Athletics
ATHLETIC DIRECTORS

These three are the motive forces back of all athletics at the University. "Pat" Keyes has served the Blue and Gold faithfully as a coach of track. "Bill" McAvoy has only to be named. Further information about him to Delaware men is useless and without point. During thirteen years of athletic directorship he has given to our Alma Mater everything that one could ask for as a general director of all physical education, and coach of football, basketball, and baseball. He has established a reputation for himself as an exponent of clean sportmanship and he has built up that reputation for Delaware men. Dr. Sypherd, as head of our Athletic Council, has proven to be one of the most progressive elements in the promotion of athletics at Delaware. He has given unselfishly of his time. He has always been prompted by the highest of ideals of sportsmanship and honor and the reflection of his personality on the teams of Delaware has always been one that has been inspiring.
Football

The 1923 football season was a successful one for the wearers of the Blue and Gold. This team won five and tied one of the nine games played. The Delaware team amassed a total of 76 points against her opponents’ 57.

The first kick-off of the 1923 season occurred on Frazer Field on September 27th. St. Joseph’s College of Philadelphia came to Newark with revenge for the defeat of the previous season. As a result of Delaware’s weak offensive and poor tackling, the Philadelphia team scored a touchdown in the first period of the game. The rest of the game was a punting contest, and St. Joseph’s won by a 6 to 0 score.

In the second game the blue-jerseyed Delaware men fought like true sons of the Blue and Gold, and smashed down the iron defense of Muhlenberg, by scoring a touchdown for the only score of the game. This victory gave the team more confidence, and showed the students that they had a real, well-trained, fighting eleven which would turn in a good seasonal record.

Delaware’s display of a magnificent exhibition of fighting spirit crushed Ursinus 14 to 7 on October 11th. The Red- and black-jerseyed visitors had a well organized team that started off with a rush that threatened to annihilate the Delawareans. But when Ursinus came to the thirty-yard line, Delaware tightened her defense and the visitors kicked. By a fumble,
Ursinus scored. Then Delaware became a fighting, smashing machine and scored two touchdowns, which won the game.

The next game was an easy victory for the "Blue Hen's" Chicks over the College of the City of New York. Loose playing on the part of Delaware kept the score down to 18 to 0. The C. C. N. Y. team was made up of green material which even the Delaware second team found easy to hold.

Delaware played a good, hard game against St. John's, which ended in a scoreless tie. The heavy visitors fought hard, but when they reached the five-yard line, they reached a stone wall. The teams were evenly matched and fought consistently; the game was very interesting to watch.

At Haverford Delaware defeated Haverford 19 to 6. Poor generalship and costly fumbles of the Main Liners lost them the game. The first score of the game came within three minutes of play, when Torbert recovered a fumble and scored a touchdown. This break of the game ruined Haverford's morale, as thereafter the Scarlet and Black eleven played loosely.

The William and Mary eleven defeated Delaware by a 14 to 0 score. Both touchdowns were the result of fumbles. In spite of the apparently one-sided score, the game was a battle from start to finish. The "Indians" from Williamsburg stopped the fighting "chicks"
when their goal was in danger, and, by consistently following the ball, they won the game.

In the next game, Delaware crushed George Washington 19 to 7. The George Washington eleven was completely conquered during the first three quarters. In the last quarter, when the Delaware second team was put into the game, the visitors finally scored a touchdown, but with a great deal of difficulty.

The Blue and Gold gridiron gladiators went down before the Red and White Dickinson team on Franklin Field in the final game of the season 7 to 0. The game was hotly contested in a field of mud. The Delaware team played in a manner that

reflected only the highest credit on the men who played and the Alma Mater these men represented.

**Delaware 19—Haverford 6**

Delaware, invading Haverford's territory, forced the Main Liners' colors to strike after an exciting and thrilling game which ended with the Blue and Gold on the long end of a 19 to 6 score. Both teams played consistently well, but Haverford's fumbles were costly. The Delaware team played well both on the offense and the defense.
Lohmann and Torbert scored the first two touchdowns after recovering fumbles. Weggenmann made a sixty-three yard run after intercepting a forward pass. Elliott shot around left end for a thirteen-yard gain which put the ball on the four-yard line. Williams, with a characteristic plunge, scored the third touchdown for Delaware.

During the remainder of the game, the teams were evenly matched on the offensive. Delaware played the better defensive game. Elliott's punts averaged ten to fifteen yards more than those of Garrett. Haverford's touchdown was the result of successive line plunges by Wilbur, and a string of penalties, the last of which gave Haverford the ball on Delaware's one-yard line. Captain Wilbur then scored Haverford's six points.

Delaware 14—Ursinus 7

Ursinus, our Quaker rival, boasting one of the best teams the college has enjoyed in several years, bowed to the "fighting Delawareans" 14 to 7. The two waves of Red and Black and Blue and Gold surged up and down the field until the final whistle blew. Both teams fought every inch of the way until the exciting contest was ended.

