

"Sonny" "Hal" Look To Future; Record Season Again Forecast

Three Sports Occupy Weissman's Schedule

Mr. Bernard Weissman, coach of baseball, boxing, wrestling, and better known to the students as "Sonny" begins his fourteenth year at Armour.

The congenial little fellow attracted attention as an athlete while at Lane Tech, starring in baseball, basketball, track, and



Bernard Weissman

soccer. In 1924 he entered De Paul university and in 1928 graduated with an A.B. and a L.L.B. degree, finding time to engage in sports.

Came to Armour in 1928

In September of 1928, he became Armour's boxing coach, and in 1932 when wrestling was revived he took the responsibility of guiding the team. To the present year the grapplers have always ended above the .600 average. This year's outlook seems much better as many of the lettermen are back.

From April, 1934, to November of 1937, he also served the United States as an enforcement officer in the Internal Revenue department. In December 1938, Sonny was appointed manager of the Student Union and in the fall of 1939 he became assistant athletic director to John J. Schommer, athletic director of Illinois Tech.

"Sonny" has added to his activities the position of referee, since 1934, in the National Amateur Boxing association. For the past six years he participated in the Golden Gloves tournaments in that capacity.

Football Enthusiasm Reaches New Heights

Last year, the first time in decades, Illinois Tech unofficially sponsored an eleven man football team. Fred Lukens served as pilot for a scrappy and aggressive organization.

The major games were played against the University of Chicago players. The games were taken by Chicago by three or four touchdowns. This was principally due to the short training period for our team and the lack of reserves. Chicago had three or more fully equipped and experienced teams on the field. They, however, were scored upon and were unable to cope with the spirit of their opponents.

This year a number of new men have showed interest in furthering the efforts of the team. Should a person desire to get information he should get in touch with Fred Lukens or Pete Zemaitis. If satisfactory interest is created, several full time coaches will be assigned.

Davey Plans Repeat Of 1940-41 Successes

Last year's tennis team set the best record for tennis in this history of the Institute. It scored fourteen wins and one tie as against four losses. The opposition included such formidable schools as Purdue, Loyola, Indiana State Teachers, Butler and Marquette.

Stronger This Year?

This year's squad ought to be stronger than ever with the return of the whole team except for the former captain, Bob Lange. The team will be captained by Mike Schultz, who played No. 1 man last year. The manager will be Dick Hameister.

The outfit will again be coached by Doctor Hal Davey. Armed with nothing more than a doctor's degree from Harvard, Dr. Davey created a very successful team last season. Despite the success of the squad and the fact that most of them are returning, Coach Davey states, "all positions are still open and all tennis players should enter the spring tournament. This is where candidates for the team are chosen."

Also included in Dr. Davey's ac-



Hal Davey

tivities is the coaching of the hockey team. Hockey is still an unofficial sport at IIT but may break into the ranks of officialdom after it proves itself. The team played amateur teams around Chicago. They now have equipment and a lighted rink to play on so this year's prospects look brighter.

Tech Yachtsmen Set Sails For New Year

Sailors Bill Parks and Jack Kasman are once more clearing the decks for another successful season at the helm of the Illinois Tech sailing team. Being defenders of the Mid-West Intercollegiate Sailing championship after only one year of competition the team seems destined for even better things during the coming nautical season.

Lose at Sandusky

Holiday races at Sandusky Bay were the last competition in which the team represented Tech. The foursome of Parks, Bonar, Udelle and Kasman, however, found the waves rougher than the competition resulting in fruitless efforts.

Members Wanted

A new membership drive for the sailing club will soon be in progress. From the club comes the members of the team which represents IIT in competition. The sailing is usually done in either dinghies or sloops.

WAITING FOR THE WHISTLE



"Remie" Meyer, basketball coach of Illinois Tech.

Basketball Prospects Loom Best In Years

When Bob "Remie" Meyer took over the coaching of the basketball team last year, a great future was predicted for his reign. After only one season this prediction has already been partly realized.

In his first season, Meyer took a disorganized, disgruntled, beaten team and turned them into a fast moving peppy outfit. They won six and lost seven close ones last year, in contrast to the previous season's record of one win and fifteen losses.

Few Graduate

Seven of the nine major lettermen from last year's team are returning. Among these are Captain Howie Pendlebury and the team's leading scorer, Jack Byrne. Harry Sieg, Mike Carey, Bob Neuhouse, Ray Lagodney, and Wally Futterer are the other returning major lettermen.

