

RECORDS AND NOTABLE PERFORMANCES

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THE twentieth competition for the individual all-round championship of America was held at Celtic Park on July 4, and as a whole it was one of the best all-round athletic competitions ever held in America. The winner, Ellery H. Clark, was not a newcomer to the game. He won in 1897 with a score of $6244\frac{1}{2}$ and was fourth in 1900, having retired from the competition through lack of condition. Clark is an old Harvard athlete, and has kept his work up la athletics principally for his health. During the past season his performances have been so good that he decided to enter again this year and endeavor to win the honor.

The all-round championship comprises ten events: 100 yards run, high jump, walk, hammer, pole vault, 120 yards hurdle, throwing the 56-pound weight, broad jump, and one mile run. The men are forced to compete in these ten events and finish the competition inside of five hours. The limit of rest between each competition is five minutes. In only three events this year did the contestants fail to score the lowest percentage allowed according to the percentage tables. That was in the hammer, when Mang and Caine failed to score, and in the mile run, where Mang did not finish.

Clark scored meritoriously in all the events, his lowest percentage being 496 in the pole vault, and had he not had the misfortune to foul very slightly in one throw of the 56-pound weight, he would have beaten the world's record in this event. As it was, he scored $6318\frac{1}{4}$ per cent., the second highest score ever made. Adam Gunn was second with $5808\frac{1}{4}$; Foster third with $5348\frac{1}{2}$; Mahoney fourth with 5300; Greene fifth with 4875; Ryan sixth with $4660\frac{1}{4}$; Mang seventh with 3686, and Caine eighth with 3330. Clark, Mahoney, and Gunn have had experience before in the all-round competition. Of the new men, Foster looks to be the coming all-round champion, but at many of the games he showed an utter lack of knowledge.

Over sixty schools took part in the interscholastic championships of the West, held in Chicago on June 6 under the auspices of the University of Chicago. Lewis Institute won the championship. Four western high school records were broken.

At the championship meeting of the Central Association of the Amateur Athletic Union, held at Detroit, Mich., on June 6, the Milwaukee Athletic Club won by a score of 53 to 52. F. W. Schule, of the Milwaukee A. C., won the high hurdles in 16 seconds.

At London, England, on June 6, L. Meredith rode 100 miles motor paced in the record time of 2 hours 58 minutes $12\frac{4}{5}$ seconds.

At New Bedford, Conn., on June 9, Miss Eleanor Zimmerman ran 50 yards in $6\frac{3}{4}$ seconds, a new girls' record.

At Salt Lake City, Utah, on June 20, N. C. Hopper, of Chicago, and F. J. Hofman, of Los Angeles, each broke the world's record for a quarter of a mile, flying start. The time was $24\frac{3}{4}$ seconds. The previous record was $24\frac{4}{5}$, held by Lawson, made a year ago.

At Indianapolis on June 20, Barney Oldfield, of Dayton, O., broke the world's record for automobiles on an elliptical mile track from one mile to five. He went a mile in $59\frac{3}{5}$, two miles in 2 minutes $\frac{2}{5}$ seconds, three miles in 3 minutes 2 seconds, four miles in 4 minutes $3\frac{3}{5}$ seconds, and five miles in 5 minutes $4\frac{3}{5}$ seconds.

The eighteenth annual interscholastic meet of New England was held at Soldiers' Field, Cambridge, Mass., under the auspices of Harvard, and was won by Andover with 47 points. Exeter was second with $30\frac{1}{2}$. Harry LeMoyné, the well-known swimmer, put the shot 42 feet and threw the hammer 149 feet 8 inches.

At the annual field day meet of the Baltimore City College, held June 4, Joseph Hill broke two college records. He won the 100 in $10\frac{1}{5}$ and the 120-yard hurdles in $15\frac{3}{5}$. This athlete's work all spring has been very meritorious. In this meet, he scored 21 points.

The interscholastic track and field meeting of Washington was held in Seattle June 6. Seattle High School won with a score of $73\frac{1}{2}$ points. Three local school records were broken, the shot, broad jump, and pole vault.

The annual Indiana intercollegiate meet was held at Bloomington, Ind., on June 6. Purdue won with a score of 56. Berner, of Purdue, won the mile in $4.29\frac{1}{5}$.

Word comes from England that Shrubbs' two-mile record of 9.11 will not be accepted because the track was several inches short.