

Macy Reaches Agreement on U.S. Attorney

White House to Name Man and It Won't Be Alan Fox or Keyes Winter

By CLINTON L. MOSHER

Republican State Chairman W. Kingsland Macy, the Eagle was informed today, has worked out the following agreement with the White House for the settlement of the patronage squabble over the position of U. S. Attorney in Manhattan.

No appointment will be made until Chairman Macy and National Committeeman Charles D. Hilles have been consulted.

The Attorney General's Office, in consultation with the Washington leaders, will make the selection and the new appointee will be a man who, at least, has not been anti-organization.

Fox and Winter Are Out

Alan Fox, the choice of the Hoover group, and Keyes Winter, the nominee of the organization, have been withdrawn.

For the above concessions Macy and Hilles have agreed to endorse the choice of the White House.

Admittedly, the leaders here are in doubt as to whom President Hoover will name to the post of U. S. Attorney in Manhattan.

They only consolation lies in the fact that the President has agreed not to appoint Fox, one of the most active of the Hooverites during the 1928 campaign.

Macy's Trip to Washington

It was pointed out today on behalf of Chairman Macy that the wrangle over the job had reached the boiling point before Macy was elected the party boss to succeed William J. Maier. He took office at a time when the appointment of Fox, the anti-organization choice, was expected momentarily.

Macy won his present position through a coalition of the old guard and those who were opposed to what they regarded as the details of interference in local politics. This sentiment was expressed in no uncertain terms at the conference of leaders at which Macy's election was agreed upon.

Two days after he became state chairman, Macy went to Washington and conveyed to the President the feeling of the majority of the county chairman.

The details of that conversation were never made public but it became increasingly apparent that the stock of Fox on the patronage market had dropped.

Manley Also Believed Out

Winter's chance of getting the job also decreased, but the leaders here maintain that if the President was willing to cast Fox aside, they should be willing to let Winter drop out of the picture.

Acting U. S. Attorney Robert E. Manley was a strong candidate for a time but he is believed to be out of it now.

The only attorney the Attorney General's Office is known to be investigating for the job is Goldthwaite Dorr. He has a record of regularity and was an Assistant U. S. Attorney when Secretary Stimson was the chief prosecutor in Manhattan. The organization would have no hesitation about endorsing Dorr.

On the Democratic side of the fence in Manhattan, Park Commissioner Walter Herlick and James J. Hines, the leader of the 11th A. D. in Harlem, were running a close race for the office of Borough President to succeed Julius Miller, who retires the first of the year to go on the Supreme Court bench.

Louis Morris, 83.

