

BASKETEERS OPEN NEW SEASON WITH SEVEN REGULARS

Knowledge of Elements
Object of First
Sessions

SCHEDULE GIVEN

The opening shot of the 1930-1931 basketball season was the first practice in the Armour gym last Tuesday. Under the direction of Coach Krafft. Manager E. Erland was also on hand to view developments. The whistle found quite a number of eager candidates responding. The freshmen copped the honors for the number of new men present. The men from last season who reported for practice the first night were C. Robin, captain; F. Rutkowski, H. Rossing, W. Miran, S. A. Ott, T. O'Connor and S. Lind.

Practice in Tech Gym

The practice for the first two weeks will take place in the Armour gym on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings, from 4:30 to 6:00 P. M. The thorough knowledge of drill fundamentals will be the object of these practices. Coach Krafft stated, "A team that knows the fundamentals well will never be beaten badly." The drill will be on the correct ways of holding the ball, shooting, passing, and proper footwork; with a special emphasis on form.

Better Season Promised

Not much can be said at this early date, about the prospects of the team, but with seven men back from last year's squad, the outlook on paper is rather rosy. On the whole the men are quite small, but they may make up for this defect by speed. A well developed team will often be found superior to a tall one. All in all, a better season than last is hoped for. The schedule seems to indicate that the boys will have no easy time this season, but a few appearing setups will keep the edge of condition from being worn off by too much tension.

The squad will finally be thinned to about twenty-five men and Armour's showing will depend on them.

The following is the official schedule of games for the 1930-31 basketball season.

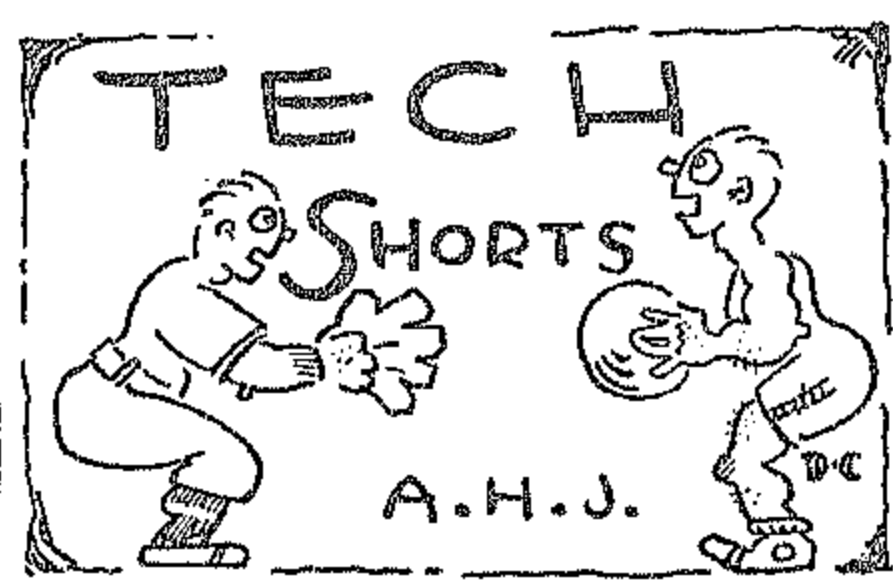
December 9—Alumni at Armour.
December 11—Chicago Tech at Armour.
December 16—Wheaton at Armour.
December 19—Western State Normal at Armour.
January 12—"Y" College at "Y" College.
January 15—Augustana at Rock Island.
January 22—Wheaton at Wheaton.
February 7—Western State Normal at Kalamazoo.
February 9—St. Mary's at St. Mary's.
February 13—Augustana at Armour.
February 17—"Y" College at Armour.
February 19—Chicago Tech at Armour.

Boxers Training For Strenuous Matches

Strictly a believer in the idea that 75% of the appearance and showing of a boxer in the ring, depends on his physical condition, regardless of the skill of his opponent, Coach Weisman is showing his pugs no mercy in his determination to display his squad in tip top physical condition. Every man must adhere strictly to training routine or be unworthy of consideration.

