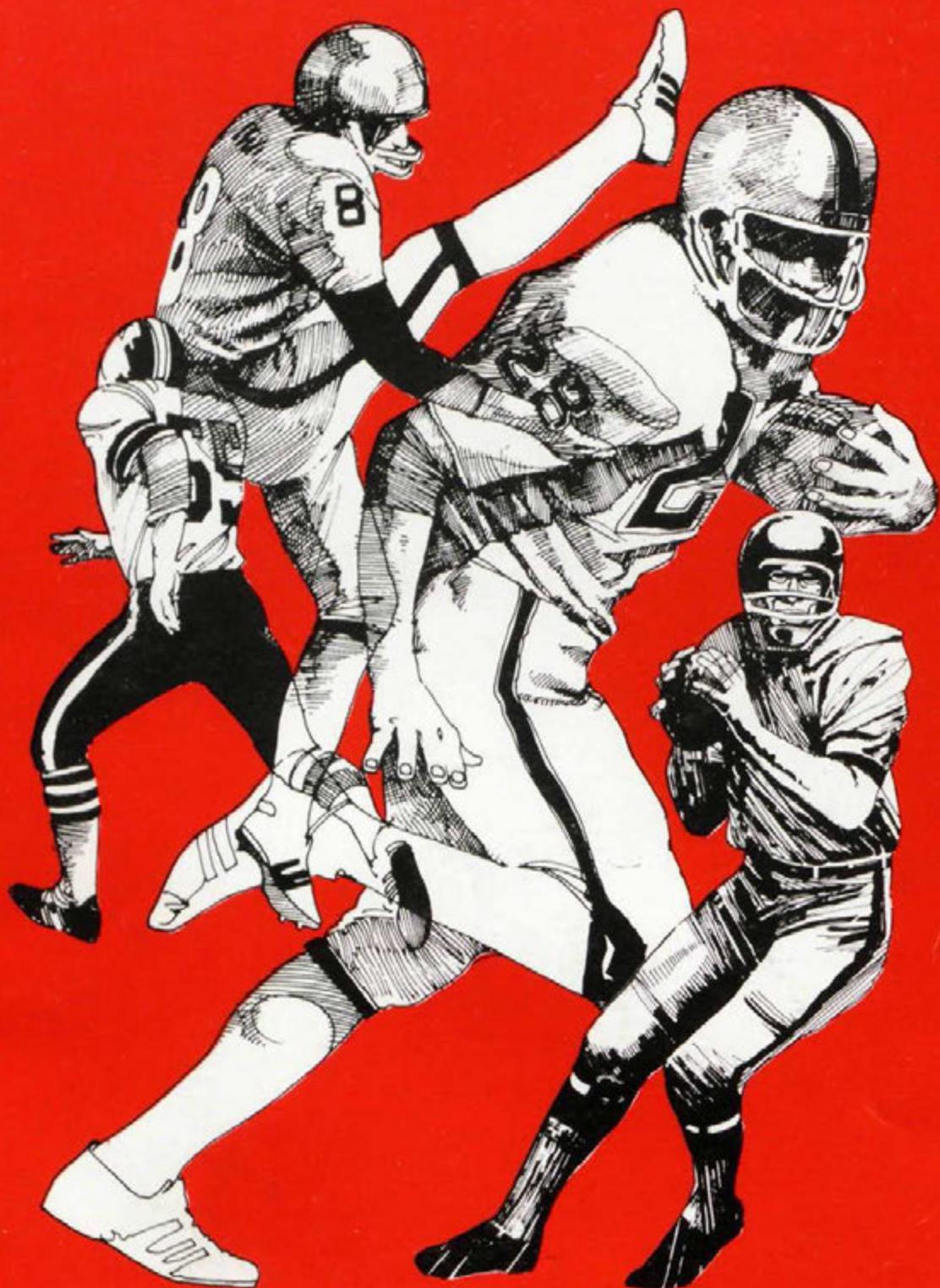


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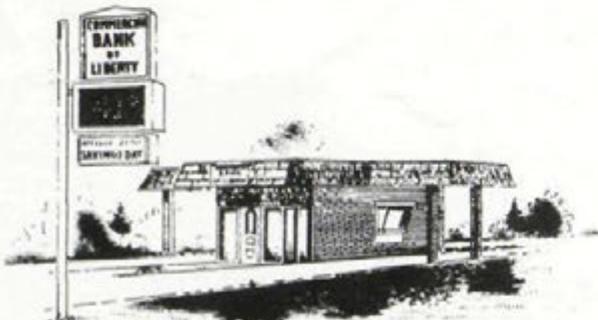


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# GREAT RIVALRIES

## College Football Excitement



Navy's Middies toss their hats in the air to celebrate victory over Army.

by Bill Lyon, Philadelphia INQUIRER

In 1883, the president of Cornell University was informed that some of his students intended to travel to Ann Arbor, Mich., for the express purpose of playing a strange new game called football. The president, one Andrew White, cancelled the Cornell-Michigan game and uttered the first faculty resistance in sentiments we still hear, from time to time, almost a century later: "I shall not permit 30 men to travel 400 miles," he thundered, "merely to agitate a bag of wind." He was, of course, fighting a losing battle.

For the game, as we all know, has flourished, to the point that on golden autumn Saturdays no one will argue if you suggest that it wasn't Columbus who discovered America but Princeton and Rutgers, back there in 1869 when they gathered at New Brunswick, N.J., solemnly removed their waistcoats and then took turns pummeling one another

for possession of an inflated pig bladder. What they introduced then was not just a game but a new word—"rivalry." That, more than anything else, is what makes the college game so unique. Rivalries are what separate the college game from the professional, whether it's for a one-year possession of an Old Oaken Bucket or for bragging rights to a whole state or a city. College football invented sports rivalries and it bristles with them... intra-state, cross-town, border, interservice... LSU-Ole Miss., Alabama-Auburn, Michigan-Michigan State, Indiana-Purdue, Pitt-Penn State, Army-Navy, USC-UCLA... it is an endless, throbbing list fed by one great truism: Everybody has somebody he likes to see get beat. It is that simple.

Almost every rivalry features a side bet involving some sort of tangible evidence of success, ranging from a wooden turtle to a giant steer hide, with the scores

branded in. This process, too, got its start from Rutgers-Princeton. The two schools had been fighting over a Revolutionary War cannon for years and they finally decided the best way to determine ownership would be to play football. From that was spawned a hoary succession of Little Brown Jugs.

The Little Brown Jug is probably football's most famous *objet d'art*, but you should know that it started out as neither little nor brown, rather a gray plaster crock, two-and-a-half feet tall, which was filled with fresh spring water sipped by early Michigan teams. Back in 1903, having run up a 29-game winning streak under Coach Fielding Yost, Michigan played Minnesota and was held to a 6-6 tie. Disgraced, the Michigan team fled and left the water crock behind. "Yost left his jug," the Minnesota Swedes chortled. The Gophers said

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# Great Rivalries

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Michigan would have to win it back, and they have been snarling over it ever since.

Rivalries do not need any artificial embellishment, of course, to trigger flaming emotions, the kind that become so fervent that nothing else matters except the game. How significant is a college football rivalry? Consider the Texas-Arkansas affair. One year, the pastor of the Fayetteville (Ark.) First Baptist Church, Rev. Andrew Hall, probably put it in perspective when he filled the church message board with this admonition: "Football is only a game. Spiritual things are eternal. Nevertheless... BEAT TEXAS!"

The original traditional rivalry began back in 1875, by a couple of schools you might have heard of in casual conversation, Yale and Harvard. Even today it is still referred to simply as *The Game*. That might sound a bit pretentious now, but there was a time when this confrontation settled what was then the national championship. Now it may mean, to the outside world, nothing more than first place in the Ivy League. But to the partisans it is still as meaningful as it was when raccoon coats were the rage. They may not get too worked up about Yale-Harvard down in Baton Rouge or Lubbock or South Bend or Tuscaloosa or Norman, but when *The Game* approaches, Wall Street gets worked up. Yale, remember, gave us Walter Camp and Amos Alonzo Stagg, not to mention Pudge Heffelfinger and Albie Booth and Larry Kelley, while Harvard was fur-

nishing Hamilton Fish and Eddie Mahan and a Senator-to-be named Edward Kennedy, who scored the only Crimson TD in a 1955 defeat. It was Charlie Yeager, the student manager for Yale, who slipped unnoticed onto the field and caught a conversion pass, thereby rousing the ire of Harvardites, who cried foul play. The very next year, however, a Harvard student loosed several greased pigs in the Yale Bowl... during the game... er, that is, *The Game*.

Neither school is thought of as a football super power today, but to stroll through the leaves on a burnished afternoon in either New Haven or Cambridge, to inhale the color and the atmosphere, the tailgating and the class reunions, is to taste the anticipation that is the core of the appeal of college football rivalries.

If Harvard-Yale conjures up visions of cerebral battle, then Texas-Oklahoma strips right down to the nub of raw emotion. Each October the Cotton Bowl is a pandemoniacal sellout, with the bands trying to drown each other out with "The Eyes of Texas" and "Boomer Sooner." The Longhorns and Sooners have been playing since 1900, and the game became the key attraction of the State Fair of Texas in 1915. This assures that upwards of 300,000 people will flood Dallas, and 225,000 of them won't have a ticket for the game. That will not dull their revelry. This is the only known rivalry where newspapers routinely include in all the statistics a boxscore of arrests. (The record is 700,

in 1968.)

It is said that many oil wells are wagered on the outcome of this game, that Nieman-Marcus makes more sales than during Christmas week, that the streets are more liquid and rowdy than even the French Quarter during Mardi Gras, and that the all-time NCAA record for sales of aspirin was set at the corner of Commerce and Akard Streets. It all began heating up in the late 1940s when Oklahoma won nine out of 10. This was when Bud Wilkinson was coaching five undefeated teams and three national champions, and, disgruntled Longhorn fans grumbled, did it by luring some prime Texas recruits across the Red River. Texas got its revenge under Darrell Royal, who, in the most delicious of ironies, had played for Oklahoma. As the Texas coach, he won 10 of his first 12 from the Sooners. But Oklahoma bounced right back, even to the point of whipping Texas with its own invention—the Wishbone.

Up north there is another frothing feud involving Michigan and Ohio State. They started butting heads in 1897 and for a long time it was like two dinosaurs elbow-locked over a tar pit. The two agreed to move the date to the final game of the season in 1935 and what they did was create a whole new second season. Nineteen times this one has decided the Big Ten title and a berth in the Rose Bowl, and it has produced some of the game's real glamour names—Tom Harmon and Forest Evashevski, "Hop-along" Cassidy and Archie Griffin, Fritz Crisler and Wayne Woodrow Hayes.

They take no prisoners in this series. Whenever one school gets the other down, it stomps. Michigan won 40-0 once and in '46 was up 55-0 and driving for more; stopped on third down at the Buckeye 12, the Wolverines added insult to injury with a field goal. OSU got in its licks, too. One year the Bucks scored with only five seconds to play and went for two, completing a 50 to 20 rout. In 1968, OSU ran it up again, 50-14. So the next year, the week before the rematch, Michigan wore red practice jerseys with "50" stenciled in large numbers across the front as a graphic reminder. Thus inspired, Michigan extracted its revenge, 24-12.

Every November they go at it, in either Ann Arbor or in Columbus. It is always brutally cold, occasionally fought in a blizzard, and it is always a sellout. They could play on an ice floe in the middle of the Arctic Ocean and Eskimo ticket scalpers would still make a fortune out of Michigan-Ohio State.

Down South, where the Hatfields and the McCoy's popularized the whole idea of feuding, there's a boiling rivalry be-

The Little Brown Jug dates back to 1903 and belongs to the victor of the Minnesota-Michigan game.



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# Great Rivalries

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tween Alabama and Tennessee. On the third Saturday of each October, southern genteelness takes a holiday. The Tide and the Vols began their rivalry in 1901, with 'Bama doing all the early dominating. In one stretch, the Tide hung seven straight shutouts on Tennessee. By 1928, the Vols had had enough. A man named Robert Neyland had come in to coach, Gene McEver returned the opening kickoff a mere 100 yards, Bobby Dodd ran wild and Tennessee carved out a 15-13 upset over the 'Bama team that had won the Rose Bowl the year before. The series was off and bubbling.

In 1936, 'Bama was inspired in the game by a player named Paul "Bear" Bryant. He played on a broken leg. In the '50s, Tennessee won seven, tied two against 'Bama, and then the Tide brought in Bryant to coach. He brought along some quarterbacks named Steve Sloan and Joe Namath and "Snake" Stabler. . . and, yes, Stabler still remembers one of those games. He threw away a pass to stop the clock. Except it was on fourth down. The Vols got out of a tie and used that as a springboard to beat the Bear and 'Bama four straight.

To this day, Bear Bryant says that in evaluating recruits he judges them on the basis of whether he'd want them out there in the fourth quarter against Tennessee.

If Alabama-Tennessee reminds you of flamethrowers down among the magnolias, then Notre Dame - Southern Cal is the personification of Hollywood, the *real* Golden Dome against the Silver Screen—Knute Rockne and the Four Horsemen, Anthony Davis and O. J. Simpson, Paul Hornung and Mike Garrett, national championships hanging in the balance, stirring comebacks and memorable upsets.

"It's the greatest rivalry in the country," says Jack Snow, who caught more than his share of passes for the Irish. "They are always messing each other up. As sure as one is going for the national championship, the other will gum up the works. It's one of those games where a three-touchdown lead doesn't mean a thing." (Remember '72, when Anthony Davis returned the second half kickoff for a TD and USC rallied behind his six scores to turn a lopsided loss into a rousing romp?)

In 1935, with the game at South Bend, the beach boys from the West Coast stood shivering in 18-degree weather. Across the field, Notre Dame was bundled in blankets. The Irish band played the Ave Maria in memory of Knute Rockne. Played it clear through, *twice*. Thoroughly numbed by now, USC fumbled the kickoff at its own three. It is said the band was voted a game ball by the Notre Dame squad.



The traditional rivalry between Yale and Harvard, known today as simply "The Game," began back in 1875.

"This game always reminds me of the poker player who has won all the money, cashed his chips and is ready to walk out when somebody challenges him to a showdown, all or nothing," said John McKay, who coached USC during a storied portion of the Notre Dame rivalry.

Historians uncovered, following World War II, a secret message sent by Japanese intelligence in the U.S. to Tokyo. It talked about this strange autumnal ritual in America called football. "This is a strange thing which stirs the Americans," the report said. "They are not to be taken lightly in the autumn."

Which is as good a way as any to get around to what once was the most famous rivalry in all the sports world. Army - Navy. Its appeal transcends provincial rooting interests. It is a spectacle with true national flavor. Even global. Admirals and generals, fox hole diggers and deck swabbers, cock an ear to the Armed Forces Network broadcast. Indeed, in 1944, when Army put the wraps on an undefeated season with a victory over Navy, this telegram was sent: "THE GREATEST OF ALL ARMY TEAMS. STOP. WE HAVE STOPPED THE WAR TO CELEBRATE YOUR MAGNIFICENT SUCCESS. STOP." It was signed, simply, MacArthur.

The rivalry no longer draws 110,000 to JFK Stadium in Philadelphia. Last year, it was shifted to Veterans Stadium, just a couple of blocks away, because the crowd had dwindled away to "only" 75,000 or so.

Neither the Cadets nor the Middies have been gunning for No. 1 in recent

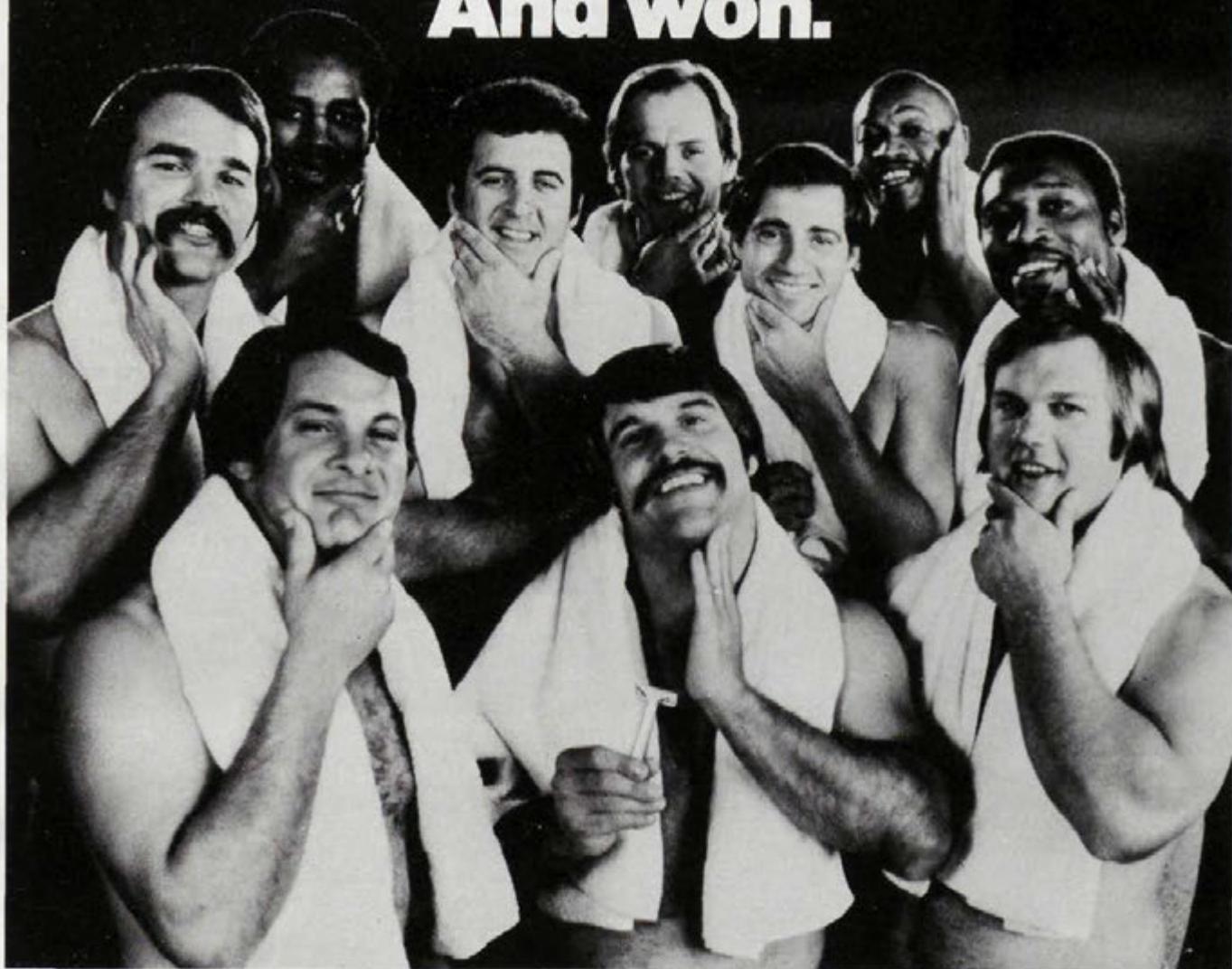
years, but this does not detract in the least from the zeal with which they confront one another. It began in 1890, a grudge match originated by a West Point cadet named Dennis Michie, for whom Army's stadium is named, and was played on a parade ground. Navy won, 24-0, and returned home with a goat it had found on the road there. The Middies named the goat Bill and officially adopted him as their mascot. They've gone through a couple of dozen Bills by now . . . and Army has kidnapped just about every one at some time or other.

Army - Navy took almost no time to heat up. In 1893, President Grover Cleveland stopped the game for a period of five years because a brigadier general and a rear admiral got into such a ferocious argument afterwards that they challenged each other to a duel. To this day, it remains the only game which has been televised every year since the tube began.

It has been a rivalry brimming with pranks and pomp, and it too has given us big names—Davis and Blanchard, the Lonesome End, Bellino and Staubach . . . and the imposing vista of the Long Gray Line, marching in precision, and a cloud of white naval hats sprayed across the sky . . .

"I've been in all-star games, playoffs, Super Bowls," reflected Roger Staubach, "but I've never been as caught up in drama as when I was privileged to be a part of Army - Navy. It's what college football is all about. . . a great rivalry." ■

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# JOHN HEISMAN

## FOOTBALL'S GREAT INNOVATOR



The worth of the Heisman Trophy, annually awarded to the best college football player in the nation, is so well established that no testimonials are necessary. Millions of words are penned about all the Heisman hopefuls, but it would be a safe bet that few will be written about John William Heisman, the man for whom the Trophy was named. This slight is unfortunate, because Mr. Heisman is definitely a football figure worthy of far more public recognition than he has received. In his book, *Football's Greatest Coaches*, Edwin Pope claims that "Heisman ranked only behind Amos Alonzo Stagg, Pop Warner and Walter Camp as a contributor to the game we know today."

Heisman's football career began at Brown University in 1887. For three years, through 1889, Heisman anchored the Brown line as a 158-lb. center, living in dread of being buried by 220-lb. linemen. Despite his size, football must have agreed with the gutsy Heisman because he transferred to the University of Pennsylvania where he closed out his playing days with two years (1890-'91) on the Quaker forward wall as a tackle, center and end. Heisman thus became one of the first men to receive letters from two colleges, a not uncommon practice in later years.

J.W. eventually did take the first steps toward gainful employment when he entered law school, but the lure of the pigskin was overwhelming and in 1892 he returned to his native Ohio to assume the head coaching responsibilities at Oberlin College. Only 23, Heisman had the benefit of the best Ivy League tutelage (although the Ivy League wasn't officially formed until 1954). Heisman had learned well; in his first year he guided Oberlin's Yeomen to a perfect record.

