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Pete Pfitzinger '79 Leads the Big Red to a 22 - 39 Victory Over Army on the Moakley Course. (Photo by Dr. V. Pockcastle)

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### DEDICATION

We of the Spiked Shoe Society  
of Cornell University  
dedicate this issue  
of the Wastebasket to

Ed Ratkowski '35

As both an athlete and a coach, Ed Ratkowski contributed extensively to the track program here at Cornell University.

As an athlete, Ed compiled a fine record competing primarily as a high jumper, quarter miler, and running an occasional hurdle race. After getting a start as a prodigious high schooler in the town of Dunkirk, New York, Ed entered Cornell as an undergrad in the fall of 1931. While here he won numerous awards for his athletic prowess not the least of which were three gold medals in the Polish Olympics of 1934 held in Warsaw.

After graduation from the College of Agriculture in 1935, Ed worked for two years in his father's plumbing firm before assuming the position of assistant track coach under the immortal Jack Bakley in 1937. In his 13 seasons as a coach, Ed had a hand in producing such fine athletes as Walter Ashbaugh, Charles Moore, Meredith Gourdine, and the 1939 Heptagonal Games championship team. Ed is remembered by his contemporaries to be both a fine coach and a true gentleman.

Still a resident of Ithaca, Ed and his wife Alice make their home on Buffalo St. downtown. Both friends and acquaintances of Ed will be relieved to know that after a serious spell of poor health, Ed is well on his way to recovery.

The Spiked Shoe Society of Cornell University salutes Ed Ratkowski for his contributions to the track program here at Cornell and wishes both he and his wife future years filled with great happiness.



## SEASON SUMMARY

Benefiting from the return of a large number of experienced upperclassmen plus the addition of several track runners and a solid group of freshmen, the 1977 Cornell cross country team completed the season with a very commendable record.

With a large number of candidates this year, cuts were very competitive, and the final squad included over 40 runners. The Big Red harriers began their long drive for the Nationals with an easy win over Colgate, 20-42, as the great extent of team depth quickly became apparent. Sophomore Mike Wyckoff led the pack for Cornell, placing second in the meet.

The following week Cornell routed Syracuse, 17-46. Junior Dave Pannell, making a timely comeback after not running cross country his sophomore year, tied for first with junior Pete Pfitzinger for the Big Red. Only 13 seconds separated Cornell's top five men.

Then in a very satisfying meet Cornell soundly defeated Army 22-39, as Cornell took 7 of the top 10 places. Pete Pfitzinger was top man for the Big Red, finishing second behind All-American Curt Alitz.

The next weekend, Cornell travelled to the Bronx for a six-way meet in a cold rain. Hopes of an undefeated dual-meet season were ended as the Big Red suffered a loss of hands of St. John's 24-31, but Cornell handily defeated Columbia (23-32), Lafayette (15-49), Seton Hall (19-42), and Iona (15-50). Mike Wyckoff placed second behind St. John's harrier Dave Callaghan to lead Cornell.

The Cornell harriers then took a break from the dual-meet season to compete in the Lehigh Invitational, featuring over 100 runners and 17 teams. The Big Red placed 6th, paced by Wyckoff who took 13th place. Cornell ran without resting Pete Pfitzinger, but some of the slack was taken up by sophomore Dan Predmore who moved up to fourth man. Predmore, a miler in track trying his hand at cross country for the first time, showed steady and rapid improvement until he was forced to the sidelines by an arm operation after this meet.

To close out the dual-meet season Cornell faced Bucknell and Rochester at home. The Big Red harriers had no trouble with Rochester, winning 19-42, but Bucknell proved to be a more formidable foe as the Bisons prevailed 20-35. Mike Wyckoff in third was the top Cornell man. Cornell finished the dual-meet season with an impressive 8-2 record, plus the junior varsity was undefeated in 7 meets.

The following week Cornell, with hopes for the title, placed a disappointing fifth in the Heps. However, both Pete Pfitzinger and Mike Wyckoff ran very well in the 10-team meet, finishing 5th and 6th respectively. These performances earned them All-Ivy status.

