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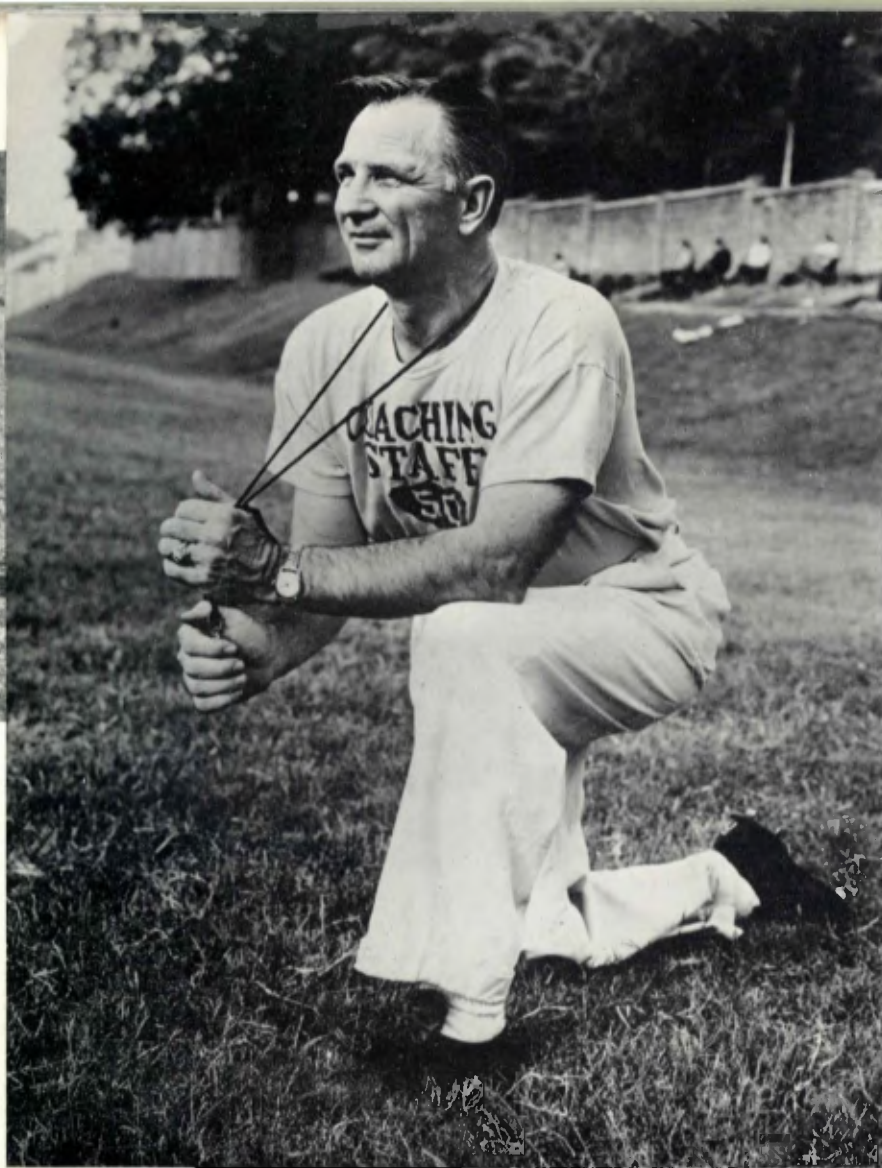


Far and wide the Ramblin' Reck is known as a truly great football team. Behind all these wins though are hours of preparation, both mental and physical. A look at these scenes in preparation for the annual bout with the University of Georgia shows that even Tech



too must practice to be great. Coach Dodd has become a wizard at getting teams 'up' for the big ones and the yells in the dressing room after the game leave no doubt that the team has captured its 100th game for him in his twelfth season at the helm.





BOBBY DODD, Athletic Director

Under the capable leadership of Athletic Director Bobby Dodd, the athletic program at Tech is two-fold. Throughout the inter-collegiate competition, which includes football, basketball, track, baseball, cross-country, swimming, tennis, golf, and gym, the Tech coaching staff continuously strives to produce winning teams. Even more important is the stress placed on high character in their boys. Some of the teams rank with the top in the nation, while others do not fare so well. Regardless of their standing, the Tech athletes always show the excellent principles of sportsmanship and good conduct which coaches and fans so highly regard. The conduct of these men is a tribute to the quality of the Georgia Tech coaching staff.

The greatest advancement this year was seen in basketball as the men set an all-time winning record in initiating the Alexander Memorial Coliseum. Several times the 7000 seating capacity gym was filled as the word spread on the fine job being done here.

Our thanks to the coaches for their high standards, and may they continue to be successful—both in winning games and in building men.

Members of the staff not shown here are pictured with their respective teams.

Coaches Stress Good Sportmanship



TONTO COLEMAN
Assistant Athletic Director



HOWARD ECTOR
Business Manager



NED WEST
Publicity Director



LEWIS WOODRUFF
Backfield Coach



NORRIS DEAN
Track Coach



JOE PITTARD
Baseball Coach



JIM LUCK
Assistant Coach



WHITEY URBAN
Line Coach



SPEC LANDRUM
B Team Coach



JOHN BELL
Freshman Coach



JACK GRIFFIN
End Coach



RAY GRAVES
Head Line Coach



FRANK BROYLES
Head Backfield Coach



BOB BOSSONS
B Team Coach



BUCK ANEL
Trainer



FIRST ROW: Coach Bobby Dodd, Dr. Paul Weber, Howard Ector. . . . SECOND ROW: J. W. Mason, J. O. Chiles, W. C. Whitley, Pat Bolger, Bob Marbut. . . . THIRD ROW: R. H. Tharpe, A. Howard, A. M. Coleman, W. C. Carmichael, Jack Glenn, Jamie Anthony. . . . NOT PICTURED: H. A. Wycoff, R. B. Wilby, L. W. Robert, Wade Mitchell, George Volkert.

Athletic Association Spurs Progress

The responsibilities and congratulations due the Tech athletic program can start at no other place than the Athletic Association. These men, under the chairmanship of Dr. Paul Weber, supervise and arrange all of the athletic events in which Tech

participates. Their policy calls for close relations between Athletic Director Robert L. Dodd, the coaches, and the Athletic Board to produce winning teams which display to the highest degree the qualities of sportsmanship.



COACH BOBBY DODD



DR. PAUL WEBER



VARSITY SPORTS

1956 CAPTAINS

George Volkert

One of the co-captains of the 1956 Georgia Tech football team is George Anthony (George) Volkert, a great halfback since his freshman year. George has performed for the Jackets in two Sugar Bowl games, one Cotton Bowl game, and one Gator Bowl game. He came to Tech from Nashville, Tennessee, where he had a great record, being selected as All-State, All-Southern, and All-America single wing tailback in high school.

He showed promise of a great year for 1956 by his play in the 1955 season, but was greatly hampered by a knee injury during his last season. He set a school record in 1955 with a 7.2 rushing average, was named to the AP All-SEC second team, and received honorable mention in the NEA All-America Choices.



Wade Mitchell

Senior quarterback Wade Treutlen Mitchell joins Volkert in the duties of co-captain for the 1956 Yellow Jackets. Wade came to Tech from North Fulton High with the rating of one of the greatest prospects in Tech's history and has not let his backers down. In his freshman year he put in more playing time than any other quarterback that season and has been a starter since that time. He is one of the better blockers on the team and has no fear of body contact. Defensively, he is, and has been, rated the best safety man in the conference. He is an A student in Textile Engineering, was named quarterback of the 1955 Academic All-America First Team, the All-SEC Academic Team, the All-America Blocking Team, and the All-SEC Third Team.



1956 HONORS

All-America—Don Stephenson

Georgia Tech's All-America for 1956 is center Don Stephenson. Don was named to the Football Writers Association All-America team, the UP All-SEC and AP All-SEC teams. He had a total of 92 tackles for the season and was outstanding both on offense and defense. Don is also the captain-elect for the 1957 footballers.



All-SEC—Allen Ecker

Continuing Tech's SEC honor roll is guard Allen Ecker. He is rated by both opponents and teammates as one of the outstanding guards on the Tech team. Allen is an A student in Electrical Engineering and was selected to the UP All-SEC team.



All-SEC—Ken Owen

The blasting boy, Ken Owen, completes the honor section for 1956. He is an adept faker on the belly series, a bruising tackler from the line-backer post, and a fighting runner when he has the ball. Ken led the team in kick-off returns with an average of 30.7 yards per return. He was elected to the AP All-SEC team.





The Yellow Jackets demonstrate the secret of football success as they hit opposing linemen before they can brace themselves.

Tech Ends '56 Season as 4th In Nation

The Golden Tornado Continues To Go

The coaches said last year that the Georgia Tech team should reach its peak in 1956. True to prediction, it did just that. The men of last year were the experienced men of this year as Tech completed a 9-1 regular season record and won the acclaim of all. The Engineers were the top defensive team in the nation, allowing an average of 3.3 points per game in the ten-game schedule.

Tech Continues TV Wins

Tech opened the season with the Kentucky Wildcats in Lexington, Ky., in the TV Game of the Week. The Jackets scored early in the game, but the Wildcats soon tied it up at 7-all. Late in the game, the Engineers pushed across another tally and then protected their lead to win the opener 14-7. This kept intact the Jackets' record of never having lost a televised game.

Menger breaks into the clear behind the blocking of Vann.

The Jackets then flew to Dallas, Texas, for a bout with the Mustangs of SMU. Don Miller broke through to block an SMU punt late in the second quarter which was recovered for a Tech safety and the eventual margin of victory. The Jackets pushed over a TD in the third quarter and held the Mustangs to a lone tally late in the final period to take their second game 9-7.

The Ramblin' Recks then returned home to open a three-game stand with LSU being their first visitor. After two very close games the Techmen decided it was time to play some real football. Tech scored the first time they got their hands on the ball, and then had LSU return the favor to tie the score at 7-all. The undaunted Jackets took the ensuing kickoff, and 18 plays later had themselves another TD to lead 14-7. The defenses then woke up, and no more excitement took place until 39 seconds before the half, when Dick Gookin intercepted a stray pass and returned it 67 yards for a Tech score. The Jackets added another tally late in the third period and two more in the fourth to swamp LSU 39-7.

