

Lake Forest Scores 4-0 Triumph Over Tech Diamondmen In Opener

Pitching Duel Spoiled By Bad Fielding Plays

Illinois Tech's baseball team journeyed out to Lake Forest Wednesday noon and returned in the evening after dropping a tough ball game to the Foresters by a 4-0 score.

Yursis Pitches Well
Alex Yursis pitched a brilliant game on the mound for Tech and was hampered only by the inability of his teammates both on the field and at bat. Borgenson and Honan, Lake Forest twirlers, kept the Tech batters swinging from the start to the finish of play, but very seldom did the hickory connect with the ball and the scorebook showed nineteen strikeouts chalked up against the IIT batsmen during the nine innings.

Frank "Pep" Pfeffer led the Tech hitting attack with one hit. This was the total for the day for Sonny's men although the Foresters scored only five hits off of Yursis. In the run column, none of the Lake Forest tallies were earned.

First Three Strike Out
In the first inning, four men faced Jim Borgenson of Lake Forest and three of them went down on strikes, Bill Bauch drawing a base on balls. For the Foresters two runs sent across home plate as Bill Bauch threw wild to third base attempting to nip a runner.

Pfeffer Out Stealing
"Rog" Mueller, Tech second baseman, was the first visitor to hit the ball. He sandwiched in an infield out between two strikeouts in the second frame. Lake Forest pushed over their third counter in their half of the inning.

Pfeffer's single came in the fourth inning, but it was short-lived for "Pep" was easily caught attempting to steal second. Dickie Guetzow, in his first game at short stop for the diamondmen, had a hard time of it in the fourth as he misjudged two ground balls. These two miscues, coupled with an error by Mueller, accounted for another Lake Forest score.

New Pitcher
Honan, southpaw, replaced Borgenson on the mound for Lake Forest in the sixth and continued the strikeout march. Two men reached base however in this frame as Mueller walked and Carrier reached first on a dropped ball after striking out. Yursis struck out and Grosse looked at a called third strike to put an end to the potential scoring threat.

The best play of the game was pulled in the home half of the sixth when Willie Grosse scooped up a hot grounder and zoomed it over to "Slim" LaGodney at first who made a long stretch to catch the ball off of his shoetops.

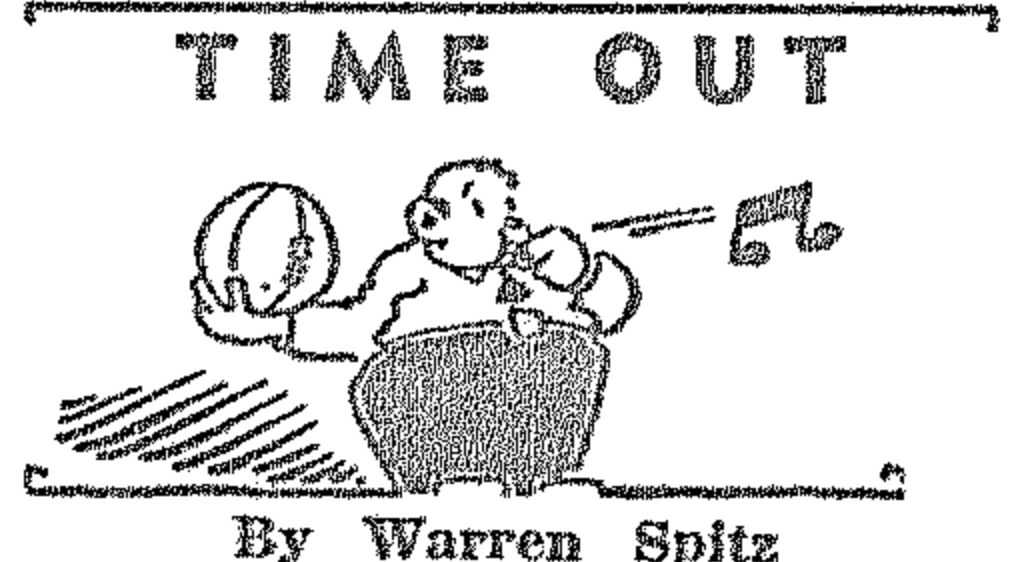
Both Honan and Borgenson pitched very good ball during the last four innings, each team batting four men at the most per inning. Sonny allowed Hackbarth to pinch hit for Pfeffer in the ninth inning to see what the lad had. The final tally showed for Lake Forest four runs, five hits and two errors and for Illinois Tech no runs, one hit and six errors.

BOXSCORE									
Illinois Tech (0)					Lake Forest (4)				
ab	r	h	e		ab	r	h	e	
Grosse, 3b	4	0	0	0	Metz, cf	4	1	1	0
(c) Bauch, c	3	0	0	1	Soren, rf	4	1	2	0
Pfeffer, rf	3	0	1	0	Gates, lf	4	0	0	0
Ha'k'p'th, ph	1	0	0	0	Roberts, lb	4	0	0	1
(c) Kr'se, of	3	0	0	0	Golyash, 2b	2	0	0	0
Swans'n, lf	3	0	0	0	B'geas'n, p	3	0	1	0
Mueller, 2b	2	0	0	1	Honan, p	0	0	0	0
Guetzow, ss	3	0	0	2	McKen'a, 2b	4	0	0	0
Guetzow, ss	3	0	0	2	Dish'ger, ss	4	0	2	0
LaGod'y, lb	1	0	0	0	Becker, c	3	2	0	1
Yursis, p	8	0	0	1	Bussone, c	0	0	0	0

Battle Elmhurst On Ogden Field Wed.

Elmhurst will be the next Tech opponent, meeting the local men in Ogden Field, Wednesday at 3:00 p.m. Al Dambros, Tech left-hander will be the starting twirler. This is IIT's first league game and the boys should be much improved over their Lake Forest showing.