In the IC4A meet the next week the Cornell harriers finished an impressive 7th out of 37 teams in the Championship division. Especially satisfying was the fact that Cornell defeated all the other Heps teams in the meet. But besides this, Cornell's performance earned it the right to be one of the six teams to represent District 11 (middle Atlantic states) in the NCAA meet.



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1978 CAPTAIN-ELECT

The 1978 Cross Country Captain will be: Pete Pfitzinger '79 from Pittsford, N.Y.

Pete has been our top runner for the past two years and will be an excellent leader of what should be an excellent team next fall. Pete was the 1977 Heptagonal Games 10,000 meters Champion and ran an 8:58.9 in the Indoor Heptagonals in 1977. He is developing very well as one of the top distance runners in the East. He has been named to the ALL-EAST CROSS COUNTRY TEAM for two years straight and was also named ALL-IVY this year. He was ALL-IVY in both Indoor and Outdoor track in 1977.

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CAPTAIN'S COMMENTS

Taking everything into consideration, the 1977 cross country season was a most enjoyable one. It was enjoyable mainly because of the great team attitude and the considerable measure of success achieved this year. Although it was basically a young team, there was a surprising amount of maturity, confidence, and togetherness exhibited by the team members. The season was also definitely made pleasurable by the fact that the junior varsity was undefeated, the varsity was 8-2 in dual meets, and we defeated all Heps teams in the IC4As and qualified for the Nationals. While this year's campaign may definitely be termed a successful one, I can see nothing but improvement for the team in the next few seasons because a very strong group will be returning. I wish Coach Warner and the team the greatest success in the coming seasons and thank them for a most memorable four years.



## IN DAYS OF YORE by Hunt Bradley '26

DO YOU KNOW THAT.....Joe Mangan '34, while attending the Cornell Law School, won the Wanamaker Mile in the 1936 Millrose Games in 4.11 defeating Kansan Glenn Cunningham and Penn's Gene Venzke by two feet..... Charlie Moore '51 at the 1951 same games won the Sheppard "600" in 1.13.2 and ran a 49.1 third leg on the Cornell mile relay victory over Georgetown Army and Navy (3.22) .....Dave Caldwell '41, IC4A half mile champ and record-holder (1;53.8) in 1914, won the Millrose "600", as it was then known, in 1916 (1.14) and the following year set a world's indoor 1000 yd. record of 2.15 on a 10 lap Armory track in Boston....At the 3rd Annual IC4A Indoor meet (relays both track and field) held in Philadelphia, March 1917, a feature was the one mile graduates relay in which Cornell (Howard Ingersoll '15, Morris Taylor '16, Allan F. Van Winkle '16 and Dave Caldwell '14) placed third, Penn winning in 3.34 with anchorman, Olympic champion (800 meters) and worlds record-holder of the 440 and 880, Ted Meredith '16 coming from behind with a sensational sprint.

JACK MOAKLEY FUND - \$68,000

FINE FORWARD PROGRESS! -due to the great team spirit of 340 track alumni (many repeaters) plus 13 friends, 22 corporation-foundations, and 15 memorial gifts. Sincere thanks to one and all!

1978 is an extra special year for Cornell Track - the Oxford-Cambridge meet in England next June! To finance Cornell's share of the expense - approximately \$15,000 - our February appeal letter urges this year's gifts to the fund be designated for the Oxford-Cambridge trip, thus conserving the Capital Fund which will provide some \$4,500 of income towards the total. The unexpended balance of gift receipts will revert to the Capital Fund and we will be back on the program for increasing aid fund in 1979.

This is a wonderful experience as all who have made the trip in the past will testify, ( I know - I managed the 1926 team)! Our Committee, the entire track squad and the University Officials will be most appreciative of our track family's support for this major Cornell Track feature.

