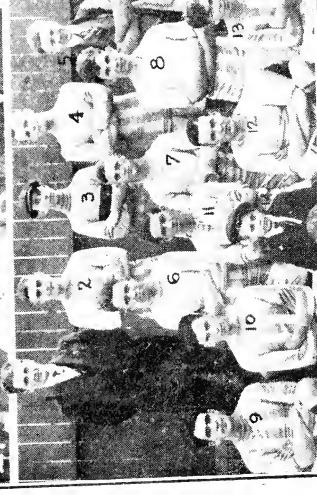
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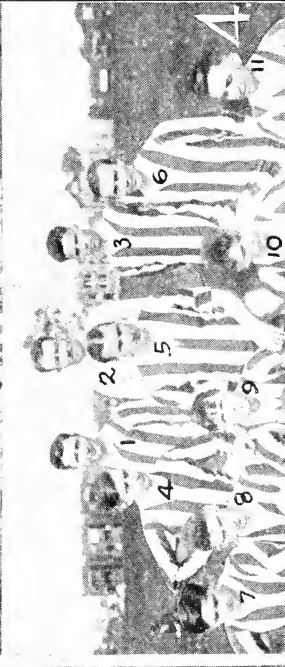
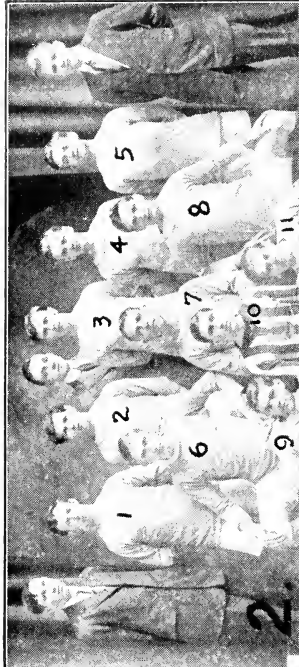
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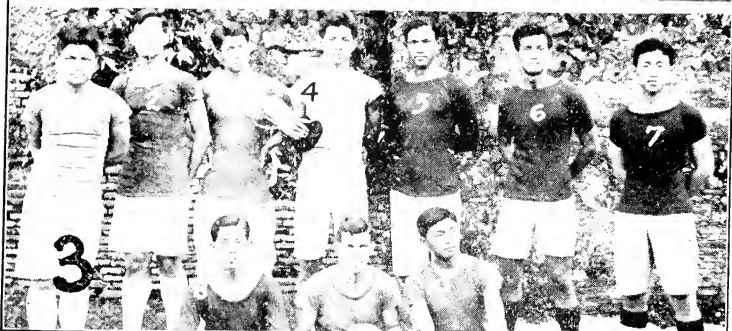
(1) PULLMAN FOOTBALL CLUB, CHICAGO, ILL.—1, G. Male, Mgr.; 2, T. H. Cartwright; 3, Blockley; 4, Holmes; 5, S. Govier; 6, Page; 7, B. Govier; 8, P. J. Peel; 9, Potfitt; 10, Mackie; 11, Shallicross, Vice-Capt.; 12, T. C. Cartwright, Capt.; 13, McNaughton.
 (2) BRICKLAYERS AND MASONS FOOTBALL CLUB, CHICAGO, ILL.—1, G. Wilson; 2, S. Hepburn, Pres.; 3, Smith, Mgr.; 4, Walker; 5, Birchall; 6, F. Wilson; 7, Shaughnessy; 8, J. Dyer; Treas.; 9, H. R. Burrowe, Sec.; 10, A. Conville, Trainer; 11, Jackson; 12, Whiteside; 13, G. Taylor; 14, E. Taylor, Asst. Trainer; 15, White; 16, Hulsall; 17, Weston; 18, Galbraith; 19, Barlow; 20, Truesdale. (3) SWEDISH-AMERICAN FOOTBALL CLUB, CHICAGO, ILL.—1, Andrew, Mgr.; 2, G. Olson; 3, E. Olson; 4, Pierson; 5, C. Olson; 6, Piht; 7, Gustavson; 8, Carlson; 9, Lundin; 10, Swanson; 11, E. Anderson; 12, Dr. R. Johnson; 13, C. Anderson.



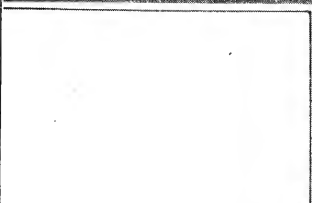
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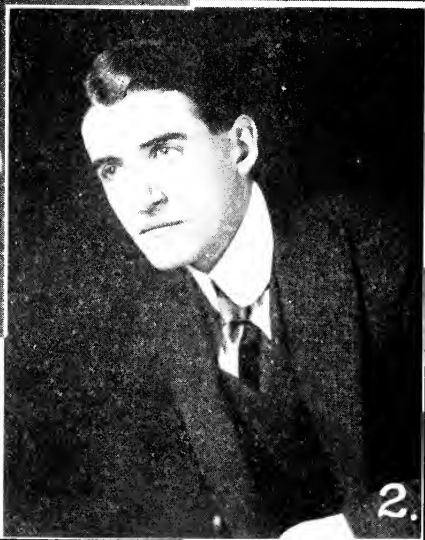
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(1) THISTLES FOOTBALL CLUB, MINNEAPOLIS, MINN. (2) WOODLAND PARK FOOTBALL CLUB, SEATTLE, WASH. (3) ATENEO DE MANILA, PHILIPPINE ISLANDS—1, Enrique Regner; 2, Nicolas Escario; 3, Vincente Logarta; 4, Fructuoso Luzurriaga; 5, Vincente de Lara; 6, Marcelo Martinez; 7, Teodoro Cui; 8, Amadeo Gueblar; 9, José Guintana; 10, Alfredo Soriano.



S. J. NADEL,
President North Texas Soccer Football
League, 1915-16.



ALEC TURNER,
Secretary-Treasurer Dallas (Texas)
Soccer Football Club.



(1) NOMAD FOOTBALL CLUB, DALLAS, TEXAS—1, P. Cramshaw; 2, Alexander; 3, F. Cramshaw; 4, Wright; 5, Smyth; 6, Nordquist; 7, McLemore; 8, Pell; 9, Boreno; 10, Rowe; 11, Stockdale, Mascot; 12, Stubbs; 13, J. Cramshaw. (2) ATHLETICS FOOTBALL CLUB, DALLAS, TEXAS—1, Little; 2, Bell; 3, Aymond; 4, Abrahams; 5, Wainwright; 6, Mitchell, Capt.; 7, Fraser; 8, Gammie; 9, Evans; 10, Oates; 11, Finday; 12, Fox. (3) CLEBURNE (TEXAS) FOOTBALL CLUB.



(1) BARBARIANS FOOTBALL CLUB, SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.—1, Baddeley; 2, H. F. Wallace, Coach; 3, Bramley; 4, Hughes; 5, Baird; 6, Paige; 7, Gore; 8, Lesser; 9, A. H. MacGregor, Commissioner; 10, Philip; 11, Butler; 12, Hudson, Capt.; 13, Kearns; 14, Pepper; 15, Mascot. (2) OLYMPIC CLUB, SAN FRANCISCO, CAL. (3) LOS ANGELES (CAL.) ATHLETIC CLUB. (4)—1, Maurice Hudson, Captain Barbarians Football Club; 2, C. D. Hudson, Vice-Captain Olympic Club Football Team, 1915-16.

MICHIGAN STATE ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

Officers—President, David Ronald; vice-president, Joseph Daniels; treasurer, G. O'Keefe; recording secretary, J. T. Barlow; secretary, Joseph Fletcher, 490 Glendale Avenue, Detroit, Mich.

FIRST DIVISION.

Club.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals.		Points.
				For.	Against.	
Caledonia*	10	2	2	25	12	24
Nationals	9	3	2	31	15	20
St. Georges	6	3	2	15	8	14
Beaudette U.f.	7	4	0	21	17	12
Packard	5	4	0	12	9	10
Buicks	4	6	2	10	13	10
Rovers	2	10	2	6	20	6
All Scots	1	11	2	5	28	4

*Two points deducted for playing ineligible man.

†Two points awarded for opponents playing ineligible man.

The balance of schedule not played on account of postponed games and the season too late to finish schedule.

Caledonia, league champions, 1916; winners of Clan Campbell Cup, 1916.

SECOND DIVISION.

Club.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals.		Points.
				For.	Against.	
Detroit	14	2	2	63	16	30
Rising Star	14	2	2	77	8	30
Cricketers	11	5	2	25	27	24
Roses	10	6	2	45	26	22
Celtic	10	6	2	25	13	22
Park Davis	7	10	1	27	39	15
Thistles	4	10	4	14	14	12
Wyandotte	5	12	1	18	62	11
St. Clair Heights	5	12	1	9	56	11
Wolverines	1	16	1	8	47	3

In the play-off, Detroit F.C. defeated Rising Star F.C., 5—0.

SOCCER FOOTBALL IN DETROIT PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

The Detroit public schools began soccer football during the fall of 1914, although a few schools had played it the year before. In instituting the game the department divided up the city geographically into ten leagues, with eight schools each in eight and two with six. Each league was numbered, as was each school in each league. The schedule was made, with numbers, beginning November 14. A ball was furnished each school. Seventy-six schools started the series to determine by the round robin system the champions in each league. Two hundred and fifty-four games were scheduled. Two hundred and twenty-one were played and thirty-three forfeited or not reported. The champions of each league were presented with a banner by the City Soccer Association through George Healey. The winners were:

League 1, Williams School; League 2, Jones School; League 3, Ives School; League 4, Parke School; League 5, Gillies School; League 6, Tappan School; League 7, Fairbanks School; League 8, Jefferson School; League 9, Goldberg School; League 10, Logan School.

The series to decide the city championship was played off by the Bagnall-Wyle system. The city championship team received a silver cup given by Dr. E. C. Kendall. This was won by the Williams School.

For the success of these two series of games, the Department of Physical Education is much indebted to George Healey, president of the City Soccer League; Dr. E. C. Kendall, honorary president of the State Soccer Associa-

tion, and many of the individuals of the various soccer organizations of the city for the assistance given in furnishing referees for the games, coaching boys and assisting in many other ways.

Besides the regularly scheduled games, hundreds of others were played between and within classes. Each school was given one soccer ball; many classes bought other balls. The playground ball was used for soccer, tennis balls, tin cans, bundles of paper and every imaginable object that could be used. That the game was played through all kinds of weather conditions, in every available space, and by pupils of all ages, testifies to its popularity. The season beginning September, 1915, was even more successful. Eighty-four teams were divided into eleven leagues. The system of playing off was the same as in 1914. Banners were given by the City Soccer Association, and Dr. E. C. Kendall also gave the cup. Several soccer players gave much help and time to the teams, especially W. H. Trembrath, who refereed dozens of games during the season.

WISCONSIN STATE FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION.

BY JOSEPH NAYLOR, SECRETARY.

Officers—President, A. E. Hall, Kenosha; vice-president, R. J. C. Bott, Milwaukee; secretary and treasurer, Joseph Naylor, Milwaukee. Delegates-at-large—A. Robinson, Kenosha; A. Hayward, Milwaukee; R. Grant, Milwaukee.

Soccer football in Wisconsin does not progress as it should. There are plenty of players and there are no harder workers in the country, but when it comes to starting a new team nobody wants to take hold. With a view to altering these conditions, the Milwaukee and District League, at its annual meeting, decided to reorganize and form two sections—one, the Milwaukee Soccer League, and the other, the Lake Shore League, each with four clubs, and it is to be hoped that by the time the season starts that each league will have six teams, as the traveling expenses (the greatest handicap) will not be so heavy. During the season a challenge cup will also be played for by the teams of Wisconsin. A handsome silver cup, Uihlein Trophy, has been presented to the State and it is to be hoped this will be an incentive to get more teams going, as there are certainly a great number of unorganized players. Taking the class of football played last season, it was a pleasure to see—clean and full of excitement—and the large crowds of spectators are beginning to realize what a splendid game soccer football is.

MILWAUKEE SOCCER LEAGUE.

This league is composed of the Milwaukee clubs of the late Milwaukee and District League. There are four teams in the league, but before the season opens there will probably be two more. Two new clubs have been formed—the First Hospital Corps of the National Guard, and South Milwaukee. The Vikings are defunct. The St. Georges have reorganized and taken most of the Viking players. The Caledonians are the same fighting team as last season. Although the league is small the teams are evenly matched.

The officers are: President, Dr. James W. Frew; vice-president, Charles Hayward; secretary and treasurer, Edgar Naylor.

Following is the result of the Milwaukee and District Association Football League race for 1915-16:

Club.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals.		Points.
				For.	Against.	
MacWhytes	10	2	0	50	10	20
Caledonians	9	2	1	21	18	19
Jefferys	8	3	1	20	12	17
Horlicks	6	6	0	23	29	12
St. Georges.....	5	6	1	12	28	11
Belle City.....	2	9	1	6	21	5
Vikings	0	12	0	2	16	0

LAKE SHORE LEAGUE.

This league comprises the southern clubs of the late Milwaukee and District League. It was organized March 11, 1916. There are four clubs in the league—MacWhytes, the champions of Wisconsin, 1913-14-15; Jefferys, Horlick's Racine, and Simmons, the latter being a newly formed Kenosha team. Keen rivalry has always been the motto of these clubs and some real good football will be seen at Kenosha and Racine.

The officers are: President, J. Boeck; first vice-president, William Hewitt; second vice-president, Mr. Charling; third vice-president, L. Carolan; secretary and treasurer, A. Robinson.

There is certainly great enthusiasm among these clubs and the officers intend to make a success of the league.

SOCCER FOOTBALL IN ST. LOUIS.

By C. A. LOVETT.

Patrons of soccer in St. Louis, where play has been of a high order for no few seasons past, were served a brand of the kicking game of such rare quality throughout the 1915-16 season that even the most unreserved booster of the proficiencies of soccer teams of that district must have been surprised.

Not only was the standard of the play superlative and the competition wonderfully close, but the interest demonstrated by both public and press was such that there could remain no shadow of a doubt as to the great growth of the previously widespread interest in the winter sport.

Strong elevens from various sections of the country were brought to St. Louis and defeated with such comparative ease as to astound those several sections of the soccer world which still were inclined to doubt the puissance of St. Louis soccerites. One St. Louis club, champions of the professional St. Louis Soccer League, journeyed to Detroit and with no difficulty convinced the Michigan State League folk that Missouri was far from extravagant when it laid claim to the title of soccer supremacy in the Middle West.

The Pullman Association Football Club of Chicago, then holders of the Peel Cup and for three years undisputed champions of the Windy City, ventured down to St. Louis and dropped two games, one to the St. Leo's and the other to the Innisfalls. Subsequently the Hyde Park Blues of Chicago succumbed to the Ben Millers. But the details of the St. Louis Soccer League's success on the field have their place in another article.

Negotiations were on, for a time, looking to a visit of the Bethlehem Steel Company club, U.S.F.A. champions, to St. Louis, around the 1915 holidays, but an agreement on a guarantee could not be reached. These negotiations, however, were renewed and in consequence St. Louis will get, shortly, its long-craved whack at the national title holders.

PROFESSIONAL SOCCER IN ST. LOUIS DISTRICT.

By DAVID FRANCIS BARRETT.

FINAL STANDING OF CLUBS IN ST. LOUIS SOCCER LEAGUE, 1915-16.

	Goals.					Pts.	Goals.					Pts.	
	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.		W.	L.	D.	F.	A.		
Ben Miller F.C.....	12	5	3	45	22	27	Naval Reserves F.C.	4	8	8	25	36	16
Innisfail F.C.	7	6	6	25	23	20	St. Leo F.C.....	4	8	7	15	29	15

RESULTS OF INTER-CITY GAMES.

St. Leo F.C. of St. Louis 3, Pullman A.F.C. of Chicago 1; Innisfail F.C. of St. Louis 3, Pullman A.F.C. 2; Naval Reserves F.C. of St. Louis 9, National F.C. of Detroit 3; Ben Miller F.C. of St. Louis 12, National F.C. 0; Ben Miller F.C. 7, Hyde Park Blues F.C. of Chicago 2; Ben Miller F.C. 7, National F.C. 1; Ben Miller F.C. 3, Detroit All-Stars F.C. 2.

Without stretching a point one can safely say that the season of 1915-16, from a financial standpoint, was the best experienced by the soccer football players of St. Louis and vicinity in recent years. The turnstiles at Robison Field, where the lone professional league held forth, were kept busy passing in the patrons of the sport.

In East St. Louis the game progressed wonderfully. Harry Liberstein's team won the championship in a field of four fast teams, but had to play very good soccer in order to capture the prize.

As was predicted in the 1915-16 GUIDE, the amalgamation of the St. Louis Soccer League or Robison Field League and the St. Louis Association Football League or Federal League had a wonderful effect on the advancement of the game professionally. When the final organization was completed it was found the Innisfails and Columbus Club of the Robison Field League and the St. Leos and the Ben Millers of the Federal League had been picked for places in the new league.

One can judge of the strength of the new combination when it is stated the St. Leos, for thirteen years undisputed champions of Missouri and Illinois, finished last in a field of four. The Ben Millers, under the careful handling of Manager Pete Ratican and Len Zeuchel, their captain, finished at the top of the heap, with the Innisfails a bang-up second. The Missouri Naval Reserves, the new name of the Columbus Club, finished third.

But it was in the inter-city clashes St. Louis showed at best. During the Christmas and New Year's holidays the Nationals, champions of Detroit and Michigan, and the Pullmans, for many years champions of Chicago and Northern Illinois, were vigorously defeated. The Nationals were snowed under with goals, and the Pullmans found themselves under too severe a handicap when they were called upon to battle the speedy Innisfails and the St. Leos.

However, the Nationals were not satisfied with the defeats they received, and insisted that the Ben Millers visit Detroit at the end of the season to settle the question of supremacy. There the result was the same. The Ben Millers simply ran away from their opponents, and at no stages of the games was the outcome in doubt.

As a result of the successful season just experienced the game hereabouts is in better shape than any time in history. This year I expect all attendance records to be smashed.

In closing it is only just that I should pay tribute to Thomas W. Cahill, our national secretary, and Winton E. Barker, president of the Missouri Soccer Football Association, and as it was due to their efforts that peace was made possible.

