

— ONLY TWO DAYS TILL FIELD DAY —

Class Teams Have Final Workouts Before Clash

Field Day Relays Choose Captains

Following practice last Monday the two relay teams went into executive session to elect captains. L. B. Copley was chosen to head the Sophomore runners. Wiebie, a former prep school star and the most valuable man on the yearling squad, was given the leadership of the freshmen.

The time trials held Saturday and Monday would, if taken literally, give the cubs an edge over the Sophomores. The difference between the average freshman and Soph 220 was 2-5 seconds, which does not mean a thing. The second year men number among them eight men of last year's speedy team that lost by a yard to 1922. The four newcomers will be far from forming a weak spot on the squad. The team as a whole is well balanced. Though theoretically not so fast as their opponents, time in practice is no sure indication of what can be done in a race.

For the yearlings, Captain Wiebie and Stinbrenner have shown up best. Rick's leg is still bad but he may be able to run for his class. If so the balance will be thrown still farther in favor of the frosh. Nearly all the men have had previous running experience as the time trials would indicate. The team is as well balanced as the Sophs. Their passing of the baton is not as smooth, however, as not as much opportunity has been given them in this important detail.

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Weight Favors Sophomores in All Events — However Contest No Cinch

With Field Day but three days away the class teams are planning a final spurt. The boat house and Tech Field are scenes of continuous activity. The Sophomores view the approaching contest with confidence. Sophomores usually do. It is an exceptional group of freshmen that can go through its first Field Day undefeated. The advantage of previous experience and cooperation is one not easily overcome.

The freshmen are taking advantage of every spare hour of daylight to whip their teams into the best possible shape. With a show of enthusiasm and determination exceeding that of their older opponents they are planning to put up the hardest fight that has been seen on Tech Field in many years.

Frosh Eleven Faster
The slowness of the Sophomores in getting started in football should work decidedly to the advantage of the frosh. Out-weighted by twenty pounds, they have an exceptional chance to carry off the most important event of the afternoon. The Sophs are heavy but they will be opposed by a faster and brainier team.

Crew is quite a different proposition. Weight, experience and speed all seem to favor the Sophomores. Every 1926 seat is filled by an experienced man. The frosh are lighter and less experienced, but constant practice all fall has developed an eight that can not be ignored.

Relay and tug-of-war offer small choice between the two classes although the chances are that they will be the determining factors of Field Day.

JUNIOR-SENIOR CREW RACE NEW FOR FIELD DAY

Victor to Meet Winner of Frosh-Soph Contest for Class Crew Banner

SENIORS HAVE GREATER WEIGHT AND EXPERIENCE

Something new for Field Day is the race for upper class crews, which is scheduled to proceed the regular frosh-Soph races on the same course, starting at 12:30 o'clock. This race is to be held so that an opponent for the winning outfit of the two lower classes may be chosen and then a final winner selected to receive the Class Crew Banner, the gift of Dr. A. W. Rowe '01.

Including some of the former varsity material in its lineup the Senior eight is generally favored for its race with the Juniors on Friday, having the advantage in the matter of weight and individual experience. The Juniors have been handicapped by a laxity in attendance to practice on the part of some of the men but have now found a combination that is showing up well.

Seniors Are Heaviest

The Senior combination averages about 168 pounds, the heaviest crew on the river. Advantage is thus gained in endurance for this eight but should they be off form, their speed is cut down more than that for bad form in a lighter lineup. In this respect the Junior boat, averaging about 160 pounds, has the advantage.

Listing Captain Eaton and Stroke Dan Sayre as men of former varsities, and Warren, Murdock and Coleman as second Varsity men, the 1924 outfit has the better of their opponents in material but the men have not had enough experience together for this to count much in their speed. The one big advantage of this experience in a race is that the men keep their heads better.