Hunt Bradley, Chairman

COACH'S COMMENTS

The 1977 Cross Country season was a very successful one and it was great to get back on the winning track with a fine 8 and 2 season after a couple of losing campaigns. The two teams that beat us, St. Johns and Bucknell were fine teams. We did manage revenge on Bucknell in the IC4A meet, however. The 5th place at the HEPS was disappointing to us all, as we feel that we should have won it. A week later at the IC4A we beat all of the HEPS teams. We had great team balance all season long but broke down a bit in the Championship meet. I was particularly pleased with our fine comeback in the IC4A meet. We knew that he could and would run better than we did in the HEPS. In fact we ran well enough to be selected to represent our District 11 in the NCAA meet at Spokane, Wash.

Pfitzinger and Wyckoff ran very well in the NCAA, showing that the experience they gained by running in the 1976 NCAA meet at Denton, Texas, paid off. As a team we did not fare as well. The experience should make us a much better team in 1978. It is important to get that type of competition so that we are not in awe of it in the future. I am confident that the 1978 team will be even better.

We looked good in our first indoor meet, the Cornell Relays on December 10th as we won all 14 events and in several cases even getting 2nd places with a "B" team. We should be particularly strong in the dashes, long sprints, middle distance, and distance events, as well as the weights, high jump, and horizontal jumps. Our relays should be strong and we should see some new Cornell records in the relays. Our next meet is the Cornell Invitation meet on 14 January. A few men will run in the Dartmouth Relays on the same date. We will be on vacation then so some will compete in meets closer to their homes rather than return a week early for our own Invitation meet at their own expense. We then launch an ambitious series of meets with a trip to Columbus, Ohio on January 21st to meet Ohio State and Michighn State in a real toughie. Our trip out there last year to meet Ohio State and Pitt proved to be a great meet for us even though we did fall just short of winning in a real close, hard fought battle. This type of competition makes us all tougher!

Our Spring trip this year will take us to the Univ. of Virginia for a dual meet on March 21st, and then on to North Carolina State for the Atlantic Coast Relays on March 25th.

CALIFORNIANS TAKE NOTE: We plan on flying out to the Bay area for the Spring break in 1979 to compete in the Stanford Invitation meet on March 19th and the San Jose Relays on March 26th! We hope that we will be able to see many of you while we are there! Any help that you can give us in the way of financial assistance would be greatly appreciated. The team looks forward to the trip and it is already a big aid in our recruiting efforts. The fact that we are making at least one real good trip per year, is a big selling point in our recruiting!

CROSS COUNTRY DINNER AT THE VARNA COMMUNITY CHURCH! Yes, we still have our dinner at the Varna Church, and yes, the team still walks out there. As far as we can determine the dinner on Dec. 3rd this year was about the 56th year that we have carried on this great tradition. The cost of the dinner continues to rise for obvious reasons, but it is well worth it as it is a great meal and a great tradition! We had 40 people there this year, and the total cost of the dinner was \$170.00, paid for by the athletes themselves (the athletes pay a surcharge in addition to help pay the cost of the guests). We would like to raise the necessary cash to pay for the dinner without making the athletes pay for their own dinner as well as the guests. We have hit upon an idea that may do the job for us. We hope to have each team member get one person to pledge 1¢ per mile for each mile taat the athlete logs during the entire cross country season between September 1st and the end of the season. This could come to between \$7.00 and \$12.00 per pledge. They will seek pledges from their parents, friends, fraternities, living units, merchants, etc. If you would like to help, please let us know.

In June of 1978, we make our trip to England once again to compete against Oxford-Cambridge in Oxford on Sunday, June 18th. We then have tentative plans to meet Birmingham, a team in Edinburgh, and one or more teams in Ireland as well as perhaps another team in England. It promises to be another great experience for our athletes. The competition for places on that team will be fierce as both Penn and Cornell will have fine teams. There will be some fine athletes left home unfortunately. We do hope that we will have a good share of the athletes on the team.

CAN WE WIN THE INDOOR HEPS FOR THE SECOND TIME IN SUCCESSION IN 1978? We think that we have an excellent chance and will be in there "battling" to make Cornell history (we have never won it back-to-back). It should be a highly competitive and great meet as there should be at least 6 or 7 teams that have a shot at it. The league has balanced out quite a bit now and that makes it far more interesting.

