

6,266 Critics Pick '58 Prep All-America

High School Heroes Today

College Comets Tomorrow



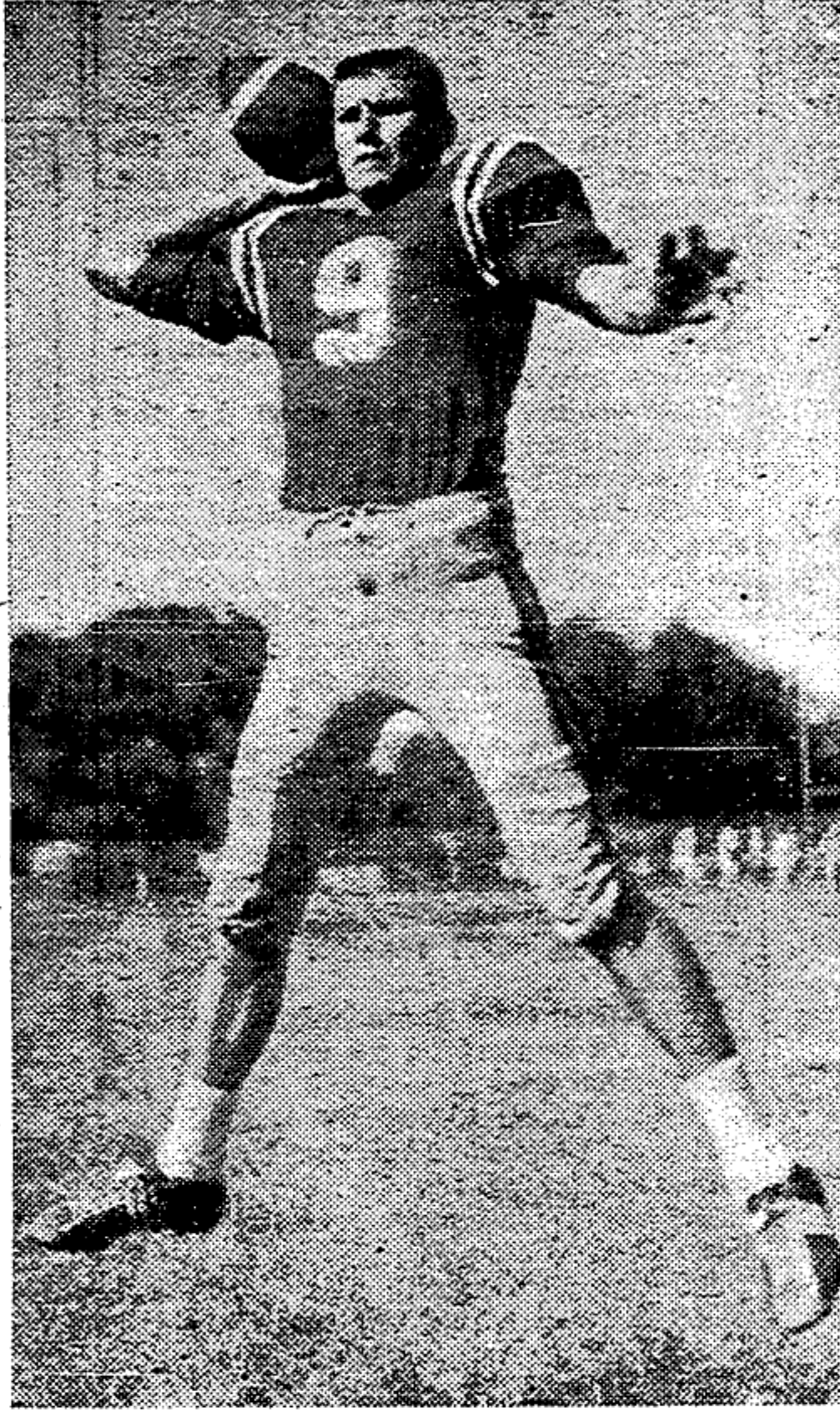
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Annapolis, Md.



GEORGE CAÑALE, B
Memphis, Tenn.



JACKIE POPE, B
Oak Ridge, Tenn.



