

CROSS-COUNTRY TEAMS FACE HEAVY FALL SCHEDULE

YEARLING TEAM OPENS SEASON ON OWN COURSE

Belmont Scene of Clash With Harvard '27 Early in November

With the freshman cross-country run only a little more than three weeks off, the number of candidates that have reported to Coach Connor up to date, has been far below the usual turnout of first year men for this sport. The nearness of the first meet and the absolute necessity of getting down to training immediately makes it essential that the freshman class respond to the call for candidates better than it has the past week. All men who wish to go out for cross-country for the freshman team should report to Coach Connor in the track house today or tomorrow.

The freshman schedule is one of the best, and includes five runs. Harvard is met in the first meet in the Belmont course, while Worcester is next taken on at Worcester. In the third run the Engineer harriers meet a new opponent in Rindge Tech High when the two teams clash at Cambridge. The fall handicap comes November 24 while the Intercollegiate comes two days later at New York.

Handicap Gives Chance

The men who go to New York to run in the Intercollegiate will not run in the annual fall handicap as only two days intervene between the meets. This will give an exceptional opportunity for those who did not go with the regular team to make a good showing. So the men who report for cross-country have a number of chances to show their ability.

Last year's schedule only included four meets and the results were not very satisfactory, due in a large part to the lack of interest in the sport. The first run with Worcester over three and one half mile course and Rooney of Technology was the only

one who was able to break up Worcester's scoring five. The Engineers who ran were Lord, Symonds, Walters, Rooney, Grossman, Steimer, Davidson, and Ostborg. In the Harvard meet the whole squad took part, but they were outclassed by the crimson harriers. However, two years ago, the Engineers blanked the Harvard freshman so this year's meet will be especially hotly contested.

All the freshmen participated in the annual fall handicap and Rooney placed thirteenth, but in the Intercollegiate at New York the Engineer first year men only obtained sixth position out of a field of eight. The following freshmen have reported for cross-country: Smith, Sparre, Gaylord, Jittle, Church, Hunt, Lyles, Ridenot, Monissey, Brown, LeFazio and Bishop.

PROSPECTS POOR FOR RELAY TEAMS

Only Eight Freshmen Out and Sophomores Are Short Three Runners

Owing to the lack of material the prospects for a good relay race on field day are not very brilliant at present. Only eight freshmen so far have signed up, and the Sophomores' squad of sprinters falls three short of the required twelve men.

The Sophomores, having had experience, hope to annex this event but the fact that their full team is not out this year diminishes their chances. Some of the frosh also have had experience in prep school and may give the yearlings a run for their money, but the fact remains that neither class has as yet enough candidates for a team. The race is to be on the straightaway, twelve men from each side to run 220 yards each. Anyone who has had any experience in running but who thinks he is fast on his feet will find this a good chance to get valuable training.

From The SPORTS DESK

With but three men reporting for Sophomore football last Saturday it looks as if the 1926 Field Day stock is liable to take quite a drop. The powerful warriors of last year's team may be content to rest on their laurels, a pleasing thought for those who hope to see the numerals of 1926 engraved on the Field Day cup, but the spirit shown is contemptible and unfair in the extreme to those of their class-mates who count on their efforts.

Crew fared better, and Sophomore crew prospects are extremely good. The relay team, however, seems to offer but little attraction to those of its members who all but brought it victory over '25 last year. It would seem that the pride of 1926 is dead—that they would show their superiority to the incoming class rather by freshman regulation and oppression than by contest on the field of sports.

NEARLY 200 MEN APPEAR AT CREW MEETING FRIDAY

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Rowe's talk. Printed sheets of suggested menus and training rules, drawn up by Dr. Rowe and Frank Kanaly, last year's track coach, were distributed to all present.

A bit of the managerial point of view was given by Manager Stanton in a call for candidates for managerships. Candidates reported Saturday and the boathouse is now in shape for the oarsmen, reporting this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Coxswain's Job Outlined

Touching every phase of the game from the coxswain's duties to the proper clothing for in the boats, Coach Dellenbaugh wound up the meeting with a somewhat longer talk. Although a good coxswain is one of the most important men on any crew, he seldom gets much credit for his work, and it was to show that this job is not without its rewards in the pleasure of skill and command, that Coach Dellenbaugh chose this subject.

