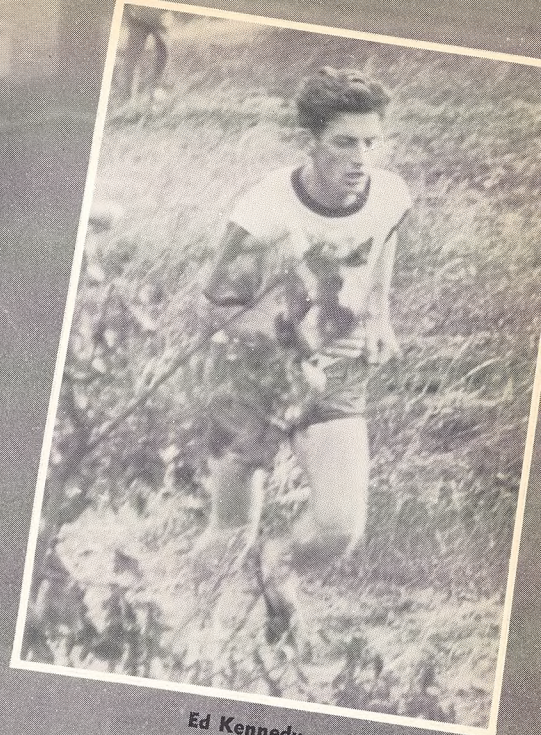




Bill Welsh



Bill Weir



Ed Kennedy



Jack McGuire



Archie Attarian

CROSS COUNTRY

BEGINNING his second year as track coach of the Terriers, Jack Brown had enough material on hand for the hill and dale campaign to form both a Varsity and Junior Varsity team. Practice was started early in September with an optimistic view toward the fall campaign.

The first test for the young team was against the Redmen of St. John's on Oct. 16th. Led by sophomore Bill Welsh over the grueling five mile course at Van Cortlandt Park, the Terriers scored a near shutout triumph. Following Welsh were Ed Kennedy (2nd), Arch Attarian (3), Capt. Walt Murphy (5th), and Jack McGuire (6th). Our first seven men ran under 30 min. with Welsh traversing the course in 28:00.

Four days later, a strange and muddy course at Seton Hall proved too much for the Terriers as they went down to their only defeat. The meet was highlighted by Phil Stillwell of Seton Hall breaking the course record. Bill Welsh was the Red and Blue's first finisher (4th), followed by Kennedy (6th), Jack McCarthy (7th), Jack Pirkl (8th), and McGuire (9th).

Won — 3
Lost — 1
Metropolitan Intercollegiate
Championships — 3rd place.

Season Record	
St. F.	Opp.
17	St. John's
34	Seton Hall
20	Iona
22	Fordham
	38
	21
	35
	33



It's a long grind! McGuire at the end of five.

AGAINST Iona the team showed terrific strength as it brought 11 men home before the fifth man of Iona was able to cross the chalked finish line. Nine of these St. Francis runners came in under 30 min. with Welsh, Kennedy, McGuire, and McCarthy being clocked under 29 min. for a tremendous exhibition of power.

The 22nd annual running of the Metropolitan Intercollegiate Cross Country Championships was run on Nov. 2nd and had six colleges entering 46 men. The men of St. Francis finished 3rd behind Manhattan and NYU with Welsh doing it again—finishing a strong fifth in his best season's time of 27:14. Following Welsh and earning team place medals were Kennedy, Weir, McGuire and Attarian.

The Varsity's last meet of the season saw the Rams of Fordham led by Bob Curran encountering the Franciscans. The result was an old but pleasant formula, Welsh showing the way in first place with Weir and Attarian tied for 3rd, Kennedy in 5th and Andersen in 9th.

With the team almost intact for the 1949 season, the team is looking forward to another great season of cross country running, perhaps even better than that of 1948.



There must be an easier sport. Welsh leading the team in.



Varsity Cross Country Team takes third in Mets.
Front Row: McGuire, PirkI, McCarthy. Top Row:
Welsh, Kennedy, Weir, Attarian.