After a series of line bucks, Elliott hurled himself over the goal line for Delaware's first touchdown. Williams scored the extra point by a drop kick. This made the score a 7 to 7 tie, as Ursinus had drawn first blood.

When the second half started, both teams
savagely determined to break the tie. The Red and Black machine started through the Delaware eleven on a march that seemed destined to win the game for them. Failure to score a placement goal, and a punt by Elliott, brought the remainder of play in the visitors’ territory.

In the last quarter Williams intercepted a forward pass and scored a touchdown. He then ended his day’s work by kicking the goal for the fourteenth point.

Delaware 6—Muhlenberg 0

The Delaware grid team trotted out against Muhlenberg with a grin, determined fight stamped on their faces. They were out to avenge the 12 to 0 defeat handed them by Muhlenberg the year before. They succeeded and defeated Muhlenberg 6 to 0.

The game was an excellent example of defensive football, as neither team could batter the defense of the other. Williams scored the only touchdown of the game after Torbert recovered the ball which Dorang fumbled in an attempt to catch one of Elliott’s punts.

In the last quarter, Muhlenberg made a desperate attack in an effort to score. As the Alma Mater swelled out from the
Delaware stands, the Blue and Gold warriors held Muhlenberg for downs.

Then the Delaware backfield spoiled the visitors' aerial attack and started down the field in big league fashion. The game ended, however, with the ball on the Muhlenberg twenty-yard line.

Dickinson 7—Delaware 0

The biggest game of the Delaware schedule was played on Franklin Field in Philadelphia. Delaware was forced to bow to the strong Dickinson team from Carlisle in this game, which was the final one of the season.

In the first half of the contest, Delaware out-played the Red and White eleven to a slight extent. Both teams, however, were very evenly matched. Dickinson's well-drilled heavier team held fast during the crucial moments, and the half ended a scoreless tie.

In the second period came the only break of the game, and this bit of chance favored the Pennsylvania team. Dickinson was held on the three-yard line for downs. Elliott dropped back to punt; he punted, but the ball soared high in the air and was caught in a breeze that brought it to the ground on the eleven-yard line. In five plays, the ball was carried over for the first score, and the ball was kicked over the goal for the extra point. The rest of the game was played mostly in mid-field, as neither team was able to gain consistently.
Football

Football in 1924 was a sport for all Delawareans to be proud of. The Blue and Gold players scored forty-four points against their opponents’ forty-five, and won four and tied one of the eight games on the schedule.

In the opening contest Delaware defeated St. Joseph’s College 6 to 0. The previous season the Philadelphia team won by the same score, but this game gave Delaware the rubber, as in 1922 she also defeated her Pennsylvania rival. The visitors, however, had a strong defense, but were unable to hold in the last quarter, when the only score of the game was made.

The score was made possible by a blocked punt.

At Collegeville, Ursinus was able to get an even break with the Delaware eleven. The score was 0 to 0. This game marked the first time in four years that Ursinus kept the Blue and Gold from scoring. Each team uncorked what seemed to be scoring drives, only to have them smothered on the twenty-yard lines. It was after this game that Captain McKelvie got married.

In the third game of the season Coach McAvoy’s charges bowed to the strong Villa Nova College eleven 17 to 3. This loss was a result of a weak offense on the part of the Delaware team. The
only way Delaware could gain ground against the heavier team was by forward passes, but the aerial attack did not start until the last quarter, when the second team was substituted. It was at this time that Gibson kicked the pigskin from the forty-yard line for the three-point score. The fumbling on the part of the Blue and Gold backfield made possible Villa Nova’s two touchdowns.

St. John’s College defeated the “Blue Hen” eleven in the next game 6 to 0. The visitors made their score in the last quarter when they started their aerial game. The forward pass that resulted in a touchdown gave the spectators a thrill as it was long and difficult. All during the game, however, Delaware played good offensive football, and most of the game was played in St. John’s territory. At the crucial times St. John’s held, or, on one occasion, a Delaware man was caught holding.

In the Stevens game Delaware showed up well. The Stevens line was very weak; time after time the Delaware backs opened wide holes and ran through the visitors’ line for long gains. Almost the entire game was played in Stevens’ territory.

Haverford came to Newark for the next game of the season. This game was replete with thrills, as the score 8 to 7 shows. The Blue and Gold scored two points when a punt was blocked by McKelvie, and recovered by Haverford for a safety. Both teams fought a clean, hard game—Delaware just had more fight to the proportion 8 to 7.
George Washington bowed to Delaware in a game that was tightly contested until the final whistle announced the end of the game. In spite of the snow that covered the field, the game was fast and interesting.

