

TECH SHORTS

Superlatives only should be used in describing the outstanding success of the Sixteenth Annual Illinois Tech Relay games last Saturday. What with the competition of other similar meets having been removed even to that old bugaboo, the Butler Relays, the Tech Games hit a high that may never again be reached. Spectator interest was at fever pitch even during the afternoon trials and did not cease until the final pole vault at about midnight.

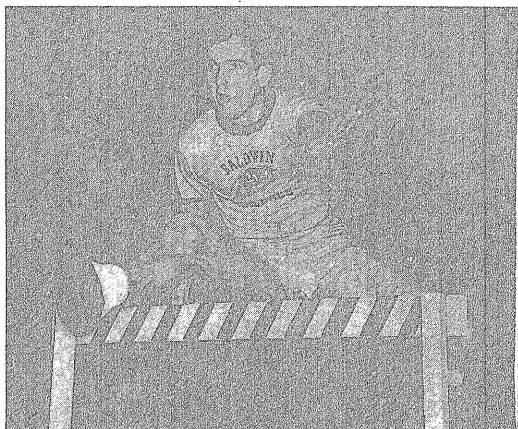
A long day indeed it was for the officials and with the necessity of certifying the record breaking performances the details required much effort. At about 12:15 a.m. Sunday we placed the official scorer's signature on the A.A.U. applications for the American records established or tied by Herb McKenley, Bill Porter and Dick Houden. 'Twas a pleasure indeed to have done our small part in this matter.

Twenty-six teams hit the scoring column in the college division while fourteen did likewise in the university section. This is as many teams as took part in many of the previous Relays. There was no question at any time during the evening that Illinois and Michigan Normal would top their respective divisions although at one point in the scoring it appeared that Baldwin-Wallace, the small Methodist college of less than 1000 students located at Berea, Ohio, might, with victories in the final two college events, out-point the mighty aggregation from Ypsilanti, Michigan.

In observing the running style of Illinois' Herb McKenley we were most reminded of another dusky marvel, Jesse Owens, who rates as the greatest of any track performer in our book. McKenley's sweeping, effortless stride was as steady at the end 50 yards of the 440 as at the start. His counterpart in the iron-man role is U of C's famous Jimmy Lightbody, who won three championships in the 1904 Olympic Games at St. Louis. It would not be impossible for McKenley to win the 200 and 400 meter titles at the London 1948 Olympics. Only, instead of representing Illinois, he will be running under the flag of the British Empire, since he is a Jamaican.

A few observations . . . We tip our literary hat to Wilfred Smith, Chicago Tribune's track expert, for his excellent account of the Relays in the Sunday final editions of the Tribune . . . Also kudos to the people who put together the Press Book and designed the beautiful red-grey-black program . . . 'Twas good to see one IIT trackman wearing an ARMOUR TECH sweatshirt . . . John Schommer had time to argue the Norris LaGuardia Act with Judge Hugo Friend at the officials' dinner in Reynolds Hall . . . Next thing to look for at the Relays is for team representation from the east and west coasts, could be you know . . . That of 'debil' ("probation") sure put the skids under Roy McCauley's IIT tracksters as it did to John Ahern's swimmers . . . And to think that back in 1930 a small band of stalwarts, Captained by Don Paul, took away the Relays title for IIT earning for the team some very neat little gold track shoes . . . Two wonderful events put on by the Institute in two days—Friday the Interfraternity Formal, and then the Relays . . . For some first class help our thanks to Jim Oldshue, Henry Pyper and Paul Hermann . . . For those who may still be reading, this is the 78th time your correspondent has put this column together and his 16th Relays . . . Next year '79 and 17, hope to see you then . . . Art Jens '31.

'47 Relays Are Nation's Largest And Dillard's Faster!



JUST BEHIND—Norbert Badar, Baldwin-Wallace hurdler, takes final hurdle in race which saw his teammate Harrison Dillard tie the American indoor low hurdles record at :07.8. Badar took second.

