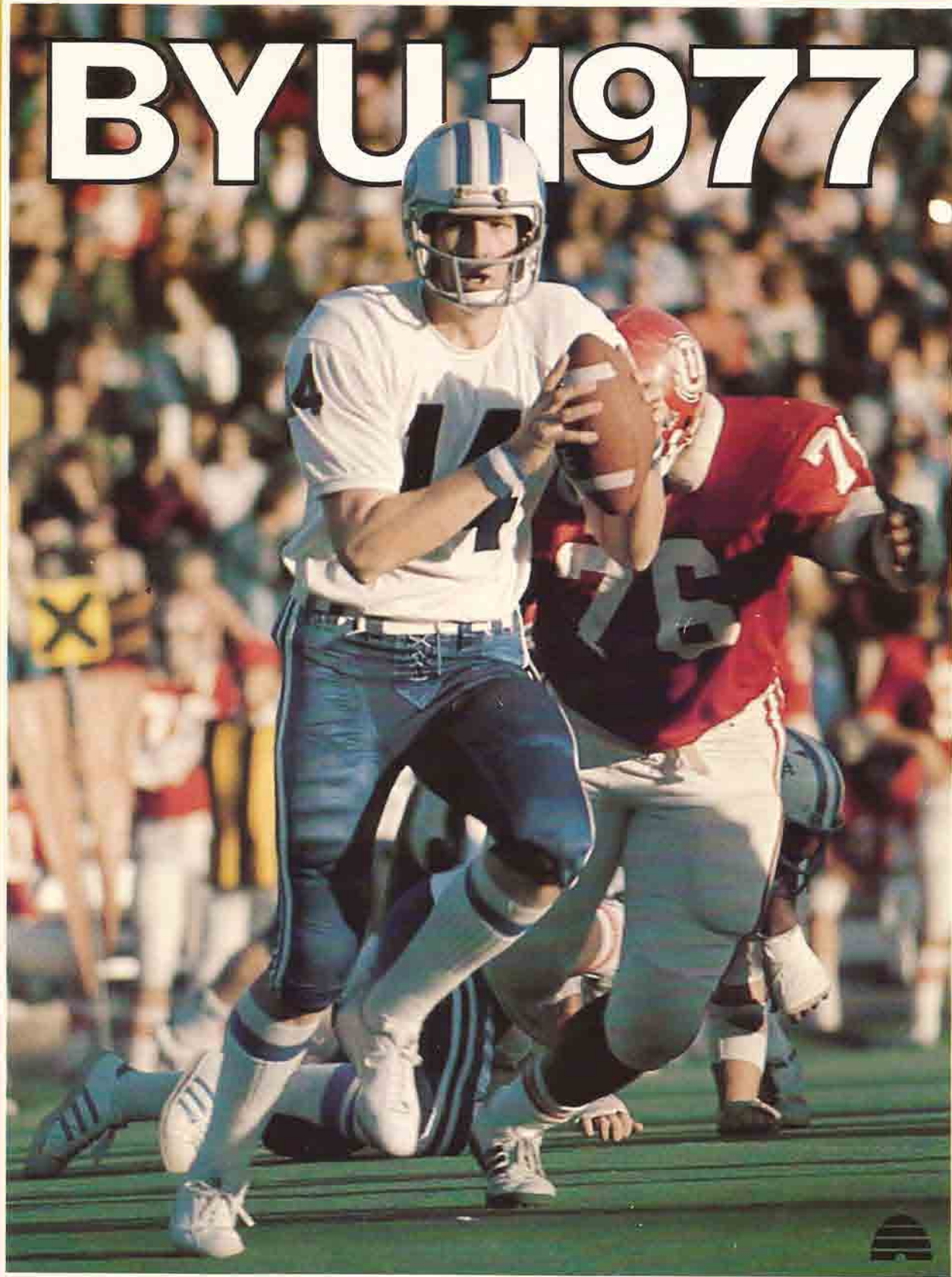


BYU 1977



1977 VARSITY SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
Sept. 10 (Saturday)	Kansas State	Provo	7:30 p.m. MDT
Sept. 24 (Saturday)	Utah State (TV)	Logan	12:50 p.m. MDT
Sept. 30 (Friday)	*New Mexico	Provo	7:30 p.m. MDT
Oct. 8 (Saturday)	Oregon State	Corvallis	1:30 p.m. PDT
Oct. 15 (Saturday)	*Colorado State	Fort Collins	1:30 p.m. MDT
Oct. 22 (Saturday)	*Wyoming	Laramie	1:30 p.m. MDT
Oct. 29 (Saturday)	**Arizona	Provo	1:30 p.m. MDT
Nov. 5 (Saturday)	*Utah	Provo	1:30 p.m. MST
Nov. 12 (Saturday)	*Arizona State	Tempe	7:30 p.m. MST
Nov. 19 (Saturday)	Long Beach State	Provo	1:30 p.m. MST
Nov. 26 (Saturday)	*Texas-El Paso	El Paso	7:30 p.m. MST

*Western Athletic Conference Games

#Homecoming Game

WAC STANDINGS - 1976

	WAC						OVERALL				
	W	L	Pct.	PF	PA		W	L	Pct.	PF	PA
Brigham Young	6	1	.857	232	136		9	2	.818	351	182
Wyoming	6	1	.857	172	137		8	3	.727	271	209
Arizona State	4	3	.571	161	137		4	7	.364	223	243
Utah	3	3	.500	172	190		3	8	.273	245	361
Arizona	3	4	.428	189	150		5	6	.454	283	273
New Mexico	3	4	.428	156	152		4	7	.364	229	235
Colorado State	2	4	.333	110	142		6	5	.545	205	186
Texas-El Paso	0	7	.000	83	231		1	11	.083	166	349

(Note: BYU and Wyoming are co-champs for 1976.)

1976 SEASON - RESULTS

	BYU	Opponent	OPP	Site	Attendance
Sept. 11	3	KANSAS STATE	13	Manhattan	27,100
Sept. 18	42	*Colorado State	18	Provo	33,013
Sept. 25	23	*Arizona	16	Tucson	31,000
Oct. 2	8	San Diego State	0	San Diego	41,786
Oct. 9	29	*WYOMING	34	Provo	35,423
Oct. 16	63	Southern Mississippi	19	Provo	23,029
Oct. 23	45	Utah State	14	Provo	24,074
Oct. 30	43	*Arizona State	21	Provo	29,854
Nov. 6	40	*Texas-El Paso	27	Provo	24,644
Nov. 13	21	*New Mexico	8	Albuquerque	18,038
Nov. 20	34	*Utah	12	Salt Lake City	30,503
Dec. 18	21	**OKLAHOMA STATE	49	Orlando	37,812
	372		231		356,276

Home: 170,037

Overall Average: 29,689

Home Average: 28,340

*Western Athletic Conference Games

**Tangerine Bowl
losses in CAPS

CAMPUS THUMBNAIL

LOCATION: Provo, Utah (estimated population 65,000)

ENROLLMENT: 25,000 (approximate)

FOUNDED: October 16, 1875, by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (Mormon)

PRESIDENT: Dr. Dallin H. Oaks. BYU is governed by a Board of Trustees.

CONFERENCE: Western Athletic Conference (Rocky Mountain-Southwest), headquarters in Denver, Colorado. Stan Bates, Commissioner, Office: 1515 Cleveland Place, Suite 300, Denver, Colo. Members as of July 1, 1968: Arizona, Arizona State, BYU, Colorado State, New Mexico, Texas at El Paso, Utah, and Wyoming.

COLORS: Royal Blue and White

NICKNAME: Cougars

STADIUM: Stadium (1964) 30,000 capacity with possible future expansion to 45,000.

VARSPORTS: Football, basketball, baseball, track, wrestling, golf, tennis, gymnastics, swimming, cross country and indoor track.

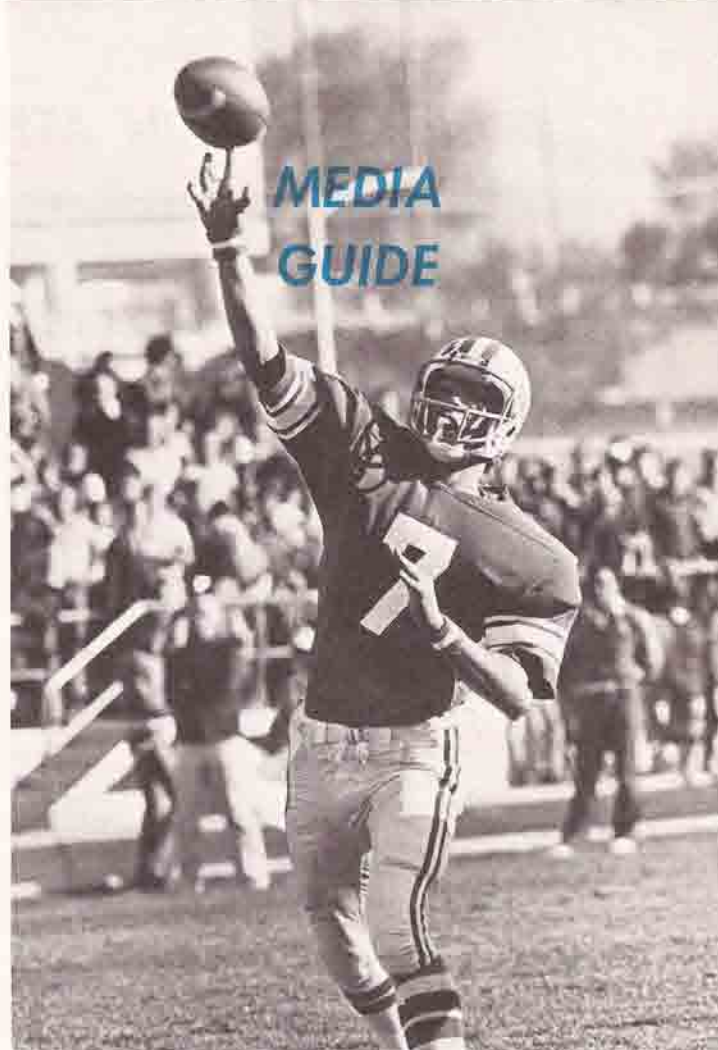
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Brigham Young University All-America quarterback Gifford Nielsen will lead the Cougars into the 1977 season.



MEDIA GUIDE

Reserve quarterback Terry McEwen

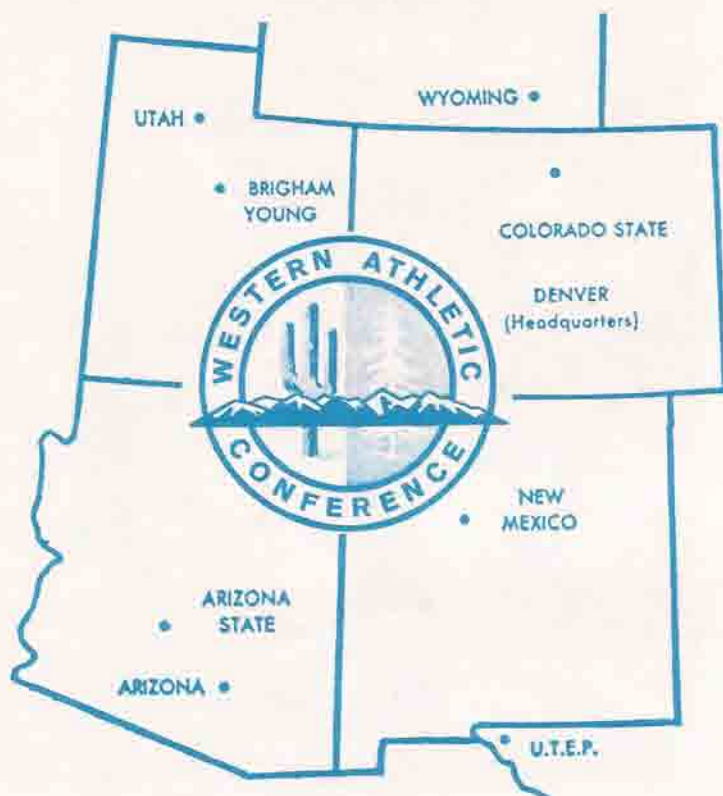
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THE WESTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE



The fast-growing, ever-changing Western Athletic Conference enters its 16th year of existence with a major switch in emphasis just down the road.

Beginning with the 1978-79 academic year, the conference must consider "the quickest maturing intercollegiate athletic league nationally" will say goodbye to charter members Arizona and Arizona State and welcome aboard the first of three new institutions—San Diego State University.

The WAC's expansion timetable then calls for the addition of the University of Hawaii on July 1, 1979 and the University of Nevada at Las Vegas on July 1, 1980.

All three newcomers possess well rounded athletic programs and represent three of the fastest growing areas in the country.

At that point in time, the WAC will stretch from the pine tree forests of Utah, Colorado, and Wyoming to the desert southwest of West Texas, New Mexico, and Nevada to the surf of California and Hawaii.

Founded on July 1, 1962, the charter members included Arizona, Arizona State, Brigham Young, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming. In September 1967, Colorado State and Texas-El Paso were added to make the WAC an eight team league.

Based in Denver, Colorado, the WAC is led by Commissioner Stan Bates who assumed his current position in 1971. Bates, former athletic director at Washington State University, is the conference's third commissioner.

He's assisted by Nordy Jensen, director of information; John Adams, supervisor of football officials, and Stan Watts, supervisor of basketball officials.

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BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY CAMPUS

There is, without argument, an unusual atmosphere at Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah.

What is it that makes BYU its own kind of place? The essential difference is tied to the Latter-day Saint philosophy of learning, particularly the firm commitment held by students and faculty in the harmony between secular and spiritual truths.

The direction taken by the 25,000 LDS students from around the world who study there is fresh and insightful: there is creative concern about the challenges facing modern society—and they are doing something about that concern.

BYU has had more than its fair share of firsts, but the University has much more to offer prospective engineers, artists, teachers, and businessmen. It is a place where a student can examine his or her own needs for truth in the context of moral and spiritual development.

The answers to students' searching questions are shaped by the variety of interests, backgrounds and aspirations. BYU is not an island. The largest ethnic group on campus is the American Indian, numbering over 500. There are Chicanos, Blacks, Orientals, and others, all applying their own particular perspective of life to their academic programs through commit-

ment to the principles of honesty and moral strength.

The campus is perhaps one of the most cosmopolitan in the nation, enrolling students from every state and 70 foreign countries. Nearly 8,000 others are bilingual, having served a mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints abroad.

Admission is open to those of any race, color, creed, or national origin, provided they meet the University's academic requirements and their personal behavior conforms to the standards of the LDS Church.

It was a century ago that Brigham Young, the great Mormon colonizer of the West, signed a deed of trust to establish an academy of the LDS Church in Provo which later grew to be Brigham Young University. A German immigrant schoolmaster, Dr. Karl G. Maeser, was commissioned to open the institution with this charge: "I want you to remember that you ought not to teach even the alphabet or the multiplication tables without the spirit of God."

Amid the activity and academic pursuit engaged in at BYU, a profile emerges that is indeed unlike that of any other university. This is a place where ideals meet aspirations.



BYU's Centennial Carillon Tower



Harris Fine Arts Center with Wasatch mountains in the background

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CASE OF PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE

In one of those strange turn of events that nobody seems to anticipate, BYU found itself out of the running in the Fiesta Bowl (but not out of the WAC championship) months before the 1977 season was scheduled to begin. The post-season bowl game in Phoenix has been scheduled for Christmas Day, Sunday, Dec. 25, and the school follows a firm policy of not competing on Sunday. Hence, the BYU is not a candidate for the automatic berth reserved by the Fiesta Bowl for the WAC winner.

Whether this decision will be a plus or minus for the Cougars remains to be seen, but it is bound to have some kind of psychological effect on BYU's team effort (perhaps on other WAC teams as well) in the season ahead.

So what else is new on the Cougar balance sheet?

Well, BYU will have nearly 30 lettermen returning off a team that went 9-2 during the regular season, including the return of All-America quarterback Gifford Nielsen. Those two items alone should sell a lot of season tickets in Provo. But there are other considerations.

Keeping people healthy is important to the Cougars, because depth is a problem on both lines and at linebacker. Besides losing 11 starters, BYU had half dozen players go on church missions who would either have started or played a lot this year. And several top prospects are coming off injuries. Linebacker Larry Miller and tackle Lance Reynolds didn't participate in the spring because of knee operations and top receiver John VanDerWouden reinjured a shoulder separation in the spring. And defensive end Mat Mendenhall has been out for a full year with a concussion.

But before too many tears fall for the poor Cougars, there are some bright spots. The most important is the return of Heisman Trophy candidate Gifford Nielsen, the top returning player in the nation in total offense, passing yards and touchdown passes. Only four players in college history have passed for more yards in a season than the "The Giffer" did last year (3,192), and only three have thrown more touchdown passes (29).

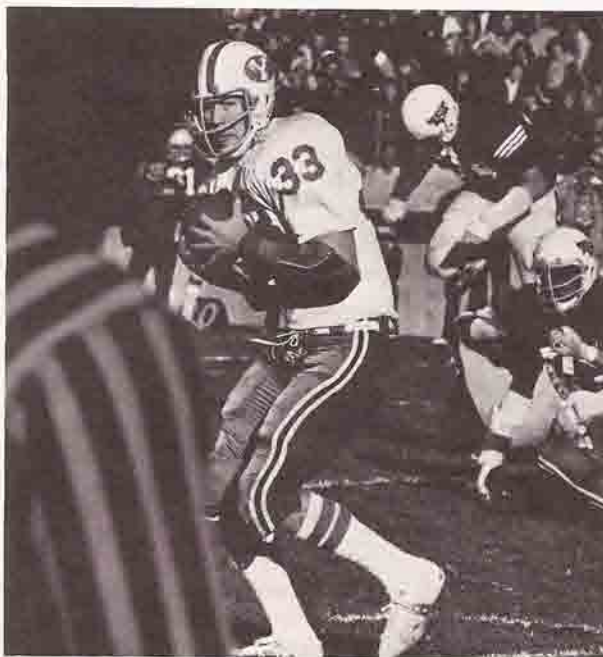
Among the lettermen are all the top receivers and nearly all the running backs. Fullback Todd Christensen will be starting his fourth year and, besides being the team's top blocker, has been the leading receiver for two seasons. The offensive line—the key to BYU leading the nation in passing last year—is being rebuilt. Guard Keith Uperesa and tackle Reynolds (both 275) are a good pair to start with.

For the first time in several springs the defensive secondary is jelling very quickly and defensive help up front comes from two all-conference players, tackle Mekeli Jeremiah and middle linebacker Rod Wood. They are as good as you'll find in the Rocky Mountain area.

Besides the heavy task of filling some holes in the offensive and defensive lines, the Cougars will have to overhaul their kicking game. Punter Dave Lowry graduated, and place-kicker Dave Taylor is now on a

church mission. That chore alone could be a critical one for the Cougars.

A more in-depth account of the offensive and defensive prospects are given on the following pages.



OFFENSIVE ANALYSIS

Offense: Pro Set

OVERALL: "Last year we were picked fourth in the WAC and became co-champions with a national ranking part of the season, plus a bowl bid. Another 9-2 is possible but a lot of things have to fall into place. We are remaking the offensive line and, without injuries, we'll be all right. **Giff (Nielsen)** might not get 3,000 yards passing again but he'll be a better quarterback. The running game has been improving each year and the receiving corps is very strong again. We have the capabilities of being an excellent team."—**Coach Edwards**

QUARTERBACKS: With the country's best quarterback returning, it's safe to say the Cougars will challenge for the team passing championship they won last fall with Gifford Nielsen rewriting the WAC record book. Behind him a struggle is going on as highly regarded redshirts **Marc Wilson** and **Danny Hartwig** battle letterman **Terry McEwen** for the number two spot. Nielsen is a landslide choice for the post-season honors.

RECEIVERS: The Cougars are loaded with quality players and depth. **Jay Miller**, who saw very little action, is the only wide receiver who graduated. And even though **John VanDerWouden** suffered another shoulder separation in the spring and former starter **Jeff Nilsson** went on a mission, there's plenty to be optimistic about. Flanker **Mike Chronister** might well emerge as the star based on his heroics during BYU's

six-game winning streak over the second half of last season. **George Harris**, who played a lot last year and made the impossible catch to win the Arizona game a year ago, will take over at split end if VanDerWouden is slow recovering. Behind them are **Lynn Zwahlen**, who started before a mission and standouts **Kent Tingey**, **Lloyd Jones** and **Rick Jones** up from the junior varsity. **Brian Billick** is gone at tight end but half the playing time last year went to **Tod Thompson**. **Lloyd Eldredge** went on a mission so the backup nod might go to **Clay Brown** or to walk-on **Rob Anderson**. Ironically, the team's top receiver the past two years has been fullback **Tod Christensen**, who also returns.

RUNNING BACKS: BYU will probably run the ball a little more this year and have a good cast to work with. **Todd Christensen** is a do-it-all type who is starting his fourth year and it should be a good one from the fullback position. **Roger Gourley** has been moved to tailback to help replace career-rushing-leader **Jeff Blanc** and return specialist **Dave Lowry**. Gourley had a great spring, but transfer **Casey Wingard** was closing fast as he adjusted to the system. Also in the picture are transfer **Bill Ring** (who can play both positions) and sophomore speedsters **Robbie Kahuanui** and **Clay Blackwell**. Fast-improving **Steve Carlson** is behind Christensen at fullback.

OFFENSIVE LINE: Having a strong offensive line is crucial to the cougars and finding a center was the main goal in the spring to replace **Chuck Carlson**. Returned missionaries **Scott Nielson** and **Tom Miller** probably have an edge over **Corey Pace** from the junior varsity. Gone are guard **Steve Miller** and tackles **Dave Hubbard** and **Dave Meteer**, who started half the season after **Lance Reynold** had knee surgery. Reynolds can play guard and tackle, but will be needed at tackle. On the other side will be letterman **Kelly Harris** or transfer **Al Gaspard**. **Keith Uperesa** is back at one guard spot and soph **Calvin Close** looks good on the other side. The other sophomores most likely to see action are **Jim Jaramillo** at tackle and **Danny Hansen** and **Alan Carlile** at guard. Although the 6-7 and 6-8 tackles are gone, BYU will still average 255 at the guard and tackle positions.

DEFENSIVE ANALYSIS

Defense: 4-3

OVERALL: "Last year we had some defensive holes to fill and wound up leading the conference in rushing defense and scoring defense. We also were one of the national leaders in forcing more turnovers than we gave up. I'm confident our defense will be strong again. Our secondary is shaping up well and we have some good athletes at the other positions."
—Coach Edwards

FRONT FOUR: All-WAC tackle **Mekeli Ieremia**, a master of sacks, is the key man up front. Joining him is WAC heavyweight wrestling champ **Gary Peterson**. At 240 and 270 they move well. Behind them is **Doug Stromberg**, who replaces **Randy Nuckolls**, an academic casualty. Ends **Marcus Kanahele** and **Steve Dewey** are gone but **Ross Varner** saw part-time duty last year. On the other side **Kip Apostol** is having a good

spring and the Cougars expect great things if **Mat Mendenhall** is able to rebound from a head injury. Depth is a concern with inexperienced sophomores in second team roles. Peterson can replace departed **Bill Rice** at tackle but depth dropped when **Eric Ingersoll** went on a mission.

LINEBACKERS: All-WAC middle linebacker **Rod Wood** is back after a great sophomore year as is **Gary Kama** at the same position. On the strong side **Blake Murdock** is gone but **Mark Berntsen** should fill in well after starting the last few games in 1976. Another super soph, **Larry Miller**, returns at weak-side backer. Depth is a question since **Reed Brown** and **Andy Burgess** went on missions. Transfers **Gary Bouck** and **Tom Enlow** are possibilities behind Bernstein and **Brian Hansen** could back up Miller.



SECONDARY: This area looks very good despite the loss of four-year starter **Dana Wilgar** at weak safety and cornerback **Craig Jensen**. Strong safety **Marc Swenson** returns along with cornerback **Tony Hernandez**. Transfers **Steve Corson** is set at the other corner and another newcomer, **John Neal**, might be at weak safety. Lettermen **Jason Coloma** and **Ron Velasco** could see action at safety as could soph **Perry Bradford**. Sophs **Bob Prested**, **Dave McKee** and **Steve Anderson** showed promise in early spring drills. Even though Hernandez is the only senior the secondary looks very stable.

KICKING GAME: An integral part of field position for the defense is the kicking game, so far a mystery for the Cougars. Place kicker **Dave Taylor**, who broke the school career PAT and field goal marks as a sophomore, went on a mission as did **Parry Winder**, who was certain to inherit the punting chores from departed **Dave Lowry**. Returned missionaries **Brent Johnson** and **Craig Wing** are kicking candidates. Another soph, reserve tight end **Clay Brown**, might punt or that job could go to full-back **Todd Christensen**.

1977 BRIGHAM YOUNG FOOTBALL ROSTER

(Alphabetical)

NUMERICAL ROSTER

	No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Hometown
2 Brent Johnson, K	95	Rob Anderson	TE	6-3	218	So.	Salt Lake City, Utah
3 Dev Duke, K	42	Steve Anderson	DB	5-10	195	So.	Salt Lake City, Utah
5 Bob Prested, DB	90	Kip Apostol*	DE	6-1	207	Sr.	Orem, Utah
6 Marc Wilson, QB	65	Craig Barr	DT	6-1	230	So.	Salt Lake City, Utah
7 Terry McEwen, QB		Russ Beck	LB	6-4	210	Jr.	Littleton, Colorado
8 John VanDerWouden, WR	41	Mark Berntsen**	LB	6-0	233	Sr.	Salt Lake City, Utah
9 Ron Velasco, DB	23	Clay Blackwell	TB	5-9	177	So.	Ogden, Utah
10 Dave Campos, DB	53	Gary Bouck	LB	6-3	210	Jr.	Alhambra, California
11 Dan Hartwig, QB	23	Perry Bradford	DB	6-1	170	So.	Salt Lake City, Utah
12 Ray Brock, QB	12	Ray Brock	QB	6-5	200	So.	Toronto, Canada
13 Steve Corson, DB	85	Clay Brown	TE/P	6-4	205	So.	San Gabriel, California
14 Gifford Nielsen, QB	68	Rob Buchanan	DE	6-3	216	Jr.	Santa Maria, California
15 David McKee, DB	10	Dave Campos*	DB	5-10	170	Sr.	Alhambra, California
16 Steve Hartmann, DB	64	Alan Carlile	OT	6-3	240	So.	Fremont, California
17 Mark Falmmer, QB	30	Steve Carlson	FB	6-0	204	So.	Paris, Idaho
18 Mark Terranova, DB	33	Todd Christensen***	FB	6-3	225	Sr.	Eugene, Oregon
19 Bill Popin, DB	29	Mike Chronister*	WR	6-0	190	Jr.	Concord, California
20 Robbie Kahuanui, TB	63	Calvin Close	OT	6-3	225	So.	Camarillo, California
21 Jason Coloma, DB	21	Jason Coloma*	DB	5-10	186	Jr.	Haleiwa, Hawaii
22 Lynn Zwahlen, WR	13	Steve Corson	DB	6-2	185	Jr.	Arizona City, Arizona
23 Clay Blackwell TB	66	Russ Davis	OT	6-4	227	Jr.	Murray, Utah
24 Roger Gourley, FB	3	Dev Duke	K	5-11	165	Sr.	Provo, Utah
25 Kent Tingey, WR	45	Tom Enlow	LB	6-0	222	Jr.	Fall City, Washington
26 George Harris, WR	17	Mark Flammer	QB	6-1	180	Jr.	North Logan, Utah
27 Tony Hernandez, DB	58	Clayton Forsythe	OG	6-1	233	Jr.	Honolulu, Hawaii
28 Perry Bradford, DB	88	Bruce George	WR	6-1	180	Jr.	Yuba City, California
29 Mike Chronister, WR	76	Al Gaspard	OT	6-1	256	Jr.	Daly City, California
30 Steve Carlson, FB	24	Roger Gourley**	FB	6-1	210	Sr.	Provo, Utah
31 Larry Kemp, TB	56	Brian Hansen	LB	6-2	214	So.	American Fork, Utah
32 Ken White, TB	62	Danny Hansen	OG	6-3	230	So.	Salt Lake City, Utah
33 Todd Christensen, FB	26	George Harris**	WR	5-11	180	Sr.	Salt Lake City, Utah
34 Roy Ward, FB	89	Jeff Harris	DE	6-4	230	Jr.	Jacksonville, Florida
35 Bill Ring, TB	72	Kelly Harris*	OT	6-5	240	Sr.	Provo, Utah
36 Rod Wood, LB	16	Steve Hartmann	DB	6-1	183	So.	Batavia, Illinois
37 Gary Kama, LB	11	Dan Hartwig	QB	6-4	205	So.	Walnut Creek, California
41 Mark Berntsen, LB		Greg Head	DE	6-1	210	Jr.	Denton, Texas
42 Steve Anderson, DB	86	Richard Herlin	TE	6-5	210	Jr.	Orem, Utah
43 Casey Wingard, TB	27	Tony Hernandez*	DB	5-11	176	Sr.	Glendale, California
44 Vic Whitsett, FB	80	Mekeli Ieremia***	DT	6-2	238	Sr.	Tarrytown, New York
45 Tom Enlow, LB	70	Jim Jaramillo	OT	6-5	247	So.	LaMirada, California
46 Marc Swenson, DB	93	Conrad Jepson	DE	6-2	225	So.	Fremont, California
47 John Neal, DB	2	Brent Johnson	K	6-4	202	So.	Granger, Utah
48 Doug Williams, TB	87	Lloyd Jones	WR	6-3	175	So.	Pomona, California
49 John Ramage, LB	84	Rick Jones	WR	6-1	190	Sr.	Menlo Park, California
50 Scott Nielson, C	20	Robbie Kahuanui	TB	5-10	180	So.	Alameda, California
52 Brad Sullivan, C	37	Gary Kama**	LB	5-11	228	Jr.	Honolulu, Hawaii
53 Gary Bouck, LB	31	Larry Kemp	TB	6-1	191	Jr.	Pocatello, Idaho
54 Tom Miller, C		Ron Lewis	WR	6-1	185	Jr.	San Jose, California
55 Corey Pace, C	67	Raymond Linford	OG	6-2	246	So.	Salt Lake City, Utah
56 Brian Hansen, LB	7	Terry McEwen*	QB	6-2	176	Sr.	Portland, Oregon
57 Glen Redd, LB	15	David McKee	DB	5-9	159	So.	Holden, Utah
58 Clayton Forsythe, OG	83	Mat Mendenhall*	DE	6-6	227	So.	Salt Lake City, Utah
59 Gary Stoddard, OG	82	Larry Miller**	LB	6-5	215	Jr.	Bountiful, Utah
60 Jeff Taggart, DT	54	Tom Miller*	C	6-2	205	Sr.	Chowchilla, California
61 Dave Gardineer, OG	47	John Neal	DB	5-11	190	Jr.	Mountain View, Calif.
62 Danny Hansen, OG	14	Gifford Nielsen**	QB	6-5	203	Sr.	Provo, Utah
63 Calvin Close, OT	50	Scott Nielson	C	6-3	205	So.	Salt Lake City, Utah
64 Alan Carlile, OT	75	Bart Oates	OT	6-4	235	Fr.	Albany, Georgia
65 Craig Barr, DT	55	Corey Pace	C	6-2	230	So.	Northridge, California
66 Russ Davis, OT		Nelson Paynter	OT	6-4	240	Jr.	Granger, Utah
67 Raymond Linford, OG	71	Gary Peterson**	DT	6-4	270	Sr.	Cedar Fort, Utah

68 Rob Buchanan, DE	96 Rick Pinckard	DE	6-3	214	So.	Quitman, Texas
69 Jan Van de Merwe, OT	19 Bill Popin*	DB	5-11	186	Sr.	San Mateo, California
70 Jim Jaramillo, OT	5 Bob Prested	DB	5-11	187	So.	Glendale, California
71 Gary Peterson, DT	49 John Ramage	LB	5-10	210	So.	Orem, Utah
72 Kelly Harris, OT	57 Glen Redd	LB	6-2	210	So.	Ogden, Utah
73 Bob Simmerman, DT	78 Lance Reynolds**	OT	6-2	275	Sr.	Salt Lake City, Utah
75 Bart Oates, DT	35 Bill Ring	TB	5-10	189	Jr.	Belmont, California
76 Al Gaspard, OT	73 Bob Simmerman	DT	6-5	223	Jr.	Fresno, California
77 Keith Uperesa, OG	Kim Stewart	FB	6-1	190	Jr.	Provo, Utah
78 Lance Reynolds, OT	59 Gary Stoddard	OG	6-1	223	Jr.	Napa, California
79 Doug Stromberg, DT	79 Doug Stromberg	DT	6-3	252	So.	Ogden, Utah
80 Mekeli Jeremia, DT	52 Brad Sullivan	C	6-2	244	Jr.	Murphys, California
82 Larry Miller, LB	46 Marc Swenson*	DB	6-1	186	Jr.	Santa Maria, California
83 Mat Mendenhall, DE	60 Jeff Taggart	DT	6-6	250	So.	Powell Wyoming
84 Rick Jones, WR	18 Mark Terranova***	DB	5-11	185	Sr.	Canoga Park, California
85 Clay Brown, TE/P	92 Tod Thompson*	TE	6-4	205	Jr.	Concord, California
86 Richard Herlin, TE	25 Kent Tingey	WR	6-1	190	Jr.	Logan, Utah
87 Lloyd Jones, WR	77 Keith Uperesa***	OG	6-3	275	Sr.	Aiea, Hawaii
88 Bruce George, WR	69 Jan Van de Merwe*	OT	6-4	222	Sr.	Bountiful, Utah
89 Jeff Harris, DE	8 John VanDerWouden**	WR	5-10	170	Sr.	Salt Lake City, Utah
90 Kip Apostol, DE	91 Ross Varner*	DE	6-3	236	Jr.	Salt Lake City, Utah
91 Ross Varner, DE	9 Ron Velasco*	DB	6-2	167	Jr.	Aiea, Hawaii
92 Tod Thompson, TE	34 Roy Ward*	FB	6-0	204	Sr.	Boise, Idaho
93 Conrad Jepsen, DT	94 Dennis Webb	DE	6-6	220	So.	Mesa, Arizona
94 Dennis Webb, DE	32 Ken White	TB	6-0	195	So.	Pleasant Hill, California
95 Rob Anderson, TE	44 Vic Whitsett	FB	6-2	210	So.	Othello, Washington
96 Rick Pinckard, DE	48 Doug Williams	TB	5-11	188	So.	Sacramento, California
	6 Marc Wilson	QB	6-5	206	So.	Seattle, Washington
	Craig Wing	K	5-11	170	So.	American Fork, Utah
	43 Casey Wingard	TB	5-11	183	Jr.	Dayton, Ohio
	36 Rod Wood*	LB	6-1	225	Jr.	Durango, Colorado
	22 Lynn Zwahlen**	WR	5-10	170	So.	Modesto, California

*Letters earned

Transferred

INCOMING FRESHMAN ROSTER

Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown	High School
Mark Brady	DB	6-2	170	Oak Ridge, Tennessee	Oak Ridge
Mark Campbell	LB	6-3	215	McLean, Virginia	McLean
Bill Davis	WR	6-2	170	Denver, Colorado	Arvada West
Dave Francis	RB	6-1	180	Salt Lake City, Utah	Brighton
Danny Frazier	LB	6-5	190	Tooele, Utah	Tooele
Brad Hardisty	TE	6-6	200	Las Vegas, Nevada	Clark
Mike Heinrich	QB	5-11	170	Saratoga, California	Saratoga
Steve Herring	OT	6-3	240	Santa Maria, California	Regetti
Walt Manwill	OT	6-2	240	Boise, Idaho	Borah
Jim McMahon	QB	6-1	175	Roy, Utah	Roy
Scott Phillips	QB	6-2	180	Springville, Utah	Springville
Scott Reber	RB	6-2	215	St. George, Utah	Dixie
Bill Schoepflin	DB	5-11	175	Denver, Colorado	Arvada
Norman Taylor	TE	6-2	235	Chatsworth, California	Chatsworth
Stan Younger	WR	6-2	175	Santa Monica, California	Santa Monica

TWO-DEEP OFFENSE

Position

TIGHT END
RIGHT TACKLE
RIGHT GUARD
CENTER
LEFT GUARD
LEFT TACKLE
QUARTERBACK
FULLBACK
TAILBACK
SPLIT END
FLANKER

PUNTING

First Unit

***Tod Thompson** (Jr.)
***Kelly Harris** (Sr.)
*****Keith Uperesa** (Sr.)
Scott Nielson (So.)
Calvin Close (So.)
****Lance Reynolds** (Sr.)
****Gifford Nielsen** (Sr.)
*****Todd Christensen** (Sr.)
****Roger Gourley** (Sr.)
****John VanDerWouden** (Sr.)
***Mike Chronister** (Jr.)

