

Illinois Tech Relays to be Held After Three Year Lapse

Tech to Play Host to Top Middle West Universities and Colleges in U of C Fieldhouse

Athletic Director John J. Schommer announced last Friday that the Illinois Tech Relay Games, the largest indoor collegiate track meet in the nation in 1943, the last year of its running, will be revived next March 15 at the University of Chicago Fieldhouse after a three year lapse.

Defending champions in both the college and university divisions have already signified their intention of defending the titles which they won in 1943, Schommer said.

Notre Dame University, which won easily over a record breaking university entry that included Illinois, Michigan, Indiana, Purdue, Wisconsin, Northwestern, Michigan State, Marquette, Missouri and Chicago, will enter a full squad again next spring.

The college champions, Michigan State Normal, of Ypsilanti, which won its fourth Tech Relays crown in 1943 over a field of 24 midwestern colleges, will also be on hand to defend their title.

During its fifteen years of existence, the Illinois Tech Relays have attracted nearly 5500 athletes and more than 440 teams. A total of 81 different schools, including 19 universities and 62 colleges, have competed in the event.

One of the best known and most widely adopted innovations of the meet has been its policy of offering separate competition and individual championships for college and university entrants. This feature, introduced by Schommer in 1935, serves

to provide keen competition between schools of comparable size, and eliminates the killing competition of an open meet.

Known as the Armour Tech Relay Games prior to 1941, the relays grew out of a triangular meet with Northwestern University and the University of Chicago in 1923. The following year, Schommer and A. A. "Lonnie" Stagg, Jr., then Techhawk track coach, conceived the idea of turning it into an annual invitational meet designed particularly for colleges and universities throughout the middle west.

In 1929 a total of eight colleges participated in the first meet. The event grew gradually until 1942, when 421 athletes, representing 12 universities and 24 colleges, competed for individual and team honors to establish the Illinois Tech Relay Games as the largest indoor collegiate meet in the nation.

Despite the tremendous success of the 1943 games, Schommer was forced to cancel the sixteenth running of the meet the following spring due to the loss of a "home," inasmuch as the University of Chicago Fieldhouse was devoted entirely to service training programs, and to wartime transportation difficulties.

In announcing the revival of the meet, Schommer also stated that the program will include special events for junior college, Chicago city high school, and Chicago Catholic high school relay teams.

Three Prophets Collect Smokes in Basketball Score Prediction Race

By turning in predicted scores which were very close to actual game scores of the Illinois Tech basketball squad in their past three encounters, a trio of students have been awarded two cartons of cigarettes apiece. The "Pick the Winner" contest, sponsored by Technology News offers the student a chance to win two cartons of Chesterfield cigarettes by selecting the winner and the score of the contest.

Dave Hoffman won the first contest which matched Illinois Tech and Loyola. Hoffman's predicted 68-43 score in favor of Loyola bested the field of entries in Tech's opening 84-40 loss.

In the George Williams College game, Carl Bergstrom gave the nod to the GW crew with a 45-42 prediction. Tech dropped the encounter by a 49-39 margin. Bergstrom's contest winning margin was very close and was garnered only after it was found that his predicted total of points scored was only one short of the actual.

Any student on the campus may enter this contest by selecting the winner, each team's score and the total number of points scored. This information along with his name should be written on a piece of paper and dropped in the intramural box in the lobby of the Student Union. Only one entry per student will be accepted and they must be in the intramural box 24 hours before game time.

Techawks Set New Scoring Record in Season's First Win

Smart Paces-Scarlet and Gray Victory Over CTC; Techmen to Meet Concordia Next

Illinois Tech won its first game of the 1946-47 basketball season last Friday night when they swamped Chicago Teachers College by 88-66. The initial win in four starts found every man of the starting five displaying the speed and headiness which won

them starting berths on other Scarlet and Gray quintets in the past.

Led by Bill Smart who claimed individual scoring honors for the evening, the Techawks waited for five minutes of the second half to slip by before unleashing their attack which netted them a new game scoring record in addition to the victory. Smart totaled 23 points, garnering 11 field goals and one free shot. Crowding the speedy forward in his role as high point man were Glenn Neiswander and Ray Murphy who each collected 18 points and Jim Oldshue who contributed 16 tallies.

The Teachers managed to play the Techmen on even terms during the first half with the Techawks leading 37-36 at the intermission. Then the Scarlet and Gray began their second half drive by literally running the CTC crew into the floor. Tech's strategy of refusing to call a time out paid off large dividends and is expected to aid the Techmen in their future games.

