

Mike's football album

The following is a short story of Mike's first days at LSU. This album contains clippings saved by his mother, "Puts," during Mike's playing days.

A few years ago Mike decided to write an introduction for his football album. In writing the introduction he got to re-live some of the most exciting moments of his early life. He had not recalled these memories since his first days as LSU.

Mike had the honor of playing with and against some of the finest athletes of his era. Steve Spurrier, Kenny the "Snake" Stabler, Ted the "Mad Stork" Hendrix and many other athletes who went on to stardom in professional football as players and college and professional coaches.

In addition, Mike played against teams coached by some of the greatest coaches in our nations history, including Paul bear Bryant and Johnnie Vaught, who had 9 national championship seasons between them. Dr. Mike: *"I hope you enjoy reading the following article as much as I did writing it."*

In his senior year in high school, Mike was injured throughout most of the football season. His head was much harder in his neck, ankles and numerous other parts of his body and he found himself frustrated and hobbled by the injuries he sustained. Because he was not a gifted football player and because of his numerous injuries, Mike was not offered a scholarship to play football with one exception.

One day he was delighted to receive a letter from Tulane University offering a football scholarship. Mike was flattered by this generous offer he waited and waited (and waited) for someone to visit with him or to ask him to visit the school. He assume that there had been some kind of mix-up, so he remained next to the phone for several weeks awaiting that magical call.

He then received a full scholarship offer in the mail that included a rather complicated set of forms that he was to fill out and send back to Tulane University. At this point his father became somewhat concerned because no one had made any personal contact with him. His father's actual concern was that Mike might actually accept a scholarship to play for Tulane, the school that was a archrival to his dad's beloved LSU. Mike's concern, on the other hand, was that there was no one there to guide him into the Green Wave locker room.

So the problem was settled. No call, no visit, no contact.... Nothing! Mike's dad was able to say, with a straight face, "You probably shouldn't consider playing football for a team that wouldn't even give you a phone call." However, Mike's dilemma remained.

At the end of the summer, Mike decided he would go to Baton Rouge and see if the coaches would allow him to try out with the LSU football team. His wildest dream was to be able to play on the freshman team and to be able to tell his future son(s) that he had played football for the LSU Tigers.

The coaching staff was kind enough to humor Mike and allowed him to join the freshman team. His dream was about to come true, as the freshmen for LSU were scheduled to play Tulane, and there was a chance he might get to play. The dream was shattered and his life was upended when President Kennedy was assassinated and the game was canceled.

A few weeks later the team was scheduled to play once again and there was once again a sliver of a chance that Mike might get to play football in Tiger Stadium. In the last practice before the game, Mike stepped into a hole on the field and broke his foot, apparently curtailing his football career forever.

One of Mike's favorite stories involved his first solo trip to LSU. Mike had the good fortune to have an automobile and he drove his 1951 Chevrolet to Baton Rouge in his quest to join the football team. Although the car started beautifully when it was cold, after driving for a short while and turning off the motor, the engine refused to start again until it cooled. Mike was in the best shape of his life and kept a pair of tennis shoes in his trunk. He would push his car as fast as he possibly could, jump in the driver's seat, push in the clutch and put the car into second gear, and pop the clutch. Invariably, "Old Blue" would start every time.

Unfortunately, these skills did him little good when his car wouldn't start on the Plaquemines ferry. The "Ferry Police" would not allow Mike to keep his car running while they were under way. Of course, Old Blue was a bit hot under the hood from her drive from Raceland to Donaldsonville, and she refused to start when it was time to get off of the ferry. Mike asked the lady behind him to give him a shove with her car. She was initially reluctant to do so until she realized that she could not exit the ferry without getting him out of the way. She gave him a short shove and Mike was able to get Old Blue going. Unfortunately, the road leading from the ferry across the levee was quite steep and Old Blue stalled while driving up the incline.