For the next two seasons "Old John W." coached at Buchtel (now Akron) and then back to Oberlin. His off seasons were occupied with Shakespearean acting and he enjoyed using his flair for exaggerated stage English during his chalkboard sessions. On the opening day of fall practice, for instance, he would hold up a football and describe it as "a prolate spheroid—that is, an elongated sphere—in which the outer leathern casing is drawn tightly over a somewhat smaller rubber tubing," adding "better to have died as a small boy than to fumble this football."

In 1895 Heisman planted his roots in the South, accepting the head coach job at Alabama Polytechnic Institute, now Auburn. Winning 13 and losing only three games in his five years at A.P.I., Heisman moved on to Clemson in 1900. He coached four seasons for the Tigers, once again losing only three while accumulating 20 victories, including two drubbings of Georgia Tech, 44-5 and 73-0. The humiliation for the Yellowjackets was too much and for an increase of \$50 over his Clemson salary the Engineers had Heisman as their first paid football coach.

Following the 1919 season Heisman returned to the Red and Blue of Pennsylvania for three seasons and then went to Washington and Jefferson for only the 1923 campaign. Heisman couldn't recapture the glory of his early years and his last job as an active coach was at Rice Institute, where J.W. completed only three years of a five-year contract. At the age of 60, in 1927, J.W. Heisman finished his career as an active coach.

Thirty-five years of head coaching should alone qualify Heisman for football immortality, but in those years, mostly the early ones, his accomplishments abound with innovations now considered an integral part of the game. A few of the Heisman introductions to football include:

- The center snap. Prior to Heisman the ball was rolled from the center to the quarterback.
- The scoreboard listing downs, yardage and other pertinent points.
- The "hike" or "hep" vocal signals for starting play.
- Interference on end runs.
- Putting the quarterback at safety on defense rather than lining the team on defense exactly as they were on offense, which pitted the quarterback against much heavier opposition.

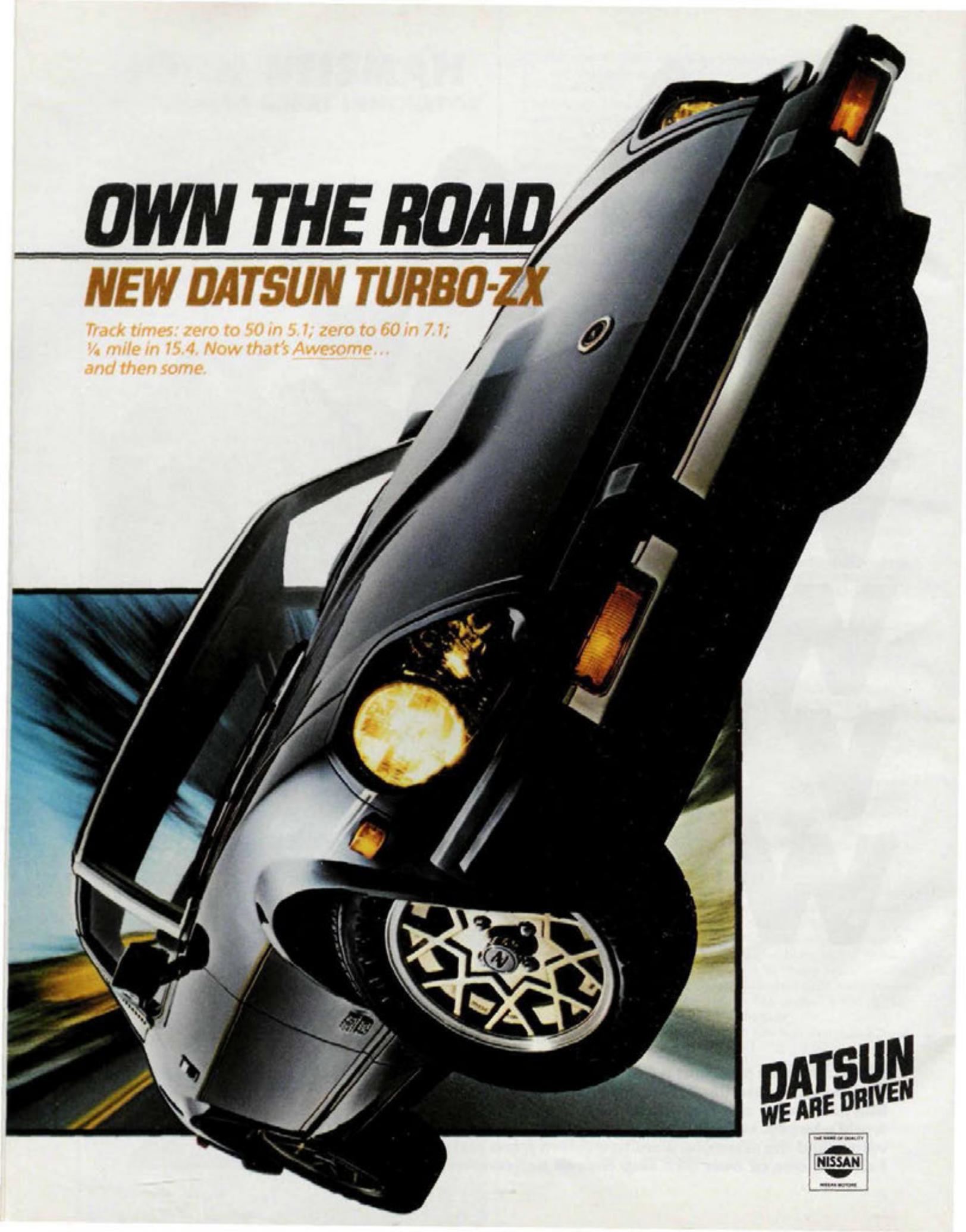
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# SPECIAL TEAMS MEAN FIELD POSITION

by Mike Monroe, Denver POST

**O**n Nov. 1 last fall, on a bright, windless day in Fort Collins, Colo., University of Wyoming punter Jack Weil executed seven punts. They traveled 61, 51, 58, 45, 52, 63 and 59 yards. Colorado State, Wyoming's opponent that day, got the ball following Weil's kicks on its 20, 25, 17, 8, 4, 12 and 16 yard lines. As a result, Colorado State was forced to punt from its 15, 32, 28, 13 and 32 yard lines.

Weil was responsible not only for a Western Athletic Conference single-game punting record (with an average of 55.6 yards for his seven kicks), but also for giving Wyoming a dramatic edge in field position for the game.

So what was the outcome? Colorado State 28, Wyoming 25, of course.

Special teams, you see, mean field position. They don't always mean a victory.

"All things being equal," just about any football coach in America will tell you, "the kicking game wins every fourth game."

All things, of course, aren't always equal.

They are often enough, however, that the play of special teams—the punting, punt return, punt coverage, kickoff, kickoff return and field goal units—receive far more attention from coaches today

than they did a few decades back. One head coach takes direct responsibility for his team's special teams.

"A head coach's most important job is to hire good assistants," he says. "But I still coach the special teams. It's one of the most important jobs on any coaching staff."

The same coach goes farther than the consensus in assigning game importance to the special teams.

"In an average 11-game schedule," he says, "at least two games are won or lost by the kicking game—*strictly* the kicking game."

The importance of the kickoff must  
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not be overlooked in discussing the significance of special teams relative to all-important field position. The opening kickoff of each half of a game can go a long way in determining field position for the two teams for the entire half.

"If the opponent has to start at his 20," says a coach, "and if you can then keep him from making two consecutive first downs, your team is going to gain field position. If, on the other hand, the opponent returns the opening kickoff to the 30, and then makes just one first down, you have lost field position, maybe for the whole half.

"What you are able to do offensively is, in large part, determined by your field position. That's what makes that opening kickoff so important, and that's one of the reasons you will often see a team that wins the (coin) toss elect to kick off and take the wind if the wind is a factor."

Special team players have to be, well ... special.

"They have to be a different breed of cat," says one coach.

"We don't permit the faint of heart to be on the special teams. Special team players must be able to run, dish out a hit and take a good hit. They must be fearless."

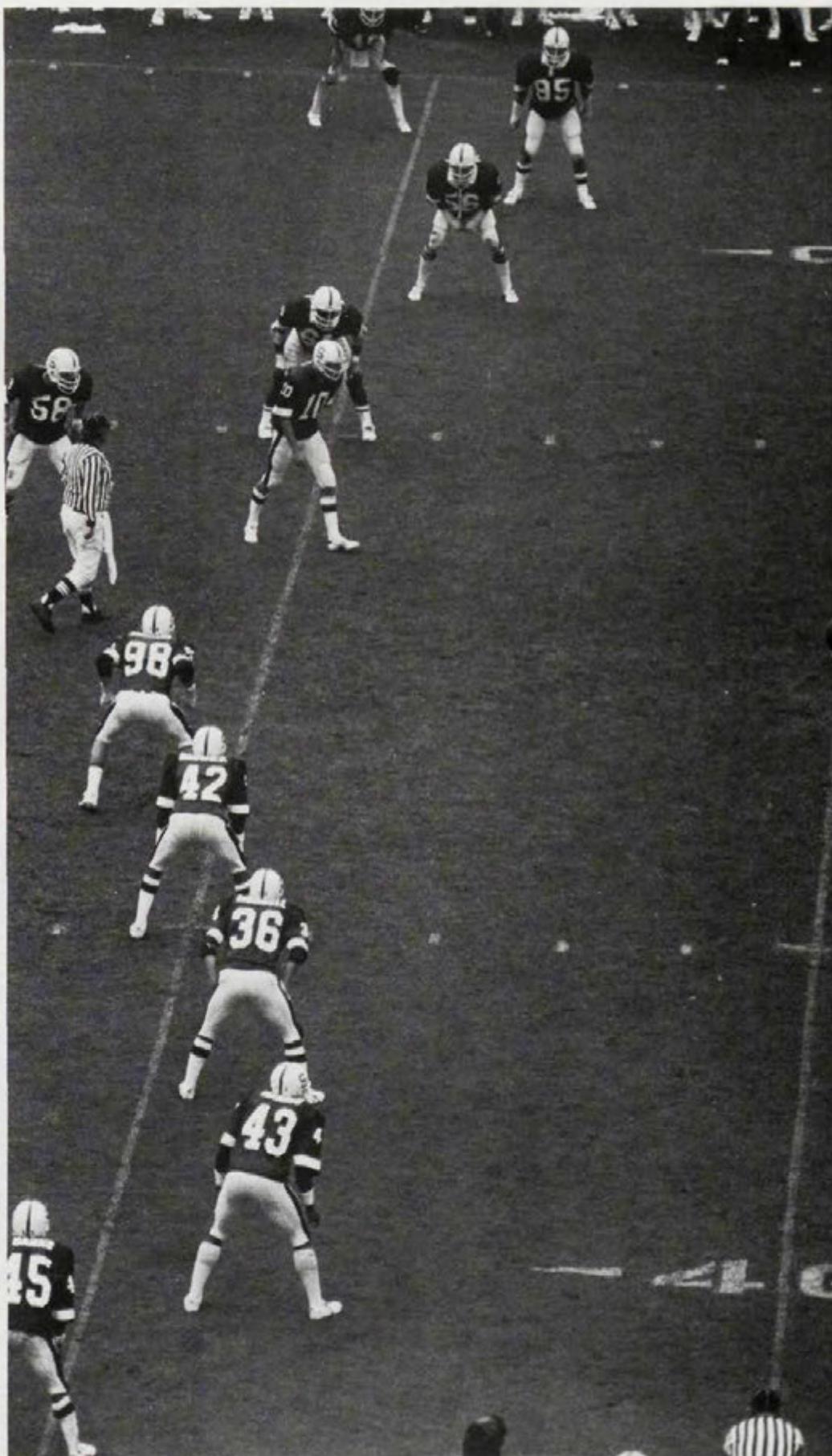
The college rules makers have taken notice of the play of special teams, and have played a part in at least one trend that has shown up statistically in recent years. By outlawing blocking below the waist and tightening up the rules governing roughing the kicker, they have made long punt returns go the way of the dinosaur. While they may not yet be extinct, they are certainly rare. Of course, the improvement among college punters and the emergence of a number of punters who are able to get good height—"hang time"—has also cut down on long punt runbacks.

Punt returns, on the average, have dropped by almost three yards in the past 20 years. While this may sound insignificant, it is nonetheless important and primarily is a reflection that fewer and fewer punts are being taken back all the way.

"With the rule changed to outlaw blocking below the waist, some of the fear has been taken out of being on a punt coverage team," says one coach. "In the past, the guys going down to cover the kick had to be aware of the blockers because of the risk of injury to a man going full blast downfield.

"Now, they can 'let it all hang out' going down to get to the (punt) receiver.

"Just about the only time you're ever going to see a punt returned all the way, or a long way, is when the punter 'out-kicks' his coverage. Of course, some of these guys do that on a regular basis



The opening kickoff can often determine field position for the two teams for the entire half.

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nowadays. It's really only the extremely long, low kick that will get returned."

The rules makers also outlawed three years ago a nifty little device used on rare occasions by a very few coaches. Until 1978, a field goal that was kicked out of bounds was placed in play at the point the ball went out of bounds. Some coaches used their field goal kickers as "coffin corner punters." That rule changed, however, at the same time the rule changed concerning the placing of the ball following missed field goals that came outside the 20.

"Field goal kickers ought to be more accurate than punters," says one coach who often used his kicker in the aforementioned manner. "I found they could kick the ball out of bounds from long distance better than most punters, and the other team often was unaware of what we were doing."

Who are the most important players on the special teams?

On the punting team, they are obviously the snapper and the punter. Long snapping is a football art form, one that is practiced often by players who otherwise might never have an opportunity to play college ball.

"I remember one year when we lost our season opener because of two bad snaps from center on punts," a coach recalls. "The following Monday, I tried just about every player on the team to find a

long snapper. I didn't have a single one. I put the word out on campus that anyone who had ever been a long snapper in high school could try out the next day. We found one, and he made every road trip. That's all he did all season. But a team cannot live without a good long snapper. If I didn't have one, I'd use one of my 30 scholarships to find one, even if he was 140 pounds."

Not surprisingly, the punter himself is regarded as the next-most-valuable player on the punt team. But linemen protecting the punter are considered more valuable than the speed-merchant specialists who fly downfield to cover the kick.

The punting teams are regarded as the most important of the special teams, since teams usually punt more often than they kick off or attempt field goals.

"If you figure you are going to punt six to eight times per game," one coach figures, "then you are probably going to use that 'play' more often than most single plays your offense runs. It's certainly worth giving one of your most frequently used plays an adequate amount of time in practice."

But how can special teams actually be responsible for the outcome of a game? How can they enable a poorer team to defeat one with better overall personnel?

"No matter how poor a team's offense is," explains one college coach, "if it can

somehow get to the opponent's 25- or 30-yard line, and if it has an adequate field goal kicker, it's got a chance to score. Field position alone can enable a team to do that.

"Look at it this way. If a team has a solid defense, but a poor offense, and has a great punter and excellent punt coverage, it can control field position throughout a game.

"Sooner or later, it is going to start a possession near midfield, and then it needs only to string together a couple of first downs to have a shot at a field goal.

"Have you ever seen a game won by a 3-0 score? Sure you have. Nine times out of ten, that field goal has come about after a game-long battle of field position. And it was the punting that determined the outcome of that battle."

Of course, don't forget the admonition that special teams and field position can win games "all things being equal." On that November afternoon in Colorado last fall, when Weil and Wyoming had the better of the special team's play and field position, it was Colorado State quarterback Steve Fairchild who provided the inequality. He completed 28 of 35 passes for 406 yards and three touchdowns.

Which just goes to prove that the best field position of all is in the opponent's end zone.

*The punting units are regarded as the most important of the special teams because they usually see more action during a game.*



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Heisman received football letters from two colleges.

In addition, he led the fight to divide the game into quarters rather than halves and he pioneered with such formations as the Heisman shift and the hidden ball play (in which his quarterback at Tech actually stuffed the ball under his jersey to deceive the opposition).

Heisman reached his coaching zenith at Tech, with undefeated teams in 1915 and 1916, although each tied once, and a perfect 9-0 mark in 1917. Under Heisman the Golden Tornadoes authored the worst mauling ever on a gridiron, drowning little Cumberland College of Lebanon, Tenn. 220-0! Lest that sound inhuman and merciless, understand that the game was shortened to only 50 minutes. Little Cumberland might have been an unusually weak victim that October day in 1916, but from 1914 Heisman's teams won four straight southern championships.

Heisman's greatest achievement, how-

ever, was becoming "the father of the forward pass." He didn't throw the first pass, but he certainly saw one of its early flights in 1895. Heisman had long been fighting against such overwhelming power plays as the flying wedge, and when he saw the pass he realized that here was the answer to those formations, which he felt the human frame couldn't withstand. Heisman became the staunchest supporter for legalizing the forward pass long before its acceptance in 1906.

Staying away from athletics was impossible for Heisman, and upon leaving Rice he became one of the organizers and the first athletic director of the Downtown Athletic Club in New York City. The Heisman Trophy is sponsored by the Downtown Athletic Club and given in John W.'s memory. On Oct. 3, 1936 John W. Heisman died of bronchopneumonia at the age of 66.

## HEISMAN MEMORIAL TROPHY WINNERS

Year	Player, College, Pos.	Year	Player, College, Pos.
1935	Jay Berwanger, Chicago, HB	1958	Pete Dawkins, Army, HB
1936	Larry Kelley, Yale, E	1959	Billy Cannon, LSU, HB
1937	Clint Frank, Yale, HB	1960	Joe Bellino, Navy, HB
1938	Davey O'Brien, TCU, QB	1961	Ernie Davis, Syracuse, HB
1939	Nile Kinnick, Iowa, HB	1962	Terry Baker, Oregon St., QB
1940	Tom Harmon, Michigan, HB	1963	Roger Staubach, Navy, QB
1941	Bruce Smith, Minnesota, HB	1964	John Huarte, Notre Dame, QB
1942	Frank Sinkwich, Georgia, HB	1965	Mike Garrett, Southern Cal, HB
1943	Angelo Bertelli, Notre Dame, QB	1966	Steve Spurrier, Florida, QB
1944	Les Horvath, Ohio State, QB	1967	Gary Beban, UCLA, QB
1945	Doc Blanchard, Army, FB	1968	O. J. Simpson, Southern Cal, HB
1946	Glenn Davis, Army, HB	1969	Steve Owens, Oklahoma, HB
1947	John Lujack, Notre Dame, QB	1970	Jim Plunkett, Stanford, QB
1948	Doak Walker, SMU, HB	1971	Pat Sullivan, Auburn, QB
1949	Leon Hart, Notre Dame, E	1972	Johnny Rodgers, Nebraska, FL
1950	Vic Janowicz, Ohio State, HB	1973	John Cappelletti, Penn State, HB
1951	Dick Kazmaier, Princeton, HB	1974	Archie Griffin, Ohio State, HB
1952	Billy Vessels, Oklahoma, HB	1975	Archie Griffin, Ohio State, HB
1953	John Lattner, Notre Dame, HB	1976	Tony Dorsett, Pittsburgh, HB
1954	Alan Ameche, Wisconsin, FB	1977	Earl Campbell, Texas, HB
1955	Howard Cassady, Ohio State, HB	1978	Billy Sims, Oklahoma, HB
1956	Paul Hornung, Notre Dame, QB	1979	Charles White, Southern Cal, TB
1957	John Crow, Texas A&M, HB	1980	George Rogers, South Carolina, RB

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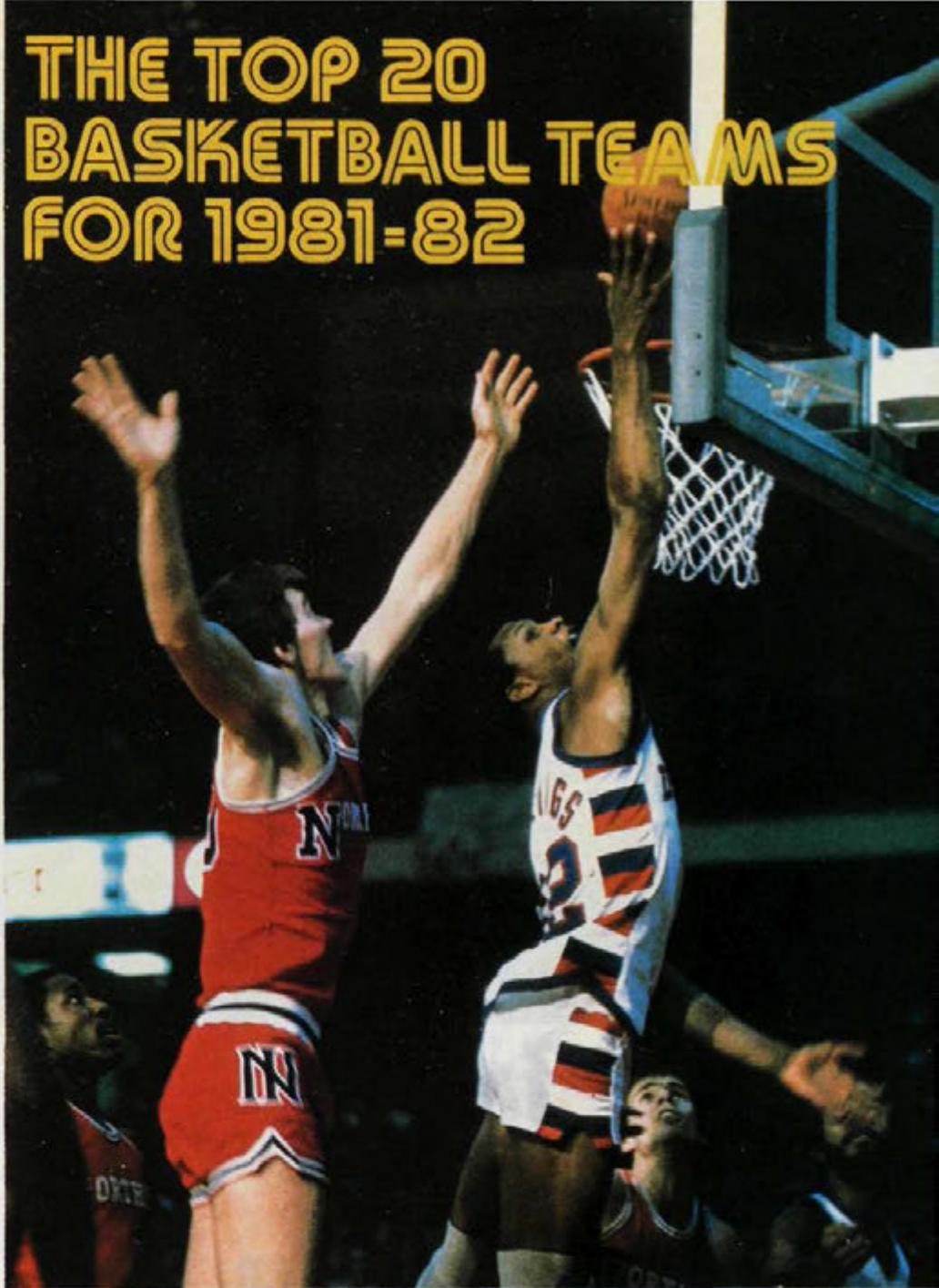
**Alabama-Birmingham** Of the 329 different coaches who have piloted their teams to the 43 NCAA tournaments, none got there quicker from point zero than did Gene Bartow with his UAB Blazers. That's not to say Bartow is an overnight sensation. He had been to the NAAs before with Memphis State (1973) and UCLA (1976 and 1977). His reputation as a program-builder crystallized when, in UAB's fourth season, the 23-9 Blazers stunned Kentucky and then scared Indiana in the Midwest Regional. He's 0-for-5 vs. Bobby Knight, but that'll change. What has remained constant through it all is Bartow: He still likes his steaks well done, still doesn't smoke or drink, still doesn't swear. The Kentucky win put the Blazers on a pedestal, though it was a struggle. A tough schedule, a deep bench, muscle up front (6-10 Anchrum, 6-8 Chris Giles, 6-6 Craig Lane, 6-8 Donnie Speer) and a dazzler at guard, Oliver Robinson, will prepare hungry UAB for another rush toward the NAAs and the high drama that goes with it. This time, as fate has it, the Midwest Regional will be at Birmingham. Southern home-cooking can't hurt Bartow's chances of becoming the first coach to take teams from three schools to the Final Four.

