Left to Right: Doug Kirk ('82), Doug Calby ('81), Bob Bucholz ('80)
DEDICATION

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

CHARLES Y. NEFF '37

A staunch supporter of Cornell track over the past 42 years, Charlie continues to be active in Masters Track and Field. Born in Sharon, Pa., he has since taken up residence in Shaker Heights, Ohio, where he is president of Neff-Perkins Company, a mechanical rubber products company. While at Cornell he earned a B.S. in administrative engineering.

Charlie's undergraduate activities included freshman track, in which he was a high hurdler, followed by three years as a letterman on the varsity track team. The highlight of Charlie's track career came at the Penn Relays in 1937 as a member of Cornell's winning shuttle relay team. He was also a member of the Spiked Shoe Society, the Red Key, Majura and Alpha Delta Phi.

Our thanks go to Charlie, whose commitment to Cornell track has enabled us to continue with an annual traveling schedule that would otherwise be an impossibility.
9-22-78
vs. Colgate at home

On a cloudy, cool Friday afternoon, the Big Red harriers entertained the Red Raiders of Colgate at home on the Moakley Course. The footing was firm and fast, a fact that was reflected in the excellent times that were achieved by many of the Cornell contingent. In truth, the race was very one-sided as Colgate fell to the Cornell harriers by an 18-45 tally.

Captain Pete Pfitzinger scored an impressive victory in 25:05.6, just missing the course standard of 25:05.0 set by Bruce Fischer in 1975. The time did surpass the Cornell team and undergraduate record of 25:08.2 set by Phil Ritson in 1971. Dan Predmore took a surprising second place in a personal record time of 25:34, which bested Colgate's Bill Fisher by two seconds.

In an awesome display of team depth, Cornell finishers took the next eight places in the race. Frosh Mike Moffett crossed in fourth with a time of 25:56 for a fine freshman debut. Doug Calby, a sophomore, followed next in 26:12 with Doug Kirk, another fine freshman prospect, six seconds behind to take a sixth place finish. Senior Andy Fischer, junior Bob Bucholz, frosh Dave Efken, soph Rich Oldrieve, and another promising freshman, Flip Brock, all finished ahead of Colgate's second best runner to seal the lopsided victory for the Big Red.

Dan Nemeth, a freshman from nearby Trumansburg, was the last Cornell harrier to finish when he took a 13th placing in 27:14. Junior All-East harrier Mike Wyckoff, usually one of Cornell's top distancemen, had to drop out of the race near the three-mile mark due to a muscle injury in his chest.

The junior varsity contest between Cornell, Colgate and Morrisville was also dominated by the home team harriers. Sophomore Ken Johnson emerged victorious in 26:28.3 and was followed across by Cornell junior Bart Petracca. The final team scores showed Cornell's JVs whipping the Colgate JVs, 15-50, and the Morrisville squad, 18-45.

9-29-78
vs. Syracuse at home

Though a 19-42 final tally of this dual meet may give the impression of an easily won contest, such was not the case. Big Red harrier Pete Pfitzinger was forced to follow a very promising Charles Bevier of Syracuse for a distance of about three and a half miles. Pfitz made his move at the four mile mark and Bevier persisted until they both emerged from the gorge with the 600-yard stretch left. Pfitzinger's 24:48.6 clocking destroyed Bruce Fischer's old mark of 25:05 by 16.4 seconds. Fischer had set the mark as a member of the Chicago Track Club whereas Pfitzinger posted his mark while still an undergraduate, quite an accomplishment in itself. Second place Bevier came through in 25:01, also breaking the old mark.

Meanwhile, behind Pfitzinger, second man Dan Predmore led the solid pack of top five Red harriers with a new personal best of 25:23. Although hampered by shin splints for the week preceding this meet, Predmore still managed a fine effort. Following Predmore was sophomore Doug Calby in 25:31, sophomore Ken Johnson in 25:36 and freshman Dave Efken in 25:43. Johnson managed to take 52 seconds off his previous best. An otherwise solid string of Red runners was broken up by Orange freshman Dave Dennis in
seventh. Freshman Mike Moffett (25:48), Andy Fischer (26:02), Bart Petracca (26:03) and Bob Bucholz (26:04) rounded out a solid group.

The total team time of 2:07.01.6 beats the old team best of 2:08.53 set by a 1971 Cornell team.

Meanwhile, the JV team crushed the Orangemen in similar style with a 15-50 tally. Junior Scott Walter earned a berth on the varsity team for its visit to Army, with his 26:07.8.

10-6-78
vs. Army at West Point

Despite a sloppy course, the Cornell team was able to administer a humbling defeat to previously unbeaten Army. Although captain Pfitzinger had spent the previous week battling a cold he still managed a close second to Army ace John Enright, who pulled away from Pfitz on the last hill. Enright's 25:08, a minute and six seconds off the course record, bested Pfitz by four seconds.

