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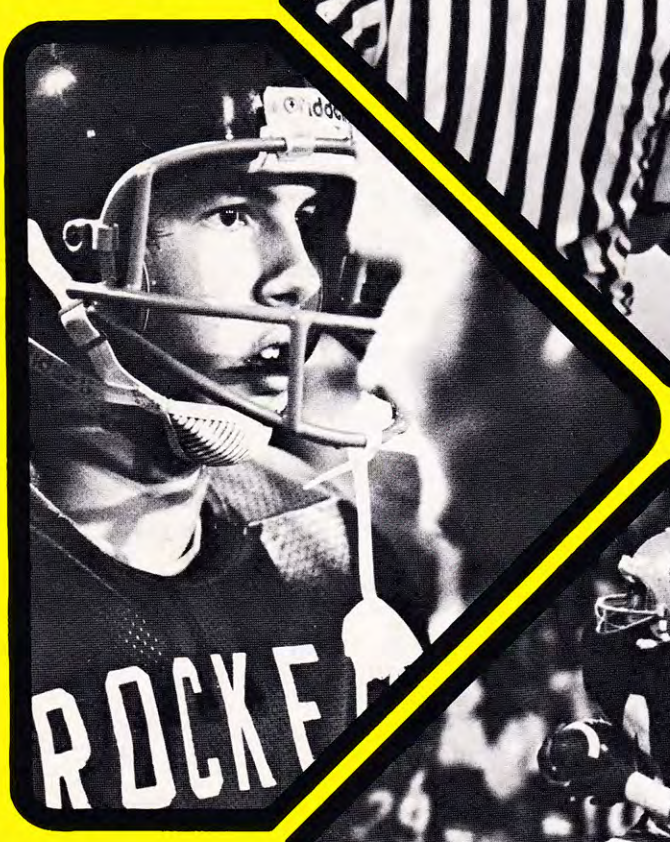
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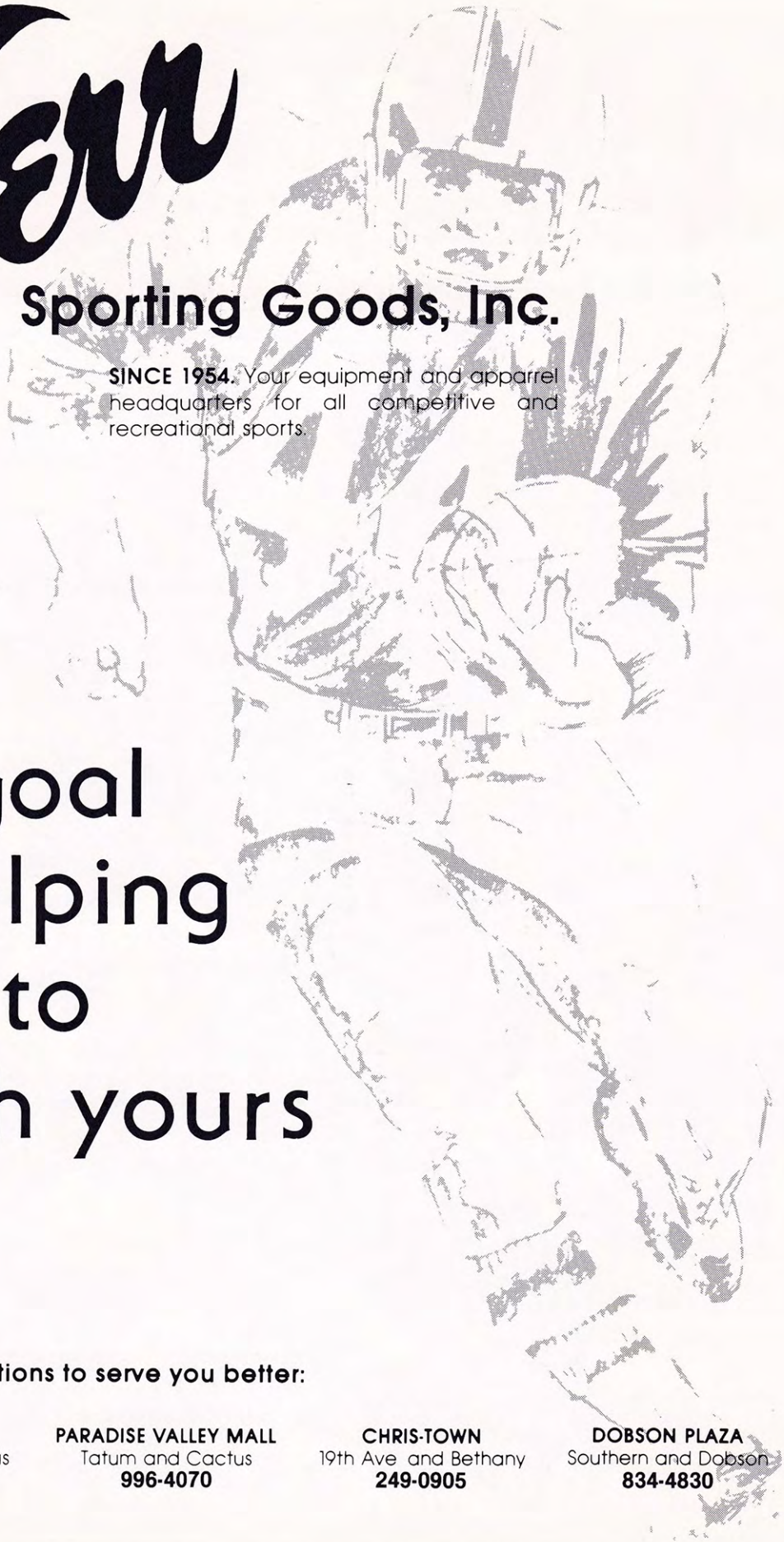
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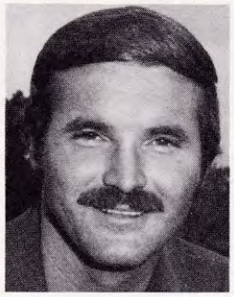
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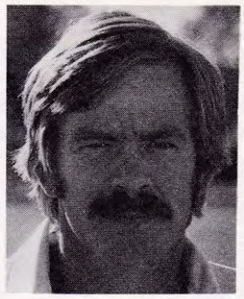
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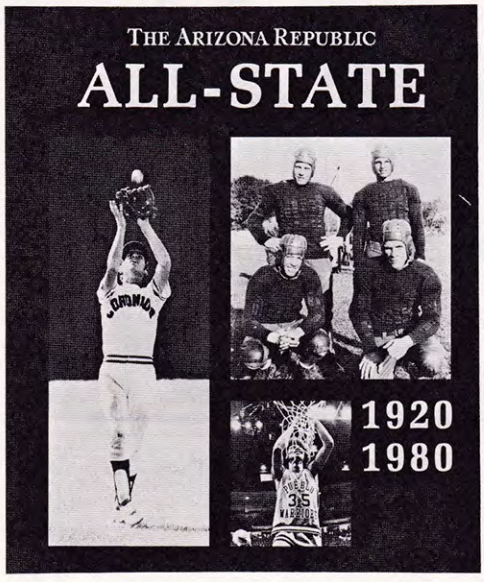
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ASU: In Search of an Offense

For openers, ASU is the only PAC-10 team which doesn't return a starter at quarterback. Mike Pagel, the first team all-PAC-10 signal caller a year ago, moved on to the NFL Baltimore Colts.

To further cloud matters, spring academic difficulties threaten the autumn eligibility of three returning regulars and would-be starters: WR Jerome Weatherspoon, OG Bruce Branch and TB Alvin Moore. Willie Gittens, who received all-conference recognition as a runner and kick returner the past two seasons, must recover from an off-season shoulder injury.

That leaves centers Dan Mackie and Ron Sowers, TE Ron Wetzel, and a host of spot starters and question marks. The spring duel between Todd Hons and Sandy Osiecki for the QB slot appeared to have ended in a tie. Both will be juniors.

Despite the losses of Gerald Riggs and Robert Weathers to the NFL, running back should be no problem. Mike Cade (6-1, 210) is one of the biggest and fastest backs in the PAC-10. He flashed his potential in spot duty last fall after transferring from the University of Michigan. While a senior at Santa Cruz High in Eloy, Cade rushed for a state record 2,253 yards. If Gittens (see cover) returns healthy, plus former starter Moore, ASU will have four proven, quality runners. Dwaine "Tex" Wright should be the starting fullback.

James Malone, the next-to-last brother of former ASU greats Art and Benny, also fits into the picture. So may be case with Tony Lombardi, Derrick Sperling, and converted deep backs Mike Gipson and Ardell Scott. It doesn't appear as though any of the frosh crop will break the starting lineup.

If Weatherspoon doesn't return the Devils may be in trouble. Last season Doug Allen caught six passes. No other wide receiver has caught a pass. It was Allen who caught the game-winner against San Jose State. A Weatherspoon-Allen tandem would be solid. Senior James Hood appears to be the leading candidate for reserve duty.

Ron Brown, a world-class sprinter who lost his job in the defensive secondary last fall because of an injury, may see action at WR. He's one of the fastest football players in the land. The ASU 100-meter dash record holder at 10.1 finished fifth in the NCAA finals in 1981. And there's little to worry about at TE as long as big Ron Wetzel (6-7, 235) is on the field.

The Devils are green in the interior line. This will be their biggest concern in 1982. Dan Mackie (6-4, 250) is solid at center, while Ron Sowers (6-4, 255) from Mesa Mountain View moves over to guard. He has played all three interior line positions. If he's back, Bruce Branch is outstanding at guard. If he's absent, pencil in Jim Hawn, a steady back-up last year. The tackles are a concern. The race appears between Scott Mazur (6-5, 260), Tom Magazzeni (6-5, 260), James Keyton (6-5, 270) and Mike White (6-4, 270). But Magazzeni underwent knee surgery in March.



COOLIDGE FLASH — If Alvin Moore returns, ASU will have a back who rushed for 2,107 yards and scored 36 touchdowns in one season as a prepster.

On the positive side, ASU's kicking game is second to none. Senior Mike Black owns a 41.2 career average and all-PAC-10 laurels. He averaged 42.5 yards as a junior. Sophomore place kicker Luis Zendejas set ASU single-season records for points kicking (93), field goals (16), point-after-TD proficiency (45/45), and single-game marks for points kicking (14 twice), field goals (4) and longest field goal (51 yards). His PAT perfection set a PAC-10 standard. He was perfect on his first nine field goal attempts.

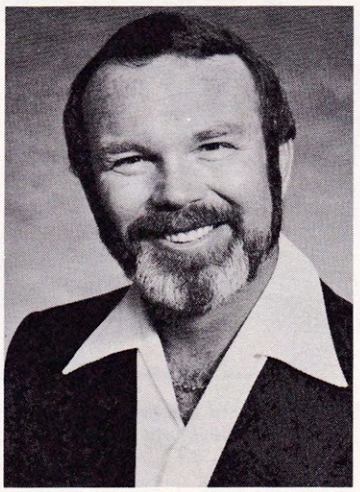
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Devils To Turn to Defense



CHALK TALK — Safety Mike Richardson and LB Vernon Maxwell listen up against Washington, a 24-7 Sun Devil win in 1981.

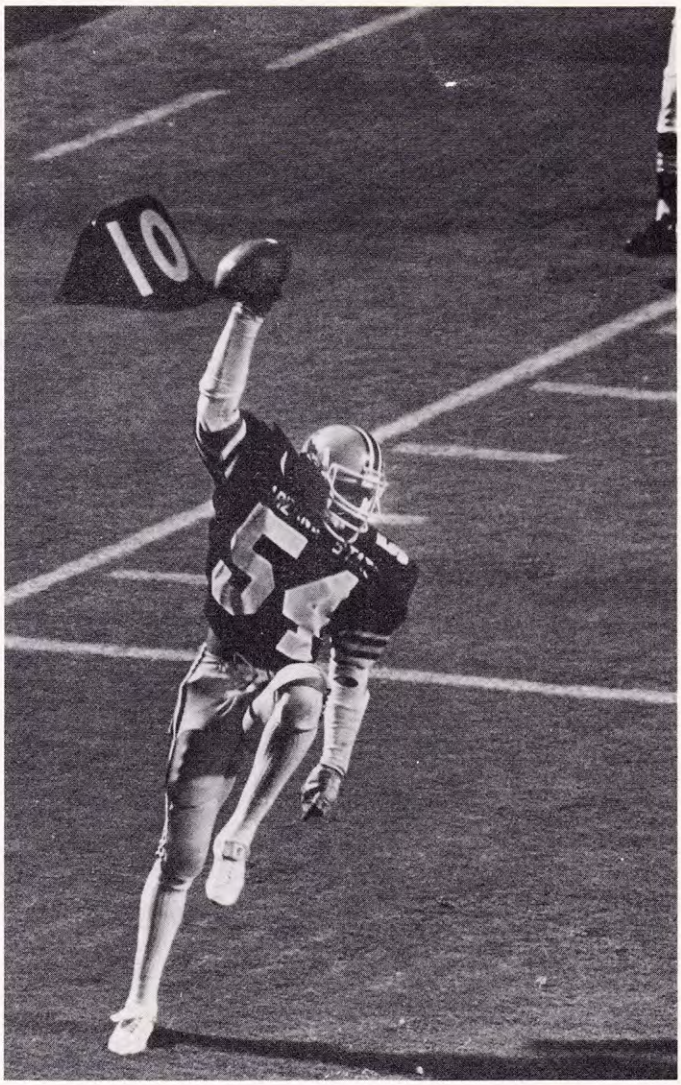
Motivated by the fact that they are now bowl eligible, the Sun Devils will turn to defense this fall as they attempt to equal or improve last year's sparkling 9-2 finish. The 1981 national offensive champs (5,486 total yards) have been long known for their offensive fireworks. But this fall, look for the defense to make the headlines.

The possibility exists that ASU's defense could be the best since 1975, and one of the best in the West if not the entire country. It was that remarkable 1975 unit which finished unbeaten and produced two All-American defenders, LB Larry Gordon (Miami Dolphins) and DB Michael Haynes (New England Patriots).

Speaking of the pros, 14 of 17 ASU seniors hooked up with pro clubs last spring, and most were offensive players. But two preseason All-America candidates return on defense, LB Vernon Maxwell and DB Mike Richardson. End Jim Jeffcoat is also back. Other veterans include DE Walt Bowyer, NG Mike Langston, LB Mark Hicks. FS Nate King and CB Duane Galloway, not to mention the return of Bryan Caldwell, a starter two years ago who missed last season due to academic problems.

Rogers' defensive staff has the luxury of choosing among Bowyer (6-4, 230), Caldwell (6-5, 250), Jeffcoat (6-6, 250) and Langston (6-4, 250) for the three down linemen position. All are strong, mobile and experienced. Depth will be supplied by Tony Baker, who would figure as a starter at many schools, Tom Gerber, redshirted Mitch Callahan, and JC newcomer Matt Kohl.

Maxwell and Hicks, two gifted seniors, give ASU one of the strongest pairs of linebackers in the PAC-10. Maxwell (6-2, 225) is one of the top "big play" defenders in the conference. The potential high draft pick made 54 solo tackles last year, including nine QB sacks, broke up three passes, picked off two, caused three fumbles and recovered another. He scored two touchdowns during his sophomore campaign.



TD DANCE — Vernon Maxwell scores on pass interception against Houston in 1980. Both Maxwell and Richardson are preseason All-America candidates.

Sophomore Jimmy Williams, a local boy from nearby Tempe High School, appears set at inside linebacker. Although a tad undersized at 6-0, 215, Williams earned his keep on specialty-team duty as a freshman. He's tough and the ASU coaches think he's going to be a great one.

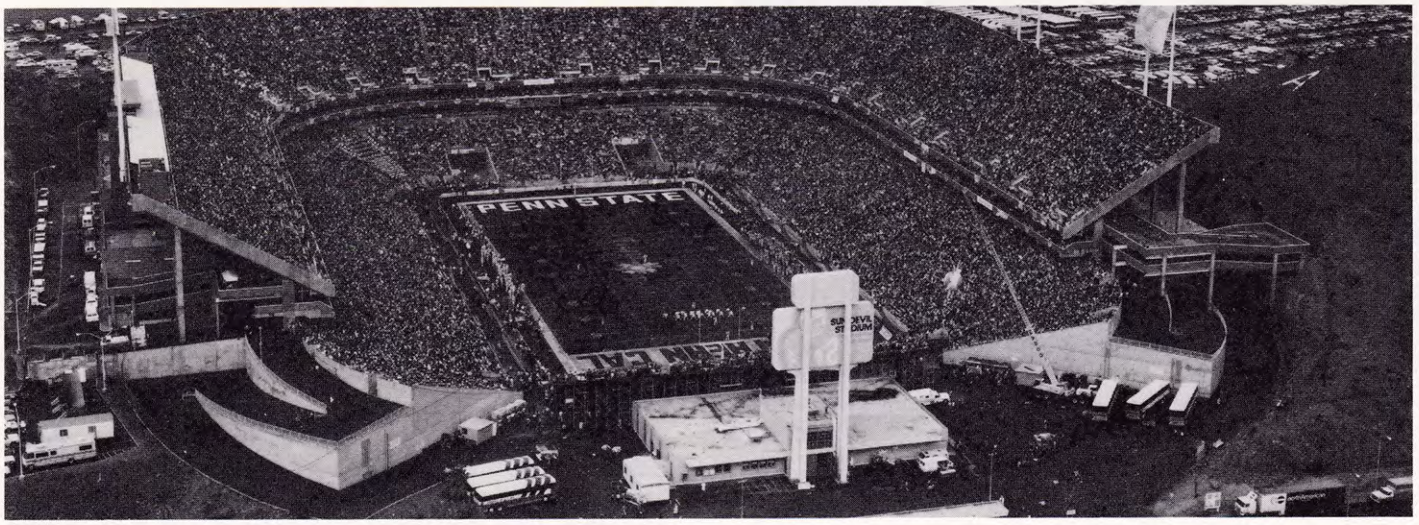
Reserve strength will be offered by Billy Robinson (6-2, 205), transfer Vyn Goodmon, a surprise in the spring, and Willie Green (6-3, 215), a junior. From the prep ranks the Devils signed a banner LB crop, including Los Angeles player of the year Greg Battle (6-2, 200), and local products Darin Tupper (5-11, 215), Frank Rudolph (6-4, 215) and Tim Casey (6-4, 215).

Enemy passers will have their hands full cracking the Devil secondary in 1982. Start with Richardson, who does it all, add King and Galloway, blend in ex-WR Mario Montgomery at CB, and the defense looks stronger each day. Depth exists in the form of Paul Moyer, an early-season starter at safety last year, Scott Kegans, who also showed promise as a kick returner, Dale Walton and Dwayne Harmon.

The Devils's defense will get an early test on Sept. 4 against Oregon in Eugene. But the acid test will come in the Astrodome on Sept. 18 where Houston returns almost everybody from its high-powered offense of 1981.

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Oct. 9...Stanford vs ASU
Oct. 16..Texas El Paso vs ASU
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UPSET — One year after he scored a state record 234 points for Coolidge High, frosh Alvin Moore helped engineer 20-7 upset of top-ranked USC.

Those Blue-Chip Backs Became Sun Devils

When Arizona State landed Eloy Santa Cruz tailback Mike Cade two years ago, it continued its domination of landing the state's best running backs year after year. For more than a quarter century, ASU has gobbled up the majority of the state's most productive high school rushers and scorers.

No prepster in Arizona history rushed for more yards in a single season than Cade. During his senior campaign in 1978, the Eloy Dust Devil ground out 2,253 yards and 27 touchdowns. In the Class A title game, a 40-36 win over Willcox, Cade scored six touchdowns and rushed for 299 yards.

But Cade is only one of dozens of all-state running backs from Santa Cruz High in Eloy. And almost every one became a Sun Devil. Art Malone, later a star with the Atlanta Falcons and Philadelphia Eagles, scored 37 touchdowns for SCHS in 1965. No schoolboy has scored that many since. Before joining the pro ranks, Malone earned all-WAC honors as an ASU fullback.

Although he spent only one year in a Sun Devil uniform, no prepster from the Phoenix Metropolis scored more touchdowns (63) or rushed for more yards (4,551) during his career than Phoenix Union's George Greathouse. The Coyotes' 1954 team was regarded as one of the nation's best, and Greathouse was the guiding light. He is the only athlete in Arizona history to play on four consecutive state championship football teams — two at Phoenix Carver and two at Union.

Close behind Malone in single season scoring was Alvin Moore from Coolidge. This future Sun Devil scored 36 TD's in 1977 (one shy of Malone's state record) and his 234 points is a record which still stands. Malone's single-season mark in 1965 was 222.

Fred Sims from Tucson Sunnyside is the only Class AAA player to ever gain more than 2,000 yards in a single season. The 1980 prep All-American totaled 2,107 and is one Arizona flash who got away. He's now a sophomore at Oklahoma. But very few on the list of all-time rushers and scorers have "avoided the grasp of the Devil," according to one ASU assistant.

Right there next to Malone, Moore, Cade and Sims is another Malone, younger brother Benny. In 1969, Benny guided the Dust Devils to another Class A crown with 1,775 yards and 30 touchdowns. And like older brother Art he was a schoolboy All-American in both football and track & field. Like Art, Benny played in the pro ranks, with Miami and Washington.

Another "small school" player who spent time in a Sun Devil uniform was Jerry Bridgman of Buckeye fame. Between 1955-58, Bridgman threatened Greathouse's career rushing record, but fell short with 4,417 yards. When Jerry was just a freshman, he set a state record of 12.6 yards per carry.

One of the toughest running backs ever to play in the Phoenix area was Ronnie Bonner, a 5-9, 180-pound fullback at Mesa Westwood. The son of former Mesa High all-stater, Sterling Bonner, the younger Warrior totaled 4,050 yards against tough AAA competition in only three years. Many fans forget, but Bonner earned a starting position as a freshman, under former head coach Frank Kush, at Arizona State in 1975. And it was Bonner who scored the Devils' first TD of 1975, in their opener against Washington. Although ASU finished undefeated that season, Bonner's career came to an end when he suffered a serious knee injury against Colorado State in Ft. Collins.

Some of the oldest records in the book belong to the most exciting running back ever produced in the Phoenix area, Mesa High's Whizzer White. In 1946, White became the second Arizona prepster to earn *National Player of the Year* honors, selected annually by the National Sports News Service in Minneapolis. The first was Conrad Flippen of Phoenix Union fame in 1930.

White rushed for 1,991 yards in 1946, a Phoenix Metro record which still stands today. He scored 26 touchdowns, and his 181 points led the nation in scoring. After setting a national rushing record at Arizona State in 1950, White signed a professional contract with the Chicago Bears. Today his son Danny is the starting quarterback for the NFL Dallas Cowboys. ●

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Sept. 10.....Utah State
Sept. 17.....at UCLA
Sept. 24.....Wichita State
Oct. 1.....Stanford
Oct. 15.....at Southern Cal
Oct. 22.....Washington State
Oct. 29.....Florida State
Nov. 5.....at California
Nov. 12.....Oregon State
Nov. 19.....San Jose State
Nov. 26.....Arizona

1984

Sept. 15.....San Jose State
Sept. 22.....Southern Cal
Sept. 29.....at Stanford
Oct. 6.....California
Oct. 20.....Oregon State
Oct. 27.....UCLA
Nov. 3.....Florida State
Nov. 10.....at Oregon
Nov. 17.....Colorado State
Nov. 24.....at Arizona

1985

Sept. 14.....at Michigan State
Sept. 21.....Pacific
Sept. 28.....Southern Cal
Oct. 5.....at UCLA
Oct. 12.....Utah
Oct. 19.....Utah State
Oct. 26.....at Washington State
Nov. 2.....at California
Nov. 9.....Washington
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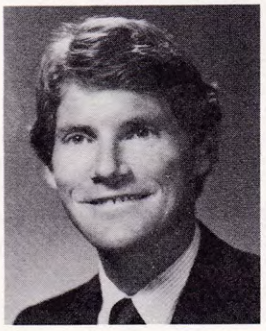
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Nov. 8.....California
Nov. 22.....Wyoming
Nov. 29.....at Arizona

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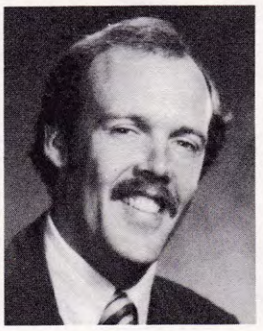
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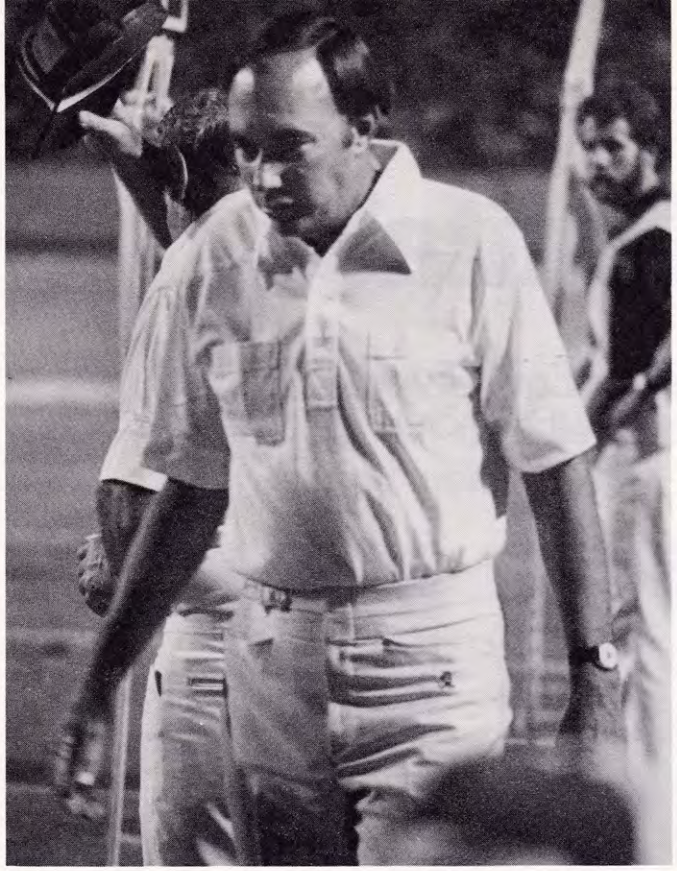
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Rogers' coaching career began inconspicuously at Fresno City College in 1961 as coach of the defensive backs. In 1965, his head-coaching career was baptized when he was named Hayward State's first head football coach. An inauspicious 3-7 debut was his first attempt at a program's helm.

One year and three wins into the profession, Rogers embarked on a successful seven-year stint at his alma mater, Fresno State. During that span, the Bulldogs appeared in the Camelia Bowl (1968) and the Mercy Bowl (1971). He compiled a 43-32-1 record.

Next came San Jose State and another rebuilding job. In three autumns under Rogers, the Spartans, who hadn't bettered the .500 mark in the previous decade, compiled a 22-9-3 record. The success story included a No. 15 national ranking by UPI in 1975, ironically, the same year *Sporting News* awarded the national championship to Arizona State.

From 1976 through 1979, Rogers undertook the difficult task of coaching the sanction-saddled Spartans at Michigan State. Then in 1977, he landed BIG-10 coach-the-year honors after an unexpected 7-3-1 finish. In 1978, the Spartans finished 8-3 and earned a BIG-10 co-title with less-than-loved rival Michigan, who MSU defeated 24-15 at the Wolverines' lair in Ann Arbor. Michigan State thus became the first team other than Michigan or Ohio State to cop a BIG-10 title in 11 years. MSU also rewrote a few records by averaging 523 yards and 41 points per game. The season also landed Rogers national coach-of-the-year honors, selected by *Sporting News*, and brought MSU a No. 12 ranking nationally. A Rose Bowl trip would have been in the offering had the Spartans not been on probation.

In 1980, Rogers jumped from the frying pan into the fire when he agreed to assume the reins of the controversy-marred Arizona State football program in the wake of the firing of Frank Kush. Rogers weathered the "eye of the storm" while fashioning a 7-4 campaign in 1980, a season filled with Top 10 opponents.

Last year's near-perfect Sun Devil squad posted a 9-2 record and another offensive juggernaut, producing 35.8 points per game and 498.7 yards per outing. The total yardage (5,486) led the nation and easily bettered all PAC-10 standards. Probation nixed another well-deserved bowl invitation, but didn't keep the Devils from a final No. 16 ranking by the Associated Press. To top it off, 14 Sun Devil seniors hooked up with NFL clubs following the pro draft.

"The common denominator is that Darryl sincerely cares about his young players," says Dick Tamburo, director of athletics at Arizona State. "Whether playing or practicing, Rogers believes football has to be fun. He's the right person for young people."

Rogers' low key, folksy approach to coaching shields a burning desire to succeed. But he keeps coaching and football in perspective. "It's a game," says the head coach, who hopes to see the Devils in a bowl game in January. "It's fun playing and it's fun winning. I don't look at coaching as a prestigious type of thing. I look at it as a good job."



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A Devil of a Recruiting Year: 1982

The fact that the Sun Devils unofficially completed their three-year probation sentence with a win over Arizona seemed to reflect in their recruiting. Most ASU followers insist that this year's freshman class is one of the five best in the school's history. It is definitely the strongest since the high-powered frosh of 1978.

"We feel this is an outstanding recruiting class," says head coach Darryl Rogers. "We filled our voids well. Our staff recruited the proper athletes, and we feel we got our share of them."

The 27 frosh standouts hail from California, Arizona and Colorado. Taleni Wright, a 6-4, 220-pound tackle from Pago Pago in American Samoa, is the only recruit from outside those three states.

Five in-state products include WR Glenn Dennard, brother of Los Angeles Ram receiver Preston, LB Darin Tupper (5-11, 215) from Class AAA state champ Trevor Browne, LB Tim Casey (6-4, 215) from nearby McClintock, DE Frank Rudolph (6-4, 215) of Scottsdale Coronado, and DT Kevin Thomas (6-3, 240) out of Tucson Canyon del Oro.

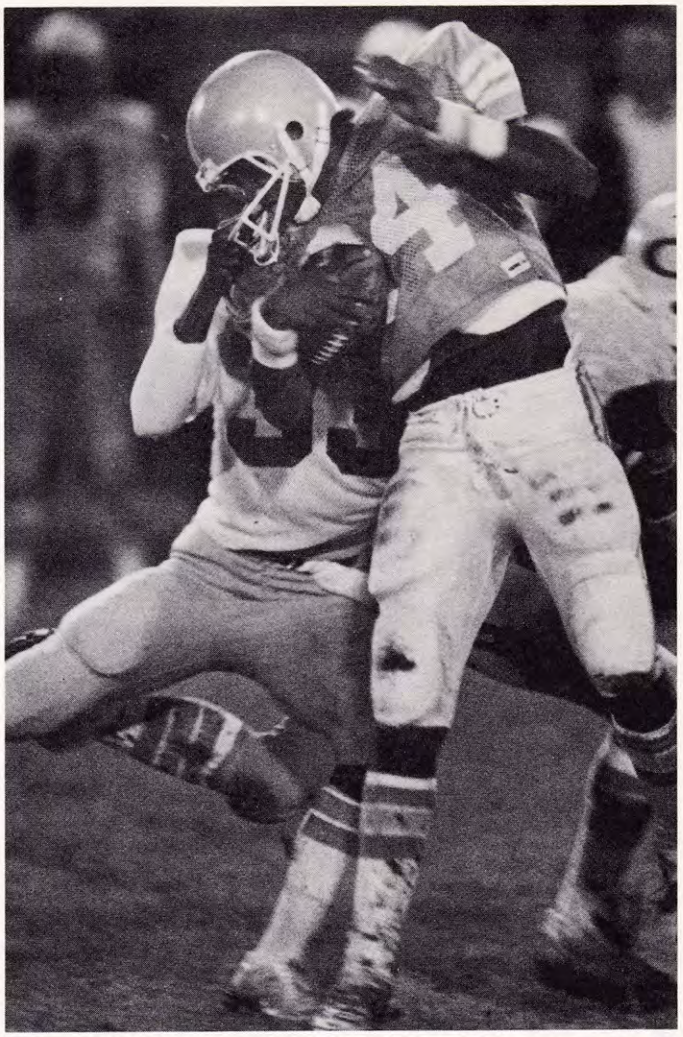
Dennard prepped at Tempe Corona del Sol. Listed on several prep All-America teams, Dennard brings to Sun Devil country impressive stats as a receiver and return specialist. As a receiver, he caught 36 passes for 779 yards and 11 touchdowns in 1981. As a returner, he ran the ball back 23 times for 719 yards and three scores. He had kickoff returns of 93, 92 and 97 yards.

Tupper was the guiding light for Trevor Browne's 12-2 state championship club. Selected Class AAA player of the year in Arizona, Tupper was known for his bone-crunching tackles on defense, and his blocking and hard-nosed running as a fullback. He runs forty yards in 4.7 seconds and dunks a basketball. Rudolph was a real steal, according to ASU coaches. He didn't receive preseason publicity like Dennard or Tupper, but played like a blue-chipper all season long for Coronado High.

In June, Rudolph was selected Arizona High School Athlete of the Year for his performance in football and baseball. As a member of the Dons' record-setting baseball team last spring, he earned first string all-state honors as a pitcher-first baseman, batting .425 for a team which batted .423 during the season, a Class AAA state record. Rudolph was 9-3 on the mound with a 1.76 ERA.

Casey was the only returning starter on defense from McClintock's 1980 Class AAA champs. He becomes another in a long list of McClintock players who have made it in the college ranks.

ASU signed two highly-touted quarterbacks from California, Jeff Van Raaphorst from Grossmont High in El Cajon, and Dale Sveum from Pinole Valley. Van Raaphorst (6-3, 205) earned second team All-San Diego honors after completing 216 of 369 passes from 2,975 yards and 25 TDs last season. Sveum is also an excellent baseball prospect and that's why ASU lost him. In June, he signed a pro contract with the Milwaukee Brewers.



OUCH! Sometimes the only way to bring down Corona del Sol receiver Glenn Dennard is to cheat. Here a defender grabs the speedy Aztec by the mask.

