

Swimming Team to Meet Amherst

Rival Teams Will Furnish Action in First Home Conflict

Plenty of excitement seems in store for the Technology swimming fans, when they get their first glimpse of this year's Engineer outfit in action, in the Amherst meet on Saturday night. The Boston Y pool will be the scene of the combat between the two teams, which in recent years have built up a hot rivalry. Two years ago Amherst won the contest by one point, and last winter the Engineers came through by three.

The regular captain of the Amherst swimmers, J. H. Leet, has given up the sport and his concentrating his attention on his work as baseball pitcher. Consequently the Lord Jeff tank squad is minus a leader and its most capable performer.

As far as is known there is no outstanding star in the Amherst display of swimming talent. At least none of the varsity experts are left from last year, and nothing has been heard of outstanding acquisitions from last winter's freshman team. In this respect, Lord Jeff will match the Engineers, since, as Captain Bill Stewart stated several weeks ago, his team relies more on all around strength than on several stars.

Manager Azel Ames announces that tickets for the battle will be on sale in the main lobby from 8:30 to 9:30 and 12 to 2 o'clock today and every other day until Saturday. There will also be a supply in Walker from 12 to 2 o'clock daily and at the door Saturday night.

From The Sports Desk

No, Marion, the embryo generals about the Institute are not soldiers of fortune. We asked one for a dime yesterday and he was broke!

Mal Johnson says Harvard is more worthy of imitation than Burdette. Wish he would impress that fact very strongly on the hockey team.

Speaking of Harvard, the Institute officials have protested many a time and oft that there are no ties-academic-binding Harvard and Technology. Is it too much to suggest that, acting upon the basis of recent hockey scores, the corporation also announce that there are no ties-athletically?

Those birds who wore Tuxedos to the basketball game must believe all the Advisor on Collegiate Etiquette of Raymond's Syndicate told them.

If some Course II man wants to do something practical for his thesis, he might figure out how to give the bleacher seats in the New Gym a big enough coefficient of friction so the fans wouldn't slip on them so easily. As it is now, a man needs to wear chains to prevent skidding.

Frosh Boxers Called to Fill Team Gaps

Candidates Expected in New Gym Tomorrow Afternoon

Tomorrow has been set as the time for real action to begin for the freshman boxing candidates. So far Coach Nap Boutelier has been confining his attention to the varsity men, but now with them fairly well arranged he plans to get the 1926 battlers started.

There are vacancies in all the classes from 115 pound to 175 pound and Manager Shorty Manning expects to see a large turn out of youngsters, with ring experience and without, in the New Gym tomorrow afternoon. The time is indefinite, an appearance any time between 4 and 6 o'clock being enough to give the coach a chance to get a line on the candidate's ability and prospects.

Next Saturday evening the varsity boxers will open the season against Colgate in the New Gym. Things are still more or less unsettled but the varsity lineup will probably be: 115 pound, Al Lindsay; 125 pound, Dick Kenifeck; 135 pound, Lew Phillips; 145 pound, Morry Cohen; 158 pound, Captain Ed Moll; 175 pound, Joe Scholtz or Horgan.

Rolf Julsrud, who won the 125 pound elimination, will not be able to box and it is expected that Kenifeck will take his place. Lindsay is a certainty in the 115, and so are Lew Phillips in the 135 and Ed Moll in the 158. Morry Cohen still has to meet Kuhn, while a bout between Scholtz and Horgan will be necessary to decide the 175 pound fighter.

Two Mile Relay to Remain Incognito Until Day of Race

No definite announcement on the two mile relay make up will be given out by Coach Frank Kanaly until Saturday. If the mile and two mile races are far apart on the B. A. A. games program it is probable that Captain Art Smith and Glen Bateman will run on both. Elmer Sanborn seems to have an edge on one place and it seems likely that the fourth will go to the veteran, Charlie Snow.

Charlie Roche had a slight lapse last Saturday and he trailed in behind Keplinger. Boardman ran with Roche and, after trailing him for four laps, stepped out on the last one, and with a fine sprint on the end, crossed the line several feet ahead of Charlie. This boy Boardman showed fine speed in this trial and will undoubtedly give someone a scrap for a job on the two mile team.

