

LEATHER SLINGERS DOWN ST. JOSEPH BATTLERS, 4-3

•IIT's leather slingers chalked up another victory when they defeated the lads from St. Joseph College, 4-3, in the Armour gym two weeks ago last Friday. Two of the boys dropped matches to their opponents while three of the lads dropped their Grand Rapid opponents to gain victories. Two of the matches were indecisive and neither man could gain even a decision over the other.

•Bob La Civita won on a decision, while Eugene Dunat lost on a K.O. Leroy Simpson grabbed his bout when he knocked his opponent for a roll of the proverbial ash cans. Roy Ericson and George Martinek were only able to get draws while Bernard Ellis was unanimously voted the winner by all the judges. Ed Strauss brought up the rear on the final bout when he lost a close one to his expert opponent.

•Next Friday, the IIT pugs take on St. Joe again. This time the bouts take place in the St. Joe squared circle which gives the Rensselaer boxers a slight advantage. The wrestlers take on Beloit and De Kalb on successive Saturdays in preparation for the Wheaton Invitational on the 28th of February.

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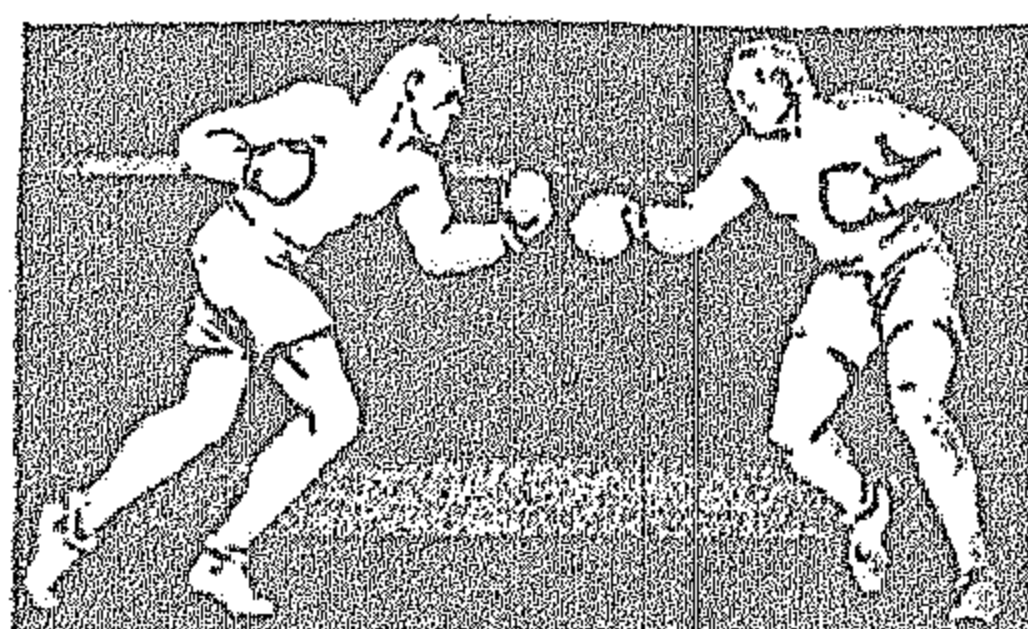
Lewis livewires plan big basketball meet

•Jack Chakoian, manager of the intramural basketball tournament, issues a call to all male students on the west campus to come out one hundred per cent strong, that this lively sport might become the predominant athletic activity of the season. Last year the west siders proved victorious over the two teams that represented Armour, and Chakoian is looking for a repeat performance this year.

•The cooperation of the students is requested in order that a large registration will be realized prior to February 13, the deadline for all entries. An entry fee of ten cents is required in order that a few minor expenses may be covered. All players that expect to participate in the first game, which will be played February 19, will be required to come out properly equipped as to wearing apparel and shoes in compliance with the gymnasium regulation.

