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MVP Mike Wyckoff '80
(Pictured at Annual Dinner at Varna Church)

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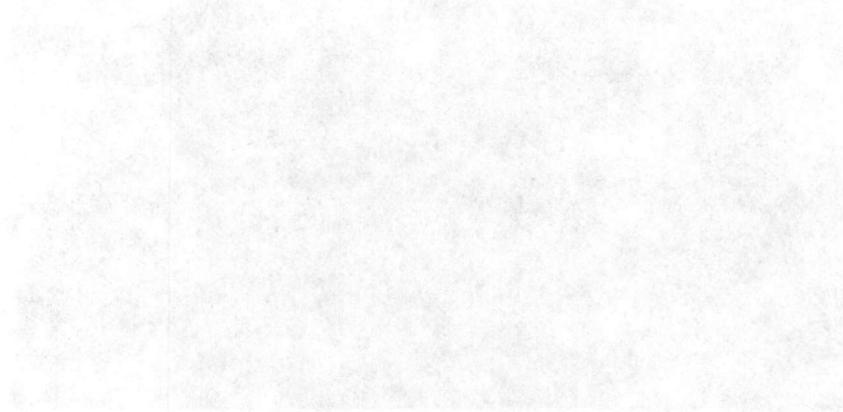
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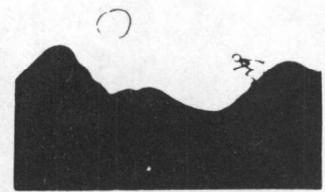
Ben Mintz '43

A native Ithacan, Ben Mintz was appointed by retired dean of athletics Robert J. Kane as sports information director in 1949. He held that position for the past 28 years. This past fall, Ben decided to take an indefinite leave of absence from the directorship due to health reasons.

While serving Cornell, Ben Mintz piled up an impressive list of accomplishments. In the mid-fifties, he was instrumental in the launching of the Eastern College Athletic Conference Service Bureau in New York and was a charter member of the College Sports Information Directors of America Association. He has successfully promoted such annual events as the Heptagonal Indoor track championships (starting in 1953) and the August football-press golf outings here at Cornell. Ben has been behind the publicity for many of the university's greatest athletes and teams, and has lent his expertise in the development of many stories about Cornell which have appeared in such National publications as Life, Sports Illustrated, Time, and Newsweek Magazines.

The Spiked Shoe Society would like to express its thanks to Ben Mintz for his devotion and many contributions to Cornell Athletics, and pray that his upcoming years are healthy and happy ones.

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Cornell Cross Country Makes Cover of National Publication

(Photo taken during the Bucknell-Rochester-Cornell meet at Lewisburg, Pa.. Cornell men are--left to right--Pfitzinger, Capt. Washburn partially obscured by Bill Buchholz, and Bob Bucholz)

SEASON SUMMARY

Inexperience and untimely injuries never help a Cross Country team. The Cornell Harriers found that out this year as they posted a 5-6 dual meet record in spite of their high expectations for the '76 season.

Prior to the team's first dual meet, Coach Warner held three time trials on the Moakley Course to tune up his runners. On the basis of the trials, a cut was conducted. From it emerged a highly talented and remarkably young (one senior and six juniors) team of thirty enthusiastic runners. Unfortunately during this time, two promising freshman runners, Bart Petracca and John Baker, were sidelined with ankle and hip injuries. As a result, they had to sit out the majority of the season.

In spite of the absence of Petracca and Baker, the Harriers opened the '76 season by soundly trouncing Colgate 17-45. The spirited Cornellians captured 10 out of the top 11 places. Frosh Mike Wyckoff, and sophomore Jon Ritson and Pete Pfitzinger tied for first place. Their winning time was the fifth fastest ever run on Colgate's course.

The following week, in an extremely close and exciting race, a visiting Syracuse team handed Cornell their first defeat. With six dual meets already under their belts, the crafty Syracuse runners took out the first mile in a torrid 4:38. The heated pace quickly split the Big Red pack up. Despite this tactic, Cornell's runners refused to fold. As the runners descended into the gorge with a half mile to go, one point separated the two teams. Wyckoff emerged from the gorge first and sprinted home to win. He was timed in 25:32, breaking Jon Ritson's freshman course record by 17 seconds! Unfortunately, Syracuse runners captured the next four places and squeaked out a 25-30 victory. It was a tough loss for Cornell.

The Big Red Harriers next travelled to West Point to take on Army. Missing Ritson as a result of a nagging foot injury, and running with an ailing Pfitzinger, the Harriers suffered a disheartening defeat, 18-41. Wyckoff was again top man for Cornell, finishing third behind Army's Alitz and Enright.

Faced with the cancellation of the Dartmouth-Harvard triangular, the following weekend Coach Warner took his troops down to Lafayette to participate in a six team meet. Cornell scored impressive wins over Lafayette (16-47), Iona (15-50), and Seton Hall (15-46), but lost to Columbia (21-34) and St. John's (19-42). Wyckoff once again finished third, and the status of Ritson and Pfitzinger remained the same.

Back home against Yale the next weekend, the harriers suffered an unexpected loss. The Elis were able to put four of their men behind front running Wyckoff to win 25-31.