Various outside boxers have volunteered their aid in helping Coach Weisman realize his hopes. Among these are listed Ernie and Roy Peters, both of whom are well known Chicago fighters, and a former Intercollegiate Pacific Coast Middleweight champion.

Manager Cannon has completed negotiations with the Bloomington Y. M. C. A., former state championship team, for an engagement early next spring. Other competitive dates have not been set, and will not be revealed until definite arrangements are completed.



Varsity Practice

Coach Krafft issued a call for varsity basketball candidates last Tuesday evening. In answer, about 40 men came out for the initial try-out. However, the group included several large men who seemed to show promise. At this stage of the practice it is difficult to state the strength of the Tech squad. With Robin, Rossing, Rutkowski, Miran, and Ott to build a team around, a fast experienced floor team should be developed. Perhaps interfraternity basketball will bring out men of ability to fill in as substitutes in the varsity squad.

S. K. D. vs T. X.

A game of touch football is scheduled between Sigma Kappa Delta and Theta Xi for this afternoon. As usual the game will be played in Ogden field starting around 4 p. m. T. X. has a strong squad of footballers who take their touch football serious.

Lately a series of intra-departmental athletic contests has developed. The first game of this type was played when the sophomore Civil basketball team defeated the junior Chemical outfit, 24-14. A game is to be played today between the Chemicals and the junior Fire-protects.

Tennis Tournament

Dick Eddy, captain of the varsity tennis team, states that a school champion will be declared this week when the final round in the annual Fall tournament is to be played.

Did you know that at one time there was a bowling team at Tech?

Swimmers Starting Tryouts for Squad

Activities of the Mermen are still as yet confined to practice maneuvers. Practice and tryouts are in progress and will probably continue so until the first of the year, when the vanguard of the competitive schedule will be encountered.

Among the new men who show promise are: Paul, Thompson, Brockman and Koenig, all of whom excell in the dashes.

Hopes of a regular Polo team at Armour have dimmed because of the impossibility of devoting the extra time required.

Manager Davidson is preparing an unusual schedule which he hopes to have completed after the holidays, at which time the swimmers should be in tip top form.

The physician of the University of Oklahoma advises that, in order to do justice to his work, an athlete should rest an hour after competing before attempting to do any study.

The average student comes to college 5,700 hours a year and sleeps 2,160 of them.

INTER-FRATERNITY CAGE TEAMS ARE SET FOR TOURNEY

Keen Rivalry Will Mark
Annual Competition
For Title

PHI PI'S CHAMPS NOW

When the inter-fraternity basketball tournament gets under way on December 11, nine teams will wage warfare against one. This one team is the Phi Pi Phi team, winners of the inter-fraternity basketball tournaments for 12 consecutive years.

Any one of the other nine teams will welcome the championship but none will be as hopeful of winning it as they will be in seeing the Phi Pi Phi's lose it.

This 12 year reign by the Phi Pi Phi's has given them permanent possession of four cups. The other teams fear that if the champions continue at this pace, interest in inter-fraternity basketball will soon fade. This is an evil that they must avoid and their means of doing this will be to down the Phi Pi Phi's in the coming classics.

Tough Competition

The present year finds the champions as favorites again. Their probable starting line-up will include Gisske, Henke, Carlson, Leichtenberg and MacLennan. Three of these men performed with the juniors, one with the freshmen and the other with the sophomores in the recent inter-class contest. If this line-up is presented when the tournament starts, the going will be quite tough for the opposing teams.

Last year's final game was played between the Delta Tau Delta house and the champs. The schedule this year places the Deltas in the same division with the Phi Pi Phi's. This leaves the championship of the other division at stake to five teams which will be headed by the Sigma Kappa Delta house. In all probability the final game, scheduled for the winners of the two divisions will be played by the Sigma Kappa Delta and Phi Pi Phi. Sigma Kappa Delta boasts of a line-up consisting of Kutteruf, Yuknis, Stehno, Landwer and Reed. They appear capable enough of downing any team in either division, but whether they do or not remains to be seen.

