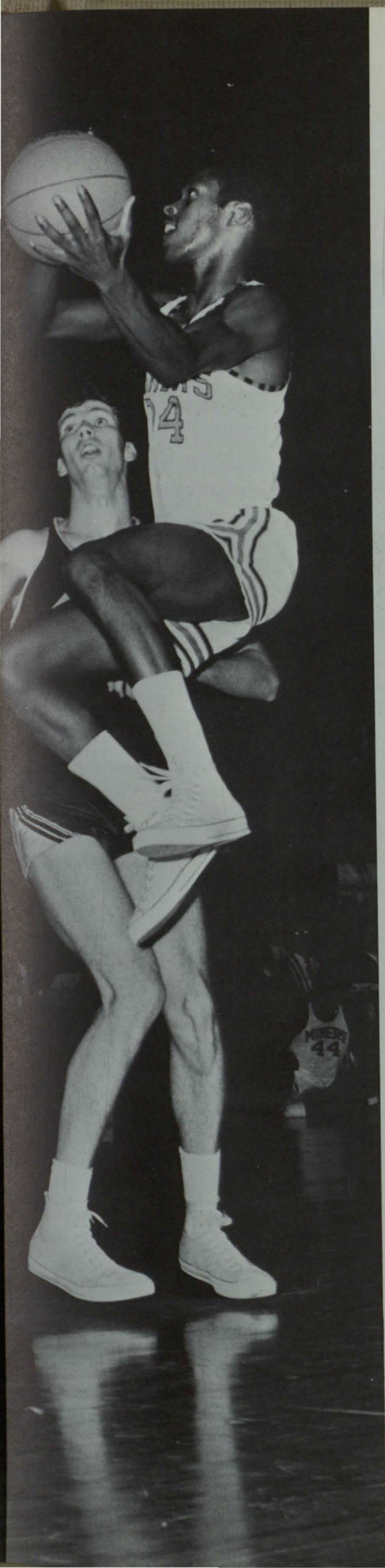
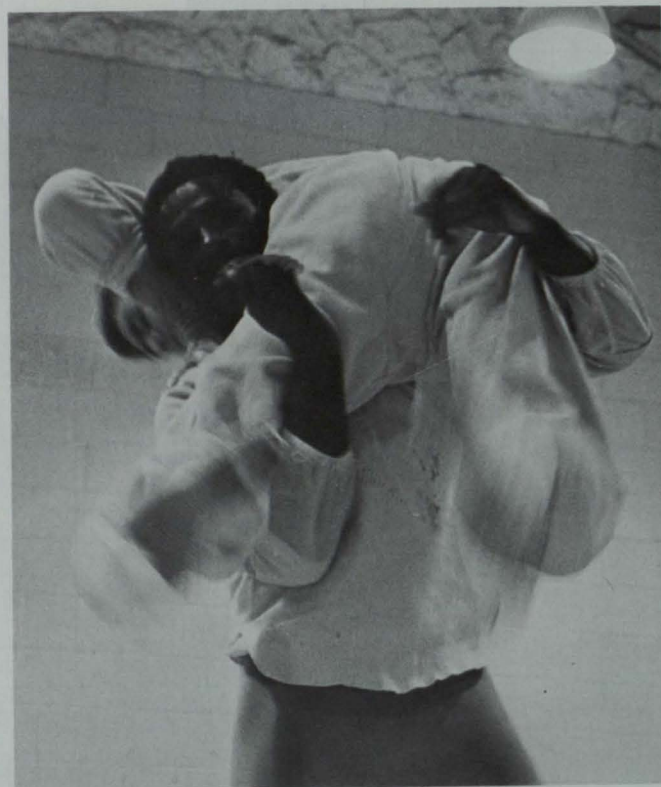
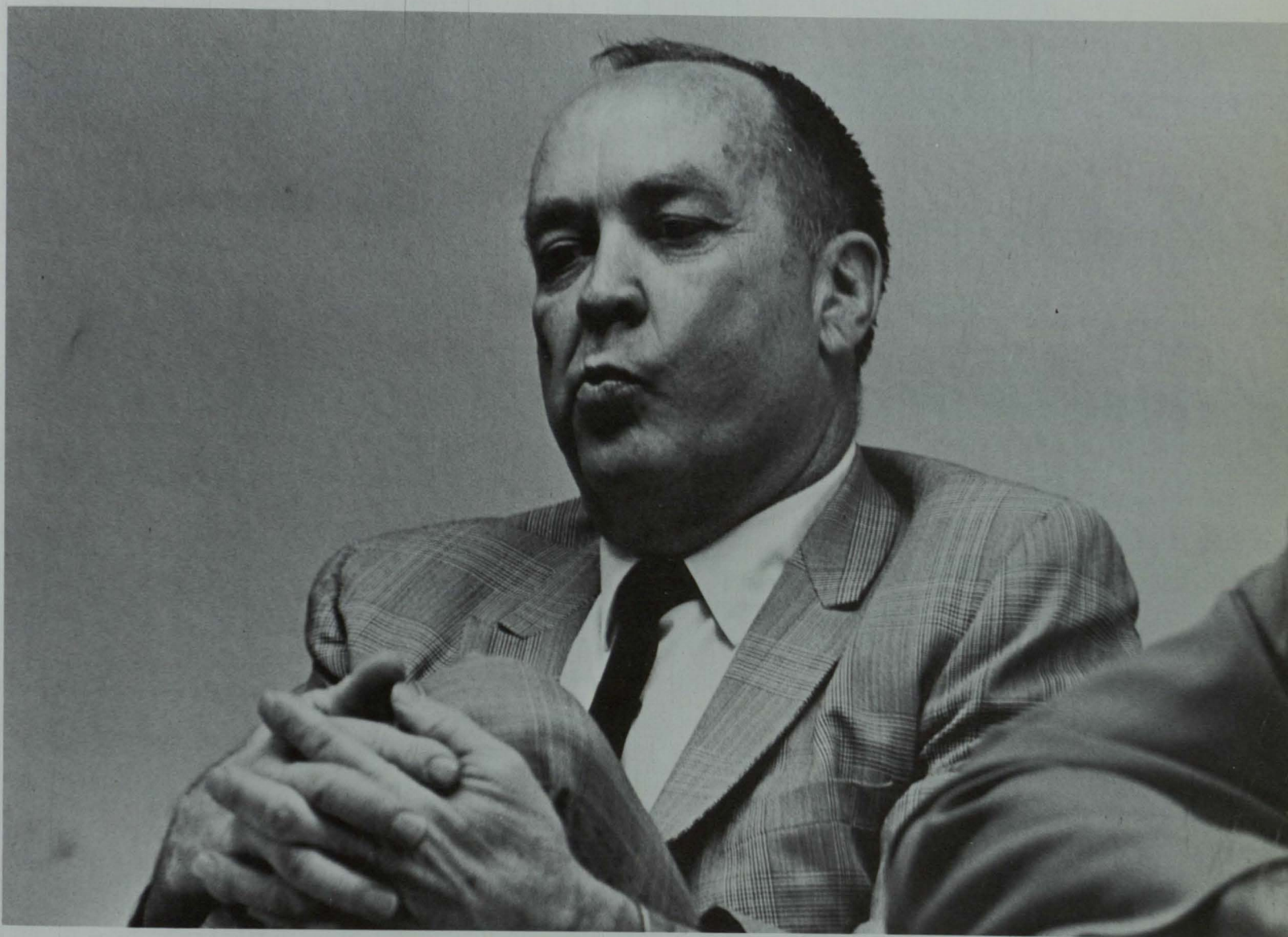


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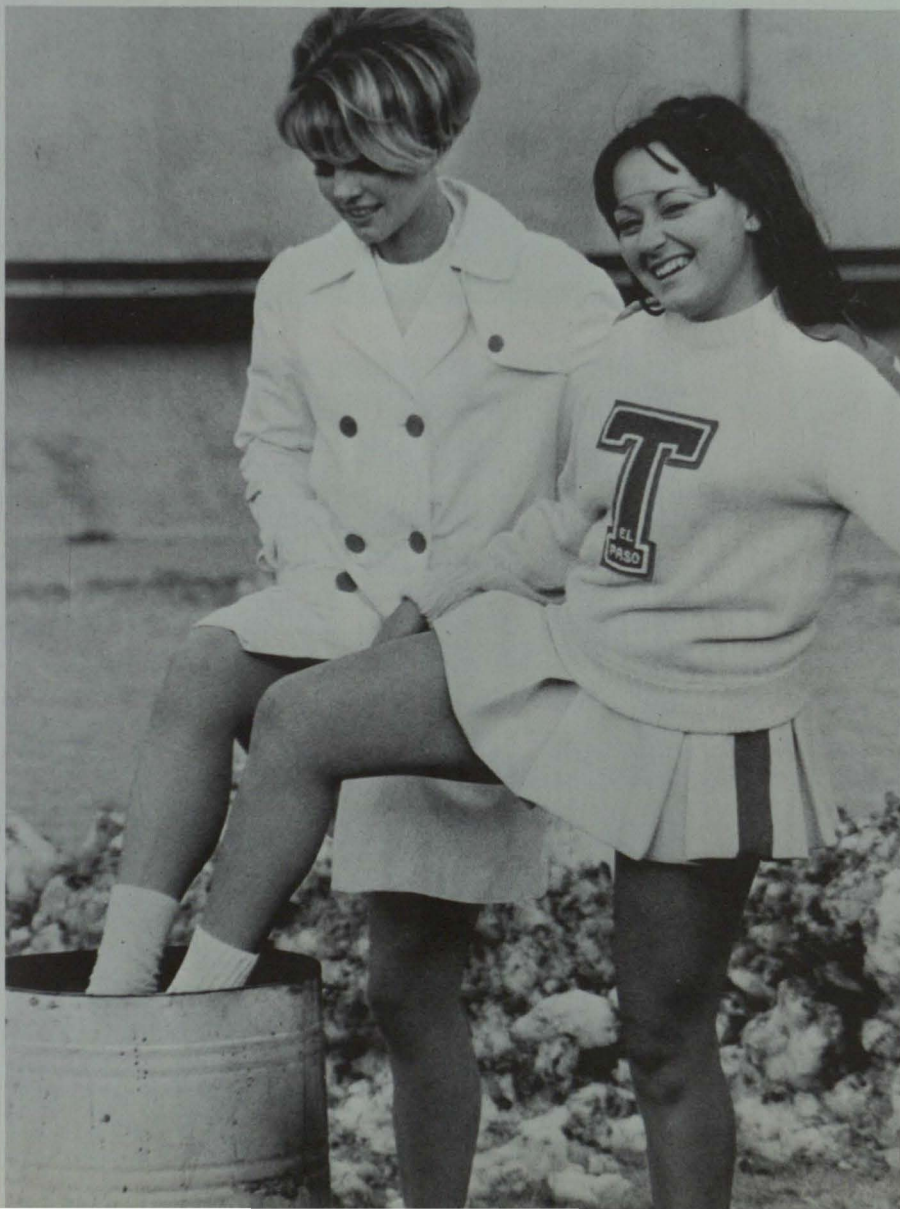


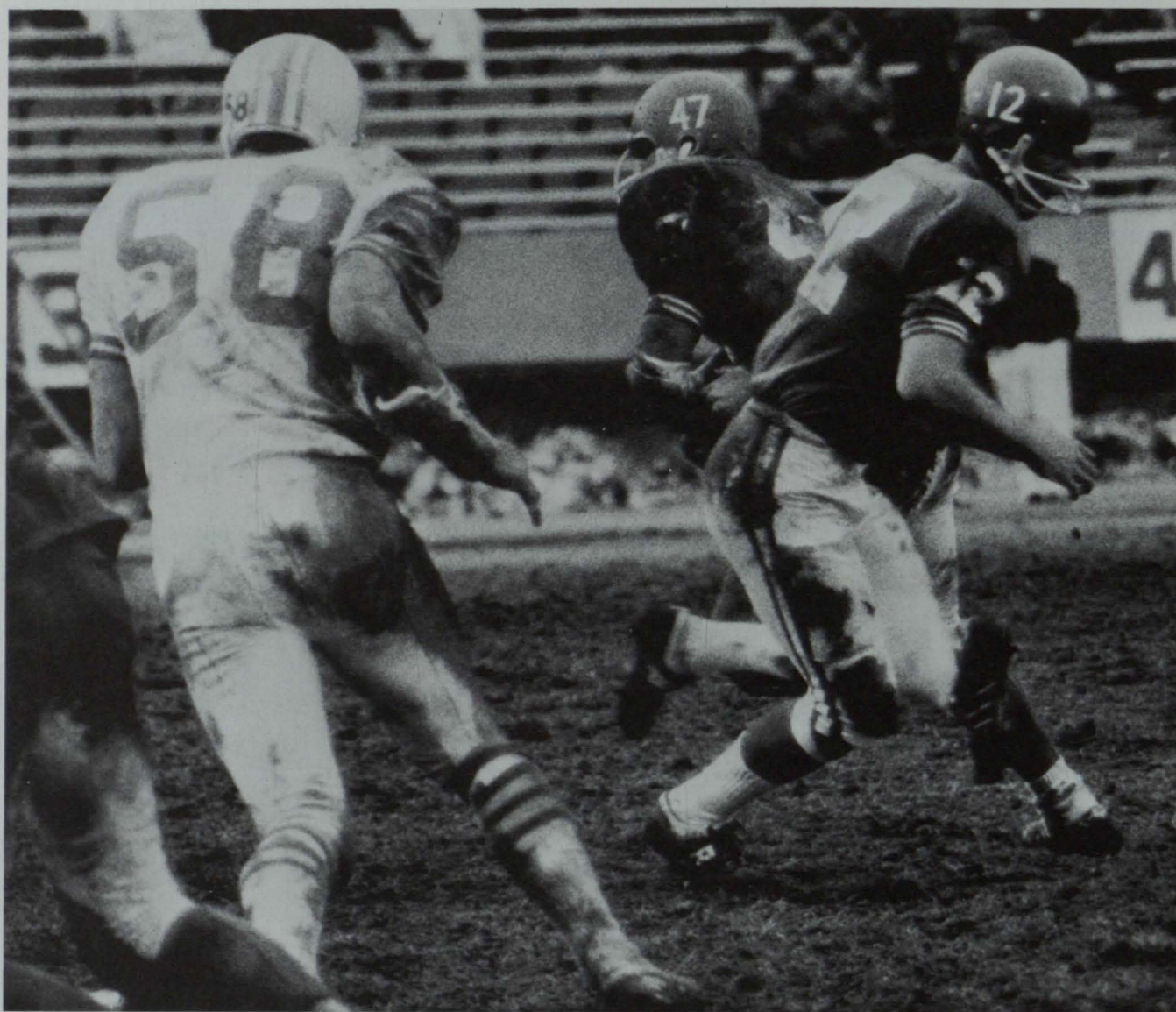


Cheerleaders

Varsity Cheerleaders *from left to right* are Debby Jackson, Marty Goodwin, Janet Sarracino, Karen Minson, and Verna Plowman.





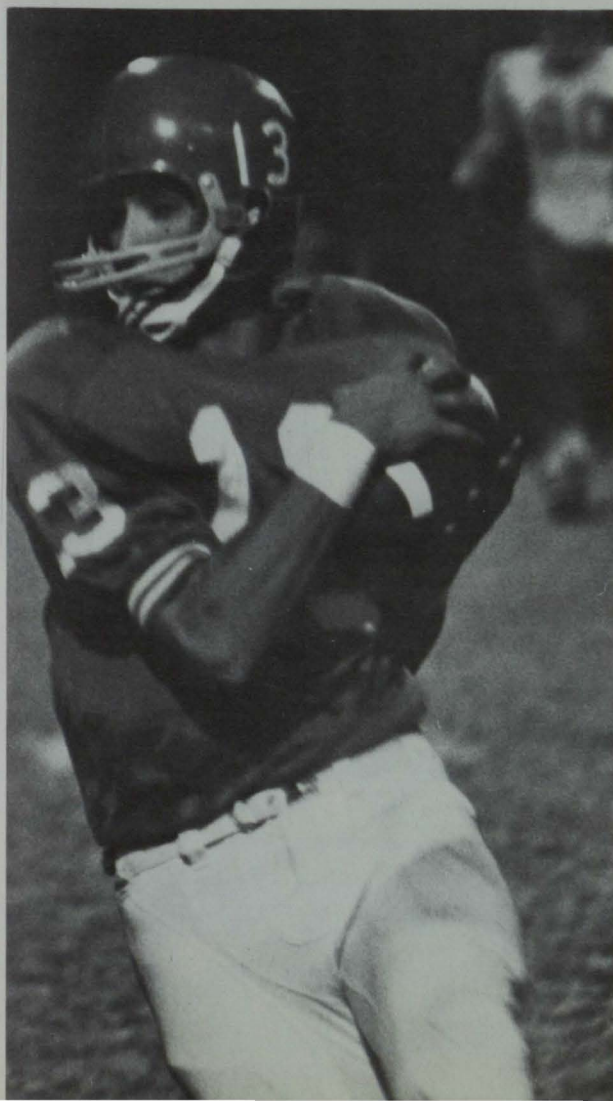


high hopes . . .

