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r Francisco Peaks and Sunset Crater ional Monument. Cooper

(Right) A family of tiny forest mushrooms, the season's first new life on the mountain. David Muench

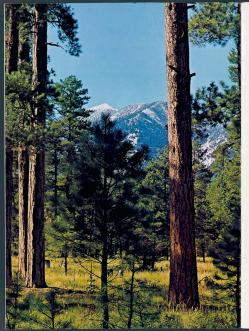
(Below) A mountain niche harbors the delicate, the brave, the pioneers. Josef Muench

(Following panel) A mountain is an exclusive experience. Cerrying a late mantle of snow, the San Francisco Peaks rise prominently amidst a stand of ponderosa pine.

Josef Muench









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### FINAL 1977

	TOP 10 I		
	Division II I	Rankings	
TEAM	POINTS	CONFERENCE	RECORD
North Dakota State	60	North Central	8-1-1
Massachusetts	56	Yankee	8-2-0
Cal-Davis	52	Far West	10.0.0
South Carolina State	46	Mid-Eastern	8-1-1
Northern Arizona	44	Big Sky	9.2.0
Boise State	44	Big Sky	8-2-0
Nevada-Reno	44	Independent	8-3-0
Lehigh (Pennsylvenia) Jecksorwille	33	Independent	9-2-0
(Alebama)	21	Gulf-South	9-2-0
Northern Michigen	28	Independent	7.2.0
Winston-Salem (N.C.)	28	Central Intercol-	11-0-0
New Hampshire	28	Yankee	8-2-0
OTHER TEAMS RECEIV	ING VOTES	: (Alphabetically)	

OTHER TEAMS RECEIVING VOTES: (Alphabetically)
Austin Peay, Bethune-Cookmen, Delaware, Northeastern Missouri, Southwest Missouri, Tennessee-Martin, Tennessee-Tech, Virginia Union and Youngstown State.

\*-Plays at University of Idaho on Nov. 26

#### NCAA - ATHLETIC VOICE OF THE NATION'S COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

What is The NCAA?

The National Collegiate Athletic Association is the organization through which the colleges and universities of the nation speak and act on athletic matters at the national level. It is a voluntary association of more than 840 institutions, conferences and organizations devoted to the sound administration of intercollegiate athletics in

all of its phases.

Through the NCAA, its members consider any athletic problem which has crossed regional or conference lines and has become national in character. The NCAA stands for good conduct in intercollegiste athletics and serves as

for good conduct in intercollegiate enhances and serves as the college's national athletic accrediting agency. It started in 1905 when President Theodore Rossevelt was about to ban intercollegiate football because of the violence of play.

Football representatives from 13 institutions met in December of 1905 to bring about reform in college football. Later in the month, at a second meeting, the group formed the Intercollegiate Athletic Association.

#### NATIONAL ORGANIZATION IS BORN

On March 31, 1908, it was officially constituted and in 1910 the ICA became the NCAA.

The NCAA moved from a discussion group to an

The NCAA moved from a discussion group to an important and vital force in the conduct and administration of intercollegiate athletics when the membership voted itself legislative and executive powers

shortly after World War II.

The change quickly shifted the NCAA's main responsibility from playing rules to considering and acting upon athletic problems which spread across regional

upon athletic problems which spread across regional lines and become national in character. The enforcement program of the NCAA is designed to assure compliance with the legislation the member

institutions and allied conferences have adopted.

At annual conventions of the Association, the NCAA is the nation's colleges and universities themselves speaking and acting on athletic matters at the national

#### NCAA HAS 800 MEMBERS

The NCAA reached the 800-member mark two years ago and has established 39 annual National Championships in 18 different sports. Although best-known to the public for its championship program, the NCAA does much more than conduct this national series. More specifically, the NCAA:

Conducts 39 Championships in 18 sports. Three championships (bission of, Division if and Oversion III) see held in baseball, baskethall, cross country, got, soccer, sometime, the control of the control

... Represents the colleges in legislative and regulatory matters on the state and federal levels, covering topics such as elimination of the federal admissions tax on college athletic events, antibrilery and gambling laws, television. CATV, international competition and federal

collegia affective certains, announcing and goldening mastelevision. CATV, international competition and federal aid to education affecting sports and physical education. Promotes its championship events and all intercollegiate athletics through planned activities of its national office, conducts general public relations in behalf of the Association and its members; publishes the NCAA news and drozens of other publications to advise its

members and other interested parties of events and information inportant to intercollegiate athletics.

Enacts legislation to deal with athletic problems when they spread across regional lines and member institutions

they spread across regional lines and member institutions conclude that national action is needed.

