

TECH VARSITY WINS OPENER

ARMOUR CAGEMEN VANQUISH ALUMNI IN INITIAL TILT

Free Throws Big Factor in 37-17 Victory by Regulars

GRADS PLAY FAST GAME

Tech met the Alumni in the first basketball game of the year last Tuesday at the 8th Regiment Armory at 35th and Giles Aves. Although they presented an attack which was much above the usual graduate standard, the Alumni were defeated, 37-17.

Coach W. C. Krafft presented as his opening lineup the following: Rossing, R.F.; Captain Simpson, L.F.; Robin, C.; Rutkowski, R.G.; Bruni, L.G. Many substitutes were made during the game so that a working combination could be selected for the more important games which follow in the schedule of 15 games.

The Alumni team, with Otto Kuhn as captain, played a fast passing and dribbling game which had the Varsity baffled several times. "Vic" Hofer, Tech captain several years ago, played in the standing guard position. His work was of such high caliber that Tech Varsity was forced to do the major part of their basket shooting from beyond the free throw line. His body checking, elbow pushing and low tackles were responsible for many of the Alumni fouls.

"Bill" Downes' floor work was such that a trackman was needed to prevent his sideline dribbles. Downes would receive the ball under his own basket and then proceed unaided down the floor and make a try at the Varsity basket.

The accurate eye of Captain Kuhn was responsible for the greater number of the graduate scores. Schoemaker and Kuffel alternated in the forward position.

Armour's attack seemed to be of the slow-breaking style. Robin's tipoff to Simpson then to Bruni proved the way to many Tech scores. The Varsity passing attack kept the corpulent Alumni on their toes at all times. The dogged determination of the graduates was the main reason for the comparatively few points that the Varsity scored by basket shooting.

Tech free throwing was a genuine revelation. Robin and Simpson excelled in this art, with the latter scoring nine out of a possible nine shots.

The final score, 37-17, is not indicative of Tech superiority for much improvement can be developed in the Varsity attack and defense.

SCORE

Alumni, 17				
	B.	F.T.	P.F.	
Downes, R.F.	0	0	2	
Wittie, L.F.	2	1	4	
Kuehn, L.F.	2	0	3	
Schoemaker, C.	1	2	4	
Hofer, R.G.	0	0	4	
Kuffel, L.G.	2	0	1	
	7	3	18	
Armour, 37				
	B.	F.T.	P.F.	
Simpson, R.F.	2	9	2	
Rossing, L.F.	2	0	1	
Ott, L.F.	1	0	2	
Robin, C.	2	5	3	
Tell, C.	0	0	1	
Bruni, R.G.	3	0	1	
Miran, R. G.	0	1	0	
Rutkowski, L.G.	0	2	2	
Quinby, L.G.	0	0	0	
	10	17	12	

Swimmers to Engage Englewood Y. M. C. A.

On Friday, Dec. 20, the Tech swimming team will engage the Englewood Y. M. C. A. in a dual meet. The time will be announced on the bulletin board. Englewood "Y" claims among its swimming team members Connelly, the 1928 winner of the I. A. C. Chicago 3-mile River Swim. Connelly is a well known expert in distances

Swimmers Lose to S. Chicago "Y" Team

Tech's swimming team was defeated last Tuesday by the 1929 Middle West Y.M.C.A. champions, the South Chicago Y.M.C.A. South Chicago's record of two years without a defeat could not be broken by the Engineer's squad. The final score 23-30, nevertheless, shows a very creditable attempt to upset the champs. Taking into consideration the fact that this was Armour's first meet of the season with a team being made up of practically entirely new material tends to indicate that the team is up and coming.

The few old men that participated did well. Ed Knox with his usual versatility pulled down a second place in the 40-yard free style and a third in the back stroke besides swimming as anchor man on the relay team.

Especially interesting was the 100-yard breast-stroke event in which Trognitz, Cavanaugh and Dwyer raced it out. It was a close race all the way but Trognitz, according to old custom, managed to maintain his slight lead over the other two until the finish.

The spring board parabolas which Strauch executed were supreme, landing him an easy first place.

Of the newcomers in the free style swims we note Pfeiler. Davison, another crawl man, took part in every free style event but the 40-yard and made good. The 220-yard long distance grind seems to be his event. Giovan showed up well in the relay.

New Men Needed

Any men willing to try for the team are urged to do so as soon as possible to Captain Strauch, since permanent positions on the team have not yet been chosen.

Summary—Armour vs. South Chicago Y.M.C.A.

40-yd. free style: first, Garrison, Y.; second, Knox, A.; third, Pfeiler, A.; time, 1:19.4.

100-yd. breast stroke: first, Trognitz, A.; second, Dwyer, Y.; third, Cavanaugh, A.; time, 1:15.

100-yd. free style: first, Kumskis, Y.; second, Ericson, Y.; third, Weston, A.; time, 1:01.4.