Merchant, Is Dead

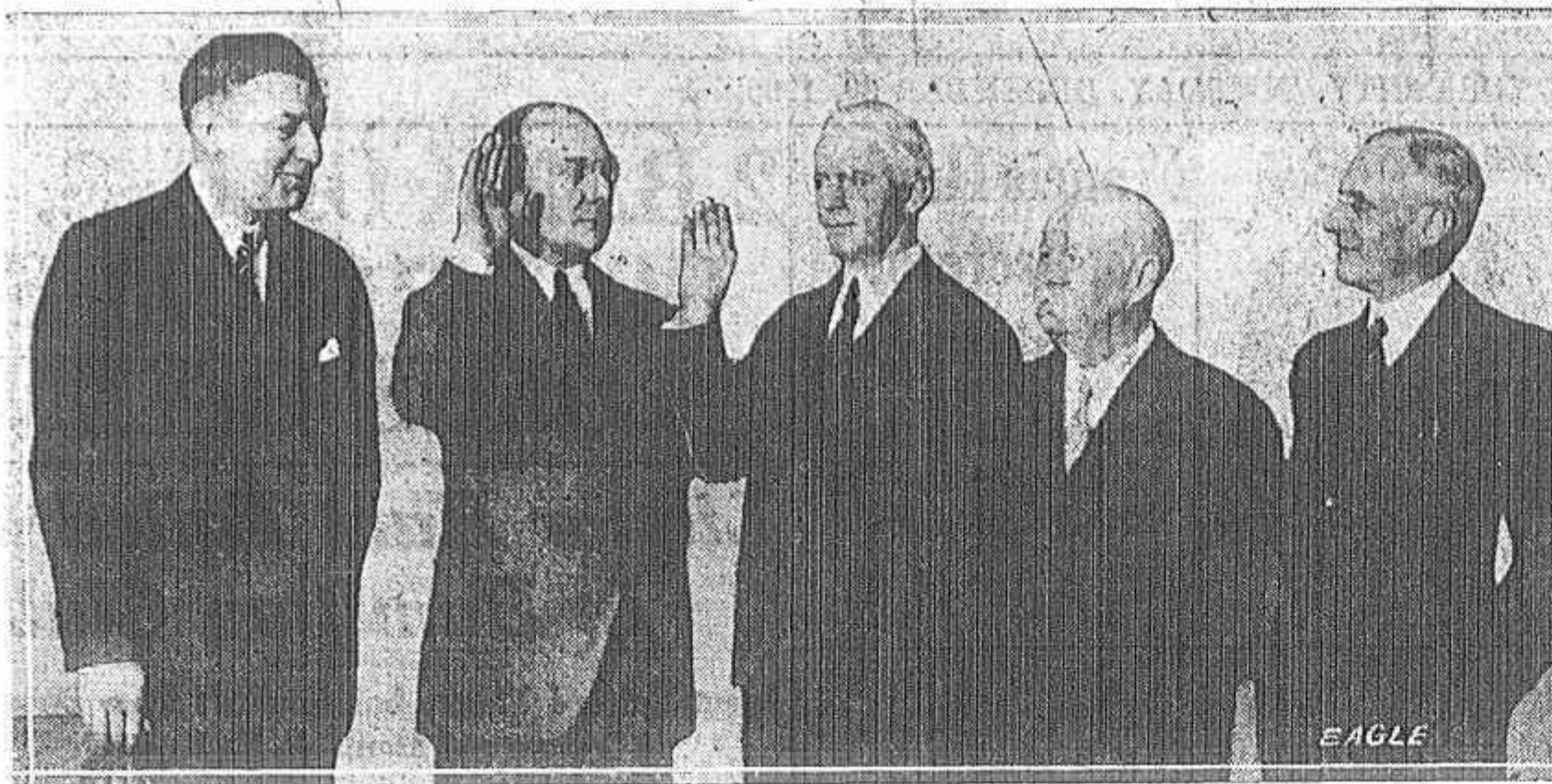
Louis Morris, 83, former member of the dry goods firm of L. Morris & Son, 368 Van Brunt St., died at his home, 239 Smith St., last night, after a year's illness of a complication of diseases. Mr. Morris was born in Poland and lived for the past 38 years in Brooklyn. He is survived by his wife, Henrietta; two sons, Joseph and Max Morris; and one daughter, Miss Annie Morris, all of Brooklyn. Mr. Morris retired from active business a year ago. He was a Mason and a member of the 301 Hirsch Association. Funeral services will be held at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning at the home. Burial will be at Mount Judah Cemetery.

Starts Friday!



"Daily Counsel" by Dr. Cadman will be an EAGLE feature every day and Sunday, beginning this week, Friday

New District Attorney Takes Oath of Office



Left to right—Borough President Henry Hesterberg, County Clerk John N. Harman, who administered the oath of office; William F. X. Geoghan, the new District Attorney; County Democratic Leader John H. McCooney, and George E. Brower, the outgoing District Attorney.

Geoghan Is Sworn As the District Attorney of Kings

Family and Political Notables Witness Ceremony in County Clerk's Office

William F. X. Geoghan, chief assistant District Attorney, was sworn in by County Clerk John N. Harman today as District Attorney, a position to which he was elected last November.

The ceremony was performed in the County Clerk's office in the presence of Geoghan's family, George E. Brower, the retiring prosecutor; John H. McCooney, Borough President Hesterberg and a host of other political friends. Mrs. Geoghan, wife of the new District Attorney, and their children, William, Margaret and Helen, smiled solemnly as he took the oath of office.

Assistant District Attorney Frederick L. Kopff, according to the best information available, will be appointed to the chief assistant's place within a day or two.

Another swearing in ceremony will be performed by Mr. Harman late this afternoon when he will induct County Judge Albert Conway into his 14-year term on the bench, which he won at the November election. He is now filling out the term of W. Bernard Vause, who resigned under fire.

