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Fully accredited, the college offers bachelor degrees in teacher education, the liberal arts, pre-professional curricula, and general studies to its relatively small student body, and master degrees in education and teaching.

The surroundings of the College offer students exceptional recreation possibilities for skiing, hunting, fishing and climbing.

The Mountaineers, or Mounties for short, are members of the Oregon Collegiate Conference. Other conference teams are from Southern Oregon College, Oregon Technical Institute, Oregon College of Education and George Fox College.

Vho's who....

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Head baseball coachHoward Fetz
Head wrestling coachErling Odegaard
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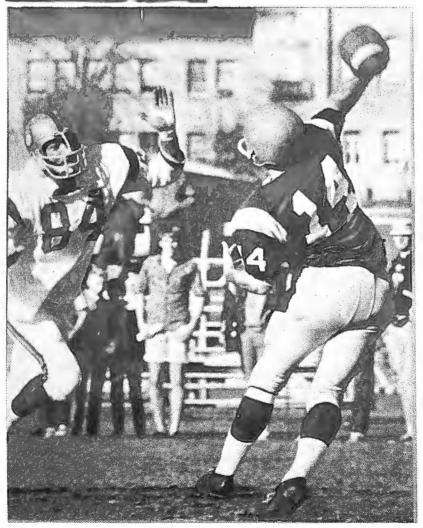
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1969 SCHEDULE



TIME	<u>OPPONENT</u>	PLACE
8:00, Sat., Sept. 13	College of Idaho	Caldwell
8:00, Sat., Sept. 20	Pacific U.	Forest Grove
8:00, Sat., Sept. 27	Whitman College	Walla Walla
8:00, Sat., Oct. 4	Southern Oregon *	La Grande
1:30, Sat., Oct. 11	Oregon College *	Monmouth
1:30, Sat., Oct. 18	U. of San Francisco	San Francisco
1:30, Sat., Oct. 25	Oregon Tech. Inst.**	La Grande
8:00, Sat., Nov. 1	Oregon College	Pendleton
1:30, Sat., Nov. 8	Westminster College (Kids Day)	La Grande

* Conference Games
** Homecoming

FOOTBALL STAFF



left to right: Insko, Corey, Harshbarger, Dilorio, Odegaard

LEE INSKO - Head Coach - Coach Insko is beginning his second year as head Mountaineer coach. He feels that after his first full recruiting year that our basic rebuilding program is well on its way. A 1956 graduate at the University of Idaho, Coach Insko spent 13 years in the coach ranks in high schools in Idaho, Washington, and Oregon before coming to E O C this past year.

ERLING ODEGAARD - Offensive Back Coach - Coach Odegaard in his 8th year with the Mountaineers will assume backfield duties this fall. Ode is the best known of the Mountaineer staff because of his tremendous success in past years with his outstanding wrestling squads. He played his college football at Luther College and received his masters degree from the University of Iowa.

IVAN HARSHBARGER - Offensive Line Coach - Coach Harshbarger who will be the new basketball coach will also be a strong asset to the football staff. He is moving to E O C from Springfield High School where he was a highly respected coach for the past six years. Ivan played his college football at Bethel College where he was an all-conference tackle and received his masters degree from the University of Oregon.

GEORGE Dilorlo - Specialty Coach - Coach Dilorio is in his second year with the staff. He is also the head wrestling and track coach at La Grande High School. A graduate of Idaho State University, George will be in charge of all of the specialty teams.

ORVAL GODDARD - Defensive Coach - Coach Goddard is a student assistant in his second year with the staff. Orv will be in charge of the entire defensive unit this fall. He is expected to give this unit the lift it needs to give the Mountaineers better overall balance than they had last year.

808 COREY - Defensive Line Coach - Coach Corey is the second student assistant in his first year of coaching. Bob was Mountaineer captain in 1968 and was an outstanding defensive lineman. We are sure his excellent competitive desire will carry over to those people he will be coaching.

RETURNING MOUNTIES

DICK McMILLAN - Dick is one of the 1969 Mountaineer co-captains. He is a middle linebacker. Dick was our outstanding defensive player on the 1968 Mountaineer team.

MARK HALVORSEN - The other 1969 co-captain, Mark was an outstanding blocker from his wingback position on the 1968 team. He is expected to continue at this position and give us the same outstanding performance as he did last year.

STAN WEIPER - A 1968 Mountaineer quarterback who is returning for his final season at EOC. Stan had an outstanding year in 1968 with an all time EOC record for total offense. With his added experience he should have a better year in '69'.

GORDON SYPHERS - A past two year starter for the Mountaineers, Gordie was the 1968 rushing leader. An outstanding back both offensively and defensively, Gordie is sure to be a real asset in the 1969 Mountaineer season.

