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COACHES OF '24 FOOTBALL REPORT MATERIAL SCARCE

"More candidates are absolutely necessary for the Sophomore football squad; present prospects are for a rotten team." This is the way Coach Doc Woodruff summarizes the '24 gridiron situation.

Saturday afternoon was spent in hard drill. The first use of signals was made. The work was strenuous and the squad carried it through with a snap. Woodruff, a former Navy end is helped by Doug Severn for two years a Navy half-back and by Jack McCue of West Virginia.

The coaches report that unless '24 realizes the seriousness of the situation and responds with at least 20 new men and all available football supplies a representative team cannot be built. There is but one candidate for center.

Art Kemp, a back, George Bowers and John McPhee, line men, are members of last year's outfit not available this fall. MacPhee is ineligible since he is trying to make the Field Day crew. Mel Taylor, captain, will be on the field for the first time this afternoon having been held up by a bad foot. Dave Evans, veteran end, who strained his ankle in practice early last week, resumes training today.

FROSH PREPARING FOR FIELD DAY CONTESTS

The first week is over and the Freshmen are well started on their preparation for Field Day. Quite a number have already turned out for track, football, and crew, but for the tug-of-war more men are needed. In the other sports still more can be easily used.

Football is going strong. There was a good turnout of boys who are working hard under the coaching of W. A. Metcalf '23, and several others. They will without doubt give the Sophomores a good fight. A game is scheduled this week. Much more can be told after that event.

In track, Hills from Hill School and Bateman from Anderson with many others are doing first rate. They lost a good track man in Makepeace, from Exeter. As he has a bad leg he will be able to do nothing. Mr. Frank Kanaly is well pleased with the men that have come out.

The tug-of-war is in need of about forty more men. It can be said though that the men that are out are coming along finely. They have been out for practice only a few times and are still learning the principles.

About seventy-five men have turned out for crew. Campbell of Exeter is one of the most able. No actual rowing has been done as yet, and until some has, not much can be surmised as to their success or failure.

CROSS-COUNTRY TRIES COURSE

The cross-country squad walked over the course yesterday in preparation for the fall try-outs in the handicap race next Saturday. The twelve runners making the best time from the varsity and the twelve best freshmen will run against Harvard on the following Saturday over the Belmont course. The course run by the freshmen next Saturday will be three and a half miles.

VARSITY SOCCER SQUAD MAKES GOOD SHOWING

Promising Material Out For Yearling Squad

Daily practice is beginning to show the strength of the soccer squad. The varsity team with its large percentage of last year's men, together with sophomores from last year's freshman team, as well as the '25 team is getting whipped into what will probably be a winning eleven. Already practice games between teams of the squad are being played and the schedule which includes so far 7 outside games will begin next week.

The striking point about the yearling squad is that most of the men have had experience in prep and high schools. A. C. Sun of Andover, and Whitman former Captain at Worcester, have already shown that they can handle the ball. However the squad can still stand the addition of a number of men, either with or without previous experience.

If possible the varsity team will join the Intercollegiate Association Football League this year, but as this involves a grant of money by the Athletic Association, nothing definite can be done at once. The team feels this year that it is ready to take its place on a par with any of the major sports at Technology, and is going to make every effort to get a crowd out to every game by the use of advertising and publicity.

The following new men have reported for practice the last two days: J. G. Amaro '24, W. B. Murdock '23, G. M. Levinson '23, J. H. Townsend '24, H. Rau '24, and for the freshman squad, E. J. Moulton, M. Ruiz, G. L. Bateman.

On account of the use of Tech Field for the field day teams the soccer men are having at present to fit the times of practice into the schedule wherever they can, and if possible will make arrangements for the use of some field which will be available at any time.

FIRST WEEK OF '25 FOOTBALL MAKES COACHES OPTIMISTIC

Freshman Field Day football seems to be in good shape. The squad is by no means excessively large but the stiff practice last week brought forth qualities that fill the '23 coaching staff with confidence. There wasn't any practice on Saturday.