The greater part of the half milers did not take their trials on Friday. Charlie Snow had just returned to school after an attack of laryngitis and was not in shape to take a trial, while the all round running star, Elmer Sanborn, was devoting his efforts to a trial at the three quarter mile distance. Elmer has been trying the longer distances lately and it is possible that he may be entered in one of the longer races at the coming games.

Long Fred Ashworth also failed to show up for a trial and was reported as being a little off form and unable to run a half.

Eddie Heap has been putting a lot of time in on the dash in the last week and is rounding into top form for the opportunity which he will have to show his speed next week at New York and at the B. A. A. games. The entire squad is in top shape and is looking forward to the chance they will have to do their stuff in the near future.

Four Colleges Start N. E. Soccer League

Harry Kurzman Reports to M. I. T. A. A. on Doings of Conference Here

A New England college soccer league will definitely be formed, according to Harry Kurzman, founder of the sport at the Institute. He read a report at the M. I. T. A. A. meeting yesterday, of the resolution adopted by representatives of four colleges at a conference in Walker on Saturday afternoon.

The minutes of the soccer conference follow: It is the sentiment of those assembled:

That there be a New England College soccer conference.

That the object of this conference be to simplify the arrangements of schedules, to curtail expenses, and to promote successful handling of the sport.

That the method of accomplishing this object to be by an annual conference, or two if necessary, of managers or representatives of the colleges mentioned below. First, to arrange schedules; second, to discuss officials, conduct and rules of the game; third, to transact any other business deemed necessary.

That the first meeting be held in Worcester on Saturday, March 3, 1923. Those present were: A. M. Marsh of Amherst, Jack O'Brien of Clark, John Nicholson of Northeastern, and Harry Kurzman of Technology.

MILE RELAY TO RUN INDOOR CHAMPIONS

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put on the boards the same four who won the national indoor classic last year over Princeton when Captain Yard Chittick's relay was trailing the Tigers.

Homer Smith, Melvin Suttner, A. S. Monie, and last year's captain, J. J. Leonard, form as formidable an outfit as will be readily found in collegiate athletics. Beaten by two yards only in their first meeting with the Hillmen the 1922 Engineer relay men came back and led home their rivals in a hair raising battle in Mechanics Building at the Knights of Columbus games. The third meeting, in the I. C. A. A. A. indoor championship, found Syracuse once more ahead and the cardinal and gray just behind the orange and black of Princeton who won second honors by the wonderful final sprint of Captain Stevenson, then the national quarter mile champion.

Wonder how the Joyce-Cuslito argument was finally settled, after hearing some of the suggestions that were offered after the second race between these two, there has been considerable speculation among us as to which one would be adopted. Most of them were original to say the least.

Intramural Sports

Last Monday night the Course VI graduate student's team, composed largely of dormitory men, defeated a team of instructors from the physics department at basketball on the Walker Gym floor, the physicists taking the small end of a 44-11 score. Bus Brown, of Holman dormitory, starred for the students at forward, showing the same fine form that has terrorized the defense men of the other dorm halls who have had to play opposite him.

Tonight the third matches of the dormitory bowling league are to be played, and with Holman and Nichols tied for first place there will be some reckless rolling done to break the deadlock, which the two previous matches have failed to untangle.

The following evening the weekly games of the basketball series come off, Holman meeting Atkinson, and Nichols encountering Runkle.

Each Dorm Team Says, "We're beat"

To date there has been lots of dispute in dormitory circles as to which hall is most preeminently athletic. Atkinson and Runkle, with the reputation of their championships last year in bowling and hockey respectively, have been struggling unsuccessfully to maintain their prestige. Atkinson had two of her bowlers, Waldo Fox and Bill Lutz, move over into Holman this year, and, whether because of that or not, Holman is tied for the top position with its neighbor hall, Nichols.

The basketball teams which started out with a rather ragged bunch of near-athletes, are getting into shape after a week or so of practice and last week's games showed some pretty playing for nearly every team.

Nichols, although beaten in its first game by Holman, got in some good work in coming back the following week and handing a 12-0 shutout to Joe Piland's Atkinson indoor footballers.