Clay Brown (So.)

Second Unit

Rob Anderson (So.)
Al Gaspard (Jr.)
Danny Hansen (So.)
****Tom Miller** (Sr.)
Alan Carlile (So.)
***Jan Van de Merwe** (Sr.)
***Terry McEwen** (Sr.)
Bill Ring (Jr.)
Casey Wingard (Jr.)
****George Harris** (Sr.)
****Lynn Zwahlen** (Sr.)

*****Todd Christensen** (Sr.) or
Jim McMahon (Frosh.)

TWO-DEEP DEFENSE

LEFT END
LEFT TACKLE
MIDDLE LINEBACKER
RIGHT TACKLE
RIGHT END
STRONGSIDE LINEBACKER
WEAKSIDE LINEBACKER
LEFT CORNERBACK
RIGHT CORNERBACK
STRONGSIDE SAFETY
WEAKSIDE SAFETY

1976 Starters in **Boldface**

*letters earned

***Ross Varner** (Jr.)
****Gary Peterson** (Sr.)
***Rod Wood** (Jr.)
*****Mekeli Ieremia** (Sr.)
***Kip Apostol** (Sr.)
****Mark Bernstein** (Sr.)
****Larry Miller** (Jr.)
Steve Corson (Jr.)
***Tony Hernandez** (Sr.)
***Marc Swenson** (Jr.)
***Ron Velasco** (Jr.)

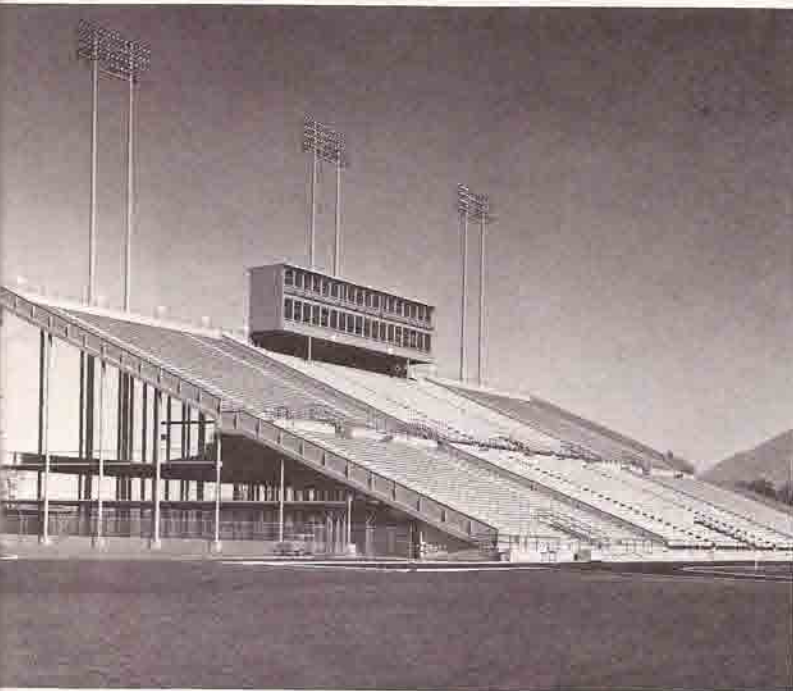
Conrad Jepsen (So.)
Doug Stromberg (So.)
****Gary Kama** (Jr.)
Bob Simmerman (Jr.)
***Mat Mendenhall** (So.)
Gary Bouck (Jr.)
Brian Hansen (So.)
Bob Prested (So.)
David McKee (So.)
***Jason Coloma** (Jr.)
John Neal (Jr.)

RETURNING LETTERMEN

***Kip Apostol**, Defensive End, Senior
(Second Unit)
****Mark Berntsen**, Linebacker, Senior
(Second Unit)
***Dave Campos**, Defensive Back, Senior
(Second unit two years ago)
*****Todd Christensen**, Fullback, Senior
(Starter, leading pass receiver)
***Mike Chronister**, Wide Receiver, Junior
(Part-time starter, first in reception yardage)
***Jason Coloma**, Defensive Back, Junior
(Reserve-return specialist)
****Dev Duke**, Kicker, Senior
(Leading scorer three years ago)
****Roger Gourley**, Fullback, Senior
(Second Unit)
****George Harris**, Wide Receiver, Senior
(Second unit)
***Kelly Harris**, Offensive Tackle, Senior
(Second Unit)
***Tony Hernandez**, Defensive Back, Senior
(Starter, leading interceptor)
*****Mekeli Ieremia**, Defensive Tackle, Senior
(Starter, leading sacker)
****Gary Kama**, Linebacker, Junior
(Second Unit)
***Terry McEwen**, Quarterback, Senior
(Second Unit)
***Mat Mendenhall**, Defensive End, Soph.
(Redshirt)
****Larry Miller**, Linebacker, Junior
(Starter, seventh in defensive stax)

***Tom Miller**, Center, Junior
(Reserve)
****Gifford Nielsen**, Quarterback, Senior
(Starter, led team in offensive yardage)
****Gary Peterson**, Defensive Tackle, Senior
(Second unit)
***Bill Popin**, Defensive Back, Senior
(Reserve)
****Lance Reynolds**, Offensive Tackle, Senior
(Starter with experience)
***Marc Swenson**, Defensive Back, Junior
(Starter, 11th in defensive stax)
*****Mark Terranova**, Defensive Back, Senior
(Second Unit)
***Tod Thompson**, Tight End, Junior
(Starter, sixth in pass receptions)
*****Keith Uperesa**, Offensive Guard, Senior
(Bona fide starter)
***Jan Van de Merwe**, Offensive Tackle
(Second Unit)
****John VanDerWouden**, Wide Receiver, Senior
(Starter, second in pass receptions and yardage)
***Ross Varner**, Defensive End, Junior
(Second Unit)
***Ron Velasco**, Defensive Back, Junior
(Second unit)
***Roy Ward**, Fullback, Senior
(Reserve)
***Rod Wood**, Linebacker, Junior
(Starter, leader of defensive stax)
****Lynn Zwahlen**, Wide Receiver, Senior
(Reserve with experience)

COUGAR STADIUM



BYU Stadium is one in which 30,000 fans can "Rise and Shout" when the Cougars are out. It was opened on October 2, 1964, when over 33,000 fans jammed into the facility. Two years later the record setting crowd of 38,333 watched BYU battle Wyoming. Last year the second largest crowd in the 12-year history, 35,423, again witnessed Wyoming in a championship year.

With BYU's student body almost as large as the stadium's seating capacity, a plan to expand to 45,000 seats is under consideration. Though two legitimate post season bowls are hosted in WAC stadiums, the Sun Bowl in El Paso, Texas and the Fiesta Bowl in Tempe, Ariz., the BYU stadium is modern by comparison.

The all-steel stadium was financed from personal donations of students, faculty, staff, Provo businessmen, alumni and friends.

The NCAA track and field championships have been hosted twice; (1967 and 1975) on the Chevron 440-all weather track.

BYU's football stadium was inaugurated in 1964 and seats 30,000



THE COUGAR CLUB

It takes good strong support to keep an athletic program flourishing, and in the case of Brigham Young University the number one booster is the Cougar Club.

Headed by executive secretary Dale McCann, the Cougar Club has increased in membership over 250% in the past five years, and the total number of boosters now exceeds 1,200 with new members signing up every week.

"The contributions we receive," explained McCann, "range from a \$25 associate member (age 30 and under) to the lifetime Golden Cougar (\$15,000 contributed over a three-year period). Regular membership is \$100 annually, and we have several classifications between the Regular Member and the Lifetime Golden Cougar."

In return, the contributor, (1) has the satisfaction of knowing the contribution is building the program, directly supporting recruitment; (2) is the recipient of a Cougar Club medallion mounted on a walnut shield; (3) is given preferred parking for all BYU home games; (4) receives official press guides for both football and basketball; (5) is invited with partner to the annual Cougar Club Banquet (over 1,100 attended the one last spring); (6) receives sports newsletters designed for those outside of Utah; and (7) can take the contribution as a tax deduction on state and federal returns.

Interested persons should contact Dale McCann, Cougar Club, Alumni House, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, 84602.



Nielsen led the nation in TD passes (a total of 29) in 1976

ALL-AMERICA GIFFORD NIELSEN

LOCAL BOY HITS NATIONAL SCENE

On a clear day from the top of BYU's press box, quarterback Gifford Nielsen can re-live all the important events of his life.

Using his gifted passing arm to pick out special points of interest from the panorama of Utah Valley, the Cougar All-American can recall the major happenings of his life in Provo, Utah.

Dubbed "happy valley" by cynics who like to chide the residents for their tranquil life style, Utah Valley is bordered on three sides by the Wasatch Mountain Range and on the west by Utah Lake. Its a long, picturesque valley. But all of the great happenings in Gifford's life have taken place within a one-mile radius of the football stadium itself.

Like, . . .

Utah Valley Hospital where Gifford was born, and where his year-old daughter Kacey was born . . .

Provo High School where Gifford graduated with honors . . . where he won three letters in golf . . . where

he won all-state and All-America honorable mention as a wishbone quarterback for the Bulldogs . . .

The **campus of Brigham Young University**, where his father Stan was a former basketball star for the Cougars . . . and where Gifford decided to enroll after being voted the outstanding prep athlete in Utah . . . where he won two varsity letters with the Cougar basketball team before deciding to concentrate his energies in football . . .

Now, moving further east to the foothills of the 10,000-foot Wasatch Range and the **Provo Temple** (of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints) where Gifford and his high school sweetheart, Wendy Olson (a former Provo High cheerleader), were married. The Temple is only a short walk from the apartment where Gifford, Wendy and Kacey now live.

"Looking back now on those chapters of my life," recalls the Giff rather philosophically for a 22-year old senior, "it appears I've covered

a lot of ground in a relatively short distance, so to speak. And there is still more to come."

As an All-America selection (Football Writers of America) last year and a Heisman Trophy candidate this year, he faces the most important year of his career. And much of the drama for 1977 will be played out on yet another familiar site, the grassy turf of BYU Stadium.

There was a time in his sophomore season, however, when Nielsen felt he wasn't going to see any playing time at all. He watched the first two games of the 1975 season from the bench. In the third game (Arizona State) he was inserted for a brief period, netting only 21 yards on two carries and 11 passes attempted.

Then came one of the dramatic moments in BYU football history. In the fourth game (New Mexico) with the Cougars trailing in the fourth quarter, Gifford came off the bench to complete 10 of 12 passes (WAC

single game record) and engineer a come-from-behind victory.

The Cougars caught fire under Gifford, winning six of their eight final games. Despite the fact he saw little action in the first four games of '75, Nielsen finished the year as the nation's number ten passer.

Last year after suffering an inexplicable loss to Kansas State in the opener, the Cougars bounced back to win nine of their 10 regularly scheduled games. With superb support from his teammates, Nielsen went on to post several records. He wound up as the nation's leader in touchdown passes and passing yardage, and his performance in several games were season highs (28 completions on 48 attempts for 468 yards against Utah State).

Nielsen has more than just a good passing arm. He is a gifted leader who remains cool under pressure, and is very competent field general.

"He reminds me a lot of Roger

Staubach," says offensive coordinator Doug Scovil (who coached the Navy star who won the Heisman). "In that you can tell him once to do something or make adjustments in the way he does things and he complies. You don't have to waste a lot of time trying to pound something into his head."

The Giff also gets some high marks from Coach LaVell Edwards:

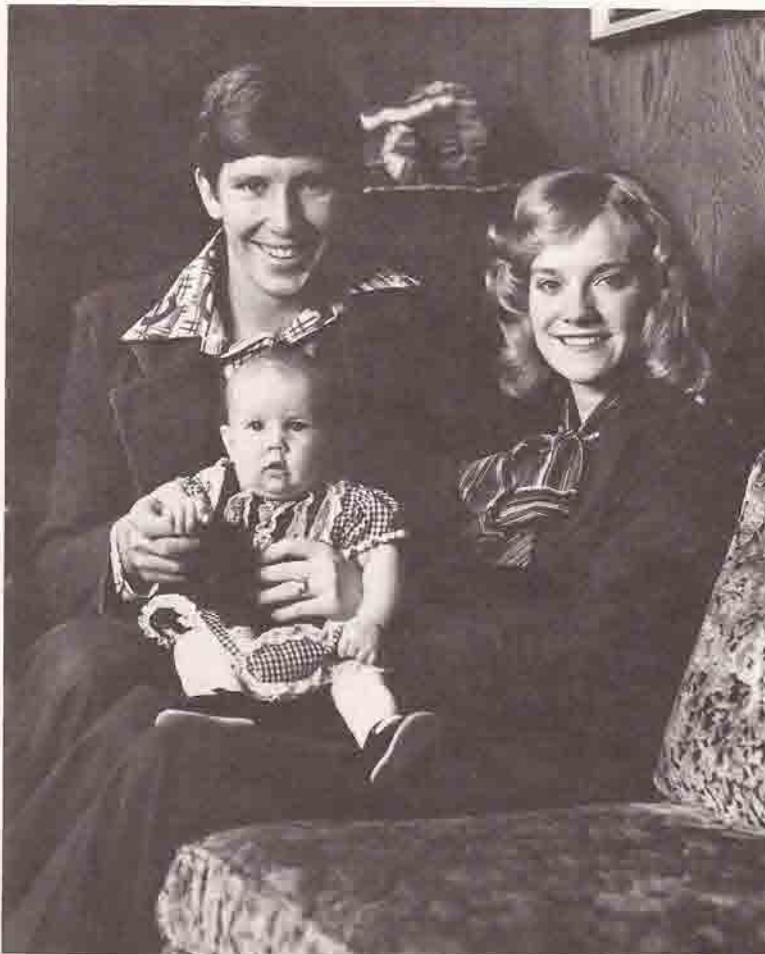
"There's no way we should have completed the winning pass against Arizona (43-yard TD pass in a rain storm with :03 left on the clock), except the guy is a winner. He scrambled until he found a receiver, knew exactly where the line of scrimmage was, then put the ball right where it had to be at the precise moment. If there's one guy you'd like to have when the going is tough, it's Gifford."

Edwards can be thankful the kid from Provo, who followed BYU sports regularly as a youngster, elected to stick with football. Even though Nielsen scored 24 points in the final

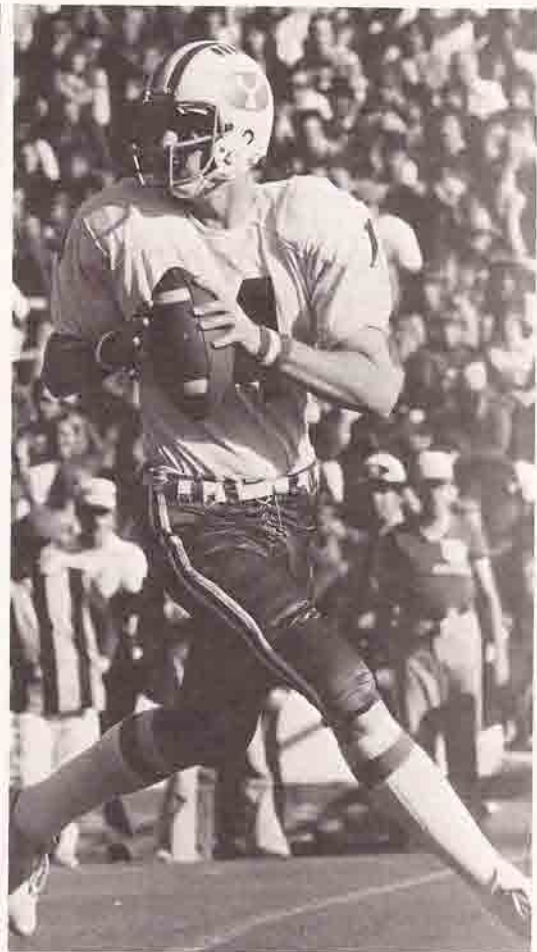
game of his sophomore year with BYU's varsity basketball team, he did not look very impressive in the Cougars' football drills that fall. But when he came off the bench to salvage the New Mexico game, there didn't seem to be any question of who BYU would be starting at quarterback.

But then, Nielsen's career could have gone in another direction too. He is an excellent golfer, frequently shooting par on the local courses. But the Cougars already had a Johnny Miller, and what they needed most was a football hero. They found one in Gifford Nielsen.

(Note: Nielsen suffered a bone fracture in his right hand in July while playing softball in the local recreational league. His hand was put in a cast, but he was expected to be throwing again before the start of pre-season practice. Further information and vital statistics on Nielsen will be found in the regular player profiles of the brochure.)



Gifford with wife Wendy and daughter Kacey



In two seasons, 4,663 yards passing

THE LATEST NIELSEN RATINGS

THE NIELSEN RATINGS

(For Quarterback Gifford Nielsen)

CATEGORY	NIELSEN	OLD SCHOOL RECORD	OLD WAC RECORD
Pass Attempts	372	300 (Gary Sheide '74)	365 (Mark Reed UA '66)
Pass Completions	207	181 (Gary Sheide '74)	193 (Mark Reed UA '66)
Passing Yards	3192	2350 (Gary Sheide '73)	2609 (Danny White ASU '73)
Touchdown passes	29	23 (Gary Sheide '74)	23 (White '73, Sheide '74)
Completion Percentage	.611 (1975)	.603 (Gary Sheide '74)	.603 (Sheide '74)
Plays (Rush, Pass)	449	388 (Virgil Carter '66)	449 (Wayne Smith CSU '70)
Total Offense	2919	2545 (Virgil Carter '66)	2862 (Danny White ASU '73)
Touchdowns Responsible For	30	30 (Virgil Carter '66)	30 (Carter '66)

Season TD Club

1. Dennis Shaw, SDS '69—39
2. Jerry Rhone, Tulsa '64—32
3. Bill Anderson, Tulsa '65—30
4. GIFFORD NIELSEN, BYU '76—29

National Rankings (Nielsen)

Passing Yards—1st, 3,192
 Touchdown Passes—1st, 29
 Team Passing Yardage—1st, 307.8
 Total Offense—2nd, 265.4
 Completions per game—4th, 18.8
 Total Team Offense—6th, 424.4
 Team Scoring—7th, 31.9

3,000 Yard Club

1. Bill Anderson, Tulsa '65, 3,464
2. Tommy Kramer, Rice '76, 3,317
3. Greg Cook, Cinn. '68, 3,272
4. Don Strock, Virg. Tech '72, 3,243
5. Gifford Nielsen, BYU '76, 3,192
6. Dennis Shaw, San. D St. '69, 3,185
7. Chuck Hixon, So. Meth. '68, 3,103
8. Billy Stevens, Tex. West. '65, 3,042

GIFFORD NIELSEN—STATISTICS 1975-76

1975 Season—SOPHOMORE Opponent (Date)	RUSHING					PASSING					TOUCHDOWNS			
	Carries	Gained	Lost	Net	TD	Att.	Comp.	Int.	Yards	TD	Comp.	Plays	Yds.	Acc. For
Bowling Green (Sept. 13)	Did Not Play													
Colorado State (Sept. 20)	Did Not Play													
Arizona State (Sept. 27)	2	0	17	-17	0	11	4	1	38	0	.363	13	21	...
New Mexico (Oct. 3)	4	6	0	6	0	12	10	0	148	2	.833	16	154	2
Air Force (Oct. 11)	12	23	32	-9	0	19	14	1	229	1	.737	31	220	1
Wyoming (Oct. 25)	11	22	21	1	0	19	9	1	159	1	.474	30	160	1
Arizona (Nov. 1)	6	11	31	-20	1	44	27	2	387	2	.614	50	367	3
Utah State (Nov. 8)	7	9	42	-33	0	24	15	0	139	2	.625	31	106	2
Utah (Nov. 15)	6	11	23	-12	1	15	10	1	150	1	.666	21	138	2
Texas-El Paso (Nov. 22)	5	1	47	-46	0	24	13	0	157	0	.542	29	111	...
So. Mississippi (Nov. 29)	4	7	21	-14	0	12	8	1	64	1	.666	16	50	1
TOTALS:	57	90	234	-144	2	180	110	7	1471	10	*.611	237	1327	12

*New School, Western Athletic Conference Record

1976 Season—JUNIOR

Kansas State (Sept. 11)	7	9	24	-15	0	29	15	2	142	0	.517	36	127	...
Colorado State (Sept. 18)	7	0	56	-56	0	33	13	1	172	1	.394	40	116	4
Arizona (Sept. 25)	9	11	23	-12	0	28	18	1	200	2	.643	37	188	2
San Diego State (Oct. 2)	6	9	21	-12	0	25	10	2	80	0	.400	31	68	0
Wyoming (Oct. 9)	9	15	49	-34	0	42	24	2	324	3	.571	51	290	3
So. Mississippi (Oct. 16)	4	5	11	-6	0	31	23	2	445	3	.742	35	439	3
Utah State (Oct. 23)	4	6	19	-13	0	48	28	2	468	5	.583	52	455	5
Arizona State (Oct. 30)	5	11	26	-15	0	37	20	2	339	2	.541	42	324	2
Texas-El Paso (Nov. 6)	7	10	46	-36	0	29	15	1	319	4	.517	36	283	4
New Mexico (Nov. 13)	13	21	71	-50	0	35	17	1	288	3	.486	48	238	3
Utah (Nov. 20)	6	6	30	-24	1	35	24	3	415	3	.686	41	391	4
TOTALS:	77	103	376	-273	1	372	207	19	3192	29	.556	449	2919	30
CAREER TOTALS:	134	193	610	-417	3	552	317	16	4663	39	.574	686	4246	42

ALL-WAC STAR AS SOPHOMORE

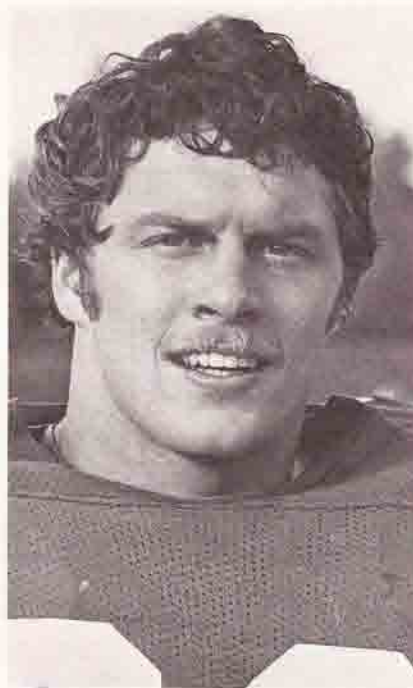
Although the parents of Rod Wood, the Cougars' all-conference linebacker, jointly operate a nursery in Durango, Colo., it would be a mistake to suggest they raise hothouse flowers. Rod just doesn't fit the description.

Durango is no longer home for the Cougar linebacker, who is now more at home as a linebacker (middle or noseguard) on a football team. It was at that position Rod won all-WAC honors, plus All-America honorable mention. These accolades were all won during his sophomore season.

At 6-1, 225 pounds, opponents will have to put up with the junior for two more years.

Rod finished the 1976 season as the number two defensive leader on the team with 98 assisted tackles and 32 unassisted tackles. Number one defensive player for BYU was Mekeli Ieremia, who set the school record at 45 points in one game.

However, Wood held the school



Junior linebacker Rod Wood

record for a week with 42 points scored against Arizona State. That performance enabled him to obtain one of his two WAC defensive player of the week kudos, the other time against San Diego State. Rod was KTVX Player of Week both of these games.

When Wood first enrolled at BYU three years ago, he was a running back. But he made the switch to linebacker early in his career with the Cougars. Playing in front of him in the middle linebacker slot during his freshman year and red-shirt year were past Cougar greats Larry Carr and Sid Smith. Rod's presence hasn't diminished the stature of the middle linebacker role in the BYU lineup—tough as nails for the past five years.

Rod is a former senior class president, and winner of ten athletic letters at Durango High. He is also talented in basketball, track, tennis, carpentry and auto mechanics.

1976 DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

Name	AT	UT	TFL	FR	FC	PI	PD	BK	Hurry	Sak	Total
Rod Wood, MLB	98	32		3	1	1	6		3	3	147
Bill Rice, DT	85	28	3	2					21	13	152
Mekeli Ieremia, DT	66	29	8	1	2				23	17	146
Marcus Kanahale, DE	66	22	2	2	2		1		8	4	107
Blake Murdock, SLB	54	25		2	1	1	3				86
Dana Wilgar, WS	57	21		1	3		3				85
Larry Miller, WLB	39	20	5		2	4	3		8	1	82
Tony Hernandez, LCB	36	22			1	6	6				71
Craig Jensen, RCB	21	32		2		5	11				71
Steve Dewey, DE	29	18	5	3	2				11	3	71
Marc Swenson, SS	21	26	2			2	3				54
Ross Varner, DE	21	12	4	1	1	1			5	3	43
Gary Peterson, DT	25	7			1				4	4	41
Mark Berntsen, SLB	14	10	1						1		26
Gary Kama, MLB	14	6	2	1							23
Ron Velasco, DB	10	9			1		3				23
Neal Ane, LB	6	2		1			1		1		11
Reed Brown, LB	5	3							2	1	11
Jason Coloma, DB	1	5		1		1					8
Mark Terranova, DB	2	3		1			1				7
Kip Apostol, DE	3	1							2	1	7
Bob Biddy, DB	2	2			1	1					6

GUIDE: AT-Assisted Tackles; UT-Unassisted Tackles; TFL-Tackle for Loss; FR-Fumble Recovery; FC-Fumble Caused; PI-Pass Interceptions; PD-Passes Deflected; BK-Blocked Kick; SAK-Sacking of Quarterback.

FOUR-YEAR STARTER AT FULLBACK

Todd Christensen, the Cougars' three-year letterman starter at fullback, has left many an opposing

player with the impression he's really a tight end, the kind who can carry you right out of the picture.



BYU's leading pass receiver for the past two seasons

Unless you happen to be concentrating on the block buster from Eugene, Ore., you are usually due for a surprise. And statistics gathered over the past three seasons seem to indicate the Cougar senior may be one of the most overlooked members on the squad.

For instance, even though Todd carried the ball 91 times last year, he finished the season as 14th (4.6 catches per game) in pass receiving.

While he lines up in the backfield behind All-American Gifford Nielsen and is the recipient of one-fifth of the Nielsen spirals, probably the most important aspect which he adds to the Cougar force is blocking. He has been described as the best on the team.

And when the 6-3, 225-pound fullback isn't blocking or catching, it's his time to steamroll, which he does quite ably. Todd moved into a starting position his freshmen year when he finished as the team's number four rusher. From that point his rushing status has made a steady incline in the Cougars' standings. Just like a rocket countdown, 4-3-2 and hopefully this year the team's number one rusher.

Last year he netted 353 yards rushing from 91 carries, for an average of 3.9 yards per carry. His most impressive rushing game was against Southern Mississippi where he tallied 74 yards in 16 carries. Against the University of New Mexico he took six aeriels for 100 yards as his best pass receiving game. Christensen has never dominated the statistics, but he hasn't had a slack game, either. He's sly and runs the 40 in 4.6 seconds.

Oklahoma State will testify of Christensen's sneaky effectiveness. Christensen did most of his damage to the Cowboys at the Tangerine Bowl in the first half. He got BYU's first firstdown and was the only other player other than Nielsen to handle the ball offensively on the first series for the Cougars, and had five receptions for 53 yards.

Christensen's Tangerine Bowl was his second bowl appearance, the first coming in 1974's Fiesta Bowl. Sought after as a linebacker by many colleges, Christensen is considering playing tight end professionally.

SAMOAN SAILING THROUGH OPPOSITION

He doesn't float like a butterfly, and it can't be said that he stings like a bee. But when Mekeli Tolufale Ileremia applies one of his bone-jarring tackles it's usually unforgettable. If he takes an opponent to the turf with his customary ferocity, or if the tackle happens to be one of the many "sacks" he makes during a season, he raises both fists high above his head. This moment of exultation is a habit he picked up while boxing, a post-knockdown acknowledgement to the crowd.

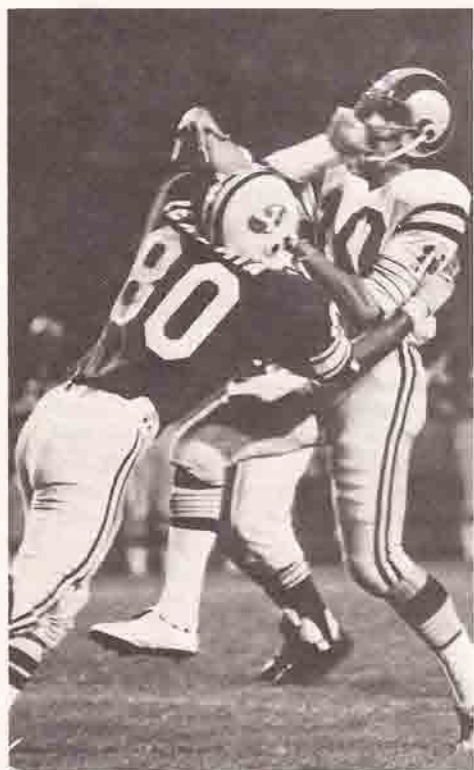
A Samoan warrior in many ways, Mekeli was named first-time all-Western Athletic Conference defensive tackle in 1976. He led the Cougars with 17 sacks, 23 hurries. His total of 45 defensive points in one game (against Texas-El Paso) is a school record.

"He is a perfect gentleman off the field, but one who goes berserk once the game starts," noted a football scribe who had seen him in action.

Penned another writer: "Ileremia has made some outstanding plays



Ileremia led defense in sacks and hurries last season



Off the field, "a perfect gentleman"

this year, including a controversial fourth-quarter sacking of a Colorado State quarterback that got him ejected from the game. The referee called Ileremia for hitting the quarterback with his fist, to which he (Ileremia) responded, "I play hard, but not mean."

"There were two plays involving Mekeli in the big win over Arizona that come quickly to memory," wrote Marion Dunn of the *Provo Herald*. "One came after cornerback Tony Hernandez intercepted a pass and was making a fine run with the ball. Mekeli came cutting across the field and threw a beautiful, crushing block on a Wildcat. The other came with just a minute to play in the game. Arizona had the ball on its 20 and was going to try to move the ball downfield, but Mekeli read the play and threw the quarterback Jim Krohn for a 10-yard loss."

Mekeli has some valuable tactics, one of them being his explosive quickness after the snap. Once the 6-2, 238-pounder said the reason he was able to stop a play was his

ability to watch the running back's eyes.

Ileremia's honors bestowed upon him for last season's efforts are honorable mention All-America (Associated Press), All WAC first-team, WAC defensive player of the week (Texas-El Paso), KTVX player of the week (Utah State) and the Crowd Pleaser Award from the Downtown Coaches.

Ileremia, a native of Niosafuty, Western Samoa, sojourned to America by sailboat at the invitation of Warren Lipscomb, a writer-explorer-photographer. It was a Thor Heyerdahl Kon Tiki-type voyage where they visited some cannibals in New Guinea, among other stops. From there Lipscomb adopted him as a foster son and took him to Tarrytown, N. Y., where he enrolled at Sleepy Hollow and received his initiation to football American style. The team nickname there was "headless horsemen," and Ileremia seems to be determined to make Ichabod Cranes out of all who dare tread his shadow on the gridiron.