This was the ultimate challenge to an 18-year-old boy's driving skills. The levee was a natural incline that would do beautifully to allow Mike to start his car without any assistance. Unfortunately, the lady who gave him the original push was right behind him. Mike was "in a pickle," because if he took too long to pop the clutch, start the motor, put on his brakes, place the car in first gear and proceed up the levee, he would wind up the lady's front seat.

Try to picture the scene. We have an 18-year-old male driver with a car he had

acquired only a few weeks earlier. This young man had to put his car in reverse, roll backwards towards a new car that was right behind him, pop the clutch and start the car. He then had to put on the brakes before colliding with car behind him. He next had to release the clutch on his manual transmission and guide the car up the steep slope of the levee.

Somehow, Mike managed to get the car moving forward and although the car stalled on one or more times before clearing the levee, the lady driving behind him had sense enough to stay as far back from him as she possibly could. She was probably as terrified as Mike himself.

Needless to say Mike was more than a bit nervous when he drove up to the hotel and checked in on his own. He never been away from home alone in this type of setting and he did not know anyone in Baton Rouge. He soon met several other fools who were trying out for the team. Within a few days there were all gone and Mike experienced that sinking feeling once again.

One of the great stories Mike tells involved a walk he was taking in the dormitory area of Tiger Stadium. One of the freshman who was on scholarship was just ahead of Mike and *"When I got up the nerve to speak to him I asked him where he played high school football. He turned around and answered Mike with a straight face stating "What's the matter with you boy; Don't you read the Newspaper?"*

Dr. Mike played ball with this same individual for 4 years and never mentioned the issue to him again. Actually, to talk to Dr. Mike, it was it was as funny in 1964 as it is today.

Mike's version of many other stories are rather entertaining, but his fondest remain those concerning old blue. Most of the time Mike was able to start Old Blue after a short pushing and a pop of the clutch, following which he and his faithful steed were on their way. Fortunately, for Mike and Blue, Baton Rouge is somewhat hilly and Mike became proficient in finding the smallest hills and ramps on on which to park his car. If there was enough slope, he was simply coast backwards in reverse, pop the clutch and he and his trusted steed would be on their way.

Mike Chevrolet was the second oldest automobile on the LSU campus, with with the oldest car being owned by a high school friend. When several of his friends were involved in an accident that that killed one of them and seriously injured another, Old Blue became the campus patriarch.

Because Mike was not on a football scholarship, he lived in a civilian dorm where he got to know quite a few characters.

A few years before he arrived on campus, LSU and won their 1st national championship and Baton Rouge was GaGa for the Tigers. Billy Cannon was a world-class athlete and had won the Heisman Trophy for his exploits in Tiger Stadium.

Billy's father was a maintenance supervisor in the dorm where Mike stayed his freshman year. There was a single elevator in the three-story dormitory but it was primarily used in a utility role and the students were required to climb the stairs. Because of Mike's broken foot, Mr. Cannon allowed the students to use the elevator, and this was the background behind the following story.

One of Mike's good friends, the young man who was later killed in the oldest automobile on campus, returned to his room intoxicated one evening. Mike lived on the 3rd floor and his friend was living in the basement. (The building was on the side of the hill in the front of the building was at the same level as the street. Because of the slope of the hill, the back of the building was one-story lower than the street in the front.

(Mike's story) "When I walked into his room, my friend asked me to go into the parking lot and see if there was a small sport car that had been damaged. I walked outside and there was a Karmann Ghia (a small Volkswagon Sports Car) parked just behind the dorm. Some of the seats and the rag top of the convertible has been torn out and a single shaft remained where the steering wheel had been previously. My buddy, under the influence of some serious intoxicants, had done the damage.

My friend proved to be my nemesis that night. In his drunken state, had wandered into the utility room that contained the elevator. There was a sack of mortar in the room and he poured the mortar into a large porcelain sink that was use by the cleanup crews and turned on the water. I was awakened the next morning by cursing and a knocking sound coming from the utility room on my floor. When I walked into the room, Billy Cannon's father was cussing up a blue storm and his workers were chiseling mortar out of the sink. Needless to say, I had to use the stairs from the top floor with our without my crutches.

