

## TIME OUT



By Warren Spitz

Our column title suggests a little discussion about that small man who blows the whistle and his significance in the athletic world. Refereeing or officiating in sporting contests has become increasingly important as each year brings a more intense interest in the battle for athletic glory.

Within the past few years several officials were given publicity, not because of their good work, but due only to mistakes committed. "Red" Freisell gained fame through his officiating in a Dartmouth-Cornell grid classic in which he allowed five downs. In a similar instance, Johnny Getchell made a name by his action in a Notre Dame-Carnegie Tech tussle. Perhaps many of us would not know these men if they had not "dropped a stitch" in their career. Probably they are glad of it, not for the error, but for rebuilt confidence and the fact that they know that they have human facilities.

Refereeing is a tough game. It involves plenty of hustle but is not devoid of its humorous sides. Those who saw the Bears smash the Cardinals last Sunday were also privileged to see Illinois Tech's John Schommer officiating as field judge. John was slightly embarrassed when at the half time his gun failed to go off and all was confusion for a moment.

Illinois Tech, through Milt Pleva, intramural manager, has made the referees far more important that they have been in the past. By having an official staff, the boys can now feel a little more confident that they are getting a square deal and also the referees can realize that they have some responsibility to the school and their classmates.

We hope that this system will be continued throughout the sports year and even now urge the interfraternity council and Dick Ettinger, frat sports manager, to either adopt the present intramural touchball refs in the frat tourney or set up a similar system.

The day should pass when baseball ump's or "touch" officials are picked up. We should try to train a group to take charge of all officiating — for better games, better players and a better understanding between the competitors.

### Intramural Athletics Increase Their Scope

The supreme diet in intramural athletics is the fare offered this semester in the intramural program. Be you a hard-wood court fanatic, a ping pong enthusiast, a cinder track speedster, or a bowling fiend; you'll find competition aplenty is offered. Competition, that's the keynote of our intramural program because we all enjoy a good hard-fought contest.

#### Program Set

Just in case you haven't gathered, the intramural menu for this semester consists of basketball, ping pong, indoor track, and bowling not to mention football which is already well under way.

A tentative schedule has been decided upon and its fulfillment hinges on the time required to complete the touchball tournament. As of today the schedule is as follows: ping pong, mid-November; basketball, November; bowling, December; and indoor track, January.

## Coach Meyers Holds First Meeting With Coming Season's Track Squad

### Season Prospects Soar With New Leadership

The 1942 edition of the Illinois Tech track squad was introduced to acting Coach "Remie" Meyers last Thursday night. At this meeting "Remie" in turn introduced the new leaders of the team. Presented to the new team candidates were Co-captains Dick Barry and Wayne McCullough, and senior Manager Bill Vizard.

Vizard, a senior juicer, has taken over the helm left by Earl Huebner of last season. Bill will be a valuable aid to Coach Meyers because of his knowledge of the team personnel and meet scheduling.

Dick Barry, fourth year chemical, has spent three illustrious years on the team as its leading hurdler. Previous to that Dick was captain, manager and coach at McKinley high school, where he also played guard on the football team.

During his freshman year at Armour, when he won a sweater award, Dick had been a consistent major letterman. Last season he ranked third highest scorer on the team and most consistent in the hurdles. Aided by his wife, Helen, Dick should reach the climax of his hurdling career this season and crack the school indoor and outdoor high timber marks.

#### Indiana Prep Star

Fourth year co-op, Wayne McCullough burst upon the athletic horizon in his third year, when in one meet he scored the required points for a minor letter. The Hammond flash had come back to the cinder track after a three year lay off. Wayne took up where he left off, at Hammond high, as one of Indiana's leading distance stars. "Mac" has since turned in commendable performances in the quarter mile, half mile, mile and two-mile events. Outstanding mile of last year was "Mac's" 4:40 sixth place in the Beloit Relays Special Mile. In three meets last season Wayne did the iron man act of winning the half mile and mile and running a leg of the mile relay.

Together, Co-Captains Barry and McCullough, will be leaders of the cinder team in more sense than

one, as a result of the absence of likable Norm Root, mentor of some of the Scarlet and Gray's best cinder teams.

#### Schedule To Be Discussed

Along with the welcoming of the present and future track material Coach Meyers aided by Senior Manager Bill Vizard will discuss the schedule of dual meets for the coming indoor season and probable date for the first practice session.

In accordance with the past policies the thinclads opponents will be in all probability of the North Central, Wheaton, Loyola U. caliber. The freshman rule will be in effect only in the big relay games such as the Beloit, Illinois, Elmhurst, Mid-west relay meets.

### This Summer's Most Embarassing Moment

Just to prove that there are skeletons in the best of closets, we herein dispense the details of one of "those embarrassing moments."

Earle "Heave Ho" Huxhold and one illustrious gentleman companion, namely, Bob "Chopper" Thomas hailing from out Austin way, set out across the rolling blue. They comprised the crew, aboard Huxhold's 9-foot clipper ship.

