

Our School

The History of Foreman High Football Teams

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The Football team was organized in 1935 and by the end of 1936 they are in their third season. The 1935 Year Book makes no mention of the football team. In 1936 the football team played two of the same high schools that they still play against today.

Note the separation of the basketball team as heavyweight & Lightweights. I assume it's the equivalence of a varsity and

Jr. varsity team. In 1936 Foreman still had intramural sports. This pitted room (home rooms) against room.

Foreman added a tennis and golf

BOYS' ATHLETICS

The Foreman football team of '35, playing its third season in the public high school league, showed a marked improvement over the previous two years of playing. The teams, under the coaching of Mr. Zahorik, played, won, and lost many exciting games. A few of Foreman's best players underwent serious injuries in the latter part of the football season, causing a deficiency in team play. The team, under the captaincy of Arthur Fourier, played its most exciting game. with Austin. Austin had defeated Marshall, sectional champs. Foreman led with a score of 8 to 6, with three minutes left to play, when Austin's all-city half-back broke loose for a number of long runs to score a touchdown, making a final score of 13 to 8 in Austin's favor. This game, even without its many exciting minutes of play, was thrilling because of the good sportsmanship and

loyalty each team showed.

The heavyweight basket ball team of '33, under the management of Mr. Dow, did not enter much competition because of organizing at a late date. The team of '34, composed of new players, grew into what might be termed a good team. Along with the heavyweights, a lightweight team started, which, in the eyes of Foreman, was entitled to a great deal of comment. Foreman closed the season by playing a double-header with Steinmetz, and both teams were victorious. This year's heavies defeated some of the best teams in the city, including Senn, Lindblom, Lake View, and Steinmetz. During the Christmas vacation the Chicago University was staging a tournament in which thirty-two teams competed. Our heavies won fourth place. Having been awarded medals, they were complimented by our principal, Mr. Jeffrey, and the student body. Paying tribute to our heavy weight basketball team and their coach Mr. Zahorik necessitates mentioning the explandid way in which the players conducted these stages. tates mentioning the splendid way in which the players conducted themselves as true sportsmen. Foreman is proud of their record

The intra-mural program of the Foreman High School opened about the eighth week in the fall semester with a basketball tournament. Mr. Maloff. Foreman's new physical education teacher, issued a bulletin announcing the tournament. The response to this call was very good. A meeting was held of all the captains and managers. Voting upon the fundamental rules by which this contest was to be governed took place. After tabulation of the number of playing teams, a schedule was so arranged as not to match first year teams with playing teams, a schedule was so arranged as not to match hist year teams. Third or fourth year teams. Room 207 were the freshman winners: these in turn lost to the strong sophomore 107 team. The 326 juniors had a battle royal against the confident seniors. The seniors lost to the juniors. Room 326 boasting of their extremely good team made up of Luczak, Kirchenberg, Schar, Brija, Hudak, Ryba, Sczepkowski, and Prodrazik, defeated the sophomores,

thus winning the school championship.

This was the second year the senior swimming team represented Foreman in high school competition. Foreman's previous swimming teams of '33 and in high school competition. 34 were small and had but very little practice, thus making impossible any participation in competition. But the swimming team of '35, under the able supervision of Mr. Maloff, showed great possibilities at the beginning of the semester, and followed through with many victories and few defeats. Charles Bowman of Foreman was featured in the city meet, winning first place in the senior 100 yard backstroke.

The track team, with its three day a week work-out, is supervised by Mr. Zahorik. The members of the team number almost forty-five, with many promising prospects. The team will enter its first year of school competition this spring. This is also the first year Foreman has considered starting any of the more popular sports such as tennis and golf. The school is anxiously awaiting the

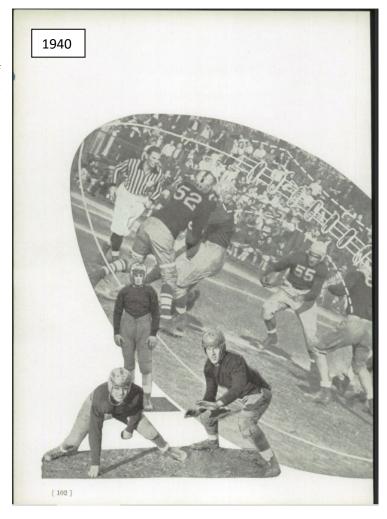
outcome of the many weeks spent training.



Note that the team is small in comparison to today's high school teams and it's possible the team either didn't wear helmets or wore the original leather style helmets that were popular in the mid-30s.

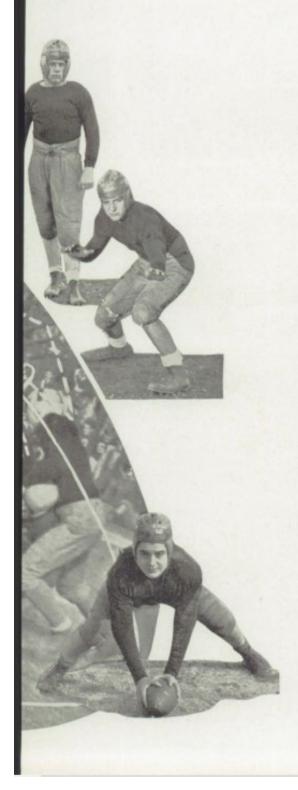


Note this is the second time a football team was organized. The first team was organized in 1933 but ended in 1934. This is first year that Foreman established a football team which is still a major sport at Foreman as of 2020. The players are in typical 1940 uniform of leather helmet with no faceguard.



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1940



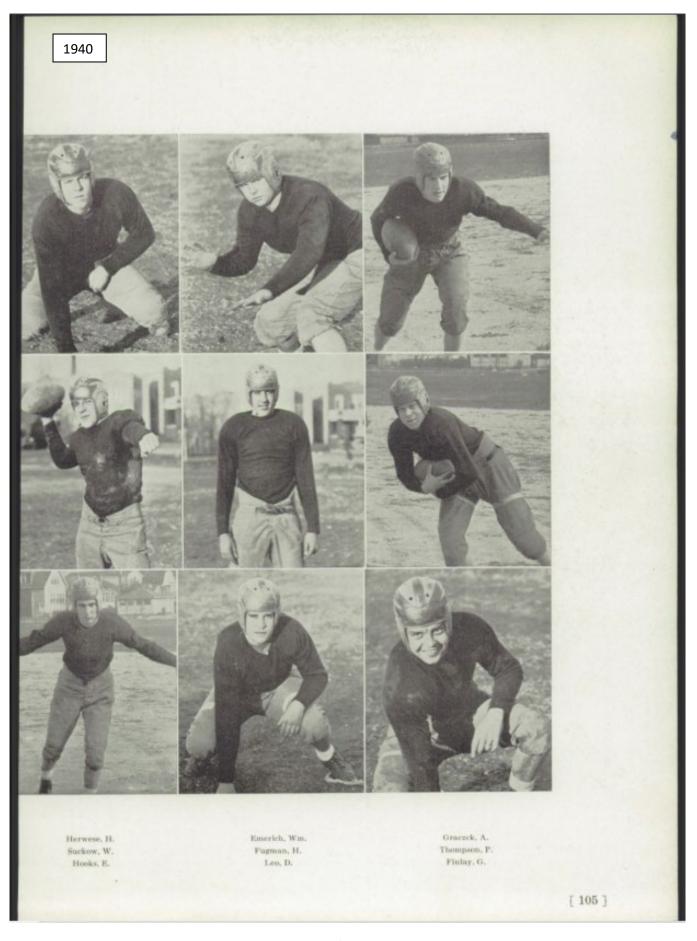
FOOTBALL

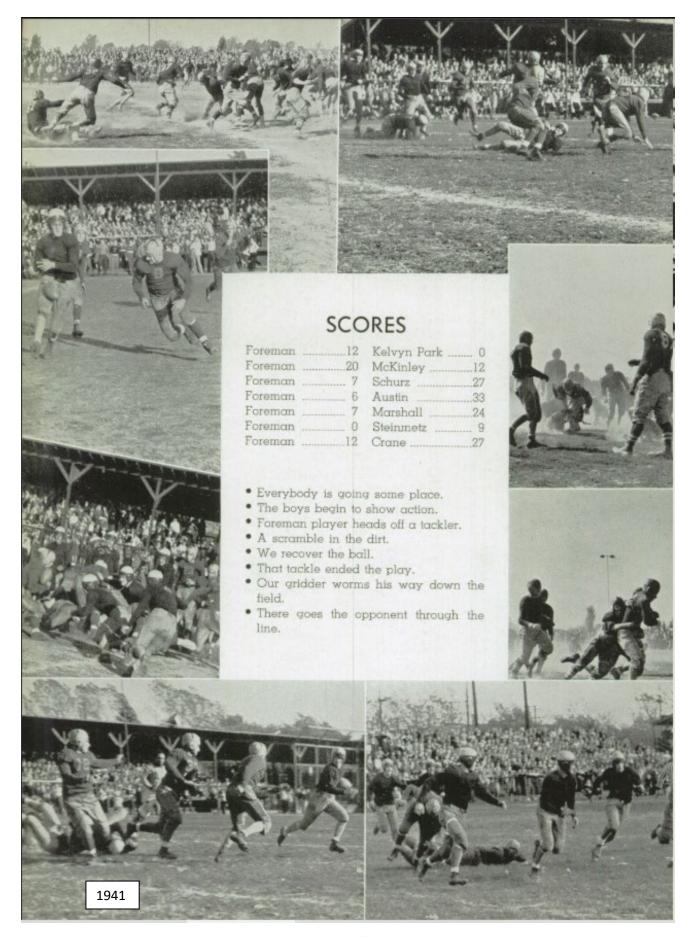
For a second time, Foreman had entered its bid for Football fame. A team was organized in 1933, but a dearth of material made it impossible to continue. Last fall in response to the pleas of the entire student body and faculty, football again became a major sport at Foreman. This second saw its first season of play under the direction of Coach Jack Maloff, in 1939. Coach Maloff took the untrained raw material and moulded it into a team that played exceptionally well for its first season. Injuries and bad breaks took their toll, but despite this the team carried on, and though they did not succeed in defeating any opponents, they did score their first touchdown. Throughout the entire season they enjoyed the whole-hearted support of Foreman's students. All sections of Foreman's student body turned out to cheer their warriors in blue and gold-from Miss Catherine Ryan, our beloved principal down to the lowliest freshman. As a business venture, the team proved to be an outstanding financial success, and as a result of the gate receipts new uniforms can be purchased for next season's players. Encouraged by the first season's showing, many more students with great promise tried out for a berth on the team, so everyone looks toward the 1940 season with anticipation and assurance of victory. Many of last year's football players remained with the team and together with new recruits they should be able to accomplish something worthy of note. It is perhaps only a matter of time before Foreman's name will be listed as city champions.

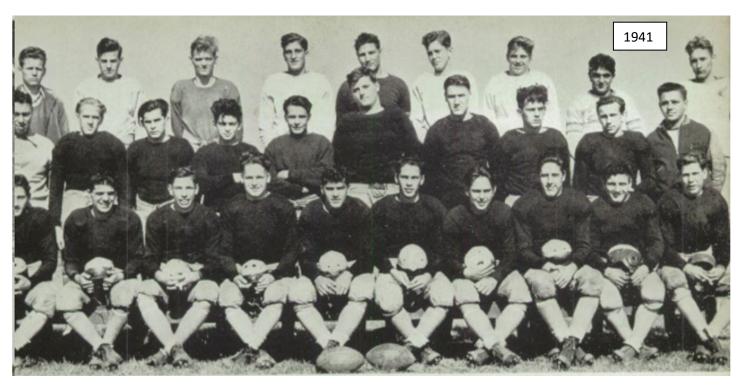
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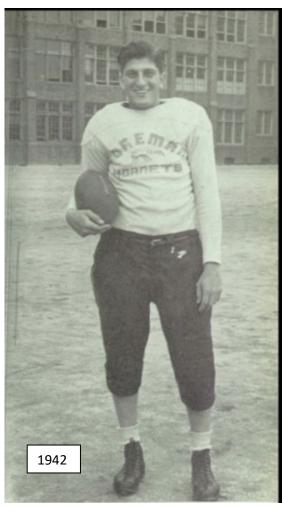
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FOREMAN

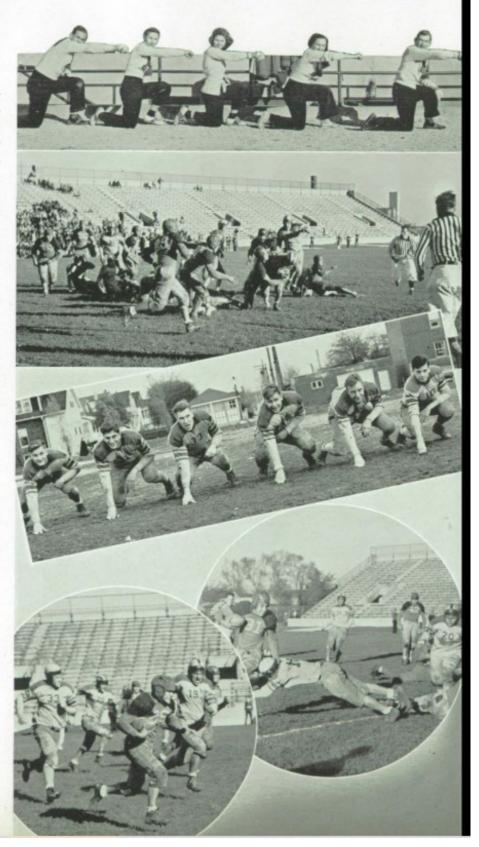
THE HORNETS

The Hornets under the direction of Coach Maloff, assisted by Art Fourier and Ted Perzanowski, completed their most successful schedule since their organization in 1933. Three victories, two momentous upsets, and two defeats! Powerful Austin and Crane, the west section champs, met who tied them. Before 5,000 their match in the Hornets, fans Foreman lost a thriller to Steinmetz; but that did not break their spirit, for they trounced Tuley 39 to 0!!!