A few weeks later several friends, including the owner of the oldest car on campus along with my "car destroying buddy," drove to a nightclub in Gonzales called the Bantam. The club was a rough-and-tumble place that consisted of an old barn that was converted into a nice nightclub. This place became a 2nd home to many of us country boys and we spent many a Saturday night dancing and drinking our way into oblivion.

One night my basement buddy got into a fight. There was a huge bouncer at the Bantam who was an Indian. His job was to prevent any of us from damaging the

delicate furnishings and other structural aspects of the barn. My friend did a respectable job in his fight until the Indian put his mitts on him and the fight was over in a breath. My friend was arrested and carted off to jail.

As a guy with the car, I had to pick him up and I was fortunate enough to have enough money to bail them him out of jail. A few weeks later my friend was killed in an automobile accident. His parents were not aware of his arrest it was my job to see to it that they never found out. But that is another story.

None of my friends from those days were on the football team and I remained closer to them than anyone else I played ball with at LSU.

I eventually had the good fortune to be able to obtain a scholarship to play football at LSU for four years. The following football album tells a brief story of the gridiron experiences that I enjoyed in my years with the Tigers.

I have rarely looked at these albums and I don't recall much about playing football those many years ago.

My fondest memories of my college experience are those of Old Blue, my oldest and most faithful companion, my buddies with whom I partied at the Bantam and other lounges on the west bank of the River, my wife to be, and my oldest son, who was born my senior year in college and who was my eyes and soul in those days.

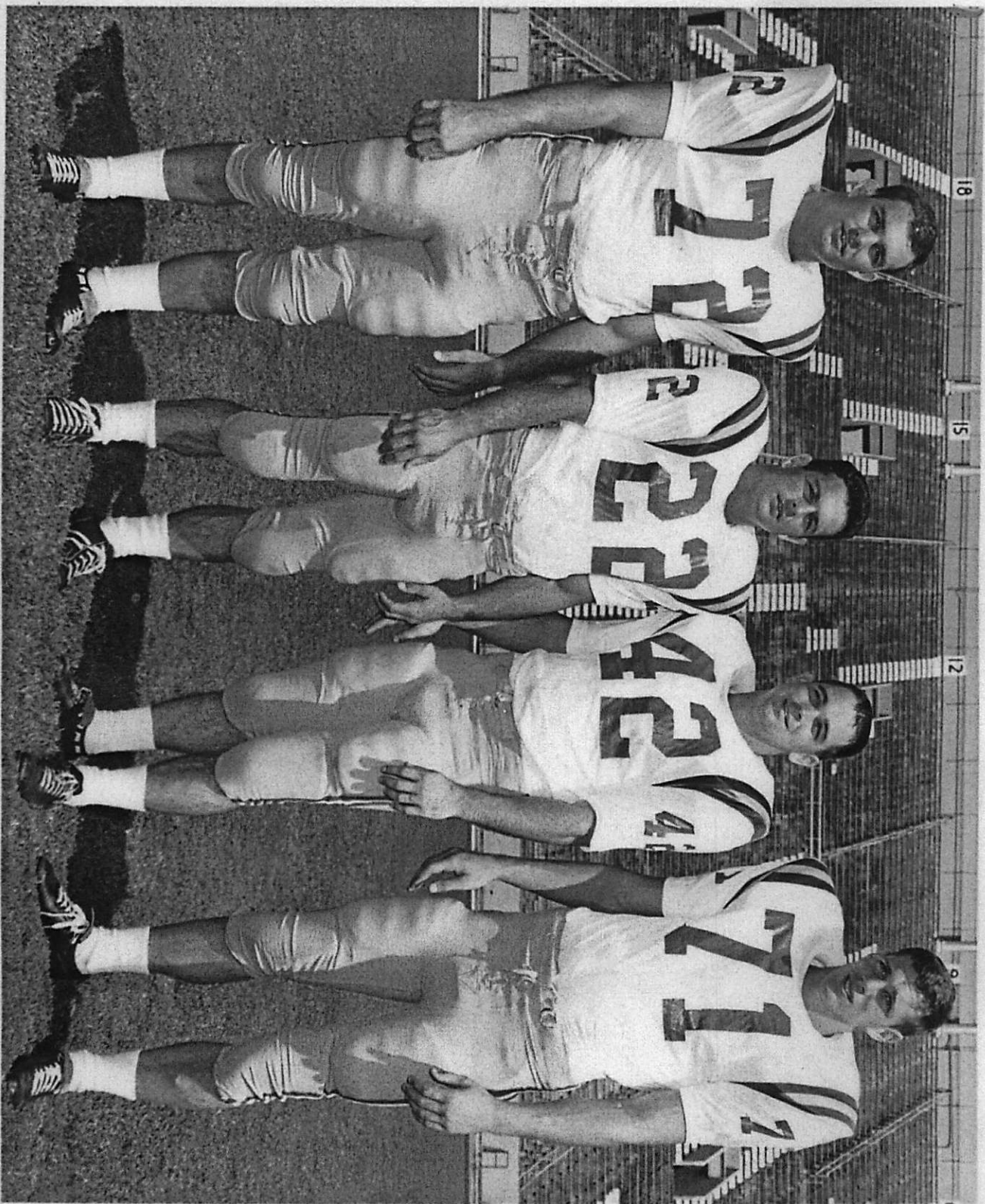
I finish my career on a rather sour note. I had injured my shoulder during my junior year and I did not enjoyed being unable to perform up to par. Once my son was born and I had been accepted to medical school, I resigned from the team and dedicated my life to the study and practice of medicine.

