



Interclass Basketball

THE Armour Institute of Technology has experienced the most fiery interclass basketball tournament since the days of the Little Five, and the men who had taken active part in the contests and attained the championship for nineteen hundred nineteen, rightly deserve the medals awarded them.

At the opening of the Physical Culture Department subsequent to the reorganization of school classes, the interclass basketball teams were carefully formed with a view of competing for the local championship for this year. A schedule was duly arranged and the tournament was started in our own gymnasium.

The players of the respective teams in the various classes proved their mettle when good fellowship and untiring spirit were mostly needed in the course of the games. Their jaws were set and the feeling of fair play in all their actions on the gymnasium floor was

readily observed, as the players met each other in some of the fiercest fights.

The initial game was introduced by the Freshmen and the Seniors in which the Freshmen succeeded in measuring up to the standard of former years, and were led by Kuehn, a well-built fellow constituted both morally and physically to oppose even the hardest man on any team, withstood the offensive of the speedy Seniors. Walker, another Freshman player, also starred for the losers in the game which meant so much to the winning team. The Seniors defeated the Freshmen by a score of 26 to 19, thus ushering the schedule into progress. An excellent fight was also exhibited by other Freshmen; Branigan, Olson, Evans, Eisenstein, Kelner, and Kirkhuff playing the leading role.

The second game on the schedule was a fast one between the Juniors and Sophomores. The cyclonic attitude of the Junior players aided materially in keeping the men on the opposing side in constant fear of losing their stand on the floor and being hurled into the air. Bready, a stubby, ironized fellow, with an eye that appeared to have been fixed on the basket, featured in this game. Bready managed to send his shots straight through the basket without even touching the ring, and the speed with which the ball buzzed through the air was enormous. Bready's point-making and basket-shooting ability is hardly measureable, as his agility plus all that makes for good playing are far beyond the reckoning power of the writer. Seyferlich, Captain and guard on the Junior five, is another first-class player and stands like a wall of masonry when guarding his side of the floor. Thus the Sophomores, whose experience in basketball had not been equally extensive, found it difficult to even "guard" the guard from shooting from all angles of the floor. Erickson's speedy attack upset the Sophomores and his long shots from the middle and corners of the gymnasium stand out as a strong argument in favor of his playing with the school team next year. Erickson is a whirlwind in his ways and understands the fine points of the game. The other players on the Junior team need also to be commended for their good work in the series. Karlson and Scharf drove the message home that, as forwards and guard, they could hold their ground and send the ball through the ring in a crisis. Illg and Anning, who acted as utility men, displayed excellent work when called upon in an emergency.