

**14<sup>th</sup> YMCA National Swimming and Diving Championship**  
**April 17-18, 1936**  
**Brooklyn, New York**

Twenty-three YMCA associations and 163 participants from 9 states and the District of Columbia that took part in the meet. Preliminaries began at 2:30 pm each day and Finals at 8:30 pm each day.

**YMCA Associations and Participants**

**Connecticut: Bridgeport:** Walter Able, Daniel Cybul, A. Jenkins, John Lillis, Ray Meade, Joseph Norton, Gorge Peck, George Perry, Stanley Purdell, Edmond Rilleher, Kenneth Roper; **Waterbury:** Edward Valechko

**Washington D.C.:** Russell Bishop, Yorest Harding, Donald Smith, Paul Wilson

**Illinois: Lawson Branch Chicago:** Charles Bowman, Lawrence Carrigan, Gordon Cornelius, Edward Ertz, Sidney Ferguson, James Hickey, Albert Jacobsen, H. Johnson, Joseph Juel, Irving McCaffy, Andrew O'Loughlin, Lawrence O'Loughlin, Alex Payne

**Indiana: Huntington:** Henry Borst, John Dilley, Jack Hiple, Don Rudig, Gerald Rudig

**Maryland: Baltimore:** Frank Cummings, William McGinnis

**Nebraska: Lincoln:** Bert Amgwert

**New Jersey: Camden:** Bruce Farrar, Albert Rebstock; **Montclair:** Paul Aurebacker, Austin Bates, Steve Clarke, Tom Creede, Fred Davis, Jean Fennebresque, Doane McCarthy, George Maseahan, William Miller, Eric Perryman, Harry Rawstrom

**New York: Brooklyn Central:** Ted Alderidge, ?. Benbrick, Edward Blackledge, Ted Brick ?. Clark, John Fenger, Herbert Fransen, Irvin Goodman, Robert Hower, Thomas Kevil, Henry Pherr, Charles Rogers, Stanley Rose, ?. Smith, Kenneth Stevenson, George Urice, Ted Whitesell; **Bronx Union:** John Lynch, Emil Mortak; **Flushing:** Cori Bruno, Fred Cogswell, Fred Delany, Robert Knapp. Hal Lube, Donald MacMillan, Ray Mullane, Buddy Schiavone, Alan Semlien, Herbert Storms, John Stratton, Jack Thompson, Frank White, George Winberg, Eugene Zipe; **Buffalo:** William Choniske, Merrill Hickey, Jerome Klawitter, Nicholas Sherman, Michael Soyka, Jack Thompson, Steve Wozniak, Raymond Ziegler; **Jamaica:** Eugene French, J. Keefe; **West Side:** Victor Bray, Edward Bothe, Parnall Callahan, Lou Forns, Dan Jersey, Eddie Osal, Robert Richardson, Harold White; **New Rochelle:** Peter Guerrieri, Frank Heagner, Gordon Martin, William Parmelee, George Paulsen, George Peters, Edward Tockeva, Ted Wakefield, Lawrence Wecksler; **Lockport:** George Heary, Harold Henning (future Joseph G. Rogers Award recipient)

**Oklahoma: Tulsa:** Chuck Brandkamp, J. Bullock, Wilmot Dahlem, Howard Day, Leonard Day, Ludwig Harman, George Harmon, Leroy Melhorn, Howard Parsley, Bo Saulmon, Bill Walkup, Ray Watson

**Pennsylvania: Allegheny Branch Pittsburgh:** Thomas Anderson, William Brown, Carroll Kuke, Bernard Lelack, Donald McIntyre, William McQuillano, Walter Nowathy;

**Downtown Branch Pittsburgh:** Ford Davis, Russell Lindberg, William Molvie;

**South Hills Branch Pittsburgh:** Wilfred Garnhan, Francis Lugler, Thomas Locke, Harlod Neff; **Scranton:** Robert Barrett, Jack Brier, Jack Coyle, William Craig, Frank Dilday, Jerry Hetterling, Wasy Jones, James O'Neil, James Ortul, Alex Pokowski, Joseph Zelenialo; **York:** Richard Grunert, Donald Houseal, Edward Jones, James Reaser, Robert Spangler.

