JUDGMENTS

URELY the automobile is coming into its own. While it may not as yet have demonstrated fully its adaptability, it is daily proving more and more its usefulness, and fully established the fact that its possibilities have not nearly been reached or even anticipated. As a pleasure vehicle it is now supreme. up of Pennsylvania, Columbia, Yale, The stately, high stepping horse is yet a Princeton and Cornell was poorer than in favorite and the family nag will not dis- almost any previous year. The great fault appear for many moons, but the automobile with the game was the excessive amount has hooted itself into first place. As a fac- of roughing. Practically every match was and furthermore there should be a penalty Large concerns are using the self-propelled cars extensively in business, and engineers in the victory of the Pennsylvania team. are working continually on the problems The Red and Blue team, made up in other offered, determining what is better for respects than one of players of little better practice, solving questions of economy and than mediocre abilities, was not so much efficiency in construction and operation and superior to the others as to have won eight generally advancing the industry. All these games on pure merit. The Quakers did not agencies are adding to the proof of the healtate to use a fair amount of the tactics assertion that the "horseless" age has which the others employed, but where they dawned. Makers have multiplied, and fac- counted heavily was in having with them tories have increased, but the demand the best man in the whole league at shootkeeps pace with production, and the number ing goals from the foul line. Keinath, who of autos in the land is increasing daily. All made seventy-five goals from the line in mankind honors the horse, that noble brute the season, was in effect the whole Pennwhose services have been of such inestimable effect in advancing the cause of civilization. But, without detracting from the horse, the fascination of the auto car owed most of its success to the presence is potent over all. Its swift, easy glide over the good roads, its mastery over distances, its efficiency under all but abnormal conditions has made it already the favorite. and its supremacy will not be gaineatd. When the Horse show comes in the fall, society pays due deference to the beautiful beasts who are then put on parade, but when the Auto show comes in the spring, society, without departing from its fealty to the horse, can do homage to the exquisitely wrought machines, all but animate with sentient life, that are offered for its inspection. So the coming week at the Auditorium will be notable, for there the Automobile, man's latest triumph over physical limitations, is on dress parada,

Not since the days of Billy Muldoon has an American wrestler come forth to uphold against all comerse the title of world's unquestioned and unquestionable, and therefore it is little wonder if the wrestling fans of the United States are wrought up to a nervous pitch of excitement in anticipation of the meeting between Frank Gotch and George Hackenschmidt in Chicago April 3. Whistler, Lewis, McLeod, Jenkins and Burns have foul goals. come up to their senith without keeping the world's title in their country, but in Gotch Americans believe they have, the did not always depend upon foul goals. man to wrest from the mighty German- In the first game with Cornell he scored Swede, known as the Russian Lion, that four goals from the field and four from little and clock it for America. Of the men fouls, making twelve of Pennsylvania's mat, Burns stands out pre-eminently as toward the end because of a dislocated knew." But Burns' lack of weight has play and win the second game against Cokept him from international honors, ex- lumbia. In the second game that Cornell cept in the light heavyweight class. All played against Pennsylvania Keinath made America, save that small portion surrounding New York, is today cheering Gotch on and scored three baskets from the field, to what it believes sure victory, a victory. thus making twenty-three out of Pennsylf he gets it, more celebrated and distinguished than any achieved by an American athlete since the days when the mighty John L. Sullivan was able to stand up in Madison Square garden and proclaim that he, a native of Boston, could lick any man

There's one thing certain, if the next world's pennant battle is not fought out in Chicego as it was in 1906, it won't be the fault of Mr. Comiskey. The Old Roman makes no effort at concealing his detarmination to land the American league flag if that be within the line of 1908 possibili ties. And up to date he seems to have no good reason for despairing of that hope, Detroit is not being generally picked as the winner this year, nor is Philadelphia, though the latter stil looks like a contender. As to the Cubs, nothing has happened since the close of 1907 to alter the univermal conviction that it's another sure thing for them. McGraw, with the pivolal sack all but uncovered and questionable timber for the box, has failed utterly to make good his promises and no other team is materially stronger than last year,

Of course there isn't any serious doubt what the decision will be in the Stahl and Donlin cases, but before they can play with the New York Americans and Nationals, respectively, the formality of a mission ruling will be neces-New York's argument is that Donwho played with Chicago semi-pros lin, who played with Chicago took a year's layoff, and therefore violated no breach of agreement, and the minority report filed by Ban Johnson in behalf of Stahl at the time his case was up before is relied on as clearing him.