A dinner bidding farewell to District Attorney Brower and greeting his successor, Mr. Geoghan, was held by members of the staff of the District Attorney's office at the Crescent Athletic Club last night.

Mr. Brower was presented a gold fountain pen and to Mr. Geoghan a gold badge of office. Assistant District Attorney Frederick L. Kopff was toastmaster.

High Court Relieves

Claggett of Summons

Strabo V. Claggett, Massachusetts politician and candidate in the November election for lieutenant governor of that State, was today relieved by the Appellate Division from a summons and complaint served upon him by a deputy attorney general of New York State as a forerunner to an injunction action designed to prevent him from further stock trading in New York. The high court declared Claggett was immune from service because he had come here at the request of the Attorney General to answer questions concerning his activities in the stock and securities market.

4 Warrants Issued

In L. I. 'Ride' Slaying

Mineola, L. I., Dec. 30.—Three warrants charging first degree murder in the killing of Stephen Sweeney, have been issued by Justice of the Peace Walter R. Jones in Hempstead. It was learned today, Sweeney was shot to death last week, his body was found in a field at Central Park, L. I., by aviators flying over the section. Today's warrants make four so far issued in the murder inquiry.

The first was served on Miss Margaret Murray, 17, who was a friend of Sweeney, and who was his companion at a night club the night before he was killed. The others charge murder against John Murray, brother of Miss Murray; against "Fred Doe," and "Handsome Roe."

The first names being those by which Miss Murray said she knew the men who accompanied Sweeney after he left her at her home, following the trip to the night club.

Mrs. William M. Rue, 81, Is Dead From Fall

Mrs. William M. Rue of 1 Irving Place, Summit, N. J., formerly a resident of Brooklyn for 31 years, died yesterday from the effects of a fall sustained in her home a little more than a week ago. She had many friends in Brooklyn. Before her marriage Mrs. Rue was the Miss Mary Althea Ten Eyck. She was born in North Branch, N. J., 81 years ago. Mr. Rue was for 28 years an associate of the Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church. The couple were married 61 years on Dec. 22. Besides her husband, Mrs. Rue is survived by two daughters, the Misses S. Catherine and Adeline Ten Eyck Rue. The funeral services are to be conducted at her late home at 1:30 o'clock tomorrow. The Rev. Dr. William Carter of the Third Avenue Presbyterian Church will officiate assisted by the Rev. Dr. Rockwell F. Blank of Central Presbyterian Church, Summit, N. J.

47 Students Jailed For Riot in Theater

Penitent City College Sophomores Plead Guilty, Blaming Mob Psychology—All Are Remanded for Sentencing Tomorrow

Chastened by several hours in cells, 47 City College sophomores pleaded guilty today in West Side Court, Manhattan, to charges of disorderly conduct. They had stormed the subway and the Rivoli Theater following a banquet.

Pending the arrival of faculty members to guarantee their appearance for sentencing tomorrow, Magistrate Burke remanded them all to the West Side Jail.

After their pleas the Court gave their spokesmen a chance to explain. Irving Jaffe of 650 9th Ave. and Jeremiah Kirschbaum of 3455 Broadway, both Manhattan, took advantage of the opportunity to exhibit their erudition.

Blame Mob Psychology

They spoke of mob psychology, attributing their raid on the theater to a herd following one or two leaders. Then they apologized for their co-defendants, saying none had realized the seriousness of his conduct.

Their demonstration was the aftermath of the annual sophomore smoker, held in the restaurant at 69 St. Mark's Place, Manhattan. Two hundred students were present. Nearly all of the 200 later marched across 42d St. Red lanterns and signs reading "Hunts Point" and

Immediately there was a rush for the exits. Most of the students escaped but when the policemen finally blocked the doorways and the lights were turned on, 47 were taken into custody.

Rather than disturb their families by letting them know of their plight so bail could be raised, most of the prisoners remained in their cells all night.

Fay Jury to Hear Stories Defense Told Prosecutor

Court Admits Records From Which Milk Ring Indictments Arose

Despite protests by defense counsel, General Sessions Judge Koenig today ruled that the jury trying Larry Fay and 139 other individuals and corporations, members of the New York Milk Chain Association, on charges of violation of the General Business Law and conspiracy, might hear the record of the testimony of 60 witnesses called to the District Attorney's office for evidence to submit to the Grand Jury.

