

## VARSITY BASKET TEAM OPENS WITH CRANE ON DEC. 4

Regular Crew To Consist Of Fifteen Expert Cagemen

SCHEDULE LISTS 14 GAMES

For the next couple of weeks Coach Kraft will be as busy as a soda clerk behind a free counter, in preparing to shape and eliminate a portion of the twenty-five engineers who remain from the squad of eighty that bid for a regular berth.

Regardless of whether he'll lose a hair or two, or grey a couple, he's determined to assemble a trio of quintets that will represent the school on the hardwood floors.

### Team To Be 15 Strong

The task of co-ordinating the choicest fifteen appears to be a difficult one and Kraft has reason to worry over his prodigious undertaking.

Since last Thursday the boys have been spending their evenings at the Armory. There wasn't very much accomplished during the initial part of the week for the boys seemed to allow their minds to wander off their task. Thursday, especially, was a slow evening and the only thing of interest was the scenery. Ninety percent of this, however, was comprised of the building itself, which bore the decorations of new baskets, glass blackboards ornamented with a coating of white enamel, and above all a new slick floor.

The other 10 percent of the show was centered about the prospective cage cavorers who dimmed the scene like a 10 watt bulb. Instead of enlightening Kraft's hopes they only brought on discontent and turned the state of affairs into a problematical matter.

### Prospects Unpromising

Their real worth was shaded while they practiced at the dingy school gym, which is only one third the size of the new Armory court, for they devoted much of their time to setting up exercises and running around the floor lines, but when they took to exercising their basketball talent on the new floor they revealed a few things that had been kept in the dark previously.

Some of the boys still carried the lead in their pockets, and moved around like ocean divers. Those that did show some signs of life still lacked the incidentals that lead to the mastery of the art.

### Candidates Show Improvement

The secretary's minutes later on in the week, however, showed that the boys had improved but as yet they must do a great deal more in order to overcome their slumber.

As the time goes on Kraft will put his recruits through the sweat shop grind and the earnest toilers who survive and fulfill the necessary qualifications will be clad in the gold and black colors.

### Fourteen Games Carded

Fourteen of the sixteen games that will comprise the schedule have been booked. Eight games have been booked for the home court to date. If the present plans are carried out a scrimmage game with some bank team will be played on November 27. A game with Crane College on December 4, and one with the Alumni on December 6, will be played on the home court in preparation to the Notre Dame game on December 10.

## Stagg Sets Indoor Track Start Date

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There has been some excellent freshman material uncovered in the distance runs by the cross country season. Hodgeson, the long-legged blonde boy from Schurz, has shown promise of developing into an excellent miler or two-miler. Frankie James, the Louisville flash, has shown some good stuff, but has been laid up with shin-splints for part of the season.

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## Lame Cross-Country Enters Quadrangular

Though the team is rather badly crippled, the Armour Cross Country squad will meet Loyola University, Wheaton College, and Northwestern College of Naperville in a quadrangular meet at Washington Park Saturday morning for the last run of the season. Hodgeson, a freshman who has shown excellent form in previous meets, has been confined to his bed because of illness following a vaccination. Whether he will start is questionable. Frankie James, sophomore runner, has been out for three weeks because of shin splints and unable to practice. He will probably start the race however. Captain Smith has been bothered somewhat with a weak side, caused by straining soon after an appendicitis operation last May. Montesano, Iverson, Eckleman and Taylor are in excellent shape and will be the main reliance of the team for victory. Kara, Captain of Track, will make his initial appearance of the season after being kept out thus far from an infected ankle, acquired during practice for the first meet.

Due to the inclement weather of the last week, the three and a half mile course will probably be rather heavy going, very muddy, unless it is frozen over.

## ARCHITECTS WANT EMERGENCY WARD

An emergency hospital ward at the Art Institute has been proposed by some of the far-seeing students in the Architectural course as a result of the heavy demand for such a department which has arisen recently when four of the "archs" were variously injured.

Elmer T. Holin, '31, who was social chairman of his class last year, was knocked down by an automobile and severely injured about the head as he was boarding a street car. The bruises have not kept him out of school, however.

Marvin R. Dobberman, '30, and Garland Reichle, '30, were both hurt playing football. Thomas W. Doane, '31, was badly scratched about the face and hands doing a Prince of Wales stunt, falling off a horse.