Speaking of the HEPS, the movement to take it away from us has finally succeeded, the 1979 INDOOR HEPS will be held at Dartmouth. They tell us that it will then return to Cornell in 1980, and then go to Princeton in 1981. This has disappointed us very much because Bob Kane brought the meet here in 1952 when it was on the verge of extinction and made it a huge success. The other schools have fine new facilities but I wonder about the size of the crowd that they can muster and as a result the financial future of the meet. Time will tell I suppose. Still it is a sad thing for us. It has always been a great, well run meet here at Cornell. It has been something of a social affair for many of our spectators for years now.

THE TRACK LOCKER ROOM; During the Summer of 1977 we did some "sprucing-up" of the locker room and weight room (the old Frosh locker room). Coaches Markowski, Warner, and athletes Dave Pannell and Mike Totta combined forces and painted the entire weight room (Markowski, Pannell and Totta) with white ceilings and red walls, and the main locker room received new grey paint on the floor and we painted the grey lockers red which really made it look great. The walls were not done in the main locker room because they need much plastering work done. Coach Markowski painted the office by himself and made it look 100% better. We feel we have a real class operation here and we wanted to look the part as well. We also rearranged many of the pictures on our "Walls of Fame". Many were moved into the weight room adding much class to it's appearance. The walls are pretty well covered with your pictures dating as far back as 1903 or so. It just reaks with tradition which is very impressive.



1978 INDOOR/OUTDOOR TRACK SCHEDULE

January 14	Cornell Invitational	Ithaca
January 21	Ohio State and Michigan State	Columbus
January 28	Army	Ithaca
February 5	Princeton Relays	Princeton
February 12	Yale	Ithaca
February 18	Syracuse and Colgate	Syracuse
February 25	Heptagonal Championships	Ithaca
March 3 and 4	IC4A Championships	Princeton
March 11 and 12	NCAA Championships	Detroit
March 21	Virginia	Charlottesville
March 25	Atlantic Coast Relays	Raleigh, N.C.
April 8	Carolina Relays	Chapel Hill, N.C.
April 15	Colgate	Ithaca
April 22	Pennsylvania	Philadelphia
April 28 and 29	Penn Relays	Philadelphia
May 5 and 6	Heptagonal Championships	West Point
May 20 and 21	IC4A Championships	Philadelphia
May 26 and 27	USTFF Championships	Wichita
June 1, 2, and 3	NCAA Championships	Eugene, Oregon

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1.	Fischer, B.	Chicago TC	25:05.0	1974	Bucknell/Rochester JV's
2.	P.Ritson	Cornell	25:08.2*	1971	Harvard
3.	Buckheit	Bucknell	25:12.8	1977	Cornell/Rochester
4.	Collins	Cornell	25:13.8*	1971	Colgate
5.	DeMarco	Cornell	25:19.6	1974	Yale
6.	Alitz	Army	25:25.6	1975	Cornell
7.	P.Ritson	Cornell	25:26.0n	1971	Colgate
8.	Spengler	Harvard	25:29.8*	1969	Cornell
9.	Alitz	Army	25:30.0	1977	Cornell
10.	Wyckoff	Cornell	25:32.0	1976	Syracuse
11.	Moller	Rochester	25:34.0	1974	Cornell/Bucknell
12.	Fischer, B.	Chicago TC	25:35.0	1974	Cornell/BCC/FIRC-JV's
13.	Koerner	Harvard	25:35.0n	1969	Cornell
14.	Bickel	Bucknell	25:36.6n	1977	Cornell/Rochester
15.	Trujillo	Army	25:38.1	1973	Cornell
16.	DeMarco	Cornell	25:38.2	1973	Harvard
17.	O'Brian	Syracuse	25:39.0	1976	Cornell
18.	Alexander	Cornell	25:39.0n	1971	Harvard
19.	Colburn	Harvard	25:40.0n	1969	Cornell
20.	Campbell	Harvard	25:42.0	1975	Cornell
21.	Holm	Cornell	25:42.0n	1974	Bucknell/Rochester
22.	Rojas	Harvard	25:42.0n	1973	Cornell
23.	DeMarco	Cornell	25:43.0	1973	Army
24.	Wyckoff	Cornell	25:43.0n	1977	Bucknell/Rochester
25.	Collins	Cornell	25:43.1	1973	Colgate

