# Sonny Revamps Signal System

There has been some small talk along usually well-informed channels that one reason Sonny Weissman's ball squad has encountered a bit of difficulty of late is that his charges have a nasty habit of getting lost somewhere between the bags along the base paths.

The trouble doesn't seem to be that these aforesaid paths are either steep and narrow or that they weave in and out like a fun house at Riverview. "Nor," adds Bernard in a meditative tone, "do I personally give any credence to the rumors which have been circulated in certain quarters that our opponents are offering ice cream cones to my boys between first (uno) and second (duo) to delay their customarily rapid transit."

In an all-out effort to clear up this difficulty, therefore, Sonny this week made an unprecedented move. He *changed his signals.*

To those of you who scoff unbelievingly at this statement, your correspondent can only reply weakly that he has seen it done. After all these years, the faithful, dog-eared, patent-pending signals which have seen generations of Techmen gallop from first to second, second to third, or what have you, have been mercilessly relegated to the ash-can.

When informed of this change, it was reported to have uttered a brief gasp and collapsed on the spot. Baseball historians at Cooperstown, recovering from a brief epileptic fit, issued a statement. It read "Why?"

A reasonable question, it was transmitted to Mr. Weissman. "Well," said he, "I endeavored whole-heartedly to inaugurate at Illinois Institute of Technology (which was formed in June, 1940, by means of an eminently successful consolidation of Armour Institute of Technology and Lewis Institute of Arts and Sciences) a series of motions and gestures whereby a player, having arrived at first base through a base on balls, opponent's error, or, less frequently, a hit, might navigate successfully, with the ultimate aim of arriving at home plate.

"I gave 'em a short try the past ten years and they didn't seem to be workin' so well, so I changed 'em."

In an effort to aid Techawk fans to keep abreast of current developments, *Technology News* herewith presents a summary of some of these news signals . . .

1. Runner on first desiring to know how many are out (instead of asking "Demon Dave" coaching at first) sings loudly first seven bars of 'Tumblin' Tumbleweed." If runner happens to be Lichtmann, which would seem unlikely, he is to hiccup twice and say "excuse me" to the opposing pitcher, since he has a rather poor ear for music.

In reply, "Demon" will stand on his head if there are none out, squat down and begin looking for four leaf clovers if there is one out, look nonchalant and pretend not to hear if there are two out, and go back to the bench and sit down if there are three out.

2. Batter at plate desiring to know if friend on second has a date for Saturday night, turns around three times and curls up on the ground at home plate. If answer is yes, runner will groan disconsolately and raise his hands to the heavens. If answer is no, runner will try to steal third.

3. Catcher, suggesting that pitcher had best get the next ball over the plate or he will come out and wipe his face in the mound, trots into the fieldhouse and turns on the showers to see whether there is any hot water left. On returning to plate, he must ask umpire whether he once knew a girl in Toledo named Torchy.

## Intramurals



HE'S OUT—Milt Weinbert of the freshman team puts out A/S Stewart of the senior EE's at first base during an intramural game last Wednesday.

## V-12'ers Eliminated In Softball Tourney

Illinois Tech's V-12 softball team was eliminated from the American Softball Association championships in the semi-final round. They were defeated by Aurora. The final score was 4 to 0. In their first game of the tournament, Illinois Tech had beaten Abbott Labs, 1 to 0, in a ten-inning game.

Against Abbott Labs Ray Murphy pitched a brilliant game. He struck out 12 and allowed 4 bases on balls.

Abbott's main threat was in the fourth inning. Murphy walked Thomas and Larsen to start off the inning. White singled to left and Thomas was nailed at the plate when he tried to score from second. Then Weber was walked, loading the bases. Angelo's hit into a fast double play, Murphy to Miezkowski, to Kleeman.