COACHES CAN PLAY HIM ANYWHERE

If football had a versatility award, something like baseball's most hits for a switch hitter, the most likely recipient at BYU would be the Cougars' Flying Dutchman, John VanDerWouden.

In his tenure with the Cougars John has played a smidgen at quarterback (a position he played in high school), has seen some action at defensive back during his freshman year, and was also a punt-return specialist on BYU's 1974 Fiesta Bowl team. And he also holds for extra points.

But what he likes to do best is be on the receiving end of passes, the old wide receiver slot. John fits well in that position, as demon-



The Flying Dutchman worries opposing defenders



John had four TD receptions in one game

Against Texas-El Paso, VanDerWouden was squatting, set to take the snap for a field goal attempt. Little did many expect VanDerWouden to spring up and roll to the right, scrambling in a pinch and eventually spotting Tod Thompson 14-yards away. The former quarterback connected for a BYU first down. Two plays later the Cougars scored.

And again it was a fake field goal that caught Arizona State napping and VanDerWouden was the field engineer. VanDerWouden hustled in for the score which helped take some of the steam out of the Sun Devils.

Even though VanDerWouden suffered a shoulder separation in the final game of the regular season against Utah and missed the Tangeine Bowl, he finished the season as the team's number two scorer, behind kicker Dave Taylor.

strated in last years home opener with Colorado State. He caught four touchdown passes against the Rams to tie a WAC record. In all, he burned the Rams for 109 yards, which brought him WAC Player of the Week recognition.

Other highs for last year include catching seven passes for 163 yards and one touchdown against Southern Mississippi; five for 89 yards before being injured in the Utah tilt. He finished the '76 season in second place among BYU receivers, his 42 catches trailing Todd Christensen's 51 and his 669 total yards short of Mike Chronister's 706 yards.

Two years ago he led all receivers, striding for 621 yards on 29 receptions.

However, it's not always VanDerWouden on the receiving end. In two games last year he got to dish it out to opponents with trick plays.

FOLLOWING A TEAM TRADITION

Following a tradition dating back to his arrival on the scene, offensive line coach Dave Kragthorpe has another couple of outstanding interior linemen in the wings for this year: seniors Lance Reynolds and Keith Uperesa.

The two will tip any meat scale, each loading in as 275-pound, and with Uperesa habitually the heaviest man on the squad when fall training begins.

Uperesa lettered his freshman and sophomore years, but not a lot of people knew he was around until a *Sports Illustrated* article on Samoan and Polynesian athletes hit the press mentioning Southern Cal's fullback Mosi Tatupu, UCLA's Manu Tuia-sosopo and others like Uperesa.

Keith lettered again last year while providing excellent pass protection for All-America quarterback Gifford Nielsen. Uperesa threw many a bruising block on opposing linemen. He was named the outstanding lineman in games against San Diego State and Utah State. In this, his fourth year as starter, he seems destined to make his mark again.

Reynolds, too, is recognized as a good lineman. When asked to compare him with other players, Coach LaVell Edwards put him right in the class of Gordon Gravelle, now playing with the Pittsburgh Steelers.

Three years ago Lance left a starting position on the Cougar squad for a church mission in the Pacific Northwest. Not many ball players return from that assignment ready to play, but Reynolds did.

Returning to the line for most of last season, Lance was selected as the squad's outstanding lineman in two games, Kansas State and Wyoming.

Then, on an Indian Summer day in a game against Southern Mississippi, Lance ended up on the bottom of a dog-pile. He suffered torn ligaments in his knee and was operated on a few hours following the game.

For the rest of the season Lance watched Cougar home games from the sidelines with his knee in a cast and his wife, Leslie, next to his wheelchair.

Now the local fans feel that if Lance can make it back after a mission, he can also make it back from an operation.



Lance Reynolds, 275-pound offensive tackle



Keith Uperesa, 275-pound offensive guard

AN ARGUMENT FOR SUPERSTITION

Mike Chronister's clothing budget should be a little fatter this season, thanks to a scheduling break.

The victim of a mild form of superstition, the Cougar flanker dons a pair of socks containing the colors of the opposing team before each game. The socks are worn beneath his white over-the-calf game stockings.

Since the junior from Concord, Calif., already owns socks for WAC opponents he's in pretty good shape. But he'd better buy some brown and gold, along with some purple and white, this fall, because Wyoming and Kansas State were the only Cougar losses during the regular season last year.

You guessed it. Mike wasn't wearing their colors in 1976.

His black and orange ones that didn't fit the winning belief against Oklahoma State in the Tangerine Bowl can be worn against Oregon State University, and his Wyoming brown and gold's will double for Long Beach State.

"It costs me about \$1.75 to buy socks, about \$11 a year," Chronister quipped. "And then white shoes. I've got to have white shoes."

More importantly though, Chronister has helped out Brigham Young University in other ways. He led BYU in yards per catch, 22.8 and he sailed for 706 yards on 31 receptions. But he is only one of a fleet passing corp which includes Todd Christensen, John VanDerWoude, George Harris, and others.

Chronister transferred to BYU at the beginning of last season from Diablo Valley Junior College in Pleasant Hill, Calif. Remember former quarterback Gary Sheide was groomed at the same junior college and transferred to BYU, lifting the Cougars to new passing highs. It was quarterback Dan Hartwig who came into contact with Chronister a few years back and urged him to come to Provo.

Last season an Arizona State drive was stopped short on the BYU 5-yard line on a Tony Hernandez interception. Deep in their own territory, the Cougars called for a high arching pass from Gifford Nielsen to Chronister 40 yards down field.

"I caught the ball between two

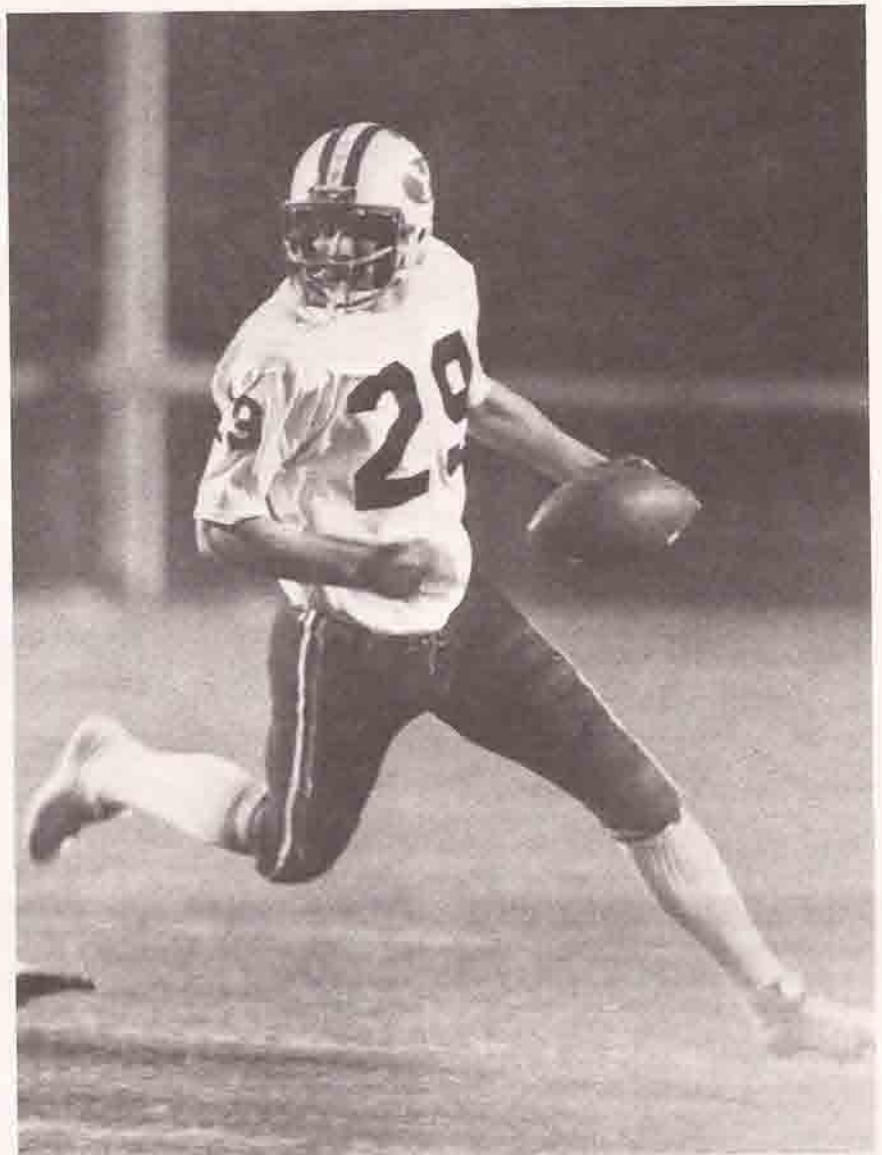
defenders, they both fell, and I was gone," said Chronister in reference to the play in which he trotted for an 81-yard touchdown. I thought Arizona State had me on about their five-yard line, and it surprised me when I scored."

That turned out to be the longest pass play of the year for the Cougars. Also, Chronister was involved in the longest run from scrimmage for BYU.

The game against Southern Mississippi was close, 7-3, with BYU ahead in the second quarter. Im-

mediately after another interception, Nielsen connected with Chronister, only this time it was on a pitchback he looped around from his flanker position, got a block from tackle Lance Reynolds to turn the corner and galloped 45 yards for a TD.

Chronister was honorable mention for WAC offensive player of the Week against Texas-El Paso and among the Cougar football squad members he was named outstanding receiver for the Southern Mississippi and New Mexico games.



Chronister against Oklahoma State in Tangerine Bowl

VERY MUCH AT HOME WITH ONE-ON-ONE

When Tony Hernandez transferred to Brigham Young University last year from Glendale Junior College in California, little did he dream that he would be "mirroring" receivers as a defensive back. It's unlikely he imagined, either, he would be among the national leaders in pass interceptions in the fore part of the season.

Hernandez used to play in the safety slot where there was room to roam. But Coaches LaVell Edwards and Dick Felt already had a well-staffed crew, and thought Hernandez could convert to the disciplined style of being locked in to coverage of a single receiver as a defensive back. It was a gamble, since the

Cougars were very inexperienced in the defensive backfield, but it paid off.

And now Hernandez returns this year as one of the few veterans in the defensive secondary. A quick recount of how he got his experience is recalled in some of his first games of the season in 1976.

Under the lights at the first home game of the year BYU met Colorado State University. Hernandez practiced a hobby of watching Ram quarterback Rich Judah from the time he barked off signals to when the ball was snapped. Hernandez didn't bother Judah in the first half, but in the third quarter with BYU



Tired defenders Marc Swenson and Tony Hernandez

leading 25-15, Hernandez nabbed an interception at the BYU 33-yard line. Later in the quarter, Judah came back to strike. BYU's 25-18 lead appeared to be dwindling. Judah was intercepted again at the BYU 5-yard line and Hernandez ran it back 29 yards.

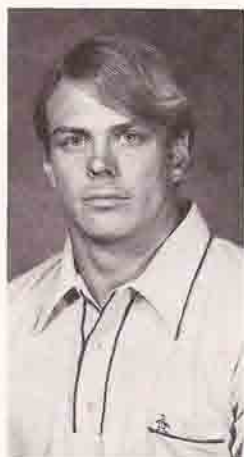
Hernandez took one more away from CSU to tie a WAC and BYU record for most interceptions in one game.

Hernandez also came up with some crucial interceptions against Arizona and Arizona State to spur the Cougars on to victory. Admittedly, he's been lucky on some, he takes chances.

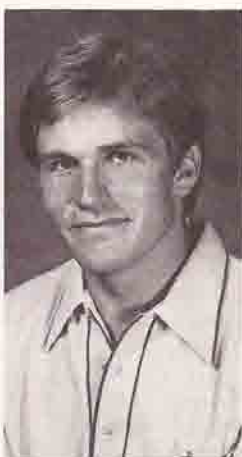
"When you're the only man between a runner and the goal line, you don't worry about how big he is. You just tackle him," says Hernandez.

This year Hernandez has been switched to the right cornerback where he'll go one-on-one with the opponents' best—most notable of the bunch is Arizona State's All-American John Jefferson. But then don't discount New Mexico's Preston Derrard or Utah's Jack Steptoe either.

The 5-11, 175-pound senior led the Cougars with six total interceptions last season and hopes to retain his excellent instinct for the ball in the season ahead.



Mark Berntsen



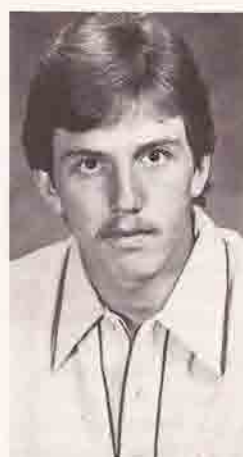
Kip Apostol



Clay Blackwell



Perry Bradford



John VanDerWouden

PLAYER PROFILES

ANDERSON, STEVE (42) Defensive Back, 5-10, 195, Soph., Salt Lake City, Utah

PERSONAL: Born 10/22/57 in Salt Lake City . . . parents are Boyd (pharmacist) and Joyce (housewife) . . . undecided on major.

HIGH SCHOOL: A halfback and defensive back for Cottonwood High . . . state 4A champion in 100 and 220 yard dash . . . over 100 yards rushing in one game . . . voted outstanding player by team . . . member of honor squad and all-region . . . prep mentor was H. G. Linford (Utah).

***APOSTOL, KIP (90)** Defensive End, 6-1, 207, Sr., Provo, Utah

PERSONAL: Born 5/28/54 in Ogden . . . parents are Chris (part owner of Patio Springs in Ogden Canyon) and Marva (housewife) Apostol . . . his father was on the football staff at BYU for several years . . . married to the former Sandra Lynn Krainik on Apr. 30, 1976 . . . served church mission to Switzerland for two years . . . business management major.

HIGH SCHOOL: Lettered two years at Orem High . . . coached by Tom Molen for two years, 1971 and 1972.

BYU: Played one year of Jayvee ball before going on mission. . . was second team varsity last year . . . scored seven defensive points . . . could move in as a regular this year.

BLACKWELL, CLAY (23) Tailback, 5-9, 175, Soph., Ogden, Utah

PERSONAL: Born 1/21/57 in Ogden . . . parents are Willard (instructor in Job Corps) and Adeen (social worker) Blackwell . . . both attended Weber State . . . major in business administration.

HIGH SCHOOL: As a tailback-halfback at Ogden High, Clay set rushing and scoring records for the Tigers . . . voted athlete of the year . . . all-state . . . All-American mention . . . school honor roll for two years . . . also lettered three years in track . . . state sprint champ in 100 and 220.

BYU: Alternated between Jayvee and varsity as a freshman . . . rushed for 552 yards in first two games of the season with Jayvee . . . carried five-times for 13 yards with varsity and one TD against Utah . . . redshirted in '76 . . . had a good spring . . . coaches expect him to contribute . . . great speed and mobility.

BARR, CRAIG (65) Defensive Tackle 6-1, 230, Soph., Salt Lake City, Utah

PERSONAL: Born 10/5/54 in Salt Lake City . . . parents are Elree (repairman for Mountain Bell) and Althea (secretary) . . . brother Kent was former soccer player for BYU . . . majoring in accounting or pre-law.

HIGH SCHOOL: Played at Skyline High . . . lettered three years in football and track . . . was all-state and all-region as a griddy . . . took second in state shot put . . . team was 8-2-1 and went to 4A semis . . . coached by Ken Schmidt (Utah).

BYU: Played Spring ball following mission to Columbus, Ohio . . . transfer from the University of Utah.

BECK, RUSSELL (54) Linebacker, 6-3, 200, Soph., Littleton, Colo.

PERSONAL: Born 3/2/55 in Phoenix, Ariz . . . parents are Earl (data system analyst) and Audry (housewife, piano teacher) Beck . . . both attended BYU . . . served on church mission to Bolivia (1974-76) . . . has interest and ability in volleyball . . . microbiology major . . . hopes for medical school.

HIGH SCHOOL: Lettered in four sports (eight letters) . . . linebacker and tight end at Littleton High . . . voted outstanding athlete for 1973 . . . was also all-state . . . set school record for most tackles . . . coached by Fred Harvey.

****BERNTSEN, MARK (41)** Linebacker, 6-0, 233, Sr., Salt Lake City, Utah

PERSONAL: Born 4/29/52 in Salt Lake City . . . parents are E. F. (pharmacist) and Beverly (housewife) Berntsen . . . served on church mission to Peru (1971-73) likes to work on antiques . . . major in Latin American Studies.

HIGH SCHOOL: A two-year letterman at Skyline High in Salt Lake City . . . coached by Ken Schmidt (Utah) . . . was all-state as defensive end . . . Skyline won state title in 1969 . . . was "team hitter" of the year.

BYU: A solid ball player . . . will fill in ably for graduation losses . . . was second unit varsity . . . scored 26 points in defensive statistics last year.

GARY BOUCK (53) Linebacker, 6-3, 210, Jr., Alhambra, Calif.

Was on the freshman team two years ago . . . then transferred to a junior college and was successful there . . . made lots of progress in the spring . . . made the switch from defensive end to linebacker . . . in high school at Alhambra he played for BYU Coach Fred Whittingham.

BRADFORD, PERRY (23) Defensive Back, 6-1, 170, Soph., Salt Lake City, Utah

HIGH SCHOOL: Three-sport performer at West High in Salt Lake City . . . basketball, track, and football . . . running back and cornerback for Panthers . . . won all-state honors . . . voted MVP . . . pole vaulted 13-6½ . . . second in state.

PERSONAL: Born 4/24/58 in Salt Lake City . . . parents are James (tire manager) and Shirley (housewife) . . . business major.

BROCK, RAY (12) Quarterback, 6-5, 200, Soph., Toronto, Ontario, Canada

HIGH SCHOOL: Attended Western Tech in Toronto where he was voted MVP . . . played under Roman Pysanczyn, a Wyoming graduate . . . team reached finals his junior year, quarterfinals his senior year.

PERSONAL: Born 4/5/57 in Toronto . . . father, Marshal Brock, is independent cab owner, mother is housewife . . . attended summer school . . . lifted weights . . . P.E. major.

BYU: Shared starting and supporting role with Mark Flammer as JV signal caller in '76.

BROWN, CLAYTON (85), Tight End, 6-4, 205, Soph., San Gabriel, Calif.

HIGH SCHOOL: One of the fine athletes to come out of San Gabriel High, Clay lettered three years in football, two in basketball . . . was MVP as basketball forward . . . also MVP back of the year with 800 yards on 95 carries (8.4 average) . . . had punting average of 45.6 . . . team champion of Mission Valley League . . . 3.2 GPA.

PERSONAL: Born 9/20/58 in Whittier . . . parents are Neal (FBI) and Betty (school nurse) McGinnis . . . will major in mathematics, minor in business.

BYU: JV starter . . . averaged 53.7 yards in seven punts against Air Force Academy JV.

BUCHANAN, ROBERT (68) Defensive End, 6-3, 216, Jr., Santa Maria, Calif.

PERSONAL: Born 7/6/57 at Wright Patterson AFB in Ohio . . . parents are Frank (owner of Broadway Tire) and Marian (housewife) Buchanan.

HIGH SCHOOL: A '75 graduate of Ernest Righetti High . . . played defensive tackle . . . was on Santa Barbara County all-star team . . . honorable mention all-league.

JUNIOR COLLEGE: Attended Allan Hancock College in Santa Maria for two years . . . was honorable mention all-conference there.

***CAMPOS, DAVE (10)** Defensive Back, 5-10, 170, Sr., Alhambra, Calif.

PERSONAL: Born 11/2/54 in Los Angeles . . . parents are Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Campos . . . majoring in Physical Education.

HIGH SCHOOL: Was all-league and all-valley . . . won two varsity letters as a hurler.

BYU: Returns to Cougars after a few years of absence . . . has considerable Junior Varsity experience . . . could prove invaluable as a veteran.

CARLILE, ALAN (64), Offensive Tackle, 6-3, 240, Soph., Fremont, Calif.

HIGH SCHOOL: At Washington High in Fremont he won four letters in football, was voted MVP . . . also punted (68 yards on one kick) . . . won four letters in track (weights) . . . made the honor roll . . . coached by James Ingram (Humboldt State).

PERSONAL: Born 7/2/58 in Heber City, Utah . . . parents are Glen (teacher) and Janice (housewife) Carlile . . . both parents attended BYU . . . is undecided on major.

BYU: One of several who impressed coaches last spring and fall . . . a JV starter in '76 . . . one of few freshmen on Tangerine Bowl squad.

CARLSEN, STEVE (36), Tailback, 6-1, 190, Montpelier, Idaho

HIGH SCHOOL: Did about everything at Bear River High . . . all-state in basketball, sprint champion (10.1) . . . set school rushing record . . . over 3,000 yards rushing in three years.

PERSONAL: Born 11/7/57 in Montpelier . . . parents are Garth (service station owner) and Elaine (housewife) Carlsen . . . married Kristy Williams 8/7/76 . . . undecided on major.

BYU: Coaches say he's the most improved back on the team . . . saw action on JV last year.

*****CHRISTENSEN, TODD (33)**, Fullback, 6-3, 225, Sr., Eugene, Oregon

PERSONAL: Born 9/3/56 in Bellefonte, Pa . . . parents are Ned (professor of speech pathology at Oregon) and June (housewife) . . . both attended BYU . . . Todd is 3.0 student in secondary education.

HIGH SCHOOL: A three-year starter at Sheldon High in Eugene . . . won a total of nine letters in four sports (basketball, track and baseball . . . plus three as halfback in football) . . . was all-league, honorable mention all-state and played in the Shrine All-Star game . . . played some nose guard in high school . . . other schools wanted to recruit Todd as a linebacker.

BYU: One of the few BYU football players ever to start first game of his freshman year . . . was in the lineup for the opener with Hawaii . . . was with the Cougars when they reached the Fiesta Bowl in December . . . finished the regular season as number four rusher (41 carries for 150 yards) 3.7 average and one TD . . . also punted twice (32.0 average) . . . also caught 21 passes for 134 yards and two TDs . . . in 1975 he became the number three rusher (59 carries, 273 yards) for 4.63 average . . . led the team in pass receiving (30 catches, 319 yards) and three TDs . . . also had three kickoff returns (71 yards, 23.7 average) . . . tallied 26 points . . . '75 statistics would have been more impressive, but hurt his ankle in CSU game . . . had leg in cast for the ASU game . . . great effort in 1975 came against Arizona, when he caught 12 passes for 146 yards . . . also scored twice against Utah State with five catches for 34 yards . . . in final game of the season, So. Miss. he scored TD on 55-yard run, and overall was 91 yards on 10 carries . . . an all-purpose back who does it all, including blocking . . . "blocking has always come naturally," says Todd . . . could play several positions . . . a reliable performer during the '76's tough games . . . often made several carries or receptions in a row on a series of downs . . . 23-yard TD against Utah State and another six-pointer against Texas-El Paso where he was 3 for 73 in the first quarter were among his five regular season TDs . . . at one point during season he was ranked 11th in nation's pass receiving . . . scored on a TD plunge during Tangerine Bowl . . . ranked 14th nationally in pass receptions at the end of season play . . . had 51 receptions for 510 yards leading returning rusher with 353 yards in 91 carries missed spring game because of injury. In three seasons he has rushed for 776 yards (4.1) per carry . . . caught 102 passes for 963 yards . . . averaged 21.3 on kick returns . . . scored 68 points

***CHRONISTER, MIKE (29)**, Wide Receiver, 6-0, 190, Jr., Concord, Calif.

PERSONAL: Born 1/27/57 in Portales, New Mexico . . . parents are Bruce (loan executive) and Irene (personnel management) in Concord . . . undecided on major.

HIGH SCHOOL: Was wide receiver and defensive back at Concord . . . lettered in three sports . . . team captain in both football and track . . . MVP in basketball and track . . . team captain in Contra Costa all-star game.

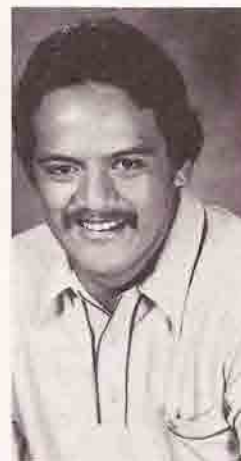
JUNIOR COLLEGE: Enrolled at Diablo Valley College in Pleasant Hill . . . scored 16 TDs as a freshman at DVC . . . averaged 21.7 per catch, ranked second in the league . . . was all-Golden Gate, All-California jayvee.

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BYU: 706 yards in receiving was team high . . . 31 receptions . . . averaged 22.8 yards per catch for new school record . . . scored eight TDs . . . one rushing on a 45-yard flanker reverse against Southern Miss. . . 38-yard punt return set up BYU safety in critical San Diego State affair . . . came alive in Utah State game with 9 receptions for 182 yards . . . caught a 58-yard pass and later scored TD against UTEP . . . had TDs against New Mexico and Utah too . . . caught two passes in Tangerine Bowl . . . averaged 7.6 yards on punt returns . . . was part of longest pass play in '76, 81 yards from Nielsen against Arizona State . . . stadium record too . . . excellent spring game with three receptions for 79 yards . . . one was 56-yard TD.

CLOSE, CALVIN LEE [64] Offensive Tackle, 6-3, 225, Soph., Camarillo, Calif.

HIGH SCHOOL: Two-year letterman in both track and football at Adolfo Camarillo High . . . defensive tackle . . . voted MVP in Maramonte League . . . all-CIF . . . and played in all-star game . . . coached by Art Pena (No. Arizona) . . . an A student.

PERSONAL: Born 11/6/57 in Oxnard, Calif. . . parents are Don (school principal) and Evior (dental assistant) Close . . . undecided on major.

BYU: Busy throughout '76 season as a JV regular and varsity reserve . . . strong contender for starting position '77.

***COLOMA, JASON [21],** Defensive Back, 5-10, 186, Jr., Waiialua, Hawaii

PERSONAL: Born 5/21/57 in Oahu . . . parents Mr. and Mrs. John Coloma . . . undecided on major.

HIGH SCHOOL: Jason won a total of ten letters at Waiialua High . . . averaged 15 points per game as basketball forward, was first baseman on baseball team and long jumped 22-6 in track . . . was both quarterback and safety on football team . . . earned berth in all-star game . . . coached by Edward Diaz (Oregon State).

BYU: In '76 was a kickoff return specialist . . . his experience will be valuable . . . had a fumble recovery and pass interception against Southern Miss. . . went to Tangerine Bowl.

CORSON, STEVE [13], Defensive Back, 6-2, 185, Jr., Arizona City, Ariz.

PERSONAL: Born 12/18/56 in Sacramento, Calif. . . parents are Edward (retired Air Force) and Billie Jean (real estate) . . . physical education major.

HIGH SCHOOL: Won a total of 11 letters while enrolled at Mingus Union High in Cottonwood, Ariz. . . had a B average in studies . . . MVP on team . . . was all-conference, all-state and a member of the North-South all-star game . . . set state record for number of carries in game, 42 . . . carried the ball 228 times as a running back for the season.

JUNIOR COLLEGE: Was a two-year letterman at Arizona Western College in Yuma, Arizona . . . his team was second both years in their conference.

DAVIS, RUSSELL [66] Offensive tackle, 6-4, 227, Jr., Murray, Utah.

PERSONAL: Born 5/5/54 in Tucson, Ariz. . . son of Ned (traffic supervisor) and Fern (housewife and bank teller) . . . married Sarah Emerson last spring . . . served church call to Texas Houston Mission . . . majoring in communications.

HIGH SCHOOL: Lettered in football, track and wrestling at Murray High . . . was outstanding scholar-athlete in 1972 . . . team captain in football and track . . . was all-region in football . . . second in state discus . . . coached by Gene McKeean (Utah State) and Dan Slaugh (BYU) . . . team logged more victories than any previous team in 15-years.

BYU: Played on '74 squad before mission . . . suffered a knee injury that year . . . didn't participate in last spring drills . . . hopeful of a comeback this season.

****DUKE, DEV [3]** Kicking Specialist, 5-11, 165, Sr., Provo, Utah

HIGH SCHOOL: Outstanding for Provo High School.

BYU: Leading scorer on '73 squad with 53 points . . . kicked 29-36 PATs, added eight field goals . . . his 51-yarder in the snow against Utah got Cougars off to a 3-0 lead . . . has had several kicks over 40 yards.

ENLOW, TOM [45] Linebacker, 6-0, 222, Jr., Fall City, Wash.

PERSONAL: Born 12/31/56 in Apple Valley, Calif. . . parents are Mr. and Mrs. Tom Enlow of Fall City, Wash. . . a physical education major.

HIGH SCHOOL: A '75 graduate of Mount Si High in Snoqualmie, Wash. . . received an academic award from the American Legion . . . lettered in football, track and wrestling . . . was team captain and all-conference . . . coached by Pat Alexander (Whitworth).

JUNIOR COLLEGE: While at Yakima College in Washington, he was team co-captain . . . also named an all-conference player.

FLAMMER, MARK [17] Quarterback, 6-1, 180, Jr., North Logan, Utah

PERSONAL: Born 1/24/55 in Minneapolis, Minn. . . parents are Gordon (civil engineering professor) and June (housewife) . . . pitched world series baseball while living in Thailand and as a youngster . . . a science fundamentals major.

HIGH SCHOOL: Straight A student in high school . . . prepped at two different high schools . . . MVP for San Jose High in California . . . Deseret News 1972 Player of the Year for Skyview near Logan . . . coached by Earl Lindley (Utah State) at Skyview.

BYU: Following a mission to Germany and Switzerland, Mark got rolling with JV's . . . shared quarterback duties for Kittens with Ray Brock in '76 . . . responsible for a number of touchdowns . . . including a TD pass helping in the 26-21 victory over Ricks.

FORSYTHE, CLAYTON [58] Offensive Guard, 6-1, 233, Jr., Honolulu, Hawaii

PERSONAL: Born 10/21/54 in Wahiawa, Hawaii . . . parents are Edward (high school principal) and Kauai Forsythe . . . his dad was a high school football coach . . . Clayton loves to hunt wild boar . . . served a mission in Texas . . . majoring in business management.

HIGH SCHOOL: A five-sport letterman at Honokaa High at Honokaa . . . captained soccer and rugby teams . . . an all-conference center on the football team . . . voted school's outstanding offensive lineman . . . coached by Clarence Mills (San Jose State).

JUNIOR COLLEGE: Attended Ricks College, Rexburg, Idaho before his mission . . . was named first team all-conference tackle.

BYU: Transferred in time to play in spring game.

GARDINEER, DAVE (61), Offensive Guard, 6-5, 240, Jr., Camp Springs, Maryland

PERSONAL: Born 12/6/1956 in Washington, D.C. . . . parents are Dr. George (dentist) and Eula Mae (housewife) Gardineer of Camp Springs . . . a communications major.

HIGH SCHOOL: Dave won more letters in track (three putting the shot) than he did in football (two as offensive tackle) . . . he was runner-up in the shot put in the state championships . . . but was all-state and won All-America mention in football.

BYU: Dave redshirted two years ago . . . slowed by an injury in '76.

GASPARD, AL (76) Offensive Tackle, 6-1, 256, Jr., Daly City, Calif.

PERSONAL: Born 10/15/57 in San Francisco, Calif. . . . parents are Albert (janitor) and Theola (housewife) . . . a physical education major.

HIGH SCHOOL: Got his start at Jefferson High where he lettered four years in football . . . also lettered three years in track and once in wrestling . . . coached by Tom Martinez (San Francisco State) . . . he was all-conference two years.

JUNIOR COLLEGE: Really came alive at College of San Mateo in Calif. . . was second-team all-conference his first year . . . first-team all-conference in '76 as well as all-state . . . team MVP for the line, too.

BYU: Participated in last spring's drills . . . will be vying for a starting position.

GEORGE, BRUCE (88) Wide Receiver, 6-1, 180, Soph., Yuba City, Calif.

PERSONAL: Born 1/26/55 in Ashland, Ore. . . . parents are Mr. and Mrs. Don George . . . an open major.

HIGH SCHOOL: At Yuba City High he was a quarterback, split end, halfback and linebacker . . . was a high jumper and sprinter in track, too.

BYU: Played well as a freshman before leaving on a mission . . . has redshirted a year . . . has good hands.

****GOURLEY, ROGER (24)**, Fullback, 6-1, 210, Sr., Provo, Utah

PERSONAL: Born 2/4/56 in Provo . . . parents are Carlyle (supervisor at Geneva Steel) and LaRae (housewife) Gourley . . . both attended BYU . . . his brother George played ball for Cougars a few years ago.

HIGH SCHOOL: A sprinter and football player for Provo High, Roger was two-time all-state selection as running back . . . Bulldogs placed second in the state in 1972 (his junior year) and also reached the state finals in 1973 . . . coached by Bry Lake ('72) and Jack Brannin ('73).

BYU: As a freshman he averaged 4.4 yards per carry for 45 attempts . . . two years ago Roger got some playing time with varsity . . . 115 yards on 34 carries (3.4 average) . . . also caught eight passes for 35 yards . . . saw action while reserve for Todd Christensen . . . injured his leg in New Mexico game . . . second leading rusher to return for '77 . . . last season's stats were 172 yards on 35 carries, 84 yards on eight receptions . . . scored two TDs as second unit on varsity . . . good mileage in spring game.

HANSEN, BRIAN B. (56), Linebacker, 6-1, 201, Soph., American Fork, Utah

HIGH SCHOOL: As wingback and linebacker, Brian was

all-state two years . . . all-state in basketball, too . . . KUTA Playmaker Award in basketball . . . coached by Don Mower . . . team went 8-1 for two years . . . team captain . . . honor student.

PERSONAL: Born 1/1/58 in American Fork . . . parents are Wendell and LaVon Hansen . . . and the family is very much active in athletics . . . brother was captain of Utah team that won conference title . . . three sisters are cheerleaders . . . will major in business.

BYU: Excellent JV player last year . . . improved during spring ball . . . recuperating from knee injury.