**Connecticut** Cornelius Thompson, a 6-8 inside player blessed with multiple skills, is so good that they'd designate him a state treasure if it was possible. Interest in basketball is, in fact, on a par with oil prices in Connecticut. "It's not unusual," said one observer, "to see the front of the sports pages read, 'Huskies Win; Super Bowl Today.'" Thompson (call him Corny) led his high school team in Middletown, Conn., to 76 successive wins, then signed to attend UConn in the midst of a raging blizzard. It didn't chill the program. Mike McKay followed, 6-11 Chuck Aleksinas transferred from Kentucky and UConn was off to the races. Corny, the hub of the club, is a household word in this state. A private person who prefers not to dunk, he is definitely a force. UConn is 61-26 in the three seasons he's been in the lineup. When his buzzer shot beat St. John's last season, 14,587 spectators at the Hartford Civic Center went berserk. There could be more of the same kind of jubilation if guards Karl Hobbs and Vern Giscombe

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(top) Terry Cummings, DePaul  
(bottom left) Eric Floyd, Georgetown  
(bottom right) Randy Wittman, Indiana

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get the ball to Cory so he can keep UConn close in the Big East title chase that surely will be frenetic again.

**DePaul** A lot of folks feel certain that Ray Meyer, a gentle panda of a man who has been coaching this Catholic school on the north side of town for 39 years, will find the peace he has been yearning for and it will come because his best player, Mark Aguirre, a young man of many moods, elected to leave as a junior



Oliver Robinson, Alabama-Birmingham

for the NBA. The chunky Aguirre, a.k.a. the Muffin Man, he of the wonderful moves, was so dichotomous that he wore Meyer's psyché to a frazzle. Aguirre led the Blue Demons from oblivion to the Final Four in 1979. And then, in 1980 and 1981, they were ambushed in the first round of the NAAs. These are no pa-looks that the legendary Meyer will trot out anew—not Terry Cummings and Teddy Grubbs and Bernard Randolph up front with quicksilver Skip Dillard in the backcourt. The newcomers should help mightily, especially 6-9 frosh Walter Downing, a Chicagoan who did an about-face in one day's time, leaving Marquette in the lurch and choosing instead DePaul, and 6-1 Raymond McCoy, a transfer from San Francisco who is home again. If perplexing DePaul will play as a t-e-a-m, the winter nights won't be so long and Ray Meyer will smile once more.

**Georgia** Because Dominique Wilkins did not bolt to the NBA, the Bulldogs will be in the scrap for the Southeastern Conference championship and, maybe, much more. Had Wilkins, an explosive player of astounding abilities, bitten at a



Dominique Wilkins, Georgia

\$1.2 million package offered by the Detroit Pistons, Georgia would have been left in disarray. Now, Coach Hugh Durham has a hatful of talent, including starters Wilkins, 6-8 Terry Fair, James Banks and Vern Fleming, both 6-6, and 6-1 leaper Eric Marbury. The 6-7 Wilkins is the SEC's premier player. He led the league in scoring (23.6), getting the green light from Durham. Wilkins launched 582 shots, 200 more than anyone else in the SEC. The Dogs of Dunk were 19-12, finished fifth in the SEC's regular-season race and got to the NIT. "We were thinking tournament," said Durham. "Next it would be the NCAA and if Wilkins (a junior) doesn't apply for hardship in the fourth year, we could make a run at it." With Dominique shouldering the load, Georgia might make the mountaintop one year early.

**Georgetown** All-America guard Eric (Sleepy) Floyd might wake up to find he's the king of the hill, the top of the heap. Indeed, all eyes will be focused on the Hoyas, a team that Mike Frazier, the lone departing senior, said would be "the Beast of the East." His warning was not bravado. The Hoyas return every starter and had a sensational recruiting campaign, grabbing 7-0 Pat Ewing, 6-7 William Martin and 6-6 Anthony Jones. Ewing, who has unlimited potential, was the nation's most celebrated high school player. He'll step in at center with any combination of 6-9 Ed Spriggs, 6-5 Eric Smith, 6-7 Mike Hancock, 6-7 Jeff Bullis, Martin and Jones. Floyd's running mate is Downtown Freddie Brown, Rookie of the Year in the burgeoning Big East, a league that is getting so good so fast it'll knock your socks off. In the face of certain unparalleled pressure on Ewing,

Hoyas' Coach John Thompson says, "I haven't let myself think about the season as much as some say I should." Give him time. His union with shotblocker Ewing completed, he'll like what he sees of his beasties. Guarantee it.

**Indiana** Asked if Coach Bobby Knight made him a better person in his two years at IU, Isiah Thomas said, "I thought I was an OK guy when I first got here," a glistening smile crossing that cherubic face of his. The smile never disappeared, not even while he was being tugged at from every direction in a dressing room that was swelled with people following IU's 63-50 victory over North Carolina in the NCAA championship game at Philly. In two magnificent years at IU, Isiah had a lot to be happy about. His presence brought two Big Ten titles for IU and a gold medal for the U.S. in the Pan American Games. He was the playmaker on the U.S. Olympic team and now he has taken his wondrous act to the NBA. His departure leaves the Hoosiers more vulnerable than they were, but not by much. IU will storm the Big Ten again with three returning starters, Landon Turner, Ted Kitchel and Bandy Wittman, and another Thomas, this one Jim by name. Though not related to Isiah he played like him as IU ripped its five tournament foes by an average margin of 22.6 points. Look for 6-10 newcomer John Flowers, a remarkable athlete, to play a lot. He'll bloom in late February, just about the time Knight's teams begin turning it on.

**Iowa** From the Fabulous Few of the Final Four in 1980, Iowa's cup runneth over again with players and an embellished tradition that is propelling the Hawks onward in the land of the brawny Big Ten. Coach Lute Olson continues to recruit nationwide, enticing 6-2 Todd Berkenpas, 6-10 Greg Stokes, 6-10 Michael Payne and 6-9 Jerry Dennard, a junior college standout. The Hawks won seven of nine games on an early-summer tour of South America, a trip that firmly fixed the positions of Kenny (Iceman) Arnold at the point, 6-6 Kevin Boyle, a gamer, and 6-5 Bob Hansen. Still to be replaced are the Twin Towers, 6-10 Steve Kraficis and 6-10 Steve Waite. If Olson wants a big lineup he can use either Stokes, Payne, Dennard, redshirt Mike Heller or Mark Gannon, whose career has been slowed by a bum knee. To add quicks to the lineup Olson can call on 6-2 Steve Carfino or 6-2 Dennis Johnson. Iowa was derailed en route to the Final Four last season when Olson erred, calling an illegal timeout that gift-wrapped a

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win for Wichita State. That bitter pill might make Iowa stronger. If so, it'll be seashells and balloons for the Hawks.

**Kansas State** What you see isn't always what you get. Ask those teams that underestimated Kansas State last season and, splat, went to the sidelines. From the day that he introduced his guard, Walt Frazier, to the world, Jack Hartman has been placed up there among the sharpest coaching minds of the sport. Be that as it may, Hartman gets miffed when his 'Cats, landlocked in the Midwest, are not accorded the recognition he thinks they should be. "We can play out here, too, you know," he says. Yes they can, and they did, these 'Cats who are purple puppets on a string. They move as one, frustrating and wearing down one opponent after another. Favored San Francisco, Oregon State and Illinois tripped over the string in the NCAAs. The K-Staters aren't the sleek gazelles you associate with powerhouse hoop teams. Ed Nealy, at 235 pounds, has a vertical jump of, it seems, 10 inches. Randy Reed, at 6-7, is the tallest player. Forget it. Tyrone Adams, Tim Jankovich and Brazilian Eduardo Galvao are unselfish, disciplined and if you dare laugh, they'll burn you. These five, even without graduated Olympian Rolando Blackman, will make the 'Cats formidable again. A summer tour of Japan polished their game.

**Kentucky** The word was out on

**Kenny Arnold, Iowa**



**Randy Reed, Kansas State**

UK long before the first center tap of last season. Weeks of intense weight-lifting had built the Wildcats into a muscle machine that appeared capable of bulldozing anyone that got in its path. The 'Cats did that, ripping Ohio State, Indiana and Kansas in that order and then a most curious thing happened. The machine began to wheeze and clank. The players were doubting themselves and seemed puzzled as to what their roles were to be. Coach Joe B. Hall experimented and prodded, switching his players around while he sought to establish definition and consistency. UK was bounced out of the NCAAs by upstart UAB, but Hall is certain his young 'Cats have grown up. Another experiment could move Mount Melvin Turpin, a 7-footer, into the pivot with 7-1 Olympian Sam Bowie and 6-6 Derrick Hord at the wings. Dirk Minniefield, a 6-3 guard, was the 'Cats' spiritual leader, capable of playing the point when 6-4 Jim Master, the Kentucky Rifle, was on the floor, or taking over at shooting guard when 5-11 Dicky Beal was at the point. Those six return and have been told by Hall: Strength is believing in yourselves.

**Louisville** A desultory beginning to a season that was expected to be another ho-hum mop-up for the Cardinals put everybody in shock. A 2-7 getaway during which the Cards lost at Oklahoma State on a last-second heave from half-court and shot 33 percent against Minnesota was the worst start ever for a defending NCAA champion. Through it all, Coach Denny Crum kept his composure. "I never got down on them, never bad-mouthed them or screamed much at them," said Crum, who turned finally to a pair of freshmen, 6-8 Charles Jones and 6-3 Lancaster (Flash) Gordon. They glued the pieces together and the Cards took off, winning 19 of 20 games and preserving a tenth straight 20-win

season and a Metro title for Crum. Alas, it ended as it began. Arkansas guard U.S. Reed ousted Louisville on a 49-foot bomb in the Midwest Regional. Happily, the deck is stacked again for the Cards, who'll have Jones, Gordon and three other starters back—Jerry Eaves, Olympian Rodney McCray, a 59 percent shooter, and Derek Smith. Add the Pine Boys—four reserves—and dynamite newcomers 6-7 Manuel Forrest and 6-5 guard Milt Wagner and it's not likely the Cards will fall apart again. They went from chumps to champs.

**Minnesota** The way Jim Dutcher figures, his Gophers could win the NCAAs this season if only he could work out a slight change in the rules, that being the elimination of overtime games. No wonder. Minnesota lost four Big Ten games last season in OT or double OT and three of them were at home, of all places. Reverse those OT defeats in a season of exasperation and the Gophers would have been playing in the NCAAs, not the NIT. As it was, Minnesota made a second straight trip to the NIT (having lost to Virginia in the 1980 championship game) and got to the quarterfinals. Minnesota could wrap up games early this season with a diverse collection of talent that includes the return of its top eight players. The cornerstone of this promising crew is 7-2 Randy (Brew) Breuer, an imposing 9-6 with his arms outstretched on defense. Then there are 6-5 Darryl (Top Cat) Mitchell and 6-5 swingman Trent Tucker, seniors who are survivors of a Gopher freshman class that was considered the nation's best, and 6-2 Mark Hall, a 61 percent shooter last season. Breuer says his size is a hindrance only when he encounters low ceilings. "I worry about the roof falling in on me," he says, sounding like Chicken Little. Breuer can rest easy. That won't be happening to the Gophers.

**Nevada-Las Vegas** It couldn't have been any worse if Frank Sinatra had gotten a frog in his throat at Caesars Palace. UNLV's Jerry Tarkanian, America's winningest active (in terms of win/loss percentage, .810) coach, shaved his head and failed, for the first time in 13 seasons, to win 20 games. He set a record for towels chewed, one season. The Runnin' Rebels could regain their upbeat tempo if Tark's newcomers contribute, and they should. He has his top six regulars back, including southpaw shooter Larry Anderson and 6-9 rebounder Sidney Green. He can play. El Sid averaged 10.9 boards with a high of 23. UNLV's newcomers number four juco transfers among them. The bright lights could be 6-9 intimidator Richie Adams, who rejected an average of 10 shots in 31 games last season, 6-2 Danny Tarkanian, the coach's son,

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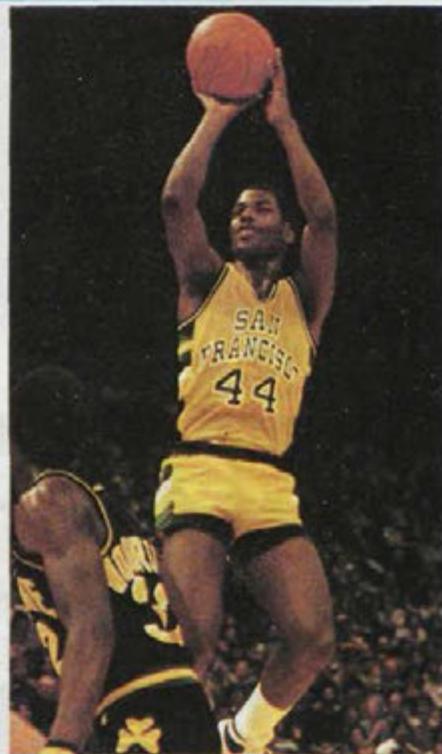


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and 6-5 Dwayne Polee, a prep blue-chipper from Los Angeles. Little Tark was a Nevada high school all-stater in hoops shooting lefthanded and an all-stater in football passing righthanded. They might have to rename Tark's Shark Tank, UNLV's home floor, Po-Lee Pavilion before Dwayne's promising career is over. There is one more reason for optimism: Big Tark is letting his hair grow. Bald was not better.

**North Carolina** Al Wood was speaking of Slammin' Sam Perkins, a spidery, 6-9 center. "When he gets the ball down in there he knows what to do with it," said Wood. Does he. Like, float into the lane, take the pass, double-pump and JAM! Perkins' 42-inch wingspan gave him the appearance of a Boeing 747 on defense. He was the finest freshman in the land last season. He scored more points and grabbed more rebounds than any freshman in Tar Heel history, an achievement worth noting when placed alongside the prestigious talent that had preceded him at Chapel Hill. Perkins, Wood and James Worthy formed a devastating frontline, taking the Four Corner 'Heels to the Final Four for the sixth time in Coach Dean Smith's storied career. Wood's 39 points, an NCAA tournament semifinal record, and the manner in which Perkins blunted Ralph Sampson in the 'Heels' semis win over Virginia won't be forgotten, but what the 'Heel loyalists want more than anything is a

national championship for Smith and Carolina blue skies forever. He has been a runnerup twice, he has won 436 games at the collegiate level and he coached the U.S. to the gold medal at the 1976 Olympic Games. He's done it all but win an NCAA title. Worthy, Perkins, Matt Doherty and guards Jimmy Black and Jim Braddock and a superb group of recruits (6-5 Mike Jordan is the best) could help Smith unload that burden in 1981-82.

**San Francisco** In his first season as the head man at the Hilltop, Pete Barry saw to it that his Dons made the NAAs, thereby erasing the agony of a 1980 season wracked by probation and giving credence to the Barry Byword: Don't look back unless you're going in that direction. Hey, with the great Quintin Dailey, 7-0 Wallace Bryant, John Hegwood, Ken McAlister and 6-8 freshman John Martens available, it's a one-way street the Dons are traveling and who knows how far they will go? Dailey will determine that. A 6-3 junior, the Q is one of the very best guards in the land. His stats raise eyebrows. Try a 22.4-point average, 5.5 on the boards, 93 assists, 59 steals and six blocks last season. He shot 57 percent. He is fulfilling a vow to finish college; he made that promise to his parents, both of whom he tragically lost to cancer when he was a 15-year-old high school freshman. One of those who has befriended him is Reggie Jackson. Like

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Reggie, the Q is the straw that stirs the drink. Bryant, unusually mobile for his size, anchors the frontline. Look for a sixth straight WCAC championship here and another 20-win season, the Dons' seventh in a row.

**Tulsa** The extraordinary turn-about at Tulsa was a basketball bonanza, a transformation that whisked the Hurricane from 8-19 nobodies of the previous season to 26-7 champions of the NIT. It was executed with a new coach, a bunch of junior college transfers who could play and it was unprecedented. No team has ever, in one giant step, leapfrogged from a losing season to the NIT title. Nolan Richardson brought starters David Brown, Paul Pressey, Phil Spradling and Greg Stewart with him to Tulsa from his 37-0 Western Texas College team of 1980 that won the national juco crown, he added Tiger stripes to the Hurricane uniforms and he pulled a theme song from his bag of tricks: "Ain't No Stoppin' Us Now." What's next? Tulsa loses only one starter, Bob Stevenson, who fed Stewart for the winning hoop in the NIT. Pressey buoyed Tulsa during the regular Missouri Valley Conference schedule while Stewart was the MVP of the NIT. And the prophet Richardson? He said the Big Apple would be a piece of cake. A crowd of 10,000 welcomed the team home at Bartlett Square where a sign trumpeted: "Ain't Nobody Left to Stop You Now!" Richardson is going for the Triple Crown: Juco, NIT, NCAA.

**UCLA** They began grabbing at ghosts as soon as Larry Farmer was selected as the next man to guide the Bruins' destiny. All those who know Farmer expect to see the Wooden Soldiers march again, for he is immersed in the system that took John Wooden's teams to

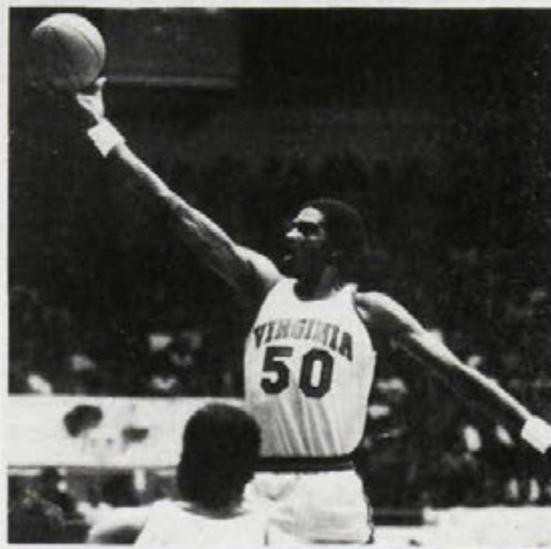
**Sam Bowie, Kentucky**



**Michael Holton, UCLA**  
**Mark Hall, Minnesota**

10 national titles. Fact is, it would almost seem that fate decreed that Farmer should carry on the Wooden Way. When Farmer was a high school senior in Denver he wrote a letter to UCLA asking for the opportunity to play there. Impressed, Wooden granted the request and in Farmer's three varsity seasons the Bruins were 89-1 and won three NCAA championships. Farmer served his coaching apprenticeship under Gene Bartow, Gary Cunningham and Larry Brown and now he is ready. Recruiting did not suffer in the transition. Brown did not leave the Bruins in ruins. All of which reduces Farmer's problems to finding playing time for his four outstanding freshmen. The Bruins will have power up front and dazzling speed on the backline in Michael Holton and Rocket Rod Foster. UCLA didn't lose a single player from last season. Look out, America! Farmer has in his hands the nucleus for another dynasty at Westwood.