Dickinson, Delaware's final opponent, handed the Blue and Gold eleven the worst defeat of the season by a 15 to 0 score. In the second period a bad break coupled with the removal of Kramer seemed to take the snap out of the blue-jerseyed team, and, during the remainder of the play, the Methodists had the advantage.

Delaware 6—St. Joseph's College 0

Delaware opened the 1924 football season with a victory over St. Joseph's College by a 6 to 0 score. As Delaware and St. Joseph's had each won a game during the two previous seasons, this game marked the rubber of the three-season series of games played between the two institutions.

“Biff” Hopkins, playing his first game of college football, crossed the visitors' goal line for the only score of the game. “Lew” Kramer's work in this game was the outstanding feature. It was his blocking of a punt that made the touchdown possible.

This game showed the Blue and Gold followers that Delaware had a strong defense, as St. Joseph's team made only a few first downs. Delaware's offense, however, was comparatively weak. In the shadow of the goal line, the blue-jerseyed team failed several times to put the ball across.
Boasting the best Ursinus team in years, the students at Collegeville expected to “beat Delaware” to revenge the three defeats of the three previous seasons. It is interesting to note that the majority of the Ursinus cheering consisted of co-eds, and if ever a team had reason to fight the red-jerseyed team had it.

But the Delaware followers had a good representation of cheerers on the other side of the field—and Delaware fought just as hard as Ursinus did. In the first half Delaware seemed to have the edge on the Pennsylvanians, but failed to score.

During the entire game neither team was able to get closer than the twenty-yard line, neither team was successful with the aerial attack, and the interest in the game was lost occasionally by fumbles on the part of both teams.

The score of the Haverford game clearly indicates the closeness of the game, but, small as the margin is, it cannot show the wonderful fighting spirit, the unconquerable determination to win, that both teams displayed throughout the four periods of the game.

McKelvie blocked a punt which Billo fell on behind his goal line; this safety marked the first score of the game. There was
no other score until the third period, when Delaware fumbled, and Middleton, carrying the ball eight times out of nine plays, scored a touchdown.

In the last quarter of the game Delaware scored a touchdown, thus making the score 8 to 7. The hard fight continued until the final whistle, but the score remained unchanged. The game left a never to be forgotten thrill in the spectators, as it was a classic of college football games.

**Delaware 6—George Washington 0**

Things had a bad aspect when the George Washington University team came out on Frazer Field. Every man was large and displayed exceptional football ability. The previous week they had defeated St. Joseph's 41 to 0, in comparison with the Delaware score of 6 to 0. The field was slippery and everything in general pointed to a sure defeat for the Blue and Gold.

But then the game started. It was impossible from that moment until the last whistle blew to tell which team would win. Loehler made consecutive gains for the defeated eleven, but when the crucial moment came he lacked the punch. Delaware fought consistently hard but was unable to keep the visitors on the defense for a very long time.

It was not until the final period that the only score of the game was made. Then “Choc” Gibson intercepted a forward pass and ran forty yards for a touchdown—and victory for the Blue and Gold.
Basketball during the 1923-1924 season was a sport that made Delaware men proud of their team. The team was built around five men who played almost every minute of the season. Very few substitutions were made during the entire season. These five men, Captain France, Williams, Jackson, McKelvie and Gibson, played fast basketball consistently. This team defeated Haverford, Brooklyn Poly, Dickinson, George Washington, Ursinus and Roanoke. The games lost were closely contested and exciting.

In the first game of the season Temple defeated the Blue and Gold five by a one-point margin 26 to 25. The score indicates the close playing by both teams, but it does not show the true calibre of the team.

Haverford, the next team on the schedule, bowed to Delaware 41 to 22. It was especially gratifying to have the “Blue Hen” team invade the Main Liners’ territory for a victory so decisive.

At West Point the strong Army five defeated the blue-jerseyed team 44 to 22. Although the score was one-sided, the game was fast during every minute. The Army team had better shooters than Delaware, and made more of their shots good. Two days later Pratt defeated the Delaware team 21 to 18. Until the last few minutes of play, Delaware had the advantage over the New Yorkers, but then they opened up a furious attack and scored the winning points. The last game of the New York trip was played against Brooklyn Poly. The invaders captured this game 24 to 18. At no time was Brooklyn Poly ahead of the Blue and Gold passers.

The next game, which was played in Newark, was a victory over Dickinson 24 to 23. The Dickinson team had four men who the year before had played with the Carlisle team that defeated Penn at Weightman Hall. This victory was very pleasing to every Delawarean, as it showed the “stuff” the Delaware team was made of. This game was fast and exciting; nobody could tell the outcome until the final whistle blew.