HANSEN, DANNY C. (62), Offensive Line, 6-3, 230, Soph., Salt Lake City, Utah

HIGH SCHOOL: Another fine athlete out of Granite High, Dan was defensive end and tight end, and was voted MVP lineman on team two years ago . . . coached by Darold Simmons (Utah) . . . was all-state . . . good leader . . . has 3.4 GPA.

PERSONAL: Born 6/6/58 in Salt Lake City . . . parents are Walther (cleaning contractor) and Mabel (housewife) Hansen . . . plans to major in business.

BYU: Impressed coaches as a JV regular last season . . . went to Tangerine Bowl.

****HARRIS, GEORGE (26)**, Wide Receiver, 5-11, 180, Sr., Burnsville, Minn.

PERSONAL: Born 6/10/55 in Long Beach, Calif. . . . parents are George (controller, Univac) and Marilyn (housewife) Harris . . . married Suzi Clark 4/18/75 in Salt Lake City . . . economics major.

HIGH SCHOOL: George won all-conference or special honors in four sports at Burnsville High . . . was all-Metro in Twin Cities . . . all-state (unanimous) in Minnesota . . . set school records in interceptions, TDs, receptions and yardage . . . in 1973 Burnsville went 12-0 and were state champions . . . they used George as kicker, punter, end, safety and return specialist . . . coached by Richard Hanson . . . also made the honor roll, advanced placement achievement.

BYU: Broke foot as a frosh . . . a redshirt in 1974. George earned a starting berth split end in '75 but suffered a hyper-extension of the elbow against CSU . . . missed most of the season thereafter . . . an outstanding receiver in 1976 . . . best known for Harris-Deep call against Arizona . . . pulled that one out on a string with 14 seconds left in the game, he caught a 43-yard pass for game winning TD . . . tied WAC record for longest non-scoring pass, 68 yards from Nielsen vs. Utah State . . . had 3 TDs in 12 receptions for 327 yards.

HARRIS, JEFF (89), Defensive End, 6-4, 230, Jr., Jacksonville, Florida

PERSONAL: Born 12/15/54 in South Carolina . . . parents are N. D. (plumbing contractor) and Anita (housewife) Harris . . . served church mission in Indiana . . . pre-med major.

HIGH SCHOOL: Three years of baseball, three years of football at Paxon High . . . was defensive end . . . earned all-state honors.

BYU: A '76 JV starter . . . could be a big factor in the defensive line.



Roger Gourley



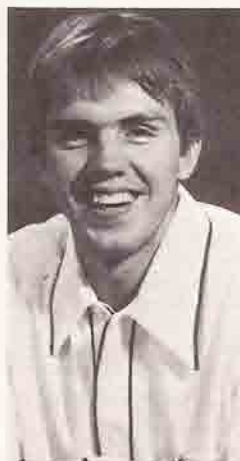
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***HARRIS, KELLY (72)**, Offensive Tackle, 6-5, 240, Sr., Provo, Utah

PERSONAL: Born 1/29/56 in Provo . . . parents are Raymond (superintendent at Geneva Steel) and Joyce (housewife) Harris . . . business management major.

HIGH SCHOOL: Played on same Provo team with Reed Brown, Steve Dewey, and Gifford Nielsen . . . had three letters in baseball and two in basketball . . . lettered three years as two-directional tackle . . . coached by Bry Lake and Dick Hill (BYU).

BYU: Played with Jayvees in 1974, but injured his knee in 1975, missed two weeks and was redshirted . . . played behind Dave Hubbard (New Orleans) last year . . . due to make a contribution this season.

HARTMANN, STEVE (16) Defensive Back, 6-1, 183, Soph., Batavia, Ill.

PERSONAL: Born 6/30/58 . . . in Aurora, Ill . . . son of Terry (Trucking) and Barbara (housewife) . . . an open major.

HIGH SCHOOL: An honor roll student at Batavia High . . . played hockey and was a trackman in addition to football . . . team captain . . . all-conference . . . coached by Tuenis Tait (Iowa).

HARTWIG, DAN (12), Quarterback, 6-4, 205, Soph., Walnut Creek, Calif.

PERSONAL: Born 1/19/57 in Berkeley, Calif. . . parents are Dale (TV sales and service) and Carolyn (housewife) Palmer . . . undecided on major.

HIGH SCHOOL: All-league and all-East Bay as quarterback and wide receiver at Ygnacio Valley . . . also played basketball for two years (14.0 per game as a forward) . . . coached by Bob Burnhart (Washington State).

BYU: With Jayvees two years ago, Dan completed 15 of 45 for 258 yards . . . caught one pass for 15 yards . . . carried 20 times for 35 yards . . . suffered very painful injury in spring practice and missed the spring game . . . good prospect . . . in '77 spring game he came on . . . threw three TD passes.

HERLIN, RICHARD (83), Tight End, 6-5, 210, Jr., Orem, Utah

PERSONAL: Born 12/15/54 in Richfield, Utah . . . parents are Wayne (professor at BYU) and Joan (housewife) Herlin . . . both Utah graduates . . . married Ann McAllister 5/28/76 in Provo . . . served on a church mission to Korea for two years . . . an accounting major.

HIGH SCHOOL: Two letters each in football, basketball, and baseball at Orem High . . . was voted outstanding athlete of the year at Orem in 1973 . . . was quarterback and safety, and made all-region as defensive back . . . semi-finalist for National Merit . . . good student.

HERNANDEZ, TONY (27) Defensive Back, 5-11, 176, Sr., Glendale, Calif.

PERSONAL: Born 7/6/56 in Los Angeles . . . parents are Tony Sr. (truck driver) and Sylvia (beautician) . . . majoring in communications.

HIGH SCHOOL: Lettered in football, baseball and track at Wilson High . . . in baseball, he was all-league for three years and all-city his last year . . . prep mentor was Vic Cuccia (St. Mary's).

JUNIOR COLLEGE: Two football seasons at Glendale Junior College . . . all-conference player both years . . . eight interceptions each year . . . Junior College All-American his last year.

BYU: Had three interceptions against CSU in '76 for a total of 25 defensive points . . . other interceptions came against Arizona, Arizona State and UTEP . . . eighth in season's defensive stat . . . team's leading interceptor . . . almost assured of a starting role again this season.

*****JEREMIA, MEKELI (80)**, Defensive Tackle, 6-2, 238, Sr., Tarrytown, New York

PERSONAL: Born 3/4/54 in Western Samoa . . . parents are Luatutu (Methodist minister) and Lola (housewife) Ieremia in Niosafutu, Western Samoa . . . married Lisa Lambert 4/24/76 in Provo . . . sociology major.

HIGH SCHOOL: Mekeli (pronounced mah-kelly) didn't get a shot at American football until he arrived in Tarrytown, N. Y. back in 1972, and played only one season (his senior year) before enrolling at BYU . . . but what a year . . . he won Con Edison award for the State of New York (1974), was voted MVP in the area . . . Sleepy Hollow High won regional championship in White Plains . . . he was coached by Bruce Thomas (Rhode Island) . . . 3.5 GPA.

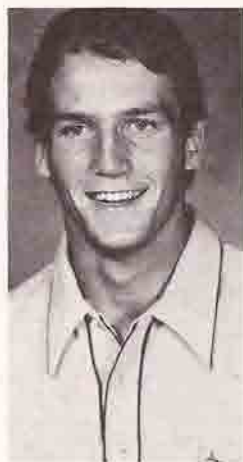
BYU: Mekeli earned starting berth as a sophomore . . . ranked fifth in defensive statistics at the end of '75 season with 156 points . . . was in several key goal line stands, most memorable being against ASU . . . made two fumble recoveries, had five sacks and was in on 11 tackles . . . very aggressive, unrelenting type player . . . 23 hurries . . . top quarterback sacker . . . had 17 in '76 . . . honorable mention All-America (AP) . . . All-WAC first team . . . WAC defensive player of week . . . owns school defense statistics record at 45 points in a single game.

JARAMILLO, JAMES (70), Offensive Tackle, 6-5, 247, Soph., La Mirada, Calif.

HIGH SCHOOL: Jaramillo won eight letters in three sports at Neff High School . . . was all-league and all-CIF as offensive tackle . . . coached by Stan Thomas (Whittier).

PERSONAL: Born 5/28/58 in Compton, Calif. . . son of Jesus Jaramillo . . . undecided on major.

BYU: Answered the call to fill backup varsity role when Lance Reynolds got hurt . . . another frosh who went to the Tangerine Bowl . . . definitely a front-runner on varsity this year.



Danny Hartwig



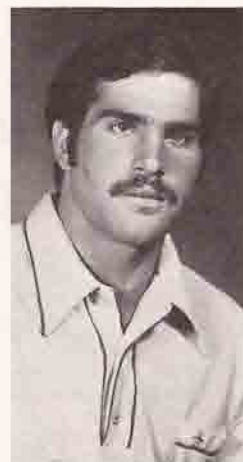
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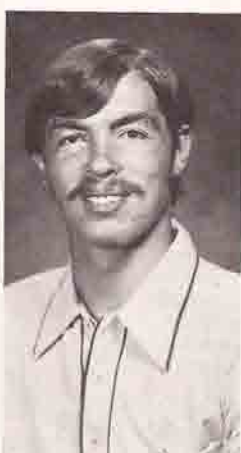
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Brent Johnson



Gary Kama



Terry McEwen



Larry Miller



Corey Pace

JEPSEN, CONRAD (93), Defensive Tackle, 6-2, 230, Soph., Fremont, Calif.

HIGH SCHOOL: Was outstanding track and football player at Washington High in Fremont . . . won mound of honors in football . . . threw the discus, put the shot in track.

PERSONAL: Born 12/24/58 in Oakland, Calif. . . parents are Alfred (concrete contractor) and Connie (housewife) . . . undecided on major.

BYU: A regular on JV unit last year . . . with graduation losses and past experience he'll be relied on . . . "As good as any young player I've ever had," according to Coach Ramage . . . went with team to Tangerine Bowl.

JOHNSON, BRENT (3), Kicker, 6-4, 202, Soph., Salt Lake City, Utah

PERSONAL: Born 9/17/53 in Salt Lake City, Utah . . . parents are Bill (personnel officer) and Ruth (housewife) Johnson . . . served on church mission in California North . . . speaks Spanish . . . history major.

HIGH SCHOOL: Lettered in three sports at Granger High outside Salt Lake City . . . was linebacker and tight end . . . kicked 39-yard field goal on his 18th birthday . . . coached by Ken Griener.

JONES, LLOYD (87), Wide Receiver, 6-3, 175, Soph., Pomona, Calif.

PERSONAL: Born 1/7/58 in Detroit, Mich. . . parents are Lloyd (disabled) and Julie (housewife) Jones of Detroit . . . business major.

HIGH SCHOOL: A track and football star at Canesha High . . . won four letters in both sports in addition to three letters in basketball . . . a scholar athlete . . . made all-prep, all-league and all-valley as a gridder . . . as a 120-yard high hurdler, he was champion for the league, CIF masters and the State of California . . . also ran 330-yard lows . . . received Russell Stickle award.

BYU: Outstanding as a freshman . . . has a real future ahead of him . . . although not a member of last year's track team, his unattached time was better than any other Cougar 110-meter hurdler.

JONES, RICHARD (84), Wide Receiver, 6-1, 190, Jr., Split End, Menlo Park, Calif.

PERSONAL: Born 1/4/53 in Palo Alto, Calif. . . parents are Fay (retailer) and Georgene (voice instructor) Jones of Palo Alto . . . dad is MBA grad of Stanford, mother former opera singer . . . served on church mission to Ireland . . . major in communications.

HIGH SCHOOL: Lettered three years in track, two in football at Woodside High in Menlo Park . . . was flanker and defensive end . . . was all-league and all-county flanker . . . outstanding track man in hurdles, long jump (over 23-0) and mile relay . . . was school mate with swimmer John Nabor . . . coached by Paul Braunrifter and Troy Ratliff.

BYU: Played jayvee ball in 1971 before church mission . . . in same group with Olsen, Betham, Baker, and Linford . . . fine receiver . . . almost anchored position but had groin

injury . . . had excellent spring game . . . had done 4.4 in 40-yard dash . . . enjoys power lifting

KAHUANUI, ROBERT (20), Tailback, 5-10, 180, Soph., Alameda, Calif.

HIGH SCHOOL: At Alameda High, Kahanui took a lot of honors . . . all-league, all-East Bay, all-northern California . . . all-Northern Cal MVP . . . superstar team . . . All-America mention . . . top running prospect.

PERSONAL: Born 1/9/58 in Oakland, California . . . parents are Robert (longshoreman) and Dorcus (florist) Kahanui . . . undecided on major.

BYU: First time he touched the ball in college Robbie galloped 66 yards for a TD against Ricks College . . . saw limited varsity action . . . high hopes for the fastest man on team at 4.4 in 40-yard dash.

KAMA, GARY (37), Linebacker, 6-0, 220, Soph., Haleiwa, Hawaii

PERSONAL: Born 6/20/57 in Hawaii . . . parents are Peter (sales manager) and Virginia (secretary) Kama of Haleiwa . . . undecided on major.

HIGH SCHOOL: A total of four letters at Saint Louis High as linebacker . . . played in all-star game . . . coached by Ron Marciel (Stanford) . . . 3.4 GPA and named to honor roll.

BYU: Played lot of jayvee ball . . . played behind Rod Wood at middle linebacker, in '76 . . . tallied 23 defensive points . . . probable starter.

KEMP, LARRY (31), Tailback, 6-1, 191, Jr., Pocatello, Idaho

PERSONAL: Born 9/21/55 in Pocatello . . . parents are Kenneth (Union Pacific) and Helen (secretary) Kemp . . . chemistry major, biology minor.

HIGH SCHOOL: An outstanding athlete at Highland High in Pocatello . . . football, track and basketball . . . total of eight letters . . . was 220 champ in state . . . as tailback set school record in most yards, yards per carry (9.4) . . . twice named Idaho player of the year . . . All-America mention . . . coached by Jim Koetter . . . scholastic All-America, national honor society.

BYU: Larry had a standout year with the jayvee squad three years ago . . . carried the ball 78 times for 376 yards (4.6 average) . . . caught five passes for two TDs . . . redshirted two years ago . . . a JV starter in '76 . . . scored two TDs against Ricks . . . churned for a few yards in spring game.

LEWIS, RON, Wide Receiver, 6-1, 185, Jr., Fairfield, Calif.

PERSONAL: Born in Sacramento, Calif. . . parents are Doran (dental lab technician) and Alice (receptionist) Lewis of Fairfield . . . served on church mission to Ohio-West Virginia . . . P.E. major.

HIGH SCHOOL: Was tight end and defensive back at Fairfield High in Sacramento . . . third baseman on baseball team . . . all-city as junior and senior.

JUNIOR COLLEGE: Attended Soleno Junior College for one year . . . caught 28 passes in half a season of play.

LINFORD, RAYMOND (67), Defensive Tackle, 6-3, 240, Salt Lake City, Utah.

HIGH SCHOOL: A starter as both offensive and defensive tackle at Granite . . . voted the most-improved player on the team . . . coached by Darold Simmons (Utah) . . . put the shot in track.

PERSONAL: Born 8/11/58 in Salt Lake City . . . parents are Duane (manager of Linford Bros. Glass) and Mary Ellen (secretary) Linford . . . brother to former BYU great Paul Linford, three-time all-WAC defensive tackle . . . married Verlyn Kevern of Salt Lake City this summer . . . will major in business management.

***McEWEN, TERRY (7)**, Quarterback, 6-2, 176, Sr., Portland, Oregon.

PERSONAL: Born 10/30/52 in Burley, Ida. . . parents are Gordon (school teacher and coach) and Noreen (housewife) McEwen, both of whom attended BYU . . . served church mission to Colombia for two years . . . business management major.

HIGH SCHOOL: Brilliant high school career at David Douglas High in Portland, where he was all-league in three sports . . . guard on basketball team, pitcher on baseball team, and QB on football squad . . . team captain . . . completed over 20 passes in one game . . . Douglas was league champion, finished fourth in state . . . class valedictorian, Oregon scholar with 4.0 GPA . . . several academic and leadership awards.

BYU: Was Captain of 1971 jayvee squad . . . looked good before leaving on mission . . . in '76 was backup to Nielsen . . . but did get to play . . . completed 15 for 179 yards . . . will have to fight for his position this year too.

McKEE, DAVID (15) Defensive Back, 5-9, Soph., Holden, Utah.

PERSONAL: Born 10/31/57 in Salt Lake City . . . father is Lex (life insurance) and Phyllis (housewife).

HIGH SCHOOL: A high school honor student and student body president at Millard High . . . was first in state 100-yard dash and pole vault . . . was a member of all-region and all-state teams . . . coached by Lewis Monsen (BYU).

BYU: Was a starter for the Junior Varsity last season.

***MENDENHALL, MAT (93)**, Defensive End, 6-6, 227, Soph., Salt Lake City, Utah.

PERSONAL: Born 5/14/57 in Salt Lake City . . . parents are Paul (real estate broker) and Lenore (housewife) Mendenhall of Salt Lake City . . . dad is former BYU football player . . . undecided on major.

HIGH SCHOOL: Mat had three good years at East High in Salt Lake City . . . played defensive under Grant Martin (Utah) . . . won all-state, All-America recognition.

BYU: Outstanding potential . . . saw a lot of good action with the jayvees and varsity two years ago . . . redshirted in fall of '76 because of head injury . . . could be outstanding . . . possible starter.

****MILLER, LARRY (82)**, Linebacker, 6-5, 215, Jr., Bountiful, Utah.

PERSONAL: Born 9/10/57 at Mt. Pleasant, Utah . . . parents are L. Paul (teacher) and Sylvia (housewife) Miller . . . undecided on major.

HIGH SCHOOL: Larry was a standout in both football and basketball at Bountiful High . . . was offered grants by schools in both sports . . . but elected to go with football . . . was all-state and received all-America recognition . . .

BYU: Larry logged playing time with jayvees and varsity as a freshman . . . picked off an interception for each . . . the offense vs. defense game two springs ago he did what every defender hopes to do . . . intercept a pass and run for a TD . . . Larry's was good for 53 yards . . . last season he had pass interceptions at San Diego State and two steals against Arizona State . . . one set up a BYU TD against ASU . . . was team defensive leader against Southern Miss. with 21 points . . . in that game he tackled twice for losses and caused a fumble . . . caused another fumble and blocked a kick against Utah State . . . had four of teams's 22 interceptions . . . finished eighth in total defensive stats.

****MILLER, TOM, (54)** Center, 6-2, 205, Jr., San Jacinto, Calif.

PERSONAL: Born 11/10/53 in Twin Falls, Idaho . . . plans a summer marriage.

HIGH SCHOOL: Lettered nine times in four sports at Chowchilla High . . . batted over .400 in baseball . . . threw discus 150-feet . . . was catcher on the baseball team . . .

BYU: Before serving a mission, he was backup to Orrin Olsen (Kansas City Chiefs).

NEAL, JOHN (47) Defensive Back, 5-11, 190, Jr., Mountain View, Calif.

PERSONAL: Born 12/18/56 in San Jose, Calif. . . parents are John (detective) and Peggy (housewife) . . . brothers used him as a tackling dummy . . . plans a summer marriage . . . majoring in sociology.

HIGH SCHOOL: Was an all-league performer several times while at Los Altos High . . . MVP in Santa Clara Valley his junior and senior years . . . still holds the valley scoring title with 144 points, 22 TD's and six PAT's . . . a quarterback coached by Tom Burt (Santa Barbara).

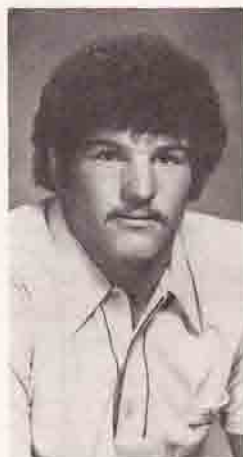
JUNIOR COLLEGE: Attended Foothill College in Los Altos . . . was all-conference and MVP.



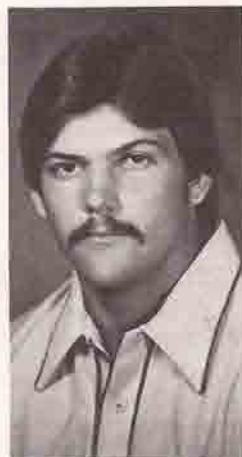
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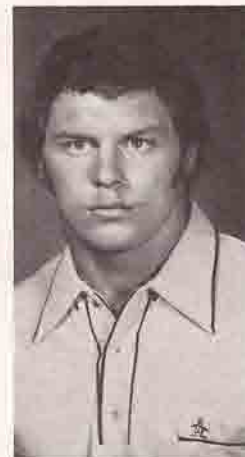
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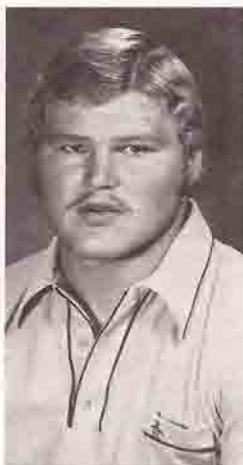
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****NIELSEN, GIFFORD (14)**, Quarterback, 6-5, 203, Sr., Provo Utah

PERSONAL: Born 10/25/54 in Provo . . . parents are Stan (salesman) and Lois (nurse) Nielsen . . . Dad is former BYU athlete . . . married Wendy Olson 4/23/75 in Provo . . . public relations major . . . daughter Kacey, 1.

HIGH SCHOOL: Gifford was all-state in basketball and football at Provo High . . . All-America mention . . . won two football letters, three in basketball, three in golf . . . played quarterback . . . had 3.3 GPA . . . coached by Bry Lake and Dick Hill (both BYU).

BYU: For the first two years he was at BYU there was a question as to which sport Giff would ultimately pursue . . . tried his hand at basketball and lettered as a freshman and sophomore . . . as forward on 1975 team he was fourth in scoring (8.7 points per game), was unmatched in drive . . . very aggressive, fouled out seven games . . . scored 24 points in cage season finale against CSU . . . redshirted the '74 season of football . . . in 1975 did not play in first two games . . . got off to wobbly start as reserve in ASU contest (four for 11, one intercepted) . . . came off the bench (4:08 remaining in third quarter) to salvage 16-15 win over New Mexico . . . thereafter had the starting berth . . . best game was against Arizona (27 of 44 for 387 yards, two TDs) . . . had weak first half, but came back to hit nine passes in a row . . . in game with Air Force (nationally ranked in pass defense Falcons were holding opponents to 65 yards per game) . . . Gifford connected on 14 of 19 for 229 yards . . . he was subsequently named to UPI backfield of the week . . . finished the season with 110 for 180 attempts, seven interceptions, 1471 yards, 10 TDs, completion percentage of .611 . . . new record . . . listed 10th in the nation in NCAA passing . . . 21st in NCAA total offense . . . started out slow in '76 . . . got going in Arizona game where he threw 18 passes for 200 yards . . . climax was a 43-yard TD pass to George Harris with :03 seconds to win the game . . . consequently named WAC Player of the Week . . . against Wyoming he was 24-42 for 324 yards passing and three TDs . . . mostly acquired during last seven minutes of game . . . cooked Arizona State with 224 yards on 14 catches in the first half . . . was 23-31 for 445 yards and 3 TDs against Southern Miss. . . set NCAA highs for the year with 468 yards passing, 455 yards rushing-passing and five touchdown passes against Utah State . . . for that performance was named to UPI Backfield of the Week and WAC Player of the Week . . . WAC Player of the Year . . . set five new WAC records . . . second in NCAA total offense (2,919) and passing yards (3,192) for 1976 . . . led NCAA last year in touchdown passes (29) . . . sixth in Heisman voting . . . All-American Football Writers of America.

NEILSON, SCOTT (50) Center, 6-3, 205, Soph., Salt Lake City, Utah.

PERSONAL: Born 12/1/54 in Salt Lake to Joseph (contractor) and Janice Neilson . . . two brothers played college basketball . . . served a mission to Australia . . . married Michelle Clark last spring . . . majoring in business.

HIGH SCHOOL: Was first-team all-region and all-state for Olympus High . . . a state wrestling champion at 185-pounds . . . coached by Wayne Statin (BYU).

PACE, COREY (55), Center-Tackle, 6-3, 230, Soph., Northridge, Calif.

HIGH SCHOOL: Attended Chatsworth High where he was scholar-athlete, a member of the Epehebian Society . . . three year letterman at center, coached by Min Shimoyana (UCLA) was all-San Fernando Valley, all-City in Los Angeles . . . played in the North-South Shrine Game . . . team reached city playoffs.

PERSONAL: Born 7/22/58 in Santa Monica, Calif. . . . parents are Gayle (contractor) and Betty (teacher) Pace . . . his father was an All-American at UCLA in 1951 . . . will major in accounting.

BYU: "Really moved some people around" according to coaches . . . a JV-varsity performer last season . . . went to Tangerine Bowl.

PAYNTER, NELSON, Offensive Tackle, 6-4, 240, Jr., Granger, Utah

PERSONAL: Born 10/28/52 in Salt Lake City . . . son of George (contractor) and Dorothy (housewife) . . . served a mission to Mexico Central Mission . . . majoring in history.

HIGH SCHOOL: Attended Kearns High . . . was an all-division football player . . . placed third in regional high hurdles.

****PETERSON, GARY (71)**, Defensive Tackle, 6-4, 270, Sr., Cedar Fort, Utah

PERSONAL: Born 2/14/55 in Lehi, Utah . . . parents are Clarence (Army Depot) and Faye (housewife) Peterson of Cedar Valley, Utah . . . P.E. major.

HIGH SCHOOL: Gary played his prep ball and wrestled at nearby Lehi High . . . won four letters as tackle . . . did not draw as much attention as he deserved.

BYU: As a freshman at BYU it was apparent Gary was headed for big things in both football and wrestling . . . as a frosh heavyweight wrestler he posted a 28-12 overall record (14 falls) and was third in WAC championships . . . the following year he won WAC heavyweight title . . . in 1975, prior to the start of the season he figured to be a starter at right tackle . . . but he suffered a serious head injury before the season started . . . was operated on . . . question if he would play ball again . . . but was given the green light . . . was behind Bill Rice at left tackle last fall . . . WAC heavyweight wrestling champion again in '76 . . . got two sacks against San Diego State . . . sacked Utah's Pat Degnan for 10-yards . . . a probable starter this season . . . 41 defensive points last year.

PINCKARD, RICKEY LYNN (96), Offensive Tackle, 6-4, 215, Soph., Quitman, Texas

HIGH SCHOOL: Rick was first-team All-East-Texas for two years as a nose guard at Quitman High School, where he was coached by Ron Erwin (UTEP) . . . also won some honors in shot put and discus . . . Quitman was district champion.

PERSONAL: Born 9/13/58 in Houston, Tex. . . . mother, Mrs. Doris Hobbs, lives in Mineola, Texas . . . undecided on major.

***POPIN, BILL (19)**, Defensive Back, 5-11, 186, Sr., San Mateo, Calif.

PERSONAL: Born 8/13/54 in San Francisco . . . son of William and Perl Popin of San Mateo . . . brother Pete is a professional bike racer . . . will major in plant science.

HIGH SCHOOL: Playing running back and defensive half-back, Bill was voted the most valuable player at Aragon High . . . won the same honor in track . . . enrolled at San Mateo College where he was named all-conference as a freshman (second team) . . . first team as a sophomore.

PRESTED, BOB (5), Defensive Back, 6-0, 185, Soph., Glendale, Calif.

HIGH SCHOOL: Bob was credited with all-CIF honors as athlete at Glendale High, where he was coached by John Brannan . . . was all-league as offensive and defensive back . . . MVP on team . . . captained grid team . . . ran a 9.8 100 in track.

PERSONAL: Born 1/1/58 in Los Angeles . . . parents are Daniel (maintenance man) and Jean (bookkeeper) Prested . . . brothers Steve and Dan both collegiate athletes . . . will major in P.E.

BYU: JV starter last season . . . recovered a fumble against Utah State for varsity . . . went to Tangerine Bowl.



Lance Reynolds



Lynn Zwahlen

RAMAGE, JOHN (49), Linebacker, 5-11, 210, Soph., Orem, Utah

HIGH SCHOOL: Won a total of nine letters at Orem High . . . football, wrestling and track . . . was all-state in football.

PERSONAL: Born 7/29/58 in Colorado Springs, Colo. . . . parents are Tom (football coach at BYU) and Winona (housewife) . . . general studies.

REDD, GLEN (57), Fullback, 6-3, 210, Soph., Ogden, Utah

HIGH SCHOOL: Glen was all-state in football and all-region in baseball at Ogden High . . . coached by Eric Maughn (Utah State) . . . fullback and linebacker . . . three-year letterman in baseball.

PERSONAL: Born 6/17/58 in Ogden . . . son of James P. Redd, president of Greashum Roofing Co. . . . undecided on major.

BYU: Ever since arriving last year he impressed coaches as a JV mainstay . . . played in Utah varsity game . . . traveled with team to Tangerine Bowl.

****REYNOLDS, LANCE (78)**, Offensive Tackle, 6-2, 275, Sr., Salt Lake City, Utah

PERSONAL: Born 4/30/54 in Salt Lake City . . . parents are C. Shirley (Reynolds Bros. Excavation) and Ruth (housewife) . . . served on a church mission to Washington (Seattle) . . . Lance and his wife, Leslie Ann, were married in Salt Lake City 6/21/76 now have a baby daughter . . . business management major.

HIGH SCHOOL: Lance won two letters in football at Granite High in Salt Lake City, and he was all-state both years . . . also had three years of wrestling . . . was a tackle under W. Darrold Simmons (USU) . . . in his junior year Granite went 10-1 and finished third in the state.

BYU: Lance moved right into a starting role as a sophomore anchoring the left guard position . . . elected to go on a church mission at the end of the season . . . in '76 he was most consistent offensive lineman through the first three games . . . was starter until suffered ligament damage in his knee in sixth game . . . was operated on . . . a sure bet to start this fall . . . plays either tackle or guard.

RING, BILL (35), Tailback, 5-10, 189, Jr., Belmont, Calif.

PERSONAL: Born 12/13/56 in Des Moines, Iowa . . . parents are Randall (insurance agent) and Margaret (housewife) . . . majoring in business administration.

HIGH SCHOOL: Academically, he was on the dean's list in junior and senior years . . . in wrestling he was league and division champion as a senior . . . was an all-league player in baseball . . . as a running back, he was first-team in the league and offensive player of the year . . . an All-Central Coast selection and a prep all-American . . . set league records for most rushing in one game, 305 yards . . . 96-yard run from scrimmage . . . 15 TD's in one season . . . gained 1,076 yards in a season.

JUNIOR COLLEGE: At College of San Mateo, he was an all-Golden Gate Conference pick . . . was captain and most inspirational player both years . . . team MVP in '76.

SIMMERMAN, BOB (73), Defensive Tackle, 6-5, 223, Jr., Fresno, Calif.

PERSONAL: Born 1/12/54 in Fresno, Calif. . . . parents are Robert (policeman) and Margaret (housewife) Simmerman of Fresno . . . spent three years in the Army . . . younger brother, Jim, defensive tackle at UCLA . . . Bob and wife, Sherry Lynn, were married 1/19/73 in Provo, and they have three children (Wendy, Bobby and Becky) . . . law enforcement major.

HIGH SCHOOL: Bob participated in three sports (wrestling, track, and football) at Fresno High . . . offensive and defensive tackle . . . played in 1972 California North-South Shrine Game . . . his coach was Vance Stanley . . . team was 9-1 in 1972.

STEWART, KIM (49), Fullback, 6-1, 190, Jr., Provo, Utah

PERSONAL: Born 4/15/56 in Provo . . . parents are Keith (chemist) and Nan (housewife) Stewart . . . both attended BYU . . . zoology major.

HIGH SCHOOL: A 1974 graduate of Provo High, Kim won nine letters while there . . . football, basketball and track . . . ran 440 in 51.0, was also a sprinter . . . was running back and linebacker . . . was all-region . . . played in Utah all-star game . . . coached by Jack Brannin.

STROMBERG, DOUGLAS (79), Defensive Tackle, 6-4, 250, Soph., Ogden, Utah

HIGH SCHOOL: Doug was offensive and defensive lineman at Ogden High . . . also lettered three years in track, winning first in state in 1976 . . . still holds region shot put record . . . coached by Eric Maughn (Utah State).

PERSONAL: Born 12/4/57 in Ogden . . . parents are Carl (civil service) and Bernice Stromberg . . . plans to major in physical education.

BYU: A '76 JV regular . . . blocked a PAT against Snow College . . . 2 unassisted tackles in Utah varsity game . . . was on Tangerine Bowl squad.

SULLIVAN, BRAD (52), Center, 6-2, 244, Jr., Murphys, Calif.

PERSONAL: Born 12/6/56 in Stockton, Calif. . . . Jerry (accountant) is his father and Jill (registered nurse) is his mother . . . likes to work with handicapped children . . . major is economics.

HIGH SCHOOL: Prepped at Bret Harte Union in Angels Camp, Calif. . . . was salutatorian, and National Merit Scholar . . . a state finalist in wrestling . . . most improved wrestler on team in '74 and MVP in '75 . . . as a griddier, he was all-conference during junior and senior years . . . played offensive guard and middle linebacker . . . on all-Northern California selection and played in Lion's All-Star game.

JUNIOR COLLEGE: Attended Monterey Peninsula College . . . an all-league selection both years . . . most valuable lineman for Coast Conference and team during '76.

***SWENSON, MARC (46)**, Defensive Back, 6-1, 186, Jr., Santa Maria, Calif.

PERSONAL: Born 5/31/57 in Seattle, Wash. . . . parents are Richard (operations manager) and Lee (housewife) Swenson of Seattle.

HIGH SCHOOL: Marc was all-league as end and safety at Righetti High . . . was sprinter in track, forward on basketball . . . he was outfielder who hit .382 . . . was voted MVP twice.

BYU: In 1976 he lettered . . . had 21 assisted tackles, 26 unassisted . . . started for varsity . . . against Arizona he tackled the runner for a 7-yard loss . . . picked up pass interceptions against Utah State and New Mexico.