It was a new season, a young team, and a new quarterback that met the University of Pacific in the Sun Bowl on September 13, 1969. Field General, Billy Craigo, had a big pair of shoes to fill as he led the Miners to a 14-10 victory on his opening night. His varsity debut was not as impressive as that of his predecessors, but Billy completed ten of 25 passes, one of them for a touchdown. The Miners were flying high as they traveled to Albuquerque to take on the University of New Mexico Lobos. The final score was 21-6; victory again for the school on the hill. Jim Fabish, the only veteran in the defensive backfield, was outstanding in holding the Lobos to only one score. Once again, talk of a post-season game filled the air as the fans filed into the Sun Bowl to see the Flyin' Miners host the Utah Redskins. By the final gun, faces were long and spirits were low. The massacre in the hills resulted in a 24-6 defeat for U.T. El Paso. The following week held double trouble for the Miners. They were slated to face the Wyoming Cowboys in Laramie. Cold weather proved too much for us, losing 37-9.

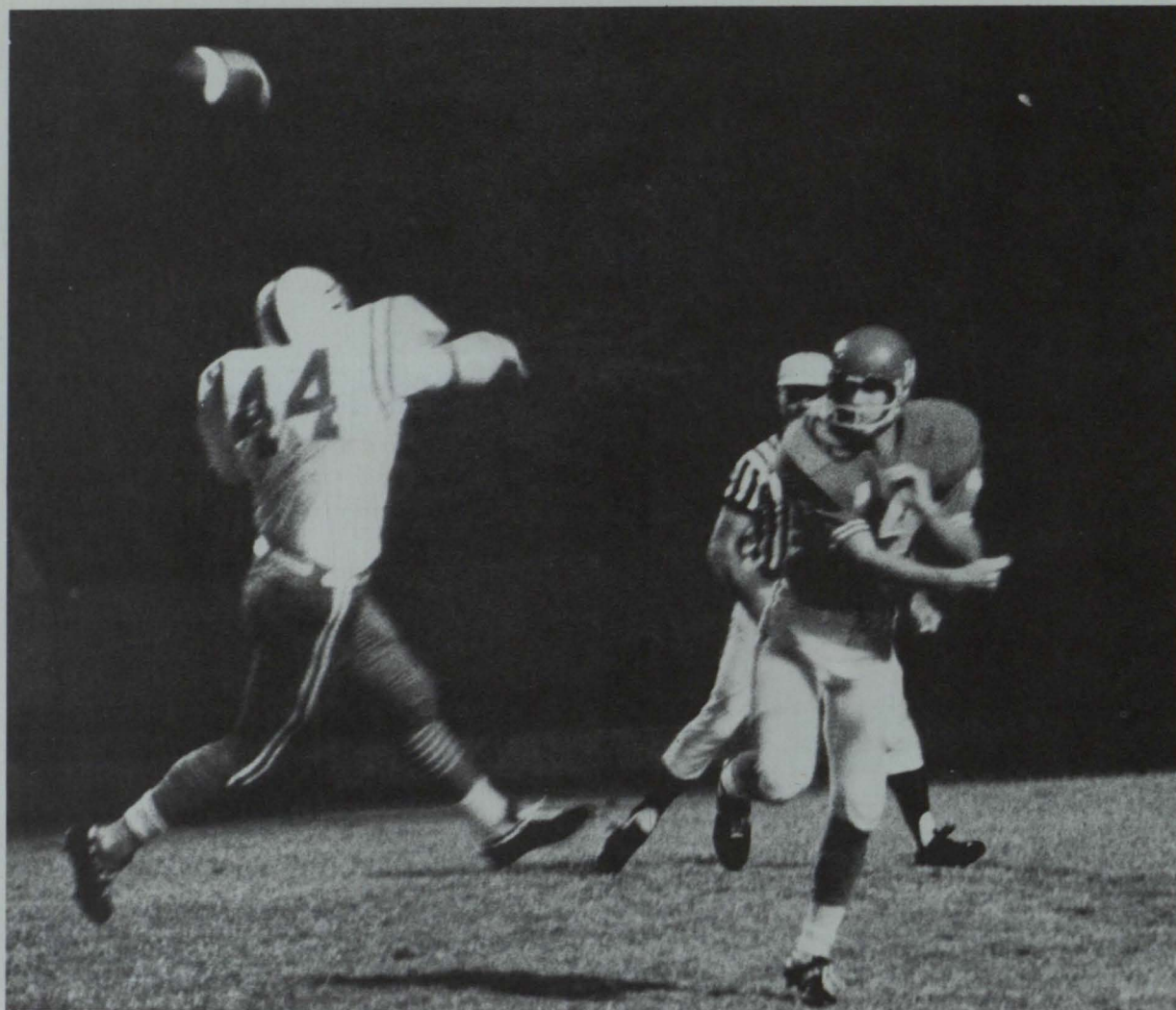




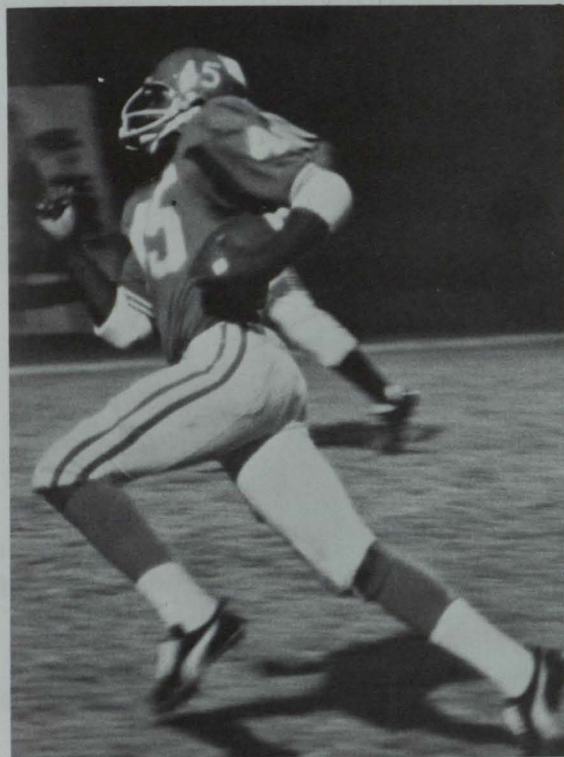


football spirit ferments

The University of Arizona has always been a school to beat. This year was no different. The Miners had been tagged as underdogs for the game in Tucson. Coach Bobby Dobbs, in an effort to stifle the Arizona defense, used quarterbacks Billy Craigo and Neil Lovorn interchangeably. The strategy proved fruitless; the Wildcats issued the Miners their third straight loss, 26-10. Again, offensive mistakes were blamed for the defeat. Even the defense, which had been the backbone of the team throughout the season, was apparently hit by a dry spell and couldn't pull itself together. A fortunate innovation in the Arizona game was the introduction of Paul Gibson into starting halfback position. On his first carry in the college ranks, Paul stormed down the sidelines on a run that would have given the Miners an extra six points had he not stepped out of bounds at the 12-yard line. In spite of these few individual stand-outs, the Miners still left the field as losers. Enthusiasm began dwindling. Everyone was despondent over the Miner's 1-3 WAC record. The perennial fans, Jim Beam, Johnnie Walker, and Jack Daniels, seemed to be the only ones with any school spirit.



hope turns to pity



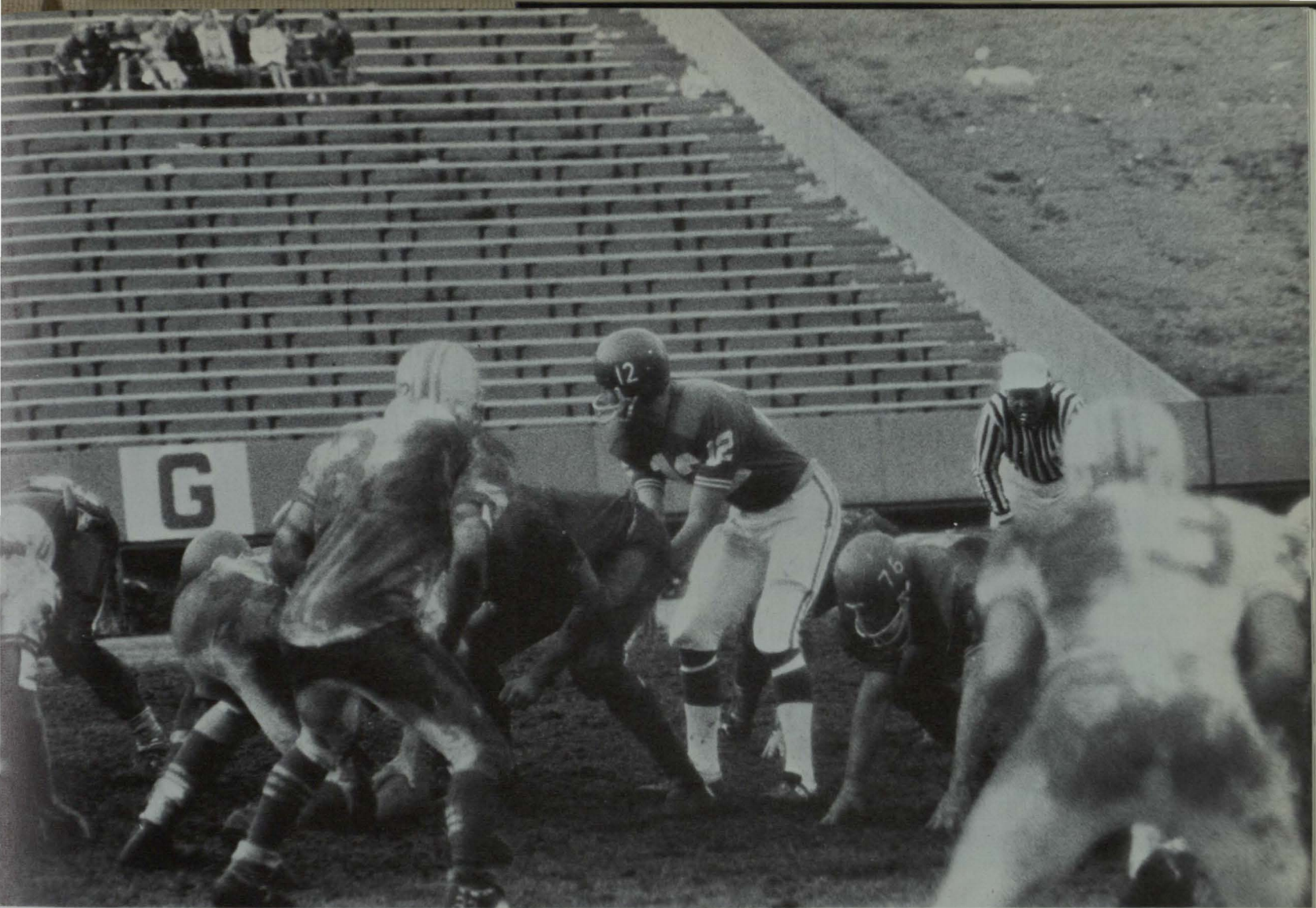
Despite the depression in spirits, the following game against Brigham Young was eagerly anticipated by many. But the reason wasn't athletic; it was racial. Several weeks before the game, talk of demonstrations against Brigham Young's racial policies had stirred much interest in the encounter. The night of the game arrived and everyone grabbed his girl to see the action in the Sun Bowl. Only this time the contact was in the stands. Brigham Young's 30-7 romp over the Miners went almost unnoticed as everyone developed a stiff neck from straining to see the action in Section 23. Racial disturbances and bottled spirits took the lime-light away from Eugene Childs and Ed Puishes. The Miners were strong but couldn't get the wins. BYU coach, Tommy Hudspeth, showed his approval of the encounter when he described it as a "whale of a game." On November 1, U.T. El Paso traveled to Fort Collins for another WAC game. This time it was against the Rams of Colorado State University. Jeff White was the salvation of the Miner squad as he climaxed a frustrating afternoon by unleashing a 25-yard field goal with 16 seconds left in the final period of play. White's kick gave the Miners a 17-16 victory in a game that almost turned out to be their fifth loss. The following week brought the Flyin' Miners home for an engagement against the New Mexico State Aggies here. For three periods, Miners showed their rivals from Las Cruces who was king of the Rio Grande valley. Then, tragedy struck in the form of Aggie All-America candidate, "Po" James. He ran for seven yards to give NMSU the winning margin. In a final attempt to tie the game, Jeff White's 34-yard field goal try went astray.

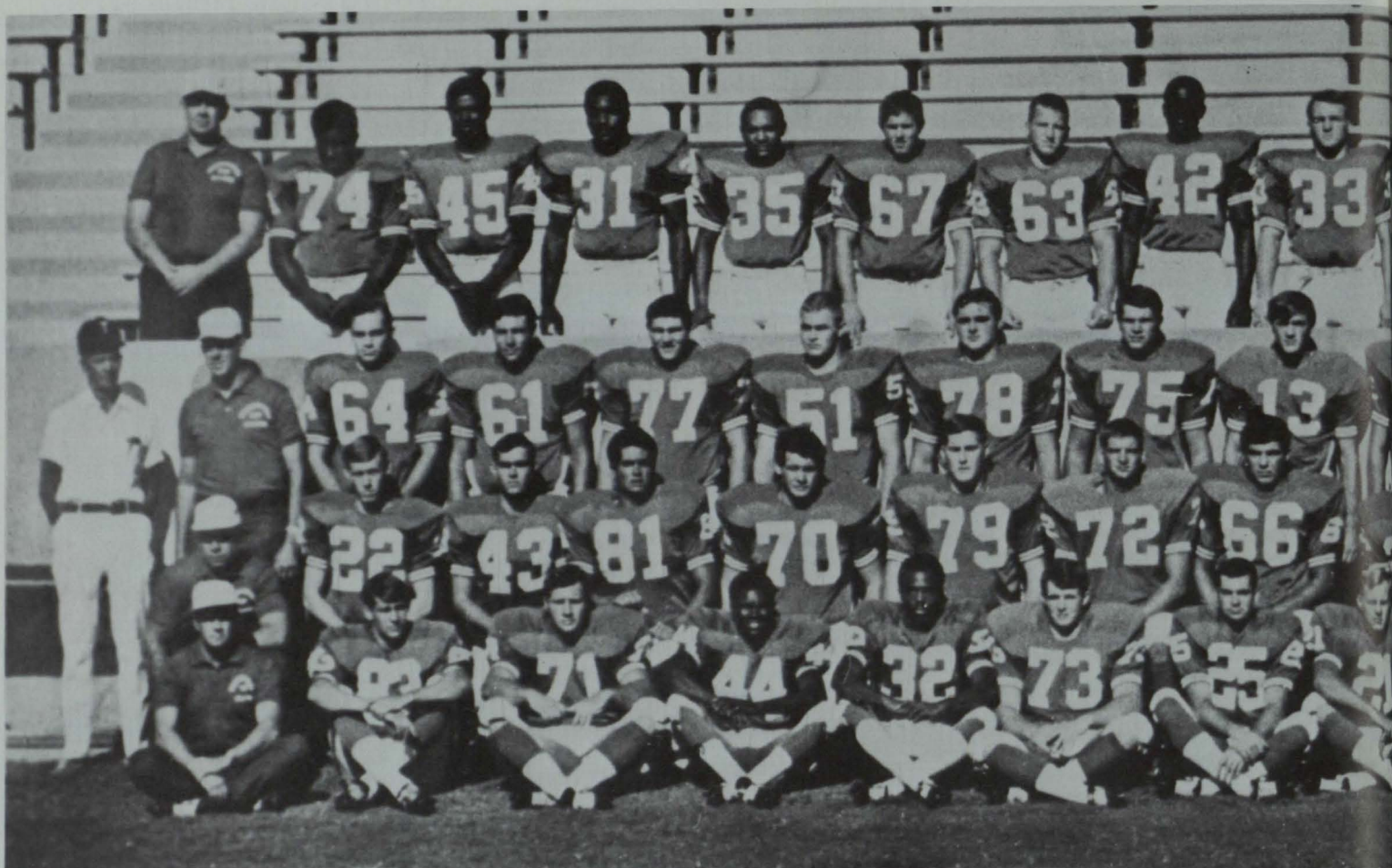




... it's how you
play the game

Again looking for a little luck on their home turf, the Miners took on the Arizona State University Sun Devils. But the mercy of the Fates fell upon the Sun Devils as they won by a decisive score of 42-19. The only merit which resulted from the encounter was a WAC sophomore receiving record set by Ed Puishes. Against ASU he caught six passes for 88 yards, giving him yearly totals of 52 receptions for 851 yards and four touchdowns. In the same game, Jeff White tied a Miner single-game record with 12 punts. The Miners then had two weeks to prepare for their season finale against Xavier University. The long, disappointing season drained what little spirit the fans may have had. The small crowd that turned out that snowy afternoon on November 29 saw the Miners defeat Xavier 17-10 and round out the 1969 season with a 4-6 record. Despite the poor condition of the field, the Miners had their best running attack of the season with a rushing total of 243 yards. Billy Craigo and Dick Raush scored TDs on short runs, as Jeff White kicked a 22-yard field goal and two extra points to finalize the Miner score. Ed Puishes became the WAC receiving king by catching three passes for 47 yards. That earned him a total for the year of 55 receptions. The Xavier game pulled the curtain on the college careers of 11 Miners including Jim Fabish, Clyde Glossen, Paul White, Eugene Childs, Dennis Bramlett and Greg Rzycki. Other retiring Miners were Jim Barnette, Ray Ward, Dave Gerlach and Bob Larkin. All these players helped to bring honor and distinction to U.T. El Paso.





