

**6<sup>th</sup> International/National YMCA Swimming & Diving Championships**  
**April 13-14, 1928**  
**Hosted by the YMCA of Chicago**

This championship was conducted under the auspices of the National YMCA Physical Education Committee of the United States. The meet was hosted by the YMCA of Chicago and held at George Williams College on Friday and Saturday, April 13 & 14, 1928. One hundred and forty contestants were entered from twenty-six associations.

**YMCA Associations:** Seven branches from the Chicago Association: Hyde Park, North Avenue-Larrabee, 111<sup>th</sup> Street, Sears-Roebuck, South, West Side, and Wilson Avenue. Four other cities in Illinois: Aurora, Elgin, Oak Park and Waukegan. Fifteen associations from other states: Indiana — Anderson, Evansville, Fort Wayne and Richmond; Iowa—Des Moines; Ohio — Central Branches in Akron, Dayton and Toledo, plus Lima; Michigan—Grand Rapids and Jackson; Missouri—Downtown Branch St. Louis; Nebraska—Lincoln, and Omaha; and New York—Central Branch Brooklyn,

**Participants:**

***Indiana:***

**Anderson:** M. Bridenthal, C Goettish; **Evansville:** J. Baumgartner; **Ft. Wayne:** G. Blanton, E.H. Dobler, R. Bradley, D. Fannehill, R. Powell, J. Hopper; **Richmond:** D. Cartwright, R. Porter, C. Engelbert, W. Reynard, E. Bonsall, D. Davenport, F. Bond, J. Healey, F. Peacock.

***Illinois:***

**Chicago Branches:** **Hyde Park:** William Mackie Jr., Al Daniels, C.E. Jones, R. Chapman, K. Giigsby, L. Harrison, J. Weiller, R.M. Gollhoffer, Al Schick; **North Avenue-Larrabee:** H. Miller, H., Walters, J. Mansfield, R. Voss, G. Grothe, H. Krackover, P. Flores; **111<sup>th</sup> Street:** J. Vantuin; **Sears-Roebuck:** R. Fields, M. Brenner; **South:** M.L. Collet; **West Side:** William Rothe, William Schott, LeRue Hart; **Wilson Avenue:** A. Skoog, S. Berman, J. Mohr, E. Berger, N Monson, T. Swanlund, Ted Link, William Link, W.D. Miller, H.E. Berger; **Other Cities:** **Aurora:** E. Moos, W. Gabel, E Tews, G. Hendricker, R. Mlaker, L. Frazier, C. Comas, H. Murray, E. Howell; **Elgin:** D. Hill, G. Carlson, R. Conyne, F. Fitchie, A. Fairchild, P.A.W. Gerlings, A Chamberlain; **Oak Park:** J. Cinky, R. McManus, T. McManus, G. Stewart, F. Schukraft, J. Griffin; **Waukegan:** T. Yager, E. Blazen, S. Mayer, H. Colley, D. Russell, K. Caldwell, N. Litz, H. Jahnke, F. Aulur, L. Lzazkowski, Joe Lima, Joe E. Lima Sr..

***Iowa:***

**Des Moines:** Jack McGuire, E. Shaw, R. Barrum, M. Thompson, B. Strong, L. Voorhees, E. Weeks, F. Conway, B. Marshall, G. Neihous.

***Ohio:***

**Akron:** A. Philput; **Dayton, Central:** J.D. Jackson, [Louis A. Cox\(+\)](#), W.K. Sackwitz, R. Cox Jr, Soichi Kawazoe, R. Whyte, George Weed. **Lima:** C. King.  
**Toledo Central:** A. Adams, F. Rohr, J. Weiller, E. McVicker.

