Middlebury defeats soccermen 6–0; Tech's weakened defense costly

By Bob Sultan

The Tech soccermen suffered another setback as they fell to Middlebury 6-0 on Saturday, October 19th. Despite the strong team and being one of the top contenders for the Ivy League title, they were unable to compete in this season's national championship.

During most of the first half, Middlebury played a careful, defensive game. Our offense had been weakened by the loss of Bayley, who had missed the last game due to a back injury. Towards the end of the half, Middlebury 6-0 suffered a leg injury and had to leave the game.

Loss of Godtly felt

Godtly had done a great job holding our defense together and was one of the key players in the game. With the loss of Godtly, our defense was further weakened.

Diamond defense tried

MIT played a diamond defense against Middlebury. In this defense, the fullback, a halfback, and the center-halfback form a diamond with the halfback in the front position. The other halfback

run fast on either side of the forward part of the diamond, adding a great deal of flexibility. In spite of the weakened scores, the techmen played a good game during the first half and it was a good bit that when Godtly and Ali return the scoring should pick up. Jack Russell ’66, the Center-halfback and halfback goalie in 6-0 both played an excellent game. A weakened defense put a lot of pressure on our goalie Avram ‘67, who came through with an amazing number of spectacular saves, as usual. There were just too many shots getting through the defense and we couldn't stop them all.

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Hopes for spring high

Baseball team drops 2 to BU

By Tom James

Boston University downed MIT's varsity baseball team from last week: nine to four Tuesday, and ten to six on Wednesday. Those two games were played in Boston's typical un-baseball-like weather, with temperatures ranging in the low forties.

Pitching ineffectual

Dick Richman ’66 pitched Tuesday's game for MIT; "Lefty" could not seem to attain the same degree of control which enabled him to help Tech defeat New Bedford a week earlier. In spite of some good fielding on the part of Mike Sylvester '67 at short stop and Tom Bailey ’66 at third base, MIT was out-classed by the stronger E.L. team in pitching and hitting in both games.

MIT's fall baseball season, usually short (this year's four games being an exception), officially came to an end at the last inning of Wednesday's game. The final tally shows us with one victory and three losses. Varsity baseball coach John Barry agreed with the fact that the only schools which generally bother with full baseball are those with strong teams, he is quite happy with his team's fall record.

Coach Barry optimistic

Coach Barry goes on to say that the major purpose of MIT's fall baseball is to get an early look at some of the prospects for the heavy spring schedule. He is confident about our hopes for the spring as fielding is perhaps as strong as it has ever been, and our hitting will probably come along pretty well. The major concern right now is for pitchers; MIT has none with any high school experience.