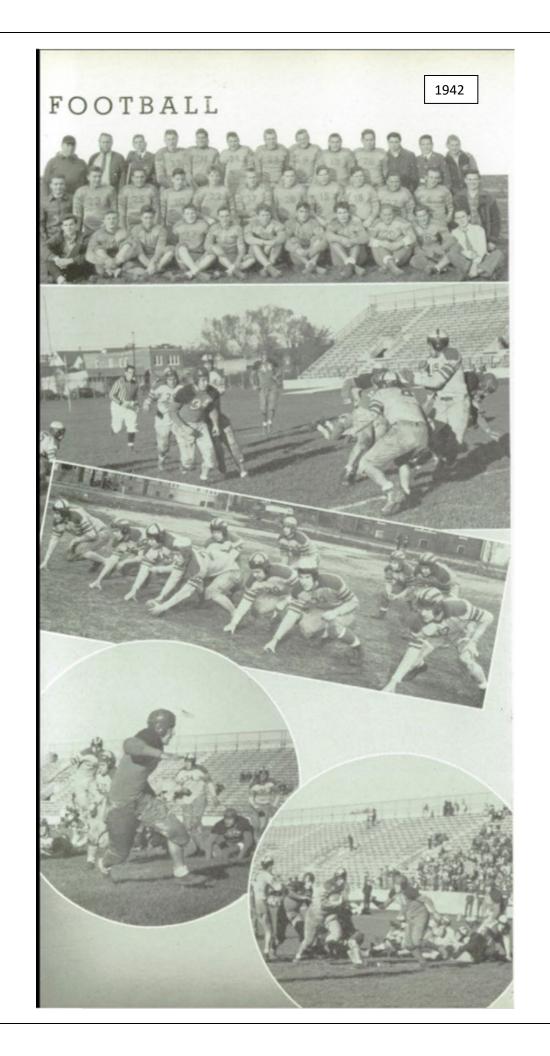
At all our games the Foreman student body was well represented and cheered the team on to its greatest victories.

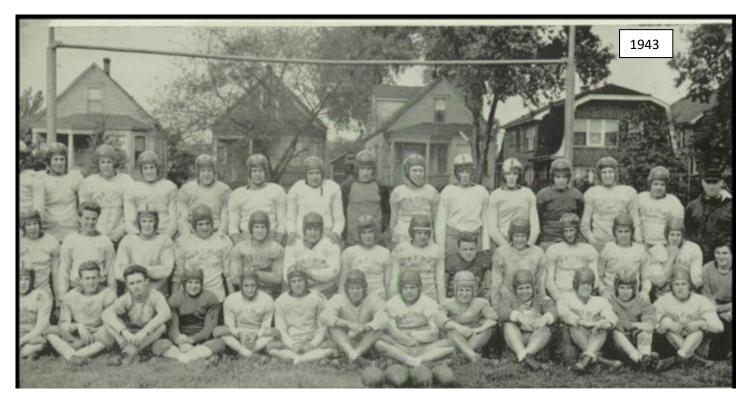
Foreman's students will remember triple threat Johnny Samsela, "Lighting Ed" Rucinski, Ray Hansen's punting, Bob Carlson, Ed Glienke's rugged line play, and Paul Bongiorno's passes. Ed Glienke was voted the outstanding player and Johnny Samsela, Ed Kaminski, Herb Redman, and Gordy Juhl were named on all-prep teams.

At a banquet coveted letters were awarded to the players. Speeches by faculty members and Leonard Green, prep editor of the Herald-American, added the event to Foreman's calendar of successful activities.



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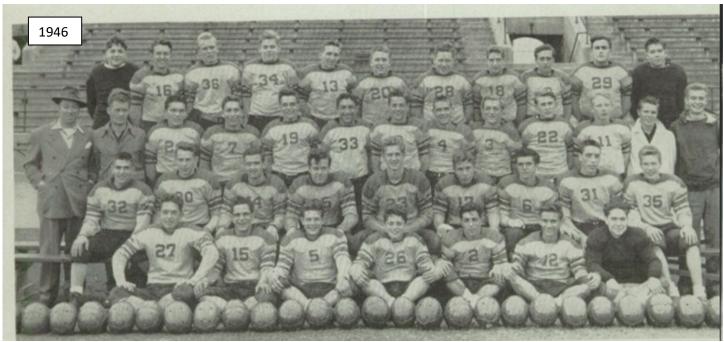




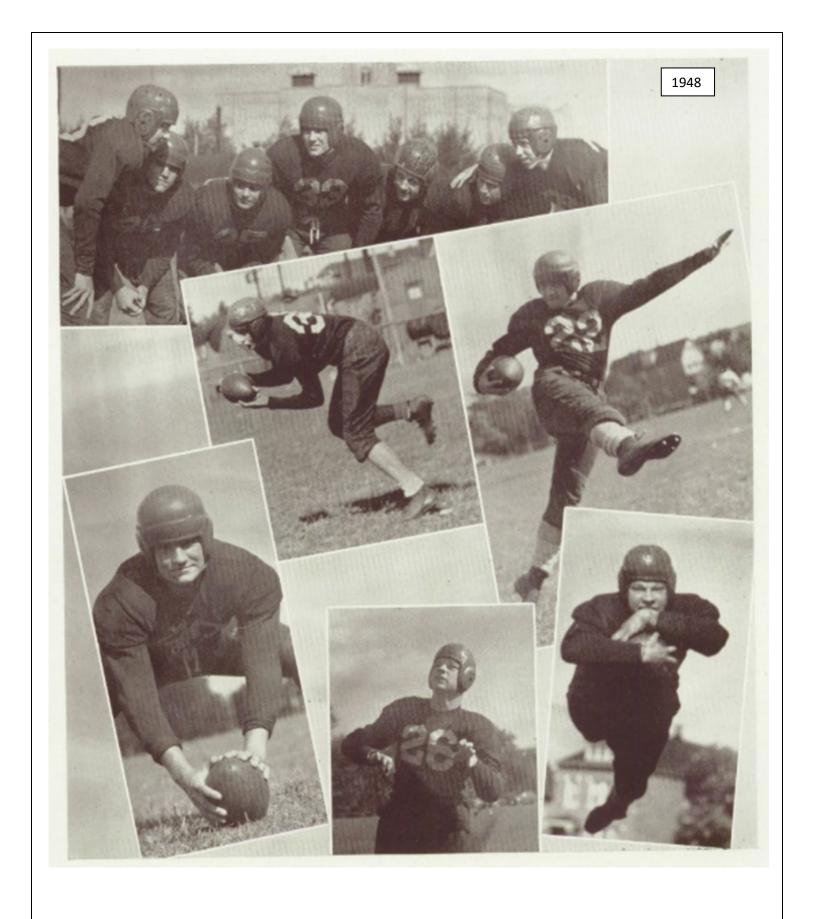


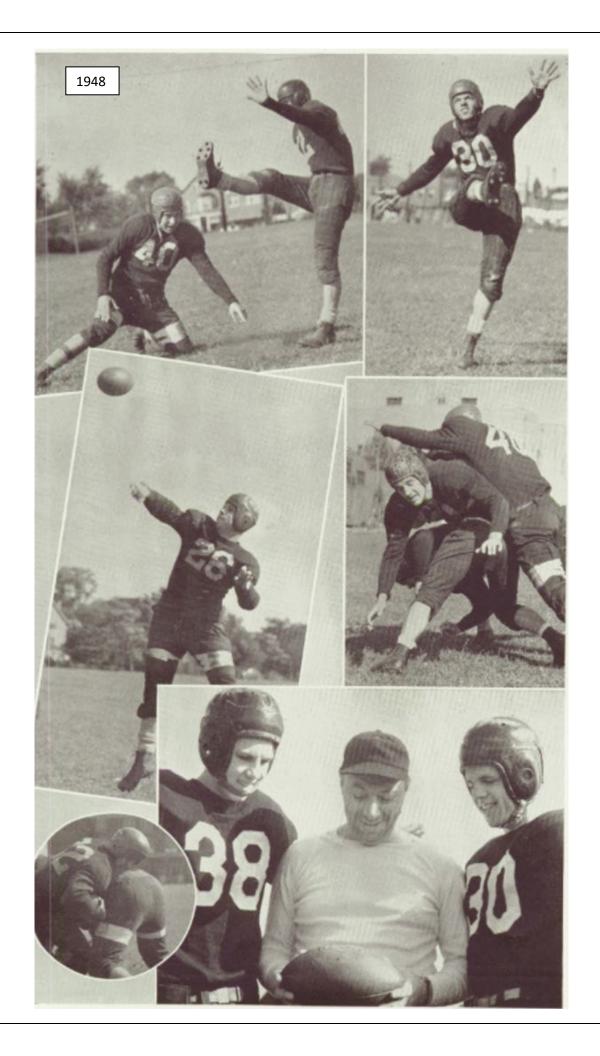
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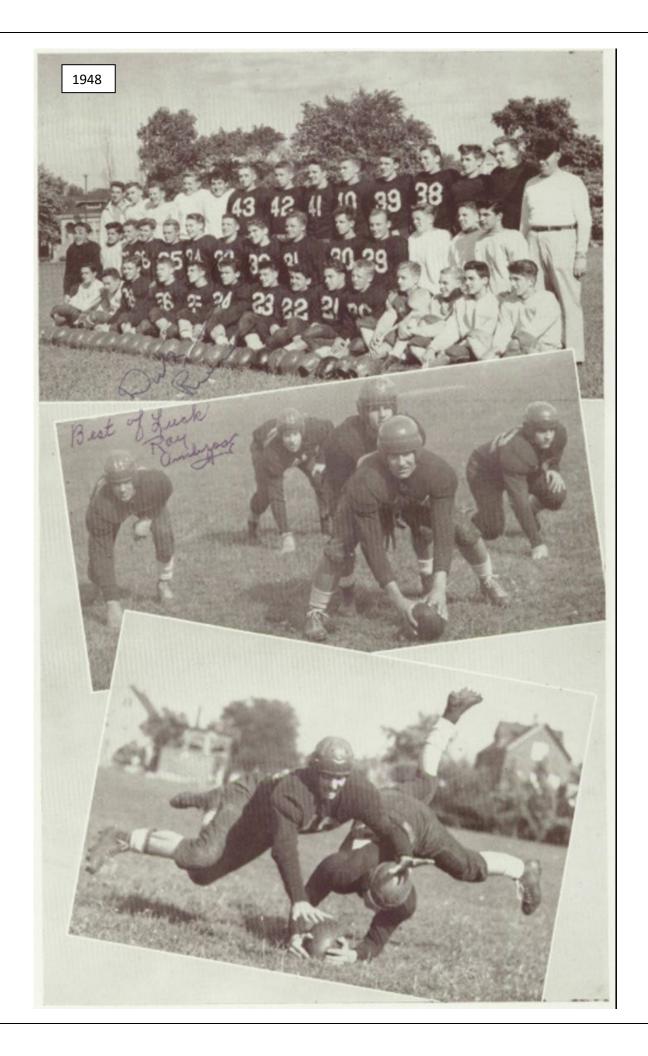




