

# FLYNN "THROWS THE HAMMER FAR."

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## Asserts 56-Pound Throw Made by Sheridan Was Done with Light Weight.

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Richard J. Sheridan, the hammer-thrower of the Pastime A. C., will not likely be allowed the record made by him in throwing the 56-pound hammer several months ago. M. J. Flynn, of the Star A. C., disputes Sheridan's claim to the record by openly accusing the latter of using a hammer in that competition which weighed only 55 pounds and 14½ ounces instead of 56 pounds, the regulation weight. Flynn has secured the hammer Sheridan used and has sent it to James E. Sullivan, Chairman of the A. A. U. Record Committee, with a letter informing Sullivan of the shortage of weight of the missile.

Flynn also claims that the handle is too long. The handle is peculiarly constructed. It is triangular in shape, and when in use at no point does it come within the regulation length of sixteen inches.

In shifting the handle about three different lengths are obtained, namely, 16½, 17½ and 18½ inches, all exceeding the limit in the required length. It is said that this is the same weight which has been used in other record performances this year. An investigation will be made, and, if true, all the other weight throwing records made with this weight will not be allowed by the A. A. U.

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