

## Illinois Tech Bids Sad Farewell To Large Group Of Lettermen

### Baseball Team Loses Six Star Performers

By Fred DeMoney

Hail Tech's bravest seniors, the men in athletics! Numbering over two dozen, the letter winners of the senior class have given to IIT nigh unto an accumulated half a century of total letter winning effort.

#### Baseball Most Popular

Baseball has the monopoly on the senior's athletic interest. In this sport six seniors have earned letters. Co-captains Bill Bauch and Bill Krause have graced the diamond for four years, and each will have earned three majors by the end of this season. Bauch, civil, has perched behind the plate for the three I. X. Seidenberg for a year. "Moose" Krause, mechanical, has always played the gardens for Tech.

A lad who has been sorely missed by the infielders is Bill Grosse, who suffered a fracture ankle about a month ago. Wee Willie entered the baseball scene in the last half of the 1940 baseball season when he took over third base, where he proved to be the spark of pep and a .333 man at the plate. This season Bill was playing good ball until the time of the accident in the North Central game.

#### "Pfeff" in Spikes

Frank Pfeiffer of softball fame turned his attention to the league industry and has been going places in the short-stop position. Although this is only his first year with the spikes, "Pfeff" is playing nice ball and hitting the apple at a lively clip. First baseman Mike Carrier is playing his second year with the club. Always taking a lot of abuse from Coach Weissman, "big business" Eugene Dailley has served as manager for the club this season.

Golf manager, LeRoy Goetz, represents the sole senior in the slice and divot world. A civil through and through, Goetz has been an able assistant to Coach Sammy Bibb.

#### Lange, Hauswald Leave

Tennis boasts of two seniors, Bob Lange and Manager Art Hauswald. Lange, after being stricken with a severe case of pleuresy that kept him on his back all of last summer has smashed the ball with great consistency this season while playing in the number two position. Former assistant sports editor Hauswald has proven to be a valuable asset to Dr. Hal Davey in his first year as coach of the team. The two make a great pair.

One of Tech's most consistent men is George Matthews of the track team. For four years George has been out for both indoor and outdoor track plugging away in the 440 and relay events. He is a great team man. Al Sanowskis has shown up in the outdoor season to hurl the discus and heave the shot. Earl Huebner, senior chemical, is now acting as track coach in the absence of Norm Root after serving as manager of the team.

#### Adieu to Hank

On the hardwood court Tech has bid goodbye to Captain Hank Oliwa, John Brierley, and co-op Bob Schmidt. Handsome Hank has won three letters in the swisher's league as a guard; whereas it was John's first season as a regular. Bob Schmidt, former Aurora ace, has traveled many leagues to practice with the team and has given the squad two years of service.

### Outstanding Seniors Leave Fine Records

Coach McGillivray of Bartlett pool fame fired his last shot at the pool: Captain Blume, Bill Powers, Thurber Stowell, Fred DeMoney, and Manager Dick Larson. Blume swam four years for Tech; three on his back and the fourth as a free style. Bill Powers, senior chemical, dove for his first letter last year and swam the 220 for his second one this year. Striving for recognition in the 220 this year was last season's manager, Fred DeMoney. Stowell, architect, earned his letter his sophomore year as a breaststroker. Managing the team this year was Dick Larson, ITSA prexy and general roustabout in charge of southern tours.

Sonny Weissman's fifth floor collar box emporium sports, boxing and wrestling, had a mere handful of seniors enrolled. Captain of wrestling, Biagio Nigrelli, now has a job with Hudson motor car in Detroit. Guen Baum has been a member of the squad for four years and earned his letter this season in the 145 pound class. Al Sanowskis heaved his letter around in the heavyweight division this season for his letter. Efficient Dick Grindal was manager.

In the boxing world is Captain Ernie Colant. A member of the team for four years, Ernie has been captain for the past two and has fought in all but this year's Golden Gloves. As Sonny would say, "He's a real fighter!"

#### Intramurals Lose Mac

Last but not least in the athletic world at Tech is intramural manager, Chuck McAleer. Chuck has accomplished the difficult task of making the intramurals pop right along, and deserves full acclaim for this feat.

There are the senior athletes. Take a good look at them, for they will wear the Gray and Scarlet of Illinois Tech no more. Gallant men are these, and the class of '41 should feel quite proud in having such a fine but small group.

### Molecules Defeated

By Jr. Mechs 20-14

Champions of the Lewis softball tournament, the highly-touted Molecules went down to defeat before the hard-hitting Junior Mechs, undefeated contender for the Armour softball crown, on Tuesday of last week in a slugfest, 20 to 14.

