Naturals Dunk Haless RPI, 43-41, Sploothing Through To First Win

Determined that their tremendous ordeal, a six-hour bus ride, not go to waste, the MIT wrestlers grabbed their first victory of the season last Saturday in their dual meet with RPI. Although the diest they have come to be in the last two years, with Weislynn, the victory substitue——stated that Tech is swimming with one of its finest teams in several years. Last year, MIT’s reserves were so pitiful that it was almost an embarrassment to Redmanseal teams by over 20 points. Tech in the opening period, the Redmen had a 2-0, when Vlcek ‘58 turned in an excellent 3:45 in an attempt to catch Rosenfield of RPI, who had about a two-body lead. The Beaver’s final pin of the day was on a 220 freestyle as Murray Kohlman ‘56 and Hurry Devine ‘57 came in two out of three respectively. Kohlman was clocked at 2:27.7, a second better than he had done previously. Tech held its lead in the free for as Cutter Smith ‘58 and Dave Hagely ‘57 picked up 4 points with a second and a third. Carter had a 20-1, and Dave, who has been working out with the team for 3 weeks, hit a 30-2. The Engineers were crushed in the 200-yard, individual medley, but is makeable understandable. Although the N.C.A.A. rules that the butterfly break and conventional break are on two different strokes in this event, the New England league has decided to keep the event as it has been in the past, a 100 individual medley with either side stroke. Since RPI in this event in the New England league we are aware of this situation, neither of the Beach swimmers, Al Johnson ‘58, nor Lee Rodkin ‘58 is too proficient in the conventional breaststroke. The Johnson ‘54 gained another first for Tech, as he swam away from the diving competition.

Dartmouth’s team arrived at the Tech pool in the afternoon, taking the 58 in 54:14, only a tenth of a second off the school record. In the breaststroke, Co-Captain Johnson was just nouted out for first with John Hrusa gaining the third place spot. Bob Brooker and Paul Brooker finished 1-2 against Worcester and 1-2 against R. E. in the 200 freestyle with Brooker’s winning time 2:18.0.

Neil Divine finished first in the 54:14 breaststroke. The meet was disqualified on a technicality. Frank van Hessel gained important points by reaching out to both Worcester swimmers in this event. Co-Captain Kane and Ed Getchell picked up eight points against both schools by finishing one-two in the 100 freestyle. Oliver Dave Cahlander came within two points of the fresh diving record to almost edge out Worcester’s Green, as the American squad member last year. Tech’s heavy relay team did go down to the meet as Divines, Kazmaer, and Kane scored two hundred yards to 2:06.9. With the meet won, the free-style relay team of Kicks, Wiest, Fin, and Letzmer still turned in a good time but were moved out by both Worcester’s and Minions teams.

Having brought their record to 5-5 by virtue of the double win, the younglings will meet entertain Brown Wednesday evening at Alumni Pool.

Fencers Bow 15-12 To Strong CCNY

The MIT fencing team went down to defeat after a hard fought meet, losing 15-12 with City College of New York last Saturday. The close score of 15-12, reflects the difficulty that the highly rated CCNY team had in overcoming the Tech fencers. Greater experience proved to be the deciding factor against the Engineers.

Tech’s fencers and sabres both went down to defeat by 5-2 margins. City College’s superiority lay in their speed and ability to take advantage of the slightest opportunity.

The formidable Beaver epee team repeated their recent outstanding performance as the team of Dave Johnson ‘57, Ed Reed ‘57, Roy Swaim ‘56, and Charles Kunk ‘56 took eight of nine bouts.

The New England tournament which will take place in March will be the last test for the Beavers who will be slight favorites. Johns and Minter who have been almost invincible this year, should figure prominently in that meet.

Wrestlers Top Dartmouth 16-13, Pin In Last Match Decides Meet

A spectacular second period pin in the last match by heavyweight Ken Jones ‘57 gave the Engineer wrestlers an edge they needed to beat Dartmouth in the final meet of the season. Jones fell was the last of four for the team as the scored edge out the big green 16-13 in hitting their visitor’s record to 5-3.

Dartmouth’s team arrived at the court even an hour and forty-five minutes late and then they were incomplete, as the meet started off with Ray Ortler ‘57 getting a pin in the first period. The Dartmouth 130-pounder did not get a chance to score as Ortler drove the whole way turning him over in the eighth minute.

At 137 pounds Peter Mappar ‘57 turned in his first fall of the season and the biggest of the day when he levered his opponent early in the second round. Harris Hyman ‘58 continued the streak of four pointers, throwing his man late in the dual period to put the engineers ahead 12-5.

John Hirschi ‘56 found himself on his back for the first time in his career, after picking up a take-down, he flipped and pinned. The Dartmouth 167-pounder brought his team’s score up to 13-8 by pinning Mike Roosmeier ‘57.

After Roosmeier’s match the mat was moved back to their usual practice position at the far end of the cage but the remainder of the 138-pounder squad arrived and the meet was resumed. Lightning Bob Brooker ‘58 went the distance in his tough decision. Tony Vertin ‘57 dropped another decision at 177 pounds as the Green pulled ahead 13-12.

In the deciding match Jones started out fast but the edge of the mat interfered with several technical take-downs. Held down for a minute before he could reverse, Jones was unable to move the pinning guy. He finally showed his opponent the lights and forced the hand.

With this win over Dartmouth the Beavers completed an undefeated season, losing their two meets on the road, and the most successful season in five years. Coach Maloney, Roy Strawson, Roy Bristol, and Stella are very optimistic concerning the team’s chances in the New England League to be held here on Friday and Saturday. The team has been constantly improving through January and February and last Saturday’s victory was the fourth in a row.

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