Several other promising men are returning and will keep the top men fighting for their positions. Last year Coach Bill O'Brien turned out a good Freshman basketball team and this year has turned them over to "Remie" Meyer. One of these men, Bob Kidd, played one game with the varsity and showed great promise.

While Coach Meyer was still at the University of Chicago he hung up one of the greatest records of any athlete in the last decade. He starred in basketball, baseball, and football, winning nine athletic awards.

Big Ten Star

In his senior year he was acting captain for half the season and his court achievements culminated in his being selected on the second team of the Herald-American's all Big Ten squad. Meyer played first base on Chicago's baseball team and led the Big Ten in home runs.

After he graduated in 1938 Meyer played pro-basketball and pro-baseball beside selling insurance. Last year this versatile gent came to Illinois Tech as basketball coach and is now concentrating on the coming season, for which practice starts about November 1.

NOTICE!

All freshmen interested in representing their class in the coming interclass hardball tournament will practice on Ogden field, Tuesday at 3 p.m. Be there!

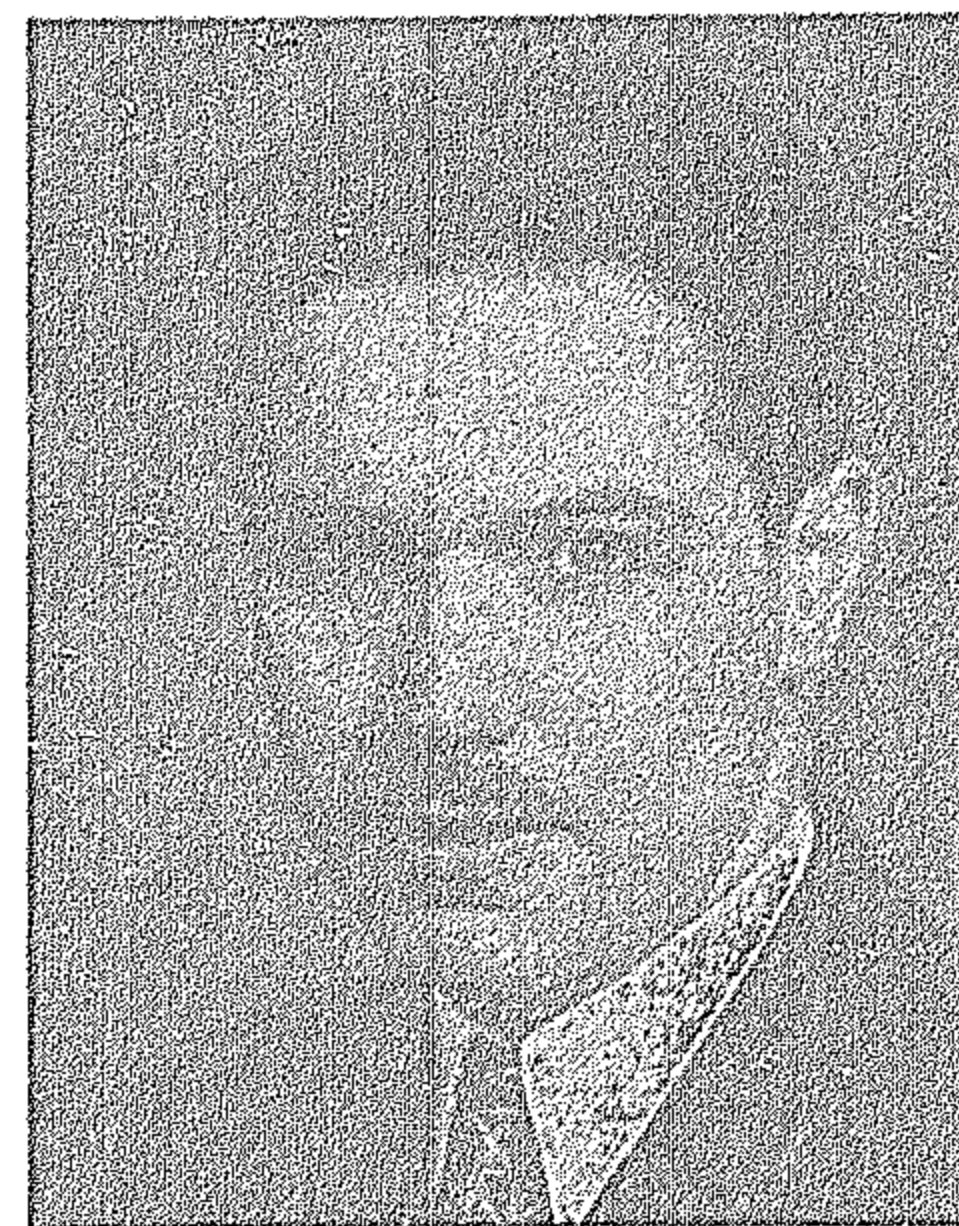
THINCLADS AWAIT RETURN OF ROOT

The Scarlet and Grey-clad trackmen of Illinois Tech returned to school to find their future unsettled, but hopeful. Returning veterans and potential freshman material points toward a rosy future on the cinder-track. But unsettled still is the coaching position which Coach Norman Root vacated temporarily due to illness.

Rests in Sanitarium

Coach Root, former Big Ten and University of Chicago sprint star, was forced to relinquish the coaching reins last May due to his confinement in a tuberculosis sanitarium. Barring unpleasant developments, Norm, at the present writing, will be back in December when the call for candidates is made.

Since 1935 when Alonzo A. Stagg Jr., guided the destinies of the former Armour Tech and present Illinois Tech, track teams have rested in Norm's hands. He has been a guiding force behind the production of the outstanding



Norm Root

midwestern indoor relay carnival namely, the spectacular Illinois Tech relays. Outstanding team of Norm's coaching career at Armour was the undefeated squad of 1938, which also garnered fourth in our own Tech relays.

Last season's team was successful in beating only six opponents of their thirteen meet dual season. However, with a nucleus of five major lettermen and four minor letter winners returning the team faces a much brighter future. The returning lettermen include Co-captains Dick Barry, junior hurdler, and Wayne McCullough, senior Co-op distance star. Also returning are former Capt. Harry Heidenreich, versatile fieldman, and sophomore Bob Osborne.

Intramurals To Be Run By Milt Pleva This Year

