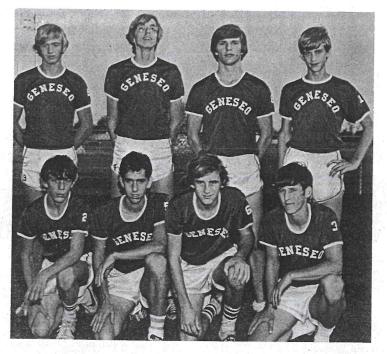
"Loneliness of the Long-Distance Runner"

The '73 Cross-Country team, led by returning lettermen Gary Wigant and Bob Catour, turned out a suprisingly good season. They had a 5-3-1 dualtriangular record which was very respectable for the tough schedule the runners faced. Once again, Geneseo finished first in the Henry County Meet and scored in the eleventeam Maple Leaf Run. They also finished second in the Kewanee and Princeton Invitationals, being



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bested only by Princeton in both meets. They finished out the season with a ninth place in NCIC competition and eighth out of 23 teams at District.

Junior Bob Amans placed high in all meets. Senior Kevin Cruikshank was elected Captain of the team. Other varsity letter winners included Dave Nitz and Marty Fuqua, seniors; Jeff Jewell, junior; and Mark Nordstrom. freshman.







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S. Anderson, K. Cruikshank, D. Nitz, G. Wigant, M. Nordstrom, S. Gyorog, B. Abbott, J. Henningsen, J. Sparks, Coach Durian

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Cross Country Team To Open Season Sept. 7

The Geneseo Cross Country team will open its varsity season Friday with a Triangular with Prophetstown and conference rival Rock Falls at Prophetstown.

This year the Geneseo squad has two returning lettermen. They are senior Garry Wigant and junior Rob Catour. Other seniors bidding for a varsity spot are Kevin Cruikshank. Dave Nitz, and Marty Fuqua. The juniors are very strong this season and they, along with Catour, have good chances to break into the varsity lineup. They are: Bob Amans, Jeff Jewell, Bruce Abbott, and Mike Peterson. One sophomore has been challenging for a varsity spot and is sure to give the upper classmen competition and he is Doug Hursman.

Other sophs who should aid the Soph-Frosh squad are Brian Smith, Sid Anderson, Dean Verplaetse, Jeff Borkgren and John Follett.

Coach Steve Durian has been pleased with his hard-working runners and their workouts. This season the team has a tough schedule and coach Durian is looking forward to a good season because of the hard work, determination, and miles his squad has done.