BEST TEAM TIMES ON MOAKLEY COURSE  
Cornell University

11/77

1.	2:08:53.2	CORNELL	1971	Colgate
		Collins	25:13.8	
		P.Ritson	25:26.0	
		Alexander	25:55.0	
		Cahill	25:59.0	
		DeMarco	26:20.0	
2.	2:09:21.8	HARVARD	1969	Cornell
3.	2:09:43.2	BUCKNELL	1977	Cornell
4.	2:09:47.0	BUCKNELL	1974	Cornell
5.	2:09:58.0	CORNELL	1975	Harvard
6.	2:10:11.00	SYRACUSE	1976	Cornell
7.	2:10:22.0	HARVARD	1975	Cornell
8.	2:10:40.2	CORNELL	1971	Harvard
9.	2:10:41.0	CORNELL	1976	Syracuse
10.	2:10:50.4	CORNELL	1971	Army

September 24, 1977

## Cornell harriers whip Colgate

Bill Fisher of Colgate finished first in the race, but Cornell took the next five places to easily defeat the Red Raiders in a cross country meet held on the Moakley course Friday. The Big Red won the meet, 20-42.

Cornell is now 1-0.

Cornell was led by Mike Wyckoff, who finished the five-mile course second in 26:31. Fisher won the meet in 26:18.

Cornell's Pete Pfitzinger was third in 26:37, followed by Doug Calby (26:40), Andy Fischer (26:44), and Bob Bucholz (26:46).

Cornell also won the jayvee meet, 15-50.

### CORNELL 20, COLGATE 42

1-Fisher, Col., 26:18; 2-Wyckoff, C., 26:31; 3-Pfitzinger, C., 26:37; 4-Calby, C., 26:40; 5-Fischer, C., 26:44; 6-Bucholz, C., 26:46; 7-Scott, C., 26:49; 8-Lewis, Col., 26:56; 9-McDonald, C., 26:58; 10-Hanss, C., 27:09.

From the  
Ithaca Journal

October 3, 1977

## Red harriers rout Syracuse

Cornell cross country runners won their second straight when they beat Syracuse U, 17-46, at Drumlins, Syracuse, Saturday. They'll run Army over the Moakley course Friday.

Ithacan Dave Pannell and Pittsford's Pete Pfitzinger finished first together over the 5 1/4-mile course. Mike Wyckoff, pride of Lodi, placed third.

Pannell and Pfitzinger were timed in 28:09.

In a companion race the Cornell jayvees beat the Orange, 15-50.

1-Peter Pfitzinger, C., 28:09; and Dave Pannell, C., 28:09; 3-Mike Wyckoff, C., 28:12; 4-Neal Rosenbled, S., 28:18; 5-Dave Washburn, C., 28:20; 6-Doug Calby, C., 28:22; 7-Duncan Scott, C., 28:28; 8-Andy Fischer, C., 28:39; 9-Jeff Chernak, C., 28:47; 10-Josselyn, S., 28:54.

October 22, 1977

## Cornell harriers lose first

THE BRONX — Cornell's cross country team lost its first dual meet of the season, 24-31, to St. John's, here in rainy and cold conditions at Van Cortlandt Park Friday.

The loss, which gave Cornell a 7-1 mark, came as part of a six-team meet where dual meet totals were computed for each pair.

Cornell won the other four "meets within a meet," taking Columbia, 23-32; beating Lafayette, 15-49; Seton Hall, 19-42; and Iona, 15-50.

Dave Callaghan of St. John's was the individual winner, with a time of 25:23.