60-yd. back stroke: first, Garrison, Y.; second, Weston, A.; third, Knox, A.; time, 42.4.

Fancy Diving: first, Strauch, A.; second, Henderson, Y.; third, Peterson, Y.

220-yd. free style: first, Kumskis, Y.; second, Davison, A.; time, 2:48.4.

160-yd. relay: Y. first (Kumskis, Dwyer, Ericson, Garrison). A. second (Knox, Pfeiler, Davison, Giovan); time, 1:24.2.

Armour Riflers Lose to St. John

St. John's College rifle team, of Brooklyn, N. Y., defeated the Armour Tech team last week in the first match of the year. The match was fired in prone and standing positions; the five highest point men being counted in the scoring. Although the Armour riflers had a lead of 56 points in the standing position, the St. John's team showed their superior marksmanship in the prone firing when they finished 119 points ahead. The final total score stood, in favor of St. John's College, 862-799.

Last Friday, the Armour team shot in a postal match against the Jefferson City Rifle and Revolver Club. The scores will be announced at a later date when the opponent's scores are received.

Crane Junior College is next scheduled to meet the shooting engineers in the near future.

ranging from one to five miles. Shively and Hommes are two other members of the team who are long distance exponents.

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FROSH VICTORS IN FINAL INTERCLASS BASKETBALL GAME

Outplayed Juniors by 23-14 Count in Title Fray

SQUAD IS WELL BALANCED

The Freshman cagers annexed the Interclass basketball title last week when they trimmed the Juniors by a 23 to 14 score. The Frosh squad completely outclassed the third year men in every line of the game from the opening until the final whistle.

No one could be called the star of the tilt, although Gustafson, Escarraz and Ireland scored the majority of the points. The close guarding of Cosmi and Pearson held the opponents' scoring chances down.

FIRST QUARTER

Escarraz opened up the scoring with a short, quick shot from the foul line area. Setterberg, the Junior flash, retaliated this opening blow with a long shot from the center of the floor. Ireland dropped two free throws through the loop just as the quarter whistle blew. The Juniors were lagging by two points at this session. Score, 4-2.

SECOND QUARTER

During this period the First year men widened the margin of points when Gustafson dribbled the length of the floor to sink a short one from under the basket. He and Cosmi both sunk a free toss each, doubling the score of the first quarter. Setterberg, the only Junior scorer to this point, dropped another basket and free throw. Kutteruf went in for Draus at a forward position but even this didn't seem to help any. Score, 8-5.

THIRD QUARTER

In the opening Pepe went in for Stehno and Schirmer for Johnson, while the original Frosh five played practically the entire game. Escarraz counted a ringer and Gustafson a charity shot while the Juniors closed the gap fairly well. Setterberg again made a successful toss. Two more points from Pepe and one from Rutkowski ended the quarter. Score, 11-10.

FINAL PERIOD

by Pepe spelled finish for the Juniors. Escarraz accounted for five points, Ireland for two baskets, while Gustafson came through with his three points, making a total of twelve points in less than five minutes. Nor did they let up here, for they practically kept the ball in their possession until the final whistle. After the Freshmen made their last-minute substitutions the Juniors were so taken back by this

West Side Y.M.C.A. Oppose Tech Boxers

Leon J. Steck, manager of Armour's boxing team, has scheduled the West Side Y. M. C. A. for the first boxing match of the forthcoming season. The meet will be held in the early part of January at the opponent's ring.

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Fraternity Games After Holidays

Now that the interclass basketball supremacy is settled, the spotlight will be flashed on the interfraternity games scheduled for January 16, 20, 22, 23 and 24. Whether this tournament will provide a surprise of equal merit is a question in doubt. The probabilities are, however, that as striking an upset will not develop, for no team is given as low a rating as the freshmen were prior to the opening of the interclass tournament.

Teams Begin Practice

Thus far the Rho Delta Rho, Phi Pi Phi and Sigma Kappa Delta fraternities have taken their turns in practice. Before the week is up the Triangles and Beta Psi's will take the gym for their bit of practice. Other fraternity teams will take the floor after the Christmas holidays.

Little is known of the relative strength of these teams and no prediction could honestly be advanced without involving a good amount of guess work.

From what has been seen of the teams that have cavorted in Coach Krafft's emporium thus far, the Sigma Kappa Deltas and Phi Pi Phi's appear to be closely matched, while the Rho Delta Rhos are conceded a secondary rating.

The following is the game schedule drawn up by B. J. Weldon, manager of interfraternity basketball athletics:

January 16—Rho Delta Rho Vs. Phi Pi Phi.

January 16—Sigma Kappa Delta Vs. Triangle.

January 20—Phi Kappa Sigma Vs. Theta Xi.

January 20—Delta Tau Delta Vs. Kappa Delta Tau.