Also in the fold is LB Greg Battle from national power Banning High in Wilmington, the L.A. City player of the year, and DL Dale Saleaumua from National City Sweetwater, San Diego's lineman of the year. Verbum Dei, known for its high-powered basketball teams, adds DB Edward Allen to the Sun Devil roster. Allen will also play in the outfield for Jim Brock's baseball squad, if the pros don't draft him.

Other skill players include RB Darryl Clack, a speed merchant from Colorado Springs Widefield, RB Paul Day, another flash from San Diego Kearny, WR David Fulcher out of Los Angeles Fremont, and WR T.J. Johnson, a teammate of Day's at San Diego Kearny. Big Jeff Gallimore (6-3, 215) is a promising TE from Oxnard, as is Bruce Hill, a talented DB from Antelope Valley.

ASU loaded up at linebacker by adding Scott Stevens and Bruce Fisher of Los Angeles Manual Arts, Jim Reynosa from San Fernando, and QB/LB Stein Koss, the Colorado small-school player of the year from Durango.

The trenches have been beefed up by signing Brad Clark (6-4, 250) from San Diego Madison, Billy Cunningham (6-5, 260) of Reseda, Fred Gaddis (6-4, 225) from Pomona Garey, Bela Lestar (6-5, 225) of Apple Valley, Brian Lopker (6-3, 245) from Santa Ana Mater Dei, and Onosai Tuua (6-4, 230) of perennial power Long Beach Poly.

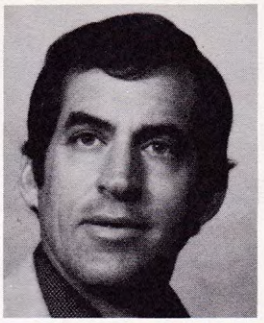
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PHOENIX CONNECTION — Guard Tom Manno (64), a product of Scottsdale Saguaro High, clears a path for Rory Barnett (39), a product of Phoenix Trevor Browne.

'Cats Dotted With Phoenix Talent

When Larry Smith's Arizona Wildcats line up against Oregon State on Sept. 11 in Tucson, one dozen varsity players from the Phoenix Metro region will dot the roster. That doesn't include three additional blue-chip freshmen from the Capital City, or 17 additional in-state players.

"The only true way to assess recruiting is two or three years down the road," said the third-year Arizona coach. "Talent is no good if it's not in school, and it's no good if it's not developed. I think this class will have chance to contribute this season."

In-state recruits include speedy David Adams (5-9, 160), a dangerous kick-returner from Tucson Sunnyside, and halfback Brent Wood (5-10, 190), a Phoenix Washington product who is the younger brother of the Wildcats' David Wood. From Canyon de Oro comes linebacker Craig Vesling (6-3, 200).

From Mesa High comes Brian Denton, a 6-6, 225-pound tackle who may get a shot at tight end. A starting forward on the Jackrabbits' basketball team, Denton can run and is one of the Wildcats' better freshman athletes. Byron Evans (6-3, 195) played both QB and LB at Phoenix South Mountain, but will concentrate on defense in Tucson. Split end Jon Horton (6-2, 195), like Adams a product of Sunnyside High, may also get a shot in the defensive secondary. Adams and Horton were two of five Sunnyside grads who signed on with four-year schools.

A linebacker from Petersburg, VA, a tackle from Tucson and a fullback from Phoenix deserve special mention. In LB Ricky Hunley (6-1, 226), Coach Smith has a bona fide All-America candidate. The senior from Petersburg is one of the best in the PAC-10. In OT Jeff Kiewel (6-4, 257) the Wildcats have one of the best linemen in the nation. The Tucson Sabino product may be the best Arizona lineman since Mike Dawson, a former Tucson High standout now with the St. Louis Cardinals.

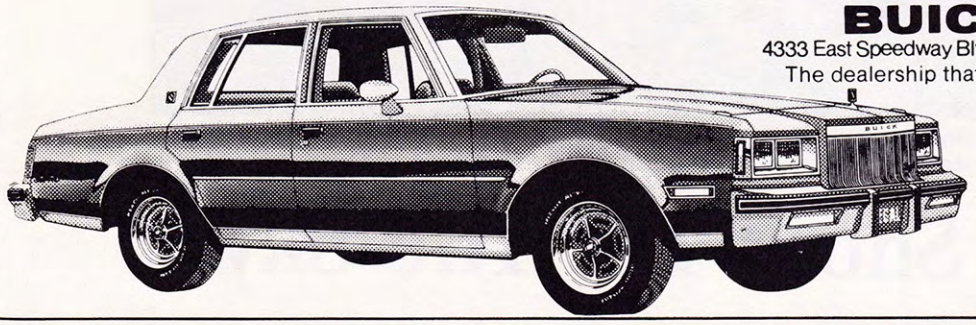
In Rory Barnett (5-11, 216), the Wildcats have an untested talent who may be one of the better runners in the conference, if he can just finish a season. Plagued by personal problems since his senior year at Phoenix Trevor Browne, Barnett could explode upon the college season on any given weekend, according to his coaches.

The remaining Phoenix-grown products on the Arizona roster include QB Kerry Kersting (6-2, 182) from Alhambra, WR Brad Anderson (6-2, 195) from Alhambra, WR Randy Hayes (6-1, 175) of Scottsdale, OT Bryon Nelson (6-5, 275) out of Apollo and Glendale CC, LB Brian Warren (6-2, 225) from Carl Hayden and Scottsdale CC, DB Brian Evans (6-2, 183) from Saguaro, DB Steve Nelson (6-3, 190) from Apollo, DL William Bailey (6-3, 232) of Trevor Browne, DL David Wood (6-4, 238) out of Washington, LB Pat Teague (6-2, 207) from Sunnyslope, and punter Troy Lawton (6-1, 168) from Moon Valley.

The 'Cats play three consecutive games at home with Oregon State, Washington (PAC-10 winner), and Iowa (Rose Bowl runnerup), then hit the road against UCLA and Notre Dame. This season Arizona plays both USC and Arizona State at home.

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AXE IS BACK — After NAU won its first game in 1976, a 34-7 upset of Idaho State, students returned the Lumberjacks' axe as promised. NAU has since moved indoors.

'Jacks Shoot For The Sky

In his 14 years as head coach at Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo, Joe Harper compiled an admirable 96-43-3 record. He plans to win his 100th game in his first season at NAU. Winning and Harper go hand-in-hand. His 1980 Cal Poly-SLO team won the NCAA Division II title, beating Eastern Illinois 21-13 in the Zia Bowl.

Before going to Cal Poly-SLO as head coach, Harper had been the offensive line coach at Colorado for five years. He has also coached at UCLA, Colorado State, UC Santa Barbara and Riverside City College.

"Our staff is new to the area and the players, so we will be teaching the techniques needed to run our multiple-set offense and defense," said Harper last spring. "Within the next three years our goal is to have NAU compete in the playoffs. A Big Sky school has won the last two national titles."

QB Scott Lindquist has virtually every NAU passing record, and he returns for his senior year having completed 286 of 495 passes for 3,565 yards. Halfback Rusty Summers has rushed for 1,263 yards on 251 carries (5.1 ave.) while catching 61 passes for 510 yards. TE Rick Rodriguez caught 38 passes for 470 yards in his first year with the Lumberjacks.

WR Kevin Margerum (younger brother of Ken Margerum) caught 37 passes for 495 yards last fall, while kicker Mark Diamond booted 18 of 21 conversions and 12 of 17 field goals. Last spring, Diamond kicked two field goals more than 50 yards during an intrasquad scrimmage at Walkup Skydome that completed NAU's spring football practice. Scott Allen (6-3, 265) and Brad Bartholomew (6-5, 250) could be two of the Big Sky's best offensive linemen. Summers and Bartholomew were both second-team All Big Sky in 1981, while Margerum, Rodriguez, Lindquist and Diamond were honorable-mention.

Defensive players to watch include LB Ron Thomas, who was in on 148 tackles (second most ever at NAU), and was high in the balloting for Big Sky "newcomer of the year." Tackle Larry Barnes (6-4, 240) started the year at OG, but injuries forced his switch to defense, where he played nine games and was second team all-conference. Matt Palacio is a "big play" player who always seems to be at the right place in the secondary. A walk-on last season, Palacio was an honorable mention Big Sky performer. Tackle Dave Pasanella (5-11, 230) is one of the strongest 20-year olds in America.

Several key redshirts also return. Pete Mandley, the Big Sky's leading kickoff returner in 1979-80, returns after sitting out the 1981 season for disciplinary reasons. The former Westwood High star was one of the Big Sky's most feared all-purpose runners. Also returning are defensive backs Chuck Willig and Tommie Wright. Willig was first-team all-conference in 1979, and one of the league's top punt returners, while Wright was honorable mention in 1980.

Almost three-fourths of this year's squad is from the Grand Canyon State — 28 lettermen plus most of the new recruits. Top freshmen include tackle Jim Bear from Moon Valley, running backs Tom Fruth from Payson, Vince Green of Scottsdale and Chris Matthews from Round Valley — plus DB Murphy Kittrell of Tucson Sunnyside, one of five Blue Devils who signed on with four-year schools.

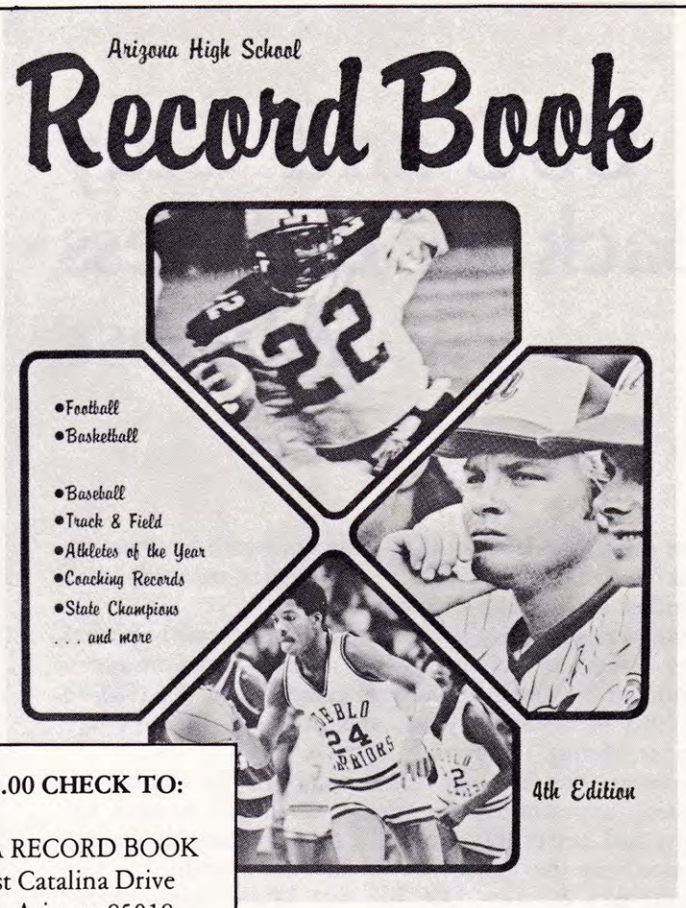
The 'Jacks open their season on Sept. 4 against Cal State-Fullerton on the road. They return home Sept. 11 to face Southern Utah State. Don't be surprised if Harper gets his 100th win by mid-October. ●

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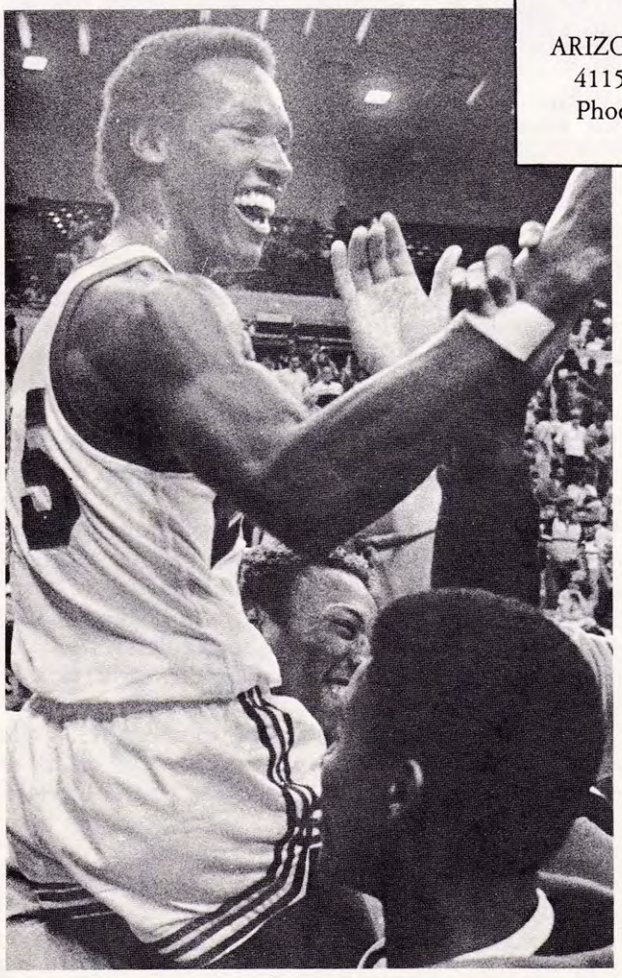
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USC and Gray Back in Business ... Almost



GRAY IS BACK — After a year layoff because of an injury, former Tucson Amphi LB Riki Gray plans to return to the Trojans' defense for 1981. Gray started as a freshman.

Last spring the USC football program, which has won national football titles in four different decades, received one of the stiffest three-year probations ever.

Citing a ticket-selling scheme used to funnel cash to players over a 10-year period, the NCAA's Infractions Committee has banned the Trojans from bowl games during the 1982-83 and 1983-84 academic years, and prohibits USC TV appearances during 1983 and 1984.

However, the Southern Cal Trojans will be eligible for television appearances this season. USC fans around the country had better stay tuned for those. After this season, they won't see the Trojans on the tube for a while.

In the past 20 years, USC has won 12 conference championships, but in the last two years they've finished third and second. Coach John Robinson, whose 59-11-2 coaching record is second in the nation in winning percentage (.833), is eager to get back on top.

"We lost some great players," he said. "Replacing people like Marcus Allen will be very difficult. But we don't have any dramatic holes like we did a year ago. Six starters are gone, but we have young players who can come in and give us a solid performance. By and large, we'll be an experienced team."

Ranked No. 1 for three weeks early last season, the Trojans finished 9-3 with a disappointing 26-10 loss to Penn State in the Fiesta Bowl. Their bubble was popped earlier by Arizona during a surprising 13-10 loss in the L.A. Coliseum. The setback came just two weeks after a classic 28-24 win over Oklahoma.

"We should be a good team," continues Robinson. "But can we develop into a championship caliber one? We had a good team last year, and we lost three games."

As usual, the new schedule is very challenging, with road stops at Florida, Oklahoma, Stanford, Arizona State and Arizona. The six home games also include intersectionals with Notre Dame and Indiana.

To attack the schedule, Robinson welcomes back 16 starters, nine on offense and seven on defense. Overall, a total of 55 players who have seen action are back, with only 14 lost. And the Trojans had another banner recruiting year, in spite of the threat of probation.

Heading the returnees are six first or second team All-PAC-10 players, including three All-America candidates: guard Bruce Matthews and tackle Don Mosebar on offense, and nose-guard George Achica on defense. The other returning all-conference players are center Tony Slaton, safety Joey Browner and linebacker Riki Gray, a 1981 redshirt due to injury. If Gray, a former prep All-American from Tucson, can play, the Trojans will have 17 former starters.

"I'm ready to go," said Gray recently. "I've worked hard and can't wait for the season to start. It was no fun watching from the sidelines last fall."

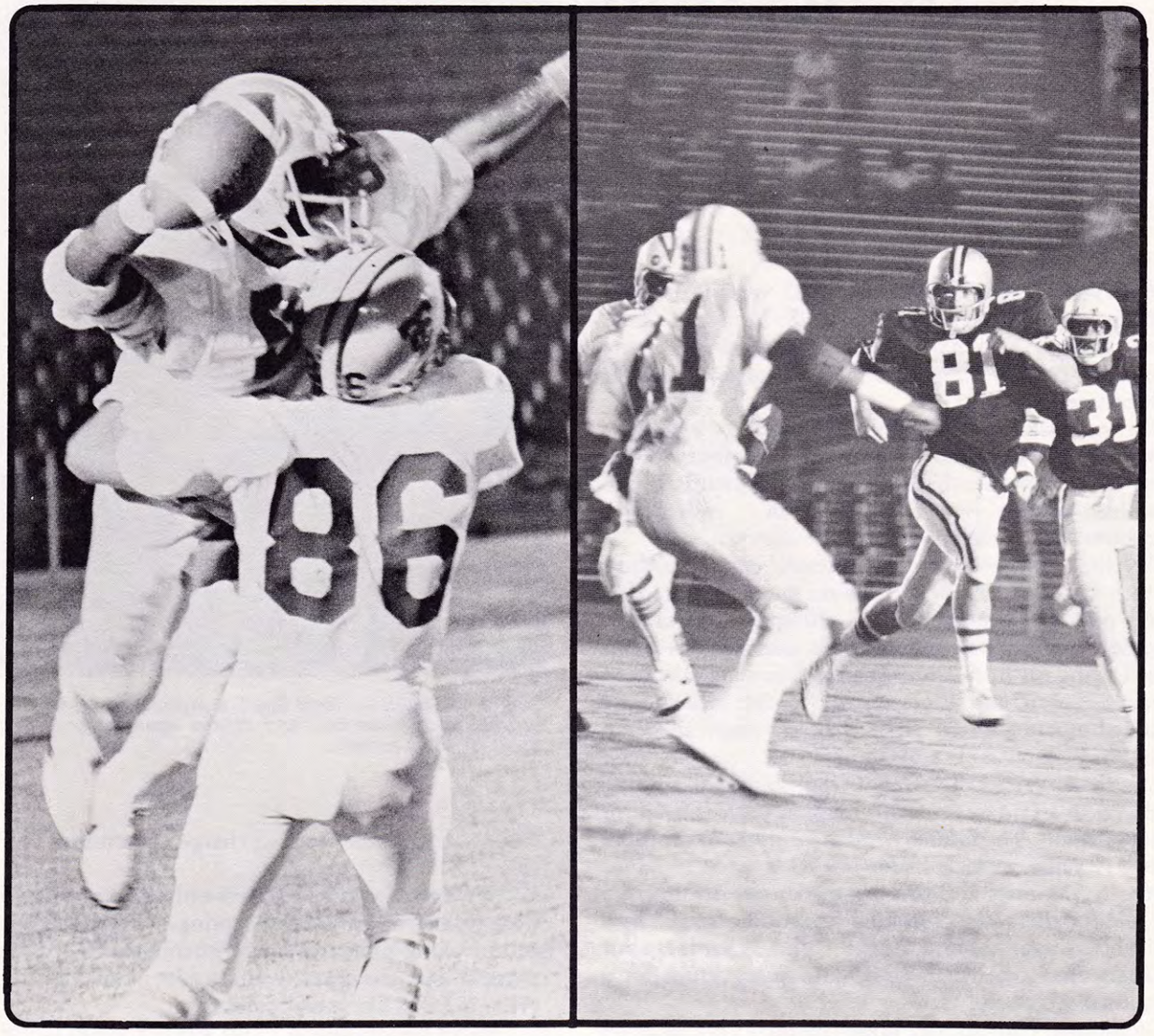
The six starters who graduated included three first team All-Americans: Heisman Trophy winner Marcus Allen, the greatest single season rusher in NCAA history (he set or tied 16 NCAA records;) guard Roy Foster and linebacker Chip Banks, the team's leading tackler. Other regulars gone are all-conference defensive tackle Dennis Edwards, cornerback Joe Turner and defensive guard Charlie Ussery.

"We have two outstanding young quarterbacks," adds Robinson. "This will be a very competitive position for us. John Mazur has experience and can be a greatly improved player, while Sean Salisbury, only a sophomore, got better throughout the season. Sean is ready to compete for the job."

USC's bowl game record in the Robsinson era is 4-1. They won't go bowling for a while, but you can bet the Trojans will show up for their games. And no rule can prevent them from winning the PAC-10 or national football championship. ●

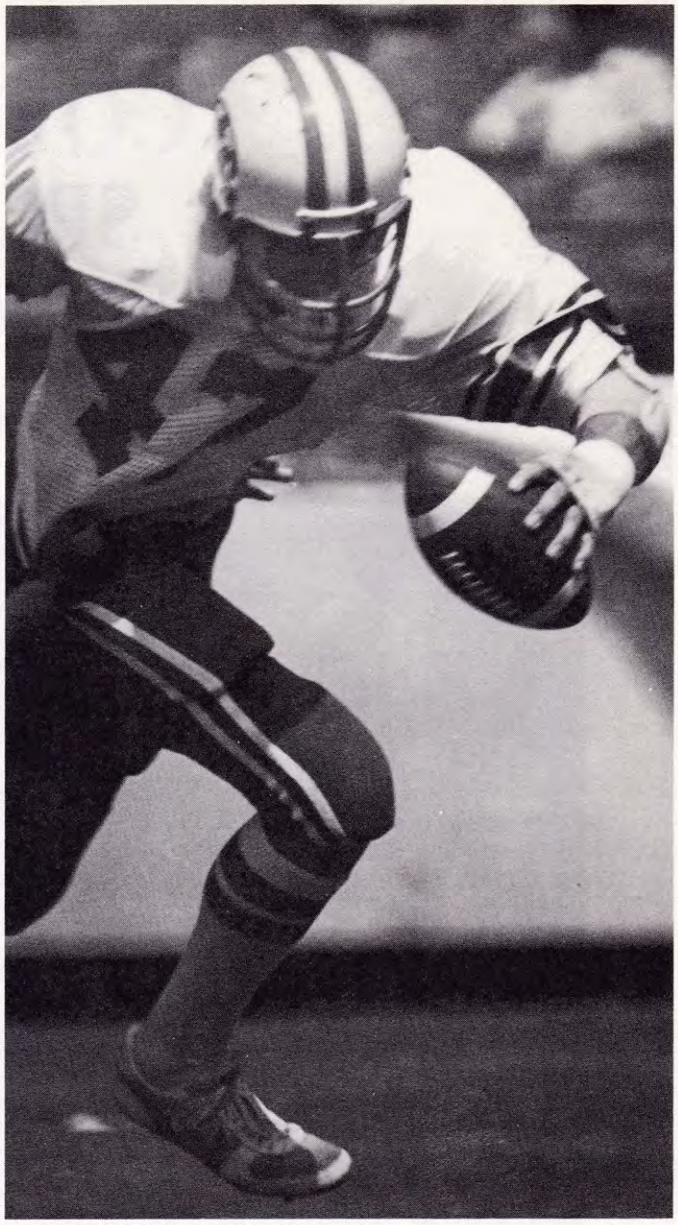
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BYU and Phoenix a Fine Connection



SHELL SCORES — Todd Shell, a product of Mesa Mt. View HS, scoops up a loose ball and scores against Long Beach State. Shell will be a junior.

When LaVell Edwards unveils his 1982 version of BYU football, Phoenix area talent will again dot his depth chart. For years, Cougar fans have learned to enjoy the many Phoenix Metro products who have played vital roles in BYU football fortunes.

In 1981, no less than six Phoenix area products were waging battles for playing time on the Cougars' offensive and defensive units. BYU football, with LaVell Edwards at the controls, has become very competitive in a hurry, and Phoenix-grown talent has enjoyed in the success.

Todd Shell, a former Mt. View all-stater, enters his third season with the Cougars and plans on winning a starting linebacker position. Last fall the 6-4, 203-pound Mesa product scored twice off pass interceptions and recovered two fumbles. During his frosh year he scored following a blocked punt against Hawaii, and recovered a key onside kick vs SMU in the fourth quarter of the Holiday Bowl, since called the "Miracle Bowl" after BYU's 46-45 win.

Mesa halfback Vai Sikahema (5-9, 180) should be starting his third year in a Cougar uniform, but may leave instead for a Mormon Mission. The former Arizona all-stater returned 44 punts for 377 yards, 11 kickoffs for 188 yards, and rushed for 242 yards on 35 carries and three touchdowns. All this in a backup role for the nation's passing leader on offense. As a soph, Sikahema returned kickoffs for 30 and 33 yards against North Texas State, then had an 83-yard punt return for a score against SMU in the Holiday Bowl.

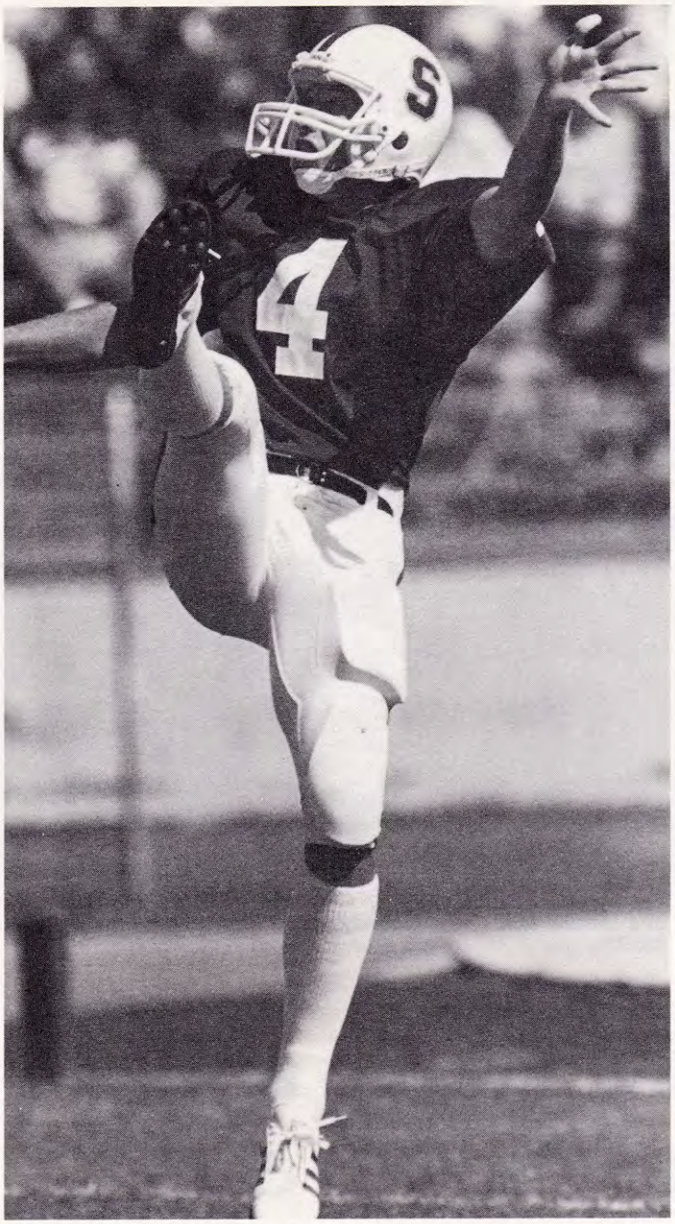
Four additional Phoenix area underclassmen were listed on last year's roster: sophomore tackle Doug Kellemeyer (6-2, 250), a product of Scottsdale Coronado High, junior linebacker Mark Walker (6-3, 233) and junior tackle Dennis Webb (6-6, 220), both from Mesa High, and frosh halfback Melvin Howard (6-2, 202) from Phoenix Trevor Browne. Howard has since dropped from the squad. Another Arizona product on the BYU roster is Ty Mattingly, a 6-4, 245-pound defensive tackle from Santa Rita High School in Tucson.

Last fall the Cougars did not sign one Arizona schoolboy product, but that will change in 1982, according to Mel Olson, an assistant coach in charge of recruiting the Phoenix area.

"We have always had success with the players we've landed from that area," he said last spring. "There are at least eight good looking prospects from Phoenix this fall. I mean eight possible blue-chip players whom a lot of schools will be going after. It looks like a real good crop."

The last two seasons at Provo will be hard to duplicate. Last year, for example, BYU won its fourth consecutive WAC championship, led the nation in scoring and passing for the third straight year, placed 11th in the final UPI poll and capped an 11-2 season with 38-36 win over Washington State in the Holiday Bowl.

The key to the 1982 season could very well be their first two games, both on the road: Nevada-Las Vegas in Las Vegas and Georgia in Athens on Sept. 11. If they get past these two roadblocks, the BYU Cougars could be on their way to another Holiday Bowl. ●



FLAGSTAFF ACE — Greg Topp, a former all-state QB at Flagstaff HS, booms fourth-down punt against Arizona State. Topp averaged 36.7 yards per kick as a freshman.

Stanford Gets Its Kicks in Arizona

The Stanford Cardinals will enter the 1982 PAC-10 season with four Arizona schoolboy products in the lineup, two from the Phoenix Metropolis and two from Flagstaff. Three are potential starters and all three saw plenty of action in 1981.

Greg Topp, the Cardinals' third-string quarterback as a frosh, was hoisted in to the pressure-cooker as a rookie punter last year. The former Flagstaff all-stater struggled early, but improved dramatically by late season to post a 36.7-yard average. His statistics must continue to progress for the Cards' punting game not to be a liability in 1982.

Last year Stanford finished 4-7 overall, 4-4 in PAC-10 competition, and much of the blame was credited to a young, inexperienced defense. The Cardinal defense, which started three freshmen and three sophomores for much of last season, will rely on the leadership of junior strong safety Vaughn Williams.

Williams, a brutal tackler with All-America tools, is the heart and soul of the secondary. He's joined by three other returning starters in senior free safety Kevin Baird (40 tackles, 8 deflections) and sophomore cornerbacks Darrell Grissum (21 tackles) and Eric Price (29).

Grissum (6-3, 175) is a product of Phoenix Union High School, the same Phoenix Union which has won a national record 25 state football championships, but closed its doors after graduation last May. "We feel Grissum has the potential to be one of the best defensive backs in the conference," said Stanford head coach Paul Wiggin. "He has all the tools to be a great one. It was tough to be put in a starting position as important as that as a freshman. But the experience will help."

And so will linebacker Tom Briehl, a former all-stater from Phoenix Gerard, and like Grissum a sophomore. Briehl (6-4, 225) saw plenty of action on the Cards' speciality teams as a freshman. He and sophomore Matt Soderlund look to be backups at inside linebacker, but Briehl could be moved outside or to defensive end. During his junior year at Gerard, he helped guide the Redcoats to the Arizona Class AA championship. They finished runnerup his senior year Since graduation took its toll at linebacker, Briehl looks to crack Stanford's starting lineup, but he'll have to beat out junior Don Stubblefield or senior Gary Wimmer.

The newest addition to Stanford's football team from the Grand Canyon State could be the most exciting to watch. Although Stan Gill may see action only on special teams, the Cardinals are hoping they have a future star in the backfield.

Gill, a former teammate of Topp's at Flagstaff High, rushed for 2,110 yards and 35 touchdowns for the Class AA state champion Eagles in 1982. What impressed scouts the most about Gill (5-10, 190) was the fact that he played 100 percent of the time. He doubled at linebacker and did most of the kicking. In the state semifinals, a 42-30 win over Tempe Corona del Sol, Gill rushed for 217 yards and scored five touchdowns on a muddy field. He scored twice in the state title game one week later. ●



IT'S OVER — With 34 seconds left in Fiesta Bowl I, sophomore Woody Green plows over from one yard out and QB Danny White signals "six points." The game, played before 51,098 fans in Tempe, saw Arizona State nip Florida State at the wire, 45-38, and one decade later most fans still claim it to be the Fiesta's most exciting game. (Arizona Republic photo)

The Fiesta Bowl Cla$$ic and How it Moved to New Year's

The Fiesta Bowl, which had the second-highest Nielsen ratings among New Year's Day games last January, expects to sign a new contract with NBC in excess of $1 million a year.

Fiesta Bowl executives and NBC officials were thrilled at the ratings from Fiesta Bowl XI, a 26-10 Penn State victory over USC. Making its first New Year's Day appearance, the Fiesta topped all but the Rose Bowl in the ratings, but beat the Rose in the New York market, thanks to Penn State's third appearance in the classic.

In the head-to-head time slot battle, the Fiesta Bowl finished ahead of the Cotton Bowl in New York, Chicago and Los Angeles, the three areas which make up overnight ratings for bowl games. "We were just hoping to beat the Cotton Bowl," said Bruce Skinner, executive director of the Fiesta Bowl. "It shows the Fiesta Bowl can compete on New Year's Day."

While the Fiesta featured Heisman Trophy winner Marcus Allen of USC and Penn State's legendary head coach Joe Paterno, the Rose saw PAC-10 winner Washington clash with BIG-10 champ Iowa. The Rose Bowl was the only one of five New Year's Day bowls which was televised unopposed.

But Fiesta Bowl XI didn't become such a financial success overnight. In 1968, an ambitious group of nine community-minded sports fans set out to develop a post season collegiate bowl in Arizona. The fruit of their efforts was the Fiesta Bowl (the name was picked by the public), with the NCAA approval coming on April 16, 1971. From its inception in 1971, the Bowl has been a tremendous success.

The nine original members of the Fiesta Bowl Board of Directors were Don Dupont, Karl Eller, Glenn Hawkins, George Taylor, George Isbell, Jim Meyer, Don Meyers, Bill Shover and Jack Stewart. The original meeting was called by Hawkins, and the late Jack Stewart was called on to serve as the Bowl's first President.

Highlights of the Fiesta Bowls include:

● The years of hard work pay off with the first-ever Fiesta Bowl on December 27, 1971. Arizona State, champions of the Western Athletic Conference, wins a 45-38 shootout with Florida State as 51,098 afternoon fans

look on. Most followers call this initial game the greatest in its history. It was the third highest scoring bowl game of all time and featured a tremendous passing duel between Florida State QB Gary Huff and WR Rhett Dawson, and the Sun Devils' QB Danny White, just a sophomore, passing to junior Steve Holden.

Huff completed 25 of 46 passes for 347 yards and three touchdowns, all to Dawson. Calvin Demery, a product of South Mountain High School, scored the first TD in Fiesta Bowl history, a 21-yard reception from White. Woody Green scored the last, a one-yard burst with 34 seconds left to give ASU the win. A record $168,237 is paid out, at that time the best payoff ever by a first-year bowl game. Florida State head coach Larry Jones said, "They will have a hard time making a better game next year."

