

Tech Relays

The annual Illinois Tech Relay games will be held Saturday, March 13, at the University of Chicago Field House, it was officially announced last week by John J. Schommer, director of athletics at Illinois Tech.

Men in charge of the events were announced by Mr. Schommer, the chairman. They are committeemen Paul O. Ridings, Raymond J. Spaeth, Bernard Weissman, Norman Root, and Kyle Anderson.

Invitations have already been sent to 700 universities and colleges throughout the country and to Chicago public and Catholic high schools.

Fifteenth running

Previous to the announcement, there was some doubt as to whether this, the fifteenth annual relay, was to be held. Requests from the Western Conference and allied major universities, however, prompted the decision to hold the games.

Continuation of the Illinois Tech Relays will definitely place the Chicago meet as the largest indoor collegiate track meet in the nation. Other large indoor track meets, such as the Butler Relays, have been forced to cancel their 1943 events because of war-time problems.

The same factors which inspired Mr. Schommer to create the Relays in 1928 have made it possible for him to continue them despite war-time problems.

"Chicago," thought Uncle John in 1928, "is the natural spot for a great relay games meet; it is conveniently and centrally located; it is an outstanding place to bring the boys—who always enjoy a trip to the city; and it gives every track team in the country an opportunity to appear before a large group of its alumni."

The relays, according to Mr. Schommer's visions, grew from a three team event in 1928 until now an average of 35 to 40 teams compete in the event. Last year 37 teams, 27 colleges and 10 universities, were entered in the event. In the history of the relays, over 400 individual teams and more than 5000 athletes have competed in the games.

Since 1935 the Illinois Tech Relays have been divided into two classes of competition, college and university. As a result, the meet has been characterized by track authorities as the "only middlewestern meet in which colleges and universities can compete without the killing competition of an open meet."

Michigan-Loyola defenders

Defending champions are Michigan State in the university division and Loyola in the college division.

In years gone by, the college section has generally been the feature of the meet as competition has been keener and more teams have been entered. Most university teams to be entered in any one Relays has been ten.

The 1943 Relays, however, gives promise of reversing the usual form. In requesting Schommer to continue the meet at least ten major universities have already indicated that they would enter men in the meet. These include Wisconsin, Northwest (Continued on page 8)

ACPE routed by techhawk quintet, 84-47

Two for Tech

Tankers clash North Central

Midseason graduation has dealt the swimming team a serious blow by taking from them Larry Rademacher, their captain. Rademacher took over the captaincy last year and led the team to its most successful campaign in its history when only two meets were lost all season. The tankers are also now without the services of manager Larry Ryan due to the aforesaid graduation.

Jim McNerney, the team's leading point maker, has been named captain to succeed Rademacher. No new manager has been found as yet.

The team went into a meet with North Central last Saturday with a record of three victories as against one defeat. The meet was held at the Ida Noyes pool on the University of Chicago campus. Results of the meet were not known at the time that this issue went to press. A complete summary will be given next week.

Saturday the team will journey to Lawrence College in Wisconsin in an attempt to vanquish the Tech squad for the second time this season. If the team can continue at its present pace it may well surpass last year's record.

However, they have a tough schedule ahead what with return meets scheduled with North Central and DePauw. The latter named has been the only squad able to beat our boys this year so that they will go into this meet with revenge uppermost in their mind.

Wizards intramural basketball champs

Just after the last semester ended the final of the intramural basketball tournament was played off.

Featured in this game were the 5B Coops and the Cicco Wizards both undefeated and both boasting high geared scoring machines.

