Year	Playoffs	National Cup
1935/36	Champion	?
1936/37	DNQ	Champion
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1953/54	Champion	Champion
1954/55	No playoff	?

Q: How long did it take for the New York Americans to win the national cup after 1936?

**Stage A: Table Extraction** 

**Step 1: Column Extraction** 

4000

Value(s) linked to column: 1936 → year

Word(s) linked to columns: **national cup** → **national cup** 

**Step 2: Row Extraction** 

Instances of winning the national cup → row 1, row 18

1936 as the reference year → row 1

**Stage B: Adaptive Reasoning** 

how long did it take → calculation-based question → SQL generated evidence → text reasoning

