

HURD WINS THE HURDLES

The Pony Express Rides Again Across the Plains

Lance in Rest Fair Ladies and Brave Knights Charge the Formidable Ring



A GALLANT squad of riders entered the lists for the horseback games on Monday, March 6, to try their nerve and skill in all manner of feats that delight the masters of horses. As usual all those not in pursuit of par, or breaking birds over the windy plain were assembled to cheer their favorites and to console the losers.

and trotting records on the Pinehurst track. It was in the high jump, in competition with E. Wardwell, George Leach and A. C. Bidwell, for the stirring cup. He was not for a moment to be denied. Before he was done the bar had gone down the limit before the other aspirants, and he fairly flew over the obstacles. At times it looked as if he had mounted Pegasus himself, and was off for Heaven, as is attested by the picture of the event below. But then, "Everybody pointed towards Heaven ain't a-goin' there."

The colored population then took a hand and turned the arena into a three ring circus, and the audience into a howling mob, Rastus Brown, whose destiny will eventually lead him to fame and fortune under the guiding genius of Mr. Fourpaw, led a crowd of emancipated champions in a spirited and diverting quarter-mile dash, handicapped by the presence of a tow sack about his quarters. Very Good Eddie, whose other name is long since lost in oblivion, was rewarded



HURD ON PEGASUS, MOUNTING TOWARDS HEAVEN

Now first came a correct imitation of the delivery of the mail, as it once was done in the brave days of old, across the dangerous reaches of the Little Big Horn, swung on the saddle bags of fast and furious riders. Racing Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Bidwell of Buffalo, Mrs. Leonard Tufts and E. Wardwell in relay rounded the course and handed on the precious pouch arriving at the goal in exactly one minute and twenty-eight seconds, at least ten mortal seconds ahead of their furious galloping rivals. As a memento of the occasion she carried away a silver set for cream.

The next event harked back to the days of Ivanhoe. With lance in rest, and charger at top speed the daring riders made test of their skill in spearing rings suspended from heaven. One after another they came in full tilt, tearing down the lists, nipping off the targets in full career. None was equal to Mrs. George Leach in this affair, who slaughtered every ring and she was rewarded for her prowess with a handsome trophy, a silver urn for the dispensing of sweet incense.

The best horsemanship of the day, and a very creditable performance was provided by Nat Hurd, a Pittsburgh sportsman who has further designs on jumping

with a fifty cent piece for his exploits in diving into a pan of molasses, and the spectators were rewarded in his evident sacrifice for the purpose.

HOWARD'S DAY

Wins the Weekly Shoot at the Gun Club Monday

George M. Howard of Halifax won the cup in the Weekly Trap Shooting Handicap at the Gun Club last Monday with the best net and also the best gross score of the day, breaking 94 out of a possible hundred targets. He was credited with a net of 96. Tied for third place were those old rivals and sometimes victors, Parker W. Whittemore of Brookline and B. V. Covert of Lockport. Shooting from scratch these both made a score of 92.

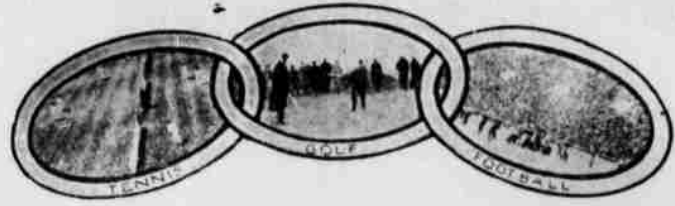
John C. Spring of Brookline was a good second with 93.

The scores were:

G. M. Howard, Halifax	94—2—96
John C. Spring, Brookline	81—12—93
P. W. Whittemore, Brookline	92—0—92
B. V. Covert, Lockport	92—0—92
J. R. Such, New York	75—15—90
Frank Butler, Pinehurst	90—0—90
W. R. Delehanty	78—10—88
J. R. Fowler, New York	64—14—79

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