A handy margin of 13 points for the Big Red, 22-35, was a good indication of this year's team strength. Even when running a poor team race, Cornell was able to defeat one of New York state's consistently tough teams in Army. Tough "Stanley" Predmore finished third, Andy Fischer fourth and freshman Doug Kirk was fifth. Army's second man had to settle for sixth.

Despite a muscle injury, All-East distance ace Mike Wyckoff was able to make a fine return to competitive status. Mike's eighth place finish shows that he was ready for the comeback we all anticipated.

10-14-78
vs. Lafayette, Columbia, St. John's, Iona, Rochester and Seton Hall at Easton, Pa.

Things looked grim as the Big Red harriers headed to Pennsylvania for a seven-way meet with Iona, Seton Hall, Rochester, Lafayette, Columbia and powerhouse St. John's. Minus Predmore with his shin splint problem and Dave Efken with a quad strain, it would appear that St. John's would easily have the upper hand. Such was not the case, as St. John's managed a one-point margin of victory, 27-28, despite a weakened Cornell squad. The Big Red defeated Lafayette (17-46), Columbia (21-40), Rochester (15-50), Seton Hall (15-50) and Iona (17-46).

Despite the mud and rain, Pete Pfitzinger continued in his usual form, outdistancing St. John's Donaghe by 15 seconds and establishing a new course record. Veteran Andy Fischer ran for a strong fourth place finish overall in 25:46. Rapidly improving Bart Petracca finished as Cornell's third man, eighth place overall. Though the beginning of the season saw Bart sidelined with mono, he has done well to overcome such obstacles. Interestingly enough, Cornell's total team time bettered St. John's by six seconds (69:05 to 69:12). Additionally, all 12 Cornell varsity runners finished ahead of St. John's sixth man.

JV Meet vs. Mohawk Valley CC, 10-7-78

In the final JV contest of the year on the Moakley Course, the Big Red crushed the Mohawk Valley CC squad by a 15-50 score. Cornell took places 1-9 and 18 out of
the top 20 spots in the total swamping of the MVCC seven. Sophomore Rich Oldrieve finished with top honors in a time of 26:35 and was followed by two other sophs, Duncan Scott and Bob Hanss, in times of 26:36 and 26:46, respectively. Pat Quinn, Phil Brock and Mitch Dick were the next three Red finishers in that order.

**ICAAAA Championships at NYC, 10-27-78**

Cornell's trip to New York's Van Cortlandt Park for the 70th ICAAAA Cross Country Championships proved to be both rewarding and frustrating for the Big Red harriers. The rewarding aspect of the race was a fifth place finish that was the best such placing by a Cornell seven in this race in 25 years.

Perennial eastern track powerhouse Villanova coped the team title with 36 points, an outstanding total that reflected their domination of the race. Fairleigh Dickinson followed with 136, just nipping Massachusetts which totaled 137. Rutgers just nosed out the Red by a scant four points with a 156 tally.

The frustrations for Cornell were numerous. In the first 400 meters of the contest, Pete Pfitzinger was inadvertently tripped in the converging pack of runners, fell, and didn't recover until almost all of the mass of runners had passed him. Pfitzinger still managed an outstanding comeback to attain All-East honors for the third straight year in grabbing sixth place in a time of 24:46.5. Senior Andy Fischer took 30th in 25:31.9 for his best performance of the year. Mike Wyckoff managed a 31st place finish 0.5 seconds back of Fischer despite the nagging muscle strain in his chest. Bart Petracca finished in 37th, while frosh Mike Moffett rated a 65th placing. Injured Dan Predmore crossed two spots behind Moffett, with soph Doug Calby finishing in 109th place.

Although Cornell's fifth place finish was its best in 25 years, close examination of the possible Big Red finish with a healthy Wyckoff and Predmore show that a second place standing was more than reasonable to expect. Frustrating to be sure, but Cornell did manage to defeat all Heptagonal foes, which raised hope for the upcoming Heptagonal championships.

In the concurrent JV competition, the Cornell squad defeated a solid Villanova team by five points with a 30-point total to win the 13-team St. John's Invitational. Scott Walter led the effort with a second place finish in 25:46.4. The other Cornell scorers were Doug Kirk in third, Bob Hanss in fifth, Duncan Scott in seventh and Bob Bucholz in 13th place. This was the final competition for the undefeated JV squad.

**Heptagonals at New York City, 11-3-78**

If the ICAAAA meet was frustrating for the Cornell harriers, the Heptagonals proved to be downright disappointing. After the strong start that the Big Red had in the early season meets, injuries and illness took their toll to deplete the Big Red of the majority of their quality runners.

Cornell finished in seventh place in the 10-team Heptagonal championships, well behind Princeton, Navy, Harvard and Army, who fought a tight team battle to finally finish in that order. Nine points separated these four teams as titlist Princeton scored 78 markers. Also ahead of the Cornell harriers came Penn with a 91-point total and Dartmouth with 120 points, 18 ahead of the 138 scored by Cornell.

