

Six Tech Sports Events On Tap This Week

Top Teams Battle For Lead Today

Rain and Mud Fail To Stop Sr. Mech's Bid For Softball Crown

After two weeks of rain and mud, the intramural softball tournament is staggering weakly on its way. The game of the week will be played today when the Sr. Mechs meet the Jr. Chems at 2:00 p.m. The Mechs are leading the league with four wins and look like the team to beat. On Friday they beat the 4A Co-ops in a two-hit game.

The 3A Co-ops, winners of the Co-op tournament last year, lost their first game last Friday when the Cicco Wizards set them down 5-3. The Wizards have a three game winning streak behind them as they go into the third week of the tournament.

A tight game running into extra innings eliminated the hard hitting Gremlins when they opposed the 3A Co-ops. The score was 6-6 at the end of the seventh inning. In their half of the eighth, the Gremlins were held to two hits and no runs. The co-ops broke the game up when Bill Gilbert scored the winning run; Joe Rimac being credited with the run batted in.

A Civil battle resulted in the elimination of the Junior Mechs No. 2 when they met the Jr. Mechs No. 1. In a lopsided game the Mechs No. 1 humiliated their brothers by a score of 17 to 7. The final blow to the underdog's pride came with a four-run seventh inning.

Keeping the Jr. Mechs No. 2 and Gremlins company are the Soph Chems, Dodgers, 2A Co-ops, Arx and 4A Co-ops. All have lost two games.

Softball Standings

	Won	Lost
Sr. Mechs	4	0
Cicco Wizards	3	0
1B Co-ops	2	0
Jr. Civils	1	0
Jr. Chems	1	0
Jr. Mechs No. 1	3	1
3A Co-ops	2	1
Soph Juicers	1	1
Soph Mechs	1	1
Soph Civils	0	1
Joy Boys	0	1
5A Co-ops	0	1
Jr. Juicers	0	1

Techmen Lose 6th Straight

For the sixth straight time the Tech nine met defeat when they lost to Concordia Saturday. Two new men, Warren Melgaard and Tom Gavin, pitched for IIT but they failed to stop Concordia. Final score of this second loss of the season to Concordia was 20 to 10.

The Techawks made ten runs on twelve hits and made three errors.

In two other encounters last week Tech lost their fourth and fifth games of the season. The first game of the week with Navy of U. of C. ended with Navy on top of a 15-4 score. Jim Oldshue started the game for Tech and pitched five innings, at which time Al Dambros took over and pitched hitless ball for the rest of the game.

On Wednesday Navy Pier took the measure of the Tech nine by a score of 9-2. Ed "Casey" Puchalski started on the mound and was the victim of some sloppy fielding on the part of his teammates. While Navy was piling up nine runs, mostly unearned, Tech was able to score but twice as the batters failed to fathom the pitching slants of three Navy Pier pitchers. Of the last nine men to bat eight went down via the strike-out route.

ATHLETES THEN

Versatile Is the Word for Weissman; Coach Is Also Lawyer, Former G. Man

By MARVIN LARSON

Playing baseball against Lou Gehrig, refereeing Barney Ross's matches, and winning letters in track dash events are only a few of the many accomplishments of versatile Bernard "Sonny" Weissman. With his varied background and active interest in athletics, he has become a dominant character in the Illinois Tech sports scene.

Sonny's baseball coach was the well at Lane Technical High School on the near north side. While there he won two letters in baseball, two in basketball, two in track, two in soccer and a monogram for boxing.

Sonny's baseball coach was the well known Percy Moore, for whom he played center field. In his first year on the team Lane won the city championship and as a result they made a trip to New York to play their city high school champs. One of the members of the opposing team



was Lou Gehrig, who later gained fame with the New York Yankees.

In winning his two track letters Sonny ran the 50, 100, and 220 yard dashes and had the distinction of



by BACKAS

When the spring season was still young I predicted that the track, tennis, baseball and golf teams would probably go down in history as Tech's best since the merger. The season lasts three more weeks and this prediction does not seem to be materializing.

The reasons behind the teams' failure to win consistently probably cannot be found. You can attribute losses to hard luck, lack of training, accelerated programs and tough competition, but you can't really put your finger on the real cause.

In previous years we were told a story that ran somewhat like this: "The players of the opposition aren't engineers and they don't study as hard. These players are Physical Education majors. No wonder they are so good." The point that engineers do study hard is still true, but I believe that students in any college today are working hard; otherwise they wouldn't be there.

Work or fight is the cry today. Therefore the competition today either consists of students who are studying as hard as we are, 4F students or naval and army reservists, (a group that we also have a sizable percentage of). Other than the tough service teams that we may face, the competition should be very even.

If the teams that we face this year would play according to the eligibility rules followed before the war, our teams would give them a fight for their money, but they have insisted on using so-called "ringers."

Our track team has lost two quadrangular meets which the University of Chicago won both times. Running for Chicago was Charles "Whitey" Hlad, former star trackman for Michigan Normal and world's record holder in the high hurdles. He has finished his four years of college competition and is now an army meteorology student in the U. of C. He made 19 points in the last meet.

Running with him was John Clark, a sophomore in medical school. This means he is in his sixth year of college.

If Illinois Tech wished to drop eligibility rules and use grad students, the Techawk teams would gain some strong men.

Coach Mike Schultz of the tennis team is a graduate student in ME, while the basketball team's coach, Ed Wagner, former star shortstop of the Techawks, is a graduate chem student. There is also a graduate student, Gene Nowlin, who was No. 1 in tennis for Trinity College in Texas.

If we were playing to win "by hook or by crook" we could easily use these men.