BEN MILLER SOCCER TEAM.

BY PETER J. RATICAN.

The Ben Miller soccer team, champions of the St. Louis Soccer League, was organized as a professional team at the beginning of the season of 1913-14 and played its games at Athletic Park. It finished second in the race, and during the Christmas holidays of 1913 the champion True Blues of the East were easily defeated by the Ben Millers by the one-sided score of 5 goals to 1. Since that time the Ben Millers have not lost a game to any team from any other city. On Christmas Day, 1914, the Ben Millers played the Chicago Hyde Parks in St. Louis, at Federal Park, and easily won, by the score of 4 goals to 2. Of the other two games of the series, Hyde Park won one and tied the other. In our holiday games of 1915-16, the Pullmans of Chicago were the attraction, and although the Ben Millers were not selected to play them, they were defeated by the Innisfails by the score of 3 to 2, and by the St. Leos, 3 to 1.

As the Pullmans were contenders with the Bethlehem team in the final for the soccer championship of the United States, in which the first game ended in a draw and the second game after extra periods were played, the Bethlehems were the winners, 1 to 0; the Pullmans were defeated here 3

to 1 by the St. Leos, and the St. Leos did not win a single game from the Ben Millers during the entire playing season, but were defeated by easy scores, such as 7 to 0, 4 to 0 and 3 to 0, therefore we claim that we are entitled to recognition as champions as well as the Bethlehem team. On New Year's Day, 1916, the Ben Millers defeated the Detroit team at St. Louis, 12 goals to 0, while subsequently the Ben Millers, on Detroit's own playing field, won by the one-sided score of 7 to 1, and then defeated the pick of Michigan and Canadian players, 3 to 2.

On March 12 the Hyde Parks were worsted by the Ben Millers, 7 to 2, the game carrying with it the championship of the Chicago League. In four inter-city games during January and March of this year the Ben Millers scored twenty-nine goals in four games, undoubtedly the best record of any soccer team in the United States.

In their league games during the year the Ben Millers scored forty-five goals in twenty games, an average of over two goals per game, and a grand total of goals scored for the year was seventy-four in twenty-four games. The Ben Miller team is composed of young American boys, every one born in the city of St. Louis or its vicinity, and their ages vary from 18 to 26 years.

ST. LOUIS MUNICIPAL SOCCER LEAGUE.

BY C. A. LOVETT.

Municipally conducted soccer football saw its most successful competition in St. Louis in the season 1915-16. That premier organization of this classification, the Municipal Soccer League of St. Louis, subdivided into seven groups, achieved remarkable success in point of quality of game, public support and interest generally.

In several of the divisions there were runaways rather than races, but this was not general and can be overcome by a redistribution of teams in the various groups. Attendance at the games, practically all of which were played on the fields in the public parks, was very great in this league, which has been given the shortened name of "Muny."

Form went awry often, but as the season wore on it became more and more apparent that the Missouri Athletic Association and Christian Brothers College were the "class" of the thirty participating clubs. And in this the advance indications ran true, for the M.A.A. and C.B.C. elevens eventually battled for the title in the greatest game in the annals of soccer football in St. Louis.

In the elimination matches nearly 12,000 spectators watched the Ellerman club defeat the Spanish club by 3 goals to 0 at Fairground Park on March 12. On the same day, at Forest Park, 5,000 fans saw Christian Brothers College defeat the Yawitz club, 2-0.

On March 20 St. Louis saw one of the greatest exhibitions of the kicking game on record in this country when the St. Teresas, surprising with a brilliant defense, lost to the M.A.A. eleven by 2 goals to 0 after two extra periods of play. Three thousand paid to see this game of the semi-finals on the enclosed Christian Brothers College campus and the C.B.C. victory over the Ellermans, 5 to 0, which followed.

The C.B.C. and M.A.A. clubs first clashed in the title match on March 27 at Fairground Park, and after two hours and two minutes of play, on a field exceedingly heavy, the game was called with the score at 1-1. Spectacular plays in great number thrilled 12,000 spectators on this occasion.

On April 2 the M.A.A. team won the crown with a 3 to 1 victory in the regular periods, but the total time of the deciding play, the tied game of the previous Sunday included, was three hours and thirty-two minutes. Ten thousand fans watched the deciding match, which also was staged at Fairground. Medals were bestowed upon the players of the victorious team at a banquet to the winners at the City Club on April 13.

Rodowe H. Abeken, City Superintendent of Recreation, under whose jurisdiction comes the "Muny" League, reports as the GUIDE goes to press, that thirty-two teams have enrolled for the 1916-17 season and the entry list is

not yet closed. He is seeking to arrange for a competition between the teams competing in leagues under similar municipal jurisdiction in other cities of the country and for a tour of the St. Louis Municipal League champions at the close of the 1916-17 soccer season.

Following are the final standings in the St. Louis Municipal League for the season 1915-16:

FAIRGROUND DIVISION.

Group No. 1.				Group No. 3.					
W.	L.	T.	Pts.	W.	L.	T.	Pts.		
St. Teresa	11	1	5	27	Ellermans	14	2	1	29
St. Augustines	8	7	1	17	Manewalls	10	5	0	20
St. Liborius	5	6	5	15	Immaculate Conception	5	9	1	11
Perpetual Helps	1	11	5	7	Rice-Stix	2	15	1	5

Group No. 2.				Fairground Juniors.					
W.	L.	T.	Pts.	W.	L.	T.	Pts.		
Missouri A.A.	11	5	2	24	Ruuds	14	1	2	30
Ruhrs	10	5	3	23	St. Louis Suburbans	10	3	3	22
Bob Whites	8	8	2	18	Sonnenbergs	2	12	1	5
Leacocks	3	13	1	7	Perpetual Help Juniors	2	13	1	5

CARONDELET DIVISION.

W.	L.	T.	Pts.	W.	L.	T.	Pts.		
Spanish Club	8	3	5	21	Eckhardts	5	7	5	15
Kahlmans	4	5	7	15	S.A.C.	5	8	2	12

C. B. C. DIVISION.

W.	L.	T.	Pts.	W.	L.	T.	Pts.		
C.B.C.	12	1	2	26	K.F.M.	4	5	6	14
C.A.C.	6	4	4	16	St. Edwards	3	7	4	10
Trumbulls	5	6	4	14	W.E.A.C.	3	11	2	8

FOREST PARK DIVISION.

W.	L.	T.	Pts.	W.	L.	T.	Pts.		
Yawitz	13	2	1	27	Columbus Club	5	9	2	12
Concordia	10	6	0	20	Manhattans	2	12	1	5

SOCCER IN KANSAS CITY AND VICINITY.

Soccer in Kansas City and its general vicinity is booming. The movement inaugurated by Secretary Cahill of the U.S.F.A. on his last visit West has borne fruit, and the Missouri-Kansas Soccer Football Association has been formed, has paid its affiliation fee and made application for admission to the United States Football Association. Since this has been done the interest has continued to grow tremendously, and there is every indication that the first season of the new organization will be a brilliant success. There is a tentative offer of a large silver trophy, so the new association will have a cup competition as well as the regular league contest. The officers of the new association are as follows: President, James Morrow; vice-president, John Lovett; secretary, George Miller.

The Missouri-Kansas Soccer League last year had a most successful season. The Schmelzer A.C. team won the Spalding Cup after a hard fight with the Tigers, who lost by only one point, the Shamrocks and British-Americans being close up.

SCHMELZER CUP COMPETITION.

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals.		Points.
					For.	Against.	
Tiger F.C.	8	6	2	0	23	5	12
Shamrock F.C.	8	5	2	1	14	9	11
Schmelzer F.C.	7	3	3	1	8	9	7
St. George F.C.	7	2	5	0	8	11	4
British-American F.C.	8	2	6	0	4	21	4

SOCCER FOOTBALL IN COLORADO.

By R. A. FERRIE.

CLUB STANDING IN COLORADO LEAGUE OF ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Goals.		Points.
				For.	Against.	
Denver*	7	6	1	28	4	12
Gordons*	7	5	2	17	12	10
Independents	6	2	4	3	23	4
Sacred Heart	6	0	6	0	9	0

*Played off tie for championship.

The season of 1915-16 in Colorado was one of the most successful the State ever had. In the previous year several of the clubs in Denver withdrew from the original organization, the Colorado League of Association Football, leaving only two clubs there, and formed an independent association called the Rocky Mountain League, but the latter was a complete failure, as no games were played, and with the opening of the season in October, 1915, these clubs came back and reorganized the Colorado League. The result was greater enthusiasm, record attendances, and each club reported better success financially and otherwise. The Denvers finished at the top of the league, gathering in the Spalding Cup—won three times—the league medals and various other trophies. This team achieved a great record, as the league standing shows, losing only one game, and that to the Gordons by a 2 to 1 score, and scoring twenty-eight goals to their opponents' four, finishing the season with a total of twelve points.

We feel justified in mentioning here that the half-backs of the Denver team well earned their name of the Million Dollar Half-Back Line, as the club had six half-backs, T. Chapman, J. Allan, A. Wilson, G. Smith, J. Knox and P. Brady, who were without doubt the best ever seen in Colorado. It was the fine playing of these men throughout the season that enabled the Denvers to close the season in the position they did.

The runners-up were the Gordons, and they put up a plucky fight, being defeated only by the winners. They defeated Denver in one game and were the only team to register any goals against the champions. They lost the first league game by a 4 to 0 score, and came back in the return game, winning by 2 goals to 1. In the play-off for the State championship, however, they tapered away, being defeated by 6 goals to 2. In the charity competition they were again defeated by Denver, 4 to 0.

The Independents, a club composed mostly of American boys, put up a good game and were thorough sportsmen, as it was evident they could not play the game as well as their more seasoned opponents, but after being defeated came back for more, and ended the season by taking two games from Sacred Heart College. The latter team did not win a game throughout the season. The enthusiasm that the college showed in former years was very much absent.

In the international matches, England and Scotland broke even, the first game being played on Christmas Day and the latter on March 19, 1916. The latter game was played in aid of the tobacco fund of the United British Societies and a nice sum was raised.

The game was also taken up by several colleges in the State, the State Teachers College at Greeley, University of Colorado at Boulder and School of Mines at Golden, playing intercollegiate games, although they had no regular schedule, and Colorado College playing interclass games at Colorado Springs. This has given the game a great boost here, and prospects for the coming season look brighter for soccer in the Columbine State than ever before.

In regard to an All-Colorado team, I was asked to select one for publication in the *Denver Post*, and here it is:

Goal, Logan; right back, A. Allan; left back, R. Armour; right half-back, A. Wilson; center half-back, T. Chapman, captain; left half-back, G. Smith; outside right, F. Bramly; inside right, J. Allan; center, O. Heathcote; inside left, H. Taylor; outside left, W. Hastie.

SOCCER IN THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST.

BY ALEX. C. ROSE, SEATTLE, WASH.

Officers—President, James Willison; vice-president, Ben Waddell; secretary, John O'Connor; treasurer, Alex. Rose.

The Post-Intelligencer Cup was won by the Seattle Celtics; Tacoma was second, Carbonado third, and Black Diamond fourth and last. These teams and the Seattle Rangers and Woodland Park clubs competed for the McMilan Cup. Both cups are played for in the league system.

The McMilan Cup competition was a seesaw affair from the beginning to the end, and the winner was only decided after the last game had been played. The Tacoma team finished ahead of the Celtics by one point; Black Diamond, Carbonado, Rangers and Woodland Park followed in the order named.

On November 21, 1915, at Dugdale Park, Seattle, the annual international game was played, and Scotland triumphed over England by 5 goals to 0. Several of the selected English team failed to show up and their places were filled by reserves that could not hold the clever Scotch attack.

The losers were given a chance to get revenge on February 20, 1916, but they failed. The game was played at Fort Lawton, the final score being Scotland 2, England 1.

The most enthusiastic and best attended game of the season was played at Woodland Park on April 30, 1916, for the benefit of the Relief War Fund, with the Northwest's best sons from Scotland and England again facing each other. Although the weather was rather warm for soccer, the players put up a fast game, and during the first half the spectators were treated to the finest exhibition of football that has been seen in the Northwest for many years. The score at half-time was 3 goals each. In the second half the clever combination of the Scotch forwards was too much for their opponents. The final score was Scotland 8, England 3.

The teams lined up as follows:

Scotland—Stewart, goal; McKinnon, right back; Robertson, left back; Fitzpatrick, right half; Marshall, center half; Thompson (captain), left half; McGilvray, outside right; Craig, inside right; McDougal, center; Mair, inside left; Winestone, outside left.

England—Banks, goal; Simpson (captain), right back; Kelly, left back; Jackman, right half; Weston, center half; Moroni, left half; Harlin, outside right; Gibson, inside right; Hayton, center; Cornthwaite, inside left; Perritt, outside left.

Referee—Alex. Rose; linesmen, James Ross and John O'Connor.

After the game the ball was raffled and the money went to the Relief Fund. The game was a financial success.

Soccer football is making great headway in the grammar schools in the Northwest, and especially in Seattle, where every school has a team entered in the city championship. A soccer league among the Seattle high schools seems to be a certainty in the very near future.

SOCCER FOOTBALL IN THE TACOMA, WASH., PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

BY RICHARD P. KELLY,
Supervisor of Physical Training.

Soccer football as a sport, for the sake of the sport, and for its effect upon the physique and sportsmanship of the larger boys has been the aim of the Tacoma Public School Soccer Football Association since its organization in 1913, and in spite of a stormy winter, which shortened the playing season and lessened the pleasure in the play, a big stride forward was made with the game during 1915-1916.

An outstanding feature of the season's play was the interest taken in the Stadium and Lincoln Park high schools. With no inducement except their

liking for the swift play and quick thinking which soccer requires and their wish to broaden the field of sport for high school boys, over thirty players turned out at each of the schools for regular practice. Stormy weather, lack of suitable grounds and coaching prevented the completion of an inter-high school series, but each school played several games with the stronger grammar school teams in their district.

Among the high school players who gave promise of clever soccer with right training were: Stadium—Doucette, Dyer, Adams, Drinkwine, Worthley, McLeod, Miller, Coutts, Macek, Baker, McColley, Crandall, Wallacher, Reynoldson, Thrane, Adams, Flye, Benedict, Mortensen, Mueller, Lohman, Gibson, Corey, Francis, Rieman, Elmore, Hunt, Purkey, Van Kleeck, Middleton, Faler, Lincoln Park—Secor, Hall, James, Holman, Holgerson, Tollefson, Johnson, Matson, Schultze, Jones, McDonald, Sandegren, Barker, Jacobsen, Isenburg, Hammer, Yost, Moore, Engler, Thompson, Mahaffey, Parkes, Burke, Donaldson, Levinson, Vernon, Whisner.

At all of the grammar schools, with boys large enough to be interested in athletics, soccer practice opened with a rush immediately after the opening of the schools in September and practice and intra-school games were played until November 8. As in the past this practice period constituted a valuable part of the season's activity. The marked progress in real playing ability in Tacoma is undoubtedly due to the aim of the athletic leaders among the boys to develop players and not merely to select them. At many of the schools enough teams were organized to include practically every upper grade boy with staying power enough to play the game. At the Grant, for instance, seven teams were organized, and 103 of the 115 boys enrolled in the four upper grades went through a regular intra-school series in which games were played daily, both at noon hour and in the afternoon. In the Washington school each room had its team and practice soccer was the regular game for recess. Experienced players at all of the schools gave a large part of their attention during the practice weeks to the coaching and encouraging of novices, and many of the boys who made the most clever showing during the official games which closed the season owed their knowledge of soccer and interest in it to the fact that their older schoolmates were willing to give them a tryout rather than to proceed at once to organize championship teams with the material at hand. Between 700 and 800 boys played in the practice and intra-school games.

The official series lasted six weeks, from November 8 to December 16. In this series thirty-two teams, including 416 players, played 196 games, in many cases with schoolboy officials, and with the highest type of sportsmanship the rule in all the games.

At the close of the series a selection committee, consisting of Alexander Burnett, Robert McDonald and Sidney Hughes, designated the six teams which in their opinion had "played the best and most sportsmanlike soccer throughout the season" as the "Big Six" for Tacoma for 1915. The teams selected were Willard Eagles, McKinley Red Caps, Whitman, Longfellow Invincibles, Bryant Thomas and Washington Mavricks. Results for the season were as follows:

SENIOR TEAMS.

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals.		Points.
					For.	Against.	
Willard Eagles	10	8	0	2	23	4	18
McKinley Red Caps.....	11	7	1	3	29	3	17
Whitman	10	6	2	2	12	5	14
Longfellow Invincibles	8	5	2	1	10	6	11
Bryant Thomas	9	3	2	4	7	11	10
Washington Mavricks	5	3	0	2	5	2	8
Lincoln Grays	7	3	3	1	12	9	7
Rogers Defenders	7	2	2	3	15	6	7
Central Nationals	8	2	3	3	5	5	7
Logan Greyhounds	7	2	4	1	4	10	5
Franklin Bears	6	1	2	3	4	6	5
Sherman Bulldogs	9	1	6	2	9	15	4
Irving Ironsides	7	1	4	2	6	12	4
Grant	3	1	0	2	2	1	4
Sheridan Cougars	7	0	6	1	2	10	1

Junior Teams—Points: Lincoln All-Stars, 13; McKinley White Caps, 12; Central Victors, 11; Sherman Tigers, 10; Washington Wildcats, 9; Hawthorne Midgets, 8; Franklin Wolves, 8; Logan Lionhearts, 8; Rogers Stars, 6; Irving, 3; Longfellow Dreadnaughts, 3; Willard Hawks, 2; Whitman, 2; Grant, 1; Sheridan Cubs, 1; Bryant, 0; Jefferson, 0.

The thanks of the association are due to Referees Burnett, McDonald, Hughes, and the other "old country" players who so unselfishly and ably assisted the boys by coaching and as officials during the season; and the boys showed their appreciation of the interest taken by these experts by their courtesy to officials and high ideals of sport.

Among the plans for the coming season are a readjustment of dates for the official series, and a new system of scoring which will give definite recognition to "game losers."

