

## Those Shooters We Know

NOT TOO PERSONAL, BUT JUST PERSONAL ENOUGH

Gossip and Comment About Sportsmen Whom the Lovers of Shooting Know in Person or Through the Medium of Fame.

The programs of the Tennessee State tournament, to be held by the State Fair Gun Club, of Nashville, Tenn., on August 17, 18 and 19, are now out. In addition to the purses and trophies offered by the State Fair Gun Club and by the Interstate Association, the Tennessee State Trap Shooters' Association has purchased, and will place in competition for the first time, a solid gold trophy, to be known as the Tennessee State championship challenge trophy, the winner of which will be subject to challenge by any member of the State organization and the trophy to be redeemed by the Association and placed in open competition at each annual State tournament until some individual shooter has won it three times, when it becomes his property. A great deal of interest has been aroused already over this trophy and the event promises to prove a most popular one and to awaken much enthusiasm among Tennessee trap shooters. Altogether, the program offered seems a most generous one and from all indications will bring out a splendid attendance.

The Interstate Association has granted the Sunbury-Selinsgrove Gun Club permission to change the date of its two-day shoot to August 20 and 21. It will be a Squier money-back program, with \$50 contributed by the Interstate Association, and was originally scheduled for September 2 and 3.

The Tacama Gun Club will hold a merchandise shoot September 7 (Labor Day), at Manatou Grove. The program will consist of 150 targets, six events of 25 targets each. This is a registered shoot under the old Interstate policy. President Sullivan and Secretary Cooper are working hard to make the shoot a success.

Emory Storr, the popular professional, of Richmond, Va., is being missed from the shooting field owing to the serious illness of his wife. She underwent an operation for appendicitis on July 26, but when apparently recovering, developed typhoid fever, which made the fight for her life difficult. She is now, however, out of danger. The pair had planned to attend a number of shoots together this month.

A Dayton daily paper recently contained the following: "For years, Mrs. Ad Topperwein has been known as the crack woman trap shooter of the country, but she has a rival now, and right in this city at that. The name of the rival? Well, her father didn't tell that, but he did say she arrived Friday morning and weighed more than 10 pounds. Her dad is W. F. MacCandless, the popular secretary of the N. C. R. Club. Mrs. MacCandless and daughter are doing nicely." He is a real fine fellow, but a "Gaby Irishman."

The dates for the R. S. Elliott fifth Simons pure amateur shooting tournament have been fixed for September 23, 24, 25. Many requests for programs are being received and everything points to a large attendance. The mailing list is a very large one, but many new shooters may not be enrolled on same. Programs will be mailed on application to R. S. Elliott, 7500 Independence avenue, Kansas City, Mo. The program will embody all the old features of the preceding tournaments and some new ones. Eighty-eight per cent. shooters will be barred from participating and the Elliott system for the division of purses will be used.

Monroe C. Smith, vice-president and secretary of the L. C. Smith Brothers Type-writer Company, died at his home in Syracuse, July 27, at the age of 53 years. He was a brother of the late Lyman C. Smith, who was the original maker of the L. C. Smith gun; also a brother to Bert Smith, who is now very active in shooting circles in New York State. In former years Monroe was a very prominent trap shot and in the '80s was considered one of the best shots in New York State. He was an all-around sportsman, a lover of dogs and a great fisherman and hunter. He has been ill for a long while, so that his death was not unexpected, but it will be a shock to his many friends throughout the country.

The Manistique, Mich., Gun Club is preparing for a busy campaign. At the present meeting of this young organization, F. G. Guinan was elected president for the coming year with William Rowe, vice-president; J. F. Paulsen, secretary-treasurer; Verne Coffey, captain; and V. P. Deemer and John Schuster, executive committee.

Secretary W. S. Jones, of the Roanoke Gun Club, announces that the Virginia Trap Shooters' Association will hold its regular Virginia State shoot on September 7 and 8. September 5 has been set aside as practice day. The Southern Handicap was shot over these traps last May and a big entry list is expected for this event.

J. Curry Barlow, secretary of the Ossining Gun Club, has announced that the individual championship of Westchester County will be held on Labor Day, September 7. A team prize will also be given, the winner being champion of Westchester, Dutchess and

Orange Counties. Entrance fee, including all events, will be \$3.

E. C. Burtis, secretary of the Asbury Park, N. J., Gun Club, is preparing for the carnival shoot on August 21 and 22. At least 50 of the best shots in Northern New Jersey have signified their intention of entering these events.

T. E. Doremus, the manager of the Du Pont Company's sporting powder division, who is also chairman of the Interstate Association's tournament committee, and one of the most active in gun club organization, made the trip to Oregon for the Pacific Coast Handicap, and is now at Green Bay during the shooting of the Western Handicap.