Maintains a central clearing and counseling agency in

### PROMOTES INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION

Promotes and participates in international sports planning and competition through membership in the U.S. Collegiate Sports Council, the Amateur Basketball Association of the U.S.A. and the U.S. Baseball.

Sanctions postseason competition and certifies noncollegiate games and meets to protect the interests of its member institutions and their student-athletes. Compiles and distributes official statistics for intercollegiate football, basketball and baseball and

Compiles and distributes official statistics for intercollegiste football, basketball and baseball and maintains NCAA records for those sports through the NCAA Statistics Service.
Establishes committees to draw and interpret playing

rules in 13 aports.

Annually awards 80 Postgraduate Scholarships of 51,500 each to outstanding senior student-athletes who have excelled in sports, in the classroom and on the campus. More than one million dollars has been distributed through these scholarships.

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Administers group travel and medical shurance programs whereby member institutions can provide calastrophic coverage for student-shitlets when they are personal control of the coverage for student-shitlets when they are personal erace in the control of the coverage for students. Provides a film library covering National Collegister Sports of baseball, basketall, boxing, "Cootball, gymnastics, ice hockey, soccer, swimming, track and field, gymnastics, ice hockey, soccer, swimming, track and field, covering and control of the coverage for the control of the control of the coverage for the control of the control of the coverage for the control of the coverage for the coverage for

pasketball.

Conducts research as a means of developing solutions to athletic problems, such as surveys on television, postseason events, athletic and recreational facilities, sports injuries and safety, recruiting and financial aid, length and time of playing and practice seasons and the cost of intercollegiate athletics.

Provides financial and other assistance to various groups interested in the promotion and advancement of intercollegiste and intramural activities, actively assists the various national coaching associations in projects which provide better teaching, better competition and sounder administration.



J. Nells Thompson NCAA president University of Texas, Austin



Walter Byers NGAA Executive Director



Edgar A. Sherman NGAA Secretary-Treasurer Muskingum College



NCAA NATIONAL OFFICE

#### PRESIDENT

Twenty years ago when Dr. J. Lawrence Walkup was named president of

In keeping page with the needs of a growing university, the opening of the

programs.

Or. Walkup first came to NAU in 1948 as director of the University Department, equal to the Dean of the College of Education by today's



### Dr. Walkup's wife. Lucy, is a former teacher. They have one grown DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS

One momentous weakend last winter made the 27 years T. H. 'Hank'

Anderson helped organize the Big Sky Conference which started in 1962. and he has been a key part of its growth as it has gained in national instrumental in NAU's growth over the past four years.

in 1967 and he was conference coach of the year in 1966. earned his master's degree from Gonzaga in 1965. He had a 167-43 prep

He is a charter member of the Basketball Hall of Fame. From 1968-72 he



NAU Athletic Director Hank Anderson and wife Betty

### LUMBERJACK QUICK FACTS

SCHOOL: Northern Arizona ENROLLMENT: 11,500 FOUNDED: 1899 LOCATION: Flagstaff, Arizona (38,000) PRESIDENT: Dr. J. Lawrence Welkup NICKNAME Lumberjacks COLORS Blue/Gold STADIUM: NAU Dome YEAR BUILT: 1977 CAPACITY: 15.300 WITH BLEACHERS: 20.000 ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Hank Anderson BURNIESS MANAGER Ernie Almarez

COACHES: Joe Salem (head); Dan Runkle (defensive coordinator); Jim Clements (defensive line); Jerry Janson (defensive backs); Dick Heesch (offensive line): Mike Shanahan (offensive becks) Student Coeches: Gary Roach, Mark Roberts, Randy Berry.

TEAM PHYSICIAN: Dr Gerroe Hershey TEAM DENTIST: Dr. Art Delpiaz TEAM OPTOMETRIST: Dr. Jim Holder STATISTICS CREW: Bill Anderson, Jim Bowen, Art Coughanour Sally Coughanour, Ken Harkey, Leu Halle, Grant Jones, Debbie Minnich, Skip Rau, Eddie Robinson, Terry Robinson, Chris Velotta and PUBLIC ADDRESS: Tony Armenta and Clint Wager TIMEBS AND SCOREBOARD OPERATORS: Chris Peresson and Gary Promer (scoreboard), Sturgeon Cromer and W. F. Killip (timers Marsha Soberg, Dan Garner, Guy Hoover, Cheryl Joy, Patty Weddell, Cathy Christy, Hese Rankin and Marianne Ochoa. POM PONS: Sue Kishman, Kelly Reeves, Laurie Cooke, Rosenne Mirande, Lori Williams, Gretchen Hallquist, Ginger Marich, Bev

#### NORTHERN ARIZONA UNIVERSITY

Northern Arizona University is heading, full steam, into its second decade as a university which gives high priority to the needs of its students on an individual basis.

