The Crimson Downs Beavers 81-61 Before Capacity Crowd

Moving by a capacity home crowd, the hustling MIT varsity basketball squad dropped an 81-61 contest to Harvard last Saturday. The Engineers, led by high scorer Eric Hasseltine '58, were unable to use their pressing defense to contain the taller Crimson, who controlled the backboards for most of the game.

The first ten minutes of the game saw the lead change hands six times, with Tech ahead 24-23 by virtue of successive two ball pick shots by Mac Jordan and captain Mac Jordan '58. The Crimson surged ahead with nine straight points, before a foul by Dennis McGinty '59 and a one hander by Jordan cut the lead to four points.

Harvard center Bryant then dropped to three straight baskets, and George Harrington scored on a layup to give the Crimson a 40-39 lead. Herman Burton '60 scored for the Techmen with a desperation shot at the end of the first half to make it 40-38.

After intermission, Harvard guard George Harrington hit a three-point shot and a foul by Jordan. Alert pressing by Hasseltine led to several steals and four baskets for the spirited guard, who now had seventeen points, before a foul by Dennis McGinty '59 and a one hander by Jordan cut the Harvard lead to four points.

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The Crimson, with Jordan and a layup by Lee Cooper '58 completed the scoring, giving Harvard an 81-61 victory.

Bushleaguer

Intra-mural basketball League play draws to a close this week with the conclusion of every twenty games in the last several days. Tonight should finish off all but a few of the games, and championship play will start the first school week of the new year.

The finals will be run by a double elimination system; meaning that there will be two winners and a losers bracket, and that any team would have to lose two contests to be ousted.

The top two teams from each league will be entered in the finals, and in the event that the playoffs will be completed before exams begin, this schedule, however, may be delayed if there are many unscored second and third place ties in the leagues which would necessitate playoffs.

In late last week's play only three games were played. Lancing Club Alphas bowed to 3:15 Club 43-40; the Delta line over Dover Club 31-41 and Winstedline did the same to the Hun's 66-31.

EngineerSquashmen

Taken By Wesleyan

While Yearlings Win

The Coachesmen went down 14-1 against Wesleyan in their first home game last Friday evening. The winning line showed an improvement over the previous week's line-up.

Wesleyans' first two men won close ones over the Engineers, but, unable to retaliate against their opponent's strong second, third and fourth line, the Engineers were unable to beat the Crimson in the second half.

The next three men also won in three straight games, L Canada, M Sherbom, who played with Feidt in Egypt, monopolized his set 15-5, 15-5, and 15-4; Cal Monroe and Chuck Leonard '59, two and three, each carried their sets to the games. Cal, showing improvement over the Engineers, won his set in three games, 15-4, 15-8, and 15-4. Chuck, after winning the first two games 15-11, 15-11, lived out and lost the next three 17-15, 16-13, and 15-12.

Today's only win was scored by sophomore Bob Hodges in the eighth game. Bob, continuing the good showing he made in the Dartmouth match, won easily in three games, 15-6, 15-1, and 15-8.

Rallying to save face for the Engineers were the varsity freshman line. The Little Beavers smashed the Wesleyan Fresh T2 in their opening match. Faisal Saeed quickly won his set in three games, 15-4, 15-1, and 15-8, but failed to carry his momentum into the second set and controlled the play all the way. Brad Harshman, number one, won only a few, defeated the Crimson's number two men, 15-12, 15-2, and 15-4.

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