Points will be scored as follows: Won, 3; drawn, 2; lost, 1. Each season since the organization of soccer here we have had "game" teams which have played through to the last match of the season, with conditions so against them that they could hardly hope to win. By the new system of scoring such teams will be given the recognition they deserve.

In order to be sure of favorable weather for the official games the season will begin earlier than heretofore, probably about the middle of October, and then to retain the benefits of the long practice and intra-school play informal games will be continued after the close of the official schedule, and the selection of the "Big Six" will depend upon this continued play quite as much as upon the showing made in the earlier part of the season. During this third period of play the All-Tacoma teams of the year will be picked, and special coaching will be given for the development of team captains for the following year.

The outlook for the 1916-1917 season is bright. Many of the best players are back with their schools, and the tradition is well established for clean play and for the development of soccer as a sport for all the boys instead of for a few. In each of the high schools there are many players who have been with the game since 1913, and a big turnout is expected in these schools. With soccer rapidly establishing itself in all of the big universities alongside of the American game, it will not be strange if some of the players who first learned the game in the Tacoma schools will in the next few years be known outside of the city for their ability in one of the few internationally recognized sports for men.

SOCCKER IN CALIFORNIA.

The contest for the 1915-16 championship of the California Football League, after promising at midseason to be a runaway affair, developed into a great race for the trophy, and the championship was not decided until the last day of the schedule.

On April 2, when the last games were to be played, the Burns Club met the Barbarians, and their chief rivals for the championship, the Olympics, were to play the Thistles. The Olympics had to win to have a chance for the honors. The Burns were sure of the cup if they won, were tied with the Olympics in case of an Olympic victory over the Thistles, should they draw with the Barbarians, and their only chance to lose was to be defeated by the Barbarians and have the Olympics win from the Thistles.

That was exactly what happened, and the Burns, who had led the league from the start, lost out on the last day, the Olympic Club team finishing one point ahead, with 34 to the Burns' 33.

The Olympics played consistently throughout the season and lost only two games. One of these was to the Burns, by 2 goals to 1, and the other was to the San Francisco team, which was going well in midseason and trounced the Olympics, 4 to 2, in January.

The Burns Club won twelve straight games before they were tied by the Vampires in the last game of the old year. They suffered their first defeat on January 23, when the Thistles defeated them, 4 to 2. Then the Olympics defeated them, 2 to 1, and the defeat by the Barbarians on the last day of the season lost them the championship.

The California Football League started the season with eleven clubs affiliated and all of them played through the schedule. The clubs were Olympic, Burns, San Francisco, Union Iron Works, Vampires, Thistles, Barbarians, Celtic, Rangers, Argonauts and Alamedas, and they finished the series of games in that order. The officers of the league are:

President, R. R. Muir; vice-presidents, Charles Wright, Douglas Erskine, H. W. Maloney; secretary, William Campbell, 128 Irvington Street, San Francisco; treasurer, John Gibson; executive committee, F. Lewis, chairman, and a representative from each club.

This season promises to be a banner one for the league. Already the managers are predicting stronger teams for their clubs and another interesting struggle for the championship is assured.

The annual international match, in which the players of English birth play the Scotch members of the league, proved, as usual, to be an even proposition. The Scotch, after having all the better of the first half, in which they scored a goal, were hard pressed at the finish, and they were fortunate to escape with a single goal registered against them, as the English came dangerously close to scoring a half dozen times in the last ten minutes. The result of a one goal draw was about right, as the Scotch had all the early play and the English played all over them in the latter stages. The teams that represented the two nations were:

England—Goal, Singer; backs, Gates and James; half-backs, Teed, Swain and C. Hudson; forwards, Teed, Stringer, Picknell, Balmaln and King.

Scotland—Goal, M. McRitchie; backs, Hunter and Patterson; half-backs, McIntosh, Finlayson and Mackenzie; forwards, Hay, Welsh, Monteith, Crofts and Scott.

The annual five-a-side competition for the Williams trophy was won by the Celtics.

The season's summary was as follows:

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals.		Points.
					For.	Against.	
Olympic	20	16	2	2	64	18	34
Burns	20	16	3	1	55	20	33
San Francisco	20	12	5	3	45	24	27
Union Iron Works.....	20	10	6	4	38	20	24
Vampires	20	10	7	3	41	37	23
Thistle	20	9	8	3	29	26	21
Barbarians	20	10	9	1	54	40	21
Celtic	20	7	10	3	28	38	17
Rangers	20	6	12	2	32	65	14
Argonauts	20	2	16	2	21	47	6
Alameda	20	0	20	0	9	78	0

The cup tie competition of the California Football Association was won by the Union Iron Works eleven, which defeated the Celtics in the final tie by a score of 3 goals to 1, after the teams had played a tie of one goal each.

Drawn games caused the series to drag out for a month after the date set for the final tie.

The Olympics, winners of the league competition, were put out of the running in the preliminary round by the Vampires, by a core of 4 goals to 1. The first time the teams met the Olympics won, 3 goals to 2, but a protest lodged by the Vampires against an ineligible player used by the Olympics caused a replay and the Vampires won.

The following are the results of the competition:

Preliminary round—Thistles defeated Burns, 4—0, after a tie of no goals; Rangers defeated Argonauts, 4—2; Vampires defeated Olympics, 4—1; Union Iron Works defeated Allies, 3—0.

First round—Rangers defeated Alameda, 7—2; San Francisco defeated Thistles, 1—0; Union Iron Works defeated Vampires, 1—0; Celtic defeated Barbarians, 2—0, after a tie, 1—1.

Semi-final round—Union Iron Works defeated San Francisco, 3—0, after a tie, 1—1; Celtics defeated Rangers, 2—1.

Final round—Union Iron Works defeated Celtics, 3—1, after a tie, 1—1.

OLYMPIC CLUB SOCCER FOOTBALL TEAM, SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

By "SHOOTER."

Coming in second in the league championship series of 1914-15, the Olympic Club soccer football team, after an exciting and exceedingly close competition on the part of three of the eleven teams of the California Football League, won first place in the 1915-16 struggle.

The season opened when the Panama-Pacific International Exposition was in full blast and, by request, all the Olympic Club's home games, while the big fair was open, were played on the Exposition Marina, and not one was lost by the team that so ably represented the standard of sportsmanship of the big athletic organization. Of course, playing on the Marina meant the loss of the gate money the club would have picked up if the games had been played on its own enclosure, but this loss the club directors cheerfully bore for the sake of the P.-P. I. E.'s athletic reputation. It was the sudden switch to a different kind of playing ground after the fair closed that caused the club team's first slip, and this was followed by two other slips, where games were played on sand instead of turf.

After this the team recontinued its winning streak close behind the Burns, and just in front of the Union Iron Works and San Franciscos, until a tremendous rally and surprise by the Barbarians, who defeated the champion Burns, put the Olympic Club on a level, and then it was only a matter of getting ahead. To the urgent call for an extra effort the team responded nobly and finally won the league championship in dashing style. In the cup competition the team was not so fortunate, losing its first game by a technicality, Elliot of Los Angeles being declared ineligible. Thereupon the team ceased to take any further interest in the competition, although replaying the game several weeks later under protest.

It took twenty-two men to bring the Olympic Club team to the top of the league and seventeen of them were awarded medals. These were: Geo. Jackson, John Balmain, Thos. James, C. D. Hudson, C. A. Anderson, F. W. Swain, captain; E. A. Singer, A. W. Middleton, R. H. Hancock, Wm. O'Connor, D. W. Monteith (now in France in American Legion company), E. Gloor, S. T. Weekes, C. A. Carroll, R. W. Timmis, E. Barbera, Geof. Marlow, F. Bernard, H. Floyd, A. Lesser, A. Covell and W. Simpson. With the exception of the last five all these players are retained for the coming season.

The club also entered a team in the University and Club Soccer Football League and played all clubs and universities and high schools having Saturday teams. This squad was under the able management of Assistant Commissioner Chas. G. Chipchase, and in spite of the drafts made upon its personnel by the big league team of the club, managed to attain second place and barely missed first.

BARBARIAN FOOTBALL CLUB, SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

By A. H. MACGREGOR.

Officers—President, E. H. Sinclair; vice-president, Major O. L. Tilden; secretary, J. R. Bolton; soccer commissioner, A. H. MacGregor; Rugby commissioner, J. Gibson; tennis and cricket commissioner, M. Hudson; water soccer commissioner, F. Gailey.

The Barbarian Club, familiarly known as the "Barbs," was organized in 1906-07, and now has a membership of close to one hundred. Its headquarters is at 545 Turk Street, San Francisco. We have the largest soccer organization on the Pacific Coast. Our new club house is fitted up with a reading room, card and pool room, shower baths and all modern conveniences. Our hall and gymnasium will accommodate over five hundred people. Last season we registered twenty-eight soccer players and finished well up in the California League.

Soccer and Rugby are our major sports; water soccer, tennis and cricket being considered minor sports. Each department has its own commissioners.

ARGONAUT FOOTBALL CLUB, SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

The Argonaut Football Club is the youngest club of the California Football League. Organized by a "bunch" of boys in 1909, it went through a great many changes and reorganizations. Being too young at the time to stand the strain of the big league games, the club joined what was known as the Bay Counties League. In the season of 1912-13 they won the championship and thereby the silver cup of this league.

This success, coupled with the efforts of J. Fry, then president of the club, gained them their admission to the California Football League for 1913-14. During 1914-15 they were able to outrank the Vampires and Rangers, two of the oldest clubs on the Coast. In 1915-16 they had to be satisfied with second last place, although fighting tooth and nail all the time, and generally being defeated only by one goal in the last five or ten minutes of the game. The tenacity and fight they showed in all games made them well liked by the other clubs.

Financially, they are now on an excellent basis, after having gone through some of the worst pinches. As expressed by Mr. Patterson, the public accountant who audited their books at the close of last season: "The engineering of your financial transactions in the face of enormous odds is a piece of financial strategy, rarely found in such young persons as your present executives: T. Hill, president; W. Wallace, treasurer, and E. G. Wunner, secretary. I congratulate you for having your affairs handled by these gentlemen."

Can you blame the Argonauts for confidently anticipating the coming season, 1916-17?

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SOCCER LEAGUE, LOS ANGELES, CAL.

Officers—President, J. M. Sword; vice-president, H. F. Lolly; secretary, R. S. Weaver.

The names of the teams, in the order they finished, and managers' names, are as follows: United, Thomas Lowe; Los Angeles A.C., S. Mellar; Wanderers, P. Barlow; Foresters, J. Prax; Sons of St. George, J. Percy.

In cup ties for the A. G. Spalding & Bros. trophy the Los Angeles Athletic Club won, United being runners-up. An extra cup has been donated for the season of 1916-17, which will extend the season six weeks longer than the schedule of former years.

SOCCER FOOTBALL IN LOS ANGELES.

By HERBERT R. LEWIS.

Football in and around Los Angeles was brought to a close in March after a very successful season, both financial and otherwise. The league was composed of five teams, namely, United, Los Angeles Athletic Club, Wanderers, Sons of St. George and Foresters. They were more evenly matched than in past seasons. The league cup was won by the United, 3-1, and the cup ties competition by the Los Angeles A.C., 2-1. The season was brought to a close with a banquet which was well attended. I am pleased to say that the outlook for 1916-17 is very encouraging. We propose starting the season by taking a team to San Francisco to meet the Olympics and Barbarians. Everything has been done to make the meeting a success by President J. M. Sword, who has worked very hard in the matter.

The attendance last season was much better than in previous seasons, and with another team entering the field the interest in soccer should take a decided advance and in a short time should be among the leading sports of America.

SOCCKER IN THE GRAMMAR SCHOOLS OF LOS ANGELES.

At present soccer is the only football game the elementary schools of Los Angeles are allowed to play. A few schools have played it for many years, but two years ago, under the supervision of Barret Hannawalt, soccer was introduced into nearly every school of Los Angeles.

The city was divided into four districts. Each district played a series of games for the district championship and the winners played semi-finals and finals for the city championship. The final game was played between Belvedere and Colegrove schools. After playing two tie games, the victor was left undecided for 1914-15.

The year 1915-16 was a better year for soccer in many ways. There were more games played, the brand of soccer was better as the result of the previous experience. Many exciting games were played in the district championships.

Again the city championship narrowed down to the same two schools as battled the previous year, Belvedere vs. Colegrove. After playing several extra halves to break the tie of 2 to 2, the game was declared a draw, and again the title was shared by two schools.

The prospects for a big year for 1916-17 are very bright.

SOCCKER IN TEXAS.

By S. J. NADEL, DALLAS, TEX.

In October, 1915, the Dallas Soccer Club was organized to promote the interests of the game in that vicinity, and the enthusiasm and interest displayed at surrounding points suggested the formation of a committee to organize a State association or similar body. This committee, composed of A. Turner, secretary of the Dallas Soccer Club; E. E. Hoebel of A. G. Spalding & Bros., and S. J. Nadel, well known in Eastern soccer circles, did considerable missionary work, but owing to the distance to be traveled it was decided to confine activities to the Northeastern section of the State for the present, and on December 28, 1915, the North Texas Soccer Football League was formed, with S. J. Nadel as president, A. Hurst, vice-president, and W. K. Grace, secretary and treasurer. The members consisted of Dallas Athletics, Dallas Nomads, Cleburne F.C., Baylor University and Southern Methodist University. Two teams from Fort Worth announced their intention of joining, but it was later decided that it would be more advisable for them to endeavor to form a league with headquarters in that vicinity. This move, however, was unsuccessful, owing to the lateness of the season, but results from that source are expected this season. The distance to be traveled is one of the most serious handicaps, but only one game was forfeited on that account, and an exceedingly interesting season was enjoyed. The most valuable point accomplished by the league was the arousing of interest in the game at the various centers of learning throughout the State, and this action, coupled with the liberal support of the press, has assured soccer a wide and valuable field for future growth. In addition to the clubs affiliated with the league, there are about twelve more scattered through the State, and it is the intention of the league to extend to them the privilege of affiliation, in order to draw the bonds of friendship tighter and develop the game to its fullest extent. The league has made application for membership to the United States Football Association.

The summary of league games last season is as follows:

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals.		Points.
					For.	Against.	
Nomads	8	5	2	1	14	13	11
Athletics	8	5	3	0	14	4	10
Cleburne	8	3	4	1	9	21	7
Baylor University	8	3	5	0	7	5	6
Southern Methodist University....	8	2	4	2	20	15	6

Soccer Football in Canada

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION.

BY ROBERT J. GILLESPIE,

President Province of Quebec Football Association.

Officers—Honorary president, J. Kyle; president, R. J. Gillespie (re-elected), 546 Dorchester Street West, Montreal; vice-president, T. Mitchell; secretary-treasurer, Josh Wilson; directors, Herbert Walton, A. Lee, H. P. McKeown, R. C. Young, F. B. Edwards.

Officers Province of Quebec Football Referees' Association—President, Horace S. Lyons; vice-president, A. McLennan; secretary-treasurer, James E. Ryder.

The history of soccer in Quebec for the season of 1915-16 is in itself a war chapter, for it illustrates in a remarkable degree how association football players and officials have rallied to the call to arms. Some indication of this depletion in the ranks of the players will be seen by a comparison of the number of teams now affiliated with this association with those of 1913-14. The actual figures are as follows: Season 1913-14, 76 teams; 1914-15, 46 teams; 1915-16, 28 teams. In addition, there were 7 boys' leagues and 8 juveniles, new last season. With strong indications of a further decrease in the playing ranks, it means that between 800 and 900 players have left the ranks of association football in this province to take part in that greater and nobler game on the battlefields of Europe.

May I here pay tribute to their courage and patriotism and wish them a safe return, when they have fulfilled the requirements of the cause and when the blessings of peace have again been restored to us?

May I also offer sincere homage to those valiant heroes who have made the "great sacrifice" for their king and country and whose names, heretofore honored as worthy exponents of a great game, have not failed to uphold the traditions of their forefathers when called upon to play the game of war?

Below is appended a list of the various competitions and inter-city games held during the year, with their results, and also the standings of the clubs in the four divisions of the league (first three division teams have disbanded): Shamrock, Fairmount and M.A.A.A., the latter for the duration of the war, the directors of that association having, in fact, decided to take no official part in any competitive sport until the cessation of hostilities.

Charity Cup—For the second year in succession the Invictas were the successful contestants, defeating Grand Trunk by a score of 3 goals to 1. The Invictas are a second division club, so that all the more glory belongs to them.

Connaught Cup—In the local final series the Grand Trunk team defeated Sons of England by a score of 2 to 1. Grand Trunk team then traveled to Toronto in the semi-final proper, but were defeated by the Lancashires of that city by a score of 3 to 1. Lancashires, on their return game to Montreal, succeeded in drawing with the Grand Trunk eleven, the score being 1 each, giving the Toronto team the right to meet the Winnipeg Scottish in the final for Canadian champions.

Quebec Cup—The competition for this cup was a most successful affair, due to the fact that a third division team, Calvin, was one of the finalists and in a game in which they experienced the hardest of luck, Grand Trunk team won by 2 to 0. Grand Trunk were the leaders of the first division and a team which was recognized as the strongest combination in the City of Montreal. This was the first occasion on which a team from the third division had reached such a pinnacle of success.

International games—Those played during the year were England vs. Scotland, when England won with a score of 3 to 0, and Ireland vs. Eng-

land, when Ireland defeated England by a score of 4 to 0, thus winning the championship for the first time.

Inter-city games—Montreal 3, Toronto 1, at Montreal; Toronto 2, Montreal 1, at Toronto; Montreal won the inter-city championship for the first time in Carls-Rite Cup series; Montreal 2, Ottawa 1, at Montreal.

The head-liners of the various divisions of the league at the end of the season were:

First division, Montreal A.A.A. (second year in succession); second division, Invicta; third division, Canadian Vickers; fourth division, Beloeil.

The full standings of the various divisions were as follows:

SENIOR LEAGUE STANDING.

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals.		Points.
					For.	Against.	
M.A.A.A.	16	15	1	0	43	7	30
G.T.R.	16	13	3	0	35	14	26
Locos	16	10	6	0	32	15	20
C.P.R.	16	10	6	0	37	18	20
S.O.E.	16	7	9	0	31	29	14
Lachine	16	6	9	1	21	25	*11
S.O.S.	16	5	11	0	26	38	10
St. Paul R.	16	2	12	2	17	55	6
Shamrocks	16	1	14	1	12	65	3

* Lachine lost two points for playing ineligible men.