Carl Vereen leads a host of Tech tacklers onto a Tulane back.





Jimmy Thompson shows no strain at all as he is touchdown bound.



Paul Rotenberry is very serious when his number is called.



Ken Owen circles right end for 7 yards in the Kentucky opener.



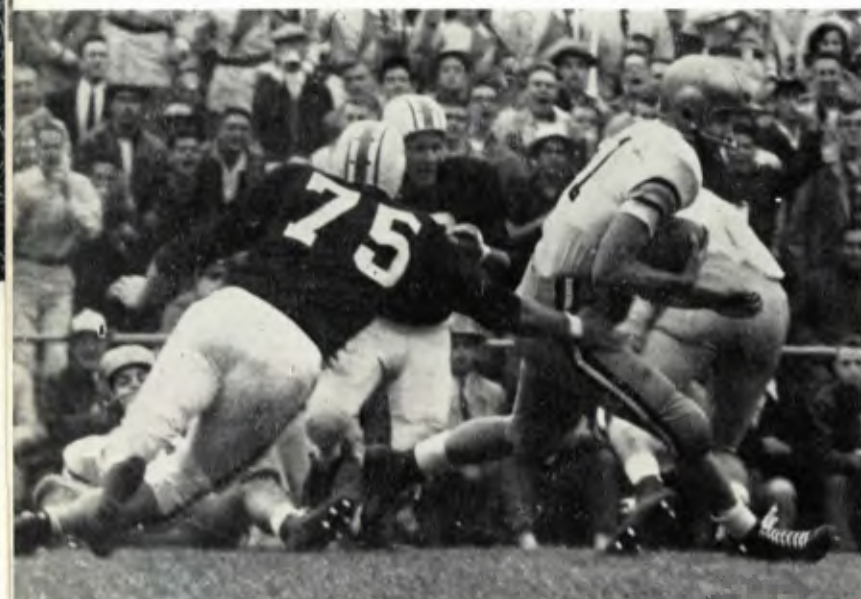
Vann and Volkert begin a mission into SMU territory.

Tech again blasts at SMU. Dickie Mattison and Ormand Anderson provide a capable escort for little halfback Jimmy Thompson.





Johnny Menger breaks into the open at the beginning of his record-breaking 87-yard punt return against Auburn at Grant Field.



Quarterback Wade Mitchell rips away for 11 yards on a bootleg play.

Auburn Win Vaults Jackets to 2nd In Nation

The Jackets came into this game with revenge for last year's defeat high in their minds. After both teams scored the first time they had the ball, the game settled down to a mid-field struggle until late in the second period. Then little Johnny Menger let loose with a brilliant display of ability and desire on a 60-yard burst to the Auburn one-yard line. Vann sneaked for the score, and Tech led 14-7 at the half. Early in the third quarter, Tech added another score on Thompson's 12-yard gallop. Some two minutes later, Menger again cut loose—this time with an 87-yard punt return as the Engineers lowered the War Eagles 28-7 in a fine display of football power.

TOPPY VANN
Quarterback



PAUL ROTENBERRY
Halfback



JOHNNY MENDER
Halfback



CHARLIE MAYNARD
Quarterback





JIMMY THOMPSON
Halfback



BOBBY DOVER
Halfback



JOE DELANY
Halfback



DON ELLIS
End



A fullback at work. Ken Owen runs around, through or over any obstacles.



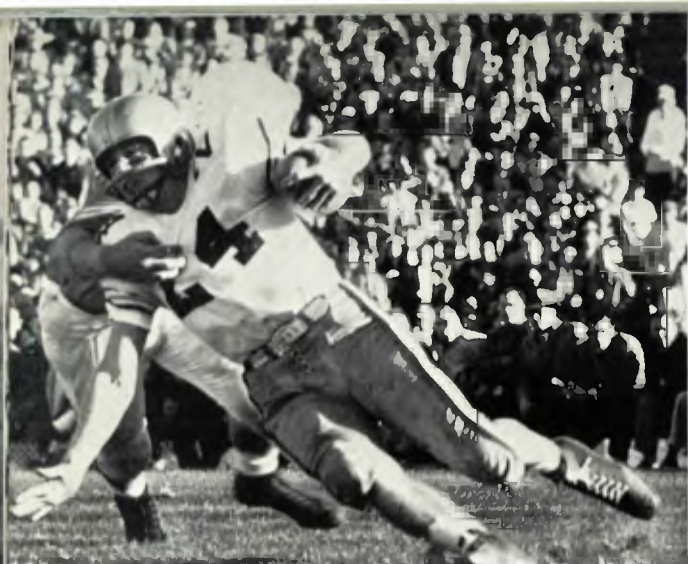
The line has its pre-game huddle with Coach Urban.

Star workhorse fullback Ken Owen rips the LSU line.



Rotenberry blasts the highly rated Louisiana State University secondary.





Volkert strains to pull away from a Tulane tackler.



GAYLE MANLEY
Center



FOSTER WATKINS
Center



Jimmy Thompson attempts to fly over the crowded middle of the line.

Tech Blasts Wave on Homecoming Day

The Jackets were really rolling for the alumni as they completely overwhelmed the Green Wave of Tulane 40-0 in a great Homecoming Day victory. The Golden Tornado blasted the goal-line once in the first quarter and once in the second. After the intermission, the Jackets racked up two more touchdowns in both the third and the fourth periods to complete their day. The Tech line play caused much excitement as the forward wall repeatedly confused and pursued the Tulane men on all parts of the field.

The following week, the Jackets ran up against the stubborn Blue Devils of Duke in a contest that had the Tech people shaking before it was over. A large portion of the game was played in Tech territory, and the men in gold repeatedly repelled the Blue Devils from their goal line. The Jackets finally pushed over a tally late in the game and held on to win this one 7-0.

Tennessee Drops Tech From Unbeaten

The Tennessee Volunteers played the perfect football as they dropped the Engineers 6-0 in a magnificent defensive battle. The only score came as a result of two pass defenders blocking each other out of a play which allowed a Tennessee pass to carry to the Tech one-yard line. It looked for a while as

DICK GOOKIN
Fullback

JOHNNY THOMASON
Fullback

DICKIE MATTISON
Fullback

STAN FLOWERS
Halfback





BUCK WILEY
Center



DAVE ROBISON
Center

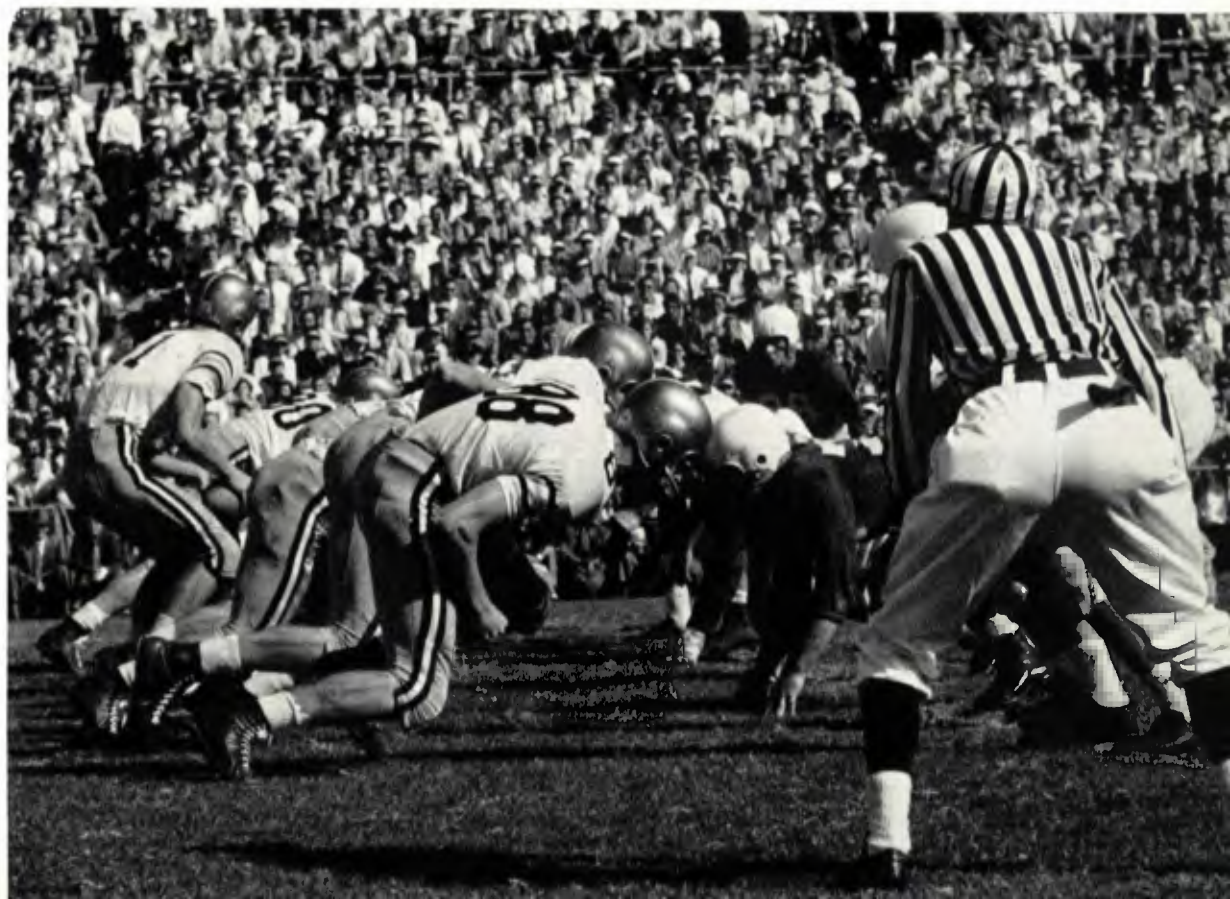


Johnny Menger gets set to lower the boom on Tennessee's Majors.



A flying Tennessee back is stopped in mid-air by the stout Tech linemen.

The Tech line moves as a single unit against the Tulane Wave. The Jacket line showed excellent timing this year.





