

Intramural Office Names Amato New Assistant

Ben Amato, an outstanding track and field athlete, not only in intramurals, but in New York State independent meets, took over as an assistant to Dutch Sykes in the IM office this fall.

It seems fitting that a man who excelled in athletics on an intramural level would come back to the university where he gained fame as a star.

Coming from the hard-coal region of Pennsylvania, Amato lettered in four sports at Northampton High School. In addition to track, in which he was a four-letterman, Amato lettered in football, basketball, wrestling, and was a member of the gymnastics demonstration team.

When his family moved to New York Amato continued his education at the University of Scranton, where he played freshman football.

In 1956, Amato transferred to Penn State, and at once became an IM star.

The first sport in which his name made headlines was wrestling. Participating in the 145-pound class, Amato scored a pin in 15-seconds, which still stands as a record.

Track season came and Amato performed one of the greatest feats ever witnessed in IM circles. Participating for Alpha Phi Delta fraternity, Amato won the high jump, finished second in the broad jump, second in the 100-yard dash, and fourth in the 440. He accumulated a total of 28 points to outdistance the nearest fraternity by 10 points.

In the 1957 season, Amato again proved to be a one man track team for his fraternity, scoring 24 points on firsts in the high jump and broad jump. His total, however, was not enough to overcome the team balance of Tau Kappa Epsilon.

Amato dropped out of Alpha Phi Delta his junior year to participate in the independent ranks. That year, he won the 145-pound wrestling championship.

Jumping for Alpha Phi Delta again in the spring, Amato experienced an off year, winning the high jump and finishing second in the broad jump.

By the time his senior year rolled around, Amato was now participating for Delta Upsilon. He was seeded the top wrestler in the 158-pound fraternity division, but was upset in the second round by Bob Kaul of Beta Theta Pi.

This match was billed as a grudge match, for two years previous Amato had beaten Amando Vega, also a Beta grappler. Kaul, however, gained revenge when he pinned Benny in 55 seconds.

In his final year of participation in IM track, Amato soared to great heights by capturing the high jump with a new IM record at 6'1 3/4". He also won the broad jump with a leap of over 20 feet.

Based on his great IM performance, Amato was invited by



BEN AMATO
... new IM assistant

track coach Chick Werner to participate against Manhattan. Both teams at the time were unbeaten, but State lacked depth in the high jump. Although his performance had little to do with the final outcome (State won the meet), Amato did finish in a tie for second with a jump of 6'2".

In addition to his IM activities, Amato also served as a top referee for three years.

Amato carried his track and field activities to New York too. He won the W.N.Y. decathlon championship in 1958 and finished second to his brother Paul the next three years. He holds the Relays mark for the high jump with a 6'4" leap.

After college, Amato went to Westmont High School where he coached the Junior High wrestling team and helped out with football.

His biggest accomplishment at Westmont, however, was the fine intramural program that he started.

Amato started soccer, basketball, volleyball, softball, and golf on an IM level.

"I couldn't work for a better man (Sykes) anywhere. He is one of the best IM teachers in the nation," Amato said when asked how he liked his new position.

Off his past performances, the 24-year-old Amato looks like the perfect man for the job.

Fraternities Begin Play In IM Grid

Intramural football will kick off another season this evening at the IM fields on the golf course with nine games scheduled in the fraternity division.

Among the teams slated to see action will be the 1960 champion, Delta Sigma Phi. Delta Sig copied the title by edging Phi Gamma Delta, 3-0.

Dick Cunningham, who quarterbacked the 1960 champions and kicked the 29-yard field goal that gave Delta Sig the championship, will be back again this year.

Providing the opposition for the title holders in the opener will be Alpha Gamma Rho.

Three other teams that made it

TONIGHT'S GAMES

6:30
Field 1 Acacia vs Sigma Nu
Field 2 Kappa Sigma vs Phi Kappa Psi
Field 3 Tau Kappa Epsilon vs Alpha Chi Rho

7:30
Field 1 Delta Sigma Phi vs Alpha Gamma Rho
Field 2 Phi Sigma Kappa vs Theta Delta Chi
Field 3 Phi Epsilon Pi vs Alpha Zeta

8:30
Field 1 Phi Kappa Sigma vs Triangle
Field 2 Omega Psi Phi vs Kappa Delta Rho
Field 3 Phi Kappa Tau vs Theta Chi

to the quarter finals in last year's playoff rounds will also see action this evening.

Phi Kappa Sigma, 7-0 losers to Phi Delta Theta, will battle Triangle in an 8:30 encounter.

Tau Kappa Epsilon, a team that almost upset the eventual champs last season, will open against Alpha Chi Rho. The champs squeaked by TKE, 9-8 in their quest for the championship.

Sigma Nu, a 3-0 victim at the hands of Phi Gamma Delta last season, will play Acacia in a 6:30 encounter.

With the addition of three new fields, the schedules have been set up so that teams will play games close to their living quarters.

All fraternity teams, plus teams from North and West Halls, will play their games at the golf course. Teams from Nittany, Pollock, East Halls, and the town independents will play at the new fields adjoining Beaver Stadium.

However, teams playing at the new fields will not kick off action until next week, pending the completion of the fields.

**INDIE WEEK
AUTUMN BALL
SAT., OCT. 7**

Bruised Shoulder McGaha Named Tribe Manager

May Keep Hall Out of BU Game

If Penn State maintains its current injury rate, it should have exactly one first stringer still intact by the time it concludes the season against Pitt Nov. 25.

The latest in the line of Lion casualties is quarterback Galen Hall, but fortunately, Hall's injury is not as serious as first anticipated.

Hall injured his shoulder on the first play of the second half against Miami Friday night.

A quick post game diagnosis revealed a probable shoulder separation, which would have sidelined Hall for at least three and probably four games.

But head trainer Chuck Medlar said yesterday that the injury was just a bad bruise and that Hall should be ready for the Army game Oct. 14.

Rip Engle will probably go with either Don Caum or Pete Liske at quarterback against Boston University Friday night.

At the news conference where it also was announced Luke Appling will not be rehired as a coach, Tribe General Manager Gabe Paul said he is willing to trade three or four players, if necessary, for a good power hitter. Appling came here last year from Detroit with McGaha's predecessor, Jimmie Dykes.

"I won't make any deal without the agreement of the manager," said Paul as the 35-year-old McGaha sat smiling in a chair nearby. "There will be a lot of changes."

The 64-year-old Dykes, released Sunday in the Indians' finale in Los Angeles, said afterwards his successor's job next year will be "murder because there are too many lawyers on the club."

However, McGaha said yesterday he can get along with all the players on the club, including volatile center fielder Jimmy Piersall.

A 1948 graduate of the University of Arkansas, McGaha played football well enough there to be drafted by the pros following his graduation.



Galen Hall

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Home Run King Maris Skips Practice for Rest

NEW YORK (AP) — Roger Maris, the new home run king of the major leagues, took the day off yesterday while his Yankee teammates practiced an hour for the World Series against Cincinnati starting at Yankee Stadium tomorrow.

The blond bomber, who made baseball history by clouting his 61st homer Sunday—an all-time one-season high for the majors—showed up at the stadium after his mates had finished practice. He had a business appointment in the morning and had been excused by Manager Ralph Houk.

Maris said he had "slept wonderfully," and felt great.

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