**Villanova** Not everybody who was somebody for the Wildcats is back, in particular forward Alex Bradley and guard Tom Sienkiewicz. Which isn't to say the 'Nova is squirming in a bed of ashes or going down the tubes. Coach Rollie Massimino, a novel strategist, won't allow that. He'll find a way, as he did last season when the 'Cats defeated St. Joseph's to force the first five-way tie in the 26-year history of Philly's Big 5 and



**Ralph Sampson, Virginia**

when he huddled with Notre Dame assistant Pete Gillen, a former Massimino aide, for help in shutting down Virginia's Ralph Sampson in the NCAAs. The 'Cats gave UVa all it could handle before losing by four. One of the reasons it did was 6-8 center John Pinone, who was spurned as a high school player by UVa because he was fat. Pinone will be surrounded up front by Aaron Howard, Mike Mulquin and two highly recruited freshmen, 6-9 Ed Pinckney and 6-6 Dwayne McClain. Stewart (Stew-Stew) Granger is the No. 1 guard. Pinckney, from the Bronx, can tell

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you how many letters he got from schools recruiting him. Villanova sent 56, Maryland 44, Tennessee 37, Pitt 36 and so on. What Massimino wants is word that the NCAA will covet the 'Cats again.

**Virginia** How 'Bout Them 'Hoos? That's the question of the day at Mincer's Pipe Shop, one of the many little stores hard by The Lawn in Charlottesville. It had been so many years since UVa had been mentioned in the same breath with the nation's basketball best that once the Wahoos reached the pinnacle, it took getting used to. Now, in usually laid-back Charlottesville, they love it. There's a \$4.50 jawbreaker deli sandwich named The Sampson, men wear orange and blue shirts to church and 7-4 Ralph Sampson, the center of attention, has been insured by Lloyd's of London for \$1 million. The Wahoos won the NIT in 1980, then finished third in the NCAAs in 1981 in a glorious season. It was the first appearance ever for you-vee-ay in the Final Four. Sampson visited with representatives of the Dallas Mavericks and the Detroit Pistons and was bombarded from all sides with opinions on his future. Stay in school or turn pro? Dissatisfied with his Final Four showing (22 points in two games), he's staying. So the Odyssey of Ralph continues—without Lee Raker and Jeff Lamp but with Jeff Jones, Craig Robinson, Ricky Stokes and Othell Wilson and a touted freshman, 6-8 Jim Miller, who will give Sampson help on the boards in the robust ACC.

**West Virginia** Guard Greg Jones, the Little Man, became a favorite of Mountaineer Coach Gale Catlett down the stretch for his thrill-a-minute antics. Example: The 6-1 Jones went into the crowd at St. Bonaventure, shook hands with the taunters before the game, then blew out the Bonnies with 31 points. He slugged Rutgers for 32 and helped West Virginia to its first 20-win season in 18 years. It rekindled the glory days of Hot

Rod Hundley, Jerry West and Rod Thorn, but nothing could equal the Mountaineers' high on a night last March when they rolled at Minnesota, 80-69, in the quarterfinals of the NIT. With that as a prologue, the Mountaineers seem destined for even bigger things with four starters returning and two newcomers, leapin' Lester Rowe and 6-9 Adam Clayton Powell, a former high school teammate of Jones, anxious to do their stuff in the Eastern Eight. Tim Kearney, a 6-11 sophomore, could take up the slack on the boards left by departed ace Greg Nance. Diego McCoy will join Jones on the backline. If the season goes as Catlett plans, Jerry West may stop by and shake Jones' hand.

**Wichita State** This is a team that is literally bursting with talent. Oh yes. For months on end the screaming denizens who fill the Roundhouse—Wichita's Levitt Arena—waving LOVE YA SHOCKERS towels wondered how their team would look with prized local high school phenoms, 7-1 Greg Dreiling and 6-4 Aubrey Sherrod, in the lineup with 6-8 Cliff Levingston, 6-9 Antoine Carr and 6-3 Tony Martin or 6-7 Jay Jackson. Great. Those months of wondering ended when Dreiling and Sherrod, the targets of a frenzied nationwide recruiting blitz, remained at home, joining another local whiz, Carr. The Shockers were 26-7 last season, their second-best record ever, and along the way won the Missouri Valley Conference regular-season title. In the NCAAs they defeated Iowa and Kansas on Mike Jones' 25-foot jumper. It was the first win in history over KU for the Shockers, a team the Jayhawks had refused to play for 26 years. Levingston and Carr are punishing bookend forwards. Add the mobile, 240-pound Dreiling and the Shocker front wall will have to be renamed The Bruise Brothers. As the Valley will discover, these Shockers are going to be a monster.

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# DEDICATION

## Herman "Polly" Grant

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Occasionally there lives a human being who touches many, not through power, fame or glory but through his very presence, through his excellent character and abundantly attractive personality. Contemporary man has coined a phrase to express such popular appeal. It is charisma, and surely one who was blessed with charisma was Herman "Polly" Grant, a student at William Jewell in the first half of the decade of the 1930s.

A measure of Polly Grant's enormous influence is the fact that today, 45 years after his death, people still remember and laud this man who unselfishly gave his life for his friend.

Universally liked by colleagues, teachers, friends and co-workers, Polly Grant's influence lasts. Stories about this unique man abound, some no doubt exaggerated through the affection of years.

He was, undisputedly, a great athlete, probably the best athlete ever to attend William Jewell. He excelled in football from 1930 through 1933, was team captain in 1932, and was chosen for the all-conference team for four consecutive years, the first time in the history of the college such an honor was accorded a deserving athlete. He was captain of the all-conference team in 1933.

Polly also succeeded in track from 1931 through 1933 and was chosen team captain in 1931. As a baseball player he was considered a professional prospect as a pitcher.

The 1934 Tatler yearbook praised Polly highly for his work on the gridiron. "Combining quick thinking and accurate judgement with a brilliant style of play, 'Polly' played for the last four years as a halfback a kind of football which earns him the right to be classed among Jewell's truly great athletes."

Elsewhere the yearbook detailed Polly's school activities. In addition to his athletic achievements he was a member of the J Club, Kappa Alpha and the Pan-Hellenic Council. He was known for his remarkable singing voice. The history major with a minor in political science was also a member of the "Sons of Rest," a delightfully "onery" group led by the beloved professor Dr. John Phelps Fruit in the aim to "avoid everything other than rest."

Polly came to Liberty from Lathrop, Missouri, where his athletic prowess and endearing nature are still remembered. At Lathrop High School, Polly performed countless impressive athletic feats. It is said that in track, without any practice for the event, he set a Northeast Missouri State Javelin record on his first attempt in competition, and his total points in various events at this meet were sufficient to win the competition. Today, the Polly Grant award is the greatest honor a graduating senior at Lathrop High can receive.

His untimely death on Sept. 30, 1935, was mourned by the Liberty and Lathrop communities. Although he was himself an excellent swimmer, he died trying to save a drowning fraternity brother. Truly, as has been said about Polly since the memorial tribute which appeared in the 1935 Tatler: "Greater love hath no man than to lay down his life for his friends."



# 1981-82 SCHEDULES

## WILLIAM JEWELL COLLEGE

### 1981 Varsity Football Schedule

Sept. 5	Mid-America Nazarene	Olathe, Ks.	7:30
Sept. 12	Graceland College	Lamoni, Ia.	1:30
Sept. 19	Benedictine College	Home	7:30
Sept. 26	Doane College	Home	7:40
Oct. 3	OPEN		
Oct. 10	Tarkio College	Tarkio, Mo.	1:30
Oct. 17	Ottawa University (Homecoming)	Home	1:30
Oct. 24	Central Methodist College	Fayette	1:00
Oct. 31	Missouri Valley College	Home	7:30
Nov. 7	Baker University	Baldwin, Ks.	7:30
Nov. 14	Culver-Stockton	Home	1:30

Men's Athletic Director — Larry Hamilton  
Head Football Coach — Vic Wallace

### JUNIOR VARSITY SCHEDULE

Sept. 7	Mid-America Nazarene	Here	7:00
Sept. 21	Benedictine College	Here	7:00
Sept. 26	Missouri Western State U.	Here	1:00
Oct. 5	University of Kansas	There	TBA
Oct. 12	Central Missouri State U.	Here	7:00
Nov. 2	Missouri Valley College	Here	7:00

### 1981 SOCCER SCHEDULE

Sept. 8	Park College	Home	4:00
Sept. 12	Conception College	Away	2:30
Sept. 15	U.M.K.C.	Home	4:30
Sept. 19	Mid-America Nazarene	Home	2:00
Sept. 22	Rockhurst College	Away	3:30
Sept. 25	Wentworth Academy	Away	4:00
Sept. 26	Lindenwood, St. Charles	Away	1:00
Sept. 29	Benedictine College	Home	4:00
Oct. 3	Tarkio College	Away	1:00
Oct. 9	Harris Stowe	Away	4:00
Oct. 10	Greenville College, IL	Away	1:00
Oct. 13	Wentworth Academy	Home	4:00
Oct. 17	Ottawa (Homecoming)	Home	Noon
Oct. 20	Tarkio College	Home	3:30
Oct. 24	Central Methodist	Away	10:30 a.m.
Oct. 31	Westminster College	Away	1:00

Head Coach — J. Kenneth Blundell  
Athletic Director — Larry Hamilton

### 1981 VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE

Sept. 12	Officials' Rating Tourney	Liberty	1:00
Sept. 15	Mid-America Nazarene	Olathe, Ks.	6:30
Sept. 22	Missouri Western/Graceland	Liberty	6:30
Sept. 25			
Sept. 26	Druty/Evangel Tournament	Springfield	4:00
Sept. 29	Benedictine/Washburn	Atchison, Ks.	7:30
Oct. 1	Avila	Liberty	6:30
Oct. 2	Ottawa	Ottawa, Ks.	6:30
Oct. 6	Benedictine/Tarkio	Liberty	6:30
Oct. 8	Baker University	Baldwin, Ks.	6:30
Oct. 13	U. of Mo./Kansas City	Liberty	6:30
Oct. 17	Mo. Valley/Evangel/ Mid-America Nazarene	Liberty	9:00
Oct. 21	Ottawa University	Liberty	6:30
Oct. 23-			
Oct. 24	Missouri Western Tournament	St. Joseph, Mo.	TBA
Oct. 27	Avila College	Kansas City	6:00
Oct. 30			
Oct. 31	HAAC Tournament	Liberty	TBA
Nov. 6/7	MAIAW State Tournament	TBA	
Nov. 21	Region 6 AIAW Tournament	TBA	

Head Volleyball Coach — Barb Macke  
Assistant Coaches — Robin Maser and Kathy Holwick  
Manager — Christy Barbour

### 1981 CROSS COUNTRY SCHEDULE

Sept. 12	Park College Invitational	Parkville, Mo.
Sept. 19	Mid-America Nazarene Invitational	Olathe, Ks.
Sept. 26	Southwest Baptist Invitational	Boliver, Mo.
Oct. 2	Missouri Intercollegiate	Columbia, Mo.
Oct. 10	Central Methodist College Invitational	Fayette, Mo.
Oct. 17	Liberty Fall Festival	Liberty
Oct. 24	Southwest Missouri State U. Invitational	Springfield, Mo.
Oct. 30	Heart of America Conference	Tarkio, Mo.
Nov. 6	NAIA District #16	Parkville, Mo.
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# COACHES



**VIC WALLACE**  
**HEAD COACH**

Head Coach Vic Wallace begins his first season as head mentor for the Cardinals. Wallace came to William Jewell last spring from Texas Tech University where he was an assistant coach. He received his undergraduate degree at Cornell College (IA) in Physical Education and Biology in 1965. He earned a master's degree in Physical Education in 1970 from the University of Northern Iowa. His past coaching experience includes nine years as a head high school coach, three years as an assistant at Carrol College (MN), three years at Morningside College (IA) as an assistant coach, and one year at Texas Tech. University before coming to William Jewell. Wallace also has had numerous experience as a head wrestling coach, admissions representative, and sports information director, as well as being a physical education instructor. A native of Mount Vernon, Iowa, Wallace and his wife Dee Ann have three children.



**DAN GRIGGS**  
**DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR**

A William Jewell product, Coach Griggs graduated from WJC in 1973. A Physical Education major, he was a three year letterman in football. He began his coaching career at Liberty High School as an assistant. During his stay the Bluejays were 26-10-1, won one conference title, finished second twice and participated in the Missouri 4A State playoffs. Before coming to William Jewell last season, he was head coach for two seasons at Oak Grove High School, where he brought the Panthers to their first winning season in eight years. Last year Dan coached the defensive backfield. This season he has taken over the task of coordinating the entire defensive attack. He now also serves as the Director of the Continuing Education Division for William Jewell College. He and his wife Karen have two children.



**RODGER LaBETH**  
**DEFENSIVE LINE COACH**

A 1968 graduate of William Jewell College, Rodger is beginning his 3rd year on the Cardinal coaching staff. He played on the first undefeated team in WJC history as a 160 pound offensive guard. Following his graduation from William Jewell, he coached at Oak Grove High School. He then went on to obtain a Master's degree in Sports Administration at Ohio University. He now serves as Associate Director of Athletics and Director of The Mabee Center for Physical Education at WJC. He and his wife Susie have three children and live in Kansas City.



**BERT COOPER**  
**LINEBACKER COACH**

Another new face on the Cardinal staff is Coach Bert Cooper. A native of Tallahassee, Florida, Coach Cooper has a lot of football experience. A 1974 graduate of Florida State University, he earned All Southern Conference, All Independent and All America Honorable Mention honors as a senior linebacker. He also was the team captain of the All-America Bowl and the Blue-Grey Bowl. He was later on drafted by the New York Jets and played professional ball for the Jets and the Tampa Bay Buccaneers until 1977. In Kansas City since that time, he now owns EnTheos Advertising Company. He has also coached the last three years in the north-land suburban league for Kelso's Raiders. He and his wife Linda live in New Mark.

# COACHES



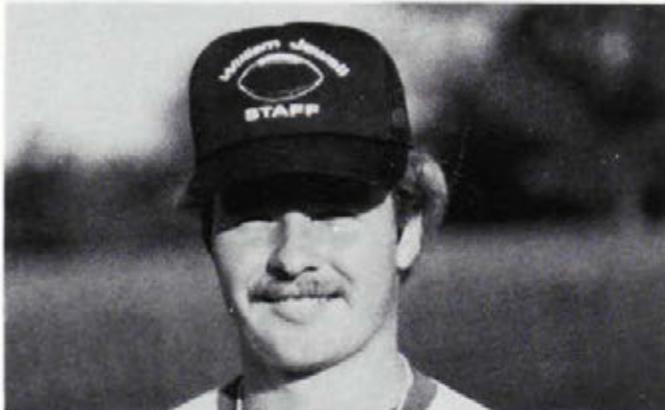
**JIM NELSON**  
**DEFENSIVE END COACH**

Coach Jim Nelson is beginning his 30th season of football at William Jewell. Part of the Cardinal coaching staff since 1950, he served as head football mentor from 1968-1977. During that time he compiled a record of 64-41-2. He holds the distinction of having coached on both Jewell football teams to compete in the NAIA National Championships and the winningest teams in Cardinal history. He has also coached three other sports in national championship competition: basketball, track and tennis. He is currently the head tennis coach and assistant basketball coach as well as Professor of Physical Education. After earning his Bachelor's degree from Missouri Valley College, Coach Nelson obtained his MA in education from UMKC. He and his wife Kathryn reside in Liberty and have four children.



**DARREL GOURLEY**  
**QUARTERBACK COACH**

Coach Darrel Gourley has been on staff at William Jewell College for the past 24 years. A 1949 graduate of Northeast Missouri State University, he was a four year letterman in football where he started as quarterback. His previous football coaching experience includes eight years on the high school level and twenty years at William Jewell. An associate professor in Physical Education, Gourley carries a full teaching load. He has also served as head track coach for the past 23 years. He and his wife Margaret have three children, two of which are presently coaches.



**DOUG CARTER**  
**OFFENSIVE BACKFIELD COACH**

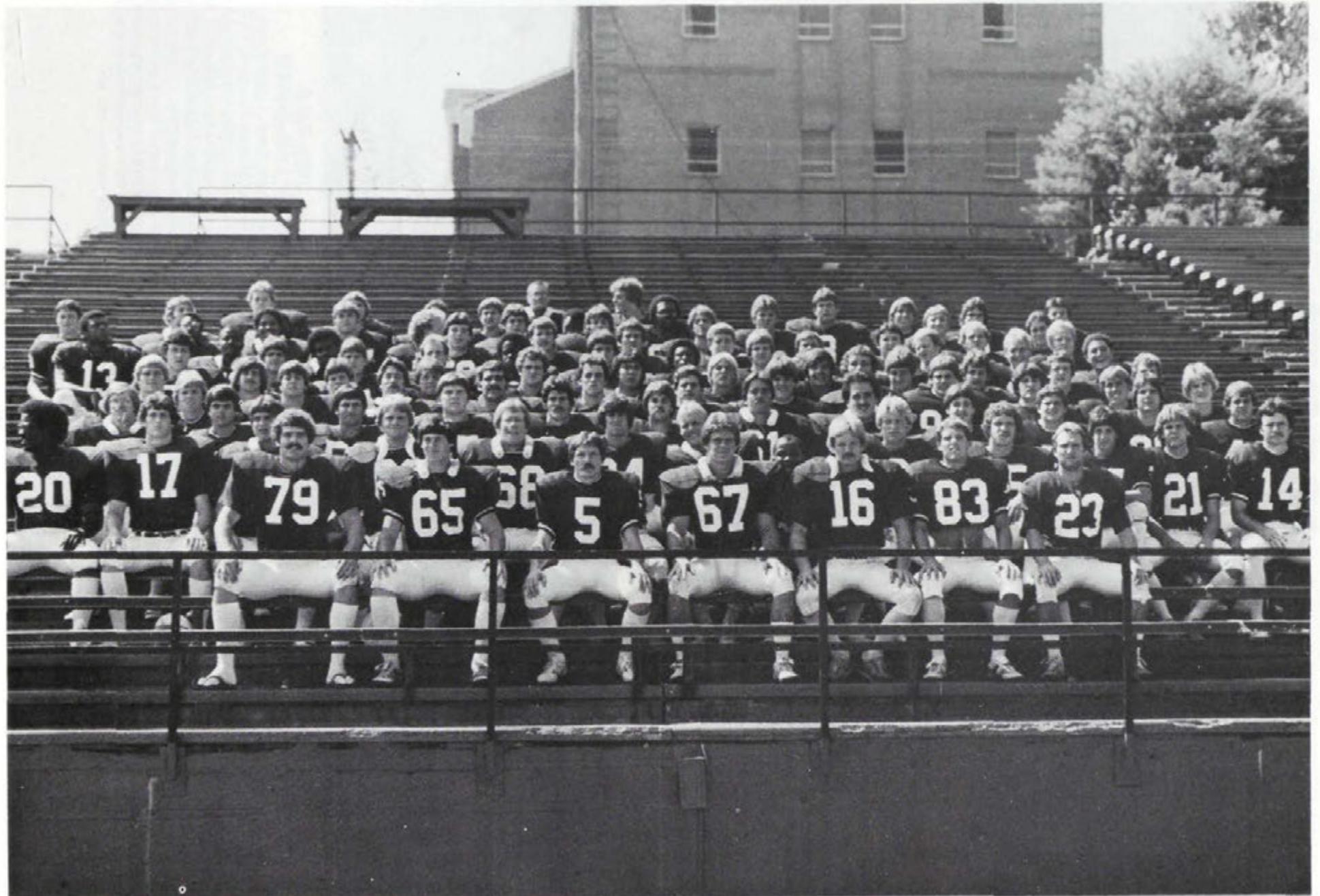
A 1980 graduate of William Jewell, Coach Doug Carter joins Cardinal coaching staff this season to coach the offensive backfield. While at Jewell, Carter was a two year letterman at offensive tackle. He was also an All-Conference tackle during his high school days for the Liberty Bluejays. After receiving his degree in Physical Education, Carter was the head coach at Mound City High School last season. He led his team to the District championships prior to returning to William Jewell this fall.



**T.J. BROWN, D.D.S.**  
**OFFENSIVE LINE COACH**

A 1967 graduate of William Jewell, Coach Brown was a four year letterman on the Cardinal gridiron. He earned All Conference honors for three seasons as both an offensive guard and defensive linebacker. He was also a Little All-American as a senior. After earning a Physical Education and Biology degree, Coach Brown went on to teach and coach at four area high schools. He was a head football coach for four years. He then went on to dental school at the University of Missouri-Kansas City where he received his degree last year. He currently has his practice in the Westview Professional Center. He and his wife reside in Liberty and have one son.

# THE 1981 WILLIAM JEWELL CARDINALS



# DEFENSIVE LINEMEN



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 BACK ROW: Jerry Twigg, Troy Mitchell, Steve Holman, Jan Redmond, Aaron Moore, Phil DeVan and John McDermott.

