Beaver Predicts Replies

In the last issue of The Tech a new sports feature appeared called "Beaver Predicts This Week." It said columns our sports department attempted to predict the outcome of the intercollegiate athletic events during the following weekend. Several people have expressed astonishment toward the feasibility of such a column, and they in all rights deserve a hearing and sincere consideration.

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Frankly, the feature is an experiment in objective reporting, and we by definition had to inject unbiased opinions into it. However, it was not published without what we felt were worthwhile reasons. Firstly, we feel that it honestly rated the prospects of the MIT athletic teams in competition, and provided a chance for the general Tech student to gain prospective into the doings of intercollegiate athletics on this campus. Secondly, it established a criterion by which the outcome of the athletic contests could be judged, as to the relative performance of the MIT teams.

Oarsmen Go Winless

Frosh Heavies Shine

MIT's cross wire victors last Saturday, the heavyweights bowing to Rutgers at New York, and the lights at Navy at Annapolis. The last tune-up before next week's Eastern Sprint Championships, the races failed to produce any startling hopes for Tech and Columbia, both cross the finish line with room to spare. In the JV race it was Columbia victorious ever Rutgers and Tech.

Down at Annapolis the middies also pushed to three straight wins.

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