JEFF TAGGART (60), Defensive Tackle, 6-6, 250, Soph., Powell, Wyoming

Played at Ricks College before going on a mission . . . played for the Powell Panthers in high school . . . a walk-on at BYU . . . had a pretty good spring workout with the Cougars.

A return missionary . . . has good quickness and is very intense.

*****TERRANOVA, MARK (18)**, Defensive Back, 5-11, 185, Sr., Canoga Park, Calif.

PERSONAL: Born 5/9/55 in Van Nuys, Calif. . . . parents are Joseph (engineer) and Norma (housewife) Terranova of Canoga Park, Calif. . . . business major.

HIGH SCHOOL: Mark excelled in two sports at Canoga Park High . . . ran sprints (9.8 in the 100, 21.3 in 220) and

was valley sprint champion for three seasons . . . also football, winning all-city and all-state honors . . . was scholar-athlete for three years . . . coached by Jim Fazio (Occidental).

BYU: As a freshman tailback in 1973 he led the team in rushing with 414 yards (4.3 average), caught seven passes and scored two TDs . . . started the year as defensive back, but was switched to tailback . . . also returned kicks (24.6 average) . . . knee injury sidelined Mark in 1974 and he red-shirted . . . two years ago, returned as defensive back where speed is needed . . . in '76 he played backup on varsity right corner slot . . . recovered a fumble in Utah State game . . . had kick-off returns of 17 and 33 yards in Tangerine Bowl . . . can help account for two bowl records . . . most yards kickoff returns, 204 . . . best kickoff return avg., 25.5.

***THOMPSON, TOD (92), Tight End, 6-4, 205, Jr., Concord, Calif.**

PERSONAL: Born 12/13/55 at Jerome, Idaho . . . parents are Max (teacher) and Darlene (housewife) Thompson of Concord . . . physical therapy major.

HIGH SCHOOL: Football, track and basketball were Tod's sports at Clayton Valley High . . . named to Northern Cal football as tight end . . . coach was Peter Carpino.

BYU: Split game duties with Brian Billick (San Francisco 49ers) last season . . . that gave the Cougars two potent receivers . . . his 17-yard catch set up a field goal at Kansas State . . . scored TDs against Wyoming and Southern Mississippi . . . had two long receptions of 24 and 27 yards in the Tangerine Bowl . . . scored a TD there, too . . . had a TD also in spring game . . . stats for '76 were 13-227 yards.

TINGEY, KENT (25) Wide Receiver, 6-1, 190, Jr., Logan Utah

PERSONAL: Born 12/24/54 in Provo, Utah . . . parents are Marsel (soil conservation service) and Joylene (housewife) . . . both BYU graduates . . . served two years on church mission to Montreal, Can. . . political science major.

HIGH SCHOOL: Kent was all-state in both football and basketball at Sky View High in Logan . . . also voted MVP as all-around athlete . . . coached by Earl Lindley (former grid assistant at BYU) . . . won eight letters before graduating in 1973.

BYU: Lettered in both football and basketball (jayvee) before serving a mission . . . during first year back in '76 he scored against Snow College on JV squad . . . participant in Tangerine Bowl . . . caught 3 passes for 39 yards in spring game.

*****UPERESA, KEITH (77), Offensive Guard, 6-3, 275, Sr., Aiea Hawaii**

PERSONAL: Born 7/28/55 in Honolulu, Hawaii . . . parents are Taetafe (security chief) and Marion (telephone operator) Uperesa . . . has younger brother with athletic ability (6-6, 250) . . . top discus thrower in the state . . . major in recreation education.

HIGH SCHOOL: Keith was credited with nine athletic letters at powerful Punahou High . . . three in basketball (pivot) and three in track (shot and discus) . . . was all-state in Hawaii for two years as offensive tackle . . . league champs in 1971 . . . he was named lineman of the year by Advertiser.

BYU: Uperesa moved right into the varsity picture, lettering as a freshman and sophomore . . . starter as a sophomore . . . slowed by injuries, but still managed to hold down his position . . . a started for varsity every game . . . twice selected as team's lineman of week . . . the anchor of this fall's line . . . could be one of the school's greats in offensive line.

****VAN DE MERWE, JAN III (69), Offensive Tackle, 6-4, 222, Sr., Bountiful, Utah**

PERSONAL: Born 3/5/53 in Salt Lake City . . . parents are John (contractor) and Gladys (housewife) . . . served on church mission to Netherlands from 1972-74 . . . majoring in architecture.

HIGH SCHOOL: Although he played some soccer at Viewmont High in Bountiful, Jan concentrated on football . . . played defensive end and offensive tackle . . . coached by Steve Dangerfield (BYU) . . . made all-coaches team.

BYU: Played for the jayvees before leaving on his mission . . . this year he should make a contribution . . . could contend for a starting position.

****VAN DER WOUDE, JOHN, Jr. (8), Flanker, 5-10, 170, Sr., Salt Lake City, Utah**

PERSONAL: Born 7/15/56 in Salt Lake City . . . parents are John (carpenter) and Ursula (bowling instructor) Van Der Wouden of Salt Lake City . . . P.E. major.

HIGH SCHOOL: South High in Salt Lake City will remember John for his athletic exploits . . . 11 athletic letters in four sports . . . all-state in basketball (guard), member of the 440-relay team, pitcher and centerfield in baseball . . . as quarterback was all-state for the Cubs . . . named prep player of the week in state . . . coached by Roger Burt (BYU) . . . 3.3 student.

BYU: With ability to play nearly any position, John was tried as a defensive back as a freshman . . . but asked to be switched . . . really connected as a flanker . . . also recruited for basketball . . . tried out for cage team, but dropped it in order to go to the Fiesta Bowl . . . as a sophomore, he was starter at flanker . . . caught 29 passes for 621 yards (team high), also had three TDs . . . highlights for 1975: starts ASU game in place of injured George Harris, catches five passes for 60 yards . . . scores TD on 66-yard play against Arizona . . . total of four catches for 114 yards against UA scores first TD against Utah . . . catches four passes for 73 yards . . .

In 1976 . . . tied WAC touchdown mark with four against CSU . . . school record tied too . . . this tied him for most points (24) in WAC record book . . . based on the CSU performance, Ram Coach Sark Arslanian called him "a real winner" . . . he caught a TD pass which narrowed the gap against Wyoming . . . another TD came against Southern Miss., where he also caught a 67-yard bomb . . . he was seven for 163 yards in that game . . . caught a 20-yard TD in Utah State game and another score against New Mexico . . . will be remembered too for a fake field goal which went for a TD via VanDerWouden against Arizona State . . . was second in team scoring with nine TDs, 54 points . . . hurt twice in second quarter against Utah . . . shoulder separation resulted . . . should be mended for fine fall season . . . '76 stats mark him for 42 catches for 669 yards.

***VARNER, ROSS (91), Defensive End, 6-3, 236, Jr., Salt Lake City, Utah**

PERSONAL: Born 7/29/56 in Salt Lake City . . . parents are Everett (brick contractor) and Joan (housewife) Varner . . . younger brother to Stan Varner, outstanding defensive end for the Cougars for past three seasons . . . majoring in business.

HIGH SCHOOL: Did not have a spectacular athletic career at Skyline High, but came on very strong latter part of his senior year . . . won two letters in football, one in wrestling . . . coached by Ken Schmidt (Utah).

BYU: Worked hard his freshman year . . . redshirted two years ago . . . in '76 he was an able standby to Marcus Kanahele last season . . . caused a fumble against Wyoming . . . had two hurries and a sack against Southern Miss. . . had a sack and a pass interception against Utah State . . . could nail down the starting position this fall.

***VELASCO, RON (9), Defensive Back, 6-2, 170, Jr., Aiea, Hawaii**

PERSONAL: Born 8/24/57 in Hawaii . . . parents are John (athletic director at high school) and Barbara (student life director) Velasco . . . father was fullback for the Cougars a generation back . . . general major.

HIGH SCHOOL: Ron played his football at Radford High, where his father was the coach . . . a total of 12 letters (basketball and track) . . . was good defensive back.

BYU: As a freshman he spent most of his time with the jayvees, picked off three interceptions . . . played well in spring game, taking two interceptions for a total of 37 yards that year . . . rendered fine service in 1976 . . . 10 assisted tackles, 9 unassisted . . . was second unit varsity . . . best outing last year was against Southern Miss. . . had one pass deflection and caused a fumble . . . a strong candidate for starting berth this fall.

***WARD, RAY (34), Fullback, 6-0, 204, Jr., Boise, Idaho**

PERSONAL: Born 1/1/53 in Boise . . . parents are Paul (State Farm Insurance) and Toosie (housewife) Ward of Boise . . . mother was former member of the Olympic team from Holland . . . served on church mission to Holland-Belgium (1972-74) married Mary Jane Loomis of Denver 4/25/74 in Salt Lake City . . . majoring in youth leadership.

HIGH SCHOOL: Roy attended Borah High in Boise about the same time as Jeff Blanc . . . lettered in football and baseball (outfielder) . . . starter at fullback on squad that won the SIC title.

BYU: Roy's career at BYU interrupted by a church mission call . . . years ago with the jayvees, he carried the ball 22

times for 142 yards (6.5 average) . . . in 1976 he caught one pass for 14 yards . . . was on specialty team at Tangerine Bowl . . . last year he carried six times for 37 yards . . . scored a TD during spring ball.

WEBB, DENNIS (94), Offensive Tackle, 6-6, 220, Soph., Mesa, Arizona

PERSONAL: Born 10/4/58 in Mesa . . . parents are Wilford (Western Electric) and Valerie (housewife) Webb . . . undecided on major.

HIGH SCHOOL: Voted most outstanding lineman, second-team all-state at Mesa High . . . team tied for league title, but lost in tie-breaker . . . tackle and defensive end . . . also a center on basketball team . . . received Powers Plaque for athletics and sportsmanship.

WHITE, KEN (32), Tailback, 6-1, 190, Soph., Pleasant Hill, Calif.

PERSONAL: Born 3/19/57 in Walnut Creek, Calif. . . . parents are D. C. (manager of Coca-Cola) and Jennie (housewife) White of Pleasant Hill . . . animal science major.

HIGH SCHOOL: Ken has an interesting combination of letters: two in football as running back and defensive back, four in track as hurdler and sprinter, and three in wrestling (156-179 pound divisions) . . . all-conference and all-East Bay . . . MVP on team, and set school records for most TDs in one game . . . best average per carry: 10.9.

BYU: In games with the jayvees he carried 10 times for 35 yards . . . a redshirt last year . . . had a good spring . . . solid.

WHITSETT, VICTOR (44), Fullback, 6-2, 210, Soph., Othello, Washington

HIGH SCHOOL: Vic played his prep ball at Workman High in Othello, Wash. where he now resides . . . was tailback on team that won league championship two years . . . voted most valuable back both years . . . coached by Mel Galli (Cal Poly) . . . leading rusher two years, second in AA scoring . . . also lettered in basketball and track.

PERSONAL: Born 1/26/56 in Los Angeles . . . parents are Maurice (quality control inspector) and Isabel (physical therapist assistant) Whitsett . . . will major in P.E.

BYU: Excellent spring drills . . . led all rushers in Blue-White game.

WILLIAMS, DOUGLAS (48), Running Back, 6-0, 201, Soph., Sacramento, California

HIGH SCHOOL: Doug was leading rusher, leading scorer and all-Superior while playing at La Sierra High in Carmichael, Calif. . . . George Souza (California) was his coach . . . also lettered in track.

PERSONAL: Born 1/8/58 in Oakland . . . parents are Robert (insurance) and Rosemary (housewife) Williams . . . will major in business.

WILSON, MARC (6), Quarterback, 6-5, 206, Soph., Seattle, Wash.

PERSONAL: Born 2/15/57 in Bremerton, Wash. . . . parents are Douglas (State Liquor Control Board) and Carol (housewife) Wilson of Seattle . . . undecided on major.

HIGH SCHOOL: A most outstanding career, both athletically and academically, at Shorecrest High in Seattle . . . was all-metro in basketball (averaged 19 points per game as forward) . . . was all-metro in baseball (pitcher and outfielder) and was voted MVP three years in a row . . . his baseball team won state title in 1975 . . . in football was all-metro as quarterback and safety . . . academically, he carried a 3.83 GPA, was member of the National Honor Society, and was scholar-athlete (seven in Seattle area).

BYU: Marc shared quarterback role on jayvee team with Dan Hartwig when he first started with BYU . . . Marc connected on 23 of 67 attempts for 355 yards . . . redshirted

last year . . . in three spring games he was 26 for 67 for 414 yards, three TDs . . . has a fine bullet pass.

WING, CRAIG, Kicker, 5-11, 170, Soph., American Fork, Utah

PERSONAL: Born 2/2/55 in American Fork . . . Parents are Niles (insurance salesman) and LaVonne (receptionist), both BYU alumni . . . served a mission to Sapporo, Japan . . . plans a summer marriage . . . worked with retarded at Utah State Training School for four years . . . majoring in Physical Therapy.

HIGH SCHOOL: Had a 3.6 GPA at American Fork High . . . participated on two state playoff teams as a fullback and linebacker . . . catcher on baseball team . . . wrestled at 185-pounds . . . ran the 100-yard dash.

WINGARD, CASEY (43), Tailback, 5-11, 183, Jr., Dayton, Ohio

PERSONAL: Born 9/27/56 in Dayton, Ohio . . . parents are James (machine operator) and Christine (housewife) . . . brother Walt was former running back at University of Dayton and will enter first year with Los Angeles Rams.

HIGH SCHOOL: Attended Jefferson High . . . holds school rushing title . . . coached by Bob Gregg.

JUNIOR COLLEGE: Attended San Jose Community College for two years . . . team won Golden Gate Conference . . . had over 1,000 yards rushing individually . . . named school's back of the year . . . very quick.

***WOOD, ROD (36)**, Linebacker, 6-1, 225, Jr., Durango, Colo.

PERSONAL: Born 2/21/56 in Bozeman, Montana . . . parents are Donald (nursery) and Joan (nursery) Wood . . . married Cherilyn Coleman 7/10/76 in Provo . . . university studies.

HIGH SCHOOL: A total of ten letters at Durango High (three each in football, basketball, and track, one in tennis) . . . was all-state and All-America . . . made all-conference as middle linebacker and tailback . . . team's MVP . . . coached by Ken Biegel (Wisconsin) . . . Rod was on student council, was class president and made the honor roll . . . averaged 7.5 yards per carry as running back . . . scored five TDs in one game.

BYU: Redshirt two years ago . . . assistant coach (linebackers) Fred Whittingham very high on Wood . . . top defensive statistics leader returning to '76 squad . . . had 147 points . . . 87 assisted tackles . . . twice WAC defensive player of week . . . had school defensive point record for one week at 42 . . . Jeremiah holds it now at 45 . . . intense, hard-hitting player with two years ahead of him.

***ZWAHLEN, LYNN (22)**, Flanker, 5-10, 170, Sr., Modesto, Calif.

PERSONAL: Born 7/27/54 in Salt Lake City . . . parents are Kenneth (school teacher) and Elizabeth Jane (piano teacher) . . . both attended BYU . . . predoctoral major . . . served in Japanese Mission (1974-76) . . . Lynn and wife, Susan, married last year.

HIGH SCHOOL: Known more for track in high school, where he ran the hurdles for four years at Grace Davis High in Modesto . . . ran lows in 18.6, highs in 13.9, and long jumped 23-9 . . . was guard on basketball squad . . . was flanker in football . . . honorable mention Sunkist All-America, was all-Northern California . . . played in North-South Shrine game . . . coach was Dan Gonsalves . . . carried a 3.65 GPA and was member of California Scholarship Federation.

BYU Lynn will be remembered as the other half of the great pass catching team of 1973 (Jay Miller was the other half) . . . as a sophomore he caught 25 passes for 324 yards, and was outstanding . . . but overshadowed by Miller's 100 receptions (NCAA leader) . . . Lynn also led team in kickoff returns with 17 for 366 yards (21.5 average) . . . returned six punts last year . . . caught one pass against Southern Mississippi for 16 yards.



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BRADY, MARK—Defensive Back, 6-2, 170, Oak Ridge, Tenn.
PERSONAL: Born 3/26/59 in Oak Ridge . . . parents are Kendall (engineer for Union Carbide) and Barbara (housewife) . . . father played football at Georgia Tech . . . undecided on major.

HIGH SCHOOL: A defensive back and wide receiver for Oak Ridge High . . . team was 30-3 for three years . . . state champs during '76 . . . earned the Head Hunter and Defensive Back awards on his team . . . was all-state honorable mention . . . coached by Emory Hale (East Tennessee State).

CAMPBELL, MARC—Linebacker, 6-3, 215, McLean, Va.
PERSONAL: Born 2/15/59 in Salt Lake City . . . parents are A. Pierce (executive) and Beverley (promoter) . . . Communications major.

HIGH SCHOOL: Prepped at Langley High . . . was a defensive tackle . . . all-district and all-regional . . . played on Northern Virginia Sun All-Star squad . . . coached by Charles Martin (West Virginia).

DAVIS, BILL—Wide Receiver, 6-2, 170, Denver, Colo.
PERSONAL: Born 9/26/58 in Cortez, Colo. . . parents are William (geologist) and Gloria (housewife) . . . plans to major in geological engineering.

HIGH SCHOOL: While at Arvada West High, he was a member of National Honor Society . . . a member of all-state tournament team . . . was an all-conference football player for two years . . . team also was conference champion for two years . . . he was an all-metro and all-state selection . . . all-conference in track and basketball . . . coached by Brian McGregor (Durango).

EYRE, NICK (74) Offensive Tackle, 6-5, 255, Las Vegas, Nev.
PERSONAL: Born 6/16/59 in Las Vegas . . . parents are Gordon (railroad brakeman) and Ann (credit union clerk) . . . undecided on major.

HIGH SCHOOL: Graduated with honors from Las Vegas High . . . won American Legion Award . . . all-conference selection all three years of prep ball . . . all-state and all-American . . . voted Mr. Football by teammates . . . coached by Mickey Curtwright (Missouri).

FRANCIS, DAVE—Running Back, 6-1, 180, Salt Lake City, Utah
PERSONAL: Born 1/26/59 in Salt Lake City . . . parents are Harvey (credit union manager) and Karen (hospital PBX) . . . undecided on major.

HIGH SCHOOL: Brighton High's tailback and cornerback . . . total of ten letters in football, basketball, track and baseball . . . second in 100-yard dash . . . all-region and all-state . . . all-American for Will Hammer Prep and Coaches magazines . . . Coached by Steve Dangerfield (BYU).

FRANZIER, DANNY—Linebacker, 6-5, 190, Tooele, Utah
PERSONAL: Born 6/18/59 in Phoenix, Ariz. . . parents are John (instrumentation engineer) and Shirley (Job Service interviewer) Crump . . . wants to major in accounting.

HIGH SCHOOL: A delegate to Boy's State for Tooele High . . . member of National Honor Society . . . senior class president . . . won citizenship award . . . won track honors . . . third in high jump, second in discus . . . team captain for all-state basketball team . . . member of all-star football team . . . coach was Dick Raben.

HARDISTY, BRAD—Tight End, 6-6, 200, Las Vegas, Nev.
PERSONAL: Born 4/17/59 in Brookings, South Dakota . . . parents are Vernon (hotel executive) and Bernice (housewife) . . . Pre-Med major.

HIGH SCHOOL: From Clark High . . . an honor student . . . second team all-conference . . . honorable mention all-state . . . Southern Nevada all-tournament team . . . lettered in football and basketball.

HEINRICH, MIKE—Quarterback, 5-11, 170, Saratoga, Calif.
PERSONAL: Born 2/14/59 in Seattle, Wash. . . parents are Don (ABM executive and Seattle Seahawk commentator) and Barbara . . . brother Kyle was all-Pac-8 and coast as a sophomore safety at University of Washington . . . majoring in business administration.

HIGH SCHOOL: Attended Saratoga High . . . team was and first in Northern California . . . Mike was a first-team selection in the DeAnza League . . . MVP there, too . . . Region II first-team and MVP . . . MVP on school team and Falcon Athlete of the Year . . . Outstanding back in Central Coast Playoffs . . . set league records for most TD passes in season and single game . . . most yards gained passing for season . . . highest completion percentage, .846, for single game . . . most total run/pass TD's in a season, 15 . . . most yards in CCS playoff game.

HERRING, STEVE—Offensive Tackle, 6-3, 240, Santa Maria, Calif.

PERSONAL: Born 12/2/58 in Whiteville, N.C. . . parents are Charles (engineer technician) and Pauline (secretary) . . . possible law enforcement major.

HIGH SCHOOL: Graduate from Ernest Righetti High . . . honorable mention player during two years as a prepster . . . coached by Ray Coldiron (Ohio Wesleyan).

MANWILL, WALT—Offensive Tackle, 6-2, 240, Boise, Idaho

PERSONAL: Born 4/17/59 in Boise . . . parents are Eldon (salesman) and Cleona (underwriter) . . . majoring in architecture and minor in physical education.

HIGH SCHOOL: At Borah High was member of National Honor Society . . . all-city, all-conference and all-state for perennial state champs . . . second in state wrestling . . . football coach was Dee Pankratz (Idaho State).

McMAHON, JIM—Quarterback, 6-1, 175, Roy, Utah

PERSONAL: Born 8/22/59 in Jersey City, N.J. . . parents are Jim (accountant) and Roberta (key punch operator) . . . brother, Mike, wrestles at Weber State . . . has three sisters who are cheerleaders . . . majoring in business.

HIGH SCHOOL: A three-sport letterman at Roy High . . . was all-region, all-state and all-Intermountain . . . averaged around 45 yards per punt . . . was scholar-athlete award . . . was team MVP . . . Roy was undefeated, 20-0, for his last two years . . . coached by Ernest Jacklin.

OATES, BART (75) Offensive Tackle, 6-4, 235, Albany, Ga.

PERSONAL: Born 12/16/58 in Mesa, Ariz. . . parents are Robert (salesman) and Moneta (secretary) . . . brother Brad was All-American for BYU two years ago and now plays for the St. Louis Cardinals . . . major undeclared.

HIGH SCHOOL: Member of honor club for Albany High . . . captain of all-city team . . . coached by Cardon Dalley (Utah).

PHILLIPS, SCOTT—Quarterback, 6-2, 180, Springville, Utah

PERSONAL: Born 11/11/58 in Provo . . . parents are Ridge and Bonnie Phillips . . . undecided on major.

HIGH SCHOOL: Four-year scholar at Springville High . . . all-region and all-state player . . . MVP in class 3A . . . participated in Utah-Arizona All-star game . . . coached by Mike Jacobsen (BYU).

SCOTT REBER, Running Back, 6-2, 215, St. George, Utah

A very successful running back at Dixie High . . . played baseball there too . . . was heavily recruited . . . counts heavily in future BYU plans.

BILL SCHOEPLIN, Defensive back, 5-11, 175, Denver, Colo.

Prepped at Arvada High . . . was player of the year in Colorado . . . also played running back . . . made the state tournament in wrestling . . . will play defensive back at BYU . . . his high school grid team won the state championship . . . Cougar coaches feel fortunate to get him.

NORMAN TAYLOR, Tight end, 6-2, 235, Chatsworth, Calif.

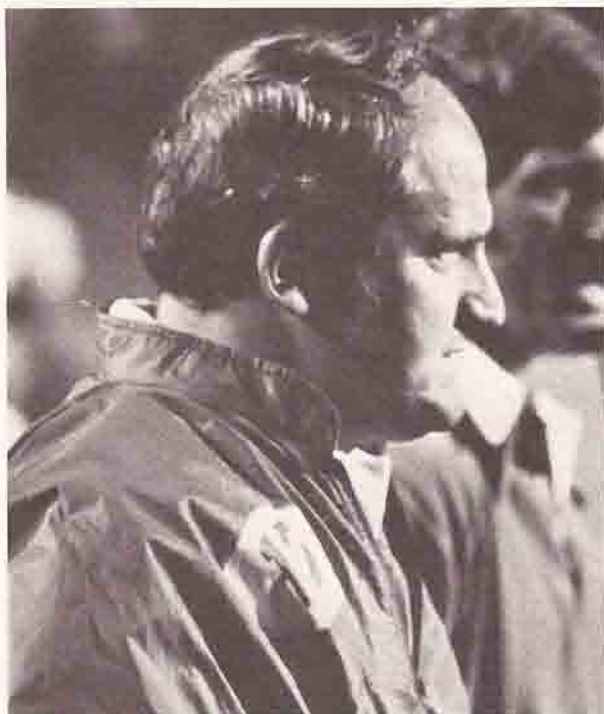
Has good size . . . was a late recruit . . . adds depth to the tight end position now that Brian Billick has gone to the pros.

YOUNGER, STAN—Wide Receiver, 6-2, 175, Santa Monica, Calif.

PERSONAL: Born 1/27/59 in Santa Monica . . . parents are Stanley and Thelma, both retired . . . undecided on major.

HIGH SCHOOL: Attended Santa Monica High . . . was all-bay league, all-west side and all-CIF selection . . . Bay Area Lineman of the Year . . . coached by Ted Kussurov (Southern Cal.) . . . an outstanding baseball prospect . . . great receiver with speed . . . heavily recruited.

LAVELL EDWARDS



In a brief span of five full seasons Lave'll Edwards has covered a lot of ground and has recorded his share of victories and honors.

Now, as he enters his sixth season as head coach he is well on his way to becoming dean of the football coaches in the Rocky Mountain area with an expanding football dynasty.

The personable 47-year-old Edwards has the sense and rapport for coaching young men. He can also make the critical fourth-down-and-inches-to-go decisions necessary in working in his job. As all good coaches have, he has the instinct to go for the win, but due to Edwards' other skills it's more than just bluster.

Perhaps that is why he has been enticed by other schools, and why Lave'll politely turned them down.

"I feel very good about our situation at BYU and I feel a commitment to stay and help the program reach its full potential. We have excellent coaches and support from the administration and I think BYU football can continue to make great strides," says Edwards.

During his tenure he has posted a 34-22-1 record, won or shared two conference crowns and been the standard bearer in two bowl appearances.

Through five seasons as head coach his philosophy of the game remains the same:

"I'm a firm believer in hard work to reach the desired goals. But I also believe football should be fun; a sport the players, as well as the fans, should enjoy. It doesn't have to be regimentation or drudgery. The outgrowth of football should be good, positive values that will benefit a player for the remainder of his life."

Edwards has had good exposure throughout the years, most recently being appointed a member of

the College Football Association Coaches Committee. He served on the coaching squad for the All-America game in Lubbock, Texas, and during the off recruiting season, lends his respectable golf talents to the American Football Coaches Association—Braniff Airlines Invitational Golf Tournament in Dallas, Texas.

All of this and more for a local boy who joined the staff in 1962 as a defensive coach and moved up the ladder to assistant coach, before being named in 1972 as the 11th head football coach at Brigham Young.

No wonder then that he can make a qualified judgment about his Heisman Trophy candidate, All-American Gifford Nielsen.

"Giff compares favorably with the two best quarterbacks we've had in the 15 years of the Western Athletic Conference. He picks out secondary receivers as well as Gary Sheide (BYU) and runs the team and knows what to do and when as well as Danny White (Arizona State)," says Lave'll.

Edwards, like Nielsen, is a product of Utah Valley. He came from a large family raised in nearby Orem, Utah, where he won all-state recognition as a high school player. He attended Utah State University in Logan and was team captain and two-time all-conference performer at center and linebacker. Following graduation in 1952, he spent some time in the military and also launched his coaching career in the prep ranks.

In Lave'll's first season with the Cougars as head coach, 1972, he took a team voted low in the WAC polls and guided it to a 7-4 record that was good enough for a tie for second-place in the final standings. He was named WAC coach of the year.

Edwards guided the Cougar to an undefeated conference season in 1974 when they earned a berth in the Fiesta Bowl.

Then last year he marshalled his troops to an admirable 9-2 regular season mark which caught the attention of the bowl committees. The Cougars marched to Orlando, Florida, for the Tangerine Bowl—their first invitation to a bowl game, whereas the Fiesta Bowl was earned.

Born Oct. 11, 1930, in Provo, Utah . . . attended schools in nearby Orem . . . was all-state at Lincoln High School (now Orem High) in 1946 and 1947 . . . three-year regular at center . . . also lettered two years each in basketball and track . . . enrolled at Utah State in 1948; played center and linebacker . . . three-year letterman as center for the Aggies . . . was captain and all-conference for two years (1950-51) . . . he played service ball for the Army (1952-54) at Fort Lee, Va. . . . was player-coach for 6-3 team at Fort Meade, Maryland . . . returned to Utah and joined staff at Granite High in Salt Lake City (1954), serving as head football coach, wrestling coach, golf coach for a period of eight years . . . also tennis and basketball (1954-55) for two seasons . . . he joined the BYU staff in 1962 . . . five seasons at BYU his teams have compiled an overall record of 34-22-1 (7-4 in 1972, 5-6 in 1973, 7-4-1 in 1974, 6-5 in 1975 and 9-3 in 1976) . . . three years ago he was recipient of the coveted Dale Rex Memorial Trophy and was also honored as the Utah Sportsman of the Year and WAC Coach of the Year . . . selected as a coach on the West squad for All-American football game a year ago . . . Lave'll obtained his M.S. degree from University of Utah in 1960, and is nearing completion of his work on a Ph.D. at BYU . . . married former Patty Louise Covey of Big Piney, Wyoming and they have three children: Ann 21; John 18 (State half-mile champ now enrolled at BYU and will run track), and James, 14 . . . Lave'll likes to golf and garden . . . phone 375-0487.

QUOTES FROM EDWARDS

On Western Athletic Conference Race:

"More than at any time in the last 16 years, the Western Athletic Conference race is wide open. Right now (summer) I would have to say that five schools—Arizona State, Colorado State, Wyoming, New Mexico and ourselves—all have a chance at the title. I expect the Sun Devils (ASU) who have fine personnel, will bounce back strong, and have an edge over the others. Unfortunately, we must play three of the four mentioned on the road. As for the championship, again there is no clear cut choice."

Predicting Cougar Record:

"I think we can go 9-2 again. But then I think that every year."

"Last season we got some breaks early in the year and went on to a fine record. We have the capabilities of being an excellent team, but a lot of things have to fall into place."

"Predicting how many games you are going to win is difficult because victories involve a combination of talent and luck. If you win the close games, if you stay free from injuries in crucial areas, and if you get some momentum going, you have the makings of a winner."

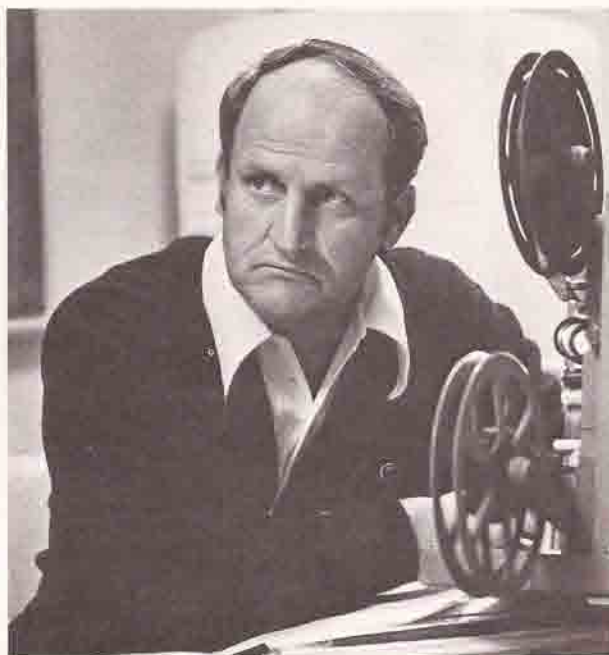
Chances for a Bowl Game:

"Knowing we are not in the running for the Fiesta Bowl is a psychological hurdle we'll have to take."

"It would be hard to win the league and go 8-3 or 8-3-1 and yet have someone else in a bowl game. But our kids know they need to go 9-2 again, and if they do, we believe the opportunity for some post-season play will materialize."

Reflections on Tangerine Bowl:

"Being in the Tangerine Bowl was very beneficial for us. It gave our team and Church (Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints) excellent exposure in Florida. And it proved to our players that another invitation is possible, if they pull together like last year's group did."



COUGAR COACHES

Coach	Year	Years	W	L	T	Pct.
A. G. Twitchell	1922-24	3	5	13	1	.289
C. J. Hart	1925-27	3	6	12	2	.350
G. Ott Romney	1928-36	9	42	31	5	.570
Eddie Kimball	1937-48	8	34	32	8	.514
Floyd Millet	1942	1	3	5		.286
Chick Atkinson	1949-55	7	18	49	3	.283
Harold Kopp	1956-58	3	13	14	3	.483
Tally Stevens	1959-60	2	6	15		.286
Hal Mitchell	1961-63	3	8	22		.267
Tom Hudspeth	1964-71	8	39	42	1	.482
LaVell Edwards	1972-	5	34	22	1	.596



Dave Kragthorpe



Dick Felt



Tom Ramage



Fred Whittingham

ASSISTANT COACHES

DAVE KRAGTHORPE (Utah State '55)

Asst. Head Coach, Offensive Line Coach

Now in his eighth year with the Cougars, Dave came to BYU six years ago last spring from the head coaching post at South Dakota State . . . Dave's job has been that of offensive coordinator and chief assistant to Coach LaVell Edwards, a role he has handled with real success . . . some of the Cougars' interior linemen of note include Gordon Gravelle (1971), Paul Howard (1972), and Dave Hubbard (1976) . . . born May 1, 1933, at Mound, Minn., to Jalmer and Emma Kragthorpe . . . was all-state and captain of football team at Mound . . . won letters in basketball and baseball, too . . . graduated in 1951 . . . enrolled at Utah State . . . was all-Skyline lineman for two years, baseball catcher (1953-54) . . . played in the Salad Bowl in Phoenix, Ariz. (1955) . . . received his M.Ed. from USU in 1963 . . . began coaching at Idaho Falls (1958-59) . . . moved to Wyandotte, Mich., as head coach (1960-63) . . . named assistant at Montana (1964-66) . . . then assistant at South Dakota State (1967-68) . . . then head coach there in 1969 . . . married to former Barbara Ann Barnson of Kearns, Utah . . . Two sons: Kurt, 16, and Steven, 12 . . . golf is hobby . . . phone 376-2775.

