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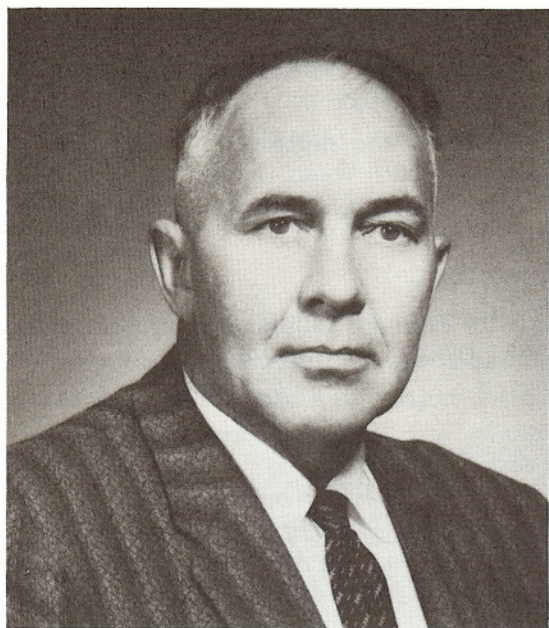
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Later he served with Toronto and Calgary, then returned to Saskatchewan in 1952 to team with Frank Filchock, now head coach of the Broncos, and the two collaborated to build one of the finest clubs and organizations in the Canadian League.

For almost a quarter of a century, Griffing coached and directed the fortunes of Canadian League teams.

A desire to retire after those many successful years in the tough Canadian grid circuit, led Griffing to Tucson, Ariz., and acceptance of the post of executive director of the Optimist Bowl — a game that annually pits the stars of major and minor colleges against each other in that city.

But, after two years in that capacity, Griffing heeded the call to return to professional football and accepted his present post with the Denver Broncos where he has been an invaluable leader in the building of the Mile High City's initial venture into the pro sport.

His wealth of contacts and experience throughout Canada have helped the Bronco general manager construct one of the league's most experienced clubs. Likewise, it will be a valuable aid in future talent scouting and recruiting.

Dean and his wife, Bea, have two children — Barbara Dean, 14, and Douglas Frederick, 10.

Personable Dean Griffing, probably the most experienced general manager in the American Football League, brings a lifetime of football background and know-how — both administrative and coaching — to Denver and America's newest major sports circuit.

In fact, the 45-year old Griffing became a general manager in the professional football ranks just two years after he had graduated from Kansas State as an All-Big Six center in 1934.

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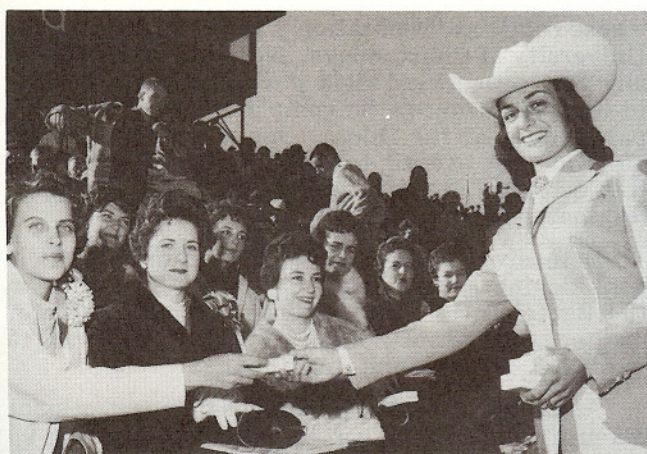
By **ORVILLE RENNIE**
Promotion Director

Once again, explosive professional football; laughter in seeing a Denverite ride a donkey; Colorado Woman's College cheerleaders; Brighton, Colorado, High School band; celebrities Pete Smythe, Mayor of East Tincup, Colorado; Shelley Berman, television star took bows . . . all this on BRONCO RANCH last week.

A big delegation of Denver Realtors was on hand last week to boost for a Bronco win and to put the Dallas "prexy," "Tex" Garrett, on the donkey. On November 13, at the Cotton Bowl, a Colorado Realtor delegation will be on hand for a repetition of the "donkey ride."



Talking it over . . . Henry L. Kirkpatrick, President, Denver Board of Realtors, and "Tex" Garrett, representing the President of Dallas, Texas, Board of Realtors.



Miss Marie Mass (Miss Rodeo Colorado), Pinion, Colorado, presenting Jolly Rancher candy to friends and wives of the Denver Broncos. First row, left to right: Mrs. John Brodnax, Mrs. Mike Nichols and Mrs. David Rolle. Second row, left to right: Mrs. Pete Mangum, Mrs. Buddy Alliston, Mrs. Bob McNamara, Mrs. Nita Gant (sister-in-law of Gordon Holz) and Mrs. Gordon Holz.



The loser, Eugene L. Lilly, President-elect Denver Board of Realtors, riding the donkey. The winner, "Tex" Garrett, Dallas "prexy" happily leading the donkey followed by executive vice-president Phil Berg and Realtor Milt Conway.



Former prep school cheerleaders, now students at Colorado Woman's College and ardent Bronco fans. Left to right: Miss Candy Swenson of Sitka, Alaska; Miss Karen Weller, Las Vegas, Nevada; and Miss Lorna Shumway, Lynnfield Center, Mass.



HALF TIME TO FEATURE SPECTACLES!

by FLOYD L. SPARKS, *Director of Entertainment*

Today we present at the half time, another of the outstanding musical groups of this area. It is the Lakewood High School band under the direction of John Thomalla. Mr. Thomalla is a relative newcomer to Colorado High School music and is making his mark in the field. Last year, in the school system of Nebraska, his band was invited to participate in the festivities of the Orange Bowl, where he achieved wide acclaim. Mr. Vernon Heaston is principal of Lakewood High.

Today's show is especially designed to honor you, our audience, the Houston Oilers and the Denver Broncos, as well as to show the precision marching of the band. Our Sinclair Bronc-ettes will appear in formation with the Band, the first time that they will perform to the music of the featured visitors. We will miss performing for you for the next two weeks while the Broncos are on the road, but will hope to meet you again on November 27 and December 4.

RAMPAGING BUFFALO BILLS HERE NEXT

By PAUL MANASSEH, *Public Relations Director*



The Buffalo Bills, roaring back after a slow start, will be out to avenge an early season defeat at the hands of the Denver Broncos when they run on to the Bears Stadium turf Sunday, Nov. 27.

The Broncos took the Bills into camp in the second game of the season in the western New York city last Sept. 18, 27-21, in a thriller in which Johnny Pyeatt's key interception in the fourth quarter enabled the Broncos to come

from behind for the victory.

Since then the Bills made several key changes in personnel and only this past week succeeded in knocking off the eastern division leading Houston Oilers, 25-24.

Primary revision in the Bills' attack was the signing recently of quarterback Johnny Green

whose collegiate reputation was established at the University of Chattanooga. Noted as an exceptionally fine passer and field general, Green lived up to his reputation as he completed two touchdown passes against the Oilers. One was a magnificent 70-yard play, overall, to Wray Carlton for the first Bill score. Later in the game another Green-originated aerial culminated in a Buffalo TD.

Defensive halfback Bill Atkins uncanny field goal kicking ability also will make a difference in the Buffalo attack. The former Auburn star, for instance, hit three-pointers from 45, 22 and 15 yards out to topple the Houstonians.

And linebacker Archie Matsos bulwarks a stout defense which is the best in the league, giving up less yardage than any other American Football League entry.

Coached by Garrard (Buster) Ramsey the Bills boast a club which should come fast in the last half of the race and their exciting one-point victory over the hitherto all-powerful Oilers could presage a close battle down the line in the east.

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Over a decade ago, along with his father, Lee, and brother, Earl, Bob purchased the Bears franchise in the Class A Western League. On the site of a city dump they erected Bears Stadium, possibly the most beautiful sports stadium in the nation.

Gradually increasing the stadium capacity, Denver drew crowds that provoked unbelieving comments and in 1955 they purchased the Kansas City franchise and moved the growing area into Triple-A baseball. Twice, a baseball first, Howsam was named minor league executive of the year.

A founder of the Continental League, recently absorbed by the present major leagues, Howsam is looking forward to the day when major league baseball will join professional football in the Mile High City.

A leading citizen of Denver, Howsam belongs to some 40 organizations and has been honored by being named to many esteemed positions in the community.

Bob and his wife, Janet, are the parents of two boys, Bobby, 18, and Edwin, 16.



LEE W. HOWSAM
Chm. of the Board

Chairman of the Board of Directors, Treasurer and Director of Stadium Improvements keeps the senior member of the Denver baseball and football organization, Lee Howsam, on the go.

Born in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Lee served as president of Bears in 1948 before moving to his present position.

An active civic worker, the 75-year old Lee and his wife,

Mary, are one of the most colorful sports couples in Denver.



EARL R. HOWSAM
Vice-President

The most versatile staff member and one who shoulders a large load of the operational details involving the football Broncos and the baseball Bears, Earl Howsam capably serves as second in command.

A bomber pilot during World War II, Earl joined the Bears' organization after serving as administrative assistant to Senator Edwin C. Johnson (D-Colo.) from 1949

through 1954.

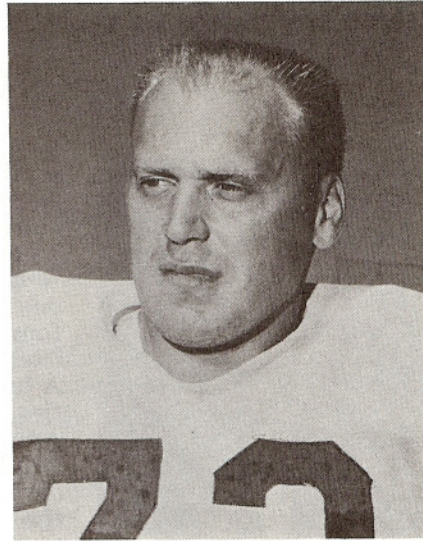
While serving in Washington, D.C., he acquired a vast and excellent background for promotions which is clearly outlined in the Bears' heavy promotional schedule each year.

His fresh, new ideas have continued to make the Bears one of the top promotional organizations in baseball and now this high degree of success is being carried into professional football with tremendous results.

Earl and his wife, Mary, are the parents of a daughter, Marilee, 16, and a son, Dick, 13.

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PETE MANGUM . . . Linebacker . . . 6-1 . . . 220 . . . 27 . . . Mississippi . . . A five-year veteran of the National Football and Canadian Leagues. After graduation in 1954 signed with the New York Giants and turned out to be one of their top linebackers before going into service in 1956. Returning from service he played with the Giants for two years and one year in Canada. Lettered three years at Ole Miss, being named to the All South-eastern Conference defensive platoon in 1953, the last year the free substitution rule was in effect in the college ranks. Good reactions and can play either the corner or middle linebacking spots.

JOHN HATLEY . . . Defensive tackle . . . 6-4 . . . 260 . . . 30 . . . Sul Ross (Tex.) . . . Another small college graduate who developed after he turned pro. A four-year veteran of the NFL with the Chicago Bears, who he broke in with, the Chicago Cards and Philadelphia Eagles. Particularly tough to the inside and is very rarely trapped. Was with the Dallas Texans during most of exhibition season then came to the Broncos in a trade that sent defensive halfback Bob Rosbaugh of Miami U. to Dallas. A quiet, serious leader who does most of his talking on the field, Hatley is from Uvalde, Tex.

GORDY HOLZ . . . Offensive tackle . . . 6-4 . . . 270 . . . 26 . . . Minnesota . . . A teammate of Bronco halfback Bob McNamara both in college and pro ball. Played with "Mac" at Minnesota and later at Winnipeg in the Canadian League. Obtained by the Broncos during the exhibition season from the Boston Patriots in exchange for center Larry Cundiff. Big and strong with plenty of speed, Holz can really go get 'em. Playing both ways in Canada he developed good lateral movements which makes him a tough man to get by. While at Minnesota became known around the Big 10 as one of hardest hitters in the league. A native of St. Paul, Minnesota.