FINAL SECOND DIVISION STANDING.

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals.		Points.
					For.	Against.	
Invicta	18	16	1	1	70	10	33
Verdun	18	11	3	4	40	19	26
Can. Tube	18	11	4	3	62	30	25
Cote. St. Paul.	18	9	4	5	39	20	23
Nomads	18	11	6	1	41	22	23
Maisonneuve	18	7	9	2	28	34	*14
South Shore	18	5	9	4	27	45	14
Rosemont	18	5	11	2	30	36	12
C.P.R. Jrs.	18	2	14	2	17	48	6
St. Thomas	18	1	17	0	9	91	2

* Two points deducted.



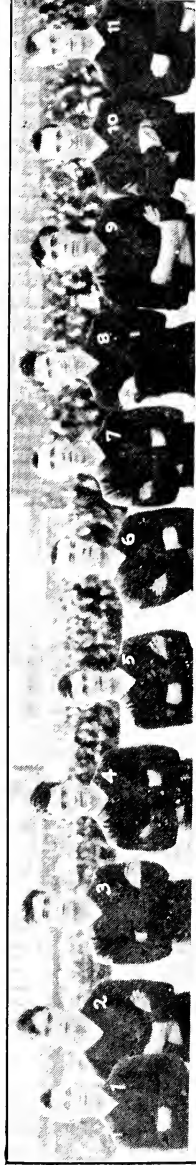
(1) ARGONAUT FOOTBALL CLUB, SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.—1, Martin; 2, Holbert; 3, Egan; 4, Edlin; 5, Willis; 6, Willis; 7, Tiesselinek; 8, Fleming; 9, Smith; 10, E. G. Wunner, Secretary; 11, Hemis; 12, Gardner; 13, Roberts. (2) T. Hill, President Argonaut Football Club. (3) E. G. Wunner, Secretary Argonaut Football Club, 1916. (4) W. Wallace, Treasurer Argonaut Football Club, 1916. (5) SHELL FOOTBALL CLUB, OILFIELDS, CAL.



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(1) VAMPIRE FOOTBALL CLUB, SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.—1, Young, Trainer; 2, V. Showell, Commissioner; 3, Bernard; 4, Stewart; 5, H. Upton; 6, Stringer; 7, Burley; 8, Davidson, Capt.; 9, McFarlane; 10, Hunter; 11, Harlan; 12, Jackson; 13, T. Upton; 14, V. Henderson, Mascot; 15, P. Hay, Vice-President. (2) Donald Morrison, Chairman California Football Association and for many years Chairman California Football League. Has been in continuous service with the association since 1906. (3) F. Lewis, Chairman Executive Committee California Football League. (4) John N. Young, Football Commissioner California Football Association, with jurisdiction for the district of Sacramento and Stockton. A member of this association for different terms since 1909. (5) Craig Wallace, noted Western Referee, very popular in international games and cup tie matches. Chairman California State Referees' Union, 1915. (6) Douglas Erskine, San Francisco Examiner Soccer Authority.

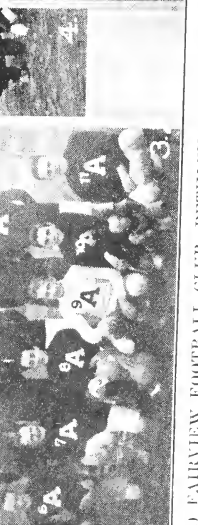


(1) ENGLISH TEAM, California League—1, James; 2, Teed; 3, C. Hudson; 4, Gates; 5, Stringer; 6, Picknell; 7, Balmuir; 8, King; 9, M. Hudson; 10, Singer; 11, Swain. (2) OFFICIALS—1, Pike; 2, Campbell; 3, Wallace; 4, Hill; 5, Marbury; 6, Duncan; 7, Walters; 8, Morrison; 9, Lewis; 10, McGregor. (3) SCOTTISH TEAM—1, McIntosh; 2, Finlayson; 3, Mackenzie; 4, Scott; 5, Welsh; 6, Crofts; 7, Monteith; 8, Hay; 9, McRitchie; 10, Hunter; 11, Paterson; 12, Lennon. Cattinell-Vincent Co., Photo.

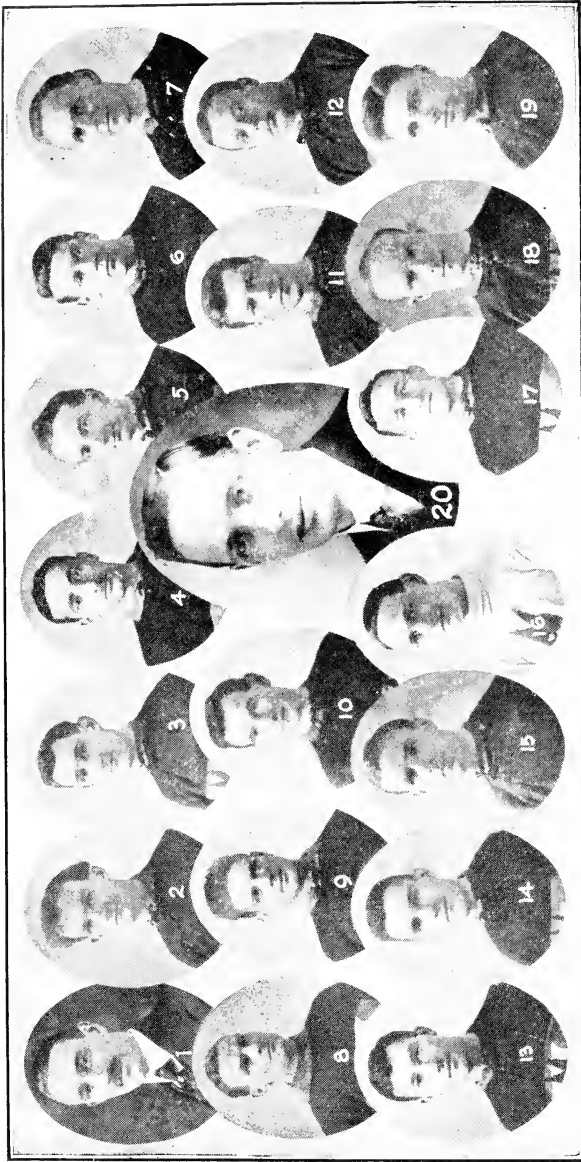
ENGLAND VS. SCOTLAND, SAN FRANCISCO, DECEMBER 26, 1915.



(1) BRYANT TAHOMAS, TACOMA, WASH. (2) Richard P. Kelly, Supervisor of Physical Training, Central School, Tacoma, Wash. (3) Alexander Burnett, Referee; President Tacoma Soccer Club. (4) Robert McDonald, Referee, Tacoma, Wash. (5) McKINLEY RED CAPS, TACOMA, WASH. (6) LONGFELLOW INVINCIBLES, TACOMA, WASH. (7) WASHINGTON MAVE-RICKS, TACOMA, WASH. (8) WHITMAN SENIORS, TACOMA, WASH. (9) WILLARD EAGLES, TACOMA, WASH.



(10) FAIRVIEW FOOTBALL CLUB, BETHLEHEM, PA.—1, Young; 2, Lober; 3, Le, Feist; 4, Felmed; 5, Carpenter; 6, Matz; 7, Flexer; 8, Furry; 9, Neilson; 10, Finkenbuhl; 11, Gross; 12, Morrison; 13, G. Foist; 14, Wodderspoon; 15, Miller; 16, Hoffert; 17, THIRSTLE; FOOTBALL CLUB, CLEVELAND, O.—1, Grey; 2, Robertson; 3, Wilson; 4, Weir; 5, Curran; 6, Edwards; 7, Bradford; 8, Simmons; 9, Collier; 10, Aldridge; 11, Clark; (3) ALDIBON A.A. FOOTBALL CLUB, CAMDEN, N. J.—1, Johnson; 2, Bradford; 3, Myers; 4, Murrain; Capt.; 4, Stegner; 5, Adam; 6, Culliffe; 7, Pickford; 8, O'Connor; 9, Dietz; 10, Enoch; 11, Lindergreen, Mgr.; (4) WYLLAM FOOTBALL CLUB FIRST TEAM, BIRMINGHAM, ALA.—1, D. Kelso, Mgr.; 2, J. Brodie, Treas.; 3, Traugott; 4, Curdie; 5, Jones; 6, W. Muir; 7, R. R. Brown; 8, S. Brown; 9, Stralorn; 10, Ellis; 11, McMillan; 12, McPherson; 13, Wilson; 14, McPherson; 15, W. Muir; 16, Gilmore. (5) WYLLAM FOOTBALL CLUB SECOND TEAM, BIRMINGHAM, ALA.—1, D. Kelso, Mgr.; 2, Miller; 3, Sance; 4, Guthrie; 5, Marshall; 6, Brown; 7, J. Brodie, Treas.; 8, W. Muir; 9, Ellis; 10, Hall; 11, Gilmore; 12, Frederick; 13, Sillers; 14, Walker.

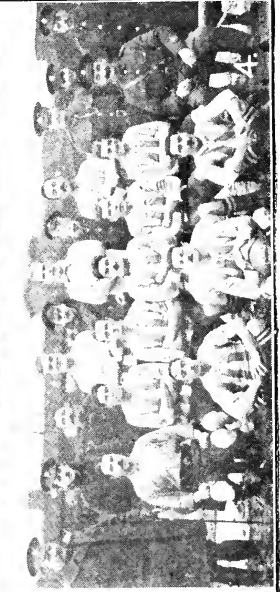
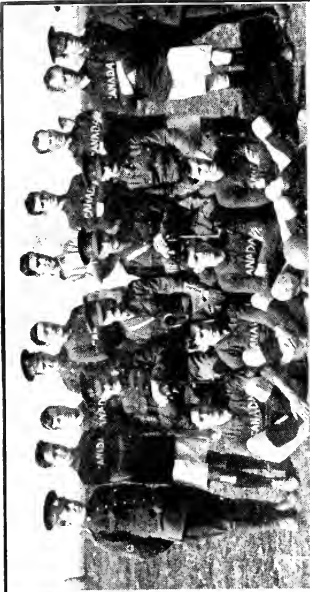
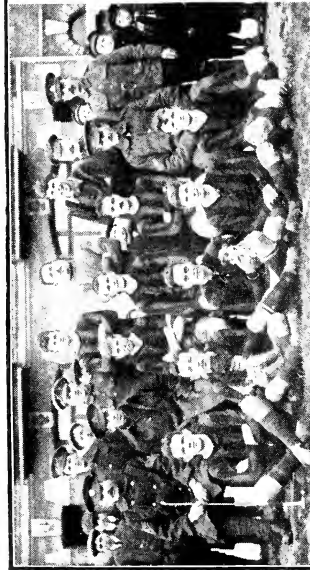


1, W. E. Roughton, Pres.; 2, Gray; 3, Walker; 4, Nash; 5, R. Sharp, Vice-Pres.; 6, Jones; 7, Edwards; 8, C. Burgess; 9, Robinson; 10, T. Beattie, Vice-Capt.; 11, Craft; 12, Ingram; 13, Bateman; 14, Taylor; 15, A. Burgess; 16, Peto, Capt.; 17, Logsdail; 18, Dickerson; 19, H. A. Simpson, Hon. Sec.; 20, R. J. Gillespie, President Province of Quebec Football Association, Montreal, Can.

MONTREAL A. A. A. SOCCER FOOTBALL CLUB.



(1) MONTREAL FOOTBALL CLUB—1, T. Morrow, Sec.; 2, Simpson, Trainer; 3, Tegg; 4, Hind, Pres.; 5, Collins; 6, Gillis; 7, Poulton; 8, Dick; 9, McKay; 10, Edwards; 11, Salter; 12, Emery; 13, Streetly; 14, Wright; 15, Cowie, Referee. LOCOMOTIVE FOOTBALL CLUB—16, Cooke; 17, Russell; 18, Brown; 19, Hampson; 20, Carstairs; 21, Good; 23, J. Dingwall, Sec.; 24, Stewart, Mgr.; 25, McPherson; 26, Yuille; 27, Hamilton; 28, Irvine; 29, Smith; 30, W. Frazleton, Pres. (2) BAY RIDGE FOOTBALL CLUB, BROOKLYN, N. Y. (3) ST. GEORGE FOOTBALL CLUB, NEW YORK CITY.



CANADIAN SOLDIERS IN FRANCE WHO PLAY THEIR FAVORITE GAME EVEN IN WAR TIME.

Soccer Football in the United Kingdom

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"The spirit of sport has sustained many a healthy and productive oasis in a desert of artificialism and commercialism, throughout the British Empire for many years past. Indeed, the underlying philosophy of all our national and imperial games is not only to produce skill, discipline, loyalty, endurance, steadiness in attack, patience under misfortune, and other physical and mental qualities, but to encourage unselfishness, which is synonymous with good temper, a sense of humor and honor, as well as healthy hero worship. The popular idol of the British public, not only on the playgrounds of the British Empire, but on the wider arena of public life, is the unselfish performer, who plays the game of life in all its occupations and on the battlefield according to the British conception of fair play, and who combines unconsciously in himself the attributes of the British imperial spirit of sport, which is something that foreign people have great difficulty in understanding. If I am right in my contention, then it is not to be wondered at that the youth of the British people from all quarters of the empire have hurried to the colors to take part in the greater game of the war, a war which in its object is the most unselfish ever waged by the British people."

It is seldom that I quote from the writings of others, but the above excerpt from a paper recently read at a meeting of the Royal Colonial Institute in London by John Astley Cooper so exactly expresses what is in the minds of British sportsmen that I make no apology for introducing it to our American football friends. In my last year's article I strongly insisted upon the enormous asset football had proved itself to be in the hour of the empire's greatest trial, and every word that I then wrote has been more than abundantly justified by the course of events during the past twelve months. Although this is not an article on the war but on football, I am sure I shall be permitted by the editor of this publication to express my firm opinion—it being always understood that it is my personal view—that the reason why in every rough-and-tumble scrap on the seven fronts on which British troops are now fighting those who have enlisted beneath the Union Jack have come out on top every time is because they have reserves of strength, powers of initiative, and the quickened intelligence to seize and profit by the situation of the moment. The possession of those highly important qualities may not unfairly be attributed in large measure to their practical acquaintance with outdoor sport.

After this exordium I had better proceed to the review of the happenings in the United Kingdom on the football field during the past season. Although there was not any English Cup competition, and the Football League, Southern League and other leading tournaments were all abandoned, there was plenty to attract attention and much to write about did space permit.

It was the most remarkable season, in many respects, that the game has ever seen. Without internationals, without cup ties, without the usual league competitions, and with large numbers of the leading professionals scattered abroad, small wonder there were many prophecies twelve months ago that it was practically certain the game would fizzle out, and that before the end of 1915 organized football would be at an end. The strength of the hold which the game has upon those who play it and those who follow it was too great for a collapse. The emergency competitions, so far from dragging out a miserable existence, have been live tournaments.

FOOTBALL NECESSARY IN WAR TIME.

Personally I take the view that an apology for football during war time is not necessary. On the contrary, the game deserves every encouragement and support. It provides healthy recreation for those who play it, and it attracts to the open air on Saturday afternoons and holidays thousands of persons engaged in the production of war materials who probably, as to a

large number at any rate, would last season have spent their short hours of leisure in a less satisfactory manner.

The attendances at the principal matches were, of course, much less than in normal times. This was not due to any decrease of interest in the sport, but to the fact that some five millions of men, of whom a considerable percentage are regular patrons of the game in peace time, are now in khaki, and could not in consequence attend the grounds which they were accustomed to frequent. Even the millions who remained at home were not able regularly to look on at the game because the exigencies of war work made it impossible for them to devote to entertainment, either indoor or outdoor, so much time as formerly.

There is another point upon which those who are concerned with the promotion of the game are entitled to congratulate themselves. It was clearly understood last year that if football encroached in any way upon the full productive output of our factories where war materials were manufactured it would be prohibited by the governing body in the areas affected either with or without governmental suggestion or direction. Clubs were explicitly informed that the game must be played only for recreative purposes, and then only in such circumstances and under such conditions as were compatible with the full-time employment of players engaged in national work, and further that matches should take place only on such days and at such hours that workers would not have any inducement to absent themselves from factories and workshops.

Those regulations were faithfully observed, not only in the letter but in the spirit. So far as my knowledge goes there has not been a specific warning to a club or competition. There were a few cases of individuals whose keenness to play outran their discretion, but it should be placed on record that clubs consistently deprecated any player acting so unpatriotically as to place football, even for an afternoon, on a higher plane than the nation's requirements.

FINE RECORD FOR CHARITY.

Those who are concerned with the management of association football have set a splendid example to the rest of the sporting world in the matter of charity. The need for extra generosity during the war has been fully recognized and more than adequately responded to by the principal clubs. The amounts collected by means of the percentages of gates allocated to the charity fund of the Football League have been made known, and the widest publicity should be given to this praiseworthy effort on the part of the clubs which have kept football going. These figures, however, satisfactory as they are, represent only a part of what has been done during the season for charity. The monthly sums contributed by the clubs in the tournaments run under the auspices of the Football League are appended:

	Midland Section.			Lancashire Section.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
September	146	18	2	436	12	3
October	162	5	8	494	19	8
November	101	19	6	318	4	7
December	155	18	2	341	11	3
January	176	10	5	447	17	9
February	115	13	10	406	16	1
March	140	11	4	307	1	0
April	333	19	2	636	1	0
Totals	£1,333	16	3	£3,359	3	7

The London Combination has also done its share towards raising money for charity, as will be seen from the following summary:

	£	s.	d.
Receipts from special charity game played on January 29, 1916.....	731	2	11
Contributions from gross gate receipts of combination games to January 22, inclusive	840	2	7
Bank interest		5	17
Total	£1,577	2	6

Of this total amount £731 2s. 11d. was handed over to the Comforts Fund of the Footballers' Battalion, which has been in the fighting line for several months, and has richly earned the high encomiums passed upon it for its coolness and pluck under heavy enemy fire and attacks. The balance, except for a small donation to the fund being raised on behalf of the widow and children of Bob Benson, the international back, was given through the clubs in the Combination to local charities.