1947 ILLINOIS TECH RELAYS TABLE OF POINTS COLLEGE DIVISION

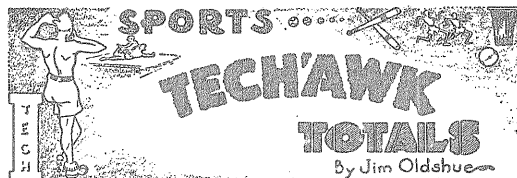
Michigan Normal	58½	Detroit	5
Baldwin-Wallace	44½	Central Michigan	4
Wheaton	26½	Indiana Teachers	4
Ohio Wesleyan	23	South Dakota	4
Loyola	18	Carleton	3
Western Michigan	14	Milwaukee Teachers	3
DeKalb	12	North Central	2½
Bradley	9	Grinnell	2
Miami	8	Coe	1
Wayne	8	Cronell	1
Chicago	6	MacAlester	1
Augustana	5	Macomb	1
Case	5	Iowa State Teachers	½
UNIVERSITY DIVISION			
Illinois	75½	Missouri	15
Michigan	36½	Michigan State	7½
Wisconsin	29½	Marquette	6
Notre Dame	26½	Kansas State	6
Indiana	24	Drake	4½
Purdue	19	Iowa	0
Northwestern	18½		

Sports Personality of the Week John Makielski

By Art Ballou
John Makielski has probably splashed more water than any other man at Illinois Tech. He gets this distinction as the top diver on the Techhawk swimming team, having won 9 first places in 11 meets this season. He first began diving when he was swimming for his high school in South Bend, Indiana, won the state diving championship in his senior year.

When he came to IIT in 1944, he swam in the relay events, later switched to diving. Makielski does not let swimming interfere with his social and academic life. He was social chairman of his junior class, and secretary treasurer of Honor I, and is at present plegmaster at Delta Tau Delta fraternity. A popular student, who has the confidence of the student body, he was elected vice president of ITSA, voted into Pi Tau Sigma, and has been president of Tau Beta Pi. Last semester he was president of ITSA.

John got his degree in ME last January, and is now working for his bachelor's degree in industrial engineering, which he will receive in June. The success of this year's swimming is due, John thinks, to a good well balanced team. . . . He admits that the probation policy played havoc with the team, but claims that that is part of the game. Coach Ahern should be grateful for men like Makielski, and the student body



All those who witnessed the Tech Relays last Saturday got a full program of broken and tied records. Herb McKenley of Illinois showed everyone why he is the greatest quarter-miler in the world; he shot ahead like a rocket at the gun and glided in to finish 25 yards ahead of the field. The night before at the Central AAU meet, he established a new world's record in the 300 yard sprint in a pair of borrowed track shoes; someone had stolen his own shoes just before the AAU meet.

The Chicago Tribune's sports writer, Wil Smith, said that the Tech Relays had the greatest gathering of track talent ever seen in one day.

Nels Anderson did a grand job in arranging the events so that the finals were run off very close to schedule. With a record of 900 entries, officials estimated that the meet would be up to two hours off schedule. But despite the fact that there were 10 heats in the college 70 yard dash, other similar unusually large events, the finals were finished within 20 or 30 minutes of the scheduled finish.

The capacity crowd was only should be glad he came to IIT. He is a real credit to his associates.

Tech News gives each Sports Personality of the Week 2 cartons of Chesterfield cigarettes.

900 Athletes Participate In Eight Hour Relay Program

The University Broad Jump was held during the afternoon, with George Kailas of Wisconsin tossing the shot 23'5" to win. While the Broad Jump was going on, the Indiana Medley Team won the Distance Medley in 10:21.9 to set a new meet

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surpassed all expectations as he skipped to new meet records in both the high and low hurdles, and tied the American indoor low hurdle mark of :07.8 set by Bob Wright of Ohio State in 1942. Bill Porter, Northwestern's phenomenal hurdler, tied the American indoor mark in the highs twice, repeating his afternoon time of :08.5 in winning the evening finals.

The third record-equaling event came unexpectedly in the university seventy yard dash, when Dick Houden of Wisconsin topped a great field of sprinters in the second track event of the evening in 7 seconds flat. This time, in addition to shattering the Tech Relays record, tied the American indoor mark which had not been equalled since 1933 when Ralph Metcalfe of Marquette tied Loren Murchison's original record set in 1926.

