

Offensive Unit Led By Backs

The backfield, the passing and the receiving all shape up as strong points, but the line leaves something to be desired.

Edd Hargett is a quality quarterback while fullback Wendell Housley and tailback Larry Stegent are proven performers. Such receivers as Bob Long, Barney Harris, Tommy Maxwell and Jimmy Adams, all of whom can alternate at wingback or split end, and strong end Tom Buckman offer Hargett excellent targets for his passes.

In addition to Buckman and the split ends, there are two other returning starters in the offensive line, center Jack Kovar and weak tackle Carl Gough, both juniors.

Both of last year's kicking specialists—punter Steve O'Neal and placement kicker Charlie

Riggs—return for their senior seasons. Long again will be the kickoff man.

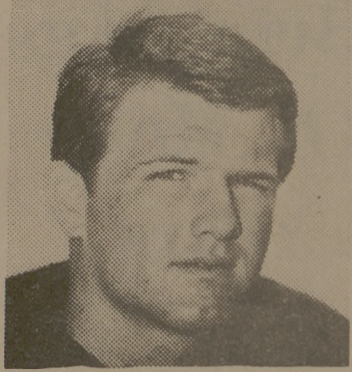
Riggs and sophomore Robert Stansberry finished the spring as back-up men to Hargett at quarterback.

The only positions where quality depth exists are at split end and wingback where Long, Harris, Adams, Maxwell, Jack Whitman and Bill Seely can interchange.

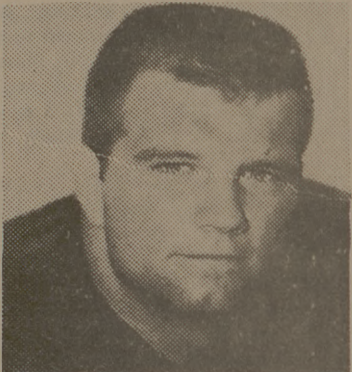
Behind Stegent at tailback are a couple of promising sophomores, Johnny Weaver and Marc Black. Junior letterman Javier Vela and sophomore Larry Kelly are behind Housley at fullback.

Letterman Mike Caswell, erstwhile center, wound up the spring behind Gough at weak tackle. Gary Gruben was the No. 2 man behind Stallings at weak guard, setting up an all-sophomore battle there. Sophomores Waymond Lightfoot and Mike Stinson are challengers to Kovar at center while Ronald Reagan battles fellow-sophomore Parker at strong guard. Mark Thomas, a junior squadman, is the back-up man for Buckman at strong end.

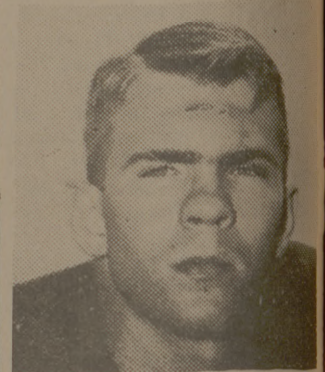
That was the way they lined up at the end of spring training. Desire, determination and effort by others could bring about some changes during the early days of fall drills.