● Everybody thought Jones was right, until Fiesta Bowl II kicked off on December 23, 1972. Arizona State, the nation's offensive champ and national scoring leader, locked horns with Missouri and produced more points than Fiesta I. The Sun Devils prevailed 49-35 before a night-game sellout at Sun Devil Stadium, and gained more yards (718) than any other team in bowl history. Today, sports experts in the Phoenix area claim this ASU offense was the best in the school's history. Three-fourths of the Devils' lineup later played in the pro ranks.

Woody Green scored four touchdowns and rushed for 202 yards. Danny White completed 13 of 23 yards for 266 yards and two touchdowns. Mike Fink of Missouri was the defensive star of the game — if there really was one. He returned six kickoffs for more than 200 yards, one a 100-yard touchdown jaunt, and picked off a Danny White pass to set up a Tiger touchdown. After the shootout he said, "Everything we've read about Arizona State is true. They have the greatest offense I've ever seen."

● Fiesta Bowl III saw Danny White lead the Sun Devils to a 28-7 victory over Pittsburgh and frosh sensation Tony Dorsett. The game drew 50,878 at the gate and Dorsett set a college bowl record by carrying the ball 30 times. But he gained only 100 yards against ASU's stingy defense.

White concluded his bowl career with 42 of 72 completions for 58.7 percent, 785 yards and five touchdowns.



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SUPER BACKFIELD — Danny White, from nearby Mesa Westwood, fakes to former Eloy product Benny Malone, then gives to All-American Woody Green as Devils win Fiesta III, 28-7 over Pitt.



(Scottsdale Progress)

NOT IN TIME — Nebraska's Ray Phillips almost reaches ASU signal caller Dennis Sproul, a sophomore in Fiesta V, but pass reached hands of John Jefferson.



HEISMAN WINNER — For the first time in Fiesta Bowl history, a Heisman winner showed up, but USC's Marcus Allen and his teammates had their hands full with Penn State's Nattany Lions, losing 26-10.

His backfield counterpart, Woody Green, gained 131 yards to finish his bowl career with 434 yards and 10 touchdowns — the most ever in a bowl career.

● The bowl moved from Mizlou Productions to CBS for the first national network telecast in 1974, and Oklahoma State ground out a 16-6 victory over Brigham Young. The runnerup Cougars were forced to play the entire game without QB Gary Shiede, who was injured in the first period by a crushing tackle by the Cowboys' Phil Dokes. Kenny Walker, a local product from Chandler High, was one of the game's heroes, scoring on a 12-yard run in the second quarter. The CBS crew covered Fiesta Bowl games from 1974 through 1977, as the bowl continued to grow in scope on a national level.

● Nebraska and Arizona State, with respective records of 10-1 and 11-0, faced off in the 1975 Fiesta Bowl-the best combined bowl record for any non-New Year's Day game. The Sun Devils held on for a 17-14 win and finished No. 2 in the national polls behind Oklahoma. *The Sporting News* gave their national championship trophy to Arizona State.

Although the hero of the game was place-kicker Danny Kush, son of the Devils' head coach Frank, several other athletes crowded the heroes' bench — QB Dennis Sproul, QB Fred Mortensen, WR John Jefferson, LB Larry Gordon and SE Larry Mucker. It marked the third time in Arizona State history that the Sun Devils finished undefeated, and most of the credit went to their defense, and six of the starting 11 players were products of Arizona high schools.

● In Fiesta Bowl VI, it was bully Oklahoma beating up on the new kid on the block, Wyoming. The Cowboys replaced ASU as champions of the WAC, and later wished they hadn't. The Sooners had fallen to Nebraska in the BIG-8 shootout, and they had a point to make.

Oklahoma used their ground-oriented wishbone, with Kenny King, Thomas Lott, Elvis Peacock, Horace Ivory and Woody Shephard providing the impetus, and totaled 415 yards rushing to bury Wyoming 41-7. The game was played before 48,714 fans in Tempe.

● The largest crowd in Fiesta Bowl history (to that point) watched eighth-ranked Penn State dominate Arizona State 42-30. It was the first meeting ever between two of the nation's premier coaches, Joe Peterno and Frank Kush, and the last game ASU played as a member of the WAC.

The losers' Dennis Sproul set Fiesta Bowl records by throwing 47 times, completing 23 passes for three touchdowns and 336 yards. It earned the California native both the offensive MVP award and the Art Bodine Sportsmanship Award. The Penn State rushing duo of Bob Torrey and Steve Geise pounded out 218 yards. It was the first bowl defeat for Frank Kush, who was 5-0 since a 1970 triumph over North Carolina in the Peach Bowl.

● Although the 1978 Christmas Day classic drew 55,227 fans to Tempe, PAC-10 rep UCLA and Southwest Conference power Arkansas battled to a 10-10 tie, the only draw in Fiesta Bowl history. NBC had entered the Fiesta Bowl picture, winning the rights to nationally televise the classic. Payoff to competing teams was a Fiesta Bowl record $342,562 each, as NBC's involvement spurred record payments.

● Powerful Pitt returned to Tempe and survived a late rally by Arizona to earn a 16-10 victory in Fiesta Bowl IX. The Panthers controlled much of the game, thanks to the clutch performance of place kicker Mark Schubert, who booted field goals of 46, 36 and 46 yards. Schubert's efforts earned him MVP honors. The game attracted 53,347 spectators on Christmas afternoon, the last Fiesta Bowl to be staged on that day.

● The 10th anniversary of the Fiesta Bowl saw a record crowd of 66,738 view the game in 80-degree temperatures under a blue Arizona sky. In one of the bowl's best matches, Penn State and Ohio State battled it out as the Nittany Lions prevailed, 31-19.

Ohio State took a 19-10 lead at the half, thanks to a stellar passing performance by Art Schlichter. The Buckeyes' All-America QB completed 15 of 22 first-half passes for 244 yards, including two TD passes to WR Doug Donley. But Penn State's powerful defense took charge in the second half, and OSU was unable to generate a single yard in the third period. Curt Warner's 64-yard run on Penn State's first play from scrimmage was the longest rushing attempt in Fiesta Bowl history. The Bowl's payoff of $475,564 to each team ranked 5th behind the Rose, Cotton, Orange and Sugar bowls.

● If Penn State looks like a professional team each time they play in Tempe, Southern Cal looks like a high school team, or worse. When high school teams play in Sun Devil Stadium, it's usually in the Class AAA playoffs, and the teams perform well. Not so with the Trojans.

After a 26-10 loss to Penn State on January 1, 1982, USC walked off the field 0-2 in Tempe. Their only other performance was a 20-7 loss to Arizona State in 1978, their only setback that year. No one shed more light on USC's motivation than linebacker Joey Browner. "I think it's been a boring week for us," Browner said after the game. "There was nothing to do here. We weren't fired up. We went to bed early every night. People just got frustrated here. We should have been in the Rose Bowl. There's a lot more to do in Los Angeles."

But Penn State thought differently, and it reflected in their play on the field. Said head coach Joe Paterno after

(Scottsdale Progress)



SOONER POWER — Over land or through the air, Oklahoma stomped Wyoming in Fiesta Bowl VI, 41-7. Above, Mickey Hatcher, a product of Mesa High, hauls in pass for big gain.

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Salutes The Fiesta Bowl's 10-Year Team:



(Scottsdale Progress)

Arizona State's Frank Kush won four Fiesta Bowls.

OFFENSE

QB . . Danny White, Arizona State
RB . . Woody Green, Arizona State
RB . . Curt Warner, Penn State
RB . . Tommy Reamon, Missouri
OT . . Keith Dorney, Penn State
OT . . Bill Dugan, Penn State
OG . . Greg Roberts, Oklahoma
OG . . Scott Anderson, Missouri
OC . . Orrin Olson, Brigham Young
TE . . Kent Gaydos, Florida State
WR . . Rhett Dawson, Florida State
WR . . Greg Hudson, Arizona State

DEFENSE

DL . . Matt Millen, Penn State
DL . . Jimmy Walter, Arkansas
DL . . Phil Dokes, Oklahoma State
DL . . Frank Case, Penn State
DL . . Gene Gladys, Penn State
LB . . Marcus Marek, Ohio State
LB . . Larry Gordon, Arizona State
LB . . Jerry Robinson, UCLA
DB . . Mike Haynes, Arizona State
DB . . Terry Peters, Oklahoma
DB . . Dave Liggins, Arizona
DB . . Kenny Easley, UCLA
KR . . Mike Fink, Missouri
KR . . Jimmy Cefalo, Penn State
PR . . Steve Holden, Arizona State
PR . . Barry Smith, Florida State
P . . Danny White, Arizona State
PK . . Dan Kush, Arizona State

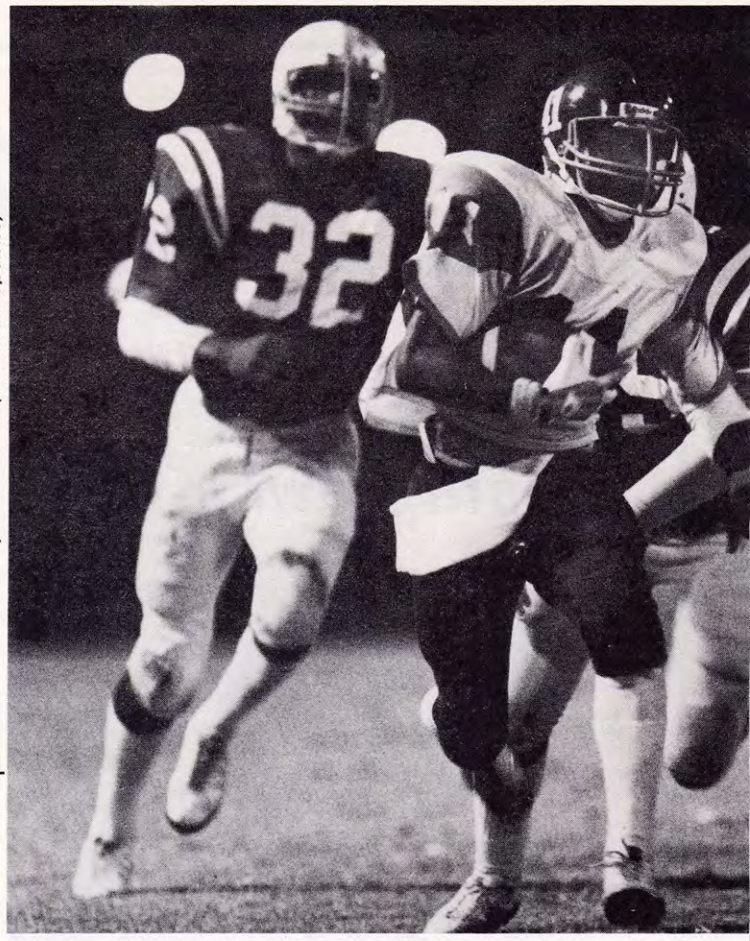
his third Fiesta Bowl triumph in as many tries:

"This town has been very good to us. I honestly feel this bowl game is one of the best in the nation. It's definitely the best as far as hospitality goes. Everybody involved has treated our fans and players great. The Fiesta Bowl is a tribute to college football."

Fiesta Bowl XI made a 61 percent increase in TV audience from the previous year. NBC aired the three top-rated football games on New Year's — the Rose, Fiesta and Orange bowls. Southern Cal and Penn State each were paid $637,533 for playing in the 1982 classic. The total payoff of $1,275,066 was the first Fiesta Bowl payment of more than $1 million, and it made the bowl the nation's fifth-highest paying game in 1982. Over 71,000 spectators passed through the gates.

Danny White, now of the Dallas Cowboys, was the quarterback on the Fiesta Bowl's All-Decade Team, selected by members of the Arizona sports media. White beat out such players as Art Schlichter of Ohio State and Gary Huff of Florida State for QB honors. Running backs selected were Woody Green of ASU, Curt Warner of Penn State and Missouri's Tommy Reamon. Tony Dorsett of Pittsburgh was listed among "others nominated."

Big Bad Bruins Still Rule Roost



(Arizona Republic)

OFF TO THE RACES — Trevor Browne's Edrick Moreland scoots down the sidelines and outruns St. Mary's Joe Sells (32) during 64-yard TD dash. Trevor Browne prevailed 29-28 in overtime, and advanced to Class AAA finals against Tucson Salpointe.

The season belonged to Trevor Browne. From start to finish, when everybody was in the lineup, the Bruins were almost unbeatable. That's *almost* unbeatable.

During the third week of the season the Mesa Jackrabbits ran Trevor Browne out of town, 32-19. A preview of things to come appeared in the first quarter when the Bruins' blue-chip linebacker Darin Tupper was ejected from the game. "From that point on it was all down hill," said Trevor Browne head coach Bill Mitton. "After that game our defense regrouped and made a complete turnaround."

Indeed they did. Eight of the remaining teams on their schedule scored one TD or less. In the state AAA title game in Tucson, Salpointe failed to score during a 20-0 Trevor Browne triumph. It was a fitting conclusion, since the Bruins were humiliated by McClintock in the 1980 finals, 34-7.

But in the playoffs the Bruins were hot. Scottsdale fell 28-8 in round one. Then TB gained revenge with a 16-9 win over defending state champ McClintock. The Chargers entered the contest with a 7-4 mark after finishing 12-2 the year before. The state's two strongest parochial schools, St. Mary's and Salpointe, fell on consecutive weekends.

"Once you win it all you get greedy and want to do it again" says Mitton, reflecting the same feeling all state championship coaches have. "We would like to win it again, but it will be harder this time around. We don't have a Darin Tupper on the team this year. And everybody will be shooting for us. It's been a long time since any Class AAA school has repeated.

"I don't like opening against St. Mary's," he adds. "We beat them in a great game last year. One of the best I've ever been involved with. When we won that one I knew we could go all the way. It was just a matter of us not beating ourselves."

That game was the Class AAA semifinals. The Bruins prevailed 29-28 in overtime. It was a classic battle, one which could have gone either way. It was probably the best played high school game in Arizona last fall, one Trevor Browne and St. Mary's fans will be talking about for years. And one week later the Bruins crushed Salpointe 20-0 for all the marbles. The game was played before an estimated crowd on 15,000 at the University of Arizona in Tucson.

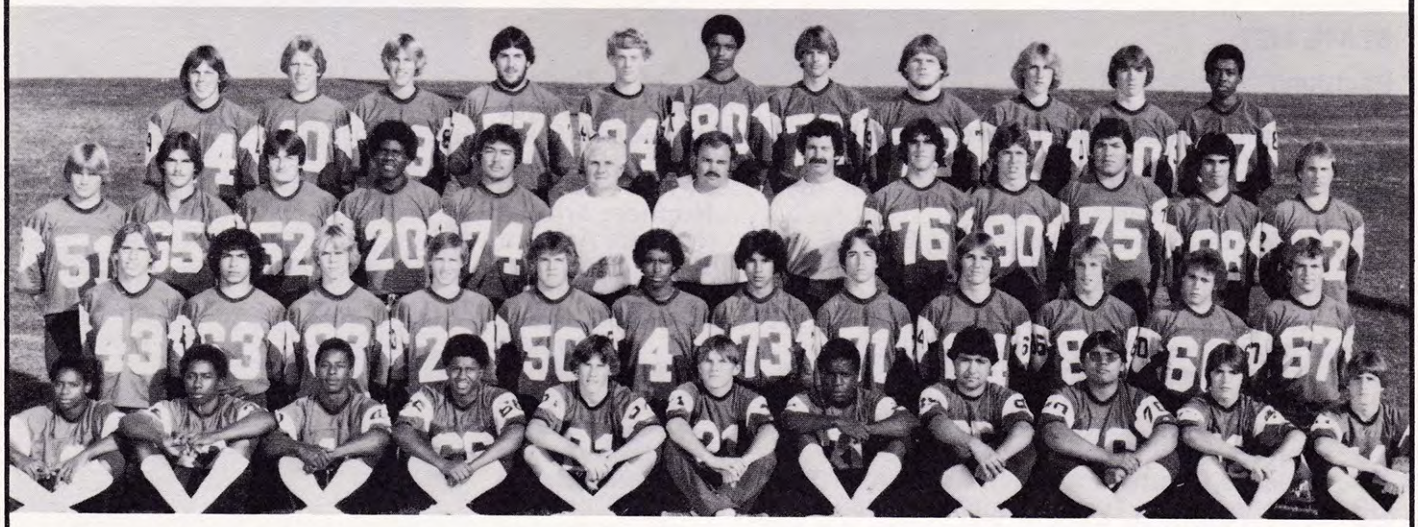
It was a physical mismatch. Trevor Browne, known for its big, physical line and almost-as-big fullbacks, wore down the Lancers in the second half. "Salpointe also had six kids going both ways," Mitton said. "That was an advantage to us in the third and fourth quarter. I think we really wore them down."

It was a scoreless tie at halftime, but TB assistant coaches regrouped the Bruins' linemen and the second half was a blowout. The championship was the second title to go to a Class AAA school west of Central Avenue since West High won the 1957 crown. In 1959, South Mountain and Yuma tied.

In Class AA, Tempe Corona del Sol failed in its bid for a repeat, falling to Flagstaff and Stan Gill in the semifinals. During a 43-20 rout in the mud, Gill scored 5 touchdowns and rushed for 217 yards. One week later he scored twice as the Eagles downed a strong Gilbert club, 15-12 for the state crown.

It was Flagstaff's first state championship since 1935, and the Eagles finished the season undefeated (12-0-1). It also turned out to be the last game for Gilbert head coach Dan Dunn, who later stepped down to coach in the JC ranks at nearby Mesa CC. ●

1981 Class AAA Arizona Football Champions (12-2-0)



TREVOR BROWNE BRUINS

SEASON

BRUINS 14, Phoenix Cortez 0
BRUINS 14, Moon Valley 10
BRUINS 19, Mesa 32 (lost)
BRUINS 31, Phoenix Alhambra 0
BRUINS 14, Phoenix Maryvale 0
BRUINS 39, Phoenix Carl Hayden 7
BRUINS 13, South Mountain 6
BRUINS 28, Phoenix Camelback 12
BRUINS 46, West Phoenix 6
BRUINS 22, Phoenix Central 28 (lost)

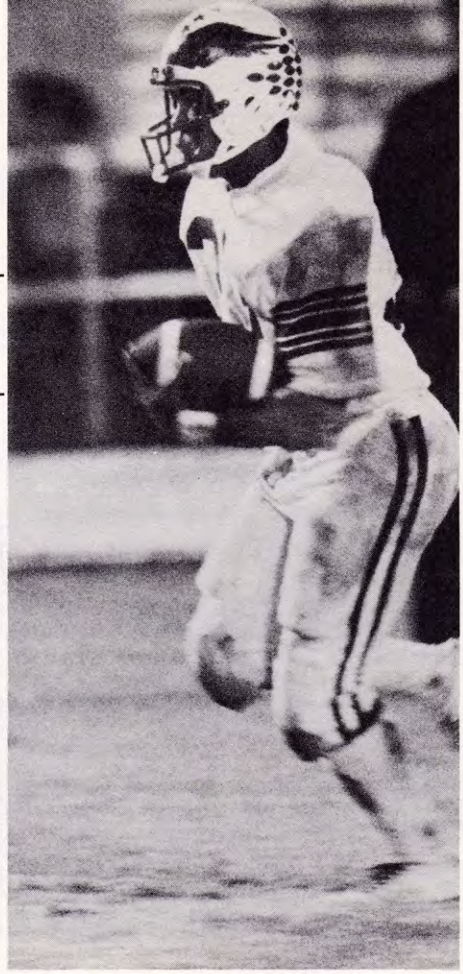
PLAYOFFS

BRUINS 28, Scottsdale 8
BRUINS 16, Tempe McClintock 9
BRUINS 29, Phoenix St. Mary's 28 (OT)
BRUINS 20, Tucson Salpointe 0

TREVOR BROWNE SUCCESS STORY:
Over 50 JC and university players!
More than 25 all-state performers!
Four Prep All-Americans!
Two consecutive trips to Class AAA finals!
Compiled 41-11-0 record since 1978!
Won 10 or more games each year since 1979!
Outscored opponents 358 points vs 175 in 1978!
Outscored opponents 333 points vs 146 in 1981!
Totaled 4,619 yards rushing/passing in 1980!
Ranked in Top 10 poll five of last six years!

Compliments of the Trevor Browne Football Boosters

1981 Blue Chip List



Flagstaff's Stan Gill (Stanford)

STATE LIST:

Position/Player/School	College
QB . . Steve Stallworth, Yuma, 6-3, 175	Nevada-Las Vegas
QB . . Danny Carrizosa, T. Sunnyside, 6-3, 175	New Mexico State
RB . : Stan Gill, Flagstaff, 5-10, 190	Stanford
RB . . David Adams, Tucson Sunnyside, 5-9, 160	Arizona
RB . . Tom Fruth, Payson, 5-10, 170	Northern Arizona
RB . .Chris Matthews, Round Valley, 6-0, 195	Northern Arizona
WR . . Jon Horton, Tucson Sunnyside, 6-2, 195	Arizona
WR . . Steve Lewis, Tucson, 6-1, 180	New Mexico State
OL . . Leroy Shontz, Parker, 6-2, 260	Phoenix College
DL . . Phil Rogers, Tucson Amphi, 6-3, 235	Nebraska
DL . . Kevin Thomas, Canyon del Oro, 6-3, 240	Arizona State
DL . . Greg Roskopf, Prescott, 6-3, 215	Northern Arizona
LB . . Craig Vesling, Canyon de Oro, 6-3, 200	Arizona
LB . . Jeff Heidrick, Tucson Salpointe, 5-9, 205	New Mexico
DB . . George Duarte, Tucson Sunnyside, 5-10, 170	Northern Arizona
DB . . Conley Smith, Tucson Amphi, 6-2, 180	Colorado
DB . . Murphy Kittrell, Tucson Sunnyside, 6-2, 175	Northern Arizona
P . . Bob Huthoefer, Tucson Amphi, 6-0, 195	Weber State



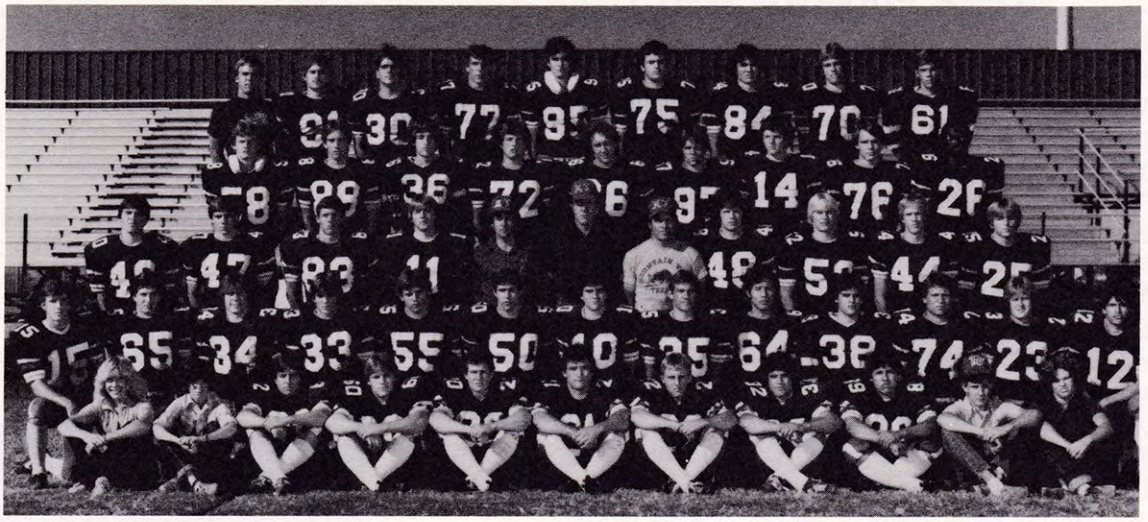
Tucson Sunnyside's David Adams (Arizona)

GREATER PHOENIX LIST:

Position/Player/School	College
QB . . Chris Stanfield, Mesa, 6-2, 190	Mesa CC
QB . . Johnny Rodriguez, St. Mary's, 5-8, 160	Scottsdale CC
RB . . Scott Bucher, Coronado, 5-11, 195	New Mexico
RB . . Brent Wood, Washington, 5-10, 190	Arizona
RB . . Vince Green, Scottsdale, 5-10, 195	Northern Arizona
RB . . John Philbrick, Greenway, 6-0, 180	Glendale CC
RB . . Wendell Jones, St. Mary's, 5-7, 170	Glendale CC
TE . . Jim Bear, Moon Valley, 6-5, 200	Northern Arizona
OT . . Brian Denton, Mesa, 6-5, 225	Arizona
WR . . Glenn Dennard, Corona del Sol, 5-10, 170	Arizona State
OT . . Mike Pomeroy, Trevor Browne, 6-2, 240	Phoenix College
DE . . Frank Rudolph, Coronado, 6-4, 215	Arizona State
LB . . Darin Tupper, Trevor Browne, 5-11, 215	Arizona State
LB . . Joe Sells, St. Mary's, 6-1, 190	Mesa CC
LB . . Tim Casey, McClintock, 6-4, 215	Arizona State
LB . . Byron Evans, South Mountain, 6-3, 195	Arizona
PK . . Jim Nimtz, Saguaro, 6-0, 175	Scottsdale CC
DL . . Bennie Dickens, Cactus, 6-4, 215	New Mexico State
DL . . Rick Bunch, Gilbert, 6-3, 230	Mesa CC
LB . . Rusty Goddard, Gilbert, 6-1, 205	Mesa CC
WR . . J. J. Walker, St. Mary's, 5-11, 150	Mesa CC

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TOROS 0, St. Mary's 13	TOROS 7, Mesa 3
TOROS 20, Tempe12	TOROS 19, Chaparral 9
TOROS 34, Westwood 14	TOROS 27, Chandler 13
TOROS 12, Coronado 9	TOROS 41, McClintock 14
TOROS 26, Marcos de Niza 6	TOROS 27, Yuma 14

*Winningest Class AAA school in Arizona!
*Compiled 53-9-1 record for .855 winning mark!
*Lost only one home game since school opened!
*Posted 25-0 won-loss record in league play!
*Four league titles in past five years!
*Independent state champions in 1977!
*Class AAA state champions in 1978!
*Recorded seven straight shutouts between 1976-77!
*Coach Parker's overall record: 103-35-3 (.746)

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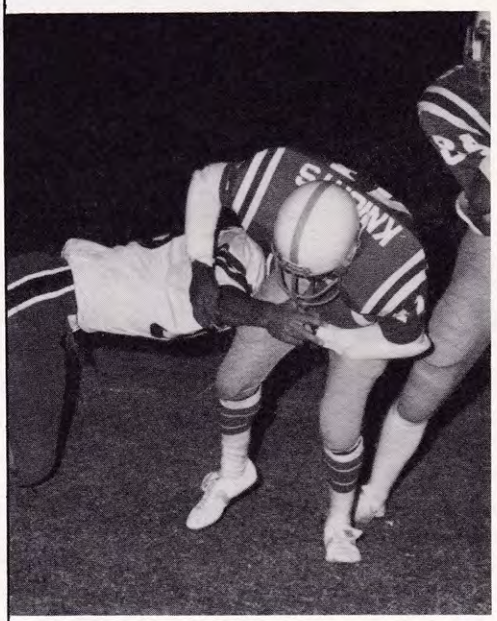
Rockets, Bruins Rate High

The Rockets, the Bruins, the 'Rabbits or the Toros? Who will it be? If preseason polls mean anything — and in prep football they usually don't — Moon Valley, Trevor Browne, Mesa and Mountain View will be the teams to beat in Phoenix in 1982.

But not if McClintock or St. Mary's has anything to say about it. The Chargers, coached by Karl Kiefer, and the Knights, coached by Pat Farrell, are groomed for the playoffs and loaded with talented skill performers and tough linemen. St. Mary's may field its biggest line since 1969.

"We don't have a lot of blue-chip, major college football players," says Moon Valley's Earl Putman. "But what we do have is a lot of good, high school players. We feel we have a real strong club."

But so does McClintock, and the Chargers and Rockets collide early in the season on Sept. 24 in Tempe. In fact, the month of September is loaded with classic matchups, starting with an opening-night battle between Trevor Browne and St. Mary's at North High's Mustang Field. The two schools met in November and TB prevailed, 29-28 in overtime.



KNIGHTS' SCORE — Soph HB Carlton Campbell pops in for a quick TD vs. Tucson Amphi in 1981 Class AAA playoffs.

Two additional notes of importance: 1) Mt. View is off probation and all their games count. This is bad news for Central Division teams, since Jesse Parker's team appears loaded; 2) Greenway has finally arrived as a football power, finishing 7-3 last year and returning almost everybody from a strong defensive club which beat Moon Valley. ●

1982 Phoenix Metro Top 20

1) MOON VALLEY ROCKETS: 13 letter winners from 9-3 state quarterfinalists which lost 3-0 to Tucson Salpointe.

2) TREVOR BROWNE BRUINS: 18 lettermen and two key transfers from 12-2 Class AAA champions which open against St. Mary's.

3) MESA JACKRABBITS: Arizona's winningest football team (437 victories) stacked with size, speed and another aerial circus.

4) MOUNTAIN VIEW TOROS: Last year Jesse Parker's crew played for fun; this time around all Toro games will count.

5) McCLINTOCK CHARGERS: 11 lettermen, 8 starters (2 potential blue-chippers) from 7-5 playoff squad which could win 10 games.

6) ST. MARY'S KNIGHTS: 24 lettermen from 10-3 state semi-finalists and largest following of fans in Grand Canyon State.

7) GREENWAY DEMONS: Experience runs deep and that helps Mike Danielek mold the Demons into a Greater Phoenix power.

8) SUNNYSLOPE VIKINGS: 26 varsity squad members from strong 6-4 Skyline team with experience at every position.

9) ALHAMBRA LIONS: 17 lettermen (13 starters) from 3-7 rebuilding season for Paul Hoffland . . . plus blue-chip defensive back Tracy Pierce.

10) CORONADO DONS: Improved passing game; 20 experienced lettermen from 8-3 league champs; 7-2 JV unit; new coach Joe Corte...

11) HORIZON HUSKIES: Blue-Chip halfback Ray Green joins one dozen lettermen (8 starters) from 10-2 playoff squad; moves into Skyline Division . . .

12) AGUA FRIA OWLS: Time for the playoffs . . . 5 starters from 8-2 club in Pat Lavin's second year . . . excellent skill performers.

13) SOUTH MOUNTAIN REBELS: Coach Moody Jackson's club looks green, but good size and speed, plus transfer Carl Marshall, give Rebs' new light.

14) CAMELBACK SPARTANS: Veteran mentor Bill Saunders should produce city's most improved club . . . lots of experience and transfers.

15) CORTEZ COLTS: Improvements is name of the game . . . 20 holdovers from outmanned 4-5-1 squad in 1981 . . . could be sleeper.

16) BROPHY PREP BRONCS: Likeable Mickey Ryan still at controls with six all-league candidates from 6-5 team plus one key transfer.

17) MARYVALE PANTHERS: Back in the race with one dozen vets from .500 season and 7-1-1 JV unit moving up the ladder . . .

18) PHOENIX CENTRAL BOBCATS: One dozen transfers, 14 key lettermen and lots of enthusiasm for Coach George Endres' Veer . . .

19) MARCOS DE NIZA PADRES: School which produced Los Angeles WR Preston Dennard may have best passing show if John Walker can find some catchers . . .

20) GILBERT TIGERS: 15 lettermen from Class AA runnerup club, plus unbeaten JV squad for new head coach Rick Dunn .