The University's rich history has been developed on taking a personal interest in the students and helping them to become responsible citizens who in turn, make a contribution to society.

NAU gained university status in the spring of 1966 and from that point, the enrollment has doubled to the more than 11,500 who are in attendance this fall

More than 80 percent of NAU's enrollment comes from within Arizona: however, students from every state plus many foreign nations attend NAU.

NAU has responded to the educational needs of not only Arizona but the region and nation. With a massive outdoor laboratory. NAU is becoming more and more recognized for its quality in research projects. NAU first opened its doors in the fall of 1899, some 13

years before Arizona became the 48th state of this nation on Feb. 14, 1912. Last May, NAU celebrated its 11th year of university status and during that span, NAU has grown in stature. Since opening, NAU has gone through a series of name changes since the initial name of Northern Arizona Normal School covered the 1899-1925 era. The first fouryear graduate was Jake Bracker in 1927 and he is now a retired businessman in Phoenix.

NAU is located near the center of Flagstaff on the 6.800-foot Coconino Plateau and the 686 acre tree-shaded campus is well known for its beauty.

The university lies in the shadows of the 12 600-foot San Francisco peaks which is the highest snot in Arizona Nearby is the delightful Coconino National Forest which has the largest stand of ponderosa pine in the world. More than 76 percent of NAU's teaching faculty

possess the earned doctorate and this ranks NAU third nationally for state institutions. NAU offers degrees from the associate level through

the doctorate and students can choose from more than 100 areas in which to earn their bachelor degree. NAU offers degree programs through the Colleges of Arts and Science. Business, Creative Arts, Education, Engineering and Technology, Public and Environmental Service plus the schools of Applied Science and Forestry. The graduate college administers all advanced studies

NAU is centrally located and students have access to some of the most spectacular scenery in the world.

### JACKSONVILLE STATE

Jacksonville State University is a multipurpose institution, located in northeast Alabama, to serve primarily the citizens of that area. It offers the B.A., Law Enforcement degrees and, in addition, basic engineering and pre-professional training for medicine. law, veterinary medicine, pharmacy and agriculture. In addition to its undergraduate program, the

University offers graduate study in the M.A., M.S., M.S. in Education, M.B.A. and M.P.A. degrees. Defound in the graduate Bulletin, published separately. A summer school is also provided which offers the same quota of courses as does the regular ses-

sion. During this session credit may be earned toward graduation or may be used in securing, extending or renewing teachers' certificates. The University and elementary level in which its students are given training in the application of the principles learned in the theory and the subject matter classes The Department of the Army operates a Senior

Program of General Military Science, Reserve Officers' Training Corps at Jacksonville with either a years, basic course, deal with subjects pertaining to the Army in general, while the advanced course is courses may be taken for academic credit without incurring any military obligation.

One of the most valuable agencies in the academic life of any university is the library. As such, for the purchase of books and materials to keep it adequate for the needs of both undergraduate and

The campus itself is located on the northern edge of the city and has had considerable landscan-

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#### TODAY'S GAME

Ry Wylie Smith NAU Sports Information Director

Today's first-round NCAA Division II football contest could easily be termed the "Parallel Bowl," as the opponents -- Northern Arizona University and

visiting Jacksonville State University of Jacksonville Alabama have a lot of similarities. Starting with the head coaches: Jacksonville's

Jim Fuller played his collegiate football at the University of Alabama under the famed Bear Bryant and he played on the Tide's 1964 and 1965 national championship teams.

Axer head coach helped quarterback the University of Minnesota to the 1960 national title and

a berth in the Rose Bowl. Salem played under Murray. Wurmath Other similarities appear on the rosters of each team. Both are extremely young. NAU has but seven

seniors on the squad and just three are starters -- a fourth considering kicker Tom Jurich. Jacksonville has but four seniors on its squad and all are starters. Both are making their first playoff appearances and with each having a young team, perhaps, the tip of the iceberg is just showing on both squads -- the best could be yet to come for both.

Both teams have rallied to pick off late-game

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Augustana, South Dakota At Idaho State . 25 University of Montana At Nevada-Las Vegas At Cal Poly-Pomona # 24 At Boise State . 28 Montana State Fastern Montena Nebraska-Omaha

.Big Sky #-Designated Big Sky OTHER DIVISION II PLAYOFF GAMES TODAY

Northern Michigan (7-2) at North Dakota State (8-1-1) Bethune-Cookman (8-3-0) at Cal-Davis (10-0-0) Labinh (9.2.0) at University of Massachusetts (8.2.0)

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wins. Jacksonville has won, or lost, eight of its 11 games in the final stages while NAU has a trio of lategame triumphs.