On the Southern trip, Washington and Lee took the first game by a 25 to 18 score. This game was a hard battle to lose, as it seemed that the Virginia team had all the breaks. It was a fast and interesting game, however, and one that reflects only credit on Delaware. The Delawareans won the next game over Roanoke College 40 to 32. In this game Delaware displayed a powerful offense and made a very good showing on the defense. Virginia Military Institute won the next game 24 to 17. It seemed that three consecutive games was too much for the Blue and Gold team, as every attack they made was stopped by the future soldiers. As the score indicates, however, the game was interesting and not at all one-sided or slow.

Delaware had little trouble in defeating George Washington 45 to 21. The Newark players started the game with a vicious attack that the Capital team could not stop. It was
wonderful to see Delaware take the ball down the floor and score as rapidly as she did.

The Ursinus game was equally as gratifying, although the score was not so large. Delaware chalked up another victory 24 to 19. The Ursinus team opened up with a fast offense time after time, only to lose the ball and see Delaware score.

The last two games of the season were lost to two of Pennsylvania's best teams. Drexel won the first of these 22 to 20. The visitors had a fast team, but were unable to break through Delaware's defense. Most of their score was the result of long shots that no team could prevent. In the final contest, Swarthmore carried away the honors 28 to 24, but only after a gruelling battle. The teams were very evenly matched, and the scoring was close throughout the game. In the last few minutes, however, Swarthmore made a dying attempt and succeeded in scoring the winning points.

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Basketball, 1924-1925

The basketball team of 1924-1925 played one of the hardest series of games that a Delaware team has ever scheduled. Every game played was hard and fast; most of them could even be called spectacular. Although the season ended with the opponents on the long end of the season score, each game was well worth watching, as every contest was played between two good teams. As a whole, the season was a credit to the men who worked, and one of which the University may be proud.

Delaware lost the first game to Temple, 19 to 15. Due to an injury from the football season, Captain Jackson was unable to play in this game. Gibson, star guard of the previous season, also had to watch the game as he had hurt his knee playing floorball. Lichtenstein, playing his first game of college basketball, led the scoring for the Blue and Gold by making two field goals and five foul tosses.

In the first game after the Christmas recess, the Delaware team defeated Haverford 40 to 34. The addition of Jackson and Gibson made a new team for the Blue and Gold passers. In this game Lichtenstein was at his best, scoring ten field goals and three fouls. At first the game was tightly played by both teams, but in the second half the Haverford team seemed lost, so great was the rush for scoring by the Delaware five.

The trip to New York State was a great disappointment to all Delawareans. First, Army defeated the visitors 40 to 25. In the second half the soldiers held the invaders to seven points. Then Pratt handed the “Blue Hen’s” Chicks a 31 to 18 defeat. The third game of the trip was lost to Brooklyn Poly by a 27 to 26 score.

Albright cancelled the next game on the schedule, but the Y. M. C. A. team of Wilmington played the next game at Newark. The contest was close from whistle to whistle, as at no time was either team more than three points ahead of the other. The game ended with the Y. M. C. A. team having 27 points against Delaware’s 24.

At Lancaster, the fast Franklin and Marshall team defeated Delaware 33 to 14. The following week, Fordham, the “best team in the East” scored fifty points to nineteen scored by the Delaware five. At Bethlehem, Lehigh scored an aggregate of 56 points to Delaware’s 17. Then Ursinus defeated Delaware in the next game 39 to 17.

Delaware broke her losing streak in the following game by defeating Drexel 38 to 28. Jackson displayed his calibre by scoring seven field goals and four fouls. The whole team showed more team-work and played better basketball than in any previous game.

Navy won the next game 38 to 26. This game also showed the playing ability of the team as a whole, as the Navy team was one of the fastest on the schedule, and most of the Navy’s
score resulted from long shots that guarding cannot stop.

The last two games of the season were played in Newark, and only those who saw these games can appreciate the work of the men on the team. In the Swarthmore game Delaware played well both on the offense and defense. Until the last few minutes, when Swarthmore opened up a vicious attack, the scoring was very evenly divided. Then the Gettysburg team ended Delaware's season. This last game made every Delaware follower proud of the Delaware team. The game was fast and clean throughout both halves. Every man on the team played his best and can well serve as an inspiration for future players. Jackson, France, McKelvie and Gibson played their last basketball game for Delaware when they played against Gettysburg. This game alone was enough to satisfy any spectator that these men are loyal sons of the Blue and Gold.
At the initial part of the season, the prospects for a good team looked decidedly poor, as the pitching staff was practically an unknown quantity—at least it was so thought. The team was favored by the return of five letter men—Captain “Mike” Underwood, Winston Murray, Richard Hoch, Russel Hunt and James Mannix. We had lost through graduation Brandt, Lund, Nutter; MacDonald and McCormick did not return to school.

However, once the season got into full swing, Earl Pryor, left-handed hurler, allayed all fears as to the merits of the pitching staff. He bloomed forth into one of the biggest winners Delaware ever had, and started setting down some of the strongest teams Delaware ever played. Pryor won six games out of eight starts, losing a close and hard-fought game to Army.