SLUMP IN FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION RECEIPTS.

While on the subject of finance I think it would be interesting, although figures, as a rule, are not attractive reading, to show by the recently issued balance sheet of the Football Association to what extent the war has affected the income of the governing body in England. It is necessary for the purpose of obtaining a proper comparison to take the last year before the war and set the figures by the side of those for 1915-16, the first season in which the full effect of hostilities on the game was experienced. The subjoined tables show more forcibly than pages of explanations how income and expenditure have both decreased:

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

	1913-14.			1915-16.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Entrance fees and subscriptions.....	199	17	6	160	16	0
Cup entrance fees.....	238	0	0	71	10	0
Amateur Cup entrance fees.....	124	10	0	3	10	0
Reinstatement fees	52	0	0	3	15	0
Fines, complaint and protest fees.....	352	6	6	53	0	0
Professional forms and rule books.....	299	12	8	3	8	9
Percentages from Cup ties.....	3,546	17	5	0	0	0
Other receipts	210	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	£5,023	4	1	£295	19	9

The decrease from £5,023 to £295 is amazing on the surface, but a glance at the details at once reveals the chief cause of this decrease. Whereas in 1913-14 the percentages from cup ties in the first four rounds of the Football Association Cups produced over £3,500, there was not a penny from this source last year. Professional forms and rule books brought in £299 a couple of years ago, but a new edition of the Football Association handbook was not published last year, and as there has not been any registration of professionals for over twelve months the income from the sale of forms has been a negligible quantity.

THE COMPETITIONS.

Before dealing with the separate competitions which were run, herewith is presented a table of the records of thirteen clubs, all of which have, in the tournaments in which they have taken part, earned forty points and upwards, and these are the only clubs in England to have gained this distinction:

Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals.		Points.	
				For.	Against.		
Chelsea	36	27	5	4	121	33	58
Nottingham Forest	36	22	9	5	76	37	49
Burnley	36	22	9	5	100	55	49
Manchester City	36	21	9	6	84	54	48
Millwall	36	20	8	8	76	46	48
Blackpool	36	22	11	3	78	54	47
Everton	35	21	13	1	78	58	43
Tottenham	36	16	9	11	70	57	43
Sheffield United	36	16	10	10	68	47	42
Fulham	36	19	13	4	83	56	42
West Ham	35	18	11	6	77	51	42
Huddersfield	36	16	12	8	62	51	40
Leeds City	36	17	13	6	60	56	40

The Football League, although not running the two divisions as usual, provided emergency competitions for its own clubs plus a few others that were brought in. These competitions were arranged in sections, each consisting of clubs geographically convenient, so as to reduce railway traveling as much as possible. There was a main competition and supplementary competition, there being two sections in the former—Midland and Lancashire—but the supplementary competition was subdivided into several groups so as to enable all the clubs taking part to complete a programme of home and home matches. In the main competition in the Lancashire Section the champions were Manchester City, which won sixteen of their twenty-six matches and lost only seven of the remainder. Burnley and Everton both made a great fight with their Manchester rivals, but towards the close of the contest Everton fell away, and it was left to Burnley to press Manchester City until almost the last game had been played.

In the supplementary competition Burnley had some compensation for their previous disappointment by winning the Northern Group, and Manchester City secured another success by annexing the honors in the Southern Group, Everton being defeated merely by goal average. In the two competitions Burnley succeeded in scoring exactly 100 goals, the only other first class club in the country to equal this performance being Chelsea, the doings of which are dealt with in the review of the London Combination. The Lancashire Section tables are appended:

LANCASHIRE SECTION—PRINCIPAL COMPETITION.

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals.		Points.
					For.	Against.	
Manchester City	26	16	7	3	61	35	35
Burnley	26	14	7	5	71	43	33
Blackpool	26	14	9	3	54	41	31
Everton	25	15	10	0	59	42	30
Oldham Athletic	25	13	9	3	52	44	29
Liverpool	26	11	8	7	43	42	29
Stockport County	26	13	10	3	47	43	29
Stoke	26	10	9	7	43	46	27
Southport Central	26	9	11	6	41	41	24
Bury	26	10	13	3	46	52	23
Manchester United	26	7	11	8	41	51	22
Bolton Wanderers	26	9	14	3	48	65	21
Rochdale	26	7	14	5	34	56	19
Preston North End.....	26	4	20	2	23	67	10

The match Everton vs. Oldham Athletic, abandoned on January 1, Everton leading 1—0, was not replayed.

SUPPLEMENTARY COMPETITION.

Northern Group.							
Burnley	10	8	2	0	29	12	16
Blackpool	10	8	2	0	24	13	16
Preston North End.....	10	4	4	2	22	19	10
Bolton Wanderers	10	4	5	1	16	22	9
Bury	10	3	7	0	17	26	6
Southport Central	10	1	8	1	12	28	3
Southern Group.							
Manchester City	10	5	2	3	23	19	13
Everton	10	6	3	1	19	16	13
Liverpool	10	4	4	2	21	13	10
Oldham Athletic	10	4	4	2	17	21	10
Stockport County	10	4	5	1	19	18	9
Manchester United	10	2	7	1	12	24	5

In the Midland Section there was another dual success, Nottingham Forest winning both the principal competition and also the Southern Group in the supplementary competition. The success of the Forest, in view of their disappointing displays in recent seasons, was most welcome, and there is a general hope that their doings in 1915-16 herald for them a new and prosperous era when normal times are restored.

Grimsby Town gave great satisfaction to their followers by their form in the Midland Group in the supplementary competition, and it was a great achievement to become champions of a group which contained clubs with such great reputations as Sheffield United and Sheffield Wednesday. It is true that the Cutlery City organizations were not able to command the services of many of their best players, but the fact remains that even when they put fine teams into the field the bustling methods of Second League clubs often prevented them securing the victories which on paper they ought to have gained without unduly exerting themselves. The Northern Group championship of the Midland Section fell to Leeds City, a club that is most astutely managed by Herbert Chapman, the former Northampton and Tottenham Hotspur player. The tables are appended:

MIDLAND SECTION—PRINCIPAL COMPETITION.

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals.		Points.
					For.	Against.	
Nottingham Forest	26	15	6	5	48	25	35
Sheffield United	26	12	7	7	51	36	31
Huddersfield Town	26	12	9	5	43	36	29
Leicester Fosse	26	11	9	6	42	34	28
Barnsley	26	12	10	4	46	55	28
Sheffield Wednesday	26	11	10	5	46	43	27
Bradford City	25	12	10	3	52	32	27
Notts County	26	10	10	6	39	36	26
Lincoln City	26	12	12	2	54	54	26
Leeds City	26	10	11	5	39	43	25
Hull City	26	10	13	3	42	58	23
Bradford	26	9	13	4	46	46	22
Grimsby Town	25	7	13	5	31	46	19
Derby County	26	7	17	2	39	74	16

The match Bradford City vs. Grimsby Town, abandoned on January 1, 0-0, was not replayed.

SUPPLEMENTARY COMPETITIONS.

Northern Group.							
Leeds City	10	7	2	1	21	13	15
Bradford	10	6	4	0	27	17	12
Huddersfield Town	10	4	3	3	19	15	11
Bradford City	10	4	5	1	18	20	9
Rochdale	10	4	5	1	15	21	9
Barnsley	10	2	8	0	13	7	4
Midland Group.							
Grimsby Town	10	5	3	2	25	10	12
Sheffield United	10	4	3	3	17	11	11
Rotherham County	10	5	4	1	20	24	11
Sheffield Wednesday	10	3	4	3	10	13	9
Hull City	10	4	6	0	18	27	8
Lincoln City	10	2	5	3	17	22	7
Southern Group.							
Nottingham Forest	10	7	3	0	28	12	14
Notts County	10	5	2	3	16	12	13
Leicester Fosse	10	3	4	3	15	19	9
Stoke	10	4	6	0	21	18	8
Derby County	10	4	6	0	23	28	8
Chesterfield Town	10	3	5	2	15	29	

CHELSEA'S GREAT RECORD.

The club that stands out in the country as having had the most successful season, from a playing point of view, is unquestionably Chelsea. The Football League clubs and the Southern League clubs in the metropolitan area, with the addition of Watford, the Southern League champions of the previous season, formed a league which they ran under the title of the London Combination, and the main competition was won by Chelsea in such a style as to establish emphatically their superiority over their rivals.

Their goal record in both the main and subsidiary competitions is remarkable, and they owed much of their success to the wonderful form shown by Corporal C. Buchan, the Sunderland and international inside right. Having enlisted in the Grenadier Guards, he went to the London district for his training and, playing for Chelsea, he immediately adapted himself to the style of his colleagues and improved the attack by something approaching 50 per cent. During the season he scored 38 goals himself, which equals the record set up some years since in first class football by Bert Freeman for Everton, and moreover he was largely instrumental in providing the openings by which R. Thomson, the Chelsea center forward, also helped himself to 38 goals. The full record of the Chelsea Club reveals that it was also very strong in defense, for while the team averaged a fraction over three goals per match, it gave away less than one per match to opponents. Such superb all-round form would have been of incalculable value in the 1914-15 season, when Chelsea lost its place in the first division of the Football League and also was defeated in the final tie of the English Cup. The complete tables are here given:

LONDON COMBINATION—PRINCIPAL COMPETITION.

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals.		Points.
					For.	Against.	
Chelsea	22	17	2	3	71	18	37
Millwall	22	12	4	6	46	24	30
The Arsenal	22	10	7	5	43	46	25
West Ham	22	10	8	4	47	35	24
Fulham	22	10	8	4	45	37	24
Tottenham Hotspur	22	8	6	8	38	35	24
Brentford	22	6	8	8	36	40	20
Queen's Park Rangers.....	22	8	11	3	27	41	19
Crystal Palace	22	8	11	3	35	55	19
Watford	22	8	13	1	37	46	17
Clapton Orient	22	4	12	6	22	44	14
Croydon Common	22	3	14	5	24	50	11

SUPPLEMENTARY COMPETITION.

Chelsea	14	10	3	1	50	15	21
West Ham United.....	14	9	3	2	32	16	20
Tottenham Hotspur	14	8	3	3	32	22	19
Fulham	14	9	5	0	38	19	18
Crystal Palace	14	9	5	0	41	29	18
Millwall	14	8	4	2	30	22	18
Watford	14	5	6	3	22	20	13
Brentford	14	5	7	2	29	33	12
Croydon Common	14	4	7	3	28	27	11
Clapton Orient	14	3	7	4	17	27	10

WONDERFUL CELTIC.

Turning to Scotland, I have once more to chronicle success for the Celtic, a club that has often figured as champions in the "land of cakes and ale." The doings of this club last season were without a parallel either in Scotland or in any other country where the first class clubs play so many as thirty-eight matches in one tournament in a season. They won thirty-two of them and scored 116 goals—a record in the Scottish League—and it was fitting that, in a season of such extraordinary doings, they should have passed the four figures mark in the aggregate number of points they have scored during their career in the Scottish League, the exact total to date being 1,032. They now hold every record in the league of which they are champions save one. Many years since, when there were only ten clubs in the competition, the Glasgow Rangers won every match during a season, and that is a record which neither the Celtic nor any other club is ever likely to disturb, seeing that there are now double the number of competitors there were when the Rangers credited themselves with the greatest performance in their long and distinguished career in league football. The Scottish League table is subjoined:

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals.		Points.
					For.	Against.	
Celtic	38	32	3	3	116	23	67
Glasgow Rangers	38	25	7	6	87	39	56
Greenock Morton	37	22	8	7	86	35	51
Ayr United	38	20	10	8	72	45	48
Partick Thistle	38	19	11	8	65	41	46
Heart of Midlothian	37	20	11	6	66	45	46
Hamilton Academicals	38	19	16	3	68	76	41
Dundee	33	18	16	4	57	43	40
Dumbarton	38	13	14	11	53	64	37
Kilmarnock	38	12	15	11	46	49	35
Aberdeen	38	11	15	12	51	64	34
Falkirk	38	12	17	9	45	61	33
St. Mirren	38	13	21	4	50	67	30
Motherwell	38	11	19	8	55	81	30
Airdrieonians	38	11	19	8	44	74	30
3rd Lanark	38	9	18	11	40	56	29
Clyde	38	11	20	7	49	71	29
Queen's Park	38	11	21	6	53	100	28
Hibernians	38	9	22	7	44	71	25
Raith Rovers	38	9	24	5	30	65	23

The second match, Greenock Morton vs. Heart of Midlothian, was not played.

SOUTHWESTERN COMBINATION.

The clubs in the southwest of England, left out in the cold in the early part of the season, decided to run a competition in the second half of 1915-16 under the title of Southwestern Combination, and a particularly keen struggle for the championship resulted in the premier position being gained by Portsmouth, which managed to head Southampton by one point. The final table is as follows:

SOUTHWESTERN COMBINATION.

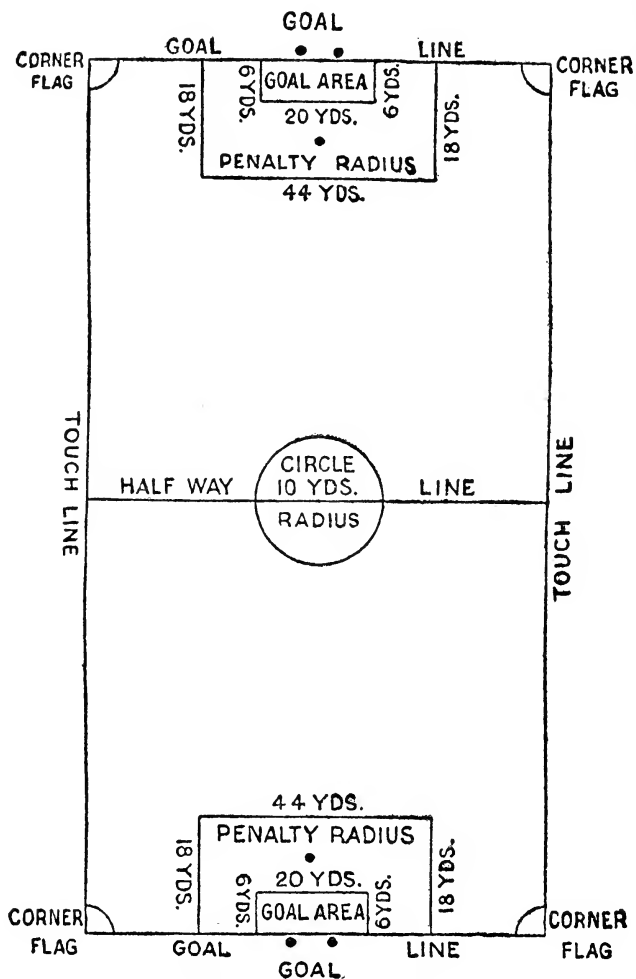
	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals.		Points.
					For.	Against.	
Portsmouth	12	9	3	0	29	11	18
Southampton	12	8	3	1	37	19	17
Cardiff City	12	7	5	0	21	18	14
Bristol Rovers	12	5	4	3	17	20	13
Bristol City	12	5	6	1	13	15	11
Swindon Town	11	2	7	2	12	22	6
Newport County	11	1	9	1	8	32	3

The Newport County vs. Swindon Town match, at Newport, was not played.

WHAT OF THE FUTURE?

With regard to the future, not anything definite has been decided, so far as England is concerned. It may be taken for granted that there will not be any international matches or national cup ties until after the war is over. Football will continue to be played, but the professionals will willy nilly be amateurs for the time being, as they were last season. The competitions for 1916-17 will be largely on similar lines to those of last season.

In Scotland the Scottish League will run on the same conditions as last season, the clubs being permitted to pay their professional players £1 per match and a bonus at the end of the season if the funds of the individual clubs warrant them doing so. In Ireland there will be some football of an emergency character, as there was during 1915-16, but in Wales there is not likely to be any tournament programme. As a matter of fact, the four countries are having their football history shaped for them by events outside their own control. To-day football with us is only a minor matter. What we all feel on this side of the Atlantic is that our energies, our every effort, all our powers must be directed to winning the war, and when we have accomplished this, as we certainly shall, we shall be able to reorganize the game that has spread its tentacles over every part of the civilized globe.



PLAN OF FIELD OF PLAY.
 Referred to in Law 1 of the game.

Laws of the Game

LAW I.

The game should be played by Eleven players on each side. **Number of Players.**

The field of play shall be as shown in the plan on page 112, subject to the following provisions: The dimensions of the field of play shall be—maximum length, 130 yards; minimum length, 100 yards; maximum breadth, 100 yards; minimum breadth, 50 yards. **Dimensions of Field of Play.**

Instructions to Referees.—Refuse to sanction play if danger is likely to accrue to players from the state of the ground. As to the weather, use your own judgment, but do not needlessly spoil sport.

Instructions to Secretaries.—The size 115 yards by 75 yards is the most general.

The field of play shall be marked by boundary lines. The lines at each end are the goal-lines, and the lines at the sides are the touch-lines. The touch-lines shall be drawn at right angles with the goal-lines. A flag with a staff not less than 5 feet high shall be placed at each corner. A half-way line shall be marked out across the field of play. The center of the field of play shall be indicated by a suitable mark, and a circle with a 10 yards radius shall be made around it. **Marking out Ground.**

Official Decisions.—Flag-staffs with pointed tops must not be used.

The touch and goal-lines must not be marked by a V-shaped rut.

(International Board, June 16, 1902.)

Instructions to Referees.—Short flag-staffs are dangerous, hence the minimum height of 5 feet.

The Referee must not allow a corner flag-staff to be removed even for the convenience of the player taking a corner-kick.

Instructions to Secretaries.—The goal-line must be marked out from corner to corner, including the goal.

A half-way line is necessary on all grounds.

See that the one yard area within which the corner kick must be taken is marked out.

The Goals. The goals shall be upright posts fixed on the goal-lines, equi-distant from the corner flag staffs, 8 yards apart, with a bar across them 8 feet from the ground. The maximum width of the goal-posts and the maximum depth of the cross-bar shall be 5 inches.

Instructions to Referees.—The Referee must caution any player wilfully displacing flags or goal-posts, or pulling down the bar, and if repeated he should order the offender off the field of play.