Mike Wyckoff, the South Seneca grad,

took second for Cornell, with a time of 25:31. Two other high finishing Cornell runners were Peter Pfitzinger, who took fourth with a 25:35, and Andy Fisher, who took seventh, with 25:58.

The Cornell runners have a week off. They won't see action until one week from today, in the Lehigh Invitational.

### Individual results

1. Dave Callaghan (St. John's) 25:23; five miles; 2. Mike Wyckoff (Cornell) 25:31; 3. Ross Donahue (St. John's) 25:34; 4. Peter Pfitzinger (Cornell) 25:35; 5. Carmody (St. John's) 25:42; 6. Carankowski (Seton Hall) 25:53; 7. Andy Fisher (Cornell) 25:58; 8. Harden (St. John's) 26:00; 9. Johns (St. Johns) 26:07; 10. McNally (Columbia) 26:11.  
Other Cornell finishes: 13. Doug Calby, 26:14; 17. Dave Washburn, 26:22; 18. Dan Predmore, 26:23; 23. John Baker, 26:36; 25. Bob Bucholz, 26:40; 26. Duncan Scott, 26:42.

October 8, 1977

## Big Red harriers thump Army

Who says Army is the No. 1 Division I college cross country team in New York?

Certainly not the Cornell cross country team, which soundly defeated the West Pointers Friday on the Moakley course, 22-39.

Army is the top ranked cross country team in New York, while Cornell is second.

Army's Kurt Alitz finished first in the five-mile race in 25:30. But led by Pete Pfitzinger, the Big Red took the next three places.

Pfitzinger was second in 26:07, followed by teammates Mike Wyckoff (26:19) and Doug Calby (26:26).

"It was a super race," Cornell coach Jack Warner said. "Our depth and balance have been coming through for us all season. And today (Friday) it really showed. That's the sign of a good team."

Other Big Red runners to finish in the scoring were Jon Baker in sixth (26:38), and Dave Washburn, who finished seventh (26:40).

Cornell will compete in a New York city meet next Friday. Other teams in the meet will be Seton Hall, St. John's, Columbia, Iona and Lafayette.

### Cornell 22, Army 39

1-Kurt Alitz (A), 25:30; 2-Pete Pfitzinger (C), 26:07; 3-Mike Wyckoff (C), 26:19; 4-Doug Calby (C), 26:26; 5-Jon Enright (A), 26:33; 6-Jon Baker (C), 26:38; 7-Dave Washburn (C), 26:40; 8-Andy Fischer (C), 26:41; 9-Dan Predmore (C), 26:46; 10-Marty Moratz (A), 26:56.

October 31, 1977

## Red harriers win, lose

Cornell's varsity cross country team won and lost on Saturday morning at the Moakley course' defeating Rochester, 19-42, and losing to Bucknell, 20-35.

In the other "third" of the triangular, Bucknell beat Rochester, 17-46.

Bucknell has now won 44 straight dual meets. Cornell is now 8-2.

George Buckheit of Bucknell was the individual winner, with a time of 25:12 around the five-mile circuit.

Mike Wyckoff was the highest finishing Cornell runner, with a third place time of 25:43.

Cornell will be at the Heptagonals on Friday, to be run at Van Cortlandt Park in The Bronx.

### Bucknell 20, Cornell 35

Cornell 19, Rochester 42

### Bucknell 17, Rochester 46 Top Ten Finishers

1. George Buckheit (Bucknell) 25:12; 2. Bickel (Bucknell) 25:36; 3. Mike Wyckoff (Cornell) 25:43; 4. Edmonds (Bucknell) 26:07; 5. Mazur (Rochester) 26:17; 6. Doug Calby (Cornell) 26:21; 7. O'Shea (Bucknell) 26:23; 8. Eichenburg (Bucknell) 26:24; 9. Dave Washburn (Cornell) 26:29; 10. Peter Pfitzinger (Cornell) 26:36

## Six Red runners in NCAAs



**PETE PFITZINGER**  
14th in IC4A

Cornell's cross country team, fifth in the Heps and seventh in the IC4As, will have six runners in the NCAA meet Monday in Pullman, Wash.