**Delaware 6**

Philadelphia Textile 0

The season opened with Philadelphia Textile School at home. Pryor came out in good form and sent the Textile students home on the short end of a 6 to 0 game. He allowed but five hits and struck out eleven men.

**Delaware 8—Haverford 1**

On April 28th, the boys visited our ancient friendly rivals, Haverford, and proceeded to slam all over the lot every offering that Haverford made, and trotted around the bases for a total of eight counts. “Jack” Williams and “Dick” Hoch had their hitting clothes on that day, each collecting four hits.

**Delaware 7—Swarthmore 1**

Not content with one Quaker victim, the Blue and Gold Chicks hopped on the Maroon of Swarthmore on May 3d, and chased them off the field 7 to 1. Bartlett, the star of the Swarthmore pitching staff, was ignominiously pounded all over the lot, and sent to the showers in the first two innings. It was one of the best games of the season.
This was a closely-played game, but the Delaware team played well and consistently and hit when they counted the most. Pryor pitched a very commendable game.

“Jupe” Pluvius Mixes Them Up

Delaware left on a three-day trip to Carlisle, Gettysburg and Baltimore, but the trip was destined to a great deal of disappointment. Rain prevented the Dickinson game at Carlisle and the game with Gettysburg at Gettysburg. They then arrived at Johns Hopkins in time to play five innings. With the score 3 to 1 in favor of Hopkins, Delaware at bat in the first part on the sixth with the bases full, one out, and the heavy end of the batting order up, the umpire called the game on account of darkness and rain. It was disappointing, but could not be helped.

Delaware 16—St. John’s 4

This was a massacre of the innocent. Delaware’s heavy gang of sluggers went into action and murdered everything that came near the plate, annexing a total of seventeen hits, many of which were for extra bases.

Delaware 1—Temple 3

Temple took the first game of the season away on the home lot. They came down with “Big Boy” Jensen on the mound, and he was quite sufficient to bring victory for them. Roth pitched his first Varsity game in a creditable manner, but the Blue and Gold were weak with the stick. Jensen, besides pitching a good game, clouted out a sensational homer.

Delaware 2—Army 3

If ever Delaware had a good opportunity to get the Army’s goat, this was the occasion. Pryor pitched one of the best games of his career; but one bad inning, the first, spoiled everything. George Smythe led off by flying to center, Dasher reached first on an error, Don Storck flew out to right, Ellinger singled, Wood drew a pass, filling the bases with two out. Pryor then worked Baird into a hole, but the second baseman connected with one and cleaned the sacks on a
fast triple. That ended the fireworks of Army, who, for the rest of the game, were completely baffled by the left-handed boy's offerings. In our second inning, Captain Underwood socked out a homer to deep center. Lobert, the Army coach, promptly backed up his outfielders thereafter when "Mike" appeared for his turn at the stick, and it was well he did; for Underwood hit three more that would ordinarily have been good for extra bases.

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**Navy Game Cancelled**

Delaware went to Annapolis for the annual Navy game, but the death of a midshipman brought about the cancellation of the game.

**Delaware 5—Haverford 0**

The Commencement Day game finished off the season in great style, Haverford gratifying our alumni and guests by taking the count 5 to 0. Pryor was in fine form and was never in danger from his opponents.
Baseball, 1924

Chun Hunt
Manager Howard

Mannix Gibson Pryor Roth

Murray Hoch Williams McVaugh

Captain Underwood Coach McAvo Beck

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The Middle Atlantic States Meet

In May, 1924, Delaware was honored by having the Track and Field Meet of the Middle Atlantic States Collegiate Athletic Association held on Frazer Field, May 23 and 24. This brought to Delaware as opponents and guests the greatest collection of renowned college athletes that has ever assembled on our athletic field, and we felt duly impressed by the necessity of our creating the most favorable impression possible. The qualification trials on Friday gave forth the promise of one of the most interesting of all meets the next day. The feature of the qualifications was the spectacular heave of West, Washington and Jefferson athlete, when he threw the javelin 176 feet 2 inches for a new Middle Atlantic States record. The weather on Friday was so ideal that Saturday was looked forward to as being the most favorable of days for an athletic carnival. But the athletes and the crowd were doomed to disappointment. For at three o’clock, just as the finals were getting under way, the heavens opened up and the rain fell in torrents. The meet was finished regardless of the weather.

Several athletes who later proved themselves of Olympic calibre took part in this meet. Verne Booth, former Delaware star, ran for Johns Hopkins. His two-mile race was a spectacular contest between him and Powell of Rutgers, who forced Booth to put everything possible in the finish, nosing out Powell by two or three yards. Louis Clarke, also of Johns Hopkins, ran away with the century and two-twenty yard dashes. He was expected to be hard pressed by Jose Carol of Lehigh, who had the same time in the trial heats, but he left Carol far in the rear in both events when the final trials were run. Paul Baxter was the only Delaware man to take a point. The high-jumper tied with Gibson of Rutgers for second place in the high jump. “Bill” McKelvie was far below par in the field events, especially the discus. Had he heaved the plate in his usual form, he could have been in the race, but he failed by several feet to attain even his average distance.