Cornell ended its dual meet season with a triangular against Bucknell and Rochester at Bucknell. In a great team effort, the Red Harriers nearly shut out highly rated Rochester 17-44, but lost to defending IC4A College Division champion Bucknell 17-40. At that meet, Cornell recorded the fastest team time ever on Bucknell's course by a visiting team.

At the Heps, Cornell's runners finished eighth. The top scorers were Wyckoff (20th), Ritson (33rd), and Captain Dave Washburn (39th).

Following their mediocre showing at the Heps, the Red Harriers flashed some of their true potential at the IC4A's. They finished 15th out of a 26 team field. The Red runners avenged two of their earlier losses by finishing ahead of Yale and Syracuse. Running especially well for Cornell were Wyckoff (24th) and Pfitzinger (21st). For their efforts, both runners were named to the All East Cross Country Team for 1976, and qualified for the nationals in Denton, Texas.

At the NCAA's Pfitzinger and Wyckoff finished 132nd and 152nd respectively out of 350 other nationally ranked runners.

CAPTAIN'S COMMENTS

The 1976 Cross Country team just missed a winning season this year as it ran to a 5-6 dual meet record. There were a number of high points. For example, in the first meet of the season against Colgate, the squad immediately proved its ability to go out in a large front-running pack, a characteristic of any winning harrier team. In the last regular season meet against Bucknell and Rochester, the team showed it was capable of fast times with some excellent marks on the Bucknell course. And in the IC4A meet, the season closed on an upbeat for the team, especially as Pete Pfitzinger and Mike Wyckoff gained All-East honors and qualified for the NCAAs.

When looking at the team's performance one should keep in mind the youth of the squad. The varsity was composed mainly of first and second year students. In the IC4As, three freshmen (Bart Petracca, Bob Bucholz, and Mike Wyckoff), and three sophomores (Andy Fisher, Jon Ritson, and Pete Pfitzinger) competed for Cornell. And at the NCAAs, it was a freshman and a sophomore who put the Big Red on the national map this year.

As for next year, one cannot help but be optimistic. In view of the J.V.'s impressive 4-2 record, and the team's only loss to graduation being Mike Murray, it should be a good year for Cornell Cross Country. Wyckoff and Pfitzinger can only be expected to benefit from their national exposure. And the rest of the team, seasoned from this year's tough dual meet schedule, and bolstered by this trip to nationals, should also profit in the way of increased confidence. Next fall, one should expect nothing but improvement.

1976-1977 DUES NOTICE

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DID YOU KNOW THAT.....

In a March 1929 Schenectady paper a sport column by Dan Duval entitled "Jack Moakley, Builder of Men" included the following. "Jack Watt '18 was schoolboy mile champ in Honolulu when he came to Cornell. His best time was 4:45. As a freshman he tried out for distance. Moakley looked him over closely and watched him in action. And there is no keener judge of track athletes in the world than Moakley. He decided that Watt was built more for hurdling than distance running. With Walker Smith '20, who held the interscholastic high hurdle record at Exeter, Watt ran 1-2 in both high and low hurdles in the 1919 IC4A meet. Watt gave Smith a hard race in each case to take second place. Both Watt and Smith made the 1920 Olympic team. Moakley made a hurdler out of Watt who had aspired to be a distance runner! What the column did not include was the story of probably Jack Watt's greatest race, in the 1920 Penn Relays 440 yd hurdles (2'6"). Prior to the meet, he had some leg trouble but not enough to keep him from running. Coach Moakley said he would stand at the end of the final curve and advise him whether to continue or drop out and save himself for future meets, Jack has told me how he nodded affirmatively as he passed Moakley and sped on to win by over ten yards in the time of 54 1/5, a new world's record.

At the 1937 Penn Relays, Ham Hucker '38 won the 400 meter hurdles (3'6") in 55:2; the 4 mile relay team of Bentley '39, Bassett '37, Welch '38, and Meaden '37 took second to Indiana who established a new world's record of 17:16.2; and the shuttle hurdles team of Charlie Neff '37, Hucker '38, Eric Schwartz '39, and Bill Rossiter '37 won in the time of 1:02.7; Hooper '38 placed third in javelin with 190'; and Van Ranst was fourth in shot with 44'7".

JACK MOAKLEY FUND - \$52,750

Surpassing the \$50,000 mark during the past four months of this Bicentennial year by \$2,750, the Fund is now on its way with a flying start towards the second \$50,000! To date, 262 alumni, 12 non-Cornellian friends, 15 corporations, and one foundation have contributed. Since January 1, there have been 75 "repeats" and 18 thoughtful memorial gifts. Of the latter, nine were from relatives and friends of John S. Hoffmire '16, captain of the 1919 Intercollegiate Championship team, who passed away in June. To all responsible for the \$52,750 - genuine thanks!

In February you will receive the 1977 communique requesting your participation on the "third leg" of this \$100,000 relay. We anticipate many more gifts from the 262 on our Honor Roll. We urge sincerely those of you not yet on the team to join the champions with a special effort and thus place your name on the next Wastebasket donor list.