Illinois Tech was blanked until the tenth inning. After one out, Jim Stewart was safe on an error and went to second on a bad throw. At this point Bud Kleeman came through with a single to score Stewart with the winning run.
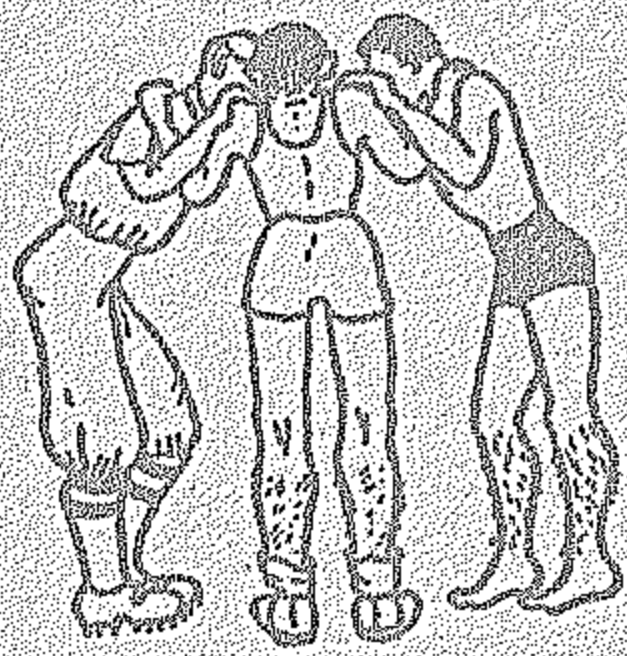
The win over Abbott Labs had extended Illinois Tech's victory string to ten straight. The game against Aurora broke that streak.

Aurora's pitcher was in rare form against the Techawks. Bob Hauser and Ray Murphy were the only Tech men to get hits off Woodrick. Hauser had a triple in the first inning and Murphy came through with a double in the fourth frame.

Aurora had their big inning in the fifth when three runs crossed the plate. Desmond started things with a single to left and then Murphy struck out Brauer. Breuning was safe on a fielder's choice. Brudzinski singled, scoring Desmond. Then Lord was walked and Neumrick singled, scoring two more tallies.

| Illinois Tech | | | | Abbott Labs | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Player | AB | R | H | Player | AB | R | H |
| Hauser, 3b | 3 | 0 | 1 | Thomas, lf | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Krawczak, ss | 3 | 0 | 0 | Larsen, scf | 2 | 0 | 1 |
| Murphy, p | 4 | 0 | 1 | White, cf | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Ferguson, scf | 4 | 0 | 0 | Weber, c | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Mies'kos'ki, c | 3 | 0 | 0 | Angelos, 2b | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| MacAdams, lf | 4 | 0 | 0 | Mills, ss | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Stewart, cf | 4 | 1 | 0 | Sailors, rf | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| Kleeman, 1b | 4 | 0 | 1 | Belski, 3b | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Martin, rf | 4 | 0 | 0 | Christy, 1b | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Hoffman, 2b | 4 | 0 | 2 | Niemi, p | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | 37 | 1 | 4 | Totals | 32 | 0 | 4 |

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| Illinois Tech | 000 000 000 1 | | 1 | 4 | 1 |
| Abbott Labs | 000 000 000 0 | | 0 | 4 | 3 |

## Eagles Defeat Sr. Juicers, 1-0

In the biggest upset of the softball race this week, the powerful Freshman Eagles nosed out the Senior Electricals 1 to 0, to join the Senior Mechs as the only two undefeated teams in the tournament.

In the third inning with runners on first and third, Red Cook doubled to left driving Mort Kroll home with what proved to be the winning tally. Dick Goehring was credited with the win while Arnie Borenstein hurled for the losers. This afternoon the Senior Mechs will meet the Eagles to decide the undisputed holders of first place as each team has won two games.

The Junior Mechs, previously defeated twice, bounced back to a 14 to 3 victory over the Hi Jacks. "Pappy" Camp and Craig Fenton were the Mechs' heavy hitters, Fenton driving across three runs with a homer in the sixth.

The Senior Electricals defeated the Senior Chems 11 to 5. Highlight of the game came when the Chem pitcher, Wally Breisch, struck out Jack Capron on three pitched balls in the fifth frame. Jim Stewart and Howard Poulter were heavy hitters for the winners.