A brief recapitulation of records affected includes:

AMERICAN INDOOR RECORDS—
Broken: 440 Yard Run. Tied: 70 Yard High Hurdles, 70 Yard Low Hurdles, 70 Yard High Hurdles.

FIELDHOUSE RECORDS—Broken:
Distance Medley Relay, Shot Put, 70 Yard Dash, 440 Yard Run, Mile Relay. Tied: 70 Yard High Hurdles, 70 Yard Low Hurdles.

COLLEGE RELAY RECORDS—
Broken: Two Mile Relay, Broad Jump, Distance Medley Relay, 70 Yard High Hurdles, 70 Yard Low Hurdles, Mile Run. Tied: 70 Yard Dash.

UNIVERSITY RELAYS RECORDS
—Broken: Distance Medley Relay, Shot Put, 70 Yard Dash, 70 Yard High Hurdles, 440 Yard Run, Mile Relay. Tied: 70 Yard Low Hurdles.

After a brief intermission, Richard Houden of Wisconsin set a new meet record and tie the American Indoor record with a time of 07:0 in the 70 yard dash. The two mile relay was won by Michigan in 7:48.1.

Bill Porter of Northwestern then streaked over the 70 yard High Hurdles in 08:5 to set a new meet record and tie the American Record. Wisconsin then came through to win the sprint medley relay.

McKenley Sets Record

In the 440 yard dash, Herb McKenley of Illinois clipped a tenth of a second off of his former American record to win in :47.9. The 70 yard low Hurdles were won by George Walker of Illinois. John Twomey added five more points to Illinois' total by winning the one mile run.

In the 880, Don Gehrmann, of Wisconsin came in first. Illinois then set a new meet record of 3:18.8 in the One Mile Relay.

Norm Wasser of Illinois then tossed the shot 52'4½" to set a new meet record. Dwight Eddleman and Harry Andersen, both of Illinois, tied for first in the high jump with 6'4". The last event of the evening, the Pole Vault, was won by Edwin Sewell.

College Division

During the afternoon the College Broad Jump was won by Lorenzo Wright of Wayne with a jump of 23'8½". The College Medley Relay was won by Ohio Wesleyan. These two events were run for the first time in this meet.

The College Two Mile Relay was won by Wheaton to set a new meet record of 8:04.3. The College 70 Yard Dash was won in the evening by Barion Campbell of Michigan Normal to tie the meet record of :07.1. The One Mile Relay was won by Loyola.

Dillard Sets Record

The 70 Yard High Hurdles was won by Harrison Dillard of Baldwin-Wallace in :08.6 to set a new meet record. The 440 was won by Gene Blackburn of Ohio Wesleyan. Harrison Dillard then won the 70 Yard Low Hurdles in :07.8 to set a new meet record and tied the American record.

In the One Mile Run, Quentin Brelsford of Ohio Wesleyan set a new meet record of 4:22.3. Don Smith of Michigan Normal then came through to take the 880 Yard. Michigan Normal added more points to its total in taking the Sprint Medley.

The Shot was tossed 43'2½" by Tom Loufek of Augustana. Jack Heintzman of Bradley jumped 6'4" to win the High Jump. The Pole Vault was won by Bernard Archer with a height of 13'.

Delts Beat Pi Kaps 3-2 In IF Table Tennis Meet

The Inter Fraternity ping pong tournament proceeded this week with Delta Tau Delta defeating Pi Kappa Phi by a score of 3-2. Sigma Alpha Mu and Rho Delta Rho lost to Phi Kappa Sigma and Alpha Sigma Phi by a forfeit.

as follows:

Tues. Delta Tau Delta vs. Triangle at Alpha Sigma Phi 8:00 p.m.

Wed. Alpha Sigma Phi vs. Phi Kappa Sigma at Theta X: at 8:00 p.m.

The Illinois Tech NROT Unit lost to the Marquette University NROT basketball team last Thursday, 69 to 48.