Hunt Bradley, Chairman

New Names to be added since the last issue:

Henry T. Betts, Jr. '62	George Ladas
Michael J. Browne '55	William S. LaLonde, III '54
William G. Bolanis, II '49	Frank M. Miller, Jr. '51
Henry S. Godshall, Jr. '36	Ward F. Moore '43
Gary F. Gurski '66	Douglas C. Reybold '32
Robert N. Hart '32	Joseph M. Rampona '25
James H. Hoffmire '46	Robert B. Schnur '35
Phillip W. Hoffmire '48	Bruce A. Sorrie '67
Edward J. Ignall '59	Charles C.W. Williams '32
John C. Kacandes '54	Thomas A. Wilson NC

IN MEMORIAM

Wendell H. Bennett '13
John William Campbell NC
John S. Hoffmire '16
John Paul Jones '13
Edward B. Kirby '24
Warwick McCutcheon '40
Refine L. Rossman '09

MOAKLEY COURSE HONOR ROLL..TOP 50

5-1/16 Miles

(1954)

1976

1.	Fischer, B.	CTC-1	25:05.0	1974	Bucknell/Rochester JV's
2.	P. Ritson	Cornell	25:08.2*	1971	Harvard
3.	Collins	Cornell	25:13.8*	1971	Colgate
4.	DeMarco	Cornell	25:19.6	1974	Yale
5.	Alitz	Army	25:25.6	1975	Cornell
6.	P. Ritson	Cornell	25:26.0n	1971	Colgate
7.	Spengler	Harvard	25:29.8*	1969	Cornell
8.	Wyckoff	Cornell	25:32.0	1976	Syracuse
9.	Moller	Rochester	25:34.0	1974	Cornell/Bucknell
10.	Fischer, B.	CTC	25:35.0	1974	Cornell/BCC/FLRC-JV
11.	Koerner	Harvard	25:35.0n	1969	Cornell
12.	Trujillo	Army	25:38.1	1973	Cornell
13.	DeMarco	Cornell	25:38.2	1973	Harvard
14.	O'Brian	Syracuse	25:39.0	1976	Cornell
15.	Alexander	Cornell	25:39.0n	1971	Harvard
16.	Colburn	Harvard	25:40.0n	1969	Cornell
17.	Campbell	Harvard	25:42.0	1975	Cornell
18.	Holm	Cornell	25:42.0n	1974	Bucknell/Rochester
19.	Rojas	Harvard	25:42.0n	1973	Cornell
20.	DeMarco	Cornell	25:43.0n	1973	Army
21.	Collins	Cornell	25:43.1	1973	Colgate
22.	DeMarco	Cornell	25:43.1	1973	Colgate
23.	Holm	CTC-2	25:44.0	1976	Cornell JV's
24.	Hellerer	Syracuse	25:45.0n	1976	Cornell
25.	Fitzsimmons	Harvard	25:45.0n	1975	Cornell

*...indicates former course record

n...indicates a non-winning time

FLRC...Finger Lakes Running Club

CTC...Chicago Track Club

CTC-2...Cornell Track Club

BEST TEAM TIMES RUN ON MOAKLEY COURSE

1.	2:08:53.8	CORNELL	1971	(Colgate)
		Collins	25:13.8	
		P. Ritson	25:26	
		Alexander	25:55	
		Cahill	25:59	
		DeMarco	26:20	
2.	2:09:21.8	HARVARD	1969	(Cornell)
3.	2:09:58.0	CORNELL	1975	(Harvard)
4.	2:10:11.0	SYRACUSE	1976	(Cornell)
5.	2:10:22.0	HARVARD	1975	(Cornell)
6.	2:10:40.2	CORNELL	1971	(Harvard)
7.	2:10:41.0	CORNELL	1976	(Syracuse)
8.	2:10:50.4	CORNELL	1971	(Army)

COACH'S COMMENTS

We had high hopes for the 1976 Cross Country team as we had some talented people returning from the 1975 squad and a number of talented incoming Freshmen. Those hopes were dashed by injuries and sickness. One talented newcomer went out for soccer rather than cross country. So with three and sometimes four of our top five men sidelined, we posted a 5 and 6 record. However, we did finish the season in fine style as we placed 15th in the ICAAAA meet and two of our men made ALL-EAST; Sophomore Peter Pfitzinger and Frosh Mike Wyckoff. Both of these men also qualified to represent District II of the NCAA at the NCAA championships in Denton, Texas on November 22nd where they made a good showing among 322 starters.

So we must look to 1977 to get us back to our winning ways. We should have a good group of people back from the 1976 team and if we can add some equally talented new men, we could be tough!