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FRIDAY NIGHT HEROES *



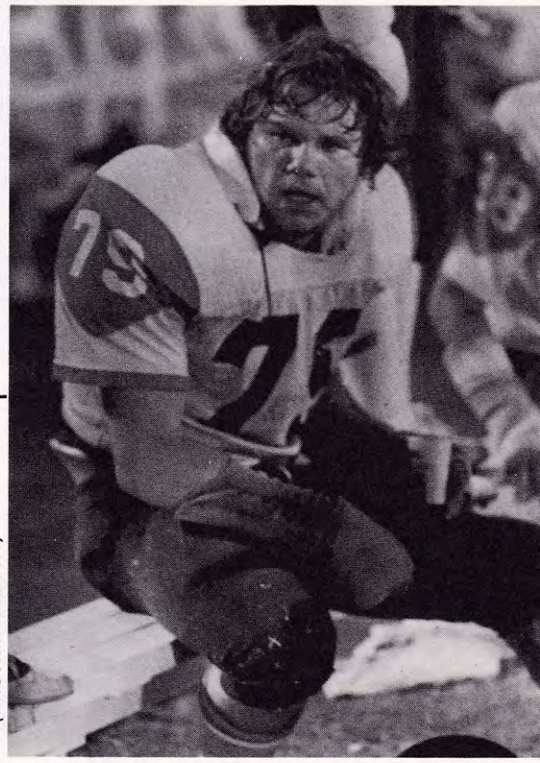
Tracy Pierce, Alhambra DB

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LB . . Tim Hicks, Sunnyslope, 6-5, 210 (jr)
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DB . . Tracy Pierce, Alhambra, 5-11, 178
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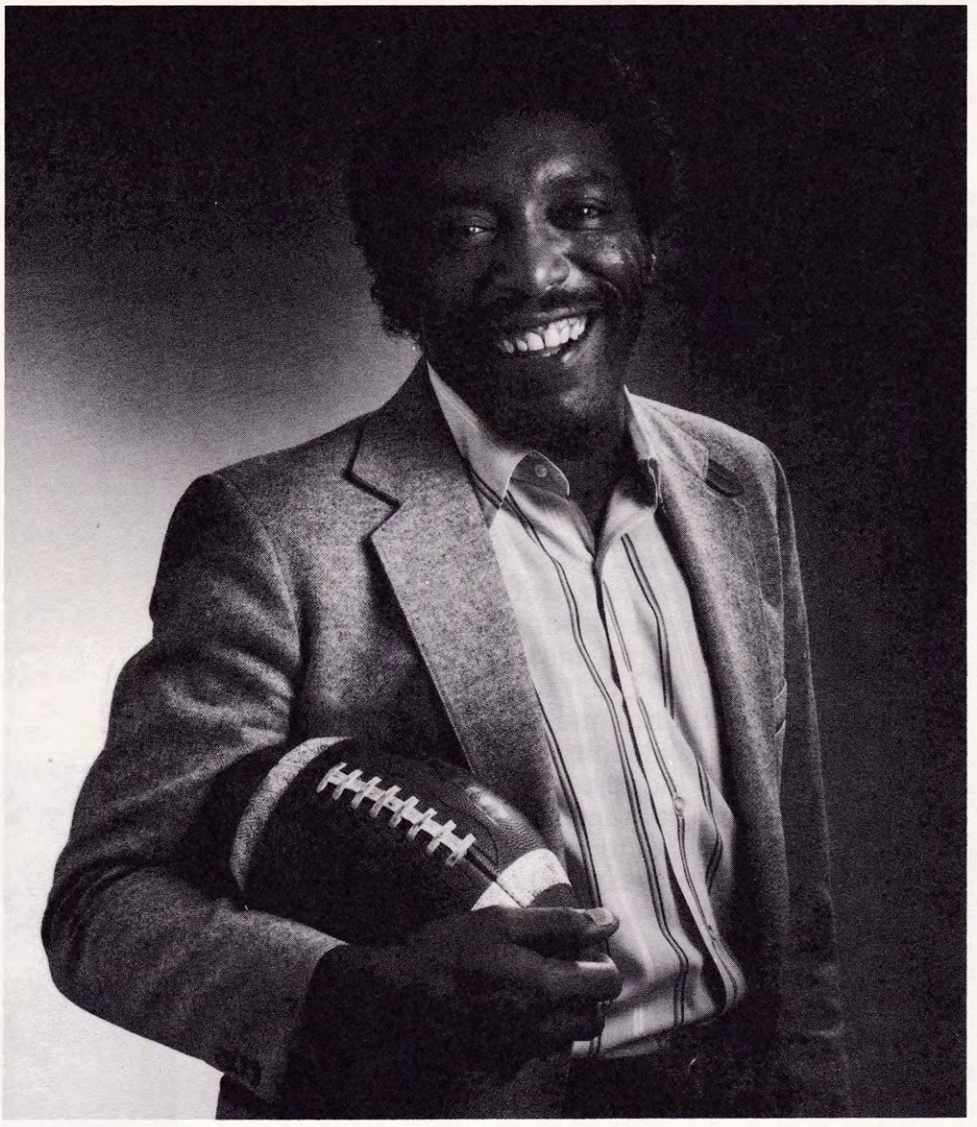
John Brouse, Moon Valley QB



(Phoenix Gazette)

Al Kessel, Trevor Browne OT

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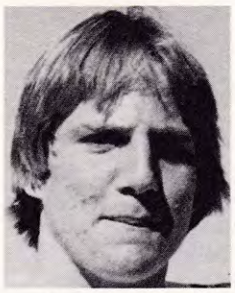
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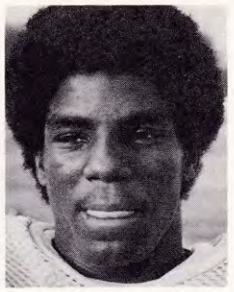


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Nat Rose, Marcos de Niza, 6-0, 190
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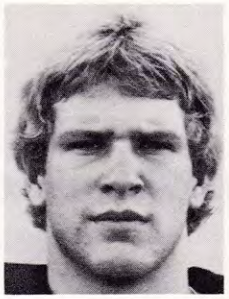
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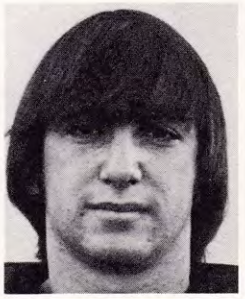


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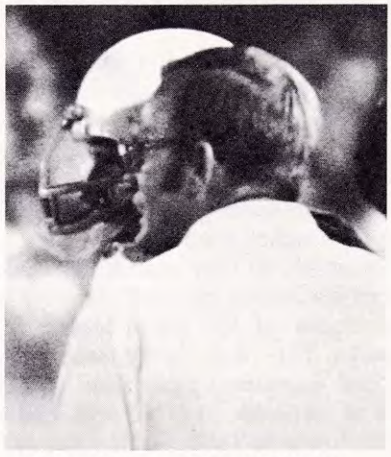
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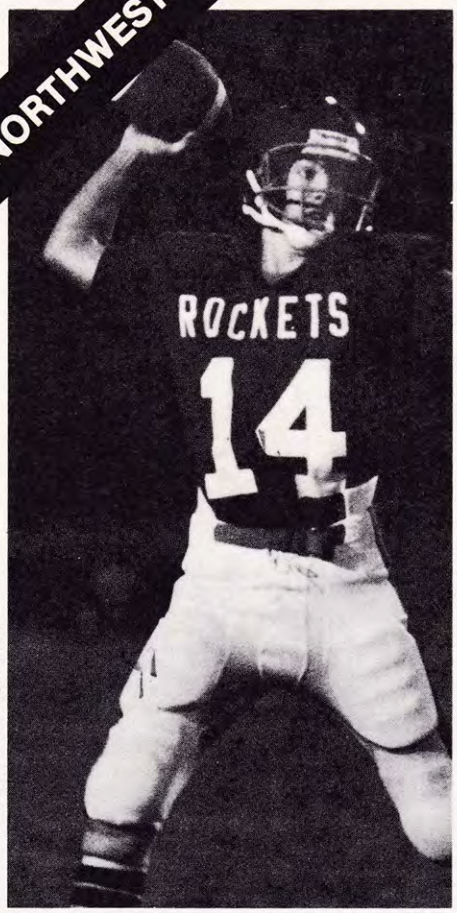
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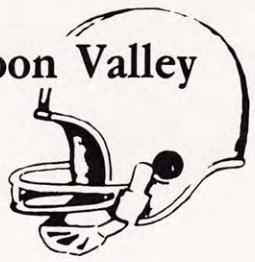


(Arizona Republic)

ACE — With QB John Brouse in the lineup, Moon Valley is set.

Rockets Chase Elusive State Title

Moon Valley



Last year the Rockets knocked at the state championship door during a rebuilding year. This season they may kick it in. With 13 juniors in the lineup, Moon Valley finished 9-3 last fall and almost played one or two more games.

"We had a better year than expected," says Earl Putman, the dean of all Skyline coaches. "Some key seniors and several juniors from the JV team had great seasons. With most of last year's team coming back, we are looking for another good season."

No kidding! One reason Putman is optimistic about his club's chances is the return of QB John Brouse (see cover). The 6-0, 165-pound field general completed more than 50 percent of his passes for 1,150 yards and 14 touchdowns in 1981. He can run (4.9) or throw, depending on the situation.

But as good as Brouse promises to be, the college scouts are keeping a closer eye on tackle Richard Bear (6-4, 240), the "biggest and best" Rocket of them all. Junior Keith Politte (5-11, 235) will fill in at the other tackle slot, and with fullback Bob Johnson (6-0, 190) this threesome should give Brouse all the time in the world to throw.

His chief receiver should be senior Chris Washington (6-1, 175), a split end with 4.8 speed. Two quick Rockets with 4.7 speed include halfbacks Ron Walker (5-9, 160) and Vince Cavele (6-0, 170), both of whom double as defensive backs.

If defense wins championships, Moon Valley is in the driver's seat. Tackle Ken Schiffbauer (5-11, 210) made 28 solo tackles, 49 assists, caused one fumble, recovered another, and sacked the QB twice. Defensive end Jeff Hungerford (6-1, 180) runs the 40 in 4.9 seconds.

Then there's DT Jim Youngblood (6-0, 205), DE John Bonnell (6-1, 165), LB Rob Behrens (5-10, 170) and NG Rick Ortega (5-10, 285), only a junior and brother of tackle Dick Ortega (5-10, 285).

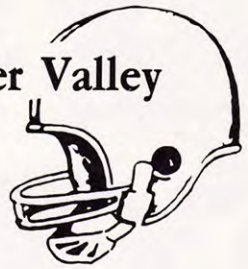
Back on offense, Jerry Shepherd (6-1, 180) should be the starting center, while Mike Nelson (5-11, 180) will use his 4.8 speed as an offensive guard. Senior Barry Duncan may be the best kicker in the Skyline. He was 32 of 24 on PATS as a junior, five for seven on field goal attempts. If the Rockets are anywhere near the goal line, Duncan should supply them with a minimum of three points.

There's two roadblocks in the Rocket's way: preseason publicity and the schedule. Everybody shoots for the "top dog" on the block. And to make matters worse, Moon Valley opens at home against Maryvale and Westwood, then travels to McClintock and Washington. Their schedule is murder.

"We are not loaded with college football prospects," warns Putman for the sake of Moon Valley fans. "We have a lot of good high school players. But we really think we have a chance to field our best team ever." ●

Everybody's Back For The Skyhawks

Deer Valley



What a difference a year makes. Last season Deer Valley was one of the smallest Class AAA schools in Arizona. They finished 0-10 in football, one of only three schools to accomplish such a feat. But that was last year.

New head coach Rick Johnson takes over a team with 30 returning lettermen at a school which now has more than 2,500 students. Johnson, one of the most successful wrestling coaches in Arizona history (.900 winning percentage), can hardly wait for for practice to start. "Things are looking good," he insists. "The school is growing and transfers are moving in. Not only from other areas of the city, but from Los Angeles and back East. It's a growing area."

And a promising one. The frosh went 6-3 last fall while the junior varsity finished 4-4-1. It's nothing to write the college scouts about, but it's an improvement over the varisty. Johnson will build his 1982 squad around four talented seniors: LB-FB Ron Anderson (6-2, 205, 4.9), QB Tommy Fields (5-11, 165, 4.7), RB Greg Stansberry (5-10, 170, 4.7) and OC-LB Kevin Hare (5-11, 195, 4.9). All are strong and quick. Anderson, a "real hitter"

according to his coach, benches 310 pounds and is major college material.

But the junior class is also loaded with young prospects, like halfback Shannon Goodman (6-1, 170) and linebacker Bill Magsam (6-1, 175). Goodman was an excellent hurdler last spring, while Magsam is a promising wrestler, finishing 17-7 as a soph in varsity competition. Goodman has run 40 yards in 4.7, and Magsam 4.9. Yes, the future looks a lot brighter for the Skyhawks, who compete in the tough Skyline Division. Watch for DVHS to break even. ●

Demons Terror On Defense



Greenway High and Mike Danielek have been good to one another. Ever since the personable coach arrived five years ago the Demons have been factors to deal with on the Skyline football scene.

Last season Greenway ended regular season play with a 7-3 mark and a three-way league tie with Brophy Prep and Washington. In a Colorado playoff they defeated the Rams but lost to Brophy. It was the Demons' best team ever.

"It was about time, smiles Danielek. "We waited many, many years to have a successful season and we will try our best to repeat that success. Our staff has worked hard."

Two years ago the Demons went 2-6-2. And in the nine-year history of the program they have given their fans few reasons for cheer. But that changed last fall and 21 upperclassmen are back. The junior varsity finished 6-2 and promises to help.

Key personnel must be replaced. John Philbrick gained 1,206 yards in 157 carries and scored 11 touchdowns, statistics that led to his being picked *The Arizona Republic's* Northwest Valley Player of the Year. He has taken his talents to Glendale CC. All-area teammates Mike Tidd (OL), Joe Weaver (OL) and Dan Cheatham (LB) are also gone.

"We have a few bricks but we must find the mortar to make that wall," adds Danielek. Center John Boule is the biggest brick. At 6-0, 236 he doubles at DT and bench presses 320 pounds. He runs the 40 in 5.1 seconds. Joining Boule in the trenches will be TE-DT Michael Carroll (6-2, 216, 4.9) OG-DE Mike Meskimen (6-0, 176, 4.7) and tackle Richard Bartow (6-2, 195, 5.0).



DEPTH — Demons like TE Kent Johnson give Greenway more depth than usual.

The Demons' "money man" will be John Gillespie (6-1, 187), a split receiver with 4.8 speed who also plays in the secondary. He's the team's punter, and like Carroll and Boule an excellent student. "All three can play college ball somewhere," says their coach.

When senior Frank Stegemier (5-11, 163) isn't playing QB, he's roaming the secondary from his safety slot. With 4.6 speed he's one of the fastest Demons in the lineup. Fullback Scott Whitneis (5-11, 183, 4.8) doubles at linebacker. Junior LB Artie Collins (6-0, 193, 4.9) is the top underclassman. Wide receiver Jim McGhee (5-11, 157, 4.6) is another speed merchant with good hands and moves.

Additional holdovers include Bill Alexander (DB), Kent Johnson (TE), Patrick Smith (DB), Bob Kersey (K), Randy Rigby (LB), Ben Henry (LB), Michael Meskimen (DE), Michael Babcock (LB), David Arredondo (DT), Joseph Piepergerdes (DT), Pete Drieling (DT), Aaron Green (DE) and Michael Birt (LB) . . . to name a few.

For many years having Greenway on the schedule was an easy win for the other Skyline teams. But Danielek and his staff have built the program from the bottom up. Today they do the stomping. ●

Patriots Play Tough



The Patriots played everyone tough but lost key games by turnovers and mental errors during a 4-6 campaign in 1981. Coach Gregg Parrish welcomes back 17 squad members — all of his skilled players — plus tons of enthusiasm. In halfback Jeff Bowen (6-1, 185) the Patriots have one of the fastest (4.7) backs in the AA-West. Linebacker Bill Tolmachoff (6-1, 195) runs a 4.9 and anchors the IHS defense. QB John Peters (6-2, 190) is only a junior and has two years to improve his skills. Senior TE Mike Greer (6-3, 185, 4.9) will be his biggest target. Two giants in the line will be Rick Johnson (6-1, 215) and Brian Berry (5-11, 220). Both seniors are strong and quick.

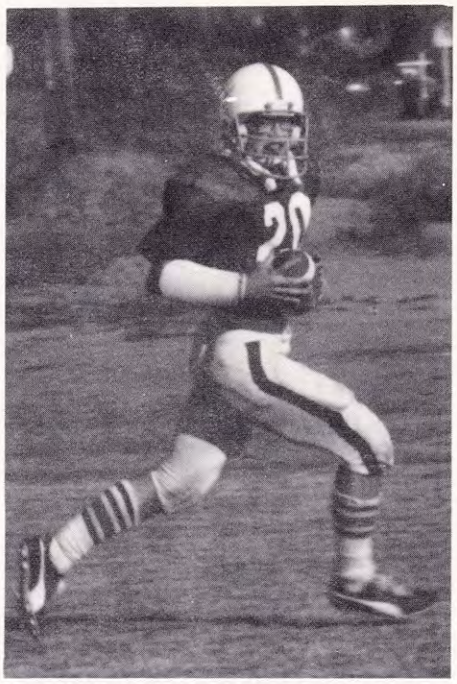
Since the junior varsity was forced the cancel their '81 season, it appears that depth will be Coach Parrish's major concern. Improvement still seems to be the name of the game. ●

Colts Challenge With 20 Holdovers



The Colts slumped to 4-5-1 last year, but 20 lettermen are back for the improvement Cortez fans hope to see. "We were inconsistent and lacked the speed and ability to run wide," says Coach Tom Wheatley. "But we're excited about the players' attitude and their potential. We have a lot of them back."

Linebacker Tim Damico (5-11, 201) may be a major college prospect, according to his coach. His stats are impressive: 50 solo tackles, 66 assists and three interceptions. He was all-league as a junior. Safety Chris Enos (5-9, 160) made 37 solo tackles, 36 assists and picked off five enemy passes. Split end Todd Metcalf (6-1, 170) also returns, along with center Brad Person (5-9, 165). All four are seniors, and with the return of 16 additional Colts, 1982 looks promising for Cortez. ●



RB Larry Pickens scores for WCHS. . .

Eagles Improving





PK Larry Pickens scores for WCHS. . .

Three Phoenix area schools play 8-man football, and one is the Western Christian Eagles, located on North 67th Avenue. Coach Bob Jones returns half of last year's varsity and hopes this helps his team improve their 2-6-0 finish.

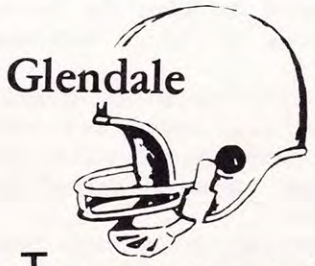
"It was a tough season," says Jones. "We went through a complete rebuilding job. Only one starter returned and all but one senior was injured most of the time. We played a freshman quarterback for eight games."

Although that QB will only be a sophomore, he may be all-state material by his junior year. Rod Tyler (5-9, 160) has three more years to learn the ropes and polish his throwing arm. "He's young but he's going to be a good one in this league," says his head coach. "All our starters are back and experience will be a strong point."

Senior Jim Gillett (5-11, 175) is an all-state candidate at either guard or linebacker. Running back Larry Pickens (6-0, 185) runs a 4.8 and may be the best place kicker in the C-North. Halfback Rusty McColm (5-9, 160) is only a junior, but one of the league's top defensive backs. John Stender (5-8, 155) is a small but tough linebacker.

The Eagles are still trying to get their program off the ground. The junior varsity didn't win a game in 1981; most of the school's underclassmen were on the varsity. It looks like Western Christian is still a year away from a playoff berth. ●

Cards A Contender



The Cardinals dropped off just a bit in 1981, finishing 6-3-1 after a near-perfect 10-1 campaign in 1980. Second-year coach Paul Van DoeseLaar feels his team will be a contender with 10 returning lettermen. Senior tackle Rod Card (6-3, 205) should again be one of the best in the Metro Division. Joining Card in the trenches will be center Bill Boggs (5-10, 185), giant tackle Tim McCarthy (6-3, 295), guards Jerry Norbeck (5-11, 235) and James Weedman (6-1, 190), and DT Ruben Nercado (5-10, 236).

Most of the Cardinals' scoring punch will come from junior fullback Jim Storm (5-11, 195), who doubles at linebacker, and mini-place kicker David Yanez. Glendale's strength is in the trenches, but last year's JV unit finished 8-0, and it's here the Cards hope to find enough skill performers to make a run at the league title. Tradition says they have a chance. ●

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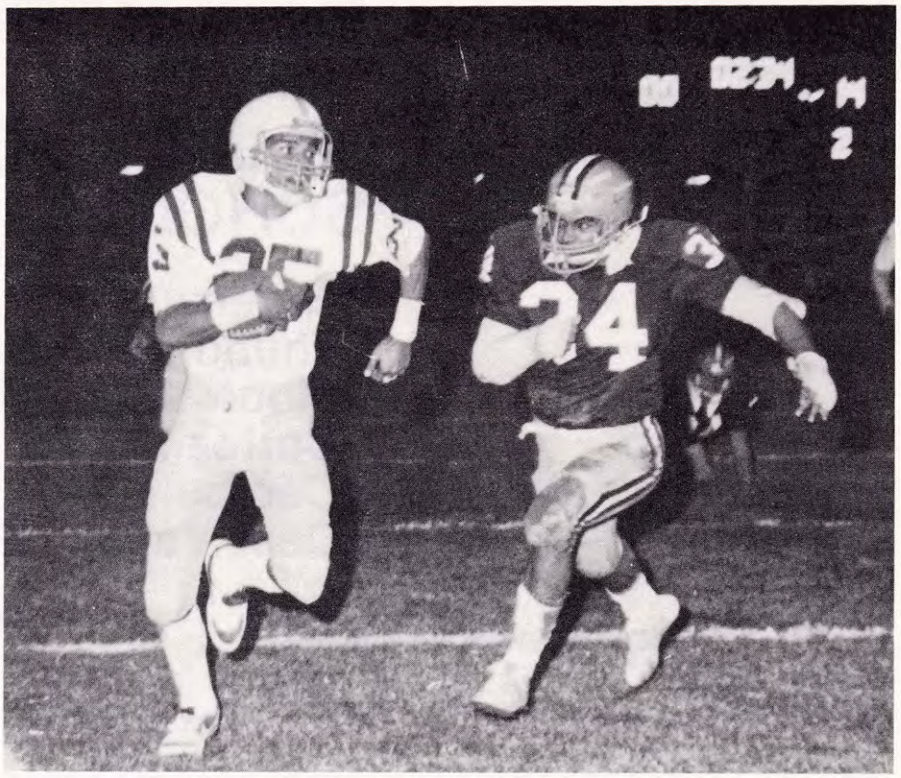
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OFF TO THE RACES — In senior Chris Buford (25), St. Mary's has a blue-chip receiver with enough talent to start in the Knights' secondary. (Father Nevin photo)

The more things change the more they stay the same. Like football at St. Mary's for instance. The Knights lost half their roster through graduation, but opposing fans and coaches probably won't notice.

Coach Pat Farrell enters his 5th campaign with a 27-17-1 record and 24 leftovers from a 10-3 semifinalist. Seven of Farrell's 17 losses came in 1979. Toss that "disaster" out and the former all-state's log reads 6-5, 8-2-1, 10-3 . . . all playoff teams.

Since the school opened its doors to football in 1938, St. Mary's has posted a 269-158-17 record. But since 1965,



the Knights have finished 145-44-3, a .777 winning percentage. Five St. Mary's teams have won the Class AAA championship.

"I would like to stay around and help the school win its 300th game," smiled Farrell this summer. "That's if they'll let me keep the job that long. This is a great place to teach and coach. It's like one big family."

Usually on the field the Knights are small. But this is not the case in Knightland in 1982. A school known for top-notch quarterbacks and catquick skill performers will look to the men in the trenches.

In Tom Hudson, Farrell has a 6-1, 185-pound tackle with plenty of drive and enthusiasm. And although junior guard Joe Dorame transferred to Coronado High, Hudson will have plenty of support from teammates like Lionel Quihuis (6-0, 200), Onofre Duran (5-9, 188), Robert Davis (5-10, 175), Adrian Lopez (5-10, 210), Nick Longo (6-0, 215), Ruben Trujillo (6-1, 180) and Jim Essert (5-9, 175), the center.

Davis will start at OG and runs a 4.7 forty, exceptional for an interior lineman, while Longo is only a junior and benches 330 pounds. Tackle Trujillo is an honor student and batted .352 for the Knights' baseball team. He was the catcher.

Kas Bilinski, another honor student, is the "best hitter on the team," according to his coach. He doubles at TE&LB and runs a 4.8.

But Kas is just one member of a fleet of talented receivers. In senior Chris Buford (6-0, 180) St. Mary's has a college prospect with 4.7 speed and talented enough to play in the secondary. Last fall Buford got his name in the Knights' press guide with 18 receptions for 470 yards — an average of 26.1 yards per grab. He was injured and missed the school's 29-28 overtime loss to Trevor Browne. Flanker Vince Hernandez (6-1, 165) runs a 4.7 and should also see lots of action. "He could be a surprise," says assistant Greg Anderson, like head coach Farrell, a former St. Mary's all-stater.

The backfield is set with tailback Carlton Campbell, a 5-7, 150-pound junior with 4.6 speed, and fullback Darren Chapman (6-1, 205), another member of the school's honor roll. Chapman runs a 4.7 and is the biggest St. Mary's fullback since 1967 all-stater Tim Smith. Although small in size, Campbell can bench press 250 pounds and squat 430. He saw lots of action as a sophomore.

Joe Ortiz, a .302 batter and starting first-baseman last spring, will again handle the kicking chores. By the time he graduates he should hold all school records for field goals and scoring by a kicker.

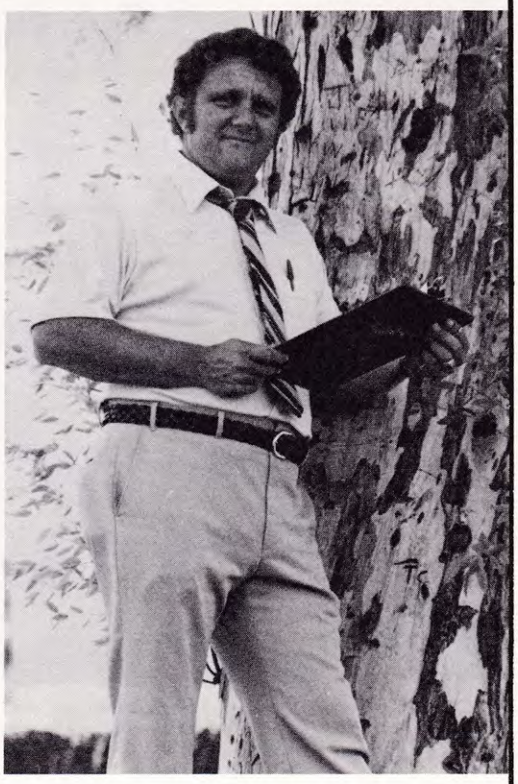
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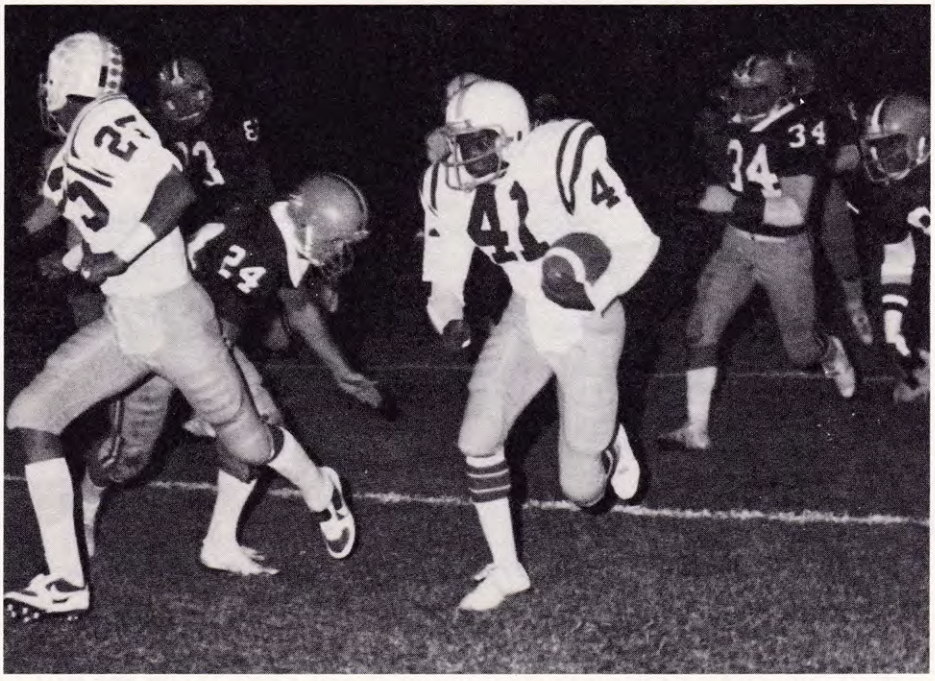
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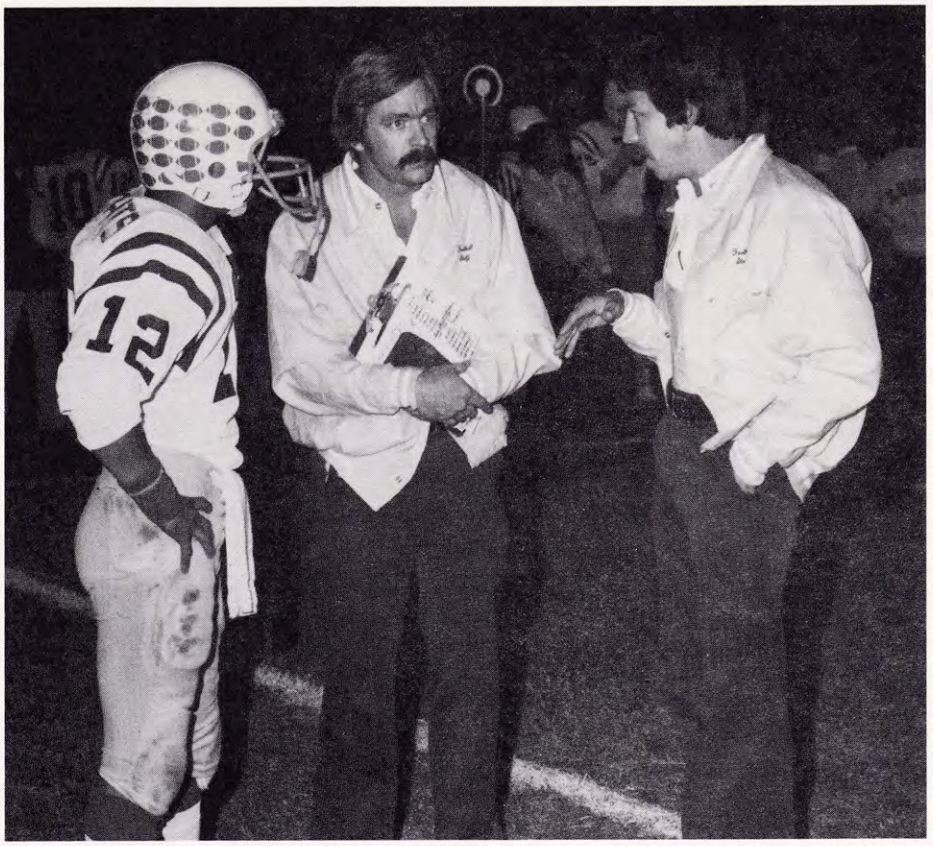
MINI-BACK — Little Carlton Campbell (41) follows teammate Chris Buford through Apollo's secondary during 21-0 win over the Hawks. Action came in first round of 1981 playoffs. (Father Nevin photo)

And there's more: DB Frank Zanzuchi (5-7, 155) will start in the secondary and earned all-league honors in baseball; DB Shelly Berry (5-10, 160), RB David Ramirez (5-9, 175) and LB Rick Pacheco (5-10, 170). Two quarterbacks from last year's roster return, and both are seniors. But Pat Ronan (5-11, 175) and Dan Echeveste (5-8, 155) will get plenty of competition from Bourgade Catholic transfer Matt Martinez (5-10, 175), a senior who benches 270 and runs a 4.6.

"We haven't had two athletes as quick as Martinez and Carlton Campbell in years," says Farrell. "And now we have two at the same time. But there's no doubt that the most competitive position this August will be quarterback. We had a couple good ones on the freshman team, too."

In recent years the Knights' success has been attributed to their oscar winning performers at quarterback. For example, last fall St. Mary's had the best 5-foot, 8-inch QB this side of the

(Father Nevin)



TIME OUT — Head coach Pat Farrell (center) and assistant Joe Vales discuss next play with QB John Rodriguez. Conference came during 35-12 playoff win over Tucson Amphi. Rodriguez, who passed for 1,856 yards in 1981, is now at Scottsdale CC.

Mississippi River. Selected first team all-state by the *Phoenix Gazette*. Johnny Rodriguez passed for 1,856 yards and 17 touchdowns. While opponents were scrambling to cover the Knights' receivers, backs like Wendell Jones (1,200 yards rushing) and Carlton Campbell were ripping through the line. In 13 games, St. Mary's totaled 4,546 yards passing and rushing.

"We need to develop a quarterback before we can become a contender," warns Farrell. "We hate to put too much pressure on the kids at that position, but we've got about five or six who have the opportunity to move in and take control."

Annually, St. Mary's leads the state in attendance. In 1969, over 85,000 paid to see the Knights' 12 games. Today they play all their home games at North High, seating capacity 5,000. Last year it was a sellout at all but two home games.

In a 1974 semifinal game at Arizona State, 21,000 watched St. Mary's upset Tempe Marcos de Niza, 28-14, and an estimated 20,800 paid to see Phoenix Central derail the Knights in the 1969 finals, 14-7. ●

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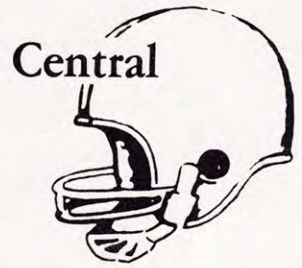
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Transfers Strengthen Bobcats Title Hopes



TOUGH CAT — When backs like Dan Brantingham carry the ball, defenders clear out the way.

(Phoenix Gazette)



Last year the Bobcats won six games before falling to Horizon in the first round of the AAA play-offs. This season George Endres starts his 30th year in the prep ranks and welcomes 14 lettermen from that 6-5 club. With several schools closing in the area, it looks like the 'Cats will pick up their share of newcomers, including eight from Phoenix Union, three from East and one from West.

No doubt the "top cat" will be free safety Brian Kohrs, at 6-2, 183 a younger brother of Pittsburgh Steeler linebacker Bob Kohrs. Endres is counting on Tom Johnston (6-1, 187) to lead the veer from the QB slot, and Pat Kenney (6-3, 180) to play to his potential at TE. Jake Bohi (6-0, 190) will double at MLG/OG. He runs 40 yards in 4.7 and could be one of the best in the Phoenix Division. Senior Mark Ferrell (6-0, 185) will be the other guard.

Five additional skill players include DB Dan Brantingham (6-0, 202, 4.7), junior LB Eric Welch (6-0, 200), junior RB Tim Hudacko (5-10, 157) and safety Cory Waxman (5-10, 160). Junior SE Chris Gooden (5-11, 160) is a transfer from East. Opponents will think they are seeing double when they run into Steve and Mike Dunlap, twins up from the JV team, with kicker Ernie Cubedo being a pitcher for the Bobcats' playoff-bound baseball team last spring. Tackle Mike Fisher (6-0, 190) is one of the Central's strongest players.

Rams Young and Inexperienced



Out of the playoffs for the first time in several years, the Washington Rams still weren't out of the title picture. Dave Swerdfeger's team finished 5-4-1 and almost made the Skyline Division playoffs.

"We had a good team in a very competitive league," says Swerdfeger, who has won 56 games in the prep ranks. "If we were *on* we were good, but if we were *off* we were really hurting."