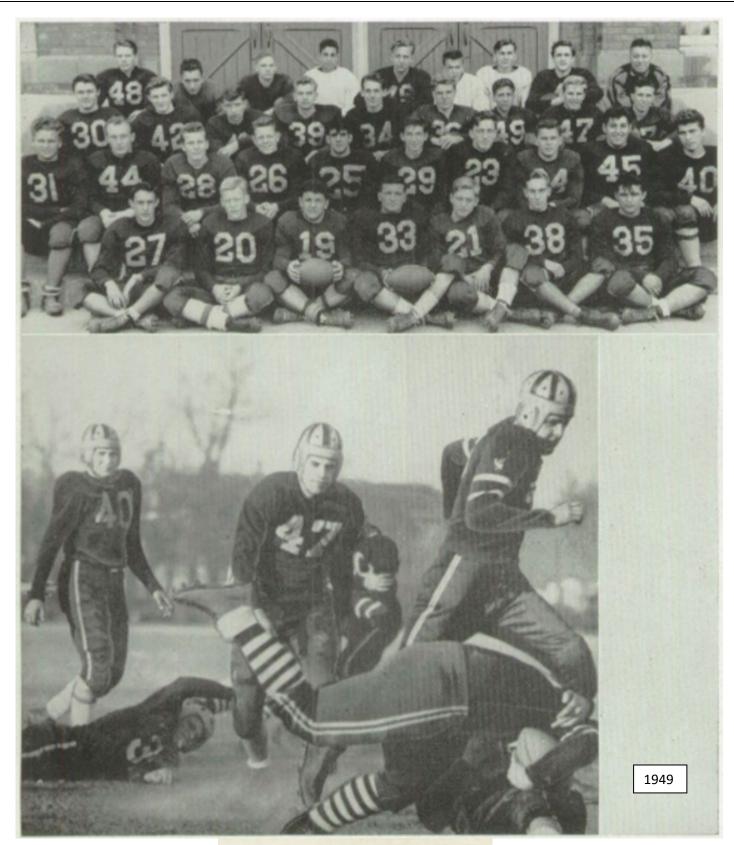




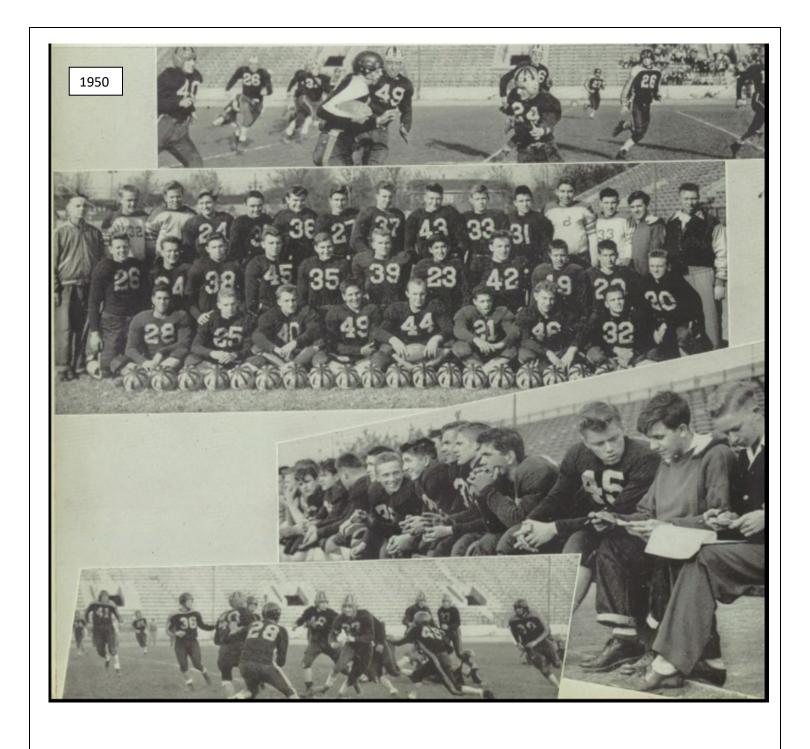


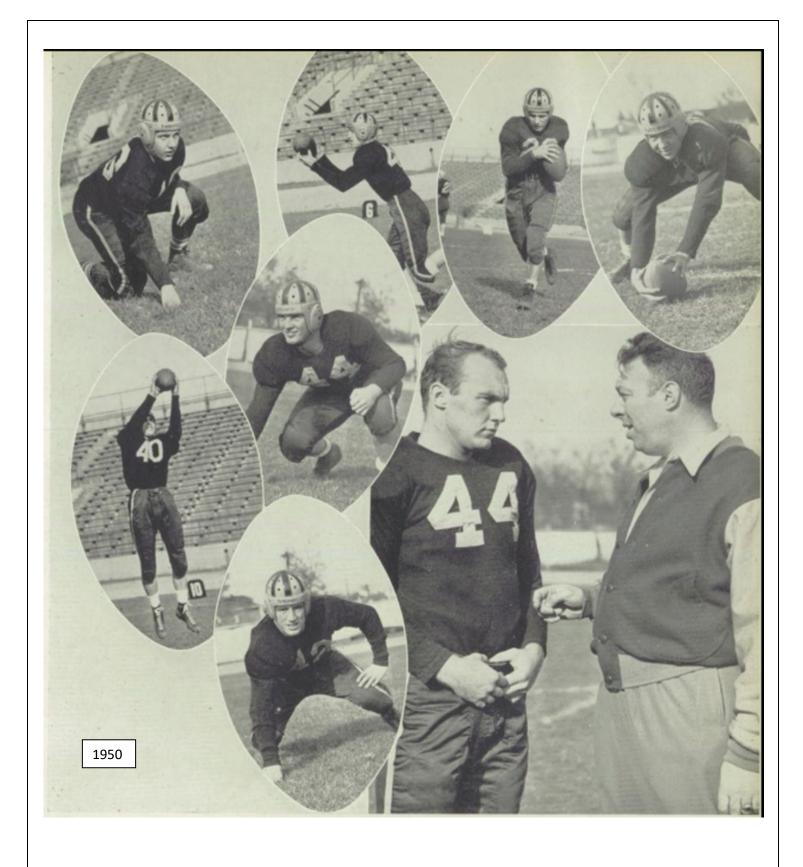


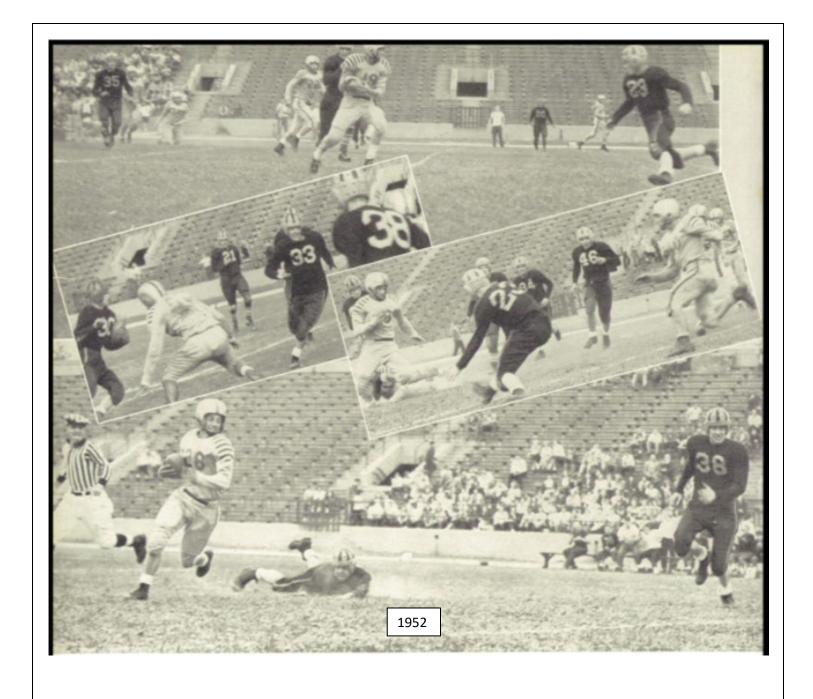


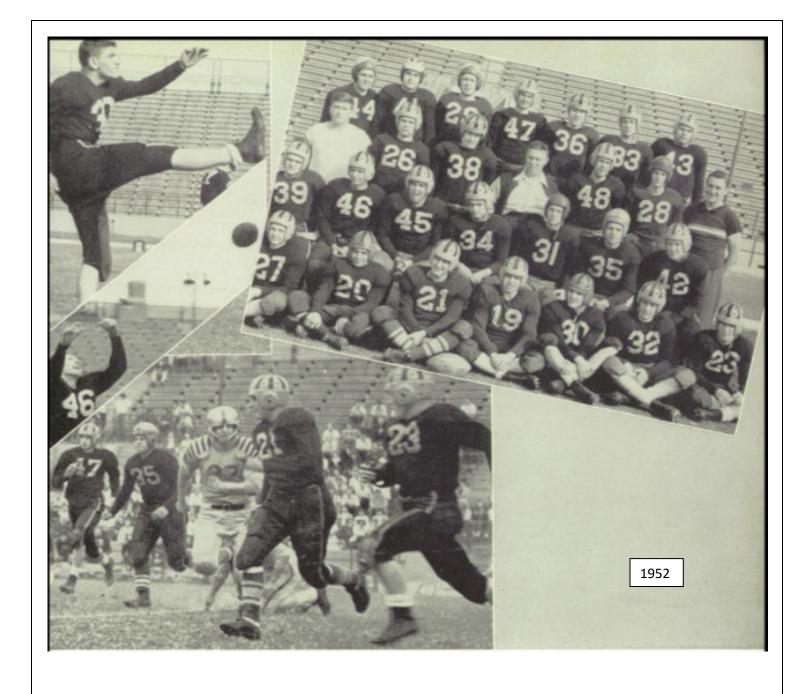


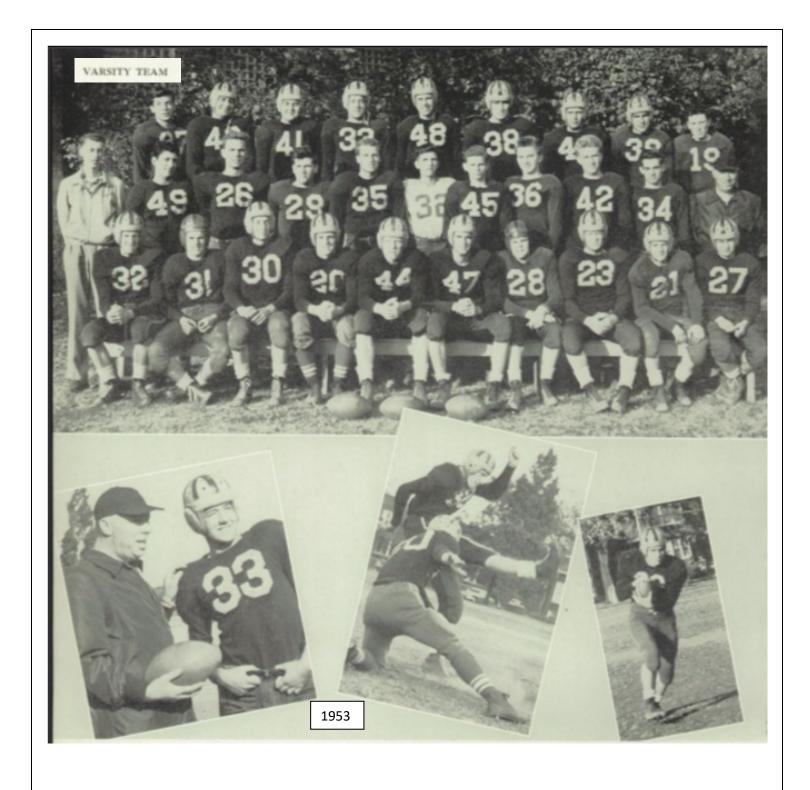
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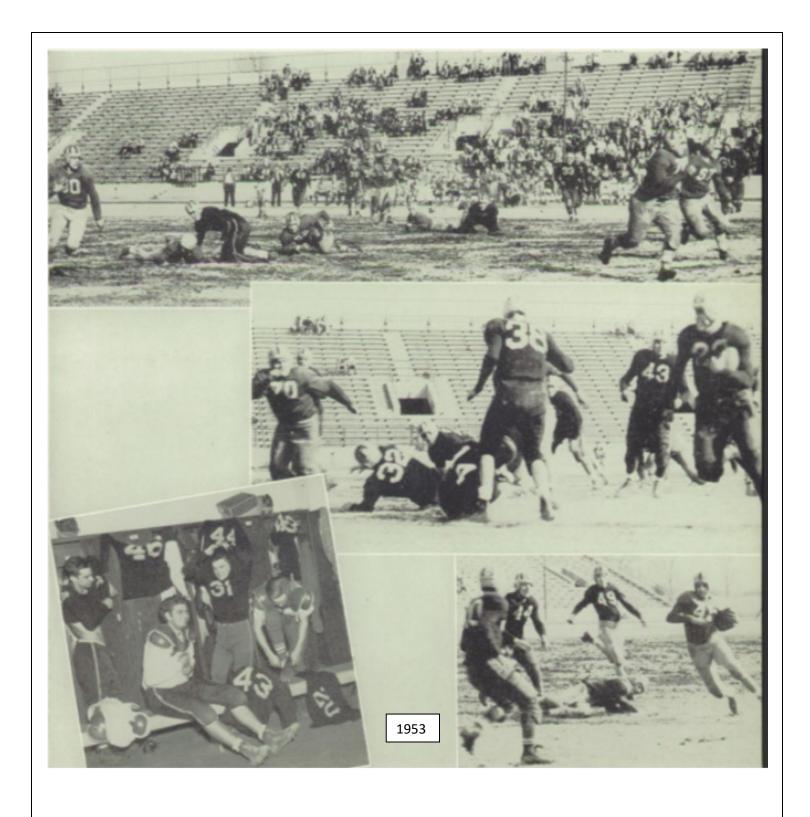