# STUDENT COACHES



**Coach Haase**

**Coach Hill**

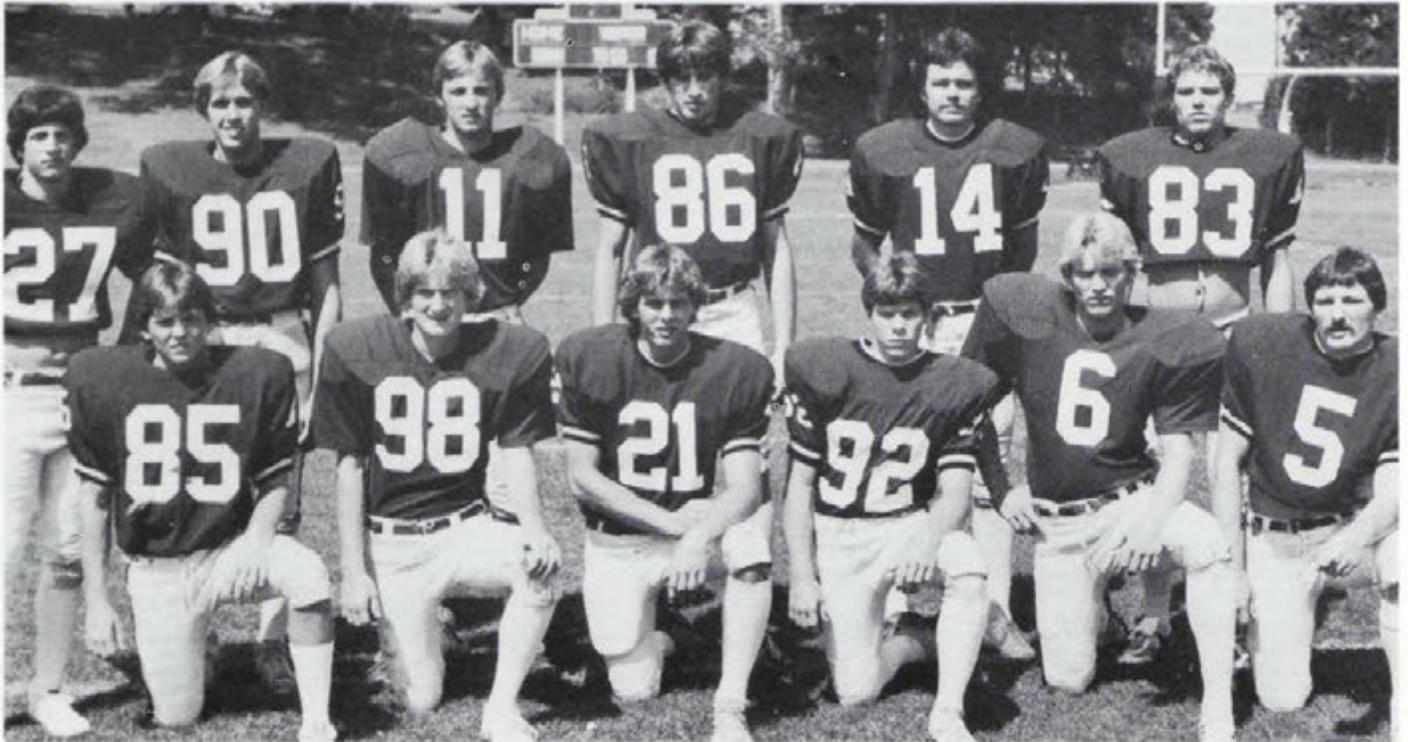
**Coach Choice**

The Cardinals have three student coaches who will also be assisting this year. John Haase will be coaching the offensive line. He is a senior at William Jewell this year, majoring in Physical Education. He formerly played tight end for the Cardinals and is a three year letterman. A native of St. Clair, Missouri, Haase is the commander of the Sigma Nu Fraternity. His plans upon graduation next spring are to pursue a master's degree in athletic administration.

Marc Hill is a junior Physical Education major from Unionville, Missouri. He coaches the wide receivers. His future plans include coaching and teaching someday on the college level. He and his wife, LuAnne, have a daughter, Stephanie, and reside in Liberty.

Chris Choice is also a former Cardinal. He is a four year letterman at the outside linebacker position. He coaches the linebackers. A Physical Education and Science major from O'Fallon, Missouri, Choice is a member of the Sigma Nu fraternity. After receiving his degree in December he hopes to teach and coach.

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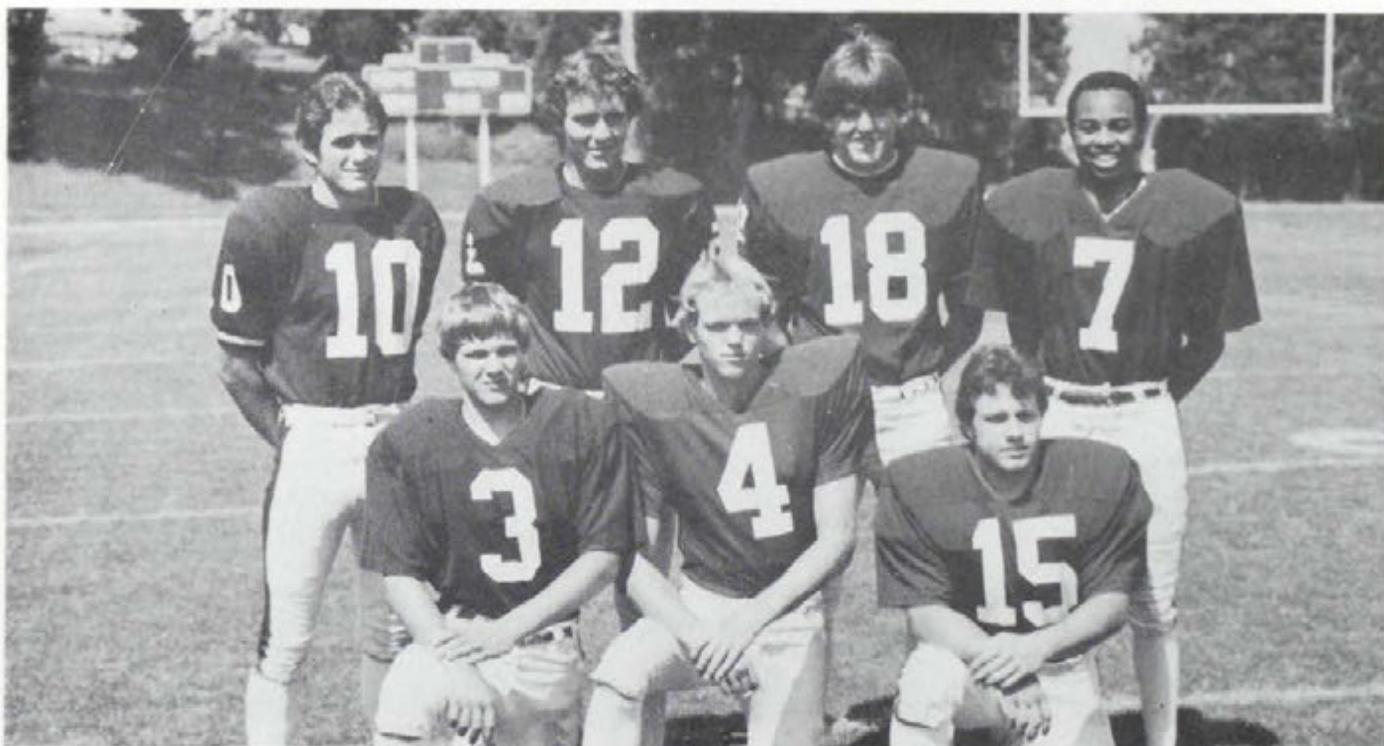
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Unlike basketball, where NAIA institutions compete in districts, NAIA football-playing members are classified according to Divisions — I or II. When the NAIA divided into divisions in 1970 member institutions at the time were given an opportunity to declare in which division they wished to compete. The NAIA Football Coaches Association Review Board has had the authority to rule on changes within divisions and an institution is required to spend at least two seasons in a given division once it is placed there. Within each division member institutions are arranged according to geographic areas. There are four such areas in each division.

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Teams selected for participation in the playoffs are determined by weekly ratings of teams during a specified rating period through a season. Selected members of the NAIA Football Coaches Association submit a weekly rating of teams during this period which determines the participants in the post-season playoffs. Each division (I and II) is allocated 16 raters — four raters for each geographical area.

### SELECTION OF TEAMS

- Institutions must declare their intent to participate in the NAIA championship program by September 15.
- Teams must be ranked in the top 12 in the final regular-season weekly rating in each division to be considered for the playoffs.

- The top-ranked team from each of the four geographical areas (in each division) within the top 12 in the final regular-season rating is automatically selected for the playoffs.

- The next four highest-ranked teams, regardless of geographic area, and not already selected, complete the eight-team field.

- No more than two teams from the same conference (within the same division) may be selected for the playoffs.

- Teams may be paired according to geographic proximity to each other for the first round (quarterfinals) and members of the same conference would play each other no later than the second round (semifinals).

- Teams with four or more non-winning games may not be selected for participation in the playoffs.

### 1981 PLAYOFF DATES

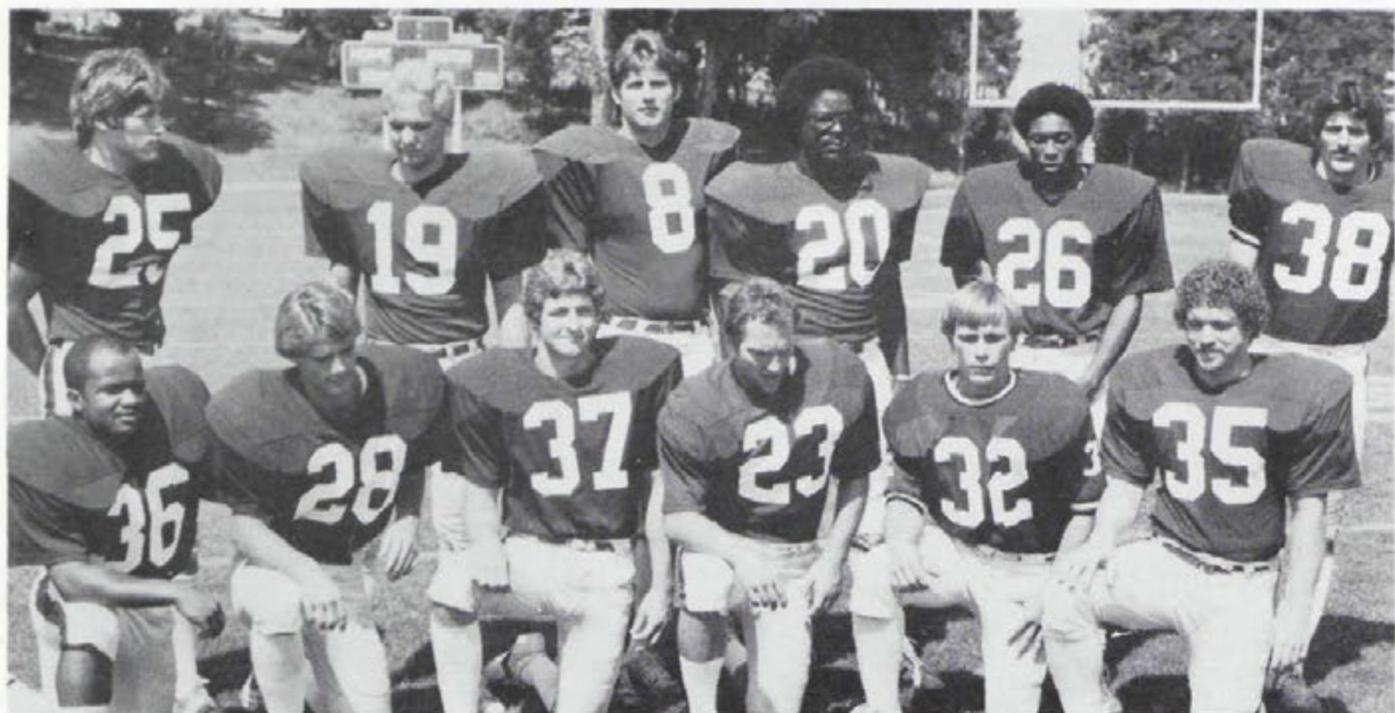
#### DIVISION II

Quarterfinals — Saturday, November 21  
Semifinals — Saturday, December 5  
Championship — Saturday, December 12

#### DIVISION I

Quarterfinals — Saturday, December 5  
Semifinals — Saturday, December 12  
Championship — Saturday, December 19

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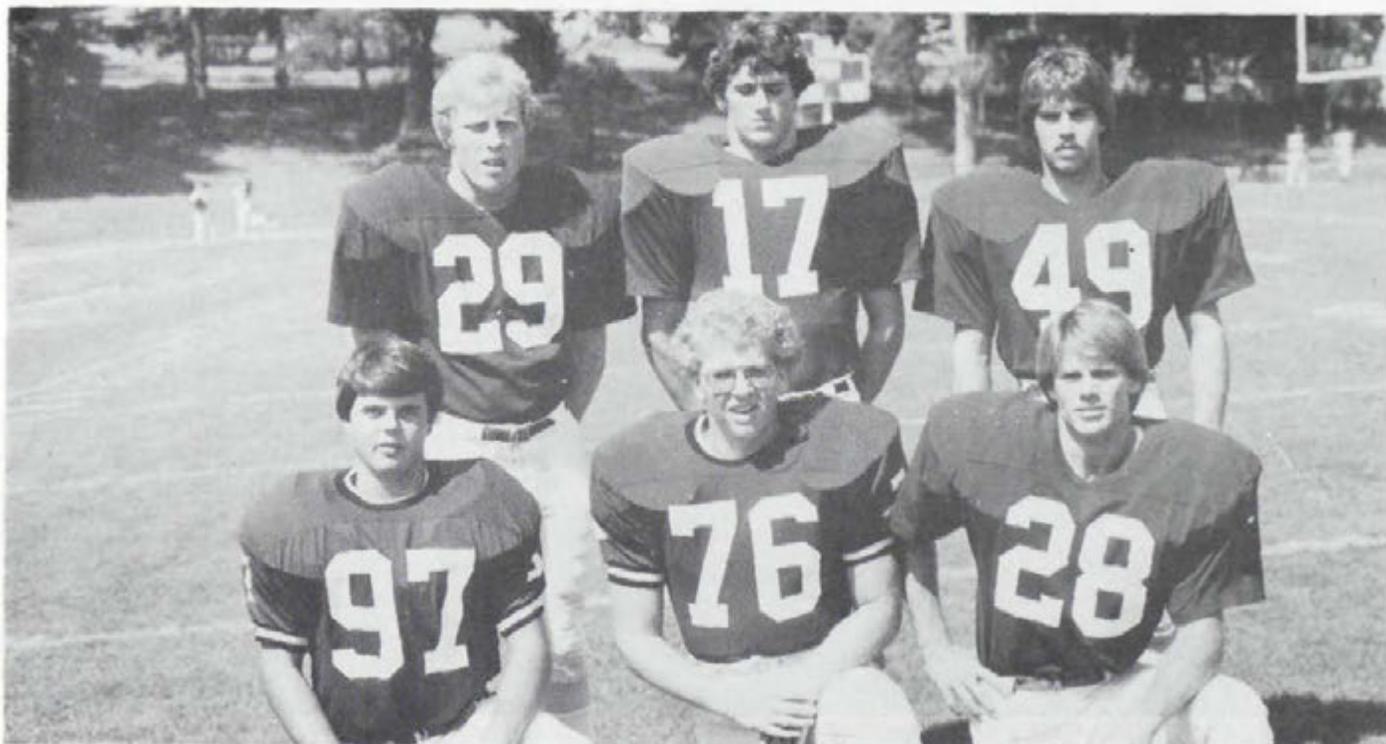
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# "THE RED RAGE COMES HOME WITH ANOTHER VICTORY"

The William Jewell Cardinals improved their season's record to 9-0 last Saturday night as they defeated the Baker University Wildcats by the score of 20-10. The weather could not have been better for the approximately 5500 fans in attendance, at least half of whom made the trip from Liberty to witness the Cardinal victory.

The contest was a defensive struggle in the beginning, with neither team wanting to give. The Wildcats were first on the scoreboard with a 34-yard field goal as Kelly Groom connected with Marty Hensley with a 43 yard pass with 14:10 on the clock. Jerry Burch added the PAT making the score 7-3.

The second quarter was the most active of the game as each team added a touchdown before going to the locker room. With 7:03 left in the half, Baker running back Ben Reed ran the ball in 8 yards and with Joe Boehs PAT gave the Wildcats 10-7 lead. Again the Cardinals said nothing doing. This time Kelly Groom ran the ball in himself from the one yard line, with only 19 second remaining in the second quarter. Burch's extra point kick gave the Cardinals a 14-10 lead at the half.

Though they put only seven points on the board in the second half of play, quarterback Kelly Groom and the rest of the Cardinals clearly had gained control of the game. Groom threw another touchdown pass late in the third quarter, this time connecting with Mike McGill for five yards. However, the PAT failed, leaving the score at 20-10. The Wildcats were unable to get anything going in the second thirty minutes — thanks to the Cardinal defense. Baker had possession of the ball for less than six minutes in the second half and netted only 10 total yards.

Kelly Groom led the Cardinal offense for the game as he was responsible for all but 55 of the Redbirds' 337 total yards. In the air he

was 12 for 23 for 199 yards. He also led all rushers for the game with 83 yards on 23 carries. Groom's primary target for the day was senior wide receiver Marty Hensley who had a very impressive day on the field, catching 8 passes for 136 yards, an average of 17 yards per catch.

The defensive story for the Cardinals is also outstanding. The "Cobras" held Baker, a team that was averaging 348.1 yards per game on the ground, to only 74 yards rushing. Wildcat running-backs Taylor Gill and Ben Reed tallied only 54 and 37 yards respectively. Going into Saturday's game Gill led the HAAC with a 132.4 average per game with Reed right behind him with a 125.6 average. Leading the Cardinal defense was middle linebacker Tim Johnson with 14 tackles, one unassisted. Wayne Schmidt led the linemen with 10 assists and Mike Newman the backfield with 9 tackles, one unassisted. Guy Weber was close behind his teammates with 8 tackles, one unassisted. He also had a quarterback sack and a pass broken up.

Looking to finish the regular season today, the Cardinals will again take on the Wildcats, but this time the Wildcats of Culver Stockton College. Culver brings a record of 0-8 into tonight's game. Last week they lost to St. Ambrose College by the score of 27-19.

Congratulations are in order for Kelly Groom who was named as the NAIA District 16 Offensive Player of the Week and to the entire Cardinal defense who were given the multiple honor of the Heart of America Conference Defensive Player of the Week.

The Cardinals would like to welcome everyone to today's game, especially the high school seniors who are participating in the "Journey to Jewell" program sponsored by the Admissions office.

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1	Ed Adden	K	5-10	190	FR	Independence, MO	53	Jan Redmond	DT	6-0	224	SO	KCMO
2	Charles Hilton	DB	6-1	170	FR	University City, MO	54	Mike Rogers	OG	6-4	210	SO	Ballwin, MO
3	Mark McDowell	QB	5-11	170	FR	BonneTerre, MO	55	Mark Mundell	OG	6-1	215	SO	Brookfield, MO
4	Cory Wohlford	QB	6-2	180	FR	Trimble, MO	56	Steve Mattingly	LB	6-0	205	JR	St. Louis, MO
5	Mike McGill	WR	5-11	185	SR	West Union, W. VA	57	Tim Johnson	LB	5-11	200	FR	KCMO
6	John Pulliam	WO	6-1	180	SO	Poplar Bluff, MO	58	Doug Darbyshire	C	6-2	223	FR	KCMO
7	Andre Nelson	QB	5-10	160	SO	Warson Woods, MO	59	Bill Lackey	LB	6-1	195	FR	Tulsa, OK
8	David Brock	RB	6-3	205	SO	Clinton, MO	60	Aaron Moore	DT	5-11	197	SO	KCMO
9	Dan Christian	DB	5-9	165	SO	St. Louis, MO	61	Chuck Foley	OG	6-2	225	JR	Graham, TX
10	Kelly Groom	QB	6-0	175	JR	LaGrange, MO	62	Todd White	OG	6-0	210	SO	Marceline, MO
11	Chris Cahill	QB	6-0	172	FR	Allerton, IA	63	Phil DeVan	DT	6-3	230	FR	Omaha, NE
12	Scott Sandridge	QB	6-2	170	SO	KCMO	64	Carl Gustafson	DT	6-1	200	FR	Corydon, IA
13	Galen Williams	LB	6-0	190	FR	Blue Springs, MO	65	Wayne Schmidt	DT	6-2	215	SR	Tonawanda, NY
14	Randy Doyle	WR	6-1	170	SO	Oakland, CA	66	Guy Weber	DT	6-1	225	JR	Hillsboro, MO
15	Tim Davis	QB	5-9	170	FR	Florissant, MO	67	Gary Ainsworth	LB	6-1	205	SR	Carlhage, MO
16	Wendell McGill	LB	6-0	180	SR	Garuthersville, MO	68	Andy Lottes	DE	6-2	200	SO	KCMO
17	Jeff McGuire	P	6-2	195	SO	Liberty, MO	69	Mark Harris	DE	5-8	165	SO	Clinton, MO
18	Paul Troth	QB	6-2	190	SO	Graham, MO	70	Jim Heckman	DT	6-2	235	FR	Filmore, MO
19	Greg Jacobson	RB	6-0	185	JR	KCMO	71	Zel Fischer	OG	5-11	240	FR	Watson, MO
20	Wayne Landrum	RB	6-1	225	JR	Kansas City, KS	72	Randy Richardson	OG	5-11	200	FR	Kimberling City, MO
21	Barry Bowman	FL	5-10	155	JR	Creve Coeur, MO	73	Christopher Spellman	OT	6-2	230	FR	Raytown, MO
22	Carey Morrison	DB	6-1	165	FR	Raytown, MO	74	Lonnie Bruns	OT	6-4	225	JR	St. Clair, MO
23	Vic Davoll	RB	5-9	172	SR	Rolla, MO	75	Jeff Riggs	OT	6-2	220	SO	Overland Park, KS
24	John Fritz	DB	5-11	160	SO	Shawnee Miss. KS	76	Ralph Yeater	OT	6-2	235	JR	NKC, MO
25	Steve Montgomery	RB	6-1	195	FR	Stockton, MO	77	Jamie Mackender	OT	6-1	220	FR	Blue Springs, MO
26	Fernandars Gillespie	RB	5-11	170	SO	St. Louis, MO	78	Bob Hall	DE	6-0	195	FR	St. Louis, MO
27	Darrel Schwabe	WR	5-9	155	SO	KCMO	79	Dwight Fay	OT	6-4	225	SR	Centralia, MO
28	Jack Brandom	RB	5-11	175	FR	KCMO	80	Troy Mitchell	DE	5-10	180	SO	Hannibal, MO
29	Jerry Burch	K	6-2	200	SO	King City, MO	81	Keith Kordes	DT	6-2	160	SO	Gallatin, MO
30	Bob Bopp	DB	5-10	180	FR	St. Louis, MO	82	Paul McDermott	DE	6-2	200	FR	KCMO
31	Greg Fournier	DB	5-9	165	SO	Unionville, MO	83	Marty Hensley	WO	5-11	168	SR	Lee's Summit, MO
32	Rodger Spor	RB	5-7	170	FR	Orrick, MO	84	Jerry Twigg	DE	6-2	185	SO	Liberty, MO
33	Greg Clevenger	DE	5-11	195	SO	Liberty, MO	85	Brett Fisher	WR	5-7	155	FR	Edmond, OK
34	David Millen	DE	6-0	185	SO	Linneus, MO	86	Jim Reed	WO	6-3	195	SO	Palatine, IL
35	Steve Hodges	RB	5-10	200	SO	St. Louis, MO	87	Terry Oliphant	TE	6-2	225	FR	Indep., MO
36	Steve Craig	WR	5-7	165	SO	St. Louis, MO	88	Scott Martin	TE	6-1	210	JR	KCMO
37	Steve Doherty	DB	5-11	175	FR	KCMO	89	Scott Smith	TE	6-1	200	FR	KCMO
38	Alan Greig	RB	5-11	185	SR	Union, MO	90	Robert Silvius	DE	6-0	180	SO	Raytown, MO
39	David Armstrong	DB	6-0	160	JR	Wood River, IL	91	Charles Weber	DE	6-1	235	FR	DeSoto, MO
40	Brian Fairchild	DB	5-10	170	SO	Clinton, MO	92	Kevin Kincaid	WR	5-8	145	FR	Washington, MO
41	Paul Taylor	DB	6-1	175	SO	St. Louis, MO	93	Phillip Hill	TE	5-10	199	FR	St. Louis, MO
42	Barry Bullock	LB	6-1	205	FR	Windsor, MO	94	Steve Holeman	DT	6-1	290	FR	Tulsa, OK
43	Mike Clark	LB	6-2	200	FR	Union, MO	95	Mark Puthuff	TE	6-2	205	FR	Modesto, CA
44	Arl Davis	DE	5-11	178	SO	Belton, MO	96	John Stephens	DT	6-2	175	FR	KCMO
45	Doug Switzer	DB	5-10	170	JR	Chillicothe, MO	97	Steve Hudson	K	5-11	190	JR	Tenton, MO
46	Mike Newman	DB	5-11	160	SO	KCMO	98	Steve Reed	WO	5-11	155	FR	St. Clair, MO
47	Steve Ennen	LB	6-0	210	FR	Ballwin, MO	99	Mike Phillips	TE	6-4	240	SO	KCMO
48	Ira Chandler	LB	6-1	205	FR	U. City, MO		Chip Seitz	LB	5-11	182	FR	Bowie, MO
49	Mike Nelson	DB	5-10	170	SO	Parkville, MO		Matt Fuhr	DB	5-9	165	FR	Boulder, CO
50	Steve Palmer	C	6-2	205	FR	KCMO		Otis Miller	FL	5-10	160	FR	Liberty, MO
51	Greg Embree	C	6-1	215	JR	Blue Springs, MO		Brian Deke	WO	6-1	155	FR	Blue Springs, MO
52	Jerry Burchett	LB	5-9	180	JR	Freeman, MO		Garry Brandt	DB	6-2	180	FR	Bolivar, MO