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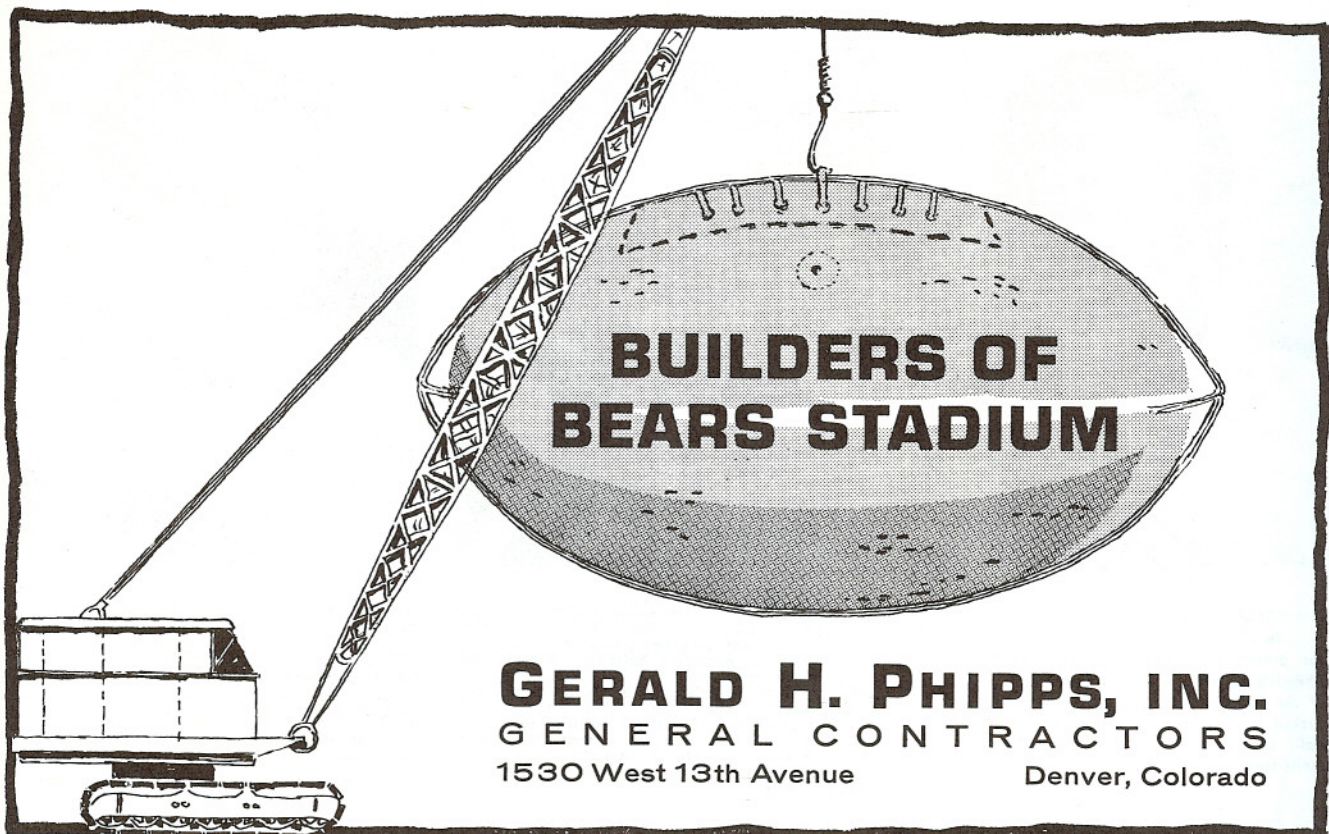
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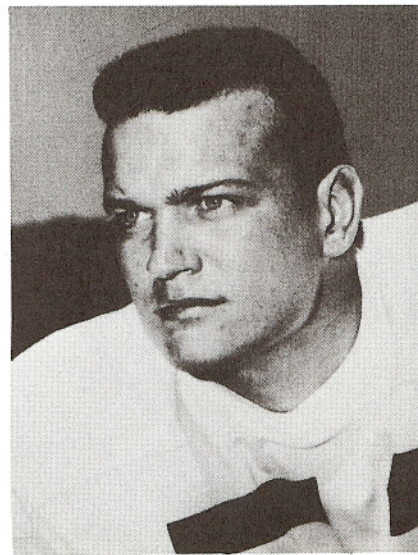
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JIM GREER . . . Offensive end . . . 6-3 . . . 215 . . . 26 . . . Elizabeth State, N. C. Third year in the professional game, formerly played with the Philadelphia Eagles and the Hamilton Tiger Cats of the Canadian League. Possessor of great hands. Picked up 14 letters in college, four each in football, basketball and baseball and two in track. Hails from Huntington, W. Va.



JOHNNY PYEATT . . . Defensive halfback . . . 6-3 . . . 200 . . . 26 . . . Canadian Ball . . . Another performer who can play two positions — either offensive end or defensive halfback. Started the 1960 season as an end but then took over as a defensive half. Didn't play any college ball but signed with the Canadian League after service. The last two years was one of the leading receivers in the Canadian League as well as being a stick-out defensive halfback. A full-blooded Indian who is a policeman during the off season in Phoenix, Ariz.



MIKE NICHOLS . . . Offensive center . . . 6-3 . . . 225 . . . 21 . . . Arkansas A&M. Taking his initial crack at the pro sport after being an All Conference lineman in college for four consecutive years. Captained his team in his senior year (1959). A nine-letter winner during his high school days at Monticello, Ark., High School. Biggest thrill returning an intercepted pass back 70 yards to set up a winning touchdown in college ball.



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August 29, 1960

Mr. Robert L. Howsam, President
The Denver Broncos
West 20th Avenue & Decatur Street
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Dear Bob:

It is my very great privilege and pleasure as Governor of the State of Colorado to extend the official greetings of the State to the Denver Broncos and the American Football League.

Our entrance into America's newest sports endeavor is a milestone in the progress of the State.

Recognizing competitive sports as an integral part of our American system and way of life it is with much enthusiasm that Colorado enters into the major league of professional football through the Denver Broncos and the American Football League.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Steve McNichols".

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AMERICA'S NEW SPORTS CIRCUIT IN HIGH GEAR

By **CHET NELSON**, *Rocky Mountain News Sports Editor*



From a grubby beginning on the sandlots, the bruising game of professional football has risen to the peak of popularity throughout the broad expanses of our fair land.

It is only proper and fitting that Denver, one of the nation's busiest sports centers, is privileged to present this most spectacular of all games.

A new era dawns in the vastly expanded sports activities of the bustling Mile High City with the introduction of Coach Frank Filchock's rip-snorting Broncos.

What we used to get such a wallop out of on the television screen now comes to us in the flesh with the inaugural season of the ambitious American Football League.

Bob Howsam and his associates in Empire Sports Inc. are to be complimented for bringing this AFL franchise into our midst. This chance taking project further proves the faith investors in Empire Sports Inc. have in the sports future of our Rocky Mountain West.

This same corporation has provided Colorado's Capital City with the finest in baseball and a clean, well operated Bears Stadium the last dec-

ade. Denver's tremendous success in baseball has brought the Rocky Mountain metropolis country-wide recognition. It is logical to predict the same will happen in football in the years to come.

The American Football League already has sent chronic skeptics scurrying into hiding with marked progress in its first few weeks of operation. Not a loud bell ringer from the standpoint of turnstile counts, but no one can question the new circuit's solid foundation and bright prospects for the future.

Millions of dollars have been expended in getting the AFL off the ground. Millions more will be shelled out to keep it airborne. Its leaders have boldly accepted the challenge of the firmly established and prosperous National Football League and show no signs of backing down.

The AFL, from its energetic Commissioner Joe Foss to the clubhouse attendants, make no pretense of starting on the same level which the rival league needed a score of years to achieve.

"But give us three years and we'll be up there with 'em," says Commissioner Foss and AFL owners.

Father of the American League is 27-year-old Lamar Hunt, Dallas millionaire who once gathered splinters on the Southern Methodist University benches.

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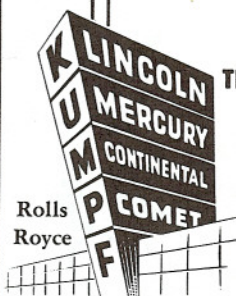
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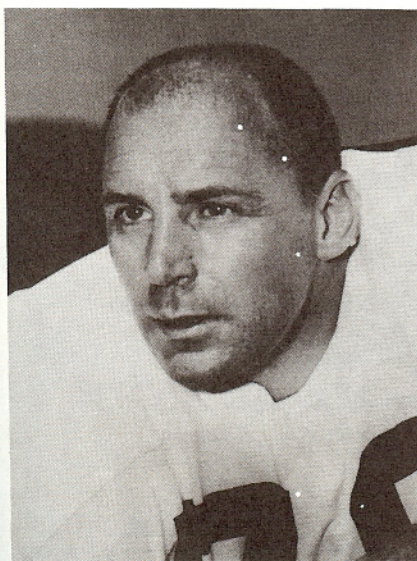
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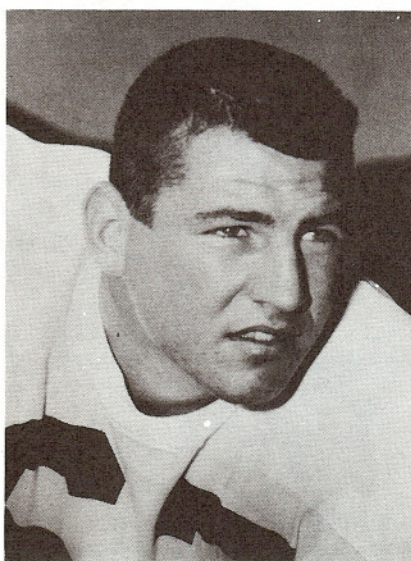
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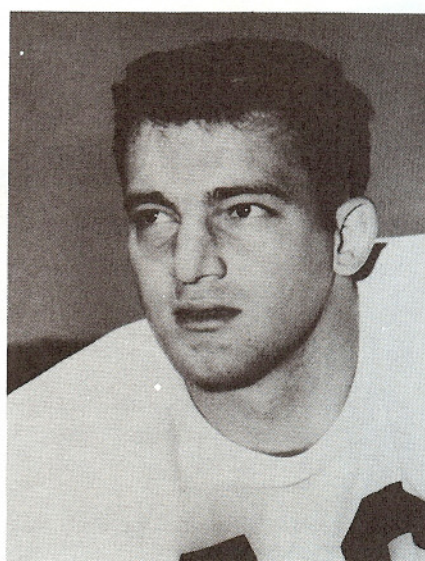
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DON KING . . . Defensive end . . . 6-3 . . . 255 . . . 29 . . . Kentucky . . . The other half of the Bronco's defensive end corps, Big Don is a tough man to run around or through. Shows five years of experience in the National Football League with the Cleveland Browns, Philadelphia Eagles and Green Bay Packers. A fiery leader in the defensive forward wall, King has good lateral movement as well as a strong, straight ahead charge making him a threat to break up the wide sweep or the off-tackle slant. Learned his football young in Turtle Creek, Pa., where he played high school ball. One of the most well-proportioned men on the Bronco squad.



KEN ADAMSON . . . Offensive guard . . . 6-2 . . . 215 . . . 21 . . . Notre Dame . . . One of the hardest workers on the squad and a tremendous competitor. Has developed into stand-out blocker, both in the line and downfield. Excellent speed makes him the key man on many Bronco plays that go wide. Captained last year's Notre Dame squad ending a brilliant two-year career. Claims his biggest thrill was playing in Notre Dame's traditional Old Timer games held each year at the conclusion of spring practice when former Irish greats return to play the varsity. His father, Colonel K. S. Adamson, is with the Air Force Defense Command in Colorado Springs, Colo.

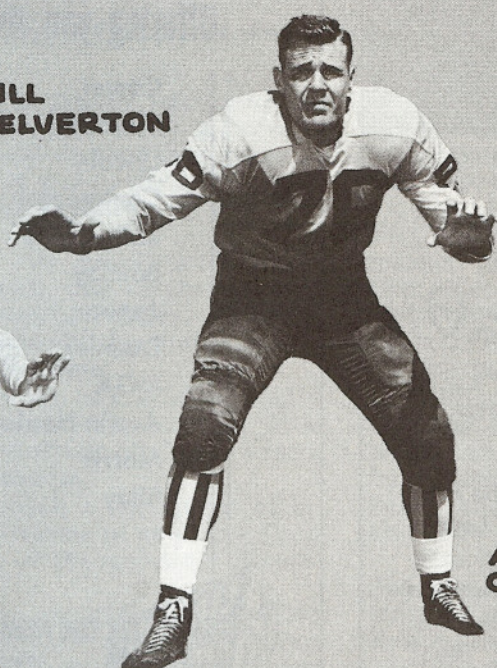


AUSTIN GONSOULIN . . . Defensive halfback . . . 6-3 . . . 200 . . . 22 . . . Baylor . . . An outstanding end and halfback with Baylor in the Southwest Conference the last two years. Obtained by Denver in the trade with Dallas that sent Jack Spikes of T.C.U. to the Texans for Gonsoulin and end Don Carothers. The first day in camp Gonsoulin was tried at defensive half and he's been there ever since. Speed, size and good hands make him a potential great as a defensive back. Can do everything well and for a rookie has amazing reactions in pass coverage. Played high school ball in Port Arthur, Tex., with Bronco teammate Carl Larpenster.

