

THE gymnasium season just over has been a remarkably heavy one for the basket-ball men. The first week in October saw the squad out on the track taking long runs for endurance, followed by a half hour's practice in the gym. This continued until cold weather prevented, when the full hour was devoted, indoors, to passing, basket throwing and general team practice. The number of candidates was small, but hard work by the few showed results when West Side Y. M. C. A. was held 22 to 16 on their own floor—a very promising start.

But with the schedule just begun, the team received a blow from which it did not recover, in the loss of Kretzinger, right guard, who left school at Christmas. His position was filled by three different men, Rockwell, Davies and Kilgore—Davies receiving the preference for a majority of the games, though superseded by Kilgore toward the end of the season. The rest of the team remained intact, however, and contained no new faces. Carpenter, the captain and right forward, found an able team mate in Leininger, who covered left forward and will be remembered as one of last year's guards. The jump-off was well taken care of by Johnson, while Liebermann, the manager and left defense man, needs no introduction at Armour. Miller served in both forward and guard positions, although only in the first part of the season.

Shortly after the West Side game, Naperville was beaten 31 to 26. Beloit won from Armour by a narrow margin, Carpenter being kept out of the game by a dislocated knee. Then Lake Forest was beaten a few days later 54–24. Passing a few unimportant games, we notice that for the first time in three years the yellow and black was downed by Lewis, and the season would have had a gloomy close had not a rally of swift team work and clever basket throwing held Central Y. M. C. A., the western champions, to a score of 32 to 21-certainly a praiseworthy finish for a hitherto weak team.

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