It is probable that Walt Metcalf '22, will order the first scrimmage for tomorrow afternoon. On Thursday it is planned to stage a practice combat between last year's '23 team and the freshman squad. This will give the coaches a line on the actual worth of each man and should be a valuable innovation.

On Saturday the team will go up against St. John's Academy, away from home. Tufts freshmen and Andover will also be played before the climax on November 4.

'24 CREW VETERANS REPORT AT FIRST CALL FOR MEN

All of the Sophomore Field Day Crew of last year appeared when the call went out for candidates. The crew was composed of the following men, A. Ames Jr., E. D. Thomas, R. C. Webster, H. R. Greatwood, R. C. Eaton, J. H. Graham, A. R. Prouty, E. P. Dunlaevy, and H. L. Dallas. The race of last year was very close, '23 winning by about a third of a length. The Field Day Record of 5 minutes 38 seconds was made in this race.

There was also a second freshman crew and many men who did not make the first crew are out this year to make it. Both the freshman and Sophomore crews will take the water Monday, for the first practice this year.

The freshmen tried to get the jump in the number of candidates, for 45 men came out for the crew. Among the bunch were several Exeter crew men including Campbell. There were quite a few other prep school stars.

HANDBOOKS ALL TAKEN UP

There are no more Handbooks available for upperclassmen and while those who have already signed up may receive books after October 15 during the next few weeks, there is no use signing up now, as the list as it stands is far in excess of the number remaining.

NOTICES

FOR UNDERGRADUATES

Specialty Act Try-outs will be held in room 10-250 at 5 o'clock tomorrow night by the management of the Combined Musical Clubs.

Men are needed at once for competitions of second assistant manager, and freshman manager of the Rifle Team. Report at the range any afternoon, or see J. Y. Lund at Riverbank Court.

SOPHOMORES HAVE THE JUMP IN FIELD DAY TUG OF WAR

Quite a contrast is offered by the rhythmic pulling of the Sophomore veteran tug of war pullers and the efforts of the '25 candidates. A majority of the 30 men on the Sophomore rope received intensive training last fall and their work shows it.

Manager Dick Eaton's recruiting campaign has resulted in having nearly all the new '24 heavies husky lads. The squad averages in the neighborhood of 165 lbs. Effectively used weight is what will count on Field Day.

The Sophomore team promises to have an advantage of nearly ten pounds to the man in this respect.

The freshman response to the tug of war call has not been very satisfactory. More men are required. Estimates place the available avoirdupois at 155 lbs. per candidate. Very few of the '25 tuggers have had any experience in the art and a lot of practice will be needed to get the lads pulling systematically and in unison.

INTERFRATERNITY CONFERENCE ELECTS FOR COMING YEAR

At a meeting of the Interfraternity Conference held last Saturday night, the following men were duly elected to serve as officers for the coming year: President, H. M. Shiry '22, of Kappa Sigma; Vice-President, S. Hazard '23, of Theta Delta Chi; Treasurer, H. A. Smith '23, Alpha Tau Omega; Secretary, H. C. Gayley '22, of Phi Beta Epsilon; and the three men on the executive committee are C. E. Rudderham '22, of Delta Kappa Epsilon; A. Melling '22, of Delta Upsilon; and W. C. Groce '23, of Phi Sigma Kappa.

MAJOR MAISH WILL ADDRESS MECHANICALS FIRST MEETING

The smoker of the Mechanical Engineering Society planned for the coming Friday night has been postponed to Wednesday night, October 19, to be held in the main hall of Walker. A rousing good time for everybody has been planned. Besides the smokes, refreshments consisting of cider and doughnuts will be served. Professors Hayward and Miller, also Major Maish, who is in charge of Ordinance at Technology, will be the principle speakers of the evening, and movies will be in order.

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