

CAGERS TO BEGIN SERIOUS PRACTICE ON ARMORY FLOOR

Fast Workouts Planned For 26 Members of Squad

FIRST GAME, DEC. 9

The Tech basketball team will start their practice tonight at the Eighth Regiment Armory gym located at 35th street and Giles avenue. The players are to report between 4:30 and 5:00 p. m.

The squad has been cut down to the twenty-six men who will continue throughout the season. With this smaller number of men, the practice will be speeded up to get them into shape for their first game on December 9.

The assistant manager for the team will be picked just before the Christmas holidays. The candidates are to assist manager Erland each night up to that time, and then Coach Krafft will give his recommendations to the Board of Control as to the successful candidate.

Up to date no new games have been scheduled. Last week's News has the complete schedule.

The following men are to report to the Eighth Regiment Armory for practice tonight: Captain Robin, Rutkowski, Rossing, Miran, Ott, O'Connor, Beemsterboer, Sandsteadt, Kukulski, Manson, Lukas, Moskowitz, Lind, Setterberg, Pepe, McDonald, Meade, Henke, MacLennan, Pearson, Jacobson, Rummel, Schamp, Kutteruf, Streb, Gustafson.

Coach Weissman Shapes Pug Team

Coach B. Weissman, the latest addition to Armour's athletic department, was rewarded for his ceaseless efforts with the boxing team, whose last season's record was the best in years, and which prior to this time had not had the opportunity for professional instruction.

Engaging the outstanding amateur pugs in the city, Coach Weissman's squad emerged victors in two meets, dropped two and drew one. The deadlock was registered at the Lincoln Belmont "Y."

Mr. Weissman is a graduate of Lane Tech High School and an alumnus of DePaul University. At both of these institutions the boxing mentor was awarded letters in basketball and football. His boxing ability could not manifest itself inasmuch as boxing teams did not exist at these schools. Coach Weissman is generally recognized to be one of Chicago's foremost amateur boxing instructors, as may be judged by the fact that he has turned out a number of reputable fighters. Prior to his appointment at Armour, Weissman was connected with Dave Barry's gymnasium, where he served in a capacity as instructor, trainer, and sparring partner. His knowledge of boxing, coupled with his experience among fighters of note, makes him invaluable as a second whose advice is so necessary to the boxer. This was demonstrated many times during the course of the season, when through his encouraging advice, the fighters received moral support which enabled them to last the distance.

Although he has found it necessary to work with a green squad, Coach Weissman predicts that this year's record will be on a par with last season's standing.

His genial personality and everlasting patience has made him a favorite among the students.

Those students who desire a knowledge of the many art, and who wish to take advantage of the opportunity, should not hesitate to do so, regardless of their ability. Many who were not at all versed with the science of self defense are showing marked improvement and incidentally are deriving benefit from the body building.

Outside of his pugilistic activities, Mr. Weissman is strictly a professional man, being engaged in legal practice in the city.

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 puzzling 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 22. Ball carrier accidentally collides with the referee, who fails to get out of the way quick enough. This collision deprives the man of making a long gain or possibly a touchdown. What is the referee's ruling in this case?

Answer: Play is ruled as it develops. No loss granted for interference by officials.

Question 23. Quarterback of offensive team makes a forward pass to an end. The end in return passes it laterally to a half-back but the pass is thrown inaccurately causing the half-back to pick it off the ground. Will he be permitted to advance the ball or is the ball brought back as the case would be on an incomplete forward pass?

Answer: Half-back may run with the ball as in a fumble but the opponents can only recover unless they catch ball before it strikes ground.

Question 24. If a lateral pass is fumbled does it become a free ball?

Answer: Yes. Dead at point of recovery on striking ground for the defensive but a live ball for the offensive.

Question 25. Offensive team is on their own five yard line. They attempt a pass behind the goal line on the last down. Does the defensive team get possession of the ball on the five yard line or is the ball brought back to the twenty yard line as the case is when a team punts the ball over the goal line?

Answer: Play as outlined is a safety by definition and the offensive team puts the ball in play on their own 20 yard line by a free kick. The defensive team, however, may refuse the safety which nets them two points, and elect to put the ball in play on the five yard line.

Question 26. Offensive team is on their own one yard line. Quarterback fumbles ball and recovers it but is tackled before he crosses the goal line. Is the defensive team awarded two points on this play?

Answer: Yes.

Tennis Champion to Be Named This Week

Late reports on the big annual tennis fray indicate that all is well with the schedule and everything else that is connected with this year's tourney. The probabilities are that the championship will be awarded to the sole survivor of the eliminations some time during this week.

Considerable enthusiasm has been the contribution of the contestants, who have in almost every instance played their matches without undue delay. It seems that the display of skill is better than is usually encountered at this time of the season and most of the contests have been a fairly even match. Extra sets have been the deciding factors time and again even in the early rounds when things were just getting under way.