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3	Robert Gray	DB	5-11	160	FR	Buffalo, NY
7	Clarence Hanks	WR	5-8½	164	FR	St. Louis, MO
9	Leonard Shade	DB	5-10½	165	FR	St. Louis, MO
10	Mike Whitacre	QB	5-11½	166	SO	Washington, MO
11	Robert Schattie	DB	5-7	174	FR	W.Palm Beach, FL
12	Jon Wiley	QB	5-10	167	FR	Lockport, NY
14	Charles Nager	QB	5-9½	186	SO	Belleville, IL
15	Troy Kemp	DB	6-1½	169	SO	Chatham, IL
16	Jay Dowling	WR	5-8	182	SR	Casseyville, IL
17	Shaun White	DB	5-8½	155	FR	Mexico, MO
18	Randy Evans	DB	6-1	181	FR	Bloomfield, IA
20	Scott Van Zandbergen	WR	5-7½	154	FR	Carthage, IL
21	Dave Anderson	TE	6-1½	197	FR	Mt. Pleasant, IA
22	Peter Dorsey	RB	5-6½	159	FR	St. Louis, MO
25	Dave Plate	DB	5-8½	171	FR	Alleman, IA
30	Carl Piffins	DB	5-9	145	FR	St. Louis, MO
31	Layne Colgrove	RB	5-7½	166	SO	Hull, IL
32	Phil Watson	DB	5-11½	198	JR	Smithton, IL
33	Sam Hill	RB	5-5	158	FR	Lockport, NY
34	Jeff Wellman	RB	6-1½	195	JR	Quincy, IL
35	Kris Hall	LB	5-10	183	FR	Stewartsville, MO
36	Mike Nicoloff	DB	5-9	170	FR	Indianapolis, IN
39	Tim Stoneking	DB	5-9½	173	FR	Warsaw, IL
40	Rick Hinkamper	RB	5-5½	159	FR	Quincy, IL
41	Eric Bush	WR	5-7	150	FR	Galt, IL
42	Dave Smith	LB	5-10½	171	SO	Quincy, IL
44	Bob Califf	RB	5-8	161	JR	Hamilton, IL
45	Joe Gebhardt	LB	5-7	179	JR	Florissant, MO
47	Jeff Edwards	LB	5-11½	166	FR	Alton, IL
48	Eric Dubisky	LB	5-10	180	SR	Boca Raton, FL

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50	Brent Bondurant	OG	5-9	186	FR	Memphis, MO
51	Ken Holland	NG	5-6½	204	FR	Sweet Springs, MO
53	Sam Hargrave	C	6-1	210	SR	Sedalia, MO
55	Tim Trevier	C	5-11	201	SO	Ladd, IL
60	Tom DuBach	DT	5-10½	190	JR	St. Louis, MO
61	Brad Reid	LB	5-9½	168	FR	Lebanon, MO
62	Greg Rotunno	LB	5-10½	180	FR	Glen Ellyn, IL
63	Dave Pigman	LB	5-10	182	FR	Fl. Lauderdale, FL
64	Ross Dames	OG	5-9½	193	FR	Palmyra, MO
65	Dale Mikels	NG	5-7	204	FR	Unionville, MO
66	Jim Masters	DT	6-3	212	SR	Clayton, IL
70	Kurt Schulte	LB	5-7½	168	FR	Owensville, MO
71	Chuck Miller	OT	5-10	275	FR	Wallis, TX
72	Rick Moorman	OT	6-1½	183	FR	Bowling Green, MO
73	Randy Johnston	OT	5-11	239	FR	Belleville, IL
74	Paul Dinkheller	OT	6-1	276	JR	Quincy, IL
75	John Weitnuer	OT	6-3	230	SO	Mendon, IL
76	Ed Cox	DT	5-10	235	FR	St. Charles, MO
77	Tom Spanos	OG	6-2½	186	JR	Chicago, IL
78	Dan Busken	OG	6-0	245	FR	St. Louis, MO
80	Greg Pointer	WR	5-10	156	SO	Pacific, MO
81	Tom Kennedy	DE	6-1	190	SO	Fairfield, IA
85	Bill Knittig	WR	5-10	171	SO	St. Louis, MO
88	Scott Culver	TE	6-½	169	FR	Lathrop, MO
89	Scotty Rigg	DE	6-4½	231	SR	Mt. Sterling, IL
90	Joel Zimmer	WR	5-9½	153	FR	Vandalia, MO
91	Bill Eisenman	LB	5-8½	159	FR	Buffalo, NY
99	Jim Scholfield	DT	5-10	223	JR	Quincy, IL
00	Ric Fencik	TE	6-2	218	SR	Barrington, IL
	Mark Fricke	WR	6-2	175	FR	Petresburg, IL

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# SENIORS



Cardinal students, better known as "The Rowdies" cheer their team on last week in William Jewell's 20-10 victory over Baker. (Photo by David Owen)



Sherri Hodges, her mother and Mrs. Susie LaBeth look on with intensity and excitement as the Cardinals wrap up their 20-10 victory over Baker University.



Quarterback Kelly Groom dodges a Wildcat defender and adds to his total yardage for the day. Groom led all Cardinal rushers with 93 yards on 23 carries in William Jewell's 20-10 victory over Baker University Saturday, Nov. 7. (Photo by David Owen)

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## "The Cardinals in Action"



The Cardinal defense works on the Baker offensive line as they break through and tackle the Wildcats' quarterback. #57, Tim Johnson led the defense with 14 tackles on the evening. (Photo by David Owen)



Senior wide receiver Marty Hensley grabs a Kelly Groom pass in the William Jewell Cardinals' 20-10 victory over Baker University Saturday, Nov. 7. Hensley had 8 catches on the evening for 136 yards. (Photo by David Owen)

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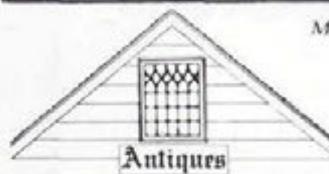
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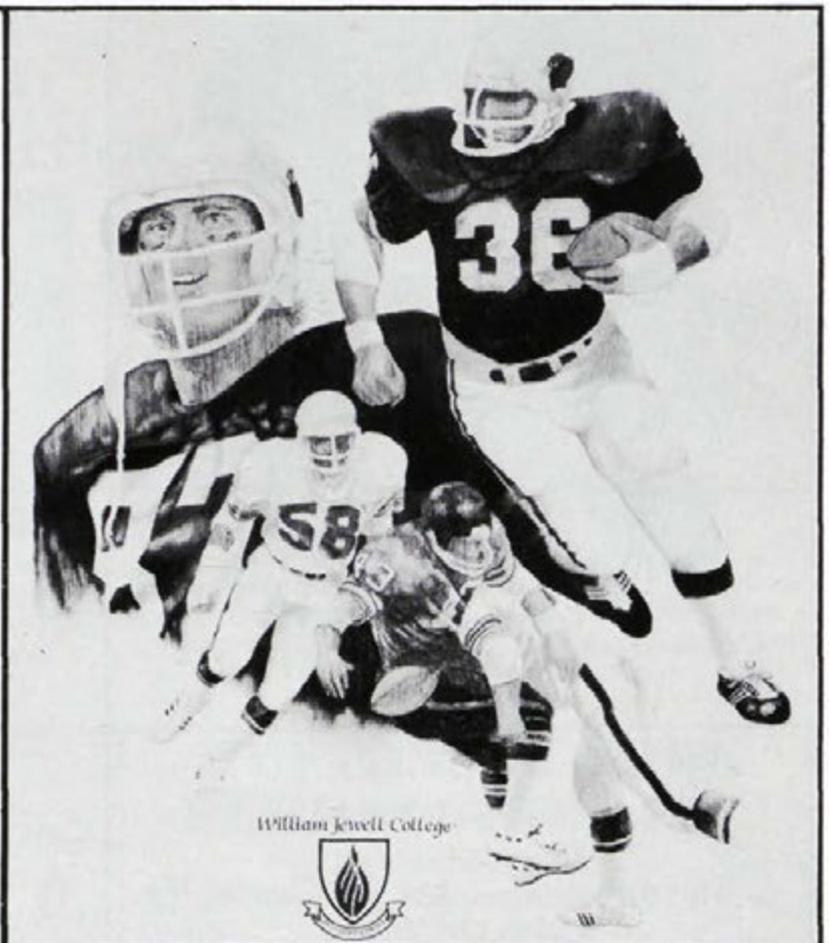


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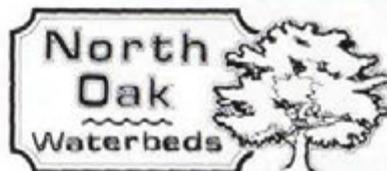
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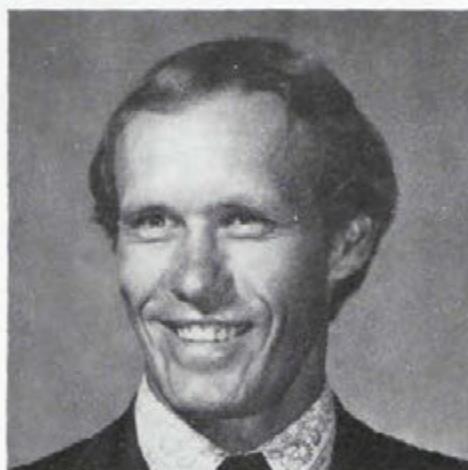
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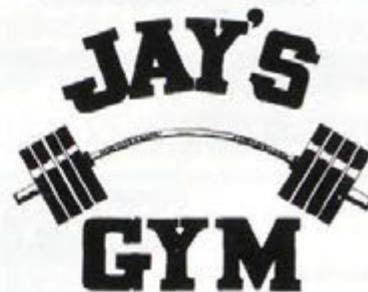
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Ms. Barbara Macke (center) will again be coaching the women's volleyball squad this year. She will be assisted by Kathy Holwick (left) and Robin Maser (right). All of the coaches are optimistic about the season and hope to improve their record from last year.

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Darlene Bailey is beginning her first full year as Sports Information Director, after assuming the position last November. A senior from Kearney, Missouri, she is majoring in history and education. Upon graduation in May, Darlene is to continue her work in sports and possibly pursue a master degree in Sports Administration. She is ably assisted in the SID office by Mr. Bill Kersten.

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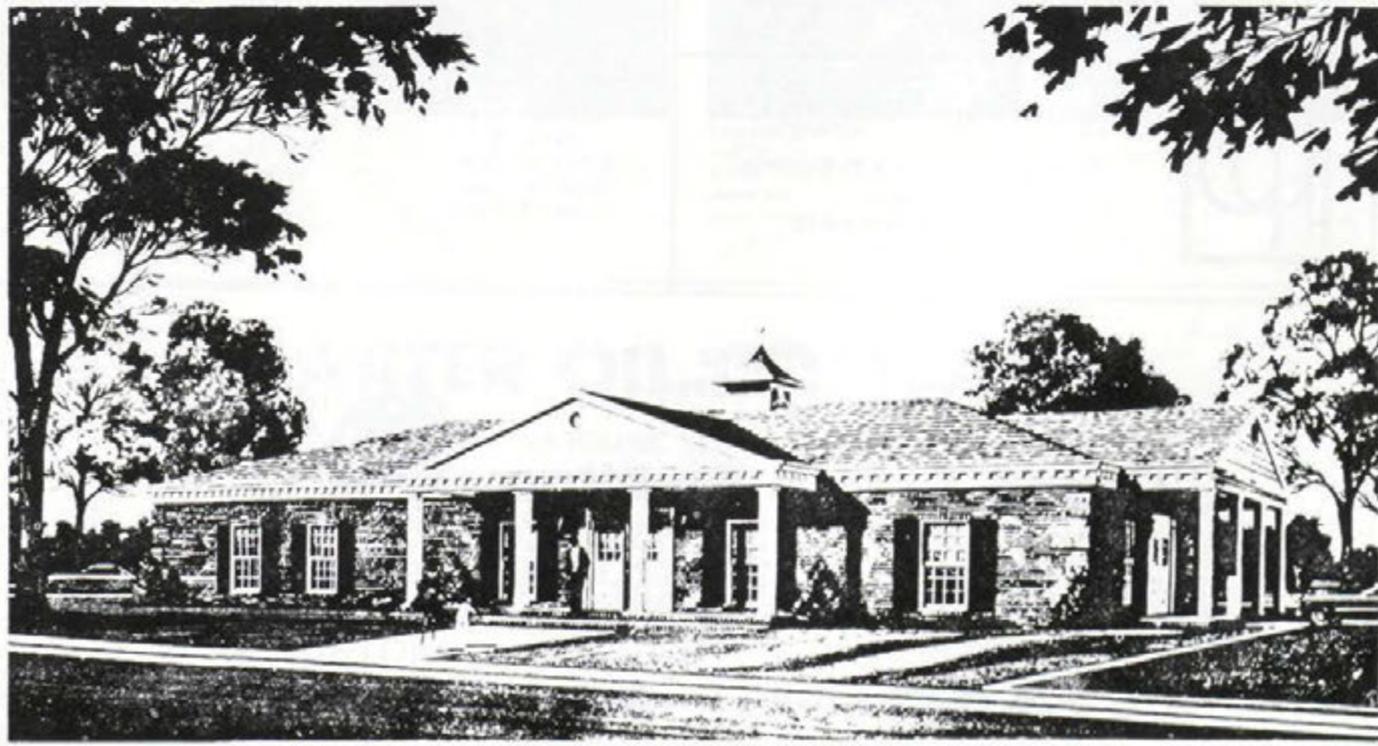
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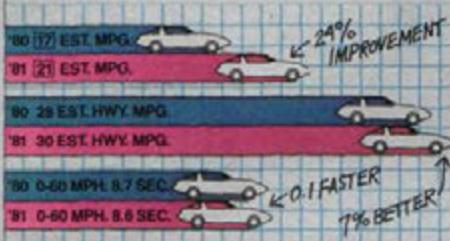
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# THE TIGHT END

## More of a Receiver These Days

by Bill Free, Baltimore MORNING SUN



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Not too many, to be sure. So the gifted players who were fortunate enough to be blessed with size, strength and quickness became linebackers and defensive ends, figuring they would be able to showcase their talent more on defense than as just another blocker on the offensive line.

This exodus continued until the mid-1960s, when the advent of the passing

game changed the complexion of college football.

Suddenly the tight end was being diagrammed into more of the passing patterns and coaches began searching for the same kind of athlete who had vanished to the defense in previous years. They were looking for a special breed of a player—one who could exhibit all the rugged instincts it takes to survive in the trenches on one play and then come back on the next play if needed and be a truly skilled athlete.

Intelligence was also a primary prerequisite, as the tight end had to learn all the pass routes and the blocking assignments.

The dual role added glamour to the position and soon some of the better athletes were gravitating to tight end in hopes of becoming a third receiver. Before too long, kids on the playgrounds were emulating the big, swift tight ends who would catch the quick pop passes over the middle and run over defenders for several yards.

Each year the tight ends seemed to get bigger and better and last season it finally happened—a tight end from the Big Ten Conference led the nation in receiving. The huge young man—6-6 and 242 pounds—hauled in 67 passes in 11 games for 917 yards and eight touch-

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## Tight End

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down passes.

Left in his wake were all the wide outs with speed to burn. The tight end had definitely arrived and he's here to stay.

"Outside receivers are so talented that people are jamming them underneath zones with two safeties just sitting back there," said a Big Ten coach. "And they're just letting the tight ends run free."

Most tight ends roam into the middle of the field and can often be seen waving their arms at the quarterback.

They're so open that it seems a simple matter of getting them the football for easy yards. But a coach from a pass-oriented West Coast school claims it isn't always that easy to hit the tight end.

"It may be easy to see from the stands," he said, "but if you start throwing to the tight end all the time, defenses will load up against you every time on third and five."

But schools that live by the pass usually have the tight end as the primary receiver on one of every three passing plays. And the average around the country is considered to be one of four plays in which the tight end would be the No. 1 receiver.

The dream of every tight end is to get one-on-one coverage from a linebacker on a crossing pattern or a "seam read" in which he splits the linebackers and defensive backs.

Defenses normally don't like to

**The tight end used to be known primarily for his blocking skills.**

"waste" one of their four deep men on a tight end but are being forced to do so with the arrival of so many tight ends with 4.8 speed or better.

There have been some instances where tight ends have even beat safeties, as coaches have installed unofficial cut-off points for their tight ends in terms of height, weight and speed. Anyone who stands less than 6-4, weighs less than 220, and can't run the 40 in less than 4.8 or 4.9 won't meet the requirements at most Division I-A schools.

Even at Division I-AA, Division II and Division III schools, the tight ends are often bordering on the gigantic side. As far back as 1976, one Division III school from the South went to the Stagg Bowl with the aid of a 6-6, 230-pound tight end.

The same school and its coach have now moved up to Division II and continue to emphasize the tight end.

"The teams with the great tight ends are the ones who are winning at our level," said the southern coach with a winning reputation. "The tight end is the guy who beats you. He keeps drives alive."

With tight ends emerging more often as primary receivers, they can only help the wide receivers and the quarterback. Defenses will probably try to beat the tight end at the line of scrimmage, a move which will take one more man out

of the pass rush.

This will take pressure off the quarterback and allow him more time to find the wide outs, who won't be facing as much double coverage because of the tight end threatening to catch the football.

It gives the offense a chance to dictate more to the defenses which try to "lock in" the offense. Teams without strong tight ends will find defenses "cheating" on the outside people.

Even the teams who run the veer and wishbone option offenses have been able to take advantage of the new breed of tight end, although it is a far more subtle approach.

The tight end becomes more of a sleeper in the veer, where his first allegiance is to blocking. He may go most of the game with the defense thinking run . . . run, and then suddenly his number is called for a huge gainer.

It's usually a devastating moment for the defense, which has taken great pains to shut off all the other weapons in the veer and wishbone.

