

# Sports

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## INTRAMURALS '70

The opening of the Intramurals '70 saw the showdown of two arch-rivals, the Gamma quintet and the Accounting five.

The high-powered Gammans lasted the Accountants, 63-50, before approving spectators.

The superior Gammans monopolized the rebounds, with stealing and undergoed depredations. While in the early part of the game they displayed their typical firepower by plastering the slowmoving Accountants, 14-8.

Gil who powered the Gammans by playing like a wildcat stunned the Accountants as he handily squeezed himself out in any tight part of the game. With hotshots Deles and Gil providing the propulsion, the Gammans soared up to a 37-24 lead at halftime.

In the second half the Gammans built up more power as fiery Jalandoni and Asignar sank 10 points respectively which provided the 69-40 score 9 minutes before whistle time.

The Gamma-Accounting encounter was the series opener of the much-awaited Intramurals '70 which lighten off its pad last September 18th. To the campus sports enthusiasts it heralded a new eye-filling and thrilling cage battles. To the students, in general, it brought to them the usual fanfare of the season. But more to the pomp and the "classiness" that graced the opening were the cage battles to be fought hard right after the ceremonies by the different teams.

The different departments and some campus organizations fielded their best teams to compete in a month-plus long cage tourney. And yes, there was usually the prevalent feeling of those teams that came out last year as standouts to outclass those who "over-outclassed" them. Of course, such arch-rivals as the Gamma

quintet and the Accounting five have crossed their hearts, to all the sundry, to stop all uprisings coming from those they believe the less-superior teams. But a bunch of fierce hoopsters hailing from the Commerce department who dubbed themselves as the Business team (because they say they really mean business?) have since the early start of the Intramurals '70 been wearing a covetous eye on the Intramural crown. But what of the ROTC who have already displayed such "military aggressiveness" by shoving off those who have attempted to block their way?

This, in brief, gives one the picture of the focal point of the "cage war" being waged in the hard-court of the USC quadrangle while the USC studentry watch in sheer tension and thrill. Other participating team are: RHO, SEA, The Teachers College, Law, Science and Arts.

## USC IN CAFBA

The Warriors trounced CSJR's Magisters, 61-36, during the opening games of the Cebu Administration-Faculty Basketball Association tournament.

The cagefest was held before a cheering and thumping crowd of 2,000 at the USC Boys High gymnasium.

The Warriors displayed their swift court maneuvering and pressing which sent the Magisters groping in the first quarter of the game. With the combined effort of Suarez and Villegas, pouring in 12 points and 10 points respectively, and Fr. Schumacher sinking one basket, the Warriors surged up with a 24-8 blast-off.

The Warriors were in trouble in the second quarter when the now graced Magisters resorted to full courtpresses. The Magisters' defense was so tight that

both teams were always hopelessly scrambling for the ball. As a consequence, the USC dribblers could only put in 8 points but still found the Magisters trailing, 32-16.

In the third quarter the Warriors, skipped by Fr. Mar Alingasa, detonated an 18-point lead over the Magisters who were still on a full court-press. With 5'7" spitfire Villegas pouring in 10 points more, the USC basketeers were still in a winning streak, 48-24.

The last quarter of the game saw the USC hoopsters still on the lead without giving the Magisters a chance to step up giving a merciless beating to the already desperate Magisters, 61-36, at lemon time.

The USC Faculty Basketball team gunned to their second straight victory in three games in the CAFBA year-round cage tourney by clobbering a stubborn SWU team, 92-76. The cage hostilities were held at the Aznar Coliseum last Monday, October 5.

In the first quarter the SWU team had already gathered enough steam to clinch an early lead, 21-16.

Entering in the second quarter Serg Cugas, Jigger Villegas and Nick Suarez began the USC plunder by dumping in a combined 8-point sortie for a reverse, 24-21.

In the third quarter the USC team with all guns blazing pulled away from the strong clutches of the SWU team by a 12-point barrage for 53-41. But fast-breaking and hotshooting Nick Suarez was thrown out because he was already saddled by five personals. It was all disconcerting for the USC team when sturdy guard Serg Cugas was also thrown out because of five personals in the last two minutes of the third quarter.

Despite all the hitches the USC team was able to rip the cords with deadly accuracy in the last quarter thru the firepower of Fr. Jaime, Fr. Gillo and high-point man Jigger Villegas who struck back with a 15-point blitz, 87-72, two minutes before gunbark.

Those were the cage battles wherein the USC Faculty team proved themselves to be a galvanic team. With such reliable and towering hardcourt guards as Fr. Schumacher, hotshots Jigger Villegas, and of course Suarez, the USC Faculty Basketball team will always emerge a strong contender.