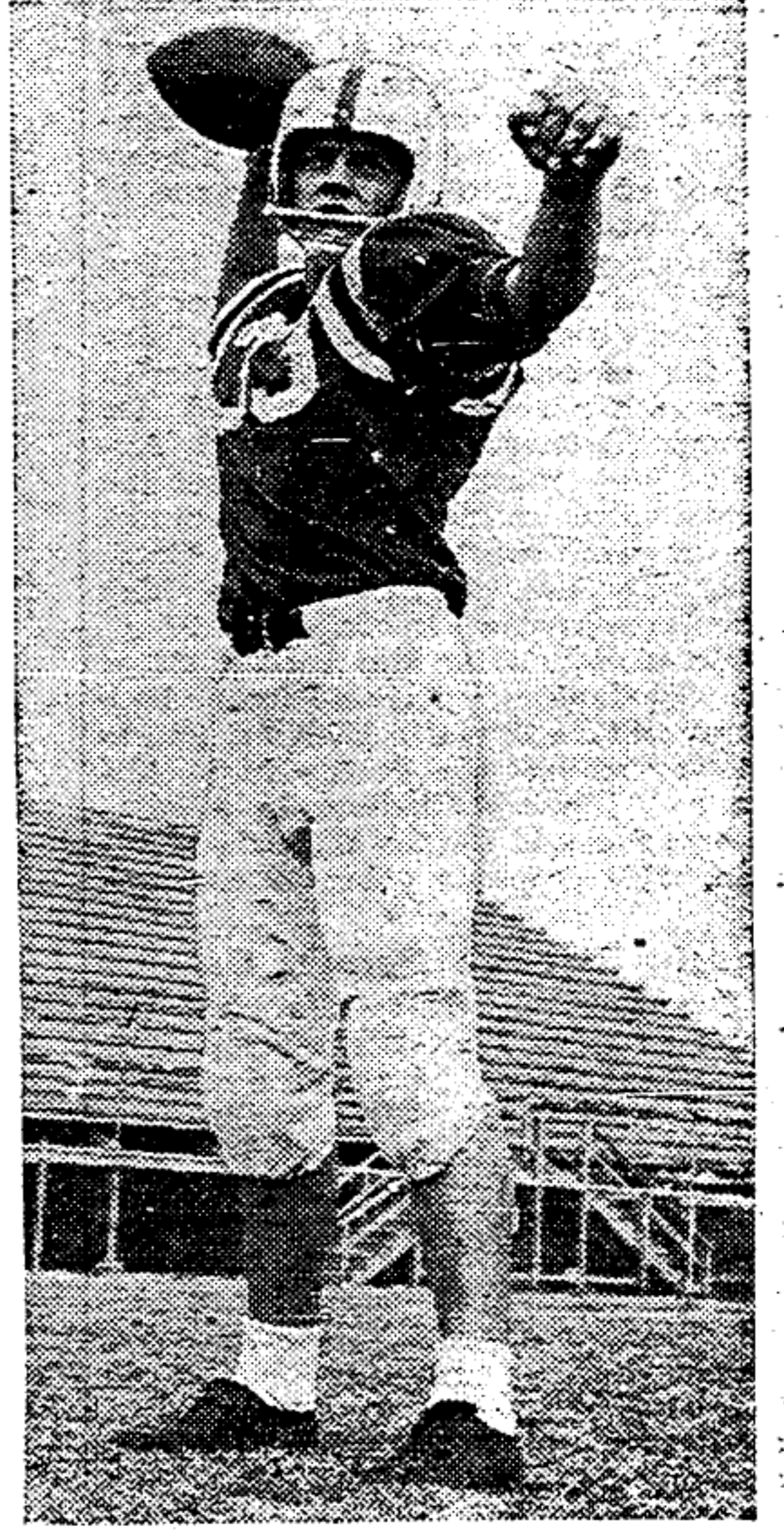
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Colton, Calif.



BOB NEUMAN, B
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JOHNNY GENUNG, B
Wichita Falls, Tex.



ARTHUR GRAHAM, E
Cambridge, Mass.