Maybe Deltas This Year

Delta Tau Delta is likewise conceded a chance to do a majority of the winning. Beal, Johnson and Pres Cone are among the staff that will represent the Deltas in the tournament.

Beta Psi with Setterberg and Johnson are looked on as strong contenders for the honors in the first division and will no doubt offer the Sigma Kappa Delta's a good deal of competition.

The first game in the tournament will be played by Phi Kappa Sigma and Sigma Alpha Mu. Phi Kappa Sigma with Hendricks, Jacobson and Wilson in the line-up are conceded a wedge over their opponents.

Munch, '31, Given Track Team Job

Fred Munch, M. E., '31, has recently been appointed manager of the track team for the 1930-31 season. Edward Colcord, M. E., '32, was also appointed to be his assistant.

The majority of the trackmen will start indoor practice at Bartlett Gym within the next two weeks. This year's prospects are very promising with fourteen men, including five major letter men, of last season's undefeated indoor track team returning to action.

Captain D. J. Paul, champion shot putter and high jumper; V. A. Sturm, short distance runner; J. J. Kara, hurdler; and D. T. Smith, miler, have been lost to the team thru graduation.

The following men will be back for running this season: F. M. James, E. E. Sademan, and H. P. Richter, distance runners; D. J. Iverson, R. A. Timmermans, and J. T. Sorenson, half-milers; H. L. Fox, K. S. Hirsch, and A. H. Helmick, 440-yard dash; A. H. Jens, sprinter; C. J. Jens, shot putter; and T. D. Luckett, pole vaulter.

There is a shortage in the hurdle, high jump, pole vault, shot put, and sprint events. All new men wishing to come out for track should report to Coach A. A. Stagg, Jr. at Bartlett Gym for lockers.

The first meet will be the inter-class affair which will take place about the middle of next February. The class of '31 won this meet for the last two years, and should have a very good chance to repeat again as they have all of the men back from their championship team of last year.

Chemical Cage Team Seeking Opponents

The junior chemical's basketball team is asking for games with teams representing other groups, clubs or fraternities. Last Thursday they dropped a game to a team of sophomores in the civil engineering department by a score of 24-14. Their third game will be at 1:00 o'clock today with the junior fire protects.

Any person desiring further information is requested to see E. Field, R. Blom, or S. Lind.

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Gridiron Queries

By Professor John J. Schommer

Editor's Note: Professor John J. Schommer, star player, conference umpire, and leading football authority, will answer through this column, any questions on football which are passing our readers. Questions may be submitted to the Sports Editor, H. P. Richter, or they may be placed in the Armour Tech News box, which is located in the main building adjacent to the elevator on the first floor.

Question 16. Is a player permitted to make a lateral pass after he has passed the line of scrimmage?

Answer—A player may make a lateral pass at any time. The ball may be passed laterally as many times as a team wishes to pass it on any play.

Question 17. If a man of the offensive team wishes to throw a forward pass, how far back from the line of scrimmage must he stand?

Answer—At least five yards.

Question 18. Will a team be permitted to play with less than eleven players on the field?

Answer—Conditions could arise when less than eleven players might be permitted to play.

Question 19. Does an official blow his whistle at the time an offense is committed or does he wait until the play is completed?

Answer—The whistle of the referee is only blown when the ball is dead. The other officials may blow their horns at any time.

Question 20. Is there any rule governing the number of officials that may officiate a game?

Answer—The rules call for four officials. Many games by agreement, have but three officials.

Question 21. What penalty is imposed on a team if one of its members deliberately punches an opponent?

Answer—Disqualification of player, and a penalty of half the distance to the goal line is given.

Tennis Tourney Nearing Finals

This year's tennis tourney is one of the best that we have had for some time past. One of its best features being the well planned schedule which was based on the known ability of the contestants.

A valuable asset to any sports competition is the match which is almost an even break, and if anything can be said about our annual tourney, this is one of the things which has aroused interest in the matches.

Some of the men who are newcomers to this sport have succeeded in making a very good showing out on the courts during the last two weeks, and they will be given a good try-out next season. The playing has been spirited, although some of the players claimed to be rusty because they stopped playing when the first spell of cold weather came along last month, yet the whole proceeding has been very satisfactory.

