

A WEEK OF SWIMMING PART OF N. Y. A. C. PLAN

Local and United States Championships to be Decided.

FASTEST AMATEURS TO RACE

Winter Sport Will Begin Nov. 11 and
End with Metropolitan Event
in March.

With a swimming tank and surroundings unsurpassed by any club in the country, the New York Athletic Club is planning to make the coming indoor season the most interesting and successful in the history of the sport, and preparations are under way to bring all the best swimmers together at the city clubhouse, Sixth Avenue and Fifty-ninth Street, during the Winter. With the holding of the United States indoor championships, which will occupy a week; the Metropolitan District and water polo championships, and the presence of every amateur swimmer of note in the country, it is almost assured that new records will be made for 1906 that will stand for a long time to come.

Five tournaments have been scheduled, the first one to be held on the night of Nov. 11. The feature of the second meet, which occurs on Dec. 9, will be a 100-yard handicap for the Bratton Memorial Cup. Another interesting feature of the handicap will be that it will probably decide the winner of the cup offered by William G. Bratton to the swimmer making the fastest time in a 100-yard race during 1905 in the Metropolitan District.

On Jan. 13 the third meeting will be held, and from Feb. 19 to Feb. 25, inclusive, the races for the United States indoor championships will be decided. The programme of the week's sport will include A. A. U. championships at 50, 100, 220, 440, and 880 yards and at one mile; back stroke race for 100 yards, championship; breast stroke race, 100 yards, championship; plunge for distance, championship; relay, five men to each team, championship; fancy diving championship, and water polo championship. In conjunction the intercollegiate water polo and relay championships will be held during the first part of the week. Teams from Yale, Columbia, Pennsylvania, and Brown, with Harvard as a possibility, will compete, and doubtless the winning college team will enter the water polo championship for the A. A. U., in which will be entered, besides the Olympic championship team of the N. Y. A. C., that of the Missouri A. C., Chicago A. A., Milwaukee A. C., Illinois A. C., Brookline Swimming Club, and possibly the team of the Pittsburg Athletic Club.

The fastest swimmers will take part in the individual championships. J. Scott Leary and Francis Gayley will be here from San Francisco, which will be their first appearance in a contest in the East. The Missouri Athletic Club of St. Louis will be represented by Marquand Schwarts, who won the A. A. U. National outdoor championship at one hundred yards. Another contestant will be M. J. Handy from the Central Y. M. C. A. of Chicago. This seventeen-year-old boy became quite popular with New Yorkers by his plucky and speedy exhibition in the Travers Island championships. Other famous swimmers who will compete will be Harry Le Moyne, who holds the American record for one hundred yards; L. J. Goodwin, the N. Y. A. C.'s noted "crawl" swimmer, and C. M. Daniels, America's champion at 100, 220, and 880 yards, and one mile, who has shown so much improvement of late that he is likely to beat all his previous records.

Among the contestants in the diving championship will be Dr. George B. Sheldon, the title holder for both America and the world; J. Hector Dewees of Toronto, the Canadian champion; D. H. Hammond of the Illinois Athletic Club of Chicago, besides Walter Lee, T. O'Callaghan, and a number of the best local divers.

It is the purpose of the Swimming Committee to schedule several championships each night, with probably two polo games, and efforts will be made to double the seating capacity of the natatorium so as give all present a good view of the contests.

The season will wind up in March with the Metropolitan swimming and water polo championships. The latter will be of exceptional interest this year, for, with the recent admission of Connecticut to the Metropolitan District, Yale will be represented for the first time and contend with teams of Columbia and the New York Athletic Club for the championship.

SYRIAN BISHOP ON TRIAL.

Hawaweeny and Fourteen Followers
Plead Not Guilty of Conspiracy.

Hearing that warrants for their arrest on a charge of conspiracy were out, Bishop Raphael Hawaweeny and fourteen of his adherents of the Orthodox Syrian-Greek Church went in a body to Brooklyn Police Headquarters yesterday and surrendered to Inspector Cross. Under a strong guard of detectives, for fear of attack by the Bishop's enemies, the Syrians were taken to the Butler Street Court, accompanied by counsel. All pleaded not guilty and were paroled until Nov. 10.

The complaints rest on an affidavit by a man who alleges that he attended a meeting at the Bishop's headquarters, in Pacific Street, last August, at which threats were made against the lives of Najeeb M. Maloof and Nahoum Mokarzel, leaders of the opposition.