Pete Pfitzinger, junior from Pittsford, who was 14th in the IC4As, or the Easterns, and Mike Wyckoff, former South Seneca High star, who was 24th, will lead the Big Red pack.

The others will be Andy Fischer, Dave Pannell, captain Dave Washburn and freshman Doug Calby.

The Red runners were 8-2 in duals. Jack Warner, 11-year coach of the Redmen, is pleased that Athletic Director Dick Schultz has given the team the go-ahead.

"We certainly did well in the IC4As," said Warner. "It was a great comeback after what I thought was a poor performance in the Heps."



**MIKE WYCKOFF**  
24th in IC4A

## Rono wins NCAA meet

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP) — After two false starts, the NCAA Cross Country Championship was won by Kenyan Henry Rono of Washington State, who captured the event for the second consecutive year.

Rono began by hurrying to the front Monday and kept improving his position over two Irishmen from Providence, R.I. — John Treacy, who came in second and Gerard Deegan, third. Rono's official time was 28:33.5 on the 10,000-meter track at Hangman Valley Golf Course.

The University of Oregon was the official team leader with 100 points, followed by Texas-El Paso — winner of the last two team championships — with 105.

Next among 30 competing teams from 73 schools were Wyoming with 186; Providence, 205; Brigham Young University, 235; Wisconsin, 241 and East Tennessee, 251.

Treacy clocked 28:51, Deegan ran the course in 28:56.9 and Mark Hunter of Cleveland State was fourth at 29:02.2. Rono's classmate, Joel Cheruyiot, finished fifth with 29:02.4. The two were the only WSU runners to enter the cham-

### Cornell 27th

Cornell's cross country team finished 27th in a field of 30 teams Monday, in the NCAA championships at Spokane, Wash.

Pete Pfitzinger placed 96th, and Mike Wyckoff was 117th.

Those were great improvements on their 1976 finishes in the same meet.

Other Cornell finishers were Dave Washburn, Doug Calby and Dave Pannell.

pionships after the Cougars' team failed to qualify.

"On the turns, I looked to see if Joel is coming," Rono said. "I saw other guys ahead of him so I went ahead and ran. I am not happy running with myself — without my other teammates."

Rono also said he was unhappy with the cold weather.

"I don't like it. After three miles, my fingers went numb. But my only problem was to go in front early. There was no problem running in front," he said.

Confusion plagued the event. There

were two false starts, with Rono in front both times as the field was called back to the starting line.

"It would have been just as well if they hadn't recalled them on that second jump," said WSU Coach John Chaplin. "They should have just let them go and taken the number of the gun-jumper."

Rono was not pleased with the three starts. "I didn't like that," he said, "didn't need it."

Problems crept into official scoring, which was not completed for six hours after the meet. With unofficial results in hand, Texas-El Paso was flown home thinking it had won a third consecutive title. But the NCAA Rules Committee's film review revealed that Oregon was the winner.

Also, the original computer printout, upon which scoring was based, overlooked UTEP's first finisher, Rodolfo Gomez. A quick review found Gomez 19th, which juggled final scores.

Rono ran his first NCAA cross country race last fall when he finished first in the 38th meet at Denton, Texas, with a time of 28:06.6 for 10,000 meters.

# Cornell harriers fifth in Heps

NEW YORK — Cornell's cross country team, led by fifth and six place finishes by Pete Pfitzinger and Mike Wyckoff, placed fifth in the Heptagonal cross-country Championships held here Friday afternoon at Van Cortlandt Park.

The Big Red finished behind Princeton, which won the title for the third straight year, Army, Penn and Navy.

Dartmouth placed sixth behind Cornell, with Yale, Columbia, Harvard and Brown rounding out the field.

Army's Curt Alitz, who quit swimming two-years ago to concentrate on track, successfully defended his individual championship, covering the five-mile course in 24:37.4.

Alitz opened up a 50-yard lead through the first five miles of the race, then broke away from second place finisher Deane Stephens of Dartmouth to win by 175 yards.