Thursday the diamondmen leave for their Michigan trip on which they will meet Lawrence Tech at Detroit and Michigan Normal at Ypsalanti.



Lake Forest captured a ball game from the Tech nine by a 4-0 count last week, but the score shows very little indication of the type of team which we may expect to see out on the field this season. To be sure, the laddies struck out nineteen times and scored six errors while chalking up only one hit, but even so the squad looked good.

Alex Yursis pitched a brilliant game allowing only five hits and no earned runs. The infield was jittery, but it has had practically no opportunity to function together as a unit. Dick Guetzow, despite two miscues at short looks very good and should have little trouble in developing into a very fine shortstop with more experience as the games roll on.

As the boys gain their batting eye in practice, there will be much less of that late swinging and the ole bat will come around and connect with the ball very shortly. Then again, the diamondmen looked at as fine a duo of pitchers as they will see this year, namely Borgenson and Honan of Lake Forest.

Some of the coaches and athletic directors of our opposition colleges are pretending to be a bit pessimistic about the oncoming season. Coach "Sonny" Weissman has received a number of letters from these men, which bear out the fact that the Techawks are probably in for a few surprises ere many weeks are out.

Sampling one note received in answer to a request as to proper date for a game, we quote the following: "Our team is apparently going to be very weak in the pitching staff, so you can sandwich us in most any place." (Probably a whale of a game in prospect, or perhaps the writer was only alibiing in advance for a sure loss.)

Another says: "We will probably look like the dickens, the first game. Anyway, we go on vacation from — to —." (Yes, yes, you'll look like the dickens, but only after we give you a devil of a hard fight.)

Other messages carried the same tone of underestimation of their respective school's ability. Maybe the old boys are giving Sonny the jibe because they heard that he has a couple of pretty fair pitchers who can make trouble for anybody. This year's squad is going to be out to win every baseball contest on the schedule and if hustle can be bolstered with some base hits, we're going to win a few games.

UP WITH THAT BALL!



Willie Grosse, Illinois Tech third baseman comes up with a grounder against Lake Forest in the first Tech game for the 1941 season.

ARX PARTY CALLED BOWLING SUCCESS

A bowling party was suggested by Jim Michaelson, announced by Ogden Hannaford, attended by twenty-five Arx and one professor and enjoyed and pronounced a winner by the entire Armour Architectural Society. Wednesday night went down in the annals of the society as the date when the social life of the organization was resurrected.

Meet Your Classmates
Juniors, who had heard wild but unconfirmed rumors of the existence of a freshman and sophomore class finally met them, face to face. First names of freshmen were even murmured lovingly by upper classmen. Everywhere one looked he saw wildeyed members stating to the world, and to AAS officers in particular that more such parties should be planned. Alleys to the right of them, alleys to the left of them, alleys to the front of them (some of them) volleyed and thundered.

Professor John Barney Rodgers was there and was in the groove, the right hand groove. He did a great deal of mumbling and muttering, but after all we are all human, even Profs.

Never Bowled?
"I've never, never bowled before" sang Mike as he hurled the ball down for a strike. Betty Wright was kept busy keeping score in her own inimitable way.

Lindy asked "Raoul" Spitz to knock down all the pins and the request was granted with a strike. "Morrie" Pinas' crawl ball is something to see, if you have the time. It makes the trip from the foul line to the ring pin in 2 minutes, 43 seconds flat. The suspense is terrific. It hits the pins like a man walking through a corn field. It pushes them around like a Milwaukee cop.

Jrs. Outpoint Frosh In Swim Meet, 29-28

In the intramural swimming meet held at Bartlett Pool of the University of Chicago last week; the junior class representatives battled down to the final race to nose out the freshmen 29-28. The senior team captured seventeen points, whereas the sophs countered with nine tallies.

Softball Tourney Now In Full Swing

In beating a strong Soph FPE team, the Soph Mechs proved themselves to be a strong contender for the intramural softball crown. Pitcher Jack Byrne of the Mechs shut the Fire Protects with 4 hits for a 9 to 0 victory.

Byrne Stars
Byrne was responsible for the first 2 runs, when he made a home run on a Texas leaguer to right field. Midge Goluska sewed up the Mech victory, when he batted a long home run over the right fielders head, with 2 men on.

Two other sophomore teams showed power in beating good teams. The Soph Civils trounced the Junior Chems, 24 to 6. The Civils are led by pitcher Marius Silla who pitched the Boosters to the crown last year.

Soph Juicers Win
The Sophomore Electricals exhibited power in beating the Employees, 14 to 12. The Sophs won despite the batting power of Sonny Weissman, who socked two long homers.

In a thrilling pitching duel Senior Mechs beat the Junior Civils 1 to 0. The Mech pitcher held the hard hitting Civils to one hit while the Mechs were garnering only 2 hits off of Milt Pleva, the Civil pitcher.

In a terrific, Tom Swift finish, the Green Caps nosed out the ers led the scoring until the seventh inning. In that inning, the Green Hatters proceeded to amass four runs, thereby breaking the Stardusters' hearts, and winning the game.

INTRAMURAL SOFTBALL	
Week of April 14	
TUESDAY	
12-1	Employees-Greencaps
2-3	Jr. Chems-Soph FPE
WEDNESDAY	
12-1	Jr. Juicers-Jr. Arx
1-2	5B Co-ops-Rats
3-4	Sharks-Eagles
THURSDAY	
12-1	Jr. Mechs-4B Co-ops
2-3	5B Co-ops-Rats
FRIDAY	
10-11	Soph Chems-Frosh Arx
11-12	Sr. Chems-Sr. Juicers
2-3	Whizzkids-Soph FPE

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