Allen Heil was high gun at the target shoot of the Lehigh Rod and Gun Club, of Bethlehem, Pa., with 141 breaks out of 150 shot at. Bitterling finished second to Heil and won the handicap event after two shoot-offs. Miller won the club medal shoot.

The Michigan State championship was won at Detroit on July 3, by W. L. Stonehouse, of Pontiac, who shot Nitro Club speed shells for a score of 96 out of 100. The same ammunition was used by C. A. Galbraith, of Bay City, whose score of 94x100, gave him second place in the championship match. J. W. Hart, of Dresden, Ont., won the high amateur average cup at the Michigan tournament by a score of 435 out of 450, shooting Nitro Club speed shells.

The recent tournament of the Betterton, Md., Gun Club was a victory for E. Fred Slear, who broke 475 out of 500. Lester German followed with 474, while John Noel, with 473, led the professionals. Jim Malone, the veteran, who conducted the shoot, won the white flyer event with 25 straight, but allowed the cup to go to Leo Schaab, who broke 24.

The State championship of North Carolina was won by J. B. Pennington, of Tarboro, N. C., on July 21 and 22, using Peters factory loaded shells. Score, 90x100.

At Ocean City, Md., on July 20 and 21, C. T. Martin, of Wilmington, Del., was high amateur, 276x300.

The Beloit, Wis., Gun Club has invited the Rockford, Ill., Gun Club to a 10-man team shoot, to take place in September, one shoot to be held at Beloit and one on the Rockford grounds. In case of a tie, the third shoot to be held on neutral ground, possibly Janesville. The Rockford Gun Club has accepted the invitation and will take its ten best shooters to Beloit early in September.

At Maysville, Ky., on July 30, William H. Hall, of Maysville, won the State trap shooting championship, 96 out of 100, shooting Nitro Club speed shells.

P. H. Peterson, of Shreveport, La., was high amateur with 93 out of 100, at the Shreveport Gun Club, on July 18.

Thomas McDill was recently elected president of the reorganized Sodus, N. Y., Gun Club. Jesse Rogers will be secretary and treasurer, while Lowell Lee is field captain.

Shooting the Black shells at the Gander Gun Club, at Louisville, Ky., July 25, Z. C. Offutt, of Louisville, won the Kentucky challenge trophy with a score of 98x100. This score has been equaled but once and never exceeded in the history of this most coveted Kentucky trap shooting trophy. Shooting from the 22-yard line, Mr. Offutt tied with Mr. E. E. Gregory, shooting from the 16-yard line for the Gander handicap with a score of 24x25. In the shoot-off he lost by one target, but his brilliant work at 22 yards won high praise from the large number of onlookers.

As usual, Billy Severn, the well-known Philadelphia amateur, was the first man to make up a squad for the Westy Hogans shoot and send it in to the tournament committee. The Severn squad, which always gives a creditable account of itself, is made up entirely of Philadelphia amateurs.

Mr. and Mrs. Topperwein have just finished a tour through the East, where their wonderful shooting with all kinds of firearms astonished many thousands of interested spectators. Besides their pistol and rifle shooting, Mrs. Topperwein contested daily in the trap shooting events. Her scores on her last 2400 targets, all shot on different grounds and over different traps, under varied conditions, were a fraction over 96 per cent. The Topperweins, under the management of J. Mowell Hawkins, will shoot at Young's Million-Dollar Pier, at Atlantic City, the week of August 10 to 15.

### FORTHCOMING EVENTS

- August 10—Edmonton, Alberta, Canada. Northern Gun Club. R. L. Hoar, secretary.
- August 11—Washington, Pa. Western Pennsylvania Trap Shooters' League tournament, under the auspices of the Washington Gun Club. Louis Lautenslager, president.
- August 11, 12—Birmingham, Ala. Alabama State tournament, under the auspices of the Birmingham Gun Club. O. L. Carl, secretary.
- August 11, 12, 13—Little Rock, Ark. Arkansas State tournament, under the auspices of the Little Rock Gun Club. Geo. W. Clements, secretary.
- August 12—Fenton, Mich. Fenton Gun Club. J. B. Morehouse, president.
- August 12—Batavia, N. Y. Holland Gun Club. Chas. W. Gardiner, secretary.
- August 12, 13—Lincoln, Ill. Central Illinois Trap Shooters' League tournament, under the auspices of the Lincoln Gun Club. W. E. Smith, secretary.
- August 13—Hartford, Conn. Hartford Gun Club. W. R. Newsome, president.
- August 13. Decorah, Iowa. Decorah Rod and Gun Club. H. H. Thomas, manager.
- August 13—West Chester, Pa. West Chester Gun Club. F. H. Eachus, secretary.
- August 13, 14—Cincinnati, O. Cincinnati Gun Club. R. F. Davis, secretary.

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F. C. RIEHL, ineligible to win this event, was "High Over All" with 94 x 100 from 19 yards

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