The 60 witnesses were milk dealers, some members of the association. Most of those members of the organization in their statements claim that in raising the price of Borden's Condensed Milk Company, Sheffield Farms Company and the Dairyman's League.

Harry Michaelson, a milk jobber, of 3534 101st St., Corona, Queens, testified that in the summer of 1929 he met Larry Fay on the East 129th St. and Fay asked him to join the Milk Chain Association.

"John us and I'll make some money for you," Michaelson quoted Fay as saying. He declared that he made no reply and that Fay then said:

"If you don't want to be with us, don't be against us." He declared that when the association raised the price of milk to \$4.40 a can Borden's, Sheffield and the Dairyman's League were charging the same amount.

Edwin Hasselmeier Dies in Hospital

Edwin Hasselmeier, head of the Hassel Electric Company, a wholesale electrical supply company in Manhattan, died yesterday morning at the Wyckoff Heights Hospital following an operation for appendicitis. He was about 40 years old, and lived at 102-01 63d Road, Ansonia Park, Forest Hills. He was a member of several clubs and was president of the Ansonia Community Club. He was born in Brooklyn and had lived all his life in this city. Mr. Hasselmeier is survived by his wife, the former Margaret Grace Gody of Brooklyn; two daughters, Janet and Ellen; his mother, Mrs. Theresa Hasselmeier of Queens; and two sisters, Mrs. Marjorie Anstler and Mrs. Edward Thyme of Queens. Funeral services are to be held Friday morning at 10 o'clock, with a requiem mass in the R. C. Church of the Ascension, Elmhurst. Burial will be at St. John's cemetery.

Georgia Possum Hunt Thrills Golf Stars

Augusta, Ga., Dec. 30.—The thrill of treeling an agile Georgia possum compares favorably with that of teeing off at the start of an important golf match, Glenn Collett and Maureen O'Connell agreed today. They took part in a hunt last night arranged by Tom Hamilton, editor of the Augusta Chronicle, and Stewart Walker, chairman of the women's invitation golf tournament, to be played here March 16-18.

George W. Ruddell Dies

George W. Ruddell, head of the contracting and building firm of George W. Ruddell Company, died yesterday in his apartment in the Hotel St. George at the age of 71. He was born in Buffalo and resided in Brooklyn for the past 16 years. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mary H. Ruddell; a brother, John, and two sisters, Annie J. Ruddell and Mrs. Susan Glendinning. Services will be held in the Fairchild Chapel, 86 Lefferts Place, tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock. Burial will be in Greenwood Cemetery.

Charges Against Probation Officer Signed by 5 Judges

Leschinsky Faces Trial After Months Delay—Woman Is Chief Accuser

Charges have been preferred with Judge George W. Martin, chairman of the board of the County Court Judges, the Eagle was informed today, against Harold A. Leschinsky, County probation officer.

Leschinsky, who was appointed on Jan. 9 last, has been under suspension since early in July, when Mrs. Florence Kramer of 385 Sackman St., wife of a probationer, charged him with extortion and attempted assault.

There was an investigation of these charges by the office of District Attorney Brower, but Leschinsky's status remained for months a very mysterious state. The prosecutor said his case was "up to the county judges," who, in turn, said it was up to Brower's office.

Today it was learned that the judges have taken the matter over, all five of them having signed charges against the former probation officer. Not all of the mystery, however, has been removed. One of the counts, it was learned, was that of extortion.

Following preparation of the charges, Leschinsky is to appear before the Board of Judges for trial, conviction on which may lead to dismissal. One of the signers is Judge Algonzo I. Nova, who said:

"I have signed papers which amount to charges against Leschinsky, and understand that they have been signed by all of the judges. I will not sit in on the hearing, however."

Sullivan Is Honored

By A. & S. Associates

George Timothy Sullivan, assistant general merchandise manager of Abraham & Straus department store, was tendered a testimonial luncheon by about 30 of his business associates at the store today. The occasion was the forty-fifth anniversary of Mr. Sullivan's connection with the firm. He was presented with an illuminated parchment and a chromium-plated smoking stand by E. C. Blum, president of the store. Among those present were S. F. Rothschild, chairman of the board; R. E. Blum, W. O. Rorand, W. M. Rothschild, K. C. Richmond and Hugh Grant Straus.