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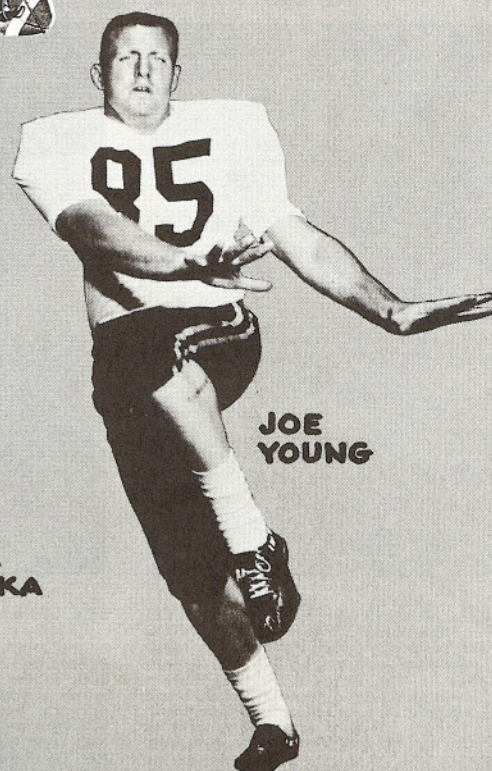
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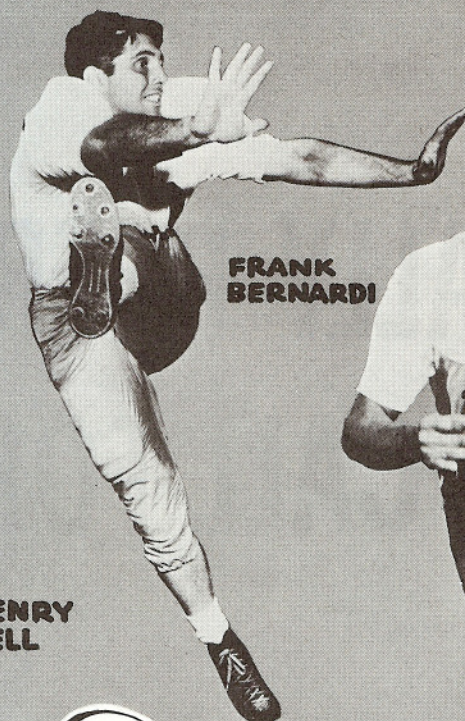
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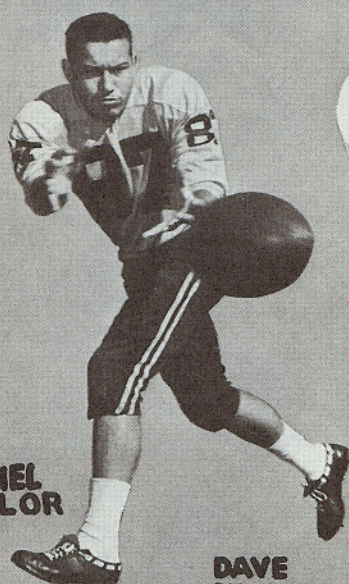
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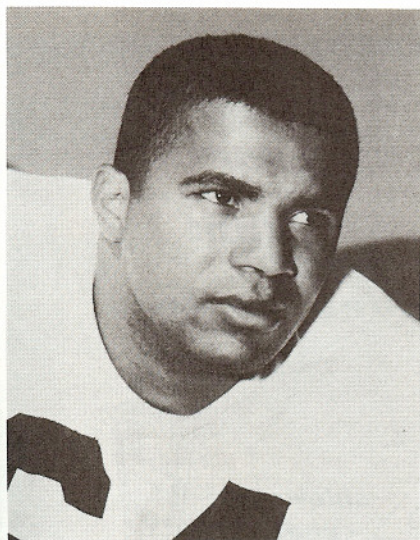
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WILLIE SMITH . . . Offensive tackle or guard . . . 6-2 . . . 255 . . . 22 . . . Michigan . . . Could be one of the better offensive linemen in the AFL. Great speed for his size who excels in clearing the path downfield. Signed with the Chicago Bears in 1959 after completing a brilliant career at Michigan. Ranked as one of the best blockers ever to come out of the Big 10, Smith could outrun many of the backs that he blocked for. A native of Little Rock, Ark., where he went to Dunbar High School with another famous grid name, Jim Pace, who also went to Michigan and later starred with the San Francisco 49ers.



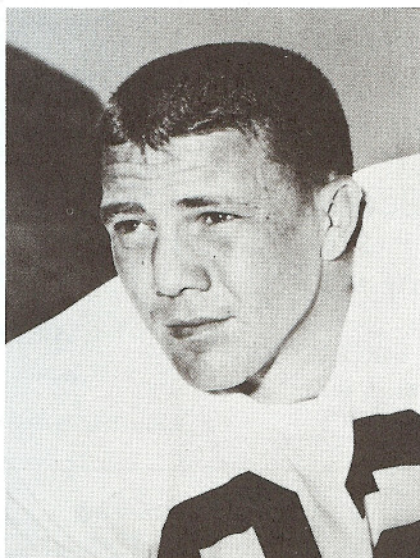
GEORGE HERRING . . . Quarterback . . . 6-3 . . . 200 . . . 26 . . . Miss. Southern . . . A two-year veteran of the Canadian League who could be one of the American Football League's outstanding punters. Quarterbacked one of the nation's top small college teams in 1956 when Miss. Southern won 9 and lost 1. Was fifth in the nation that year in punting and went on to play in the Senior Bowl. Herring performed for Vancouver and Regina in the Canadian League, playing offensive quarterback and handling all the punting. Both years he was among the league's leading punters with better than a 40-yard average. Joined the Broncos as a punting specialist but soon made it known he could also do the job at offensive quarterback. A native of Gadsden, Ala., Herring's development at quarterback gives the Broncos the deepest and most experienced set of signal callers in the AFL.



ELDON DANENHAUER . . . Offensive tackle . . . 6-4 . . . 235 . . . 25 . . . Pittsburg St. (Kan.) . . . An excellent blocker with tremendous strength and desire. One of two brothers on the Bronco squad, Eldon is playing his first year in pro ball. He started at College of Emporia in Kansas, the same school his brother Bill attended, but switched to Pittsburg St. to make quite a name for himself his senior year. He and Bill, who's one year older than Eldon, teamed up at Clay Center, Kan., high school for three unbeaten seasons covering 27 games to rank as one of the top high school teams in the state during 1951.



BOB McNAMARA . . . Offensive halfback . . . 6-0 . . . 185 . . . 26 . . . Minnesota . . . One of the outstanding backs ever to perform in the Big 10, "Mac" was a consensus All American in 1954. After graduation he signed with Winnipeg in the Canada League and played four years. In 1956, his second year in the league, he was the top rusher with 1,157 yards and was named to the Canadian League All Star squad. Besides being a good runner McNamara has an uncanny knack of getting open to receive passes. For that reason he'll be a flanker back in Coach Filchock's offensive setup. During the off season "Mac" operates a restaurant and lounge in Minneapolis, Minn.



DAVE ROLLE . . . Offensive fullback . . . 6-0 . . . 205 . . . 23 . . . Oklahoma . . . A power runner who's tough to bring down. Can go to the outside with good speed on either the quick pitchout or flare pass. A member of outstanding Oklahoma teams of 1956, '57 and '58 which lost only two games, one to Notre Dame, 7-0, and the other to Texas, 15-14. A starting fullback his last two years, Rolle's main job was to serve as a blocker for Oklahoma's speedy halfbacks. His development as a runner stems from his blocking experience, as he has learned to use his shoulders to bowl over would-be tacklers. This is his second year in pro ball having played last season with Edmonton in the Canadian League.



RED BRODNAX . . . Offensive fullback . . . 6-0 . . . 195 . . . L.S.U. . . . Played first string fullback on L.S.U.'s national championship club of 1958. Clearing the way for the much publicized Billy Cannon, Brodnax was voted the most valuable player in the Southeastern Conference that year and was also awarded the Jacobs trophy, given annually to the outstanding blocker in the league. Steady performer who's always ready when the going gets tough. Has developed into good power runner and still retains his blocking ability. A native of Bastrop, La., where he played high school ball, Brodnax is playing his first year of pro ball.

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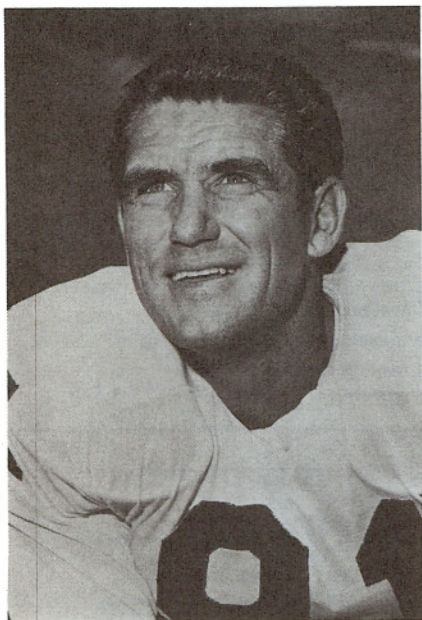
AL ROMINE . . . Defensive halfback . . . 6-2 . . . 195 . . . 27 . . . Florence St. (Ala.) . . . Rugged, on offensive ends because of determination not to be beaten when going for a pass. Great competitor and a second team Little All American at Florence St. in 1953. Lettered three years in basketball and football. Played five years of pro ball beginning with the Chicago Bears under George Halas in 1955. Was a first string defensive half with Green Bay during 1956, '57 and '58 and then moved to Ottawa in Canada to help them get into the playoffs last season. Nicknamed "Monk," the Haleyville, Ala., native is a farmer during the off season.



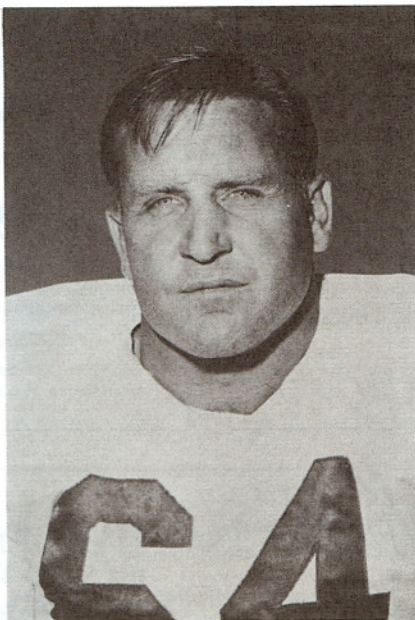
HARDY BROWN . . . Linebacker . . . 6-0 . . . 190 . . . 32 . . . Tulsa . . . Probably the hardest hitting back ever to come out of the Missouri Valley Conference. Was All Missouri Valley three years, graduating in 1948. Started out as a defensive back in pro ball with the Chicago Hornets of the old All American Conference and later with the Washington Redskins and the Chicago Cards in the NFL. Starting his 10th year in pro ball, Brown has been moved to middle linebacker in Coach Filchok's defensive scheme. Has proved to be a rugged tackler who likes to hit. One of the few who has played in all three pro circuits . . . the old AAC, the NFL and now the AFL.



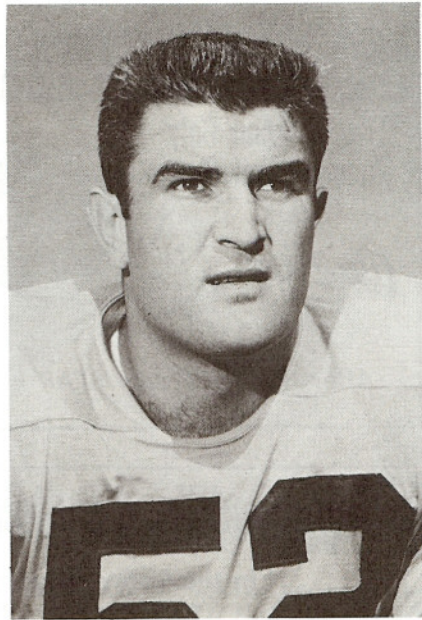
GENE MINGO . . . Offensive halfback . . . 6-1 . . . 200 . . . 21 . . . Service Ball . . . A first year pro who didn't play any college football. "The Hawk" will handle most of the Bronco's place-kicking chores. A versatile, smooth runner with good power; can also handle a defensive half-back assignment if called upon. All-Navy two years; standout high school athlete at Akron, Ohio. Biggest thrill is playing service ball with football greats Ralph Guglielmi, Roosevelt Grier and Sherman Plunkett.



BILL JESSUP . . . Offensive end . . . 6-1 . . . 195
 . . . 30 . . . Southern California . . . Entering his
 ninth year of pro ball; seven-year veteran with the
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 Cason. An All American for the Longhorns at
 guard in both 1949 and '50; named "Lineman of
 the Year" after senior season. Started for the
 College All Stars at left guard against the Cleve-
 land Browns in 1951 All Star game. A native of
 Houston, Tex.