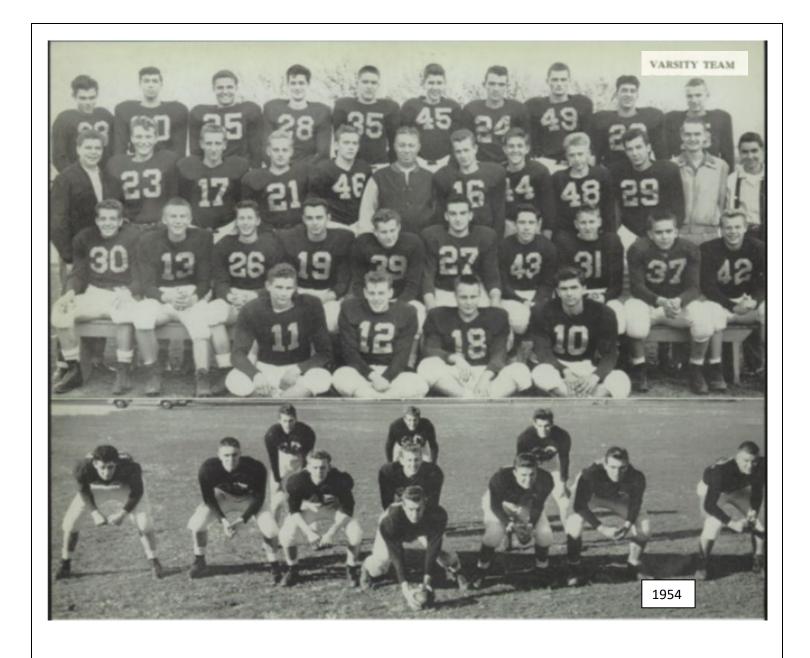


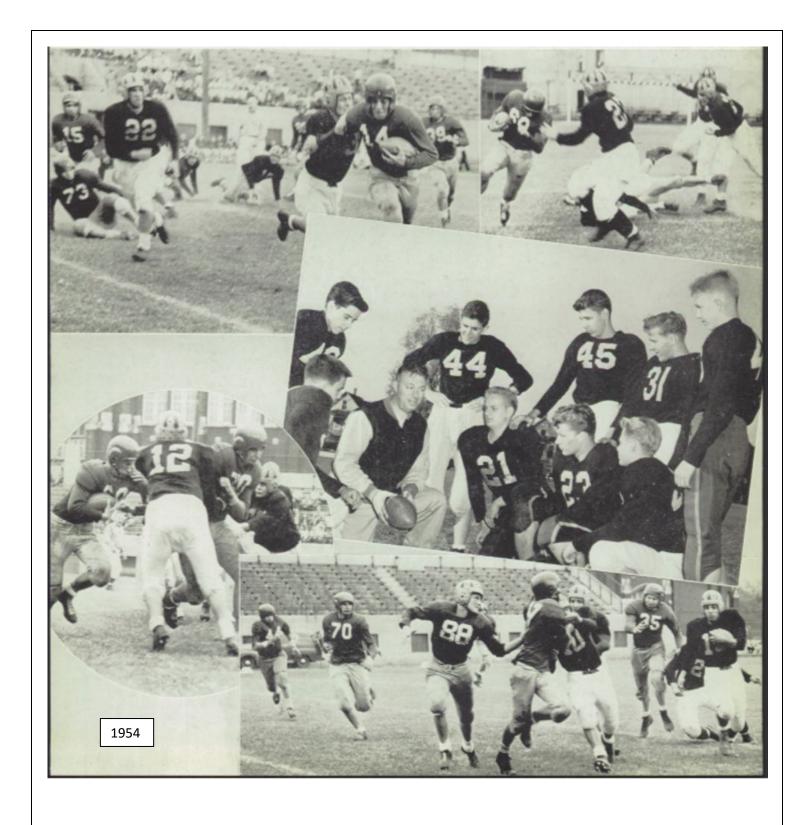


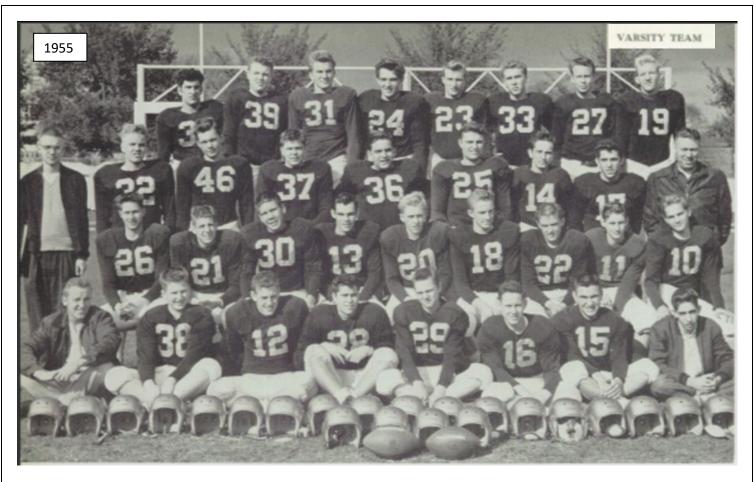






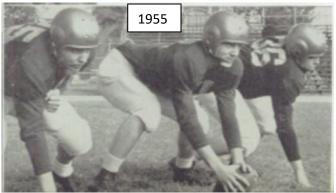




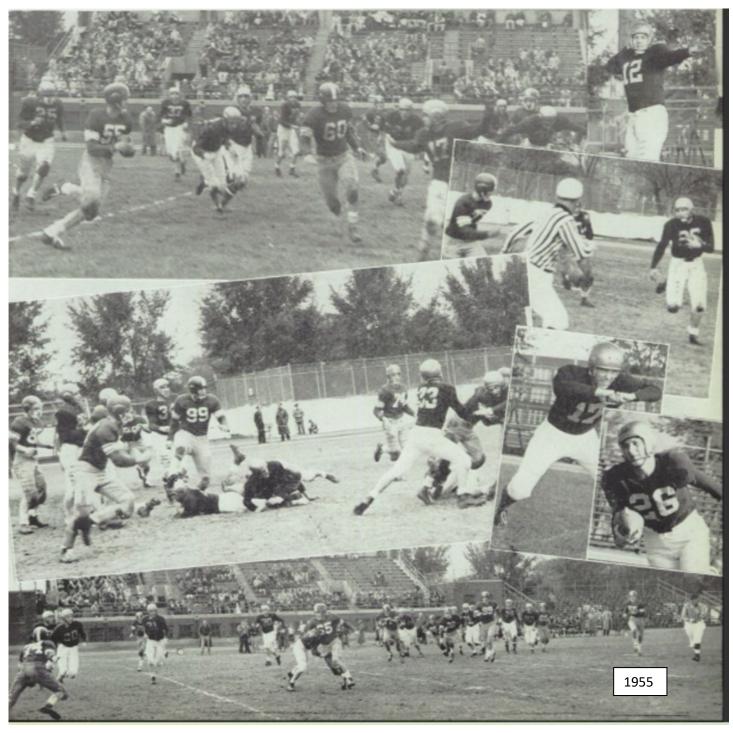








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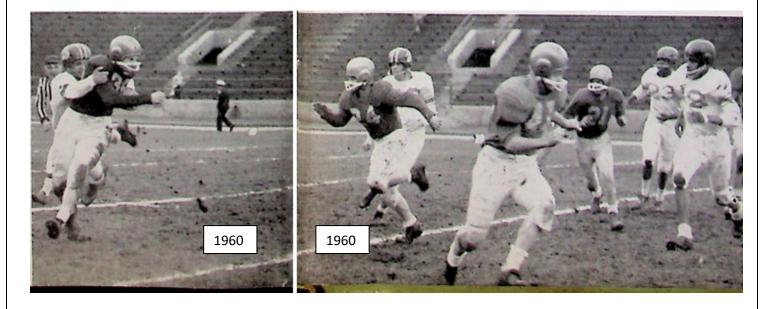


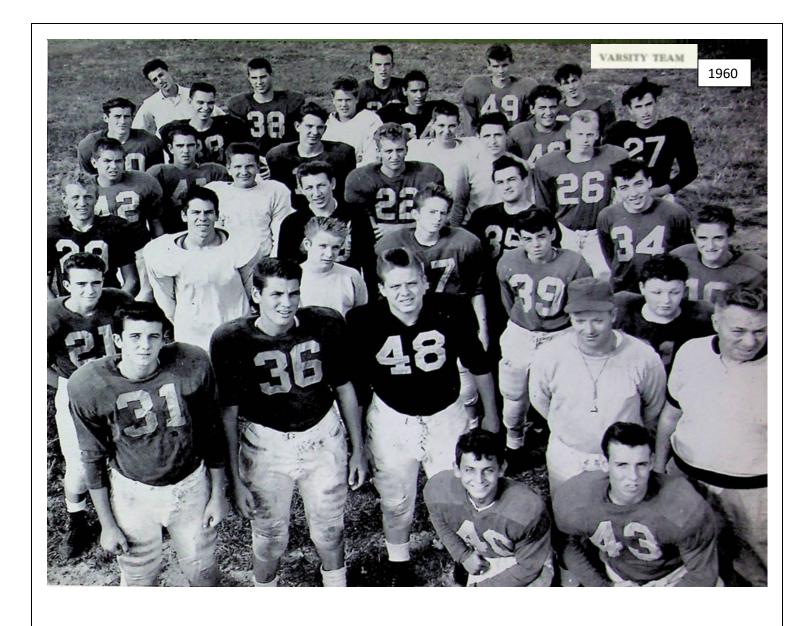


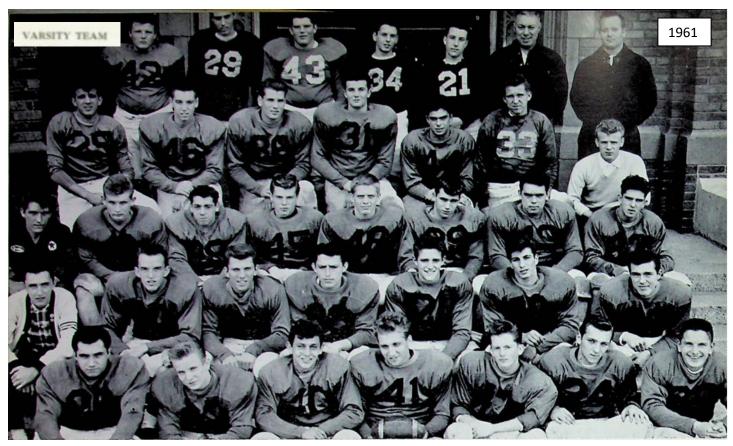
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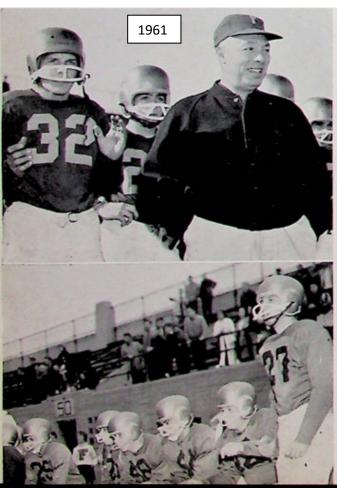