LEONARD PHELAN - Leonard was the most valuable player on the 1967 Mountaineer squad as a defensive ball player. Last year he spent the entire season as an offensive fullback. Although hurt two of the ball games, he still was the number two Mountie ground gainer.



M. Halvorsen



Weiper



Phelan

RAY PATRICK - A 1968 Pendleton graduate, Ray had an outstanding season as a rookie at EOC. Twice chosen conference lineman of the week, Ray led the conference in pass receiving yardage and set an all-time Mountie record in this area. He is expected to continue the same fine work this year.

KEN KINDIG - A returning non-letterman, Ken spent a large part of the 1968 season on the nuisance injury list. He is expected to step into a starting tackle position this fall and do the outstanding job which he proved capable of doing when he was well last year.

DAVE FINE - Dave is a one year letterman tackle from Cottage Grove that alternated between offense and defense in '68'. This year Dave is expected to concentrate on offensive and should be a starter.

JERRY BENINTEND! - Jerry was a starter all season as a guard for the Mountaineers. One of the hardest workers on the ball club, Jerry always gives 100 per cent and will definitely play as well this year. Presently, he is being considered as a candidate for the center position which he played at Treasure Valley.



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Fine



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ANDY BARR - A junior one year letterman, Andy spent last season playing both offensive guard and offensive center. This season Andy is felt strictly as an offensive center and has an excellent chance of being the '69' EOC starter.

LEONARD COOPER - A 1968 rookie from Hermiston, Leonard earned a starting spot on the defense. The week following his first starting assignment, Leonard broke a collar bone and missed the remainder of the season. This year Leonard is being moved to middle guard position on defense and is expected to do a fine job.

NEIL COOPER - An all conference choice in '67' and '68', Neil is a two year letterman defensive halfback, probably the best small hitter in the Oregon Collegiate Conference. Neil is expected to have another fine year for the Mounties.

GORDON PROCTOR - A two year letterman. Gordie suffered in 1968 from being moved to three different positions. An outstanding athlete, Gordie is going to be one of the finest defensive backs on the 1969 Mountaineer squad.

DENNIS McMILLAN - A letterman transfer from Athena, Dennis spent the entire '68' season as a defensive end for the Mounties. This fall he is expected to be moved to defensive linebacker where he will team with his cousin Dick.







Proctor



D. McMillan



L. Johnson

TERRY MOONEY - Terry is a letterman transferring from Treasure Valley Community College. He played on the '68' squad as a defensive safety. He showed great improvement during our spring weight classes and is expected to have a fine senior year at the same position.

STEVE COMBS - A part time starter as a defensive halfback, Steve is expected to have a good year in '69'. A part time punter in '68', he is expected to handle this job full time for the Mounties this fall.

JOHN BILYEU - The largest member of the '69' squad, John is returning for his senior year at EOC. John will concentrate on a defensive tackle position and is expected to have the same form which led to his choice as an all conference performer in 1967.

LARRY JOHNSON - The smallest member of the '68' Mountie squad, Larry did an outstanding job. He led the Mountaineer team in fumble recoveries with five. Always willing to play any position, Larry ended up as a starter as a defensive linebacker last year and is expected to find a spot starting somewhere for himself on this year's ball club.

MIKE JORGENSON - A '67' letterman for the Mounties, Mike is returning for the '69' season and is considered a prime prospect as a starting offensive tackle. One of the fine blockers, Mike spent his prep career at Capital High School.

NEW FACES

JOHN HUNTSMAN - A transfer from Ricks Junior College, John is a native of La Grande where he played his high school football. He had an outstanding junior college career which led to his choice as a JV All American. He is expected to add an explosive running threat to the Mountie offensive attack.

CRAIG GERLACH - A 1969 rookie from La Grande High School, Craig was a second string fullback on the all-state team in '68'. He is expected to add running power to the '69' Mountie ball club.

DON KELLY - A La Grande High '68' graduate, Don was a member on the '68' Shrine team. He is expected to give the Mounties depth at the quarterback position and will definitely be pushing for a starting spot as he gains experience.

BOB WITHERS - An all-metro tackle from Beaverton, Bob is expected to push the returning Mountie letterman for an offensive tackle position.

TIM BENINTENDI - A brother of '69' Mountie guard Jerry, Tim is a '69' graduate of Baker High. At Baker he was both an outstanding offensive and defensive ball player and is expected to find a starting spot comewhere early on the Mountie ball club.

JOHN BRADING - A defensive and run back specialist from Grants Pass High, John returned a punt 68 yards to tie Jesuit High in the '67' high school State Championship play off. He is expected to give the Mounties added strength at the runback position.

PAUL THOREN - A fine scholar and athlete from Elgin, Paul was a '69' State Wrestling Champion at 178, he is expected to push all of the returning ball players for a starting spot at fullback or defensive linebacker.