We opened the 1977 Indoor season in great style as we had many fine performances in the Syracuse Relays on December 4th. Brad Decker '80 equaled the Frosh Indoor high jump record of 6-6 and had a good looking jump at 6-8 and just missed. We set meet records in the distance medley relay (Predmore '80 1:55.3, Osborn '78 :49.5, McCarthy '78 3:04.0, and Washburn '78 4:15.4); mile relay (Braun '79 :50.4, McCray '79 :50.9, Green '79 :48.8, and Hall '78 :49.0 for 3:19.1); 880 relay (Braun 22.8, Raboy '80 :23.0, Francis '80 :21.7, and Hall :21.4 for 1:28.9). The two mile relay won in 7:42.0 (Pannell '79 1:56.7, Helling '79 1:58.2, McCarthy 1:53.1, and Figura '77 1:54.0). Our Shot Putt Relay won with 149-8 (Bruce '77 50-2 1/2, Revere '79 50-1 3/4, and Young '79 49-3 3/4). Craig Holm '76 (our grad assistant coach) ran an 8:52.2 two mile for a personal record. We ran four mile relay teams all of which ran 3:26.2 or better. Butch Soares '78 looked particularly impressive in leading off the JV two mile relay in a fine 1:56.2 and then came back to anchor the JV mile relay in :50.1 both personal records. Joe Bruce's 50-2 1/2 bettered his previous best by some 5 feet! Wyckoff '80 ran 9:19.8 in the two mile. So the track season looks quite promising. WE HOPE TO TAKE A GOOD SHOT AT THE HEPS TITLE THIS YEAR! Pfitzinger '79 has decided to forgo indoor track in favor of another love of his, cross country skiing. Pete ran 9:09.6 last year as a Frosh. Sophomore Jon Ritson who ran 9:06.6 as a Frosh has been troubled with a bad back and is questionable at the moment. His return to full health would also see our Heps stock take a jump.

Our annual Spring Trip plans are well underway. We hope to go to Texas for the Texas Relays on April 1 and 2, 1977 and then return via Chapel Hill, N.C. for the Carolina Relays on April 9th, returning to Ithaca on April 10th. I say we hope to make this trip...we will if we are successful in raising the \$9000 that we estimate the cost of transportation and housing for some 22 men. We hope to reach this goal through sales of T-shirts, jackets, shorts, bumper stickers, high school meet programs; through the dues that each team member pays; we have already earned \$300 for cleaning the stadium after the Colgate football game back in September when some 60 men turned out bright and early (8:00 AM) the next morning to do the cleaning job; through gifts from parents and friends; alumni gifts; and Moakley Fund interest.

CAN YOU HELP US? Send any contributions to us and made checks payable to Cornell University and earmark it for the Track Development Fund. ANY HELP WILL BE GREATLY APPRECIATED!

COACH'S COMMENTS (2)

These Spring trips are a very valuable part of our program in terms of development, competition, and also act as a very important recruiting aid.

Our next Indoor meet is scheduled to be our 10th Annual Cornell Invitation Meet here in Barton Hall on January 15th. It promises to be a very good meet with the likes of Penn State, Rutgers, Bucknell, and all of the Upstate New York Colleges. We will be at Army on January 29th and probably run some relays in the Millrose Games in New York the night before (28th).

INDOOR/OUTDOOR TRACK SCHEDULE

1977

January 15	Cornell Invitational	Ithaca
January 22	Ohio State, Pittsburgh	Columbus, Ohio
January 28	Millrose Games	New York
January 29	Army and Georgetown	West Point
February 6	Princeton Relays	Princeton
February 12	Yale	New Haven
February 19	Colgate and Syracuse	Ithaca
February 26	HEPTAGONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS	Ithaca
March 5 & 6	I.C.A.A.A.A. CHAMPIONSHIPS	Princeton
March 11 and 12	N.C.A.A. CHAMPIONSHIPS	Detroit
April 1 and 2	Texas Relays	Austin, Tx.
April 9	Carolina Relays	Chapel Hill, N.C.
April 16	Colgate	Hamilton
April 23	Pennsylvania	Ithaca
April 29 and 30	Penn Relays	Philadelphia
May 7	HEPTAGONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS	Philadelphia
May 20 and 21	I.C.A.A.A.A. CHAMPIONSHIPS	Philadelphia
May 27 and 28	U.S.T.F.F. CHAMPIONSHIPS	Wichita, Ks.
June 2, 3, and 4	N.C.A.A. CHAMPIONSHIPS	Champaign, Ill.
June ?	OXFORD-CAMBRIDGE	?

ALUMNI PROFILES

John T. Cederholm '64

Mr. Cederholm was a member of the cross country teams of 1960-63, and also of the track squad. He is married to Theresa Dickason Cederholm '67 and is a security analyst in the trust department of the New England Merchants Bank in Boston. Mr. Cederholm resumed running in excellent fashion in 1970 after having taken up skiing. His recent exploits include a victory in 1973 in the famous and extremely difficult Mt. Washington Road Race, a 51:30 10-mile, and a 2:24:27 marathon in 1975.

Donald J. McGinn '26

Mr. McGinn earned letters in cross country and as a miler in track at Cornell. He has been a professor of English at Rutgers Preparatory School, Rutgers University, and Georgian Court College. In 1929 and 1930 he was assistant coach of cross country and track under Coach Moakley. Mr. McGinn then coached cross country and track at Rutgers Prep., and one of his sprinters there, Robert E. Linders, later became captain of the Cornell track team in 1936. He is married to Margaret H. McGinn and has a son and a daughter.

H.E. Shackelton '19

Mr. Shackelton was a four year letterman in track and captained the team his junior year. He also participated and held office in numerous other activities while at Cornell, such as the CUCA Cabinet and the Student Council. A quote from Coach Moakley's review of the track season in the war year of 1918 reveals that "a great deal of the success of the team was due to the constant efforts of Captain Shackelton, who during the exceptionally cold winter months still kept the spirits of the men at a high pitch". The team won the Intercollegiates in Philadelphia that year despite training outdoors all winter. Mr. Shackelton presently resides in Ithaca and serves as Head Timer at Cornell track meets.