Instructions to Secretaries.—The surface of the bars or posts facing the field of play or otherwise must not be more than five inches in width. Tape or any substance not of a rigid nature, must not be used in the place of a bar. Goal nets are strongly recommended.

Have the goal-posts and bars painted white so as to be distinctly seen. Provide light colored corner flags. See that the goal nets are properly pegged down and in order before every match, and that there are no holes or possible openings for the escape of the ball.

Instructions to Players.—Goal-keepers to save a shot or to get hold of the ball sometimes seize the bar and pull it down. Any player wilfully displacing a flag or goal-post, or bar, is guilty of misconduct.

The Goal Area. Lines shall be marked 6 yards from each goal-post at right angles to the goal-lines for a distance of 6 yards, and these shall be connected with each other by a line parallel to the goal-lines; the space within these lines shall be the goal area. Lines shall

The Penalty Area. be marked 18 yards from each goal-post at right angles to the goal-lines for a distance of 18 yards, and these shall be connected with each other by a line parallel to the goal-lines; the space within these lines shall be the penalty area. A suitable mark shall be made opposite the center of each goal, 12 yards from the goal-line; this shall be the penalty kick mark.

The Ball. The circumference of the ball shall be not less than 27 inches, nor more than 28 inches. The outer casing of the ball must be of leather, and no material shall be used in the construction of the ball which would constitute a danger to the players.

Instructions to Secretaries.—The ball should be supplied by the home club.

See that the ball is fully inflated, and that there are reserve balls close at hand.

The Spalding Olympic Foot Ball is the Official Foot Ball; correct in weight and measurement, and should be used in all games.

In International matches, the dimensions of the field of play shall be—maximum length, 120 yards; minimum length, 110 yards; maximum breadth, 80 yards; minimum breadth, 70 yards; and at the commencement of the game the weight of the ball shall be from 13 to 15 ounces.

Dimensions of Field of Play and Weight of Ball in International Matches.

Instructions to Referees.—Refers to International Contests only.

LAW II.

The duration of the game shall be 90 minutes, unless otherwise mutually agreed upon.

Duration of Game.

Instructions to Referees.—The Referee must allow for time wasted, or lost, through accident or other cause, and it is desirable that the two captains should be informed when such allowance is made.

Unless a Referee is notified to the contrary by the two captains he must under ordinary circumstances continue the game for 90 minutes.

There is no power to set aside the Rules of Cup and other Competitions where the time to be played is specified.

Instructions to Players.—If you wish to play short time the Referee must be notified. This may only be done by the mutual agreement of both captains.

The winners of the toss shall have the option of kick-off or choice of goals.

Choice of Goals.

Instructions to Referees.—Note which side kicked off. (See Instructions to Referees on Law 13.)

The game shall be commenced by a place-kick from the center of the field of play in the direction of the opponents' goal-line; the opponents shall not approach within 10 yards of the ball until it is kicked off, nor shall any player on either side pass the center of the ground in the direction of his opponents' goal until the ball is kicked off.

The Kick-Off.

Official Decisions.—A PLACE-KICK is a kick at the ball while it is on the ground in the center of the field of play.

If this Law is not complied with the kick-off must be taken over again.

(International Board, June 15, 1903.)

Instructions to Referees.—Referees should notice that a free kick must not be awarded for any breach of this Law. It is their duty to see the kick-off properly taken in the direction of the oppo-

site goal; also that back kicking and encroaching must not be allowed.

Any player wilfully encroaching should first be cautioned, and, on a repetition, be ordered off the field of play. After the ball has been properly kicked off, the second and other players may play it in any direction.

If in the opinion of the Referee the ball has not rolled completely over, or traveled the distance of its circumference, *i. e.*, about 27 inches, he must order it back again to be kicked off properly.

The Referee must not allow anyone to kick-off unless he is a player competing in the match. This order does not apply to Charity matches.

Instructions to Secretaries.—The practice of getting an outside person to kick-off in a match is forbidden, except in Charity matches.

Instructions to Players.—Many players, when the whistle sounds for the start, run inside the 10 yards' circle. This is wrong, as the game commences with the kick-off, not with the Referee's signal.

LAW III.

Ends to be
Changed at
Half-Time.
The Interval.
Restarting
Game.

Ends shall only be changed at half-time. The interval at half-time shall not exceed five minutes, except by consent of the Referee. After a goal is scored the losing side shall kick off, and after the change of ends at half-time the ball shall be kicked off by the opposite side from that which originally did so; and always as provided in Law 2.

Instructions to Referees.—The Referee is distinctly authorized to prevent deliberate waste of time. (See Law 13.)

He should use every endeavor to limit the half-time interval to 5 minutes, and not allow his consent to its extension to be assumed as a matter of course.

Instructions to Players.—In competitions where after a drawn game an extra half-hour is necessary, the Captains must toss again for choice of ends, and play must be a quarter of an hour each way.

LAW IV.

How a Goal
is Scored.

Except as otherwise provided by these Laws, a goal shall be scored when the ball has passed between the goal-posts under the bar, not being thrown, knocked on, nor carried by any player of the attacking side.

Official Decisions.—The whole of the ball must have passed over the goal-line, or touch-line, before it is out of play.

KNOCKING ON and carrying are both forms of handling the ball.

Instructions to Referees.—The words "not being thrown" cover a throw-in from touch, so that if a player throws the ball in from touch through the opponents' goal it would be a goal-kick for the defending side and not a goal.

It is possible for the ball to roll all along the goal-line, and for the greater part of it to be over the line, and yet not pass through the goal. The goal-keeper may be behind the goal-line and yet prevent a goal.

A Referee must under no circumstances allow a goal unless he is absolutely satisfied that it is a goal.

In catching the ball or fisting out, a goal-keeper sometimes allows the ball to pass into goal in mid air, and the Referee may consider that the whole of the ball crosses the line. If so and he is in a good position to judge, he must give a goal.

It is difficult to tell unless one is close up, hence the necessity for the Referee following the ball closely up and down the ground and trying to get a side view whenever he thinks a shot is about to be put in, or there is a scrimmage in front of the goal.

Instructions to Secretaries.—The necessity for the goal-line between the posts being clearly marked is emphasized by the requirements of this Law.

If from any cause during the progress of the game the bar is displaced, the Referee shall have power to award a goal if in his opinion the ball would have passed under the bar if it had not been displaced.

**If Bar
Displaced.**

Instructions to Secretaries.—It is important that secretaries should see that the bars are securely fixed to the posts.

The ball is in play if it rebounds from a goal-post, cross-bar, or a corner flag staff into the field of play. The ball is in play if it touches the Referee or a Linesman when in the field of play.

**If Ball
Rebounds from
Goal-posts, etc.**

Instructions to Referees.—The ball touching the Referee or a Linesman when he is in the field of play is still in play, though it might otherwise have gone into touch or over the goal-line.

Linesmen should follow the game close to the touch-line and keep out of the field of play as much as possible.

The ball is out of play when it has crossed the goal-line or touch-line, either on the ground or in the air.

**Ball Crossing
Lines, Out of
Play.**

Instructions to Referees.—The ball going into

touch in mid air and afterwards alighting in the field of play is out of play.

Instructions to Players.—The ball may roll along the touch-line or goal-line and still be in play. The whole of the ball must have passed over and be clear of the touch-line or goal-line before it is out of play.

LAW V.

The Throw-in When the ball is in touch, a player of the opposite side to that which played it out shall throw it in from the point on the touch-line where it left the field of play. The player throwing the ball must stand on the touch-line facing the field of play, and shall throw the ball in over his head with both hands in any direction, and it shall be in play when thrown in. A goal shall not be scored from a throw-in, and the thrower shall not again play until the ball has been played by another player.

This law is complied with if the player has any part of both feet on the line when he throws the ball in.

Official Decision.—TOUCH is that part of the ground on either side of the field of play.

Instructions to Referees.—The Linesman should point with his flag to the place where the ball went into touch and stand a little behind the thrower to watch the throw-in. If the player does not throw the ball in properly, the Referee must give a free kick. An improper throw would be one delivered over the shoulder, or with one hand giving the impetus and the other merely guiding the ball, or if the thrower had not some part of both feet on the touch line at the moment of throwing, or if the thrower merely dropped the ball and did not throw it. A player throwing-in the ball must face the field of play.

Instructions to Secretaries.—Provide light-colored flags for Linesmen.

Instructions to Players.—The practice of claiming for the throw-in when the ball goes into touch is far too prevalent and is unnecessary.

LET THE LINESMAN GIVE HIS DECISION. All the claiming in the world will not alter it, unless the Referee shall see fit to interfere.

LAW VI.

Off-side. When a player plays the ball, or throws it in from touch, any player of the same side who at such moment of playing or throwing-in is nearer to his

opponents' goal-line is out of play, and may not touch the ball himself, nor in any way whatever interfere with an opponent, or with the play, until the ball has been again played, unless there are at such moment of playing or throwing-in at least three of his opponents nearer their own goal-line. A player is not out of play when the ball is kicked off from goal, when a corner-kick is taken, when the ball has been last played by an opponent, or when he himself is within his own half of the field of play at the moment the ball is played or thrown in from touch by any player of the same side.

Official Decisions.—If a player deliberately trips an opponent who is standing in an off-side position within the penalty area, and who does not attempt to play the ball or obstruct, a penalty kick should be awarded.

A flag may be placed opposite the half-way line on each side of the field of play, but it must be at least one yard from the touch-line, and must have a staff not less than 5 feet high.

Instructions to Referees.—A player who is in his own half of the field of play at the moment the ball is last played cannot be off-side.

The point to notice is not where a player is when he plays the ball, but where he is at the moment it is played by a player of the same side. In the rush of a game a Referee is apt to lose sight of the positions of the field at every kick, yet he ought to educate himself to intuitively fix each change on his mind. If a player is in line with or behind the ball when it is played he cannot possibly be off-side, but if he is in front of it he is liable to be so. Though a player cannot be off-side when an opponent last plays the ball, or when a corner-kick, or a goal-kick, is taken, this protection ceases the moment a second player plays the ball, so that a player not off-side when a corner-kick is taken, may, without having moved, be off-side as soon as the ball has been played. A player following up another of his own side who has the ball cannot be off-side. Players may be off-side when a free kick or penalty kick is taken, and when the ball is thrown in from touch. An opponent playing the ball puts a player on-side at once, but while standing off-side a player must not interfere in any way with an opponent or with the play. If a player is standing off-side, he is off-side until the ball is next played, even though sufficient opponents fall back to make three between him and their goal line.

The International Board have made it plain that a player, who is in an off-side position, is bound to keep out of the way of the play, and that he is liable to be penalized if in any manner his presence causes any interference with the play.

When the ball is kicked off from either goal no player is off-side.

The provision of flags opposite the half-way line is optional. The object is to assist the Referee and Linesman to determine the position of the half-way line when they are at a distance or when the line has become indistinct.

Instructions to Players.—A player who is in his own half of the field of play at the moment the ball is last played cannot be off-side.

A player once off-side cannot put himself on-side. This can only be done for him in three ways:—(1) If an opponent next plays the ball; (2) If he is behind the ball when it is next played by one of his own side; (3) If he has three opponents between him and their goal line when the ball is played by one of his own side further from his opponents' goal than himself.

The ball hitting the goal-post or bar and rebounding does not put a player on-side who was "off-side" when the ball was last played.

Take care that when the ball is played by one of your own side you have three opponents between you and their goal-line or that you are in a line with or behind the ball. Can anything be simpler? If your opponent plays the ball, or the ball touches him in any way, you are on-side no matter where you stand, but when standing off-side you have no right to interfere with an opponent nor to station yourself so near the goal-keeper, or any other opponent, as to hamper his movements, or obstruct his sight of the ball. When a player finds he is in an off-side position it is his duty to keep clear of the play and neither interfere with nor inconvenience an opponent, nor make a pretense of doing so.

LAW VII.

Goal-Kick. When the ball is played behind the goal-line by a player of the opposite side, it shall be kicked off by any one of the players behind whose goal-line it went, within that half of the goal area nearest the

Corner-Kick. point where the ball left the field of play; but, if played behind by any one of the side whose goal-line it is, a player of the opposite side shall kick it from within one yard of the nearest corner flag-staff. In either case an opponent shall not be allowed within ten yards of the ball until it is kicked off.

Official Decision.—The corner flag-staff must not be removed when a corner-kick is taken.

Instructions to Referees.—It is the duty of the Referee to see that goal-kicks are properly taken within that half of the goal area nearest the point where the ball went out.

It is the duty of the Referee to see that corner-kicks are properly taken, and on the side on which the ball goes out.

If the player takes a corner-kick, and the ball rebounds to him after striking the goal-post, he must not play it again until it has been played by another player. Do not allow a goal-kick or corner-kick to be taken while any opponent is within 6 yards of the ball.

Instructions to Secretaries.—See that the corner-kick one yard area is marked.

Instructions to Players.—Opponents should remember that they must not stand within 6 yards of the ball. To do so is the cause of constant annoyance and is not playing the game fairly.

LAW VIII.

The goal-keeper may within his own penalty area, use his hands, but shall not carry the ball. **Goal-keeper Handling.**

Official Decision.—CARRYING by the goal-keeper is taking more than two steps while holding the ball, or bouncing it on the hand.

Instructions to Referees.—The goal-keeper must not "walk about" bouncing the ball on the hand. After the second step he must be penalized.

The goal-keeper must not handle the ball outside his own penalty area.

For "carrying" the ball the penalty is a free kick and not a penalty kick.

The goal-keeper shall not be charged except when he is holding the ball or obstructing an opponent, or when he has passed outside the goal area. **Charging Goal-keeper.**

Instructions to Referees.—If the goal-keeper obstructs an opponent he may be charged even when in his goal area. See that the goal-keeper is not unfairly charged, as he has so little chance of protecting himself when his attention is engaged with a coming shot.

Special notice should be taken of the fact that a goal-keeper may be charged when he is outside the goal area.

Instructions to Players.—The goal-keeper should bear in mind that directly he leaves his goal area he is liable to be charged by an opponent.

So long as a goal-keeper does not stick to the ball, or obstruct an opponent, he is protected under the Laws when within his goal area. Get rid of the ball at once is naturally the best advice that can be given him.

The goal-keeper may be changed during the game, but notice of such change must first be given to the Referee. **Goal-keeper may be Changed.**

Official Decision.—If a goal-keeper has been changed without the Referee being notified, and the new goal-keeper handles the ball within the penalty area, a penalty kick must be awarded. See Law 17.

(International Board, June 17, 1901.)

Instructions to Referees.—Note who commences a game as goal-keeper, and allow no one else to act as goal-keeper, or to claim his privileges, until you have been notified of the change of goal-keeper.

Instructions to Players.—If the goal-keeper who commences the game in that position should be changed during the game the Referee should at once be notified of the fact, and also of any subsequent changes.

LAW IX.

Tripping,
Kicking,
Striking,
Jumping at.

Neither tripping, kicking, striking, nor jumping at a player shall be allowed.

Official Decisions.—TRIPPING is intentionally throwing, or attempting to throw, an opponent by the use of the legs, or by stooping in front of or behind him.

The Laws should be more vigorously enforced by Referees in order to prevent improper conduct, and players who are guilty of it escaping punishment.

Instructions to Referees.—This is an important Law, as by enforcing it and taking the initiative where he sees necessary, a Referee can prevent rough play developing. He can stop the game at any time and give a free kick, or caution, or both, against any player whose conduct or play is dangerous or likely to cause injury. The free kick must be taken from the place where the infringement occurred.

Jumping at an opponent must of necessity be intentional, and this differs from jumping to play the ball.

Instructions to Secretaries.—Bring before the notice of your committee any conduct on the part of a member of your club which is likely to bring the game into disrepute. If persisted in a club ought not to allow any such offender to continue to belong to it, for not only may such conduct bring punishment on the player, but it gives the club a bad name and may lead to a more serious trouble. Use all means in your power to stop the practice of players using bad language, or addressing observations to, or at, the Referee on or off the field.

“Hands.” A player (the goal-keeper, *within his own penalty area*, excepted) shall not intentionally handle the ball.

Official Decisions.—HANDLING is intentionally playing the ball with the hand or arm.

Knocking on is when a player strikes or prods the ball with his hands or arms.

Cases of handling the ball and tripping, pushing, kicking, or holding an opponent, and charging an opponent from behind, may so happen as to be considered unintentional, and when this is so, no offense is committed.

(International Board, June 8, 1912.)

Instructions to Referees.—Note the important fact that it is the intentional breach of Law which must be punished. This must be done promptly and strictly.

Instructions to Players.—Let the Referee give "hands" on his own initiative.

A player shall not use his hands to hold or push an opponent. **Holding.
Pushing.**

Official Decision.—HOLDING includes the obstruction of a player by the hand or any part of the arm extended from the body.

Instructions to Referees.—Under no circumstances whatever must a player push an opponent with his hands or arms. Using the knee against an opponent is a most dangerous practice and should be severely punished.

Instructions to Players.—Under no circumstances whatever must you push an opponent with your hands or arms, or use the elbow or knee against him.

Charging is permissible, but it must not be violent or dangerous. **Charging.**

Instructions to Referees.—Charging must not be penalized unless it is violent or dangerous.

Instructions to Players.—Let charging be of the good honest type and not degenerate into rough play.

A player shall not be charged from behind unless he is intentionally obstructing an opponent. **Charging
Behind.**

Official Decisions.—The offense of charging an opponent from behind is not committed where a player in playing the ball touches a player behind unless there is an intention to charge such player. The Referee is the sole judge of such intention, but it has been noticed that many Referees construe the Law more strictly than is necessary to secure fair play, and in consequence of such decisions the progress of games is unnecessarily interfered with.

If a player turns so as to face his own goal when he is tackled, or is obviously aware that he is about to be tackled by an opponent, he is intentionally obstructing, and may be charged from behind. (International Board, June 8, 1907.)

Referees will be supported in putting down rough play.

Instructions to Referees.—A player may be charged from behind when he is intentionally obstructing an opponent, whether he is facing his own goal or not; but the charging must under no circumstances be violent or dangerous.

Instructions to Players.—Even if your opponent is intentionally obstructing you, you have no right to charge him in a manner likely to do him injury. If players would lustle more and charge less the games would not be so rough and accidents not so frequent.

LAW X.

