



Three Roger Bacon tacklers try to catch slippery Fred Macklin (21) as he scampers around end.

The Hughes football team placed sixth in the P.H.S.L. with a 1-5 record. Going from the championship in 1954 to a low sixth place may seem an unsuccessful season, but there is every reason to hope for another championship next year. The team, composed mainly of underclassmen, gained the experience needed for a high caliber squad.

The Varsity Team finished with an overall 1-8 record. The Reserve Team, coached by Mr. Lloyd Williams, ended with a 2-4 slate. The Junior High Team, coached by Mr. Will Hundemer, fared even better than their big brothers with a 3-2-3 record.

Next year's eleven will miss the services of Captain Charles Whitehead, Dick Melchiorre, Tom Jaeger, John Biedenkapp, Ron Hardert, and Donn Goebel, whose blocking and hard charging formed the forward wall for Hughes. The skill of men such as Lucious Hughes, Joe Breiner, Carl Adkins, and Charles Brunner will leave holes in the defensive unit. Most of the regular backfield will return next season; Jim Tarter is the only graduate.

The nucleus of the '56 team will be centered around the juniors and sophomores who looked promising during the 1955 season. Howard Boorum, center; Jim Muckenfuss, guard; Paul Mueller and Bob Hauser, two defensive backs; Ray Eisenschmidt, end; Rick Forste, tackle, and Walt Peters, Fred Macklin, Jim Acton, Jack Horton, and Bill Daniels, all backs, are among these players.

With these hopefuls in 1956, Hughes can once more expect a winning season.

