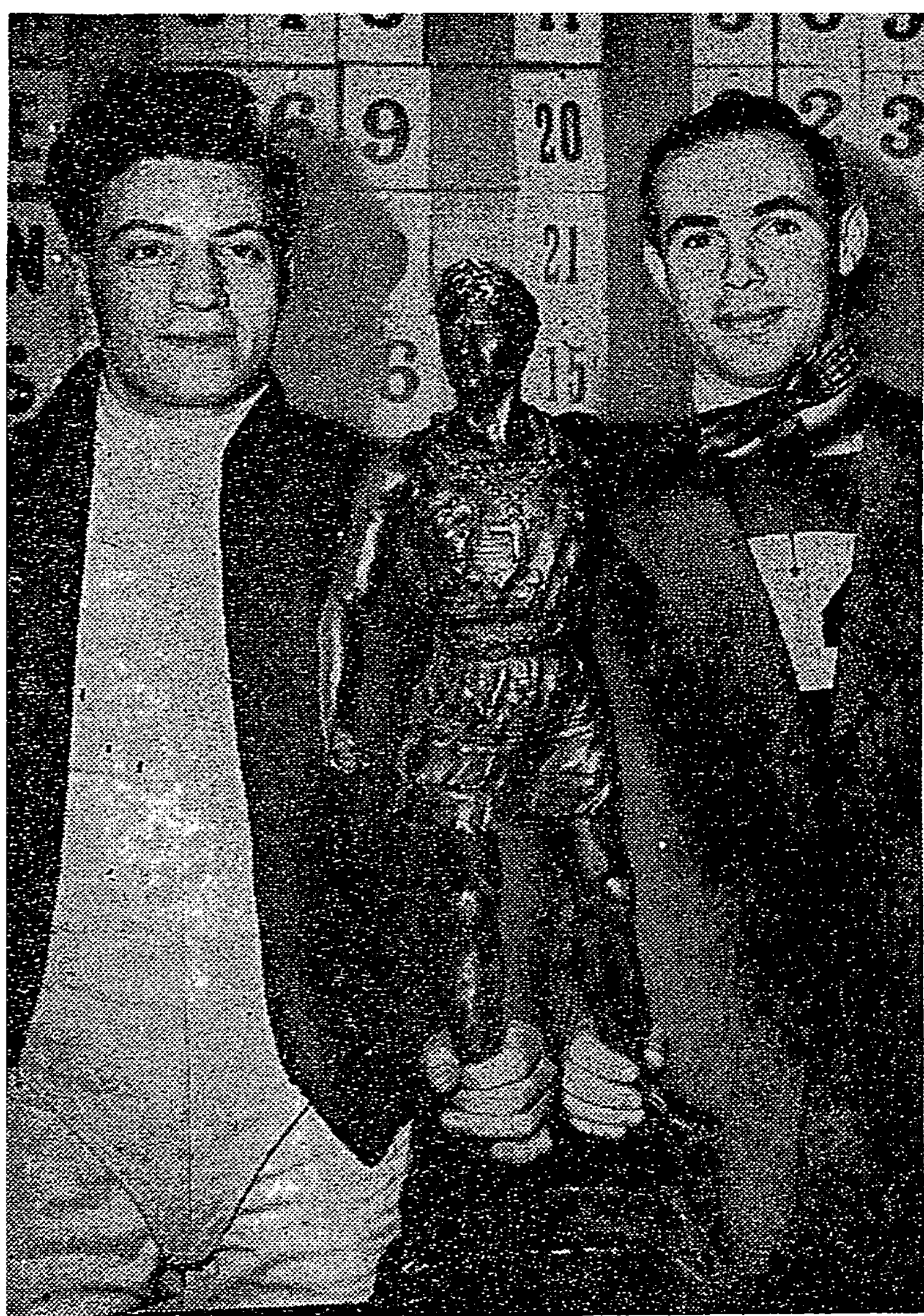


Sharing a Famous Trophy



Capt. Frank Billadello, left, of C. C. N. Y. and Co-capt. Joel Archer of N. Y. U. with the "Iron Man," the oldest of all intercollegiate athletic trophies, for which their teams tied yesterday.