Free Kick. When a free kick has been awarded, the kicker's opponents shall not approach within *ten* yards of the ball, *until the kick is taken*, unless they are standing on their own goal line. The ball must at least be rolled over before it shall be considered played, i. e., it must make a complete circuit or travel the distance of its circumference. The kicker shall not play the ball a second time until it has been played by another player. The kick-off (except as provided by Law 2), corner-kick, and goal-kick shall be free kicks within the meaning of this Law.

Instructions to Referees.—It is the Referee's duty to see that all free kicks are taken from the proper place and not allow a free kick to be taken until he has given a signal. The usual signal is a whistle.

The free kick must be taken without delay. Nothing slows a game more than wasting time in taking a free kick. It is also unfair to delay, bearing in mind that a free kick awarded for breaches of Law 9 may score a goal direct. If opponents persist in encroaching act promptly and caution them.

The kick must not be allowed if the ball is on the move while it is being taken.

Instructions to Players.—Players must wait for the signal from the Referee before taking the kick-off or free kick.

Opponents must not approach within *ten* yards of the ball till it is kicked.

Players neglecting this instruction are liable to be ordered off the field.

LAW XI.

**Free Kick
from which
Goal may be
Scored.**

A goal may be scored from a free kick which is awarded because of any infringement of Law 9, but not from any other free kick.

Instructions to Referees.—Special notice should be taken of the fact that a goal may be scored direct, whether the ball touches a player of either side or not, if the free kick is awarded for tripping, kicking, jumping at, holding, pushing, violently or dangerously charging an opponent, charging an opponent illegally from behind, or handling the ball (breaches of Law 9). But it must be remembered that a free kick awarded for any other breach of the Laws does not come under this regulation. Note that a goal cannot be scored direct from a kick-off, corner-kick, or goal-kick; or from free kicks awarded for the following breaches of Laws:—

(a) Player playing the ball a second time before it has been played by another player, after throwing-in or taking a free kick or a penalty kick.

(b) Off-side.

(c) Carrying by goal-keeper.

(d) Charging goal-keeper at wrong time, the charging being otherwise fair.

(e) Playing the ball before it has touched the ground after being thrown down.

(f) Ball not kicked forward from a penalty kick.

(g) Improper throw-in.

(h) Dangerous play. Law 13.

Instructions to Players.—Players should remember that a goal may be scored from a free kick imposed for infringements of Law 9.

LAW XII.

A player shall not wear any nails, except such as have their heads driven in flush with the leather, or metal plates or projections, or gutta-percha, on his boots, or on his shin guards. If bars or studs on the soles or heels of the boots are used, they shall not project more than half an inch, and shall have all their fastenings driven in flush with the leather. Bars shall be transverse and flat, not less than half an inch in width, and shall extend from side to side of the boot. Studs shall be round in plan, not less than half an inch in diameter, and in no case conical or pointed. Any player discovered infringing this Law shall be prohibited from taking further part in the match. The Referee shall, if required, examine the players' boots before the commencement of a match, or during the interval.

Bars, Studs,
Etc.

Official Decisions.—Wearing soft india-rubber on the soles of boots is not a violation of Law 12. Semi-circular toe pieces are legal.

Metal toe-plates, though covered with leather, are illegal.

Instructions to Referees.—It is the Referee's duty, if asked, to examine the players' boots before the match, or during the interval. The Referee must order off the field of play for the remainder of the game any player whom, during the progress of the play, he finds wearing:

(a) Nails not flush with the leather.

(b) Metal plates or projections.

(c) Gutta percha on his boots, or on his shin guards.

(d) Bars on soles or heels of his boots that do not extend from side to side of the boot, that are less than one-half inch wide, more than one-half inch deep, and not transverse and flat.

(e) Studs on soles or heels of his boots, not round in plan, less than one-half inch in diameter, more than one-half inch deep, and conical or pointed.

During the progress of a game the Referee can enforce this Law without waiting for an appeal. There is no necessity to report this offense.

The Law includes metal clips or buckles, etc., that are dangerous, either on the boots or shin guards.

Instructions to Secretaries.—See that your players are not by ignorance or otherwise infringing this Law. Many of the boots sold ready-made for foot ball are wrongly studded, some are fitted with metal clips for the lace holes and metal toe plates covered with leather, which are very dangerous, as are also projecting buckles on the shin guards.

Instructions to Players.—It is also the duty of the players to see that their boots, etc., are in accordance with this Law, for if the Referee's attention is drawn to the irregularity during the progress of a game, the player may not go and change his boots, but must leave the field altogether, which might be a very serious matter to his side. If doubtful about it ask the Referee before the match, or during the interval, and he is bound to examine the boots. Players sometimes forget that studs wear away exposing the nails, which would make them illegal.

LAW XIII.

Duties and
Powers of
Referee.

A Referee shall be appointed, whose duties shall be to enforce the Laws and decide all disputed points; and his decision on points of fact connected with the play shall be final, so far as the result of the game is concerned. He shall also keep a record of the game, and act as timekeeper. In the event of any ungentlemanly behavior on the part of any of

the players, the offender or offenders shall be cautioned, and if any further offense is committed, or in case of violent conduct without any previous caution, the Referee shall order the offending player or players off the field of play, and shall transmit the name or names of such player or players to his or their National Association, who shall deal with the matter. The Referee shall allow for time wasted, lost through accident, or other cause, suspend or terminate the game whenever, by reason of darkness, interference by spectators, or other cause, he may deem necessary; but in all cases in which a game is so terminated he shall report the same to the Association under whose jurisdiction the game was played, who shall deal with the matter. The Referee shall award a free kick in any case in which he thinks the conduct of a player dangerous, or likely to prove dangerous, but not sufficiently so as to justify him in putting in force the greater powers vested in him. The power of the Referee extends to offenses committed when the play has been temporarily suspended, and when the ball is out of play.

Official Decisions.—Any player leaving the field during the progress of a game (except through accident) without the consent of the Referee will be deemed guilty of misconduct, and will render himself liable to be penalized.

Persistent infringement of any of the Laws of the Game is ungentlemanly conduct within the meaning of this Law. (International Board, June 8, 1907.)

All reports by Referees to be made within *TWO* days after the occurrence (Sundays not included), and reports will be deemed to be made when received in the ordinary course of post. (International Board, June 11, 1910.)

Referees may in certain circumstances send their reports to the affiliated Association concerned. See Agreement dated June 17, 1895.

A player who is injured during a match shall be at once removed outside the nearest goal or touch-line, and the game resumed. (International Board, June, 1914.)

It is the duty of the Referee to see that all free kicks, kicks from the goal, and corner-kicks are properly taken.

Without permission of the Referee, no person shall be allowed on the field of play during a match other than the Linesmen and players.

It is misconduct for any Association or club, or any player, official, or member of any Association or club to offer, or attempt to offer, either directly or indirectly, any consideration whatever

to another club, player, or players of any other club, with a view to influence the result of a match. It is misconduct for any club, player or players, to accept any such consideration.

A Linesman is justified by Law 14 in directing the Referee's attention to distinct breaches of the Laws which have come under his notice, and which he is satisfied the Referee could not see, and Referees should confer with the Linesmen in such a case, especially where the Linesmen are neutral.

Instructions to Referees.—The duty of a Referee to order a player off for violent conduct, or after a caution for ungentlemanly behavior, is emphasized by the alteration made in the Law by the International Board in 1909.

The Referee decides everything, the Linesmen being his assistants, whose decisions he can overrule. He must keep the score and also the time, and allow for time wasted, and stop the game as he thinks fit, though in the case of the game abruptly terminating, he is bound to report the fact to the local or National Association within three days.

As regards rough play, the Referee has absolute discretion. Where he considers the conduct of a player dangerous, or likely to cause injury, he must award a free kick. In doing so he must caution the offender, and, if the offense is repeated, order the player off the field of play. In the case of violent conduct, a previous caution is not needed.

Avoid (a).—Discussing or arguing points with players or officials on the field of play.

(b).—Arguing points with players, officials, or press men off the field of play.

(c).—Pointing at, or placing a hand on a player when cautioning him. Check rough play at the outset.

The Referee is recommended to compare watches with the Linesmen, prior to the game and at half-time.

The Referee should be very careful in deducting time for stoppages, etc. He should blow his whistle for time or half-time at the exact moment, whether the ball is in play or not. The only case in which time can be extended is that of a penalty kick.

Referees are strongly recommended not to trust to memory alone to keep a record of the game, but to note on paper the time of start and the time at which they would in the ordinary course call half-time or time. They may then easily add to it for wilful delays, or stoppages of the game. The goals scored by each side in the order of occurrence should also be noted.

Instructions to Players.—It is impossible for a Referee to please everybody. Remember his difficult position and do not make it more so.

If any disturbance arises go at once to the help of the Referee.

Betting is prohibited.

LAW XIV.

Two Linesmen shall be appointed, whose duty (subject to the decision of the Referee) shall be to decide when the ball is out of play, and which side is entitled to the corner-kick, goal-kick, or throw-in; and to assist the Referee in carrying out the game in accordance with the Laws. In the event of any undue interference or improper conduct by a Linesman, the Referee shall have power to order him off the field of play and appoint a substitute, and report the circumstances to the National Association having jurisdiction over him, who shall deal with the matter.

Duties and Powers of Linesmen.

Official Decisions.—Linesmen where neutral should call the attention of the Referee to rough play or ungentlemanly conduct, and generally assist him to carry out the game in a proper manner.

Linesmen where neutral may be asked by the Referee to give an opinion on the ball crossing the goal-line between the posts.

A player shall not act as Linesman or Referee during suspension.

A Linesman is justified by Law 14 in directing the Referee's attention to distinct breaches of the Law which have come under his notice, and which he is satisfied the Referee could not see, and Referees should confer with the Linesmen in such a case, especially where the Linesmen are neutral.

Instructions to Referees.—Linesmen must signal when the ball is out of play, and indicate which side is entitled to the corner-kick, goal-kick, or throw-in. They must also call the attention of the Referee to rough play or ungentlemanly conduct, and must give their opinion on any point on which the Referee may consult them.

If they notice any breach of the Laws that has escaped the Referee's attention it is their duty to inform him of it.

The Referee has power to order a Linesman off the field for undue interference or improper conduct and to appoint a substitute. This authority should only be exercised in extreme cases, as a warning will probably be sufficient.

LAW XV.

In the event of a supposed infringement of the Laws, the ball shall be in play until a decision has been given.

Ball in Play until Decision given

Instructions to Referees.—The ball is in play until the whistle sounds, but the Referee should decide promptly. If in doubt consult the Linesmen.

If the Referee declines to accept an appeal a shake of the head, or the words "play on" may sometimes be used with advantage.

When the Referee has once given his decision and play has been resumed, he must not alter it.

Instructions to Players.—Don't stop playing till the whistle sounds, and the decision once given don't importune the Referee to reverse it, or annoy him by remarks.

LAW XVI.

Re-starting the Game after Temporary Suspension.

In the event of any temporary suspension of play from any cause, the ball not having gone into touch or behind the goal-line, the Referee shall drop the ball where it was when play was suspended, and it shall be in play when it has touched the ground. If the ball goes into touch or behind the goal-line before it is played by a player, the Referee shall again drop it. The players on either side shall not play the ball until it has touched the ground.

Instructions to Referees.—If the game is stopped by reason of a player being hurt, or for any other cause (not being half-time or time) where there is no penalty attached, the Referee must throw the ball down where it was when play was suspended. No player is allowed to play the ball until it has reached the ground. Should the ball be touched before it reaches the ground, a free kick must be awarded to the opposite side.

If the ball goes into touch or behind the goal-line before it is played by a player, the Referee must again throw the ball down.

Instructions to Players.—A player is not allowed to play the ball until it has touched the ground.

LAW XVII.

Free kick.

In the event of any infringement of Laws 5, 6, 8, 10, or 16, or of a player being sent off the field under Law 13, a free kick shall be awarded to the opposite side, from the place where the infringement occurred.

Official Decisions.—A FREE KICK is a kick at the ball in any direction the player pleases, when it is lying on the ground. A place kick, a free kick, or a penalty kick must not be taken until the Referee has given a signal for the same.

Cases of handling the ball, and tripping, pushing, kicking or holding an opponent, and charging an opponent from behind may so happen as to be

considered unintentional, and when this is so, no penalty must be awarded. (International Board, June 16, 1902.)

Instructions to Referees.—The Referee should refrain from awarding a free kick if it is to the advantage of the side offended against to allow the play to go on.

Again the Referee is reminded of the fact that it is the intentional breach of Law which must be punished.

Instructions to Players.—The Referee should refrain from awarding a free kick if it is to the advantage of the side offended against to allow the play to go on.

In the event of any intentional infringement of Law 9 outside the penalty area, or by the attacking side within the penalty area, a free kick shall be awarded to the opposite side from the place where the infringement occurred. In the event of any intentional infringement of Law 9 by the defending side within the penalty area, the Referee shall award the opponents a penalty kick which shall be taken from the penalty kick mark under the following conditions: All players, with the exception of the player taking the penalty kick and the opponents' goal-keeper shall be outside the penalty area. The opponents' goal-keeper shall not advance beyond his goal line. The ball must be kicked forward. The ball shall be in play when the kick is taken, and a goal may be scored from a penalty kick; but the ball shall not be again played by the kicker until it has been played by another player. If necessary, time of play shall be extended to admit of the penalty kick being taken. A free kick shall also be awarded to the opposite side if the ball is not kicked forward, or is played a second time by the player who takes the penalty kick until it has been played by another player. The Referee may refrain from putting the provisions of this Law into effect in cases where he is satisfied that by enforcing them he would be giving an advantage to the offending side. If when a penalty kick is taken the ball passes between the goal-posts, under the bar, the goal shall not be nullified by reason of any infringement by the defending side.

Official Decisions.—Unless the penalty kick is taken in accordance with the Law, the Referee must order the ball back until it is properly taken.

If, on taking a penalty kick, the ball rebounds

from the goal posts or bar, and the kicker plays it a second time, a free kick must be awarded.

The penalty kick can only be awarded for the following eight offenses, intentionally committed by a player of the defending side within the penalty area:

1. Tripping an opponent.
2. Kicking an opponent.
3. Jumping at an opponent.
4. Handling the ball.
5. Holding an opponent.
6. Pushing an opponent.
7. Charging an opponent violently or dangerously.
8. Charging an opponent from behind.

Cases of handling the ball, and tripping, pushing, kicking or holding an opponent, and charging an opponent from behind may so happen as to be considered unintentional, and when this is so, no penalty must be awarded. (International Board, June 16, 1902.)

If a player deliberately trips an opponent who is standing in an off-side position within the penalty area, and who does not attempt to play the ball or obstruct, a penalty kick should be awarded.

A penalty kick can be awarded irrespective of the position of the ball at the time the offense is committed. (International Board, June 16, 1902.)

If a goal-keeper has been changed without the Referee being notified, and the new goal-keeper handles the ball within the penalty area, a penalty kick must be awarded. (International Board, June 17, 1901.)

In the event of the ball touching the goal-keeper before passing between the posts, when a penalty kick is being taken at the expiration of time, a goal is scored. (International Board, June 17, 1901.)

The Laws of the Game are intended to provide that games should be played with as little interference as possible, and in this view it is the duty of Referees not to give penalties for technical or supposed breaches. Constant whistling or trifling and doubtful breaches produces bad feeling and loss of temper on the part of the players and spoils the pleasure of spectators.

Instructions to Referees.—Extending the arms to keep an opponent back, though not actually catching hold of him with the hand, is considered to be holding.

Should the ball hit the goal-post or bar and rebound into play, the player who played it must not play it again until it has been played by another player. Should he do so a free kick must be given against him.

The goal-keeper, defending a penalty kick, must not advance beyond his goal line.

Until the Referee has satisfied himself that the players are in their proper positions he should not give a signal for the kick to be taken. Any player

wilfully encroaching should first be cautioned and on a repetition be ordered off the field of play. A penalty kick can be taken after time has expired.

Once more the Referee is reminded that it is the intentional breach of Law that must be punished.

The Referee must withhold the award of a penalty kick if he considers it would be to the advantage of the side offended against to let the play go on.

When a goal results from a penalty kick, it shall not be nullified although there may have been an infringement of Law by the defending side.

It is a common fault of Referees that, when players have committed offenses for which they should have been ordered off the field of play, a penalty kick only has been awarded. The awarding of a penalty kick does not free a Referee from the duty of also ordering the offender off the field of play, where the offense is such as justifies this.

Instructions to Players.—Players are not required to stand behind the ball, but may take up their position anywhere outside the penalty area, but within the field of play.

There is a practice of players yelling or making other noises with the object of putting either the goal-keeper or the kicker at a disadvantage. Be gentlemen and treat your opponents as such.

Players must wait for the Referee's signal before taking the penalty kick.

A player may not rush in from his place outside the penalty area until the ball has been kicked. If he does so he may be cautioned, and on repeating the offense be ordered off the field of play.

The kick must be forward.

Though a penalty kick may be deserved, the Referee is empowered not to enforce it, if to do so would benefit the offenders. Also if a penalty kick is awarded, and scores, the Referee must ignore any infringement by the defenders, and let the goal stand.

Definition of Terms

- Place Kick** A PLACE KICK is a kick at the ball while it is on the ground in the center of the field of play.
- Free Kick** A FREE KICK is a kick at the ball in any direction the player pleases when it is lying on the ground.
- Referee to Signal** A PLACE KICK, a Free Kick, or a Penalty Kick must not be taken until the Referee has given a signal for the same.
- Carrying** CARRYING by the goal-keeper is taking more than two steps while holding the ball, or bouncing it on the hand.
- Knocking on** KNOCKING ON is when a player strikes or propels the ball with his hands or arms.
- Handling** HANDLING AND TRIPPING.—Handling is intentionally playing the ball with the hand or arm, and Tripping is intentionally throwing, or attempting to throw, an opponent by the use of the legs, or by stooping in front of or behind him.
- Tripping**
- Holding** HOLDING includes the obstruction of a player by the hand or any part of the arm extended from the body.
- Touch** TOUCH is that part of the ground on either side of the field of play.

Advice to Young Players and How to Act in Case of Accident

Take care of the feet. Don't wear badly-made or ill-fitting shoes.