Of equipment, there is enough for 14 crews, with the exception of a shortage of oars. This deficiency is soon to be made up however. With this large number of eights in view it is very necessary that quite a number of prospective coxswains turn up at the boathouse immediately. "It is a tradition among oarsmen that there never has been an intelligent coxswain, and I want some of you lighter men to come out and change this idea," said the coach.

This fall there are to be the four first class crews and as many more as will be necessary to develop the material. Coach Stevens is to take charge of the Sophomores and freshmen while the two upper class crews are to be under Coach Dellenbaugh.

VARSITY HARRIERS OPEN SEASON WITH PRINCETON OCT. 27

Hard Work Needed to Get Men into Condition for Race on Foreign Course

Indications point to the development of a well rounded cross-country team this season with five members of last year's team available, four men from the freshman team, and a number of other veterans back. Under the leadership of Gubby Holt the Technology harriers are preparing for one of their hardest schedules which includes meets with Cornell, Harvard, Brown, Princeton, the New England Champions, and the Intercollegiate Championships at New York.

Coach Connor will be in charge of the cross-country teams and is putting the men through their workouts daily. It is very difficult for a new man to take a number of athletes and learn their ability. It requires quite a little time to get acquainted with each one's peculiarity, hence Dr. Connor has spent the larger part of last week in meeting the track men.

Veterans Back

The chances for a successful season in cross-country appear to be very good as practically a veteran team can be formed from those who remain from last year's varsity team, and from the members of last season's freshman squad. Although the services of Bob Hendric will be sadly missed, Gubby Holt, Keplinger, Bemis, Parkinson and Robertson will form the backbone of the team. Davidson, Grossman, Rooney, and Symonds of last year's freshman team will be right after varsity berths this season, in addition there are a number of men who were on the varsity squad last year who will make strong bids for regular positions.

Howe, McIntyre, Preston and Myrick all ran last year and can be counted upon to develop under Coach Connor. The following men complete the list of the cross-country squad to date: Fife, Duffy, Osborg, Reinhart, Piepho, Arnold, Marleson, Wills, Norwood, Gardner, Larrott, and Howard. The cross-country schedule opens with Cornell at Ithaca and as the Tech-

nology team defeated Coach Moakley's men last year for the second time Cornell had ever been defeated on her own track, the hardest of battles can be expected when the Engineers go to Ithaca. The next run is a triangular meet with Harvard and Brown at Belmont, while Coach Connor's men travel to Princeton for their third run on November 10. The Technology team will be given an opportunity to get reserved seats for the Harvard-Princeton game which is on the same day.

The New England and the Intercollegiate at New York finish the season for the Engineers harriers. The men who take part in the Intercollegiate at New York will not participate in the annual fall handicap which is held at Franklin Park. This is because the Intercollegiate comes November 26, and the handicap is scheduled for November 24, hence the varsity men will not have a chance to run in the handicap. This will provide keen competition for the other men on the squad.

TRACK TRAINING TABLE AGAIN THIS SEASON

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of getting attendance slips in on time so that freshmen out for the various teams would be excused from their "monkey drill" work.

The program was closed with a 20 minute talk by Dr. A. W. Rowe '01. His address was mostly advice to managers of the teams in regard to matters of eligibility, sportsmanship and teamwork. He also stated that the Advisory Council met the first Tuesday of every month at the Engineers' Club at 2 Commonwealth Ave., and that all managers or anyone else interested in athletics were welcome to come there at 7:30 o'clock to talk things over.

VARSITY CROSS-COUNTRY SCHEDULE

- October 27—Cornell, at Ithaca.
- November 3—Harvard-Brown, at Belmont.
- November 10—Princeton, at Princeton.
- November 17—N.E.I.C.A.A., at Franklin Park.
- November 24—Annual Fall Handicap, at Franklin Park.
- November 26—I.C.A.A.A., Van Cortlandt Park, New York.

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