The championship now lies between H. P. Richter, Graham, Draus, and Hendricks. For a while it looked as though Draus wouldn't be playing in the sixth round, but he succeeded in downing Dase by a score of (6-4), (2-6), and (8-6) after a session of fast volleys had gone over the net.

The courts are in relatively good condition at the present time, our hope being that they will continue to be that way until the championship has been decided.

The consolation players are lagging behind right now and do not seem to be very much inspired. There has been a comparatively high number of defaults as compared with that among the bigger guns, but there is hope that the consolations will be finished some time next week. There is a scattering of men who are still playing in the fourth round, or rather, should be playing in that round, although the majority of the fifth round matches have been put out of the way.

Fire Protects Lose To Junior Chemicals

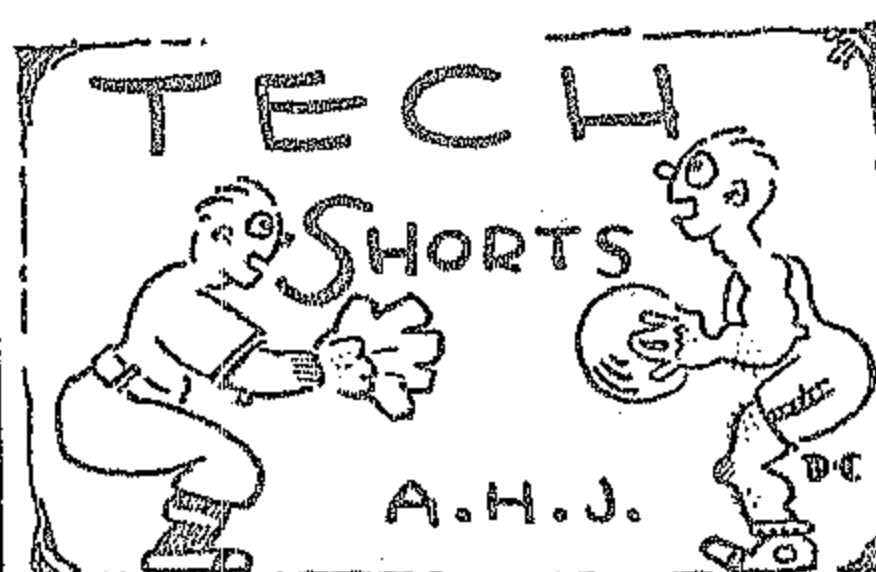
The Junior Chemicals defeated the Junior Fire Protects, 17-11, in an inter-department basketball game last Thursday afternoon.

Both teams opened up strong but soon settled down to a fast, steady game. Stan Lind was the stellar player for the Chemicals, and Stalzer did most of the scoring for the Fireos.

Scanlon and Tilt also came through with their share of the points for the F. P. E. squad. Field and Blom were two others who backed Lind up and fed him the ball. They did their stuff in the long shots and accounted for a good part of the score.

The Chemical squad showed a well balanced team on the floor that worked in unison to a great extent. Although their opponents were good individual players, they lacked the practice that would have made them act as a unit. Short quarters were played and this speeded up the game considerably since both squads were unusually small.

Pi Ni Epsilon, honorary musical fraternity, held a meeting yesterday at 2 o'clock in the Tau Beta Pi rooms in Chapin Hall. The meeting was conducted by R. R. Eddy, president.



Thirty-sixth Edition

This is the 36th presentation of Tech Shorts. When we reach the 50 mark we'll hold a celebration of some sort or other, perhaps we'll serve cigars and cider. Who knows? And what's more, who cares?

Lots of Basketball

At any rate we are in the midst of a basketball season. With the varsity basketball practice and the annual civil war of the fraternities there is plenty for the dopesters to think about. We are inclined to believe that the varsity will do much better this season than in the past few years. However, at this stage of the game predictions are merely based on former records and experience. The varsity squad has much of the latter but little of the former.

Schommer and Wars

Speaking of civil wars reminds us of an article that Jawn J. Schommer wrote for this paper last year. Professor Schommer wrote on the

subsidizing of athletics and professionalism. Several of the daily Chicago newspapers raked our well known director over the pan for his views on these highly important subjects. Perhaps we might secure another such article on a different phase of college athletics from Professor Schommer.

No Doubt

Our correspondent in fraternity basketball gave a resume of conditions on the battle front in last week's paper. According to him it looks as though anyone of the ten fraternities might win the inter-fraternity gaffalon. A secret bulletin issued by the S. K. D. House reports that their team won a tight game from the Memorial Boy Builders, 43-11 in a basketball game held last Tuesday. Other bulletins will be released as soon as they are received.

Fraternity Touch Football

Touch football came into its own on Armistice Day when Ogden Field was literally over-run with footballers. The groups were separated somewhat as follows: Theta Xi vs. Phi Pi Phi; T. X. vs. S. K. D.; D. T. D. vs. D. T. D. Several of the fraternities engaged in contests among themselves.