DICK FELT (BYU '58)

Defensive Coordinator, Backs

A veteran of seven years in the pros (N.Y. Titans and Boston Patriots), Dick was a natural selection for a BYU post when he concluded his pro career in 1967 . . . entering his 11th season on the Cougar staff . . . born March 4, 1933, in Lehi, Utah, Dick lettered in five sports at Lehi, winning all-state honors in football . . . his career has since gone full cycle; going from Lehi to BYU, service ball, to pro ball, and back to BYU . . . as a sophomore back, a relative unknown, he came off the bench to score four touchdowns in one quarter in a game with San Jose State . . . this record still stands . . . he was a great-all-around player . . . in 1953 game with San Jose State he rushed for 109 yards (12 carries) was 2-for-2 in passing, caught two passes for 49 yards and two TDs, punted once for 58 yards, returned two kicks for 39 yards and scored three touchdowns . . . he won all-conference honors as a senior . . . graduated from BYU in 1958, was commissioned an officer in the Air Force . . . played for Bolling Air Force Base (1958-60), was all-service and MVP in the Air Force (1960) . . . came out a 1st Lt. . . was signed by the New York Titans and played two seasons with them (1960-61) . . . all-pro second team as defensive back (1961) . . . traded to Boston Patriots as cornerback and was all-pro (1962) . . . he played in first and second all-star games in AFL . . . left pro ball in '66 and joined BYU staff in '67 . . . married Dayleen

LaVon Hobson of Boise, Ida., on Apr. 20, 1960 in Salt Lake City . . . they have four children: Karen, 16; Curtis, 14; Kristie, 10; and Nancy, 8 . . . loves golf . . . phone 225-7156.

TOM RAMAGE (Utah State '57)

Defensive Line

A familiar name in Beehive State coaching circles, Tom Ramage joined the Cougars four years ago as new defensive line coach . . . it should be noted that in the first year with the Cougars, BYU was second only to Arizona State in team defense, and also second in the league in rushing defense . . . Last year BYU led both the scoring and rushing defense categories . . . Tom left Dixie College in St. George, where he was head coach for two seasons (13-7 overall) . . . the 38-year-old native of Price, Utah, was born 8/25/35 . . . enrolled at Utah State where he won all-Skyline Conference honors as tackle in '56 and lettered in wrestling four years . . . began his coaching career at Bear River, Utah, then returned to USU where he served as an assistant and obtained his M.S. degree (1962) . . . for the next four years Tom was line coach of the Aggies under Tony Knap . . . left Logan in 1965 to serve as chief assistant and defensive coordinator at Weber State under Sark Arslanian . . . in 1971 took the head job at Dixie College . . . sandwiched into his stay at Weber he served as a commissioned officer in the Army and was discharged as a captain in 1967 . . . Tom and his wife, Winona, have six children: John, 19; Lorrie, 17; Rochele, 15; Sherrie, 11; Dedra, 9; and Cory, 2 . . . phone 225-6429.

FRED WHITTINGHAM (Cal Poly '62)

Linebackers

A former Cougar player of the late 50's, Fred Whittingham enters his fifth year in Provo after a decade of professional football behind him . . . he came to BYU from Alhambra High School where his team compiled an 8-1 record in 1972 . . . Whittingham was put in charge of the linebackers, and had a successful first year with the Cougars . . . born Feb. 4, 1939 in Boston, Mass., the 37-year-old New Englander played his prep ball in Rhode Island, and came to BYU in 1957 where he was a defensive end . . . he later enrolled at Cal Poly where he obtained his B.S. degree in 1962 and his M.A. degree in 1963 . . . the same year that Fred launched his career in professional football . . . he played a total of 10 seasons (the Los Angeles Rams, New Orleans Saints, Philadelphia Eagles and Dallas Cowboys) . . . the experience gained in the pro ranks would be very difficult to duplicate, but Fred elected to enter the coaching ranks at the end of the '71 season . . . Fred and his wife Nancy, have five children: Klye, 17; Cary, 13; Freddie, 10; Brady, 7; and Julie, 2½ . . . phone 375-8582.



Garth Hall



Doug Scovil



Mel Olson



Norm Chow

DOUG SCOVL (Pacific '52)
Offensive Coordinator, Quarterbacks

Entering his second season at BYU, Doug joined the Cougar staff after six seasons as backfield coach with San Francisco. During that span the 49ers won three division titles . . . had four successful seasons at his alma mater, the University of Pacific (1966-69) and gained much stature as an assistant coach at Navy (1963-66) . . . Doug was the quarterback coach when Roger Staubach won the Heisman Trophy . . . he and his wife, Enid, have two boys and a girl . . . the oldest son is currently attending the U.S. Naval Academy . . . Doug was born July 1, 1927, in Anacortes, Wash., but grew up in San Francisco . . . graduated from Lowell High in 1946 and attended Stockton College . . . earned bachelor's degree at Pacific in 1952 after two year stint in the Army Air Corps . . . later obtained a master's degree (1960) from San Jose State . . . guided Sacred Heart High of San Francisco to a state championship during his tenure there (1954-57) and won three league titles and was second twice in five years (1958-62) as head coach at College of San Mateo . . . phone 375-2671.

GARTH HALL (Utah State '68)
Running Backs

Still vibrant in his third year with BYU, Garth was appointed to the BYU staff in April 1974 . . . he came to BYU from Wake Forest where he served as quarterback-receiver coach and offensive coordinator 1973-74 . . . graduated from Highland High School in Salt Lake City, Utah ('64), receiving All-State honors in football . . . also participated in track, running the 100 yard dash and long jumping . . . was voted the "Outstanding Freshman Athlete" and Outstanding Senior Student Athlete" at Utah State . . . received an NCAA Post-graduate Scholarship . . . Academic All-American . . . after graduating from Utah State, Garth coached the freshman team at USU ('69) . . . was quarterback-receiver coach and freshman coordinator at USU ('70-'72) . . . joined staff at Wake Forest (1973) as quarterback-receiver coach . . . Garth and wife, Sharon, have five children: Ryan, 9; Allyson, 7; Curtis, 4; Scott, 2; and Melissa, 1 . . . phone 224-2973.

MEL JAY OLSON (BYU '70)
Junior Varsity Coordinator

Approaching his eighth season on BYU staff, 32-year-old Mel Olson was added to the staff not long after graduation from BYU in 1970 . . . started as the JV coach, finishing his first two seasons undefeated with a 10-0 record . . . born Jan. 20, 1945 in Afton, Wyo., one of seven sons and daughters of Melvin and Wilda Olson . . . Mel was an all-state fullback and linebacker at Star Valley High for two years (1962-63) and also made all-state basketball as a senior . . . enrolled at BYU and played center and linebacker as a freshman . . . member of the 1965 WAC championship team . . . had a fine season as a center (1966) before accepting a church mission call

to Texas (1967-69) . . . returning to BYU, was voted to the All-WAC and Honorable Mention All-America teams (1969) his senior season . . . voted to second team on 15-year All-WAC football selections . . . married Susan Taylor of Provo; they have three children: Michael, 6; Kristen, 4; and Melissa, 2 . . . likes to golf . . . working on doctorate degree . . . phone 225-7193.

NORMAN CHOW (UTAH '68)
Receivers

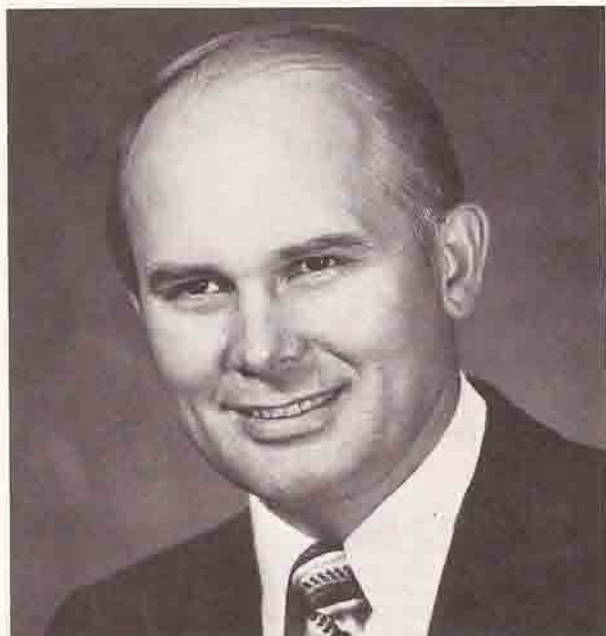
Among the newest members on the Cougar Staff, Norm enters his third full year at BYU . . . Norm steps into the job after two years working with BYU's football program as a graduate assistant pursuing a doctoral degree . . . graduated from Punahou High, Honolulu, Hawaii ('64) receiving school athlete of the year award for 1964 . . . entered the University of Utah and was voted All-WAC as an offensive guard (1967-68) . . . Honorable Mention All-America . . . played one year professional football in the Canada before forced to quit because of knee injury . . . after professional football, Norm received his Masters degree in Special Education from the University of Utah and took the head football coaching job at Waialua High School in Hawaii . . . coached in Hawaii for three years . . . returned to BYU to do doctorate work in Educational Psychology . . . Norm and wife, Diane, have a son, Carter, 3, and a daughter, Maile, 1 . . . phone 374-9085.

TRAINERS

Marv Roberson was born Mar. 21, 1932 in Long Beach, Calif. . . . raised in California and Oklahoma . . . graduated from Chickasha, Okla., 1950 . . . served on church mission to Central States (1951-53) . . . attended BYU (class of '57), graduated with B.S. degree . . . was shot putter and co-captain on track team (1956) . . . physical therapy degree from Stanford (1958) . . . M.S. degree from Stanford (1963) . . . assistant athletic trainer at Stanford (1958-62) . . . head trainer Foothill Junior College (1962-66) . . . assistant trainer for Oakland Raiders of AFL (1965) . . . joined BYU staff in 1966 . . . travels to Europe extensively, giving lectures on training techniques . . . was trainer for foreign track and field teams in two Olympics (Mexico and Munich) . . . married to former Doris Jean Belbutowski and they have three children . . . phone 375-3103.

Olavi Julkunen . . . called Olie . . . is the newest member of the staff . . . moving up as assistant athletic trainer when Rod Kimball retired . . . born in Kuopio, Finland on May 28, 1930 . . . was formerly a P.E. teacher at Minna Canth'in Yhteiskoulu in Finland . . . gained special training at the Finnish Sport Institute . . . moved to the United States in 1962 . . . lived in Green River, Wyoming . . . attended BYU 1969-71 . . . his wife is Maija Leena and they have four sons . . . phone 374-5794.

THE UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATION



Dr. Dallin Oaks, President

PRESIDENT OAKS

The President of Brigham Young University is youthful Dallin H. Oaks, who assumed the responsibilities of the nation's largest church-related institution of higher learning Aug. 1, 1971. President Oaks, a former professor of law at University of Chicago, replaced Dr. Ernest L. Wilkinson who served as president of BYU for a period of 20 years (1951-1971).

President Oaks graduated from BYU in 1954 with high honors, receiving the B.A. degree in accounting and economics. At University of Chicago Law School he received the Doctor of Jurisprudence degree in 1957, graduating cum laude, second in a class of 86, and was named to the Order of the Coif. He was also editor-in-chief of the university's Law Review in 1956-57.

He began his legal career as a law clerk to Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court, Earl Warren. A year later he entered private law practice in Chicago. In 1961 he became associate professor of law at University of Chicago, and was associate dean from May 1962 to January 1963, serving as dean during the last three months of this period. He was also Assistant States Attorney of Cook County (1964) and visiting professor of law at University of Michigan Law School (1968).

From January through June 1970, he was on leave of absence to serve as legal and research adviser to the Bill of Rights Committee of the Illinois Constitutional Convention. He became executive director of the American Bar Foundation (1970).

Pres. Oaks has been co-editor, co-author, or author of five books dealing with subjects of church and state, trust law, operation of criminal courts in Chicago. He has also authored about 50 articles in leading periodicals and other magazines.

He is president of the American Association of Presidents of Independent Colleges and Universities, a member of the American Bar Association Committee to Survey Legal Needs, the Advisory Council of the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, the Board of Governors of the Public Broadcasting Service, the American Law Institute, and a fellow of the American Bar Foundation.

Prominent in the LDS Church, he serves as a regional representative. He married June Dixon of Spanish Fork and they have six children and two grandchildren.

DR. CLAYNE R. JENSEN, Dean and Faculty Representative

An experienced and respected administrator, Dr. Clayne Jensen is beginning his fourth year as dean of the College of Physical Education, which encompasses BYU athletics . . . he replaced Dr. Milton F. Hartvigsen, who served as dean for nearly 19 years. . . . Dr. Jensen served in the capacity of assistant dean beginning in 1968 before becoming dean . . . he was also full professor within the college . . . born March 17, 1930 in Gunnison, Utah . . . he graduated from the University of Utah in 1956, and obtained his doctorate from Indiana in 1963 . . . from 1953-55 he was a captain in the U.S. Marine Corps, and coached two all-Marine championship teams in track and field . . . was teaching assistant at Utah (1955-56) and Indiana (1961-62) . . . was faculty member at Utah State (1956-64), and associate professor and coordinator of college programs, P.E. at BYU (1965-67) . . . member of Phi Kappa Phi and recipient of Breithbard Athletic Foundation Award (1955) . . . author of several books and texts . . . member and chairman of several professional boards and special committees dealing with recreation and parks . . . holds membership in five professional organizations . . . has traveled 44 states and 18 countries . . . married to former Elouise Henrie, and they have four boys: Craig, 22; Mike (was a defensive back on BYU football team, as was Craig), 19; Blake, 17; and Chris 12.

DR. GLEN TUCKETT, Athletic Director

The athletic surge continues forward at Brigham Young University as Glen Tuckett launches into his second year as Cougar Athletic Director. . . . A year ago he replaced Stan Watts, who moved into retirement after 29 years as coach and administrator . . . the choice was no surprise to those who follow athletics and who, for many years, have come to regard Tuckett as one of the outstanding members of the Cougar staff . . . Dean Clayne Jensen summed it up well in the announcement of Tuckett's appointment when he said: "Glen is a very high quality person, and he prepared himself well for this position. He has the respect of his colleagues, both on campus and away from campus, and he has the support of the administration. I'm confident Glen will do an outstanding job as director of athletics". . . . Responded Tuckett: "For a country boy from Murray to be called to a position like this is really flattering. My concern is with the whole athletic program, and my real desire is to carry on the job done by my predecessors". . . . like his predecessor, Tuckett is also a native of Murray, Utah, where he was an all-around athlete at Murray High . . . he entered professional baseball after graduation, but continued his studies at the University of Utah where he obtained his B.S. degree in 1953 . . . Glen spent nine seasons in professional ball and twice was selected on all-star teams . . . and he usually led the league in fielding his position . . . he launched his coaching career at West High School in Salt Lake City, where he coached three sports . . . in 1960 he joined the staff at BYU . . . since then his teams won 13 division titles, three conference champions, and two NCAA District 7 crowns . . . his teams went to College World Series in Omaha twice . . . one of the high points of his career came in 1974, when he was chosen as coach of the United States team which won the World Amateur Baseball Tournament for only the second time in the tourney's 22-year history . . . Tuckett is the 1977 president of the American Association of College Baseball Coaches . . . used to be a color commentator for KSL Radio before his athletic director appointment . . . voted outstanding teacher at BYU . . . obtained his M.S. degree from BYU in 1962, and last summer received his doctorate . . . currently serving as Bishop of the Edgemont Sixth Ward in Provo. . . . Glen is married to the former Josephine Whittaker of Stockport, England, and they have four daughters: Alison, 16; Shannon, 15; Kendall, 11; and Erin, four.



*Dr. Clayne Jensen
College Dean*



*Dr. Glen Tuckett
Athletic Director*



*Dr. Wendell Vance
Team Physician*



*Scott Williams
Special Events*



*Alan "Pete" Witbeck
Assistant to Director*



*Floyd R. Taylor
Business Manager*



*Dave Schulthess
Sports Information*



*LaRae Hawkins
Ticket Manager*



*Marv Roberson
Head Trainer*



*Floyd Johnson
Equipment Manager*



BYU climaxed a most successful season with an appearance in Florida bowl game

1976 IN REVIEW

MOST WINS, PLUS TANGERINE BOWL

If nothing else, BYU's football team cleared one major hurdle in 1976, —they dropped the "slow starter" image that dogged them the three previous seasons.

There's nothing slow about a 9-2 record and a bid to the Tangerine Bowl, to be sure. But there was a time, just after the season opener against Kansas State at Manhattan, when the Cougars must have wondered.

In 1974 BYU dropped its first three games, albeit by small margins, before hitting a win streak of seven games that carried them all the way to the Fiesta Bowl. In 1975 the Cougars lost three in a row before winning six of their next seven games.

Then in the '76 opener at Manhattan it happened again. A fumble by a punter in the first quarter turned the ball over to the Wildcats who scored on the next play. It was the only TD scored by either team in the game, and BYU went down to a 13-3 defeat.

Coach LaVell Edwards and the Cougars turned things around the following week with a convincing 42-18 defeat of Colorado State. They walked through the valley of defeat only once thereafter—a tight 34-29 loss to Wyoming, WAC co-champion on the way to the Tangerine Bowl.

The nine wins was the most-ever for the Cougars, and their aerial game helped vault them into the top-twenty in one wire service poll.

Listed below is a game-by-game summary of last season:

KANSAS STATE 13, BRIGHAM YOUNG 3

Sept. 11 — Day Game at Manhattan (27,100)

The season opener was one of those "could've" games for the Cougars. BYU had only ten men on the field when a Cougar player fumbled an attempted punt and the Wildcats recovered on the one. KS punched it over the next play for the only touchdown scored in the game. "Their defensive line beat our offensive line," noted Edwards in a post-game review. The victory was the only one of the year for the Wildcats who went 1-10 for the season.

BRIGHAM YOUNG 42, COLORADO STATE 18

Sept. 18 — Night Game at Provo (33,013)

Venting their frustration on the visiting Rams, the Cougars scored in every quarter. Gifford Nielsen hit on four touchdown passes (three of them to split end John VanDerWouden) John also caught a fourth touchdown pass from reserve quarterback Terry McEwen in the final quarter. Jeff Blanc gained 72 yards rushing, and tailback Dave Lowry had a sparkling 59-yard kickoff return. BYU gave up 127 yards on penalties. VanDerWouden was named WAC offensive player of the week. Colorado State finished the season with a 6-5 record.

BRIGHAM YOUNG 23, ARIZONA 16

Sept. 25 — Night Game (rain) at Tucson (31,000)

Heavy, unseasonal rains drenched the stadium before the kickoff, cutting the crowd to 31,000 for the pivotal contest. Arizona stayed with the ground game, netting 194 yards and one touchdown. Each team kicked three field goals and scored one touchdown to put the score at 16-16. With 18-seconds remaining in the game, Gifford Nielsen fought off some charging linemen and scrambled wide, where he threw a desperation pass that went over the hands of two Arizona defenders and into the arms of split end George Harris who stepped into the end zone for the winning touchdown with just :03 showing on the clock. This could be regarded as a key win for the Cougars, since both BYU and Arizona were considered contenders for the WAC title. Arizona finished 5-6 for the year.

BRIGHAM YOUNG 8, SAN DIEGO STATE 0

Oct. 2 — Night Game at San Diego (41,786)

Nobody could pick the final score on this one, since it was supposed to be one of those high-scoring battles pitting the running of David Turner of SDS against the passing of BYU's Gifford Nielsen. Nary a touchdown was scored. Sophomore Dave Taylor kicked two field goals, and the Cougars tallied two more points on a safety midway through the third period. Nielsen hit on 10 of 25 for 80 yards, his lowest output of the season. It was the first blanking of SDS in 57 consecutive games, and BYU line backer Rod Wood was chosen WAC defensive player of the week. The Aztecs rebounded after that defeat and finished the year with a 10-1 record. It was BYU's first shut out since 1970, only the third in 12 seasons.

WYOMING 34, BRIGHAM YOUNG 29

Oct. 9 — Day (Homecoming) at Provo (35,423)

Second largest crowd on record at BYU watched in disbelief as the Cowboys ran up a 34-7 lead well into the final quarter. Wyoming ran the wishbone down the Cougars' throat, netting 429 yards rushing for the game. But the Cats suddenly came to life in the fourth quarter. Dave Lowry scored on a 39-yard run to up the score 34-15. Wyoming fumbled soon after, and it took seven plays for the Cougars to score again on a Nielsen-to-Thompson pass with 3:13 remaining. After the kickoff Wyoming fumbled again, and BYU recovered on the four-yard line. Nielsen passed to VanDerWouden in the end zone to bring the score to 29-34 with 2:05 remaining. The nightmare continued for Wyoming as BYU recovered an onside kick on the Cowboys' 47 yard line. But the clock and the Cougars' luck ran out. Wyoming finished with an 8-3 record, WAC co-champion.

BRIGHAM YOUNG 63, SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI 19

Oct. 16 — Day Game at Provo (23,029)

In the last game of the '75 season the Eagles steam-rolled over BYU, 42-14, so the Cougars figured they had a score to settle. BYU exploded in the second quarter with 28 points. Nielsen hit 23 of 31 attempts for three touchdowns before he was relieved in the fourth quarter with 10 minutes remaining. John VanDerWouden caught seven passes for 163 yards and



Defensive end Verner and receiver Harris

one TD. Eleven different receivers caught passes. "Today was the first time we put both the offense and defense together," said Edwards, "and we got everything we wanted from the running game (198 yards on 49 carries)." So, Miss had a 2-9 season.

BRIGHAM YOUNG 45, UTAH STATE 14

Oct. 23 — Day Game at Provo (23,124)

Going full throttle against rival Utah State, the Cougars scored in every quarter. Gifford Nielsen came out of the game with about 14-minutes remaining. But he had the best day any collegiate passer had this season: 28 of 48 for 468 yards and five touchdowns. Sub quarterback Terry McEwen stepped in to go 6-for-10, to boost BYU passing yardage to 509 yards. Flanker Mike Chronister caught a total of nine for 182 yards. Tailbacks Jeff Blanc and Dave Lowry had 125 yards rushing between them. Utah State had to settle for a 3-8 record by season's end. Giff netted national honors.

BRIGHAM YOUNG 43, ARIZONA STATE 21

Oct. 30 — Day Game at Provo (29,394)

Before the season started, the dopesters had this one tagged as the WAC game that would determine the championship. Both came into the game with identical 2-1 league records. Game got off to a wild start with the score reading 21-17, ASU, at the end of the first quarter. Nielsen hit 20 of 37 (two touchdowns), and Blanc kept the Devils honest with 82 yards rushing for 20 carries. Taylor kicked three field goals (longest of 45 yards) and added four extra points. Edwards described the game as, "one of the best wins we have ever had, and a total effort by the players and coaches." ASU was 4-7 for season.

BRIGHAM YOUNG 40, TEXAS-EL PASO 27

Nov. 6 — Day Game at Provo (24,644)

It was a record-setting afternoon for the Cougars, but the score was tied 27-27 at the half. The Cougars pulled away on a pair of field goals by Dave Taylor (40 and 33). Jeremiah had an outstanding game on defense. Despite tough battle against BYU, Texas-El Paso didn't fare well during the season, finishing with 1-10 overall record.



Tailback Roger Gourley in run against OSE

BRIGHAM YOUNG 21, NEW MEXICO 8

Nov. 13—Day Game (Regional TV) at Albuquerque (18,038)

With temperatures below freezing and strong winds, the two teams were slow in getting started. Nielsen passed for two touchdowns and the Cougars were ahead 12-0 at the half. A field goal by Taylor moved the score to 15-0. Giff put the game on ice with another TD pass to VanDerWouden. Not an outstanding game, but it moved BYU closer to a share of the title. The Lobos finished with a 4-7 overall record.

BRIGHAM YOUNG 34, UTAH 12

Nov. 20 — Day Game at Salt Lake City (30,503)

As the last obstacle between the Cats and a share of the title, Utah figured a win would make their season. They knew Nielsen would pass, and set their defenses accordingly. It didn't help much, and Nielsen passed for 415 yards (three touchdowns) to join a group of eight players in history of the game who have passed for more than 3,000 yards in one season. WAC and school records tumbled. BYU rolled up 183 yards rushing and rushed for two touchdowns. Utah set a pass record of its own, going to the air 51 times. Defensively the Cougars gave up only 65 yards rushing. Utes ended with a 3-8 overall record.

OKLAHOMA STATE 49, BRIGHAM YOUNG 21

Dec. 18. — Night Game at Orlando, Florida (37,812)

Powerful Oklahoma State, sparked by All-America Terry Miller (173 yards rushing on 23 carries) used four pass interceptions and a fumble recovery to capture the Tangerine Bowl contest. Defensively, the Cowboys yielded only 46 yards rushing. The Cougars, however, stayed close in the first half, which ended 28-14. But Dave Lowry returned the second half kickoff 102 yards (a Tangerine Bowl record) to bring the score to 21-28. The crowd of 37,812 fans who watched the game saw the two teams, who met in the Fiesta Bowl in 1974, roll up 70 points between them.



Dave Lowry's 102-yard kickoff return



Fan support during Disneyworld tour

1976 STATISTICS

RUSHING							
Player, Pos:	Carries	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Blanc, TB	149	625	31	594	3	33	4.0
Christensen, FB	91	357	4	353	2	15	3.9
Lowry, TB	75	328	20	308	4	39	4.1
Gourley, FB	35	172	0	172	1	25	4.9
Chronister, FL	3	68	0	68	1	45	22.7
Ward, FB	6	37	0	37	0	16	6.2
Kahuanui, TB	6	26	2	24	0	8	4.3
Van Valkenburg, TB	5	13	5	8	0	5	1.6
McEwen, QB	5	16	10	6	0	8	1.2
VanDerWouden, SE	1	3	0	3	1	3	3.0
Nielsen, QB	77	103	376	-273	1	11	
Center Pass	1	0	18	-18			
BYU TOTALS:	454	1748	466	1282	13	45	2.8
OPP TOTALS:	539	2179	472	1707	13	80	3.2

PASSING							
Player	Comp.	Att.	HI	Per.	Yards	TD	CPG.
Nielsen	207	372	19	.556	3192	29	18.8
McEwen	15	29	0	.517	179	2	3.0
VanDerWouden	1	1	0	1.000	15	0	0.1
Lowry	0	1	0	.000	0	0	
BYU TOTALS:	223	403	19	.553	3386	31	20.3
OPP TOTALS:	122	280	23	.436	1837	9	11.1

TOTAL OFFENSE							
Player	Plays	Rush	Pass	Total	TDR	APP	APG
Nielsen	449	-273	3192	2919	30	6.5	265.4
BYU TOTALS:	857	1282	3386	4668	44	5.4	424.4
OPP TOTALS:	819	1707	1837	3544	22	4.3	322.2

SCORING					
Player, Pos.	TD	PAT	2 Pt.	FG	Pts.
Taylor, K	0	34-38	0-0	15-29	79
VanDerWouden, SE	9	0-0	0-0	0-0	54
Chronister, FL	8	0-0	2-2	0-0	52
Lowry, TB	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	36
Blanc, TB	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	30
Christensen, FB	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	30
Harris, SE	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	18
Gourley, FB	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	12
Nilsson, FL	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	12
Thompson, TE	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	12
Billick, TE	1	0-0	1-1	0-0	8
Nielsen, QB	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	6
Team			0-3	(Safety)	2
BYU TOTALS:	44	34-38	3-6	15-29	351
OPP TOTALS:	22	17-19	2-3	9-13	182

RECEIVING					
Player	No.	Yards	TD	YPC	CPG
Christensen	51	510	3	10.0	4.6
VanDerWouden	42	669	8	15.9	3.8
Chronister	31	706	7	22.8	2.8
Miller	6	66	0	11.0	2.0
Billick	20	338	1	16.9	1.8
Blanc	18	190	2	10.6	1.6
Thompson	13	227	2	17.5	1.2
Lowry	13	145	2	11.2	1.2
Harris	12	327	3	27.3	1.1
Eldredge	1	21	0	21.0	1.0
Gourley	8	84	1	10.5	.7
Nilsson	6	73	2	12.2	.5
Ward	1	14	0	14.0	.2
Zwahlen	1	16	0	16.0	.1
BYU TOTALS:	223	3386	31	15.2	20.3
OPP TOTALS:	122	1837	9	15.1	11.1

PUNT RETURNS			
Player	No.	Yards	Avg.
Chronister	20	152	7.6
Blanc	10	51	5.1
Zwahlen	6	20	3.3
Coloma	2	0	
BYU TOTALS:	38	223	5.9
OPP TOTALS:	19	90	4.7

KICKOFF RETURNS			
Player	No.	Yards	Avg.
Lowry	26	544	20.9
Coloma	2	59	29.5

Christensen	1	14	14.0
Gourley	1	5	5.0
BYU TOTALS:	30	622	20.7
OPP TOTALS:	42	742	17.7

PUNTING			
Player	No.	Yards	Avg.
Lowry	64	2462	38.5
Winder	1	28	28.0
BYU TOTALS:	65	2490	38.3
OPP TOTALS:	74	2862	38.7

INTERCEPTION RETURNS			
Player	No.	Yards	APG
Hernandez	6	79	.5
Jensen	5	54	.5
Miller	4	49	.4
Swenson	2	31	.2
Murdock	2	24	.2
Coloma	1	18	.1
Varner	1	17	.1
Wood	1	4	.1
Biddy	1	0	.2
BYU TOTALS:	23	276	2.1
OPP TOTALS:	19	157	1.7



SCORING BY QUARTERS					
BYU	64	123	72	92	— 351
OPP	58	77	20	27	— 182

FUMBLE RECOVERIES	
Wood, Dewey	3
Jensen, Kanahela, Murdock, Rice	2
Ane, Coloma, Prested, Ieremia	1
Terranova, Varner, Wilgar, Kama	1
BYU TOTALS: (Opp Fum. 33)	22
OPP TOTALS: (BYU Fum. 23)	9

TEAM STATISTICS	
BYU	OPP
351	182
31.9	16.5
214	191
19.5	17.4
1282	1707
116.5	155.2
3386	1837
307.8	167.0
4668	3544
424.4	322.2
981	801
89.2	72.8
23-9	33-22
.8	2.0

SPECIAL HONORS - 1976 SEASON

Gifford Nielsen, Quarterback

- All-America first team, Football Writers of America
- All-America second team, United Press
- All-America second team, Associated Press
- Number one nationally in touchdown passes (29)
- Second nationally in total offense (2919, 265.5 yards/game)
- Second nationally in passing yards (3192)
- Fourth nationally in passing completions (207, 18.8 cpg)
- Conference Offensive Player of the Year
- Utah Collegiate Player of the Year
- Ranked Sixth in Heisman voting
- WAC Offensive Player of Week (Utah State)
- WAC Offensive Player of Week (Arizona)
- UPI Backfield of Week (Utah State)
- UPI Backfield of Week, honorable mention (UTEP)
- Fifth on All-Time List Possing One Season (3-92)
- Winner of Dale Rex Memorial Trophy, 1976
- Set WAC record attempts (372)
- Set WAC record completions (207)
- Set WAC record touchdown passes (29)
- Set WAC record yards (3,192)
- Set WAC record total offense (2,919)
- Tied WAC record plays (449)
- Tied WAC record touchdowns responsible for (30)
- NCAA 1976 single game leader in most rushing and passing yards (455, Utah State)
- NCAA 1976 single game leader in most passing yards (468, Utah State)
- NCAA 1976 single game leader in most touchdown passes (5, Utah State)

Blake Murdock, Linebacker

- All-America honorable mention, Associated Press
- All-WAC first team
- Utah Defensive Player of the Year
- WAC Defensive Player of Week (Utah)

Mekeli Ieremia, Defensive Tackle

- All-America honorable mention, Associated Press
- All-WAC first team
- WAC Defensive Player of Week, honorable mention (Texas-El Paso)

Dave Hubbard, Offensive Tackel

- All-America honorable mention, Associated Press
- All-WAC first team
- Senior Bowl, North team
- Blue-Grey, All Star Game

Jeff Blanc, Running Back

- All-America honorable mention, Associated Press
- All-WAC first team
- Holds BYU record for Career Rushes (625)
- Holds BYU record for Touchdowns (29)
- Holds BYU record for Points Scored (174)
- Holds records for Most Yards Rushing (2718)

Steve Miller, Offensive Guard

- National Football Foundation Scholar-Athlete
- Academic All-American second team, 3.83 pre-med.
- Academic All-Conference

Rod Wood, Linebacker

- All-America honorable mention, Associated Press
- All-WAC first team
- WAC Defensive Player of Week (San Diego State)
- WAC Defensive Player of Week (Arizona State)

Brian Billick, Tight End

- All-America honorable mention, Associated Press
- All-WAC first team

Bill Rice, Defensive Tackle

- All-America honorable mention, Associated Press
- All-WAC first team

Dana Wilgar, Defensive Back

- All-America honorable mention, Associated Press
- All-WAC first team

Mike Chronister, Wide Receiver

- WAC Offensive Player of Week, honorable mention (Texas-El Paso)

John VanDerWouden, Split End

- WAC Offensive Player of Week (Colorado State)

Steve Dewey, Defensive End

- Academic All-Conference, 3.36

Craig Jensen, Cornerback

- Academic All-Conference, 3.06

1976 ATTENDANCE

Kansas State at Manhattan	27,1000
Colorado State at Provo	33,013
Arizona at Tucson (est.)	31,000
San Diego State at San Diego	41,786
Wyoming at Provo	35,423
Southern Mississippi at Provo	23,029
Utah State at Provo	24,074
Arizona State at Provo	29,854
Texas-El Paso at Provo	24,644
New Mexico at Albuquerque	18,038
Utah at Salt Lake City	30,503
Oklahoma State at Orlando, Fla.	37,812

Road Average: 31,040 (186,239)

Home Average: 28,340 (170,037)

Average: 29,690 (356,276)

WHERE THEY ARE FROM

Utah	40	Washington	3
California	36	Nevada	2
Hawaii	5	Arizona	2
Idaho	4	Oregon	2
Colorado	4	Texas	2

One each from Canada, Florida, Illinois, Ohio, New York, Georgia, Wyoming, Maryland, Tennessee, and Virginia.



