

More Men Needed For Track Team; Poor Turnout At Practice Sessions

Lettermen Expected To Carry Attack

Hampered by adverse practice facilities, semester exams, emergency war-time program and a small turn-out, the Illinois Tech track squad has begun its second week of practice. With its initial meet scheduled in the second week of February the squad has but a scant few weeks to get in mid-season form.

"Remie" Leads Team

This, the first season under Coach "Remie" Meyer, acting mentor for Norm Root, bodes to be less successful than other great seasons in the past unless more potent green material can be found. The sturdy band of nine veteran lettermen, led by Co-captains Dick Barry and Wayne McCullough, are all practicing under severe handicaps. Nearly everyone is an upperclassman and hence carrying redoubled scholastic programs due to war-time conditions. It is expected then that freshmen and sophomores, especially the frosh, will have to carry the brunt of the work on the squad. At present only four or five yearling candidates have responded, yet there are nearly thirty frosh in school who were track letter winners in high school. Kerney has stated that more equipment will be issued at any time that at least twenty more outfits can be distributed.

Lost Only One Letterman

The track squad lost only one letterman last season through graduation, but more severe blows were struck when Coach Root was confined to a sanitarium and Manager Bill Vizard renounced his duties because of a heavy scholastic load. Then the weak response of candidates has failed, as yet, to bolster the team hopes.

At present the eleven indoor events are being taken care of by these men. Co-captain Barry will handle both hurdles and participate possibly in the pole vault. Co-captain McCullough can run

any distance from the half-mile up to the two-mile. "Mac" can also double in the high jump and pole vault and on occasion ran a good leg on the relay team. Last year's captain Harry Heidenreich, all-around field event star, will be top man in the Tech pole vault and high jump departments. Harry's specialty is the javelin throw of which he is the school record holder at 16 feet 4 inches. Jack Tregay, weightman extraordinary, will account for plenty of firsts in the shot put. Only other major letterman on the team is Bob Osborne, phenomenal freshman of last year who scored 118 points in 11 meets. "Ozzie" will specialize in the quarter and 60 and run the anchor leg on the relay team.

Other Stars Back

Another sophomore who should come into his own this year is George Erkert, a very promising 880 and mile specialist. Don Keigher, veteran hurdler, will be one more expected to grab off plenty of seconds and thirds in the high sticks. Ray Sauer will do his share of point getting in the middle distances. Sophomore Bill Parks although doubling in hockey may reach new heights in the high jump.

In the non-letter group of candidates Chet Swan and Ira Lipschutz are in the shot. Bill Watson may star in any event. Ratner, Matthews, Johnston are potentials in the distance events. Mills looks good in the jumps.

Need More Men

But the above tracksters are only a nucleus, a framework. For a good all-around team at least double this number must be working out. No event is so fortified it could not do without at least two more men.

Ping-Pong Tourney Reaches Semi-Finals

Intramural ping-pong at Armour is reaching its final stages. Only three quarter-final matches remain to be played in the singles competition whereas the doubles teams have come to the semi-finals. Final examinations will hold up the tournament this week. However, Milt Pleva, Intramural Manager, has stated that deadlines will be strictly enforced after school resumes. Penalty for not meeting the deadline will be a forfeiture by the participants.

Close One

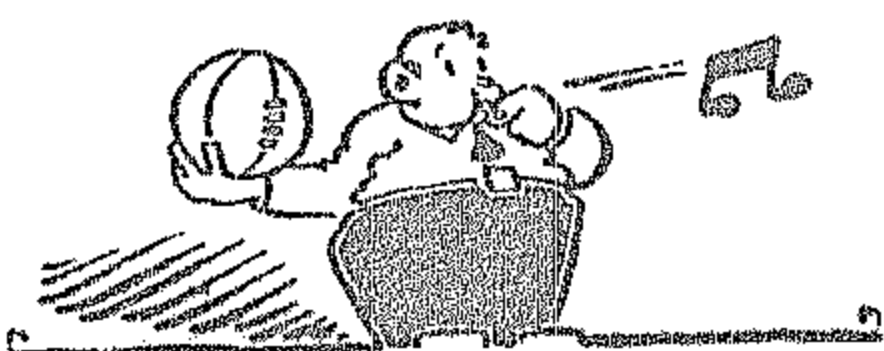
Best game of the week was played by Bob Adelson and Jack Byrne. Bob won 18-21, 21-16, 22-20. Byrne took the first rather easily but could not maintain enough control over Adelson's shots in the second game. The final match was finally won by Adelson after a love game. This contest puts Bob in the semi-finals.

Participants in the quarter-finals include Pete Zemaitis playing Bob Johnson, Herschell Franks contesting Aaron Kolom, and Philip Huguelet challenging Leonard Shane.