1969 FOOTBALL ROSTER

10 Dennis Niemeyer	QB	55 Dennis Bramlett	C
11 Jeff White	K	60 Dave Gerlach	OG
12 Neil Lovorn	QB	62 Mark McDonald	OG
13 Ed Puishes	FL	63 Paul Wilson	OG
14 Bill Craigo	QB	64 Dick Friedli	OG
15 Mike Fray	FL	66 Rick Gunnels	LB
16 Paul Gibson	HB	67 Lewis Brooks	OG
20 Ken Koval	DB	70 Mike Brady	OT
21 John Campbell	DB	71 Dick Reisman	DT
22 Bill Taylor	OE	72 Greg Rzycki	OT
23 Jesse Ballou	DB	73 Jaime Chavando	C
24 Eric Washington	DB	74 Calvin Taylor	MG
25 Jim Fabish	DB	75 Buddy Hughes	DT
30 Jim Barnette	DB	76 Bob Tackett	OT
31 Glen Horner	HB	77 Murray Foster	DT
32 Clyde Glosson	FL	78 Fred DeBernardi	OT
33 Jim Sanson	LB	79 Don Croft	DT
34 Clarence Jones	FL	80 Gary Merrill	DE
35 Mike Robinson	LB	81 Dennis Mayfield	OE
36 Dick Rausch	HB	82 Dave Smith	DE
40 Dave Watkins	HB	83 Chuck Beall	OE
41 James Berry	HB	84 Gene Mack	DE
42 Paul White	HB	85 Brooks West	DE
43 Ray Ward	OE	86 Bob Larkin	DE
44 Larry Willis	DB	87 Tom Doyle	DE
45 Gene Childs	FB	Bobby Dobbs, <i>Head Coach</i>	
46 Mike Reynolds	DB	Bob Lee, <i>Asst. Coach</i>	
47 Charlie Berlanga	FB	Jim Blevins, <i>Asst. Coach</i>	
50 Tom Echols	LB	Pete Manning, <i>Asst. Coach</i>	
51 Ron Neves	LB	J. D. Partridge, <i>Asst. Coach</i>	
52 Ron Cauley	LB	Dave Nusz, <i>Asst. Coach</i>	
53 Rance Vaughn	C	Wilson Knapp, <i>Asst. Coach</i>	
54 Tom Harper	C	Ross Moore, <i>Trainer</i>	

1969 FOOTBALL RECORD

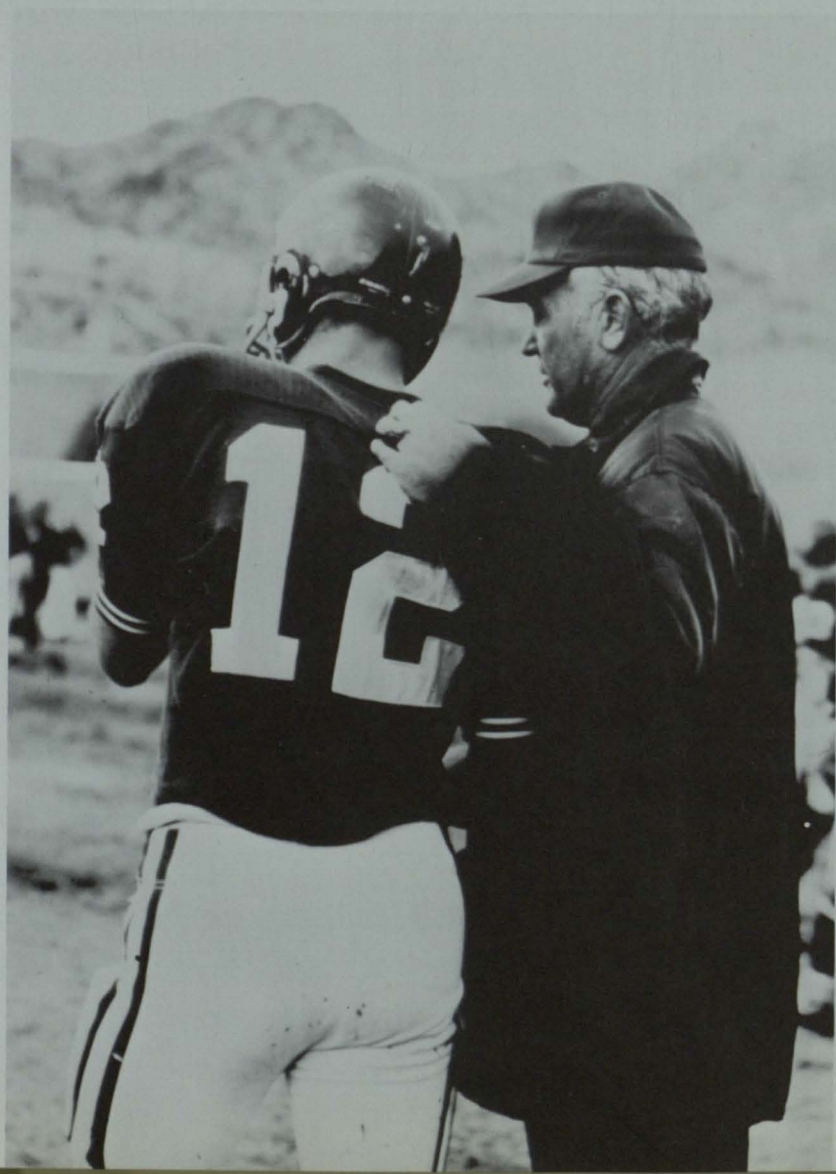
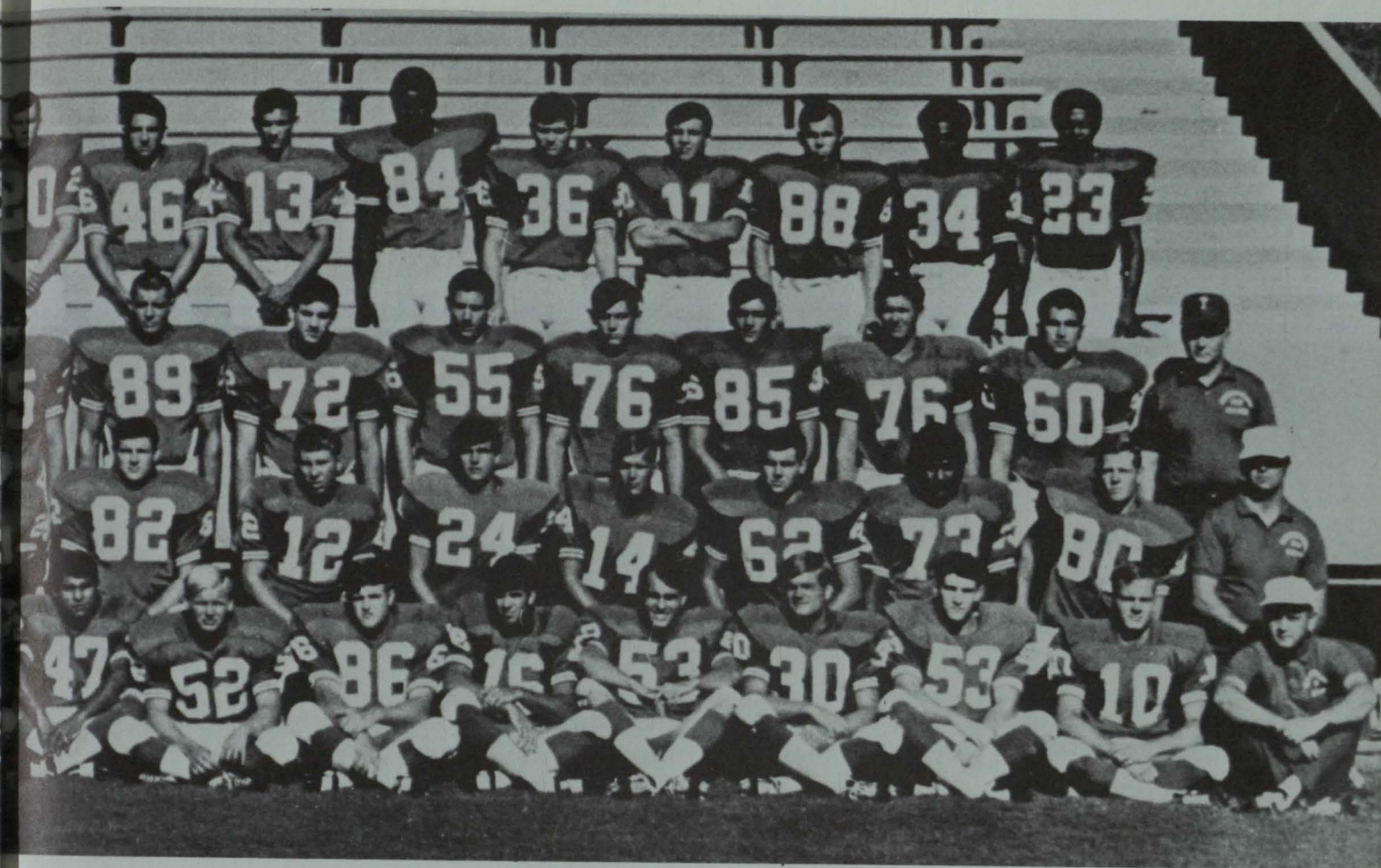
	Miners	Opp.
University of Pacific	14	10 —
New Mexico*	21	6 —
Utah*	6 —	24
Wyoming*	9 —	36
Arizona*	10 —	26
Brigham Young*	7 —	30
Colorado State*	17	16 —
New Mexico State	38 —	41
Arizona State*	19 —	42
Xavier	17	10 —

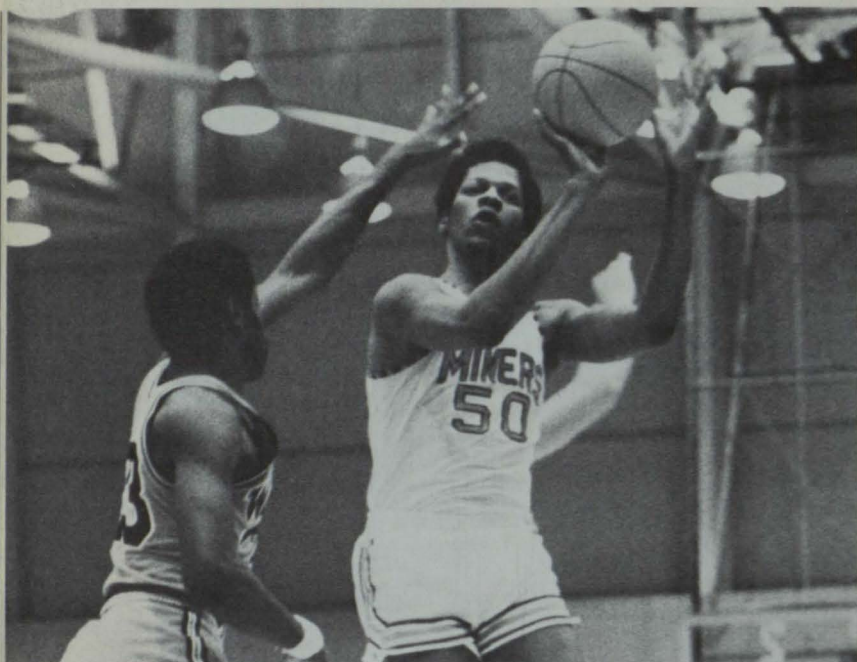
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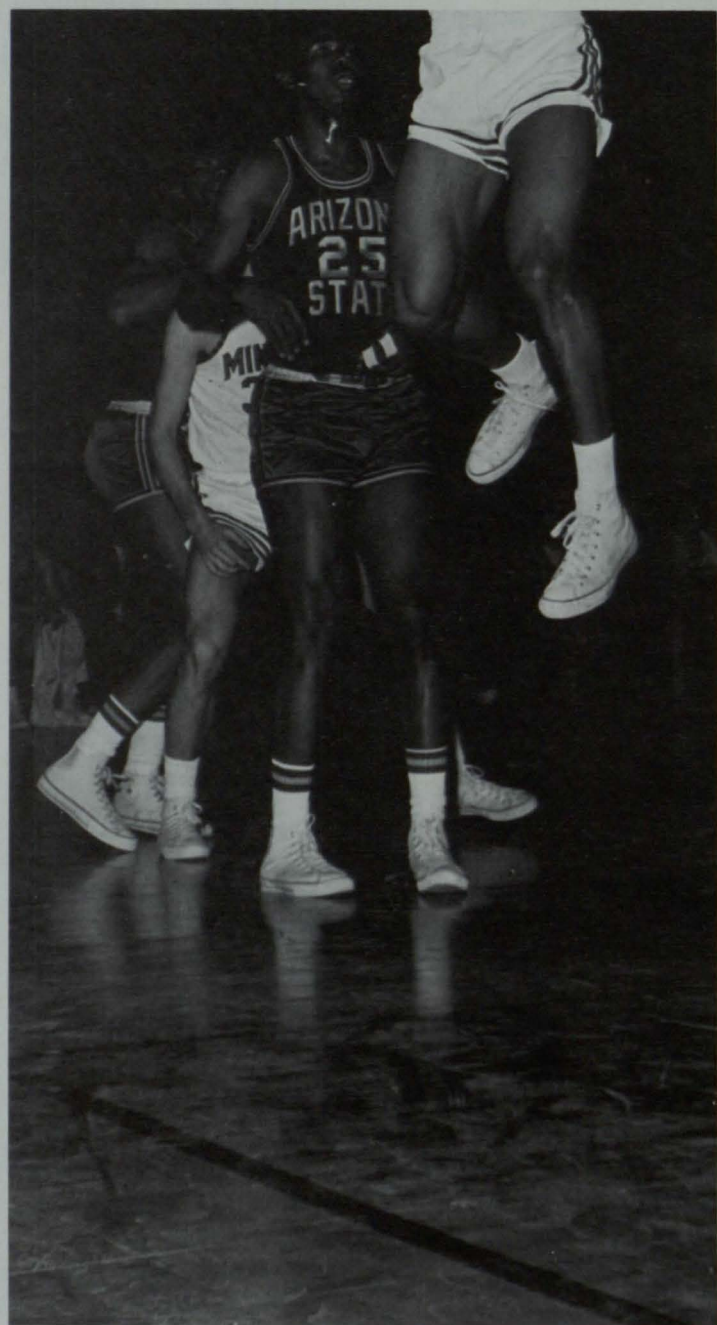
Arizona State	6-1
Utah	5-1
BYU	4-3
Wyoming	4-3
Arizona	3-3
UTEP	2-5
New Mexico	1-5
Colorado State	0-4