In my lifetime I have had many situations in which I regretted decisions I made. This was not one of them. I have been blessed with a storybook life. I had been a "Try Out" for a major college football team and I was fortunate enough to play football with and against some of the finest athletes in the nation. I don't recall running over any of them or having any monumental successes, but my goals were modest as were my accomplishments, and that was good enough for me.

Addendum: I was going through some old records and found this picture of "Old Blue."

Lots of good times in that baby!!!





Ernest Maggiore, Joe Labruzzo, Don Schwab, Mike Robichaux

1965

Dr. Mike originally had two albums. They will both be covered in this digital version as only one album.

The cover of this album contains the pictures of Mike and three of his older teammates at LSU. Each of these young men had a special place in his football career, and, although Mike generally “hung” with his friends from the Bayou, there has always been a special spot in his heart for each of these individuals. Incidentally, Mike played high school football against each of these guys.

Ernest Maggiore: Earnest was Mike’s Mentor as a defensive end. Earnest was a few years older and thus wiser than Mike, but he instilled a dedication and work ethic that characterized Mike’s play. To the best of our knowledge, “Earnie” is still alive and kicking in the Destrehan area.

Don Schwab: Don married a beautiful Italian girl (who was much too good looking to marry him) and has raised a beautiful family. A few years ago he was elected President of the Terrebonne Parish Council and had sense enough not to run for office again.

Joe Labruzzo: Joe was undoubtedly the finest athlete that Mike played with and against. Mike can recall Joe, all 180 pounds of him, running over a huge Kentucky tackle, in just one of his exciting plays. Joe died several years ago and is missed by all. Mike has the pleasure of working with his daughter, Romie, and never tires of telling her of her father’s exploits.

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Unless you played football in the late 1950's and early 1960's, or were married to someone who did, it is impossible to understand the meaning of the following comments.