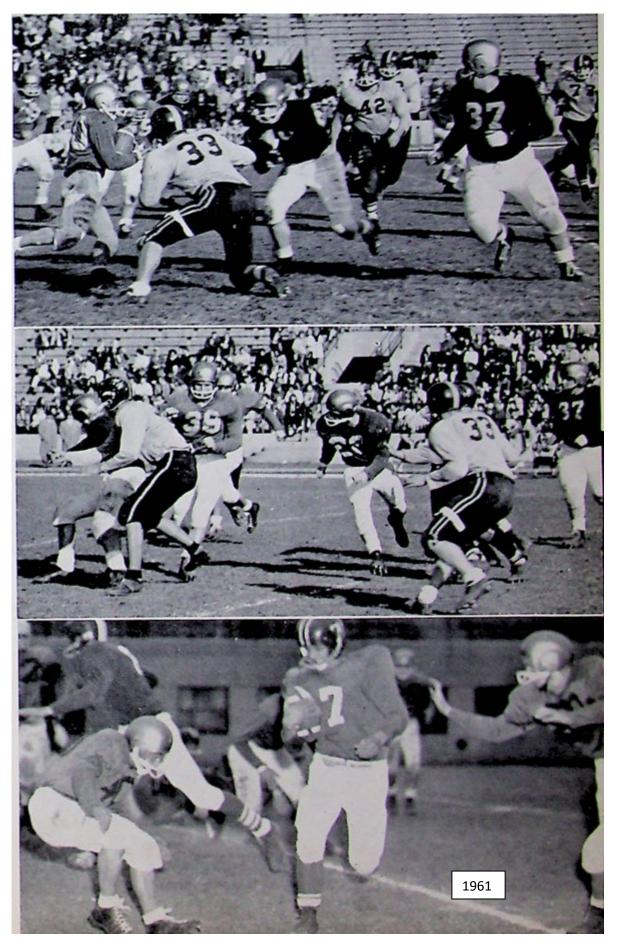




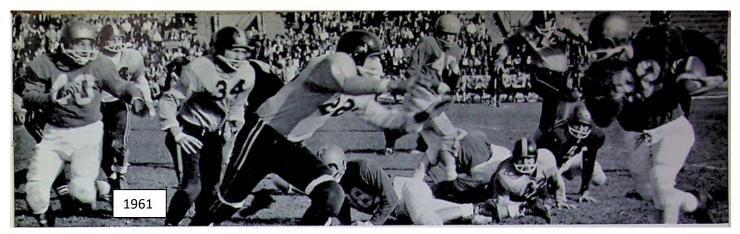




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Varsity Football Team



Frosh-Soph Football Team



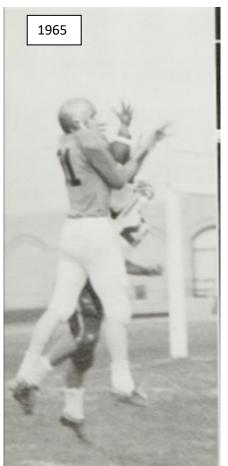


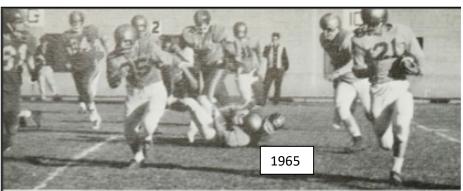




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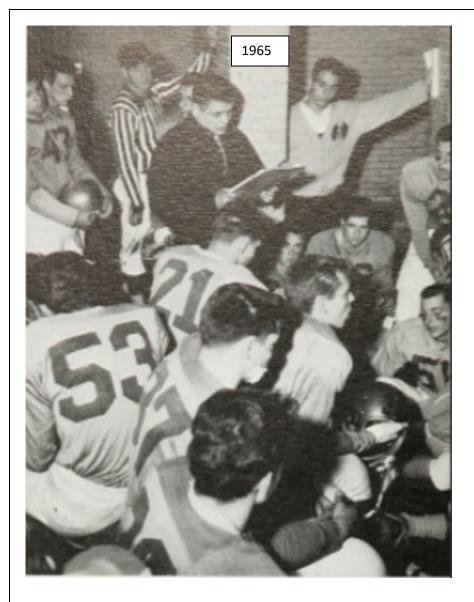
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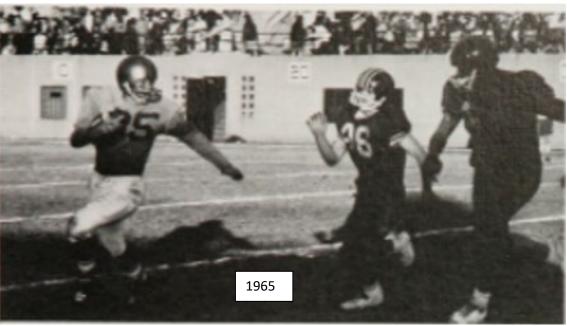


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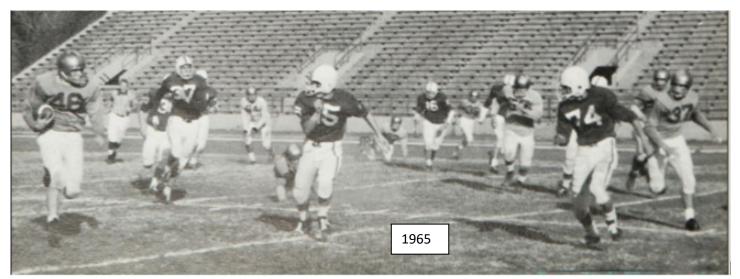


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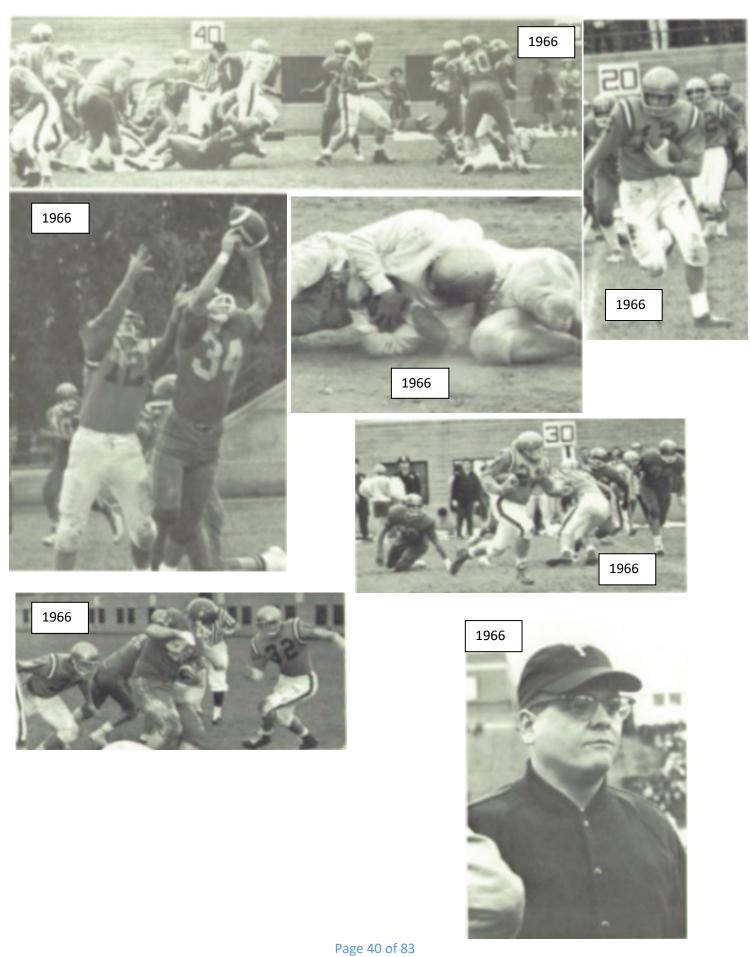


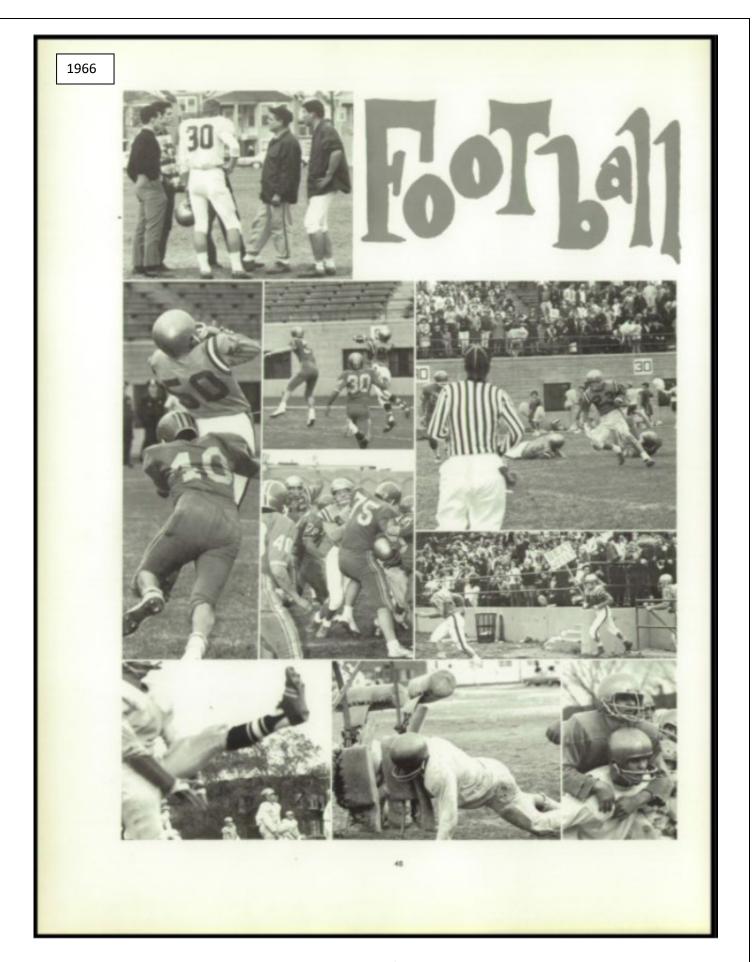
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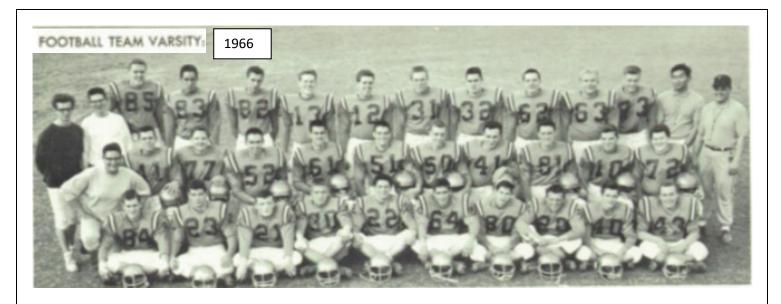




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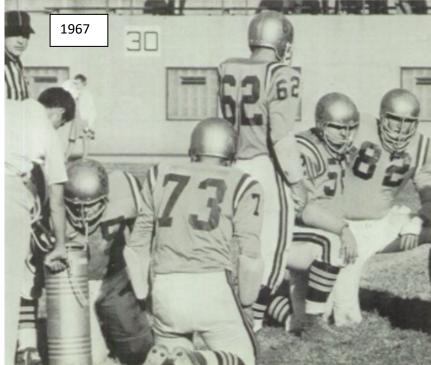