As they were sailing along, "Heave Ho" was plotting the course up in the crow's nest while "Chopper" was at the tiller on the poop deck. "Hard port," roared Huxhold, and Thomas threw the helm over with a flourish capable of only a true Sea Scout. It seems, however, that the ship wallowed in the trough of a wave and then tons, yes tons, of water poured over the gunwales.

Although we believe in "spare the rod and spoil the child," we have omitted such minor details as several power launches from Kenosha rushing to aid in the rescue of two land lubbers gone amuck and detailed, colored, motion pictures being taken of this nautical misadventure. This tragedy happened three weeks ago, but it seems the water dampened not only Earle's anatomy but also man's innate desire for publicity; hence, it remained for this reporter to stumble, innocently and ignorantly, upon this gross parody.

### Seniors Take Hardball Title From Sophomores

Hardball, in the Illinois Tech fashion, ended its fall session last week as the Senior team soundly trounced the Sophomore nine by a 7-1 count in four innings. Bob Neuhouse, tolling on the mound for the Senior diamondmen, allowed the opponents but one hit, this being a blooper over first base which should have been caught.

From the beginning of the tourney, the Seniors had been overwhelming favorites to cop the title. They played true to form and defeated the Juniors 5-2 and then whipped the Sophs.

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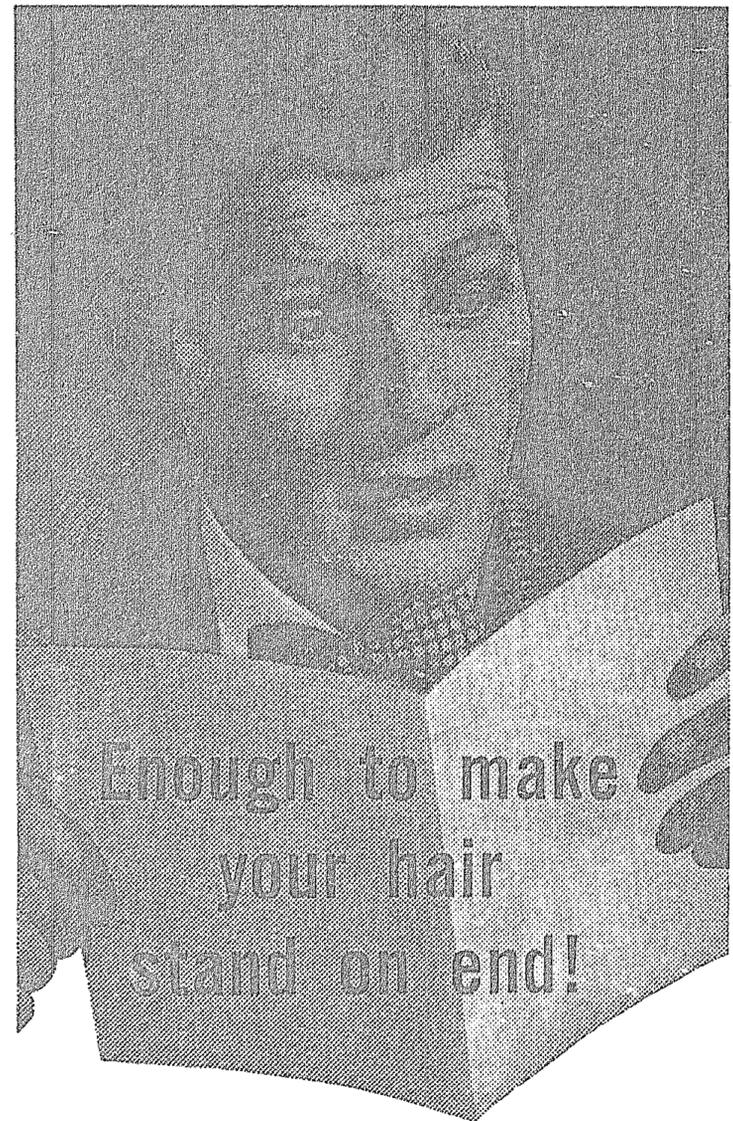
### Lewis Football Teams Have Small Turnout

The Lewis touchball schedule is suffering from having too many ghost teams playing. How about coming out of the fourth dimension and handing in a team or two?

With veterans Jack Chakoian and Hank Pachowicz returning, the Molecules have aspirations of winning the Liberal Arts league title. The league officially opens today when the "Tools" oppose the "Jerks." The "Tools" are favored to win. On Thursday the Co-ops will attempt to trip up the Molecules who are a little chesty because of their undefeated season last year. The Co-ops aren't worried about it because the Molecules' previous perfect season consisted of beating an inferior south side campus team 6 to 0.

### Lewis Touchball Schedule

Tuesday, October 21  
Tools vs. Jerks  
Thursday, October 23  
Molecules vs. Co-ops.



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