The much advertised T. X.—S. K. D. game ended 2-0, in favor of T. X. when Robert Kutteruf made a beautiful backward punt over the fence for the only score of the game, a safety for his opponents.

Swim Team Needs Back-Stroke Men

Those who are interested in the welfare of the swimming squad, may rest assured that the team will be practically intact for some time to come.

The team's roster lists only one senior, Capt. Knox, three juniors, with the balance being made up of sophomores and freshmen.

This is a highly desirable condition as these lower classmen will be expected to fill vacancies, caused by graduation.

For some reason or other the major award in swimming is a minor letter. A major letter in this sport would undoubtedly stimulate more interest, inducing a greater number of men to turn out. In spite of this fact the team has always succeeded to make a creditable showing and should continue to do so.

A special opportunity presents itself to anyone who can swim the backstroke, as this position, for which new men are welcome, is not so well fortified.

The clock in the tower of Heavilon hall strikes 179,580 strokes in a year.

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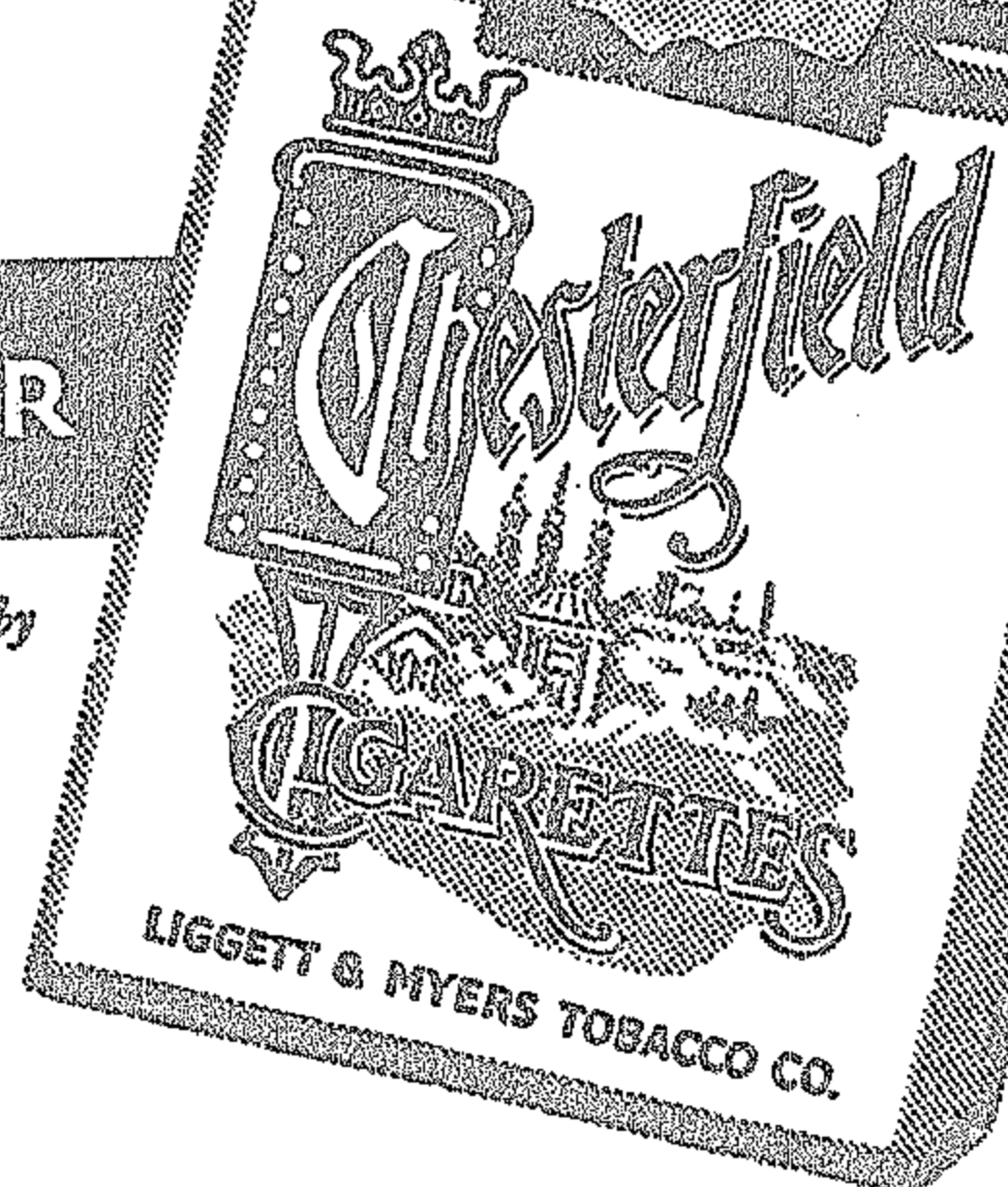
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