Ready for another season, members of BYU's coaching staff are (kneeling) Dick Felt (defensive coordinator), Doug Scovil (offensive coordinator), LaVell Edwards (head coach), Dave Kragthorpe (assistant head coach), (standing) Garth Hall (running backs), Norm Chow (receivers), Fred Whittingham (linebackers), Tom Ramage (defensive line), and Mel Olson (junior varsity coordinator)

COUGARS IN POST SEASON GAMES

Blue-Gray Classic

- 1966—Virgil Carter, quarterback
- 1970—Chris Farasopoulos, defensive back
- 1971—Jeff Lyman, linebacker
- 1972—Pete Van Valkenburg, running back
Dan Hansen, safety
- 1975—Brad Oates, offensive tackle
Stan Varner, defensive end
- 1976—Dave Hubbard, offensive tackle

All-America Bowl

- 1972—Dan Hansen, safety
- 1973—Dave Brooks, offensive tackle
- 1975—Brad Oates, offensive tackle

College All-Star

- 1967—Curg Belcher, monsterback
- 1968—Craig Bozich, linebacker
- 1971—Gordon Gravelle, offensive guard
- 1972—Paul Howard, offensive guard
- 1973—Dave Atkinson, defensive back

Senior Bowl

- 1967—Curg Belcher, monsterback
- 1970—Chris Farasopoulos, defensive back
- 1971—Jeff Lyman, linebacker
- 1972—Pete Van Valkenburg, running back
(Team MVP)
Paul Howard, offensive guard

- 1974—Wayne Baker, defensive tackle
(MVP defense)
- 1975—Brad Oates, offensive tackle
Stan Varner, defensive end
- 1976—Dave Hubbard, offensive tackle

Coaches All-America Bowl

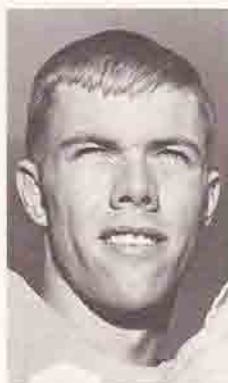
- 1968—Phil Odle, split end
- 1972—Pete Van Valkenburg, running back
Paul Howard, offensive guard
- 1974—Paul Linford, defensive tackle
Keith Rivera, defensive end
Mike Russell, defensive back
- 1975—Brad Oates, offensive tackle
Orrin Olsen, center

East-West Shrine Game

- 1943—Reed E. Nilsen, linebacker
- 1968—Phil Odle, split end
- 1971—Gordon Gravelle, offensive guard
- 1972—Paul Howard, offensive guard
- 1973—Dave Atkinson, defensive back

Hula Bowl

- 1953—Harry Bray, tackle
- 1960—John Kapele, offensive tackle
- 1963—Eldon Fortie, running back
- 1968—Phil Odle, split end



Virgil Carter
1966



Gordon Gravelle
1970



P. VanValkenburg
1972



Phil Odle
1967



C. Farasopoulos
1970

HISTORY OF FOOTBALL AT BYU

To say that football players are bigger and better than they were a half century ago when the sport first began at Brigham Young University is an understatement. But the facts simply are that football is establishing its own tradition and the plaudits that have been rolling in recently, make the Cougars one of the recognized powers in the Rocky Mountains.

Actually, the game was part of campus life at the turn of the century in Provo, but a fatality brought its discontinuance. It was not adopted again until 1922 as part of the school's intercollegiate program. Take away three more years during World War II when football was suspended, and you have a total of 51 years of football history.

In its first 50 years the Cougars have had a total of 11 coaches and played over 400 games. The Cougars have not been able to claim any undefeated seasons, but there were some highlights. The Ott Romney team of 1932 posted an 8-1 season, and the Cougars' first conference championship came fairly recently under Tommy Hudspeth in 1965. Since then the Cougars have won another league championships (1974) and played in the Fiesta Bowl. The Tangerine Bowl appearance in 1976 was the Cougars' first "earned" invitation to post-season action. In 1976 they tied for the league championship, but lost to Wyoming who was one of three teams to upend BYU that season.

When the talk turns to individual talent produced in that first half-century, however, the Cougars can keep the floor for a while; some BYU players have won national acclaim, and others are listed in the NCAA record book.

Those of recent vintage include Eldon "The Phantom" Forte (whose number 40 jersey has been retired) who was named to several All-American selections in 1962. Forte, a single-wing tailback, was among the national leaders in total offense for that year.

More recently, quarterback, Virgil Carter (1964-66) won a host of honors as an outstanding player from BYU. During his tenure with the Cougars, Carter set three major offensive records. One of those NCAA marks—most yards rushing and passing in one game (599 against UTEP)—still stands. In all, Virgil accounted for 6,354 yards total offensive and was responsible for a total of 68 touchdowns in his three-year career with the Cougars. Carter was also named to the Academic All-American selection for two seasons.

One of Carter's favorite targets was Phil Odle (1965-67), who ranks among the top receivers in col-

lege ball in receptions, receiving yardage and touchdown catches. Phil ended his career with a total of 181 receptions for 2,548 yards and 25 touchdowns.

Chris Farasopoulos (1968-70), the Galloping Greek from BYU, led the nation in punt returns and set two NCAA kick-return records in 1969. Kick-returns were also the specialty of Golden Richards (1970-71) who also led the nation in punt returns (1971). Richards is still listed with four existing NCAA kick-return records.

Five years ago Fleet Pete VanValkenburg (1970-72) was the nation's leading rusher, setting several WAC and school records in the process. Pete was named to second and third team All-American selections and played in three post-season games.

Linemen of special note in recent seasons include defensive end Jeff Slipp (1969), offensive guard Gordon Gravelle (1970), and offensive lineman Paul Howard (1972). Three years ago the Cougars had two top defensive linemen in Wayne Baker and Paul Linford. Two years ago the Cougars had two outstanding interior linemen in Brad Oates and Orrin Olsen, both of whom won national notice.

Three years ago a young BYU sophomore, split end Jay Miller, led the nation in pass receptions (100) and caught more passes in one game (22) than any player in the history of the game. The following year, and the year after, quarterback Gary Sheide was runner-up for the NCAA passing crown.

Gifford Nielsen, a homespun all-around athlete, garnered some of the quarterback honors that eluded Carter and Sheide. For the 1976 season Nielsen established his own realm, leading the nation in touchdown passes for the season (29) and single game (5). Other single game marks that Nielsen paced for the nation were in rushing-passing (455 yards) and passing (468 yards). A consensus All-American, Nielsen balloted sixth in Heisman Trophy voting and set several WAC and school records.

Not to be forgotten for some time is Jeff Blanc who closed out his career last season as BYU's top career rusher with 2,618 yards. He churned for 29 touchdowns, scored 174 points and had 625 rushing attempts while at BYU from 1973-76.

BYU can claim three Western Athletic Conference football championships; 1965, 1974, and 1976. The Cougars represented the WAC in the 1974 Fiesta Bowl, losing to Oklahoma State, 16-6. Again they met Oklahoma State in the 1976 Tangerine Bowl, losing 49-21.

COUGARS HOLDING NCAA RECORDS

Listed below are football players from Brigham Young University who are listed in the NCAA's **Modern Record Book** (1976 issue) as having the all-time best performances in the history of the college game:

- Most Yards Gained Total Offense - One Game**
599 - Virgil Carter, Brigham Young vs. Texas-El Paso, November 5, 1966
- Highest Average Gain Per Play - One Game**
9.5 - Virgil Carter, Brigham Young vs. Texas-El Paso, November 5, 1966
- Most Passes Caught - One Game**
22 - Jay Miller, Brigham Young vs. New Mexico, November 3, 1973 (263 Yards)
- Most Yards on Punt Returns - One Game**
219 - Golden Richards, Brigham Young vs. North Texas, September 10, 1971 (5 Returns)
- Most Touchdowns Scored on Punt Returns - One Season**
4 - Golden Richards, Brigham Young, 1971
- Most Yards on Kick Returns - One Game**
247 - Golden Richards, Brigham Young vs. North Texas, September 10, 1971 (7 Returns)
- Highest Average Per Kick Return - One Game**
35.3 - Golden Richards, Brigham Young vs. North Texas, September 10, 1971 (7 for 247)

Best Single Game

- Total Offense Yards - One Game**
1st - 599 - Virgil Carter (Texas-El Paso), November 5, 1966

Passing Yards - One Game

5th - 513 - Virgil Carter (Texas-El Paso), November 5, 1966

Passes Caught - One Game

1st - 22 - Jay Miller (New Mexico), November 3, 1973

Most Field Goals Made in First Career Game

5 - Joe Lilienquist (Colorado State), Sept. 20, 1969

BYU National Leaders

The players listed below led the nation in particular categories in past seasons.

- 1976 - **Single Game High in Rushing-Passing**
455 yards - Gifford Nielsen (Utah State)
- Single Game High in Passing**
468 yards - Gifford Nielsen (Utah State)
- Most Touchdown Passes in One Game**
5 - Gifford Nielsen (Utah State)
- Most Touchdown Passes in Season**
29 - Gifford Nielsen
- 1966 - **Total Offense** - Virgil Carter, 2,545 yards
- 1972 - **Rushing** - Pete VanValkenburg, 138.6 yards per game
- 1973 - **Pass Receiving** - Jay Miller, 1,181 yards for season
- 1969 - **Punt Returns** - Chris Farasopoulos, 35 for 527 yards (15.1 average)
- 1971 - **Punt Returns** - Golden Richards, 33 for 624 yards (18.9 average)
- 1960 - **Kickoff Returns** - Bruce Samples, 50 for 1,375 yards (27.5 average)

PLAYERS IN PRO RANKS

(Bold face are still active in pro ranks)

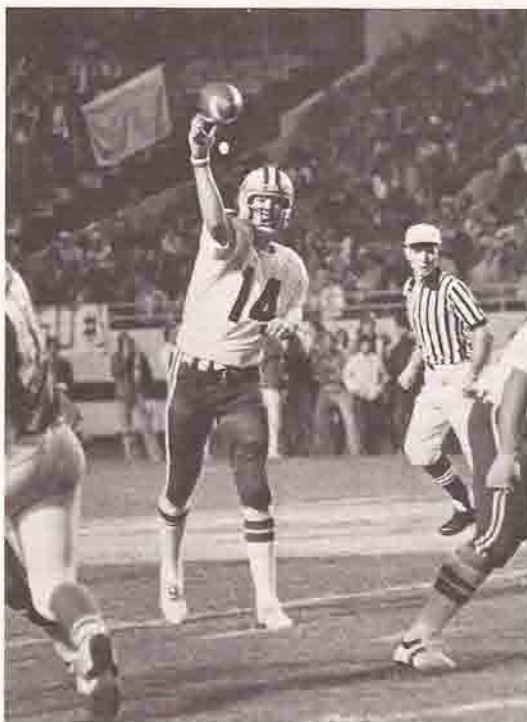
- 1943 Reed E. Nilsen, linebacker
- 1951 C. Rex Berry, defensive back San Francisco 49ers
- 1954 Dick Felt, running back, Boston Patriots, New York Titans
- 1956 Jay Weenig, offensive guard, Detroit Lions
- 1958 Fred Whittingham, end, L.A. Rams, Dallas Cowboys, New Orleans Saints
- 1959 John Kapele, offensive tackle, Pittsburgh Steelers
Lonnie Dennis, offensive guard, Vancouver
Nyle McFarlane, running back, Oakland Raiders, Dallas Cowboys
- 1962 Eldon Fortie, running back, Canada
- 1964 Phil Brady, running back, Montreal Alouettes, Denver Broncos
Bruce Smith, end, New Orleans Saints, Pittsburgh Steelers
- 1965 Dennis Brewster, offensive tackle Chicago Bears
- 1966 Virgil Carter, quarterback, Chicago Bears, Cincinnati Bengals
- 1967 Phil Odle, split end, Detroit Lions
Max Huber, offensive tackle, Calgary Stampeders
- 1968 Roger Scales, offensive guard, Calgary Stampeders
- 1969 Dan Bowers, tight end, Detroit Lions
- 1970 Chris Farasopoulos, defensive back, New York Jets
- 1971 Gordon Gravelle, offensive guard, Pittsburgh Steelers
Golden Richards, wide receiver, Dallas Cowboys
- 1972 John Konihowski, track, Calgary Stampeders
Paul Howard, offensive guard, Denver Broncos
Pete Van Valkenburg, running back, Saskatchewan Roughriders
Dan Hansen, wide receiver, Canada
John Monahan, offensive guard-kicker, Cleveland
- 1973 Dave Atkinson, cornerback, Hawaii (WFL)
- 1974 Gary Sheide, quarterback, Cincinnati Bengals
Mike Russell, cornerback, Atlanta Falcons and Canada
Wayne Baker, defensive tackle, San Francisco 49ers (now in Canada)
Larry Carr, linebacker, Calgary Stampeders
Lloyd Fairbanks, offensive guard, Calgary Stampeders
Paul Linford, defensive tackle, Baltimore Colts, Green Bay Packers
Keith Rivera, defensive end, Detroit Lions
- 1975 Brad Oates, offensive tackle, St. Louis Cardinals
Orrin Olsen, center, Kansas City Chiefs
Gary Shaw, defensive back, Los Angeles Rams (now with Hamilton Tiger Cats)
Sid Smith, linebacker, Tampa Bay (now in Canada)
Stan Varner, defensive end, Atlanta (now with Los Angeles Rams)
- 1976 Dave Hubbard defensive tackle, New Orleans Saints
Bill Rice, defensive tackle, New York Giants
Brian Billick, tight end, San Francisco 49ers
Dave Lowry, running back, Seattle Seahawks
Jeff Blanc, running back, St. Louis Cardinals



Christensen snares pass against OSU



A better view from bench in Orlando



Nielsen: A December night in Florida



Mark Terranova heads into Cowboys on long kick-return

OPPONENTS

No. 1 - Kansas State

September 10 - 7:30 at Provo

LOCATION: Manhattan, Kansas
CONFERENCE: Big Eight
COLORS: Purple and White
MASCOT: Wildcats
STADIUM: KSU Stadium (42,000)
ENROLLMENT: 17,171
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Jersey Jermier
HEAD COACH: Ellis Rainsberger (KSU '58)
1976 RECORD: 1-10 overall
SEASON: Third RECORD: 4-18
CONFERENCE: 0-7, 8th
1976 VICTORIES: KSU 13, BYU 3
1976 LOSSES: Texas A&M (14-34), Wake Forest (0-13), Florida State (10-20), Missouri (21-28), Nebraska (0-51), Kansas (14-24), Iowa State (14-45), Oklahoma (20-49), Oklahoma State (21-45), Colorado (28-35).
SEASON OUTLOOK: With all 11 starters returning to the offense, the promise to be highly competitive doesn't fall on deaf ears. Wendell Hendrickson solves the quarterback option and ranked third in Big Eight passing last year. Defense is weak, but rallies around linebacker Gary Spani; 32 letter-men returning in all.
PLAYERS TO WATCH: Linebacker Gary Spani is back again. He is All-Big Eight for his second year, and 6-7, 304-pound Bobby Thompson is only a sophomore on the offensive line.
SPORTS INFORMATION DIRECTOR: Glen Stone
SID OFFICE PHONE: (913) 532-5855
SID HOME PHONE: (913) 537-1077

No. 2 - Utah State

September 24 - 12:50 at Logan

LOCATION: Logan, Utah
CONFERENCE: Independent
COLORS: Navy Blue and White
MASCOT: Big Blue, Utags, Aggies
STADIUM: Romney (20,000)
ENROLLMENT: 9,113
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Ladell Anderson
HEAD COACH: Bruce Snyder (Oregon '63)
SEASON: Second
1976 RECORD: 3-8
1976 VICTORIES: Utah (28-17), Weber State (36-10), Pacific (31-17)
1976 LOSSES: San Jose State (45-10), Arkansas (33-16), Long Beach State (32-10), Wyoming (20-3), Oregon (27-9), CSU (10-7), BYU (45-14), San Diego State (7-6)
SERIES RECORD WITH BYU: The Aggies still maintain a big lead 30-19-3 but BYU has won the last two.
SEASON OUTLOOK: Prospects are good and the Aggies will improve on their 3-8 record of a year ago, due to improvement of the offensive line and backfield with JC transfers. The defensive secondary will be strong, but the defensive line will be a question depending on how newcomers (JC) will perform.
PLAYERS TO WATCH: Quarterback Keith Myers, linebacker Claude Nelson, and defensive back Curt Nading.
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SID HOME PHONE: (801) 752-7101

No. 3 - New Mexico

September 30 - 7:30 at Provo

LOCATION: Albuquerque, New Mexico
CONFERENCE: Western Athletic
COLORS: Cherry and Silver, Turquoise
MASCOT: Lobos, Wolfpack
STADIUM: University (30,710)
ENROLLMENT: 21,529
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Lavon McDonald
HEAD COACH: Bill Mondt (Colorado '59)
SEASON: Fourth RECORD: 14-18-1
1976 RECORD: 4-7 overall
CONFERENCE: 3-4, 5th tie
1976 VICTORIES: UTEP (25-7), CSU (33-20), San Jose State (36-30), Arizona (21-15)
1976 LOSSES: Texas Tech (16-20), Wyoming (23-24), Arizona State (15-31), New Mexico State (7-16), Utah (31-34), BYU (8-21), San Diego State (14-17)
SEASON OUTLOOK: Explosive offensively, questionable on defense. Almost all of the firepower (11th in the nation in total offense) is back, including WAC's leading rusher Mike Williams (10th in nation), QB Noel Mazzone (9th in nation total offense) and SE Preston Dennard (all time UNM receiver). Defense in front is 80 percent new.
PLAYERS TO WATCH: Quarterback Noel Mazzone who had 1427 yards passing in '76 with 783 yards through split end Preston Dennard. Also fullback Mike Williams.
SPORTS INFORMATION DIRECTOR: Don McGuire
SID OFFICE PHONE: (505) 277-2026
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No. 4 - Oregon State

October 8 - 1:30 at Corvallis

LOCATION: Corvallis, Oregon
CONFERENCE: Pacific-8
COLORS: Orange and Black
MASCOT: Beaver
STADIUM: Parker Stadium (41,000)
ENROLLMENT: 16,000
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Dee Andros
HEAD COACH: Craig Fertig (USC '64)
SEASON: Second
1976 RECORD: 2-10 Overall
CONFERENCE: 1-6, 7th
1976 VICTORIES: California (10-9), Hawaii U (59-0),
1976 LOSSES: Kansas (16-28), Kentucky (13-38), Louisiana State (11-28), Syracuse (3-21), Washington (12-24), USC (0-56), Stanford (3-24), Washington State (24-29), UCLA (14-45), Oregon (14-23)
SERIES RECORD WITH BYU: Oregon State has the edge on The Cougars with 3-2-0 and the last meeting in 1973.
SEASON OUTLOOK: Beavers should be considerably improved over last year when they experienced one of their worst seasons in history. Offensive line should be better, there is good depth at tailback and fullback, good size in defensive line. Still questionable as to who starting quarterback will be, although John Norman looked best last spring.
PLAYERS TO WATCH: Center Jim Walker, offensive guard Larry Winkler, and James Fields at tailback.
SPORTS INFORMATION DIRECTOR: John Eggers
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OPPONENTS

No. 5 - Colorado State

October 15 - 1:30 at Fort Collins

LOCATION: Fort Collins, Colorado

COLORS: Green and Gold

STADIUM: Hughes (30,000)

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Thurman "Fum" McGraw

CONFERENCE: Western Athletic

MASCOT: Rams

ENROLLMENT: 17,650

HEAD COACH: Sark Arslanian (Utah '50)

SEASON: Fourth RECORD: 21-22-1

CONFERENCE: 2-4, 5th

1976 RECORD: 6-5 Overall

1976 VICTORIES: Wichita State (24-3), USU (10-7), Air Force (27-3), Texas-El Paso (28-7), Wyoming (19-16), Idaho (31-14)

1976 LOSSES: Oregon (3-17), BYU (18-42), New Mexico (20-33), Arizona (6-23), ASU (19-21)

SEASON OUTLOOK: CSU can be expected to improve on both their overall and conference marks of last year in 1977. The offensive now operates out of a Multiple T setup, an attack that should improve the Rams' scoring chances. CSU is very talented at running back, wide receiver, and quarterback. Nine starters return from last year's WAC top defensive crew, and they should be just as good in 1977.

PLAYERS TO WATCH: Defensive linemen Woodrow Carter and Mike Bell, punter Mike Deutsch and running back Ron Harris.

SPORTS INFORMATION DIRECTOR: To be Named

SID OFFICE PHONE: (303) 491-5067

SID HOME PHONE: (303) 482-3457



Tight end Tod Thompson caught 13 passes in 1976

No. 6 - Wyoming

October 22 - 1:30 at Laramie

LOCATION: Laramie, Wyoming

CONFERENCE: Western Athletic

COLORS: Brown and Gold

STADIUM: Memorial (25,000)

MASCOT: Cowboys, Pokes

ENROLLMENT: 8,500

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: George McCarty

HEAD COACH: Bill Lewis (East Stroudsburg '63)

SEASON: First

CONFERENCE: 6-1 First tie

1976 RECORD: 8-4 Overall

1976 VICTORIES: South Dakota (48-7), USU (20-3), ASU (13-10), BYU (34-29), New Mexico (24-23), Utah (45-22), Arizona (26-24), UTEP (14-10)

1976 LOSSES: Michigan State (10-21), CSU (16-19), Air Force (21-41)

SEASON OUTLOOK: With 36 lettermen returning from last year's conference co-champion, new head coach Bill Lewis has reason to be excited for his first fall in the high country. Eight starters on offense, including total offense leader Marc Cousins at quarterback return and seven on defense. The Pokes will run out of a split-back formation instead of the Wishbone.

PLAYERS TO WATCH: Tight end Walter Howard, offensive tackle Dennis Baker, defensive lineman Leon Broussard and quarterback Marc Cousins.

SPORTS INFORMATION DIRECTOR: Kevin McKinney

SID OFFICE PHONE: (307) 766-2256

SID HOME PHONE: (307) 742-3181

No. 7 - Arizona

October 29 - 1:30 at Provo

(Homecoming)

LOCATION: Tucson, Arizona

CONFERENCE: Western Athletic

COLORS: Cardinal Red, Navy Blue

STADIUM: Arizona (57,000)

MASCOT: Wildcats

ENROLLMENT: 30,499

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Dave Strack

HEAD COACH: Tony Mason (Clarion State '50)

SEASON: First

CONFERENCE: 3-4 5th Tie

1976 RECORD: 5-6 Overall

1976 VICTORIES: Auburn (31-19), Northwestern (27-15), UTEP (63-12), Utah (38-35), CSU (23-6)

1976 LOSSES: UCLA (9-37), BYU (16-23), Texas Tech (27-52), Wyoming (24-26), New Mexico (15-21), ASU (10-27)

SEASON OUTLOOK: Some of the engineers are there, but it's necessary to have a supporting cast. Shouldn't be too hard though with 35 lettermen returning. They'll be a WAC contender and will be relying on the foot of Lee Pistor, who ranked 10th in the nation in scoring last year. Offense uses variations of "I" formation and defense is 5-2. Linebackers are thin.

PLAYERS TO WATCH: Kicker Lee Pistor, quarterback Marc Lunsford, defensive tackle Jon Abbott, and defensive end Gilbert Lewis.

SPORTS INFORMATION DIRECTOR: Frank Soltys

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OPPONENTS FOR '76

No. 8 - Utah

November 5 - 1:30 at Provo

LOCATION: Salt Lake City, Utah
 CONFERENCE: Western Athletic
 COLORS: Crimson and White
 MASCOT: Utes
 STADIUM: Rice (30,000)
 ENROLLMENT: 22,000
 ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Arnie Ferrin
 HEAD COACH: Wayne Howard (Redlands '57)
 SEASON: First
 1976 RECORD: 3-8 Overall
 CONFERENCE: 3-3, 4th
 1976 VICTORIES: UTEP (38-14), UNM (34-31), ASU (31-28).
 1976 LOSSES: Rice (22-43), Oregon (13-21), Iowa St. (14-44),
 USU (17-28), Wyoming (22-45), AU (35-38), BYU (12-34),
 LSU (7-35).
 SERIES RECORD WITH BYU: Will BYU ever catch or overtake
 the Utes? Utah has a most commanding 38-10-4 lead in long
 series? Cougars have won five in a row.
 SEASON OUTLOOK: New Coach Wayne Howard brings a
 winning attitude to the Ute football program and is looking
 to start with the 1977 season. Offensively the Utes should
 be strong with top quality receiver Jack Steptoe, 1976
 WAC Rookie of the Year leading the way. Starters Steve
 Peake and Mike Moseley return at running back and fullback.
 PLAYERS TO WATCH: Wide receiver Jack Steptoe, quarter-
 back Pat Degan and linebacker Mike Bailey.
 SPORTS INFORMATION DIRECTOR: Bruce Woodbury
 SID OFFICE PHONE: (801) 581-3510
 SID HOME PHONE: (801) 531-0898

No. 9 - Arizona State

November 12 - 7:30 at Tempe

LOCATION: Tempe, Arizona
 CONFERENCE: Western Athletic
 COLORS: Maroon and Gold
 MASCOT: Sun Devils
 STADIUM: Sun Devil (56,000)
 ENROLLMENT: 35,000
 ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Dr. Fred Miller
 HEAD COACH: Frank Kush (Michigan State '53)
 SEASON: 20th RECORD: 155-46-1
 1976 RECORD: 4-7 Overall.
 CONFERENCE: 4-3, 3rd
 1976 VICTORIES: UTEP (23-6), UNM (31-15), CSU (21-19),
 UA (27-10)
 1976 LOSSES: UCLA (10-28), Calif. (22-31), Wyo. (10-13)
 Cinn. (0-14), BYU (21-43), Air Force (30-31), Utah (28-31).
 SERIES RECORD WITH BYU: Sun Devils have a big bulge,
 16-5, but Cougars won last year.
 SEASON OUTLOOK: On paper it would appear the Sun Devils
 have the makings of a strong team, another contender. Quarter-
 backs like Dennis Sproul and Fred Mortensen passing to All-
 American John Jefferson and tight end Bruce Hardy. Arthur
 Lane, recovering from injury, could be among WAC leading
 rushers this fall. Total of 31 lettermen returning from last year,
 but ASU could be a bit shallow at defensive spots, accord-
 ing to reports.
 PLAYERS TO WATCH: Wide receiver John Jefferson, tight
 end Bruce Hardy, quarterbacks Dennis Sproul and Fred
 Mortensen and defensive ace Gary Padjen.
 SPORTS INFORMATION DIRECTOR: Dick Mullins
 SID OFFICE PHONE: (602) 965-6592
 SID HOME PHONE: (602) 967-3016

No. 10 - Long Beach State

November 19, 1:30 at Provo

LOCATION: Long Beach, California
 CONFERENCE: Pacific Coast Athletic
 COLORS: Brown and Gold
 STADIUM: Anaheim Stadium (45,000)
 MASCOT: 49ers
 ENROLLMENT: 33,000
 ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Perry C. Moore
 HEAD COACH: Dave Currey (UCLA '66)
 SEASON: First
 CONFERENCE: 2-2, 3rd
 1976 RECORD: 8-3 Overall
 1976 VICTORIES: Weber State (19-7), Utah State (32-10),
 No. Illinois (37-0), Pacific (17-14), Drake (41-10), Lamar
 (21-10), Wichita St. (24-14), Cal. St. Fullerton (38-8)
 1976 LOSSES: San Jose St. (7-34), Fresno St. (0-23), San
 Diego St. (3-10)
 SERIES RECORD WITH BYU: New series with BYU leading 1-0
 SEASON OUTLOOK: Only 24 lettermen return, with three of
 them starters on offense and three on defense. However,
 the defense built around tandem Dan Bunz and Gary Greene.
 New personnel dot the scene and will try to spark a new
 pro pass offense and 5-2 defense.
 PLAYERS TO WATCH: Linebackers Dan Bunz, Gary Greene
 and Mark Fata, running back Tim Cunningham and quarter-
 back Paul McGaffigan.
 SPORTS INFORMATION DIRECTOR: Terry Ross
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 SID HOME PHONE: (213) 597-3113

No. 11 - Texas-El Paso

November 26 - 7:30 at El Paso

LOCATION: El Paso, Texas
 CONFERENCE: Western Athletic
 COLORS: Orange and White
 MASCOT: Miners
 STADIUM: Sun Bowl (30,000)
 ENROLLMENT: 14,800
 ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Jim Bowden
 HEAD COACH: Bill Michael (Arkansas '59)
 SEASON: First
 1976 RECORD: 1-11 Overall
 CONFERENCE: 0-7, 8th
 1976 VICTORIES: Texas-Arlington (38-15)
 1976 LOSSES: New Mexico St. (10-13), UNM (7-25), Utah
 (14-38), Arizona (12-63), ASU (6-23), CSU (7-28), San
 Diego St. (16-27), BYU (27-40), Wyoming (10-14), Hawaii
 (12-28), Oklahoma State (13-42).
 SERIES RECORD WITH BYU: Cougars have now won six in a
 row, boosting record to 9-5-1 over Miners in rather short
 series.
 SEASON OUTLOOK: If the Miners are to excell, they'll
 need a bunch of things to happen. Among them are: a viable
 quarterback to emerge; a line to block for two talented run-
 ning backs, Robert Elliott and Ray Holt; a stronger defense
 and over-all depth. One thing that is certain is, Miguel
 Alvarez will split the uprights from 55 yards on in.
 PLAYERS TO WATCH: Fullback Robert Elliott, running back
 Ray Holt, split end Harold Johnson, defensive end Elroy
 Stoglin and kicker Miguel Alvarez.
 SPORTS INFORMATION DIRECTOR: Scott Binning
 SID OFFICE PHONE: (915) 747-5330
 SID HOME PHONE: (915) 584-5971

SEASON RECORDS—INDIVIDUAL

—SCORING—

Most touchdowns scored	16—Ray Oliverson (1951)
	14—Eldon Fortie (1962)
Most touchdowns responsible for	30—Virgil Carter (1966)
	30—Gifford Nielsen (1976)
Most points scored	90—Ray Oliverson (1951)
	86—Eldon Fortie (1962)
Most points attempted	38—Dave Taylor (1976)
Most PATs made	34—Dave Taylor (1976)
Most consecutive PATs	27—Dave Taylor (1976)
Most points kicking	79—Dave Taylor (1976)
Most fieldgoals	15—Dave Taylor (1976)

—TOTAL OFFENSE—

Most yards total offense	2919—Gifford Nielsen (1976)
Most yards rushing	1,386—Pete VanValkenburg (1972)
Most times handled the ball	449—Gifford Nielsen (1976)
Most rushes	232—Pete VanValkenburg (1972)
Best rushing average	6.37—Ray Oliverson (1951)
	5.8—Eldon Fortie (1962)

—PASSING—

Most yards passing	3192—Gifford Nielsen (1976)
Most touchdown passes	29—Gifford Nielsen (1976)
Most passes attempted	372—Gifford Nielsen (1976)
Most passes completed	207—Gifford Nielsen (1976)
Best completion percentage	.611—Gifford Nielsen (1975)
Most passes had intercepted	19—Gary Sheide (1974)
	19—Gifford Nielsen (1976)
Best interception avoidance	3.4%—Bill August (1972)

—PASS RECEIVING—

Most passes caught	100—Jay Miller (1973)
Most yards pass receiving	1,181—Jay Miller (1973)
Most touchdown receptions	11—Phil Odle (1965)
Most yards per catch	22.8—Mike Chronister (1976)

—PUNTING—

Most punts	83—Rich Adams (1969)
Best punting average	44.8—Gary Dunn (1959)

—PUNT RETURNS—

Most yards on punt returns	624—Golden Richards (1971)
Most punt returns	40—John Betham (1973)
Best average punt return	22.9—Don Bushore (1948)
Most touchdowns on punt returns	4—Golden Richards (1971)

—KICKOFF RETURNS—

Most kickoff returns	27—Chris Farasopoulos (1970)
Most yards kickoff returns	659—Chris Farasopoulos (1970)
Best average kickoff returns	40.1—Paul Allen (1961)

—PASS INTERCEPTIONS—

Most pass interceptions	9—Gene Frantz (1962)
Most yards interception returns	233—Dan Hansen (1971)

SEASON RECORDS—TEAM

—OFFENSE—

Most yards total offense	4,811—1973 (11 games)
Best average total offense	437.3—1973 (11 games)
Most first downs	260—1973 (11 games)
Most yards rushing	2,499—1958 (10 games)
Most yards passing	3,386—1976 (11 games)

—PASSING—

Most passes attempted	410—1973 (11 games)
Most passes completed	235—1973 (11 games)
Lowest interception percentage	4.6—1967 (10 games)
Best completion percentage	.588—1974 (12 games)

—PASS INTERCEPTIONS—

Percentage of interceptions by BYU	8.5—1967 (10 games)
Most pass interceptions	25—1962 (10 games)
	25—1971 (11 games)

—PUNTING—

Most punts	83—1969 (3,239 yards)
Best punting average	43.2—1959

—PUNT RETURNS—

Most yards punt returns	701—1971 (11 games)
Best average per return	19.5—1948

—KICKOFF RETURNS—

Most yards kickoff returns	994—1960 (41 returns)
Best average per return	28.0—1969 (28 returns)

—SCORING—

Most points scored	351—1976 (11 games)
Fewest points scored	10—1922 (6 games)

—PENALTIES, FUMBLES—

Most yards penalized	1,148—1973 (11 games)
Fewest yards penalized	204—1953 (10 games)
Most opponents' fumbles recovered	32—1957 (of 53)
Fewest fumbles lost	9—1957
	9—1976

—MISCELLANEOUS—

Most consecutive victories	7—1937-38
	7—1974
Longest undefeated string	8—1937-38
	8—1974
Longest without shutout	51 games—1964-69