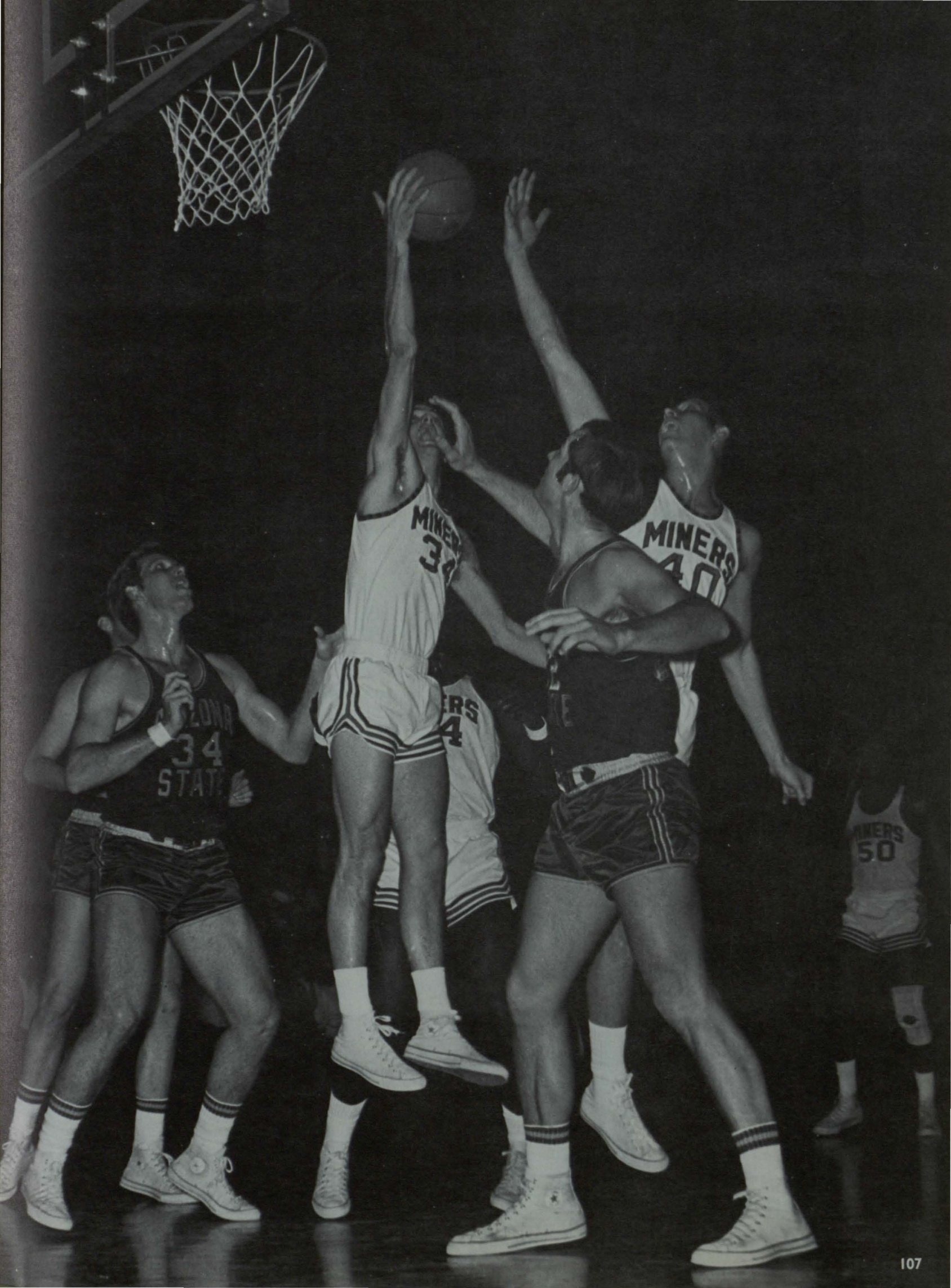


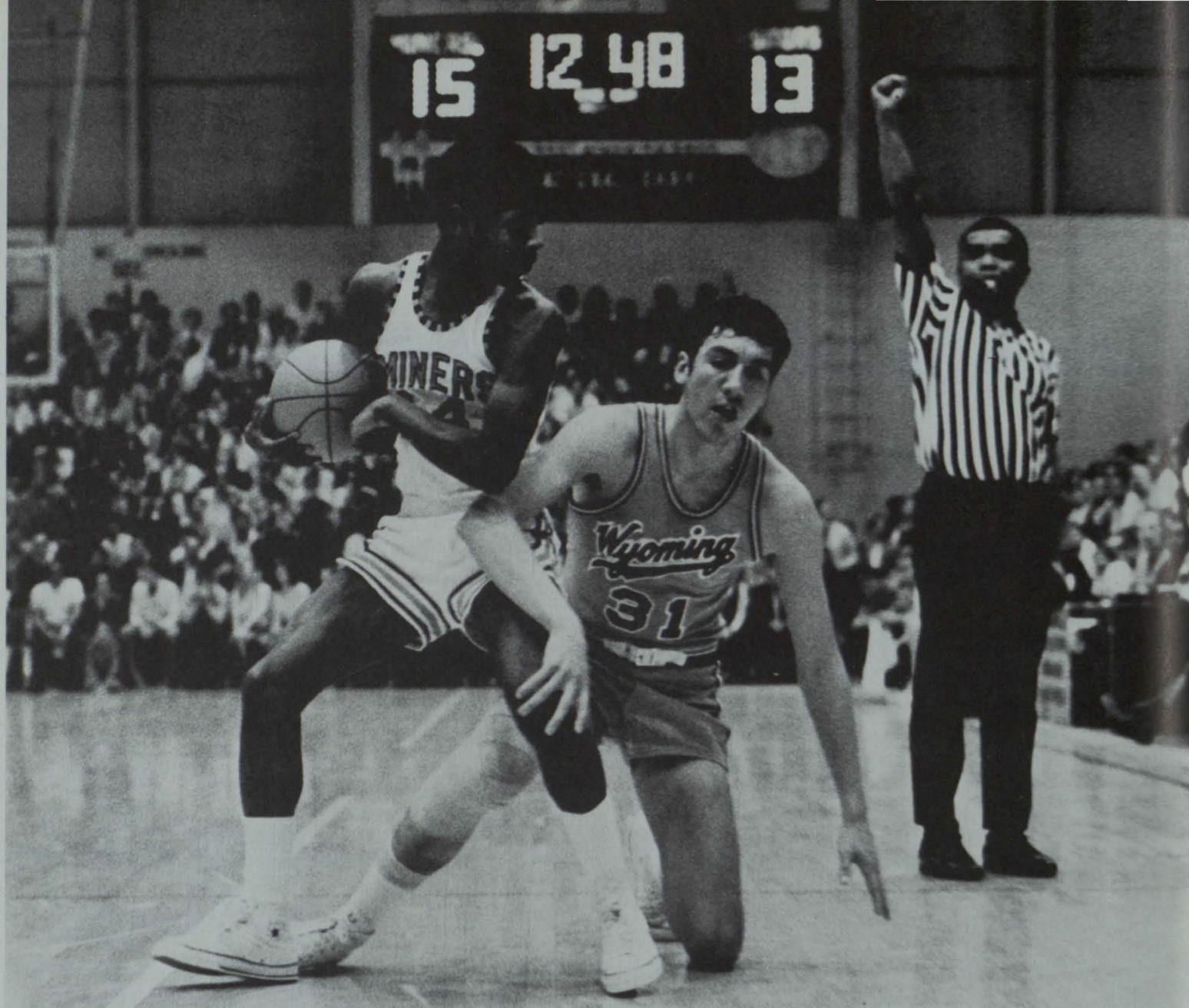


to win the wac . . .

The misery of the long football season gave way to speculation about basketball, the first season in Western Athletic Conference competition. There were always rumors about a big man, but he never came. Men like Jim Barnes and David Lattin had been missed in the lean years since '66. But we had a new assistant coach, Ed Sparling, whose junior college teams have been ranked from No. 5 to No. 1 in recent years. With Sparling came Dick Gibbs, a 6-7 transfer quick enough to play outside. Coach Haskins said we would have to play good defense or go to a conservative offense. Opening against Oklahoma City Christian College, the Miners showed that defense. It shut down OCC scoreless the first 10 minutes of the second half winning 61-45 as Switzer moved out to guard with All-American Nate Archibald. Two nights later Archibald hit for 28 in an 87-55 victory over Quincy College. The rebounding was great. Dick Gibbs pulled down 15 and Len Stewart with 11. Hussel replaced lack of height; aggressive quickness gave a good defense, and great shooting gave a non-conservative and potent offense. The season was starting great but it would be two weeks until the Jayhawk Classic in Lawrence, Kansas. Haskins feared the height of Western Kentucky, a team receiving votes in National polls, and the layover proved to be too much. We only hit 13 of 31 free throws in losing 78-59. In the consolation game against SMU, the Miners lost a 17 point second half lead but held a 69-69 tie with 1:41 remaining. The Miners stalled for one shot: Sam Samuels took it, and hit for two with four seconds left.

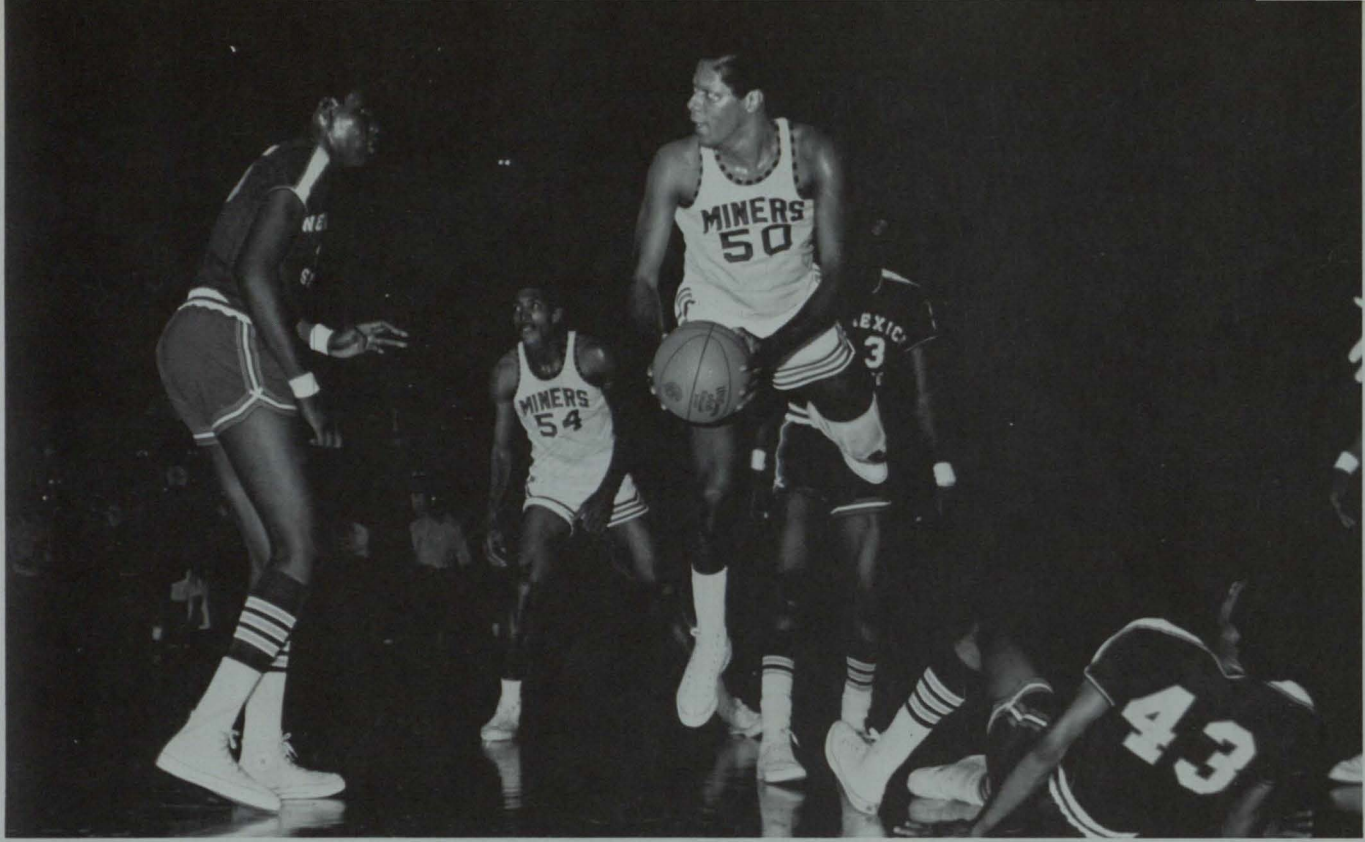


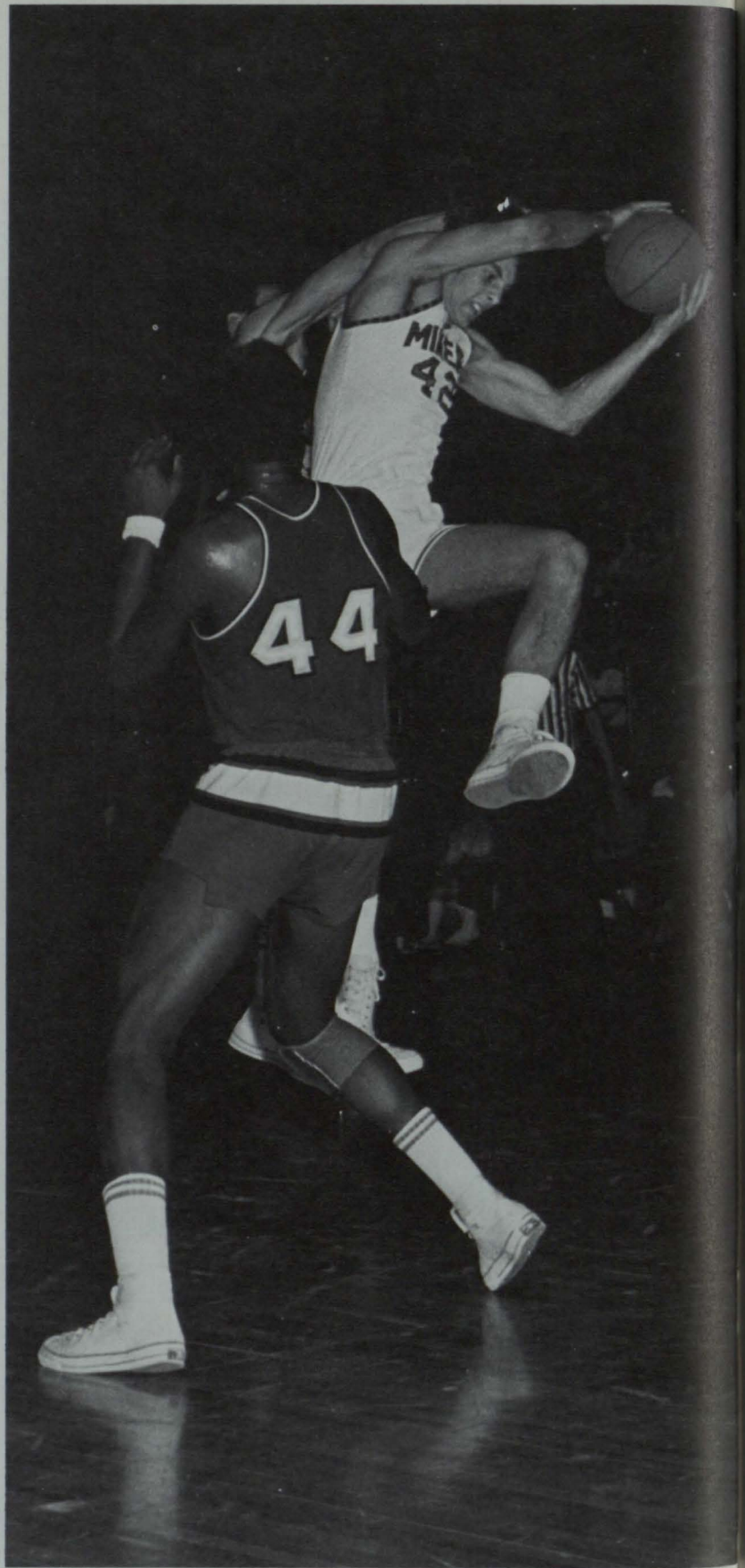


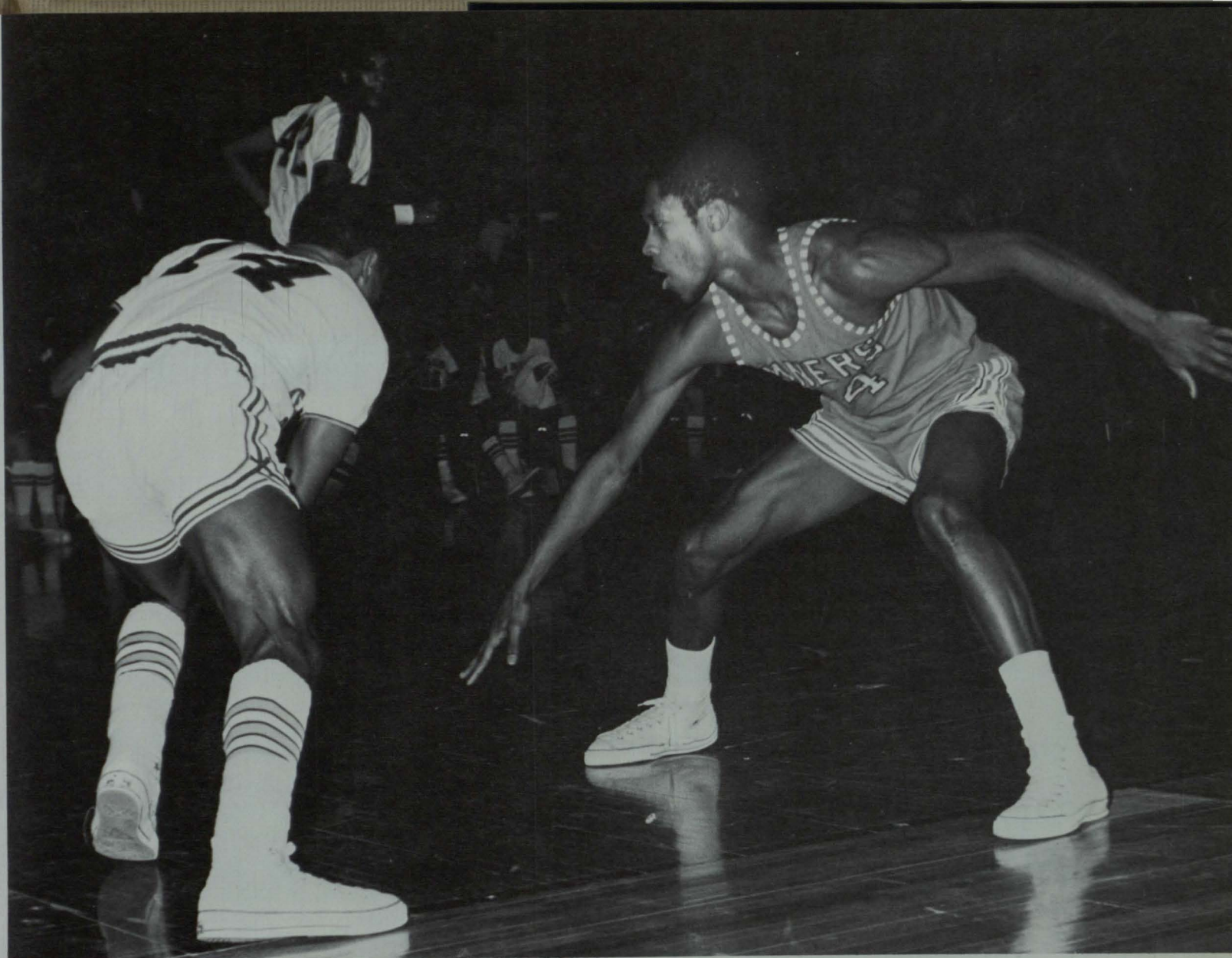


momentum . . .