Those well-meaning moralists who profess to see in the recent snub of the Rootera' club an ultimate prohibition of the pop bottle habit should remember that the hox office is not the only source of rev-

Tommy Burns may well falter in his plans of going to Dublin on the 17th of March with a yellow eye. If he acts on

yellow fruit, that's a cinch. Worshipers of Autrey will have no pationes with his recent holler of sore feet as an excuse of getting out of that walk

from Los Angeles to Omaha. Detroit probably took the wise end of the Cobb argument at that.

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WITH THE COLLEGE ATHLETES

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BASKET BALL WINTER SPORT

A Choice of Those Who Seem to Be the Best Five Men of the Intercollegiate Basket Ball League.

The quality of basket ball played this season in the Intercollegiate league made commerce it is making headway. reported as being very rough. The chief result of this sort of play was to be seen sylvania team.

> It was not at all the case of the preceding season, when the champion Yale team of Gif Kinney. Kinney's strong point was his shooting from the floor and he carned his points in that way. The Yale team fed Kinney and through his accuracy won out. But basket ball was played differently last season, so that the good shooter of goals goals which otherwise they might have from the floor had a chance to distinguish himself. The games this season were marked by several significant things. For one item, most of the scores were not great. This was caused by the close guarding almost universally practiced, guarding that was so far illegal that it caused the game to degenerate into a hugging match.

For another thing, many of the points nade in these low score games were from fouls, and in the case of Pennsylvania in particular not one, but several, games resulted in favor of the Quakers not because they hit the baskets more often, but solely because Keinath was there to toss them in after fouls were called. The second Columbia-Pennsylvania game was won by Keinath, who scored twelve goals from the foul line and two goals from the floor, making the sixteen points for his college, while Columbia's fifteen points were acquired through six field goals and three

Keinath a Star. However, to do Keinath justice, his work centioned, or of any other men who could twenty-four points. This was not so rough e mentioned in this or any other age of a game as some others, although it was greatling, in the judgment of sages of the represented that Keinath had to leave it the most finished artist, as Gotch put it, shoulder. That shoulder was right enough "the most finished wrestler the world ever in four days, so that Keinath was able to seventeen out of twenty tries for foul goals

> vania's thirty-seven points. It might be carried on so throughout the whole season. Until Keinath got in the game, just before the western trip, the Hennsylvania team, although containing some effective players, was not first class. Herence was plain as soon as he started playing, and Pennsylvania's record of seventeen straight victories is due in no little part to Keinath. That will be admitted by Pennsylvania men, and as a result they will be forced to admit that there are few reasons for putting other players that Keinath of the Pennsylvania team on a five supposed to represent the best players in the intercollegiate league.

> It is a very hard task indeed to select such a team this season, although formerly there were so many players whose work stood out that at best only one place was open to argument. But when Keinath is selected as one forward there is distinct reason for pausing in an attempt to name another man. A player whose name suggested itself is Klendl, the youthful Columbia man, who scored many points in the season and was second to Kelnath in that respect. It is hardly fair, however, to make the number of points scored the only criterion of a man's value to his team. It is his ability to rise to emergencies and his play in succeeding games that make it worth while to have him on a team. For that matter, if points alone were to be considered, why not make Crosby of Cornell a member? He was well up in the list, although most of his points were from fouls. It takes, however, a player of hardthood and experience, who can make his presence felt on a team at all times and

who would not fall down in emergencies, Where Klendl was unfortunate was that he played throughout the season on a team which was much too rough. Columbia men may not realise it, but the play of the Columbia team did much to discredit the game. Yale, too, was an offender this way. Kiendl's real merits did not have so much of a chance to show as they will perhaps another season, when he is more matured. In the mind of the writer, the choice for the other forward lies between Cushman of Yale and Fitzpatrick of Pennsylvania. Both are good, hard players, and a different intention he'll never get the by that is meant that they play the game for what it is worth and do not put their energy into slugging. It would be hard to settle which is the better player by a recourses to anything but drawing lots, but

> ing called the second best forward. As to center there can be no discussion When anyone who starts to select players for that place gets to the name of Van Vleck of Yale he has gone far enough. The Yale pivot man surpassed in every way the other players who attempted to play the place, and there appears to be no reason to go further into detail in explaining or justifying, if such were necessary,

It seems fair to give Yale the call here.