Winner of the Sigma Kappa Delta and Triangle game will play the Beta Psi's. The team that comes out victorious will play the winner of the Rho Delta Rho-Phi Pi Phi game for the championship of Division No. 1 on January 22.

On January 23 the winner of the Delta Tau Delta-Kappa Delta Tau game will play the Sigma Alpha Mu fraternity. The victor of this contest will contend the winner of the Phi Kappa Sigma-Theta Xi game, for the championship of Division No. 2.

The championship tilt will be played by the champions of division 1 and 2, on January 24.

Last-quarter rally they were unable to do anything in a scoring way.

Final Score: Freshmen, 23; Juniors, 14.

BOX SCORE

Freshmen				
	B.	F.T.	P.	
Ireland	2	2	1	
Gustafson	2	3	0	
Escarraz	4	1	1	
Cosmi	0	1	0	
Pearson	0	0	0	
Ellis	0	0	0	
	8	7	2	
Juniors				
	B.	F.T.	P.	
Draus	0	0	1	
Kutteruf	0	0	1	
Johnson	0	0	2	
Schirmer	0	0	1	
Setterberg	3	1	0	
Rutkowski	0	1	2	
Stehno	0	0	0	
Pepe	3	0	2	
	6	2	9	

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RAMBLING TECHS

Varsity, 37; Alumni, 17

Basketball has a firm hold in Armour Tech as was evidenced by the official opening of the Varsity season last week. As usual, the Alumni were chosen as the victims for the first game and this they proved to be to the extent of 37 Varsity points against 17 of their own.

Combination Needed

Coach Krafft opened the game by sending his first squad to the floor. The lineup was changed many times so as to try for a quick-breaking, accurate-shooting combination.

Miran, Ott, Tell and Quinby were the chief characters in the substitute role.

Possibly Ice Hockey

Ott seems to think he is on the baseball field when actually he is on the basketball floor, for his home run slides were cause for many toots from the referee's whistle.

Of course when you hit something like "Vic" Hofer's 210 pounds, as Ott did, you are bound to go places and do things.

About as Usual

The total crowd for this big game amounted to 42 spectators and 19 players.

The referee for the game appeared with a gaudy black and white striped shirt. Maybe the idea of the color combination was to deceive the players, but lo and behold, he called nearly every foul.

Maybe it Was Kuhn?

A prominent basketball official took part in the game as one of the forwards. His arm swinging, wrist holding and double dribbling was cause for much agitation in the cheering crowds.

Junior Stock Zero

A shock was received by all when the Soph basketweavers went down at the hands of the Frosh. Last week a catastrophe occurred when these same Freshmen defeated the highly touted Junior team, 23-14.

An attack such as the Freshman basketball team presented could not be denied. Gustafson's floor work was perfect in every respect and his basket shooting—wow!

Just Like a Machine Gun

The first portion of the game the

Juniors had their old spirit but as the third quarter ended they seemed tired. A rapid fire attack and five baskets definitely removed all hopes for a Junior year.

Well, in a short time the annual interclass track contest will be held, then the boys will get another crack at each other.

What We Promise We Do

Some time ago we promised the readers of this paper an article by John J. Schommer. In this issue on the first page we present an article composed and written by none other than John himself.

It Is Now Captain Paul

"Don" Paul was elected to the captaincy of the Tech track team for this and next year. "Don" has made a fine record in track and field events while he has been at Armour. Incidentally he is a senior student in Fire Protection Engineering.

At the track meeting last week A. A. Stagg Jr. told many interesting stories of struggling athletes. He even told of the possibility of getting spiked shoes for the lettermen for next outdoor season.

Christmas and Vacation

On Thursday we hear the Christmas concert, on Saturday we leave for our respective homes, and on a week from tomorrow we meet a time-honored person, Santa Claus. A. H. J.

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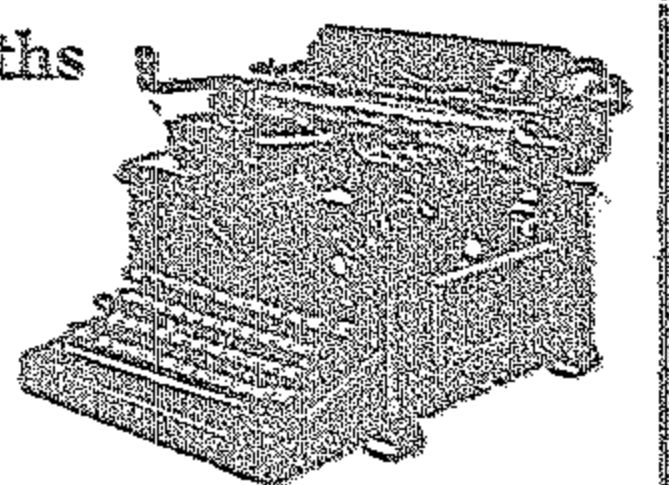
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