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N. Y. U. TEAM VICTOR IN COLLEGE FENCING

**Takes 3-Weapon Title With 80
Points, 8 More Than Navy
—City College Third**

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One of the top powers in the sport since the middle of the last decade, New York University regained a place it has held eight times in the last twelve tournaments when it captured the three-weapon crown at the 52d annual Intercollegiate Fencing Association championships yesterday.

Competing at the City College gymnasium, the Violet turned in a well-rounded performance to win. The University Heights team, credited with a total of 80 points at the end of the two days of competition, topped Navy by eight markers. C. C. N. Y., the defending champion, placed third with 67, followed by Army with 65 and Rutgers with 59.

In the competition for individual crowns, the laurels were evenly divided among Army, Princeton and City College. Richard Bowman accounted for the cadet victory when he scored in the epee with four decisions and one reversal. Chambliss Johnston was triumphant for the Tigers with a similar record in the saber while Francis Kramer registered for City with the foil as a result of a perfect showing in five bouts.

Excels With the Saber

N. Y. U., coached by the veteran Hugo Castello, clinched the three-weapon crown with a superb finish in the saber, which was the last of the weapons used. The Violet registered 28 points with this blade and thereby insured victory, since Navy, which had been a definite threat, could accumulate no more than 23 points in this division. Army was second with the saber with 26.

Thus did the Bronxites return to a throne last held in 1942. Navy took the title in 1943 to end a three-year tenure by the Violet and then came the breach in the tournament caused by the war, the event finally being resumed last year.

The victory by the Violet swordsmen in the saber division enabled them to place high in the list in all three phases of the team competition. The winners tied C. C. N. Y. for the top rung with the foil and placed second to Navy in epee.

With N. Y. U.'s return to power also came partial possession of the famous "iron man," which is the oldest of all intercollegiate athletic trophies. This came as a result of its tie with the Lavender in the foil division. The trophy will be held by each school for six months during the next year.

Bryan Wins 12 Bouts

Navy's march to victory in the epee was paced by Bill Bryan, who dropped only one bout in the same competition last year. This time the middle star turned in a perfect record for his twelve tests. Bill Doby and Tom Stuart also did well for the Annapolis squad with eight triumphs and four setbacks apiece.

The winners took this phase of

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the tourney by a comfortable margin, their nearest rival being N. Y. U., with 23 markers. Milton Shermit was the Violet's outstanding man, with 9 and 3. After that the next six teams were closely grouped, Princeton placing third, with 21. Then came Penn State, with 20; Columbia and Army, with 19 apiece; Yale, with 18, and C. C. N. Y., with 17.

In the foil division, N. Y. U. and City College waged a valiant battle for team honors but it resulted in a stalemate as each posted a total of 29 points. The Violet had two men on the strips who did superb work, Joe Cagnina and Vasile Butsikares, each accounting for eleven triumphs in twelve bouts. Two others lost only once in this division. They were the Lavender's Francis Kramer and Columbia's Bob Nielsen.

The Violet and Beavers were comparatively easy victors in the foil, their nearest rival being Rutgers, which mustered only 24 points. The Scarlet was consistent in the extreme as Ralph Tedeschi, Edward Trèves and Albert White each registered scores of 8 and 4.

Winners of team honors in the épée and saber events also were

the recipients of handsome awards, each receiving loving cups. For the overall event, the Alumni Three-Weapon Trophy was presented. This was first held by Army in 1923. Navy won it in 1924 while Navy and Yale shared it the year after.

The fencers spent a very busy day indeed. Getting under way at 9:30 A. M., the competitors were at it until the supper hour. Then those qualifying for individual honors—the top two men in each pool for each weapon were selected—returned to the strips for another arduous workout.

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