PLAYOFF NOTES: Rocky Riddle, (26) a sophomore is Jacksonville's top scorer with 50 points on 29-of-32 extra points and 7-for17 field goals. NAU's Tom Jurich (1) is the Axers' top scorer with 92

points on 32-of-35 conversions and 20-of-29 field Both quarterbacks, Jacksonville's Bobby Ray Green (12) and Northern Arizona's Herb Daniel (16)

have similar stats. Green has bit on 119 of 201 passes for 1.555 yards and 13 TD's while Daniel has connected 122 times in 237 attempts for 1.822 yards and 14 TD's

Jacksonville has played before three 10,000 crowds this fall and NAU has played before eight crowds of 10,000 or more, the largest being 20,498 at

In five games played in the NAU Dome this fall. the crowd average has been 13.029. The largest was 15,988 at Homecoming as NAU belted Division I Cal-Fullerton, 24-9.

#### JACKSONVILLE STATE Gamecocks \* Red/White

250	(9-2-0) South Conference #-Designate	: 141
• 24	At North Alabama	ar 20
• 17	At Troy State	- 1
. 44	Livingston	
* 16	At Delta State	1:
14	Tennessee-Chattanooga	18
# 20	At Tennessee Tech	2
* 14	At Southeast Louisiana	10
* 36	Tennessee-Martin	13
* 10	At Nicholls State	
34	Alabama A&M	
21	Western Carolina	14

NOTE: See page 3 for National Rankings.

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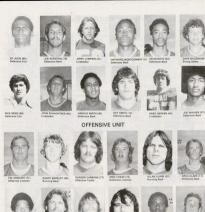




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### LUMBERJACK FOOTBALL COACHING STAFF

Those familiar with Joe Salem's ability as a football coach were not at all

Those that were surprised, now better appreciate his ability as a leader. organizer and recruiter — all of which add up to a successful grogram.

After a 1-8 finish in 1975, pre-season tabulations pegged MAU for a 1-10 four serior statters and an energesc group of underclassmen to that monumerial 8-3 season which included a 4-2 leapue mark, good for third place. NAU reached as high as No. 6 restonally among NCAA Division 8.

Strong academic counseling and insistance that his football players work University of South Dekota and his last three years there — 1972-73-74, his teams absend the North Certral Conference trike. He was District 6 Coach of

In his final three years at South Dakota, his teams were 29-8 and he took

Salem and his wife. Sue, are the parents of four sons -- Tim. 15: Wade, 13



JOE SALEM Head Coach DAN RUNKLE is now in his sixth year as a member of Joe Salem's staff and he



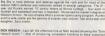
DAN RUNKLE



DICK HEESCH



JERRY JANSON



assignments and execute them well. Was an all conference end at Huron

JERRY JANSON -- Also a four-year member of the Salem staff. The 27-year old Carrhage College in Wisconsin and earned his master's degree from Ohio

JIM CLEMENTS.--Heading into his second year as a member of the NAU

MIKE SHANAHAN (After serving two years on the University of Oklahoma staff



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MIKE SANTIAGO BOB ORRILL TYRONE PETERSON HEDD DANIEL CARL GOLDEN WILLARD REAVES KEN FRASER LUMBERJACK OFFENSE

POS NAME IOHN WALTON MIKE CHEAD LG JIM DELANEY IOE TAYLOR QB BORRIN JONES BUMP COLLINS ALLAN CLARK

#### LUMBERJACK DEFENSE First Unit

NAME ED HIGHTOWER IIM ANDERS NEAL HIGGINSON A. J. BRILI 85 ED JUDIE JERRY LUMPKIN JOE WALKER CLEVELAND DANSBY

#### \*-Tri-Captains for NAU LUMBERJACK DEFENSE

Second Unit NO NAME RICK RENZI DAN ANDERS BILLE UNENE RUSS OWENS RICK RENZI GREG GERKEN KEVIN NOYD KEVIN NOYD HAYWARD MONTGOMERY

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#### GAMECOCK OFFENSE

Second Unit POS NO NAME RICKY GRAMMER SE ROBERT HARRIN TIM DAVIS JOHNNY HAMMETT TOMMY PHILLIPS JOEY HAMMONDS RANDY WALKER QB TB 16 MIKE WATTS CEDRIC BROWNLEE CEDRIC BROWNLEE WB