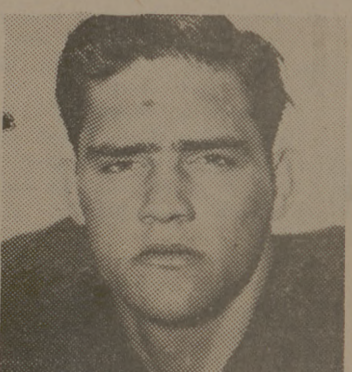
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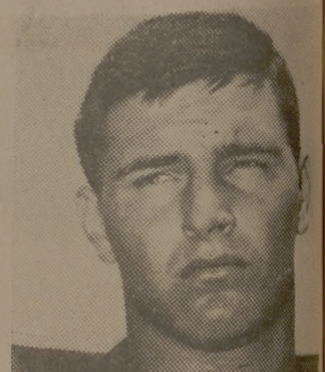
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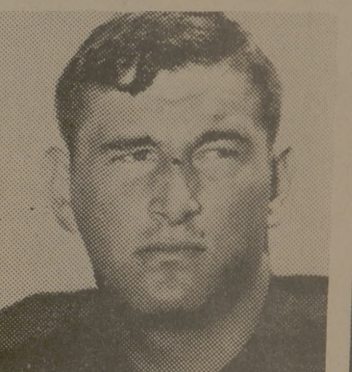
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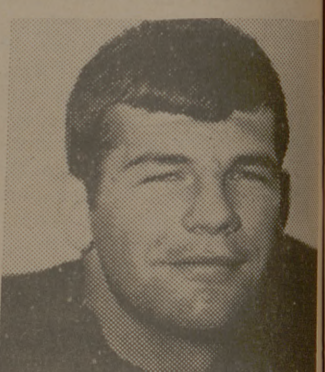
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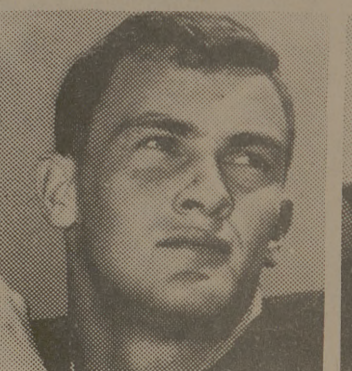