FRANK KUCHTA . . . Offensive center . . . 6-3
 . . . 235 . . . 24 . . . Notre Dame . . . Joined the
 Broncos after the regular season got underway.
 Can also handle a linebacking assignment. A two-
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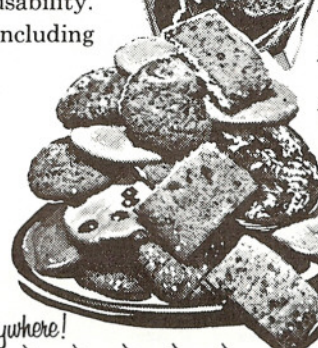
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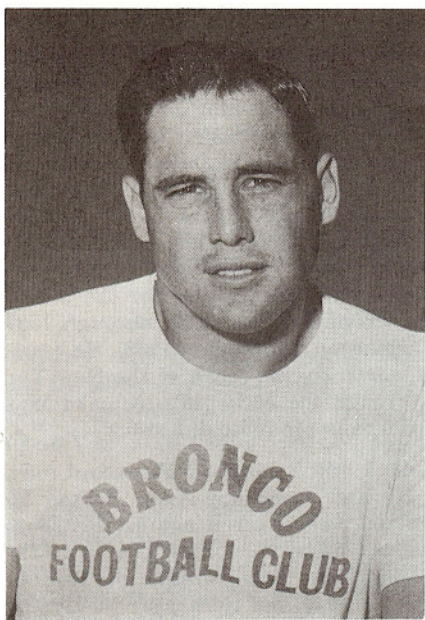
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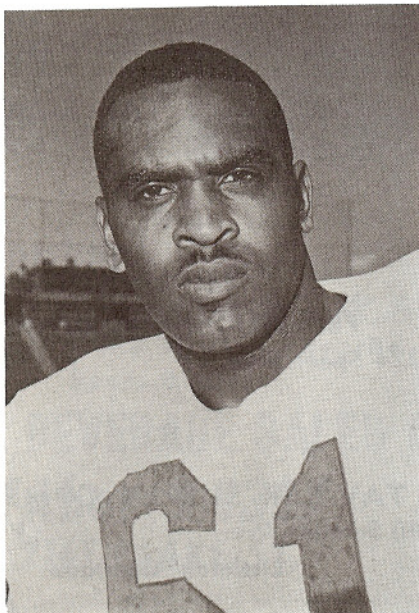
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CHUCK GAVIN . . . Defensive end . . . 6-1 . . . 240 . . . 24 . . . Tennessee A&I . . . Starting defensive end for Vancouver of the Canadian League last season. Tough, rugged competitor who handles himself well. Entering third season of pro ball; youngest and smallest of Bronco defensive ends. A native of Laurel, Miss.



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Filchock still holds the NFL record for the longest pass play. He and teammate Andy Farkas hooked up for a 99-yard touchdown aerial against Pittsburgh in 1939. He quarterbacked the New York Giants to the Eastern Division Conference championship in 1946 before going to Canada. In 1949, his third year in the Canadian style of play, Filchock was named Canadian Athlete of the Year after leading Montreal to the Gray Cup Championship. Teamed with Bronco general manager Dean Griffing at Regina to build one of the league's top clubs, beginning in 1953. Came to Denver after being backfield coach at Calgary in 1959. Frank, his wife Dorothy and their two children, Gladys, 18, and John, 17, have made Wheat Ridge, Colo., their permanent home.

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Before becoming one of the National Football League's finest tackles, Rymkus was a line star on Frank Leahy's undefeated Notre Dame team and was the Most Valuable Player on the Fighting Irish of 1942.

One of the American Football League's most able staff of assistants aids Rymkus. Wally Lemm, a veteran of 18 years coaching and a member of the Chicago Cardinals staff last year, is the defensive backfield coach; Walt Schlinkman, an all-time great at Texas Tech and a veteran of both pro playing and coaching, is the offensive backfield coach; Fred Wallner, a great guard at Notre Dame in the late '40's is line coach and Mac Speedie, five times all-pro and one of the NFL's greatest ends, is end coach.



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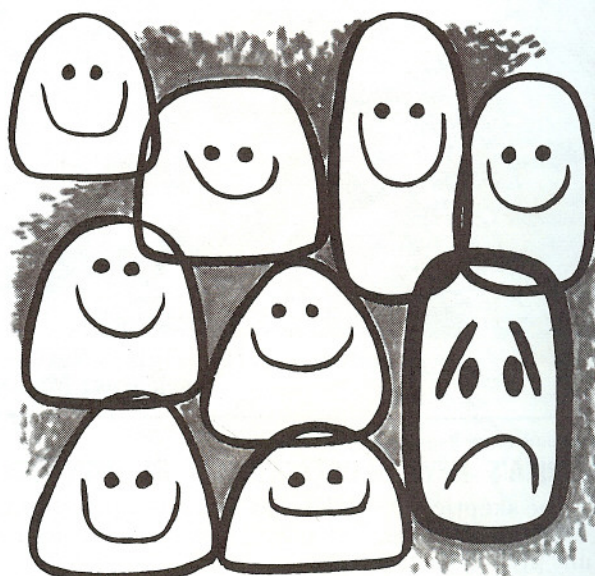
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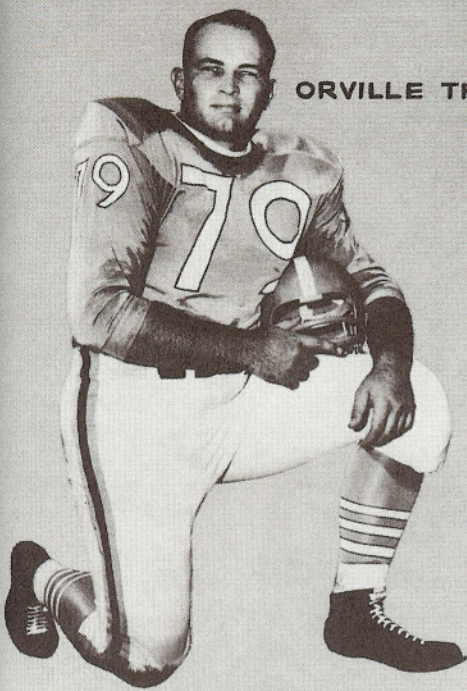
Bronco fans will thrill to the passing leadership of cagey Frank Tripucka at quarterback. The old Notre Damer is one of the best in the business. They'll enjoy the open field running of such well known figures as Al Carmichael and Bob McNamara. And memories will be reflected when Bob Stransky, former Colorado University All-American, carries the ball. And they'll like the eager efforts of Rookies Henry Bell and Gene Mingo.

Defense, where many professional football games are won, bristles in the Broncos' ranks. Such hard-nosed defenders as Bud McFadin, Hardy Brown, Ray Hatley, Vaughn Alliston, Don King and Al Day will operate a ton on the line.

Filchock came up with a gem in his secondary in Rookie Austin Gonsoulin, a ball hawking "phenom" from the cloistered halls of Baylor University.

Frank Bernardi, another former Colorado U. star, has made a remarkable comeback as a defensive halfback after a brilliant career with the Chicago Cardinals.

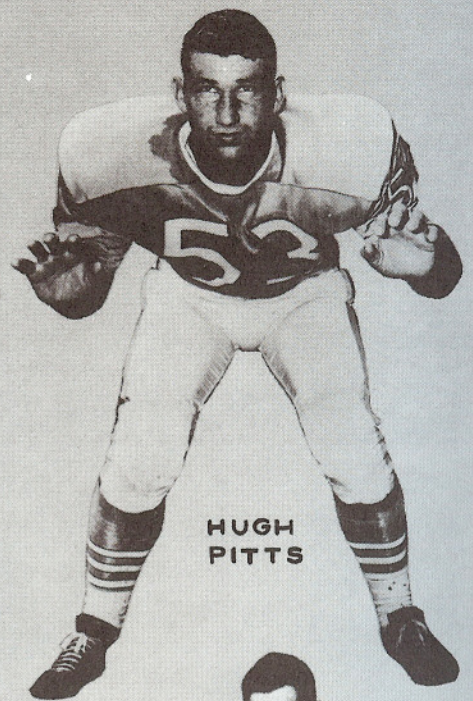
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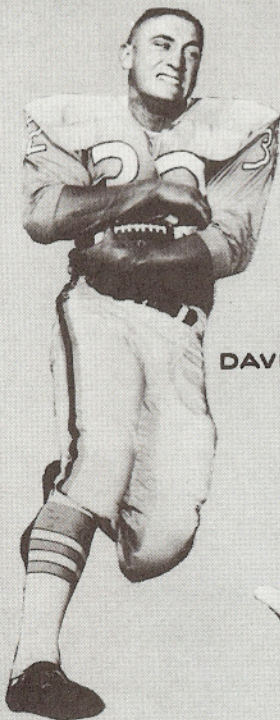
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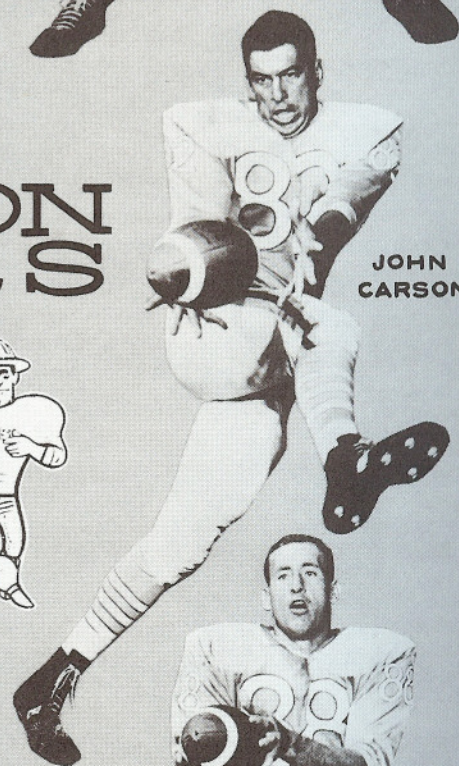


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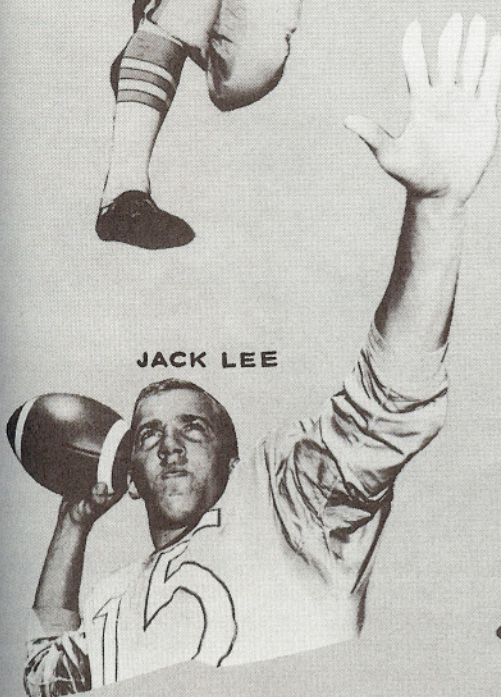


