

"Coach, I think I'll sit this one out."



Returning to the swimming wars for the second year in a row the S.F.C. mermen compiled a mediocre 2-4 record. Three of the four defeats were suffered at the hands of powerful contingents, Queens, L.I.U., and Adelphi. The other loss was inflicted by Hunter. The two victories were gained at the expense of Brooklyn Poly and Brooklyn College.

Captain Dennis Christy was the top point getter on the squad, being defeated only once in his specialty, the 200 yard backstroke. Denny also captured first place points in the 50 yard freestyle in addition to being on victorious medley and freestyle relay teams. Tom Walsh proved his versatility by performing well in the 200 yard butterfly, 500 yard freestyle and 200 yard individual medley events.

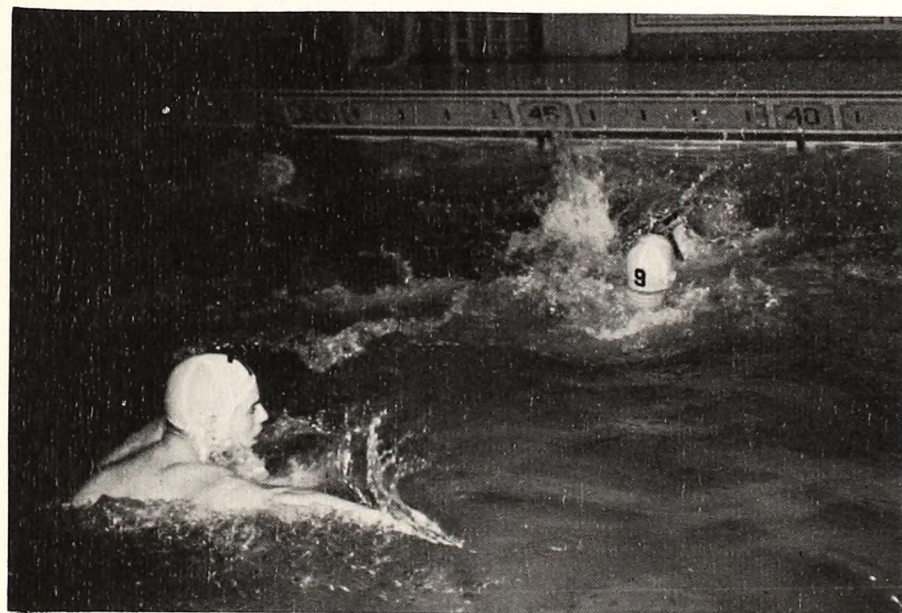
Bill Harris and Stan Gasior handled the bulk of the freestyle events in excellent fashion. Joe Vohs, individual medley, Jim Thamm, backstroke and John Jacques, freestyle were consistent point scorers. Breaststrokers Bob Bombara and Frank Schneller handled the chores of their stroke. Dom Tricarico, butterfly, Myles Kellaher, backstroke and Steve Korolczuk, fancy dive also performed well.

Butterfly Terriers head for the finish line. (FLIP)





One of the few that got by goalie Tom Walsh.



"Who's got the soap?"

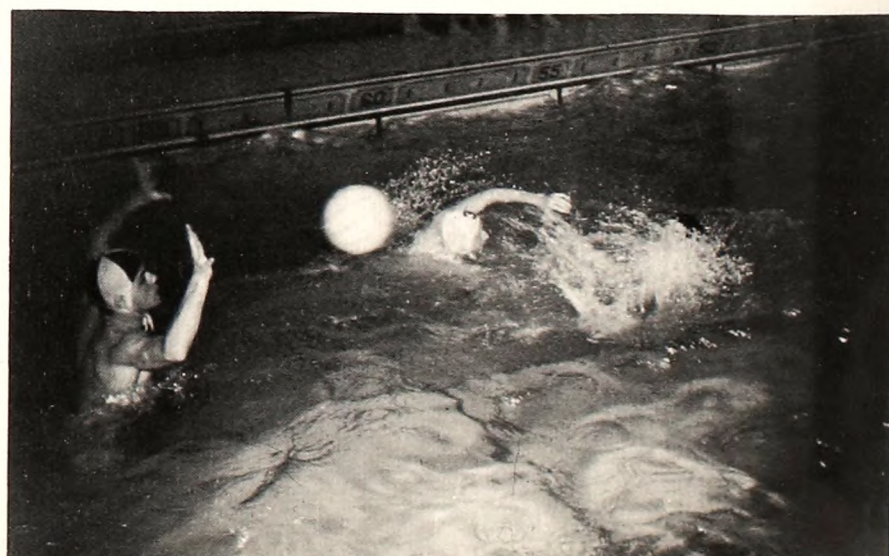
St. Francis College varsity water polo team will begin a 10-game schedule, nine games in the Eastern Collegiate Water Polo Conference, on Saturday night, March 12th at 7 P.M. when they meet Brooklyn Poly at the latter's pool.

The Terriers are defending champs in the league. They took their 4th league championship last Spring, in the ten years they have participated in the conference. Coach Charles Schaem, named Coach of the Year for the third time in a decade of coaching the Terriers, has seven returning lettermen to buttress his title defense.

Three of the lettermen, Captain William Harris, Dennis Christy and Thomas Walsh, were on the conference All-Star Team.

The Terrier water poloists also will participate in two tournaments: The West Point Invitational on April 29th and the Garden State Swim Club on March 27th. St. Francis is defending champs at the Garden State Tourney and placed second to Army in the West Point Tourney last year.

Coach Schaem anticipates the roughest season since the Terriers entered the league. "Every team gets better and Yale and West Point are always tough."



St. Francis goes for another big win.