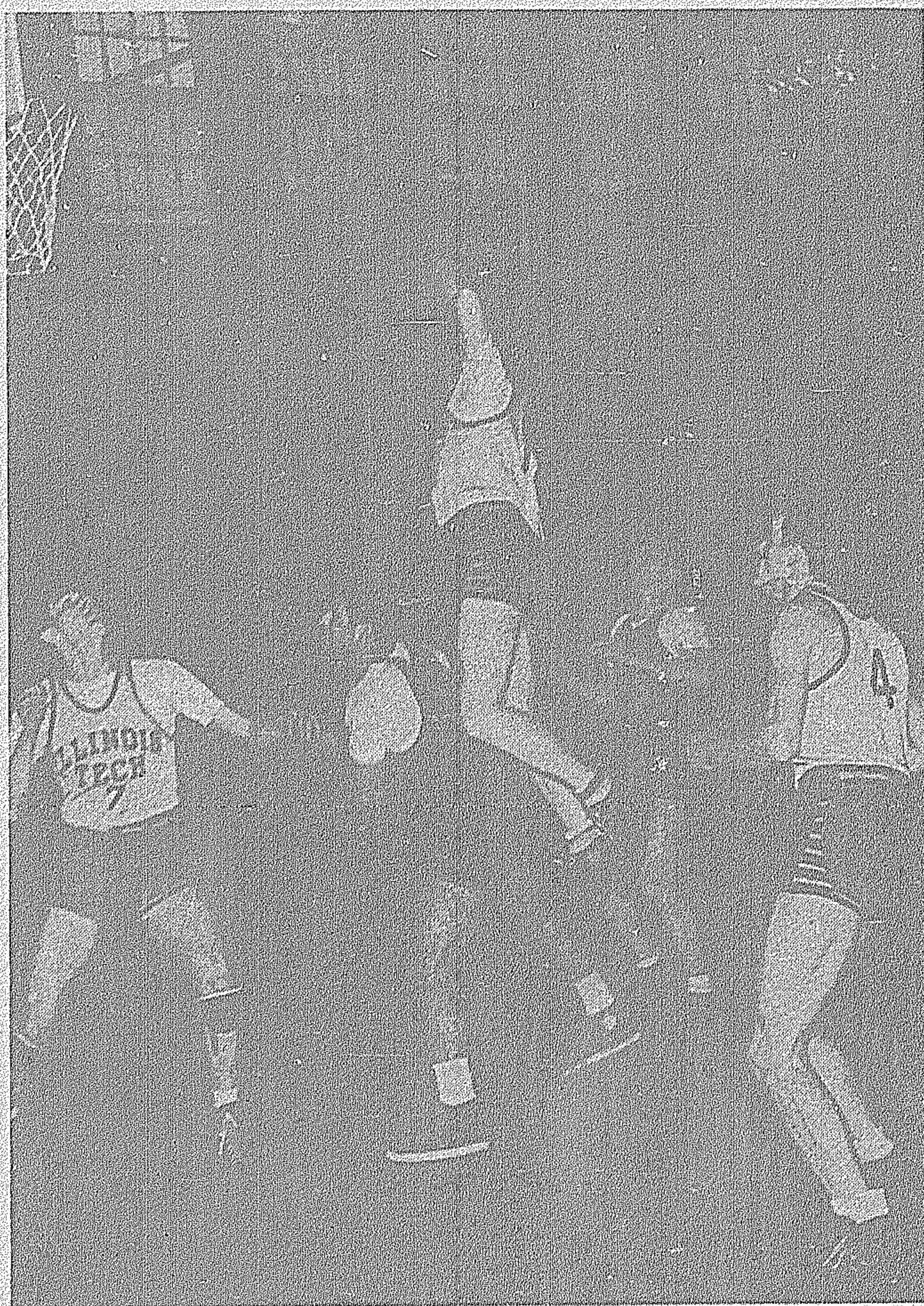
The Coops had defeated the Civaeros in a semi-final game by a twenty point margin and were looked on to stop the amazing freshmen group.

During the first half of the game the defense of both teams held the scoring down to a minimum. The Coops, spanked by Charles McCullough and Andy Winterbauer matched the Wizards basket for basket and at the half time led by a score of 16 to 15.

In the second half the Coops put up a grand fight but fatigue started to overcome their cause. Then with their superior height and speed the Wizards gradually pulled ahead. In the height department Carl Bergstrom and Jim Oldshue did a swell job of controlling the boards and tipping in rebounds. Vince Haughey, Tom Kilgariff, and Charles Buckley produced the speed to combine in the height advantage and with this working combination overpowered the Coops defense.

Coming from behind in an apparently deadlock game the Wizards scored thirty-one points to the Coops eleven. The final score was 44 to 27 in favor of the Wizards.

High point honors went to Charles Buckley with thirteen markers. Charles McCullough and Tom Kilgariff were tied for second place



Leaping high into the air, Jackson Byrne, stellar Tech guard, adds one more to the cagers basket-a-minute game with ACPE. Ready for a rebound stand Bob Kidd (7) and Bill Smart (4). Score of game was 84-47.

Photo by Ed Johnson

"TECH HAWK TALK"

by Backas

Having survived the deluge of finals and the chaos of registration, yours truly will attempt to continue giving you the latest inside dope of Sports on the campus.

During Registration week the annual Father and Son Athletes' Honor Banquet was held. This affair, sponsored by the ITSA, featured the presentation of the highest Techhawk athletic award—the Scarlet & Gray blanket—to fifteen graduating seniors and a speech by Lieutenant Dave Zimmerman of the Navy who later showed movies. Blankets were presented to the men who won the major letter awards in their four years of competition.