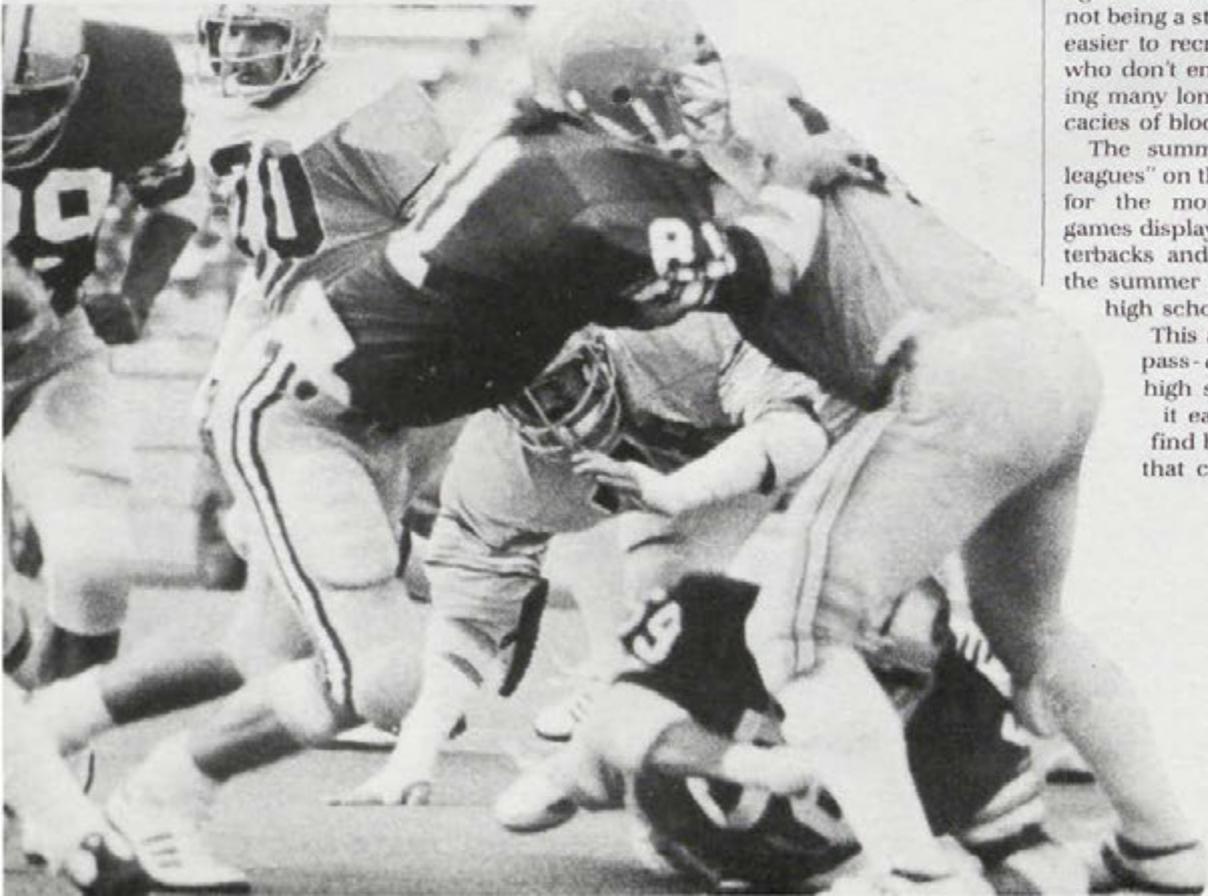
In the option and most other offenses, coaches still like to teach their tight ends blocking first and catching the ball second.

But it is no secret that at some schools the opposite is true, especially in the West where passing the football is a way of life.

With fans who have come to expect the excitement of the passing game, the tight end often finds himself forgiven for not being a strong blocker. This makes it easier to recruit high school prospects who don't enjoy the thought of spending many long hours learning the intricacies of blocking.

The summer high school "passing leagues" on the West Coast also account for the more sophisticated passing games displayed by some schools. Quarterbacks and receivers get together in the summer and compete against rival high schools in league competition.

This all tends to develop better pass-catching tight ends at the high school level, which makes it easier for college coaches to find blue chippers at a position that can turn a good team into a national championship contender. ■



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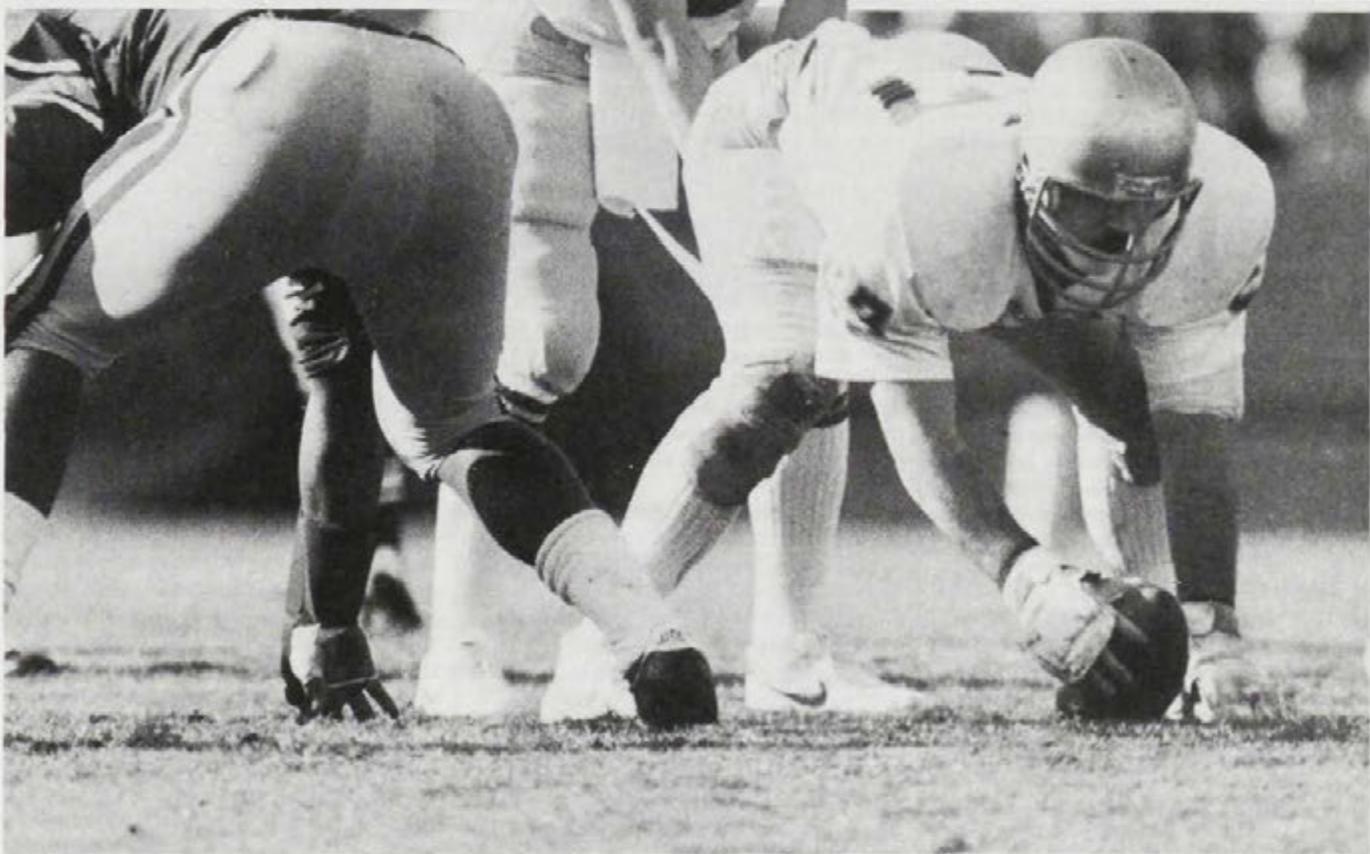
# WHAT TO DO WHEN YOU SEE THE BLITZ

by Glenn Dickey,  
San Francisco CHRONICLE

The blitz. No defensive technique creates quite the excitement that the blitz does, and not just among the fans. Coaches get excited, too. Some offensive coaches like to see the blitz because they think it can be beaten; others dread it.

But, whether they like to see the blitz or hate it, coaches agree on one thing: It generates excitement.

"You know when there's a lot of blitzing," says a Southwestern Conference coach, "that it's going to be a big play type of game—one way or the other."



"I love it when I see a team that likes to blitz a lot," says a Pac-10 coach, "because I know we're going to score a bundle of points. It doesn't even bother me if the blitz works now and then, and our quarterback gets the seat of his pants dirty. I tell my quarterbacks that when they get knocked down by a blitz, they shouldn't worry because a

touchdown is just around the corner."

On the other hand, a Big Ten coach admits a well-conceived blitz can really hurt. "It can take you out of the continuity of your game," he says, "especially if you're geared to a ball control offense. You can be moving the ball well, and just one sack off a blitz can put you in a hole you can't get out of."

You're going to see a lot of third-and-20 situations, and you're probably also going to see a lot of long gainers."

There's probably no better example of how the blitz can turn a game around—both ways—than the Bluebonnet Bowl of December 31, 1978, in which Stanford played Georgia.

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## The Blitz

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Stanford coach Bill Walsh knew going into that game that Georgia's primary defense was the blitz. He thought it could be attacked by throwing deep, because he had the nation's leading passer, quarterback Steve Dils, and an outstanding receiver in Ken Margerum.

But in the first half, the Bulldogs so rattled Dils with the blitz that Dils kept missing his targets, and Georgia rolled to a 15-0 lead. With a long drive starting the second half, Georgia made it 22-0, and it appeared the rout was on.

But at halftime Walsh had made an adjustment. Instead of throwing long, his second half attack was based on throwing short passes to halfback Darrin Nelson—who had caught 50 passes that year—and fullback Phil Francis, also an effective pass receiver.

Georgia just kept blitzing, and Nelson and Francis caught eight passes between them in the second half. Dils relaxed and also started hitting Margerum, and the Cardinals sputtered for 25 points to beat Georgia, 25-22.

Preparation is the key to beating the blitz, coaches agree. "If my quarterback can't read the blitz, I've done a poor job of coaching that week," says a coach of an independent team.

But just how do you read the blitz? Sometimes it's easy. "There are teams that make no attempt to mask the blitz," says a southeastern coach. "They just line up and all but say to you, 'We're coming, and what are you going to do about it?'"

Even teams like that don't come in predictable ways; they will run stunts so blockers can't be sure which way they'll come. And sometimes, teams will line up in what appears to be a blitz and then drop back into a normal defense at the snap of the ball, though that can be risky. "They run the risk of being caught in one formation and trying to move to another at the snap of the ball," points out a Big Eight coach.

More common these days are teams which disguise their blitzes. There is a risk in that, too. "Players have to come from further away," notes a Southwest Conference coach, "and there's always the possibility they can't get to a quarterback, and receivers will be open."

Though it is usually linebackers who blitz, the quarterback normally spots the blitz by the position of the safeties. "In a blitz situation," says a Pac-10 coach, "the safeties will have to single cover receivers, so they'll often 'cheat' a little, moving from their normal position, so they'll be in better position to cover. A smart quarterback will spot that."

Assuming the quarterback spots the blitz, he has three basic options:

1) "The first approach is what I would call the conservative approach," says a



*Whenever it's used, the blitz can be devastating.*

Big Ten coach. "You keep your backs in to pick up the blitzers, and you also use your tight end strictly as a blocker.

"That means you have only your two wide receivers out, and probably they'll both get double coverage (corners and safeties) in that situation."

Coaches would go to that kind of approach if they felt their quarterback either could not move away from the pressure of a blitz or throw effectively under it. Or, if the team is inside the defense's 30, the coach might be concerned that the quarterback would be sacked and the team would be taken out of even field goal range.

2) Both wide receivers go out, and so does the tight end and one back.

"That puts more pressure on the quarterback," notes a Big Eight coach, "but it also gives him more options. Every receiver is going to be one-on-one. If you've got great wide receivers, you're probably going to be able to get the ball to one of them deep.

"Otherwise, you can throw underneath the coverage to the tight end or back across the middle. The safeties are probably going to be playing a little loose on them, and especially if you hit the back, he's going to have a chance to break a long run."

3) Running with the ball. "Depending on what kind of blitz they come with, you could have a lot of running room," says a Southwestern Conference coach. "If a backer comes from the middle, you might be able to blow right by him and go for a big gain up the middle. If it's an outside backer, you might be able to run a sweep. If you turn the corner, nobody's there."

There are other, less common ways of breaking the blitz. A rollout quarterback who is both an effective passer and runner can hurt a blitzing team. And one independent coach suggested a way he fights it: "Against a team that masks a blitz, I tell my quarterback to go on a quick count. Usually, we've snapped the ball when the other team is still waiting to switch into the defense they want."

Are there more blitzes than before? That depends on circumstances as much as anything. "I think the blitz is still basically a defense a team uses when it can't stop the other team normally," says an eastern coach. "If you feel you've got better people than the other team, you're more likely to stay with a standard defense. But if you think you're going to get beat on the line of scrimmage, you'd better come up with something to equalize it, and that's usually the blitz."

Teams are better at disguising the blitz than ever, coaches agree. "You see much more variety too," notes a Big Eight coach. "I think it's from watching the pros on the tube. You even see safeties coming sometimes."

Coaches agree, however they feel about the blitz, that you'd better be ready for it.

"For sure," says a Pac-10 coach, "if you have a game where you have trouble against the blitz, you're going to see it for the rest of the season."

"That happened to one Division I team in their first game last year. They weren't prepared for the blitz, and they got beat. They saw the blitz every game after that—but they figured out how to beat it."

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# THE SAFETY VALVE

by Wayne Lockwood, San Diego UNION

It is the pass of a thousand names—the safety valve, the outlet, the come-open-late, the swing, the flare, the checkoff.

And that's only among offensive teams, who like the thing. Defenses have another set of names for it, few of which bear repeating in polite company.

It is the simplest of maneuvers, really, in a very complex game. The quarterback, attempting to pass, finds himself keeping company with a number of hostile people who have somehow avoided their blockers and are bent on flinging him to the turf.

At the last second, he turns and lobs the ball to a running back who has drift-

ed out into the flat, away from the maddening crowd.

It is not much of a throw. A youngster could do it. In all probability, it will not be much of a gain. A few yards, perhaps. But it has served its purpose.

"The important thing about a safety valve pass is not what happens when you do it—at least most of the time—but what doesn't happen," explains one successful college coach.

"Your quarterback does not get sacked. He does not risk getting hurt, and maybe fumbling. He does not try to force the ball downfield and maybe throw an interception.

"Sure, you probably don't get much of

a gain out of it. But you avoid a lot of unpleasant things. And you live to fight another down."

Almost any football coach worth his whistle believes that most games are lost rather than won. The team which makes fewest mistakes is the team which wins. For a passing team, the safety valve is one means of reducing the risk of error.

It is not pretty. It does not bring the alumni to their feet, invoking the glory of alma mater. But it serves the purpose.

"If your primary receiver isn't open and your secondary receiver isn't open, your quarterback has to have another option rather than eating the ball," ex-

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## Safety Valve

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plains a second coach. "The safety valve is the guy you go to."

Teams do not win by throwing exclusively to this man, of course. He is far from the first choice, unless the object is to inflate a quarterback's passing percentage.

But teams also do not win if they fail to have such a receiver available.

"It's like going to sea without a lifeboat," notes a prominent passing coach.

"You hope you don't have to use it. But you feel a lot more comfortable having it around."

There are situations, of course, in which the safety valve can be considerably more than a simple escape from an unpleasant situation. Coaches who enjoy the presence of a running back who catches the ball well sometimes find the safety valve one of the most effective means of putting the football into his hands.

On a running play, such an individual is liable to attract a great deal of attention as soon as the quarterback hands him the ball.

But, in a passing situation, every potential receiver is a danger which cannot be ignored. The defense is spread to cover them all.

The running back, except in rare circumstances, will draw only one defender, usually a linebacker.

Since the former frequently is quicker and more mobile than the latter, his chances of avoiding an immediate tackle and proceeding some distance downfield are reasonably good.

"Sometimes, a safety valve is just a glorified handoff," notes one coach. "It gets the ball to your best runner in a situation where he has a little room to maneuver.

"As long as you make sure the ball is thrown forward, rather than laterally, about the worst thing that's going to happen to you is an incomplete pass."

"It's the kind of play," says another, "where you'll get two yards, three yards and, all of a sudden, you might get 30 yards. All it takes is one good move or one missed tackle."

Obviously, a safety valve is most effective for a team which has other passing weapons.

"If you have a genuine deep threat, the defense has to respect that," a coach explains. "And if they are taking a deep drop, the running back is going to have a lot of room once he beats that tackler."

If the safety valve is dangerous enough, and his team goes to him often enough, the defense will be forced to alter the fashion in which it responds to his presence.

"You can always help out with a defensive back, or maybe drop a lineman off," explains one coach.

"But you hate to do that because then



When the primary and secondary receivers are covered, the quarterback goes to his safety valve—the running back who has drifted out of the path of traffic.

you leave yourself vulnerable to other things. It's a matter of whether you want to be nibbled to death or run the risk of having someone take a big bite out of you in one chunk."

Most coaches will opt for the nibble, reasoning that the other team will not be patient enough to nickle and dime its way the length of the field or, even if it is, that something will happen along the way to kill the drive. A nice holding penalty, perhaps.

Then, too, there is the ego of the quarterback to be considered. Athletes who play this position tend to be strong of arm and great of confidence. They prefer to rifle the ball 30 yards on a line and listen to the fans oooh and aaah.

Tossing that little flip out to the side just isn't very, well, manly. Unless, of course, some hostile 280-pounder is inches from your sternum.

As a rule, coaches tend to be a great deal more enthusiastic about the safety valve than do quarterbacks.

"What don't you like about this pass?" a college coach who is known for his aerial game was asked.

"Nothing," he responded. "I love it. I think it's great. There are very few things which can go wrong with it and several nice things which can happen."

There is always the chance of a blown coverage, for example. Suddenly, you have a dangerous man in possession of the football with a lot of daylight around him.

Too, there is a possibility that the defense will elect to rush the linebacker, gambling he can get to the quarterback before that figure can run through his list of options and get the ball to the uncovered back. As with any gamble, losing can prove expensive.

But the big gainer is not what most coaches have in mind when they sketch the safety valve into their playbook.

"The main purpose of this play is to avoid a loss," concedes one.

"The things which kill any drive are the big loss or the turnover. This play is designed to help avoid them. And you better believe that's important enough. Anything else that happens is just a bonus."

"Really," agrees another, "it is the sort of play for use as needed. You take what they give you.

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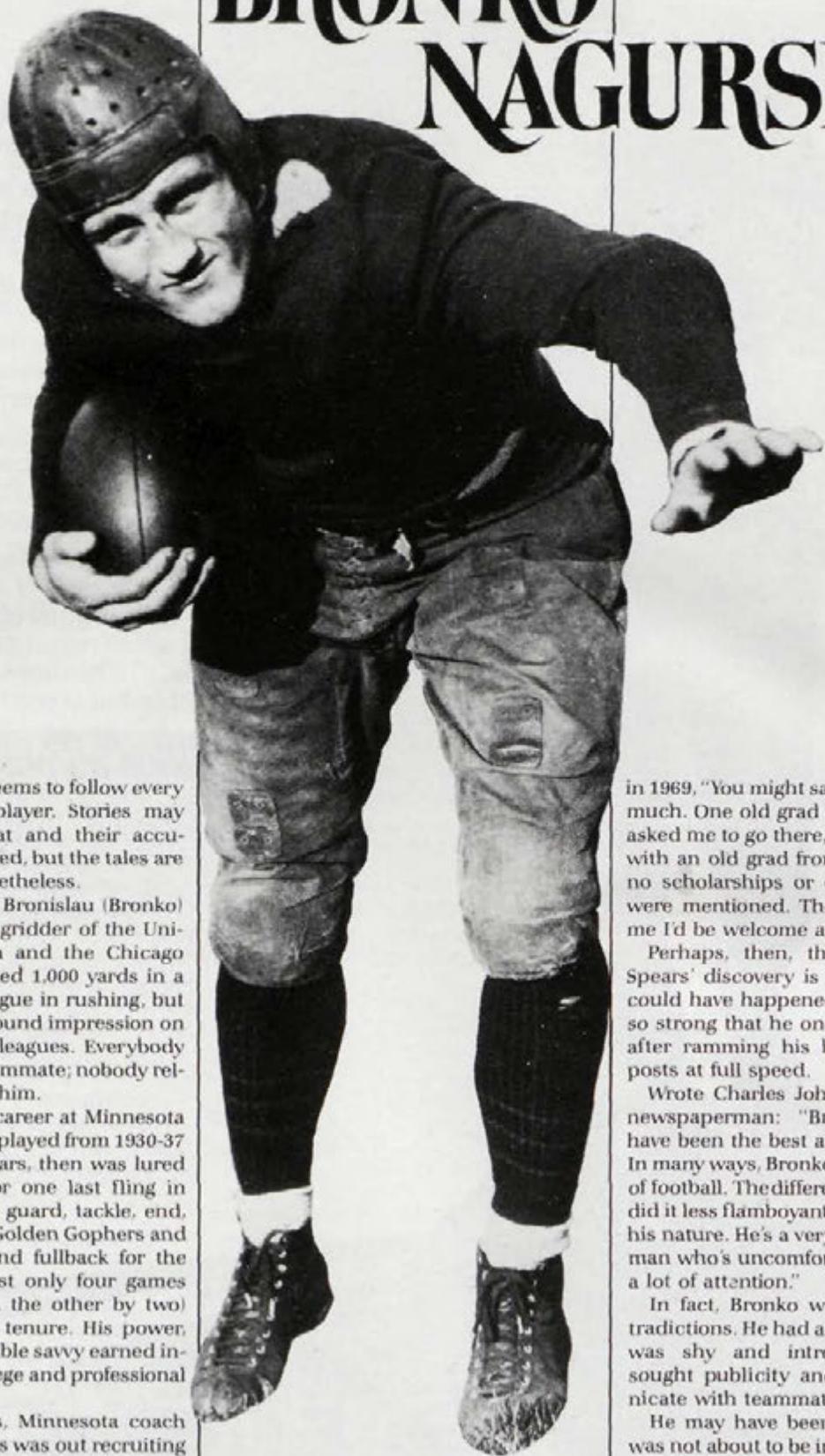
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# BRONKO NAGURSKI



A bit of legend seems to follow every star football player. Stories may vary somewhat and their accuracy may be questioned, but the tales are worth repeating nonetheless.