Individuals wishing to compete in the intramural horseshoe tournament should turn in their entries to Sonny's office before Friday. The entrants will be paired and it will be up to the men to get together and arrange a time for the game. The horseshoes will be available in Sonny's office and the pits are located just north of Automotive Lab. Both single and double entries will be accepted and one defeat automatically eliminates a man from further tourney play.

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## Hockey Meeting to Be Held In S U Today at 5

There will be a hockey meeting at 5 p.m. today in the West Dining Room of the Student Union. Coach H. Landay invites all students who have had experience in ice hockey to attend.

## the SPORTS HUDDLE
### By H. Pype

The Navy order making it imperative that the boys stand muster at five of six at their respective quarters, sort of puts the pressure on intramural sports. The contests, of necessity, have to be played after five due to the variations in student programs and therefore these games, in order to give the sailors ample time to get back to quarters, must stop at fifteen to six.

If all goes well, touch football will start probably the end of this month. This will give the students plenty of time to start forming teams for the tourney.

# Tech Baseball Team Triumphs Over Basinski Boosters, 3 to 2

## Migut Walks Hoffman With Bases Loaded; Ray Murphy Gets Two Hits in Three Attempts

The Techawk baseball team scored its second win of the summer campaign by defeating the Basinski semi-pros last Friday at Ogden Field by a score of 3 to 2.

With the score tied, George Stupar, the Basinski hurler, was taken out in the sixth inning for a pinch hitter. Rudy Smola took over the mound chores in the seventh frame. He porceeded to walk the lead-off man, Mel Stidham, bringing up Bob Lichtmann, who was called out on strikes. Fran Krawczak walked, putting men on first and second with but one out. Ray Murphy was hit by a pitched ball, thus loading the bases. Smola was taken out and Stan Migut entered the game. He walked "Demon" Dave Hoffman, thus forcing in the winning run.

Gene Evers had little difficulty disposing of the first three men to face him. In the second frame he walked Art Jablonski, who advanced to second on an infield out. Joe Kubinski then pounded out a double to center field, driving home a tally; but he was out trying to stretch the hit into a triple, the play going from Hauser to Evers to Bushelle. The next man proved an easy out, flying to Stidham in center field.

The Boosters scored one more run in the fourth inning on three hits, thus making the score 2 to 0. Tech in the meantime was held hitless until Murphy cracked out one of his two hits for the afternoon in the fourth frame.

In the Tech fifth inning, Bob Hauser led off with a single ot center. Jack Capron looked at three strikes and Gene Evers lashed out a single to center, sending Hauser to second. Stidham and Lichtmann followed with singles, scoring Hauser; but Krawczak grounded out, retiring the side.

Murphy led off the last of the sixth with his second straight single. Vic Mieszkowski had a one and one count on him when he fouled the next pitch, which glanced off and struck his eye. He was removed in favor of "Demon" Hoffman, who was safe on first on a fielder's choice. Bob Bushelle drove out a single scoring Hoffman with the tying run. Hauser walked, but the next two batters went down via the strikeout route, ending the inning.

Bob Lichtmann made a stupendous stop of a short fly ball and doubled "Cody" in the third inning.

Evers gave up two bases on balls while striking out four batsmen. Stupar fanned four Tech batters and issued four free passes.

Sonny has scheduled a game for Thursday with the Chicago Cobras, another team from the Metropolitan League. The contest will start at 6 p.m. sharp.

| Basinski Boosters | | | | Illinois Tech | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Player | AB | R | H | Player | AB | R | H |
| Mieczko, 1b | 3 | 0 | 0 | Stidham, ef-c | 3 | 1 | 1 |
| Novak, 3b | 3 | 1 | 1 | Lichtmann, 1b | 4 | 0 | 1 |
| Ostrowski, ss | 3 | 0 | 0 | Krawczak, ss | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Jablonski, lf | 2 | 1 | 2 | Murphy, 3b | 3 | 0 | 2 |
| Adelman, 2b | 3 | 0 | 0 | Mies'kos'ki, c | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Kubinski, cf | 3 | 0 | 2 | Hoffman, 2b | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Trauídlo, c | 2 | 0 | 0 | Bushelle, 2b | 3 | 0 | 1 |
| Cody, rf | 3 | 0 | 2 | MacAdam, rf | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Stupar, p | 2 | 0 | 0 | Hauser, lf | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Smola, p | 1 | 0 | 0 | Capron, rf-cf | 3 | 0 | 1 |
| Migut, p | 0 | 0 | 0 | Evers, p | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | 25 | 2 | 7 | Totals | 26 | 3 | 7 |