•Coach Grant N. Stenger, supervisor of all intramural activities stated that the customary medal awards will be given to each member of the championship teams. The intramural games on the west campus will be played in the Lewis gymnasium during the afternoon hours which have been set aside for the tournament players.

BLOW BY BLOW



WITH "BUBBLES" BECHTOLT

Last week, as is the custom, the departing editor summed up his year as editor of this page of sports and bade goodbye to all his staff members and readers. This week with a new hand at the throttle it behooves us to greet the readers of these pages and let them know what sort of a Tech man is now editing the sports news of IIT.

At the News banquet that is described on the other pages of the paper, we were notified of the new appointments to the staff of the Technology News. Our appointment was received with surprise and a great deal of pleasure. After looking over the list of worthy predecessors, it seems that the job is one that should not be taken lightly. It is our duty to uphold the fine standards that were started with the founding of the paper ten-odd years ago.

Enough of the reminiscing. Eyes forward is our only hope. IIT to the front in sports as well as in Technology and Science. This can be accomplished most easily with more support of the various teams. Did you ever try to play to an empty grand stand? Then you know that sort of empty, what's-the-use feeling. The boys need your support if they are to produce their best effort. Do you have any doubts that the basketball team would have won against Grand Rapids university if they had had a stand full of screaming Techawks to cheer them on as they strived to make up a three point deficit? We don't.

Furthermore, the typical (is there such a thing) IIT lad will support his team if he is given a chance to know when and where they are playing and are given a chance to get there and watch. Our aim is to give you the dope that will enable you to hop on that old "L" and come to give your teams that extra oomph they need to get over the top into the victory column.

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As the second semester of the year gets under way one's thoughts turn to the subject of the yearbook. Last year's book was the subject of bitter controversy and discussion for many months after it appeared. This year the staff is endeavoring to design a book that would be liked by a larger percentage of the students than was the case for the last one.

In order to make this book a success many informal shots are being requested. In the sports line at IIT are many chances for pictures. Several pictures have been taken during the last semester and any one with such a picture that they think is acceptable would receive the Nobel prize, or some such award, for such a shot. Soooo, how about some sports shots, either already taken or new shots that you will take in the near future.

Dubs attention! Inter-class track meet next Saturday, February, 14

THINCLADS FACE INITIAL TEST

•The Illinois Tech thinclads, few but valiant, have begun their final weeks of preseason practice. The track squad faces its first meet a week from Saturday against the very strong Loyola contingent and Morton Junior College in a triangular meet at the University of Chicago Fieldhouse.

•The Loyolans are heavy favorites to take the meet on the basis of their win over the Techawks last season 52-43. This was against a better Tech team than is shaping up this year. Also, Loyola still retains its national collegiate star, Max Lenover, and a handful of stars that won the Mid-West Invitational and placed well in the Central Collegiates, Illinois Relays, Drake Relays, and Texas Relays. They also were victorious in a majority of their dual meets.

•The Morton team was an easy victim of the Techawks both indoors and outdoors last season and should bring up the rear again. The first test for whatever new material may be out for the squad will be the inter-class meet next Saturday morning in the U. of C. Fieldhouse. Here the boys can show their stuff to the expert eyes of the track team.

•Last week, Manager Bob Kerney completed the tentative schedule for the coming indoor and outdoor seasons. This is one of the most ambitious schedules in years. Most of the emphasis of the tentative lineup is on triangular and quadrangular meets and relay carnivals. Newcomer to the opponent listing this year is De Kalb Teachers, one of the strongest teams in the Illinois Collegiate Conference.

•Two long trips are in store for the better team men. These are an overnight trip to the colorful Beloit Relays in Beloit, Wisconsin early in May and three weeks later a three day jaunt to Elyria, Ohio for a new meet, the Baldwin-Wallace Invitational.