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		FUUT	BALL	ROST	ER	
NO.	NAME	POS	HT	WT	YR	HOMETOWN
1	JURICH, Tom	K	6-0	181	SR	Arcadia, California
	TAYLOR, Joe	DB	6-1	179	FR	Phoenix, Arizona
10		08	6.3	185	JR	Riverside, California
11		DB	6-1	175	50	Paradise Valley, Arizona
12		DB	5.9	185	JR	Flegsteff, Arizona
14	LOOMIS, Steve	QB	6-3	180	FR	Riverside, California
16		Q8	6-1	185	SR	Arcedia, California
18		DB	6-0	180	SR	Phoenix, Arizona
19		DB	6-1	185	80	Long Beach, California
20	NOOSINOW, Dave	55	6-0	165	FR	Sparta, New Jersey
24		P	5-10	180	JR.	Phoenix, Arizona
25		FB	6-1	208	JR.	Tucson, Arizona
26		DB	5-11	170	SR	Phoenix, Arizona
27	WALKER, Joe	DB	6-0	171	JR	Sierra Vista, Arizona
28		WR	6-2	193	so	Miami, Florida
30		DB	6-2	196	JR	Florence, Arizona
31	MONTGOMERY, Hayward	DB	6-1	188	FR	Colorado Springs, Colo.
32		RB	5-11	196	JR	Sen Mercos, California
33	FRASER, Ken	WR	5-9	161	so.	Colorado Springs, Colo.
34		RB	5-11	175	FR	Flegsteff, Arizona
35		TB	5-8	154	FR	Duarte, Calfornia
36	GOLDEN, Carl	RB	6-1	187	JR	Hollywood, Florida
38		LB/DE	6-0	204	JR	Prescott, Arizona
39		RB	5-9	180	FR	San Fernando Valley, Calif.
40		WR	6-2	178	.18	Sierre Vista, Arizone
41	LUMPKIN, Jerry	LB	6.0	207	-19	Scottsdafe, Arizona
42	NOYD, Kevin	DB -	6-0	170	FR	Phoenix, Arizona
44	GERKEN, Greg	LB	6.5	198	FR	Derwer, Colorado
45	SCHACHTNER, John	LB	6-4	211	FR	Glandale, California
46	BARKLEY, Randy	R8	6-2	195	FB	Tuoson, Arizona
48	STEPHENSON, David	RB	5-9	179	FR	Phoenix, Arizona
50	MYERS, Tim	C	6-3	225	FR	Fullerton, California
51	GEYER, Dan	G	6-2	209	FR	Los Angeles, California
52	SANTIAGO, Mike	0	8.2	224	50	Miami, Florida
54	ROBERSON, Brian	OG	60	183	FR	Phoenix Arizona
55	SMITH, Dean	C	6-2	215	50	Rancho Pelos Verde, Calif.
56	KOLOMITZ, Dick	C	6.1	207	FR	Winslew Airona
57	BOATRIGHT, Lindsey	DT	6-4	212	80	Miami, Florida
58	REYNOLDS, Torry	MG	6.5	232	80	Avondale, Arizona
59	DELANEY, Jim	OL	6-4	228	JR	Phoenix, Arizona
60	FRIEDRICHS, Larry	OG	6-2	234	SR	Arlington Heights, III.
61	CANCIK, Phil	LB	6-2	210	80	Scottadale, Arizona
62	ANDERS, Jim	DT	6-2	247	80	Tucson, Arizona
63	OWENS, Russ	DL	6-4	236	FR	LaPelme, California
64	ANDERS, Dan	DL	6-5	241	FR	Tucson, Arizona
65	HIGGINSON, Neel	MG	6-3	218	JR	Winslow, Arizona
66	BRILL, A. J.	DT	6-3	231	80	Genden Grove, California
68	BAKER, Frank	DE	6-2	209	JR	Boulder, Colorado
71	ARNHART, Tim	OL	6.3	247	FR	Pico Rivera, California
72	CHEAP, Mike	DL	6-4	235	FR	Woodward, Oklahoma
73	NELSON, BHI	OL	6.4	230	FR	Simi. California
74	MOWER, Don	OL	6-6	244	FR	Tuoson, Arizona
75	ORRILL, Bob	OT	6.5	241	.82	Los Alamitos, California
76	KAWULOK, Ted	OG	6.5	211	80	Boulder, Colorado
77	CARBONE, Rodger	OT	6.7	274	.12	Page, Arizana
78	FREEMAN, John	LB	6-5	219	80	Tucson, Arizona
79	SCOTT, Steve	OT	6-2	230	SR	LaCrescenta, California
80	CURRY, Alphonse	WR	6.0	170	.19	Tolleson, Arizona
82	WALTON, John	TE	6-2	198	SR	Phoenix, Arizona
83	CARLTON, Dave	LB -	6.5	209	SO	Yuma, Arizona
85	JUDIE, Ed	DE	6-3	213	FR	Tempe, Arizona
86	RENZI, Rick	DE	6-2	208	SO	Sierra Vista, Arigona
87	BROWN, Phil	DE	6-1	194	FR	Phoenix, Arizona
88	COLLINS, James	TE	6-2	198	SO	Miami, Florida
89	MITCHELL Ron	TE	6-3	210	FR	West Covina, California