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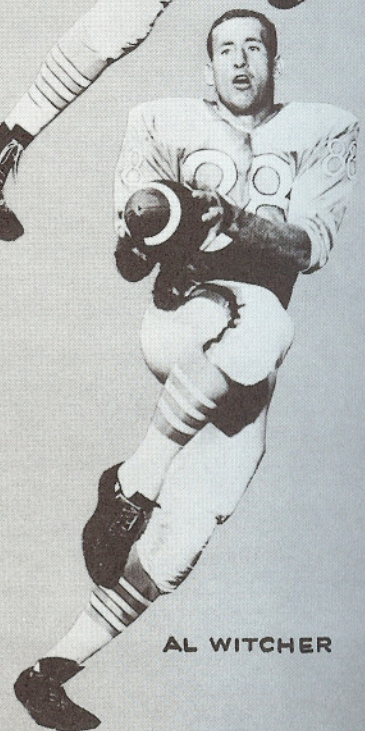
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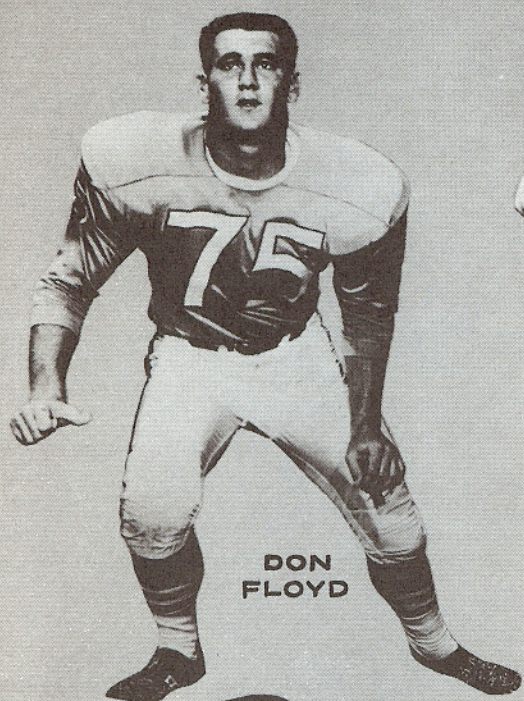
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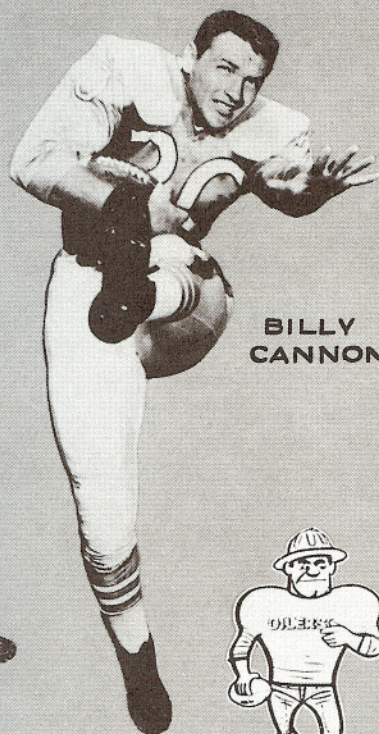
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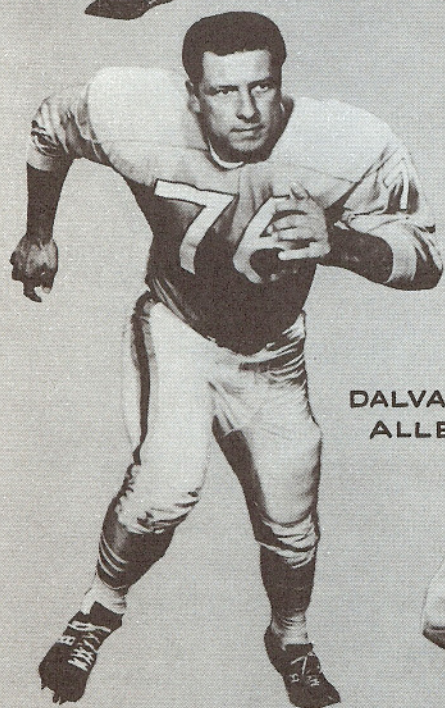
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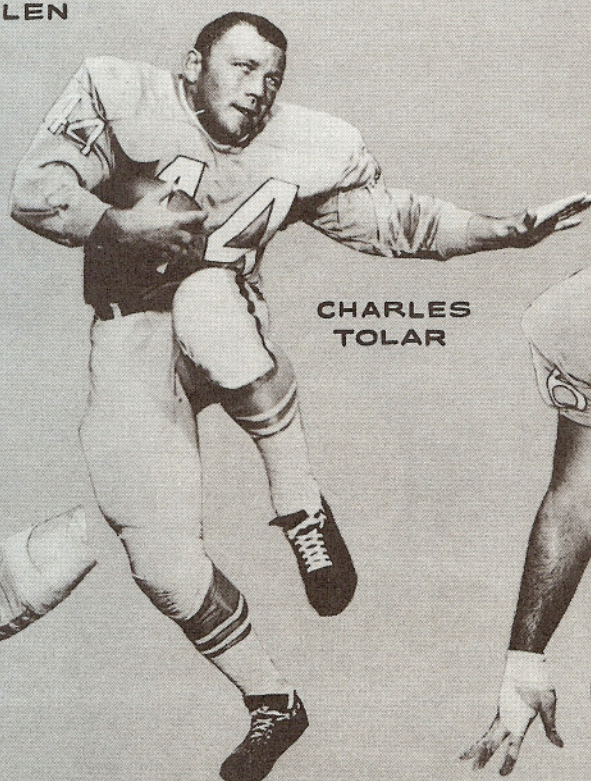


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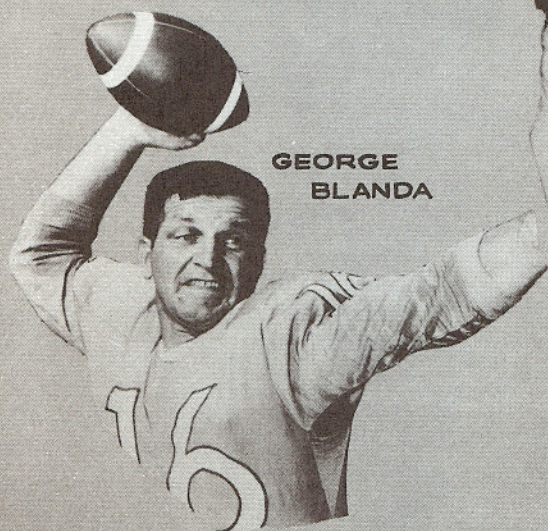


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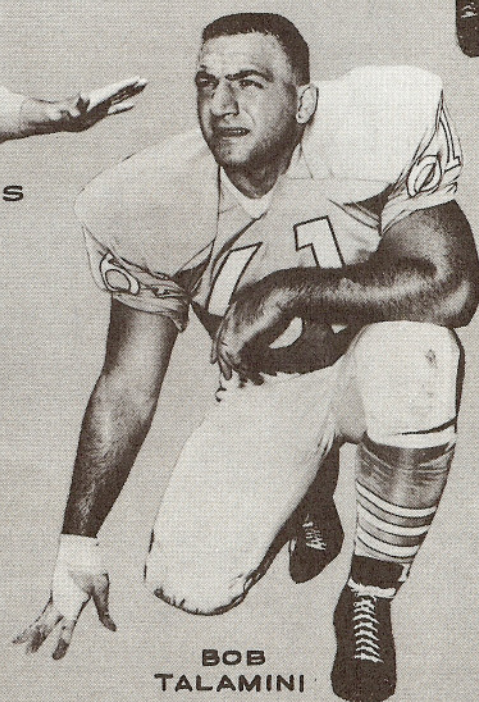
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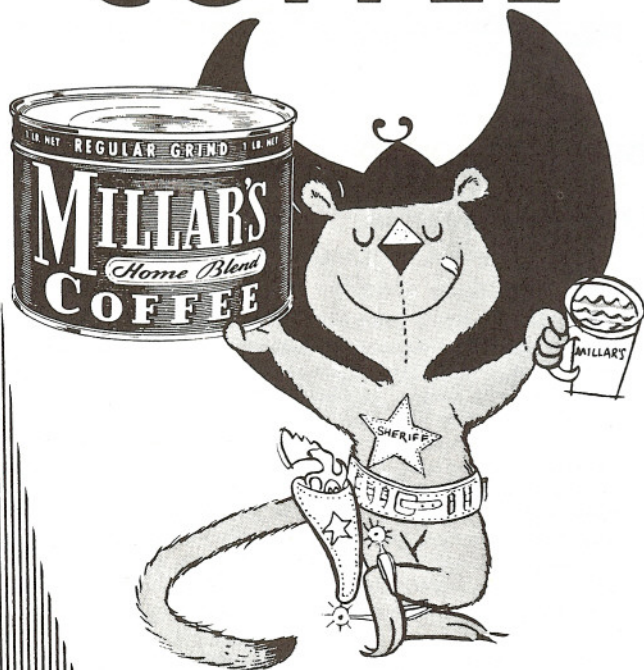


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**Below are biographies of DENVER BRONCO players
pictured on page 12 of this program.**

AL CARMICHAEL . . . Offensive halfback . . . 6-0 . . . 190 . . . 30 . . . U.S.C. . . . Six-year veteran of the pro wars, all with the Green Bay Packers. Great kickoff and punt return specialist besides being a good runner and pass receiver. Holds the NFL record for the longest kickoff return — 106 yards against the Chicago Bears in 1956. Carmichael also holds the NFL mark for most kickoff returns — 153 covering six seasons for 3,907 yards. He's second in most kickoffs and yards returned for one season — 33 for 927 yards and a 28.1 average, all in 1956. An All Pacific Coast Conference choice in 1950 and '52 with Southern California, Carmichael is a Hollywood stunt man in both the movies and television during the off season.

BILL YELVERTON . . . Defensive end . . . 6-4 . . . 222 . . . 26 . . . University of Mississippi . . . Signed just prior to the Oakland game on Oct. 2, "Foots" was a stickout for the Broncos in their 31-14 victory. A star for the amazing Johnny Vaught at Ole Miss, Yelverton also can handle the offensive guard post. He played professional ball after his graduation from the Oxford school with the Calgary Stampeders of the Canadian League. In his first game for the Broncos he was named defensive player of the week by sports writers covering the game.

SKIP DOYLE . . . Defensive halfback . . . 6-0 . . . 190 . . . 29 . . . Ohio State . . . Another late addition to the Bronco squad. A two-year veteran with the Pittsburgh Steelers; a three-year letterman and an All-Big 10 selection at Ohio State. Handled both offensive and defensive halfback chores with the Buckeyes. Hobbies are golf and sports of all kinds. Married (Mary) and has a son, George (2/27/54). Lives in Columbus, Ohio, during the off-season where he and John Hlay, a former Buckeye teammate and Green Bay pro vet, are partners in a night club.

FRANK TRIPUCKA . . . Quarterback . . . 6-2 . . . 205 . . . 32 . . . Notre Dame . . . Brilliant passer and field general on Notre Dame's unbeaten team of 1948, the "Tripper" started his pro career with the Chicago Cardinals before moving to Canada. In Canadian ball, Tripucka posted an amazing 56.4 complete passing percentage. In 1956 with Regina he set three all-time Canadian League records that still stand — most passes thrown (383), most completed (216) and most yardage (3,274). In his seven seasons of Canadian competition he tossed 84 touchdown passes for an average of 12 per year. Played high school ball in Bloomfield, N. J., and then went to Notre Dame to perform under Frank Leahy on the Fighting Irish's great teams of 1946, '47, '48. Teamed with Johnny Lujack in 1947 as the Irish tied a great Army team, 0-0, in one of collegiate football's outstanding games. In business with another former Notre Dame quarterback, Angelo Bertelli, in Bloomfield.

CARL LARPENTER . . . Offensive tackle or guard . . . 6-3 . . . 230 . . . 23 . . . Texas . . . Making his debut in pro ball after completing service. "Larp" has good potential for either offensive tackle or guard due to his speed and size. Wicked blocker in the line as well as being a man who can pull out and lead the play. Was an end in high school at Port Arthur, Tex., and played both offense and defense. When he enrolled at Texas they decided to make a tackle out of him and he's been at the position ever since. He and Bronco defensive halfback Austin Gonsoulin played high school ball together.

JOE YOUNG . . . Linebacker . . . 6-2 . . . 225 . . . 26 . . . Arizona . . . Attended college at St. Benedicts in Kansas after playing high school ball in Chicago. Enlisted in the Marine Corps in 1953 and made All Marine three years as a defensive end . . . 1953, '54 and '55. After completing his service he enrolled at Arizona and played both offensive and defensive end. In 1957 was named to the All Border Conference team. Started the exhibition season as a defensive end but was switched to linebacker because of his aggressive tackling. Good speed for his size and excellent recovery instinct when being blocked makes him a top prospect.

AS BOWIE SEES THE PLAYERS — *Denver Post Sports Writer*

Expansion of major league baseball has been a serious topic in the past few years, but it took the American Football League to do something about it.

A group of men from eight coast-to-coast cities reacted vigorously slightly more than a year ago on the expansion subject and today the AFL is a reality.

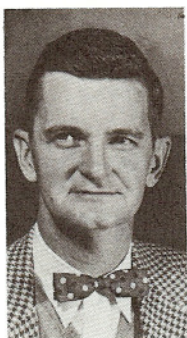
The teams in Denver, Los Angeles, Oakland, Dallas, New York, Buffalo, Boston and Houston are tributes too, to their swiftness in bringing into reality the country's newest major league.

Now the championship race is underway and it will help keep professional football before the nationwide public until the AFL playoff game in December.

The new league is not claiming that it is an even competitor with the 41-year-old National Football League at this stage of the game.

Its players and teams are good and capable of dazzling audiences with thrilling football. Possibly in a few years the dream of Commissioner Joe Foss and the owners, coaches and players in the far-flung circuit, the new AFL champion will meet the NFL titlist on an annual basis for the pro football championship of the world.

Hundreds of good football players are graduated from the nation's colleges each year. Before the AFL came into being on Sept. 9 when the Denver Broncos and the Boston Patriots played the first league game of the season, hardly 100 players a year made the jump from college campus to the professional ranks.



By BOB BOWIE

Now there is room for nearly 300 more players of professional caliber.

The AFL scored a sensational "first" by outbidding the established National League for most of last year's college stars, landing nearly 75 percent of the headliners.

American League rosters carry such names as Billy Cannon, Charlie Flowers, Richie Lucas, Ron Burton, Jack Spikes, Austin Gonsoulin, Abner Haynes, Blanche Martin and Johnny Robinson.