The game, which was played at Union Park, marked the first meeting of Armour and Lewis on the softball field. Both teams displayed hitting-power galore; with the Junior Mechs possessing a slight edge sufficient to swing the tide of battle in their favor. Of considerable aid too was the bungling and inconsistent field play of the Molecules, coupled with erratic hitting in the early portion of the game.

Contributing mightily to the effort of the Molecules were the leading hitters Barnet, Suriano, Lucatorto and Patterino.

Pitcher Frank Jencius sparked the play of the Mechs although his usual disconcerting fast delivery was somewhat hampered by the strict ruling governing the speed of delivery. Effective hitting was done by Erickson, Sieg, Carey and Jacobs.

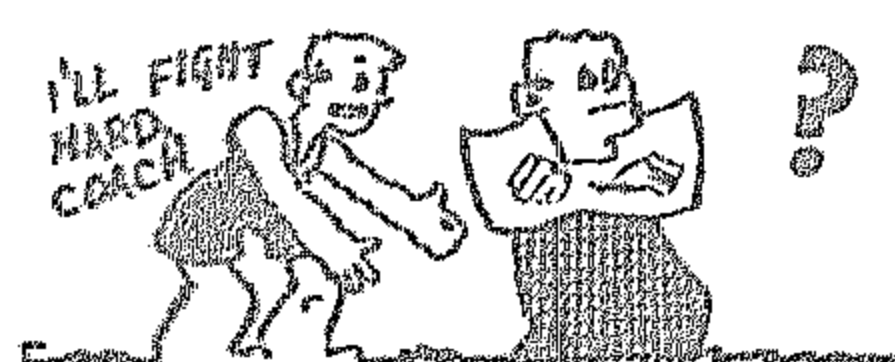
### Tracksters Win Four, Lose Six For Year

It's a mediocre but courageous track team came through a tough schedule of indoor and outdoor against six losses. Besides these dual and triangular meets the Techhawk thinclads competed in three other invitational meets and garnered points in all three. At Beloit the team finished third out of twelve teams competing and at the Illinois Tech Relays they garnered three points to gain a third from last place. At the Elmhurst Invitational meet they garnered several places for a very creditable showing.

The indoor season opened against North Central at Naperville in February. The tracksters lost this meet by a decisive score. Wayne McCullough and Harry Heidenreich scored the only first for IIT when they tied in the high jump. A week later the thinclads lost a dual meet by a close score to Wilson Junior. Wilson subsequently was crowned the Junior College champion. In this meet Bob Osborne and McCullough showed great form as they copped first in the 440 and half mile respectively. Bill Johnson and Nat Ratner also showed great promise as they placed in the mile.

In their first meet with Loyola the Techawks lost by a close score after furious battle. Again big Bob Osborne paced the team. The relay team also came through with a win in this meet. Later that week in the first triangular meet of the season the Techawks defeated Chicago Teachers College and Morton Jr. Tech copped five out of ten first and won thirteen places to walk off with the meet.

The Techhawk scoring splurge kept on as the team defeated Elmhurst and Wheaton in succession by the decisive scores of 54-41 and



50-23. In both these meets Osborne was start scorer as he copped all the sprint and middle distance races. In the Elmhurst meet Barry was also a star performer as he took both ends of the timber-topper races.

The winning streak was carried to four straight with the advent of the outdoor season as IIT took a triangular meet from North Park and Morton in a thrilling exhibition. For the first time in the season the squad presented a balanced array and walked off with most of the events in fine style. They led North Park by 26 points when the final scores were tabulated.

After the winning streak of four straight victories the team seemed to fall apart and lost four straight meets to Elmhurst, Bradley, Loyola and Wheaton respectively. In the Elmhurst meet the team lost by only 2/3 of a point in the final race.

The last meet of the season was run under the tutelage of Harry Heidenreich and Earl Huebner because of the absence of Norm Root due to sickness.

At the conclusion of the season the letter and jacket awards will be made. Dick Barry, Jack Tregay, Wayne McCullough, Harry Heidenreich, Bob Osborne and Earl Huebner were awarded majors the last being a manager's award. A senior jacket was presented to George Matthews, as he was the only senior on the team to graduate this year. Minor letters were awarded to Don Keigher, Ray Sauer, Bill Parks and George Erkert.