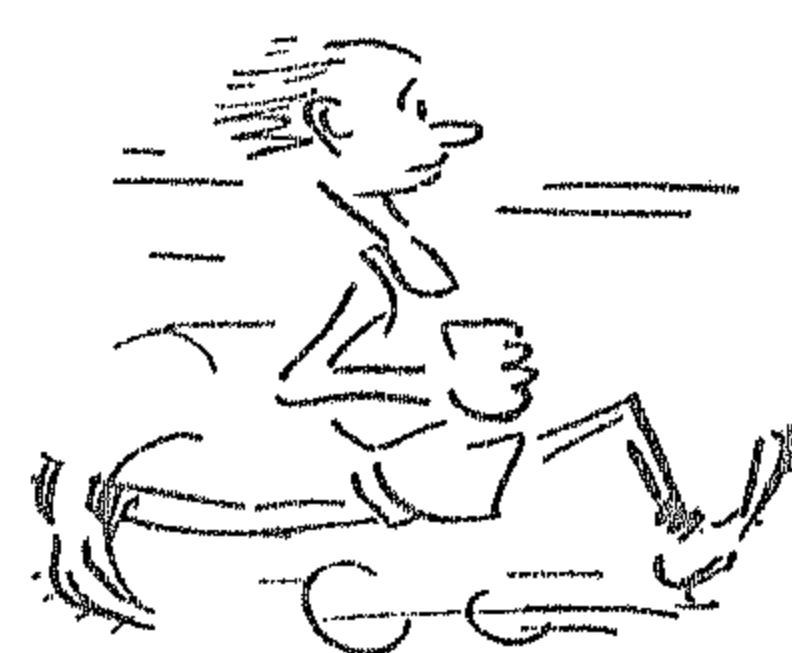
•There is a possibility under the new accelerated program that all track activities after May 15 will be dropped. If this is true the traditional IIT foe, Wheaton College, will not be met outdoors and in addition the trip to Ohio will be dropped.

•Another conflicting possibility of the indoor season is the possibility of restricted use of the U. of C. Fieldhouse due to military activities. At present only scheduling of meets is restricted, but practice facilities are unlimited.

•Sports writers, ahoy. New men are needed on the Technology News sports staff. Just drop your name and year in the Tech News box in the Student Union lobby. Then drop up to the Tech New offices on Friday between four and six and we'll sign you up.

•Prize event on the intramural program this week is the annual inter-class track meet. As in former years the meet will take place in the University of Chicago fieldhouse at 57th and University Avenue. The meet is scheduled to start at 10 a.m. This rather inconvenient date was necessitated by the utilization of the fieldhouse for military activities.

•Defending champs this year are the sophomores who easily triumphed last year as a result of stellar performances of Osborne, Erkert, Johnston, Parks, Ratner, and a host of others. This season the second year men will be without the efforts of Osborne, Parks and Erkert who are ineligible because they are now award winners on the varsity track squad.



•The juniors have a contingent that can win with men like Watson, Mahassek, Byrne, La Rocco, Deiters, Zemaitis and Wallace. The seniors are lacking in outstanding trackmen but reputations and records are unreliable in intramural forecasting.

•Unknown quantities in the meet are the frosh. They are benefited by the letter award ruling, for every freshman is allowed to compete. Also, the fresh class has nineteen high school letter winners in its ranks. These include Anderson, Dobbin, Dunn, Ferrari, Finkelstein, Ford, Garbalinski, Le Ventis, Hansen, Heckman, Hepler, Holle, Sanford, Sellers, Paul, Vieweg, Weber, Zoern and Haberborn. With such a wealth of material the frosh seem unbeatable—on paper at least.

