

Cagers See Season Play End



Using Trojan trickery the Dragons slipped past their unsuspecting opponents. Split precision is the word and reason behind the success of the Dragons' tip-off play. Here we see center Tom Nettles receiving the jump as the Blue-and-White five begin rotating to the right in order to out-position Zama.



No, he's not flying! The figure proving that walking on air is easy, if you have a running start is Rick Brown as he lays up two points for Narimasu.

Witness Stars

Sunday, March 18, was an important and beneficial day for the Narimasu track team. National Stadium in Aoyama was the scene of competitions among many of the world's top track and field stars.

The boys on the track team were fortunate in not only being able to see some of the world's top athletes but in meeting them in person. Among the stars pupils met were broad jump record-holder Ralph Boston, pole-vaulter John Uelses and New Zealand distance runner Peter Snell.

Ralph Boston gave the visitors a few tips on the long jump and hurdling. The athletes were happy to give autographs.

Highlight of the day was the sight of Peter Snell breaking his own world's record for the half mile. Snell said his daily training program includes running 25 miles and warm-up miles of 4 minutes, 20 seconds each.

Fish in Japan!

For real thrills and excitement one cannot beat fishing in Japan. You can fish all day in stocked streams and ponds for the reasonable sum of 700 yen. Poles are given to customers upon arrival; bait is also provided. The only difficulty is getting near the place because there are so many other anglers. Most people picture a fisherman off in the wilderness fishing in a beautiful lake. In Japan, one elbows his way to the water and is lucky if he does not get his line tangled with others!

Diamond Drill

ASIJ at Narimasu—March 27—3:00

Narimasu at Yokohama March 30—3:00

Yamato at Narimasu—April 6—3:00

Johnson at Narimasu—April 13—3:00

Narimasu at Zama—April 27—3:00

Narimasu also plays practice away games on Tuesdays.

Dragons Take Third

The eighth annual basketball tournament held at Camp Zama was a fresh start for the win-hungry Dragons. The other schools involved in Class A play were Kubasaki, defending champion; Yamato, a pre-tournament favorite; Johnson, the Kanto Plains League champs; ASIJ; Zama; Yokohama, and Itazuke.

The Narimasu squad began tournament play with a trouncing 60-38 victory over the Cobras from Itazuke. With neither team able to achieve a commanding lead by half-time, the Dragons applied the brakes to the Cobras' offense with a second half full-court press.

This tough defensive measure kept the Southerners down to a mere seven points in the third quarter and scoreless in the last. Bob Livingston and Chap Wasson led the parade of Dragon scorers with 17 and 15 points respectively.

After a day's rest, the Dragons met the Johnson Falcons. What appeared to be an evenly matched game was soon turned into a run-away victory for the Falcons when they pulled away for a half-time lead of 29-13.

The Dragons fought back desperately in the second half, out-scoring their opponents, but were still unable to bridge the gap. The final score flashed 60-47. Frank Graham topped all scorers by netting 23 markers.

Infuriated by their loss, the Dragons of Narimasu pounded the Dragons of Kubasaki 42-38 in the final day of tournament to capture third place.

Stinging the Okinawans with a well-balanced offense and defense, the Elliot five led at the half 22-15. However, Kubasaki rallied to draw within two points of Narimasu before time cut short any hopes and gave the Narimasu Blue-and-White a 42-38 victory.

Highs, Lows Mark 1962



Even after a strong first round, the Dragons failed in their attempt to stay in first-place contention. The Narimasu squad won easily against Yokohama but then went on a four game losing streak. The loses to ASIJ and Zama's Trojans were especially painful.

ASIJ squeaked by the Dragons 38-37. Unable to hit in the Mustangs small and strange court, and having underestimated ASIJ's strength, Narimasu was at a distinct disadvantage. Finally recovering with but a few minutes left to play, the Dragons took a slim lead only to lose it in the closing seconds.