

DEE PORTAL



DICK MIYAGAWA

BOXING

Led by Hawaiian Dick Miyagawa, veteran 127-pounder who became San Jose State's first national collegiate boxing champion, Coach DeWitt Portal's 1942 varsity boxing team went through an undefeated dual meet season, and took second place in the coast championships at Sacramento behind the title-winning Washington State Cougars. Both Miyagawa and Charlie Townsend, colored sophomore lightweight, won coast titles in the divisions, and the former went on to take his N. C. A. A. crown at the nationals in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Another standout for the Spartans was Frank Minini, heavyweight, whose first year of boxing under Portal brought him to the finals at Sacramento, where he lost a very close match to Idaho's Vito Berllus.