No less person than Bob Shaw himself is starring in Nichols' forward line and has been a valued addition to Freddy Kinch's non-star aggregation. In spite of a dearth of stellar material, the Nichols' team has good average ability in most of her performers and plenty of cooperation in passing the inflated sphere, which, rather than spectacular playing, accounts for the team's performance.

Contrasted to this is the all-star gang from the next hall. With Bus Brown and Jim Bamford up forward, and Bill Levi at guard, Holman has overridden her adversaries and is now topping the pile. Jim Bamford is from the freshman squad, while Bus Brown is easily varsity material, although ineligible as he is a graduate student.

"Shades of Coogan's Alley"

Runkle has some stars too. Joe Wickham of the varsity squad is a great help at the big dormitory's defense position. Augmented with Kurzman of the soccer team, the Runkle crowd who succeed the "Coogan's Alley" gang of last year, are almost coming up to last year's accomplishments although they have a real obstacle to their repeating in the Holman team. Harry brings the most approved soccer stunts into the game in the same way that Frank Hassler and Ed Thimme try to incorporate regular football into the playing tactics of the Atkinson crowd.

With their increasing skill, the Dorm teams are going after new opponents in addition to their regular league adversaries. Hughie Ferguson of Nichols, who is managing dormitory athletic affairs, is arranging for a game later this week with a team of Course I Chinese, who have distinguished themselves so far this season by handing wallpings to Runkle, and a team of Chinese from Course X. The little fellows are fast and slippery and what's more, can play surprising basketball for their size.

Fergie is on the lookout for other intramural teams who want to try out their prowess at trying to outoss the dorm bunch, and is expecting to arrange several games in addition to the regular schedule during the coming month. With two gym floors available, there is plenty of opportunity for play and practice and a considerable number of informal intramural teams are being organized. It is possible that an intramural championship will be played between teams from the fraternities, dormitories, and other organizations.

Nichols defeated the Course I Chinese 32 to 26 last night in Walker gym. Fred Kinch starred for the winners, while Captain Chen did well for the Chinese.

NICHOLS COURSE I
Kinch if of Joe Young
Sinnicks c of Art Sun
Upham, Shaw rf of Capt. Chen
Ferguson rg of Admiral Kuo
Bond lg of Al Shue

Skaters Battle Yale Six Next

Hugh Nickle Abandons Net and Dent Massey Will Be Bulldog's Target

The hockey team gets its third trip of the season Saturday when it goes to New Haven to tackle Yale. The third shakeup of the season also features the New Haven trip, with Hugh Nickle being displaced by Denton Massey in the net.

Just why Nickle is leaving the team again is not definitely stated, but Massey has been relieved from the ban on sports due to his health, and is expected to come through with some good work.

The remainder of the team is expected to be identical with that which was defeated last week by the Bulldog's arch-enemy, Harvard, and judging by the scrap which Yale gave the Crimson two weeks ago, the Institute team is going up against a fast opponent.

Flynn Out for Year

Con Flynn, whose wrist has not by any means been in proper condition since his injury at West Point, will probably not be able to play again this season, and his work on the defense will be greatly missed. A severe cut received in the scrimmage penetrated so deep that it has deprived him of the muscle control of two fingers of the right hand, and whether they can ever be put in shape again is a matter of doubt.

The lineup for the Eli game is not settled yet, but will depend somewhat on the developments of the next two days' practice. Jerry Dalton, Neil MacNeil, Herb Hayden, and Dave Peene are sure to be included, but the poor showing against Harvard last week has shown that there is plenty of chance for improvement.

LIVELY COMEDY AT THE ST. JAMES THIS WEEK

The Boston Stock Company once more scored a complete success in its presentation of George M. Cohan's play, "Stop Thief," at the St. James this week. The play is based on the supposed kleptomaniac of a bridegroom and his prospective father-in-law. To make matters worse, a couple of real thieves enter into the situation and between them manage to steal all the wedding presents and most of the other valuables about the house. The "best detective in Rhode Island" is relieved of his watch, and the climax of the ludicrous situation arrives when the sergeant of police enters with a search warrant and has the warrant stolen.