In Memoriam

Fredrick G. Duloff '30

Kenneth C. McClutcheon '15
Capt. 1915

Northwood G. Wright '28
Cornell 1949

Record Holder in 35[#] mt.

Joseph Pozzafsky '20

Funeral Services Held For Former CU Track Star

MILL VALLEY, Cal. — Services were held in the First United Methodist Church, San Rafael, Cal., for John S. Hoffmire Sr., 83, of The Redwoods, 40 Camino Alto, Mill Valley, who died June 25, 1976. Burial was in Fort Hill Cemetery, Auburn, N.Y.

Born in Trumansburg, he lived most of his life in Auburn.

A graduate of Cornell University, where he held the intercollegiate two-mile track record, he was on the team that tied the world record in the four-mile relay, and was captain of both the track and cross country teams.

Mr. Hoffmire formed the Hoffmire Co., which later became the Auburn Wood Products Co. He held several patents in the woodworking field.

After his retirement in 1961, he and his wife moved to Fairfax, and then in 1973, moved to the retirement home in Mill Valley.

He was a member of the First United Methodist Church of San Rafael, and Kiwanis International.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Barbara Hoffmire; two sons, John S. Hoffmire Jr. of Tiburon, and Philip Hoffmire of San Rafael; seven grandchildren; a sister, Miss Elvira Hoffmire of Syracuse; a nephew, Dr. James Hoffmire of Trumansburg.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Jack Moakley Fund For Track, Cornell University, Box 729, Ithaca.

Ithaca Journal
Sept. 23, 1976

Red harriers win

HAMILTON — The Cornell cross country team opened its season in impressive style Friday afternoon, defeating Colgate 17-45.

Three Cornellians finished in a tie for first place, sophomores Pete Pfitzinger and Jon Ritson, and freshman Mike Wyckoff. Their time of 26:20.8 is equal to the fifth fastest ever on the Colgate course.

Colgate's Bill Fisher prevented a shutout by finishing fourth, followed by Cornell's Dave Washburn, Andy Fischer, and Bill Buchholz.

Cornell's team time for its top five men is the second fastest ever on the Colgate course.

Colgate drops to 0-3, while Cornell off its opening win, looks ahead to next Friday when it hosts Syracuse 4-0, at Moakley.

1) Pfitzinger,	Cornell	26:20.8
Ritson,	Cornell	
Wyckoff,	Cornell	
4) Fisher,	Colgate	26:32
5) Washburn,	Cornell	26:39
6) Fischer,	Cornell	26:50
7) Buchholz,	Cornell	26:59
8) Carsky,	Colgate	27:06
9) Bucholz,	Cornell	27:07
10) Bainford,	Cornell	27:22

Ithaca Journal
Oct. 2, 1976

Wyckoff wins, but Red loses in cross country

Cornell's cross country team dropped its first dual meet of the season in perfect running conditions Friday afternoon at the Moakley course, losing to Syracuse, 25-30.

Syracuse is now 6-1; Cornell is 1-1.

But despite the loss, Cornell got an outstanding performance from freshman Mike Wyckoff, who was the state cross country Class B champion last fall, from South Seneca.

Wyckoff was only 27 seconds off the course record for the five-mile trek, clocking a 25:32.

Syracuse totalled its winning points on the basis of its strong second through fourth place sweep, with Bill O'Brien (25:39), Matt Hellerer (25:45), and Mike Borghard (25:52).

Peter Pfitzinger of Cornell was fifth, with a 25:59, followed by Brian Trippany of Syracuse, 26:06; John Ritson, Cornell, 26:13; Dave Washburn, Cornell, 26:27; Bob Bucholz, Cornell, 26:30; and Jerry Josselyn, Syracuse, 26:49.

Cornell will travel to West Point for a dual meet with Army next Friday.

Ithaca Journal
Oct. 9, 1976

Red runners bow at Army

Injuries and illness were evident as the Cornell varsity cross country team lost to Army 18-41 on the West Point Golf Course Friday afternoon.

Mike Wyckoff, a freshman, turned in the top performance for the Big Red with a third place finish in 26:21. Curt Alitz of Army won in 25:27, followed by teammate John Enright in 26:12.

Cornell missed Peter Pfitzinger, who was sidelined with illness, and Jon Ritson, out with a foot injury. Bart Petracca, returning after recovering from an ankle injury, finished well off the pace.

Bill Buchholz finished seventh for Cornell in 27 minutes, while teammate Andrew Fisher was eighth six seconds later. Rounding out the Big Red scoring was Jeff Chernak in 14th and captain Dave Washington in 16th.

Cornell is now 1-2 for the season while Army is 3-3.

Kevin Callanan paced the Cornell javees to a sweep over Army 25-30 and Cobleskill 18-45. Army beat Cobleskill 18-45. Callanan finished first in 27:54 to help the Cornell javees boost their record to 4-0 for the year.