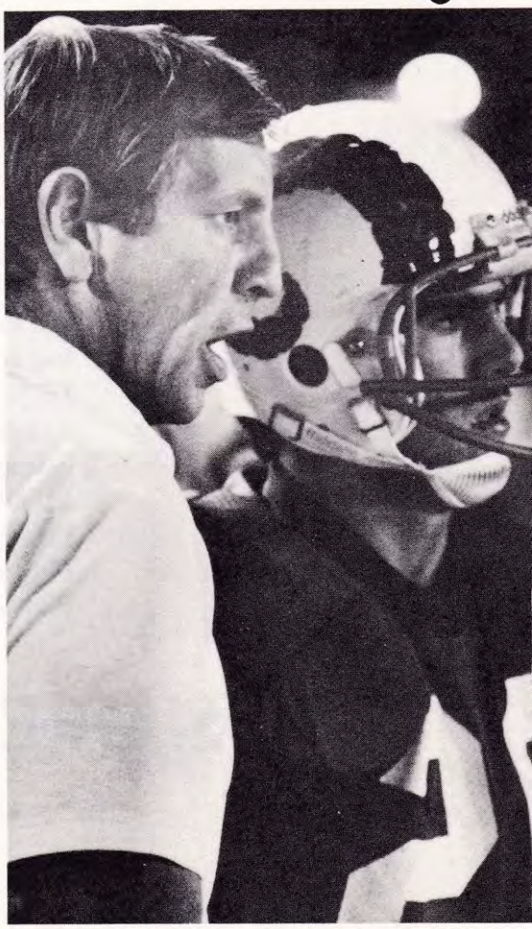
This time around the Rams may be off more than on. Although 13 lettermen return, very few were starters. "Things don't look real good right now," adds Swerdfeger. "We will be young and inexperienced at each skill position."

But while most coaches are searching for a quarterback during the off-season, Washington already has two. Senior Kalen Bethay (5-10, 170) will battle junior Dee Rosser (6-3, 190) for the starting position.

Five defensive players who can keep the Rams glued together until the offense gels are deep backs Mike Simmons (5-10, 160) and Danny White (6-1, 170), ends George Golliher (6-1, 175) and Doug Beyer (5-10, 185), plus junior tackle Jim Tomp (5-10, 190). The Washington coaches claim that Simmons may be one of the best defensive backs in the league. Both he and White run a 4.7 forty.

There are eight more Rams who may surprise their opponents: backs John Baca (5-9, 155), David Thorman (5-8, 170), Mark Gale (5-2, 150) and Pete Conley (5-11, 155); linemen Tim Blackford (6-0, 170), Jim Persons (5-11, 202), Richard White (6-0, 150) and Jim Tharp (6-0, 150). White and Tharp are split ends.

(Arizona Republic)



COACH — Washington mentor Dave Swerdfeger is 56-21-1 with the Rams.

Vikings Return 26 Vets



Speed, size and a whopping 26 holdovers from 1981 is the combination Sunnyslope hopes to use in a championship challenge against Moon Valley and St. Mary's.

Head coach Bill Kee sees half his starting unit back from a 6-4 entry that battled almost everybody tough. Eight football players played on the Vikings' championship baseball team which was eliminated in the state tournament by Tucson Sahuaro. In addition, three young linemen weighing between 220-230 pounds have moved up from the JV unit.

"We started out strong but had some key injuries which hurt us at the end," remarked Kee. "We were a young team with 16 starters being juniors. The new season looks promising."

Half of those 16 starters started on offense, including QB Mike Evans (5-10, 170), who had a 77-yard TD dash against St. Mary's. He's a three year starter with 4.7 speed.

Besides Evans, count TB Scott DeSeelhorst (5-9, 165), all-league as a junior, FB Bill Tsakiris (5-10, 180), an all-league selection at NG, and TE Mike Chevalier (6-0, 180), another three-year starter with 4.8 speed. Tsakiris is one of the quickest (4.6) and strongest Vikings in camp: 335 bench, 430 squat.

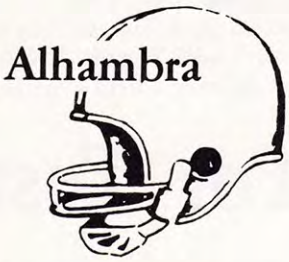
The top college prospect at Sunnyslope is only a junior: linebacker Tim Hicks (6-5, 210, 4.7), a double threat at tight end. Senior Paul Dumas (5-10, 180) is a two-way starter at OG/LB. The tackles will be Mark Vegors (6-2, 240), and Brian Helpstreet (5-11, 240), a transfer from Yuma Kofa who squats 500 pounds and benches 350. "He's a young 16-year-old who is also a good wrestler," says Kee.

Another transfer who will help is halfback Brian Walker (5.7, 140), a speedy (4.6) catcher on the baseball team. And although the sophomore club went 3-6 in 1981, Coach Kee is counting on several top-notch linemen and two or three skill players to fill in the vacancies. ●



HALT — Sunnyslope defender stops Washington QB in his tracks.

Lions Talk Loop Title



The same school which produced Dallas Cowboy linebacker Bob Bruenig and Pittsburgh Steeler tackle John Meyers has more weapons in its arsenal. Second-year coach Paul Hoffland returns 13 starters from a 3-7 rebuilding year. "We're looking forward to the best season Alhambra has had in years," predicts the coach who watched his young club play almost everybody tough last fall.

Hoffland thinks the Lions have three major college prospects in the lineup: RB Paul Brandon (6-3, 190), DB Tracey Pierce (5-11, 178) and DT Greg Hernandez (6-4, 230). Brandon won all-division honors as a junior, gained 600 yards rushing and caught 23 passes for 300 yards coming out of the backfield. Last spring he ran the 300 intermediate hurdles in 38.9 seconds. Pierce was the Class AAA high hurdle (14.3) champion as a sophomore and repeated last spring. Hernandez anchored Alhambra's defensive front last year and should be "much improved in all phases of the game," according to his coach. "He's very coachable and moves well for a big man."

The whole backfield is back. QB Assac Aguirre (5-9, 150) returns for his senior campaign. Jon Smith (5-9, 165) plays tailback and defensive back. Slotback Arnold Stiner (5-10, 165) transfered from West High. So has OT Angel Mendez (5-10, 205), a member of the national honor society, LB Victor Salina (5-11, 190) and DB-QB Steve Malloy (6-2, 175). All will be seniors. Guard Ray Carter (5-10, 180) was a starter in '81. ●

Hawks Launch QB Search



Apollo found success in a 5-3-2 season in 1981, and one dozen lettermen make things look bright in '82. "It was tough at times because of the transition to a new system," says second-year coach Rudy Pacheco, who moved over from Glendale. "But the kids recovered to win their third straight league title."

The Hawks must find a QB and the offensive line must develop if Apollo plans to win another league title. Pacheco has four all-league candidates to build his defense with: DE Bill Comella (6-2, 210, 4.9), DE Dennis Pay (6-4, 200, 5.0), three-year starter Ken Peralta (5-9, 170, 4.8) and RB John Bosak (5-9, 170, 4.9). Bosak squated 480 pounds last spring.

The key to Apollo's offense will be the play of QB Rick Darby (6-1, 170, 4.9), junior WR Derek Elmore (6-1, 165, 4.7) and OG Bob Finn (5-9, 185, 5.1). What the Hawks lack in numbers they make up for in size and quickness. And there might be some surprises in the junior class, which posted a 7-1 record last fall in the JV ranks.

Other seniors with promise include HB Nathan Crowell, HB Louie Montoya, DB Richard Darby, DB John Brogan, DB Sam Fernandez, LB Steve Clark, OL Doug Davis, DE Gary Fuller and OE Jim Archer. ●



BIG CAT — It will take more than one man, much less a fallen man, to bring down PC fullback Scott Groenewold.

Groenewold Paces Cougars' Attack!



Phoenix Christian is coming off a successful 5-4 season which could have been better had the injury bug not struck in October. But the 10 regulars (5 each way) who return from that team want the B-Central title all to themselves this time around.

Veteran coach Walt Beamis has logged a 110-52-3 record at Phoenix Christian, and knows a good group of talent when he sees one.

"We have a good group to work with," says the head coach. "Two key injuries to two all-state candidates took us out of the race last year. We're hoping that won't happen again."

The nucleus of the Cougars' attack will be centered around fullback Scott Groenewold, a 6-3, 220-pound senior. Last fall he doubled at nose-guard, but may be used only as an offensive threat. PCHS opponents will have their hands full with Groenewold.

But if the ground attack is to click in high gear, help must come from the Cougars in the trenches. Center Steve Sasso (6-0, 195) will anchor a massive front wall flanked by tackles Doug Larson (6-2, 220) and Andy Ditterline (6-0, 205). Although Larson is only a junior, his coach insists he has all-league credentials. Senior TE Mike Baker (6-2, 190) is a good blocker, runs the 40 in 4.9 seconds and plays in the secondary.

Senior Gary Hendrix (5-10, 170) returns at linebacker, while junior Eric Hilty (5-8, 150) doubles at WR/DB. There's only one problem: who's going to throw the ball to him?

"We've got to find a quarterback," warns Beamis. "That will be a major factor in our success. It's tough to go all the way to the playoffs without a quarterback."

The two quarterbacks listed on last year's roster, Jeff Taylor and Ken Kortman, have graduated. So a signal caller must be developed from within the ranks, or a transplant from a below average JV team which won only two games.

Seven additional squad members who saw action last year include RB Phil Senseman (5-8, 145), LB Milo Kauffman (5-9, 150), OG Bret Morse (5-10, 165), DE Dean Richardson (5-10, 160), DT Duane Schultze (6-0, 185), CB Jeff Payne (5-9, 150), and WR Andy Stowe (5-10, 150).

"We have a good basic starting unit to start with," adds Beamis. "Now we must come up with a field general." ●

Rebels Ready For Test



Most of the Metro Division schools have struggled to reach the playoffs, but for talent-rich South Mountain, a school known for its athletic supremacy, this type of goal is within reach every season.

This year is no exception. While admitting that last year's 5-4-1 squad was a good one, head coach Moody Jackson believes his 1982 Rebels have a better shot at the league crown than most people think.

"We played everybody but Maryvale tough," says the second-year coach, himself a former South all-stater. "We lost to Trevor Browne by one touchdown."

"Although we will have an inexperienced team, consisting of sophomores and juniors, we have a lot of good young athletes. And a few transfers will probably help."

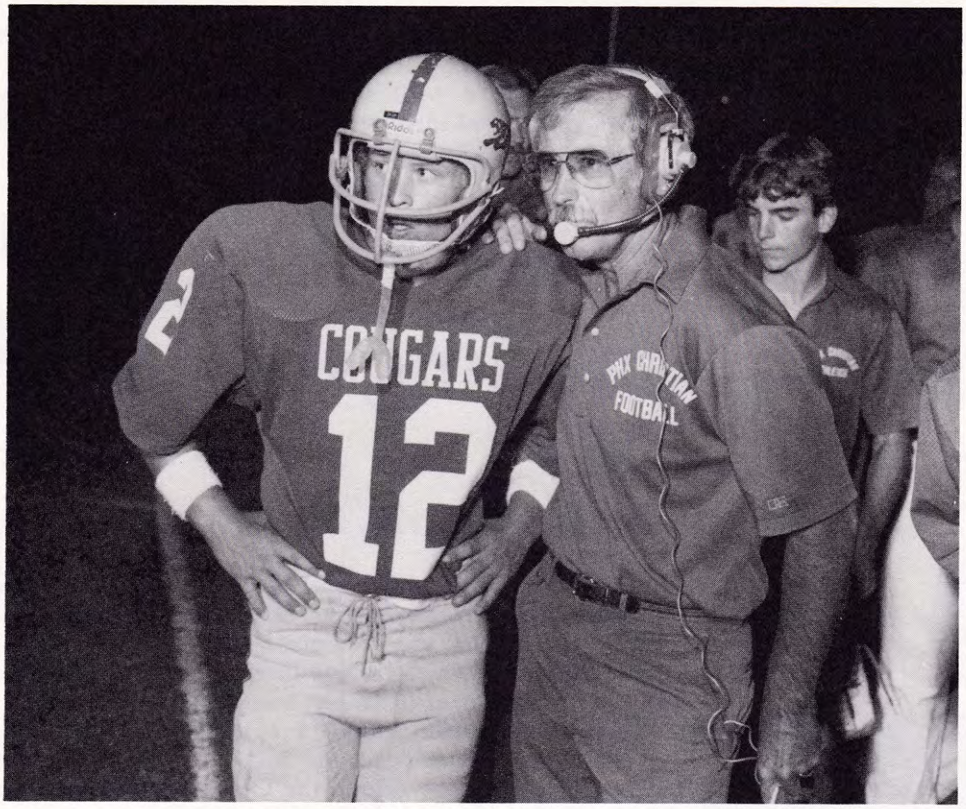
Jackson is hoping that tackle Arthur Rodriguez (6-1, 205) and halfback

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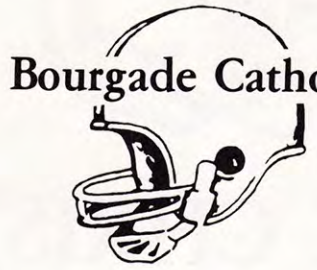
Greg Jackson (5-11, 175) will show that important team leadership. Both are seniors with all-league possibility. Jackson, with 4.7 speed, is one of the team's most dangerous offensive threats. Last year he beat two teams with his kicking game.

A problem slot is quarterback. Junior Clifford Palmer, a 5-10, 165-pound transfer from California, and soph Sandy Sledge (6-1, 170) will battle for the position.

Fullback Shelton Brigham (5-10, 175) will join Jackson in the Rebel's backfield. Junior Eric Burton (6-2, 235) will line up with Rodriguez at the other tackle spot. Phoenix Union transfer Carl Marshall (6-3, 170) can play QB, DB or WR. He's a blue-chipper.

Right now South's main problem seems to be depth. But Jackson and his staff are hoping to solve that problem when at least 20 members of a 5-5 JV unit arrive at practice in August. ●

Golden Eagles Still Learning To Fly

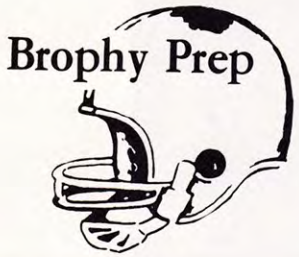


An improved defense and the experience obtained by six starting offensive players in a 3-6-1 season could brighten the picture at Bourgade Catholic. The Golden Eagles could be much more competitive by moving into the Class A West Division.

Junior QB Daniel Lambros (6-0, 180) returns, along with FB Vince Karrick (6-1, 200) and HB Mike Fitzpatrick (5-10, 165), another junior. The center of the Eagles' offense will be anchored by senior Dave Karrick, a 6-1, 200-pounder.

"We feel we had a successful season in our first year," says new coach Jim Davis. "We brought a winning attitude back to the school. Now we have to build on that." ●

Broncos Primed For Jump In Standings





CRUNCH — Brophy Prep defenders nail Apollo halfback for a loss.

Always a threat in the Skyline Division, Brophy Prep again should field a title contender under veteran coach Mickey Ryan. The Broncos finished 6-5 after falling to Moon Valley in the first round of the playoffs.

Only seven squad members are back, but all seven are quality players, and a young transfer from Albuquerque should help matters. WB Ernie Barelo (6-0, 170) is the transfer, and he's only a junior. TB Matt Mahowld (5-11, 195) is one of the Bronco's talented backfield members. Mahowld was the DH for Brophy's outstanding baseball team last spring.

The backfield also includes QB Steve Etsitty (6-0, 175), who doubles at safety, and FB Rhody Sheil (6-0, 198). In the trenches, seniors Jim Garnand (6-0, 220) and Mike Leonard (5-11, 222) will battle for the center slot, with Leonard holding an edge. Jon Stuart (5-11, 222) is a tough offensive guard, while Tom Bayham (5-8, 220) is the Broncs' NG. In senior Jeff Trusiak (6-0, 188), Brophy has one of the Skyline's best linebackers. Last fall the junior varsity broke even, and Coach Ryan hopes members like TE Dana Wells (6-1, 202) and FB Jeff Jackson (5-7, 160) see lots of action. Jackson was the third-baseman for Brophy's Class AAA runnerup baseball team last May. ●

Spartans Improve



Camelback would like to put aside the memories of a grim 3-7 season and return to the playoff laurels of 1980. Veteran Coach Bill Saunders, who once coached many great teams at Phoenix Union, likes what he sees in 12 holdovers and four key transfers.

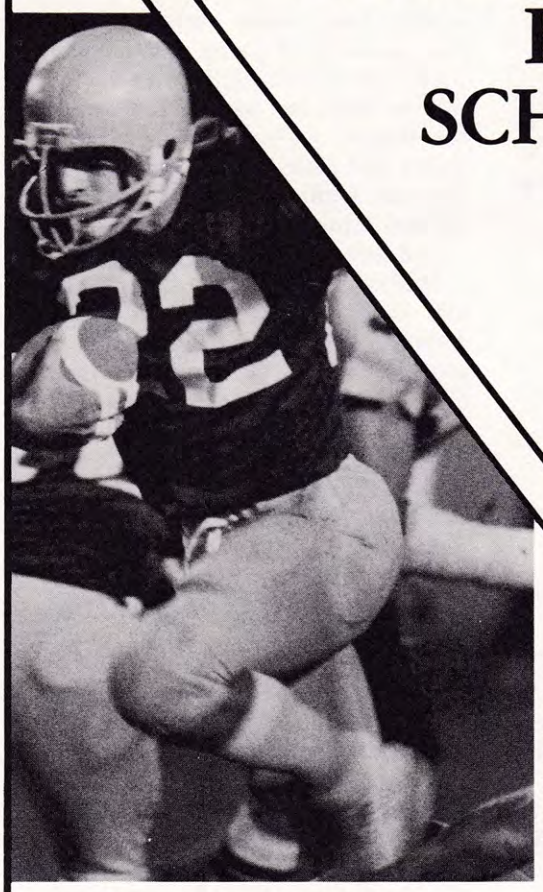
"We had limited personnel last fall and it showed," says Saunders. "But we also did a poor coaching job. We look for improvement in all areas of the game."

Mark Manor (6-3, 185) returns at quarterback and deep back. Halfback John Shannon (5-10, 160) will also double in the secondary. Guard Gary Oulton (5-10, 165) is an experienced offensive player. Saunders and his staff are high on juniors Scott McGinn (5-11, 195) and Larry Kearsley (5-10, 155), both two-way performers.

Transfers from East HS include C-LB Fernando Castillo (5-11, 205), OT Tim Martin (6-2, 195) and LB-FB Frank D'Aliesio. ●

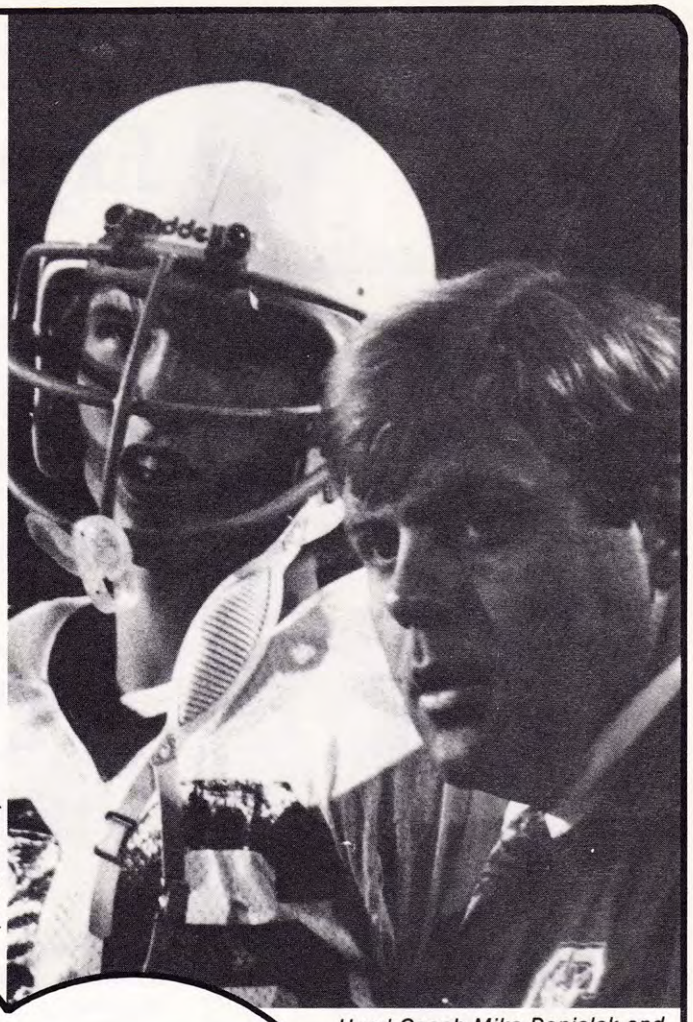
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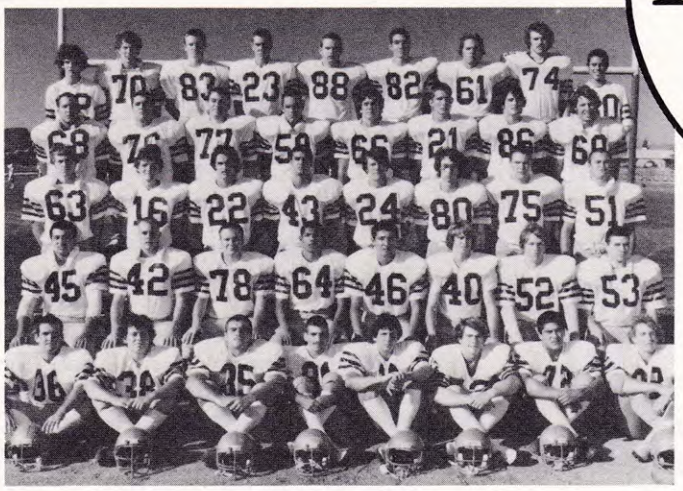
All-State halfback John Philbrick, Northwest Phoenix Player of the Year, now at Glendale CC.



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Head Coach Mike Danielek and former player Glen Shough.

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WINNER — Pat Lavin, 79-18-2 in the prep ranks, talks with QB Shawn Gilbert.

Owls Count On Speed, Experience

In Pat Lavin, Agua Fria has one of the winningest football coaches in Arizona, all classes combined. The Owls' head coach is 79-18-2 in the prep ranks.

Agua Fria, once a pushover before Lavin arrived two years ago, used a bunch of diehard juniors last season to win eight of 10 games. With five offensive players and five defensive starters returning, Lavin believes this could be the Owls' year.



"This will be the best chance for us since I've been here," he claims. "We will still be thin in numbers and size. But our program is in the third year so we should make less mistakes. We were one point away from the playoffs last year."

Glenn Rogers (5-9, 170) was a 1,200 yard rusher with speed (4.7) and strength. He rushed for 288 yards against Deer Valley and intercepted nine passes in 10 games as a defensive back. QB Shawn Gilbert (5-8, 165) may be short but has the best arm in the league. He took over after four games and passed for 600 yards in the final six. A gifted shortstop last spring, Gilbert broke the school's batting record with a .595 average.

Fullback Vince Lopez (5-9, 165) is also back. He runs 40 yards in 4.8, galloped for 900 yards and scored 13 touchdowns as a junior. Nacho Cano is "top dog" in the trenches. The 5-10, 205-pound tackle is only a junior. Tight end Randall McDaniel (6-3, 220) is the biggest and strongest Owl. He benches 270 pounds, squats 475 and dead lifts 525.

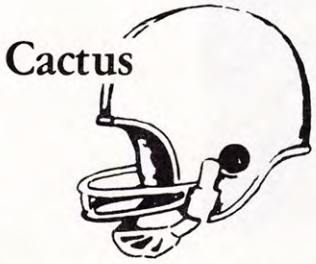
Watch for improvement from running backs Cloyce Lamb (5-10, 165), George Batts (5-11, 157), Gordon Stokey (5-7, 167), and Bryan Harbaugh (5-11, 168). Junior Ruben Gutierrez (5-9, 165) will be the starting center. Additional linemen include Rob Trask (5-8, 167), Dan O'Dea (5-11, 160), Dab Trask (5-8, 156), Shane Arnold (5-10, 170), Barry Smith (5-10, 239), Curt Humphrey (5-10, 174) and John Canidy, Jr. (5-6, 161). As you can see, the Owls are not very big, and their schedule includes the likes of Cortez, Thunderbird and Trevor Browne. ●

Cobras Path Looks Rocky

The four teams that beat Cactus last year all reached the Class AA semifinals. The Cobras finished 6-5 and lost to state champion Flagstaff twice. Although half the roster is back this year, Cactus moves into the Class AAA ranks, and things won't get any easier.

"We will have trouble this year," warns Coach Ron Horn. "We don't have an experienced QB. But we have good speed to make up for our lack of size and depth."

In tackle Jon Dickens (6-3, 215), the Cobras have another major college prospect. Dickens is the younger brother of former all-stater Bennie Dickens, now at New Mexico State. There appears to be good blood elsewhere. Fullback Sam Maya (5-11, 195) is the son of 1963 all-state QB Sam Maya of Glendale HS fame. The younger Maya doubles at linebacker.



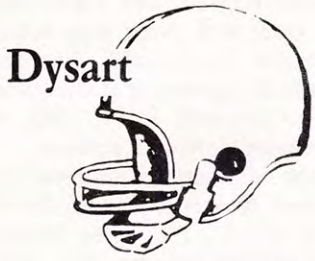
The Cobras line will get their Metro Division baptism early, but Tim Cramer (6-0, 205), Keith Simmons (6-2, 215), Darryl Prophet (6-0, 200) and Wyoming transfer Cary Bradbury (6-0, 180) like the challenge. Thunderbird will be their first opponent. Backs like Aaron Thomas (5-9, 165), Rick Schreiner (6-1, 175) and Robert Lorenz (5-10, 170) will join Maya in the Cobras' wishbone offense and 5-2 defense. ●



LAST OF THE COYOTES — Phoenix Union's Carl Marshall (17) and Willie Jones (35) chase Agua Fria's Glenn Rogers during 27-14 loss to the Owls in 1981. Phoenix Union has closed, but Agua Fria and Rogers are going strong.

Demons Remember

Dysart has one dozen starters back to seek improvement on an 0-9 record in the Class A-West League. The Demons are in the middle of a rebuilding period and appear a year away from title contention. "We had a JV team playing a varsity schedule," says Roy Fenton. "The kids exhibited a great attitude



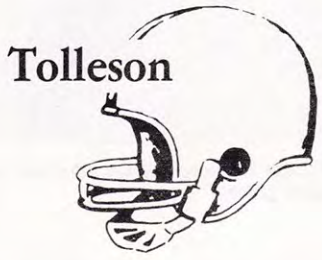
throughout the season. This year the added experience and improved ability could get us into the playoffs."

The toughest Demon is in the line, senior tackle Jeff Gray (6-0, 205). He runs 40 yards in 5.1 and could someday play college ball, according to his coach. Senior Ray Duncan (5-10, 155) and junior Mike Carbajal (5-10, 185) will battle for the QB spot. If Carbajal prevails, Duncan will move to halfback. Senior Ed Pendleton (6-0, 180) is an experienced linebacker and offensive guard.

Wolves Howling

The Wolverines may still be howling after this season concludes, as only four offensive starters and five defenders are back from a 3-7 showing in 1981.

Strange as it is, Tolleson was in every game but one last year, and their wishbone offense outscored the opposition 171-157.



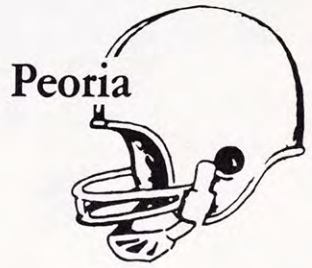
"We will be small," warns head coach Thurman Simmons. "I hope our fans aren't expecting too much from these kids. We have some good football players coming up, but our schedule may be tougher this time around."

This time around the Wolves are counting heavily on LB Steve VanDreel (5-11, 173), QB Ray Green (5-5, 140), MG Art Soto (5-5, 135), OG Andrew Sanchez (5-11, 173) and LB Danny Williamson (6-1, 170) to carry the mail. The mail bag looks really heavy at this time.

Peoria Almost Reached Playoffs

The Panthers won only two games in 1981, but the six offensive and four defensive starters who return from a 2-7-1 team think that experience will help them move up in the AA-Central standings.

"Although our record wasn't very good we felt encouraged with the season, and after struggling early with

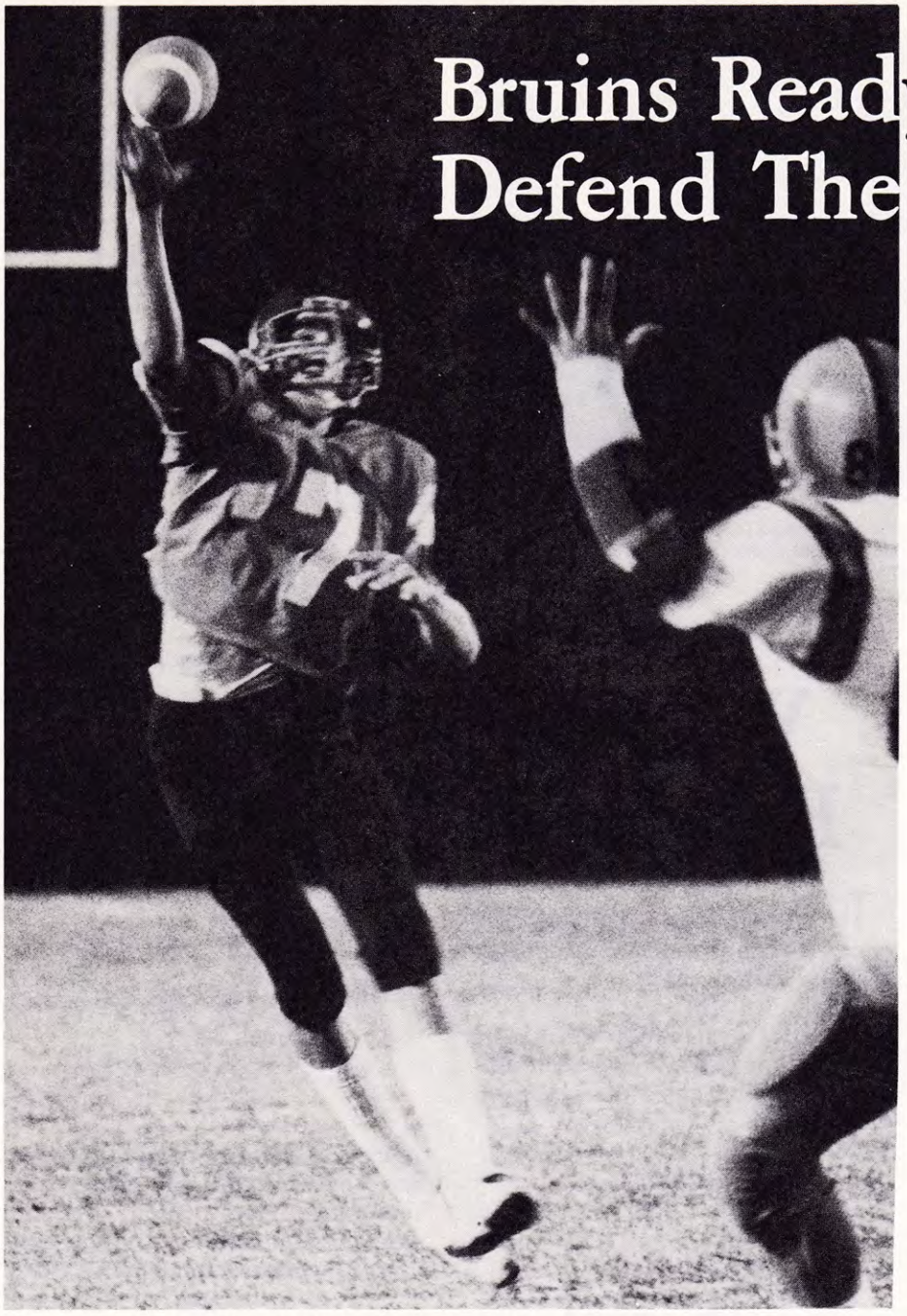


Agua Fria, Gilbert, Gerard, Coconino and Corona del Sol, the players continued to improve from week to week," states head coach Tony Gonzalo. "People may forget, but we were in the divisional playoff race right down to the last week of the season."

Peoria lost almost all their skill players through graduation. This year Gonzalo will rely upon the men in the trenches. Two-way tackle Jay Rosenberg (6-0, 195) is all-league material. So is center-LB Baldo Sanchez (5-10, 180) and guard-LB Jim Steg (5-10, 170). Three additional seniors with experience under fire include TE Greg Cooper (6-0, 180), WB Albert Zavala (5-8, 135) and OG-NG Ron Nix (5-10, 170).

"Gerard should be an improved team after a down year," warns Gonzalo. "Buckeye moves into our division after several good years in the Class A ranks. But I feel that the favorite should be Kingman."

Bruins Ready To Defend The Crown!



TEAM LEADER — With QB Jamie Meek back again, Trevor Browne has an all-state candidate with all sorts of experience. (Robert Schumacker photo)

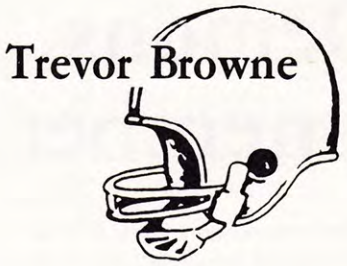
No question about it, the graduation losses at Phoenix Trevor Browne were severe. Blue-chip linebacker Darin Tupper said goodbye and headed for college in Tempe. Three other all-staters waved goodbye. In all, 21 Bruin seniors off a 12-2 state championship club were handed diplomas.

But it was far from a complete talent wipeout. Right now head coach Bill Mitton has the hottest brand going in the Phoenix Metro Division. In the past four years, the Bruins have logged a 9-3, 10-2, 10-4, 12-2 record. Former fullback Forrest Valora is now in the NFL, and the junior college and university ranks are dotted with former TB players.

And QB Jamie Meek is back. The 6-2, 180-pound field general threw for 700 yards in the Bruins' ground-oriented attack which totaled 3,842 yards. But it was the defense which gave Trevor Browne the first state championship trophy for a Phoenix Division school since West laid claim to the 1957 crown. Thanks to numerous turnovers forced by the stingy TB defense, the state champs outscored their opponents 333-146.

Mitton expects help from a 5-3 JV outfit, but the bulk of Trevor Browne's strength will come from last year's returning starters. Like defensive backs Kevin McKee (5-11, 170) and Jeff Sing (5-9, 160), both quick and experienced. Senior Eric Harris (5-8, 150) will also vie for a starting slot.