## Review Of Sports Season Shows Good And Bad Athletic Records

By J. W. Brierley

Another eventful year in athletics is drawing to a close at Illinois Tech. This year saw Remie Meyer become the new basketball mentor, "Sonny" Weissman the new baseball coach, and the temporary departure of track coach Norm Root.

Under Coach Meyer the basketball team had a fair share tabulation showed 5 victories against 10 losses.



The freshman team under Coach O'Brien had a small schedule of 5 games without winning a game. They had winning spirit and fought hard all season.

IIT swimmers did not reach their peak of previous years. After a season of stiff competition the final record showed 3 wins and 8 losses. Earle Huxhold will lead the team next year.

The rifle team under the captaincy of Joe Hartman had a good season in that the team placed second in the National Rifle meet at U. of C. the season ended with 7 wins and 5 losses.

Tennis under Coach Davey has had the best record of any sport. To-date the team record is 13 wins against 3 losses. All players are consistent winners and with some freshmen on the team Coach Davey will have a good team for years to come. The track team lost a great man this year in their Coach, Norm Root, who had to leave because of sickness.

Another one of Coach Davey's enterprises at IIT was the formation of a hockey team. The team played hard but without results. The season ended with 5 losses, some were by 1 point margins.

### Tech Track Squad Loses To Wheaton

Once more the track squad lost a heart-breaking meet by a few points. In their third photo-finish loss, and final meet of the cinder season the Illinois Tech thinclads were defeated by Wheaton 70-61. The deciding factor of the meet was IIT's defeat in the mile relay, the final event.

Second best baton-carrier on the relay quartet, George Matthews, and Wayne McCullough, perennial winner in the distance races, were forced to miss the meet last Tuesday afternoon because of scholastic labors, otherwise the point score would have read quite differently.

Highlight of the meet was Bob Osborne's iron-man act of winning the 100, 220, and 330 and kicking through the final quarter of the relay in unofficial time of :51.5 which would break the school all-time record.

Even more important was Captain Harry Heidenreich's record-smashing throw in the javelin. Harry on his final throw in the event tossed the willow spear 169' 9 1/4", which breaks the school record of 166' by nearly 4'. Capt. Vanderkeift of the '38 team held the old record.

### Seniors Whip Faculty In Softball Contest

Ten old men of the senior class squeezed out a 6-2 win over an equally decrepit team, the faculty. For seven innings Ogden Field resounded with the squeaks and bending of unlimbered tendons. The seniors, apparently, were better oiled.

John Yellott and five members of the mechanical department comprised half of the team. The professor came around for the first run and retired to rest on his laurels. His excuse about a charley-horse sounded pretty weak.

Irwin Perlin pitched a good game. His performance was only surpassed by Crawford's in the field and at bat. One must not overlook Jesse Kremer's playing in left field. There seems to be some argument as whether he dropped five or six balls. All the seniors could give to Paul Trumpler was encouragement. In fact, their nagging caused him to run-a-city-block to miss a ball.

After seven innings of play the seniors were so worn out that they were forced to make innumerable substitutions. But, the faculty went on after the seventh inning to register two runs.

With a final score of 10-4, the seniors retire to other pursuits and the faculty returns to the bench until next year.

### ALPHA SIGS TOPS IN FRAT SPORTS

Our hats off to the Alpha Sigma Phi's for their brilliant performance in the sports season of September 1940 to June 1941. As is usually the case, a single fraternity again outshined all others in the interfraternity sports. This year the Alpha Sig's managed to weather the tough competition and to go on and win five out of eight championships.

Among the trophies that the Alpha Sigma Phi fraternity house has in its possession are the interfraternity basketball, swimming, track, relay, and baseball cups.

Last year's sports champions, the Phi Kappa Sigmas, managed to keep their bowling crown and proved to be strong contenders in all sports. The Phi Kap's are well under way towards another golf title but they have two high barriers in front of them, the strong Alpha Sig team and the Pi Kappa Phi golfers.

Pi Kappa Phi showed that they could play the rough and tumble sports as well as the more refined type when they captured the laurels in the football and the ping-pong competition.

Delta Tau Delta ran into a bit of hard luck but they managed to take seconds and thirds in five sports. These men should make the going tough for all their opponents next year for they have much hidden talent. Watch them next year.

Interfraternity tennis has started and the going looks tough. Anyone is likely to win. All the fraternities are putting their best into the matches and the winner will have to shed a bit of perspiration for the olive branch of victory. It will be interesting to follow the results in this sport.

If the new freshmen coming in September are half as good in sports as the freshman class of 44 is, then you can be sure that the fraternities with their share of these freshmen will have bigger and better teams than ever before.