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1972 - Tennessee State 29, Drake 7 1971 - Louisiana Tech 14, Eastern Michigan 3 1970 - Arkansas State 38. Central Missouri 21

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First Downs					202		178		Jurich	0	0			20-29	
Bushing					109		75		Golden	10	10		1-1	0.0	
Passing					77		90		Fraser	8	1		0.0	0-0	
Penalty					12		12		Peterson	4	0		0.0	0-0	
RUSHING					533		456		Reaves	3	3		0.0	0.0	
Yards Rushing					2618		1681		A. Clark	3	2		0.0	0.0	
Yards Lost					250		529		Fowler	2	0		0-0	0.0	
Net Yards Rush	ing				2368		1152		Daniel	2	2		0-0	0.0	
Game Average					215.3		104.7		Walton	2	0		0-0	0.0	
Play Average					4.44		2.53		Walker	1	0		0.0	0.0	
PASSING ATTEMPT	S				253		339		J. Collins	1	0		0-0	0.0	
Completed					128		156		Jackson	1	1		0-0	0-0	
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Average					175.8		189.1		Jurich	59	2189	37.1		1	
Had Intercepted					14		19		Dobbs	1	33	33.0		0	
Yards Returned					136		212		RECEIVING		YDS	AVG		TD	LO
TOTAL OFFENSE					4302		3232							7	LUI
No. Plays					786		795		Fraser	33	636	19.3			
Average					391.1		293.8		Peterson	31	636	20.5		4	
Play Average					5.47		4.06		J. Collins	19	247	13.0		1	
PUNTS/YDS/BLOC	KED			60/2:	222/1	70/2	776/5		Golden	15	87	5.8		0	
Average					37.1		39.5		A. Clark	10	143	15.5		1	
Punt Returns					31		20		Walton	9	87	9.7		2	
Yards					445		149		Fowler	8	44	8.8		2	
FUMBLES/LOST					23/16		38/21		B. Collins	2	10	5.0		0	
PENALTIES/YDS				7:	2/749		2/591		Curry	1	20	20.0		0	
FOUCHDOWNS					38		24		Reaves	1	13	13.0	J	0	
Rushing					20		12		Mitchell	1	17	17.0		0	
Passing					17		11		PASSING	A/C/I	YDS	PCT		LG	
Other					1		1		Daniel	237/122/12	1822	.515	5	14	
PAT KICK					32/35		16/20		Jones	10/3/1	43	.300	0	2	
PAT RUN/PASS					1/3		3/4		A. Clark	4/3/1	69	.75	0	1	
FIELD GOALS					20/29		3/13		Loomis	2/0/0	0	.00	0	0	
SAFETIES					- 1		0		TOTAL OF	F G	P	RUSI	H F	ASS	TO
TOTAL POINTS					324		169		Daniel	11	297	71		1822	1
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RUSHING	TC	YG	YL	NET	G-AV	LG	AV		Golden	11	158	70		0	
Beaves	62	402	- 1	401	66.8	50	6.5		PUNT RET		YDS	AV		TD	
A. Clark	142	704	39	665	66.5	52									
Golden	158	734	30	704	64.0				R. Smith	14	197	14.		0	
Jackson	12	54	0	54	54.0				Walker	14	232	16)		1	
Stephenson	1	30	0	30	30.0				Kersting	1	4	4.1		0	
Fowler	61	198	17	181	25.4		3.0		Dansby	3	12	4.1		0	
B. Collins	11	92	1	91	18.2				KICKOFF	RETURNS		O YD	S AV	G T	D
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### JACKSONVILLE STATE UNIVERSITY

In his nearly eight years of serving as president of Jacksonville State University, Dr. Ernest Stone has instituted many innovative changes within the total scope of the University—from academics to athletics to student

Since he became president, enrollment at the university has surpassed 7.000 and continues to grow each year. To accommodate the student influx, the University has just completed a large renovation program. The School of ducation is now housed in remodeled Ramona Woods Hall and the Art Building will start later this fall

An Alumnus of Jax State, Dr. Stone has a long and distinguished career with the University. He came here in 1946 as Superintendent of Jacksonville Laboratory Schools and-with the exception of serving four years as State Superintendent of Education-has been affiliated with the University. He was unanimously appointed president of the University by the Board of Trustees on January 1, 1971.