TED THOMAS
Guard



W. A. GLAZIER
Guard



LEON ASKEW
Guard



Rotenberry racks up Florida's fullback as Stephenson (50), Johnson (65), and Vann (16) move in to assist.

JOHN LASCH
Tackle

ORMAND ANDERSON
Tackle

KEN THRASH
Tackle

URBAN HENRY
Tackle

Don Stephenson throws Alabama quarterback Clay Walls as he attempts to run the ends. Don was the team's leading tackler with 92 individual tackles.





DON MILLER
Guard



WALDO DODD
Guard



JIMMY JOHNSON
Guard



PHILLIP BAUM
Guard

though the Jackets would still be able to pull the game out, but the Tennessee defense was just too perfect on this day.

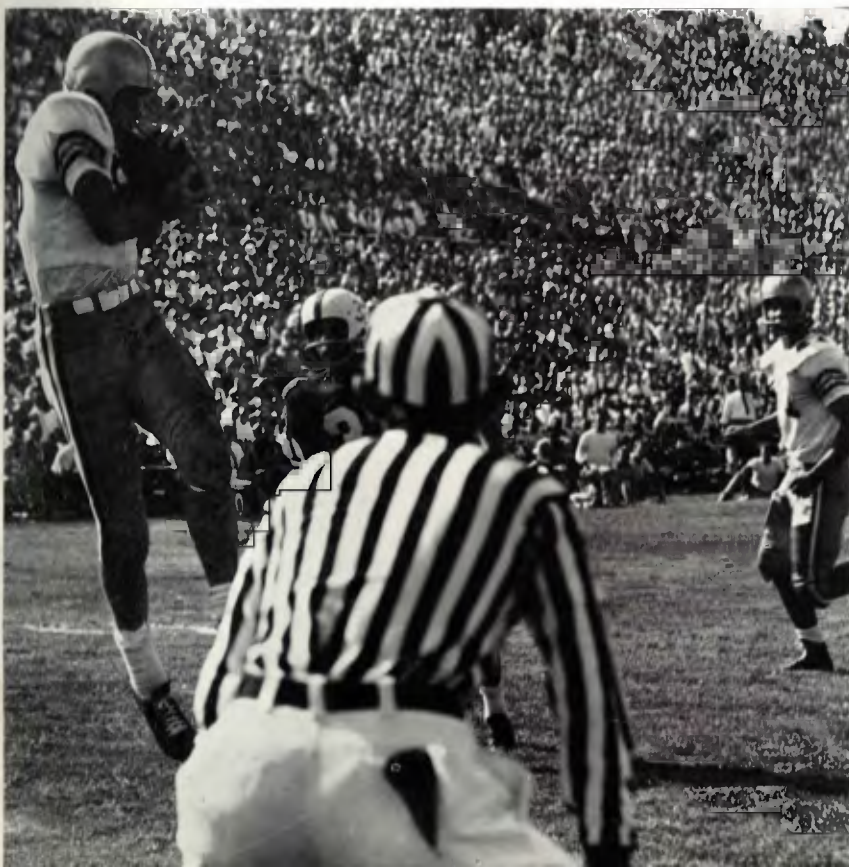
The Yellow Jackets next met the Crimson Tide of Alabama and appeared to be quite ragged as a result of the previous game. Individual efforts were the style on this day as the Jackets scored once in the first period, once in the third, and twice in the final one to down an up-and-coming 'Bama squad 27-0.

The following weekend the Jackets put on their travelling shoes and visited the Florida Gators. The Jackets were definitely back on the upgrade now as they swept by the Gators 28-0 in what was probably their best game of the season thus far. The Tech line was really up and played most of the game in the Florida backfield, causing many fumbles. The Jackets pushed across one score in the first and second periods and two in the third as they recovered their poise and timing again.



Stephenson demonstrates the new style in pass interceptions.

Here, Ted Smith leaps to grab a pass against Florida University.



George Volkert crashes through into the Florida secondary.





Paul Rotenberry stumbles across the goal line from 8 yards out to score Tech's first TD against Georgia. Paul is one of Tech's "clutch-men."



TOMMY ROSE
End
FRANK CHRISTY
Tackle

BOB JOHNSON
Tackle
CARL VEREEN
Tackle

Jackets Rap Georgia for Dodd's 100th Win and 6th Consecutive Bowl Bid

In a bruising display of power, the Georgia Tech Yellow Jackets blasted the Bulldogs of Georgia 35-0 in the final game of the regular season. After spending the first period getting the feel of the turf at Sanford Stadium, the Yellow Jackets proceeded to crush the Bulldogs with five TDs to complete the season with a 9-1 record. This present to Coach Dodd was his 100th victory and was the 8th straight win over Georgia, and resulted in the 6th major bowl bid for the Jackets in the last six seasons.

Owen stops Georgia's Manning with a bruising head tackle.





End Paul Vickers gathers in a perfect pass against Georgia.



Dickie Mattison and Wade Mitchell lead Paul Rotenberry around end.

PAUL VICKERS
End

TED SMITH
End

JERRY NABORS
End

WESLEY GIBBS
End



The Jackets make a mission.
Tech gave Coach Bobby
Dodd a fine birthday present
with this win over Georgia.





Stan Flowers, Tech's junior halfback, drags Pitt players along on a 35-yard run in the second quarter of the Gator Bowl classic.

Tech Blasts Pitt in Gator Bowl Victory

The Georgia Tech Yellow Jackets tied up with the Pittsburgh Panthers in the Gator Bowl on December 29 for a real grudge battle. The Pitt team was anxious to show that last year's Sugar Bowl results was a mistake, while the Yellow Jackets of Tech were determined to prove that it was not. When the battle was over, Tech had proven its point as the Engineers played

Mitchell and Thompson gang up on a Pitt pass receiver.



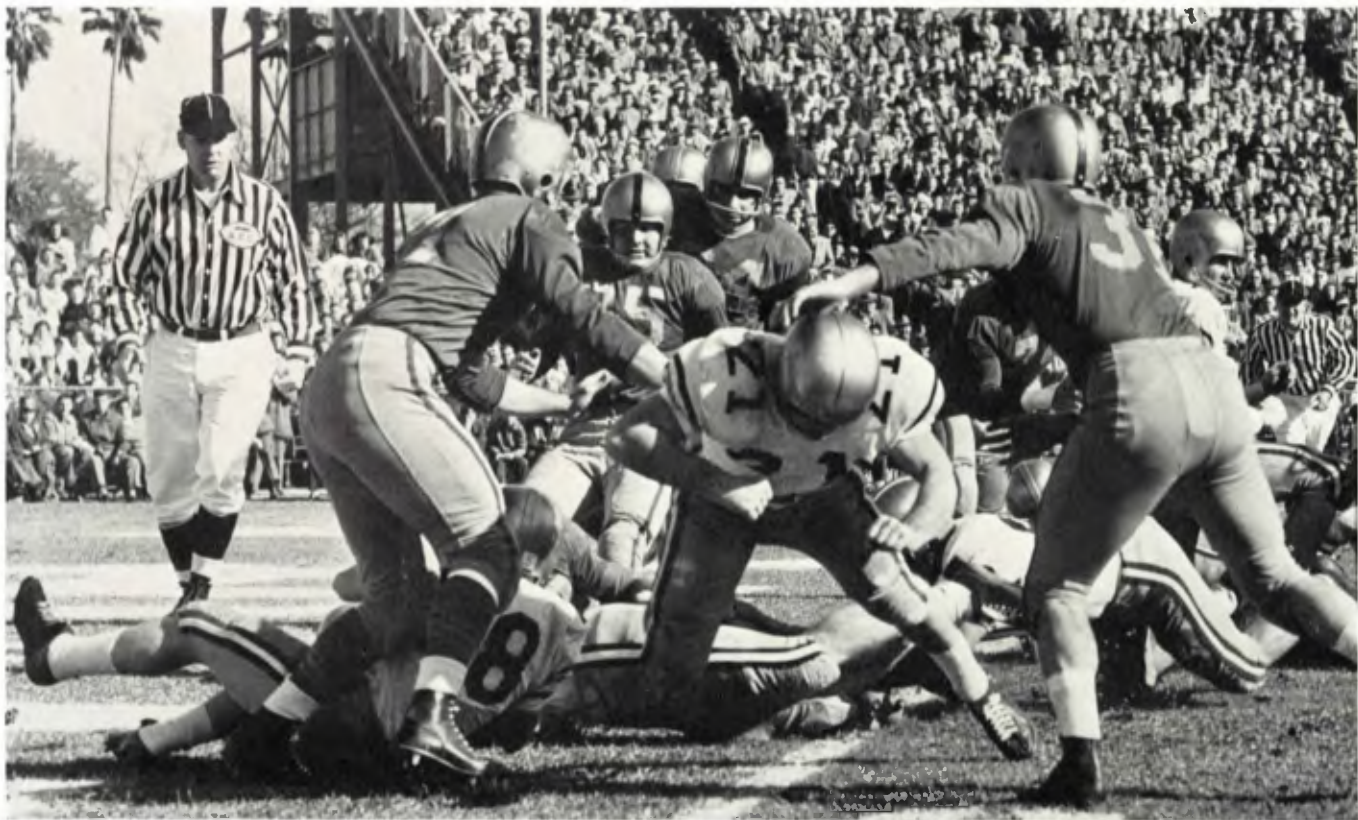
60 minutes of very heads-up football to defeat the battling Panthers 21-14. This was the Jackets' eighth bowl win under Coach Bobby Dodd, and their sixth straight major bowl victory.

Pitt won the toss and elected to receive. They were unable to make much headway and punted to Tech. The Jackets, too, found the going extremely rough and had to punt. Soon after this, Tech halfback Paul Rotenberry latched on to a juggled Pitt pass and returned it to the Pitt 35. Tech made three first downs along the ground, and then fullback Ken Owen blasted the Pitt line for two yards and the first Tech score.

Pitt came storming back and moved from their own 28 to the Tech 3 as the first period ended. Here they were faced with a fourth down and goal situation. Pitt signal-caller Corny Salvaterra tried to go around the right side of the Tech defense on the first play of the second quarter and was snowed under as the Tech line massed to throw back the first Pitt threat. Tech kicked out of the hole, and the two teams belted each other around at the midfield stripe until late in the second period.