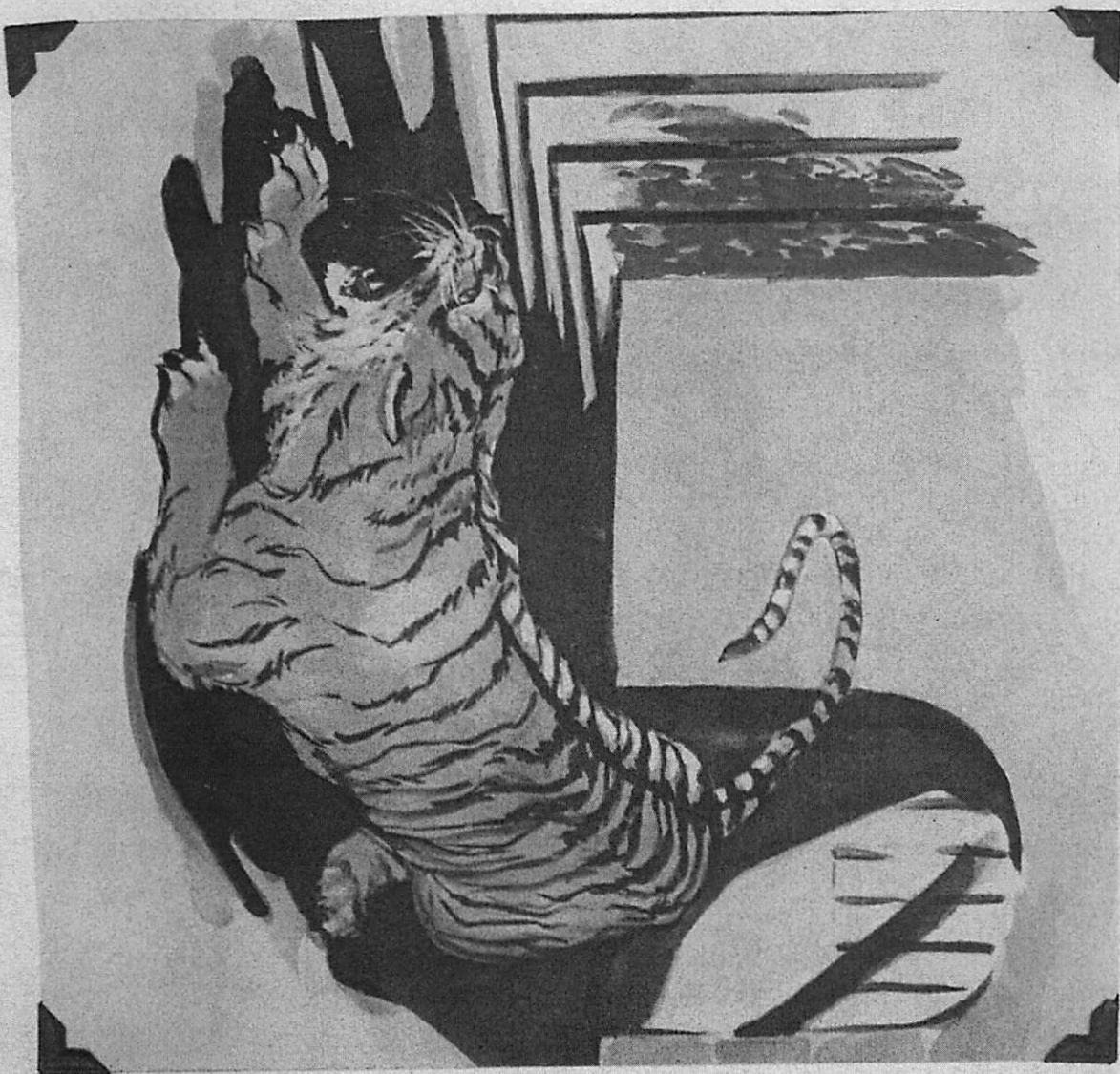
In this era, at least at LSU, we went to bowl games almost on a yearly basis. In those days, all of the Bowl games were played on New Year's Day, and you had a choice of several events, all of them overlapping. Of course, that all depended on what channels your antenna could catch.

As football players, we had to give up our Christmas holidays and practiced until Christmas Eve, when we were allowed to go home for a few days. We then returned the day after Christmas to resume preparations for our bowl game.