ED SHERMAN - A rookie halfback from lone, Ed is one of small school backs expected to make the jump to college football quite easy. Ed has fine size at 186 and was the State B 100 and 200 sprint champ in '69'.

DUKE MARTIN - A 1969 transfer from Bakersfield Junior College, Duke lettered two years at Bakersfield Junior College, where he played both offense and defense. Presently, he is being figured as a tight end in the 1969 Mountie plans.

Records

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Total Offense
   All Time....Stan Weiper......1349 yds.
   1968......1349 yds.
Rushing
   All Time....Rollin Schimmel (1964)
   1968..........Gordon Syphers.....303 yds.....3.3 avg.
Passing
   All Time....Stan Weiper...217...108...1542 yds...9 TD's
   1968.....Stan Weiper...217...108...1542 yds...9 TD's
Receiving
   All Time....Ray Patrick...49...813 yds...16.3 yds/rec.
   1968.......Ray Patrick...49...813 yds...16.3 yds/rec.
Punting
   All Time....Not available
   1968.....Steve Combs....4....35.5 avg.
Scoring
   All Time....Not available
   1968...... Stan Weiper..... 5 TD's..... 30 TP
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FINAL 1968 STATS

			VC	YL	NYG	AVG	TD's	
RUSHING	<u>G</u>	<u>TC</u>	<u>YG</u>					
* Syphers	8	91 62	334 275	31 1	303 274	3.3 4.4	3 1	
* Phelan Showers	8 8	62 24	106	3	103	4.3	2	
Luisi	6	22	94	3 9 3 3	91 69	4.1	0	
Wescott	8	14	78 65	9 3	62	5.0 4.1	0 0	
* Halvorsen Dodd	8 2	15 12	33	3	30	2.5	0	
Burke	8	9	28	0	28	3.1	0	
* Patrick	8 8	4	25 11	2 1	23 10	5.8 3.3	0 0	
Ayres ☆ McMillan	8	3 3	8	Ö	8	2.7	0	
* Weiper	8	69	98	291	193	2.8	5	
PASSING	<u>G</u>	ATT	COMP	INT	YDS	PCT	TD's	
* Weiper	8	217	108	23	1549	.498	9	
RECEIVING	<u>(</u>	<u> </u>	<u>NO</u>	YDS	A	<u>vVG</u>	TD's	
* Patrick	,	3	49	813	16	5.3	4	
Line	8	8	31	398	12	8.2	2	
* Halvorsen	8	3	10	103 102).3).4	2 0	
* Syphers * Phelan	. 8	3 3	5 4	4		.0	0	
Corey	8	8	3	. 9	3	.0	0	
SCORING	. 9	<u>3</u>	TD's	<u>EP</u>	Ē	<u>G</u>	<u>TPS</u>	
* Weiper	,	В	5	÷ 0		0	30	
* Patrick	8	8 8	4	. 0		0	24	
* Syphers		8	3	0		0	18 13	
* Phelan Line		8 8	1 2	7 0		0	12	
* Proctor			2	0		0	12	
Showers * Halvorsen	8	8	2 2	0 0		0	12 12	
Corey	8	8	1	0		0	6	
Berry		8 8 8 8 8	1	0		0	6	
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* Returnees

CONFERENCE STATS

TOTAL OFFENSE		TOTAL DEFENSE	
SOC 10 PLAYS 698 RUSH 801 PASS 2433 YDS 3234 EOC 8 556 768 1542 2310 OCE 9 626 1686 744 2430 OTI 9 597 1068 918 1986 GF 8 477 731 653 1384	AVG 323.4 OCE 288.8 OTI 270.0 SOC 220.7 EOC 173.1 GF	10 733 1380 1735 3115 311 8 577 1874 901 2775 346	5.0 3.0
RUSHING OFFENSE		RUSHING DEFENSE	
OCE 506 1976 290 1686 187.3 OTI 391 1471 403 1068 118.7 EOC 337 1164 396 768 96.0 GF 337 1083 352 731 91.4 SOC 373 1370 569 801 80.1	TDs 14 8 11 3 14	OCE 357 1225 331 894 99 OTI 422 1641 411 1230 136 SOC 467 1749 369 1380 138	7G 9.3 6.7 8.0 8.6
PASSING OFFENSE		PASSING DEFENSE	
SOC ATT COMPL INT YDS 2433 .514 243.3 PCT AVG 243.3 AVG 243.3 EOC 219 108 24 1542 .493 192.8 192.8 OTI 206 67 21 918 .325 102.0 00E 120 46 10 744 .383 82.7 GF 141 53 16 653 .376 81.7	TDs 20 9 8 10 16	EOC 162 73 10 901 .451 112 OCE 218 97 15 1131 .445 125 OTI 212 93 17 1222 .438 161 SOC 266 125 19 1735 .470 173	VG 2.6 5.6 1.3 3.5 4.6

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