The Alpine team will be slightly weaker due to graduation losses, but Steve Nadler '73 and John Nabelek '74 are continuing last year's good seasons. Newcomers Gary Ruf '73 and John Clippinger '72, along with Jaglom, round out the squad.

After the Norwich camp, originally scheduled for last weekend, was cancelled due to lack of snow (a factor which has hampered the team since it began training in September), the Alpine squad headed to Intervale to practice. Upon arrival at the area on Friday morning, the team discovered that instead of the standard bamboo slalom poles, the management of Intervale had kindly supplied cut saplings approximately two inches thick. After brining shoulders carrying the young trees up the mountain, a slalom course was set, and a painful experience was begun. The team spent the day running flats, arms, and heads into unyielding slalom gates. By the end of the day, one cracked head, two bruised fists, and several twisted forearms had been accumulated.

The team was then informed that Boston University, Northeastern, and Bentley would be arriving the next day for an informal meet. The Tech skiers left the area prepared for the next day's debacle.

Upon arrival at the area the Tech skiers breathed a sigh of relief as they saw, beside the huge bus which had brought all nine Northeastern skiers, several bundles of bamboo poles. As the other teams arrived, a slalom course was set, and at 11am the race was begun, with a field of about thirty racers from the four schools.

The best finish for MIT was sixth in 52.8, Clippinger tenth with 116.7. Clippinger twelfth with 126.1. Nadler was skiing well, but stranded a gate halfway down the course and was disqualified.

In team score, the total of the four best races for each team is divided into a base time of the total of the top four finishers. Northeastern was first with 96.7 per cent, MIT second with 91.7 per cent; and BU third at 62.4, slightly ahead of Bentley.

A giant slalom course was then set up by the BU coach, who obviously had a strange sense of humor. Since there was a small built-up log jump marked by two red slalom poles, what could be more natural than to incorporate it into the course? This was done which made for an interesting race course. In the GS, Nabelek tied for second place with Ken Biederman of BU, in a time of 52.8, again just behind Morrow, who finished in 52.5. Next was Nadler, in 53.2. Ruf was tenth in 61.6. Clippinger and Jaglom, both downded by taking gate combinations, finished sixteenth and seventeenth in 60.2 and 61.2 respectively.

The giant slalom was won by BU with 96.45, followed by Northeastern with 96.2 and MIT with 95.1. Combined scores were Northeastern 192.9, MIT 186.8, and BU 158.8. It was a good day overall for the Institute team, but there is definitely room for improvement, which will hopefully come at the training camp this week.

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