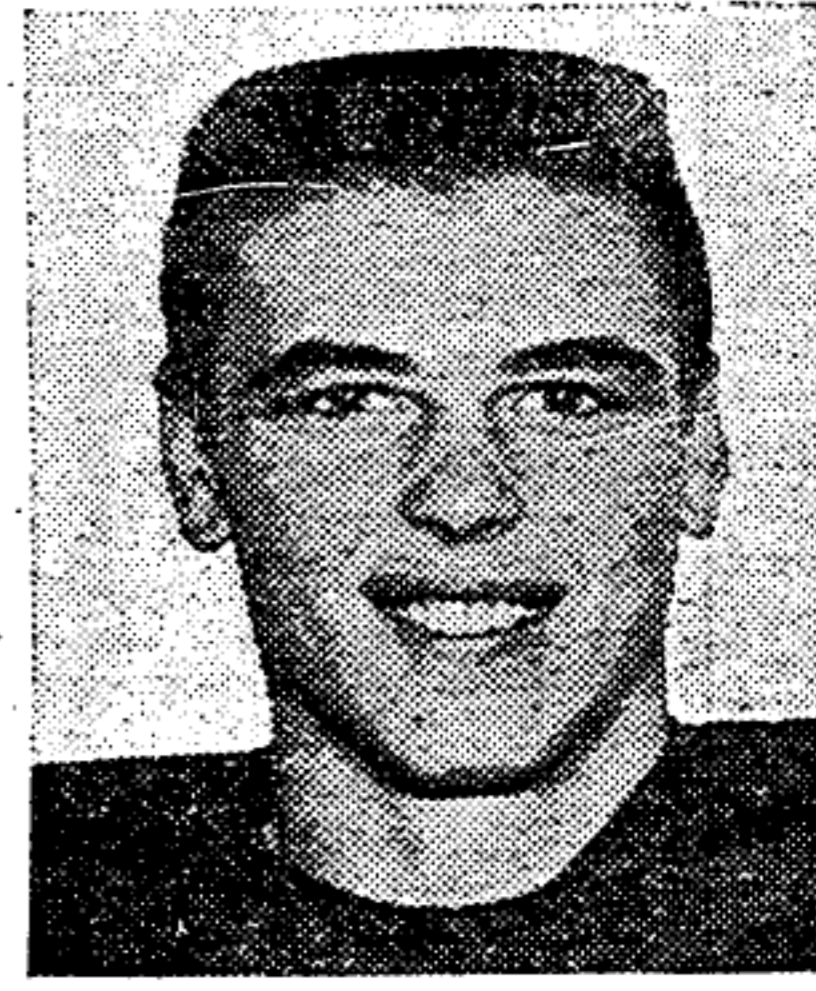
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CLAUDE HAMON, G
Oklahoma City, Okla.



GARY KINCHEN, G
Baton Rouge, La.



DON ANDERSON, T
Atlantic, Ia.



ALBERT PAUL, E
Greenville, Miss.

Midwest Wins Four Berths-- Deep South, East Three Each

Scouts, Scriveners, Sportscasters, Coaches Contribute
to Record Total Vote in Twelfth Year of Annual Poll

By RAY GILLESPIE

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla.

For the twelfth straight year, THE SPORTING NEWS presents the National High School All-America football team. This 1958 mythical selection attracted by far the greatest response, as the record-smashing total of 5,056 player nominations readily attests. Ballots were cast by 6,266 gridiron critics, including sports writers from 1,459 daily newspapers and 891 weekly and semi-weekly publications; broadcasters from 1,417 radio stations and 702 TV telecasters.

Also listed among the voters were 709 high school coaches, 229 prep football officials, 345 prep teachers and superintendents and sports writers on 157 high school newspapers. Fifteen pro football scouts, along with 342 collegiate grid talent sleuths, also contributed their selections.

And once again, data for the selections was assembled by Mose Simms, chairman of the football committee of the Wigwam Wisemen of America, a benevolent organization of Oklahoma City's sportsmen who originated the Prep All-America football idea a dozen years ago.

"I attribute a lot of the interest in this 1958 team," commented Simms, "to the personal touch of J. G. Taylor Spink, publisher of THE SPORTING NEWS, who last year presented special certificates of merit to the overwhelming number of youths nominated. These awards were presented to the young football stars amid special ceremonies by radio and TV stations in their immediate home town areas."