Cushman is named as being worthy of be-

his selection. The matter of the guards is one that requires a little thought as far as one place concerned. For the other, Noyes, the Yale player, appears to earn the place, although some may say that it is putting a premium on roughness to name him. Noyes was an offender in several games the last season. However, he was the best player of the place on the Yale team and better than any others in the league.

It is always bad policy to put a small man in at guard. Melitser of Columbia, regarded as worthy a place at forward and who has been suggested as a guard. too, is a very fast dodging player, who can worm in and out among the larger men. There his abilities end. A bigger man can block his shots for goal by merely standing over him, and as a guard he has fairly to climb up his man to do any effective blocking. These reasons operate against bim for either place. Kimbel is a good guard, and it seems hard to leave off the team a guard for that college which had the least points scored against it. Cerusal appears not quite to have equaled

As a choice it seems to be necessary

take one of these three-McCrudden, Elecaber or Kimbel. The preference is f Elmbel, it being believed that he would be able to act not only as a good guard the others in the scoring line as well,

Best Five in Game. The team is: Keinath, Pennsylvania, an Cushman, Yale, forwards; Van Vleck, Yale senter; Kimbel, Columbia, and Novea Yale, guards. That only serves to emphasize the belief that the Pennsylvania team did not win the championship because of gen eral excellence of play, but because of the

presence of Keinath on it. Going back once more to roughness There can be no question that the game will suffer in popularity if the present standards of play continue. There should be a strong recommendation by the rules committee to all officials to punish most everely all sorts of foul and illegal play, for roughness that would be more dreaded than the present one of giving a free trial for goal,

In the end that docen't always work well. The rough team is willing to take a chance in hope of making through foul work a field goal which will more than make up for the single point carned by the penalty goal, if indeed it is made. It better scheme would be to do as is done in hockey, to bar from the floor for a stated period the player making the foul. That would hurt a great deal more in the end, secause what four players could do against five would not be much.

The continued hugging and illegal covering up has about killed the passing game, which once was so pretty a feature. The basket ball of two or three seasons ago no longer is played. It does not speak for the quality of the game that the scores are low this season. It means solely that there has been a deal of clinging on to players that has stopped them from making scored. It is too bad that Columbia should have been a great offender this year, be-

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> Billy White Still at Oklahoma. Billy White is still at short for Oklahot City. Porkorney, the man who came so near crowding Perring out of his regular berth with Toledo last year, will play second for Webb City in the Western association this year. Perring goes to Cleveland. That's failing apart some,

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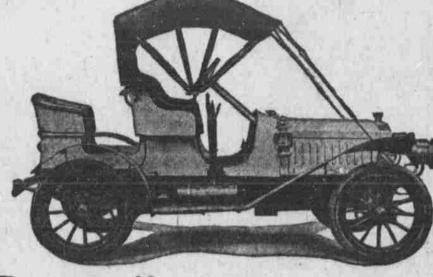
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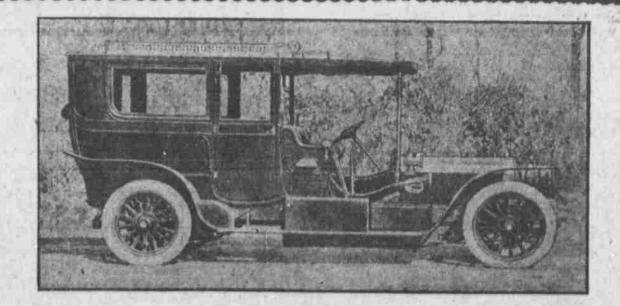


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