## Students Entertain At Electrical Smoker

The annual fall smoker of the Armour branch of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers was held last night at the Delta Tau Delta house, with about 120 members present. Bridge and other card games were enjoyed amid a plentiful supply of cigars and cigarettes.

**Varied Entertainment**  
Joe Hromoda, Leroy Bernhardt, and Marvin Tennyson, manipulated the piano keyboard, while John Brady and William Briggs attempted to entertain with singing to the accompaniment of George Jennings who wielded a wicked uke. Of course the big surprise of the evening which was awaited expectantly by all was the serving of refreshments under the tutelage of Vernon Peterson and his committee. Cakes bearing the letters "E.E." were served in conjunction with the hot coffee and sandwiches.

### FRED PAYNE '28, VISITS SCHOOL

Fred D. Payne, '28, F. P. E., was another of the alumni visitors at the school last week. He came down intending to go to the Senior Dance, but found his fiancé ill and had to content himself with a quiet evening at the home of the future in-laws.

## Grid-Iron Queries

By Professor John J. Schommer

(Ed. Note: Professor John J. Schommer, conference umpire, and leading authority on football, will answer through this column, any questions on football which are puzzling our readers. Questions should be dropped into the NEWS contribution box, located on the first floor of the main building.)

**Question 11:** Team A kicks to team B. Ball hits defensive half back on shoulder and flies into end zone without touching ground. Half-back of B runs into end zone and picks up ball and attempts to run ball out of end zone. He is tackled in the end zone. What is the ruling? (H. P. R., Jr.)

**Answer:** Player B has not given any impetus to the ball therefore the play is construed as impetus coming from kicker of A. Even though B attempted to run the ball out the play is still a touchback.

**Question 12:** Is this legal? A punts to B, B takes one step back and returns punt. (W. T. S.)

**Answer:** Yes.

## Rifle Club's Two Teams To Meet Lane Gunmen

Competition between members of the Rifle Club has resulted in the formation of two tentative teams. The first team consists of S. Pulaski, L. Statkus, H. Steir, R. Hess, S. Janiszewski, D. Garen, F. Farrell; and on the second team are W. Dickey, G. Freundt, H. P. Richter, R. Richter, E. Lapotowski, and R. Young. George Heller, manager, has arranged a match with Lane Tech next Tuesday, November 27.

## Class Basket Teams Primed For Contest

(Continued from page 1, col. 6) old order of the traditional customs, whereby the juniors and seniors settle school predominance.

**Dawson Wants Action**  
Jim Dawson, chairman of inter-class basketball, had drawn up the following practice schedule:  
Monday, Nov. 19—Freshman.  
Wednesday, Nov. 21—Sophomores.  
Thursday, Nov. 22—Juniors.  
Monday, Nov. 26—Seniors.  
Dawson is doing his utmost to speed up the work in order to make way for the varsity basketball squad which has commenced practicing daily, and who are required to fulfill all practice sessions, inasmuch as they will be looked on to be prepared to play their first game on Dec. 4.

## Thru The Hoop

By J. R. Yount

The Varsity season opens December 4 with Crane College on the Armory floor. According to the records, Armour has never lost a game to Crane, either on their floor or ours.

Engineering Colleges are at last claiming the athletic spotlight. Carnegie Tech and Georgia Tech are both undefeated in football this season.

Beating Notre Dame is getting to be a habit. Let's hope the cage team takes them down. It's being done by the best of them.

And while much might be said on both sides as to whether the team is the best or not, at least it's one of the best.

We don't know what that makes you—but I hope it makes you believe it.

Whether you believe it or not, go to the games and see for yourself.

## Petersen, '26, Takes State Board Exam.

Jay Edwin Petersen, '26, instructor in Architectural Design, journeyed to Urbana, Ill., to take the Architectural State Board Examination in order to become a licensed architect. This examination extends over a period of three days, and covers both engineering and designing. E. J. Higgins, '26, president of Scarab, honorary Architectural fraternity, last year, also took the examination at the same time.

## Henry Penn Takes Time Off To Visit Old Haunts

Henry Penn, brother of Dean John C. Penn, and former professor in the Civil Engineering Department, was down to school last Friday. "Hank," as he is commonly known, was given an enthusiastic greeting by his former students, and true to form he gave a ten minute lecture on the bracing of steel buildings against wind pressure. Hank just couldn't forget his former status and sent a parting shot at his listeners to "stay around" till five o'clock and don't leave early." At present Professor Penn is connected with the American Institute of Steel Construction.