A hearty lot of new freshmen have just entered the portals of this institute. Many of you have won letters in your favorite sports during your high school career. We congratulate you but we wish you wouldn't wear them on the campus. Honor I, the honorary sports fraternity insists that all letters which were not earned at Illinois Tech, should be kept at home. If you have won a letter before, chances are you may win one here. Try out for your sport and in a short time you too may display the proud colors of IIT.

This invitation to participate in sports goes also for those who have earned athletic awards before. You too may try for all varsity sports on the campus. You will find that all are treated with equality and previous records mean nothing. We do not have professional athletes. Sports here at Tech are purely for the development of the body and mind and not for monetary aspirations.

From the story elsewhere on this page, you can see that our basketball team is going like a "house-a-fire." Their fine record speaks well for their new coach and former Techhawk, Ed Wagner. The team has three more games to play and two more wins will give this team their best record in recent basketball history.

Intramural sports are again taking the sports light, as the bowling tournament begins. Every department should enter a six man team. The location of the alleys is convenient and the cost per line is very reasonable. Further details are found elsewhere in this issue.

Wrestling and boxing matches are scheduled for next week with Navy Pier and the 87th st. Training Station.

The Army and Navy Air Corp recently laid claim to two of Techs rambling Cagers, Bill Smart and Carl Bergstrom. Both played their last game for the duration with 18 points respectively in the 82-47 Massacre of American College of Physical Education. I know that we all wish them good luck and happy landings.

Not many students on the campus know who Norm Root is. Norm is the former track coach of Illinois Tech. Due to an illness Mr. Root took a leave of absence in order to recover. Last week he underwent a major operation at the Presbyterian Hospital. I know that he would be very (Continued on page 8)

Largest score chalked up by techmen

by Marv Larson

Illinois Tech's hardwood artists scored their eighth win in fourteen starts by overwhelming American College of Physical Education 84 to 47 on Tech's home court. The game marked the fourth straight triumph for the Techawks and maintained their record of not having been beaten on the home floor this season.

Freshman

Carl Bergstrom—up and coming freshman—was high scorer for the Hawks, getting 19 points. He was followed closely by Bill Smart who sank 18 points. The game marked Bill's last for his alma mater; he leaves for the Navy Air Corps this week. Leading scorer of the contest was Nick Baughi of ACPE. Nick got 21 points for his evening's effort.

Blood and fury

Tech's quintet started the bucket barrage with a powerhouse offensive that left their hapless opponents in a rut out of which they never could extricate themselves. The main contributor to Tech's point total in the first half was Bill Smart who made nine field goals in a beautiful display of one-handed shooting. Blood was sprinkled upon the court in the first half as one of the physical ed quintet was bopped on the head while scrambling for the ball 'neath the Tech basket. He was soon patched up and appeared none the worse for his mix-up. While the blood was drying, the Tech hardwood artists built their margin to 38 to 18. This was the tally at half time.

Basket per minute

At half time the team took some energy tablets and then real fireworks started. The Tech basketeers made points so rapidly that the official scorekeeper had great difficulty keeping his pencil moving at the same rate. The score reached such proportions as to make it necessary for the scorekeeper to use the margin of the scorebook for the last tallies.

Almost every member of the team was in the game. No matter what the combination Coach Ed Wagner used, they still outplayed the opposition. Tech's fine passing was a large factor in the victory. Time and time again they sprang a man loose under the basket for a set-up shot. As before mentioned, the high score men were Bergstrom and Smart, but we cannot go without mentioning Jack Byrne and his total of 14 points and Tom Kilgariff who obtained 12 points.

Again we impress upon you the final score: IIT 84, ACPE 47.

ILLINOIS TECH					ACPE				
	B	F	P		B	F	P		
Smart, f	9	0	2		Baughi	7	7	0	
Kidd, f	1	1	1		Loszutti	0	1	0	
Bergstrom, c	8	3	1		Dogget	3	1	3	
Byrne, g	7	0	1		Biescke	4	1	3	
Puchalski, g	3	0	2		Shlemmon	0	0	3	
Oldshue, f	2	0	2		Hoskiewicz	1	0	0	
Kilgariff, f	6	0	1		Todd	3	1	0	
Gavin, c	1	0	2						
Dambros, g	1	0	0						
Shepherd, g	0	0	2						
Tubergen, g	1	0	0						
Haughey, g	1	0	0						
Swanson	0	0	1						
Gibbons	0	0	0						
Cummings	0	0	1						
Totals	40	4	15		Totals	18	11	9	