Jack Haberkorn, who has been marking up points regularly for the Tech cinder men, broke the IIT mile record in the last quadrangular. He ran it in 4:36.4 to break the time of 4:40 flat that was set in 1928 by P. S. Dievert.

Although doing a good job for Tech, Jack could do better. He ran a 4:33 mile when still in high school.

Come on, Jack, let's see you really make history.

Rambling around: Have you seen the happy look on Bill Parks' face? Didn't you know? He ran second to Hlad in the low hurdles. It seems that Coach "Doc" Rinehart told Bill he could do better in this event than in the high jump.

Doc sure knows what he is doing.

With the little time he has to work with Jack Tregay, he is showing him all of the tricks of the javelin, shot put and discus. Jack is a co-op and the only time he has in order to practice is before and during a meet. Coach Rinehart has also changed Johnston from a sprinter to a half-miler and the change has made Ed a better all-around trackman.

Be sure to attend the activities Friday and Saturday of this week, Junior Week fun will live in your memory for many years. It is the one week of the year the IIT students let their hair down and really have a little fun. I will see you all then.

PROFS NOW

being captain of the junior track team in his third year. Sonny was also a member of the Lane 440 yard relay team that captured the city championship in 1923.

Upon graduation from Lane in 1923, Sonny enrolled at the De Paul University Law School. Here he boxed and played baseball the first two years, and won four more letters to add to those garnered in high school. As a junior he started playing quarterback on the football team, but on the kick off of the season's first game his arm was broken. Sonny will always remember that game as he has a metal plate in his arm where his bone was broken.

After graduating from De Paul in 1928 Sonny went into the law business in Chicago. During the summer of 1928 he played semi-pro baseball with Norwood Park and the following summer he played with the well-known Chicago Firemen. When 1930 and 1931 rolled around Sonny could be found patrolling the outfield for Berrien Springs, Michigan, in the Southern Michigan State League.

From 1928 on Sonny served as boxing coach here at Tech. In 1932 he took on the extra duties of wrestling coach, a sport which had been abandoned since 1920. These jobs were part-time and so Sonny spent most of these years in law work.

When September 1938 came, Sonny was appointed Student Union manager and assistant athletic director along with his other coaching duties. Two years later he became baseball coach and took over the position of administration head of war training.

Along with all these duties Sonny is a member of the Illinois State Athletic Commission and the National A.A.U. and as a result referees many outstanding fistic encounters each year.

Setc Mile Record



Jack Haberkorn is caught by the camera as he crosses finish line in his as he cross line in his record 4:36.4.

Golfers Top Team at Tech; Elmhurst Crushed 10-2

Boasting the best record of any team on the campus, the Tech golfers trounced Elmhurst 10 to 2 at Glen Oaks Country Club Thursday of last week. This was their second win in four matches.

In the earlier part of that week the Techawks lost a close 7 to 5 match on the same course to Bradley Tech. A return match is being planned with Bradley in Peoria after final exams.

The Elmhurst match was played in cold rainy weather and the condition of the course made good scores scarce. One Elmhurst golfer

Tech Nine to Meet Joliet State Penn

Golf, Tennis and Track Teams Go to Elmhurst; Golfers in Return Match

With six events in four sports scheduled for this week, the Techawks face one of their busiest weeks of the spring season.

The baseball team will be the most active, meeting Lake Forest Wednesday, Navy Pier Friday and going to Joliet Sunday. The annual game with Joliet State Penn will be played in the shadows of the prison's ivy walls. Lake Forest will travel to Ogden Field while Friday the Techawks go to Navy Pier.

Last year the Tech nine upset the strong Joliet squad when Al Dambros pitched his masterpiece.

Lake Forest trounced IIT earlier in the season and revenge will be the mood in the game Wednesday. The strong Navy Pier team will be seeking its second win in the Friday game.

Traveling to Elmhurst will be the habit this week. The golf, tennis and track team will journey there to give a display of their respective arts.

The trackmen will run in the annual Elmhurst relays Saturday, an event that draws from twenty to thirty middle-western colleges.

In a return match the golfers will try to repeat their 10 to 2 trouncing of the Elmhurst golf men this Thursday.

Mike Schultz's tennis team will attempt to keep above the 500 mark, when they meet Thursday on Elmhurst's courts.

Cinder Stars Take Second

Illinois Tech took second place in a triangular meet with Wheaton and Elmhurst Saturday on the latter's home field. Final score was Wheaton 89%, IIT 56% and Elmhurst 18 points.

Paced by Jack Tregay, Jack Haberkorn and Bill Parks the Techawks took six firsts and five seconds. A newcomer Charlie Farr tied for third in the pole vault event with the highest recent IIT vault of 9 feet 6 inches.

The condition of the field was such as to limit fast running but Jack Haberkorn ran a 4:37.2 mile to win this event. This time was 2.8 seconds faster than the former Tech record but not as fast as last week's record of 4:36.4. Haberkorn also won the two mile event.

Tregay took scoring honors with two firsts and a second. He threw the javelin 153 feet 6 inches and the shot put 38 feet 10.3 inches to win these events. His second was scored in the discus.

Bill Parks, the former high jumper, took two firsts in the hurdles. He ran the 120 yd. highs in 16.9 seconds and the 220 yd. lows in 25.8.

Jac Chamberlain and Paul Dalenberg each won three points. Both tied for honors as medalist. John Wagner gathered 2½ and lost ½ point. Claude Anderson tied and split three points with his opponent. A request for a return match has been accepted and the team travels to Elmhurst this Thursday. The return match will probably not be as decisive as the first.