George Volkert returned a Pitt punt to the Tech 29 to get the ball rolling. Two plays later, Stan Flowers took a pitch-out around right end and chugged his way through, around, and over Pitt people for 34 yards to the Pitt 35. Flowers, Volkert, and Dickie Mattison blasted the ball to the Pitt six where Volkert took a pitch-out and tossed a pass into the end zone. Jerry Nabors made a brilliant catch on the play, cutting in front of the Pitt defense man and literally taking the ball from his open arms.

Pitt took the kick-off and appeared to be willing to let the score stand as it was. Then big Ralph Jelic burst loose for 30 yards and Pitt changed its plans. Salvaterra cut loose a long pass from the Tech 42 with 16 seconds left in the half, and Dick Bowen made a sensational diving catch for their first score.



Tech draws first blood early in the game. Ken Owen, who is hidden in the mass, has just crashed through the Pitt line behind the excellent blocking of Paul Rotenberry, Jimmy Thompson, and the entire line for Tech's first score.

Paul Rotenberry takes a pass for a first down and then sweeps the right end for the third score in the third quarter.





Jimmy Thompson, Wade Mitchell, and Dickie Mattison guard the Gator Bowl airways against the Pitt passes.

Wesley Gibbs kicked off to Pitt's Bowen on the 17 to start the second half. Bowen was disjointed at the 36, and Gibbs recovered his fumble for Tech at the 37. After two plays Mitchell passed to Volkert for a first down at the 26. Two plays later Tech was back to the 40. Mitchell again dropped back and this time hit Nabors on the 14 for a first down. Tech moved to a fourth down and two feet situation, and Mitchell then foxed everyone by sending Rotenberry around right end for the third Tech touchdown.

Pitt scored again later in the same period on a sneak by Salvaterra. The final period had no scoring but was as filled with excitement as any of the others as first Tech and then Pitt would threaten and flounder.

Tech was at its best this day, and it could have been no other way and still have won the game. As Coach Dodd said, "It was a great game."

End Jerry Nabors cuts in front of Pitt's Saivaterra to take a touchdown pass from George Volkert for Tech's second seven.





The end of a perfect day. Jubilant Tech players carry a smiling Coach Dodd across the field at the end of the 21-14 win over Pitt.

Pitt's Salvaterra is brought down by Thompson after a short gain.



Pitt back Ray DiPasquale grimaces as Tech tacklers close the gap.





The B-Team gets a chance to show off for fans during the T-Day game. Many men get a Varsity call as a result of their showing in this game.

B-Team Prepares Varsity For Foes



The B-Team of Coach Bob Bossons, better known at the flats as the "Red Dogs," had no regularly scheduled games this year. As a result of this they spent many hours studying the plays of teams which were to oppose the varsity. Once the plays were learned, the B-Teamers then proceeded to play the part of Tech's coming opponents against the varsity defenses. These daily practice sessions form a major part of the game preparation in the Tech coaching program. The thoroughness with which these men did their jobs are evident in the 9-1 record and bowl victory which Tech had this year. It can readily be said that the quality of the B-Team makes or breaks the varsity. We at Tech find it hard to believe that there could be any higher quality than that in the Georgia Tech B-Team.

FIRST ROW: M. A. Davis, Bill Chapin, Jerry Arnold, Wiley Geren, Dan Tuxbury, Bobby Almond, Freddie Teague, Mike McAdams. . . . SECOND ROW: Bobby Dover, Mike McGinnis, Charley Bryant, Vic Vickers, Ken Brady, Harvey Brown, Walter Weeks, Alan Key. . . . THIRD ROW: Mead Stallins, Paul Avant, Dan Logue, Ed Crawford, Herbe Schutte, Gayle Manley, Charlie Middlebrooks. . . . FOURTH ROW: Bobby Hardison, Merlin Lewis, Herbert Hardy, Dan Smith, Mike Cammack, Larry Clingan, Bernard Haney, Arley Finley. . . . TOP ROW: Roy Steiner, Freddy Teague, Jimmy Rose, Charlie Carlyle, Gray Potter, Archie Cobb, Tommy Mansfield.





FRONT ROW: Fred Braselton, Tom Moody, Stan Goodroe, Jimmy Beasley, Sid Elliot, Reid Horne, Wayne McDonald, John Rivers. . . . SECOND ROW: Taz Anderson, Bo Gentry, Maxie Baughan, Pete Curren, Jack Baker, Joe White, Tommy Gresham, Bill Hornbuckle, Jimmy Schuman. . . . THIRD ROW: Paul Hutcheson, James Brantley, Walter Howard, Lee Strain, Mike Biddle, Jimmy Snyder, Bob Troughton, Gene Ferguson, Dwight Holmes. . . . FOURTH ROW: Fred Murphy, Tom Roberts, Charlie Everett, Marcus Smith, Vance Rankin, Brannon Lesesne, Ray Allen, Jack Walz, Ed Truitt. . . . TOP ROW: Emmett Wilson, Bill Nichols, Mac Riggs, Jimmy Cook, Eddie Phillips, Bill Randolph, Dan Howington, John Neil Reid, Cal James, Arthur Baird.

Freshman Footballers Have 3-0 Record

Georgia Tech's Freshman football team eased a lot of worried minds as they won all three of their games and gave notice of a continuation of the excellent brand of football shown by recent Tech teams. Coach Bell said that this team had the best attitude of any he had ever coached.

The Baby Jackets first presented their flashy quarterback corps in the opening game against Clemson. Fred Braselton, Jack Baker, and Walter Howard all performed admirably as the Jackets took a 35-14 measure over Clemson. First of the Tech scorers was James Brantley, who rambled 34 yards to paydirt. He was followed by Braselton, Baker, Arthur Baird, and Wayne McDonald. On November 2, the Baby Jackets downed a fighting South Carolina team 27-0 as Cal James, Taz Anderson, and a host of others showed their colors. In the annual Thanksgiving Day game with Georgia, the Frosh held off a late rally to win 14-12. Fred Braselton and Walter Howard were instrumental in the victory, each directing a touchdown drive.

This squad showed more character and sheer desire than any team in many years, all of which points to bigger and better things for future Tech football fortunes.



The enthusiastic Frosh confuse the opponent and win the game.



The Tech cheerleaders, head of the school spirit department, continue their antics in the post-season bowl games for the benefit of the players and fans. This was in Jacksonville, Fla.

Cheerleaders Great Aid In School Spirit

The cheerleaders are directly responsible for the continuous cheering at Tech ball games. Headed by Captain Eddie McDowell, the yellers were on hand to bring forth the love of the student body for their teams all year. They were present at all of the football games and may even be seen whooping

it up at a close basketball game. From the time they make their flipping entrance until the time they lead the team off the field they are our leaders. A tip of the hat to the flipping men in white.

Paula Stevenson, Tech co-ed majorette, aids in the cheering section.



Two of the cheerleaders execute in a typical gymnastic feat.





1956 VARSITY

Bottom Row: G. A. Dick, G. L. London, R. L. Dewhurst, C. J. Bryan, H. H. Wise. Top Row: J. Luciani, L. L. Pitts, J. W. Fortune, J. C. Adams, R. W. Hodges, Jess Howell, J. T. Goode.

Cross Country Team Takes 4 of 6 Meets

The Georgia Tech Harriers had the fans wondering as they hustled through the season. The Tech Trotters opened the season by edging Alabama in a close 26-29 run. Florida loomed as the next obstacle, but the Techsters were not impressed as they set a blistering pace to wallop the Gator 25-36. Next came a much improved team from the University of Georgia who really put a scare on Tech before the Jackets finally pulled

away 24-26. The Trotters then met a completely outclassed Mercer squad who fell by a 16-43 count. Tennessee was next on the scene and the mountain men gave Tech its first loss by a 39-17 score. The ever tough Auburn team was next as Tech absorbed its second defeat of the season, 39-19. In the SEC meet the Harriers made a strong bid and copped third place to make the season as a whole a good one.

1956 FRESHMEN

Bottom Row: Ted Cook, S. B. McTeague, J. W. Bergert, D. C. Taylor, D. R. Bales, G. A. Augayo, Doug Oxford. Top Row: Ron Mercer, E. C. Palmer, C. C. Coley, Marv Alston, W. R. Whipple, W. Steinberg, J. H. Van Kleck, J. Williamson, H. S. Styles.





The opening tipoff of the 1957 basketball season as Tech and Duke initiate the Alexander Memorial Coliseum. Tech lost this game but came back to set 21 records and win third place in the SEC with their best season in Georgia Tech's long hardcourt history.

3rd - Place Jackets Set 21 Records

The basketball fortunes of the Georgia Tech Yellow Jackets took a definite leap upward this year as the basketballers pushed out a record season. Tech completed the season with an 18-6 overall record and a 9-5 SEC record for third place honors. The overall record is the best ever compiled by a Tech basketball team. In the process of setting this record, the Jackets also set up twenty-one new team and individual records. Captain Bobby Kimmel, Bud Blemker, and Terry Randall all made at least one honor team when the season was over.

The Jackets opened the season with the Blue Devils of Duke in the initiation of the Alexander Memorial Coliseum. Tech repeatedly pulled even with the Blue Devils, but suddenly hit a cold streak as the Duke team won by a 71-61 count. Murray State of Kentucky was next to meet the Techsters and the Jackets hopped on the winning road with a 67-64 decision. Having settled down and become accustomed to their new playing quarters, Tech played host to Furman but refused to be polite as they took the Furman Team 93-74. Texas A & M was

J. C. "WHACK" HYDER
Coach



BOBBY KIMMEL
Captain



BYRON GILBREATH
Coach





Tech's superb defenses force a desperation hook-shot from a Florida Gator as Gary Phillips (29) jumps to guard against it. Tech was noted in the SEC circles this year for its pressing defense and quick reactions in tight situations. This accounted for a very successful season.

the Jackets' next opponent in one of the closest games of the young season. Tech pulled up a last minute flurry to whip the Texans 76-69. As the Christmas holidays approached, the Bulldogs of Georgia came prowling but the Jackets were hitting from all angles and clipped Georgia 80-58. The Gamecocks of South Carolina were the Jackets' last guest before the holidays. The lead swapped hands almost every time the ball was moved from one end of the floor to the other. The South Carolinians pulled some good defensive maneuvers late in the game and squeezed past the Jackets 90-83.