***Michigan:***

**Grand Rapids:** E. Richmond, H. Rose, A. Kalenda. **Jackson:** R. Howlett.

***Missouri:***

**St. Louis Downtown:** C.R. Weiller, A. Nagy, William Votkmann, J. Lindsay, A. Furman, S. Stevens, C.S. Milkle.

***Nebraska:***

**Lincoln:** Sam Amato, P. Gollup, R. Vanderlippe, Gregg Waldo, R. Hickman, M. Kinsey, F. Mockler. **Omaha:** A. Eiler, B. Bingham, J. Girthoffer, P. Enger.

**New York:**

**Brooklyn Central:** Walter Spence, Ted Brick, F Wagner, Fred Kothe, F. Broquehais, L. Mansfield, Wallace Spence, H. Stahlhut, W. Cunningham, W. Kissel.  
*(+) Louis Cox was awarded the Joseph G. Rogers Award in 1982.*

**Meet Officials:**

|                        |                     |                            |
|------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>Referee:</b>        | E. W. McGillery Jr. | University of Chicago.     |
| <b>Starter:</b>        | Dr. J.B. Bradwell   | Winnetka, IL               |
| <b>Chief Judge:</b>    | E.C. Delaporte      | Chicago Board of Education |
| <b>Chief Timer:</b>    | R.H. Flueggs        | Chicago, IL                |
| <b>Diving Referee:</b> | Clark Leach         | Union League Club          |
| <b>Announcer:</b>      | William T. Rowe     | Irving Park YMCA           |

**Supervisory Committee:**

|                     |                |                |             |
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| Dr. H.F. Kallenberg | Dr. R.A. Allen | Martin I. Foss | G.S. Cottle |
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**Chicago Swimming Committee:**

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| G.S Cottle | William T. Rowe | E.B. Coxwell | P.A. Leonhardt |
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**Entertainment Committee:**

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| R.A. Llg | Martin I Foss | Dr. H.F. Kallenberg |
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**Event Results:**

**160 Yard Freestyle Relay**

| <u>Place:</u>   | <u>Name:</u>       | <u>Association:</u>      | <u>Time:</u> |
|-----------------|--------------------|--------------------------|--------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | No Names Available | Central Br. Brooklyn, NY | 1:20.0       |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | No Names Available | Central Br. Dayton, OH   | NT           |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | No Names Available | Des Moines, IA           | NT           |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | No Names Available | Oak Park, IL             | NT           |

**Fancy Diving**

| <u>Place:</u>   | <u>Name:</u> | <u>Association:</u>      | <u>Points:</u> |
|-----------------|--------------|--------------------------|----------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | W. Kissell   | Central Br. Brooklyn, NY | 96.20          |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | R. Whyte     | Central Br. Dayton, OH   | No Pts.        |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | B. Strong    | Des Moines, IA           | No Pts.        |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Ed McVickers | Central Br. Toledo, OH   | No Pts.        |

**40 Yard Freestyle**

| <u>Place:</u>   | <u>Name:</u>  | <u>Association:</u>       | <u>Time:</u> |
|-----------------|---------------|---------------------------|--------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Walter Spence | Central Br. Brooklyn, NY  | 18.4*        |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | H. Rose       | Grand Rapids, MI          | NT           |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | L. Mansfield  | Central Br, Brooklyn, NY  | NT           |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | William Shott | West Side Br. Chicago, IL | NT           |

**200 Yard Breaststroke**

| <u>Place:</u>   | <u>Name:</u>   | <u>Association:</u>      | <u>Time:</u> |
|-----------------|----------------|--------------------------|--------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Wallace Spence | Central Br. Brooklyn, NY | 2:40.1       |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | P. Enger       | Omaha, NE                | NT           |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | F. Conway      | Des Moines, IA           | NT           |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | E. Weeks       | Des Moines, IA           | NT           |

(\* ) *New YMCA National Record time.*

### **220 Yard Freestyle**

| <u>Place:</u>   | <u>Name:</u>  | <u>Association:</u>      | <u>Time:</u> |
|-----------------|---------------|--------------------------|--------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | F. Wagner     | Central Br. Brooklyn, NY | 2:33.3       |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | C. King       | Lima, OH                 | NT           |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | J. Grithoffer | Omaha, NE                | NT           |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Fred Kothe    | Central Br. Brooklyn, NY | NT           |