Trevor Browne's front wall will again be massive. Scatbacks like Dennis Curtis (5-10, 158) and Steve Hegi (5-8, 150) will line up behind the likes of OG Mike Baraban (6-0, 210), OG Robert Forney (5-10, 190), OT Keith Juran (6-3, 215), OT Steve Lloyd (6-0, 220) or OT Al Kessel (6-2, 240).



Don Monson (5-10, 180) is a starting defensive end, and along with senior Tom Gregoire (5-11, 177) give the Bruins loads of experience at that position. Joe Campbell (5-11, 190) is another capable defensive lineman.

QB Meek will have as his receiving corps Richard Walker (6-0, 180), Lance O'Donnell (5-11, 175), Tyler Nielson (5-9, 160) and Eric Johnson (6-2, 165). TB doesn't throw often, but when they do it's effective.

There are several coaches in the Phoenix Metropolis who fear Trevor Browne will be stronger this year. They may be right. If so, it's bad news for everybody. And so is a transfer from Phoenix Union named Ron Auzenne. A tight end-linebacker, Auzenne stands 6-3, weighs 230 pounds and didn't play a down last year. But he may be one of the best football players in the area.

Time will tell. ●

Panthers Speedy At Skill Positions

If supporters of Maryvale were left less than overwhelmed by a 5-5 season in 1981, they should be encouraged by the return of 10 starters from that team. The Panthers lost four of their first five games, then won four of their last five and almost made the playoffs.

"With a very inexperienced group you could watch our improvement on a weekly basis," says Coach Buck Hall. "We still lack championship experience, but have good speed at our skill positions. Our JV team won seven games and some of those kids should help out."

The fastest and most dangerous Panther will be halfback Clark Osborne (5-9, 160), a 4.6 sprinter who also plays in the secondary. Senior John Hoebee (6-0, 190) will be the center of an offensive line which also includes TE Larry Kindred (6-0, 170), guard Bruce Bloomquist (5-9, 185) and junior tackle Larry Contreras (5-10, 210).



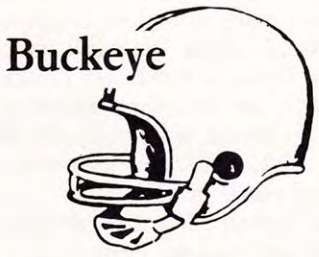
SPECIAL TEAMS — Buck Hall, head coach of the Maryvale Panthers, regroups the kickoff team against rival Trevor Browne. (Phoenix Gazette photo)



The defense appears strong with Bloomquist joining Van Wilson (6-0, 170) and Ken Whelan (5-8, 160) as three of Maryvale's four starting linebackers. Senior Richard Wooten (6-0, 160) doubles at safety and quarterback. Scott Johnson (6-0, 190) is a strong and reliable lineman. The rest of the help must come from that good 7-1-1 JV squad Coach Hall was talking about.

With a little luck the Panthers will be right in the thick of the playoffs. ●

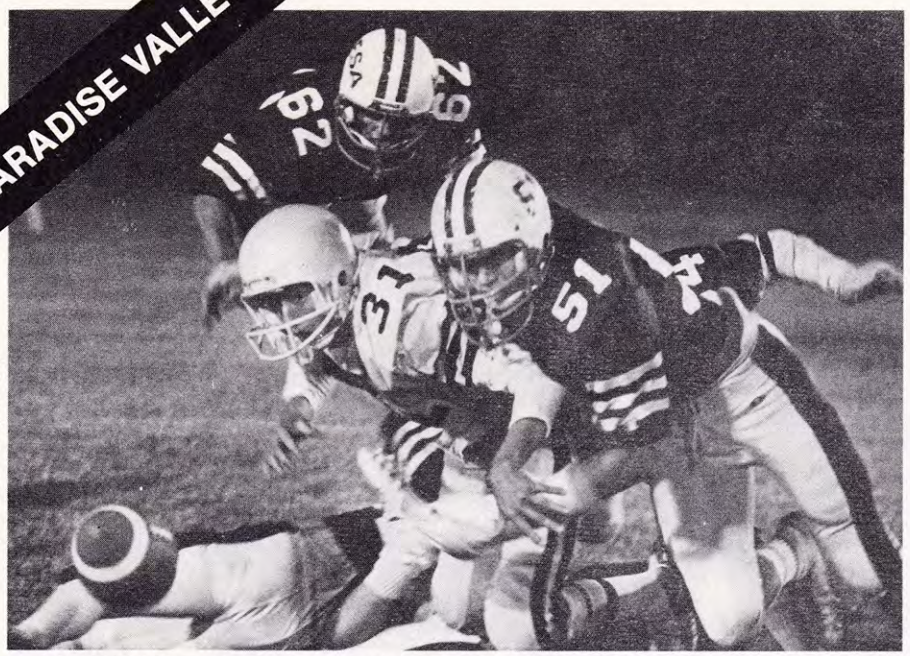
Buckeye Moves Up



The Hawks fielded a veteran club last year and only 13 of 40 squad members are back for 1982. Six skill players and seven linemen are all that's left from Buckeye's previous campaign. But quarterback Kevin Bell is surrounded by running backs Gary McCulley, Jim Brown, Tim Kirkpatrick and Brian Pendergast. Linemen returning include Jeff Lugo, Mark Newman, Tom Burns, Alan Lueck, Robbie Kerns, Rudy Rico and Roger LaFevers. Senior Matt DeShazo (6-1, 185) is a talented tight end.

McCulley, a 6-2, 190-pound senior, appears to be the best running back, while Lueck (6-2, 240) is the biggest and best Hawk in the interior line.

Buckeye compiled an excellent 9-4 record in 1981. They won their final three conference games and beat Snowflake 13-0 in the first round of the Class A playoffs. They followed that with an upset of top-ranked Eloy Santa Cruz, but fell to San Manuel 14-7 in the championship game. This year the Hawks move into the AA-West. ●



(Arizona Republic)

LOOSE BALL — Horizon's Gary Callahan has ball jarred loose by Mesa's Wade Richardson during Class AAA playoffs last November.

Huskies Already A Title Threat

Horizon

The rebuilding job Richard Gray fashioned at Horizon was the highlight of the season in the Paradise Valley region. The Cinderella season came to an end in the state quarter-finals with a loss to Mesa. But the Huskies' 10-2 record was a complete turnaround from 1980, when they finished 1-9 in their first year.

With QB John Smithbaker calling signals, Horizon's offense passed for 1,500 yards and rushed for more than 2,000. But Smithbaker and several grads have moved into the JC ranks, leaving only eight returning starters and several gaps to fill.

"We got the program off the ground," says Gray, who moved over from rival Shadow Mountain. "We built a winning attitude and made the playoffs. But we still need to improve. They've moved us from the Metro to the Skyline Division and it's going to get tougher."

Skyline foes will still have to stop Horizon's biggest weapon, running back Ray Green (see cover). The 6-0, 190-pound tailback rushed for 1,000 yards (5.4 average per carry), scored 96 points (2nd among AAA backs), 16 touchdowns and caught 14 passes for 185 yards coming out of the backfield.

But several coaches think Green's strength is on defense, where he lined up as an end, linebacker or monster back. And he was a real monster. "He hurt us more on defense than offense," said Agua Fria's Pat Lavin. "His blitzing tactics really caused us problems."

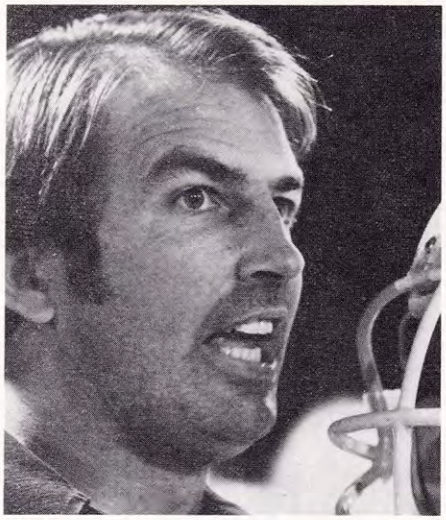
Another college prospect in the Huskies' lineup is tackle Lee Anderson (6-3, 205), an all-league winner as a junior. Anderson and teammate John Collins (6-2, 225) give Horizon two top-notch tackle candidates.

Mark Trafton (6-0, 170) doubles at WR/DB and runs 40 yards in 4.7. He caught 26 passes for 443 yards last year. Split end Gary Callahan (6-0, 160) is the fastest Huskie with 4.6 speed. Mark Doughty (6-1, 160) is a quality defensive back.

And there's more: DE Rob Conrad (6-2, 188) made 51 solo tackles, junior Steve Spurling (6-0, 212) will start at center, Jim Welch (5-9, 175) and Kevin Foster (5-10, 158) could see action on defense, HB Jeff Seiler (5-8, 160) and DB Tim Esmay (5-7, 140, 4.8) add speed to the Huskies' attack, RB Dan Galindo (5-9, 150) saw action as a junior, and QB Mike Templeton (6-0, 150) finally gets his chance.

But the three key performers will be Green and tackles Anderson and Collins. One opposing coach warned, "If Green ever learns to run north and south with those big tackles up front, that kid may rush for 2,000 yards."

Only one AAA back in Arizona history, Tucson Sunnyside HS and Oklahoma University's Fred Sims, has rushed for more than 2,000 yards in a single season. When Horizon lost to Mesa in the second round of the playoffs last year, Green didn't play. He was hurt. This season Huskie fans hope he plays them all. ●



GRAY — Richard turned team around from 1-9 to 9-1 in regular season play.

Trojans: Nowhere But Up

Things really can't get much worse for the Paradise Valley Trojans. Last year, head coach Ron Barela watched his team finish winless, registering an 0-10 mark in the Skyline Division. To add insult to injury, the JV unit posted a similar 0-8 record.

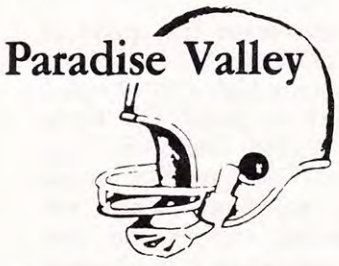
This year Barela is hoping for a little better showing than he saw in 1981.



FUMBLE — Paradise Valley defenders swarm Shadow Mountain ball carrier in October shootout.

But the Trojans' boss will have to do it with only five returning lettermen. "We'll just have to wait and see," he said last spring. "I really don't know what we'll be like. But the fact that Paradise Valley may become a closed school district will help. All the kids keep enrolling in the new schools. That may come to an end."

And hopefully so will the Trojans' losing streak. At the top of the list of quality players is junior QB Rick Johnson (6-0, 170). An honorable



mention all-league performer as a soph, Johnson passed for 842 yards and seven touchdowns in six games. He was instrumental in helping PV break the school passing record of 1,181 total yards.

Fullback Steve Schnieder (5-9, 170) runs a 4.8 and will be the main ball carrier, while center Mark Spann (5-9, 170) will anchor the Trojans' young and inexperienced line. Split end Darin Wiley (5-9, 150) will be QB Johnson's prime target. ●

Eagles Still Flying High



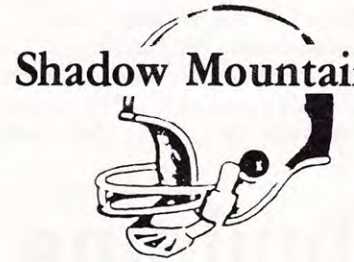
The Eagles flew through a near-perfect 7-2 season in 1981, and Coach Bernon Benson hopes to match that mark, or improve it. "We should be strong again, but Mayer and Salome are really tough," remarked Benson last spring. "Seligman has the speed to be a darkhorse. But I also like our chances."

On a negative note, place kicker Tom Hutchinson, an all-state selection as a junior, will be too old to play by one day. But enough squad members return to give SC a shot at the C-North crown.

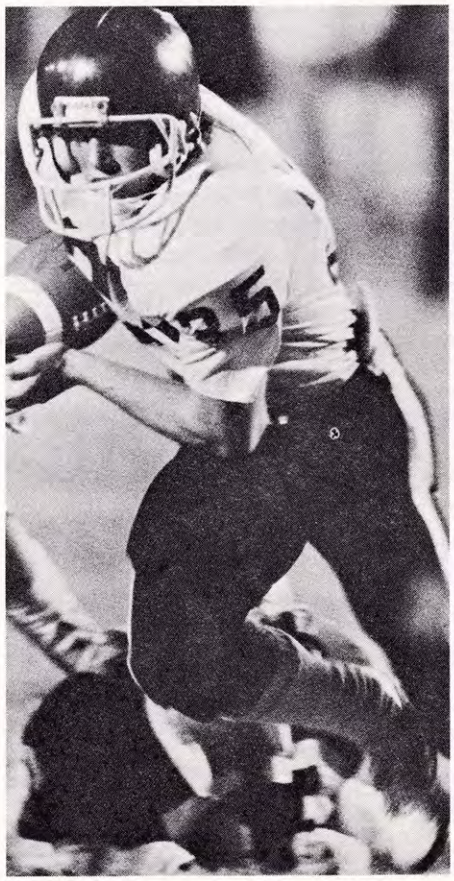
QB Gale Cauan (5-11, 130) will direct the Eagles' 8-man offense. Fullback John Dixon (6-2, 150) is tall, lean and fast. End Suen Holt (6-3, 165) is another big target. So is WR Mark Hocking (6-1, 155). Juniors Jack Benson (5-6, 130) and Bob Staue (5-9, 150) will be offensive guards.

The defense appears in good hands with end Randy Paul (5-10, 140) and linebackers Tim Harris (5-9, 140) and Scott Snarey (5-10, 165). If the Eagles can beat Mayer in Mayer on Sept. 9, watch out! ●

Matadors Regroup After 4-6 Finish



The Matadors fell to 4-6 in 1981, but help is on the way from a sophomore class which finished 8-0 in the JV ranks. Still, Shadow Mountain will rely upon five key seniors to improve their fortunes in the Skyline A-League: Hugh Verbalaitis (6-3, 220) is one of the best and quickest (4.9) defensive linemen in the Skyline. The talented Matador also doubles at tight end. Others to watch include RB Rob Kroener (5-10, 170), DB Chuck Nixon (5-9, 166), OT Mike Munguia (5-11, 200) and OT Bret Heath (6-1, 195). Nixon, like Verbalaitis, won all-league honors in 1981. ●



(Arizona Republic)

SIX — Shadow Mountain's Rob Kroener runs to daylight against Greenway's Demons in 1st quarter action.



ESCAPE — The best QB in Scottsdale is Drew Siler at Coronado, escaping the rush against McClintock's defense.

Last season Coronado pulled together after a 2-2 start, won the AAA Central Division B-League race, and reached the playoffs before falling to McClintock in a real thriller. Coach Tom Dahl has moved into the college ranks as an assistant at Scottsdale CC. He didn't leave the cupboard bare.



New coach Joe Corte moves in from Scottsdale HS and finds himself faced with 20 returning lettermen from an 8-3 outfit. Gone is blue-chip defender Frank Rudolph (ASU) and halfback Scott Bucher (New Mexico), but Corte returns six starters on offense and six on defense from a team which finished 5-0 in league play. Cream of the crop is QB Drew Siler, one of the best athletes in the Central Division. Siler, a third baseman on Coronado's record-setting baseball team, rushed for 300 yards and passed for more than 900 despite torn ligaments in his throwing thumb. He later set a school hitting record, batting .525 for a team which hit .423 in 26 games.

Three quality linemen include tackle Jon Petruzzi (6-1, 205), tackle Tim Gordon (5-8, 210) and guard Vic Hickman (5-10, 185). The Dons got a bonus when Joe Dorame, a 5-9, 180-pound junior guard, moved over from St. Mary's. "He would have been a starter had he stayed here," says St. Mary's head coach, Pat Farrell.

Other starters for Joe Corte include safety Mike Wagner (5-9, 170), center Steve Galloway (6-2, 190), NG Jack Simon (5-8, 170), OG Mike Darrow (6-0, 210), SE Jim Scoins (5-10, 170), receiver Jeff Rowland (5-7, 170), DE Jim Tharp (6-3, 195) and promising TE Tim McInnis (6-0, 190).

More than one dozen additional Dons should help Joe Corte's first year at Coronado become a happy one. ●

Redcoats Have Playoff Glow Again



The Redcoats made few sparks of note in a depressing 1-8-1 season, but spirits are running high with 17 squad members back in force. QB Kevin Haugen (6-0, 165) and TE Brian Haugen (5-11, 205) are two seniors with varsity experience. Brian was Gerard's leading receiver and best blocker. The coaches are high on junior Scott Henry (6-1, 185), a linebacker with 4.9 speed. Junior Mark Trusiak (5-9, 165) started every game as a down lineman last year, and is one of the strongest members of the team. This fall the coaches will start him at fullback. He runs the 40 in 4.8 seconds.

Another gifted junior with varsity experience is tackle Richard Staley (5-10, 210, 4.8). Senior RB Chris Daley (5-9, 165, 4.8) adds speed and depth to the Redcoats' attack. So does RB Rick Iafrate, TE Craig Flying, OG Mike Duginski, OT Paul Briehl, OG James

Titans Still Rebuilding



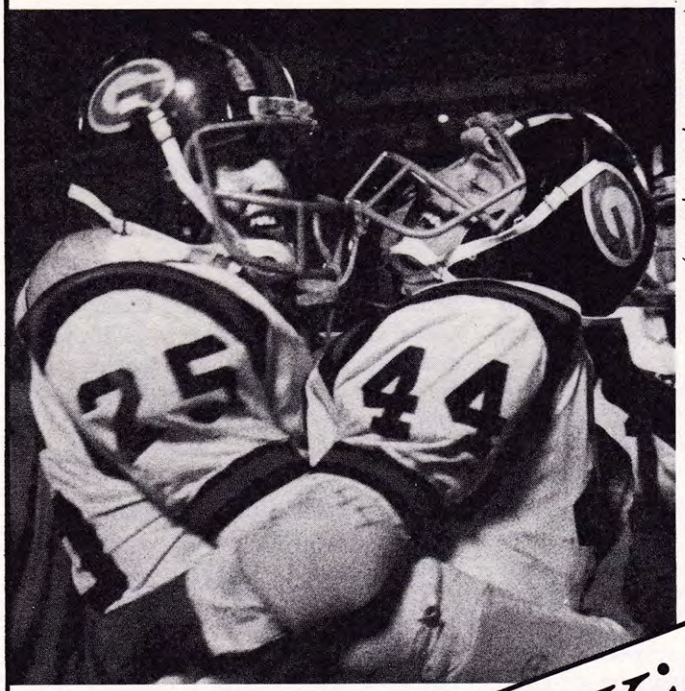
The Titans return seven lettermen from a 5-5 club — the best Arcadia team in 10 years. New head coach Gary Howard will be hard pressed to match that mark in '82, but Mike Grossner's ability and leadership may turn the tide. Grossner, a 6-2, 185-pound senior, will double at QB and safety. "He's the key man," says last year's coach, Dale Peterson.

But Grossner can't do it alone. He'll need help from halfback Randy Warner (6-0, 166), tailback Adam Driggs (5-8, 165) and wide receiver Bob Peirce (6-2, 195). Warner and Driggs double in the secondary while Peirce plays linebacker.

Other two-way players include FB-LB Todd Holtrop (6-0, 190) and TE-FS Larry Tietjen (6-3, 200). A player of the future could be junior tackle Scott Gesicki (6-1, 230), the strongest Titan on the field. ●

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Coach John Carroll guided Gerard through a state championship season in 1979, climaxed by a 13-0 win over Gilbert in the Class AA title game. It seemed like only yesterday. The Redcoats are itching for this season to get started. ●

Beavers Change



Scottsdale will change coaches with Wayne Bailey taking over for the departed Joe Corte. Bailey coached the Beavers in the early 1970's, so he's no stranger to the system. He welcomes 13 holdovers, mostly linemen, from a good 8-3 club in 1981.

Although Bailey's previous teams threw the ball a lot, they'll be more "ground oriented" this time around. QB Doug Lane (5-10, 180) runs a 4.9 and will direct the Beaver's wishbone or veer offense. He also starts in the secondary. Watch for fullback Dan Gray (5-10, 190) to be the team's chief ground gainer. Shawn Smalley (6-2, 225) can play tackle on both sides of the line. Lineman Scott Shewak (5-11, 230) represented Arizona's AAU all-star wrestling team this summer abroad.

Other returnees with potential include TB Doug Blouin (5-10, 160), RB Jeff Bierce (5-10, 170), center Mike Kaff (5-10, 180), OT Mike Peterson (6-1, 225), DT John Norling (6-2, 230), OG Richard Snelling (6-0, 215), SE Dino Secchiari (5-10, 170), SE Dan Southworth (6-1, 176) and TE Pat Smith (6-1, 200).

Two promising juniors up from the soph unit are linebackers Matt Winter (5-11, 185) and Bill Flecher (5-10, 166). Scottsdale lost to state champion Trevor Browne in the first round of the playoffs last fall. ●

Cats' Strength Still In Trenches



Although no Scottsdale teams survived past the first round of the state playoffs, it was the best overall season in years. The five area schools were 34-18-0 (.654) for the 1981 season, with a 28-12-0 record (.700) vs out-of-district competition.

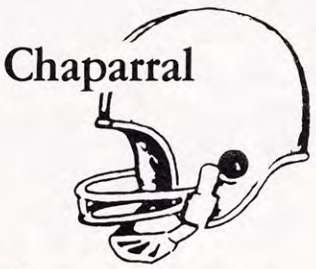
One of the highest scoring teams in the state was Saguaro. The Sabercats finished 8-3 after falling to Tempe in a Colorado playoff. Coach Bob Keller's forces gained over 3,000 yards in 10 regular season games, almost twice that of their opposition.

"It was extremely exciting through the first eight games," remarked Keller last spring. "Then it was heartbreak hotel for the players who had worked so hard. We lost our last two league games, each by an interception."

Only eight squad members are back for 1982, explaining why Keller doesn't think the 'Cats will be as strong this time around. Best of the lot is LB Jeff Miller, a 6-2, 215-pound senior who can also play QB. Last year Miller took part in more than 90 tackles, intercepted one pass, knocked down two and recovered two fumbles. "He's an all-state candidate," insists his head coach.

Two other Saguaro seniors with all-league potential include center-DT Wade Nelson (5-11, 205) and OT-DT Eric Button (6-0, 200). Fullback Todd Hemric (5-11, 180) runs a 4.8 and plays on the defensive line. Tailback Scott Ori (5-9, 150) is also a two-way performer; tackle Greg Johnson (6-5, 230) is the biggest 'Cat in camp. ●

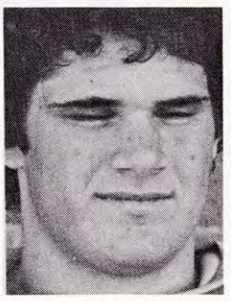
Firebirds Get Their Kicks



The Scottsdale City champs return 18 squad members from a 5-5 club which beat playoff-bound Coronado 14-6. Coach Tom Stincic, a former Dallas Cowboy linebacker, may have fared better last fall had he not lost QB Chris Holmes at midseason with an injury.

Kicker Richard Jones will again be the Firebirds' biggest weapon. At 6-1, 166, the City Soccer Player of the Year made all five field goal attempts in '81, including three against powerful Mountain View. His 47-yarder was a school record, and so was his 41.3 punting average. In the spring he won the pole vault, high jump and high hurdles in the Scottsdale city track meet.

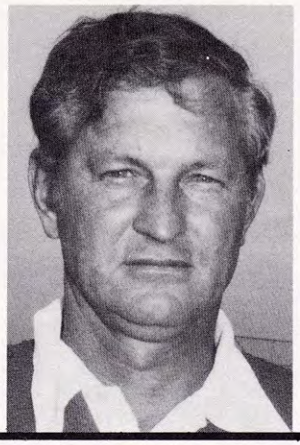
Top returning ball carrier is Lee Bishop (5-11, 180), also a good defensive back, while Tim Harlen (6-2, 205) will again be Chaparral's best lineman. A top-notch defender, Harlen won first team all-league and all-city honors as a junior, and should be one of the top prospects in the Scottsdale area.



Tim Harlen, Chaparral DT

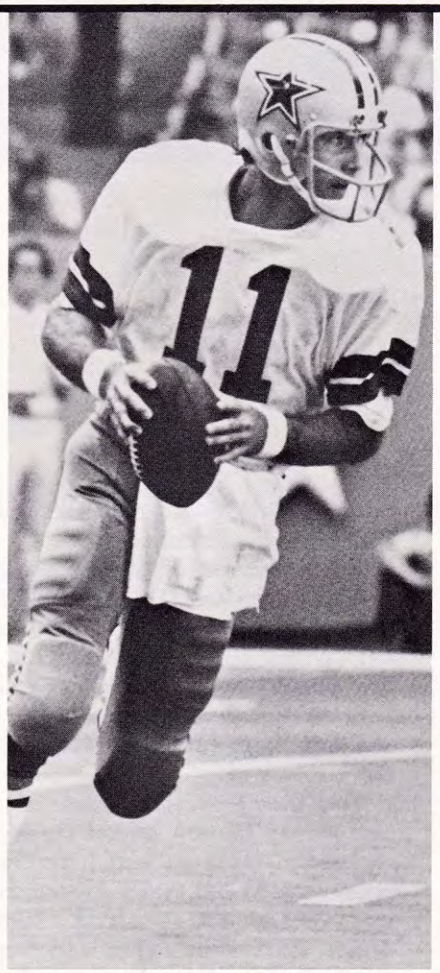


Jeff Miller, Saguaro LB



Coach Jerry Loper And His Staff Take This Time To Salute Several Great Warriors Of The Past . . .

WESTWOOD WARRIORS



QB Danny White, NFL Dallas Cowboys, 1969 honorable-mention all-state . . .



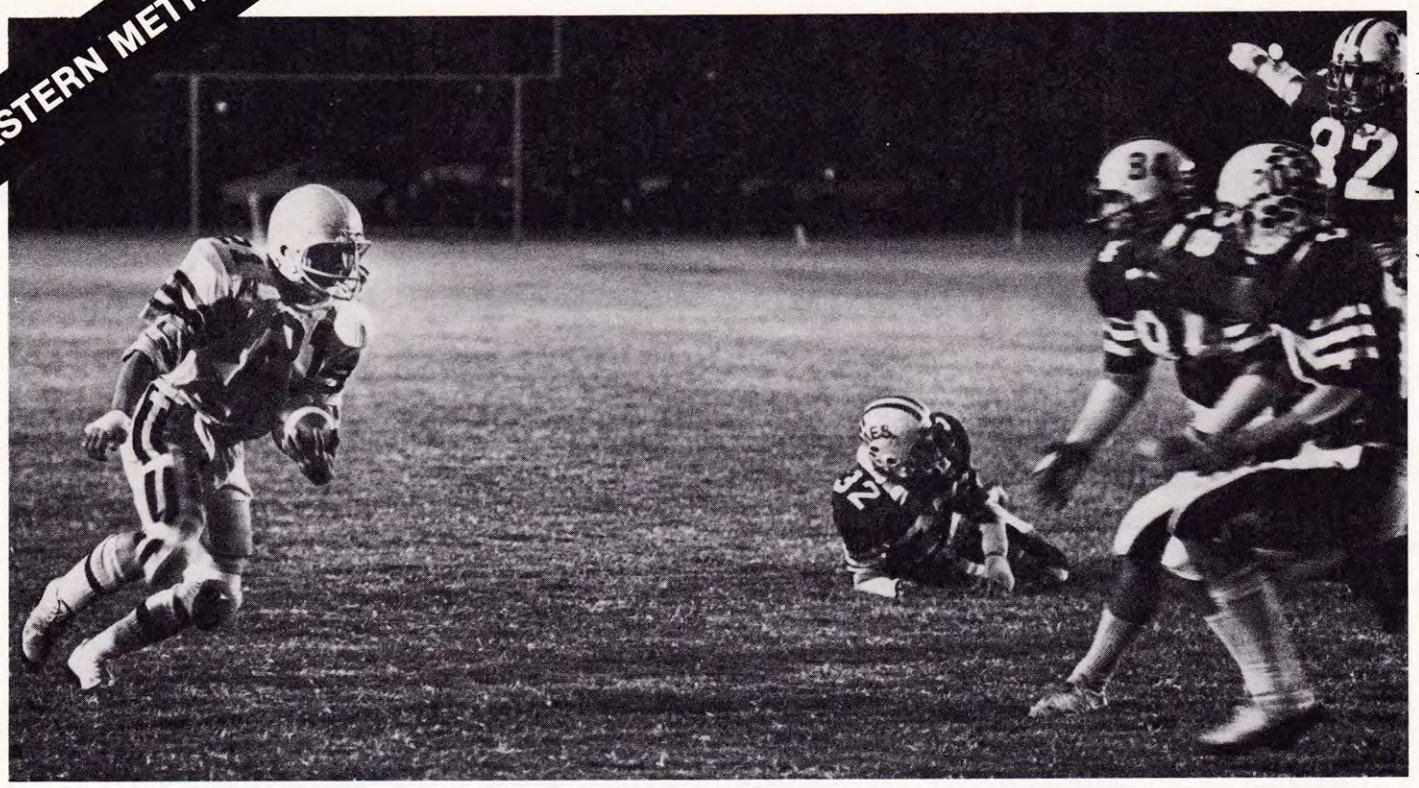
The late Chris Emerson, 1978 honorable mention all-state, a great Warrior . . .



RB Ronnie Bonner, 1974 Prep All-American . . .

WESTWOOD HIGH SCHOOL
MESA, ARIZONA

Go Warriors! Go!



(Arizona Republic)

SURROUNDED — Defense and the passing game led Mesa into the 1981 playoffs. Above, Jackrabbit defenders close in on Horizon ball carrier in November showdown.

Rabbits' Tradition Tops

Coach Ben Arredondo hopes that his system, which produces a championship-caliber team almost every year, continues to improve. The Jackrabbits played 13 games in 1981. State champion Trevor Browne played 14. Mesa fell to Tucson Salpointe in the AAA semifinals after knocking off Horizon in the quarters.

The Jackrabbits lost five games but played everybody tough. They blitzed Trevor Browne early in the year and lost 7-3 to Mountain View. They totaled 445 yards offense against McClintock, and finished the season with 4,224 overall — 2,429 rushing and 1,795 passing.

No school in Arizona has won as many games as Mesa (see chart), and it appears that nobody is going to catch them. "We have made the state playoffs two out of three years now," smiles Arredondo. "I feel we will be a definite contender this year too."

Although it doesn't seem possible, all phases of the game look sound. The junior varsity went 7-1 (lost 7-6 at Mt. View) and will fill in the gaps. The 'Rabbits again have a major college prospect in two-way tackle Doug Allred (6-2, 225). The bruising senior runs the 40 in 4.9 and will be tough to stop.



Last year's QB Chris Stanfield passed for more than 1,700 yards. This year's signal caller, David Hill (5-10, 170), should bust the 1,000-yard barrier also. He'll have a gifted crop of receivers, starting with senior Jeff Rush (6-0, 175, 4.8), one of several Mesa "game breakers," according to the Mesa staff.

The others include running backs Dan Woods (6-1, 190, 4.8) and Rick Russell (6-0, 180, 4.8). Russell and QB Hill double as defensive backs.

Other members of last year's league champions include DB Larry Warner (6-1, 185), DE Jared D'Ababbo (6-0, 195), center Bob Ferrin (5-8, 170), LB Pete Piazza (5-9, 175), OG Joe Canez (5-8, 160), DT Rick Peters (6-0, 190) and DB Brett Lambson (5-10, 175), also a split end.

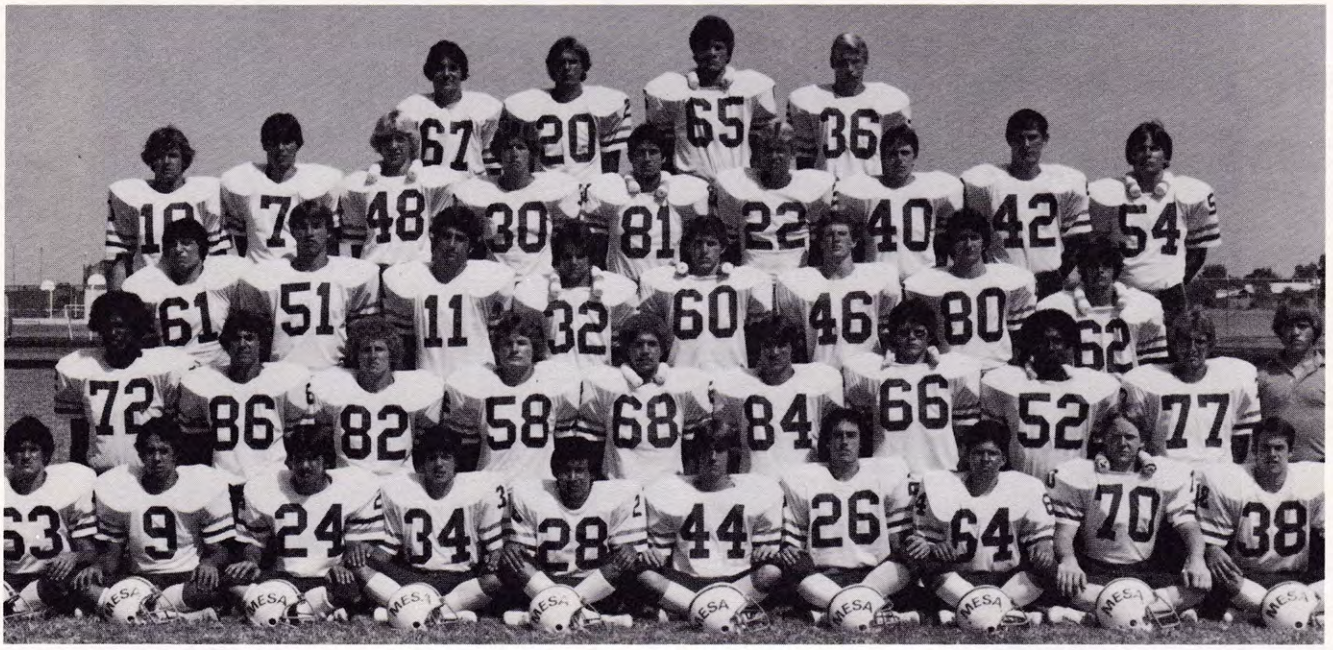
More than a dozen members of that near-perfect JV unit have a chance to contribute. Linemen who have drawn praise include Ron Howard, Scott Stoffen, Shawn Sevey, David Turner, Chuck Zerr, Mike Lance and Regan Smith. Backs with bright hopes include Troy Siren, Darrin Nelson, Frank Ochea, Scott May, Darrin Owens, John Scott and Rick Winsor, to name a few.

