

By Warren Spitz

With the adoption of the revised ITSA constitution, Illinois Tech officially opens its sporting campaign. For the athletic teams, this season should carry great importance as it represents Tech's first real attempt to make an outstanding name for itself in all fields. Last year was one of much indecision and experimentation, in which the foundling Illinois Institute of Technology meekly thrust its head into the public eye and excited some notice.

Carnegie Tech, bewildered by its downfall in athletics during the past few years, has sponsored a campaign to "rebuy" its athletic glory. The student body has been "sucked in" by the surge of opinion favoring the "purchase" of star performers so that Carneigie Tech could regain its position as a top "football" school. Rah, rah for the engineers.

Illinois Tech, on the other hand, does not want to buy glory in the world of sports. Through its excellence in scholastic attainment, it has gained honor and the respect of the country for what it is, a fine institution of education and a builder of men and women who can make a place for themselves.

We want to be recognized as a top school. Not for superiority in sports but for all-round ability. We can do this by building up all weak spots, whether it be in teams or in educational personnel.

Illinois Tech isn't going to buy its way to the top. It's going to build and fight its way there. And when it reaches the top it isn't going to fall because we haven't bought enough good football material. We're going to stay on top because the school has built men who can throw a tackle in any venture and score their goal in the world.

We want good teams, good coaches, and good equipment, certainly. We want our boys to win and we'll fight like h-l, but there won't be an auction of players or coaches if the squad takes it on the chin.

We're going to keep in step with the development of the new Illinois Tech and this means a better caliber of teams which will be enhanced if the atheletes are given new playing fields and buildings. These are all coming, so let's not get out of step in the parade to the top. Let's get out for those teams, now. Let's support the men by turning out at the meets.

Feature Staff Forced To Accept Challenge

Visible through the haze of last Friday was the drooping figure of Feature Editor "Ghoul" Minwegen, leader of those cadavers known as the feature staff. Amidst his wheezes, in most undiscernible words was heard a suggestion that the challenge of a touchball game with the sports department be accepted.

Undying carcases "Soop" Swan, "Mucklehead" Galandark, "Pighead" Pollack, and "Softhead" Sundstrom assented and amidst grunts of approval it was decided that Friday next will see Illinois Tech's sports department rid the campus of these creatures.

For the living sports department "Speed" Spitz accepted by naming "Fleetfoot" Fitch, "Charging" Bechtolt, "Flash" Keigher, "Blue Streak" Guetzow, and "Lightnin'" Butkus on the board of strategy.

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Mae Kruger Elected Badminton President

Mae Krueger, senior pre-professional student, was elected president of the Illinois Tech Badminton Club at the first meeting of the club October 20. Her choice as the first president of the newly organized club was unanimous, the members feeling that her experience and skill as a badminton player, together with her extensive knowledge of the rules entitled her to this position. In addition officers elected were: Freshmen Ann Mossner, secretary, and Dave Kester, manager.

The Badminton club, membership in which is open to both male and female students, is an outgrowth of the unorganized games played in the gym on Monday and Wednesday afternoons.

Racqueteers To Gather Thursday. For Special Organization Meeting

Illinois Tech netters will convene in Room U2W of the Student Union at five p.m. this Thursday, for a special meeting prior to the beginning of fall practice. A large turnout is expected, as last minute dope concerning the practice sessions will be made known, and the proposed Junior Week trip covering the University of Washington at St. Louis, University of Illinois, St. Louis university, will be discussed.

Prospects for the coming campaign seem very promising as five lettermen are returning; several freshmen, including high school lettermen, are competing for a berth. Though he looks for an improved team this coming season, Coach Davey also averred that the won-lost record will probably fall short of the last campaign's because a much stiffer schedule is being booked. All possible pushovers are being eliminated, and top-notch rivals are being substituted.

Two Teams

Also, if the caliber of the squad warrants it, two teams will be formed.

The members of the first squad will be largely chosen on their fall showing. The first practice is at the Armory, Wednesday, November 5.

LEWIS BOWLING LEAGUE STARTED

Twenty-three members of the west campus co-op department will form the nucleus of the Lewis bowling league. The league will bowl at the Madison Square Bowling Alley which is situated at 1452 West Madison street. The players will meet at the bowling alley on Fridays at 2 p.m. Anyone interested in bowling can enter as a team member or individual.

Three games will constitute a series. The cost of bowling will be 20 cents a line plus a small extra charge which will pay for the prizes. Prizes will be awarded to the winning and placing teams as well as to the persons possessing the high game and series.