Blast 500 Ft. Under Fort Greene Park

Bursts Reservoir

Dynamite Lets Rush of Water Into Conduit and Floods 4,000 Feet of It

An underground reservoir 600 feet below the surface of Fort Greene Park, which was broken open by a blast of dynamite before Christmas by workmen in the new conduit of the Catskill water supply system, was being successfully drained today, according to engineers of the Patrick MacGovern Construction Company.

A torrent of 1,400 gallons of water a minute poured into the tunnel from the reservoir when dynamite broke through the thin wall that separated it from the tunnel shaft, and about 4,000 feet of the tunnel was flooded. Hastily installed pumps cleared the tunnel and were completing the work of drainage today, engineers said.

Suit Against Mayor Discontinued by Cash

Terence J. McManus, counsel for Mayor Walker, announced today that the \$25,000 libel action instituted by former City Marshal Jacob Cash against Mayor Walker has been discontinued by Cash.

The Rev. C. A. Walker Dies

Dover, Del., Dec. 30.—The Rev. Charles A. Walker, D.D., pastor of the First Baptist Church and statistical secretary of the Northern Baptist Association, died today. He was 62. Dr. Walker was operated on for appendicitis two weeks ago. A heart attack caused his death.

Ryan Elected 2d A.D. Leader After Hot Fight

Police Detail Prevents Serious Trouble—Reprisals Are Predicted

Reports of sweeping reprisals were current today following the election of Alderman Thomas G. Ryan as Democratic leader of the 2d A. D. at a meeting of the county committee of the district held last night in the James Madison High School at Bedford Ave. and Queens Road.

The meeting, which lasted until an early hour this morning, was one of the stormiest in the history of the Kings County Democracy as charges and counter charges were hurled right and left and met with an incessant barrage of boos and catcalls from the supporters of the candidates who crowded into every available space in the balcony of the school auditorium.

Police Avert Trouble

The bitter feeling existing among the crowd finally broke out among the members of the county committee themselves, who were seated on the main floor, soon after Fire Commissioner John J. Dorman, chairman of the Democratic County Committee of Kings County, who presided at the meeting, called for the vote, and a number of threatening gestures were made by some of the committeemen, but the presence of a detail of police averted serious trouble.

Ryan was swept into the leadership by an overwhelming majority over Charles M. McDonald after Samuel S. Leibowitz, 37-year-old criminal lawyer and vice chairman of the Kings County Democratic Speakers Bureau, who had made a determined bid for the post, suddenly declined a nomination and tried to switch his supporters to McDonald.

Reprisals Predicted

Ryan, who now succeeds the late Deputy Commissioner of Hospitals Thomas J. Cox as leader of the district, declared following the meeting that there would be no reprisals, but Leibowitz said that he fully expected that the leading McDonald supporters would have their "feet cut from under them."

Ryan was put in nomination by Miss Lillian M. Murphy, co-leader of the district, and the nomination was seconded by Assemblyman Albert D. Schanzer in a speech in which he referred to the "talk of tolerance" during the campaign and praised the "fairness" of the new leader.

Eleven other seconding speeches were made for Ryan. Leibowitz was nominated by Benjamin Finkel of the 23d Election District, who intimated that many of the members of the county committee who were supporting Ryan were doing so because of "fear of reprisals." The seconding speech was made by Samuel Goldstein of the 52d Election District, who assailed the "intolerance" of the Ryan supporters in a speech which was constantly interrupted by boos from the balcony.

Leibowitz openly charged that some of those who had seconded the nomination of Ryan had "fought" Magistrate James A. Blanchfield and the late Mr. Cox and "turned traitor" to Judge Fennelly. After he had concluded, the only one of the eleven who had seconded Ryan to get up and deny the charge was Assistant Corporation Counsel J. Joseph Lilly, who declared that he would "defy" Leibowitz to include him among those whom he had charged with "turning traitor" to Judge Fennelly.

Dr. Cadman Drops Three Of His Responsibilities

Announcement was made yesterday that the Rev. Dr. S. Parkes Cadman, pastor of Central Congregational Church, has resigned as president of the Church and Drama League because of poor health. His resignation was tendered Dec. 1 and also his retirement from the Golden Rule Foundation and the China Famine Relief, Inc., under orders from his physician to drop as many responsibilities as possible outside his regular pastoral work.