Who should we see around school last Friday but "Long Tom" Ogden, C. E., '28. Tom was down to look the boys over and pass his O. K. His face was tanned by the heat of many suns while working for the Illinois State Highway Commission this summer.

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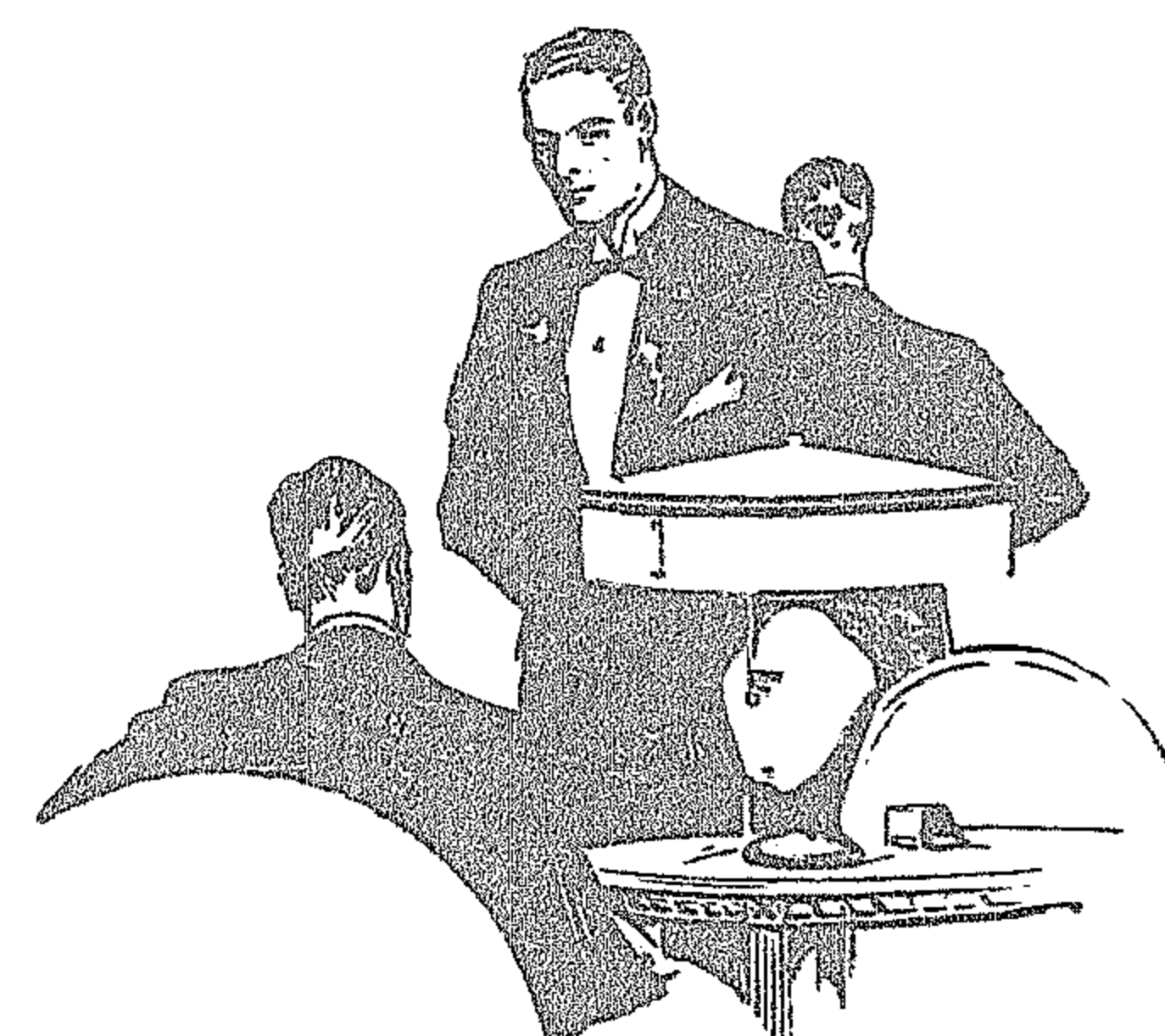
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