The rosters also include solid old pros who have earned their combat badges in pro football wars.

They include Frank Tripucka and Bud McFadin of the Denver Broncos, Tommy O'Connell, George Blanda, Babe Parilli, Sid Youngman, Al Dorow — and a host of others, who, mingled with the rookies, give solidarity to the new league.

Pro football traditionally develops its own stars and heroes. Go back several years. Do you remember Cliff Battles? Ken Strong? Harry Newman? Sammy Baugh? And more recently — Johnny Unitas and Big Daddy Lipscomb of the Baltimore Colts?

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DALE DODRILL . . . Line Coach . . . A former Colorado State University and Pittsburgh Steeler great, Dodrill, 33, will be serving his first year in the coaching profession as he guides the Bronco line prospects. Dodrill has been one of the top middle guards and linebackers in the NFL for the past nine years. He was an All Pro defensive choice in 1953, '54 and '55. He spent his entire career with Pittsburgh and he holds the Steeler record for the longest blocked kick return—an 83-yard run against the Los Angeles Rams in 1952. An employee of a Denver insurance firm during the off-season, Dodrill lettered four years at Colorado State U. playing with such pro greats as Thurman McGraw, Jim David and Jack Christiansen. Dodrill was twice All Skyline. The Stockton, Kan., native closed out his collegiate career with outstanding performances in the 1950 East-West Shrine game and the College All-Star game of 1951. He was All State in football in 1942 and '43 at Loveland, Colo., high school. Living in Lakewood, Colo., Dale and his wife Janet are the parents of two sons, Garrett, 4, and Michael, 2.

JIM CASON . . . Backfield Coach . . . a great defensive back for eight years in the National Football League, playing with the San Francisco 49ers and Los Angeles Rams. Cason, 33, is beginning his first year in coaching after two years of operating an insurance business in Harlingen, Tex. An outstanding running back with L.S.U. in 1945, '46 and '47, Cason broke in with the 49ers in 1948. He played with San Francisco through '52 and then went to Canada one year to play under Filchok at Regina. In 1954 he was back with San Francisco, switching to the Rams in 1955 and '56. In '55 the Rams won the Western Conference crown with Cason performing brilliantly at defensive halfback. Jim played his high school ball in Victoria, Tex., where he lettered three years in both football and track. Jim and his wife, Helen, live in Harlingen during the off season with their two children, Becky Jean, 8, and Pete, 4.

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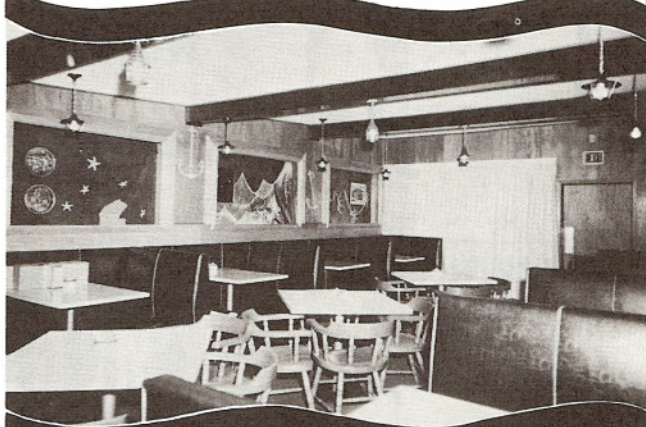
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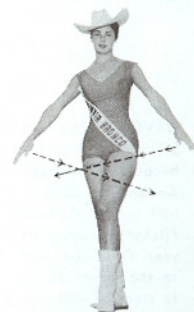
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DAVE STRICKLAND . . . Linebacker . . . 5-11 . . . 215 . . . 28 . . . Memphis St. . . . The fastest defensive lineman on the squad. Nicknamed the "Frog" because of his husky build from the waist up and his slim halfback type legs. An end in college at Memphis St., Strickland started as a flanker in pro ball in Canada but was changed to an offensive guard by Bronco Coach Frank Filchok because of his speed. Playing his first year at linebacker, the four-year Canadian veteran has adapted very well. Good rusher who can crash to the inside and get his man as well as being able to adjust to the outside to stop the end sweeps.

FRANK BERNARDI . . . Defensive halfback . . . 5-9 . . . 185 . . . 26 . . . Colorado . . . Hard-nosed tackler and defender who comes to play. Four years of experience as a defensive back with the Chicago Cards has made him a smart defender. Comes up fast to meet running plays and is rarely caught out of position. One of Colorado University's all-time greats making second team All American in 1954 as well as the All Big 8 squad. His second year in the pro ranks, 1956, he set a record in the National Football League that still stands. Against Washington he legged a punt return 95 yards for a touchdown, the third longest punt return in NFL history.

HENRY BELL . . . Offensive halfback . . . 5-10 . . . 210 . . . Service Ball . . . Explosive runner with power and speed. Played four years of service ball in the Army after graduating from Valdosta, Ga., high school where he earned All City honors his senior year. In 1956, his first year of service competition, he was chosen on the All Army team while playing with Hawaii. Bell was the first string left half on Hawaii's 1957 team that went undefeated in 10 games. That year he received a bid to play in the Hula Bowl. In 1958 and '59 he played with Ft. Riley, Kan., ranking as one of the top rushers in service ball both years.

LIONEL TAYLOR . . . Offensive end . . . 6-2 . . . 214 . . . 23 . . . New Mexico Highlands . . . Could easily develop into one of the AFL's outstanding offensive ends, if not the best. Joined the Broncos just before the third game of the regular season — a two-year vet with the Chicago Bears. Big and fast, a three-year letterman at Highlands where he also saw some duty at tailback off the single-wing attack. Also lettered three times and captained his college basketball team. Pet superstition is making sure his shoe tongues are always turned down and his socks are up. Hobby is cards. Married (Lorencita) and has a daughter, Loretta (3/17/59). High school star at Buffalo High in Accoville, W. Va. Now lives in Las Vegas, N. M.

AL DAY . . . Linebacker . . . 6-2 . . . 216 . . . 22 . . . East Michigan University . . . Another pro rookie, has played end and offensive fullback, but excels on defense; good reactions and speed. "Big Al" was team's Most Valuable Player during his senior college year. Biggest thrill came during high school football when he scored winning point off a fake placement and pass to give Detroit Pershing a state championship title before a huge Briggs Stadium throng.

BOB STRANSKY . . . Offensive halfback . . . 6-1 . . . 180 . . . 24 . . . Colorado . . . One of the greatest backfield performers in Colorado history. A tough, tricky runner, single-wing tailback during his college days; made Look Magazine's All American team in 1957 when he led the Buffalos in scoring and total yardage. Played in East-West Shrine game. Second year in pro ball. Played with Winnipeg, Canadian Gray Cup champs, in 1958. Native of Yankton, S. D., and now makes Denver his home.

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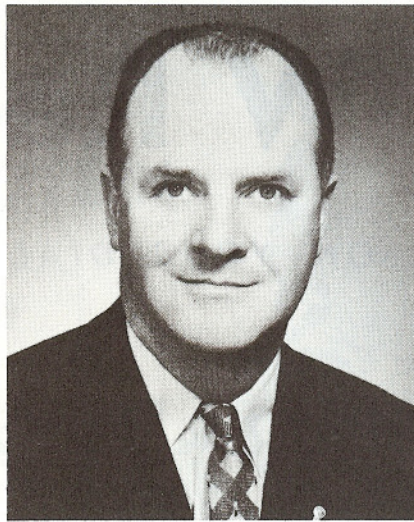
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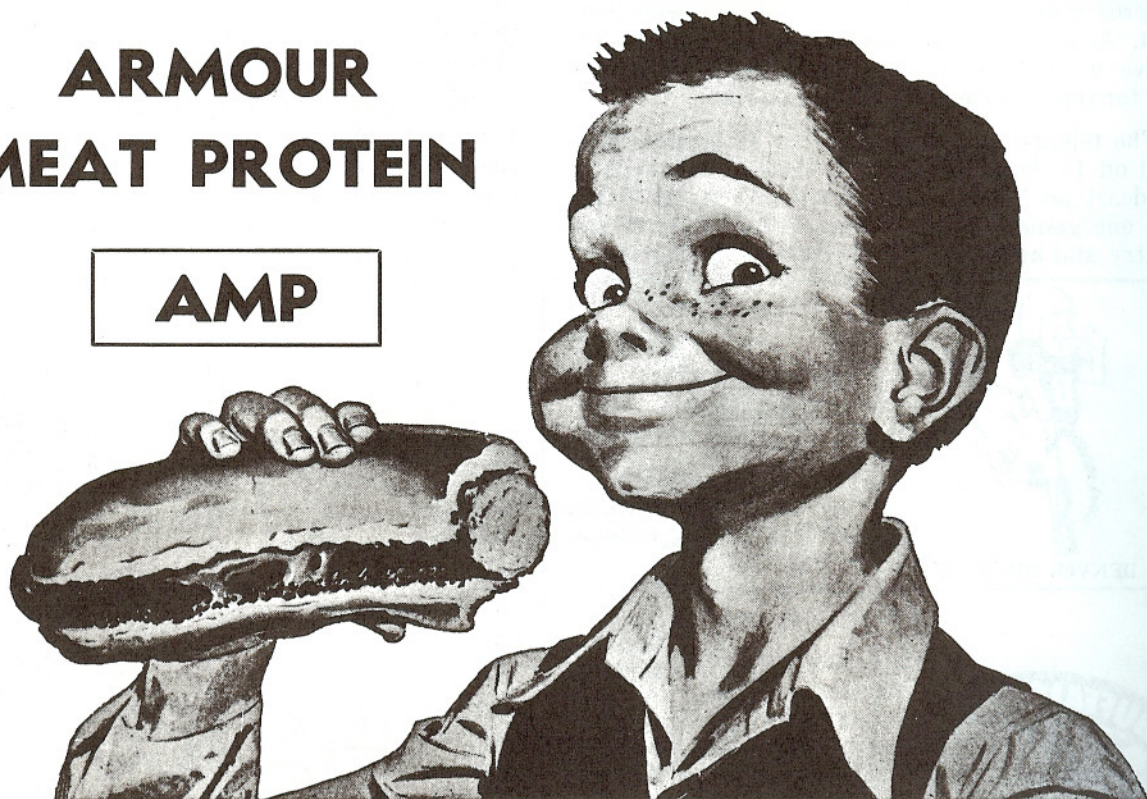
By FRANK WHITE

Handwritten musical score for 'Mighty Broncos' in 2/4 time. The score includes a piano introduction and several lines of lyrics. The lyrics are: 'Hail Night-y Bronc-o's Pride of the West', 'Like the mount-ains tow'ring high ov-er all the', 'rest Fight Den-ver Bronc-o's', and 'Yip-ee I Oh I Ay Take it boys go all the way'. The score is written for piano with treble and bass staves.

Handwritten musical score for 'Mighty Broncos' in 2/4 time. The score includes a piano introduction and several lines of lyrics. The lyrics are: 'Fight for your Fame Fight Bronc-o's', 'Fight fight fight we'll win this game', 'Yip-ee I Oh I Ay Take it boys go all the way', 'Yip-ee I Ay I Oh Watch the Broncos go Yippee Ay', and 'Yippee Ay the Broncos win to day Hey!'. The score is written for piano with treble and bass staves.

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The telecasting of AFL games adds to the over-all sports picture at ABC-TV, which now includes NCAA football, major league baseball and professional boxing, golf and bowling.

Through our association with the AFL many Americans who never have had an opportunity to see the exciting and polished game of football, as the pros play it now, will be able to enjoy this sport. As a result of these telecasts we at ABC-TV believe we will be instrumental in making new fans for the American Football League.




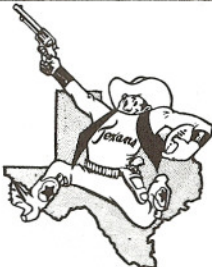




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ern portion of the United States. On Thanksgiving Day one game will be aired nationally and at the close of regular season play, the championship game between the Eastern and Western divisional winners will be broadcast. Oakland, incidentally, has the honor of opening the telecast schedule in the West on Sept. 11, playing host to the Houston Oilers. That same date Buffalo at New York will be aired in the East. Oakland will appear on six regular season national telecasts.

The playing talent gathered by the eight AFL teams represents the cream of the 1959 college stars, including such standouts as Billy Cannon of LSU, Richie Lucas of Penn State, Charlie Flowers of Mississippi and many fine players with previous pro experience in the United States and Canada. The presence of these fine players on the AFL elevens insures top-flight competition in every game.

To mold these stars into precision gridiron units the AFL has eight of the country's top coaches in Oakland's Eddie Erdelatz, Sammy Baugh with New York, Frank Filchock of Denver, Sid Gillman of Los Angeles, Lou Rymkus of Houston, Buster Ramsey of Buffalo, Lou Saban of Boston and Hank Stram of Dallas.