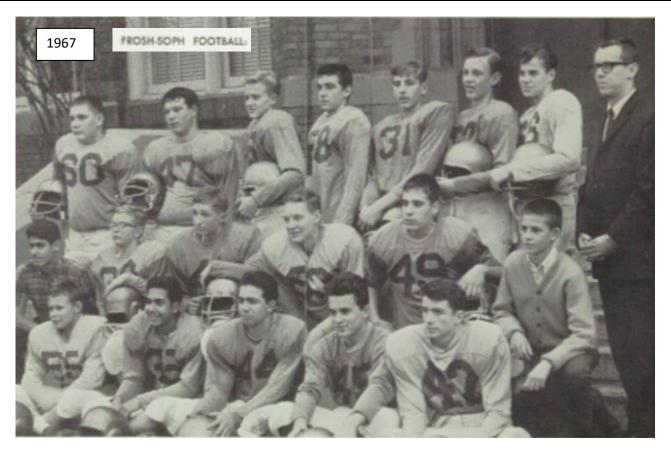
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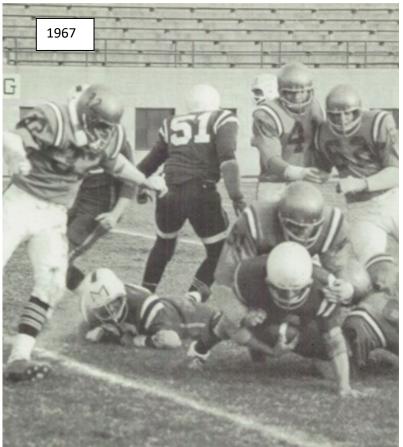














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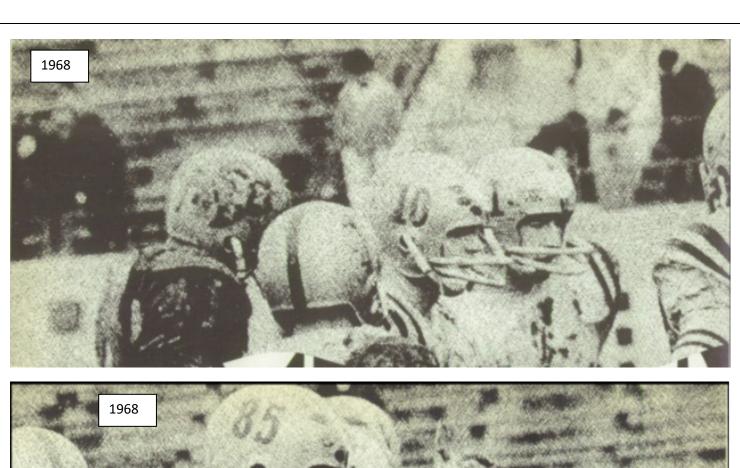




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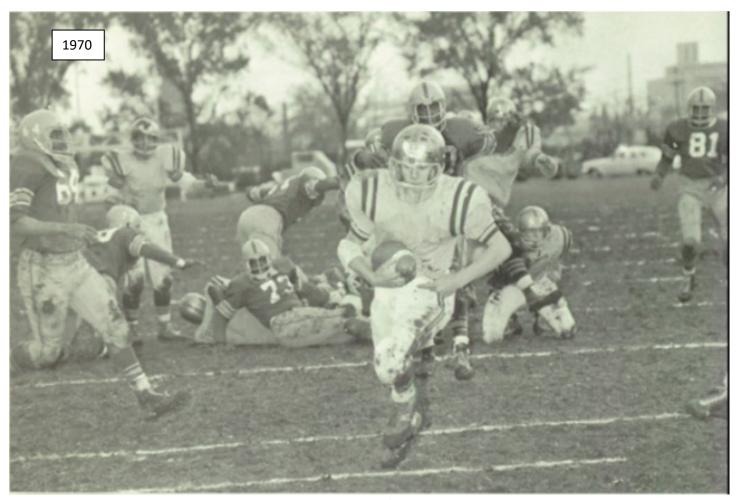


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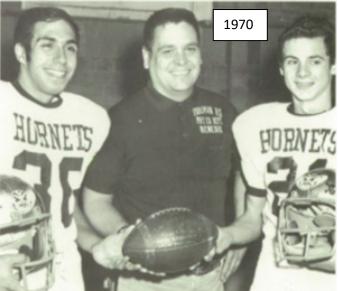


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Frosh Soph Football Team

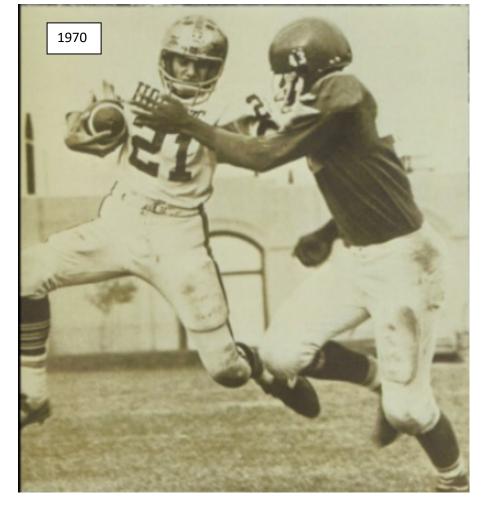


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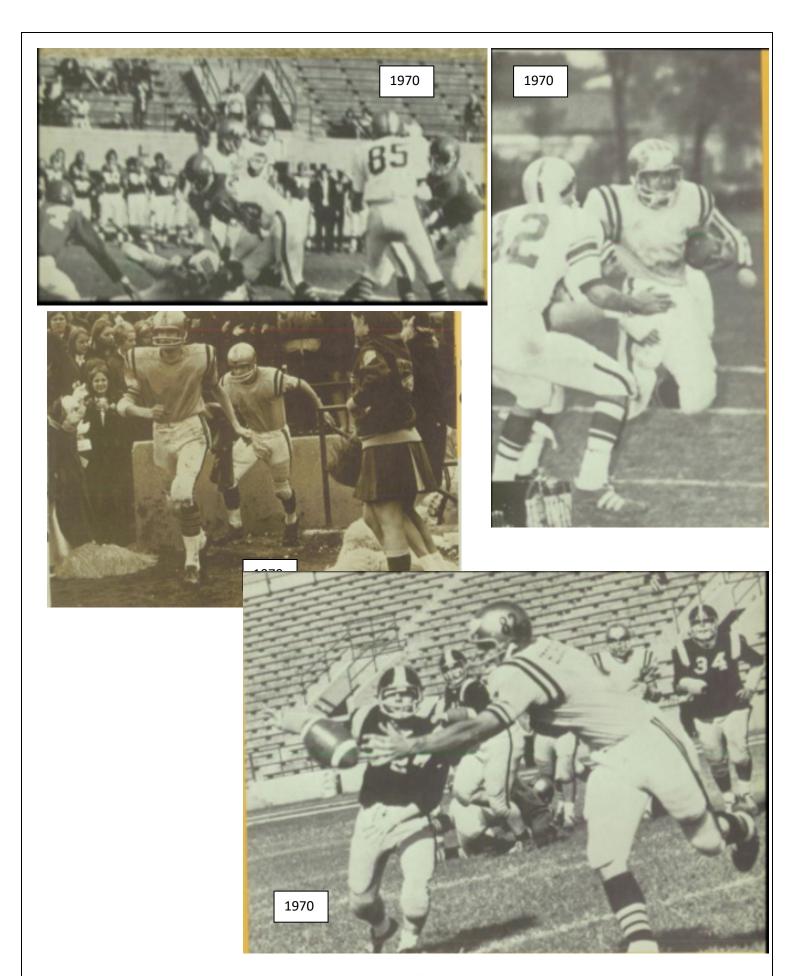






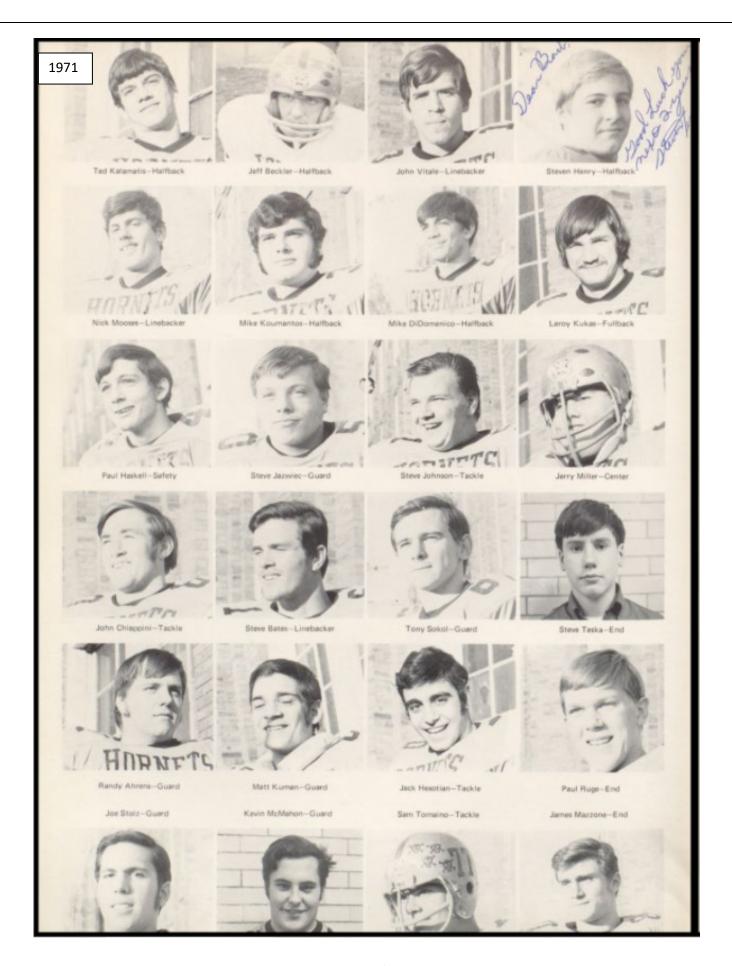


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Coach Benedix



Gregg Romano—Quarterback Co-Captain



Rick Taormina—Linebacker Co-Captain



Coach Zaumer



FOREMAN	26	Westinghouse	6
FOREMAN	14	Kelvyn Park	8
FOREMAN	8	Amundsen	0
FOREMAN	6	Harrison	0
FOREMAN	12	Steinmetz	34
FOREMAN	22	Roosevelt	6
FOREMAN	20	Prosser	14
FOREMAN	26	Kelvyn Park	6
FOREMAN	6	Kally	22



Sal Faso-Tackle

Varsity Football Team



Pat Fitzmaurice-End

This year, for the first time since 1928, Foreman's football team led their fans to seven victories and only two losses, thus bringing the team from Blue to White Division and Quarter City Playoffs.

Through the hard work of each team member and skillful guidance of Coaches Benedix and Zeumer, we were able to honestly say, "We're Number I".

Thanks to this Year's Hornets for a most exciting and memorable season.



