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**FREAK APPLE TREE.**  
London, Eng., Dec. 17.—An apple tree obtained from a nursery in the spring was planted at Portwall, and a couple of months after it flowered and bore a number of apples. It blossomed a second time and bore two large apples, different to the first crop in color and shape. Now it is blossoming for the third time.

**A FATAL HAND-SHAKE.**  
Newcastle, Eng., Dec. 17.—Alfred O'Kelly was killed after shaking hands with his brother, Lieut. Michael O'Kelly, as the latter was leaving for London to be demobilized. The handshaking was continued as the train moved and Alfred fell between the train and the platform.

### YALE TO INCREASE CAPACITY OF BOWL

**Expects 68,000 to Attend Next Season's Harvard Game — Seeks Game with Army.**

Preliminary conferences of Yale football officials have been held with a view to completing plans for next season as early as possible. It is felt that the Elis were handicapped this fall by their failure to map out an early policy.

Yale made one of the latest starts of any eastern university in arranging its schedule. One of the unfortunate results appeared when a misunderstanding led to Yale's failure to arrange a game with Colgate. When Yale found that the Colgate schedule was full and that no other strong eleven could be booked its disappointment was keen. Yale hopes to have Colgate on its list another fall.

A strong bid is being made for a game with West Point in the bowl. Yale will decide to visit the military academy on the Hudson, having learned by experience of several seasons that a game played there can accommodate only a small crowd. Because Secretary Daniels has given permission for a game to be played by the Navy at Princeton, it is hoped at Yale that the war department will give a similar permission to the West Point team. Yale feels firmly that such a match would fill the bowl with a crowd of 68,000. It is likely that the seating capacity of the bowl, which was only 61,000 the past year, will be expanded to 68,000 next fall, because of the biennial visit of the Harvard team here.

The double-header plan, which has been suggested by Manager Fred Moore, of Harvard, to allow a big university eleven to meet two minor college opponents the same afternoon, is warmly approved by Yale officials. One possible effect of the plan may be to induce small colleges, which have refused Yale's challenges for several seasons, to come to the bowl.

The football officials stoutly deny that Captain Tim Callahan, or any other representative of the team, will go to Seattle during the holidays to confer with former Head Coach Tad Jones relative to his returning to Yale next fall. Some changes will be made in the Yale resident coaching staff, but they will not be decided upon until a general conference of former Eli football players is held next month. One of the changes strongly favored is the addition of a quarterback coach.

Manager Trenchard, of the 1920 team, has been canvassing the squad to learn

the plans of the twenty-five players who were in the line-up against either Princeton or Harvard and has found that several who planned to take a war degree next June have decided to take advantage of the extension of the course in the Sheffield Scientific School and will be available for the Eli 1920 line-up. Indications are that only Jim Braden, Joe Neville, Parker Allen and Carter Galt, of the 1919 team, will be missing next fall.

### TENNIS AND ITS RAPID PROGRESS

(New York Evening Post.)

"Did it ever occur to you that three sporting pastimes—lawn tennis, billiards and baseball—are making an interesting race of it for world-wide popularity among amateurs?" remarked Frederick G. Anderson, the veteran of the courts. He was willing to admit that boxing had a considerable following, although he regarded it as chiefly professional. As Anderson expressed it in a fairly exuberant burst of enthusiasm: "The past season certainly resulted in a brilliant and interesting ending, and lawn tennis is holding the attention of thousands where a decade ago it was followed by scanty thousands. To me the growth has been phenomenal."

Others who, like Anderson, battled so ably in the final of the veteran's championship singles against Clarence Hopburt, have been deeply interested in the rapid rise of the game. They pointed out that lawn tennis owes its prestige and its universal growth throughout the world to its chief element of an unflagging personal encounter. As they expressed it, the game of the courts and nets is a duel that may be of the most intense sort, and usually is so. Man is

directly opposed to man, and skill, brains, physical characteristics, and even variations of temperament are matched against each other. One of the chief elements that has served to inspire the laying of courts in every quarter of the globe is that the game may be so strenuously waged as to soon exhaust those who possess less than a giant's strength or so modulated as to serve as mild exercise for those far from robust.

Some of the veterans who discussed the spreading influence of lawn tennis and the possibility that among the challengers for the Davis Cup next season would be Japanese and Czech-Slovaks also recalled that the late Colonel Theodore Roosevelt and the former emperor of Germany had been devoted to the game. Instead of saving logs the former emperor of Germany used to work off his surplus energy at high tension upon the lawn tennis courts. He added greatly to the prestige of the game in Germany, before the war. Many are wondering as to how long it will be before the ban of outside competition will be lifted against the Germans and Austrians.

In the estimation of Anderson, it is the direct personal conflict, the individual contact of opponents, that, among the Anglo-Saxons, has helped to put lawn tennis to the fore. The veteran pointed out that there were men in the American game who had been gallantly battling through many tournaments for a number of years, men who never reached the final rounds, who still continued because of the sheer love of the direct antagonism of a match contest. Anderson went on to say that his admiration for the players of this class, men who always did more than their share to support the tournaments, was boundless. He was inclined to believe, however, that with the wonderful increase and growth of the game the time was at hand when a system of classification, such as de-

vised by the National Association of Amateur Billiard Players for the carom tournaments, would have to be applied to lawn tennis.

Anderson's view of the situation was that the machinery of the National Association should be directed to accommodate the vast number of unaffiliated clubs. He told of a league of smaller organizations in Brooklyn. They were not identified in any way with the national governing body. The growth of the game throughout the world had resulted in hundreds of similar clubs. Few of the members of these clubs possessed the self-confidence to believe themselves sufficiently strong at the game to even consider entering one of the officially sanctioned tournaments. Possibly they were correct. If a special classification system was evolved the players and their clubs might be brought into the National Association and so the competitive field of the game be increased.

While those who critically studied the spread of the game among all kinds and conditions of men readily admitted amazing growth, it was shown that the clubs and governing bodies had not progressed in the same ratio. The game of the courts is making a strong appeal to all ages and in all climes. A method of classification, such as Anderson advocated, might solve a problem and recruit a new army of competitors for new tournaments. There is a general belief that the experiment is worth a thorough test.

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on the efficiency of its work and the number of brethren initiated during the year, and made some practical suggestions for creating interest and enthusiasm in the lodge. He urged upon the members the necessity of putting forth redoubled efforts for the support of the Masonic home at Windsor, the only institution of its kind in Canada, and a credit to the fraternity in Nova Scotia.

### URGES SUPPORT FOR WINDSOR MASONIC HOME

An official visit was paid Annapolis Royal Lodge of Freemasons on last Wednesday night at their regular meeting in Masonic Temple by the district deputy grand master, Rev. T. C. Mellor, where he was received with grand honors. After taking the chair, he delivered an interesting address, complimenting the lodge



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