



Eddie Cox makes tackle in Yamato game as Smokey Edwards looks on.  
(Photo: Len Walker)

## 5 LETTERMEN RETURN

With the loss of many Dragon lettermen last year, both by splitting the schools and losing our graduation seniors, only five lettermen have returned to football this year. Eddie Cox, Smokey Edwards, Roy Quinn, Bob Wilson, and Brent Goodrich helped Narimasu to win strong victories last year and have come back with intentions to do the same this season.

### Same Stations

Most hold the same positions they did last fall, with the exception of Cox, who is now playing tailback instead of end. All feel the Dragons will have a winning team this year.

"We have a heavy line," says Goodrich, "and plenty of fast backs, which should add up to a Number One team."

None of the men have any doubts about being on top at the end of the season. "We stand to chew a good hunk out of the conference schedule," Wilson points out. Roy adds, "We have a good team and could be champions."

### Experience Counts

"Our five previous lettermen have served to boost the team not only with their experience but in spirit as well. They have proved to the newer members that football is fun and that Narimasu can stand up to all

their opponents with a little team work and spirit.

"No matter what team we play," says Smokey, "we'll be out there to beat them." This spirit has linked the team together during tension in past games.

## GAA Plans '59 Program

The Girls Athletic Association met on Thursday, September 24, to plan a program for girls who are interested in sports. The officers, who were elected at last year's G.A.A. Banquet, are Hiroko Tonagawa, senior, President Diane Edmunds, sophomore, Vice President; and Margaret Johnson, sophomore, Secretary.

G.A.A. meetings are scheduled for Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons from 3:20 to 4:30.

The group is sponsored by Miss Madge Reike, girls' physical education instructor, who takes an active interest in sports.

Some of the activities being played now are tennis, archery, touch football, and flag twirling.

Letters will be awarded on a point basis to the most outstanding girls at the end of the school year.

## Accidents Claim Gals

The girls of the gym classes at Narimasu seem to be seeing more of Cat. M. V. Tyrell, school nurse, than Miss Marge Reike, the girl's physical education teacher. As of October 3, Capt. Tyrell has treated almost forty girls for injuries received in gym classes since the beginning of the school year.

# DRAGONS ANNIHILATE LOCAL CHAMPIONS!!

The Narimasu Dragons won their first non-conference game, 13-0, Friday against the Nihon Physical Education College. Gordon Johnson, junior, broke through the line in the second quarter to set the Dragon's fans roaring. The score remained 6-0 until Charlie Swann, junior, went through the line in the fourth quarter to score the last touchdown of the game. Bob Wilson went over on a reverse for the

extra point to give the Dragons a lead of 13-0.

Nihon, last year's Japanese champions, drove the Dragons down to their four-yard line, their deepest penetration, but were unable to score past the the heavy Dragon defense.

Instead of the regular pep assembly in the morning, the gymnastic team of Nihon put on an acrobatic exhibition during the sixth period. Aki Yamada, Narimasu football player, interpreted for the team. They thrilled the Narimasu student body with exercises on the horse, on the parallel bars, on the trampoline, and with a series of tumbling tricks.

The squad is considered the best gymnastic team in Japan. Five members are on the Japanese Olympic team and two are now appearing in Moscow, participating in the games being held there.

## Mud Soaking Thwarts Teams

On muddy ground, between two large cheering crowds and under the lights, the Narimasu Dragons and the Yokohama Devils played a no-score game Friday at Yokohama. Both teams, harassed by a muddy field, gained a good amount of yardage in turn. Neither team could gain enough to cross the final stripe to win.

A long drive during the last quarter put the Dragons on the five-yard line. Due to penalties they did not advance any farther. The Dragons made ten first downs to the Devils' seven. In the last half the Devils were allowed only twelve plays but they were able to stop the Narimasu eleven defensively.

## Mr. French Speaks

.. by Grant Williams

Two things interest Coach John "Bud" French: sports and Narimasu High School. Getting him to talk about either takes little doing.

When asked recently, for example, about our chances for snagging the conference championship again this year, he grinned, "As good as anyone else's. We have one of the strongest teams in the realm."

Is the school spirit up to par compared with last year's? And how does it affect the team? we next asked him. "The pep assemblies have been good," was his retort. "We have a good team and should have fine school spirit. Without that your team has no incentive."

What is our greatest handicap?

"Lack of experience and lack of know-how. There are only five letter-men from last year's varsity and only five from the Junior Varsity squad."

Can you name our advantages over the other teams? we asked.

"None except hard work. We do have the size over a team like, say, Yamato. That's about all."

## NHS Downs Zama 14-7

The Narimasu Dragons won their first football game of the season by topping the Zama Trojans, 14-7, at Zama.

Fullback Charlie Swann scored the opening touchdown early and Ed Cox converted.

In the third quarter Swann scored again after the team had pushed the Trojans back forty-five yards. Cox again gained the extra point. This gave the Dragons a 14-0 lead.

The Trojans, during the last quarter, eked out a score on a pass play to Keith Lain, end, who went 86 yards for the Trojans' only touchdown.

## NARIMASU HIGH SLAMS YAMATO

The Narimasu Dragons on September 25 outplayed the Yamato Warriors 61-0 at Grant Heights in front of a large crowd cheering for both teams. Ed Cox returned the opening kickoff 85 yards to start the Dragon scoring machine rolling. Points were scored also by Charlie Swann, Bob Wilson, Al Estes, and Tom Elliot. Five conversions and a safety — a tackle made by Smokey Edwards — also added to the Dragon's tally.

## Football Footnotes

October 16  
Johnson at Narimasu  
October 23  
Zama at Narimasu  
October 30  
Narimasu at Yamato  
November 6  
Yo-Hi at Narimasu  
November 20  
Narimasu at Johnson  
All games start at 2 p.m.