Although he has been on the job only three years. Jerry Cole has played an integral part in one of Jacksorville State University's most successful eras in

A major share of the winning was taken care of in 1974-75 when Jacksonville State University cap-tured Gulf South Conference crowns in tootball, basketball and baseball, no small feat

Projects completed since Cole became athletic 5,500, a baseball field with lights and seats for 1,400. softball fields, 15 tennis courts, and numerous bas-

Under construction is a modern field house, complete with dressing rooms, weight rooms, meetother features. Completion for this much-needed building is set for the fall of 1977

Bids were let this past summer for the complete renovation of the football stadium. The plans call for visitor side and end-zone seats, scoreboard, addi-

#### GAMECOCK QUICK FACTS

SCHOOL: Jacksonville State University ENROLLMENT: 8 000 FOUNDED: 1883 LOCATION: Jacksonville, Alabama 12,000) PRESIDENT: Dr. Ernest Stone NICKNAME Gamerocks COLORS Bed White STADIUM: Paul Snow YEAR BUILT: 1947 CAPACITY: 10,400 ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Jerry Cole BUSINESS MANAGER: Charles Rown SPORTS INFORMATION: Rudy Abbott TRAINER: Jim Skidmore

COACHES Jim Fuller (head coach); Watson Brown (offensive (linebackers, defensive ends), Greg Mantooth offensive line). Student coaches: Grady Maddox, Gary Wagner, Vince Dilorenzo, and Larry Crowe. CHEERLEADERS: Kerry Tackett, Debbie Hoskins, Kathy York, Peggy Fingar, Cheryl Wright, Bobby Ezekel, Scott Edminston, David Bush, Jack Silvers,

\*-Note: New 16,000-seat stadium under construction

#### **GAMECOCK COACHES**



JIM FULLER, 32 became Jacksonville State University's new head football coach on Satisday. June 4th. 1977, when he was selected to full the post lieft vacant by the death of Clarkie Mayletin. Mayfield, JSU's head coach from 1974-76, was killed in a fire at Southgate, KY. where he had gone to attend a represent party for his mother. Mrs. Mayfield was reprining after teaching school 12 years.



WATSON BROWN Offensive Coordinator



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JOHNNY SULLIVAN Linebackers - Ends



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GREG ROBINSON DE - 92











JESS BAKER KEITH MARTIN



RAY BRORK LA - 10



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JEROME COLEMAN







GURLEY SWANIGAN LB - 59

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DALE ADAMS G - 67

RANDY RAGSDALE

JOHNNY HAMMETT

MARTY HANSON G - 64





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#### NAU'S LUMBERJACKS RESPOND TO PRESSURE

University's Lumberiacks as the Axers jumped off to a quick 21-0 lead over Augustana College of Sioux Falls, S.D. in the season opener, but trailed 30-24 in the closing minutes -- NAU drove down At Idaho State, NAU trailed 7-6, but erupted for 22 points in the final four minutes to win 28-7. Then in the first game played in the magnificent new NAU Dome, NAU led 22-10 in the third quarter,

25-24 win. NAU played well in downing Weber State on the road, 36-10, then lost at Nevada-Las Vegas 20-16. A 16-0 win over Cal Poly-Pomona set the stage for 15,988 fans to watch NAU beat Division I Cal-Fullerton 24-9. Then came a 27-13 loss to a talented Boise State team and since then NALI has won three in a row --28-21 over the defending Big Sky and NCAA Division II

national champs, Montana State: 70-0 over Eastern Montana and Jurich has set 20 school merks, five Big Sky and four NCAA standards while guarterback Herb Daniel has seven school marks

NAU TIDBITS: This marks NAU's first post-sesson football playoff appearance since the 1958 team lost in the Holiday Bowl in St. Petershurg, Fla. 19:13 to Northeastern Oklahoma before a

The pressure came early in 1977 for Northern Arizona nationwide TV audience -- marking the first Arizona's ever appear Ten of the 11 defensive starters for NAU are Arizona High school graduates. NAU led the Big Sky Conference in rushing

defense and total defense the past two seasons. BIG SKY CONFERENCE: NAU's appearance marks the fifth straight year the Big Sky has been in the playoffs. In 1973 Boise State beat South Dakota 53-10 then lost to Louisiana Tech 38-34 in the semi-finals. In 1974 Boise lost at Central Michigan 20-6 then in 1975 Boise lost 24-21 to Northern Michigan -- Louisiana Tech, Central Michigan and Northern Michigan all won the