Upset in Doubles

The upset of the week came in the doubles tournament, when Aaron Krus and Aaron Kolom beat Jack Byrne and "Lefty" Mongeau. This put the two Aarons up against Herschell Franks and Bob Adelson in the semi-finals. Edwin Franks teamed with Jacobs against Jim Gleason and Al Cole in the other match.

TIME OUT



By Warren Spitz

Lightly tripping over the type-writer keys with two fingers, amidst the steady rattle of the linotype machines and presses, we, for the last time, gently lay to bed another sports column. We take this "Time Out" with memorous recollections of the past year.

We feel very greatly gratified that in the new leaders of your paper, you will find hard-working and clear-thinking students, who are, despite much criticism, fighting every inch for a better, bigger and fully developed Illinois Tech. Congratulations, boys! To you, the torch of progress.

Well, let's jump into a review of the news.

Of course, one of the first events we think of is the annual running of the Illinois Tech Relays, because as a freshman this event earned your reporter his first big story and by-line on the sports pages and, as a senior, he looks forward, more than ever to the Games, John Schommer, and their significance in Tech's endeavor to be on top.

Sometimes last March we wrote a column about letter awards. Since then the I-Tech monogram has grown and will continue to mean something more than just another athletic award.

Then came the opening of the baseball season, at the end of which, Tech had annexed the conference title—the pitching of Al Yursis—the nine will miss him plenty.

Came Open House — we were sick, but our great sports staff carried on. Johnny, "Bubbles," Micky, Don, Earl, Dick G., Eddie, Bob A., Dick L., they've done a hell of a swell job all year.

The ITSA banquet. If there was ever one like it, it will come in the future, but never was in the past. Then vacation.

In the fall we returned to editing the sports of IIT and enjoyed a great pleasure in helping to do our part in the instigation of the Fieldhouse Fund, our greatest Pep Rally, a terrific crowd at the Chicago basketball game, the hospitalization plan and a better school. We saw Tech's biggest dance and all-in-all, the greatest year in the history of fight, pep, spirit — achievement.

So long, sports pages. May you continue during our nation's effort, to keep your efforts worthy of your school and country.

—Thanks all!

RED CROSS APPEAL

The United States is at war—total war! Not only do our Army and Navy need the Red Cross, but even you and I and millions of other civilians like us, may be the beneficiaries of its mercy, for no one knows where total war may strike. To give to the American Red Cross War Relief Fund is not only patriotic, it is humane.

Americans are giving—not because they are asked, but because they want to give. Your help is needed, and I hope that you will respond to this appeal promptly by filling in the Red Cross subscription cards and leaving them at the Cashier's office at either the South or West Side campus.

Henry T. Heald,
President.

FINALISTS DETERMINED FOR INTRAMURAL WRESTLING AND BOXING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Tech Graduates In Service Of Nation

By Dick Larsen

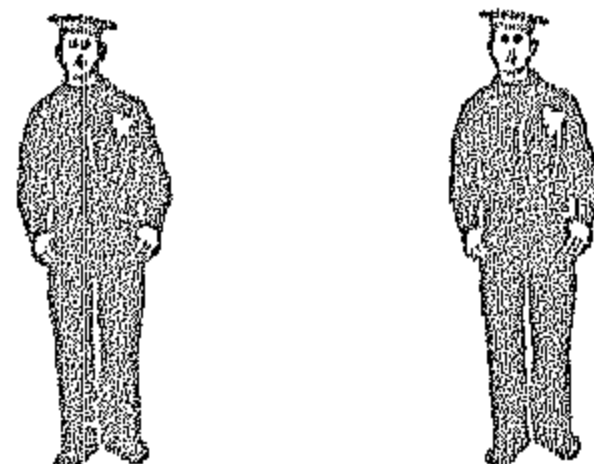
At least thirteen men whose names have been prominent on these sports pages during the past few years are now fighting for their country as they once fought for their schools. The Army and Navy Air Corps are predominantly the choice of these sturdy athletes, but nearly all branches of service are represented in the sections.

Former Sports Editor of Technology News, and cage star, Jim Fahey '40, is now serving as a lieutenant in the Army Air Corps at Selterfield Field, Michigan. Harold Anthon '33, tennis star, is also a lieutenant in the same branch, at Baker Field, California.

Score As Instructors

Serving currently as instructors in the Naval Air Corps, are Ray Pilaum, Mech. '34, and Warren Umbright, recent Fire-Pro- tect. Both were members of the basketball squad. Ray is stationed at Pensacola, and Warren at Jacksonville, Florida.

The Providence, Rhode Island, Naval Ordnance claims last season's basketball and baseball co-captain, Ensign Bill Krause; whereas Frank Pfeffer, last season's shortstop, is located here in Chicago in the U. S. Army Ordnance department. First Lieutenant Jack O'Connell, Ch.E. '38,



is with the Air Corps active in the present hostilities at Nicholas Field, Hawaii. Jack, incidently, is the brother of our current cager, Danny O'Connell.