Army 18, Cornell 41
1 - Curt Alitz (A) 25:27, 2 - John Enright (A) 26:12, 3 - Mike Wyckoff (C) 26:21, 4 - Matt Stavish (A) 26:42, 5 - Marty Moratz (A) 26:48, 6 - Richard Bega (A) 26:56, 7 - Bill Buchholz (C) 27:00, 8 - Andrew Fisher (C) 27:06, 9 - Paul Buckout (A) 27:10, 10 - Mark Jacobson (A) 27:18.

Cornell JV 25, Army JV 30; Cornell JV 18, Cobleskill 45; Army JV 18, Cobleskill 45.

1 - Kevin Callanan (C) 27:54, 2 - Joe Baker (A) 27:58, 3 - Roger Montanez (A) 28:01, 4 - Don Schrader (Cob) 28:04, 5 - Tom McCarthy (C) 28:05, 6 - Scott Walter (C) 28:11, 7 - Fran Tomasic (C) 28:13, 8 - John Finke (A) 28:23, 9 - Ray Thomas (A) 28:25, 10 - Steve Nojeim (C) 28:28.

Ithaca Journal
Oct. 16, 1976

Red runners win 3; lose 2

EASTON, PA.—Cornell's cross country team defeated three teams here Friday, but lost to two others.

It defeated Iona, 15-50; Seton Hall, 15-46; and Lafayette, 16-47. But it bowed to Columbia, 21-34, and St. John's, 19-42.

Mike Wyckoff, South Seneca High grad, did best for the Red, finishing third in 26:07 for the 5 miles. Paul Heck, Columbia's All-American, was first in 25:21, followed by Dave Callaghan of St. John's in 25:44.

Other top Red finishers were Dave Washburn, 12th; Bill Buchholz, 13th; Bob Buchholz, 16th; Andy Fischer, 18th; and Kevin Callanan, 21st.

St. John's dominated the competition

Ithaca Journal
Oct. 25, 1976

Yale tops Red harriers

The injury-plagued Cornell cross country team saw its record drop to 4-5 on the season with a 25-31 loss to Yale Saturday morning at Moakley.

Cornell's Mike Wyckoff continued on outstanding season with the individual win, but Yale's Peter Wehrwein, Dan Schlesinger, Bill Cook, and Martin Osborne captured the next four spots to close the door on the Big Red.

Cornell captured the next five spots, with Jon Ritson sixth, returning to action for the first time in three weeks. Bob Bucholz, Bill Buchholz, Andy Fischer and Dave Washburn rounded out the top ten.

Big Red Coach Jack Warner hopes to have his team at full strength this weekend with the return of Peter Pfitzinger, and a week of work for Ritson,

and freshmen Bart Petracca and John Baker, as the squad travels to Bucknell in a triangular with Rochester.

Bucknell, defending college division IC4A champion, is 10-0 on the season, while Rochester is 7-1.

The top ten:

1) Mike Wyckoff	(C)	25:53
2) Peter Wehrwein	(Y)	25:55
3) Dan Schlesinger	(Y)	26:14
4) Bill Cook	(Y)	26:34
5) Martin Osborne	(Y)	26:43
6) Jon Ritson	(C)	26:52
7) Bob Bucholz	(C)	27:02
8) Bill Bucholz	(C)	27:08
9) Andy Fischer	(C)	27:08
1) Dave Washburn	(C)	27:08

1) Mike Wyckoff	(C)	25:53
2) Peter Wehrwein	(Y)	25:55
3) Dan Schlesinger	(Y)	26:14

Nov. 1, 1976

Red runners split meet

Running its best team race of the season, the Cornell cross country team split decisions with Bucknell and Rochester in a three-way meet Saturday at Lewisburg, Pa.

The Red lost to the host Bisons, 17-40, and beat Rochester 17-44, to finish the dual meet season at 5-6.

The Cornell team time for five men was the fastest ever by a visitor to the 5.2 mile Bucknell course, as the Big Red pushed Bucknell — 12-0 and the defending college division IC4A champion — to the fastest time ever on the course.

Cornell's outstanding freshman, Mike Wyckoff, continued his impressive season, finishing fourth to three Bucknell runners in 25:25, 30 seconds under the previous fastest time ever run by a freshman on the course. Sophs Peter Pfitzinger and Jon Ritson were both within 15 seconds of Wyckoff, finishing seventh and eighth.

as the Big Red appear to be shaking the injuries that hampered them earlier in the season.

The race was tight all the way, with only 45 seconds separating the top 14 runners, eight from Bucknell and six from Cornell.

Wyckoff, Pfitzinger, Ritson, Washburn and Buchholz gave Cornell five of the top six places against Rochester, which was ranked eighth in New York State entering the meet.

Cornell will look ahead to Friday's Heptagonal championships in New York

1. George Buckheit (B) 25:13
2. Mike McCoy (B) 25:19
3. Bob Bickle (B) 25:24
4. Mike Wyckoff (C) 25:25
5. John Mohrbacher (B) 25:27
6. Lee Edmonds (B) 25:30
7. Peter Pfitzinger (C) 25:34
8. Jon Ritson (C) 25:37
9. Jamie Kempton (B) 25:44
10. Dave Smith (R) 25:51
11. Dave Washburn (C) 25:53
12. Bill Buchholz (C) 25:56
13. Bill Turley (B) 25:57
14. Wayne Bargiel (B) 25:58
15. Bob Bucholz (C) 26:07

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Red finishes 8th in Heps

Princeton edged Harvard to win the Heptagonal Cross Country championships at Van Cortlandt Park in New York City Friday.