Jon Willard-End



Brian Bushbeck-End

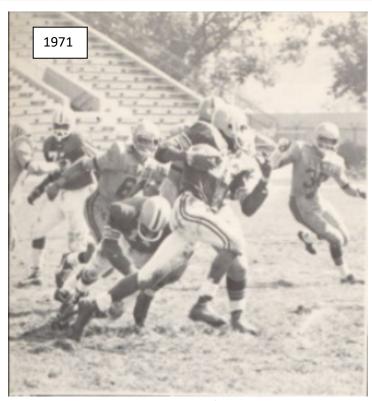
Ricky Jacob, Mike Kolaczewski, Randy Jacob-Managers



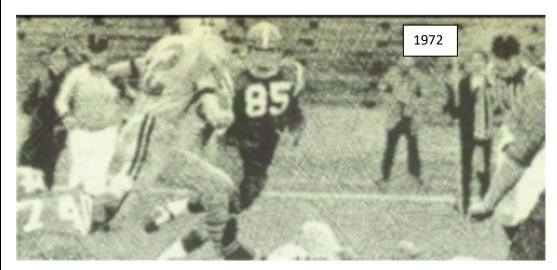
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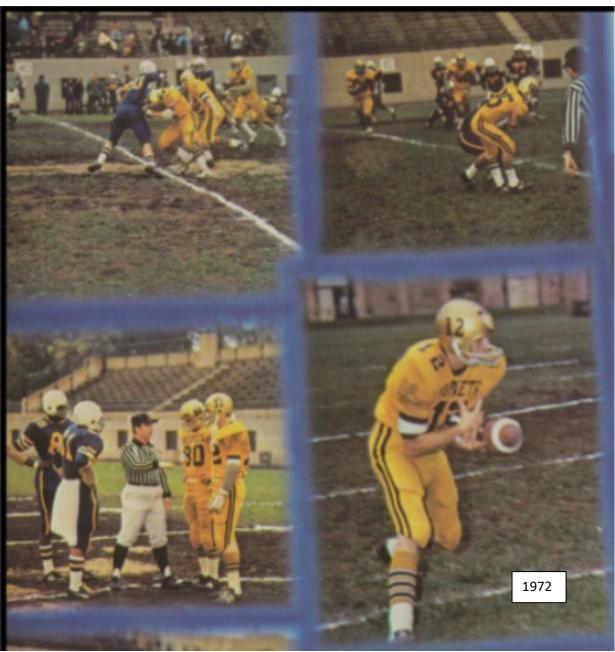


Junior Varsity Football Team

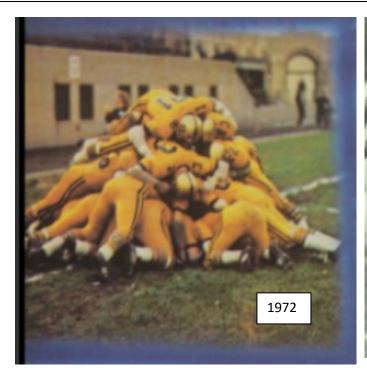


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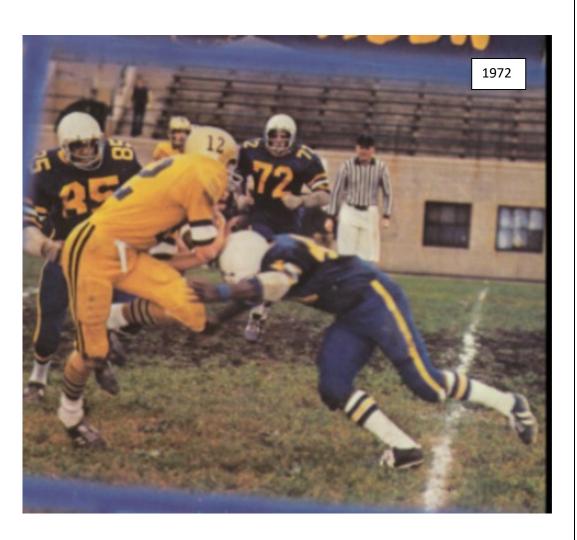




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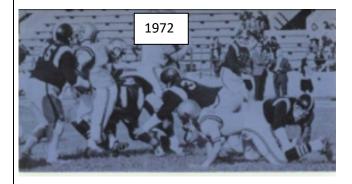




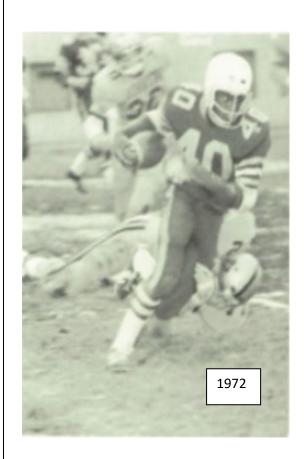


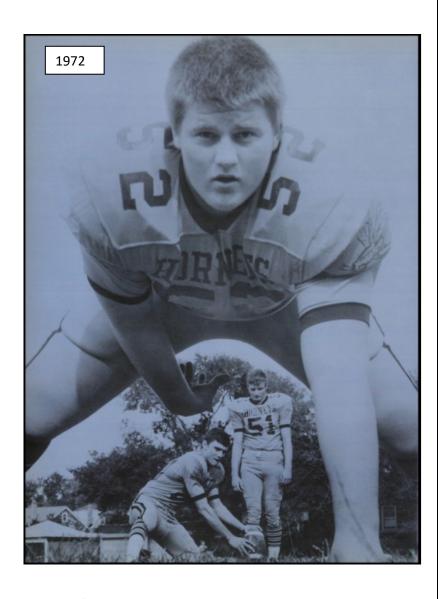
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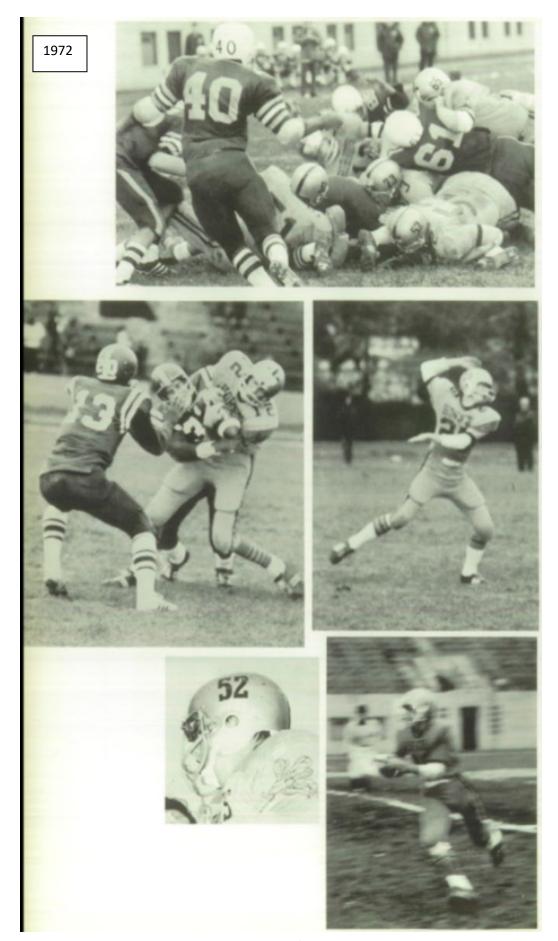








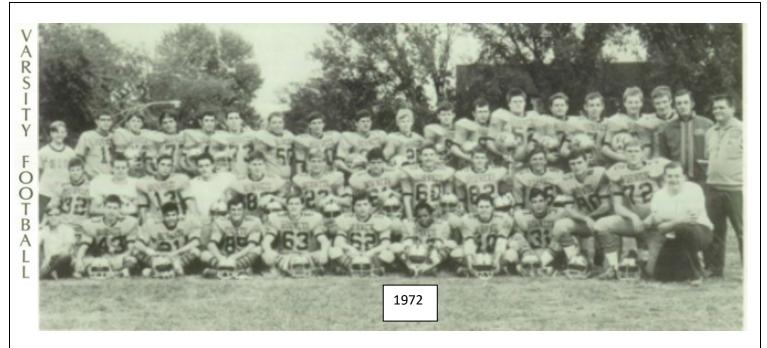
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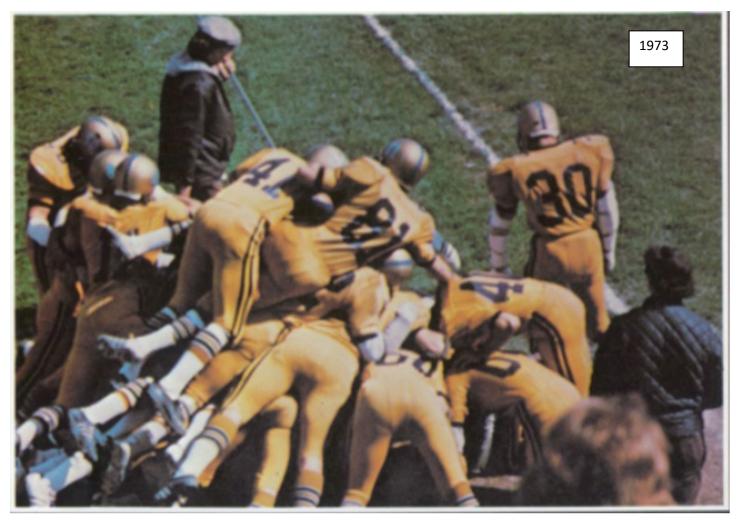
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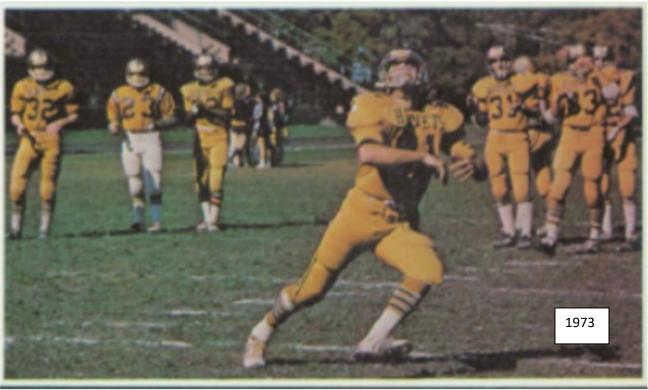


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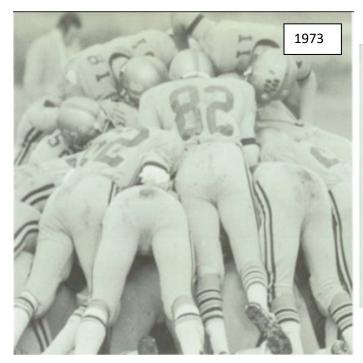




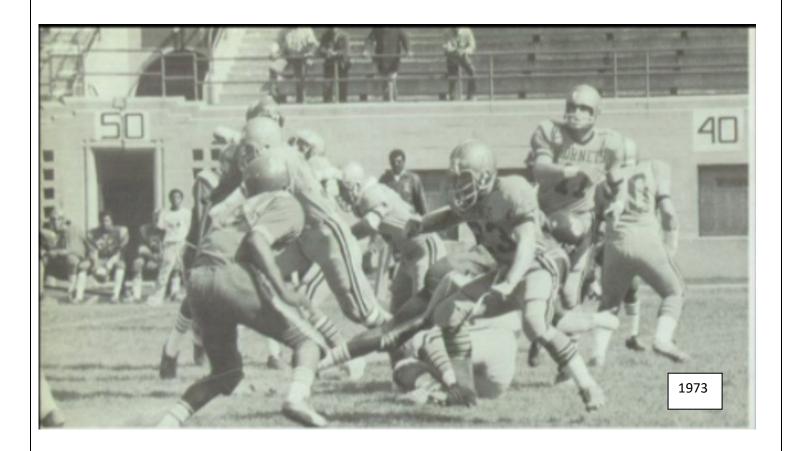




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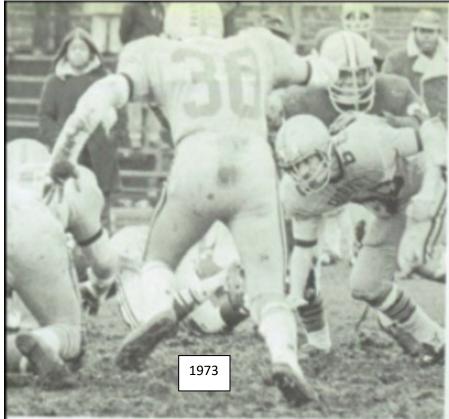
















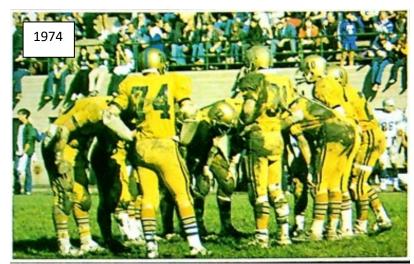
FOOTBALL

VARSITY

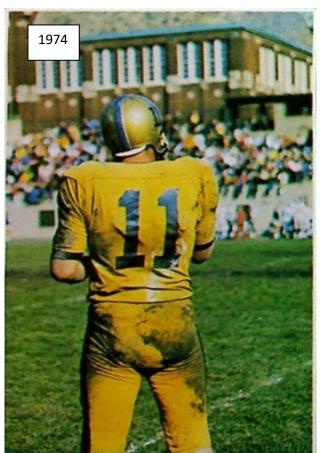


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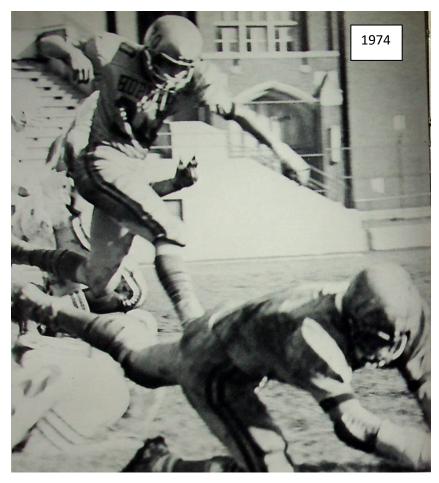