The clever construction of the various scenes makes a play which never loses its interest. Walter Gilbert and Adelyn Bushnell, taking the parts of the two thieves, work in some mighty fine dramatic situations. The final scene with its clearing up of difficulties by a triple wedding leaves the feeling of an evening well spent.

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the reminding kept Mr. Taylor off the floor while he did it. Mr. Taylor liked to jump up and finish the speeches for those less eloquent than he.

But even the best-planned entertainments must have an end, and so, as the hour of six approached, several motions were made to settle the issue.

Mr. Taylor offered his Q. E. D., and the President finally secured the wording he was after, and a resolution was carried by a large majority, showing that among those present most wanted to do the noble garb. But this meeting did not decide the matter. The class of 1923 is just where it was before the meeting was held. However, we realize that we are lead by our class officers, and it looks like they are far ahead of most of us. If they are not, they are certainly behind us pushing hard.

The only way this question may be settled is by a popular vote—where the decision will rest fairly upon the individuals and not upon a group of men who have set after a means of glorifying themselves. There is no use in fogging the issue by bringing in all the side questions imaginable. The graduation ceremony can be made just as solemn without this particular kind of dress. It can be just as dignified and beautiful an occasion if we go to it in the proper frame of mind wearing our ordinary "Sunday clothes," and it does not follow that if gowns are not worn, the men will wear knickers and other nondescript clothing. The ceremony can be made just as impressive as we want it to be. The tent can be anchored so that the strongest gale will not blow it down, and a method can be devised to distribute the diplomas—all without the help of caps and gowns.

Every man must discover for himself what bearing his four years here have had on his life. Have they made you respectful of Knowledge and Science? Have they made you feel that

you have climbed a few rungs of a high ladder, or have they swollen your head so that you think you are a little tin god on wheels with the World by the tail? While you share the glory of fifty classes before you, ask yourself why your graduation is any more momentous than theirs, and at least we can be sincere and say that it is a selfish desire for sensationalism and publicity that moves the class to break a tradition 55 years old to establish a tradition that will only be ten years old ten years from now. Come down from the clouds and get your feet on earth.

While Mr. Ward and Mr. Johnson decide the matter of '22, it is up to us to decide it for '23—by the ballot.
ARTHUR H. HILL '23.

SENIORS APPROVE CAPS AND GOWNS AT MEETING

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appropriate to the simultaneous inauguration of the new president.

Then C. C. Taylor '23, took the floor and drove home point after point with fiery eloquence. After four years of Technology, he said, a man is entitled to some ceremony at graduation. It is bound to come—let '23 be the class to take the step.

Viewpoint of Alumni

This aroused A. F. Flournoy '23, who stated that masquerading in Mardi Gras garb doesn't appeal to him. Lack of frivolity and show at Technology makes for increased interest in studies. The Institute's reputation has been made by the achievements of its graduates, not by display.

F. G. Harmon '23 reported that he had found much the same ideas prevalent among the alumni, but that those with whom he had talked had readily come over to the other viewpoint when they had heard the arguments in favor of the proposition.

G. W. Hall '23, pointed out that the fact that the Institute was known as "Boston Tech" everywhere except in New England was evidence that the men who have made a mark for the school are the Boylston Street graduates, the men who gave us our new buildings, and who had found graduation exercises without caps and gowns perfectly satisfactory. Engineers have the reputation of being practical men—what is practical about a pasteboard hat and a black gown on a hot June afternoon?

Argue till 6 O'clock

This proved too much for Chester C. Taylor '23, who sprang to his feet with the assertion that Technology alumni did not give us our buildings. The money was contributed by George Eastman and the Mysterious Mr. Smith. He then showed that Mr. Eastman approved attempts to get the engineer away from a mere slide-rule manipulator, with the implied inference that he would have therefore been in favor of the formality which caps and gowns represent.

A. J. Tigges '23, called attention to the necessity of academic costume at commencement from a standpoint of etiquette. L. L. Holmes '23, remonstrated with the chairman for participating in the debate. The discussion continued until 6 o'clock, when the question was put to a vote and the undeniable preponderance of those in favor established.

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