The one bright spot in the race for the Cornell team came in the emergence of Bart Petracca to join the frontrunners with a 15th place finish in 25:33.5. The next Red finisher was senior Andy Fischer in 25th place with a time of 25:50.0. Cornell's third man across was Scott Walter, who took a 28th place finish for his best showing.
of the '78 season. Captain Pete Pfitzinger, who was far from top form, crossed in 30th place for the Big Red with frosh Mike Moffett taking a 40th place finish. Doug Kirk and Bob Hanss rounded out the Red finishers with 50th and 56th place finishes, respectively. Junior Mike Wyckoff and sophomore Duncan Scott failed to finish the five mile race. Last year, Wyckoff finished in the top 10 in this race, but on this day, injuries held him back.

NCAA District II Qualifier at Bethlehem, Pa., 11-11-78

A battered Cornell cross country squad traveled to Lehigh University for their chance to win a spot in the NCAA championships via qualification in the Region II Championship meet. Cornell's 15th place finish was far out of the running for a berth in the nationals, as only the top five teams were to advance.

Bart Petracca once again led the Big Red with a 44th place finish over the 10,000 meter course. Mike Wyckoff, Andy Fischer, Mike Moffett and Dan Predmore rounded out the Cornell scorers with 73rd, 75th, 96th and 108th place finishes, respectively. Scott Walter crossed in 116th position and a disabled Peter Pfitzinger dragged home in 129th place.

Although the race conditions were perfect, the harriers' performance mirrored the unfortunate demise of the highly talented squad. Most of the runners, although greatly disappointed at the poor showings late in the fall, were happy to get a chance to work back into top condition for the upcoming indoor campaign.

WOMEN'S SEASON SUMMARY by Kelly Neilan

A young women's cross country squad had a very successful season under first-year coach Renee Evans. The harriers, comprised of mostly freshmen and sophomores, were undefeated in dual meets, took first in the Binghamton Invitational and fourth in the Ivy League championships.

The squad was consistently led by sophomore transfer Celia Peterson. During the season, Celia set no less than four course records, was named Cornell's "Red Key Athlete for the Month of October" and "Ivy League Woman Athlete of the Week."

The women started their season with dual meet wins over Binghamton and Mansfield State by 18-45 and 15-50 scores, respectively. Peterson set a Binghamton course record by covering the 5,000 meters in 18:31. Frosh Ann Miller took second (19:36) and the quintet of Emily Favretti, Erika Wiemann, Kelly Neilan and Sue Scott nabbed fourth through seventh places.

The next week, the Cornell squad traveled to Lock Haven State to hand that team a 23-36 defeat and raise the Big Red's record to 3-0. Peterson once again triumphed in course record time and was followed by Sue Scott in third, Emily Favretti in fifth, Erika Wiemann in sixth and Carol Wolverton in eighth to round out the scorers.

At the Binghamton Invitational, the Cornell women showed impressive depth in taking seven of the top 10 places to snag the team trophy. The Big Red outdistanced runner-up Cortland by a 16-point bulge. Scorers for the team were Peterson in first, Scott in fourth, Favretti in fifth and Wiemann and Wolverton in seventh and eighth, respectively.
In the next meet, the women entertained the Cortland harriers on the Moakley Course and, once again led by Celia Peterson, smashed the Dragonettes by an 18-5 score. Ann Miller ran her best race of the year in taking second place, with Scott, Favretti, Wiemann, Neilan, Holly Dunham and Barbara O'Mara crossing in fourth through eighth and tenth places, respectively.

The Cornell team suffered its first defeat at the Albany Invitational when it placed second to Middlebury (Vt.) College by 16 points. The gap would have been narrower had Peterson not run off the course and been disqualified. However, Cornell's depth still allowed five runners to place in the top 20 with Favretti, Scott, Wiemann, Miller and Neilan finishing seventh, ninth, 11th, 12th and 18th, respectively.

Seven Big Red harriers then traveled to the University of Vermont to compete in the Eastern AIAW Championships. Unfortunately, Holly Dunham sprained her ankle the evening before the race and Emily Favretti was declared ineligible due to a registration foul up. The Red did manage to place 14th in the highly competitive race with team ace Celia Peterson well back of the winner, Kathy Mills of Penn State. Peterson managed a 28th place finish and was followed by Ann Miller in 61st, Sue Scott in 65th, Kelly Neilan in 97th and Erika Wiemann in 134th.

The harriers' final meet of the season was the Ivy Group Championships held at Cornell on the scenic Moakley Course. The Big Red finished a respectable fourth behind Princeton, Harvard and Yale, with Celia Peterson leading the squad with a sixth place finish in a personal best of 18:12 over the 5,000 meters. The sixth place finish earned her All-Ivy status. Ann Miller ran a fine race to grab 17th in 19:01, while Erika Wiemann, Sue Scott, Kelly Neilan and Emily Favretti followed in 21st, 23rd, 26th and 40th, respectively.

