

# AMERICAN TENNIS PLAYERS SCORE TRIUMPH IN CUP MATCHES IN AUSTRALIA

**TEENIES TROPHY OF WORLD WON BY YANK STARS**

**Tilden and Johnston Victorious in Antipodes and Win Back Davis Cup.**

**FAST DOUBLES MATCH**

AUCKLAND, N. Z., Dec. 31.—After an absence of eight years, the classic Davis cup, representing world's superiority at tennis, returned today to the United States.

William T. Tilden and William M. Johnston, the star members of the American team, took the doubles match from Norman D. Brookes and Gerald L. Patterson in a four-set match by scores of 6-4, 6-4, 6-0 and 6-4.

Added to the two victories scored by the Americans in the singles yesterday it gave the visitors the necessary three victories of the matches.

**OLD SPANNA**  
Patterson, who was defeated in straight sets by Johnston in their singles match, was in much better form today while Brookes did not play so well, seeming to have lost much of his stamina in the exciting singles match of 4-6, 6-4, 6-0 and 6-4.

With the greatest dash the Australians started desperately in the first set. Both the Americans were slow to start, but the splendid generalship of Brookes coupled with the accurate placing of Patterson carried the first set 6-4.

Again as in the singles matches, the cup defenders seemed to weaken under the fast pace and Patterson lost much of his accuracy and speed in the second set. The Americans rushed to the net and with sizing shots drove them back to the line. The speed of the Americans proved too much and the Australians lost the second set by the same score, 6-4.

The third set found the Americans at the top of their brilliant form. Johnston's terrific smashes and the clever volleys of Tilden swept the Australians off their feet and they were blanked by scores of 6-0.

**SMASHES BY JOHNSTON WIN.**  
Johnston's smashes, deadly in their accuracy and unreturnable with their terrific speed, almost alone won the fourth and deciding set of the match.

The victors and the vanquished left the field together, being forced to battle for the trophy.

**Cup Victory Means Big Tennis Year for Fans in America During 1921**

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—The winning of the Davis cup by the American stars, Tilden and Johnston, insures that 1921 will be a year of much tennis play during 1921. And as international champions these players undoubtedly will be expected to journey once again to Wimbledon next summer to defend their title.

Challenges for the Davis cup must be received by the winning country not later than March 1 and by that time the scope of 1921 competition for the cup will be known. The American team will have to face seven of eight nations will challenge.

The winning of the cup is also expected to insure a new tennis season for the United States Lawn Tennis Association for the awarding of national titles to the winners of the various tournaments. The association, at its meeting here Feb. 5, is expected to make awards about as follows:

1921 National singles, Philadelphia.  
1921 National doubles, Forest Hills, L. I.

1921 National women's singles and doubles, Boston.  
1921 Chubb cup and inter-city matches Philadelphia.

they way through an admiring throng that paid individual tribute to the tennis champions who had revealed through the two days of the tournament.

The tall Tilden and the veteran Johnston were popular victors while the veteran Brookes, the hero of tennis in the Antipodes, was given a most generous reception.

From a standpoint of attendance and from the good food, the tennis match was a triumph. The American team, after a long and arduous journey, were met at the airport by a large throng of admirers.

When the tennis match was making their way slowly through the crowd to the clubhouse Tilden was slapped on the back by the cheering throng and told: "Well, if we can't keep the cup, we don't know of any one who would rather have it."

The famous trophy returns to America for the first time since 1913 when the American team, led by Arthur Gore and Hackett captured the cup by defeating the British team in the challenge round.

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and Wilding flash across the tennis match, sweeping all before them and bringing the cup back to the Antipodes, where it has resided ever since. Of this great team Brookes played in action in the world war.

Two singles matches tomorrow will bring the competition between the tennis teams to a close, with Tilden playing Patterson and Johnston playing Brookes. The outcome of the matches, however, will have no effect on the result of the series.

**FINALS REACHED IN JUNIOR PLAY**  
NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Vincent Richards of Yonkers, N. Y., and Arthur Gore of New York City, will meet in the final round of the national junior tennis singles championship here today by winning their semi-final round matches.