The entire assembly of athletes, press men, managers, and coaches were entertained at dinner in Old College following the meet.

The members of the Middle Atlantic States Collegiate Athletic Association are as follows:

- Bucknell University
- University of Delaware
- Dickinson College
- Drexel Institute
- Franklin and Marshall
- Gettysburg College
- Haverford College
- Johns Hopkins University
- Juniata College
- Lafayette College
- Lehigh University
- Muhlenburg College
- New York University
- Rutgers College
- Swarthmore College
- Union College
- Washington and Jefferson College

The leading teams finished in the following order:

- Johns Hopkins University ......... 36½
- Lafayette College ................ 32½
- Rutgers College .............. 14
- Washington and Jefferson College .... 14
- Haverford College ............. 13
- Lehigh University ............. 11
- New York University .......... 10
- Muhlenburg College .......... 8
- Gettysburg College ............ 6
- Swarthmore College .......... 5
- Delaware University .......... 2
- Dickinson College ............ 2
Track, 1924

During the season of 1924, Delaware suffered badly from an unbalanced track team. The squad never failed to annex a good number of points, but the points came mostly in the field events, where Delaware had a number of strong men, but when it came to the dashes and the distance events we were badly handicapped. The loss of Pitman in the dashes and Hoey in the distance events threw the team entirely out of balance. A fast dash man that could be depended upon, even for a second place, was not available. Skewis and Chrisfield could always be counted upon to place, but the firsts usually went to our opponents. And so the results of the whole season will find that McKelvie, Elliott and Baxter were responsible for most of Delaware's scoring, which came from the field events.

The season started off with a northern trip to Rhode Island State, Springfield Y. M. C. A. College, and Lehigh University. The team encountered cold weather, disagreeable transportation, and a great deal of fatigue, and their invasion of the north could be but little better than disaster.

The first meet, that with Rhode Island, was lost by the narrow margin of 8 points, the final count being 52 to 60. The unbalanced condition of the team was plainly demonstrated by the fact that we failed to win a single track event but took all but one field event.
Springfield 101 1/2—Delaware 24 1/2

The training school for physical educators at Springfield Y. M. C. A. handed out the worst hospitality encountered in the north when they trounced the Delaware trackmen by 101 1/2 to 24 1/2. Baxter was the only man to take a first place, which was in the 120 high hurdles. McKelvie took a second in the discus and javelin, and Baxter took a second in the high jump.

Lehigh 75—Delaware 37

The Lehigh team had rather an easy time of it with the Blue and Gold representatives. Delaware’s first places were rather sparse, and they took only one first in the track events, that being a masterfully run, two-mile, by Skewis. Baxter took a first in the high jump, and McKelvie took a first in the discus and javelin.

Haverford 93 1/2—Delaware 32 1/2

Haverford had the most perfectly balanced track team that has visited Delaware in a dual meet for a number of years. They not only had good sprinters and runners, but they also carried a heavy complement of field artists. They completely annihilated the Blue and Gold by taking every first place on the track and field. Skewis again ran a beautiful two-mile, being nosed out by an exceptionally fast sprint by Frazier. Even McKelvie, who was Delaware’s consistent winner in the field, was forced to three seconds. His throw in the discus of 119 feet, the best he ever did, was beaten by the Haverford opponent.
Delaware 63—Drexel 63

Meeting unexpected opposition in the field events, Delaware was forced to a tie score in the meet with Drexel. The meet was an exceptionally fast one in which two Drexel records were broken, one in the half-mile and one in the high jump. Ralph Gregg tied the meet when he nosed out Lodge for a third place in the half-mile. Every event was hotly contested and, had we been a little stronger in the track events, we could have won. Delaware showed its superiority in the field events by taking the shot put and discus throw.

Swarthmore 77 2/3—Delaware 48 1/3

In the last dual meet of the season, Swarthmore defeated the Delaware track men by nearly twice the number of points the Blue and Gold athletes earned. Three firsts were all Delaware could garner. Captain Elliott’s leap of 19 feet and 4 inches took a first in the broad; Baxter won the 120 high hurdles; and Ralph France won the 220 low hurdles. McKelvie was again bettered by a Quaker opponent, and took only two seconds and a third. In the two-mile, Lewis of Swarthmore, equalled his college record of 9 minutes and 59 seconds.

Summary of the Season

Seven men were awarded letters for their services in track. Captain Elliott, McKelvie, Paul Baxter, Ralph France, Chrisfield, Evans and Manager Shockley.