The Miners returned home to the Sun Carnival Tournament as underdogs to Missouri. Bob Doyle, developing into a deadly shot, scored 20 points as U.T. El Paso downed Clemson. Against Missouri, the Miners had a great game by winning 98-79 and hitting .600 from the field and .950 from the line. Switzer had high points with 20. Nate Archibald and Dick Gibbs were named to the All-Tournament team; for the second year, Archibald was the most valuable player. The Miners met Southern Methodist University again and gained the lead with only 19 seconds left. The SMU coach disputed a jump ball with nine seconds left; the technical iced the game for us, 86-82. The Miners next beat Athletics-in-Action, 69-60 with Gibbs scoring 17. The next night we shot 58.4 per cent from the field and dominated the boards as Southwestern Louisiana went down 87-61. The Miners were just beginning to jell, but seventh-ranked New Mexico State was two days away.

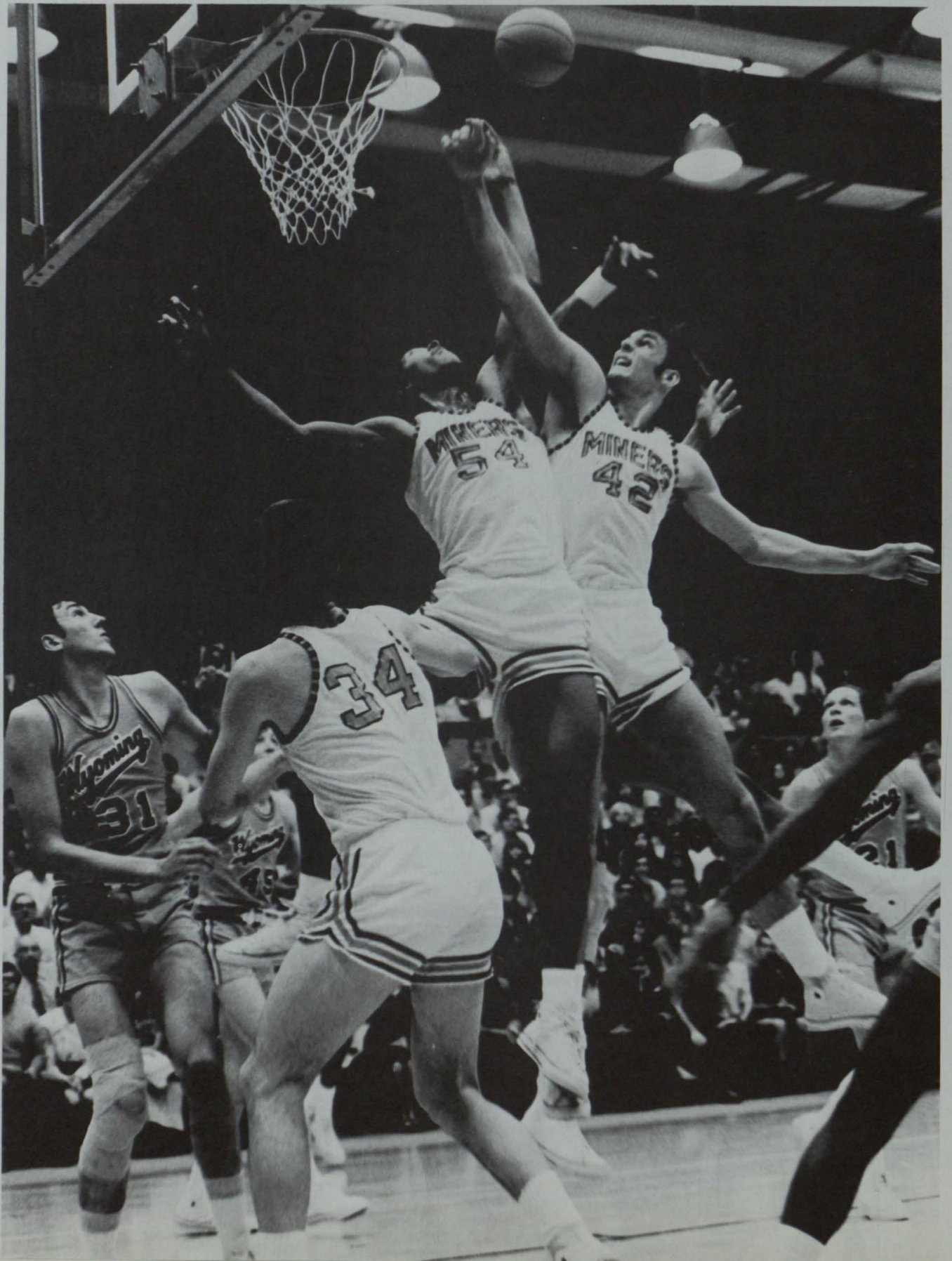


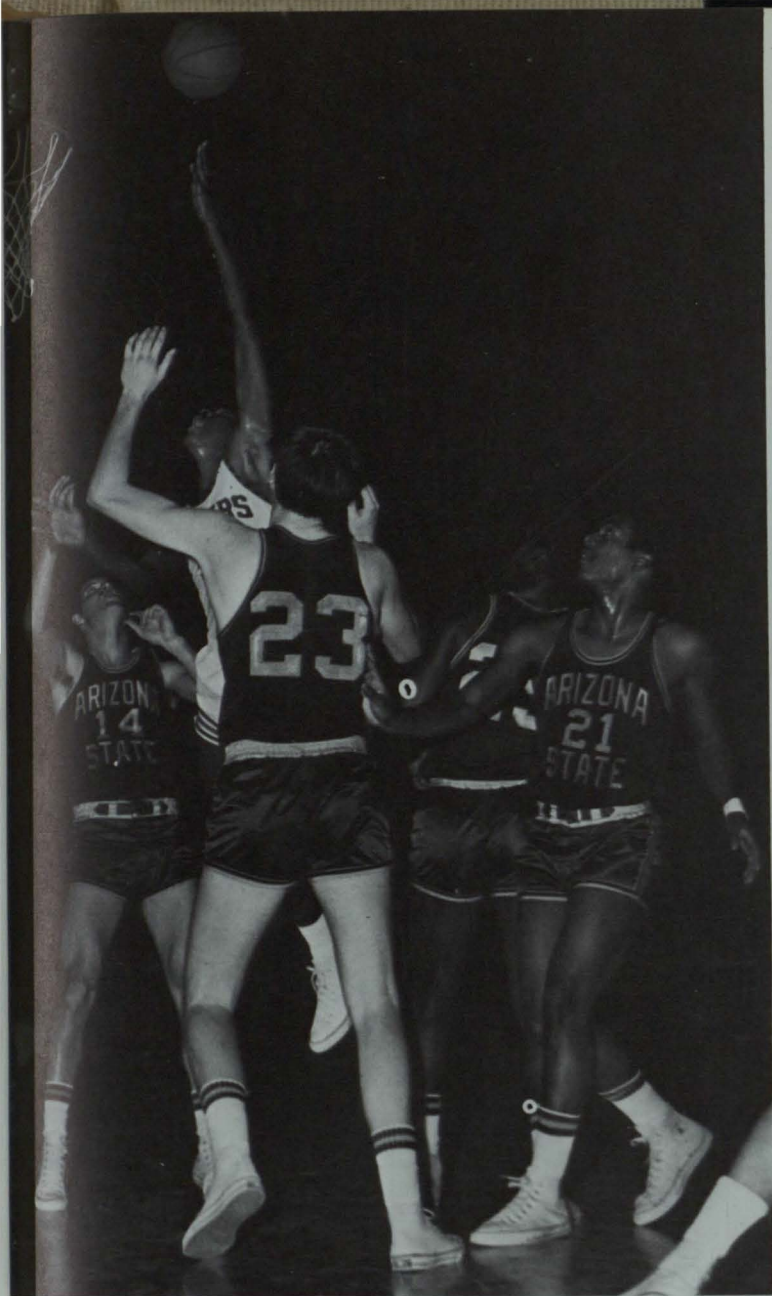




The coliseum was packed and the air was tense; Haskins had never beaten a Lou Henson Aggie team. The Miners fell quickly behind 21-10, but Archibald caught fire and led a comeback that tied it 25-25 and put us ahead 36-34 at the half. For six minutes of the second half, we led the game. But State came on strong and eased away with a 75-66 victory. But now came the WAC games; the first two — Colorado State and Wyoming on the road. The Miners held the ninth ranked field goal percentage nationally, and put away Colorado State. Nationally ranked Wyoming held a seven point lead with 10 minutes gone in the first half. At that point, Archibald hit his first of 28 points and paced the Miners with spectacular dribbling to an 80-70 win. The strength of the road victories vaulted the Miners to No. 15 in UPI ratings. The Miners came home to face pre-season league favorite Arizona, tallest team in the WAC. Outplayed in the first half and down 50-47 with 11:47 left, the Miners turned on with 17 straight points and went on to win 74-59. Against Arizona State, the Miners exploded to a 108-64 victory putting them on top with 4-0 in the WAC, 13th in the nation, and headed for 5th ranked New Mexico State.

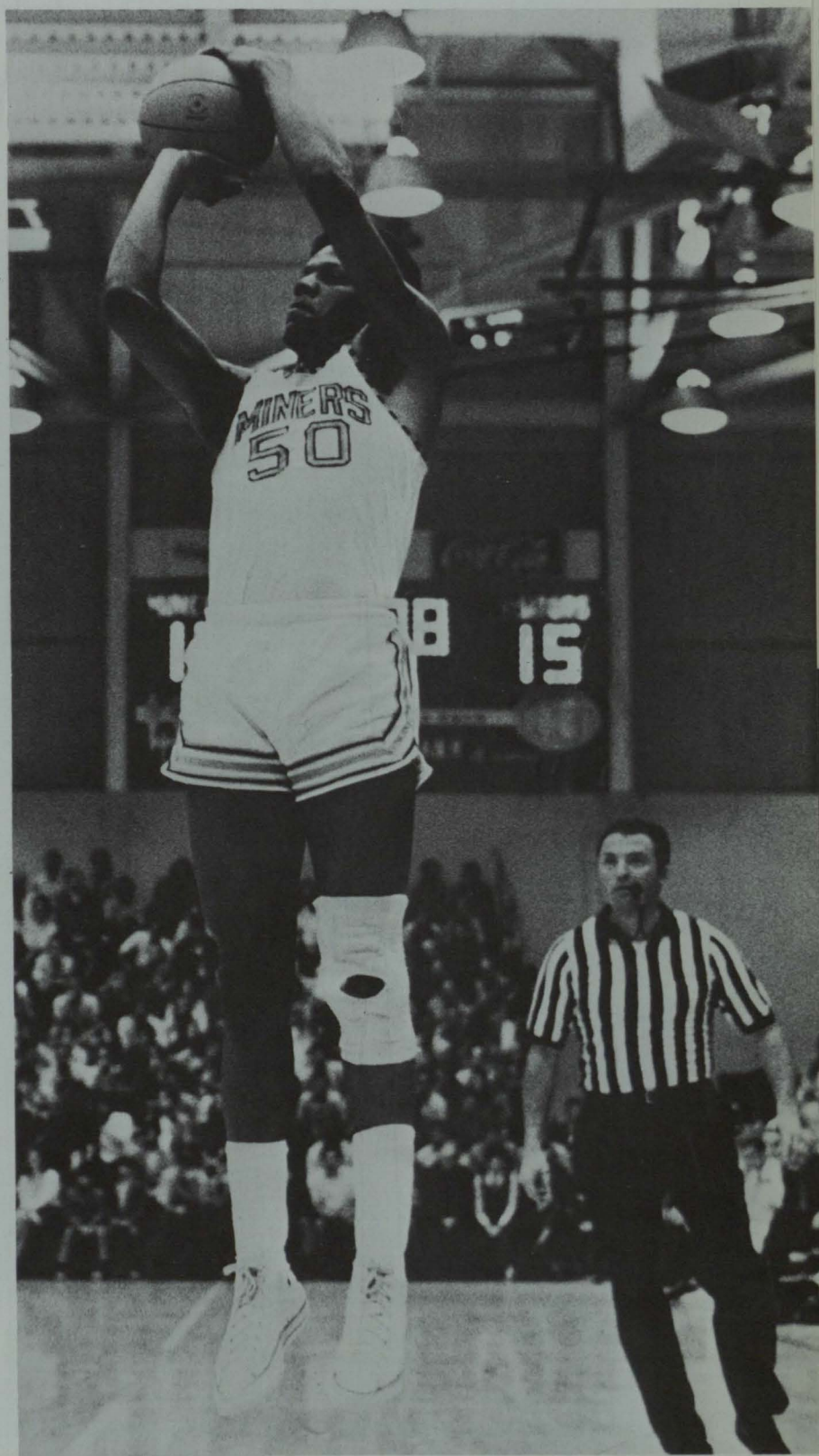
riding the crest . . .