Richards defeated William Aylett, former Pacific coast player, 6-1, 6-1, and Gore won from Henry Pickels of Flushing, L. I., 6-0, 6-3.

In the doubles final Richards and Paul McHugh, of Yonkers, met Arthur Gore and E. Kuhn and in this match the junior champion and his partner were the favorites.

The boys' national singles championship has been awarded to William E. Finnerman of the West Side Club, by a score of 6-2, 6-0, 6-0.

E. Finnerman, who was to have met Elinson in the final round, was found to have passed his fifteenth birthday a few days before the first of last March and, under the rules, he was ineligible.

**I. A. C. Votes Approval of Amateur Union Policy**

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Indianapolis Athletic Club, held Wednesday, a resolution was adopted approving a proposal discussed at a meeting of the board whereby the Indianapolis Athletic Club would cooperate with the American Amateur Athletic Union in the holding of a national championship swimming meet in Broad Ripple pool next summer.

The following delegates were elected to represent the Athletic club at the Indiana A. A. U. meeting to be held at the Chamber of Commerce next Tuesday: Wallace O. Lee, W. H. Barre, Jr., and Harry C. Buschmann, Mr. Lee being elected as the representative of the Indianapolis Athletic Club on the board of governors of the Indiana A. A. U.

The delegates were instructed to report to the Indiana A. A. U. that the policy of the Indianapolis Athletic Club would be to cooperate with the American Amateur Athletic Union in the holding of a national championship swimming meet in Broad Ripple pool next summer.

**CITY THREE-CUSHIONS.**  
Anderson downed Frye in a city three-cushions tourney match at the Board of Trade yesterday afternoon, 50 to 44, after 114 innings. Anderson posted a high run of five against Frye's four. In the night session from Farmington, Ind., Anderson, 45 to 20, in eight-five innings. Houseman's high run was four and Malloy's three. Malloy's high run was four and Malloy's three. Malloy's high run was four and Malloy's three.

## Lafayette Boy Lands Place in Purdue Squad

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He is a Lafayette product. He was a member of the West Lafayette High School five. Although he is small in stature he is a fast and accurate shooter.

He has shown good work in the preliminary contests Purdue has engaged in this year. However, Purdue is fortunate in having good forward material and Holwerda will have a hard row to hoe to fill a regular berth.

**Marquette vs. Aggies**  
MILWAUKEE, Dec. 31.—Marquette University and Michigan Agricultural College will meet at football next fall. It was announced Thursday.

**GREAT SPORT YEAR FOR AMERICA**  
By HENRY FARRELL, United Press Sports Editor.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Tall Bill Tilden and Fred Hunter have brought to a glorious end the greatest year of American accomplishment in sport history.

As a year filled with brilliant performance on home and foreign fields was marked by the American sportsman's triumph in the Davis cup tennis match, the American sportsman's triumph in the Davis cup tennis match.

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## CLASS AA HAS NEW PROPOSAL

**Big Minors Plan to Assert Independence by Entering Agreement as One.**

Reports that the American Association and the International League are thinking seriously of breaking away from the smaller minor league organizations and entering the new National Baseball Agreement as a separate body supplied a new topic for discussion in diamond circles today.

President Hickey of the American Association is said to be the first to make known the plan. He has already made new rules adopted by the National Association of Professional Baseball Leagues, and his objections are said to have been approved by International League leaders.

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## SPORT EDITORIAL

By EDDIE ASH.

With Indianapolis firmly established as a basketball center, it would be well for civic authorities to give serious thought toward finding some means of erecting a municipal playing court with ample accommodations for spectators.

There probably will be only a few now occupying positions in civic life who will be willing to admit that such a project is of sufficient importance to be regarded as coming under the head of municipal wants, but a close study of the situation should disclose some interesting facts to the skeptics.

It is generally known that the city at present is without a building suitably erected to handle basketball on a large scale. When an important game between high class teams is staged they usually are played at the Y. M. C. A. and any one who has witnessed such contests there knows the facilities are entirely inadequate. Hundreds remain away because of lack of seating accommodations and the players often skid into the crowd, so near are the spectators to the playing court. Tomlinson Hall has sufficient floor space, but lacks proper seating arrangements for basketball, and in order to seat the fans at that hall conveniently the expense is too great to tackle for a single night's game.