The tournament is in the fifth round at present and two of the four matches have been put out of the way. H. P. Richter won over Curran by a score of (6-3) (7-5). Draus defeated Dase (6-4) (2-6) (8-6). These two players are now in the semi-final round. The finals should be completed by the end of this week.

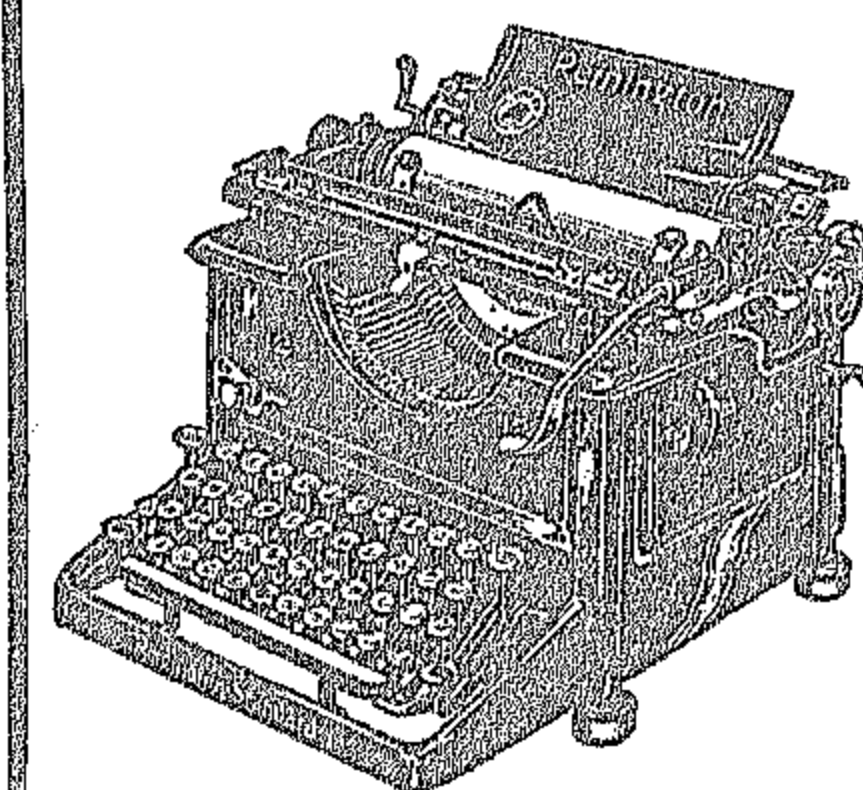
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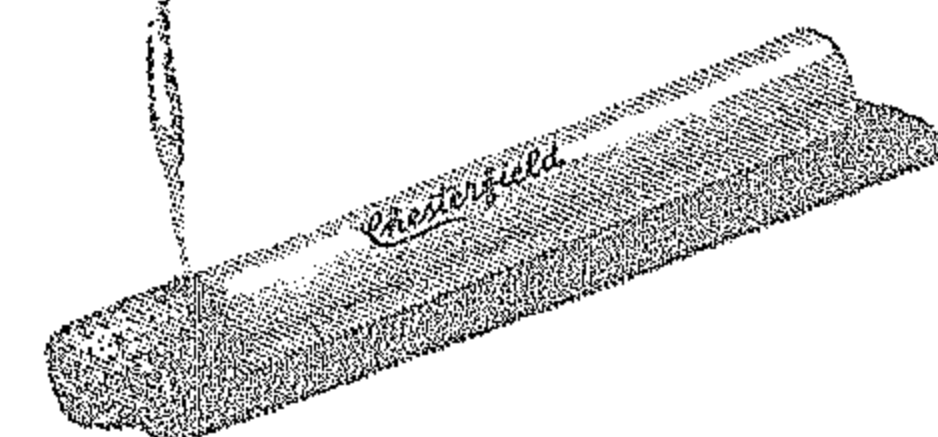
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