IN DAYS OF YORE by Hunt Bradley '26

DID YOU KNOW THAT....The first track races ever held at Cornell were over a hundred years ago in the spring of 1873 when Isaac Bucklin Potter '74 easily won the 100-yard dash in 10 3/4 seconds, and Ernest R. Copeland '75 took the 880 in 2:08 3/4. These two star Cornell runners went with the crew that year to take part in the Saratoga Regatta and Footraces where Copeland was victorious in the mile (4:58) after a tight duel with Vanderwater of Princeton, while Nevin of Yale nosed out Potter in the 100 in 10 1/4 seconds when "Ibee" was forced to run through a mudhole.

Cornell's first track organization was formed in 1879 and was titled the Hare and Hounds Club. To stimulate interest, the Cornell Era offered cash prizes and arranged for a fall meet to be held on October 11. The prizes: six mile walk, $10; three miles "go as you please," $6; half-mile run, $4; mile walk, $4; 440-yard dash, $3; 220-yard run, $2; baseball throwing, $1; broad jump, $2; running high jump, $2; three-legged race, $2; hop-step-jump, $1; and the sack race, $2. The cash could be exchanged for a medal of equal value if the contestants wished to retain their amateur status. A Spring Meet followed in 1880. The stars were N.T. Horr '81, who took first place honors in the 100 running backwards and the 880, while coping second in the mile walk... (from Bob Kane's John F. Moakley -- 40 Years at Cornell)
JACK MOAKLEY FUND -- $82,000

Onwards and upwards marches the capital fund!!! -- a big boost coming from a couple of recent major gifts. In addition to the above was the $17,000 enthusiastically provided for the team's trip last summer to the British Isles...a banner year!

Heartfelt thanks to all individuals and corporations (some 400) responsible for the continuing success of the fund and a special salute to the 1972 "repeaters" and the 18 "newcomers" for the great 1978 achievement!

SMASH THE $100,000 MARK!!!

That's our 1979 slogan. The committee's letter in February will be the blast of the starter's gun setting off the all-out team effort for a truly great record-breaking performance...

Hunt Bradley, Chairman
12-8-78

Newcomers to the contributor list
Herbert H. Cornell '38
Mr. and Mrs. D. Boardman Lee '26
Willard A. Kiggins '21

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COACH'S COMMENTS

The 1978 X-C season started out great, giving every indication that it might well be one of the best in Cornell history. Good depth and two fine meets against Colgate and Syracuse at home saw us look unbeatable. In the Syracuse meet, we ran the best ever team time (2:07:01.6), bettering the former best team time set in 1971 by 1:52! This was without Mike Wyckoff, who was still having trouble with an injury sustained last spring. We had a good team win over Army at West Point and then lost to St. John's by one point at Lafayette without No. 2 man Dan Predmore and No. 5 man Dave Efken, who were left at home trying to heal injuries. A week off for all of us did not seem to solve our mounting problems. Efken never did fully recover, nor did Predmore, although he did run in the IC'4A and NCAA District II meets. Two others from the top five in the Syracuse meet did not retain the form that they showed in that meet. So we finished fifth in the IC'4A meet, Cornell's best showing in that prestigious event since 1953, 25 years! However, this was a disappointing finish to all of us since we all feel that we could have been second (if we could have duplicated our Syracuse meet races). The same was true for the Heps, which we feel we should have won, and the NCAA District II meet (a new annual meet to decide who from our district will qualify for the NCAA championships). So what started out as a very promising season ended somewhat in disaster. It is just too difficult to overcome injuries to key men and then sickness to your number one man and still place well. Pete Pfiztinger was fighting a very bad sore throat and cold for the last couple of weeks and it took its toll.

Our JVs did a fine job in winning the St. John's Invitational (which is just about an IC'4A JV meet). They beat Villanova by five points, 30-35.
The loss of Capt. Pfitzinger and Andy Fischer will be big losses as they both were fine leaders and placed well most of the season. Our depth should return, however, and we hope that continued improvement will keep us strong. Still, we simply must get through a complete season without crippling injuries and sickness. Many did not get enough rest due to what seemed like a month of prelims and papers, so we never did seem to have the entire team rested at any one time after October rolled around.

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The women's cross country team did a fine job this season under the direction of Renee Evans. They had an undefeated dual season and placed second in the Albany Invitation meet, fourth in the Ivy championships and 14th in the EAIWA championships. Led by soph Celia Peterson, who transferred here from Cal Tech last fall, the team became a force to be reckoned with in women's cross country. Celia, who at one point this year, was rated by TRACK & FIELD NEWS as the top women's marathon runner in the world, won all of the duals and set three course records in the process, as she repeatedly finished about a minute ahead of her rivals and teammates. She placed sixth in the Ivies and 28th in the EAIWA. Her best marathon was 2:41:48.