The Church and Drama League was started by the General Council of Churches of Christ in America, of which Dr. Cadman was formerly president, but is now an independent organization.

Minister Who Tied Knot Sees Davis Fast Wooser

Palm Springs, Cal., Dec. 30.—The Rev. William T. McAfee here today revealed that he had performed the marriage ceremony for Charles T. Davis, the "millionaire convict," and Mrs. Florence Aldene Carls, 27, Nov. 30. It was one of those speedy romances, the officiating clergyman intimated as the story was made public. Davis, who is in his 40's and served eight years for killing a detective, met Mrs. Carls at a party in Hollywood only a month previous to the wedding. He was divorced five months ago in Reno and in the intervening time was sued for breach of promise by a chorus girl, Mrs. Carls was divorced from Howard Carls a year and a half ago in Los Angeles.

Clothing Given Away To Women, Children

More than 200 women and children were given packages of clothing today at the offices of Michael Samuels, president of the Court Street Merchants' Association, at 574 Court St. The crowd was so large that police reserves from the Hamilton Ave. precinct were sent to the office to maintain order.

Mrs. George Gru Dies

Mrs. Susie F. Gru, wife of George Gru, lawyer, died today at her home, 245 Garfield Place, after an illness of four weeks. She was born in Brooklyn 71 years ago and leaves her husband; a daughter, Sara; a son, Joseph, and a sister. The funeral arrangements have not been completed.

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NEW LEADER



Thomas G. Ryan

Cropsey Upheld In Voiding Walsh Board Permit

Appellate Court Rules Against Gas Station on Site in Stillwell Ave.

The Appellate Division today upheld a ruling by Supreme Court Justice Cropsey, who some months ago nullified a decision by the Board of Standards and Appeals and ruled that a gasoline station at the southwest corner of Stillwell Ave. was illegal. Certiorari proceedings brought by Antonio de Falco, owner of nearby property, developed that the gasoline tanks for the station were installed subsequent to June, 1925, when the zoning regulations went into effect prohibiting gasoline stations in residential districts. It was claimed by Joseph Zorn, the owner, that Frank Green, a laborer, had installed the tanks prior to the change in the zoning law.

The case was one of those that came under the scrutiny of the courts following a storm of protest that the Board of Standards and Appeals, under the management of William E. Walsh, then the chairman, had failed to make equitable adjustment of cases brought before it.

Board Approval Tentative

The Board of Estimate has approved the tunnel in principle only. Whether the Manhattan entrance will be at 10th Ave. and 38th St. or at Madison Ave. has not yet been determined. Borough President George U. Harvey in Queens is planning to construct a new street from Queens Plaza to Borden Ave. in Long Island City to connect the tunnel with the Queens entrance to the tube. The probable cost of this project alone, it is said, has been estimated at \$16,000,000.

The tube is to be the first section of a thorough vehicular tunnel from Long Island City to New Jersey. The entire project is to cost about \$103,000,000.

BEGINNING TODAY

Main 4-6200 is the Eagle's new phone number for general calls. The new Eagle Want-Ad phone is Main 4-6000.

Donovan Upsets Jacobs in Junior Tennis Tourney

Defending Champion Bows in Straight Sets in National Indoor Play

E. Ramey Donovan, Fordham Prep, scored a sensational upset in the national junior indoor tennis championship today at the 7th Regt. Armory, Manhattan, by eliminating William Jacobs, defending champion from the University of Pittsburgh, in straight sets in the quarter-final round, 6-3, 6-4.

Two representatives of De Witt Clinton High School advanced to the semi-final in the boys' section of the championship tournament. Joseph Abrams, who eliminated James Spaulding, the seeded No. 1 player, yesterday, today turned back J. M. Freudenberg, Mt. Vernon, N. Y., 6-1, 6-3, while Sidney Weinstein eliminated Alfred L. Jarvis, Hackley School, 6-4, 7-5.

Quarter final round, junior singles—Marco Hecht, New York defeated Ray Palmer, Mercersburg Academy, 6-3, 6-1. Boy's—Donovan defeated Jacobs, 6-3, 6-4. Boys'—Donovan defeated Jacobs, 6-3, 6-4. Boys'—Donovan defeated Jacobs, 6-3, 6-4.

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