Use bars on the soles for hard grounds, and studs for heavy grounds.

Permanganate of potash is a fine thing for troublesome feet, which should be frequently bathed in a solution of permanganate.

In case of accident, should there be any suspicion of broken bones, don't risk lifting the player off the ground. Wait until someone comes who understands what should be done.

Bruises and contusions should never be rubbed—there is internal bleeding, and the rubbing does harm. Nothing beats bran poultices.

Always give an injury its proper chance to recover. The player of doubtful soundness often handicaps his side.

Don't bother much about embrocations, which are generally irritants. Massage the leg muscles with olive oil.

Keep fit, play the game in cool-headed fashion, and fewer accidents will happen.

My experience is that the youth of the present day do not, as a rule, take care of their feet as they ought to. I have seen a promising young player ruin his chances of future success and fame by the fact that he was playing in badly made and ill-fitting shoes.

Ordinary, as well as football shoes should be made to measure, and then, perhaps, we should see and hear less of corns, bunions, sweaty feet and other ailments to which the athlete seems heir.

Football shoes should be ordered some weeks before they are required, and only from a maker of repute. First of all, they should be pulled on the bare foot, and if they fit tightly all around, then they are likely to become a good fit. Especial care should be taken that they are not too small, else the wearer will get to know about it when he comes to play on a hard ground, by not only crippling himself, but by the loss of his toe nails. If the shoes fit tightly, but not unduly so, on the bare foot, they should be worn for a night or two without stockings. Next, a thin pair of socks may be tried, and so on, until one can wear them comfortably with the ordinary football stocking.

Football shoes require a lot of care, especially in wet weather. Immediately after they have been used, they should be carefully cleaned, then stretched and carefully laid away to gradually dry. The manner of studying a shoe plays a most important part in its longevity or usefulness. Where the grounds are hard, thin bars should be used, but if there is plenty of grass, studs are the best. Football shoes should, at least once a month, be given a rub inside (not outside) with castor oil or dubbin.

In the earlier and latter parts of the season, when the grounds are hard, almost every player complains about his feet being hot and blistered. This somewhat painful experience can be obviated if the player would literally smear the outside of his stockings, previous to pulling on his shoes, with vaseline.

Sweaty feet and soft corns between the toes are another of those bug-bears to which the footballer is very much subject. This trouble can be mitigated if a player will exercise a certain amount of care, especially by keeping the feet absolutely clean, frequently changing the socks, and for a time before retiring to bed, bathing the feet in water into which a teaspoonful of permanganate of potash has been dissolved. For soft corns, a little plug of cotton between the offending toes will soon effect a cure.

IN CASE OF ACCIDENTS.

Before concluding the article, I would like to touch lightly, and, if possible, to give some useful hints in connection with the various accidents which are generally to be met with on the field of play. First of all, I would warn my young friends to be careful before lifting an unfortunate comrade who has been put hors de combat. Care should be taken that no bones are broken, because very many simple accidents are aggravated by this supposed kindness. If, on the other hand, the player is only winded, then there cannot be any harm done by lifting him off the grounds.

Where, however, there is any suspicion of broken bones, it is best to allow the player to lie, even supposed the ground was wet, until someone comes who understands what should be done.

Another common practice is to rub or massage all kinds of injuries, no doubt under the mistaken idea that rubbing eases the pain. It ought to be common knowledge that where there is a bruise or contusion, and the skin is not broken, there must be internal bleeding, and if there is internal bleeding, the rubbing is not likely to stop it.

The correct thing is to have a cold lotion, such as a lead and opium pad, applied as soon as possible, and then when the injured lad gets home, either foment the part with hot water, or, better still, apply bran poultice. Massage of any kind should not, under these circumstances, be indulged in for at least a couple of days, so as to allow the injured internal tissues to heal. Bran poultices are indeed the footballer's friend. The mistake that the young player usually makes, when he has sustained an injury, such as a sprained ankle or knee, is that he does not give such injury the rest which it requires.

Almost every trainer has his own special embrocation for massaging and each in their own way have their merits. Some believe in embrocation and others will not have it at all. For injuries, where the skin is unbroken, the best oil for massaging is castor oil and chloroform in equal parts. For massaging the muscles olive oil is very good, and once a week the player should, if possible, get a good massage, especially on the leg muscles. The breaking down of thigh muscles is a frequent and painful experience and generally occurs when the grounds are sticky. Strapping with plaster for a few days and absolute rest to be followed by bran poultices, it generally takes about six weeks for this injury to get right.

Sprains are the result of straining or tearing of ligaments, and are generally caused by the sudden twisting of a joint. The first signs are acute pain, followed by swelling, due to the rupture of blood vessels. As soon as possible a cold, evaporated lotion pad should be applied, and continued for every four hours for twenty-four, by which time the internal bleeding should have stopped. Then heat, in the shape of bran poultices, should be applied. Gentle massage can be commenced after the third day.

Cuts should always receive attention. See these are properly cleaned with some antiseptic lotion, and then apply some dressing of lintboric.

One could fill a book with the things that happen to the footballer in the course of play, but in the foregoing article, I think that I have summarized the most common of the injuries and methods of treatment which will succeed. In conclusion, to the young player I will say—keep fit, play the game, and you will find that often a good means of preventing injury is cool headedness and sportsmanship on both sides. But accidents will happen, and the undoubted risks in the game of football are, I believe, quite one of its charms to a lot of players.

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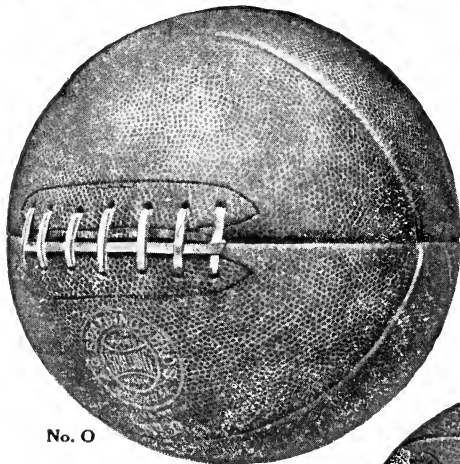
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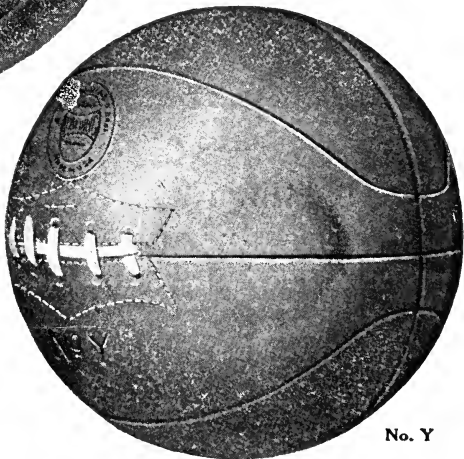


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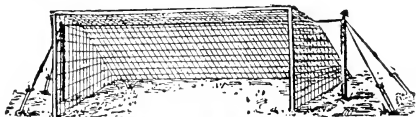
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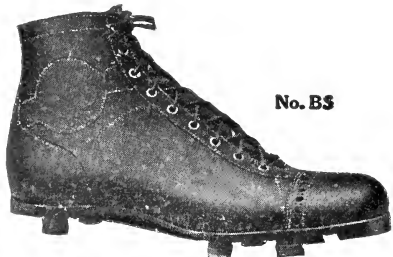
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Spalding "Soccer" Shirts

No. V. Good quality medium weight cotton, full sleeves. Striped alternately; also in plain solid colors. Special order only. Not carried in stock. Ea., **\$1.75** ★ *\$18.90 Doz.*

No. VL. Same as No. V, except lace front. " **2.00** ★ *21.60 "*

No. D. Good quality medium weight cotton, full sleeves. Sash across front and back. Special order only. Not carried stock. Each, **\$1.75** ★ *\$18.90 Doz.*



No. V

No. D2. Same as No. D, but two stripes across chest. Special order only. Not carried in stock. Each, **\$1.75** ★ *\$18.90 Doz.*

No. D3. Same as No. D, but three stripes across chest. Special order only. Not carried in stock. Each, **\$2.00** ★ *\$21.60 Doz.*

No. 6FS. Sanitary cotton, with 6-inch stripe around chest. Special order only. Not carried in stock. Each, **75c.** ★ *\$8.10 Doz.*

No. 4. Flannel Soccer Shirt. Good quality flannel. Either button or laced front. Great variety of colors. Samples of colors of flannels sent on application. . . Each, **\$2.00** ★ *\$21.60 Doz.*

COLORS: The following comprise regular colors supplied in Nos. V, VL, D and 6FS Shirts*

Gray
Orange
Black

White
Maroon
Scarlet

Cardinal
Navy Blue
Royal Blue

Dark Green
Irish Green
Purple

Yellow
Seal Brown
Old Gold

Spalding Flannel Knickerbockers

Special laced back and fly front. Samples of colors of flannel sent on application.

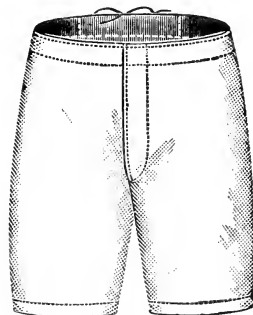
No. 3A. Fine quality flannel. Unpadded. Great variety of colors. . . Pair, **\$2.50** ★ *\$27.00 Doz.*

No. F. Good quality Gray or Navy Blue flannel. Unpadded. Pair, **\$2.50** ★ *\$27.00 Doz.*

No. 4A. Good quality flannel. Unpadded. Assortment of colors. Pair, **\$2.00** ★ *\$21.60 Doz.*

No. 5A. Flannel; well made; unpadded. Assortment of colors. Pair, **\$1.50** ★ *\$16.20 Doz.*

No. 4. White, Black or Gray silesia; fly front; laced. Pair, **50c.** ★ *\$5.40 Doz.*



The prices printed in italics opposite items marked with ★ will be quoted only on orders for one-half dozen or more. Quantity prices NOT allowed on items NOT marked with ★

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Standard Quality

An article that is universally given the appellation "Standard" is thereby conceded to be the criterion, to which are compared all other things of a similar nature. For instance, the Gold Dollar of the United States is the Standard unit of currency, because it must legally contain a specific proportion of pure gold and the fact of its being Genuine is guaranteed by the Government Stamp thereon. As a protection to the users of this currency against counterfeiting and other tricks, considerable money is expended in maintaining a Secret Service Bureau of Experts. Under the law, citizen manufacturers must depend to a great extent upon Trade-Marks and similar devices to protect themselves against counterfeit products—without the aid of "Government Detectives" or "Public Opinion" to assist them.

Consequently the "Consumer's Protection" against misrepresentation and "inferior quality" rests entirely upon the integrity and responsibility of the "Manufacturer."

A. G. Spalding & Bros. have, by their rigorous attention to "Quality," for forty years, caused their Trade-Mark to become known throughout the world as a Guarantee of Quality as dependable in their field as the U. S. Currency is in its field.

The necessity of upholding the Guarantee of the Spalding Trade-Mark and maintaining the Standard Quality of their Athletic Goods, is therefore, as obvious as is the necessity of the Government in maintaining a Standard Currency.

Thus each consumer is not only insuring himself but also protecting other consumers when he assists a Reliable Manufacturer in upholding his Trade-Mark and all that it stands for. Therefore, we urge all users of our Athletic Goods to assist us in maintaining the Spalding Standard of Excellence, by insisting that our Trade-Mark be plainly stamped on all athletic goods which they buy, because without this precaution our best efforts towards maintaining Standard Quality and preventing fraudulent substitution will be ineffectual.

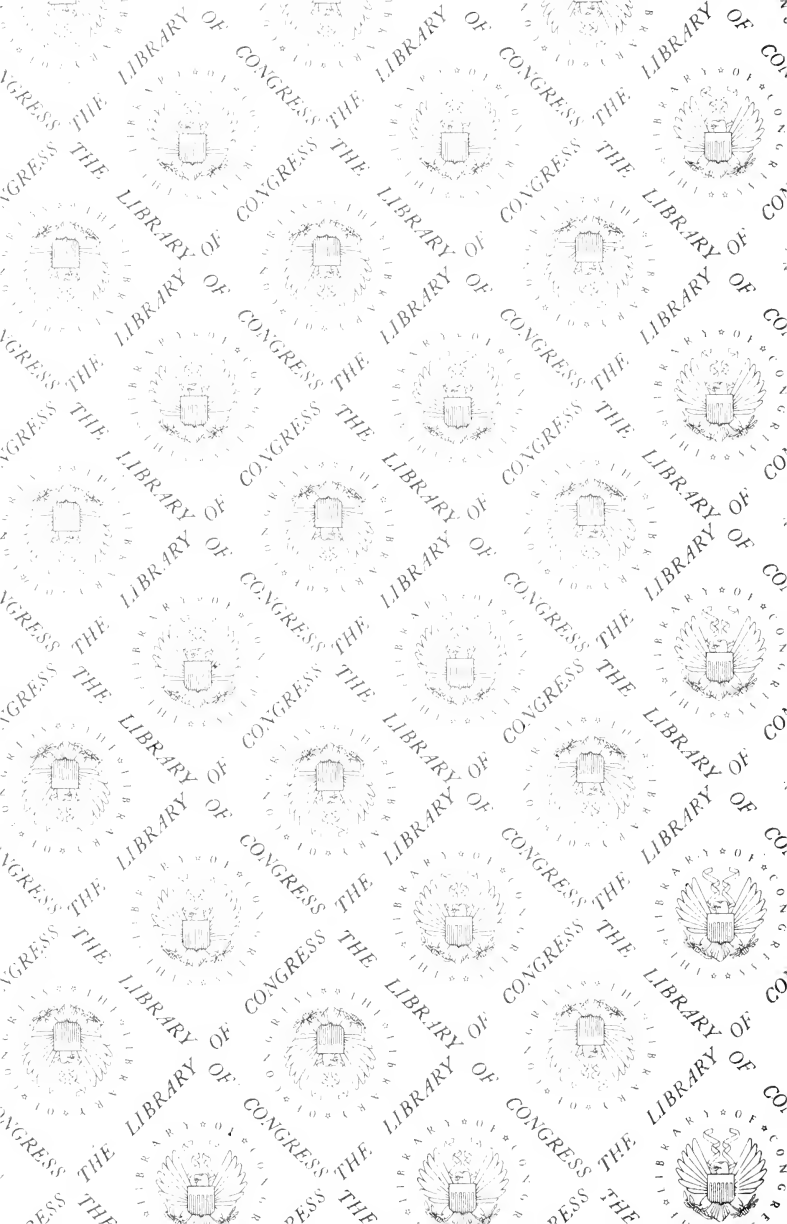
Manufacturers of Standard Articles invariably suffer the reputation of being high-priced, and this sentiment is fostered and emphasized by makers of "inferior goods," with whom low prices are the main consideration.

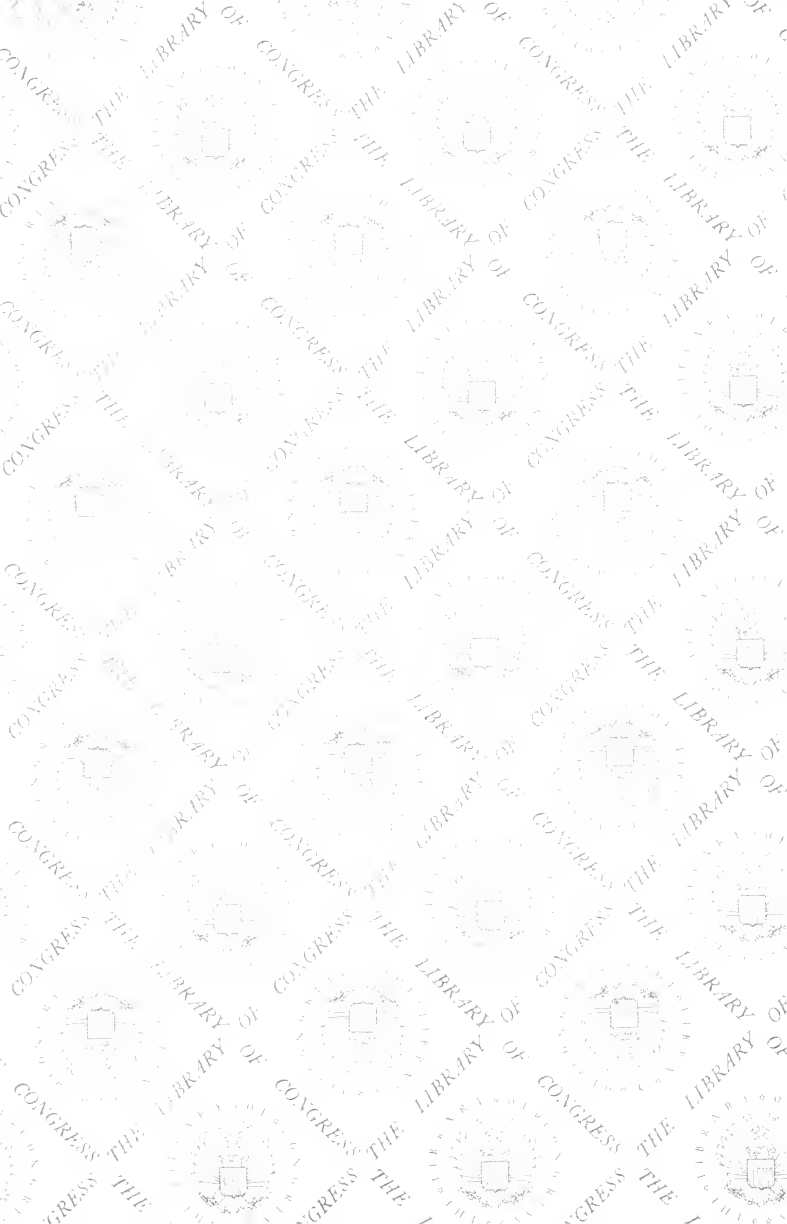
A manufacturer of recognized Standard Goods, with a reputation to uphold and a guarantee to protect must necessarily have higher prices than a manufacturer of cheap goods, whose idea of and basis of a claim for Standard Quality depends principally upon the eloquence of the salesman.

We know from experience that there is no quicksand more unstable than poverty in quality—and we avoid this quicksand by Standard Quality.

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