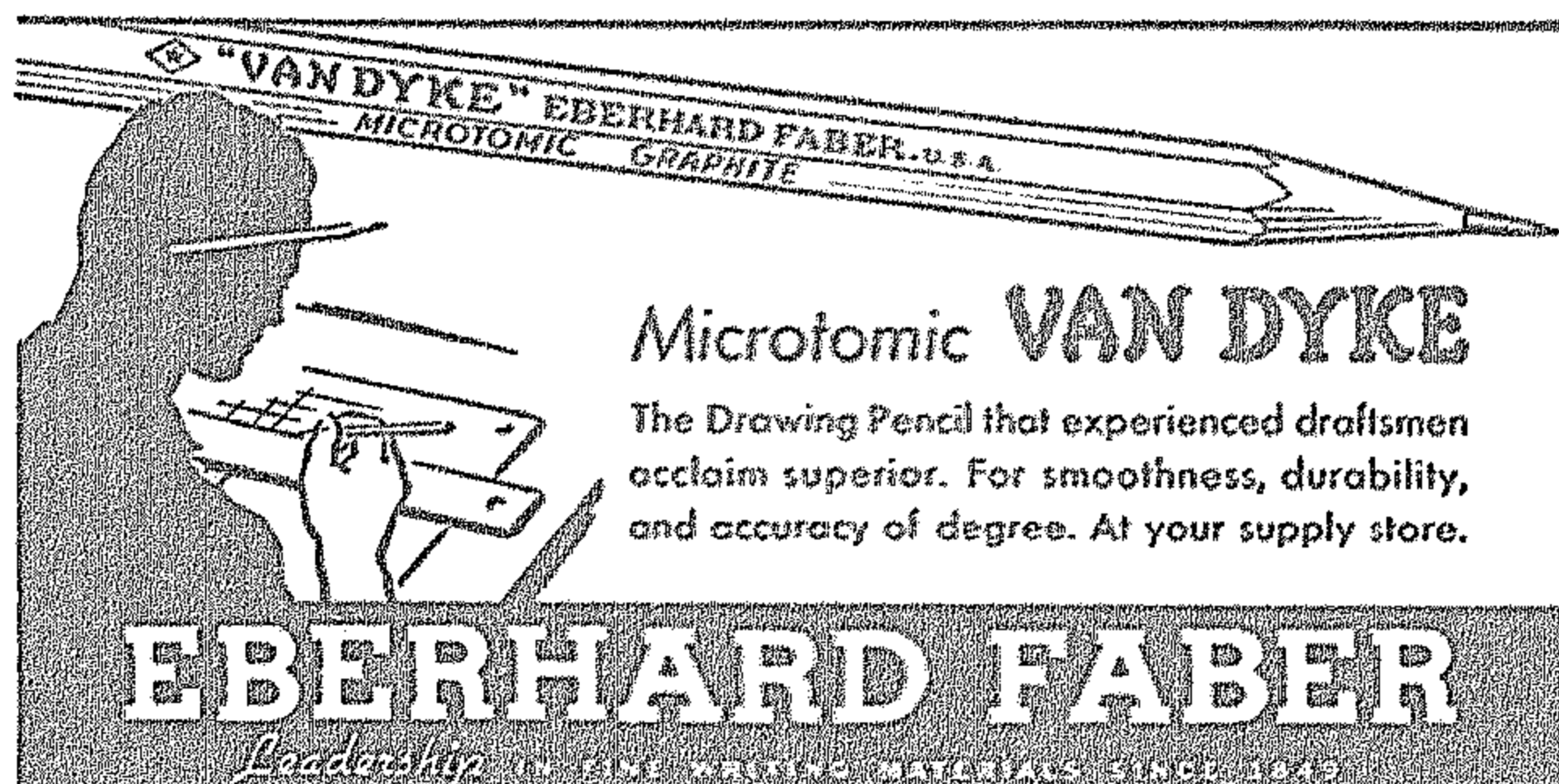
•However, if the meet follows the pattern of past interclass meets the competition will be weak with the the class with the largest turnout the probable winner. Also, making competition more on the simon pure novice level is the rule disbaring all track letter winners from competition.

•The events, according to intramural manager Milt Pleva, include the 60 yard dash, 70 yard high hurdles, 70 yard low hurdles, mile run, half mile, 440 yard run, shot put, high jump, pole vault and 880 yard relay.

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