

# Timites Down Navy X-Country Runners In IM Grid Action Evade Injury Jinx

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The Timites, defending independent champs, continued on their winning ways again this season by downing Navy, 19-0, in Intramural football last night on the University golf course.

The victors were ahead right from the start, thanks to the pass-receiver combination of Pete Basil and Bruce Forbes.

Both worked together extraordinarily well early in the game and, with seven minutes to go in the first half, Basile hit Forbes with a 35-yard toss for the first score.

Basil got the champs out of trouble in the second half when he intercepted a Navy pass and returned the ball 25 yards. After an exchange of the ball, the TIM's scored again on a 15-yard Held to Harrington pass.

With Forbes in the flank, Basil again hit his man for the third touchdown of the game.

McKee One scored their first victory of the season, defeating Jordan 2, 18-0.

The victors took a 6-0 halftime lead and added 12 more in the second period. They were spearheaded mainly by John McSparren's lightning-like passes.

Jordan worked the ball down to the McKee one yard line on offside penalties to set the stage for the first score of the game.

McSparren caught Gordon Zeller all alone in the end zone with an easy touchdown pass.

Jordan had more scoring opportunities available later on in the half but lost them when they dropped pass after pass.

McSparren also accounted for the final two touchdowns. He capitalized on a pass-interception and ran 12 yards to paydirt—and also scored with three minutes remaining on a 18 yard run around left end.

A strong and hustling Nittany 25 group easily shutout the Bull Shifters, 16-0. Both teams showed very sloppy ball handling in the first half.

Nittany 25 passed up many scoring opportunities because of pass interceptions and their failure to get first downs. They did manage a safety, though, in the waning moments of the first half.

At the beginning of the second half the victors began to move upfield through a series of first downs and penalties.

Jerry Durkett then climaxed the drive with a 19-yard pass to end Fred Espenshade after about 11 minutes of action. Dick O'Conner added the final touchdown with a 20 yard run.

In other games the Warriors defeated Pollock 12, 6-1, and the Marlow Marlins downed the Ogontz Vets in overtime, 1-0.

There were two forfeits. Jordan One defeated Irvin Hall and the Skid Rowers won from the Wildcats.

## Haney Gets Wire—From Pa. Prison

MILWAUKEE, Sept. 26 (AP)—Among the numerous congratulatory telegrams received by Manager Fred Haney for the Milwaukee Braves' pennant success, the one that gave him the biggest kick came from an inmate in Western Pennsylvania Prison.

The telegram read: "I'm just writing to wish you good luck, not for any World Series tickets. I can't use them because I can't get out."

Penn State's success in sports during the post-World War I years accounts for the designation of this period as "The Golden Era."



GET THAT PASS! . . . Two unidentified intramural gridgers go after a pass in the Marlo Marlins-Ogontz Vets game last night on the University golf course. This one fell incomplete. The Marlins won, 1-0.

## Lopez Signs for Second Stab At Chicago Helm

CHICAGO, Sept. 26 (AP)—Alfonso Ramon Lopez, the manager who made a career of finishing second to the New York Yankees, today signed to pilot the Chicago White Sox again in 1958.

Lopez agreed to terms after "just about 35½ seconds" of conferring with Sox Vice Presidents Chuck Comiskey and John Rigney.

Lopez said the contract which was for one year only at his request was "very satisfactory." It was believed to call for a salary of about \$30,000.

Lopez directed the Cleveland Indians to one pennant and five second-place finishes between 1951 and 1956. His managing for the White Sox this year produced the club's first second-place finish since 1920. That was one year after the ill-famed Black Sox won Chicago's last American League pennant.

Comiskey, obviously pleased with Lopez' handling of the White Sox, said there was no quibbling over a new contract. "We told Al we liked him and he said he liked us, and that's all there was to it," said Comiskey.

Lopez said, "We pulled up one peg in the American League this year and we're hoping to do our best to climb one more peg next year." Last year's White Sox, directed by Marty Marion, finished third with an 85-69 record. This year's club could come close to the 1954 Sox mark of 94 victories, the club's best record since the 1920 Pale Hose won 96 to finish two games behind championship Cleveland.

## Tigers Finally Gain First Division Berth After 7-Year Slump

CHICAGO, Sept. 26 (AP)—The Detroit Tigers virtually assured themselves of a first division berth for the first time since 1950 today by defeating the White Sox 3-2. They need only one more victory to clinch fourth place.

Bill Tuttle and Jim Finigan opened the Tiger offensive with singles and the former scored while a double play was in progress. In the second inning Bill Taylor doubled, Dave Philley tripled and Frank Bolling singled for two runs.

The Sox ended a string of 20 scoreless innings by routing Paul Foytack in the seventh, when two singles and a walk loaded the bases and Earl Torgeson delivered a pinch single. Lou Sleater checked this rally.

With the opening meets with Navy just one week away, the varsity and freshman cross-country teams have been free from injuries since practice opened two weeks ago.

Varsity Coach Chick Werner has had the teams running in heavy basketball shoes since the training sessions opened, except for an untimed workout last Saturday over the official varsity and freshman distances.

Werner and freshman Coach Norm Gordon plan to put the harriers through a timed workout over the meet distances for the first time this afternoon on the golf course.

Werner is pleased with the progress of his "Big Five" (Captain Fred Kerr, Ed Moran, Clem Schoenebeck, Dick Engelbrink and Chick King), but is concerned with finding a sixth man in case one of the top five is injured or falls back in a meet.

"So far Jack Williams, Joe Thompson, Al Jones and George Jones have shown the most promise, but there is still a big gap between these four men and the fifth man," Werner said.

"It is hard to judge these men by the condition they are in now. In Europe, the better distance runners usually do not enter a meet until they have gone through eight months of rigid, exacting practice. Our schedule is such that we only have three weeks of practice before our first meet.

"Our men just about hit their strides when the season closes just 10 weeks after the first practice," he said.

"Right now, we are using four basic workouts—repeat distance running, over distance running, alternate fast and slow running and running for a set length of time," Werner said.

Gordon indicated that three of his fledglings—Ken Hunter, Dennis Johnson and Herm Weber—have shown exceptional promise, but he also said it is too early to tell who will fill out the rest of the lineup for the freshman opener with the Plebes at Annapolis.

"These three have the desire and fire to be top runners. In their eagerness to be a good runner, they refuse to be left behind in a workout no matter who they are running with. They are beginning to show a lot of results."

## Bowling Entries Now Available At IM Office

Entries for intramural bowling leagues are now being received at the IM office.

Two independent and four fraternity loops with 12 teams in each circuit will be organized. Entries will be taken on a first-come-first-served basis with the first few teams getting a choice of bowling nights.

Only one team may be entered from any organization. Five men will make up a team but substitutes will be permitted.

A new handicap rule (which will aid the losing teams) will be put into effect this year. Details may be obtained from officials at the IM office.

There is no entry fee but a \$10 deposit will be required. This deposit will be returned at the end of the year less any amounts deducted to cover forfeits or other rule violations.



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