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NEW JUMP COACH

We were very fortunate to be able to land Mark Bilyk, who has a master's degree in bio-mechanics from Penn State, as a part-time assistant coach. Mark works with both the men and women's jumpers. He works in Barton Hall from 6 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, and then joins us as a coach. He took the Barton Hall job just so that he could become our part-time jump coach. He is an excellent coach with a sound knowledge of the sport. He was a decathlon man at Penn State and a fine high jumper, and will be a big help to our program.

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COACHING ASSIGNMENTS

With a new part-time jump coach, Ed Markowski now has responsibility for the men and women weight throwers, in addition to recruiting. Renee Evans, a graduate of Adelphi University and former sprinter for the Atoms Track Club in New York, is our new assistant with responsibility for the women's team. Renee coaches all of the women runners. Coach Warner continues to coach the men runners and has overall responsibility for the entire program, men and women. The track office was enlarged slightly to make room for two more desks. So it is a pretty busy place.

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WOMEN'S LOCKER ROOM NEEDED

With some 50 to 60 women now out for the team, we are in need of a locker room for them. At present they use lockers and baskets in the small women's locker room in Barton Hall. Many carry their track togs with them daily. It would be nice if we could add on to Schoellkopf Hall next to the men's track room (the end of the former 220 straightaway). The area is just about the right size and would give them a fine locker room. We now share the weight room (the old freshman locker room) with the women and they enter via the rear door while the door from the main locker room to the weight room is kept closed while they are in the weight room. A new addition on that end of Schoellkopf could also provide us with some needed office space above such a locker room. Women's track is growing by leaps and bounds, so we will soon have as many women as we have men. We now have 100 or so men on the team. Our intention is
to run it all as one program, and it seems to be going very well that way right now. The girls are serious about track and before long will rival the men's team in success.

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1979 INDOOR AND OUTDOOR TRACK PREVIEW

The 1979 track season could be a good one. It will be difficult to equal or surpass the 1978 seasons since we lost some fine men in Neal Hall, Dave Washburn, Jeff Osborn, Paul Baginski and Dave Doupe. Men like that are not easy to replace. However, we do have a number of key returnees, some promising new men plus the hoped for improvement of other returnees. It will seem strange to go to Dartmouth for the indoor Heps, though, after so many years at Cornell. We hope to defend our title, both indoors and outdoors, and that, of course, is no small task. The league is tough right now and pretty well balanced.

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MARCH TRIP TO CALIFORNIA!

Plans are well underway for our trip to the Bay area for the Stanford Invitation meet on March 24, 1979. We will fly out on the 15th and stay in that area for perhaps one other meet. Plans are to stay at the Riviera Motor Lodge across from the Stanford campus. We hope that we will see all of our many friends in that area while we are there. We will fly in to San Francisco and rent two vans to use while we are there.

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CROSS COUNTRY DINNER SPONSORS

We thank those who sponsored runners for the cross country dinner at the Varna Community Church. The following men contributed 1¢ per mile for each mile run between September 1st and November 20th, 1978, in training and competition by one or more runners:

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Warner to Receive Top Mentor Award

John F. "Jack" Warner has been named NCAA Division I, District 2 Coach of the Year for the 1978 outdoor track season. The announcement was made last Friday at a District 2 coaches meeting held just prior to the cross country regional qualifiers.

District 2 schools include those in the states of New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, West Virginia, Delaware and Washington, D.C. Warner is now in his 12th year as head coach of cross country and indoor and outdoor track.

The Coach of the Year honor is yet another in a long line of similar accolades for the veteran coach. Among other recent achievements, Warner was president of the IC4A in 1976, was referee at the national USTFF track meet two years ago, and was the honorary referee at last year's Penn Relays. In addition, Warner has served as coaches' representative to various track committees and helped found the United States Track Coaches Association for NCAA Division I coaches.

Warner was surprised by the recent honor. "I never even thought about it after the vote last spring," he said. "It was nice to receive the honor, especially since the other coaches in the district are the ones who vote on it, but it was primarily decided by luck and the great athletes we were fortunate enough to have last year," he added.

Last year's track team was indeed a good one. After earning a 4-0 indoor record and copping a second straight indoor Heps title, the 1978 track team captured its first outdoor Heptagonal title (eight Ivies plus Army and Navy) in 23 years.

In his tenure as head coach at Cornell, Warner has compiled an overall record in cross country and track of 109 wins, 57 losses and three ties, including an 8-1 cross country record this fall.

Warner was hired by Cornell as head coach of cross country and track in 1967, making him only the fourth coach in the long and prestigious history of the two sports at Cornell. Before that he served as head coach in the same capacity at Colgate for 11 years. He was a distance runner at Syracuse, graduating in 1951. In 1960, Warner toured Central and East Africa for the U.S., conducting clinics and coaching. He concluded his tour by serving as head coach of the Uganda Olympic team in the 1960 Rome Olympics.