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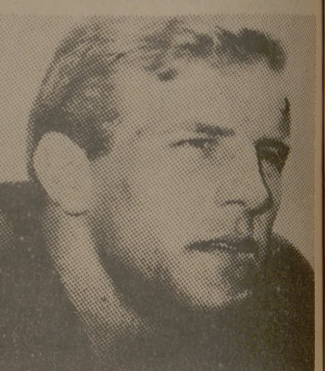
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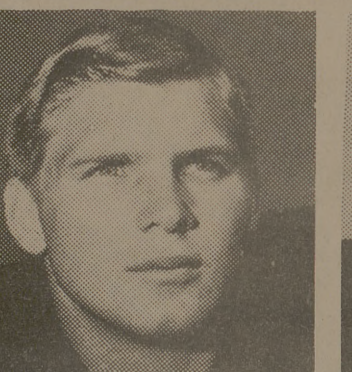
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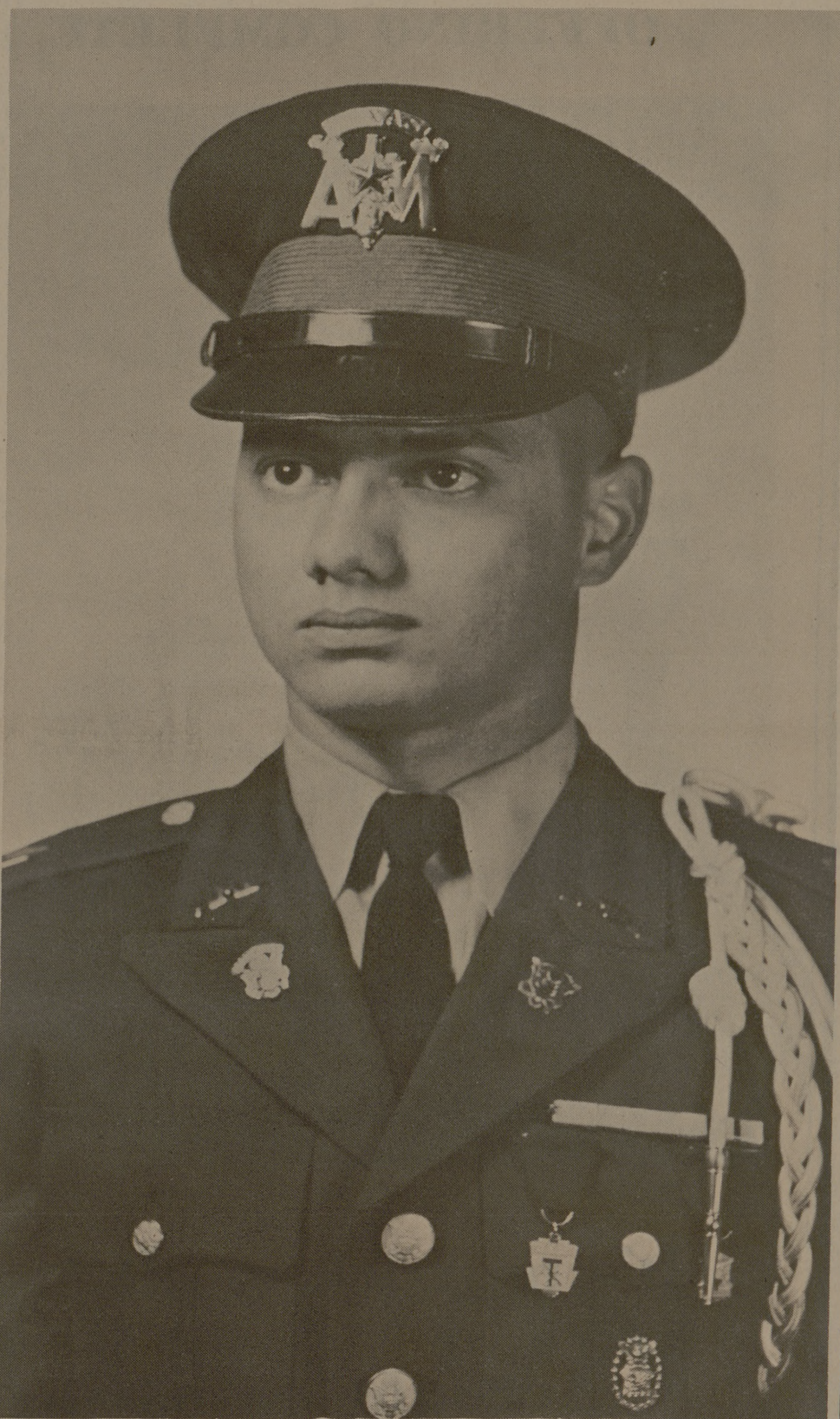
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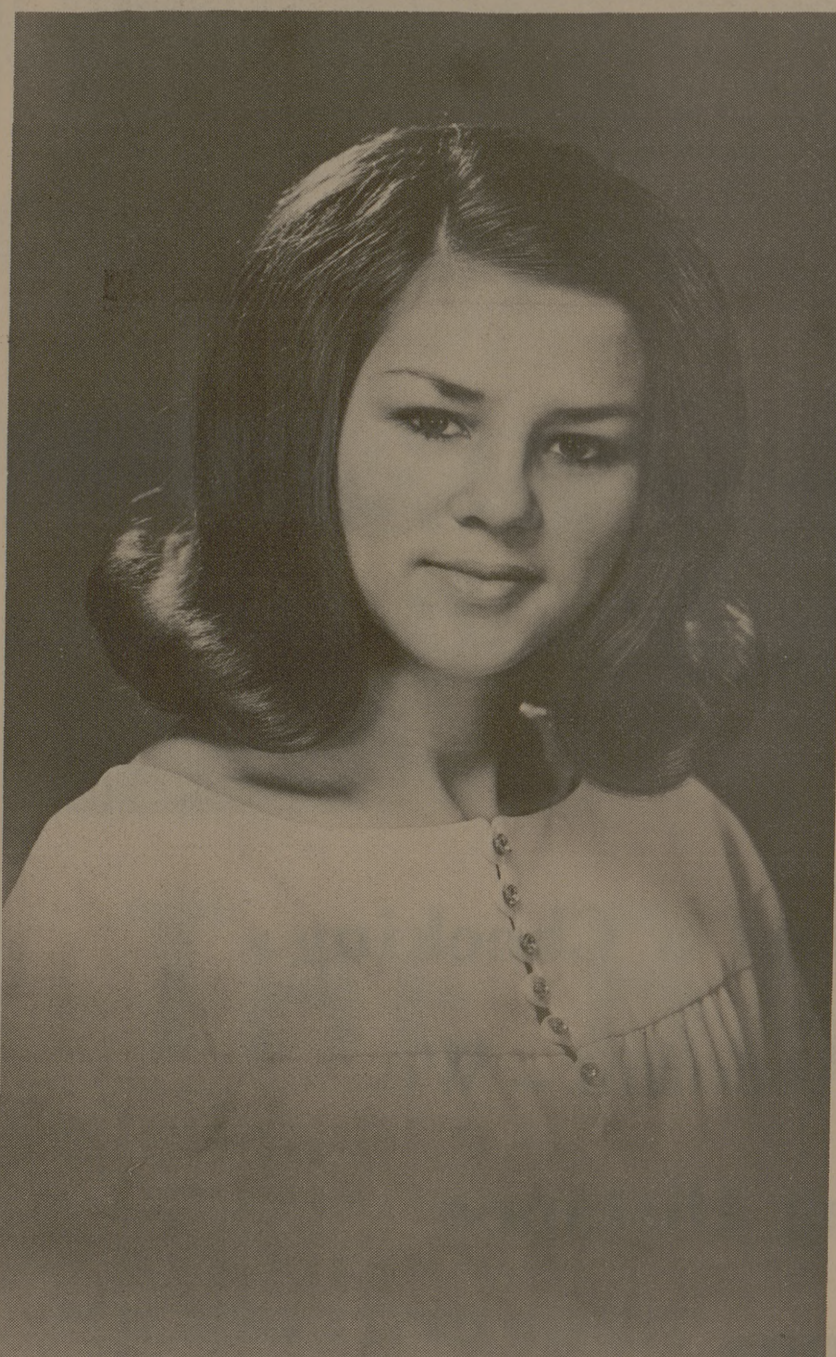
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