Each year ther's been one or two Big Sky teams in the top 10 in Division II football. NAU's post-season appearance marks the 13th post-season contest by a member of the Big Sky which was founded in 1963. Boise State has played five games as has Montana State. Montana has made two annearances and now

In the national statistical category, every fall several Big Sky players made their appearance. This fall NAU's kicker Tom Jurich has been among the scoring leaders while Axers Joe Walker and Ray Smith have been among the punt return leaders. Weber

#### SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

By Rudy Abbott

JACKSONVILLE. ALABAMA. --- Jacksonville State

University picked up the nickname "Cardiac Kids" for their whirlwind finishes during the 1977 football season. Jacksonville, which posted a 9-2-0 mark and won the Gulf South Conference title, won (or lost) eight of its 11 games in the final stages of play. Three were decided in the

"I'm sure our fans enjoyed the exciting finishes, but it made an old man out of me," head coach Jim Fuller said after his Gamecocks capped the third best season in Jax

State history with a 24-20 win over North Alabama on November 19th. The contest that gave the Gamecocks their second GSC grown was typical of JSU's 1977 season.

Trailing 20-0 in the third quarter, the Gamecocks finished in a rush to knock out upset-minded North Alabama. Quarterback Mike Watts, who relieved Bobby Ray Green after the junior was injured in the first half tossed two TD passes and set up a third to spark the win. "I think Mike exemplifies the way this team has played all year." Fuller said after the Gamecocks' final name

"When we needed help late, someone always seemed to come up with the big play. Jacksonville State opened the season with a 21-16 victory over major college opponent, Western Carolina, It

was Fuller's first game as a head coach at Jacksonville. He served as an assistant at Jax State six years prior to being named head coach, succeeding the late Clarkie Mayfield

The Gamecocks, armed with a veteran defense and offensive line, hit Western Carolina quickly and held on for a 21-16 victory. The Catamounts surged at the end, setting a pattern that would continue throughout the year. JSU's young backfield, a question mark before the season, held up

well. It was to become a Gamecock strong point. Jacksonville State had little problem in downing Alabama A & M, 34-0, the next week but had to kick a field goal late to down Nicholls State, 10-7, in the swamps of Louisiana.

Following near tragedy in Louisiana, the Gamecocks

bounced highly-regarded UT-Martin, 36-13. Long passes to James Coleman and Butch Barker broke the game early, but UTM refused to fold. Jacksonville followed that with a 14-10 win over Southeastern Louisiana that set off a wild Trailing 10-7 with only 50 seconds left, James

Coleman returned a kickoff 65 yards to set the stage for a climax that would rival Mardi Gras in New Orleans: just 50 miles down the road. With only 18 seconds showing on the clock, quarterback Green lofted a 20-vard pass that was armed with only a prayer. It was answered. Coleman took the ball away from a Lion defender in the end zone for the victory. Green, who was knocked out after delivering the pass, never knew Coleman caught the pass. He read about it the next morning

Following the two super rallies over Nicholls State and Southeastern, fate was not kind to the Gamecocks. The Gamecocks, playing in a storm at Tennessee Tech, watched their perfect 5-0-0 mark go down the drain when an Eagle defender intercepted a Green aerial in the end zone. Jax State was situated at the Tech five-yard line with two minutes remaining when the Eagles stopped the drive. Tennessee Tech broke to a 27-0 lead, but Jax State stormed back for three quick TD's and were within reach of a fourth when the interception stopped the threat.

Jacksonville State took a week off following the 27-20 loss to Tech, but its luck did not change. UT-Chattanooga, a team that was destined to post a 9 - 1 - 1 record in its first year as a major college club, came up with the winning combination in the final two minutes. With its starting quarterback on the sidelines, UTC's sub passer hit split end Joe Burke for a 20 yard TD to overcome what looked to be a certain 14-10 Gamecock win. Jax State blocked a punt that probably would have iced the game late, but a Moc player caught the ball in mid-air and raced 46 yards before being tackled. UTC won 18-14. It was the last time JSU would taste defeat during the 1977 regular season.



David Muench (Left) Sparkling drops of morning dew enh John Running





every flowering plant caressed by the soft mountain wind. Gill Kenny

(Below) Autumn on the mountain and aspen green turns swiftly to yollow . . . then gold. David Muench

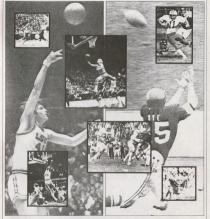
(Right) Bent and prostrate, the ancient bristlecone pine prepares itself for another clash with winter's winds. David Musech

(Following panel) The mountain, in an autumnal mood, begins its preparations for the long winter sleep.

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