Special to the 'AP' Wire Services

"Baldy" Warner named Coach of the Year

In the biggest upset since David beat Goliath, Cornell's track mentor John F. 'Jack' "Baldy" Warner has been named NCAA District II Track Coach of the Year. The announcement was made yesterday by Milo Q. Reem, president of the eastern track coaches association. Mr. Reem commented that "Baldy" was very deserving of the honor. "He's one of the few coaches whose been around for twenty five years and still hadn't won anything, so we decided to throw him a bone."

Warner was one of the most surprised people around when he found out he had won the award. "I never gave it a second thought," he mumbled. "I wasn't sure whether those 11 or 15 votes I cast would put me over the top but I guess it was enough. I have to admit that my athletes had a lot to do with it--I think."

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Cornell cross country hopes bright

By MARK GOLDBERG

Jack Warner is expecting big things from his 1978 Cornell cross country team. And it's easy to see why.

Last season, the Big Red posted an 8-2 record and finished 27th as a team at the NCAA championships. Nine of the 10 lettermen from that team return for this season. Add some promising talented freshmen and the outlook is extremely bright.

"This could be one of the best teams in Cornell history," said Warner. "We have both balance and depth. I think we'll have a fine season."

Cornell will open its season Sept. 22 against Colgate on the Cornell golf course. The Big Red will compete in seven dual meets, the Lehigh Invitational, IC4As, Heptagonal championships, and an NCAA qualifying meet in New York City.

Cornell will be led by its two All-Ivy runners, senior Peter Pfitzinger and junior Mike Wyckoff. Pfitzinger, captain of the team, finished 14th in the IC4As to make All-East and came in 96th in the NCAA championships. Wyckoff, a South Seneca High School grad, earned All-East honors with his 21st place finish at the NCAA's and took 117th at the NCAA's.

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Other returning lettermen include seniors Dave Pannell and Andy Fischer, and sophomores Doug Calby, Richard Oldrieve and Duncan Scott. Fischer, a three-year letterman, and Pannell, a two-year letterman, are experienced veterans in cross country. Calby, Oldrieve and Scott had super rookie season on the varsity last year.

Warner is also blessed with addition of three promising freshmen. Michael Moffett, from Schenectady, and Doug Kirk, from Aspen, Color. were both All-State in two-mile last year. Phil Brock, from Mill Valley, Calif., ran a 4:15 mile as a senior in high school.

Practice is less than a week old and Warner is very encouraged by what he has seen so far.

"We're ahead of where we were last year," he said. "Everybody is in good shape right now, so they should be ready by our first meet. And we don't have any injuries yet. That's a very encouraging sign."

As for the Heptagonal meet, Warner feels that Cornell will battle with Princeton, Navy, Harvard, and Army for the championship.

And according to Warner, the other teams had better watch out because the Big Red will be looking for some revenge this year.

"We finished fifth last year and we all felt that we had a very good team," he said. "I think we realize that we should be Hept champs this year. I know I'm not going to be satisfied with second place."

Pfitzinger sets harrier record

Peter Pfitzinger set a course record to lead the Cornell cross country team to a 19-42 victory over Syracuse Friday afternoon on the Moakley course.

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Pfitzinger also set a course record on the IC4As to make All-East and finished 14th in the NCAA championships. Wyckoff, a South Seneca High School grad, earned All-East honors with his 21st place finish at the NCAA's and took 117th at the NCAA's.

"Pfitzinger and Wyckoff are two of the best runners in the East," said Warner. "Both of them should have a super year."

Other returning lettermen include seniors Dave Pannell and Andy Fischer, and sophomores Doug Calby, Richard Oldrieve and Duncan Scott. Fischer, a three-year letterman, and Pannell, a two-year letterman, are experienced veterans in cross country. Calby, Oldrieve and Scott had super rookie season on the varsity last year.

Warner is also blessed with addition of three promising freshmen. Michael Moffett, from Schenectady, and Doug Kirk, from Aspen, Color. were both All-State in two-mile last year. Phil Brock, from Mill Valley, Calif., ran a 4:15 mile as a senior in high school.

Practice is less than a week old and Warner is very encouraged by what he has seen so far.

"We're ahead of where we were last year," he said. "Everybody is in good shape right now, so they should be ready by our first meet. And we don't have any injuries yet. That's a very encouraging sign."

As for the Heptagonal meet, Warner feels that Cornell will battle with Princeton, Navy, Harvard, and Army for the championship.

And according to Warner, the other teams had better watch out because the Big Red will be looking for some revenge this year.

"We finished fifth last year and we all felt that we had a very good team," he said. "I think we realize that we should be Hept champs this year. I know I'm not going to be satisfied with second place."