Traditionally, the Rabbits start slow and finish fast. But if they come out shooting against Marcos de Niza, Dobson and Westwood, watch out! Before you know it Mesa will have won its 500th game. ●

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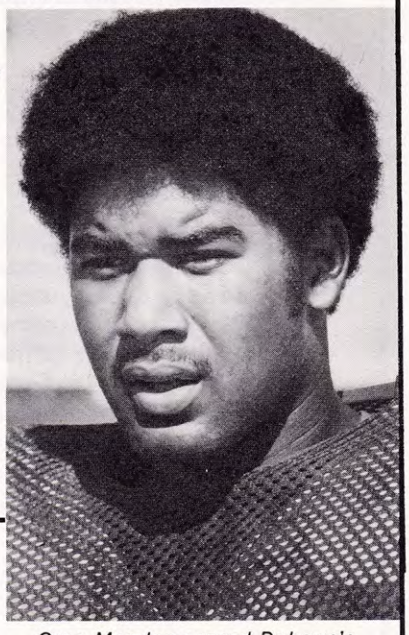
Dobson High School's first football team, 1981, posted a 4-5-0 won-loss record...

(Mesa Tribune photo)



Second-year head coach Mike Clark has coached at both Arizona and Tulane.

DOBSON HIGH... A Good Thing Growing



Greg Mendes scored Dobson's first official touchdown vs Lake Havasu in 1981!

GO! MUSTANGS GO!

GOOD LUCK IN '82 IN AAA!

Wild Horses Return 32 Lettermen

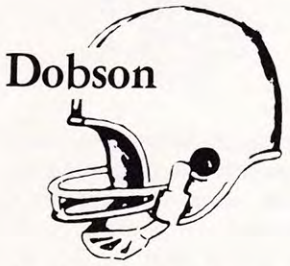
It won't take the Mustangs long to get acquainted this fall. Coach Mike Clark returns 32 squad members from the school's first outing, a 4-5 campaign playing an independent schedule. This season both Dobson and the schedule get tougher.

"In our first year we accomplished a great deal," says Clark, who has also coached in the college ranks. "A great deal of progress took place last year. The future looks bright."

Almost everybody is back... and then some. Halfback Greg Mendes (6-1, 200) scored the school's first TD and finished with 640 yards rushing. With 4.6 speed his coaches insist he's a college prospect. "Since last fall he has improved both his attitude and his skills," adds Clark.

Like all new schools transfers will play a big role. The fastest Mustang appears to be Richard Alexander (6-1, 180), a DB from Indiana with 4.5 speed. QB John Murphy (6-3, 205) lettered as a sophomore for Clark at Thunderbird HS. He's now a Mustang. Fullback Derwin Crumpton (5-10, 200, 4.7) rounds out the backfield.

Split end Richard Becerra (5-10, 150) managed to catch 18 passes before missing half the season with an injury. He runs 40 yards in 4.7 seconds and plays guard on the basketball team. The best guard on the football team



may be junior Paul Flores (5-9, 205, 4.9). Mario Norjega (5-10, 175, 4.8) is a first-class linebacker.

Other talented Mustangs include LB-RB John Wyss (5-6, 155, 4.7), DE Don Steinbrecher (5-9, 165,4.7), DE Jon Cabano (5-8, 165, 4.8), FB Scott Boice (5-11, 170, 4.8), LB Carl Pautlitz (5-8, 190, 4.9), TE Tony Farr (6-3, 190, 4.8), OT Nick Markette (6-1, 205, 4.9), LB Troy Homewood (6-0, 200, 4.7), a soccer and track star, and LB Tony Villaverde (5-9, 190, 4.8), who bench press 300 pounds.

But there's more Mustangs in Dobson's corral, like running backs David Munoz, Joe Swingle (grandson of former Phoenix Union great, Fay), Raul Cardenas, David Austin, Mike Powell, Scott Peloquin, Sal Anglada, Anthony Enoch, Tim Gilbride, Freddie Lowe, Allen Montoya, Tim Capterton, Joe Ledesma and Mike Bollinger. Steve Cuomo adds depth to the receiver corps, while Jim Zaccone, Kraig Kessler, James Fletcher, Blaine Mills and Doug Orison give depth to the line.

It appears that Dobson is better stocked and better prepared to enter the tough Central Division than any newcomer in more than a decade. Ironically, they open Class AAA play at home on September 10 against the other new kid on the block — Corona del Sol from Tempe. ●

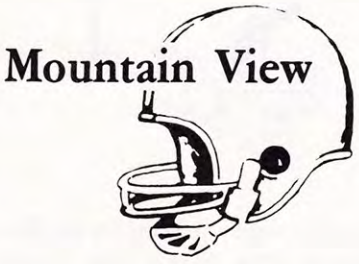
Toros Will Play For Keeps

There were two certainties about the Toros' football team last fall: 1) Coach Jesse Parker and his squad were loaded for bear, and 2) his team was playing the season for fun. Because of A.I.A. spring football violations, the Toros (and nearby Chandler High) spent the 1981 campaign on probation. They would play only 10 games.

There are two certainties about Mountain View's football season this year: 1) the Toros are again loaded for bear, and 2) they'll play this season for real! Not that last year was a total washout. After losing their opener to St. Mary's, Parker regrouped his forces and won nine straight games. They still have not lost a league game since entering the AAA wars five years ago. They have lost only one home game.

Last season, Mountain View finished 9-1 and won the league championship. Nobody seemed to notice. Another well-kept secret was the won-loss record of the Toros' underclassmen. The sophomore club finished 8-0 and the juniors 7-1. That's a 24-2-0 record overall.

"We still regret we were not able to find out how good we really were," says Parker. "But we should have a



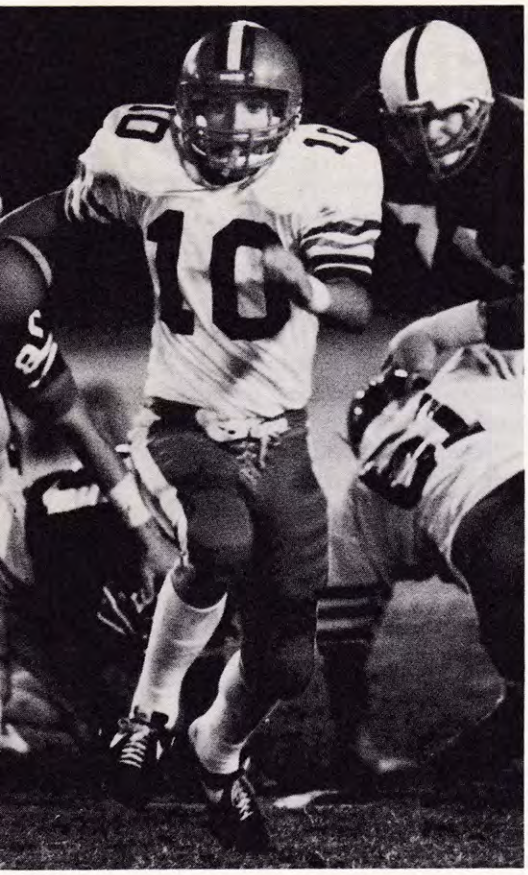
good team again. We believe we will have one of the state's best clubs. Everybody in school is excited about it."

The Toros look strong everywhere. In senior Keith Moody (6-5, 220), Parker has his best college prospect since all-staters Todd Shell (BYU) and Ron Sowers (ASU). Moody goes both ways and plays with enthusiasm. But what Toro doesn't?

QB Mike Springer (6-0, 170) returns, and Parker plans to build the offense around him. "But he doesn't have the job locked in," warns the head coach. "Everybody has to work at it. But it helps to have your QB back." Springer runs a 4.7 and is one of the quickest players on the team.

Joining Moody at the other tackle slot will be Gary Hicok (6-1, 190), a senior with 5.1 speed. His size and quickness fits the Mountain View mold. Moody and Hicok will be expected to open the holes for mini-FB Scott Bosley (5-8, 155), a burner with 4.7 speed. In recent years, the Toros have destroyed their opponents with quick, little running backs.

The strength of the defense is in the hands of a pair of bookends, seniors Kim Sickmiller (6-0, 190. 4.9) and



LOOK OUT — Mt. View QB Mike Springer springs for yardage during 41-14 rout of McClintock. (Arizona Republic photo)

Dean Clouse (6-0, 190, 4.8). Like all MVHS defenders, they love to hit and work hard during the off-season. And both are smart, intelligent football players.

The coaching staff also has plans for safety Greg Frias (5-7, 150), kicker Wayne Griggeory (5-8, 150), WR Jim Edwards (5-9, 150), WB Pete Crimmins (5-9, 160), OG Mike Mancini (5-9, 170), and DL Lalo Frias (5-10, 190).

Last year's probation incident was a bitter pill to swallow for the Toros' competitive coach. But the season had its bright spots. His team again beat Central Division toughie McClintock. They beat playoff-bound teams Mesa and Coronado. Parker won his 100th game (103-35-3 in prep ranks) and his .750 winning percentage is one of the best in the state.

He has coached only four major college blue-chip prospects since 1969, but his teams have blitzed schools which send players to places like Arizona State, Arizona, Brigham Young, Stanford, UCLA, California and Notre Dame, to name a few. His teams traditionally play well in "big games." Coaches in Arizona must worry about that again. ●

Warriors Depend On Pagan, Defense



Once again Westwood coach Jerry Loper realizes the long road his Warriors must travel to reach the Central Division football playoffs. Only seven starters return from a 7-3 finish in 1981.

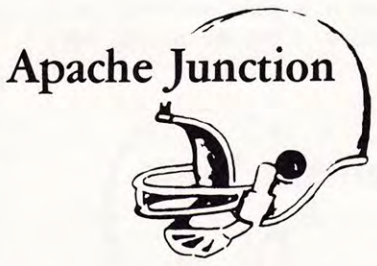
Like most schools in the Mesa-Tempe region, Westwood is searching for a quarterback for the 1982 campaign. Too bad Loper and his staff can't jump aboard a time machine and travel back to 1969. It was that Warrior team, a tremendous 9-1 outfit, which was quarterbacked by Danny White, presently the starting QB for the Dallas Cowboys.

"We could use him this fall," laughed Loper last spring. "We just don't have the number the school had in those days. But we've got our share of hard-nosed high school players. The junior varsity had a good season and some of those kids might help out."

That JV unit finished 6-4 and should supply the varsity with several key performers. But the rest of the Warriors' starting lineup will consist of veteran players like defensive backs John Hammond (5-10, 160) and Matt Sutton (6-0, 160), and tackles Nevelle Howard (5-11, 195) and Ken Olson (6-3, 220). In guard Don Pagan (5-9, 190), Loper has a small but tough player who should earn all-league honors before graduation.

Although quarterback White is probably the most famous and popular Warrior at Westwood, many additional players have gone on to glory in the college ranks. One of the most recent stars was fullback Chris Emerson, later a starter at Scottsdale CC. But following his initial year at Kansas last fall, Emerson died of a heart attack. According to several school officials at Westwood, he was a great Warrior. ●

Backs Lift AJ's Hopes



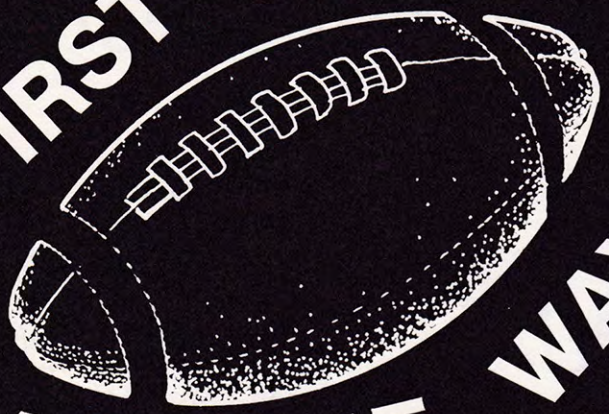
It may be rough sledding for the Prospectors in 1982. Coach Leon Trotter returns only seven lettermen from a successful 8-3 Class A playoff team last year. He may have to rely upon incoming sophomores and a soph QB. "It was a good year but we fell short of our goal," says Trotter. "Depth will be a problem for us, but we have a few outstanding players who could make the difference."

Two will be in the backfield: HB Mark Records (5-10, 180) and FB Matt Wright (6-0, 180). Trotter also expects "big plays" from safety Tim Mendez (5-6, 150) and tackle Troy Vickery (6-0, 205). Mendez was the starting shortstop on the Prospectors' outstanding baseball club last spring.

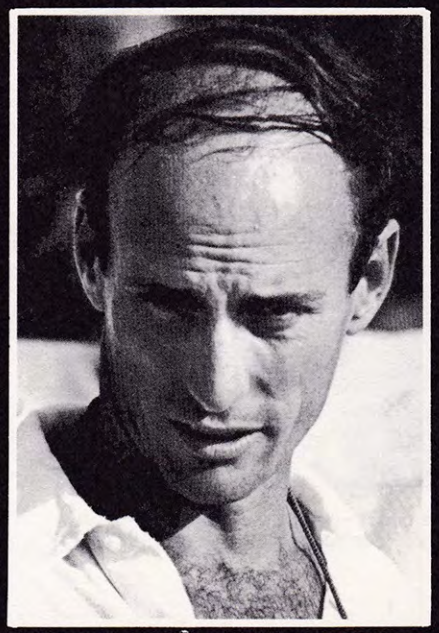
Another back to watch is senior Robert LeDuc (5-9, 160), while AJ fans hopes guards Scott Karkos (5-10, 170) and John Nolan (5-9, 160) play to their potential. Karkos played third base last spring and batted .527.

The distant future looks good. The freshmen posted a near-perfect record, and the population continues to grow in the shadows of the Superstitions. Watch for AJ to be in the Class AA ranks before you know it. ●

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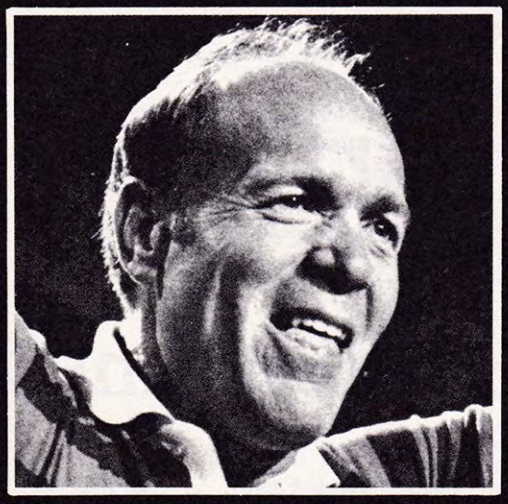


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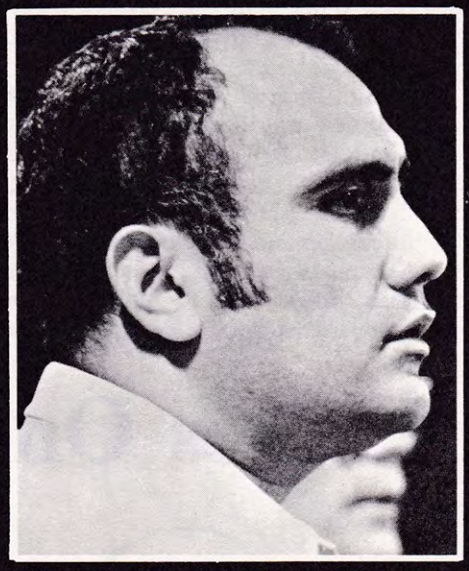


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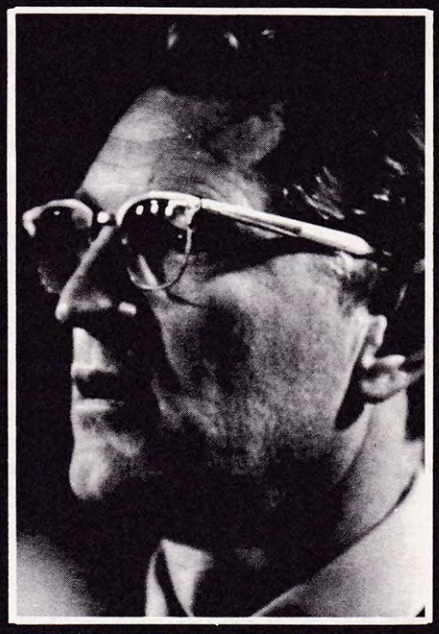
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YOUNG STAR — Soph RB Anthony Parker runs free during playoff win over Coronado.

Chargers Back In Championship Form!



McClintock, always a powerhouse in the Central Division, used a bunch of diehard juniors last season to win seven games and earn their annual trip to the AAA playoffs. State champion Trevor Browne ended their title hopes on Phoenix College's turf, one week after McClintock knocked off Coronado in a classic Central Division matchup.

The Chargers made the playoffs with only one returning starter, linebacker Tim Casey, an all-state performer who is now at Arizona State. For 1982, eight of Karl Kiefer's 11 returning lettermen were starters, four on offense and four on defense. As in recent years, the college scouts are bound to find a couple of future standouts in the Chargers' lineup. Three former McClintock players will be found in the NFL this spring.

A possible blue-chipper this fall is tackle Shawn Patterson. He has both the size (6-5, 230) and speed (4.8) to earn all-state recognition. "He could be one of our best ever," says Kiefer, who has produced a dozen all-state linemen since 1965. The next best lineman will be split end David Donahue, a real darkhorse according to his coach. "He broke his arm before our opener and didn't play a down," says Kiefer. "He has the best hands and quickest feet since Ronnie Washington," now of the Kansas City Chiefs. Donahue could be the game-breaker that all good teams are looking for. He stands 6-2, weighs 170 pounds and runs the 40 in 4.7.

Other quality Chargers include DB Dennis Owens (5-11, 170, 4.6), the fastest player on the team, RB Anthony Parker (5-10, 165, 4.7), only a junior, CB Bob Raffone (5-11, 165) and DT Charles Griffith (6-2, 200). Parker also roams centerfield for McClintock's diamond team. Rich Solar (5-11, 175) and Kevin McCrary (5-11, 165) will vie for the QB slot. Both can play in the secondary and McCrary will be the Chargers' punter.

Mini-back Tom Peck (5-8, 160) returned a kickoff 99 yards against Chandler last year. Rick Tamburo (5-10, 188), son of the ASU Athletic director, Dick, is a consistent linebacker and another member of McClintock's successful baseball squad. Matt Lopata (5-11, 170) joins the linebacker corps. Tackle Mike Lupnacca (6-3, 188) is another member of the Chargers' front wall.

If that's not enough, help arrives in the form of transfers and juniors up from the JV team. Halfback John Norton (5-11, 190) moves in from Michigan and will give the running game depth. Junior Pat Whitlock (5-10, 185) could be the starting center, and young linebacker Toby Crofford (5-10, 165) is "a real hitter," according to assistant coach, Harold Slemmer.

The streak should continue. Year after year the McClintock Chargers have proven themselves as one of the winningest football teams in the state of Arizona. But one chapter seems to be missing. Although they have won two Class AAA championships (1977/1980) they have never beaten league foe Mountain View. They meet again on October 29, a date Charger fans and players are shooting for. But it won't be easy. The Toros have not lost a league game since joining the AAA ranks in 1978.

And although it's too early to tell, keep in mind the names of these three incoming freshmen: Kent Kiefer, Arthur Greathouse and Cleveland Colter, Jr. The future looks bright in the Land of the Chargers. ●

Padres On A Rebound



Experience, size and speed. That's what Marcos de Niza coach Frank Castro hopes will boost his Padres in the Central Division B-League race.

"We will be in the thick of the race," warns Castro. "I feel that we will be a playoff team. The key to our offense will be our passing game. We have an excellent passer but no proven receivers."

With 20 returning lettermen, Castro and his staff will try and reverse last year's 2-8 finish. They plan to build their offense around junior QB John Walker. The 6-0, 180-pound signal caller hit on 60 of 124 attempts for 1,010 yards as a sophomore. "He will be one of the top quarterbacks in the state," claims Castro.

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Fullback Nat Rose (6-0, 190) runs a 4.8 and will be the Padres' short yardage gainer and blocking back. Rose will join center Morrison Warren (5-11, 215) and tackle Juan Garza (5-11, 230) to give Walker that needed protection to make the passing game click. Warren is only a junior.

Senior Darrell Tanner (5-9, 165) runs a 4.8 and will double at TB/LB. Junior Eric Parham is little (5-5, 150) but dangerous in the open field. He's also a guard on the MDN basketball team. Junior Jim Vanney, son of the school's athletic director, will handle the kicking chores.

Other players to watch include tackles Matt Wozniak (5-11, 188) and Mike Hargrove (5-11, 185), DE Tom Klimoski (6-1, 190) and LB Mark Markham (5-11, 180). All are seniors, and at least one dozen additional lettermen return.

The same school which produced Los Angeles Rams receiver Preston Dennard, and Baltimore Colts tackle Jimmy Moore, has fallen upon hard times in recent years. But if the above Padres perform to their potential, MDN fans will have lots to cheer about between September and December. ●



ESCORT — Senior Rich Solar (12), this year's McClintock quarterback, follows a wall of blockers during kickoff return against Phoenix Trevor Browne.



(Arizona Republic)

NEVER LET UP! Enthusiasm and great defense have made Gilbert a terror in the Class AA-Central Division for years. This season the Tigers switch to the AA-South, but the winning tradition should stay the same.

Tigers March South For Gold

Rick Dunn, facing his first head coaching assignment, replaces brother Dan at Class AA Gilbert for the 1982 campaign. Dan, one of the winningest coaches (103-29-3) in the Arizona prep ranks, has taken the offensive line job at nearby Mesa Community College. Brother Rick hopes to keep the Tigers at the top of the standings.

Fifteen players are left over from last year's 11-2 club which fell to Flagstaff in the state title game. "We are very proud of last year's runnerup team," says Rick. "We played two fine ball clubs in the semis and the finals and felt our team played well. We had a great bunch of athletes last year."

The year's crop isn't bad either. With several top-notch linemen returning, and an undefeated JV team moving upward, it's easy to see why Rick is optimistic.

The Tigers have a major college prospect in the form of Val Bichekas, a 6-3, 265-pound tackle. The gifted senior runs the 40 in 5.0 seconds. Joining Bichekas in the trenches will be OT-DT Mike Thomas (6-1, 215), OC Gary Frye (5-10, 180) and DT Troy Seamster (6-0, 170), who doubles at fullback.

Senior Martin Peralta (6-3, 190) returns at QB and his biggest target will be TE Joe Zaborniak (6-0, 185). Wide



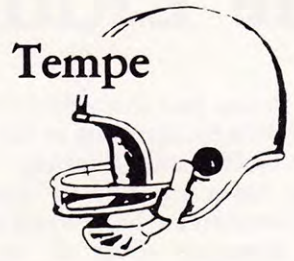
receivers Adam Mesa (6-0, 160), Steve McDowell (6-3, 170) and Carlos Quintero (5-8, 160) will man the flanks. Halfback Jeff Downs (5-7, 160) is the fastest Tiger with 4.6 speed. Deep back Robert Zimmerman (5-9, 170) is also a good one.

Also listed on next year's varsity roster was QB Robert Herrington (6-2, 170), HB Scott McLeod (5-6, 160), HB Martin Guerra (5-5, 145) and OG Mike Summers (5-10, 168). Gilbert will switch over to the AA-South League this fall and must face preseason favorite Tucson Flowing Wells in league play. But the whole key to Gilbert's success in '82 could be that 8-0 JV team which moves into varsity play.

Gilbert is one of several teams which will appear on TV this fall. ASPN, a service of American Cable, will telecast the Gilbert-Gerard Catholic game on Sept. 18, plus several times during the week. ASPN plans to produce 10 high school games, with George Allen and Greg Schulte doing the play-by-play.

Other schools who can watch themselves on the tube include St. Mary's, Trevor Browne, Brophy Prep, Chandler, Mesa, McClintock, Westwood, Mt. View, Saguaro, Tempe, Marcos de Niza, Coronado and Sunnyslope.

Alford No Stranger To Buff Fans



New coach Glenn Alford leaves the wrestling ranks for football as Tempe enters the 1982 campaign with 12 lettermen from a surprising 5-6 playoff team. The Buffaloes finished 5-5 in regulation play, won a three-way battle for the B-League crown, then lost in the first round of the playoffs.

Alford, who has won state championships as a wrestling coach, hopes to do the same on the gridiron. The Buffs haven't played in the Class AAA finals since 1971, but that doesn't bother Alford.

"We have a lot of good, young prospects," he says. "We are thin at linemen but deep in the backfield. Just as I show up all the big linemen graduated."

Also reason for optimism is the fact that the freshman team finished 7-1, losing a heartbreaker to St. Mary's, 13-6. The JV unit won only two games.

Alford will spend his initial year building the team around four all-league candidates: RB Dennis James (5-11, 190, 4.7), DB Vince Martinez (5-11, 170, 4.7), kicker David Rosell (5-8, 155) and fullback-linebacker Will Wearne (5-11, 200, 4.9), a junior with lots of promise. He's the best LB prospect Tempe has produced since all-staters Ed Judie (San Francisco 49'ers) and Jimmy Williams (ASU).

Don't be surprised if the Buffs don't have one of the best defensive clubs in the league by mid-October. If so, kicker Rosell could be the key to Tempe's success. He averaged 40.5 yards last year punting and booted a 38 yard field goal.

Alford and his staff of Speedy Hart, Tim McBurney and Curtis Cook are also relying upon QB Jason Porter (6-1, 175), RB Henry Batten (5-10, 165), WR Charles Billingsley (5-9, 165), LB Jeff Sheppard (5-10, 180), DT Mike Trejo (6-2, 171), center Robert Conrad (6-1, 165), guard John Potts (5-10, 180), guard Don Belousek (5-10, 165), NG Luke Roll (5-11, 155), DT Robert Riethman (5-11, 180) and end Lawrence Heywood (6-2, 170).

Watch for the Buffs to do more than break even in 1982. ●

Speedy Hunter Gives Wolves Scoring Threat

The Wolves are coming off a 4-6 season with only three defensive starters and three offensive vets in the lineup. But second-year coach Delvin Schutes, who came to Arizona from Clovis, NM, may field the darkhorse in the Central Division.

In halfback Shawn Hunter (5-7, 160) the Wolves have one of the quickest



and most dangerous runners in the league. He may be half of Chandler's offense in 1982. And the defense appears solid with tackles Jon Roberts (6-3, 215) and Matt Dawson (6-0, 200). Talented Darrin Tarwater (5-11, 175) doubles at DE/TE. He will be a key receiver to keep the pressure off Hunter — if Coach Schutes can find a QB to get the ball to him.

Adding additional fuel to the Wolves' defense are linebackers Jamie Nelson (5-10, 175) and Ike Basha (5-11, 180). Don Sowell (6-1, 200) will join Tarwater at the other DE slot, while Andy Burnett (6-1, 200) is another strong tackle candidate. The secondary is loaded with the likes of Earl Pollard (5-9, 160), Tom Newcomer (5-10, 175), Mark Derbes (5-9, 165), Damian Olivas (5-9, 165), Tom Hager (5-10, 175) and Tim Wright (5-10, 165). All 14 of the above started at one time or another on offense or defense in 1981. ●

Rams Move Up Notch

At Maricopa, a 9-0 record was good for first place in the Class C standings, and 16 squad members are back as the champs move into the Class B ranks. "Our school is growing," says Coach Mark August. "We now have more



than 200 students and a big freshman class.

"Winning any kind of state title is fun. It was my first year ever as a head coach and at coaching 8-man football. It was a fun experience."

But the fun may be over. The Rams will need all the student help they can get. However, a good group of seniors are moving up, although the leadership role has yet to be decided. The best bet is all-state halfback Eddie Mavis (5-10, 170), a 1,000-yard rusher as a junior. He runs a 4.7 forty and gained 252 yards against Patagonia.

Fullback David Aviles (5-10, 175) runs a 4.9 and will double at

linebacker. Seniors Manuel Saenz (5-9, 200) and Russell Vavages (5-8, 205) are two tough linemen. Eugene Peters (6-0, 180) plays both offense and defensive ends. Junior WB Edward Farrell (6-0, 175) was a first team all-state basketball player as a sophomore. Junior Gabriel Lopez (5-11, 160) will be the quarterback. ●

Sentinels Return Line

Seton Catholic



The Sentinels' 3-5 finish was an improvement over the previous 2-6 season. Coach Kevin McCarhty's campaign was highlighted by a 32-22 win over Mayer.

Seton losses three all-conference players, but returns halfback Peter Fairbanks, an all-league candidate. "We need to fill the QB position," says McCarhty. "That will be filled most likely by David Wacker, a junior with good speed who played on the line last year, or Mike Halbe, a junior who was our backup."

The Sentinels return their entire offensive line, starting with junior Paul Gummel, a top-notch guard since his freshman year. Big things are also expected from three-year starter Fairbanks at halfback. With a solid line, Fairbanks should have a fine season. The linebackers look like junior Paul Stoll and senior David Walker. "It will be a pleasure opening up against somebody other than Maricopa for a change," adds McCarthy. "We feel that our junior class will carry us. We may start only one senior. But if we take advantage of the things we do best we may be in the playoffs." Other C-North teams who look strong include Salome, Mayer and Scottsdale Christian. ●

Aztecs Moving Up The Ladder

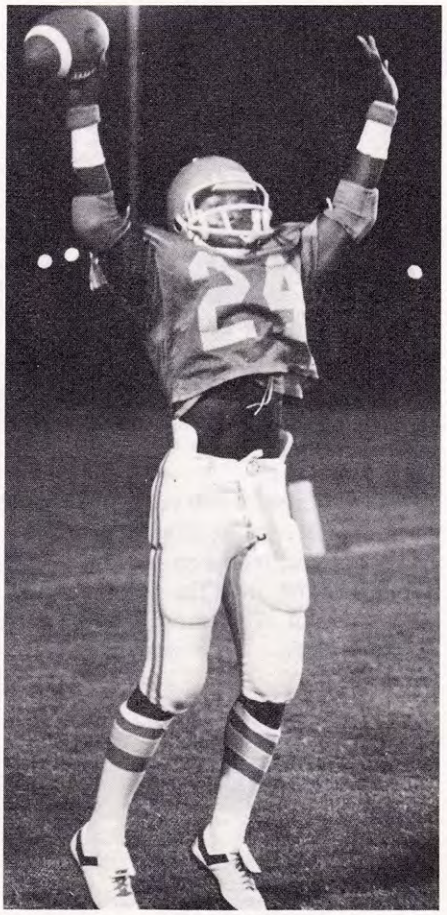
Corona del Sol



The Aztecs gave themselves a tough act to follow by advancing to the Class AA playoffs and finishing 9-2-1 overall. But it was a young team (19 squad members are back) which lost to state champion Flagstaff in the semifinals. "We are going to be competitive," insists Larry Hughes as he prepares CDS for their first year in the AAA Central Division.

Success breeds success and there's no reason to think the Aztecs will crumble under the weight of their new schedule. Although wide receiver Glenn Dennard, a prep All-American, is now in the college ranks, and halfback Scott Shill (a 1,900 yard rusher) has also graduated, CDS still has some weapons.

Rhett Smith (6-2, 210) may be a major college prospect at either linebacker or tight end. He benches 315 pounds.



(Tempe Daily News)

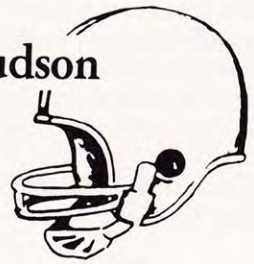
GONE — The Aztecs' Glenn Dennard is now in the PAC-10 at Arizona State.

WR Keith Rawls (6-0, 160) is the fastest (4.7) player on the team, while center Ed Gruszaka (6-1, 205) anchors the offensive line. "He's a good long snapper," claims his coach. Tackle Pat Griffith (5-11, 205) is the fourth key figure in Hughes' plans for '82.

Senior Al Martinez (5-11, 180) returns at QB and runs 40 yards in 4.9 seconds. Punter Paul Sarna (6-1, 190) was a national punt, pass and kick winner in the 8th grade. He'll also play defensive end. David Gammage (5-11, 150) can be a dangerous WR, while senior Don Furlong (5-9, 175) will be the starting FB. ●

Collins Ace

Judson



Joe Lamer has only six squad members returning at Judson, where the Cougars broke even in 1981, setting the stage for improvement this year.

"Every year we start late with new players," says Lamer. "That makes it very difficult."