Over the holidays, Coach Hyder took his "boys" to Oklahoma City for the All-College tourney. The Techsters had a slight lapse the first night as they bowed to Marquette 102-78, but bounced back to take second place honors by dropping Idaho State and Texas Tech 75-72 and 79-66 respectively.

With the start of the winter session the Jackets jumped Howard University 95-54 in preparation for Kentucky. Their plans backfired on them as champion Kentucky played a perfect game and cooled the Jackets' stingers by 95-72 score. Tech returned to Atlanta for a tilt with Vandy but lost a hard-fought battle 81-73.



HAM STITH
Forward

BUD BLEMKER
Guard

LENNIE COHEN
Center-Forward





Lennie Cohen (20) deflects Duke's Hayes Clement's shot away from the basket in the second half of the opening night game.

Tech footballers Jimmy Thompson (left) and Ken Owen discuss the action on the floor.



The Dribblers then went on an extended road trip which was very successful. In the first of these games, the Jackets met Mississippi State and sneaked out an 80-77 win. A visit to neighboring Ole Miss was equally satisfying as Tech took an 82-78 win over the Mississippians. Trying to continue their success, the Jackets tangled with Vanderbilt for the second time. Although the Techmen put up a stiff battle, the Commodores won 92-74. Perennial enemy Auburn was the next host and Tech was very brash as they smacked Auburn 81-74. The Techsters completed the tour by dropping Tennessee 84-77.

Kentucky came to town the next week and the Jackets put forth a great effort for a losing cause as they fell 76-65. Tech stung Alabama 92-67 and Auburn 76-67 as the thought of a new record came to mind.

The Jackets were momentarily detoured by Tulane 73-67 but hopped back to win their last five games. First to fall was LSU by an 87-60 count. Georgia fell 67-65 at Athens, Tennessee 87-85 in Atlanta, Georgia 74-60 and Florida 65-57 at the Alexander Memorial.

The Jackets lose Bob Kimmel, Lenny Cohen, Jess Carrol and Danny McGregor, but have an excellent nucleus for next year in Bud Blemker, Terry Randall, and Gary Phillips.



The Tech bench watches tensely as the battle see-saws in second half.



Lennie Cohen and Hayes Clement fight for a rebound as Cohen hooks both hands around the sphere.

Bobby Kimmel and Bud Blemker close in on a harassed Gator as the defense goes into high speed. The Jackets socked the Gators thoroughly in the waning moments of the game to continue their bid for an all-time winning record.





Tech's stellar center, Lennie Cohen, blocks another shot attempt as the Jackets continue their winning wa



TERRY RANDALL
Guard

JIM JOHNSON
Forward-Center

DANNY MacGREGOR
Forward

BOB KIMMEL
Forward-Guard

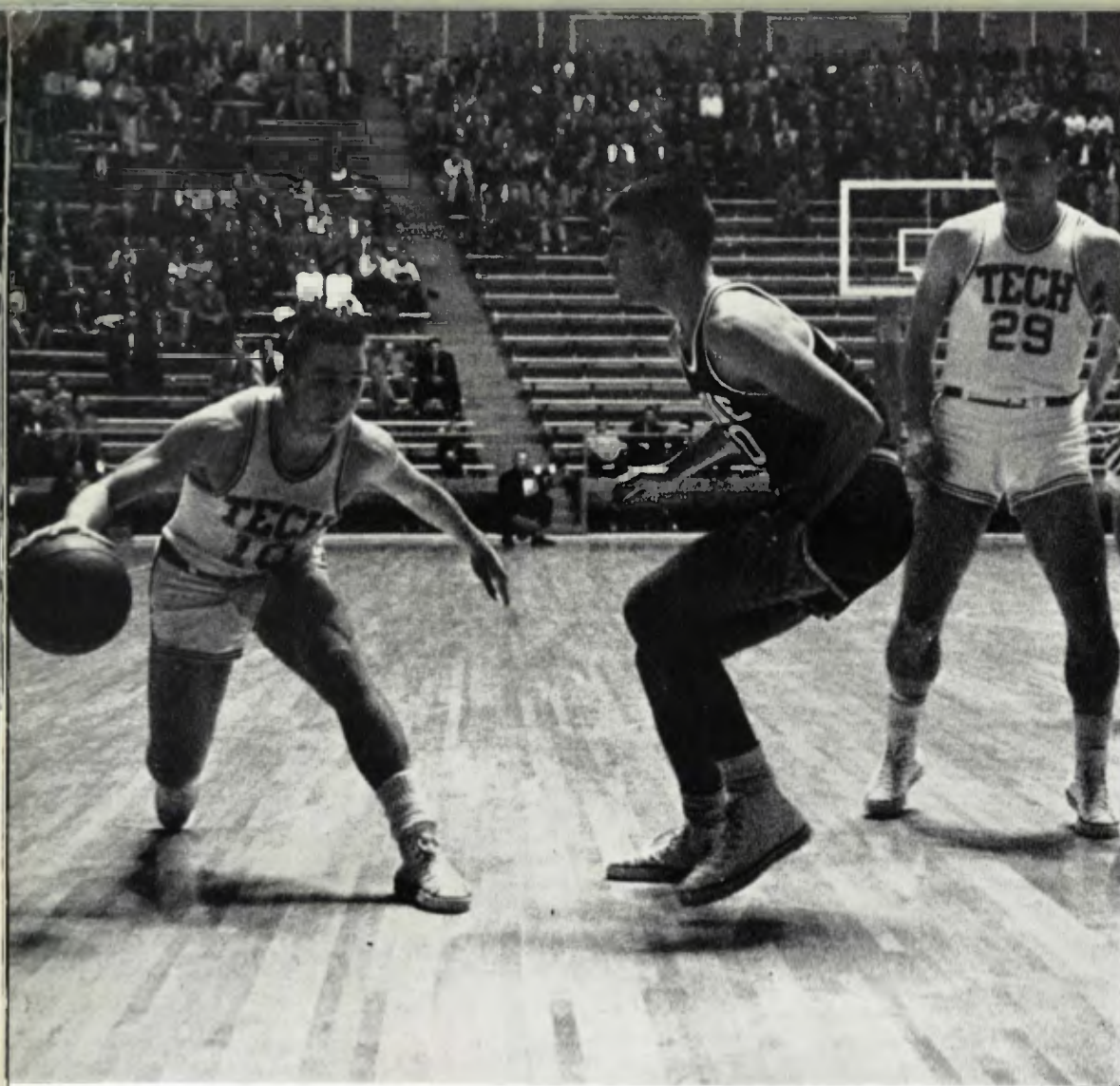
Tech		Opp.
61	Duke	71
67	Murray State	64
93	Furman	74
76	Texas A&M	69
80	Georgia	58
83	South Carolina	90
78	Marquette	102
75	Idaho State	72
79	Texas Tech	66
95	Howard	54
72	Kentucky	95
73	Vanderbilt	81
80	Mississippi State	77
82	Mississippi	78
74	Vanderbilt	93
81	Auburn	74
84	Tennessee	77
65	Kentucky	76
92	Alabama	67
76	Auburn	67
67	Tulane	73
87	LSU	60
67	Georgia	65
87	Tennessee	85
74	Georgia	60
64	Florida	57



Rebound action in Alexander Coliseum opener with Duke.

Coaches Whack Hyder and Byron Gilbreath who this year did an excellent job, hold a conference with team as game time approaches.





Terry Randal, Soph. sensation, dribbles around Duke defender as Gary Phillips watches.

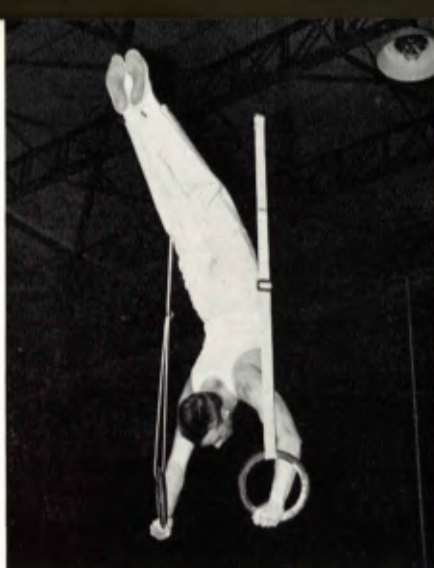
Coach Whack Hyder and bench squad look on anxiously as Jackets perform in tight moments.



JESS CARROL
Guard-Forward

GARY PHILLIPS
Forward





CHARLIE HAYES



JACK KEENE



MIKE SMITH

Improved Gym Team Captures 3 Meets

A much improved Georgia Tech Gym team took three wins, one tie, and two losses in regular season meets this year. The biggest thrill of the year was not a win, but rather the tie. The Tech gymnasts opened the year by tying powerful FSU 64-64 to shake the sports world. Jimmy Weeks and Johnny Parker were the top men for Tech with 14 and 13 points respectively. Keene copped first in the rope climb and Homan took first in the flying rings.

Tech next played host to the Pensacola Naval Air Station and ground out a 71-56 victory. In a return trip to Florida, the Techmen were defeated 48-80 by a very strong delegation from the Sunshine State. During the same trip, the Techsters took another close win from the NAS by a 68-60 count. The Jackets took firsts in the rope climb, side horse, parallel bars, and tumbling. Out-

standing for Tech on this trip were Weeks, Parker, Stokes, and Keene.

The gym team next faced West Virginia and came up with a 41-45 win. Bo Stokes and Johnny Parker led the Jackets with Parker taking the side horse and parallel bars events. Weeks and Keene also added to Tech's first place totals.

Pittsburgh defeated Tech 33-47 in the final regular season meet, but performances by Parker and Weeks kept Tech's spirits high. In the SIGL meet between Tech, FSU, and the NAS, Tech was second with 72 points as FSU took first with 75.