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History of the AMERICAN FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Yesterday a Dream, Today a Reality

The American Football League — a dream come true for young, capable Lamar Hunt, a 27-year old Dallas oilman, received its initial breath of air in January, 1959, when the idea simply popped into his head after unsuccessfully trying to bring National League Football into Dallas.

Hunt's idea for a new league formulated swiftly. Two others besides the soft-spoken Texan — Denver's Bob Howsam and Houston's Bud Adams had likewise experienced rough sledding in trying to bring professional football to their respective cities.

In fact, along with being denied entrance into the NFL, they weren't given any encouragement that they would ever get in.

First, Hunt contacted Adams, another young Texas oilman, and at their first meeting the two simply talked about football and their mutual problems in unsuccessfully trying to acquire pro football for Dallas and Houston. Hunt didn't reveal his ambitions to Adams, but two months later he contacted both Howsam and Adams, shared his idea and acquired a pair of allies.

Howsam, New York City's Harry Wismer and a trio of Minneapolis-St. Paul businessmen soon brought in their cities and the young unannounced loop was up to five clubs.

For Howsam, it finally meant the beginning of realizing his ambition to bring professional football to Denver.

In the summer of 1959, Howsam, representing the American Football League official again contacted the late Bert Bell on any possibilities of NFL expansion, but the commissioner assured them there would be none. It was soon after this that the AFL revealed to Bell the plans for a new league.

Other events quickly fell into place and on August 15, 1959, in a Chicago meeting, the AFL made a formal announcement of its existence, consisting of a charter group of six — Dallas, Houston, Denver, New York City, Minneapolis-St. Paul and Los Angeles, the latter being just brought in by Barron Hilton.

Miami was slated to be the seventh city of the eight-team loop, but stadium problems switched that franchise to Buffalo and in November, 1959, Boston became the eighth member.

But, not all was peaches and cream. In January of this year, a charter member was lost when Minneapolis-St. Paul officials regretfully pulled out when they couldn't secure adequate stadium rights. This situation was brought on when NFL officials sent a wire to a Minneapolis newspaper promising that city an NFL franchise for 1961.



JOE FOSS
Commissioner, AFL

While all this trouble was brewing and before the actual withdrawal of Minneapolis-St. Paul, the league named Joe Foss, South Dakota's highly and widely-respected World War II fighter pilot ace and former governor, as commissioner for a three-year term.

Soon afterward, in a Dallas get-together, Oakland was admitted as the eighth member to again bring the loop up to full strength.

In the hectic months that followed, organizational problems were attacked and whipped, League, front-office, coaching and player personnel were hired and the fledgling American Football League was well on its way to a successful entry into America's sporting world.

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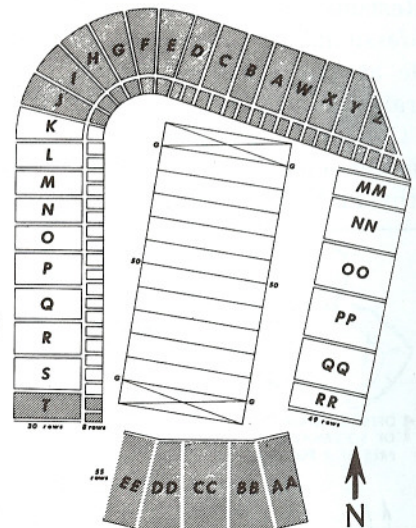
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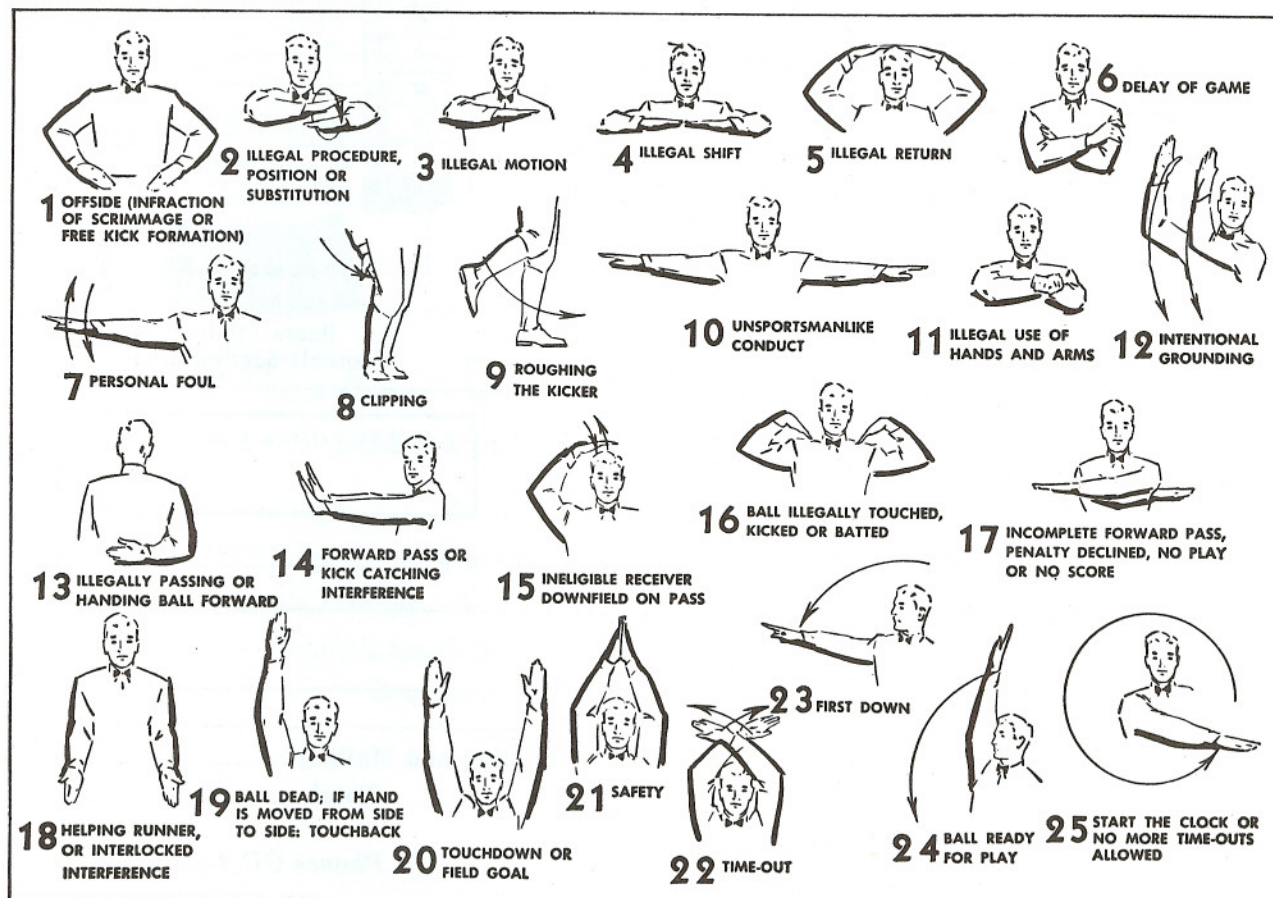
A 33-year-old native of Alabama, Posey holds the distinction of having been the trainer in four major bowl games. This occurred while he served with the University of Alabama and the games were: Rose, Cotton, Sugar and Orange Bowls. He holds degrees in education and physical therapy from Alabama. After graduation he served as trainer at Livingston State Teachers College in Alabama before going to his alma mater where he filled a similar capacity with the baseball as well as football teams.

He was also associated in professional baseball with Miami and Colorado Springs. During the off season he sells for the Raleigh Sporting Goods Co. of New York. Fred and his wife, Nancy, have two sons, Ted, 7, and Bo, 4.



HARVEY STEPHEN — Equipment Manager

Responsible for the myriad items of equipment which are needed for a professional football team, Stephen held similar posts during the past decade at Calgary and Regina in the Canadian League and was with General Manager Dean Griffing at Tucson, Ariz. He is a native of Cleveland, Ohio, and his experience has enabled the Broncos to get their inaugural season underway with a minimum of trouble. Harvey and his wife, Dorothy, make their home in Denver now.



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A PEEK-A-BOO at TODAY'S ENEMY

By GARY FRANDSEN



GARY FRANDSEN

Today's football assignment — well, pardon the help of an old cliché, but it's like skyrocketing out of a sizzling frying pan and diving headlong into the fire itself.

Last week it was the Dallas Texans and now it's the other half of Texas' rugged AFL twosome, the equally-powerful Houston Oilers, who give the Broncos' divisional title hopes

another stiff acid test, and it's common knowledge that the Broncos need this one badly.

The Oilers — shepherded by Lou Rymkus — hit town with the league's top record, a 5-2 mark, and their only losses have been scant one-pointers to Oakland and Buffalo, two of the loop's most improved clubs.

A heralded youngster who is beginning to live up to the awesome tales of his gridiron prowess and a battle-wise veteran who just could wind up as the league's most valuable player are two of the biggest reasons why the Oilers are so successful.

Billy Cannon, the former LSU All-American and Heisman Trophy winner, is the "youngster" everybody wanted.

A 210-pounder with a tremendous combination of speed and power — he can reel off 100 yards in less than ten seconds and can push a shot well over 50 feet — is just beginning to dazzle everyone with his talent after a somewhat lackluster exhibition season.

But, many insisted that the wraps were on Cannon during the pre-season tilts and it's a good bet that such was the case. After all, the remarkable Cannon is reported to be either league's highest paid player, reportedly drawing a whopping \$110,000 over a three-year period.

Anyway, ever since the opening of the season, he has ranked as one of the loop's top three rushers and in the Oilers' 25-24 loss to Buffalo last week, Cannon speared touchdown passes of 22 and 53 yards.

The "veteran" is big versatile George Blanda who used to do some great quarterbacking for the Chicago Bears.

Blanda, one of pro football's all-time place-kicking greats, is the AFL's leading scorer with 74 points and still holds the NFL record for most consecutive points after touchdown. The 6-2, 210-lb., Blanda booted 156 in a row for the Bears in a period from 1951 to 1956.

George was on the pitching end of Cannon's two touchdown catches against the Bills and also flipped a third TD aerial in the contest. In that same game, Blanda kicked a 50-yard field goal, the AFL's longest yet.

Probably the most pleasant surprise on the Oilers has been the powerful running of fullback Dave Smith who hails from little Ripon (Wis.) College. Smith, a pile-driving 205-pounder in his first season of pro ball, has been the league's leading ground-gainer for most of the season.

Jacky Lee (Cincinnati) and Charlie Milstead (Texas A&M) are Blanda's helpers at quarterback while two graduates from little Northwest Louisiana, Charlie Hennigan and Charlie Tolar, are two other halfback standouts. Ken Hall (Texas A&M) is another halfback and is the lad who stepped off a 105-yard kickoff return against the New York Titans.

Bill Groman (Heidelberg) and John Carson (Georgia) are a fine pair of offensive ends and a new addition at offensive guard is Wahoo McDaniel, the former star end at the University of Oklahoma. McDaniel is now up to 240 pounds.

The defensive crew is headed by big Orville Trask, a 258-lb. tackle from Rice. In his first season of pro ball, Trask is also the Houston team captain.

A real meanie at a linebacker spot is Dennit Morris, another former Sooner great. Morris, an agile 225-pounder, operates at the middle line-backing post.

Don Floyd (TCU) and Dan Lanphear (Wisconsin) are All-American tackles now handling defensive end berths. Bobby Gordon (Tennessee) is a defensive standout in the secondary and a little lad (5-11 and 155 lbs.) in that same department is Julian Spence.