After playing a game on New Year's day, you flew home and started school, and FINAL EXAMS the next day. Once finals were concluded, you got a day or two off and then started the next semester. After games in those days, whether Bowls or otherwise, both teams ran off of the field and we never mixed with or spoke to our opponents. I missed the opportunity to shake hands with coaches Bear Bryant and Johnny Vaught, and players such as Steve Spurrier, Ted Hendrix, Kenny Stabler, etc.

FORTUNATELY, things are different now. I overheard part of a recent interview with a veteran of the original 1958 National Championship team and he was downright critical of his bowl experiences and had no special memories of those events. The youngest player interviewed, however, described how they had events with their opponents and even had a banquet where they were required to sit with members of the other teams. Incidentally, final exams now end before the holidays and students get about a month's break between semesters.

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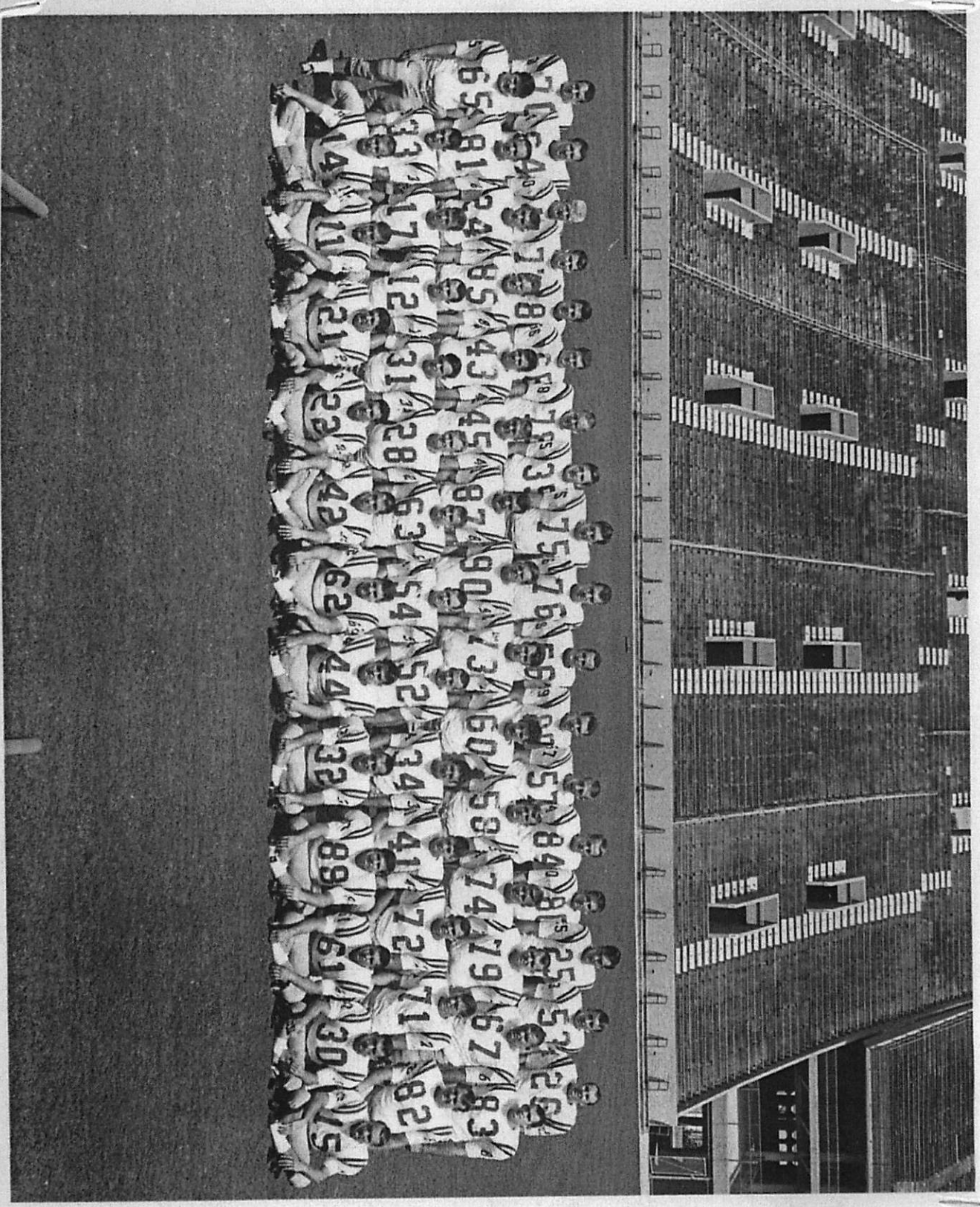