In the scoring, “Bill” McKelvie led the team with a total of 50 points. Baxter comes next with a total of 46 points, and Captain Elliott took third honors with 34 points.
Track Records

100-Yard Dash
10 seconds
M. H. Wilson, '05
G. O. Smith, '16
E. P. Pitman, '23
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220-Yard Dash
22 seconds
W. F. Harmer, '22

440-Yard Dash
51.3 seconds

880-Yard Run
2.02 1/5 seconds
W. F. Harmer, '22

Mile Run
4.31 seconds
Verne Booth, '23

Two-Mile Run
10.20 seconds
J. S. Wilson, '21

Cross Country
Verne Booth, '23

220-Yard Low Hurdles
26 2/5 seconds
D. Crocket, '18

120-Yard High Hurdles
16 3/5 seconds
D. Crocket, '18

High Jump
5 ft. 11 in.
P. Baxter, '26

Broad Jump
21 ft. 10 in.
H. Alexander, '18

Pole Vault
11 ft. 7 1/2 in.
T. McDonnell, '22

Shot Put
39 ft. 6 1/2 in.
H. J. Betzmer, '24

Discus Throw
126 ft. 4 in.
G. G. Carter, '22

Javelin Throw
170 ft. 9 in.
H. J. Betzmer, '24
**Letter Men - 1923-24**

**Football**
- Garner Donaldson, Captain
- Isaac Elliott
- Merwyn Akin
- John Williams
- John Schaefer, Manager
- Lewis Kramer
- William McKelvie
- William Lohman
- Earle Weggenmann
- Everett Magaw
- Paul Garvine
- Floyd Hubert
- Horace Nunn
- Norman Gillson
- Richard Torbert

**Basketball**
- Ralph France, Captain
- Allen Frear, Manager
- Isaac Elliott, Captain
- William McKelvie
- Wilbur Shockley, Manager
- John Williams
- William Jackson
- Charles Gibson
- William McKelvie
- Paul Baxter
- Gilbert Chrisfield
- Ralph France
- Owen Evans
- John Underwood, Captain
- John Williams
- Ken L. Chun
- William Howard, Manager
- Winston Murray
- Richard Hoch
- James Mannix
- Charles Gibson
- Earl Pryor

**Track**
- Clarence Underwood, Captain
- John Williams
- Kay L. Chun
- William Howard, Manager
- John France, Captain
- Roger W. Cann
- John E. Mortimer, Manager
- Henry S. Barker, Captain
- Merwyn Akin, Manager
- William Jr.
- George M. Huster
- J. Clyde Davis
- Marshall M. Manns
- George W. Dutcher
- Dudley Johnson
- James Maloy
- Richard Hoey
- Albert Turner

**Baseball**
- Ralph France
- Owen Evans
- James Mannix
- Charles Gibson
- Earl Pryor
- William McKelvie
- Victor Lichtenstein
- William Wooten
- Marian Hopkins
- William Reynolds
- Fred Creamer
- Thomas McCaskey

**Rifle Team**
- Robert M. Cann, Captain
- Frederic Mullenaux, Manager
- P. Craig
- M. X. Cannon
- R. I. Corley
- W. W. Manns
- J. C. Davis
- W. Dutcher

**Letter Men - 1924-25**

**Football**
- William D. McKelvie, Captain
- Charles Gibson
- Lewis Kramer
- Earle Weggenmann
- Kenneth Crothers, Manager
- Lester Owens
- Paul Baxter
- William Lohman
- Floyd Hubert
- Edwin Beatty
- Joseph Cherpak
- William Wooten
- Marian Hopkins
- William Reynolds
- Fred Creamer
- Richard Torbert
- Thomas McCaskey

**Basketball**
- William McKelvie
- William Prettyman
- Howard Hufck, Manager
- Charles W. Gibson
- Ralph France
- William Jackson

**Tennis Team**
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During the last three years at Delaware the interest shown in the practice of rifle marksmanship has increased to a marked degree, and, as a consequence, the ability of the individuals and the team in competition has risen. This has largely been due to the work of Captain Roy Sparks who has worked hard and earnestly as a coach and mentor for the team. Where there had before existed only a mild interest in the sport, limited mostly to upper classmen and especially to those who had attended Plattsburg training camp, there now exists a keen interest in the rifle and a strong spirit of competition for the rifle team and the rifle "D."

The rifle "D" is awarded to men who qualify in fifty per cent of the matches shot during the entire season. This is in accordance with the general rule in athletics at Delaware that requires a man to compete in half the entire amount of time played during the season.

The majority, in fact all, of the matches during 1923-24 were shot by telegraphic methods. The matches were supervised by an officer at each competing college, and the managers of the teams acquainted each competing team with the results. Several inter-class matches and inter-company matches were shot during the early part of the season. This helped to develop new men and to bring the sport before the eyes of the entire student body.

