

KRAFFT CUTS HIS BASKETEERS TO TWENTY FIVE MEN

Team Now Scrimmages At Eighth Regiment Armory

FIRST GAME DECEMBER 1

Coach Krafft has made the first seasonal cut in the basketball squad, and as a result, twenty-five picked men were ordered to report to the Armory gymnasium yesterday, for scrimmage. The squad consists of the following men: Capt. Rossing, Robin, Beemsterboer, Omiecinski, Setterberg, Burkhardt, Brockman, Carlson, Casey, Christoph, Collatz, Grundstrum, Lucas, LaPedus, Lundin, Mac Lennan, Pihl, Pflum, Rummel, Staron, Uzunaris, Vanderpoorten, Lyford, Biegler, and Pinsof.

Up to this time, the candidates have been doing fundamental work and theory, but with practice transferred to the Armory gym, the real scrimmage is under way. The scrimmage will prove to be lively, as positions on the varsity squad are at stake. Coach Krafft is especially desirous of developing several good guards, as the 1931 graduation left him without any veteran material at that position for the coming season.

The University of Chicago team has accepted a scrimmage game with the Armour team, but the game will not count on either team's standing in their respective leagues. This game will take place on December 3. The team's schedule will be filled when the DeKalb team accepts an invitation to play two games with Armour's team. The first game of the season comes on December 1, and will be played against the Armour alumni team. The other games of the schedule will follow in rapid succession.

In the momentary absence of Coach Krafft last Thursday, the candidates of the basketball team betook themselves out to the football field, and obtained their workout in the form of a game of touch football to show their earnestness in getting into shape.

Challenge of Senior Bowlers Is Accepted

Leave it to the seniors to find a new form of recreation. They have turned to bowling to occupy their spare time and otherwise. Although they are very modest usually, they have come out of the bowling alley and have issued a challenge to any other team at Armour. In fact, they have so much confidence in themselves and their bowling ability, that they have challenged the faculty to an important match, to which they have attached certain conditions.

They agree that if the versatile team of professors will defeat them in a bowling match, the professors will be allowed to flunk them in their studies, but if they beat the faculty team, the professors must pass them. They contend that they are taking an enormous chance, as the possibility of defeating the faculty team would be 1 chance out of 100 against the seniors.

The juniors have accepted the senior challenge and a match has been arranged for the near future. Anyone wishing to arrange such a match should see Setterberg, or any of the other senior bowlers: Meagher, Anderson, Stalzer, Leichtenberg, Robin, Giske, or Seiferth.

Armour Track Squad Gets New Equipment

Armour track men will soon have a new field house in which to practice. The University of Chicago field house will be opened sometime during the Christmas vacation when the annual invitational basketball high school tournament gets under way.

The track squad has received its new equipment which will be distributed at an early date. Candidates are working out at Bartlett Gymnasium every evening. All men are urged to come out and practice as often as possible so that they can get into condition by the time trials start.

Last year the class of '31 won the Interclass meet for their third consecutive time. They were closely followed by the sophomores, juniors

TECH SHORTS

Basketeers Scrimmage

Armour's 1931-32 basketball team had their first scrimmage together last night at the 8th Regiment Armory. Coach Krafft has cut the team to 25 men consisting of five seniors, two juniors, eight sophomores, and ten freshmen. Tech's first game will be two weeks from tonight with the Alumni.

The interfraternity schedule will be published in next week's issue of the News. Several of the teams have played practice games and are in good shape to play for the championship next month.

Schommer Again

Several of the officials of the Big Ten football games have been "put on the pan" by sports writers for making raw decisions in the big games. All of these men seem to agree that Professor Schommer has been fair and square with all teams. He should be allowed to referee some of the recent boxing matches at which most of the spectators disagreed with the decisions.

Touch football, inter-department basketball, and that great game, "Sink the Navy", has taken Tech's athletes by force. For information concerning the latter, look up C. H. Fox.

Basketball Assistants

I. C. Johnson, R. E. Nelson, and S. Johannison have applied for the position of assistant basketball manager. They will alternate weekly in helping Jack Owen, manager, until towards the end of the season when the successful candidate will be announced.

Wrestling

Twenty men are now out practicing for the wrestling team. This sport was discontinued in 1928 because of lack of meets and also lack of material. That year "Y" College defeated Armour 20-0 and 24-5 getting four falls and eight decisions to Tech's one fall. If the fellows continue to show their interest in the team, they will be able to get meets and also recognition from the Armour Tech Athletic Association. Gym credit will be given to those participating.