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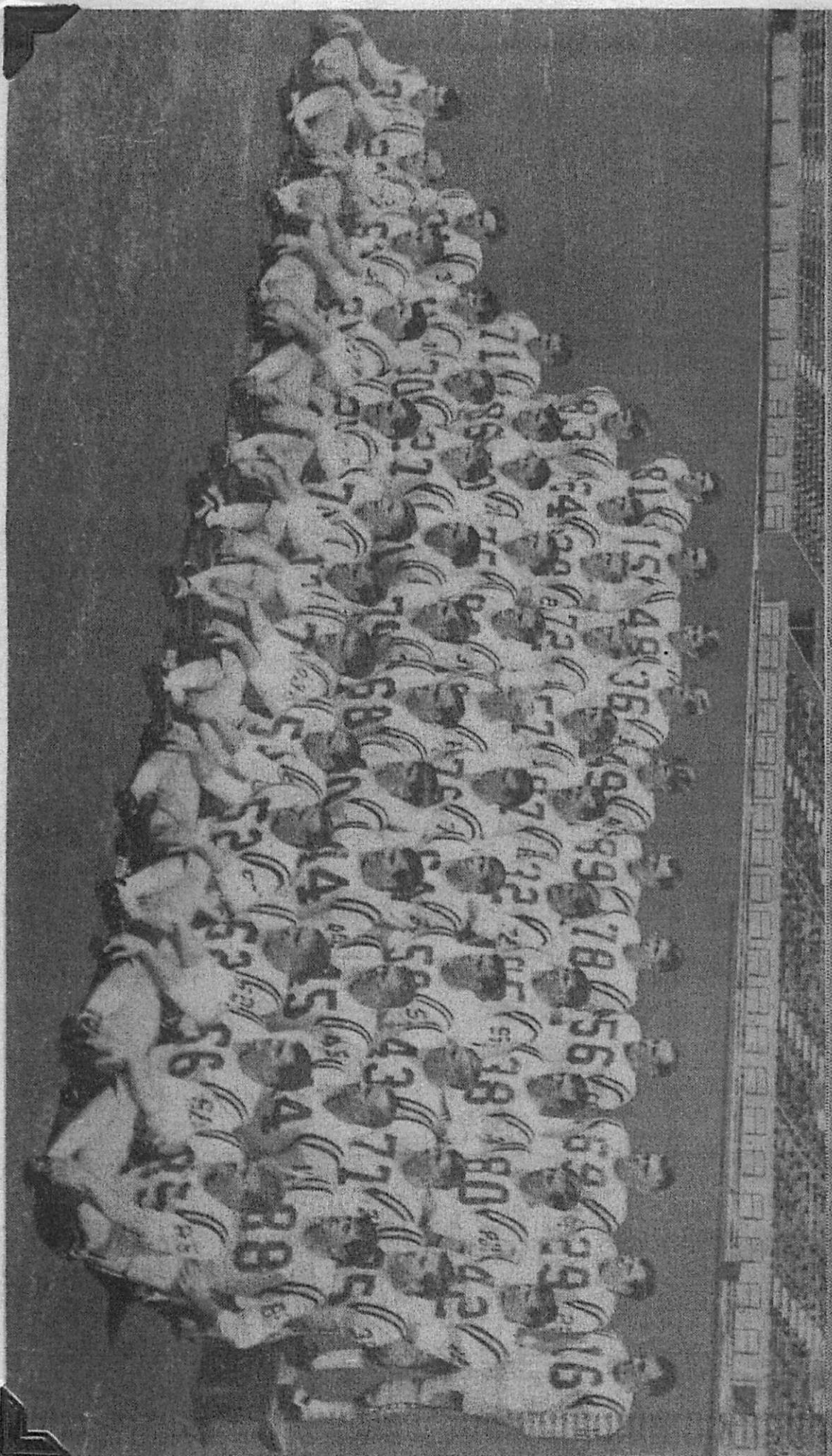
MIKE ROBICHAUX