### **Meet Officials**

Honorary Referees: Roy Horton- Chairman National YMCA Swimming Committee  
Robert Cubbon- Physical Director Brooklyn Central YMCA  
Meet Referee: Leib Deyo- Olympic Swimming Committee  
Starter: Norman Engelsen- American Red Cross  
Diving Referee: William Webber- West Side YMCA  
Meet Director: Frank Plunkett- Brooklyn YMCA  
Chief Judge: Joseph F. Hanly- Downtown Athletic Club  
Chief Timer: Chris Dolton- New York Athletic Club  
Turn Inspector: Fred Goetz- Brooklyn Central YMCA

### **Event Results**

#### **400 Yard Freestyle Relay**

<u>Place:</u>	<u>Names:</u>	<u>Association:</u>	<u>Time:</u>
1 <sup>st</sup>	Ted Brick, Ted Whitesell, Stanley Rose, Robert Hower.	Central Br. Brooklyn, NY	3:44.0*
2 <sup>nd</sup>	NO Names Available	Lawson Br. Chicago, IL	3:48.9
3 <sup>rd</sup>	NO Names Available	York, PA	3:54.4
4 <sup>th</sup>	NO Names Available	Jamaica, NY	3:56.6

#### **200 Yard Breaststroke**

<u>Place:</u>	<u>Names:</u>	<u>Association:</u>	<u>Time:</u>
1 <sup>st</sup>	Ray Watson	Tulsa, OK	2:37.1
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Kenneth Stevenson	Central Br. Brooklyn, NY	2:37.4
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Harold White	West Side Br. NY, NY	2:40.6
4 <sup>th</sup>	George Winberg	Flushing, NY	2:42.2

#### **150 Yard Backstroke**

<u>Place:</u>	<u>Names:</u>	<u>Association:</u>	<u>Time:</u>
1 <sup>st</sup>	Ludwig Harman	Tulsa, OK	1:45.1*
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Russell Lindberg	Downtown Br. Pittsburgh, PA	1:47.0
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Richard Grunet	York, PA	1:47.4
4 <sup>th</sup>	Charles Bowman	Lawson Br. Chicago, IL	1:48.5

#### **50 Yard Freestyle**

<u>Place:</u>	<u>Names:</u>	<u>Association:</u>	<u>Time:</u>
1 <sup>st</sup>	Gordon Cornelius	Lawson Br. Chicago, IL	24.6
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Stanley Rose	Central Br. Brooklyn, NY	24.7
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Eugene Zipf	Flushing, NY	24.9
4 <sup>th</sup>	Sidney Ferguson	Lawson Br. Chicago, IL	25.1

#### **440 Yard Freestyle**

<u>Place:</u>	<u>Names:</u>	<u>Association:</u>	<u>Time:</u>
1 <sup>st</sup>	Gerald Rudig	Huntington, IN	5:04.9
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Irving McCaffy	Lawson Br. Chicago, IL	5:08.0
3 <sup>rd</sup>	George Harman	Tulsa, OK	5:10.6
4 <sup>th</sup>	George Paulsen	New Rochelle, NY	5:15.0

#### **100 Yard Freestyle**

<u>Place:</u>	<u>Names:</u>	<u>Association:</u>	<u>Time:</u>
1 <sup>st</sup>	George Paulson	New Rochelle, NY	55.7

2 <sup>nd</sup>	Walter Nowatry	Allegheny Br. Pittsburgh, PA	56.6
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Ted Brick	Central Br. Pittsburgh, PA	56.9
4 <sup>th</sup>	Paul Auerbacher	Montclair, NJ	57.2

### **Fancy Diving**

<u>Place:</u>	<u>Names:</u>	<u>Association:</u>	<u>Points:</u>
1 <sup>st</sup>	Raymond Ziegler	Buffalo, NY	108.56*
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Edmund Kelleher	Bridgeport, CT	93.02
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Wilmot Dahleim	Tulsa, OK	90.42
4 <sup>th</sup>	Bill Walkup	Tulsa, OK	88.32

### **220 Yard Freestyle**

<u>Place:</u>	<u>Names:</u>	<u>Association:</u>	<u>Time:</u>
1 <sup>st</sup>	Gerald Rudig	Huntington, IN	2:19.2
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Irving McCaffy	Lawson Br. Chicago, IL	2:21.2
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Thomas Locke	South Hills, PA	2:23.6
4 <sup>th</sup>	Harry Rawston	Montclair, NJ	2:24.0