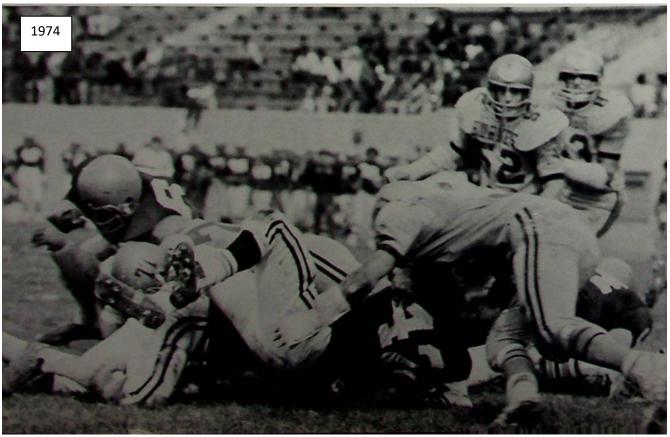






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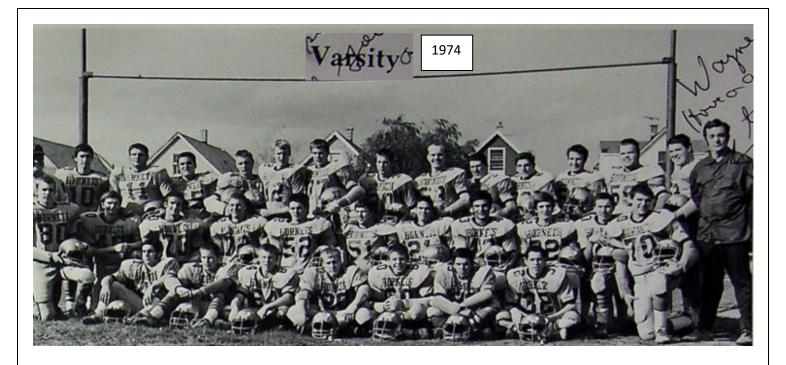


FOOTBALL

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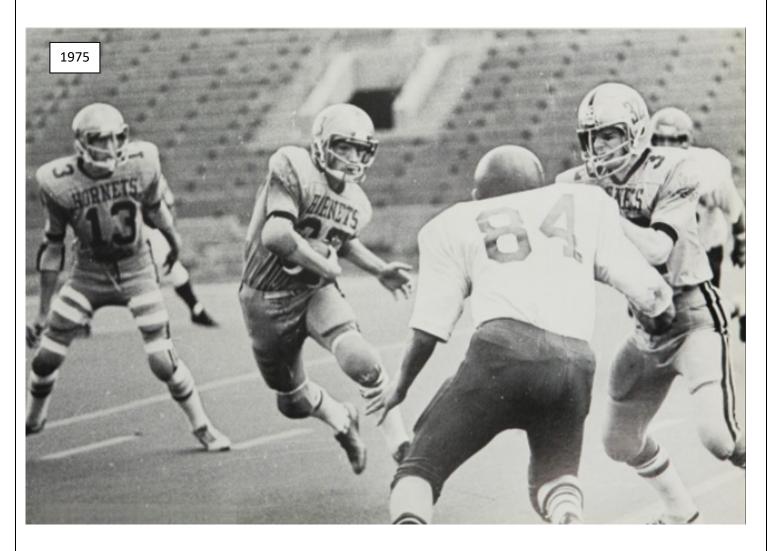




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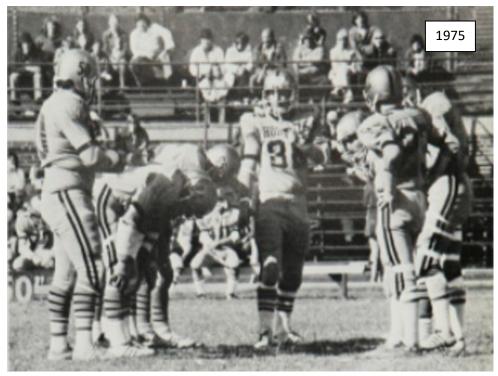


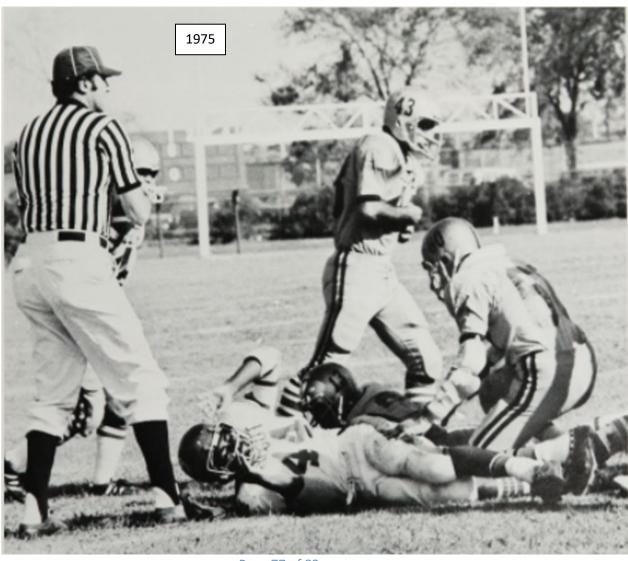




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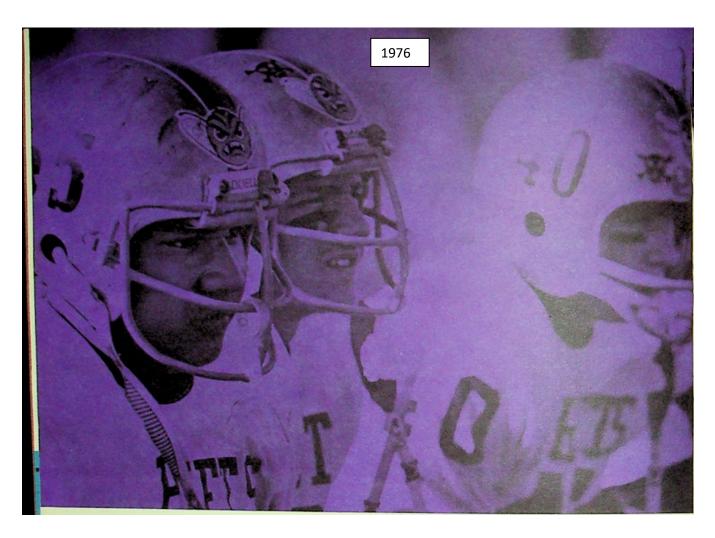
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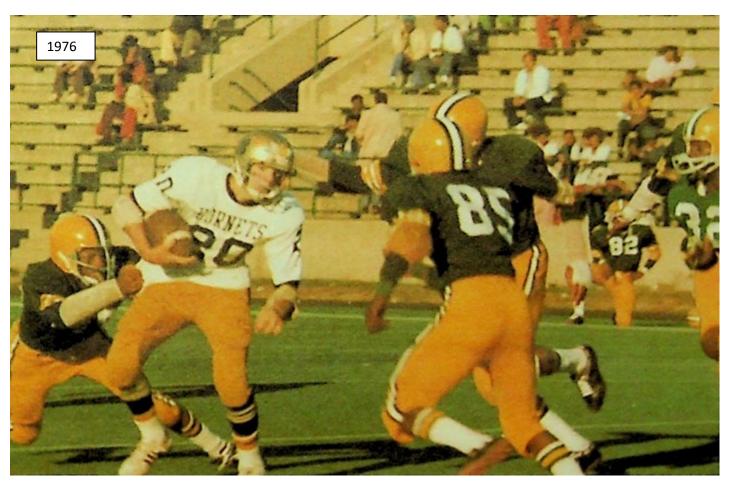


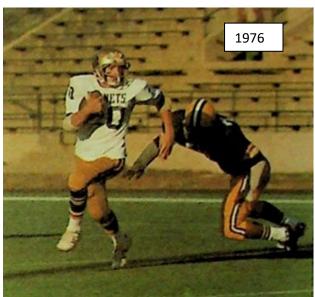


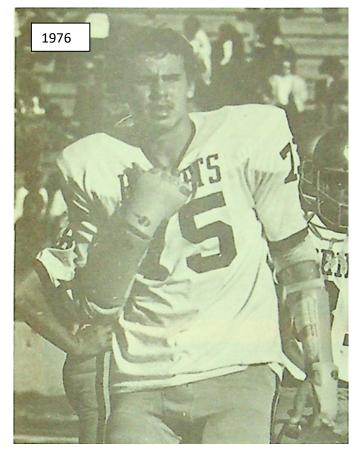




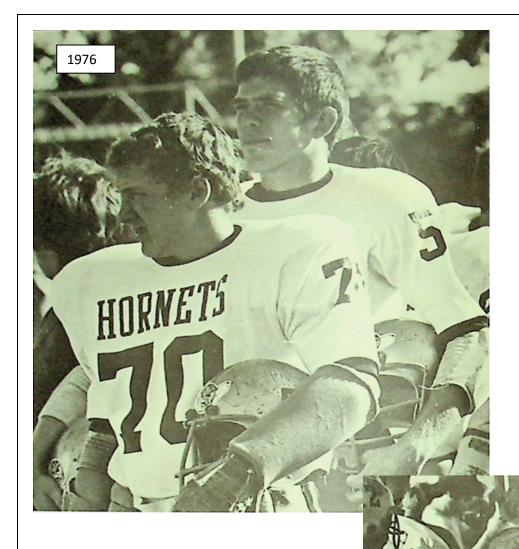








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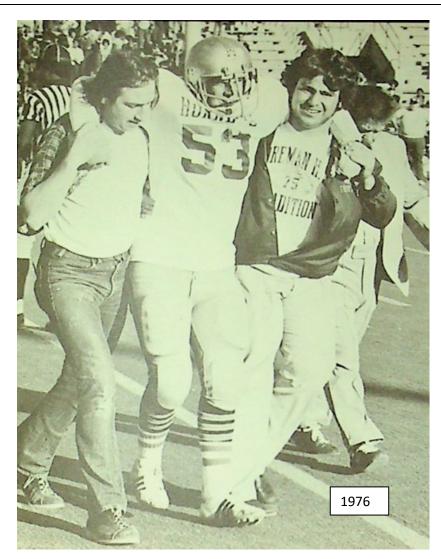




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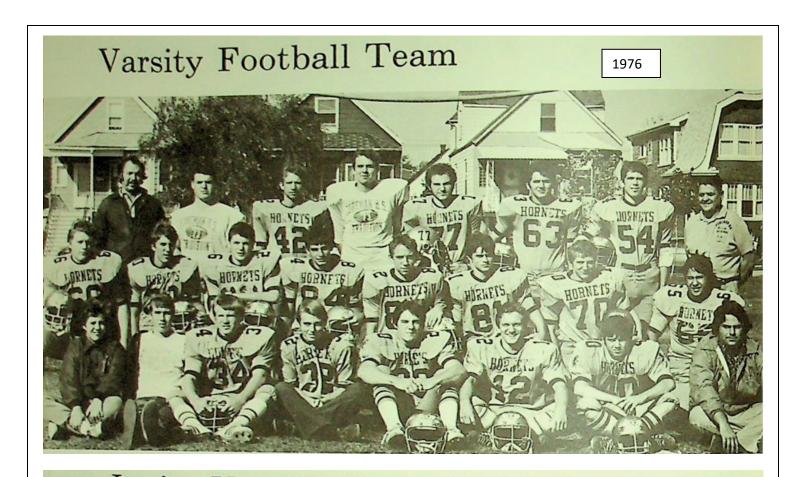
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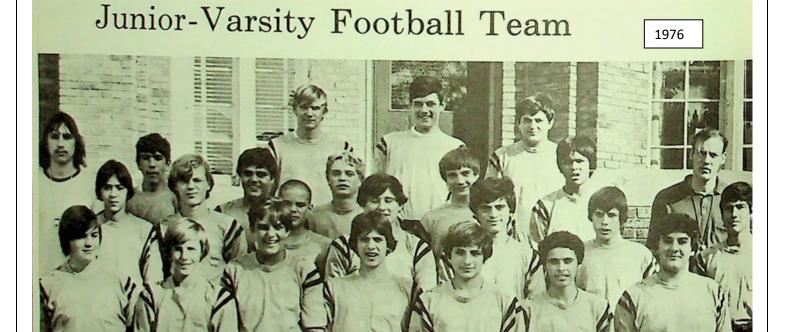






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