Both teams placed three runners in the top 10 but the Tigers won with 65 points to Harvard's 71.

Curt Alitz of Army was the individual winner in 24.13 while Tim Cummings was second in 24:50.

Cornell, paced by Mike Wyckoff, who was 20th in 25:24, finished eighth in the 10 team standings.

Other Cornell scoring included John Ritson, 33rd, 25:50; Dave Washburn, 39th, 25:57; Bill Buchholz, 52nd, 26:15; and Andy Fisher, 54th in 26.18.

Team Results: Princeton 65, Harvard 71, Dartmouth 84, Penn 86, Navy 106, Army 141, Columbia 189, Cornell 196, Yale 213, and Dartmouth 262.

Individual Top Ten. Curt Alitz, Army 24:13, Tim Cummings, Navy, 24:50; Bruce Bond, Princeton, 24:51; Dean Stevens, Dartmouth, 24.56; Jim Cabell, Princeton 24:58; Reed Eichner, Harvard 24.59, Steve Raffo, Harvard, 25.00, Pete Fitzsimmons, Harvard, 25.02; Bob Duncan, Dartmouth, 25.02 and Gary Koymans, Princeton 25.05.

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Pfitzinger, Wyckoff sparkle in IC4As

THE BRONX — Cornell cross country runners Mike Wyckoff and Peter Pfitzinger earned All-East honors Monday, following the 68th running of the IC4A championships at Van Cortlandt Park here.

Pfitzinger, a sophomore from Pittsford, finished 21st in a field of 185 runners, while Wyckoff, a freshman from Lodi, took 24th. The top 25 runners earn All-East honors.

Army's Curt Alitz added the IC4A crown to his trophy shelf, following his Heptagonal win last week, covering the five-mile distance in 23:58. Northeastern's John Flora was second, four seconds behind Alitz.

Harvard placed four men in the top 20, to gain the team title, with 134 points. Villanova was three points behind, while Georgetown and Princeton were tied for third. Cornell finished 15th, in a field of 26 teams. Other Cornell finishes included Jon Ritson 81st, Dave Washburn 100th and Bart Petracca 118th.

Pfitzinger and Wyckoff's performances were extra special for the Red, as the third and fourth individual qualifiers from NCAA District 2 get to compete in the NCAA University Division championships at Denton, Tex., next week.

The top 12 individual finishers from District 2, from the IC4A finish, qualify for the nationals.

In the 15th annual College Division competition,

Frank Richardson of MIT won the individual title in 25:05.8. Steve Facus of Bloomsburg State was second in 25:07; and Steve Thorne of Lehigh was third, in 25:16.

Lehigh took the College Division team title with 93 points, followed by Fairleigh Dickinson 106, Delaware 107, Bates 203 and Springfield 223.

TEAM RESULTS

1. Harvard 134
2. Villanova 137
3. Georgetown and Princeton 157
5. Dartmouth 164
6. Northeastern 170
7. Navy 196
8. UMass 222
9. Rutgers 231
10. Bucknell 271
11. Penn 286
12. Army 290
13. Columbia 314
14. St. John's 335
15. Cornell 340
16. UConn 393
17. Manhattan 467
18. Holy Cross 481
19. Syracuse 515
20. Yale 551
21. West Virginia 569

INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

1. Curt Alitz, Army, 23:58 (five-mile course);
2. John Flora, Northeastern, 24:02;
3. Jim Peterson, Georgetown, 24:05;
4. Bruce Bickford, Northeastern, 24:08;
5. Jeff Campbell, Harvard, 24:28;
6. Dean Stephens, Dartmouth, 24:34;
7. Peter Fitzsimmons, Harvard, 24:35;
8. Bob Flora, Northeastern, 24:37;
9. Claude Barron, Navy, 24:38;
10. Kevin McCarey, Villanova, 24:39;
11. Stein Rafto, Harvard, 24:40;
12. John McGrail, UMass, 24:41;
13. Dave Dobrzyneki, Georgetown, 24:42;
14. Ed Taylor, Rutgers, 24:43;
15. Bruce Clark, UConn, 24:45;
16. Tim Cummings, Navy, 24:47;
17. George Buckheit, Bucknell, 24:57;
18. Carey Pinkowski, Villanova, 24:59;
19. Jim Hopkins, Rutgers, 25:01;
20. Reed Eichner, Harvard, 25:02;
21. Peter Pfitzinger, Cornell, 25:05

Red runners in nationals

Cornell distance runners Peter Pfitzinger and Mike Wyckoff travel this weekend to Denton, Tex., for Monday's NCAA Division I cross country championship.

The pair earned their spot in the field Monday afternoon at the IC4A Championship in New York as the third and fourth individual qualifiers from NCAA District 2.

Pfitzinger's 21st place finish, and Wyckoff's 24th in the race also gave the pair All-East honors for the Fall.

Pfitzinger's effort Monday highlighted a season long comeback. Finishing in a tie for first against Colgate in the team's season opener, Pfitzinger, a sophomore from Pittsford, then struggled through a

series of nagging injuries and illnesses that caused him to miss several meets.