Former Cage Captain

Hank Sliva, captain of last year's basketballers, holds down an ensign's post in the Naval Ordnance at St. Louis. Another ex-cage captain, Ed Swanson, is an ensign in the Air Corps attached to the Atlantic fleet.

FPE Charles Matt, is an Army Air Corps cadet at Victory Field, Texas while Wally Rozanski, '40 wrestler, is training at Kelly Field, Texas, and Jack Euenck, '40 boxer, makes his home at Randolph Field, Texas.

Perhaps you'd be interested in the whereabouts of other of our grads and undergraduates who have joined the services. John Segner, drummer in the band and orchestra from '39 to '40, is in the Army Air Corps, as is former Arch student, John Coyle, now located at Kelly Field. Bill McCormack, soph mech, recently left school to make use of his C.A. training in the Army Air Corps, and Leo Lackner, soph architect, left school to take a post in the Marines.

Some Arch Students

Former arch, Ray Ostegren, is joining his father, "Bobby" Ostegren, former professor in the architectural faculty, who holds a reserve commission. Also, Lou Jacobs, '39, and Henry Michalak, '38, recently passed their State Board architect's exam and are now enlisting as ensigns in the Navy. John Weese, who left the arch department last summer to join the Army, has been promoted to the rank of corporal.

"Sonny" Guides Tourney To Climax

Under the capable direction of "Sonny" Weissman, that affable pedagogue of the fine arts of wrestling and boxing, a very successful intramural tournament is rapidly drawing to completion. In the wrestling tourney, one champ has already been crowned and the other two classes have reached the finals, while the finals are just starting in the boxing elimination.

Enlitt Wins

George Martinek tangles with Al Glasgen for the 170 to 190 lb. title in the wrestling competition. Bill Watson takes on Sherman Sieman to determine who will meet Charles Bachman in the finals of the 140 to 150 lb. class. Jack Enlitt has already copped the medal in the 135 lb. class by conquering Jerry DeGiorgi. These are all six minute bouts with a one minute time advantage used to determine the winner.

In all, 33 men participated in the wrestling and to date 20 interesting bouts have been run off. The next action for the tug and toil team will be at Beloit on February 14. On the 21st and 28th the squad will have meets with DeKalb, first there, then here. The season will be concluded at the Wheaton Invitational Meet on March 7th.

Title to LaCivita

Bob LaCivita has crashed thru to the 135 lb. title in the intramural boxing tourney by out-pointing Eugene Demet. The competition was tough in this class and the finals produced some classy glove toting. Ramon Mankus and George Martinek will meet for the heavyweight title, while Bill Plice and Bill Watson will batter it out for the 147 lb. championship.

St. Joe Friday

This Friday at 4 p.m., our Scarlet and Grey squad will engage St. Joe college in a match in our gym. As an added attraction Paddy Kane, CYO coach, will referee the bouts. In the forthcoming Golden Gloves, Coach Weissman will enter Leroy Simpson at 146, Warren Sadler and Ed Strauss at 135, Jerry DiGiorgi at 128, Bob Lukes at 145, and Arthur Ellis at 118.

Boxers Meet St. Joe Here This Friday

With the Golden Gloves tournament scheduled to begin January 28, seven Illinois Tech boxers are sharpening their punches. Their punches are aimed at the best boxers of the mid-west which they will come up against.

Scheduled to carry the Techawk attack in the coming tourney are Art Allis, 118, Jerry de Giorgi, 128, Warren Sadler and Ed Strauss, 135, Co-op Roy Simpson and Bob Lukes, 145, and George Martinek in the 175 pound class.

The lads will have a chance to get into fighting trim before the curtain raiser, as St. Joe does not travel here until next Friday.

The wrestlers will begin rolling again when they travel to Beloit on February 14. Following this, on February 21, the grapplers will battle DeKalb on the latter's home mat. A return match is scheduled with these lads a week later on the Illinois Tech pads.

TECH RIFLE TEAM GUNS FOR TITLE

Illinois Tech's rifle team which is aiming for a national championship next March seems destined to win the coveted crown. If the consistent improvement of the sharpshooters is an indication, the team is undefeatable.

Excellent Record

Against Northwestern, two weeks ago, the team shot a 923 to tie the Wildcats. This 923 was one of the highest team scores in years. Then last week they won over State with a 933, a new all time school and team record.

This week the team put together an invincible 945 points out of a possible 1,000 against Missouri School of Mines. Being a postal match the match has not been decided but there is little doubt of the result.

In this match, Norm Carey and Capt. George Borre led the team with 193 and 192 respectively. The other three placers are Bob Newman, 188; Ray Smith, 187, and Fil Witte, 185. A strong sixth man, although not considered in the score is Cwiak's 182.

Shatter Record Twice

Thus in two weeks running the Tech gunners have shattered the all time team record twice. This is some shooting.