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My Dear Mr. Melder :-

Yours of the 22nd received. I would suggest that you get hold of copies of the National Assn of Amateur Oarsmen's " Official Guide " for the years ~~1939~~: 1940 ; 1941 and 1942 (soon to be issued) . I refer to the last year. In these you will find the history of the Dad Vail Rowing Assn also in 1940 an article on " Lev Brett's Rules for coxwains" . In these GUIDES you will also find record of Annual Regattas of the DVRA and of races between the members in fact everything about rowing in the USA. If you cannot get access to these books write to Franklin H Bates Secty NAAO 1612 Market St Phila Pa and send him \$1.00 this will entitle you to individual membarship for 1 year in the NAAO : the Year Book and monthly Bulletins about rowing. in the USA. You are probably familiar ~~about~~ with all this.

Our 4th Annual Regatta at Boston May 9th will have only two races for member College eights: Varsity and Combination Race: usually we have three V : JV :and Frosh at 1 5/16 m . At Springfield Mass 1940 we had 9 V crews- 4 JV: and 4 Frosh at Marietta Ohio last year we had 7 V; 3 JV and 4 Frosh: this year due to war we will have only 4 V and 3 in the other race. Member Colleges with satisfactory scholastic and athletic rules are admitted by

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vote of members. Our present Active member list includes Dartmouth Rowing Club: AIC: Boston U : Marietta College: Rollins College: Rutgers University and Richmond University Rowing C two former members Manhattan of NY and Springfield College of that City started rowing and were members but gave it up after a few years. W & L , Georgetown, and Tampa U are interested and prospective members.

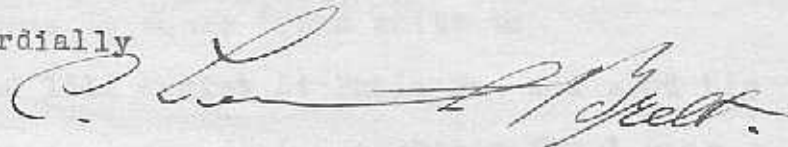
At Our mid winter meeting in NY members are able to make their rowing schedules for the year and our annual regatta helps to keep up interest. I personally have helped some of the members with advise as to where to get equipment and even have helped personally in a financial way. I am in touch personally with all members all the time.

We have no races except eights.

For Schoolboy 4 shell see my other letter.

Cordially

Lev Brett



PS: I am an Amateur: have rowed coached and steered for 40 odd years, inherited the rowing bug from my Dad, brother and Uncles: I do not sell insurance and have no ax to grind or any ulterior motives. Thought you might wonder at my interest.