Wyckoff, a freshman from Lodi, capped off the finest season ever by a Cornell freshman, having earlier recorded wins against Syracuse and Yale as well as the tie with Colgate. Wyckoff's winning time against Syracuse was the seventh fastest ever on Cornell's Moakley Course in the 20-year use of the course.

Monday's race is at North Texas State. The University of Texas at El Paso will defend their team title, while U.S. Olympian Craig Virgin of Illinois defends his individual crown.

Army tops poll

The Cadets of West Point ended a season long climb to first by being voted the number one cross country team in New York State in the final poll of the state's coaches.

The top New York team at the IC4A and Heptagonals, the Cadets were voted first on eleven of twelve ballots. Army was led during the season by individual IC4A and Heps champion Curt Alitz. This fall was also the first season at West Point for head coach John Randolph.

Columbia was voted second, with one first place vote, while St. John's climbed from seventh to third after some outstanding late season performances.

Manhattan, hit hard all season long by injury, was down three spots to fourth, while Cornell remained fifth. Syracuse, off a disappointing 19th place finish at the IC4A, was down three spots to sixth, with Fordham down one spot to seventh.

Rochester remained the top college division team in the state in eighth, while Marist and Brockport were unchanged in the final two positions.

The voting (first place votes in parentheses):

1. Army (11)	119
2. Columbia (1)	107
3. St. John's	90
4. Manhattan	84
5. Cornell	75
6. Syracuse	50
7. Fordham	49
8. Rochester	42
9. Marist	19
10. Brockport	10
Others receiving votes: Adelphi, Colgate, C.W. Post.	

NCAA cross country

Red runners get 133, 152

DENTON, Tex. (AP) — Illinois cross-country All-American Craig Virgin learned Monday at the 38th NCAA championships that United States runners need to be more aggressive, when they compete against foreign competitors.

Virgin was a distant third behind Kenyans Henry Rono and Samson Kimombwa of Washington State in competition over the six mile, 334-yard course at the Denton Country Club.

Texas-El Paso successfully defended its team title with four runners in the top 15. Wilson Wiaigma and Sammy Maritim, both Kenyans, had the best finishes for the champions with Wiaigma sixth and Maritim eighth.

"Last year I beat 'em all," said Virgin. "I don't want my comments to be taken as sour grapes but I just got a taste of my own medicine. Their buddy system was a super performance."

Two Cornell runners did well.

Peter Pfitzinger, from Pittsford near Rochester in Section 5, had a 30:15 clocking for the 10,000-meter course. He finished 133rd.

Pfitzinger, who has done well all year for the Red, is a sophomore.

Mike Wyckoff, a freshman from Lodi and a graduate of South Seneca High, took 152nd, with a time of 30:29.

There was a total of 322 runners in the meet.

Pfitzinger, Wyckoff and coach Jack Warner flew back Monday night to Ithaca.

DENTON, Tex. (AP) — Here are the top 20 finishers in Monday's NCAA Cross Country, plus the team totals:

1. Henry Rono, Washington State, 28 minutes, 6.6 seconds. 2. Samson Kimombwa, Washington State, 28:16.78. 3. Craig Virgin, Illinois, 28:26.53. 4. Herb Lindsay, Michigan State, 28:30.69. 5. Wilson Wiaigma, Texas-El Paso, 28:39.00. 6. O'Shaughnessy, Arkansas, 28:43.16. 7. Sammy Maritim, Texas-El Paso, 28:46.37. 8. Rudy Chapa, Oregon, 28:49.58. 9. James Munyala, Texas-El Paso, 28:52.79. 10. James Peterson Georgetown, 28:54.25. 11. Joshua Kimeto, Washington State, 28:55.70. 12. Thom Hunt, Arizona, 28:57.16. 13. Bruce Bickford, Northeastern, 28:58.62. 13. Kip Sirma, Texas-El Paso, 29:0.07. 14. Terry Williams, Oregon, 29:3.07. 15. Arthur Redhair, Brigham Young, 29:3.07. 16. Terry Cotton, Arizona, 29:4.61. 17. Greg Meyer, Michigan, 29:6.14. 18. George Malley, Penn State, 29:7.68. 19. John Flora, Northeastern, 29:9.22. 20. Robert Hodge, Lowell 29:10.42.

Team Scoring — 1. Texas-El Paso, 63, 2. Oregon, 117, 3. Washington State, 179, 4. Brigham Young, 182, 5. Illinois 227, 6. Tennessee 280, 7. Arizona, 324, 8. San Diego State, 361, 9. Providence, 371, 10. Arkansas, 373, 11. Wisconsin, 379, 12. Kentucky, 409, 13. Penn State, 410, 14. Western Kentucky, 424, 15. Rutgers, 431, 16. Georgetown, 437, 17. Maryland, 445, 18. Michigan, 456, 19. Boise State, 457, 20. Colorado 471, 21. Villanova, 486, 22. East Tennessee, 501, 23. Harvard, 505, 24. Alabama, 519, 25. Navy, 545, 26. Eastern Michigan, 552, 27. Iowa State, 565, 28. Princeton, 610, 29. SMU, 619, 31. Rice, 671, 32. Dartmouth, 692, 33. Oklahoma, 783, 34. McNeese State.

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