Coach Welser was very pleased with the outcome of the season and looks forward to an even better one next year.

FIRST ROW: Bo Stokes, John Parker, Charlie Hayes, Jim Weeks, George Chandler, Jim Duhig. . . . SECOND ROW: Bill Reuland, Woody Wynn, Mike Smith, Don Estes, Dan Hagler, Moore. . . . TOP: Coach Welser.





Tech Swimmers Have Record 9-1 Season

The Georgia Tech swimming team, keeping pace with the other sports, recorded nine straight wins before being dropped in the final meet of the season. This is the best record a Tech swimming team has had in many years.

The swimmers began the season with a 47-39 victory over Duke. Hal Reeves won the 220- and 440-yard freestyles, Mike Charles copped the 50- and 100-yard freestyles, Bob Langley took the 200-yard butterfly, and Bob Ballard topped the divers.

In the next meet, Tech walloped Sewanee 60-26, taking eight of ten possible firsts. Reeves took the 220- and 440-yard freestyles and Ballard won the diving honors. Tech

also won the 400-yard medley relay, the 50- and 100-yard freestyles, the 200-yard backstroke, and the butterfly.

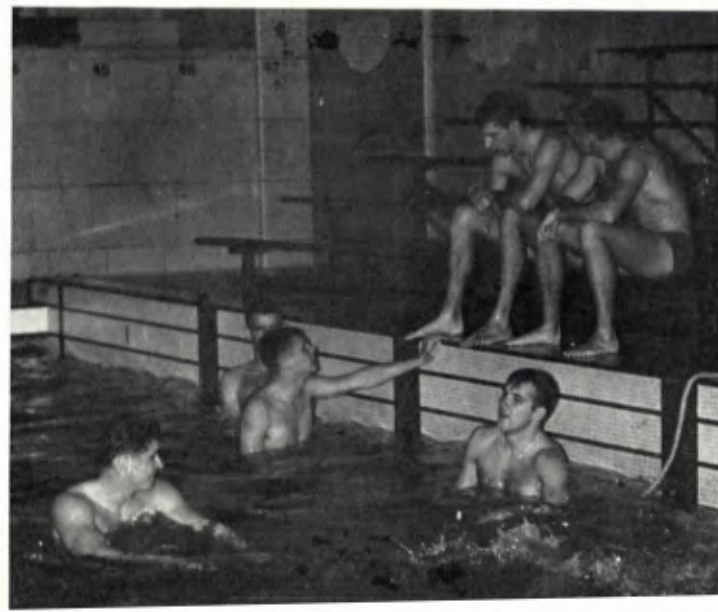
The Jackets rewrote the history books in their third meet as they downed FSU 46-40. This was only the fourth defeat an FSU team has had in four years. Leading Tech were Hal Reeves with two wins and Mike Charles with one win and a great anchor race in the winning relay effort. Bob Langley and Brown each had a first to add to the Jackets' total.

In the following weeks, these men continued to press on, defeating Georgia 51-35, Birmingham Southern 57-29, and Vanderbilt 55-31. In the seventh meet of the season,

Georgia Tech's Varsity Swimming Team. The Tech Swimmers had a record season and missed a perfect slate by only 4 points.



The relay team relaxes after another tough but victorious match. Though often behind, the relayers were very seldom unable to win.





Members of the swimming team talk over progress of the meet. The spirit and desire of these men made a great season for Tech.

Coach Lanoue gave most of his "aces" a rest while the other members of the team took a 48-38 decision over The Citadel. Dave Moore, Norm Lee, and Bob Langley compiled five firsts between them. Wiggins, Charles, and the relay team each added another first.

The Jackets continued their winning ways by dumping Kentucky 45-41 and Emory 57-29 in their next two meets.

In the final meet of the year, Tech was edged out at the last moment 41-45 by a strong Florida team. During this meet four new records were set and several old ones tied.

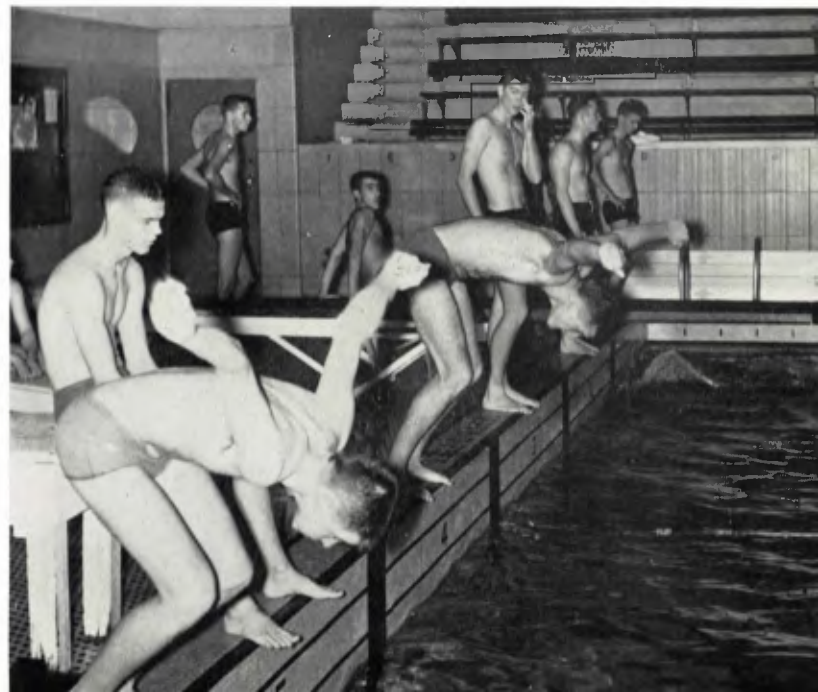
The Techsters went on to complete the season by coping third place in the SEC meet as Coach Lanoue's finmen turned in a very successful season.



Coaches Lanoue and McCauley with the Freshmen. Though lacking in experience, these men showed great potential for coming years.



Tech's top diver, Bob Ballard, is one of the main attractions at the Tech meets. Bob is one of the best divers ever seen at Tech.





Lane Akers, Tech's sharp-fielding shortstop, slides across for the tie-breaking run in a close contest with University of Georgia.

TECH PLACES TWO MEN ON ALL-SEC SQUAD

The Georgia Tech baseball team ran into a "low-run jinx" in 1956 when they finished the season with an 11-12 overall record. Of these twelve losses, the Jackets were victims by 2 or less runs 8 times. Tech had three conference games rained out and completed the season with a 4-9 record in conference play. This record does not give a true picture of the quality of play by the Tech baseballers. Even with a bad season, the Jackets placed two men on the All-SEC squad. Johnny Menger, who led the team in hits, runs, and stolen bases; and Lane Akers, who had the top batting percentage, were both named on the squad.

The Jackets opened the season with a road trip to Florida. Stetson was the first to meet the Tech team and it seemed as though the Engineers were starting where they had to stop last year. Jack Jordan pitched a one-hit ball game for six innings, while Johnny Menger, Lane Akers, Bobby Dover, and Dick Gookin were blasting

BOB PATTON
Pitcher

JACK JORDAN
Pitcher



COACH JOE PITTARD

CAPTAIN BILL COHEN
First Base

CAPTAIN-ELECT LANE AKERS
Shortstop

JIM CURLEE
Second Base





JIMBO TOWERY
Pitcher



GRAY POTTER
Second Base



DANNY MCGREGOR
Pitcher



TOPPY VANN
Catcher

nine hits to give Tech a decisive win. The next day Sterson put on a great fight and limited Tech to two hits, but Menger scored an unearned run to win the game 1-0. The team then traveled to Winter Park for a game with Ohio State but lost it in the eighth inning by a 6-5 count. The next afternoon Tech returned to the victory road via Bobby Dover's homerun, handing Rollins a 7-6 defeat.

With a record identical to last year's, the Ramblin' Recks invaded the Gatorland at Florida University. This time the roof fell in as Florida sprayed the Jackets with 5-3, 3-2, and 5-4 defeats.

Tech returned to the Rose Bowl with a 3-4 record and vented their anger on Mercer 10-2. Gray Potter led the route with a single, a double, and a homerun. The Jackets then played an exhibition game with the Atlanta



Vann, the Jackets' number one catcher, shows his speed as he spins around to gather in a towering foul from an unhappy Tennessee Vol.





The center field scamperer, Bobby Dover, drops a perfect bunt between third base and home plate to keep a Tech rally moving.

Crackers and almost ran the Crackers out of the park before succumbing 6-4.

The Techmen next hit the road for three games with Kentucky but had all three rained out.

Returning home, Tech played host to the University of Georgia and lost two games by 6-3 and 7-3 scores. Tiring of playing the loser, Tech visited the Clemson Tigers and blasted out a 21-6 win over the Carolina boys.

Back at their home field again, the Jackets were visited by Tennessee and things began to look brighter. With Danny McGregor pitching, the Recks took the opening game 9-4. The Engineers were held to four hits the next day as they lost 3-1, but they bounced back to take the final game 5-4. Clemson came looking for another game, and the Techsters obliged by downing them 2-1.

Tech next traveled to Auburn for three games with the Plainsmen. Auburn took the first two games 1-0 and 9-3. McGregor stepped in for the third game and pitched two-hit ball while Vince Terry was slamming four hits

for five at bat to lead the Jackets to a 10-1 win in the third game. Tech stopped by Mercer on the way back to Atlanta only to absorb another loss by a 4-6 count.

Back at home again, Tech met Georgia for the last time of the season. The Bulldogs took the first game 5-3 despite a fine effort by the Jackets. The Engineers then showed off for the home folks the next day by slamming the 'Dogs 7-1 as Dick Gookin blasted a two-run homer to aid the cause.

Tech finished off the season with a two-game stand against Rollins. Burton Grant pitched, winning in the opener, as Vince Terry punched out a single and a double while Menger and Akers were each adding a homer to give the Jackets a 7-4 win. Tech took a 7-0 loss in the final game as the defense, which had been so outstanding all year, finally fell apart.

Next year's team should show well as the Jackets have garnered some much-needed experience. Tech loses four men by graduation this year—Captain Bill Cohen, Burton Grant, Bill Fulcher, and Bob Trowbridge.