### **100 Yard Backstroke**

| <u>Place:</u>   | <u>Name:</u>  | <u>Association:</u>      | <u>Time:</u> |
|-----------------|---------------|--------------------------|--------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Walter Spence | Central Br. Brooklyn, NY | 1:07.4       |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | R. Howlett    | Jackson, MI              | NT           |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Jack McGuire  | Des Moines, IA           | NT           |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | R. Bradley    | Ft. Wayne, IN            | NT           |

### **100 Yard Freestyle**

| <u>Place:</u>   | <u>Name:</u>  | <u>Association:</u>       | <u>Time:</u> |
|-----------------|---------------|---------------------------|--------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | F. Broquehais | Central Br. Brooklyn, NY  | 1:00.2       |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | L Collet      | South Br. Chicago, IL     | NT           |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | L. Mansfield  | Central Br. Brooklyn, NY  | NT           |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | William Shott | West Side Br. Chicago, IL | NT           |

### **440 Yard Freestyle**

| <u>Place:</u>   | <u>Name:</u>    | <u>Association:</u>      | <u>Time:</u> |
|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------------|--------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Fredrick Wagner | Central Br. Brooklyn, NY | 5:53.2       |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | C. King         | Lima, OH                 | NT           |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | J. Girthoffer   | Omaha, NE                | NT           |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Fred Kothe      | Central Br. Brooklyn, NY | NT           |

### **Scoring:**

| <u>Place:</u>      | <u>1<sup>st</sup></u> | <u>2<sup>nd</sup></u> | <u>3<sup>rd</sup></u> | <u>4<sup>th</sup></u> |
|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Individual Events: | 5                     | 3                     | 2                     | 1                     |
| Relay Events:      | 8                     | 6                     | 4                     | 2                     |

### **Team Standings:**

|                         |                              |    |
|-------------------------|------------------------------|----|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Place   | Central Branch Brooklyn, NY  | 49 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place   | Des Moines, IA               | 11 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place   | Central Branch Dayton, OH    | 9  |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> Place   | Omaha, NE                    | 7  |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> Place   | Lima, OH                     | 6  |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> Place T | Grand Rapids, MI             | 3  |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> Place T | Jackson, MI                  | 3  |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> Place T | South Branch Chicago, IL     | 3  |
| 9 <sup>th</sup> Place T | Oak Park, IL                 | 2  |
| 9 <sup>th</sup> Place T | West Side Branch Chicago, IL | 2  |
| 11 <sup>th</sup> Place  | Ft, Wayne, IN                | 1  |

\* "T" indicates that there was a tie between the indicated teams

**Editorial Note:** **Louis A. Cox**, a participant in this meet, was a *Joseph G. Rogers Award* recipient in 1982. Lou Cox was born in Yokohama, Japan of an American Father and a Japanese Mother. He came to America in 1925 after being educated in Hawaii and landed in Dayton, Ohio. Lou entered the University of Dayton and graduated in 1930. Determined to follow a career in the Young Men's Christian Association, he took over the pool at the Dayton YMCA. His exceptional YMCA career of over 30 years took place mostly in Dayton, Ohio with short stays in Baltimore, Maryland, and Westfield, Massachusetts. While in Massachusetts, he took time to do advanced studies at the YMCA College in Springfield, Massachusetts. As the Physical Director in Dayton, Lou developed an outstanding reputation as Physical Educator and was a strong supporter of YMCA Competitive Aquatics. In the mid 1950's thru the early 1960's, Lou Cox was an avid supporter of our YMCA National Swimming and Diving Championships and kept it alive by promoting and hosting both the 1958 and the 1960 YMCA National Meets.

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