So you think you're not good enough to go out for a team, do you? So you haven't got enough time to practice? So you can't . . . Well, if you are troubled with any of these 'so's' just bend an ear to this following tale.

Years ago the authorities of IIT recognized the need for competition outside of the regular athletic teams for the members of the school. Thus, the intramural program came into being as one of the most useful and popular programs at AIT and then at IIT. Each year the ITSA board chooses a member of the senior class with outstanding ability in the line of sport management to run this program. This year Milt Pleva, a member of the senior civils, has been chosen to be the manager.

No Fall Tennis

Milt announces that the program for this year will follow last year's program very closely with only one major change. This change will be the elimination of fall tennis. In the past no medals have been awarded for this event and this combined with the poor weather had cut down the number participating. So, the event is hereby dropped from the program.

For the benefit of those who are new here (and from all reports they are the majority this year) there are many more events to the intramural program than the tennis. As you probably already know the hardball tourney is under way. Immediately after this will follow golf and touchball, with bowling ping-pong, and indoor track following in rapid succession. The year is rounded out with boxing, wrestling basketball, softball, tennis and again golf. This is not the exact order of competition but follows along pretty closely.

Change in Schedule

Milt Pleva wishes to announce several changes in the actual running procedure from that of the past years. One major change is that dealing with deadlines. This year the period between announcement of an event and the deadline will be extended so as to last for about ten days or two weeks. However, after the deadline is once announced no other teams will be accepted for any but an iron-clad reason. Another major change will be in the umpires used for softball and touchball. These men will be official refs and they will be the only ones eligible to run the games. Also, Milt plans to have a stopwatch handy for use with football so the the games can be made more precise than they have been for several years.

Scheduled as the first sport is hardball, better known as league baseball. The teams are made up of nine men from each class and games will be played on the single elimination basis.

Last year the sophomores won the title but are handicapped by the loss of Dambros, Silla, and Byrne, all letter winners of the baseball team. This year it looks like the seniors will put out a good team with Jencius, Newhaus, Gertle, and Simonsen playing for them.

Tuesday the juniors play the seniors at 5 p.m. and Wednesday the frosh oppose the sophs. The winners will play it off for the title on Thursday.