JOHNNY MENDER
Third Base

BURTON GRANT
Pitcher

BILL FULCHER
Right Field

HOKE ARCHER
Catcher





BOBBY DOVER
Center Field



JOE TAYLOR
Pitcher



VINCE TERRY
First Base



One of the greatest assets of the Tech coaching staff is "Coach Joe," the amiable round man of the diamond. The easy-going, fun-loving Pittard is an ever constant reminder to his boys that the game is played first and foremost for enjoyment — both for the fan and for the player.

JAY HARNAGE
Pitcher

DAVE TEED
Pitcher

DICK GOOKIN
Left Field

TED THOMAS
Catcher



The Season

Tech

Opp.

16	Stetson	8
1	Stetson	0
5	Ohio State	6
7	Rollins	6
3	University of Florida	5
2	University of Florida	3
4	University of Florida	5
10	Mercer	2
4	Atlanta Crackers	6
3	University of Georgia	6
3	University of Georgia	7
21	Clemson	6
9	Tennessee	4
1	Tennessee	3
5	Tennessee	4
2	Clemson	1
0	Auburn	1
3	Auburn	9
10	Auburn	1
4	Mercer	6
3	University of Georgia	5
7	University of Georgia	1
7	Rollins	4
0	Rollins	7



A University of Georgia batter strains for the fast ball, but catcher Tippy Vann has the ball ready for its return trip to the mound.

Captain Bill Cohen slaps the ball on the Georgia base-runner a fraction too late as Vann attempts a pickoff from the plate.





Lee Jones plays a tough net game to send another opponent down to defeat. Lee was undefeated in conference play in 1956.

Tech Tennis Team Takes 2nd in SEC

The Georgia Tech tennis team, coached by Earle Bortell, ended a highly successful season by taking second place in the SEC Championship meet which was won by powerful Tulane. The outstanding player of the year for Tech was junior Lee Jones, who was undefeated in all regular season conference matches.

The Netters began the season with a 9-0 win over Ohio State. Unable to find the range against Florida and FSU, the Jackets absorbed two defeats by 2-5 and 3-6 counts. The following week the Courtsmen evened things up with a 9-0 decision over Kenyon. Once again disaster struck as Tech lost to Indiana by a 4-5 count and then lost to Florida by an identical score. The Netters held briefly, stopping Georgia 7-2, but slipped again as they lost to Michigan and Tulane by 1-8 scores.

At the half-way mark the Jackets held a poor 3-6 record. At last patience began to pay off as the Techsters surprised everyone by taking eight of their last nine matches to end the season with an 11-7 record. First to fall was LSU by a 6-3 count. The FSU, previously a victor over Tech, was swamped 9-0. The Tennessee Vols fell 8-1 before the last seasonal defeat came at the hands of Vanderbilt. The match was not completed and could have gone either way, but the records say Vandy 4-3. The Jackets then went on a five-match winning spree, taking Cincinnati, Tennessee, Emory, Georgia, and Auburn. Next was the SEC playoffs and a second place finish for a successful season.

The team members were Jack Heisel, Mike Tierney, Earle Bortell Jr., Lee Jones, Buddy Parker, Charles Cox, and Nelson Arrington.



A hard smash sends Tech ahead for second place honors.



Top dash man, Martin Torrance, flashes to the wire in the 100-yard dash against Auburn. George Volkert presses for second place.

CINDERMEN TAKE FIRST IN GEORGIA AAU

The Georgia Tech track team finished a rather mediocre season with a surprising flash to take top honors in the Georgia AAU Track Meet which was held at Grant Field in Atlanta.

The first activities of the year took place at the AAC Indoor Games in Raleigh, N. C. Fred Berman set a meet record for the 16-round shot put even with a toss of 52' 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ ". Carl Vereen took third place in this event, and Frank Rust picked up third spot in the 70-yard high hurdles.

In the Florida Relays, Berman and Vereen gave notice of their 1-2 punch. Vereen took first place in the discus and Berman copped second. Berman was first in the shot with Vereen taking fourth. The two-mile relay team grabbed a fourth and the freshmen, two fourth places, to give the Jackets a fifth-place finish.

Again it was the two weight men shining as Tech lost to Florida. Both men bettered the SEC records in their respective fields. Frank Rust gained a first in the broad jump, a second in the 120-yard high hurdles, and a third in the 220-yard lows.

The Cindermen found their timing against the University of Miami, taking a 74-56 victory. Martin Torrance was the double winner of the day for Tech as he copped the 100- and 220-yard dashes. Jamie Goode took the mile; Dick DeVane the 880; Cole Bryan the two-mile; and Frank Rust the broad jump. Vereen and Berman continued to be 1-2 in the shot put and discus as both cracked their previous records.

Tech next entered a three-team meet with FSU and Georgia and came out of it in second place. Next, the

weight men, Vereen and Berman, traveled to the Drake Relays; but both had a bad day and could only manage a second place in their events.

Auburn sneaked past Tech 73-58 but all was not sad. Torrance again took the 100- and 220-yard dashes. Rust captured the broad jump, Bryan took the two-mile run; and Ken Britting copped the javelin event, while Vereen and Berman were first and second in the shot and the discus.

Fred Berman continued to go for the distance, bettered 56 feet in the shot event against Alabama. Vereen won the discus; Torrance the 100- and 220-yard dashes; and Bryan the two-mile. Rust and George Volkert added several second- and third-place points for Tech.

In the SEC Championship Meet, Berman finally got his records on the book as he placed first in the shot. Vereen took the discus while Torrance and Rust were adding points to give the Jackets a fourth-place finish in the SEC.

The brightest day of the year came with the Jackets taking only two first place honors, but piling up second and third place points in almost every event to cop top honors in the annual Georgia AAU meet. Outstanding man of the season for Tech was Fred Berman, whose efforts in the shot saw an increase in distance almost every time he performed.

Tech letter winners of 1956 are Berman, Britting, Bryan, Fortune, DeVane, Goode, Green, Keen, Rust, Torrance, Vereen, and Zeller.



Captain Dick DeVane readies for the gun at the relay start.

Ken Britting begins his second-place throw against Georgia.



Carl Vereen watches the disc as he sails it to a new record



Ace shotputter, Fred Berman, in the process of setting a new mark.

Coach Dean and Captain Devane discuss coming meet with team.



The relayers show perfect form in the crucial handoff moments.





Golfers Finish Third In SEC Matches

The Georgia Tech golf squad initiated their new coach, Tommy Plaxico, with the best season seen in recent years. Lead by captain Ned Edge, the golfers completed the season with seven wins, three losses, and one tie.

Activities began on March 30 with the Jackets downing Northern Illinois State 24-3. The following Monday Florida fell 15.5-11.5. Next to visit the Jackets was FSU, who handed Tech its first defeat 11.5-15.5. The Techsters sharpened their putting after this and took Rollins 15-12 and Vanderbilt 21.5-5.5.

On the first road trip of the season, Georgia defeated Tech 7-20. Returning to Atlanta, the Jackets took a 22.5-4.5 decision from Auburn. The last defeat of the season came at the hands of Tennessee in Knoxville. Tech's golfers next visited Athens for the SEC tourney and captured third place. In the remaining matches, the Jackets trimmed Tennessee 22-5, Auburn 16.5-10.5, and tied Georgia 13.5-13.5.

Lost from this year's team will be Ned Edge, while Tommy Matthews, Gabe Hill, George Johnson, and Ed Barnes return to form the nucleus for the 1957 team.



GEORGE JOHNSON
GABE HILL
ED BARNES



INTRAMURAL
SPORTS



Hard knocking and trick plays were the style this year as the ATO's took all honors on the football field during the hectic fall quarter.

Alpha Tau Omega Grabs Football Crown

Football action in the intramural leagues was really rough this year as several favorites were knocked out. In the Gold League, ATO took all comers to win first place with the SAE's taking second and Sigma Chi running third. The White League play wound up with the Chi Phi's taking first, Lambda Chi Alpha second, and Sigma Nu third. Phi Kappa Alpha emerged victorious in the Tornado League with Alpha Epsilon Pi second and Sigma Phi Epsilon third. In the Yellow Jacket League, Chi Psi, Phi Kappa Phi, and Theta Chi finished 1, 2, 3, respectively. In the independent Pigskin League, the Newman Club beat out the Geechees and the Wesley Foundation, who finished in second and third places.

In the championship playoffs, ATO took all honors with Chi Phi copping second and Phi Kappa Alpha third.



The Delts and the ATO's tangle in an early season skirmish.



Phi Delta Theta Keeps Intra-Swimming Title

In a very close eight event contest Phi Delta Theta retained the Intramural swimming crown. The Phi Dels garnered 50 points, second place ATO 41, and third place SAE 38 points.

Phi Delta Theta won the tug-of-war and the 200-yard medley. Ed Marr of Theta Chi captured first in the 75-yard medley and Roy Leonard of Delta Tau Delta took first honors in diving. The SAE's won the 200-yard free-style relay and the 100-yard free-style.

Wilderson of ATO won the treading with weights contest and Ron Brader took the plunge for distance.