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| Basinski Boosters | 010 100 0 | | 2 | 7 | 0 |
| Illinois Tech | 000 011 1 | | 3 | 7 | 1 |

## IIT Navy Golfers Win on Forfeit

The Illinois Tech golf team won by forfeit over the Naval Reserve Armory from Chicago last Thursday.

As the Armory squad failed to show up, the Tech representation took the match 9-0 by forfeit. Then the golfers went around once and played each other. Captain Fred Fichtey defeated Ed Turek 85 to 88, and Bob Negele nosed out Ken Milbradt 91 to 96.

With this forfeit, Tech strengthened its hold on sixth place in the league and closed the gap between it and the Glenview Naval Air Station. Two weeks ago Glenview held sixth with Tech half a point ahead. Since then the Air Station has spurted ahead and IIT has been slow making up the points.

| STANDINGS | |
|---|---|
| Team | Points |
| Great Lakes | 129½ |
| Materials Redistribution | 95 |
| Inspectors of Naval Materials | 94 |
| District Intelligence | 93½ |
| NAS Glenview | 77 |
| Illinois Tech | 71 |
| Supervisors of Cost Inspectors | 65 |
| District Shore Patrol | 65 |
| Northwestern V-12 | 44½ |
| District Transportation | 44½ |
| Naval Reserve Armory | 24½ |
| Radio Chicago | 16 |

## Techawk Tennis Squad Wins Seventh Straight

The Techawk entry in the Chicago area naval tennis loop continued to set the pace this week, running up its seventh straight victory with a 3 to 0 win over the District Intelligence team. Matches scheduled against Concordia Teachers College and Glenview Naval Air Station were postponed.

The Tech net men encountered little opposition, with Jerry Evert and Gene Hill each capturing singles matches in straight sets while Bill Cannon and Fred Leydig joined forces to win more or less as they pleased in doubles.

Summaries show that Illinois Tech again won 36 games while dropping but one-third that number. Including a forfeit win from Northwestern V-12, Tech has captured a total of 19 matches out of a possible 21 this season, winning 40 sets and losing four in the process.

Summaries released this week on team standings at the completion of the first full round of play:

| Team | Won | Lost |
|---|---|---|
| 1. Illinois Tech V-12 | 5 | 0 |
| 2. Inspector of Navy Material | 4 | 1 |
| 3. District Intelligence | 3 | 2 |
| 4. Glenview Naval Air Station | 2 | 3 |
| 5. Supervisor of Cost Inspectors | 1 | 4 |
| 6. Northwestern V-12 | 0 | 6 |

| INTRAMURAL SOFTBALL STANDINGS | | |
|---|---|---|
| Senior Mechs | 2 | 0 |
| Freshmen Eagles | 2 | 0 |
| Senior Electricals | 2 | 1 |
| Freshmen Chems | 1 | 1 |
| Senior Chems | 1 | 2 |
| Junior Electricals | 1 | 2 |
| Junior Mechs | 1 | 2 |
| Hi Jacks | 0 | 2 |
| IT Vets | 0 | 2 |

| INTRAMURAL SOFTBALL SCHEDULE | |
|---|---|
| Monday, Aug. 13, 5-6 p.m. | |
| *West Field* | |
| Senior Mechs vs. Frosh Eagles | |
| *East Field* | |
| Senior EE vs. Frosh Chems | |
| Tuesday, Aug. 14, 5-6 p.m. | |
| Junior Mechs vs. Junior EE | |
| Wednesday, Aug. 15, 5-6 p.m. | |
| Hi Jacks vs. IT Vets | |
| Friday, Aug. 17, 11-12 | |
| *East Field* | |
| Senior Chems vs. Tuesday Winners | |
| *West Field* | |
| Frosh Eagles vs. Wednesday Winners | |