The high school sectional and title tournaments will be played at the State Fair grounds Coliseum, but that mammoth structure is too far from the center of the city and too much work and expense would be required to fit it out for single contests.

Many cities and towns over the State have outstripped Indianapolis in supplying halls suitable for basketball, and out-of-town visitors at local games have remarked about the lack of something similar here. To play one or more games each season in Indianapolis and Indianapolis enjoys their visits, but only the sturdy fans are able to view these contests. The less agile and the somewhat elderly folk are compelled to miss the big games. They do not feel physically capable of withstanding the crowded conditions and the heat of the basketball hall is the greatest indoor sport and Indiana the greatest basketball state. Yet Indianapolis does not possess a suitable building in which to stage big games. That is not as it should be.

If the city does not feel financially able to erect a municipal basketball hall it is still the responsibility of the city to find some other means of obtaining lasting memory by donating the necessary funds for a building of that type.

pitching act, and if the young men pay attention to their should not result if anybody knows how to talk pitching it is Grover Cleveland Alexander.

**JOHN SLAPPEY KILLS SELF.**  
ALBANY, Ga., Dec. 31.—John H. Slappey, a prosperous farmer, and father of Jack Slappey, pitcher for the Philadelphia Athletics, was shot to death by a Georgia University line last season, committed suicide by shooting himself through the head yesterday. A local health is believed to have caused the act.

**GIANTS TO HAVE TWO CAMPS.**  
NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—The New York Giants will have two training camps next spring, according to an announcement by Secretary Joseph L. Brannan. The squad under McGraw will spend eighteen days in San Antonio and then will play exhibition games en route to Mobile, where they open a second training camp for six days, starting March 28.

**Admit Wiggins Is Fast**  
(Chicago Herald-Examiner)  
In Chuck Wiggins the experienced Eddie McGraw will encounter a rugged and willing foe at Grand Rapids New Year's day. Chuck is young, has been through the mill, and can carry on at a fast pace. McGraw will have to be in condition and has been working hard for that end at Kid Howard's Academy in Chicago. McGraw is a tough, hardy fellow who has the punch and the heart to keep pace with the best.

**Boxing at 'Y'**  
Boxing bouts will be the feature of an "open house" party at the Y. M. C. A. Saturday night, contests having been arranged between several club boxers. The main event will be between Carl Hittich, boxing instructor at the "Y," and K. O. Brown, welterweight champion of the city. The contest is expected to take place at one of the largest crowds that ever witnessed a contest on the Y. M. C. A. floor.

**WILSON**  
Minton of the Cotton Pickers went big guns in the Midwest Engine League, getting a score of 200, 102 and 102. The Cottons beat the Hittches two out of three.

Bouvier shot two terrible games for the Air Cleaners, then redeemed himself with a champion performance. Streeter did the same thing for the Stop Shot.

The Remis Roggers didn't get anything like their usual scores, one of them being able to get in with the distinguished set.

**New Year's Shoot**  
The Indianapolis Gun Club will hold an open shoot New Year's, the first event to start at 10 o'clock. The program will consist of ten events of fifteen targets each. All shooters of the city are invited to compete for the three trophies that will be awarded after the meet. Winners will be served at the clubhouse at noon.

**GOLF AT PINEHURST.**  
PINEHURST, N. C., Dec. 31.—James C. Ward, trans-Mississippi champion and favorite in the midwinter tournament at Pinehurst, went down to a 2-1 defeat Thursday at the hands of John D. Campbell of Greenwich, F. J. Thorne of Ft. Wayne, who represented Indiana in the fourth sixteen, was eliminated by C. R. Giffitt.

Spencer shot a pretty stick all the way through, getting scores of 31, 190 and 195.

Tucker was headed for a high place in the standing when he started his third game with 305 and 223 checked up after his name, but he ran off the track at the last minute.

Double century scores were more in evidence last night than they have been during the season. The lower were completely outclassed and could not even make the game interesting for the fans.

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