—DEFENSE—

Total defensive yardage	2,381—1954 (9 games)
Lowest average per game	244.5—1958 (10 games)
Fewest yards allowed rushing	874—1967 (10 games)
Fewest yards allowed passing	605—1952 (60.5 yds. per ga.)
Fewest first downs	111—1954 (9 games)
Fewest points allowed opponents	41—1937
Fewest points allowed per game	4.6—1937
Lowest rushing per game	2.1—1967

CAREER RECORDS—INDIVIDUAL

—TOTAL OFFENSE—

Most total plays	1,059—Virgil Carter (1964-66)
Most total yardage	6,354—Virgil Carter (1964-66)
Best average gain per play	6.54—Gary Sheide (1973-74)

—RUSHING OFFENSE—

Most rushes	625—Jeff Blanc (1973-76)
Most yards gained rushing	2,718—Jeff Blanc (1973-76)
Best average gain per rush	5.2—Pete VanValkenburg (1970-72)

—PASSING OFFENSE—

Most passes attempted	736—Virgil Carter (1964-66)
Most passes completed	362—Gary Sheide (1973-74)
Most passes had intercepted	43—Virgil Carter (1964-66)
Highest completion percentage	.604—Gary Sheide (1973-74)
Most yards gained passing	5,125—Virgil Carter (1964-66)
Most touchdown passes	50—Virgil Carter (1964-66)
Best interception avoidance	5.2%—Marc Lyons (1967-69)

—PASS RECEIVING—

Most passes caught	183—Phil Odle (1965-67)
Most yards gained	2,548—Phil Odle (1965-67)
Most touchdown passes caught	25—Phil Odle (1967)

—PUNTING—

Most punts	201—Rich Adams (1967-69)
Best average	42.9—Gary Dunn (1958-59)

—PASS INTERCEPTIONS—

Most interceptions	20—Dave Atkinson (1971-73)
	18—Dan Hansen (1970-72)
Most yards interceptions returned	421—Dan Hansen (1970-72)

RETURN YARDAGE

Most yards kickoff returns	1,375—Chris Farasopoulos (1968-70)
Most yards punt returns	1,079—Chris Farasopoulos (1968-70)
Most combined punt-kickoff yards	2,454—Chris Farasopoulos (1968-70)
Most punt-kickoff returns	122—Chris Farasopoulos (1968-70)

—SCORING—

Most touchdowns scored	29—Jeff Blanc (1973-76)
	27—Pete VanValkenburg (1970-72)
	25—Phil Odle (1965-67)
	18—Ray Oliverson (1950-51)
	18—Virgil Carter (1964-66)
Most touchdowns responsible for	68—Virgil Carter (1964-66)
Most points scored	174—Jeff Blanc (1973-76)
Most points on conversions	47—Dave Taylor (1975-76)
Most consecutive conversions	29—Dave Taylor (1975-76)
Most field goals	22—Joe Liljenquist (1969-71)
Most points kicking	119—Joe Liljenquist (1969-71)
	54—Frank Baker (1961-62-63)

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS - 1952-76

TOTAL OFFENSE

		Rush	Pass	Total
1976	*Gifford Nielsen	-273	3192	2919
1975	Gifford Nielsen	-144	1471	1327
1974	Gary Sheide	-165	2174	2009
1973	Gary Sheide	-7	2350	2343
1972	Pete VanValkenburg	1386	32	1418
1971	Pete VanValkenburg	601	83	684
1970	Rick Jones	-112	851	739
1969	Marc Lyons	-83	1297	1214
1968	Marc Lyons	-99	735	636
1967	Marc Lyons	137	1313	1450
1966	*Virgil Carter	363	2182	2545
1965	*Virgil Carter	474	1789	2263
1964	Virgil Carter	38	1154	1542
1963	Phil Brady	318	130	448
1962	*Eldon Fortie	1149	814	1963
1961	Eldon Fortie	422	469	891
1960	Bud Belnap	256	285	541
1959	LeGrand Young	423	-	423
1958	Weldon Jackson	698	-	698
1957	Weldon Jackson	605	-	605
1956	Carroll Johnston	39	986	1025
1955	Phil Oyler	366	15	381
1954	Ron Bean	4	437	441
1953	LaVon Satterfield	114	568	682
1952	Reed Stolworthy	436	-	436

PASSING

		Att.	Comp.	Int.	Yards	TD
1976	*Gifford Nielsen	372	207	19	3192	29
1975	Gifford Nielsen	180	110	7	1471	10
1974	Gary Sheide	300	181	19	2174	23
1973	*Gary Sheide	294	177	12	2350	22
1972	Bill August	144	69	5	891	2
1971	Bill August	87	37	11	448	2
1970	Rick Jones	168	76	17	851	1
1969	Marc Lyons	193	87	11	1297	9
1968	Marc Lyons	157	66	9	735	2
1967	Marc Lyons	193	99	8	1313	9
1966	Virgil Carter	293	141	16	2182	21
1965	*Virgil Carter	250	120	13	1789	20
1964	Virgil Carter	193	66	14	1154	9
1963	Ron Stewart	23	10	-	160	1
1962	Eldon Fortie	100	43	11	814	7
1961	Eldon Fortie	83	33	11	469	5
1960	Bud Belnap	51	20	8	285	2
1959	Gary Dunn	31	10	3	223	1
1959	Ron Startin	35	16	4	145	0
1959	Wayne Startin	68	28	8	332	2
1957	Carroll Johnston	102	39	7	477	3
1956	*Carroll Johnston	167	71	15	945*	8
1955	Don Dixon	60	21	9	335	2
1954	Ron Bean	42	20	1	437	0
1953	LaVon Satterfield	92	34	8	568	4

SCORING

		TD	PAT	FG	PTS
1976	*Dave Taylor	2	34	15	79
1975	Jeff Blanc	11	-	-	66
1974	Jeff Blanc	10	-	-	60
1973	Dev Duke	-	29	8	53
1972	Pete VanValkenburg	14	-	-	84
1971	Pete VanValkenburg	8	-	-	48
1970	Joe Liljenquist	-	9	11	42
1969	Joe Liljenquist	-	21	7	42
1968	Dave Swanson	6	6	-	44
1967	Dennis Patera	-	29	11	62
1966	Virgil Carter	9	1	-	56
1965	Phil Odle	11	-	-	66
1964	Virgil Carter	5	1	-	32
1963	Frank Baker	-	8	5	23
1962	Eldon Fortie	14	4	-	86
1961	Paul Allen	9	4	-	58
1960	Jack Gifford	3	-	-	18
1959	Jack Gifford	5	2	-	32
1958	Nyle McFarlane	6	3	-	42
1957	Steve Campora	3	1	-	19
1956	Steve Campora	4	-	-	24
1955	LeGrand Young	3	1	-	19
1954	Phil Oyler	3	-	-	18
1953	Dick Felt	5	-	-	30
1952	Dick Felt	7	-	-	42

PASS RECEIVING

		Caught	Yards	TD
1976	Todd Christensen	51	510	3
1975	Todd Christensen	30	319	3
	John VanDerWouden	29	621	3
1974	John Betham	38	569	6
1973	*Jay Miller	100	1181	8
1972	Logan Hunter	49	555	2
1971	Golden Richards	14	238	1
1970	Golden Richards	36	513	1
1969	Kip Jackson	25	261	2
1968	Ed Romero	41	495	1
1967	*Phil Odle	77	971	9
1966	Phil Odle	60	920	5
1965	*Phil Odle	46	657	11
1964	Bruce Smith	24	413	3
1963	Bruce Smith	13	178	1
1962	Bruce Smith	14	230	-
1961	Paul Allen	5	261	3
	Don Peterson	11	115	-
1960	Jack Gifford	6	138	1
1959	Howard Ringwood	10	130	-
1958	R. K. Brown	10	177	2
1957	R. K. Brown	12	183	2
1956	Burt Bullock	22	291	2
1955	Owen Skousen	10	190	-
1954	Tom Verbantz	14	226	0

RUSHING

		TC	Yards	Avg.
1976	Jeff Blanc	149	625	4.0
1975	Jeff Blanc	216	984	4.6
1974	Jeff Blanc	199	784	3.9
1973	Mark Terranova	94	414	4.3
1972	*Pete VanValkenburg	232	1386	6.0
1971	Pete VanValkenburg	121	601	4.9
1970	Pete VanValkenburg	103	405	3.9
1969	Kip Jackson	209	791	3.7
1968	Dave Swanson	94	353	3.8
1967	Ron Wakley	62	296	4.7
1966	*John Ogden	204	906	4.4
1965	*John Ogden	152	700	4.6
1964	*John Ogden	179	770	4.3
1963	Phil Brady	71	318	4.5
1962	*Eldon Fortie	199	1149	5.8
1961	Eldon Fortie	138	422	3.1
1960	Bud Belnap	101	256	2.5
1959	LeGrand Young	83	423	5.1
1958	*Weldon Jackson	101	698*	6.9
1957	Weldon Jackson	138	605	4.3
1956	Steve Campora	34	259	7.6
1955	Phil Oyler	64	366	5.7
1954	Dick Felt	90	379	4.2
1953	Reed Stolworthy	86	473	5.5
1952	Reed Stolworthy	99	436	4.4

PUNTING

		No.	Yards	Avg.
1976	Dave Lowry	64	2462	38.5
1975	Mark Giles	43	1707	39.7
1974	Mark Giles	60	2165	36.1
1973	Mark Giles	58	2248	39.4
1972	Doug Coon	66	2500	37.9
1971	Joe Liljenquist	69	2748	39.8
1970	Joe Liljenquist	37	1489	40.3
1969	Rich Adams	83	3239	39.0
1968	Rich Adams	81	3318	40.9
1967	Rich Adams	37	1530	41.4
1966	Ben Lavery	32	1255	39.2
1965	Ben Lavery	52	2008	38.6
1964	Barry Corchnoy	40	1501	37.5
1963	*Barry Corchnoy	55	2159	39.3
1962	Bill Wright	41	1498	36.5
1961	Bill Wright	46	1862	40.5
1960	Ron Jacobson	34	1382	39.0
1959	*Gary Dunn	39	1748	44.8
1958	Gary Dunn	21	828	39.4
1957	Carroll Johnston	50	1730	34.6
1956	Carroll Johnston	26	977	37.4
1955	Dalton Overstreet	15	543	36.2
1954	Dalton Overstreet	14	617	44.1
1953	Dick Felt	27	958	35.5
1952	Udell Westover	40	1619	40.5

* Led Conference that season

YEAR-BY-YEAR LOOK AT THE COUGARS

BYU	1922	Opp.
3	Utah State	42
0	Utah	49
0	Colorado Mines	49
7	Wyoming	0
0	Colorado A&M	33
0	Wyoming	13

Alvin Twitchell
1-5-0 (Rocky Mountain)

BYU	1923	Opp.
16	Montana State	15
6	Colorado A&M	14
0	Colorado	41
0	Utah	15
19	Western State	0
0	Utah State	40
6	Colorado State	31

Alvin Twitchell
2-5-0 (Rocky Mountain)

BYU	1934	Opp.
32	Occidental	7
20	Montana State	6
0	Wyoming	7
0	Utah	43
6	Colorado	48
46	Western State	0
0	Utah State	15
34	Colorado College	19
6	Denver	24

G. Ott Romney
4-5-0 (Rocky Mountain)

BYU	1935	Opp.
0	Montana State	7
19	Colorado State	3
12	Colorado College	13
13	Wyoming	6
0	Utah	32
21	Western State	2
0	Utah State	27
13	Arizona State	0

G. Ott Romney
4-4-0 (Rocky Mountain)

BYU	1924	Opp.
3	Colorado State	0
0	Montana State	13
6	Utah	35
6	Utah State	13
26	Western State	0
0	Colorado Mines	0

Alvin Twitchell
2-3-1 (Rocky Mountain)

BYU	1925	Opp.
7	Colorado A&M	21
7	Colorado College	6
0	Utah State	14
0	Utah	27
39	Western State	6
16	Montana State	7

C. J. Hart
3-3-0 (Rocky Mountain)

BYU	1936	Opp.
6	Arizona	32
19	Montana State	0
33	Colorado State	0
0	Utah State	13
0	Utah	18
26	Western State	12
7	Denver	35
32	Wyoming	7
0	Colorado College	6

G. Ott Romney
4-5-0 (Rocky Mountain)

BYU	1937	Opp.
7	Colorado State	0
0	Utah	14
34	Calif. Aggies	0
0	Colorado	14
10	Portland	13
21	Western State	0
19	Wyoming	0
54	Utah State	0
19	Montana State	0

Eddie Kimball
6-3-0 (Rocky Mountain)

BYU	1926	Opp.
0	Calif. Aggies	17
6	Colorado State	12
0	Utah State	0
30	Western State	0
0	Montana State	27
7	Utah	40
6	Colorado A&M	19

C. J. Hart
1-5-1 (Rocky Mountain)

BYU	1927	Opp.
0	Colorado A&M	29
0	Calif. Aggies	0
7	Colorado State	21
0	Utah State	22
60	Western State	7
0	Utah	20
38	Colorado Mines	19

C. J. Hart
2-4-1 (Rocky Mountain)

BYU	1938	Opp.
19	Arizona State	0
20	Denver	0
24	Wyoming	13
7	Utah	7
3	Portland	6
0	Utah State	3
0	Colorado	8
20	Colorado State	12

Eddie Kimball
4-3-1 (Mountain St. 2nd-tie)

BYU	1939	Opp.
25	Arizona State	0
13	Colorado State	12
13	Utah	35
7	Nevada	0
18	Western State	6
21	Denver	18
0	Utah State	0
6	Colorado	12
7	Wyoming	7

Eddie Kimball
5-2-2 (Mountain States 4th)

BYU	1928	Opp.
9	College of Idaho	6
7	Calif. Aggies	6
6	Colorado A&M	15
46	Western State	0
0	Utah State	10
7	Montana State	19
0	Utah	0

G. Ott Romney
3-3-1 (Rocky Mountain)

BYU	1929	Opp.
10	Nevada	7
0	Calif. Aggies	19
12	Montana State	13
7	Utah State	6
33	Western State	12
13	Utah	45
25	Colorado State	13
40	Wyoming	0

G. Ott Romney
5-3-0 (Rocky Mountain)

BYU	1940	Opp.
6	Nevada	6
6	Utah	12
20	Wyoming	0
20	Texas Tech	21
12	Utah State	7
0	Denver	9
2	Colorado	25
13	Colorado State	13

Eddie Kimball
2-4-2 (Mountain States 4th)

BYU	1941	Opp.
7	Montana State	20
13	Denver	7
6	Utah	6
13	San Francisco	25
28	Utah State	0
23	Wyoming	7
13	Colorado	13
7	Colorado State	22
26	Western State	0

Eddie Kimball
4-3-2 (Mountain St. 2nd-tie)

BYU	1930	Opp.
19	Wyoming	12
6	Nevada	6
18	Regis	6
13	College of Idaho	13
13	Hawaii	49
7	Colorado State	7
7	Utah	34
25	Western State	0
39	Utah State	14
13	Mt. St. Charles	13
19	Montana State	6

G. Ott Romney
5-2-4 (Rocky Mountain)

BYU	1931	Opp.
7	UAY All-Star	3
0	San Francisco	25
18	Nevada	14
0	Utah	43
31	Western State	0
0	Colorado State	6
6	Utah State	0
7	Wyoming	13

G. Ott Romney
4-4-0 (Rocky Mountain)

BYU	1942	Opp.
12	Montana State	6
6	Wyoming	13
12	Utah	7
6	Utah State	9
6	Denver	26
0	Colorado	48
13	Fort Douglas	24

Floyd Millet
2-5-0 (Mountain States 7th)

BYU	1946	Opp.
13	Western State	2
12	Montana State	13
13	Denver	26
6	Utah	35
10	Colorado	7
0	San Jose State	14
0	Wyoming	3
0	Utah State	0
20	Colorado A&M	6
14	Texas Mines	13

Eddie Kimball
5-4-1 (Mountain States 4th)

BYU	1932	Opp.
6	Montana State	0
28	Western State	6
46	Occidental	0
0	Utah	29
20	Colorado State	2
25	Wyoming	0
32	Idaho State	0
18	Utah State	6
13	South Dakota	7

G. Ott Romney
8-1-0 (Rocky Mountain)

BYU	1933	Opp.
0	US Marines	21
25	Montana State	0
6	Utah	21
6	Colorado State	2
13	Western State	0
0	Denver	6
25	Colorado College	0
0	Utah State	14
6	Wyoming	3

G. Ott Romney
5-4-0 (Rocky Mountain)

1943-45 No BYU football
team during war years.

* Home game

† Homecoming
(1948-68 Only)

BYU	1947	Opp.
45	Western State	0
19	Montana State	14
7	Wyoming	12
6	Utah	28
7	Colorado	9
27	Utah State	12
6	Denver	20
19	San Jose State	28
25	Colorado A&M	27
7	San Diego State	32

Eddie Kimball
3-7-0 (Mountain State 7th)

BYU	1949	Opp.
6	*Texas Mines	47
13	*Pacific Fleet	27
21	*San Jose State	40
0	Utah	38
21	Arizona State	49
7	Denver	35
0	Wyoming	45
3	†*Utah State	22
14	*Colorado A&M	16
6	Montana	25
14	Pepperdine	28

Chick Atkinson
0-11-0 (Mountain States 6th)

BYU	1951	Opp.
27	*Idaho State	7
67	*Western State	7
20	*Hawaii	7
6	Utah	7
20	Wyoming	20
6	Denver	56
21	†*Colorado A&M	19
28	Utah State	27
0	New Mexico	34
20	Pepperdine	0

Chick Atkinson
6-3-1 (Mountain States 5th)

BYU	1953	Opp.
27	*Montana	13
25	*San Jose State	28
12	New Mexico	12
20	Idaho	14
7	*Utah State	14
19	Denver	27
0	Wyoming	27
12	†*Colorado A&M	34
18	Arizona State	26
32	Utah	33

Chick Atkinson
2-7-1 (Mountain St. 7th-tie)

BYU	1955	Opp.
0	Oregon State	33
33	*Los Angeles State	0
13	Montana	27
9	Utah	41
0	Denver	33
6	Wyoming	14
21	†*Utah State	47
6	*Idaho	49
0	*Colorado A&M	35
16	New Mexico	21

Chick Atkinson
1-9-0 (Mountain States 8th)

BYU	1948	Opp.
14	*San Diego State	6
13	*Pepperdine	0
7	*Pacific Fleet	9
0	*Utah	30
20	Texas Mines	34
7	Utah State	20
26	†*Montana	20
6	San Jose State	21
0	Colorado A&M	20
15	Wyoming	14
27	Arizona State	25

Eddie Kimball
5-6-0 (Mountain States 5th)

BYU	1950	Opp.
14	Idaho State	13
13	*Arizona State	41
28	*Pepperdine	27
28	*Utah	28
14	Colorado A&M	27
3	Denver	42
34	Utah State	13
0	†*Wyoming	48
7	Hawaii	39
28	*Fort Hood	14

Chick Atkinson
4-5-1 (Mountain States 5th)

BYU	1952	Opp.
14	*San Diego NAS	7
14	*New Mexico	10
28	Montana	7
6	Utah	34
14	†*Denver	13
13	*Wyoming	24
27	San Jose State	44
26	Utah State	27
6	Colorado A&M	27
6	Arizona State	47

Chick Atkinson
4-6-0 (Mountain States 5th)

BYU	1954	Opp.
12	*New Mexico	21
19	*Arizona State	28
13	Colorado A&M	14
7	*Utah	12
19	†*Montana	7
13	Utah State	45
0	Denver	20
13	*Wyoming	34
0	Idaho	7

Chick Atkinson
1-8-0 (Mountain States 8th)

BYU	1956	Opp.
0	Wichita Univ.	13
13	*Fresno State	26
0	Colorado A&M	0
6	*Utah	41
14	Montana	21
7	Utah State	33
33	†*New Mexico	12
34	Denver	58
6	*Wyoming	7
34	Air Force	21

Hal Kopp
2-7-1 (Mountain States 7th)

BYU	1957	Opp.
14	Arizona	14
7	Kansas State	36
20	*Montana	7
0	Utah	27
0	Wyoming	0
25	†*Denver	6
14	*Utah State	0
14	Fresno State	27
26	*Colorado State	9
14	New Mexico	12

Hal Kopp
5-3-2 (Mountain States 2nd)

BYU	1959	Opp.
18	Arizona	14
16	Fresno State	27
0	*Montana	12
8	Utah	20
6	Wyoming	21
18	*Utah State	0
7	†*Denver	14
6	New Mexico	21
8	Arizona State	21
14	*Colorado State	13

Tally Stevens
3-7-0 (Skyline 5th-tie)

BYU	1961	Opp.
13	*San Jose State	14
8	West Texas State	55
30	North Texas State	41
7	*Montana	6
20	Utah	21
8	Wyoming	36
8	†*Utah State	31
30	*Colorado State	16
0	Oregon State	35
6	New Mexico	34

Hal Mitchell
2-8-0 (Skyline 6th)

BYU	1963	Opp.
7	Kansas State	24
7	Arizona	33
27	*Montana State	0
6	Utah	15
14	Wyoming	41
0	†*Utah State	26
6	Geo. Washington	23
0	Pacific	14
24	*Colorado State	20
0	New Mexico	26

Hal Mitchell
2-8-0 (Western Athletic 5th)

BYU	1965	Opp.
24	Arizona State	6
21	*Kansas State	3
14	Oregon	27
34	*San Jose State	7
6	Wyoming	34
21	Utah State	34
25	†*Utah	20
22	*Colorado State	36
20	Arizona	3
42	New Mexico	8

Tom Hudspeth
6-4-0 (Western Athletic 1st)

BYU	1967	Opp.
44	*New Mexico	14
44	*West. Michigan	19
10	Wyoming	26
31	Oregon State	13
17	Texas-El Paso	47
17	*Utah	13
9	Utah State	30
17	†*Arizona	14
22	Arizona State	31
67	*San Jose State	8

Tom Hudspeth
6-4-0 (Western Athletic 3rd)

BYU	1958	Opp.
29	*Fresno State	7
14	Utah	7
6	Colorado State	32
8	Pacific	28
6	*North Texas State	12
41	Montana	12
13	Utah State	6
36	†*New Mexico	19
22	Denver	7
14	Wyoming	22

Hal Kopp
6-4-0 (Mountain States 3rd)

BYU	1960	Opp.
34	*Cal Poly	14
8	San Jose State	21
7	Colorado State	8
0	Utah	17
0	†*Arizona State	31
7	Montana	6
0	Utah State	34
15	*New Mexico	27
19	Denver	6
6	*Wyoming	30
6	Hawaii	13

Tally Stevens
3-8-0 (Skyline 5th-tie)

BYU	1962	Opp.
7	Pacific	26
21	Arizona	27
12	*Geo. Washington	13
28	Colorado State	7
20	Utah	35
27	Montana	0
21	Utah State	27
27	†*New Mexico	0
20	West. Michigan	28
14	*Wyoming	7

Hal Mitchell
4-6-0 (Western Ath. 3rd-tie)

BYU	1964	Opp.
13	Oregon	20
6	Arizona	39
14	*New Mexico	26
6	Colorado State	7
21	*Pacific	0
18	Texas Western	18
28	†*Utah State	18
13	Utah	47
43	*West. Michigan	8
11	*Wyoming	31

Tom Hudspeth
3-6-1 (Western Athletic 5th)

BYU	1966	Opp.
19	San Jose State	9
27	*Colorado State	24
27	*Utah State	7
7	*Arizona State	10
33	New Mexico	6
16	Arizona	14
53	†*Texas Western	33
35	Utah	13
14	*Wyoming	47
38	*Pacific	0

Tom Hudspeth
8-2-0 (Western Ath. 2nd-tie)

BYU	1968	Opp.
17	West. Michigan	7
20	*Iowa State	28
17	*Wyoming	20
3	Arizona	19
25	†*Texas-El Paso	31
21	Utah	30
8	*Utah State	34
12	*Arizona State	47
35	New Mexico	6
21	San Jose State	25

Tom Hudspeth
2-8-0 (Western Athletic 7th)

BYU	1969	Opp.	BYU	1970	Opp.
6	*Utah	16	10	*No. Texas State	7
22	*Colorado State	20	17	Western Michigan	35
0	Iowa State	10	0	*Texas-El Paso	17
7	Arizona State	23	11	San Diego State	31
41	*New Mexico	15	17	Arizona	24
7	Wyoming	40	3	*Arizona State	27
30	Texas-El Paso	7	27	†Utah State	20
31	†Arizona	21	23	*Wyoming	3
21	*San Jose State	3	9	Colorado State	26
21	Utah State	3	8	New Mexico	51
Tom Hudspeth			13	Utah	14
6-4-0 (Western Ath. 3rd-tie)			Tom Hudspeth		
			3-8 (Western Ath. 7th-tie)		

BYU	1971	Opp.
41	No. Texas State	13
54	*Colorado State	14
7	Kansas State	23
0	*New Mexico	14
7	Utah State	29
35	Wyoming	7
25	Tulsa	7
16	Texas-El Paso	0
13	*Arizona State	38
14	†Arizona	27
15	*Utah	17
Tom Hudspeth		
5-6 (Western Ath. 4th-tie)		

BYU	1972	Opp.
32	*Kansas State	9
19	*Utah State	42
3	Oregon State	29
38	Long Beach St.	27
24	†Texas-El Paso	14
17	*Arizona State	49
44	Colorado State	8
33	*Wyoming	14
7	Arizona	21
16	Utah	7
21	New Mexico	7
LaVell Edwards		
7-4 (Western Ath. 2nd-tie)		

FUTURE SCHEDULES

1978

Sept. 9	Oregon State University	at Corvallis
Sept. 16	Arizona State University	at Tempe
Sept. 23	Colorado State University	at Provo
Sept. 30	University of New Mexico	at Albuquerque
Oct. 7	Utah State University	at Provo
Oct. 14	University of Oregon	at Eugene
Oct. 21	University of Texas-El Paso	at Provo
Oct. 28	University Nevada-Las Vegas	at Provo
Nov. 4	University of Wyoming	at Provo
Nov. 11	San Diego State University	at Provo
Nov. 18	University of Utah	at Salt Lake City
Nov. 25	University of Hawaii	at Honolulu

1979

Sept. 8	Texas A & M	at College Stadium
Sept. 13	San Diego State University	at San Diego
Sept. 22	University of Arizona	at Provo
Sept. 29	University of Texas-El Paso	at El Paso
Oct. 6	University of Hawaii	at Provo
Oct. 13	Utah State University	at Logan
Oct. 20	University of Wyoming	at Laramie
Oct. 27	University of New Mexico	at Provo
Nov. 3	Colorado State University	at Fort Collins
Nov. 10	Cal State-Long Beach	at Long Beach
Nov. 17	University of Utah	at Provo

1980

Sept. 6	Wichita State University	at Wichita
Sept. 13	San Diego State University	at Provo
Sept. 20	Weber State College	at Ogden
Sept. 27	Cal State-Long Beach	at Provo
Oct. 4	Colorado State University	at Provo
Oct. 11	University of Wyoming	at Provo
Oct. 18	Utah State University	at Provo
Oct. 25	University of Hawaii	at Honolulu
Nov. 1	University of Texas-El Paso	at Provo
Nov. 8	Open	
Nov. 15	University of New Mexico	at Albuquerque
Nov. 22	University of Utah	at Salt Lake City
Nov. 29	University Nevada-Las Vegas	at Las Vegas

1981

Sept. 12	Air Force Academy	at Provo
Sept. 19	University Texas-El Paso	at El Paso
Sept. 26	University of Colorado	at Boulder
Oct. 3	Utah State University	at Logan
Oct. 10	University Nevada-Las Vegas	at Provo
Oct. 17	San Diego State University	at San Diego
Oct. 24	University of Wyoming	at Laramie
Oct. 31	University of New Mexico	at Provo
Nov. 7	Colorado State University	at Fort Collins
Nov. 14	University of Hawaii	at Honolulu
Nov. 21	Cal State-Long Beach	at Provo
Nov. 28	University of Utah	at Provo

BYU	1973	Opp.
13	*Colorado State	21
37	*Oregon State	14
7	Utah State	13
24	*Iowa State	26
12	Arizona State	52
21	Wyoming	41
56	*New Mexico	21
10	*Arizona	24
45	*Weber State	14
46	Utah	22
63	Texas-El Paso	0
LaVell Edwards		
5-6 (Western Ath. 4th-tie)		

BYU	1974	Opp.
13	Hawaii	15
6	*Utah State	9
7	Iowa State	34
33	Colorado State	33
38	†Wyoming	7
45	*Texas-El Paso	21
37	Arizona (TV)	13
12	Air Force	10
21	*Arizona St. (TV)	18
36	New Mexico	3
48	*Utah	20
6	#Oklahoma State	16
LaVell Edwards		
7-4-1 (Western Ath. 1st)		

BYU	1975	Opp.
21	*Bowling Green	23
17	Colorado State	20
0	Arizona State	20
16	*New Mexico	15
28	†Air Force	14
33	Wyoming	20
20	*Arizona	36
24	Utah State	7
51	*Utah	20
20	Texas-El Paso	10
14	Southern Miss.	42
LaVell Edwards		
6-5 (Western Ath. 4th-tie)		

BYU	1976	Opp.
3	Kansas State	13
42	*Colorado State	18
23	Arizona	16
8	San Diego State	0
29	†Wyoming	34
63	*Southern Miss.	19
45	*Utah State	14
43	*Arizona State	21
40	*Texas-El Paso	27
21	New Mexico	8
34	Utah	12
21	#Oklahoma State	49
LaVell Edwards		
9-3 (Western Ath. 1st tie)		

*Home games
#Bowl games
†Homecoming (1948-76 only)

FILMING THE GAME?

Requests for press box credentials should be made through the Office of Sports Information, C-388 ASB, Brigham Young University. Requests for game film prints and technical filming information should be made through:

Jim Lemon
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The filming room is located in the middle of the second deck of the press box. There are two desk-top-mounted high hats for most brands of tripod heads. The room accommodates two cameras and operators from the visiting team. Because the room is enclosed with sliding glass windows, only one camera mounted on a tripod can be used. A 3/4 covered rooftop facility is also available.

COUGAR COMPOSITE SCHEDULE - 1977

Sept. 10	Kansas State at Brigham Young	Utah State San Jose State	New Mexico at Hawaii	Oregon State Syracuse	Colorado State at Pacific	Wyoming Air Force	Arizona at Auburn	Utah Oklahoma	Arizona State Northwestern	Long Beach State Sept. 16 at Cal. State Fullerton	Texas-El Paso North Texas State
Sept. 17	Florida State	at Memphis State	at Texas Tech	Southern Cal.	at Hawaii	Texas-El Paso	San Diego State	at Oklahoma	Northwestern	Sept. 16 at Cal. State Fullerton	at Wyoming
Sept. 24	at Wichita State	Brigham Young	at Colorado	at Arizona State	Northern Colorado	at Michigan State	at Iowa	Houston	Oregon State	Lamar	at Oklahoma State
Oct. 1	Mississippi State	at San Diego State	Sept. 30 at Brigham Young	at Tennessee	Utah	Arizona	at Wyoming	at Colorado State	Missouri	at Drake	New Mexico State
Oct. 8	Nebraska	at Penn State	Arizona State	Brigham Young	at Texas-El Paso	at Utah	Texas Tech	Wyoming	at New Mexico	at Pacific	Colorado State
Oct. 15	at Oklahoma State	at Utah	Wichita State	at California	Brigham Young	Brigham Young	Utah State	Utah State	at Air Force	San Jose State	at San Diego State
Oct. 22	at Missouri	Colorado State	at Washington	at New Mexico	Brigham Young	Brigham Young	Utah	at Arizona	Texas-El Paso	at Pacific	at Arizona State
Oct. 29	Oklahoma	Boise State	at New Mexico State	Stanford	at Wyoming	Colorado State	at Brigham Young	Arizona State	at Utah	at Wichita State	at New Mexico
Nov. 5	at Kansas	at Weber State	Texas-El Paso	Washington State	at Arizona	at Arizona State	Colorado State	at Brigham Young	Wyoming	Fresno State	at New Mexico
Nov. 12	Iowa State	Wyoming	at Arizona	UCLA	at West Texas State	at Utah State	New Mexico	Texas-El Paso	Brigham Young	at San Diego State	at Utah
Nov. 19	at Colorado	at Idaho State	Wyoming	at Oregon	Arizona State	at New Mexico	at Texas-El Paso	at Florida	Colorado State	at Brigham Young	Arizona
Nov. 26		at Colorado State	Utah	at Louisiana State	Utah State	at Arizona State	at New Mexico	at New Mexico	Arizona	Bowling Green	Brigham Young
Dec. 3							Hawaii				

JUNIOR VARSITY SCHEDULE

Date (Day)
 Sept. 23 (Friday)
 Sept. 30 (Friday)
 Oct. 8 (Saturday)
 Oct. 17 (Monday)
 Oct. 21 (Friday)
 Oct. 28 (Friday)

Opponent
 Ricks College
 Snow College
 Ricks College
 Utah State Junior Varsity
 Air Force Varsity Reserve
 Dixie College

Site
 BYU Stadium
 Ephraim, Utah
 Rexburg, Idaho
 BYU Stadium
 BYU Stadium
 Provo High

Time
 2 p.m.
 1:30 p.m.
 1:30 p.m.
 1:30 p.m.
 2 p.m.
 2 p.m.

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Welcome to Brigham Young University via the 1977 BYU football press guide. It's hope this publication will supply you with most of the basic information, plus a little bit more, needed to cover the Cougars this season. If something is missing, like photos, etc., please contact us directly.

By way of policy, press box tickets for all home games will be limited to working members of the press, radio, television, visiting information directors and bona-fide college scouts. Passes will be issued on an individual game basis, and requests must be received in our office (C-388, ASB, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, 84602) no later than a week prior to the game.

At all home games the following will be supplied: play-by-play account of each quarter; complete halftime and final statistics; individual statistics; game quotes. For those wishing passes to the locker room at the end of the game, contact a member of the BYU sports information staff.

The press box is located on the west side of the field, and press parking is immediately west of the main entrance. Press and media parking credentials will be issued on request.

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