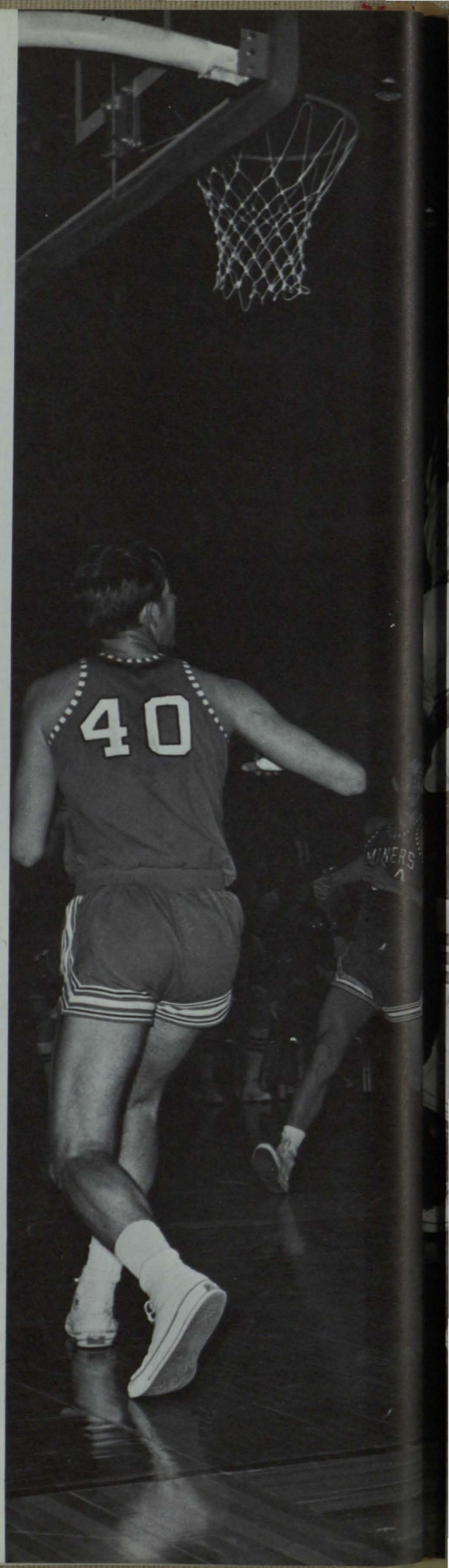
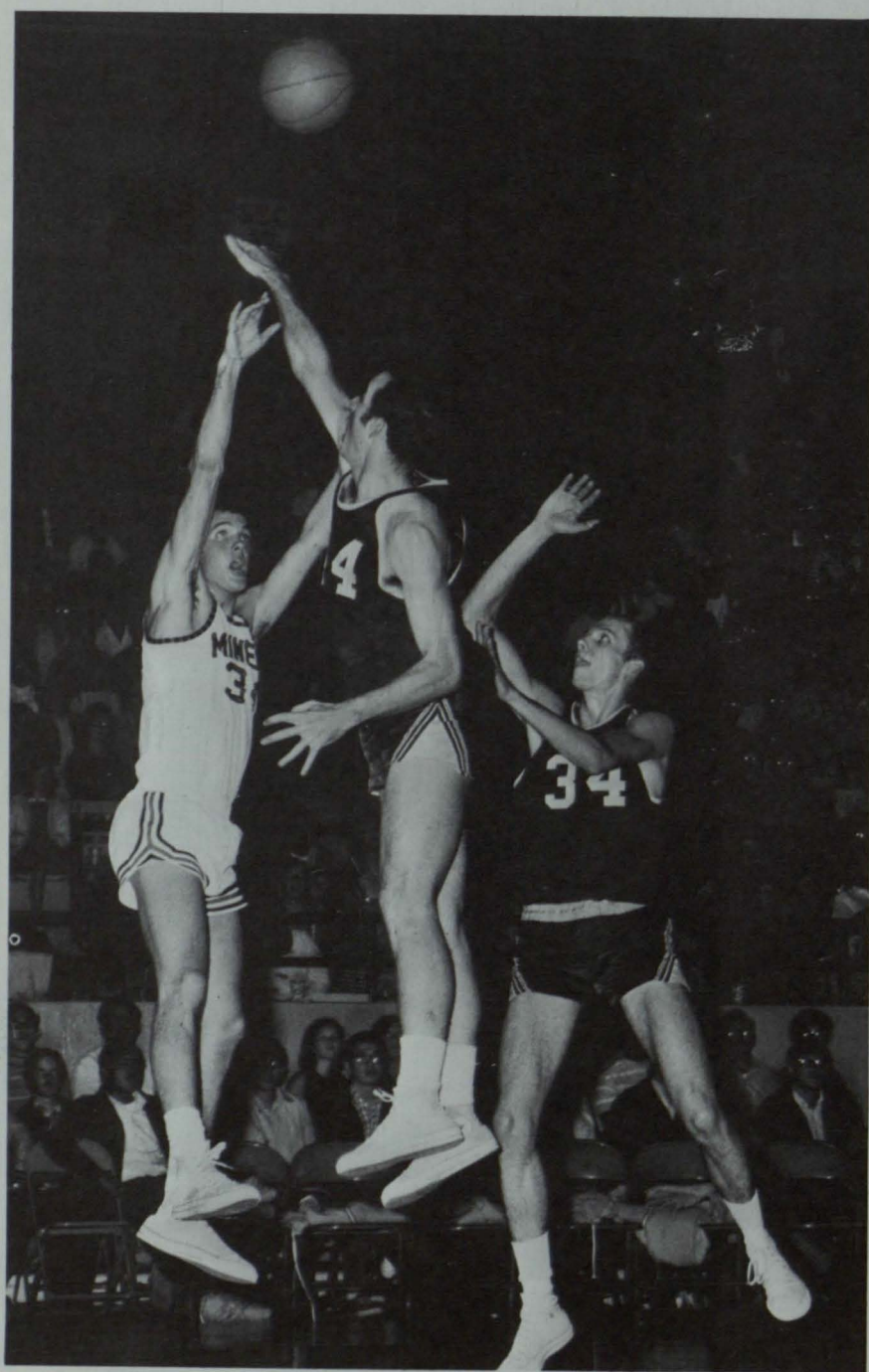




that damn state

Several thousand fans made the trip to Las Cruces and saw State's big men dominate the boards in the first half to lead 44-33. The Miners pulled close in the second half but fell back. The final, State 90 — U.T. El Paso, 77. The Miners dropped to 16th and Utah moved to 13th as we went to Salt Lake City. The game was close — tied nine times; the lead changed 26 times. The defense was good, but the fouls began to mount up. Archibald, Vann, and Gibbs fouled out; Switzer and Doyle had four each — we never even got into one and one. From the field, we won by 12; but the fouls gave it to Utah, 66-61. Two nights later, scrappy Brigham Young came alive to finish the job 87-72, and with a knee injury to Dick Gibbs the WAC seemed to be lost. Somehow, the team got up for New Mexico; Switzer's 19 points and reserve Len Stewart's great tip-ins led a 74-59 win. As we were winning, Utah was losing in Wyoming. The Miners sat idle that weekend and Utah lost again to Colorado State. Wyoming came into Memorial Gym ranked 14th in the nation and tied for WAC lead — a win, or all would be lost.







destination — utah

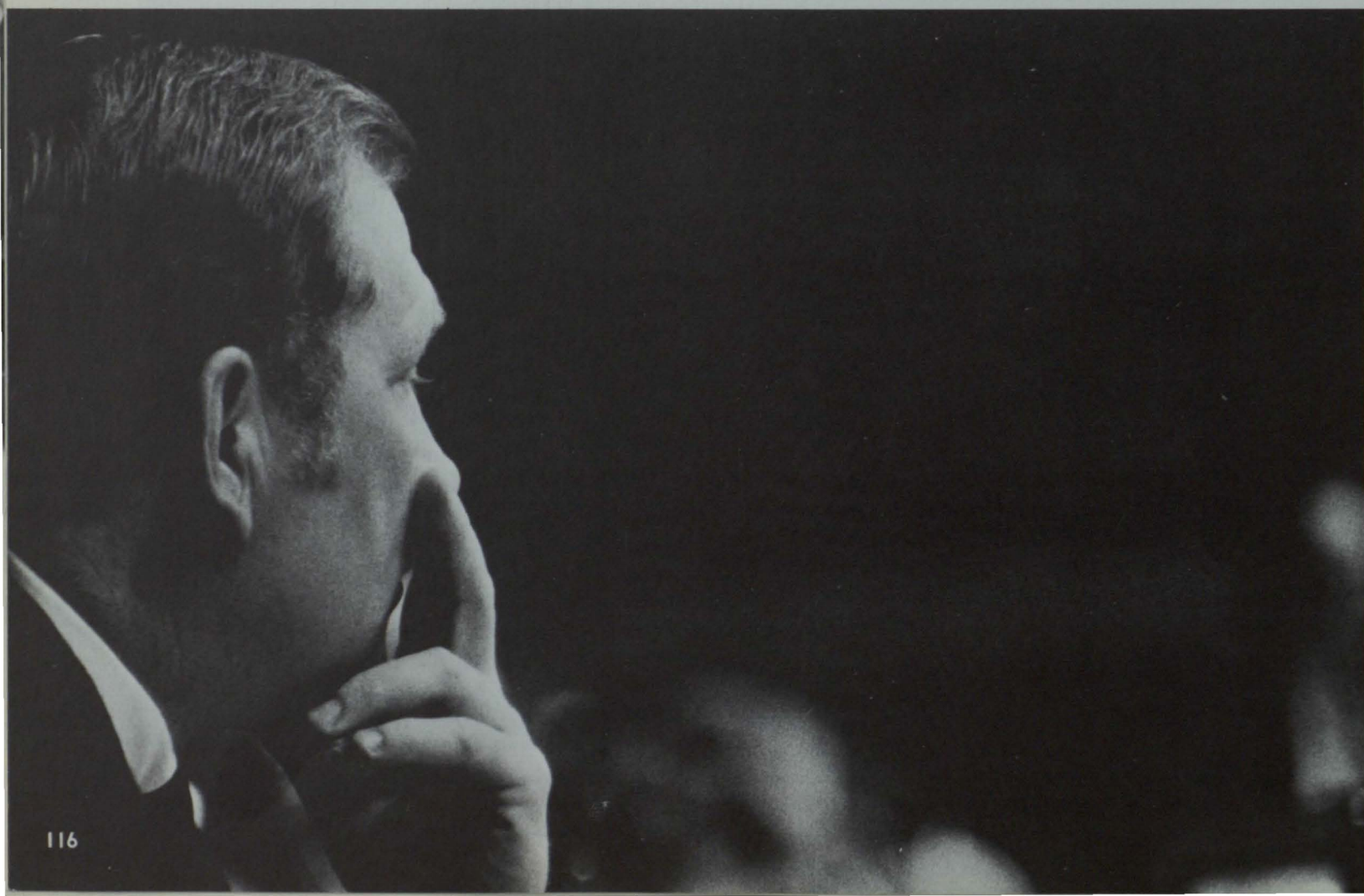
Against Wyoming, English, Stewart, and Vann covered the boards with great rebounding, while Archibald, Doyle, and Switzer ripped the nets with 61.5 per cent in winning 88-80. It was wild against Colorado State. With 13:30 left, a 17 point Miner lead dropped to one as CSU scored 16 straight. Switzer finally broke the ice as we scored 13 straight with the help of a triple technical foul on the CSU coach. Archibald hit for 32 points in the 80-61 win. Behind 51-42 at half at Arizona State, Haskins switched to a zone press and pulled out a 94-81 win. Archibald's 26 points made him the leading Miner career scorer. A Utah loss gave the Miners the WAC lead for two days. Then Arizona hit 65 per cent in the first half and coasted to a win, 86-72. We had given up 101 points in two first halves — the defense would have to shape up. The Miners were one-half game behind Utah with three games left; BYU, Utah, and New Mexico. Thursday night we played BYU; the coliseum was full, and Gibbs was back. Although we started slow, Switzer was hot and kept us in the game. The Miners played a great second half and as we won 81-70, a report came from Albuquerque that Utah had lost. The whole season came down to Saturday night — the Utah game. A victory and the conference would be ours.

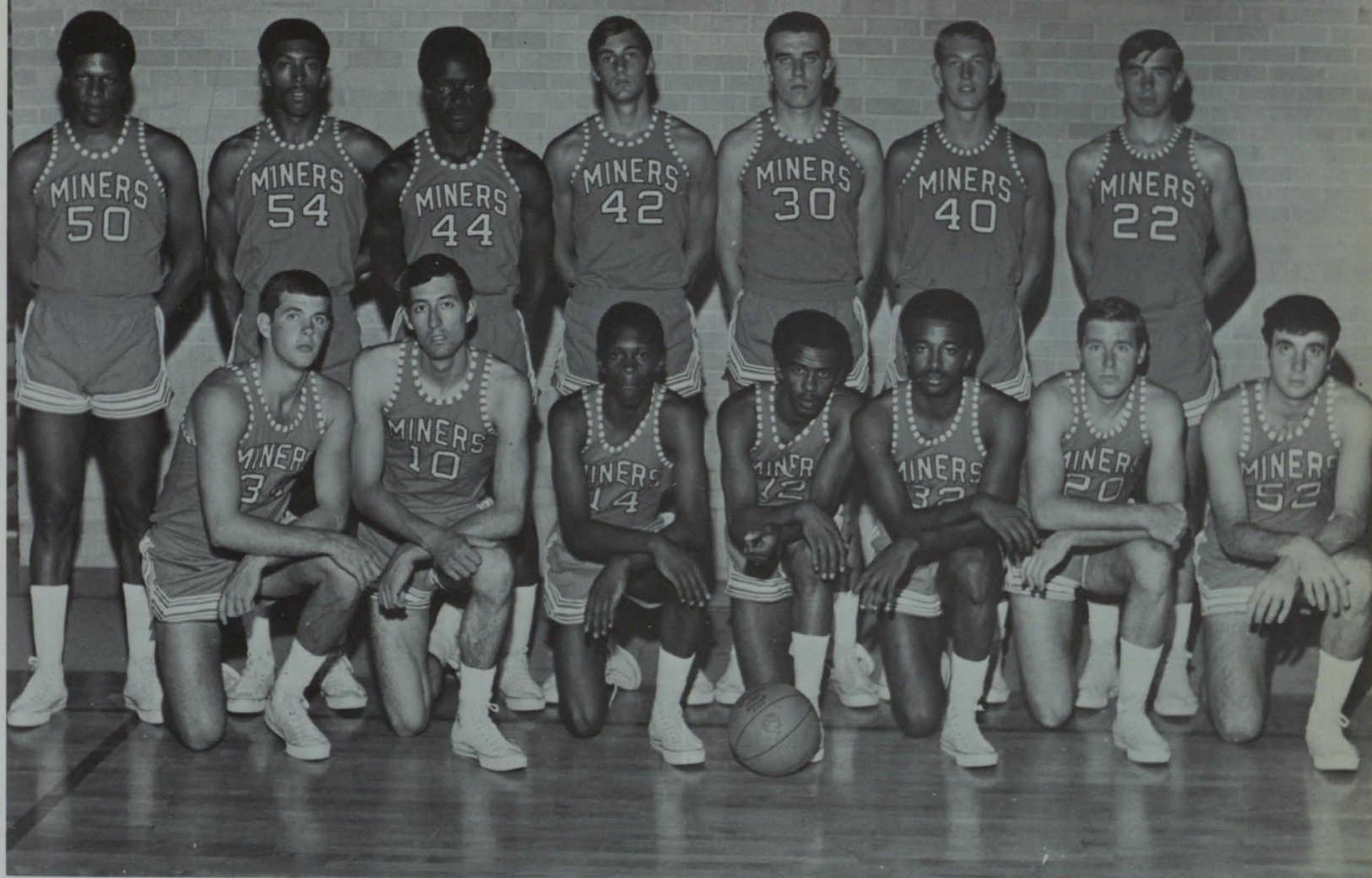


an entire season — 40 minutes

Utah was hot, opening an early lead; but the Miners fought back and were down 44-42 at the half. It took Utah just three minutes to gain a 53-42 lead; it took the Miners eleven more to catch up before they went ahead 70-69. With the crown just six minutes away, we fell cold as Utah gained an eight point lead 80-72, with 1:53 left. The Miners then turned on with nine straight points to gain the lead with 40 seconds left. Archibald hit two free throws for his thirtieth and thirty-first point — Utah went down 83-82; we had won the WAC championship. Two thousand fans mobbed the court praising the team for the greatest game ever played in El Paso. Ranked fourteenth in the nation and looking toward the NCAA tournament, it was no surprise that New Mexico beat us 78-70. The WAC championship pitted the Miners against Utah State in the NCAA Western Regionals. The shooting was off and State pulled out an early 10 point lead to go ahead 45-33 at half. The Miners came out strong and cut the lead to four, but the Utags pulled away again. Archibald hit 36 points and Switzer 18, but the season ended that night — Utah State 91, U.T. El Paso, 81. The season record showed 18 wins and 8 losses. In the final UPI poll, the Miners were ranked No. 20.

It had been a long season but the success was an even greater achievement because we had had no real height. Hustle and great coaching had pulled us through. Don Haskins received WAC Coach of the Year, and Nate (the Skate) Archibald, was honored as an All-American. He was high point man in four All-Star games, scoring 48 and 51 points in the last two.





Left to right; kneeling: Bob Doyle, Tony Vasquez, Nate Archibald, Sam Samuels, Walt Richards, John Rund, Tony Morina. Standing: Mike Switzer, Len Stewart, Ples Vann, Scott English, Tom Issac, Dick Gibbs, Mike Quimby.