The Cornell cross country team opened its 1978 season Friday against Colgate. And for the Big Red, it couldn't have been a more successful opening day.

Cornell took 12 of the top 13 places as it rolled over the Red Raiders 18-45 on the Moakley course.

The Big Red had a team time of 2:09:05 to post the second fastest time ever run on the Moakley course. Interestingly enough, the fastest team time on Moakley was set by the 1971 Big Red squad in a match against Colgate.

Cornell's Peter Pfitzinger, All-Ivy and All-East last season, took first place with a time of 25:05.6, six-tenths off the course record set in 1976 by Bruce Fisher of Colgate. Fisher was a graduate of Colgate when he set the record, so Pfitzinger holds the fastest time by undergrad.

Dan Predmore came in second for the Big Red in 25:34. Colgate's Bill Fischer took third with a time of 25:36. After that it was Cornell with freshman Mike Moffett, Doug Calby, freshman Doug Kirk, and Andy Fischer taking the next four places in that order.

The Big Red javyee team also opened its season on a successful note, downing Colgate 15-50 and Morrisville 18-45 in a dual meet Friday afternoon on the Moakley course.

Villanova wins; Red 5th

NEW YORK (AP) — Sydney Maree, a sophomore from South Africa, set a meet record with a 5-mile time of 24:04 Friday, leading Villanova to the team title in the championship division of the 70th annual IC4A cross country championships.

The 21-year-old Maree, 10th last year, scored a 90-yard victory over fellow Wildcat Amos Kip Korir of Kenya to easily better the old mark of 24:17 established by John Flora of Northeastern last year.

Kip Korir was clocked in 24:13 as he beat Dave Cornwell of Maryland (24:36) to the tape by 55 yards. Mike Quinn of Massachusetts (24:29) and Dave Wilson of West Virginia (24:46) completed the top five.

Cornell was led by Capt. Peter Pfitzinger who placed sixth with a time 24:46.5. Pfitzinger might have finished even higher had he not fallen 400 yards into the race. Last season he came in 14th.

Other Cornell finishers were junior Andy Fischer, who came in 30th, junior Mike Wyckoff, who placed 31st, Bart Petracca, who finished 37th, freshman Mike Moffett, who came in 63rd, and Dan Predmore, who finished 87th.

Villanova, winning the team title for the first time since 1971, had 36 points. Fairleigh Dickinson, which captured the University division crown last year, moved into the championship division and finished second to Jumbo Jim Elliot's team with 136 points.

Massachusetts, the defending champion, wound up third with 258 points. Rutgers was second with 87, followed by Army with 75, Massachusetts, the defending champion, wound up third with 136 points.

Cornell runners win 5, lose 1

The Cornell men's cross country team won five matches, but also lost its first race of the season Saturday in a seven-team meet at Lafayette.


Peter Pfitzinger won the race in 25:00 to break the course record of 25:24. Pfitzinger, who broke the Cornell course record earlier in the season, opened a lead after two miles, and was never headed.

Andy Fischer was the Big Red's next finisher, placing fourth with a time of 25:46. Bart Petracca came in eighth in 26:00 and Doug Calby and freshman Mike Moffett finished 12th and 13th respectively.

Cornell was without one of its top runners in Dan Predmore, who did not make the trip. Mike Wyckoff fell during the race, which was run in the rain, and was unable to make up the distance he had lost.

Red harriers 7th in Hepts

Cornell suffered a disappointing seventh place finish in the Heptagonal meet held in New York City Friday. The Van Cortlandt Park race saw Bart Petracca place 15th as the first Cornell runner across the line. Princeton placed first as a team.

The order of finish was Princeton, Harvard, Army, Penn, Dartmouth, Cornell, Columbia, Yale, and Brown.

Andy Fischer in 25th place was the second Cornell runner to finish, followed by Duncan Scott and Pete Pfitzinger.

Army Dual

WEST POINT—The Cornell cross country team won its third meet of the season here Friday, defeating Army 22-35.

Cornell is now 3-0. The loss was Army's first of the season against five victories.


Junior Mike Wyckoff placed with a time of 26:07. Bart Petracca was in 26:08.

Red harriers beat Army

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CU runners place 15th

The Cornell men's cross country team finished fifteenth in the NCAA Regional qualifying meet held Saturday at Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Pa. The first five teams advanced into the national competition. Last year Cornell was a national qualifier.

The top five teams were Penn State (42), Villanova (69), Bucknell (116), Rutgers (176), and Army (190). The harriers defeated Army in a dual meet earlier in the year.

The top five Cornell finishers on the 10,000-meter course were Bart Petracca 31:27 (43), Mike Wyckoff 32:01 (71), Andy Fischer 32:03 (72), freshman Mike Moffett 32:35 (92), and Dan Predmore 32:47 (103).

First and second place were taken by Villanova as Amos Kip Korir's 39:59.9 and Sidney Maree's 30:01.8 paced the field.

