

YALE TEAM GAINS LEAD IN FENCING

**Paces Columbia at N.C.A.A.
Meet—N.Y.U., Defender,
Is Seventh in Standing**

LUBBOCK, Tex., March 21 (AP)—Yale took a 32-30 lead over Columbia as the National Collegiate fencing championships began today.

The defending champion, New York University, was seventh with 21 points. Other team scores were Illinois 29, Navy 27, Wisconsin 25, Wayne State 22, Detroit and Iowa tied at 19 and Buffalo and Notre Dame at 18 each.

Bruce Davis of Wayne State the only defending individual champion in the meet, gained ten foil victories without a loss. However, he still must meet John Norton of Yale, who finished fourth last year and has a 11-1 record in the round-robin competition this year.

Leading in the épée event were Steve Buchman, Columbia; Jay Powell, Yale, and R. R. Womack, Navy, all with 10 triumphs.

Pacing the sabre competition were Art Schankin, Illinois, and Frank Parisi, Columbia, with thirteen successes each. Schankin is unbeaten. Parisi has one loss, to James Reese of Yale, who is third with an 11-3 won-lost mark.

Irving DeKoff, the Columbia coach, was elected president of the National Fencing Coaches Association. He succeeds Robert Kaplan of Ohio State.

Also elected were Andre Deladrier, Naval Academy coach, vice president; and Maxwell Garrett, University of Illinois coach and former president, secretary-treasurer.

The N. F. C. A. accepted a Wheaties Sports Foundation contract to publicize the N. C. A. A. All-America fencing team the foundation operates in conjunction with the President's plan for national physical fitness.

The N. F. C. A. also approved a revised constitution, a feature of which is the opening of membership in the N. F. C. A. to physical education teachers and others.

A committee was established to compile a uniform set of rules for all colleges. At present, there is too much variance in the rules, the officials said.

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