This week, in co-operation with THE SPORTING NEWS, radio and television stations throughout the nation will be making presentations to the players named on the 1958 National High School All-America football team, as well as

Famous Grid Coaches' Sons On All-America Prep Squad

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla.—Two sons of famous football coaches won places on the 1958 National High School All America grid squad, but only one of them, Eddie Erdelatz, Jr., whose proud parent is coach at Annapolis, landed on the first team. Young Eddie, a 191-pound back at St. Mary's High, Annapolis, Md., was named a fullback on the No. 1 mythical selection.

The other, Bobby Dodd, Jr., son of Georgia Tech's head coach, was selected as quarterback on the fifth team. Young Bobby starred the past season for Henry Grady High, at Atlanta, Ga.

those placed on the honorable-mention list.

"The competition was so keen and the voting so spirited for some of the

country's top backfield stars that we decided to place three halfbacks, instead of two, as well as an auxiliary back, on each of the first three teams," Simms announced. "On the first team, for instance, two backs from the same state, Tennessee, wound up in a tie. They were Jackie Pope of Oak Ridge High, Oak Ridge, who was named co-captain on the Tennessee all-state squad, and George Canale of Memphis Catholic High. Canale is classed as one of the greatest prep stars Memphis has seen since Buddy Leake of Oklahoma U. fame played for CBC in Memphis several years ago."

Four From Midwest

The Midwest provided the largest number of players for the 1958 team, four (Atlantic, Ia., Racine, Wis., Oklahoma City, Okla., and Des Plaines, Ill.). The East is represented by three (Harrisburg, Pa., Cambridge, Mass., and Annapolis, Md.). The Deep South placed three on the team (Greenville, Miss., Baton Rouge, La., and Wichita Falls, Tex.), while two players from Memphis represent the Mid-South. One grinder hails from the West Coast (Colton, Calif.)

Simms, explaining that he traveled some 15,000 miles and watched 223 teams in practice or in actual games in 1958, was surprised by the tremendous improvement he found in the boys' individual play.

"This is no reflection on the boys named to the previous Prep All-America teams," Mose said, "for we had some mighty good ones who later became college All-Americans and even top pros—in past years. But there has been such a marked improvement in the playing equipment and playing fields—as well as clubhouse facilities—in recent seasons that the youngsters seem to have responded with a general all-round better performance. Then, too, the coaching in high school ranks has been very definitely stepped upward."

He added that, once again because of the bulkiness of the field of 5,056 nom-

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Cream of 5,056 Kids

FIRST TEAM

Position—Player	Ht.	Wt.	Home Town
Center—Jim Murphy	6-1	190	Harrisburg (Bishop McDevitt), Pa.
Guard—Gary Kinchen	6-2	200	Baton Rouge, La.
Guard—Claude Hamon	6-5	201	Oklahoma City (Harding), Okla.
Tackle—Don Anderson	6-4	240	Atlantic, Ia.
Tackle—Jim Raffini	6	220	Racine (Washington Park), Wis.
End—Arthur Graham	6-1	200	Cambridge (Matignon), Mass.
End—Albert Paul	6-1	191	Greenville (Senior), Miss.
Quarterback—Kenny Hubbs	6	171	Colton, Calif.
Halfback—Johnny Genung	6	174	Wichita Falls (Senior), Tex.
Halfback—Bob Neuman	6-1	193	Des Plaines (Maine Township), Ill.
Halfback—George Canale	5-11	176	Memphis (Catholic), Tenn.
Fullback—Eddie Erdelatz, Jr.	6	191	Annapolis (St. Mary's), Md.
Auxiliary Back—Jackie Pope	5-8	155	Oak Ridge, Tenn.

SECOND TEAM

Position—Player—Home Town
C.—Jim Kanicki, Bay City, Mich.
G.—Jerry Cabe, Brevard, N. C.
G.—Marshall Evans, Las Vegas, Nev.
T.—Jon Black, Farmington, N. M.
T.—Richard Schultz, Columbus, O.
E.—Carl Choate, Pasadena, Tex.
E.—Bob Vogel, Massillon, O.
QB.—Arlan Flake, Lubbock, Tex.
HB.—Don Griffith, Akron, O.
HB.—Bill Jackson, Pensacola, Fla.
HB.—Joe Moos, Clementon, N. J.
FB.—Don Boothe, Hope, Ark.
FB.—Charlie Sweeney, Oneonta, N. Y.

