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SELF-DEFENSE

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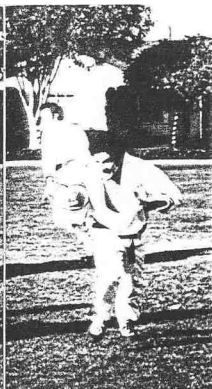
BLACK BELT

WRESTLERS REVEAL
FLAWS IN JUDO

AGE IS NO
BARRIER
TO KARATE

MISSION:
ASSASSINATION





KUMITE QUARTERBACKS HELP UNITE KARATE



"Hut-two, hut-two, 22, 36, 44, hike!" Football and the martial arts? That's right! It all started because Mike Stone thought it would be a good idea for his students to meet and get to know fellow karateka from other schools as a friendly basis outside of tournament competition. A team from Mike's school and one from a neighboring dojo got together for a game of flag football one Sunday afternoon. Everybody had such a good time that it became a regular Sunday afternoon feature with teams from different Southern California schools participating.

Mike believes that something other than tournaments is needed to bring all of the leaders of the martial arts—karate especially—together in a place where everyone can meet and talk without the feeling that their style or system is being scrutinized or weighed. "Too often," says Mike, "masks and disguises are worn at karate tournaments; ego interferes with the progress and the cooperation which our art so richly deserves."

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COMING AROUND END is Mike Stone, (above) as he tries to take the ball for an end run and a first down, but Phil Terales (left) is there waiting for him. At photo right, Lee Goff and Bob Durns battle for the ball.





the DEFENSIVE HUDDLE

*"What're we gonna do?
Don't worry about that,
we gotta stop them
from making another
touchdown."*

Pleased with the response to the games, Stone explains why he thinks football can be of value. "It brought the instructor and student together on an equal level where communication, cooperation and teamwork were vital to insure a win." Stone eventually hopes to have a game between Northern

and Southern California, with long range plans for a "Black Belt Bowl" in August or September of 1971. But this cooperative effort does not need to be limited to football, and plans are in the making for basketball, basketball and volleyball games, as well as picnics and family get togethers.

BLOCKING?

Yes, but all in fun as Bob Dunek and Bill Martin clown around just before the scrimmage. The game was between Shurei Karate Club and Mike Stone's Karate Studio to see who would stay in the rate for the up-coming black belt bowl.



PITCHOUT

Mike Stone as quarterback for his team pitches out to Don Glover in an end-around sweep. The final score of the touch football game placed Stone's Studio ahead 50-24.

the OFFENSIVE HUDDLE

*"It looks like they're
using a shut-gun de-
fense again. Let's try
end-around pitch-
out to Don and then..."*



Many karate schools are already participating, and Mike extends his invitation to any school within the martial arts community. A few jujo schools have expressed interest in competing, and aikido and kendo schools are welcome, too.

The "Black Belt Bowl" is currently building celebrity steam

with two Los Angeles Rams players volunteering as coaches. It's hoped that Rams' quarterback Roman Gabriel will be able to coach the offensive team, and Rams' middle-linebacker Myron Patis will take over the defensive team.