Such a player was Bronislau (Bronko) Nagurski, the fabled grinder of the University of Minnesota and the Chicago Bears. He never gained 1,000 yards in a season or led his league in rushing, but his ability left a profound impression on his coaches and colleagues. Everybody was glad to be his teammate; nobody relished trying to stop him.

Nagurski's varsity career at Minnesota spanned 1927-29; he played from 1930-37 with the Chicago Bears, then was lured out of retirement for one last fling in 1943. Bronko played guard, tackle, end, and fullback for the Golden Gophers and excelled at tackle and fullback for the Bears. Minnesota lost only four games (three by one point, the other by two) during Nag's varsity tenure. His power, strength, and incredible savvy earned induction into the college and professional Halls of Fame.

As one story goes, Minnesota coach Clarence (Doc) Spears was out recruiting a player named Smith when he came upon a farm. "I noticed this big, strong boy plowing a field without a horse," Spears is reported to have said. "I stopped to ask directions. The boy pointed—with the plow. That's how I happened to discover Bronko."

Countering this story, Bronko recalled

in 1969, "You might say I wasn't recruited much. One old grad from Northwestern asked me to go there, and I talked a little with an old grad from Notre Dame, but no scholarships or other inducements were mentioned. Then Archie Oss told me I'd be welcome at Minnesota."

Perhaps, then, the anecdote about Spears' discovery is exaggerated. But it could have happened, for Nagurski was so strong that he once kept his balance after ramming his head into the goal posts at full speed.

Wrote Charles Johnson, a Minnesota newspaperman: "Bronk really could have been the best at anything he tried. In many ways, Bronko was the Babe Ruth of football. The difference was that Bronk did it less flamboyantly because that was his nature. He's a very basic, very simple man who's uncomfortable when he gets a lot of attention."

In fact, Bronko was a study in contradictions. He had a high-pitched voice, was shy and introverted. He never sought publicity and did not communicate with teammates off the field.

He may have been shy, but Nagurski was not about to be intimidated. Another story has it that Spears greeted his prize on the first day of practice:

"My name is Clarence Spears, what's yours?"

"Nagurski, Bronko Nagurski," the young man said.

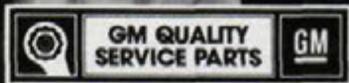
"Bronko? That's a strange name," Spears noted.

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*Nagurski made the 1929 All-America team at both tackle and fullback.*

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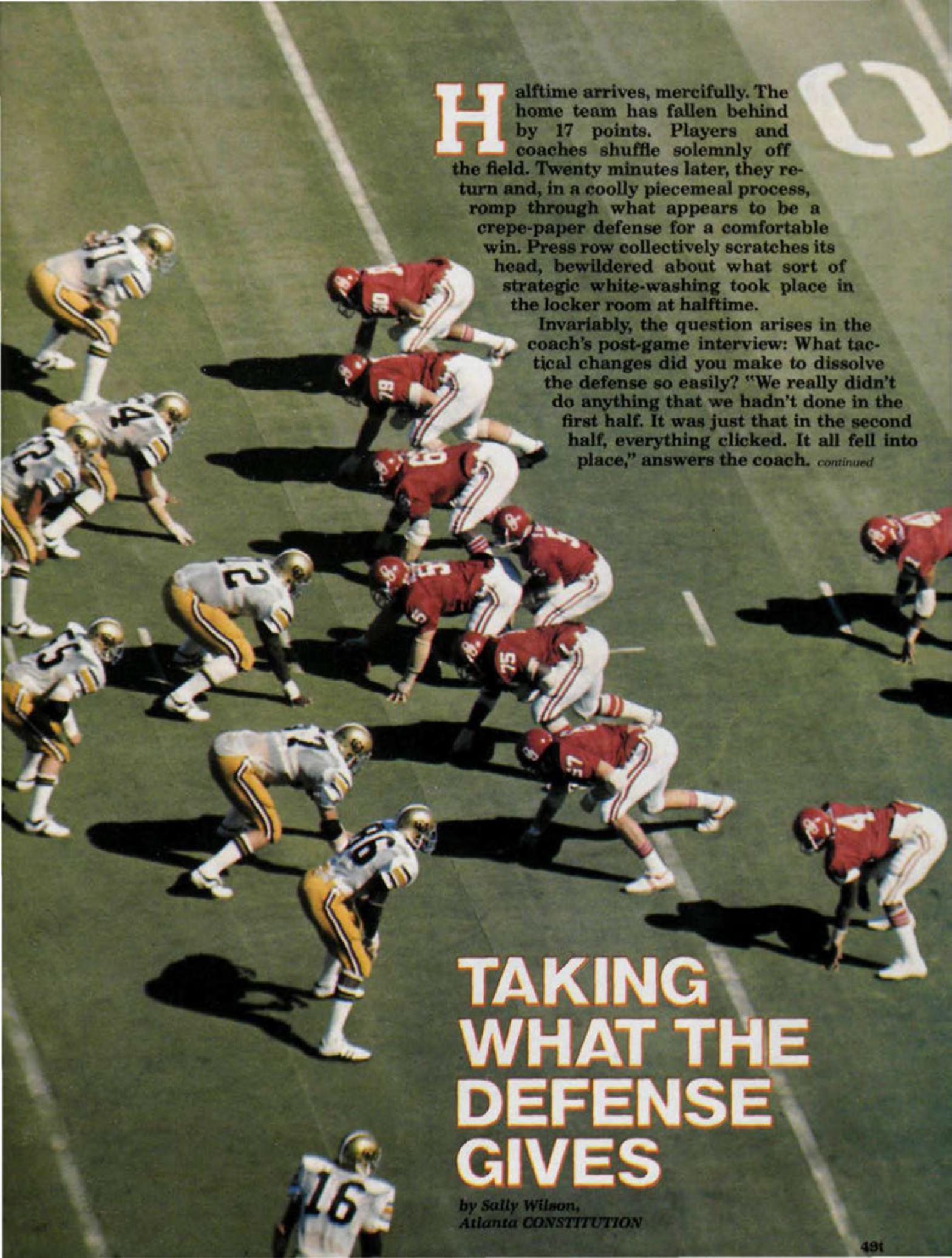
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Invariably, the question arises in the coach's post-game interview: What tactical changes did you make to dissolve the defense so easily? "We really didn't do anything that we hadn't done in the first half. It was just that in the second half, everything clicked. It all fell into place," answers the coach. *continued*

## TAKING WHAT THE DEFENSE GIVES

by Sally Wilson,  
Atlanta *CONSTITUTION*

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## Taking What Defense Gives

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Such is the complex simplicity of college football, a game that twists and pivots on the vagaries and vicissitudes of so many individuals. A missed block in the first half costs a crucial down on third and two; a block by the same tackle in the second half opens a hole for an endzone-bound tailback. A stifled team changes its strategy and moves the ball 75 yards. The fullback then fumbles on the five-yard line.

There is, however, more to offensive strategy than good or bad fortune. Throughout these Saturday trials, coaches must decide either to stay with the pre-game plan or to make alterations to exploit the defense's oft-vulnerable sections. In both cases, the offense is trying to take what the defense is giving.

Ideally, an offense will stay with its pre-game plan. Based on a week or more of film study and analysis of a defense's tendencies, this approach has been deemed the most likely to succeed.

Most coaches don't like to let the defense dictate the strategy. "If you do," says a southeastern coach, "you've stopped being an offense and become a defensive offensive team."

Decisions on how to exploit a defense take place before, during and—unfortunately, at times—after the game. To take advantage of a defense's weaknesses, a team doesn't want to stray too far from its strengths and proven plays. So the scope and degree of particular adjustments depend on several variables: the size of an opponent's lead; personnel match-ups (equal, better or worse); experience of a coach's players; and injuries.

As a general rule, the better teams don't need to be tricky. They go out using their strong suits and challenge the defense to

take them away. A poor team, on the other hand, has to take more chances. They might say, "Let's gamble. Let's do something different, since we're going to have a tough game anyway."

"If you're completely outmanned, you'd be crazy to try to run your whole offense," says a southeastern coach. "For example, running the isolation against a powerhouse team is crazy. You throw that out of your game plan, you don't mess with it."

"If you're equal, then you figure you can run your offense, and you try to pick on personnel. We'll pick on the weakest defender. You don't run to the left side if there are two gorillas over there."

The week before the game, coaches spend endless hours nailed to an office chair and film projector to review opponents' game films. They fill out charts on a myriad of esoteric yet essential categories, from the number of times the line stunts on first down to the prevalent scheme used on goal-line stands. Then, at many major colleges, the charted information is fed into a computer. The offensive coordinator takes the results—the defense's tendencies in nearly every conceivable situation—and formulates a game plan.

Teams go into a game with a plan based on what their opponent's defensive tendencies are—when they blitz, their down and distance tendencies as far as the blitz, when they like to play man-to-man in the secondary. During the game, the coaches select plays designed to take advantage of these tendencies.

Until kickoff, the game plan is infallible. Depending on how true the defense is to its tendencies, the plan could remain so. But in all likelihood the opposing defensive coordinator has spent just as much

time studying and digesting films and making adjustments accordingly. On the field—actually above the field—the battle of tactical wit and wisdom begins.

Many of the assistant coaches sit in the press box during games and chart what the defense is doing, noting what patterns and tendencies are developing. They relay plays to the field that best match up with these inclinations.

"After the first series or two, you can see they're going to come after us on 1st and 10 or play a lot of man-to-man on 1st and 10. Then you try and go from there," says a coach from the Midwest. "If they change their tendencies, you have to adjust. They're coming after us instead of laying back, so now what are we going to do?"

"If you start to hurt them, for example, they might overshift the defense. If they do that, they're weaker somewhere else. It's like robbing Peter to pay Paul. Once you see them overshifting, you've got to be ready to adjust and run to the weak side."

At halftime, major changes can be made, if necessary. But there isn't much time. Of the 20 minutes, about five are spent between coaches and five between coaches and players. The rest is generally taken up moving on and off the field.

Let's take an example of where a major change might be called for.

A supposedly superior offensive team has gone six quarters without scoring a touchdown. The team truly outclasses its opponent in today's game in player size and ability, but has been held scoreless for the first two quarters.

At halftime, the head coach decides his team is not using its personnel as well as possible. A tight end is added to the line, and the passing game is de-emphasized in favor of constant use of a good running back. The team wins easily that day and the offensive plan remains intact throughout the following season.

Making a change that drastic at halftime is unusual. While the change could have been made after the game, the coach decided to adjust during the contest and as a result won a game he had been in danger of losing.

Regardless of when the changes are made, coaches realize a defense can't be exploited in certain situations if players are the least bit unsure of what's being attempted.

"A lot of your thoughts on what type of plays to try depend on your evaluation of how good your players are," says a midwestern coach. "For example, if you wanted to change a blocking pattern, it'd be easier to do this with a veteran team. You could say, 'Remember when we did this against Purdue two years ago? Go out and do it that way.' All that becomes a factor in what kinds of adjustments you can make."

On game day the strategic battle takes place in the press box high above the field.





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# A SPORTS TRIVIA QUIZ

1. "Win one for the \_\_\_\_\_."
2. Frankie Albert starred for Chuck Shaughnessy \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Nicknamed "Automatic Otto," this quarterback led Northwestern to many victories \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Alabama's famed head coach is \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Billy Cannon scored many touchdowns for his Southeastern Conference team \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Harry Stuhldreher, Jim Crowley, Don Miller and \_\_\_\_\_.
7. Before Jackie Robinson made history in the baseball world, he was a star football player at \_\_\_\_\_.
8. Kyle and Tobin \_\_\_\_\_.
9. The Minnesota \_\_\_\_\_ (nickname)
10. Jim Thorpe brought his \_\_\_\_\_ team to national prominence.
11. \_\_\_\_\_ won the 1975 Rose Bowl.
12. "The \_\_\_\_\_ corner kick."
13. Mel \_\_\_\_\_ of Washington State is the center on the modern all-time All-American team.
14. Ike Eisenhower played for \_\_\_\_\_ in his college years.
15. The \_\_\_\_\_ Lions of Penn State.
16. John David \_\_\_\_\_ of Texas A&M.
17. The \_\_\_\_\_ Trophy is awarded each year to the outstanding Intercollegiate Football Player.
18. "Hail to the \_\_\_\_\_ valiant..."
19. The 'T' formation has basically \_\_\_\_\_ running backs.
20. The Florida \_\_\_\_\_ (nickname)
21. Each year the Rose Bowl is played in the city of \_\_\_\_\_.
22. The Kansas star, \_\_\_\_\_ Sayres.
23. Iowa State is in the \_\_\_\_\_ Conference.
24. Missouri's great \_\_\_\_\_ Christman.
25. The Wildcats of \_\_\_\_\_.
26. Doc Blanchard, Arnold Tucker, Shorty McWilliams and \_\_\_\_\_.
27. Grantland \_\_\_\_\_.
28. \_\_\_\_\_ McNamee is often referred to as the Father of Sportscasting.

Your score: ● 25-28 Excellent ● 15-24 Good ● 10-14 Fair ● 0- 9 Other

(1) Cipper, (2) Stanford University, (3) Otto Graham, (4) Paul "Bear" Bryant, (5) Louisiana State University, (6) Elmer Layden, (7) UCLA, (8) Kote, (9) Cophers, (10) Carlisle, (11) USC, (12) coffin, (13) Hein, (14) Army, (15) Nittany, (16) Crow, (17) Heisman, (18) Victors, University of Michigan fight song, (19) Three, (20) Gators, (21) Pasadena, (22) Galt, (23) Big Eight, (24) Paul, (25) Arizona, or Northwestern, (26) Glenn Davis, (27) Rice, (28) Graham

ANSWERS:

# Bronko Nagurski

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"Clarence ain't so hot, either," replied Nagurski.

They got around to the subject of positions and Spears asked about his experience: "What position did you play in high school?"

"All of them," Nagurski replied. "When the other team had the ball, they put me wherever I could make the most tackles. When we had the ball, I carried it."

Spears knew very early that Nagurski was something special. After Bronko had shocked the freshman coach with his ability to move the tackling dummy, Spears took notice. "Hit it!" yelled Spears. Nagurski hit the tackling dummy all right, and when he got up, Spears said just four words: "Get plenty of sleep."

Yet Nagurski nearly gave up his chance to play for the varsity. At Christmas his freshman year, Nag told the equipment manager he was going home for good. "I haven't got any money," Bronko said. "I haven't got food or rent money. I looked all over for a job. There isn't a job."

Within five minutes, the equipment manager was back, and Nagurski had a job, firing a furnace on campus for \$50 a month, a plush amount in those days. Nagurski stayed around and became a legend on campus.

As a sophomore in his first varsity season, Bronko led the Golden Gophers to a 6-0-2 season. His most memorable game of the campaign was against Notre Dame, a national powerhouse. Moving blockers with either hand, elbow, or hip, Bronko kept the Irish runners at bay all afternoon. He blocked and recovered a punt, then turned to offense where he ran interference for back Herb Joesting. The resulting 7-7 tie was a tremendous upset, just the beginning of Nagurski's endeavors.

"Aside from being the best tackle in the country, the best fullback in the Big Ten, a great guard, a fine halfback, and a remarkable end, Bronko isn't much of a football player at all," said Doc Spears.

Early in the 1928 season against Iowa, Bronko sustained an injury for the first time. On a short touchdown jaunt, Bronko bowled over the Hawkeye's Bill Glasgow, breaking three ribs. The following week at Northwestern, he started at tackle—in an upright position. He led the interference standing up and on defense he tossed people aside until he made the tackle.

Later in the year, Minnesota played Wisconsin. Joesting was hurt and so was Bronko. Wisconsin, in fact, thought the Nag would not play. But he showed up with a special brace on his back, taking Joesting's position. At one point in the game, he caused a fumble, recovered it on the Wisconsin 17 and carried for six straight plays for the Gopher score.

Later in the game, he tackled Badger



**Bronko was a powerful tackle as well as an outstanding runner.**

end Bo Cuisinier on the eight-yard line after he was apparently in the clear for a touchdown. "I wasn't sure where Bronko was on the play," said Cuisinier, "but I expected if he tackled me, he'd at least knock me forward a few yards. But instead he grabbed me by the shoulder, thrust one big leg between mine and yanked me backward. I couldn't budge." Minnesota held on for the 6-0 upset. It was probably Nagurski's greatest college game.

In 1929, Minnesota was 6-2 with Bronko again leading the way. At the year's end only 10 men were named to Grantland Rice's All-America team. Nagurski was both the fullback and the tackle.

Sportswriter Frank Menke said, "He has solved the problem of what to do with the extra man when you are picking an All-America team. You can put him anywhere."

As a runner, his body resembled a human torpedo. He kept his head down and his trunk was nearly parallel to the ground. His knees rose almost to his chest. One writer said that he did not run around people, nor did he run over them. He ran through them. "He was the only man I've ever seen who ran his own interference," said an observer.

"Tackling Nagurski was like getting an electric shock," said an opponent, "and if you hit him above the ankles, you were likely to get killed."

As a defender, Nagurski did not wrap his arms around the opposing backs to make the tackle. He would block or tackle with his shoulder, hip or forearm.

Defenses were so intent on stopping him that they enabled the Nag to use some of his other skills. He would, on occasion, fake into the line and then sud-

denly stop—raising up and throwing a pass to an end, who might lateral to a trailing runner. It was difficult enough trying to tackle Nagurski, but these other weapons became added thorns in the sides of opponents.

Nag signed a two-year contract with the Chicago Bears for \$5,000 per year in 1930. The Bears won titles in 1932 and 1933, and lost championship games in 1934 and 1937. Bronko was all-pro three times and named to the all-star team seven years.

Bronko played in an era when big yardage was uncommon. Yet, he gained 4,031 yards in his post-graduate career, averaging 4.6 per carry, still outstanding by today's standards—and he could do more than carry the ball.

In a 1933 game at Wrigley Field, his team was making little progress, and Bronko was angry. Never raising his head, he crashed through the line, scattering the secondary. He rammed into the safety, crashed into the goal post, and, retaining his balance, smashed head-on into the stadium's concrete wall. "That last guy sure hit me hard," he is reported to have said.

At the age of 29, Bronko wanted \$6,000 for the 1938 season and Halas refused, so Nag left and concentrated on wrestling, which was more profitable than football. At one time, he was competing in both sports and wrestled against eight of the best in the world. For a while, he was recognized as the world's heavyweight wrestling champion.

World War II had depleted the Bears in 1943 and Nag, at age 35, was lured out of retirement. The Bears again advanced to the championship game and Nagurski suggested he play fullback. The Bears trailed 24-14 before Bronko made the switch. He totaled 84 yards in 16 carries and the Bears won, 35-24. Then he retired from the gridiron, this time for good. He continued to wrestle, however, until 1950.

With Bronko's retirement from football, the stories grew. Supposedly the star used to enter a room holding his wife at arm's length. Some said he had a 20-inch neck. L.G. Balfour Company took an extra year to make him a ring. Nagurski, you see, had a size 19½ finger and the company had never made a ring that large.

"I assure you that you will not see a more remarkable physical specimen anywhere," said George Halas. "He was six feet, two inches and he weighed 234 pounds and it was all—literally all—muscle, skin and bone. He didn't have an ounce of fat on him."

Said a Chicago writer: "The man never lived who could stop Bronko Nagurski when he didn't want to be stopped."

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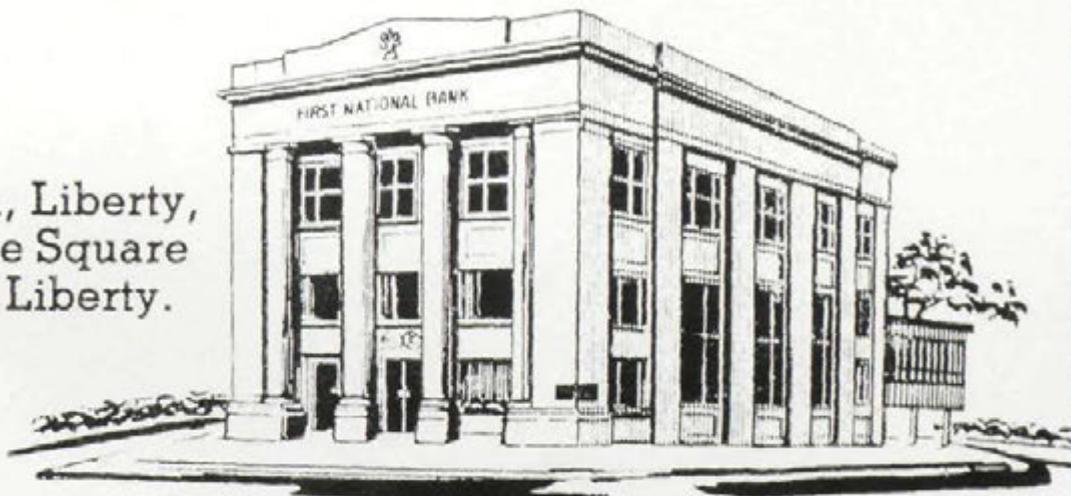
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