Cornell's Pfitzinger was 34 seconds off the winning time, clocking a 25:11 for his fifth place finish. Teammate Wyckoff came in four seconds later to place sixth.

Ithaca High grad Dave Pannell placed 35th for the Big Red in 26:11 while Andy Fischer was 37th in 26:14.

Dave Washburn, 43rd in 26:22, rounded out the Big Red scoring.

Cornell's next action will be at the IC4A meet Nov. 14.

#### TOP TEN FINISHERS

1. Curt Alitz (Army) 24:37, 2. Stephens (Dartmouth) 25:01, 3. Bond (Princeton) 25:07, 4. Koorymans (Princeton) 25:10, 5. Pfitzinger (Cornell) 25:11, 6. Wyckoff (Cornell) 25:15, 7. Moreland (Penn) 25:20, 8. Enright (Army) 25:21, 9. Partro (Navy) 25:23, 10. Keough (Penn) 25:24, 35. Pannell (Cornell) 26:11, 37. Fischer (Cornell) 26:14, 43. Washburn (Cornell) 26:22.

# Red harriers do well in IC4As

Cornell's cross country team placed seventh in the IC4A 5-miler at Van Cortlandt Park in The Bronx Monday, thus vindicating itself for a poor showing in the Heptagonals there 10 days earlier.

Pete Pfitzinger, junior from Pittsford, was the first Redman across the line, in 14th place, while Mike Wyckoff, sophomore from Lodi, was 24th. Thus both made All-East. They made All-Ivy off their good performances in the Heps.

Jack Warner, 11-year coach of the Big Red, was most pleased.

"I knew we could do it," he said. "We were disappointed after our poor showing in the Heps and in this one we beat all the teams that had beaten us in that earlier meet."

Heps champion Princeton was 10th, for example, while Army placed ninth.

John Flora of Northeastern won the race in 24:17. Curt Alitz of Army was second in 24:23.6. Pfitzinger ran it in 25:07.6 and Wyckoff in 25:23.1.

There were 82 teams in the championship division. Actually there were almost 500 in the competition. The University division was won by Fairleigh Dickinson; the college run by Brandeis.

"Conditions were less than ideal," said Warner, "It was muddy in spots and there was a raw, cold wind. As a result the times weren't all that good."

It was Cornell's best IC4A showing since 1971 when it was sixth. It was 15th in the NCAA that year. The chances are good that the Big Red will compete in the Nationals once again. They will be next Monday, Nov. 21, at Pullman, Wash.

"Ours was a good solid performance," added Warner, "But we can do better."

Others in Cornell's top five were Andy Fischer, junior from East Providence, R.I., 62nd, in 26:01.6; Dave Pannell, junior from Ithaca, 67th, in 26:04.9; and Capt. Dave Washburn, 77th in 26:08.4.

Scott Walter, a sophomore, was 115th and Freshman Doug Calby was 122nd.

#### CHAMPIONSHIP RUN

1. John Floor, Northeastern	24:17
2. Curt Alitz, Army	24:23.6
3. James Peterson, Georgetown	24:27.7
4. Deane Stephens, Dartmouth	24:39.3
5. Stetson Arnold, Mass.	24:43.1
6. Mike Quinn, Mass.	24:46.1
7. George Buckheit, Bucknell	24:46.9
8. Gene McCarthy, Fordham	24:50
9. Kevin Byrne, Georgetown	24:51.7
10. Sydney Maree, Villanova	24:55

#### TEAM SCORE

(Finishes in parentheses)

1. Massachusetts (5-6-20-44-48)	123
2. Georgetown (3-9-19-29-68)	128
3. Villanova (10-16-35-40-41)	142
4. Rutgers (27-30-34-36-54)	181
5. St. Johns (12-25-32-50-60)	188
6. Northeastern (1-11-28-56-111)	209
7. Cornell (14-24-62-67-76)	243
8. Fordham (8-49-51-66-92)	266
9. Army (2-42-56-78-104)	282
10. Princeton (17-22-69-85-93)	286



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