This was the first year that the Rifle Club was given enough support to allow it funds for new rifles, two bolt action heavy target rifles being added to the other guns previously purchased.

The average number of men that fired each afternoon on the indoor range was thirty, which is evidence of the interest shown.

The first matches were those among the four classes. The class of 1925 won with a total of 763 out of 1000, 1924 was second with 747, 1926 third with 694, and 1927 last with 598.

Matches were requested of fifty different colleges, and twenty-nine were scheduled. Out of this possible 29 matches Delaware won fifteen. This was an excellent record in consideration of the fact that we shot against the best and largest colleges of the country, many of which have superior equipment and better advantages.

The team was second in the Corps Area Match, which qualified it for the Inter-Collegiate Match. The team showed a steady improvement during this year, the average scores of the individuals on the team increasing from 168 at the first of the season to 183 at the close. The team had only two Varsity men back from the preceding season, these being J. B. France and R. W. Cann. Several good shots developed, however, and eight men, including the manager, were awarded letters.
Some new records were established this year. Captain J. B. France raised the standing record from 89 to 93, and made a new record for a four-position match, accumulating 193 points. The records as they stand at this time are:

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Roger W. Cann was elected to captain the team for 1924-25.

The Rifle Team, 1924-1925

During this season the Rifle Team finished one of the heaviest schedules yet attempted by a rifle team at the University; they shot a total of thirty-seven matches, out of which they won twenty-three. This can be seen to be a decided improvement over the previous season, both in the actual number won and the percentage of victories.

The team was not as fortunate in the Corps Area match this year as was the team last year. We had some hard luck and managed to finish third, thus losing our chance to compete in the Inter-Collegiate Match.

We were honored by being selected as one of the colleges that were eligible to take part in the William Randolph Hearst Trophy Match, one of the biggest collegiate rifle matches ever staged. At the time of this going to press the results were not known as to how the team fared. They shot against the best rifle teams in the United States and Porto Rico.

Eight men received their letters for work on the range. They were Roger Cann, W. N. Cannon, R. F. Corley, P. Craig, W. Dutcher, M. Manns, C. Davis and F. Mullineaux as manager.

One record was equalled during the season several times. The perfect score for the prone position was equalled by nearly every member of the team. Manns equalled the record of J. B. France in the four-position, twenty-shot match, making a score of 193.
Tennis Season of 1924

The tennis team of 1924 met with most inauspicious circumstances at the very outset of the season. The continual spring rains kept the courts in unplayable condition, and, when there was a respite in the weather, little was done to the courts in the way of conditioning. The inevitable result was that the candidates for the team suffered from lack of practice, interest in the sport lagged, and chances for a successful season were reduced to a minimum. It was not until May that the first practice was held. Too much stress cannot be laid upon the fact that it was almost impossible to play on the spare two courts which had only an apology for a backstop and were artistically laid contiguous to chicken yards. It is little wonder that the team, without any coaching and little practice, was unable to make any headway.

Of the aspirants for the team, Captain Barker, Johnson, Hoey, Turner and Malloy were selected to play the matches. The first match was played against the Swarthmore team, which had already opposed Army, Navy and George Washington. Delaware lost 6 to 0, but the contests were not so one-sided as the score might lead one to believe. Johnson forced Dudley, Swarthmore, to the utmost to win out. From Swarthmore, Delaware journeyed to Rutgers and was beaten 5 to 1. Again it was the same story. Rutgers had just that added finish which comes with practice. Malloy, Delaware, defeated Boocock of Rutgers and Captain Barker and Malloy were just nosed out in a thrilling three-set match with Waugh and Boocock. Drexel defeated Delaware 6 to 0. Barker, Johnson and Malloy carried their matches to three sets and, if they had had the breaks of the game, Delaware might have been returned the victor. The disastrous season was brought to a close against Catholic University, who won 5 to 1. Barker and Regan, Catholic University, waged one of the most exciting battles ever seen on the Delaware courts. Regan, one of the best players in the Washington district, was extended to the limit to best Captain Barker. Malloy managed to defeat Kirby, Catholic University, in three hard-fought sets.

Matches with Johns Hopkins and Haverford were cancelled.

Tennis Prospectus of 1925

Preparation for the tennis season of 1925 was begun in September. Manager Turner issued a call for candidates and thirty-five men responded. Much enthusiasm was shown in the daily practices and everything looks favorable for a good season on the courts. The Athletic Council voted to increase the appropriation for tennis and conditions for the sport have been considerably bettered.

Of the candidates who tried out, the most promising are Jones, Turner, Meredith, Creamer, Poole, Carrol and Yeager. The team which will face Rutgers in the first match of the year will most likely be composed of Captain Malloy, Creamer, Jones and Turner.

Besides the match with Rutgers, others are scheduled with Franklin and Marshall, Dickinson, Catholic University, George Washington, St. Joseph's, Drexel and Haverford.