CU women place 4th in Ivy run

Cornell's women's cross country team placed fourth in the field of eight in the Ivy League Women's Cross Country Championship Meet run Saturday on the Moakley course. The first six finishers broke the old course record on the 5,000 meter circuit.

The order of finish was Princeton (29), Harvard (42), Yale (74), Cornell (93), Dartmouth (155), Brown (171), Penn (195), and Barnard (203).


Other Cornell times were Ann Miller 19:04 (17th), Erika Weimann 19:29.2 (21st), Sue Scott 19:42.8 (23rd), and Kelly Neila 19:52 (26th).

The team ends its season with dual meets with a 4-0 record, an unusually strong finish for a team composed of three freshmen and two sophomores.

Last year's defending champion, Anne Sullivan (Harvard), finished in third place with a time of 17:50.8.

AWARDS BANQUET DEC. 5

Cornell gives harrier awards

The Cornell cross country team made its annual trek to the Varna church for an awards banquet Tuesday night. In accordance with a tradition that dates back to 1917, all the members of the team walked the approximate two miles from Schoellkopf Hall to the site of the dinner.

Three men divided five major awards for outstanding performances throughout this year's 8-1 season, which also saw the Big Red place fifth in the IC4As. Mike Moffett of Schenectady, was presented with the Lou Montgomery Most Valuable Freshman Award, along with the Jon Anderson Fifth Man Plaque.

Junior Bart Petracca was given the Herman Greenberg Most Improved Runner Award, and was also voted one of the next year's tri-captains. Outgoing captain Pete Pfitzinger of Pittsford was given the Edward B. Kirby Most Valuable Cross Country Runner Award, and was recognized as the Cornell senior who has done the most for Cornell cross country.

Along with Petracca, Dan Predmore and Mike Wyckoff were voted the other tri-captains.

In other elections, junior Bob Bucholz was voted the Cross Country Club president, in charge of organizing the annual banquet. He succeeds senior Andy Fischer. Sophomore Chris Reid was chosen as next year's secretary-treasurer.

Former distance standout Craig Holm was guest speaker and discussed the post-graduation opportunities for runners.

CU trackmen breeze in relays

Cornell varsity and junior varsity trackmen swept all events but the pole vault Sunday in the second annual Cornell Relays at Barton Hall.

Three meet records were set and one was tied.

Cornell senior Reggie Durden set a record of 7.5 in the 60-yard high hurdles, the Big Red's Bart Petracca ran a record two-mile of 9:17.8, and junior sprinter Adley Ruboy tied his own meet record of 6:30 in the 60-yard dash.

In addition, the two-mile relay team, composed of senior Dan Pannell, and sophomores Jim Draddy, Mike Grogan and Dave Gordon, set a meet record of 7:55.3. Draddy's 1:55.4 880 split was an excellent early-season time.

No team scores were kept in the meet as competitors from nine schools (Alfred, Binghamton State, Colgate, Cornell, Eisenhower, Mohawk Valley, Nittany Valley, Temple and Ithaca College) participated.

| VARSITY | DISTANCE MEDLEY RELAY | Cornell A, Colgate, Cornell B | 9:17.8 (new meet record) |
| VARSITY | MILE RELAY | Cornell, Mohawk Valley, Eisenhower, | 9:57.8 |
| JUNIOR VARSITY | TWO-MILE RELAY | Cornell A, Mohawk Valley, | 9:17.8 |
| JUNIOR VARSITY | SPRINT MEDLEY RELAY | Cornell, Mohawk Valley, | 3:18.5 |
| JUNIOR VARSITY | MILE RELAY | Cornell, Mohawk Valley, Eisenhower, | 3:25.0 |

Indoor begins
Red make trackmen good showing

The Cornell track team met some top competition on the fast Tartan track of Syracuse University’s Manley Fieldhouse Sunday in the Syracuse Relays.

One Cornell team set a meet record, another ran an IC4A qualifying time. No team scores were kept in the meet; 17 schools participated, including trackmen from Ithaca College.

The meet marked the first time the Syracuse Relays were run in metric distances.

Cornell’s long jump relay team, composed of Aaron Goldberg, Greg Witherspoon and Ken Boddie, combined for a distance of 21.53 meters, breaking the old meet record set in 1976.

All three jumped personal bests, with Witherspoon’s distance converting to 24-5½ and Boddie’s to 24-1¾.

Witherspoon also had a personal best in the triple jump of 15.09 meters.

Cornell’s 4x800 meter relay team of Jim Kinnier, Dave Pannell, Mike Grogan and Jim Draddy qualified for the IC4As with a time of 7:43.2. The cut-off for qualifying is 7:47.

An indication of Cornell’s middle distance depth surfaced when five Big Red trackmen turned in 800-meter times below 1:56.

The Cornell track team is off now until Jan. 13, when it hosts the Cornell Invitational.