Juniors Material Also Varsity

Captain Lauria of the Junior eight and bowman Grove are former second varsity men while George Geis in number four was a first varsity man last spring, so this outfit is not without its experienced men. In the last few practice workouts of this combination quite a bit of speed has been shown but their place on the lists of class crews is yet to be determined.

The balance of the material of the two eights has been recruited for the ranks of the 150 pounders and last years class crews, so that in individual experience these crews lack little. It is the ceaseless practice for form and endurance that they miss.

P.T. 15 EXEMPTIONS

This is the last day that freshmen will be able to present athletics as a substitute for physical training. First year men out for any sport are exempt from this subject. The gym office in Walker will be open till 12 o'clock to receive exemptions.

FRESHMAN CREW CHANCES FAIR FOR FIELD DAY

Sophomores Have Advantage of Weight—Many Frosh Are Veterans

1926 LINEUP SAME AS LAST FIELD DAY

With more than the usual backing of experience behind them, the frosh oarsmen should this year stand a rather unusually good chance of crossing the finish line in the winning boat. Counteracting this advantage is the rather greater disadvantage of being pitted against what has been called the best Sophomore eight that has ever put out from a technology float, and an experienced one at that.

Against these odds the yearling eight has been making every effort to be a strong contender for the honors and are shaping up well. In the matter of pound average, rather light. In previous experience they fare better, though this factor does not count so much when the experience was gained in many styles of rowing.

But Two Without Experience
G. R. Copeland, pulling the bow oar of the first frosh shell, put in two seasons of rowing at Prep school. J. H. Williams and G. C. Lammert in positions two and three are backed by the same experience. P. C. Eaton at four and Captain R. G. Kales at seven both were on the list of oarsmen at Exeter Academy. J. H. Frink rowing number six has had a season at the University of Washington under Coach Leader, now at Yale.

Sophs All Old Timers
The Sophomore combination is better known to those who have followed class rowing at the Institute, for their lineup has been fairly the same for some time. Aside from any previous experience that they may have had elsewhere they have all had at least a year of rowing at the Institute.

The lineup is practically the same that carried the class shell to victory by a substantial margin in the class crew races for the Richards Cup last spring. They have the advantage of a higher average weight, about 163 pounds, and this coupled with their experience should make them hard to beat Field Day.

Soph Tug-Of-War Artists Heavier Than Opponents

Freshman Hemp Pullers Will Have to Work Hard to Overcome Handicap

If weight is a factor the Sophomores should carry off the tug-of-war. Their advantage of eight pounds per man is not overwhelming, but everything else being equal it will do the trick. Both squads have been practicing daily. Neither has enough men out for two full squads so the teams have been split and pitted against each other.

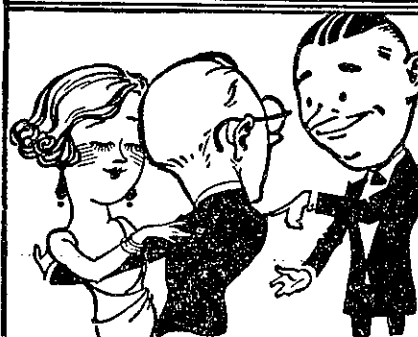
What the sport has lacked in the way of an early start is being made up by the pep being shown at the finish. In time with the bang of starting pistols and the roars of diminutive counters the class huskies sweat and strain at the hemp. Weight and practice are the chief requirements. The yearlings are striving hard to compensate for the lack of one by hard work in the other. Eight pounds more weight will not have a show against guts and teamwork.

Gymnasts Back Darwin's Theory

Not satisfied with turning somersaults, gyrating on bars and risking their lives on the rings the gym team plans still another form of competition. As if trying to substantiate Darwin's theory the next act of the Technology gymnasts will be rope climbing.

A new phase of the sport, this event should prove the most interesting. Students will be able to refrain from an afternoon's dissipation at the zoo and watch the wearers of the gTt skim like so many monkeys to the roof of the gymnasium.

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