SEASON SCORES

	Miners	Opponents
O. C. Christian.....	61	45-
Quincy College.....	87	55-
Western Kentucky.....	59-	78
SMU.....	73	69-
Clemson.....	90	82-
Missouri.....	98	79-
SMU.....	86	82-
Athletes-in-Action.....	69	60-
Southwestern Louisiana.....	87	61-
New Mexico State.....	66-	75
Colorado State.....	77	64-
Wyoming.....	80	70-
Arizona.....	74	59-
Arizona State.....	108	64-
New Mexico State.....	77-	66
Utah.....	61-	66
Brigham Young.....	72-	87
New Mexico.....	74	59-
Wyoming.....	88	80-
Colorado State.....	80	61-
Arizona State.....	94	81-
Arizona.....	72-	86
Brigham Young.....	81	70-
Utah.....	83	82-
New Mexico.....	70-	78

NCAA Western Regionals

Utah State.....	81-	91
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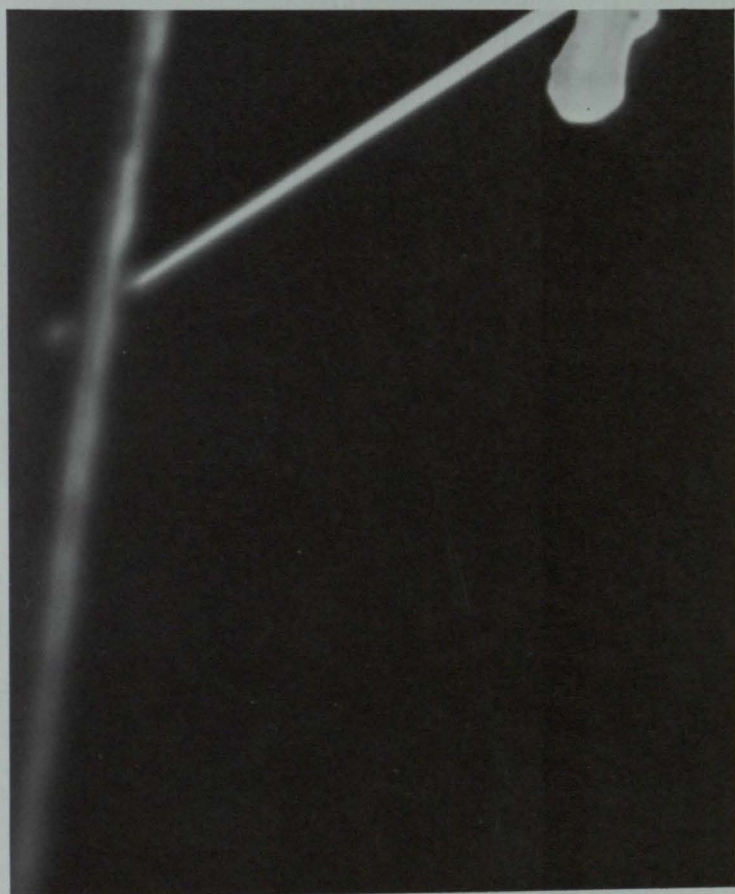
Record 18-8

WAC STANDINGS

U.T. El Paso.....	10-4
Utah.....	9-5
Wyoming.....	9-5
Arizona.....	8-6
Colorado State.....	7-7
New Mexico.....	7-7
Brigham Young.....	4-10
Arizona State.....	2-12

our 2nd
national title



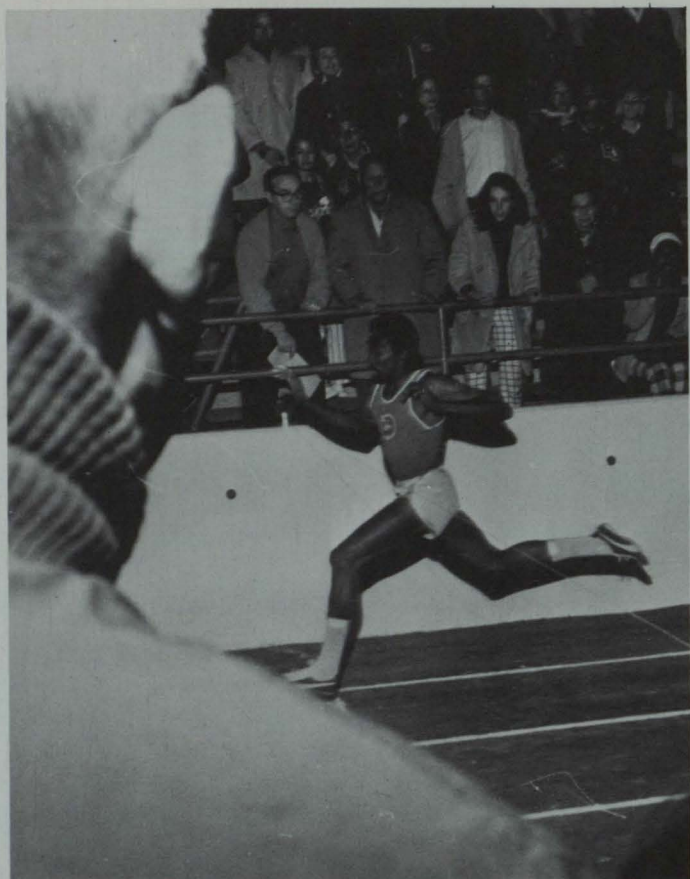


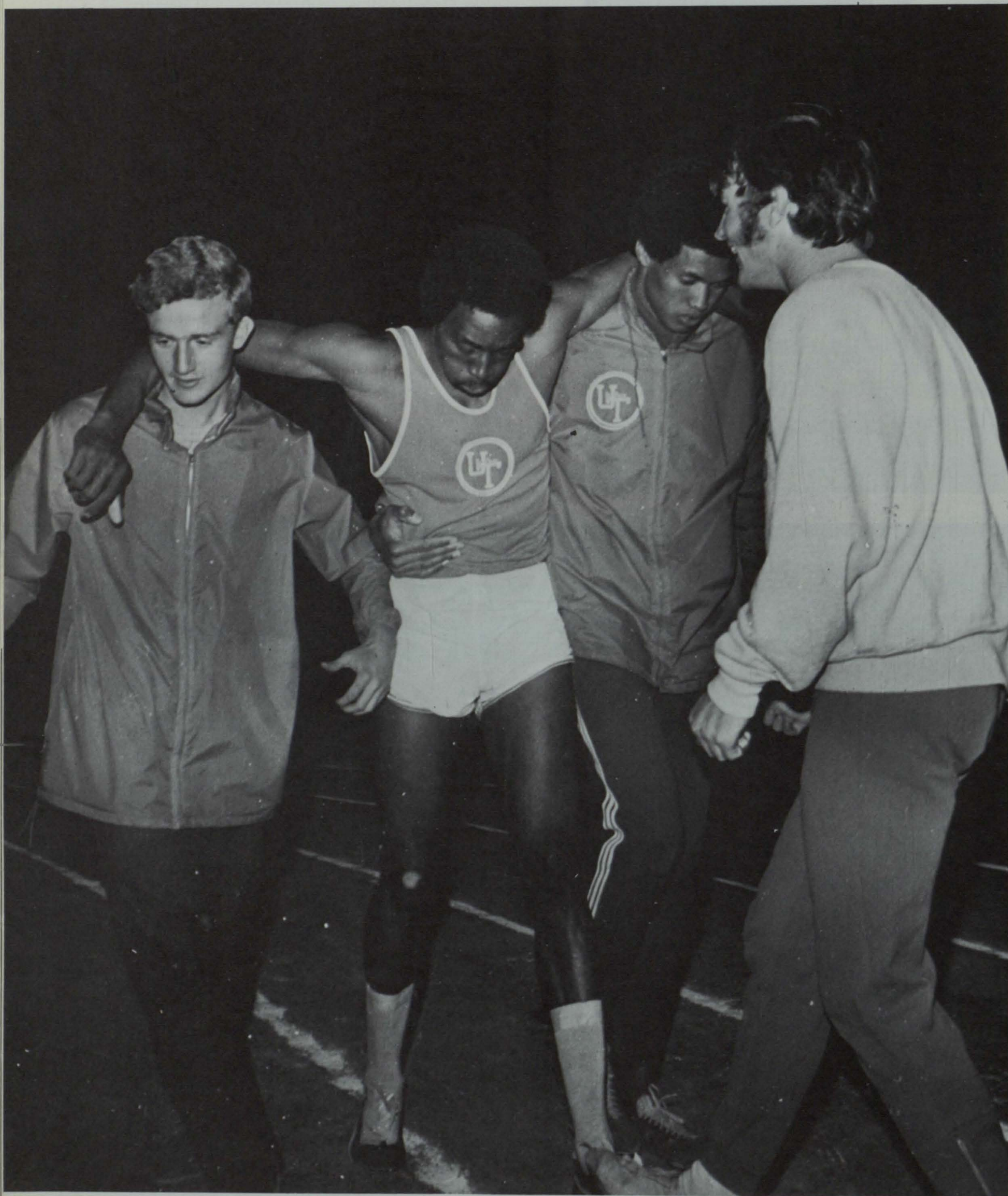
The track program at the University of Texas at El Paso began growing and building toward eventual domination of the nation in track when Wayne Vandenberg was hired as coach in 1966-67. During that year, Sports Illustrated noted the fine ability of Coach Vandenberg to recruit the top talent in track and predicted an eventual national championship for the Orangemen. This year, the Miner thinclads fulfilled expectations and won big. First, the Miner cross-country team, undefeated in all outings, won the WAC championship. They then proceeded to New York and won the NCAA cross-country championship defeating a highly rated Villanova squad. The cross-country team set the stage for the indoor and outdoor track seasons that were just around the corner. Many queried, "Just how well will Vandenberg's thinclads perform in track?"

building . . .

First came the indoor season and the Miner trackmen showed what they were made of. They performed very well in all indoor meets and came on strong to place second in the WAC indoor championships in Salt Lake City. Then on to the NCAA indoors in Detroit where only a few of the Miners competed. Paul Gibson earned All-American honors for his performance in Detroit and Vince Monari hurled the 16 pound shot more than sixty feet for the first time in his career and placed fourth. The cindermen from UTEP made a proud showing for their school. All during the indoor season, Vandy's boys were building toward the peak of perfection that they would need to win a championship for Texas-El Paso. Although track is basically an individual sport; only one man can run, or hurdle, or jump, or throw; there had to be an overall team effort for victory to come to the Miner's camp. With these thoughts ever-present in the team's minds, the outdoor season arrived.

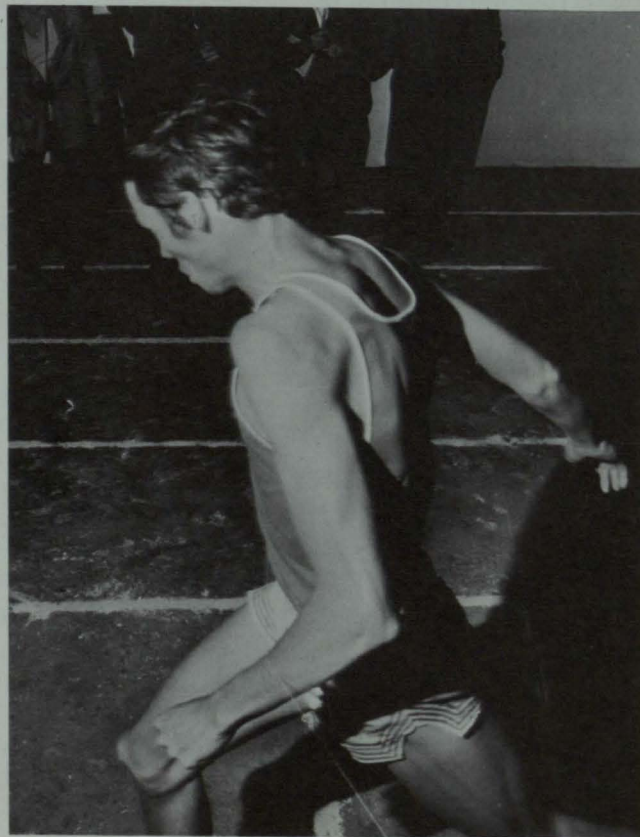
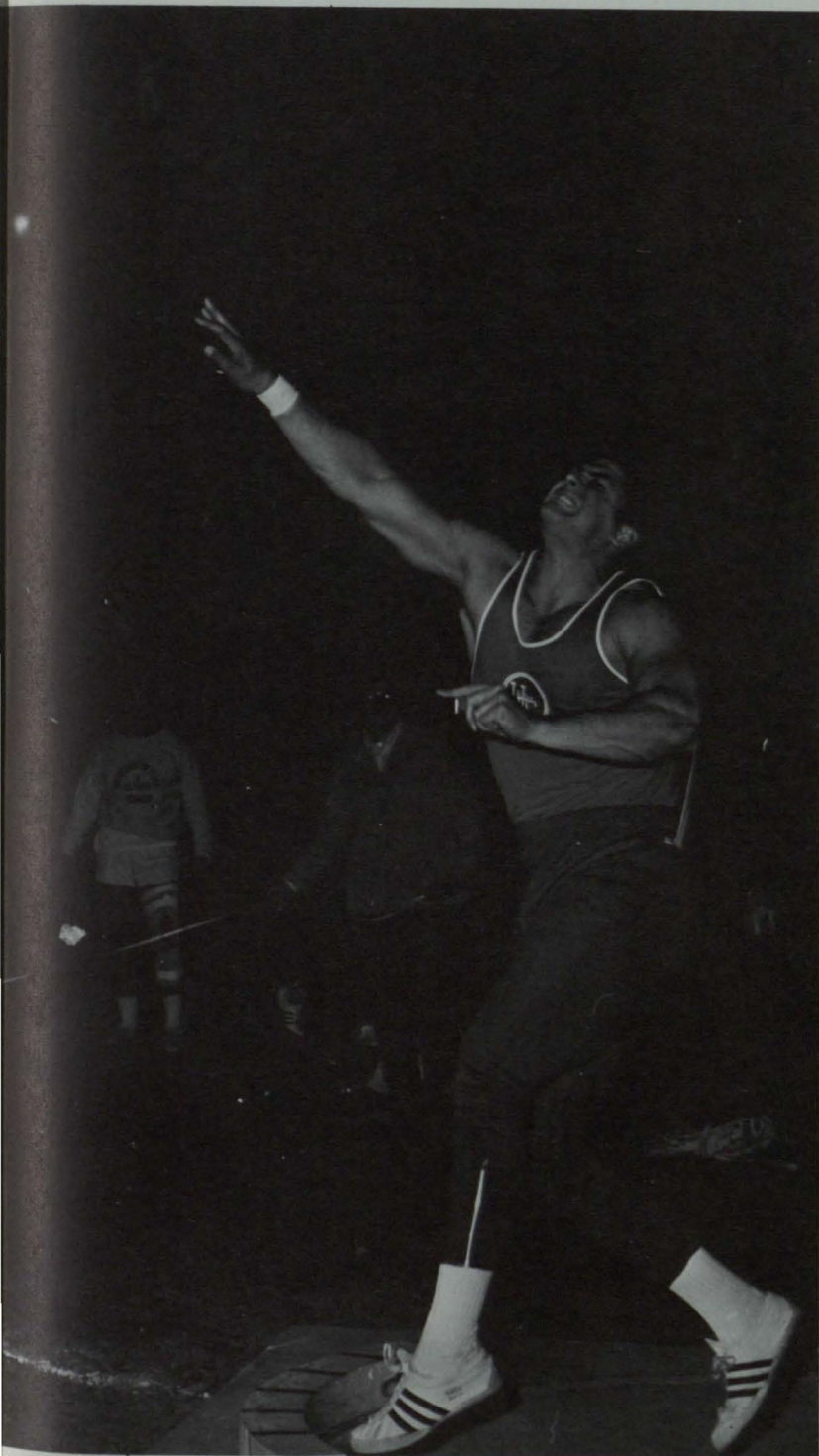






headed for a third

With the outdoor season came victory for UTEP. The thinclads won all the way, losing only one meet, and that by only one point, to Oregon, when an unfortunate spill eliminated an almost sure victory. Track and Field magazine published ratings for university track teams early in the season and UTEP was rated number one. Vandy's numero uno crew returned again to Salt Lake City and returned with all the marbles. Another WAC championship for a school that had just entered the conference; UTEP blew 'em off the cinders in a most impressive win. Following the May 15th victory, a month of intensive practice found the Miners bringing the entire squad to a razor-fine edge that could mean a second national championship in one year. With ability, confidence, and desire, Vandy's Dandys journeyed to Des Moines for the supreme test, the NCAA outdoor championships.





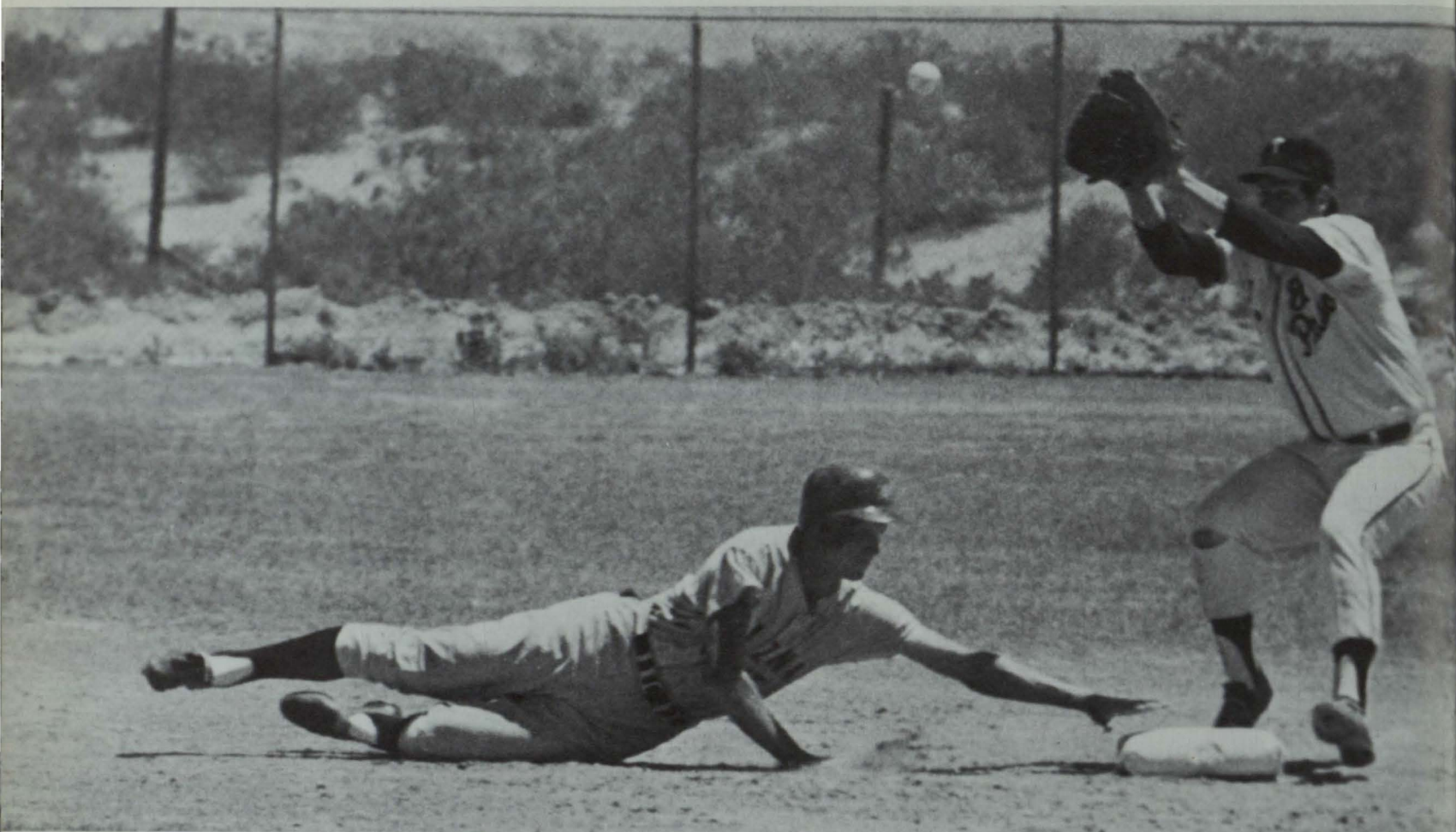
Some of the members of the UTEP championship track team are, *first row left to right*: Kevin Joyce, Pete Romero, John Bednarski, Jess Gonzalez (captain). *Second row*: Coach Wayne Vandenburg, Lennart Nordland, Fernando De La Cerda, John Birkleback, Greg Jones, Paul Hegler, Ron Classen, Vince Monari, Ken Breen, Fred De Bernardi, Bob Crowe, Scott English, Rod Hill, Paul Gibson, Steve Pullin, Bob Walczak.

