

# ATHLETICS

Athletics at the Armour Institute were re-established on a very favorable basis, that is to say, intercollegiate activities had received the support of the general student body. When national affairs became normal again, the Executive Council, acting with the aid of the Board of Athletic Control, unanimously endorsed a system of athletics which would interest even the most unconcerned individual, which system proved remarkably successful. The system was of such a character that the students who did not actually participate in athletics, were accorded an opportunity of offering suggestions which would promote the work of that department. Home game admission tickets were provided for distribution, and with the kindly aid of a squadron of students, many of them were sold. The holders of these tickets attended each of the home games, thereby standing by and sticking with the basketball and baseball teams.

The intercollegiate basketball tournament was most successfully carried on, although the Institute had severed its connections with the Little Five Conference. The series of tournament games were played on a free lance basis without regard to any ironclad athletic arrangements with other colleges. Our conduct was thus free from the critical observation of any western organizations to which we would have been bound under different circumstances.

An intercollegiate baseball schedule was adopted also this year. Games were arranged with the leading college teams around through the neighboring states. The free lance idea prevailed in this schedule and for the same reasons as it did in the basketball tournament. To date Armour has made a very successful showing and bids fair to finish with a high average.

Two new sports crept into the Armour Athletic circles this year. A wrestling team was formed under the guidance of one of the senior students. Regular practice sessions were held and the training for the team's few matches was quite intensive. The sport probably will be taken up again next year with renewed spirit.

The other sport that was revived by a few enthusiastic students after a few years interruption due to the Great War was track. Track used to be one of the three major sports at Armour. Beyond a doubt it will be returned to its former plane next year because of the uplifting efforts of the members of this year's track squad. Armour only competed in one meet but the enthusiasm and material is present which augurs well for next year's prospects.