THIRD TEAM

Position—Player—Home Town
C.—Jon Stone, Centralia, Mo.
G.—Joe Lalli, Ogden, Utah
G.—Larry Coleman, Evansville, Ind.
T.—Bill Swain, North Bend, Ore.
T.—George Kelly, Greenwich, Conn.
E.—Capers O. Brazzell, Easley, S. C.
E.—Leo Seiler, Wichita, Kans.
QB.—Tommy Thompson, Houma, La.
HB.—Jimmy Burson, LaGrange, Ga.
HB.—Joe Neuberger, Omaha, Neb.
HB.—Marlin Moonenham, Mont'y, Ala.
FB.—John Mummy, Painesville, O.
FB.—Pat Cuipepper, Cleburne, Tex.

FOURTH TEAM

Position—Player—Home Town
C.—Bob Ellington, San Francisco, Calif.
G.—Earl McQuiston, Keokuk, Ia.
G.—Bob Scharbert, East St. Louis, Ill.
T.—Leslie Bovard, Beaver, W. Va.
T.—Merrill Johnson, Mesa, Ariz.
E.—Terrell Wallen, Gadsden, Ala.
E.—Dennis Harvey, Willmar, Minn.
QB.—Walter Zingg, Alliance, O.
HB.—Tom Wingerder, Norfolk, Va.
HB.—How'd LaPorte, Burdetteville, R. I.
FB.—Danny Neumann, Fullulah, La.
FB.—Carlton Rankin, Piedmont, Ala.
FB.—Dave Ibbeken, Haddon Hts., N. J.

FIFTH TEAM

Position—Player—Home Town
C.—Geor. Mickelson, Sioux Falls, S. D.
G.—Bobby Lehmann, Louisville, Ky.
G.—Rinaldo Pecile, Hazelton, Pa.
T.—Ed Youngs, Jackson, Mich.
T.—Donald Burawski, Wilming'n, Del.
E.—John Green, Moscow, Ida.
E.—Jack Gates, Lake Charles, La.
QB.—Bobby Dodd, Jr., Atlanta, Ga.
HB.—Lee Velasquez, Denver, Colo.
HB.—Jim Barrus, Cody, Wyo.
FB.—William Scott, Chicago, Ill.
FB.—John Kirby, Santa Cruz, Calif.
FB.—Tommy Brasher, El Dorado, Ark.

SIXTH TEAM

Position—Player—Home Town
C.—Dick Taves, Menasha, Wis.
G.—Julian Trospier, Galion, O.
G.—Chas. Huddleston, Breckridge, Tex.
T.—Dennis Hoffelt, Williston, N. D.
T.—Mike Gieb, Garland, Tex.
E.—Homer Thurman, Chicago Hts., Ill.
E.—Jay Kessler, Redwood Falls, Minn.
QB.—Ronnie Sine, Ft. Smith, Ark.
HB.—Ralph Westmoreland, Griffin, Ga.
HB.—Mel Sandersfeld, Hobart, Okla.
HB.—Dick Drummond, Wash'ton, D.C.
FB.—Jim Meacham, Kalispell, Mont.

SEVENTH TEAM

Position—Player—Home Town
C.—Paul Chaplin, Augusta, Me.
G.—Wallace Rodriguez, Natchez, Miss.
G.—Frank Marek, Cleveland, O.
T.—David Dalton, Ashboro, N. C.
T.—Mickey Ording, Berkeley, Calif.
E.—John Mutchler, Paducah, Ky.
E.—Darrell Farrar, Pomona, Calif.
QB.—Don Trull, Oklahoma City, Okla.
HB.—Bill Piper, Poplar Bluff, Mo.
HB.—Andy Russell, Ladue, Mo.
HB.—Mel Stanton, Spokane, Wash.
FB.—Ed Weldon, Osceola, Ark.
FB.—Douglas Harvey, Kingsville, Tex.