

# Intramural Grid Game Provides Fast Action

Touch football will kick-off the official opening of the 1956-57 Intramural program at 7 p.m. Monday, September 25 with a fraternity contest on the Beaver Field practice gridiron. Assistant IM Director Dutch Sykes has changed the rules of football to make this sport one of the safest of all the 17 tournaments.

"Our game is a combination of football and basketball, with emphasis on the latter," reads the IM touch football release.

IM rules include: blocking and charging are not permitted; basketball "screening" is the only legal blocking permissible except for unavoidable light contact; nine men constitute a team; every player on the offensive team is eligible to receive a pass; forward laterals and passing beyond the line-of-scrimmage is legal; unlimited substitution; four downs to advance the ball 20 yards; and two 15-minute halves to a game.

**Provide Safer Game**  
All these rules provide a safer, more wide-open game of football and an exciting spectator sport. But there is one rule Sykes regrets invoking: no cleats allowed.

Sykes claims that cleats provide a safer game by providing better footing on the dew-covered grass and reduces injuries since there is a minimum of contact involved and almost no chance of being cleated.

But the ruling was necessary since certain squads obtained a distinct advantage by "borrowing" varsity cleats for their teams. Not only was pressure put on the IM executives from teams without access to such equipment, but also from the athletic managers who had to account for the loss of material.

**Two Indies Tops**  
Two independent entries were the most famous teams in IM touch football history—the Coalcrackers who won the indie championship two years running, and the Fireballs who were indie champs for four consecutive seasons.

The Coalcrackers disproved the adage that it was all luck in winning a touch football championship by taking the crown twice.

They also proved that the big man has no advantage in this

game and the short, shifty athlete could find his place in football. They were quarterbacked by little Sy Troyan who is called by Dutch Sykes "the greatest intramural football player I have ever seen."

**Fireballs Win Four Times**  
But it was the Fireballs who showed the mockers that it took more than luck to be king as they held the top jewel in four successive tourneys.

Another unusual slant on the Fireballers is that they were composed of freshmen the first year they wore the indie crown. Upon becoming fraternity men, they maintained the independent Fireball squad and their eligibility for the indie tourney by not competing with their various houses in football.

Lou Schneider, Phi Kappa Sigma, again disproved the "all-luck" theory by having an instrumental part in winning both the indie and fraternity titles last year.

Schneider and Guy Tirabassi team to lead Phi Kappa Sigma to the top spot and then Schneider coached the Navy ROTC into the independent championship.

Kicking has played its part in IM football, too. Bob Little, a soccer player from Pi Kappa Alpha, booted a field goal from 46 yards out to equal the pro football record for a 56-yard field goal.

**Defense Overlooked**  
According to Sykes, defense is the most overlooked feature in the game. Although the Coalcrackers won the title while racking up over 30 points a game, the champs defense never gave the opposition the opportunity to retain the pigskin for more than a few plays.

Fraternity points toward the All-Point title are distributed on a 5 point-per-win basis—plus 100 for the championship. The run-

## Basilio-Saxton Title Rematch Miami Bound?

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Sept. 13 (P)—The world welterweight crown again rests jauntily on the head of Carmen Basilio, who is bound to give Johnny Saxton a January rematch, possibly in Miami.

Basilio tasted the sweet fruit of his most satisfying victory today after last night's ninth-round technical knockout over the man he claimed "robbed" him in Chicago.

"I had to prove I didn't lose in Chicago," said Basilio at a press conference. "What could possibly mean more to me than winning back my title?"

Basilio admitted, however that he "just didn't have it" in Chicago when he lost the hotly disputed decision to Saxton. He claimed he didn't have his strength back after a bout with the flu that had forced a postponement.

The angular slugger said he wasn't surprised when Saxton traded willingly in the early rounds.

"We had an idea he'd come out to fight and he did for three rounds," said Basilio. "Then he started moving back but he couldn't move like he did in Chicago after the body punches he had taken."

nerup gets 50 in addition to the 5 points for every victory.

Varsity and frosh footballers are ineligible for this tournament. Yet last year 2594 other undergraduate males participated in IM touch football.

# Football, Tennis Singles To Set Off IM Program

Intramural athletics for independent groups and fraternities will get under way with tennis singles and touch football leading off the 17 IM tournaments.

The deadline for football entries, indie and fraternity, is next Friday, September 21. The entrance fee is \$1 per team.

Entrants for the tennis singles tournament must also apply for positions by Friday. The cost for each indie or fraternity tennis applicant is 25 cents per man.

Although both sports have the same Friday deadline, the fraternity gridiron heroes open their single elimination tournament Monday, September 25 and the indie griders start Wednesday, September 27. Tennis is an open-

schedule tourney with only opponents being listed on the official schedule, the playing dates of the matches to be arranged by the competitor.

Tennis matches are played on the college courts while football is played under the lights on the practice field at New Beaver Field beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Bowling will start Monday, October 8. Details will be released in The Daily Collegian, Monday, September 25.

Of the 17 sports offered, touch football, golf-medal, swimming, tennis-singles, bowling, and boxing are run in the fall semester. Only tennis and bowling continue competition through the spring semester.

## Mintz' Protege Battles Jones

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13 (P)—Wilkie Greaves, the 19-year-old Canadian on whom Jake Mintz says he'll stake his reputation, makes his bid for station in middleweight life against veteran Ralph Tiger Jones in the 10-round main event at Capitol Arena tonight.

Although Jones has a wide edge in experience, both as to quantity and quality, neither Mintz, the grizzled boxing pilot from Pittsburgh, nor his blond fighter exhibited the slightest trace of

alarm on the eve of the contest.

It will be Greaves' bow to the television audience, which may watch the affair over the usual Friday night, TV-radio, hookup (NBC, 9 p.m., EST). With Jones as the opposition, it will be Greaves' toughest match to date and, by far, his greatest opportunity to gain the recognition Mintz contends is his due.

Band Day, major attraction at Penn State, will be observed at the Boston University football game November 10.

# Woodrow in Old Role Again

By VINCE CAROCCI

Not many men can boast of serving as captain of both his high school and college cross country teams, but Lion harrier captain Don Woodrow is one of those lucky few.

Woodrow acted as playing head of his Perry High School harrier squad during his senior year and is about to begin his tenure as Lion leader this fall. He also co-captained Perry's track team.

He has been competing with Penn State track and cross country teams since his freshman year in 1953. Today, he is the only member of that freshman hill-and-dale squad running with the varsity.

Woodrow ran two years in both cross country and track for Perry High—his first taste of varsity competition. Instead of entering his usual distance events, he ran anything from a 220 sprint to a half-mile run. He also did a little pole vaulting and broad jumping in high school.

After entering Penn State, however, he began to run the distance events, something he has been doing ever since. Although he ran cross country for the Lion varsity, he did not compete in varsity track during his sophomore year.

Before entering the University, Woodrow had competed in two PIAA track meets here, finishing eighth in the quarter-mile his senior year. He had heard about the fine Penn State track and cross country record attained under Coach Chick Werner and that, plus his curriculum choice, influenced his pick of colleges.

Woodrow has a great deal of praise for his veteran coach—"I have never met any wiser track man and more capable handler of men than Werner," he said. "He may not always have the material, but he certainly succeeds in getting the most out of what he has."

Commenting on this year's team, Woodrow said that the four star sophomores—Ed Moran, Clem Schoenebeck, Fred Kerr, and Bob Thompson—definitely hold the key to a successful season.

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