

CHICAGO IN LEAD WITH BILLIARDS

**Conklin Wins the Last Game of
the 14.2 National Amateur
Tournament.**

DEMAREST GETS THE PRIZES

**Young Western Expert Takes Away
Four Handsome Trophies from
the Liederkrantz Club.**

FINAL STANDING OF THE PLAYERS.

	Won.	Lost.	High. Run.	High. Average.
C. Demarest.....	5	0	115	27 3-11
C. F. Conklin.....	3	2	61	12
E. W. Gardner...3	2	2	101	11 13-18
J. F. Poggenburg.2	3	3	101	21 6-14
Dr. L. L. Mial....2	3	3	94	17 7-10
J. M. S. Rolls....0	5	5	80	14 5-10

Charles F. Conklin defeated the ex-National amateur billiard champion, Edward W. Gardner, yesterday by the score of 300 points to 201. The game was the closing session at the table in the seventh annual National championship at 14.2 balk line. By his victory in the concert hall of the Liederkrantz Club, Fifty-eighth Street and Park Avenue, Conklin won second place to the young champion, Calvin Demarest. Both represent the Chicago Athletic Association.

The records of the most remarkable amateur billiard tournament ever held were completed yesterday by the officials of the National Association of Amateur Billiard Players. Demarest won four prizes as the result of his second tournament for National honors. Besides the valuable silver cup emblematic of the championship, which must be won twice to become the personal property of the holder, he also took the large Sevres vase, the first prize; the large bronze and crystal electrical piece as the high-average prize, and the pearl and diamond scarf pin as the high-run prize.

After winning the bank for lead, Gardner opened with two open-table shots. He was endeavoring to collect the globes for short rail work when he missed a two-cushion shot in the corner. Conklin zeroed twice. As the ex-champion took his place at the table for his third inning he began from an attractive leave. By careful manipulation he quickly collected a double-figure run of 43.

The Chicagoan came back at him with 25 as his first contribution. The surprising feature of this run was the fact that Conklin did not keep the ivories on the jump and hustle about the table. In a measure the strain of the tournament had been removed, and his balkline method was displayed in its true light. He lapsed for an inning and accumulated a run of 41 that for good balkline he had not duplicated during the tournament. In his tenth inning he collected the balls, and by a pretty exhibition of the short-table method gathered a run of 45 that placed him in the lead.

Gardner looked as though he was going to run away as he began the twelfth inning. Conklin had left the balls in close position, but the ex-champion had difficulty in accumulating 17.

Conklin's 64 was accomplished mainly through the leave of Gardner's, which was the first of the match. At the sixty-third count the balls became frozen, and the Chicagoan had them respotted. They spread so widely that he missed a twice-across-the-table shot, although he had been playing a delicate nurse when the freeze occurred. Both billiardists lapsed badly for the next four innings. Then Conklin collected the ivories once more and completed his string with a clever bit of close play which produced an unfinished run of 31. The score:

Conklin, (white ball)—0 0 25 0 41 6 10 5 5 45 33 22 1 64 11 0 1 0 31. Total—300 points. Average—15 15-19. High runs—64 45 and 41.

Gardner, (spot ball)—2 0 4 3 6 2 36 9 7 24 0 1 17 0 39 3 0 2 9 1. Total—201 points. Average—10 11-19. High runs—43 39 and 36.

Referee—Edward McLaughlin.

Knickerbocker's Billiard Tourney.

S. Boyd defeated Scheigig last night at 14.2 billiards at the Knickerbocker Billiard Academy, Brooklyn, by the score of 240 to 213. Scheigig was required to make 275, giving Boyd a handicap of 35 balls. Boyd's average was 5 15-46, and his high runs were 23, 21, and 18, while Scheigig's average was 4 37 45, and 28, 16, and 15 were his best high runs.