DENVER BRONCOS

Roster

OFFENSE

No.	Name	Age	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown	College	Yrs. Pro.
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QUARTERBACKS

16	George Herring	26	6-2	200	Gadsden, Ala.	Miss. Southern	3
18	Frank Tripucka	32	6-2	205	Bloomfield, N. J.	Notre Dame	12

HALFBACKS

20	Henry Bell	23	5-10	210	Valdosta, Ga.	Service Ball	1
21	Gene Mingo	21	6-1	200	Akron, Ohio	Service Ball	1
22	Bob Stransky	24	6-1	180	Yankton, S. D.	Colorado	2
40	Al Carmichael	29	6-0	195	Gardena, Calif.	U.S.C.	7
41	Bob McNamara	26	6-0	190	Minneapolis, Minn.	Minnesota	5

FULLBACKS

35	Dave Rolle	22	6-0	215	Poteau, Okla.	Oklahoma	2
36	J. W. Brodnax	23	6-0	208	Bastrop, La.	L.S.U.	2
43	Don Allen	21	6-0	205	New London, Tex.	Texas	1

ENDS

81	Bill Jessup	30	6-1	195	Los Angeles	U.S.C.	9
85	Jim Greer	26	6-3	215	Huntington, W. Va.	Elizabeth St., N.C.	1
87	Lionel Taylor	24	6-2	214	Chicago, Ill.	N. M. Highlands	2
88	Pat Epperson	23	6-3	225	Sunland, Calif.	Adams State	1

TACKLES

73	Gordy Holz	26	6-4	270	St. Paul, Minn.	Minnesota	3
75	Eldon Danenhauer	25	6-4	235	Clay Center, Kan.	Pittsburg St., Kan.	2
77	Carl Larpenster	23	6-4	235	Port Arthur, Tex.	Texas	1

GUARDS

60	Ken Adamson	21	6-2	215	Atlanta, Ga.	Notre Dame	1
71	Willie Smith	22	6-2	255	Little Rock, Ark.	Michigan	2

CENTERS

51	Mike Nichols	21	6-3	225	Monticello, Ark.	Arkansas A&M	1
52	Frank Kuchta	24	6-2	235	Cleveland, Ohio	Notre Dame	3

DEFENSE

ENDS

61	Chuck Gavin	24	6-1	240	Laurel, Miss.	Tenn. A&I	3
65	Joe Young	26	6-3	245	Chicago, Ill.	Arizona	1
76	Bill Yelverton	26	6-4	220	Natches, Miss.	U. of Miss	2

TACKLES

64	Bud McFadin	30	6-3	280	Houston, Tex.	Texas	7
67	John Hatley	30	6-4	260	Uvalde, Tex.	Sul Ross Tex.	5
70	Don King	29	6-3	255	Turtle Creek, Pa.	Kentucky	4

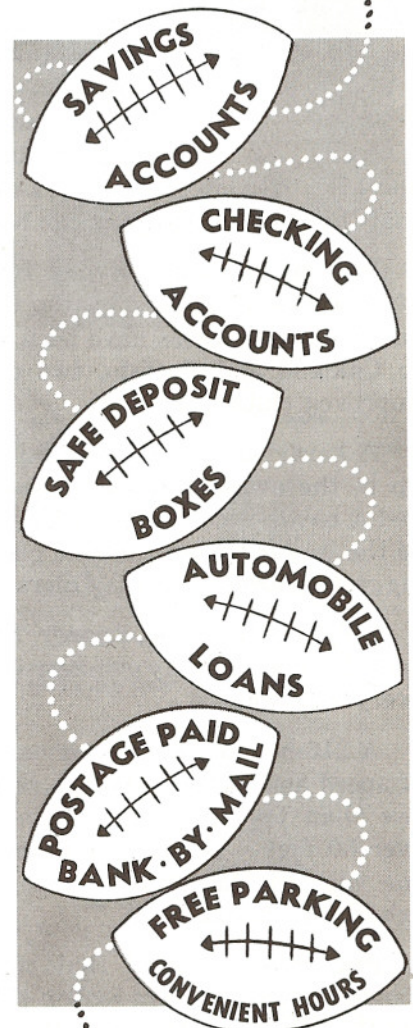
LINEBACKERS

33	Pete Mangum	30	6-1	220	Lake Providence, La.	Mississippi	6
34	Hardy Brown	32	6-0	195	Fort Worth, Tex.	Tulsa	10
62	Buddy Alliston	26	6-1	225	Jackson, Miss.	Mississippi	3
63	Dave Strickland	28	6-0	220	Holly Springs, Tex.	Memphis State	5
84	Al Day	22	6-2	216	Detroit, Mich.	E. Michigan U.	1

HALFBACKS

23	Austin Gonsoulin	22	6-3	205	Port Arthur, Tex.	Baylor	1
42	Al Romine	27	6-1	190	Haleyville, Ala.	Florence State	6
83	Johnny Pyeatt	26	6-3	204	Winslow, Ariz.	None	5

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QUARTERBACKS							
16	George Blanda	32	6-2	210	Youngwood, Pa.	Kentucky	11
15	Jacky Lee	22	6-1	185	Akron, Ohio	Cincinnati	1
12	Charlie Milstead	22	6-2	190	Tyler, Tex.	Texas A&M	1

HALFBACKS

20	Billy Cannon	23	6-1	210	Baton Rouge, La.	L.S.U.	1
21	Ken Hall	24	6-1	210	Sugarland, Tex.	Texas A&M	4
87	Charlie Hennigan	25	6-1	185	Minden, La.	N.W. Louisiana	1
44	Charlie Tolar	23	5-7	194	Natchitoches, La.	N.W. Louisiana	2

FULLBACKS

31	Doug Cline	22	6-2	218	Valdese, N. C.	Clemson	1
32	Dave Smith	23	6-1	205	Greendale, Wis.	Ripon	1

ENDS

82	John Carson	30	6-3	205	Atlanta, Ga.	Georgia	7
89	Bill Groman	24	6-0	194	Tiffin, Ohio	Heidelberg	1
43	Jim Norton	21	6-3	180	Glendale, Calif.	Idaho	1

TACKLES

70	Al Jamison	21	6-5	240	Toledo, Ohio	Colgate	2
77	Rich Michael	21	6-3	230	Hamilton, O.	Ohio State	1

GUARDS

61	Bob Talamini	21	6-1	230	Louisville, Ky.	Kentucky	1
63	Hogan Wharton	24	6-2	245	Orange, Tex.	Houston	2
62	Wahoo McDaniel	22	6-1	240	Midland, Tex.	Oklahoma	1

CENTERS

57	George Belotti	25	6-4	251	Oxnard, Calif.	U.S.C.	2
51	John Simerson	25	6-2	255	Honolulu, Hawaii	Purdue	4

DEFENSE

ENDS

76	Dalva Allen	25	6-5	245	Gonzales, Tex.	Houston	3
75	Don Floyd	22	6-3	235	Midlothian, Tex.	T.C.U.	1
73	Dan Lanphear	22	6-2	220	Madison, Wis.	Wisconsin	1

TACKLES

72	Jerry Helluin	30	6-2	260	Donaldsonville, La.	Tulane	9
74	George Shirkey	24	6-4	240	Ft. Stockton, Tex.	Austin	2
79	Orville Trask	25	6-4	258	Houston, Tex.	Rice	1

LINEBACKERS

30	Mike Dukes	24	6-3	225	Atlanta, Ga.	Clemson	2
50	Dennit Morris	24	6-1	225	Tulsa, Okla.	Oklahoma	3
56	Phil Perlo	24	6-0	220	Washington, D. C.	Maryland	2
53	Hugh Pitts	26	6-2	220	Woodville, Tex.	T.C.U.	2
88	Al Witcher	23	6-1	205	Lampasas, Tex.	Baylor	1

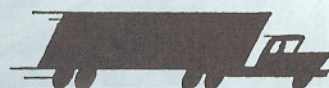
BACKS

40	Tony Banfield	21	6-1	187	Broken Arrow, Okla.	Oklahoma State	1
47	Bobby Gordon	24	6-0	195	Pulaski, Tenn.	Tennessee	3
41	Mark Johnston	22	6-0	203	Sycamore, Ill.	Northwestern	1
34	Chuck Kendall	25	6-2	185	Tujunga, Calif.	U.C.L.A.	1
24	Julian Spence	29	5-11	155	Austin, Tex.	Huston-Tillotson	4

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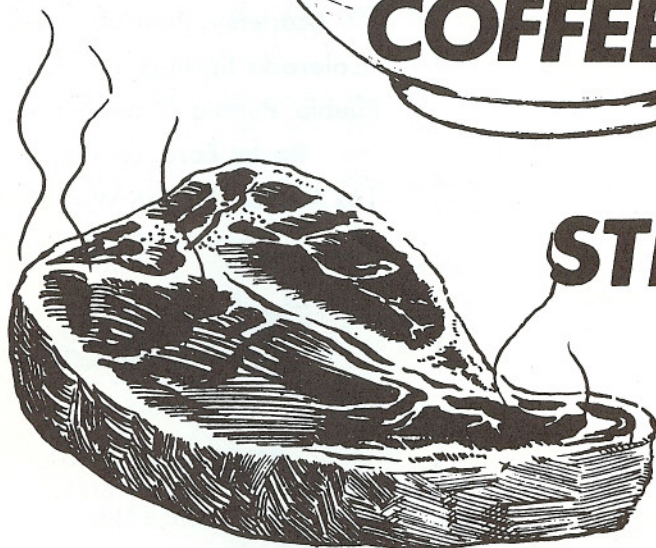
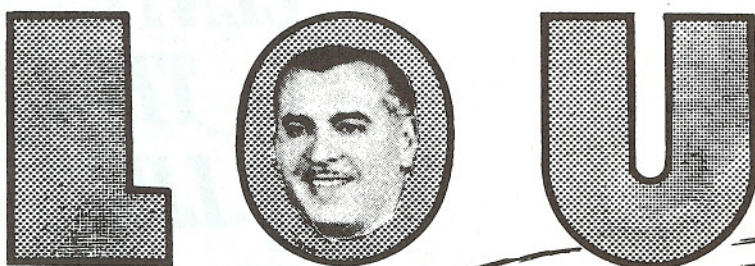
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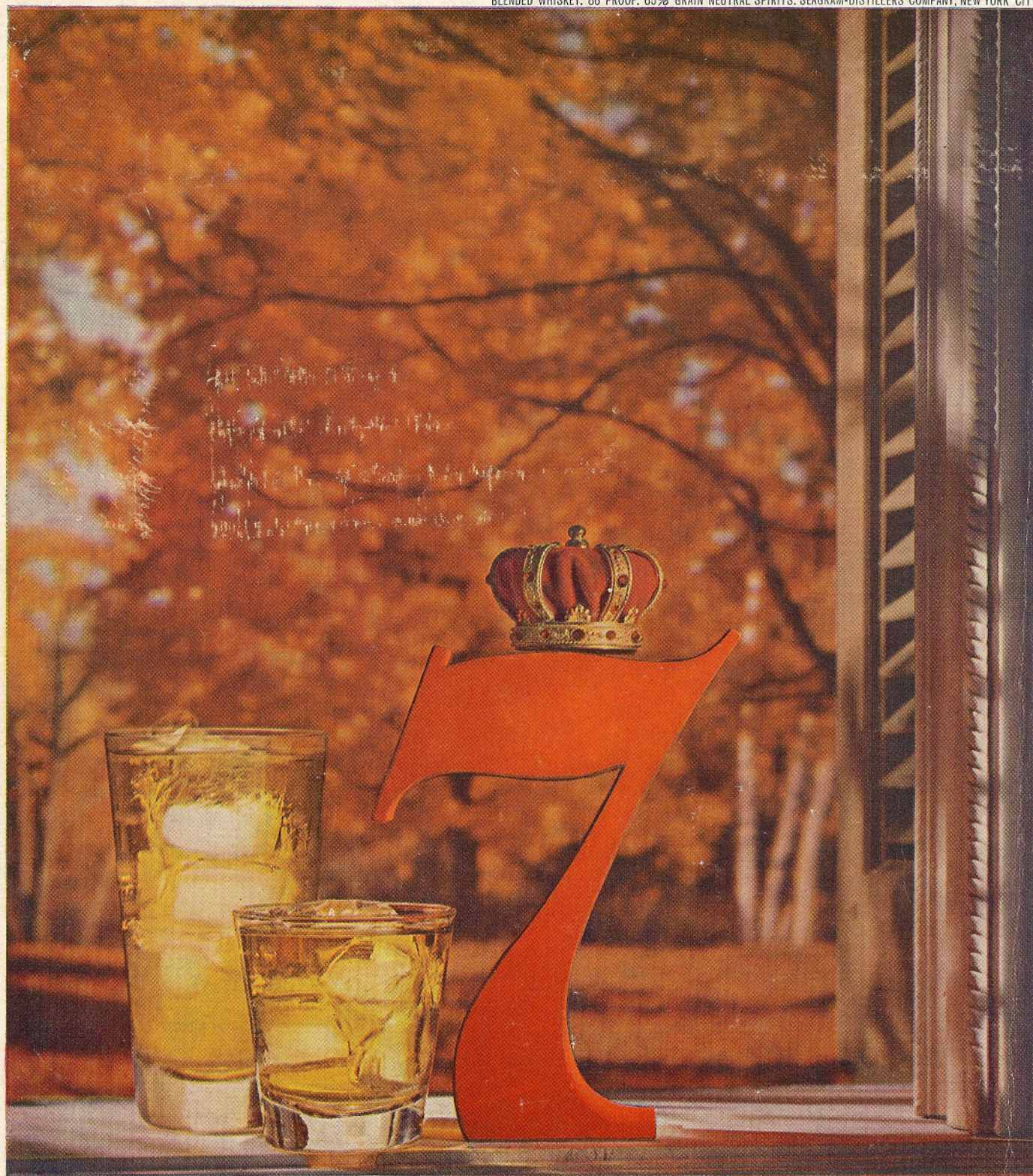
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