Those members of the team not listed include: Charles Breit, Steve Magistris, Bob Doyle, Kerry Ellison, Mike Fray, Clyde Glosson, Harrington J. J. Jackson, Gary Mazziotti, Roger McDonald, Danny McKillip, Leslie Miller, Kerry Pearce, Larry Reid, Ron Rondeau, Richard Spordone, Guy Johnsen, Dennis Sledge, Glen Trobaugh, Larry Vanley, Jerry Wisdom.

UTEP TRACK RESULTS

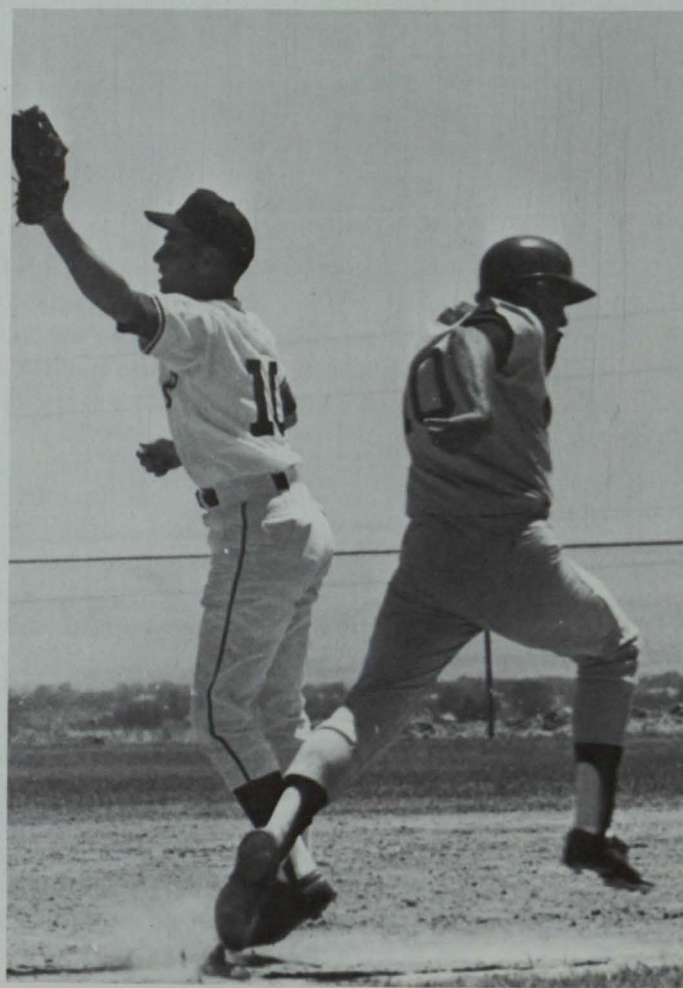
Meet	UTEP	Opponents
WAC Indoor Championships	2nd	
Oklahoma State	85	60
Wyoming-Arizona	1st	
Oregon	76	77
Pacific Coast Club	81	73
Brigham Young	80	74
Penn and Drake Relays	7 First Places	
New Mexico	1st	
WAC Outdoor Championships	1st	
NCAA Outdoor Championships	7th	

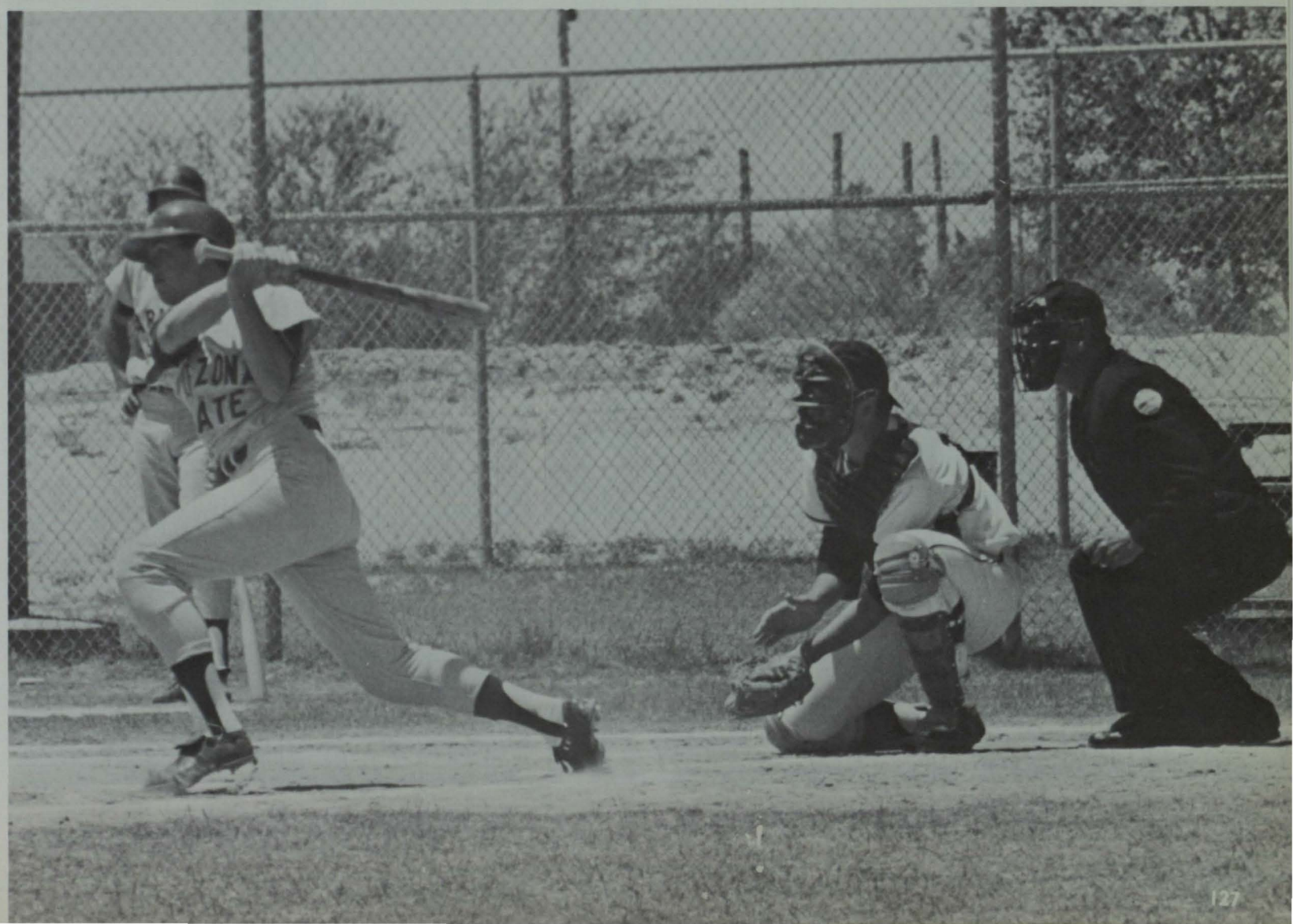
Miner hopes for the NCAA Track and Field Championships took an early blow in the qualifying heat of the 440-yard relay, an event in which the team held the fastest time of the year. Coming out of the second turn, Harrington Jackson passed the baton to Mike Fray; but they were six feet out of the lane and ultimately disqualified, despite a 40.0 time and a third place finish good enough to qualify for the finals. All-American Paul Gibson won the NCAA title in the 120-yard high hurdles with a time of 13.6. Fred DeBernardi took second place in the discus with a throw of 169 feet 8 inches, and eighth in the shot put. Ron Rondeau finished fifth in the 440-yard intermediate hurdles. All American Paul Heglar pole vaulted 17 feet to take third place in the event and set a new school record. Larry Vanley finished fifth in the triple jump with a leap of 50 feet 2¾ inches, and Kerry Pearce ran seventh in the six mile run. A tie for seventh place in the high jump came with a jump of 6 feet 10 by Scott English. These performances earned 28 points placing U.T. El Paso seventh in the NCAA meet behind the University of California with 40 points. A first place finish in the 440-yard relay would have added ten points and taken two points away from California giving us each 38 and a tie for the Championship. But the only seniors on the team were Clyde Glosson, Mike Fray, and Kerry Pearce; Coach Vandenburg felt that his team would be strong contenders for the title in 1971.



baseball hangs 27

The U.T. El Paso baseball team, although not the WAC champions after their first season in the conference, had a fine season anyway. The team, with a season record of 27 wins and 22 losses, had several fine series during the season. U.T. El Paso had its best record against New Mexico. They were 4-2 in WAC play and 6-3 overall against the Albuquerque nine. U.T. El Paso landed two players, Juan Sandoval at second base and Bob Prokopowicz in left field, on the WAC all conference team. Bob Prokopowicz also gained distinction for the Miners when he ended the season with the highest batting average in the NCAA, a .471 average, and as an All-American Candidate. The Miners, with Jim Greggerson hurling, played the role of the spoiler as they defeated Arizona State in a crucial battle toward the end of the season and practically eliminated all of State's hopes for a third straight WAC title.





WAC Standings

Southern Division

Arizona	11-7
Arizona State	10-8
New Mexico	8-10
U.T. El Paso	7-11

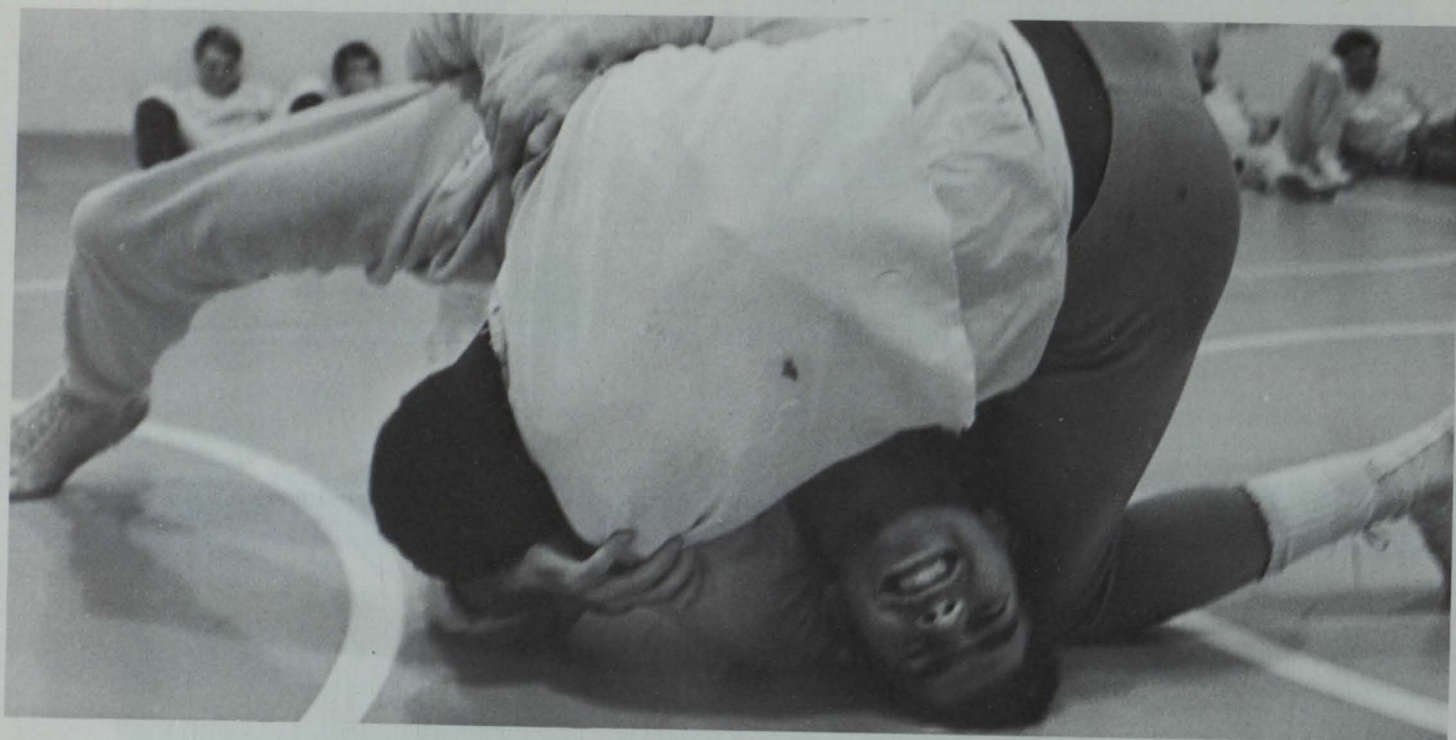




Season Scores

	Miners	Opponents		Miners	Opponents
Odessa	3	0-	New Mexico Highlands	10	3-
Odessa	0-	1	New Mexico Highlands	12	3-
Ranger	7-	13	Arizona *	3-	5
Ranger	6	4-	Arizona *	5-	6
New Mexico	5	4-	Arizona *	8	7-
New Mexico	6	5-	New Mexico State	12	3-
New Mexico	4-	9	New Mexico State	13	2-
Texas Tech	3-	4	Arizona State *	1-	6
Texas Tech	3	0-	Arizona State *	11	1-
Texas Tech	1-	2	Arizona State *	2-	7
Colorado	3-	5	Arizona *	5-	12
Southern Colorado State	7	0-	Arizona *	6	0-
Southern Colorado State	1-	8	Arizona *	2-	5
Colorado	3	0-	New Mexico *	10	8-
Colorado State	1-	8	New Mexico *	7	2-
Colorado State	3-	7	New Mexico *	5	3-
Denver	2	1-	New Mexico State	6	3-
Denver	3	2-	New Mexico State	7	6-
Denver	6	5-	Arizona State *	2-	7
Colorado State College	8-	14	Arizona State *	1-	8
Colorado State College	5	0-	Arizona State *	2	1-
Regis	4-	8	New Mexico *	7	6-
Regis	6	2-	New Mexico *	3-	5
Regis	7-	9	New Mexico *	2-	7
New Mexico Highlands	13	4-			

* conference game
Record: 27-22



The University of Texas at El Paso wrestling team, under the leadership of wrestling coach Larry Harrison, performed well during only their second year of existence and their first season in the Western Athletic Conference. Only four men were lost by graduation from a squad that won one hundred and twenty two matches, tied seven, and lost one hundred and seven. The team placed fifth in WAC competition, but won two individual first places, a third, and a fourth. Al Handy, in the 167 pound division, and Larry Wollschlager, in the 177 pound division, won their weights in the WAC meet and Ed Maze and William Bell also did well. UTEP also made a good showing in NCAA competition, placing twentieth in the university division. The overall top performers for the squad were William Bell, 20-6-1, Al Handy, 19-7-1, Ed Maze, 21-8, and Larry Wollschlager, 17-5-1. Bell and Maze will return next year to head a team that will be looking for the WAC championship.





wrestlers build toward championship





UTEP WRESTLING RESULTS

Meet

Sun Carnival Invitational
New Mexico Invitational
Arizona State Invitational
Arizona Invitational

Result

2nd
2nd
5th
7th

Dual Meets

WAC Championships

3rd

6 wins — 3 losses
2 individual 1st