Remember Way Back When

Armour had a cheer leader? Back in 1922 several hundred students led by a cheer leader and a fifteen piece band went to all of the home basketball games. Why can't we develop that school spirit now? Last year's team, with hardly any support, won eight and lost five games. With the school backing them as a body several of these other games could have been turned to victories also. Come on fellows—support this year's team!

H. P. R.

Twenty Five Men to Box in Tournament

Preliminaries for the annual boxing tournament will start Friday, November 20. Manager Ustryski states that an attempt will be made to finish the fight in two separate lists of bouts. The men were weighed in and paired last Friday. The weights this year are much better distributed than last, ranging from flyweights to heavyweights.

Three new men signed up since the last issue. They are: E. Ostheimer, 140 lbs.; Wojtasik, 145 lbs.; and Z. Rubin, 116 lbs. Most of the new men who have been working on the squad have entered the tournament. Some of the fellows have had experience on their respective high school teams and show promise for making clever pugsters.

Most of last year's winners have places on the team which brings out the fact that the elimination tournament has a value to the school as well as to the fighters. Medals will be given to the winners in each weight division, and will be presented by the A. T. A. A. Any man not reporting for his match at the scheduled time will forfeit his chances in the tournament.

Coach Weissman will act as referee, for in this position the merits of each fighter can be accurately determined. Coach Krafft and one other judge will help in making the decisions. Each match will consist of three two-minute rounds with one minute intermission between gongs.

and freshmen. Therefore the meet this year promises to be very close with the outcome doubtful 'till the last event has been run off.

Boxing Team Seeking Year's First Opponent

The boxing team is still seeking its first opponent of the season. Manager Ustryski sent challenges to several colleges but only one answer thus far has been received. In the challenge to Valparaiso University he asked for a meet to be held at Armour sometime before the holidays, but in Valparaiso's answer, they wanted a flat guarantee to come here. Since this was out of the question, an attempt is being made to procure meets with them on a home and home basis.

Another tentative opportunity has been offered the boxing team through Coach Weissman. A few members of the Lincoln Park Police Board have approached Weissman about engaging the Armour Tech Boxing Team and another team for a contest to be staged as a part of their next Military Ball.

The above facts are the latest concerning the boxing team; and although it contains nothing definite, it is too early in the season for this to cause any worry. This year, contrary to previous years, the men who started coming out for boxing are still sticking to it. With the prospects of new material from the boxing tournament Armour will undoubtedly have an excellent team.

Wrestling is not officially recognized as a school sport yet, but the wrestlers are having large turnouts every Friday night.

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. The carrier of the ball is tripped by the safety man when he has a clear field in sight. What penalty is imposed?

Answer. No penalty is given as this is a perfectly legal method of stopping the runner.

Question 23. A player drops a lateral pass. Is it a fumble or an incomplete pass?

Answer. It is a fumble and is dead at the point of recovery by the defense but is live for the offense.

Question 24. A substitute runs on the field as a play is made. What penalty is given?

Answer. For having twelve men of one team on the field a penalty of five yards may be inflicted. This is wholly at the discretion of the referee, and if in his judgment the substitute did not interfere with the play, the penalty would not be given.

Question 25. What is the maximum yardage penalty?

Answer. For slugging, kneeling, etc., one half the distance to the goal would make a maximum penalty of almost fifty yards. In the special case of interference with an eligible receiver of a pass in the end zone, the ball is placed on the one yard line. Therefore if the offensive team "A", had a forward passer who could throw from end zone to end zone, a foul by the defense, "B", of an eligible "A" receiver of a pass made from "A's" end zone to "B's" end zone would result in ball being placed on the one yard line. Thus the maximum penalty would be just short of 99 yards.

Question 26. What is the penalty for disorderly conduct of the players against the referee's decision?

Answer. Fifteen yards, or fifteen yards and disqualification of the player or players.

Jennings, '31 Tops Tennis Rankings

George J. Jennings, '31, winner of the Chicago city championship in singles, holder of National Public Parks singles title for four years and doubles for five years, has again been ranked as Chicago's leading tennis player according to the rankings listed by the Chicago Tennis Association. Previously Jennings had ranked as number two as George Lott, now rated as second in National singles, had held first rank.

Jennings has acquired a string of victories numbering among them: the Mississippi Valley Doubles and the Muskegon Resort Singles and Doubles.

He has been finalist in Michigan State Singles, and Doubles at Harvard Springs, Michigan; Minnesota Invitational Singles and Doubles; and Chicago City Championship Doubles.

Five State Championships are numbered among the holdings of Jennings. They are the Wisconsin State Championship twice, Michigan State Championship once, Ohio State Championship once, and the Illinois State Championship in 1929.

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