Cross Country Winner Is Ed Hamler

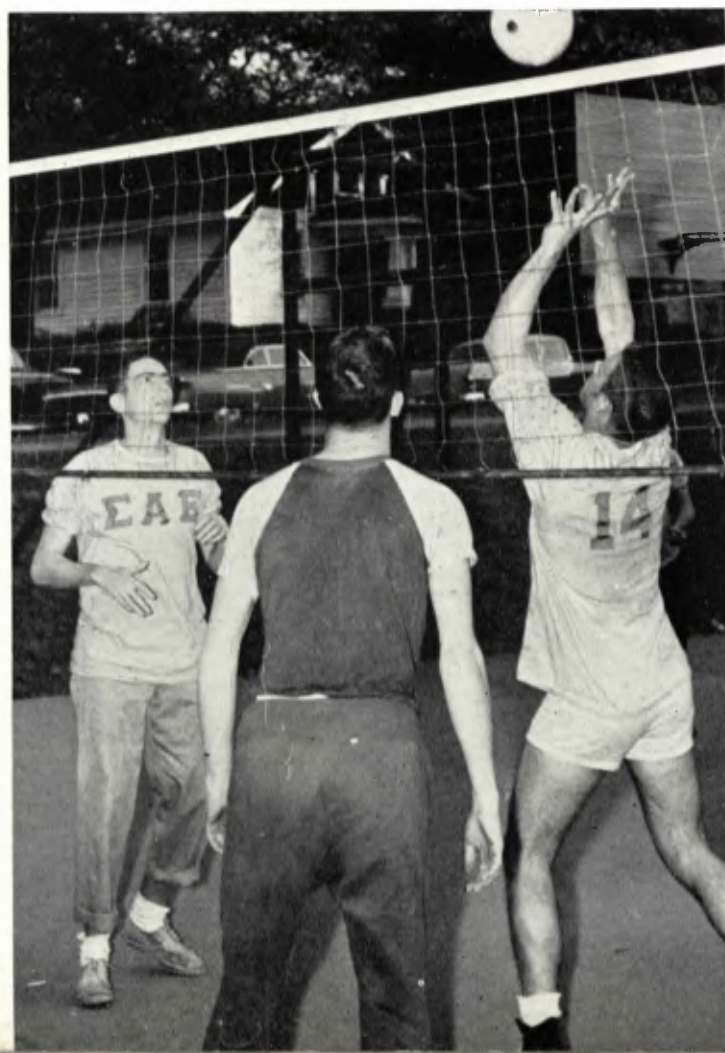
Ed Hamler of Alpha Tau Omega coasted the last hundred yards as he completely outclassed the field to take first place honors in the Intramural Cross Country Race. Second was the Phi Delts' Joe Mann and Dick Balte of Sigma Chi was third.

Sigma Chi retained their hold on the team trophy despite the efforts of Hamler and Mann. Close on their heels were second place Alpha Tau Omega and third spot Beta Theta Pi.



Hamler coasts to the finish line after outdistancing the field.

Phi Kappa Sigma Wins Volleyball Title



Volleyball enjoyed one of its best years as all teams caught the spirit of the game. The SAE's sneaked past Delta Tau Delta and Alpha Tau Omega in the Gold League, while Sigma Nu slammed past Chi Phi and Theta Chi in White League play. Phi Kappa Sigma took honors over Tau Kappa Epsilon and Sigma Phi Epsilon in the Tornado League. Tau Epsilon Phi of the Yellow Jacket League outlasted Theta Xi and Phi Gamma Delta while the Spike League's Newman Club was creeping past the Vets and BSU "Reds."

In the championship playoffs, Phi Kappa Sigma played superb ball to take first place with Sigma Nu and Sigma Alpha Epsilon taking second and third place.

Phi Kaps tie up in a close battle during the hard-fought finals.





Kappa Sigma Takes Basketball Crown

Intramural basketball brought forth the best teams in years to provide the spectators with many exciting moments. Six leagues participated in the tourney this year. Kappa Sigma took top honors over the Phi Delts in the Gold League while Lambda Chi Alpha won first spot in the White League. The Tornado League's Sigma Phi Epsilon outlasted the TKE's while Tau Epsilon Phi of the Yellow Jacket League held off all challengers. In the Independents' Pass League and Dribble League the Navy team and the "T" Club emerged victorious.

Kappa Sigma and the "T" Club ran the tournament to the last game before the title was decided, with Kappa Sigma taking first, "T" Club second, Tau Epsilon Phi third, and Lambda Chi Alpha fourth.

Some typical action in the fast, furious basketball league. Interest in the intramural program continues to grow with each meet.

The Newman Club and The Navy meet in the intramural play. Spectators agreed that this was the best season in years.





The novelty stunts brought both laughter and applause.



The winner from TKE accepts Coach Plaxico's congratulations and trophy.

Tau Kappa Epsilon Victorious In Gym

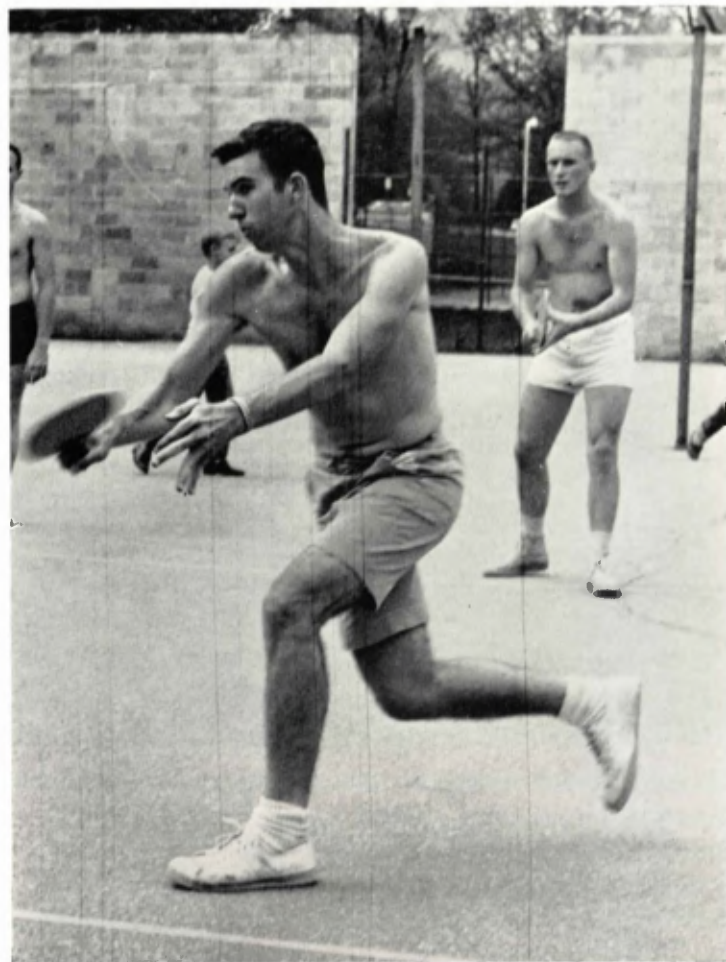
As was to be expected, the intramural gym meet produced one of the most competitive affairs of the intramural season. Almost every fraternity was represented and the point totals were running extremely close throughout the meet. When the activity ceased, the Tech Greeks found a new champ at the reins as Tau Kappa Epsilon forged ahead to capture the crown. Following the TKE's very closely were Sigma Nu, Kappa Sigma, and Sigma Chi in second, third, and fourth places respectively.



Phi Delta Theta Takes Paddleball

As one of the fastest growing sports on the Tech campus, paddleball is bringing forth an ever increasing number of participants and fans. The play in this league has improved considerably and resulted in a very close tournament this year. On the basis of the highest number of combined wins, Phi Delta Theta was crowned champ of the paddleball courts at the end of the season. Following in close order were ATO, Phi Sigma Kappa, and Chi Phi.

The top two-man team was composed of Smith and Curtis of the Phi Deltas. This honor was open to all teams since the champs from last year had vacated the crown due to graduation.



Bowling Title is Taken By Theta Chi

In a battle of very evenly matched teams, Theta Chi took the bowling championship by a narrow margin. Gold League winner, SAE, and the Tornado League champs, Phi Kappa Sigma, put up a terrific fight before succumbing to the Theta Chi's. The final statistics were Theta Chi (2516), SAE (2327), and Phi Kappa Sigma (2305). Individual honors went to Buddy Aydlett of Lambda Chi Alpha who had an average of 103 pins per game.





The season gets under way with the pitchers hot, the batters ready, and everyone having a ball. Here is some Rose Bowl action.

Alpha Tau Omega Retains Softball Title



The softball season for 1956 was one of the best ever seen at Tech. The quality of play was very good and the support for the teams was outstanding.

In the White League, Phi Kappa Tau clawed its way to first place. Pi Kappa Phi eased into the first position on the Tornado League while Alpha Tau Omega was rolling over their opponents to head the list in the Gold League. The Wesley Foundation came up with a winning combination to earn the right to represent the Independents in the Championship Tourney.

These four teams collided head-on in the school championship playoffs and the bats began to crack. Again the superb pitching and excellent hitting of the ATO team showed up as they took all comers to win the championships. The Wesley Foundation was second and Pi Kappa Phi third.





Kappa Sigma Takes Track

In the Intramural track meet, held annually at Grant Field, Kappa Sigma sacked 34 points to take first place honors. Of the 11 events, the Kappa Sigs took firsts in only two; but managed enough second and third places to take the title. Wilford Lyon took first place in the 100-yard dash and the 880-yard relay team took a first.

In the 220- and 440-yard dashes the Phi Delts' Powell grabbed first place honors to become the meet's only double winner. Adams of Beta Theta Pi won the 880-yard dash and Pi Kappa Alpha's Jack McFarland took the mile run. Both the shuttle hurdle and the 440-yard relay were won by Sigma Chi.

In the field events, Vickers of the Phi Delts took the broad jump while Theta Chi's Ed Mau captured the high jump. Rabun of ATO was big man in the shot put contest.

Following the Kappa Sigs were: Sigma Chi with 25.5 points, Alpha Tau Omega with 20 points, and Beta Theta Pi with 16 points.





The Phi Delts' A. S. Mullin makes a sharp recovery to the green.

Phi Delta Theta Wins Golf; Mullen Leads All

Front lawns and living rooms were turned into putting greens as the spring quarter brought on the golf tournament. Throughout the quarter, rain or shine, the putters could always be found on the links. When the last ball was fished from the lakes, the Phi Delts found themselves perched on top of the mass. Sigma Alpha Epsilon took second spot, and Kappa Sigma came in a close third.

Low man for the entire season was the SAE's Mullen, who won the individual championship.

Alpha Tau Omega Takes Tennis Crown

The spring quarter found the courts at Tech overflowing with intramural tennis hopefuls. The championship was not decided until the last two weeks of play. Alpha Tau Omega outlasted the men from Sigma Nu and Delta Tau Delta to take the crown. The Sigma Nu's copped second place and the Delts ran third.

In the individual championship play, J. L. Ford of Sigma Nu defeated Frank Prosser from the Delts in a close battle for the crown.



The Sigma Nus' J. L. Ford plays a close game at the net.