### **300 Yard Medley Relay**

<u>Place:</u>	<u>Names:</u>	<u>Association:</u>	<u>Time:</u>
1 <sup>st</sup>	John Fenger, Stanley Rose, Kenneth Stevenson	Central Br. Brooklyn, NY	3:10.5
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Charles Bowman, Jacobsen, Gordon Cornelius	Lawson Br. Chicago, IL	3:11.1
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Richard Grunert, Robert Spangler, James Reaser	York, PA	3:12.2
4 <sup>th</sup>	George Harmon, Ray Watson, Ludwig Harman	Tulsa, OK	3:12.5

(\* ) *New YMCA Record time*

### **Meet 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

### **Final Team Standings**

<u>Place:</u>	<u>Association:</u>	<u>Points:</u>
1 <sup>st</sup>	Lawson Br. Chicago, IL	25
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Brooklyn Central Br, NY	24
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Tulsa, OK	17
4 <sup>th</sup> T	Huntington, IN	10
4 <sup>th</sup> T	York, PA	10
6 <sup>th</sup>	New Rochelle, NY	6
7 <sup>th</sup>	Downtown Br. Buffalo, NY	5
8 <sup>th</sup> T	Allegheny Br. Pittsburgh, PA	3
8 <sup>th</sup> T	Bridgeport, CT	3
8 <sup>th</sup> T	Downtown Br. Pittsburgh, PA	3
8 <sup>th</sup> T	Flushing Br. NY	3
12 <sup>th</sup> T	Jamaica, NY	2
12 <sup>th</sup> T	Montclair, NJ	2

12 <sup>th</sup> T	South Hills Br. Pittsburgh, PA	2
12 <sup>th</sup> T	West Side Br, NY	2

T indicates a tie

**Non-Scoring Teams:** Baltimore, MD; Bronx Union, NY; Camden, NJ; Lincoln, NE; Lockport, NY; Scranton, PA; Washington, D.C.: Waterbury, Ct

**Biography:** Dr. Harold W. Henning, a participant in this meet from Lockport, NY, was selected as the 1985 recipient of the Joseph G. Rogers Award. Born in 1919, he joined the Lockport YMCA at the age of 9 and took swimming lessons from Captain George Corsan from the Royal Life Guard Service in Canada. Captain Corson visited YMCAs throughout the United States conducting "Learn to Swim Campaigns." Harold's first competitive meet occurred following those lessons at the YMCA in a 20 yard pool. He was pulled out of the race after about 10 yards and indicated that "perhaps my faith exceeded my capabilities as a swimmer". Harold participated in the National Championship Meet(s) representing both the Lockport Y and then the Naperville Y when he moved to Naperville, Illinois. He became the 1<sup>st</sup> swimmer to represent the Naperville Y in a national meet. He was an All American in freestyle and backstroke but he never competed in the Olympics. He once swam on a World Record 400 Meter Freestyle Relay Team for the Chicago Town Club. Harold also served 12 years as a volunteer swimming coach for North Central College. Harold Henning was a dentist by profession for 39 years, but swimming dominated his life. He served in the U.S. Navy from 1942 thru 1945 as an instructor in Aquatic Warfare. Harold served as Chairman of the U.S. Olympic Committee from 1959 thru 1965. He was manager and coach of the United States Olympic Swimming Team that competed in Mexico, Guatemala and Japan, and he served as manager of the U.S. Swimming team in Tokyo in 1964. He became well known in 1973 for opposing the efforts of the International Olympic Committee, then headed by Avery Brundage, to drop 12 swimming events from the Olympics. Harold was the President of the International Amateur Swimming Federation, the group that promotes and protects swimming, diving and water polo throughout the world, from 1972 thru 1976. Dr. Harold Henning is also a member of the International Swimming Hall of Fame. Harold was a continuous and dedicated member of his YMCA for 50 years. Dr. Harold W. Henning passed away May 23, 1988.

\*His Rogers Award is on display at the Naperville YMCA

**Note:** Some of the above material is from the Chicago Tribune, Writer Jerry Crimmins.

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