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Tech’s intramural basketball season is now in the tail end of its season. In league play, the Betas edged the Delta, 45-44. The Delta McCarty was high man with 10 points. Pi Lam tapped Kranz for top honors in league 2 by topping Burton, 38-28. Silverman of Pi Lam was high scorer with 27 points. SAE was topped by Lambda Chi, 47-41. SAE’s Comparato scored 20 points.

In the first of the finals, in which first place teams played second place squads, Meteorology whipped Burton, 31-27. Snyder’s 18 points earned him high honors. Theta Chi’s top was topped by the Betas, 54-34. The Beta’s Goodson was the game’s high scorer with 19 points. Theta Chi A took Pi Lam with a final score of 56 to 48. Kisser of Theta Chi was high scorer with 17. SAE’s 48 points topped EU’s 43. Comparato capped high score honors for SAE with 19 points. DU upset Sigma Chi, 36-26. The venture’s Larson scored 18 points. In the last game of the first round, the Delta forfeited to Grad House A.

Theta Chi’s Linder made the first shot that signalled the start of the third round contest. Theta Chi, 13, the Betas, 12. The Lambda dropped in the pit for the Betas. In a “golden death” overtime, DU edged Burton, 44-47. Burton’s Velten scored 17 points. Meteorology’s five returned from their deficit at the hands of the Betas to whip Pi Lam, 66-42. One of Meteorology’s big guns, Snyder, scored 21 points. BAD was downed by Sigma Chi in a 45-35 contest. Borrowed from SAE was Donald of Sigma Chi who was the high scorer with 31 points.

The six teams left in the finals will continue the round-out tourney. By the end of this week, the other two finalists, however, will have to be decided. At present, Grad House leads league 1, having 18 wins and no losses. Baker is second, with a 3-0 record. Two teams dropped out of league 2, and Sig Ep, Theta Chi, and Sigma Nu are awaiting up for top honors. Each squad has won three games, dropped none. SAE is in on top of league 3 with a 3-0 record. In league 4 action, Sigma Chi is leading, having won 2 out of 3. The Betas and Phi Kappa Sigma are tied for second place. Each won 2 contests and lost one.

Intramural ice men will resume action at the beginning of the spring term. The finals will be held at the end of February.

Intramural badminton has come to a close of the season with half of the players filling out the team that will represent The Coast Guard Academy. There are six finalists in the last contest, all of whom achieved the feat of competing the 6 badminton leagues. The teams are, in the order, as follows: House A, House B, House C, House D, House E, and House F. The deciding event of the meet was not without its crucial tests, selected from the 25 squads which first place teams played second place.

By the end of this week because of the very "humid" weather conditions the team has competed in a 20-yard pool.

Swimmers Defeated By Coast Guard Team

For the third consecutive meet the Beaver swimming team topped a 47-37 decision with the winners this time being The Coast Guard Academy. The deciding event of the meet was the final freestyle relay. This year’s team is solid in all strokes but a lack of depth in the freestyle has weakened their relay team. This was also the first time this year that the team has competed in a 20-yard pool.

Al Johnson ‘58 and Al Horman ‘58, backstroke twins, once again took first and second in their event, Johnson turning in an excellent 1:07.5. Murray Kohlman ‘58 took the 220-yard free and placed third in the 440-yard free. Fred White ‘56 and Paul Cutter ‘57 took first and third respectively in the 200-yard breaststroke. White’s time being 2:45.7. Will Veek ‘58 finished second in both the 60- and 110-yard freestyle.

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Beaver Fencing Team Tops Trinity Epee Group Wins All Six Matches

Last Saturday Tech’s fencing team met Trinity College at Hartford for their second match of the season. It was their second win, too, as Tech topped the Trinity Fencers 17 to 19. Although the score was decisive the match was not without its crucial battles.

Riflers Win Seventh Against Wentworth

Retaining their undefeated status for the present season, the Engineers Rifle Team took a decisive 1299 from Wentworth Institution last Friday. This was the seventh straight shoulder-to-shoulder victory for the team, one of the best in the country. Marty Basch ’57, team captain, and Joe Jennings ’58, took top honors with 234 out of 300 points.

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The end of the first round saw Tech well ahead by a score of 6 to 4. Tech’s shooting on a par with a 28.5 average. In the semifinals, however, all the fail and binary matches were completed. Tech won by one point with six epee matches to go. Here the epee teams proved its ability to give results under pressure as they won all six remaining matches.

The best performance of the meet was turned in by Ed Bridal ’57, Dave Strong ’57 and Irwin Dornays ’56 of the epee team who lost only one of their nine bouts. Special credit goes to Brinigan who was unseated upon Tech’s fall. Estes, Larry Lostru ’56, Jerry Wieting ’57 and Ray Edwards ’57 picked up five out of nine points while inamong Al Biss ’54, Hal Miller ’57 and Ray Wehrmeiser ’57 won four of their nine.

February 16th, Tech’s fencing master Silva Vitalis takes the team to Harvard where it may have its toughest meet of the year. Harvard, who also fenced Trinity this year, won by a 20 to 7 margin. That was Trinity’s first match of the year, however, and was away from their home ground. Taking this into account makes the MIT-Harvard bout close to a toss-up, although Tech remains hope for a more decisive final score than last year’s 14 to 13 win.

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