Tech Meets Concordia

Tomorrow night, the Techawks will renew their rivalry with Concordia College of River Forest. The

game will be played on Illinois Tech's home floor, the Valentine's Boys Club, and is slated to begin at 5:30 p.m.

Last year Concordia dealt the Tech five one of their four defeats. The River Forest aggregation outlasted the Techawks on their home court, taking the battle by a one point margin. The Techmen avenged the defeat however by trouncing the Cougars on their hardwood before a large group of Concordia alumni.

Last night the Scarlet and Gray met the Lake Forest College quintet at the Valentine gymnasium. Results of the game were not available at the time this was written although the Techawks were favored with a 15 point advantage before game time.

Illinois Tech				CTC			
	fg	ft	p		fg	ft	p
Neiswander	8	2	2	Trabcy	8	5	4
Cohn	1	0	1	Excell	6	0	0
Carlson	0	0	0	McGraw	8	2	2
Smart	11	1	2	Taylor	1	0	0
Swanson	0	0	0	Dillon	1	0	0
Fleck	0	0	1	McLaughlin	2	0	3
Oldshue	6	4	2	Salario	5	2	5
Behrens	1	0	0	Tademan	1	0	0
Murphy	7	4	3	Gray	2	1	4
O'Leary	0	0	1				
Dalley	0	0	0				
Grable	3	3	5				
Melek	0	0	0				
Schmiedeknecht	0	0	0				
					28	16	23
					37	14	17

Deadline Friday For IM Entries

Three intramural tournaments will be offered to the students upon their return to school after the Christmas holidays. Entries are now being accepted for the basketball, ping pong and bowling tournaments with the deadline set for Friday, December 20. This will allow competition to get under way immediately upon resumption of school January 6.

Rosters of the basketball teams must include the names of eight players with one of the men selected as captain. Teams must be made up of students in the same department and scholastic year. This restriction was imposed since it became apparent that one or two teams would possess all the talent while others would be of mediocre strength.

Each basketball team entered in the tournament will be called upon from time to time to supply men to act as officials during intramural games. Thus three teams will be scheduled for each game, with the third team being responsible to furnish the whistlemen.

Individual medals will be awarded to the winning team in the tournament.

The intramural ping pong tournament will offer competition in both the singles and doubles events. Any student may enter either the singles or doubles play, and each entry must indicate the division of competition. As in the case of other intramural tournaments, sterling silver medals will be awarded to the victors in both singles and doubles.

Five men will make up a team in the intramural bowling tournament although official entries must include the name of an alternate who may substitute in the event of a regular's absence. The tournament will be a round robin with matched teams selecting the time and place for their scheduled roll-offs.

Handicaps will be worked out from the results of an initial practice ses-

Triangle, Daedalians Win in IF Tourney

Triangle nosed out Phi Kappa Sigma 26-20 last Monday night in the gymnasium. Joe Melek's Triangle team led all the way but saw their 9-0 half time lead whittled to four points in the last few minutes. The first half was extremely slow with eight minutes going by before Ken Turner broke up the scoreless tie with an under-the-basket shot. The Phi Kaps led by Homer Deakman rallied to score twenty points in the second half but not enough to overcome their halftime deficit. Deakman sank five field goals and two free throws for twelve points. Ken Turner was high point man for Triangle with eight.

In the second game of the week the Daedalians trounced the Praetorians 34-22. Led by Stuart and Komen, the Daedalians started off to a lead that was never threatened throughout the game. Stuart was high point man for the evening with seven field goals and one charity toss. Quateman was high scorer for the losers with twelve points.

Ken Thompson, IF sports manager, has stated that "official's time" will be observed in all future IF basketball games. This rule stops the clock during the last three minutes of play in the game every time the referee blows his whistle until the ball is again put in play. Any of the timekeepers who are in doubt on the timing during this period should see him.

December 19-7:00—Phi Kappa Phi vs. Daedalians. Officials: Praetorians, Phi Kaps. 8:15—Praetorians vs. Phi Kappa Sigma. Officials: Triangle, Theta Xi.

sion. This handicap will apply to the following week's competition. As an individual's handicap is subject to change from week to week of bowling a new one will be computed from the preceding week's results. Medals will be given to the five men of the winning team. (See DEADLINE FRIDAY on page 6)



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