Judson competes in the A.I.A. Independent League. According to Lamer, the Cougars have one of the league's best split receivers in Bill Collins, a 6-2, 185-pound junior with 4.7 speed. "He has good speed, good hands and hits hard," adds Lamer. "All he needs to improve is his motivation. But he's just a junior and has two years to develop." ●

1982 Junior College Checklist

** blue-chip prospect*



quarterbacks

*Mike Hold, Mesa, 6-1, 185
*Bob Guidice, Phoenix, 6-2, 210
Chris Stanfield, Mesa, 6-2, 190
*Trent Hutchinson, Scott., 6-3, 190
Johnny Rodriguez, Scott., 5-8, 155
John Smithbaker, Scott., 5-10, 165



running backs

*Mike Cacioppo, Glendale, 6-1, 210
John Philbrick, Glendale, 6-1, 190
Wendell Jones, Glendale, 5-7, 170
*Gary Nolte, Phoenix, 5-11, 210
*Scott Baldwin, Phoenix, 5-11, 210
Pete Nickerson, Phoenix, 6-0, 175

*Charlie Dickey, Scotts., 6-3, 255
*Mike Rusinek, Scotts., 6-3, 245
*Carlos Lovato, Scotts., 6-2, 250
*Ethan Fields, Scotts., 6-2, 240
Warren Parker, Scotts., 6-4, 280
Joe Caparella, Scotts., 6-0, 225
Mike Rusinek, Scotts., 6-4, 240
Mike Garcia, Glndl., 6-0, 230
*Pat McEntee, Glndl., 6-3, 235
*Mike Lunkin, Glndl., 6-4, 230
Rueben Lopez, Glndl., 5-10, 235
*John Kohl, Phoenix, 6-2, 225
Brad Frazier, Phoenix, 6-1, 280
*John Mayer, Phoenix, 6-3, 230
*Mike Pomeroy, Phoenix, 6-2, 230

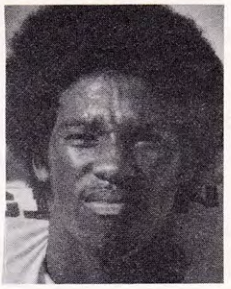


receivers

J.J. Walker, Mesa, 5-11, 160
*Eddie Spencer, Scott., 6-0, 175
Paul Heun, Scott., 6-6, 250
*Mickey Bell, Glendale, 5-10, 185
*Yancy Lindsey, Phoenix, 6-5, 215



Mike Hold, Mesa QB



Joe Sells, Mesa LB



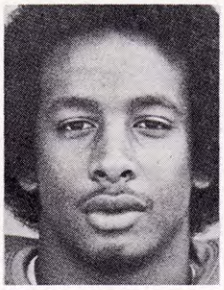
centers

*Jeff Brown, Phoenix, 6-4, 210
Tim Wyatt, Phoenix, 6-0, 210



linebackers

*Duke McDonald, Mesa, 6-1, 210
*Russell Goddard, Mesa, 6-1, 205
*Joe Sells, Mesa, 6-1, 205



Eddie Spencer Scottsdale WR



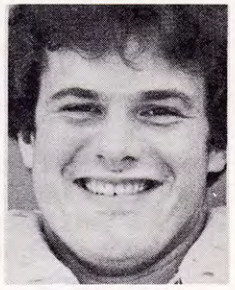
Mark Claahsen, Mesa DE



Russell Goddard, Mesa LB



Duke McDonald, Mesa LB



James Ford, Scottsdale OT



linemen

*Mark Claahsen, Mesa, 6-5, 215
Jim Warne, Mesa, 6-6, 255
*Rick Bunch, Mesa, 6-3, 230
Chuck Robinson, Mesa, 6-0, 205
Steve Macaluso, Mesa, 6-1, 250
*James Ford, Scotts., 6-2, 255



defensive backs

Shawn Benson, Mesa, 5-10, 180
Gary Porter, Mesa, 5-10, 170
Jimmy Meeks, Glendale, 5-9, 180
*Troy Jacobs, Phoenix, 6-2, 200
*Tory Nixon, Phoenix, 6-0, 175
*Darrell Croomes, Phx., 6-3, 185

*Mike Ehasz, Scottsdale, 6-1, 238
Todd French, Scottsdale, 6-3, 240
*John Knight, Glendale, 6-2, 230
Todd Leland, Glendale, 6-0, 210
*Scott Graham, Phoenix, 6-2, 215
*Mike Edwards, Phoenix, 6-0, 210



kicker

Jim Nimtz, Scottsdale, 6-0, 175

No junior college dominated football in the past decade like Mesa Community College. During one seven-year span the Thunderbirds won two national championships and five Arizona Community College titles, including four straight in 1973-76.

Mesa recorded a record of 69 wins, 8 losses and two ties, an 89.6 winning mark. They posted winning streaks of 16 straight, 31 of 32 and 45 of 47 games. Phoenix College is the only Arizona JC to send more players into major college and the pro ranks than Mesa.

But in the past three years the Thunderbirds have fallen upon hard times. Mesa lost more conference games in the past three seasons than in the previous 10 years.

Although Mesa officials claim that four-year colleges are recruiting the Mesa-Tempe area more than ever, and that programs at Scottsdale and Glendale have improved, the truth of the matter is that Mesa wasn't that bad. They still had a winning program.

It's not like the bottom had fallen out. But if you paid attention to the local media you'd think the T'Birds were ready to throw in the towel.

Long live the King.

If a good football team begins with recruiting, the Mesa dynasty may still be flourishing. In fact, second-year coach Allen Benedict and his rebuilt staff may be awesome in 1982. Not that anybody wants to put all the pressure on the Thunderbirds. It's just a case of following the local high school market. And the majority of the local market has migrated to Mesa.

Without a doubt, the T'Birds won the annual recruiting war against Scottsdale, Glendale and Phoenix. Benedict signed almost every player they wanted out of the Mesa-Tempe area and then some. "I think we turned the corner with our recruiting," said Benedict recently. "I can't think of anybody we didn't get locally. We were fortunate to get almost everyone we wanted.

"We recruited kids who might be able to play in the PAC-10 or Big-8 in two years. There is always more major college talent in this area than most people realize. We were surprised at some of the kids we got."

Local recruiting went so well for the T'Birds that Mesa may have signed five major college prospects. That's five players who should be in a four-year college right now. Benedict strengthened his recruiting locally by hiring two successful prep coaches, Dan Dunn from Gilbert and Jim Murphy from Tempe Union, as assistants.

Dunn was one of the most successful prep coaches in Arizona. He 103-29-3 record was right there with the best. His Gilbert teams were some of the best in the Class AA ranks. At Tempe High, Murphy annually had his teams in the Central Division playoffs.



(Scottsdale Progress)

The Junior Colleges: Top Players And Best Teams

Benedict's biggest recruiting coup was the signing of linebacker Joe Sells from Phoenix St. Mary's, a 6-1, 205-pound potential JC All-American, according to his coaches. Other blue-chip signees include tackle Jim Warne (6-6, 255), a 16-year old from Tempe Union, TE Brian Brockert (6-2, 220) from Yuma Union, LB Rusty Goddard (6-1, 205) and OG Rick Bunch (6-3, 225), both from Gilbert. The T'Birds landed an acrobatic receiver in the form of J. J. Walker, a teammate of Sells at St. Mary's who caught 49 passes for 807 yards and 10 touchdowns.

But the key to Mesa's success in 1982 will be three holdovers from last year's disappointing 4-5-0 campaign: QB Mike Hold (6-1, 185), the leading passer in the conference, DE Mark Claahsen (6-5, 215), and LB Duke McDonald (6-1, 210).

"After losing the first three games, we came back and ended up second in the league," adds Benedict. "We were very proud of the way the young men stayed together and improved each game. Although we'll be very young at most positions, the freshmen coming in should pick up the slack. It's really a good bunch of kids."

But so are the rest of the city's junior college signees. In fact, it may be one of the most balanced campaigns in recent JC history. Everybody involved had good recruiting years. Even Glendale, annually the state's doormat, has improved their image and local recruiting.

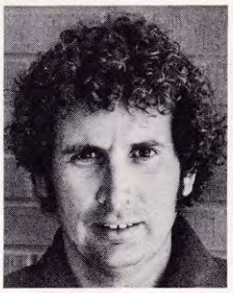
Coach Chuck Zontanos guided the Gauchos through their best record ever, 5-3-1, and returns 13 lettermen from that improved unit. Defense will be the battle cry, and Glendale brings back LB John Knight (6-2, 230), NG Mike Garcia (6-0, 230), a 400-pound bench presser, DT Pat McEntee (6-3, 230), DT Rueben Lopez (5-10, 235) and DE Mike Lunkin (6-4, 230). Two top-notch skill performers include halfback Mike Cacioppo (6-1, 210) and split receiver Mickey Bell (5-10, 185). Bell, one of the best athletes on the team, in-

tercepted 14 passes in 1979 at nearby Cactus High.

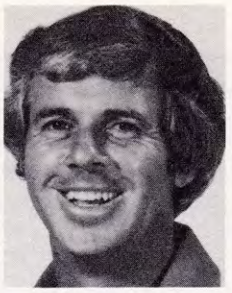
Tops among incoming frosh include Greenway running back John Philbrick (6-1, 190), the Northwest Phoenix player of the year, all-state halfback Wendell Jones (5-7, 170) from Phoenix St. Mary's, DT Todd Leland (6-0, 210) from Scottsdale Arcadia, and possibly Benny Dickens (6-3, 225), a Class AA all-stater from Cactus who also signed with New Mexico State.



Coach Jim Murphy
Mesa Assistant



Coach Tom Dahl,
Scottsdale Assistant



Allen Benedict,
Mesa Head Coach

No school returns more lettermen than Phoenix College, where Ken Stites welcomes back 20 squad members from a 4-5-0 unit which matched Mesa in the won-loss column. Stites likes all his kids. It's tough to tell the great ones from the good ones. But several stand out above the rest:

Linebacker Mike Edwards (6-0, 210) out of Greenway High, younger brother of JC All-American Roy, later a player at Arizona State; LB Scott Graham (6-2, 215), a 4.6 sprinter and 3.8 student; QB Bob Guidice (6-1, 210) out of St. Mary's, a gifted field general with a "major league" arm; DB Troy Jacobs (6-2, 200), an ASU transfer who pole vaulted 15-feet in high school; NG John Kohl (6-2, 225), brother of ASU lineman Matt; TE Yancy Lindsey (6-5, 215), a 4.9 runner and son of University of Arizona head basketball coach Ben; DB Troy Nixon (6-0, 175), one of the quickest on the team (4.6) and a UA transfer; RB Gary Nolte (5-11, 210), an all-conference WR, former state wrestling champ with 4.7 speed who averaged 8.0 yards per carry.

Like Mesa, the Bears had one of their better recruiting campaigns, landing such top-notch players as LB Darrell Croomes (6-3, 185), a 4.5 speedster from East Phoenix; DT Brad Frazier (6-1, 280) from Phoenix Carl Hayden; DT John Mayer (6-3, 230) from Shadow Mountain, possibly the "sleeper of the year" in the Arizona JC ranks, according to his coaches; all-stater Mike Pomeroy (6-2, 230) from Phoenix Trevor Browne; Leroy Shontz (6-2, 260), a possible blue-chip tackle from Parker; and halfback Pete Nickerson (6-0, 175) from Phoenix Maryvale.

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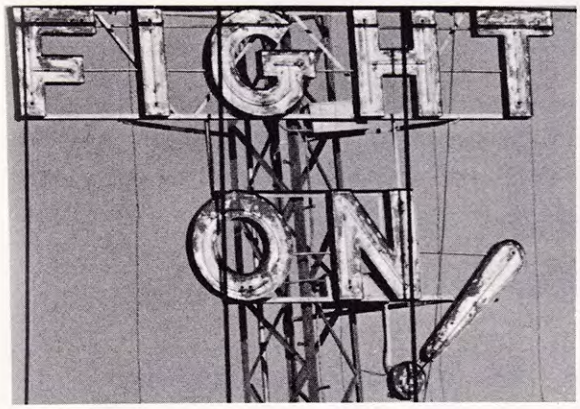
SCOTTSDALE — Nobody recruited heavier at quarterback than Scottsdale CC head coach John Avianantes (above). The Artichokes finished 5-3-1 and should improve. (Opposite page) Scottsdale halfback Clarence Riley is loose against Mesa.

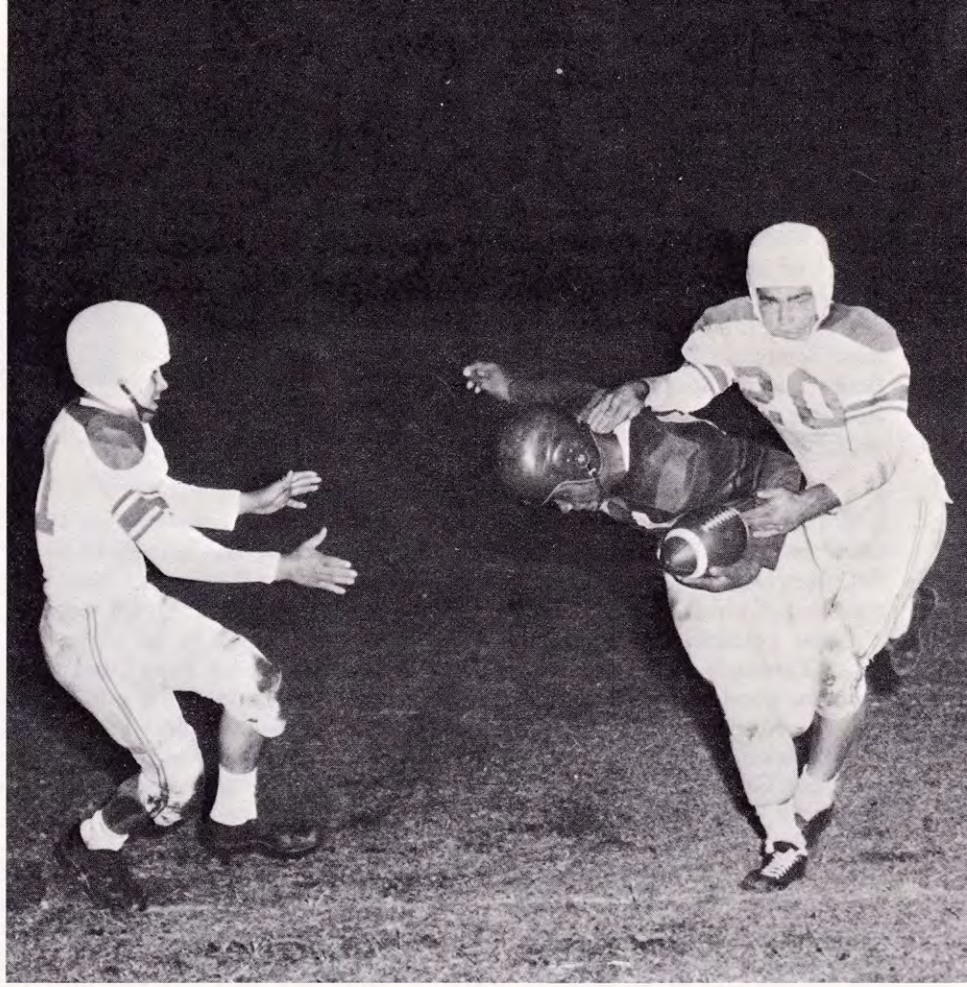
Nobody recruited heavier at quarterback than Scottsdale CC. Coach John Avianantos returns more starters (12) than any of his three city competitors. But none are quarterbacks so he loaded up with field generals during the recruiting season: Phoenix Central's Ben Prock (5-10, 160), St. Mary's Johnny Rodriguez (5-8, 155), Chaparral's Chris Holmes (6-3, 180), Horizon's John Smithbaker (5-10, 165), and Northern Arizona University transfer Trent Hutchinson, a former all-state QB from South Mountain.

But the "man of the hour" may turn out to be the littlest field general of them all — Johnny Rodriguez. One of the best signal callers in the Southwest last fall, Rodriguez passed for 1,856 yards (a St. Mary's school record) and 17 touchdowns for a 10-3 high school team.

"He was one of the toughest kids we saw all year," said Arizona State head coach Darryl Rogers. "If he was three or four inches taller, he'd be a blue-chipper in everybody's book."

The Artichokes finished 5-3-1 last year. Avianantos expects good things from at least five returning starters: OT James Ford (6-2, 255), OG Charlie Dickey (6-3, 255), WR Eddie Spencer (6-0, 175), a 10.5 speedster at 100 meters (4.5 forty), DT Mike Rusinek (6-3, 245) and LB Mike Ehasz (6-1, 238), brother of former ASU linebacker Norm. ●





LIVING LEGEND — All-American George Greathouse scored 63 touchdowns.

The Glory That Was

Time has run out for Phoenix Union High School. It's no secret that the once-mighty Coyotes — winners of more state football championships (25) than any high school in the country — have played their last game. Tolleson beat them last November in the school's final grid contest, 35-21. Both junior varsity and frosh schedules had been cancelled earlier.

Because of financial problems and enrollment decay, Phoenix Union has closed its doors. Time has taken its toll. One of the fastest growing cities in the nation has grown right over the top of it. A school which once had 6,000 students now has none.

But it didn't used to be that way. There was a time Tolleson wouldn't step on the same field with Phoenix Union — much less dream of beating them. Sad as it may be, its dynasty has crumbled, but what high school in America can match its record: 112 state championships in team sports.

The Coyotes were champions on the athletic field and in the classroom. High grades came in everything. PUHS produced three Arizona governors, presidential candidate Barry Goldwater, two-time Pulitzer prize winning cartoonist Bill Mauldin, comedian Steve Allen, and more college sports stars than any school in the Southwestern United States.

"Phoenix Union was not your average high school," said the late E. W. Montgomery, long-time Superintendent of the Phoenix Union School System. "It was like a college. It was a school second to none in the United States, and administrators from throughout the country often told me so."

While coaches like R.R. Robinson, Jesse McComb, Larry Rouble, Sam Winningham and Wimpy Jones became household names, athletes like Harry Tompkins, Conrad Flippen, Harold Whiteman, George Greathouse and Fred Carr became living legends.

The success of football under the late R.R. Robinson was so overwhelming that Eastlake and Riverside parks could no longer host the overflow crowds. When the city's new 10,000-seat stadium went up in 1927, it was appropriately named Montgomery Stadium. With end zone bleachers added for special games, crowds as large as 17,000 watched the Coyotes play. They outdrew the nearby college in Tempe — the Arizona State Bulldogs. It was high school football at its best.

The Southwestern Interscholastic League, formed in 1925, was ruled by the Coyotes. It was one of the strongest high school leagues in the country, featuring teams from Texas, New Mexico and Arizona. Road trips were taken by train. Phoenix Union so dominated the SIL that athletic director "Robby" Robinson withdrew his Coyotes and joined the CIF — the California Interscholastic Federation.

During one 8-year span in which Phoenix Union's enrollment was depleted by North High, the Coyotes played 36 California teams and posted an 18-14-4 record. But it was the



Coach R. R. Robinson, 1922-1936



Ned Mulleneaux, 1926



Eddie Horne, 1930



Bill Kajikawa, 1932



Carl Mulleneaux, 1932

Phoenix Union

Coyotes of 1930 which first put Phoenix on the map. During one three-month schedule PUHS defeated three college teams and high schools from five different states.

They trounced Mesa 55-0 for the state crown, El Paso 21-0 for the SIL title, and Ft. Collins of Colorado 38-7 for the championship of the Rocky Mountains. They were ranked No. 1 in the U.S.A. by the National Sports News Service in Minneapolis, and QB Conrad Flippen won national player-of-the-year honors. In an era when Notre Dame was traveling by bus, Phoenix Union went by train or plane. Said the legendary Knute Rockne, head coach at Notre Dame, "Phoenix Union has the greatest high school sports program we have ever seen."

But Robby's "1930 Wonder Team" was only one of 25 Coyote grid machines to win a state championship. At least 10 of those 25 were "super powers" in their era. High school and college coaches alike insisted these 10 could compete with any school in the country; schools like Waco, TX; Miami Senior, FL; Oak Park, IL; Massillon Washington, OH; or Long Beach, CA, to name a few. The 10 best were:

★The "1923 Wonder Team," coached by Robinson, posted a 9-1-1 record, scored 375 points, beat or tied every prep team on its schedule, lost only to the Arizona frosh, beat the famed El Paso Tigers 24-0 for the Southwest title, tied national power San Diego High, and installed Robby's famous "Million Dollar Play" (punter ran from punt formation). QB Teddy Diebold later became captain of the University of Arizona team and star of 7-7 tie with UCLA in 1928.

★In 1924, Coyotes finished 9-2-1 after losing season finale to San Diego, 14-13. Outscored 12 opponents 402-123, tied El Paso 26-26 before 20,000 fans in Texas, beat good Mesa club 45-3 for state crown, recorded 28 first downs during 90-6 blitz of Chandler; frosh all-stater Cecil "Brute" Mulleneaux later became Coyotes' first NFL star with New York Giants.

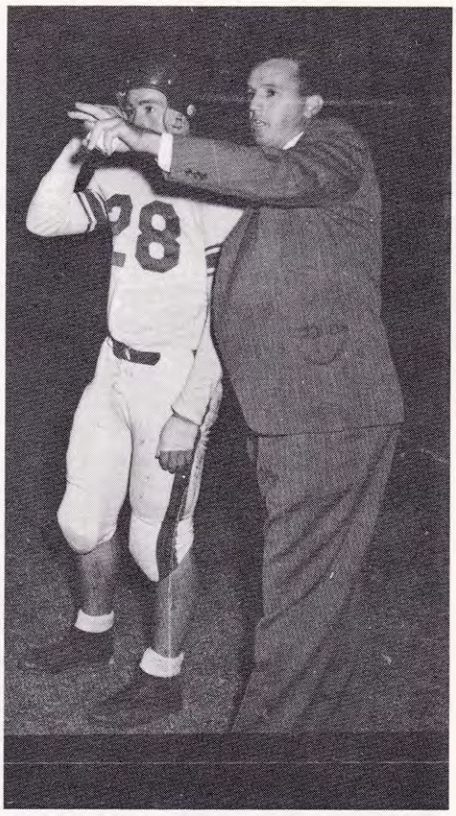
★Robinson completed his 8th campaign in 1927, producing state's best ever grid eleven; finished 9-1-2 after grueling schedule against college and out-of-state competition; lost 19-13 to Arizona frosh, tied alumni and Albuquerque, beat Tucson 13-0, El Paso 27-0 before 8,000 fans in Phoenix, Las Cruces 26-0, San Diego 7-0, and Mesa 9-6 on Bill Luke's 40-yard field goal; student enrollment: 2,700.

★The 1930 mythical national champs opened with back-to-back wins over their alumni and the Arizona frosh and never stopped rolling. Highlight of season was spectacular 22-20 win over San Diego and All-American Cotton Warburton, played before 8,000 spectators in Phoenix.

★Coach Larry Rouble, former Stanford star, took over for Robinson and landed 1939 state crown, 16-6 over Mesa. Lost twice in 12 games, both to California schools, 16-7 to Santa Barbara and 14-13 to Bakersfield; beat Covina 7-0, Santa Ana 27-6, Tucson 27-7, Long Beach 14-0 and Glendale of California 30-6; student enrollment: 3,683.

★The 1942 season, coached by Rouble, was another bonanza. Coyotes dropped 27-6 finale to rival North before 12,500 fans on Thanksgiving Day, but won all the rest, including games with toughies like Bakersfield (13-7), Alhambra (18-0) and Long Beach (13-6). Thriller of year was 27-20 win over Tucson High and Fred Enke, Jr., later starting QB with the Baltimore Colts.

★John R. Black, former University of Arizona star, guided the Coyotes



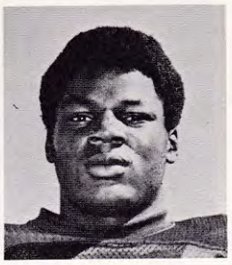
GLORY DAYS — In seven quick years, Sam Winingham-coached teams won two state titles and finished 4-3-1 against West coach schools. Tom Hulen (28) gets ready to go in against Bakersfield.



Al Carr, 1954



Andy Stoglin, 1959



Darion Gilbert, 1970



Larry Gordon, 1971



Brian Felix, 1975

through a near-perfect 9-1 campaign in 1948; again passed test against California schools, beating San Bernadino 26-0 and Bakersfield 25-21; bigger wins included 6-0 victory over rival North, played before 14,500 fans, and a 19-7 state championship win over Tucson.

★ Sam Winningham was head coach is 1954, and Coyotes had George Greathouse, a transfer from nearby Carver High. Greathouse and teammates went 9-0-1 after 7-7 tie with Redlands on September night — one week before 33-14 blitz of good Bakersfield team. Coyotes finished near-perfect season with 14-7 win over rival North; Al Carr was all-state guard; possibly best PUHS team of "modern era." Student enrollment: 5,819.

★ In 1962, Coyotes had state's fastest back in Jimmy Hall (9.7, 21.2) and best defender in prep All-American Fred Carr; lost twice: 7-6 to Carl Hayden in late season upset, and 21-12 to Tucson High in state semifinals, played before 12,000 fans in Tucson; Carr later became first-round draft choice and all-pro LB with Green Bay Packers; enrollment: 6,320.

★ The most talented football team in Phoenix football annals arrived in 1970, coached by Bill Saunders, and finished 11-1 after overtime loss to Sunnyslope at ASU; earlier snapped Central's 20-game win streak on way to unbeated regular season record. Coyotes were almost as strong in 1971, finishing 9-2-1 after opening-game loss to Tucson Salpointe, a mid-season tie with St. Mary's, and a bone-crushing 15-12 loss to Tucson in state semifinals. Key personnel included Larry Gordon (Miami Dolphins), Darion Gilbert, Glen Gresham, Rudy White, Alton Everett, Curtis Akins, Greg Jones, Travis Coleman, Manuel Jones and Zack DiBrell, to name a few.

Montgomery Stadium is now run down at the heels, covered with graffitti and dust. A plaque on the stadium honors former center Charles Lemons, killed in a football game against El Paso High in Texas in 1934. The following year, students erected a huge, lighted sign reading "Fight On!"

The sign still stands. But the fight is gone from the once-proud school. The future of the physical plant at Phoenix Union High School is uncertain, but the future of the Coyote is not.

It's history. ●

ALL-TIME NATIONAL FOOTBALL RECORDS

STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

25 . . Phoenix Union, AZ
22 . . Massillon, OH
18 . . Lawrence, KS
15 . . Fargo Shanley, ND

CONSECUTIVE STATE TITLES

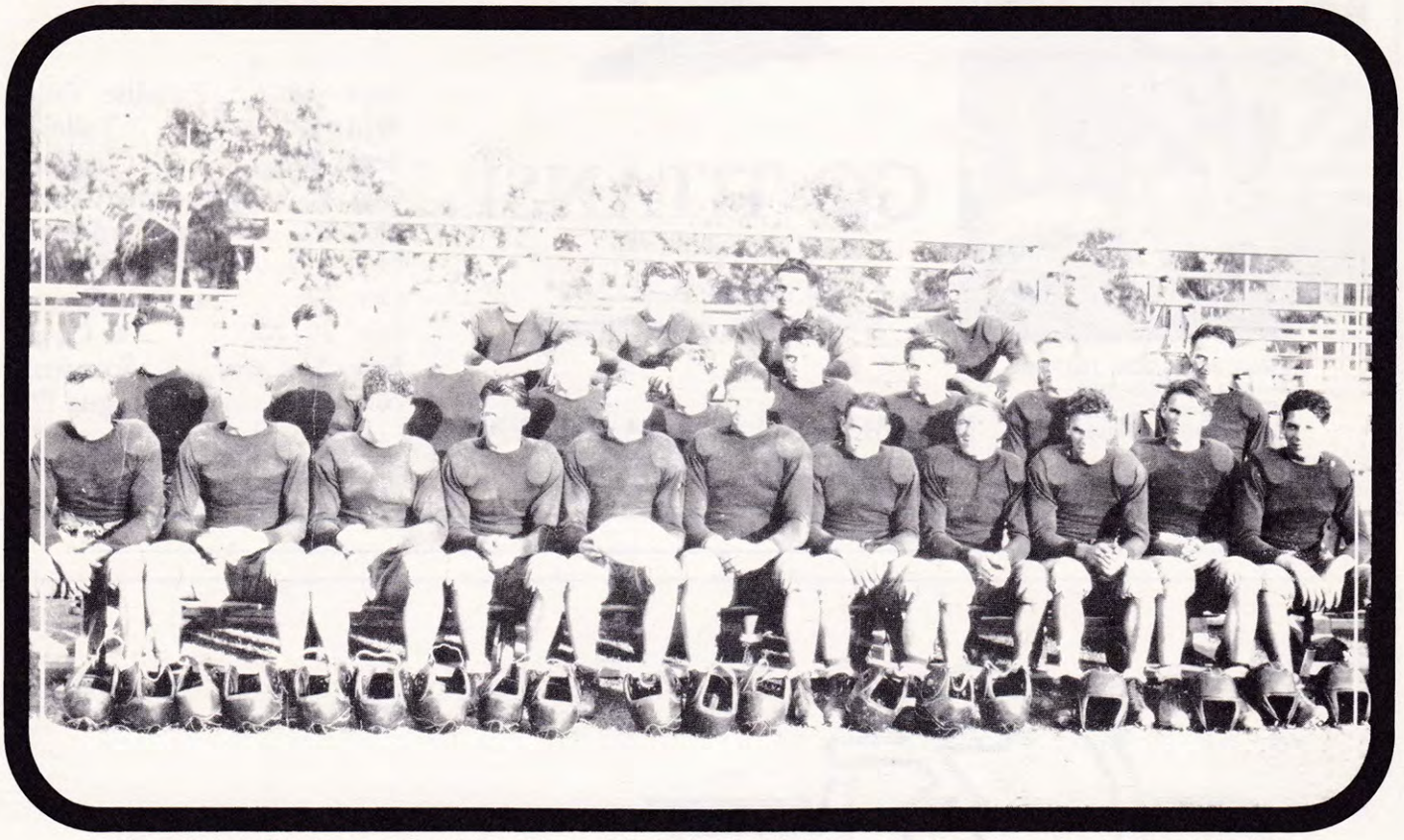
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5 . . Lawrence, KS, 1956-60
5 . . Stayton Regis, OR, 1973-77

(Phoenix Gazette photo)



STATE CHAMPS — The Coyotes' staff in 1954-55 won the Arizona state championship in every sport but baseball. L-R, Sam Winningham (football), Steve Carson (track), Ed Long (basketball) and Martin "Pug" Marich (baseball).

In 1930, Phoenix Union's Football Team was out to be Number One-So was Western.



Phoenix Union's 1930 state championship football team, coached by the late R.R. Robinson (standing, right) — the only Arizona high school football team to become national champions.

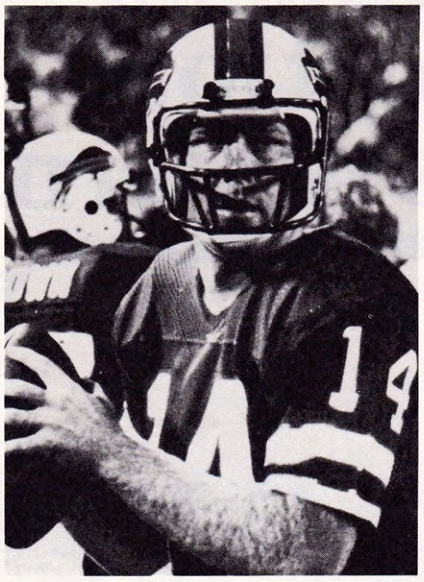
Both made it.

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Gary Howard, Head Coach
Pete Anselmo, Athletic Director

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1982 TITANS' SCHEDULE

Sept. 10.....Paradise Valley
Sept. 17.....Tolleson
Sept. 24.....Chaparral
Oct. 1....at Phoenix Central
Oct. 8.....at Camelback
Oct. 15.....Carl Hayden
Oct. 22.....at Casa Grande
Oct. 29.....at Cactus
Nov. 5.....Scottsdale
Nov. 12.....at Agua Fria

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SCHEDULE SECTION

Universities

Arizona
Sept. 11 Oregon State
Sept. 18 Washington
Sept. 25 Iowa
Oct. 9 at UCLA
Oct. 16 at Notre Dame
Oct. 23 Pacific
Oct. 30 at Washington State
Nov. 6 at Stanford
Nov. 13 USC
Nov. 20 at Oregon
Nov. 27 Arizona State

Arizona State
Sept. 4 at Oregon
Sept. 11 Utah
Sept. 18 at Houston
Sept. 25 at California
Oct. 2 Kansas State
Oct. 9 Stanford
Oct. 16 Texas El Paso
Oct. 30 USC
Nov. 6 Oregon State
Nov. 13 Washington
Nov. 27 at Arizona

Northern Arizona
Sept. 4 at Cal State Fullerton
Sept. 11 Southern Utah State
Sept. 25 at Montana
Oct. 2 Boise State
Oct. 9 at Nevada-Reno
Oct. 16 Idaho State
Oct. 23 Eastern Washington
Oct. 30 at New Mexico State
Nov. 6 at Montana State
Nov. 13 at Idaho
Nov. 20 Weber State

Junior Colleges

Glendale CC
Sept. 11 New Mexico Military
Sept. 18 at Eastern Utah
Sept. 25 Imperial Valley
Oct. 9 El Toro Marines
Oct. 16 at Mesa
Oct. 23 Phoenix College
Nov. 6 at Eastern Arizona
Nov. 13 Arizona Western

Phoenix College
Sept. 11 Snow College, UT
Sept. 18 West Hills, CA
Sept. 25 at Santa Monica
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Public Schools

Agua Fria
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Sept. 24 at Cactus
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Nov. 12 Arcadia

Alhambra
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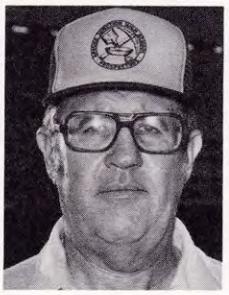
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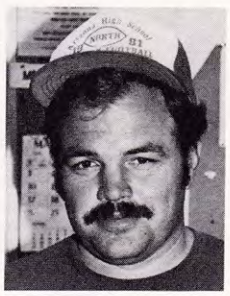
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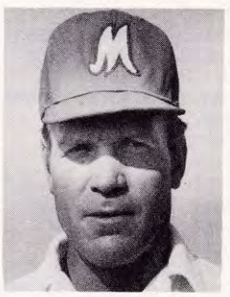
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Leon Trotter, Apache Jct.



Bill Mitton, Trevor Browne



Jesse Parker Mt. View

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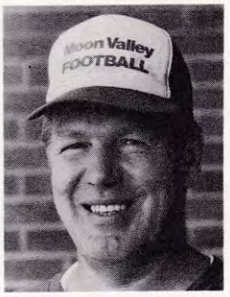
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After 93 years, the Phoenix Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce has retained its original purpose — to identify and deal with the problems facing a rapidly growing city, and to seek out and recommend ways to ensure its economic growth and sound future.

As the voice of the business community, the Phoenix Chamber represents its members at all levels of government and in all matters affecting them: transportation, downtown redevelopment, government relations, taxation, education, criminal justice, aviation, and international trade to name a few.

By maintaining a "watch-dog" role on legislative and political issues that affect business and the community, the Chamber plays an integral part in improving the economic well being of all citizens while retaining the ambience and lifestyle indigenous to Phoenix.

The Chamber not only manages and responds to change, but initiates change to make things happen. In every facet of its involvement from lobbying efforts to seminars, the Phoenix Chamber means business.



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