

BIG BOAT RACE THIS AFTERNOON

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Added to the usual throng that will witness the regatta is a portion of the crowd that attended the intercollegiate championship event at Poughkeepsie and made a "trip" of it by coming here today.

angular contest. Yale has been defeated by Pennsylvania and Columbia in dual races, and by Princeton and Cornell in a triangular regatta, while a Yale eight also defeated the Mass. Tech. oarsmen.

However, both Eli Yale and John Harvard will show improved crews tomorrow. To both, the contest is the single aim throughout the training grind of several months.

The university winning tomorrow takes the lead in the series of contests which has lasted more than half a century. Each has won the "varsity" race twenty-six times, and that fact will stir the rivals to greater efforts than ever.

Also, the coaching systems in the two camps, especially at Yale, will be under close observation. Yale's victory in 1919 has been the only Eli triumph over Harvard on the water since 1915.

The surprising and overwhelming defeat on the Thames last year has been followed by several defeats and unsettled conditions in Yale rowing.

These conditions reached a climax three weeks ago, when Guy Nickalls, in charge at Yale since 1914, with the exception of the war years, resigned and James Cordery, who had been Nickalls' assistant this year, took charge of the Eli's when they went into camp at Gales Ferry.

On May 7, Harvard was six lengths behind the second place Navy crew that was defeated by Princeton, and on May 28 trailed Cornell by four lengths over a mile and seven-eighths' course on the Charles River.

In 1920, the early-season showing of the Crimson was just as dismal, but it was a powerful crew that eliminated the stroke, Jenney, led to a victory on the Thames.

Yale men have not forgotten the defeats earlier in the season, but nevertheless, in numerous pre-race discussions tonight, recalled previous seasons when the Elis entered the Thames classic with the "dope" strongly against them and emerged victorious.

The training of Captain Hord's eight this spring has indicated that care was being taken to guard against too rapid development.

Wearers of the Blue are confident that tomorrow's eight will be a much different combination from that outrowed by Princeton and Cornell at Ithaca a few weeks ago.

Tickets for the observation trains, always at a premium, have been more scarce this year than ever because of the curtailed length of the trains.

yard-Yale contest has been the only four-mile rowing event held annually in America.

COCKROACH HOLDS UP TRAIN.

Winnipeg, June 24.—A Cockroach which climbed into a telegraph instrument in a signal box on the Canadian National Railway, between Toronto and Winnipeg, "grounded" the wires and held up the train for twenty minutes because the operator could not get a message through to release it.

MONCTON PERSONALS.

Miss Greta Eagles, St. John, is visiting in Moncton, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Y. Fred Keith.

TRADES AND LABOR CONGRESS AUG. 22

Ottawa, June 23.—The call has been issued today for the thirty-seventh annual session of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada. It will be held in Winnipeg, commencing on Monday, Aug. 22.

Paris, June 24.—Since the Paris anti-rat campaign was started last winter 400,000 of the rodents have been exterminated. The cost was \$20,000.

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