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" Fighting Tigers " 1965-66

The Fighting Tiger Football Squad of 1966



A Close Look at LSU's All-SEC Trio

LSU'S THREE 1966 All-Southeastern Conference football players have two things in common—they are shy, unassuming young men who would rather talk about the qualities of their teammates than themselves and they are tremendous football players. Other than these similarities, their backgrounds are as different and as varied as one could possibly imagine.

Defensive end John Garlington, who was named to the Associated Press team, played for Jonesboro-Hodge and wasn't even interested in football until his junior year in high school; defensive end Mike Robichaux, a United Press International choice, came to LSU from Raceland High without a scholarship and just wanted "to make the freshman team"; and linebacker George Bevan, another AP selection, played fullback so well at Baton Rouge High that he captured all-state honors in leading his mates to a state championship in 1964.

The 215-pound Garlington, described by assistant coach Doug Hamley as "the best end at defending the option play in football today," consistently came up with big plays for the Tigers during the season, credits his high school coach, E. J. Lewis, with his interest in the game. "I didn't have any interest in football and didn't play until Coach Lewis talked me into it my junior year in high school. If it hadn't been for him, I wouldn't be playing today," he admitted.

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ROBICHAUX, a cat-like defender with excellent speed and lateral pursuit, was injured in the Ole Miss game and saw relatively little action in the Tigers' final three games. But he made his presence known enough in other outings to gain recognition.

Primarily an offensive fullback and defensive linebacker and end in high school, Robichaux recalled, "I wasn't much of a fullback, so I didn't figure to get too many scholarship offers." He came to LSU on his own, but after a good freshman season, he won a scholarship.

Defensive backfield coach Bill Beall said: "Mike plays every game as if his life depended on it. He doesn't know the meaning of half speed, even in practice. He has the same attitude and desire that made Jerry Stovall a success."

THE 190-POUND BEVAN had a phenomenal sophomore year, establishing a new LSU record for individual tackles with 81 stops. He also intercepted two passes and was always in the thick of the defensive action. Hamley, who handles the defensive ends and linebackers, is not reluctant to heap praise on the youngster. "He is the best young linebacker I've seen since I've been coaching in the SEC," he said.

What made Bevan outstanding? Hamley said that he possessed all the qualities of a great linebacker, namely speed, the ability to diagnose plays, a great attitude and the unusual ability of being able to execute tackles the way they are taught. "He always gets in position to stick his head right in the numbers," Hamley said.

Bevan started his high school career as a 145-pound guard but was shifted to the backfield his junior year by Coach Ray "Coon" Porta. The unassuming youngster credits Coach Leon McGraw with helping him develop as a back. He also admitted that it wasn't hard to choose LSU. He followed a trio of other Dufrocq Elementary graduates to Tigertown—Jim Taylor, Wendell Harris and Bob Pettit.

A bit of bad news for LSU's opponents—all three will back next year.



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Another instance of publicity, (although of the more infamous variety) for the University via Playboy, occurred several years back when LSU was rated the No. 1 drinking school in the nation.

But alas the next year the best the "Ole War Skule" could rate was an asterisk footnoting the the bottom of the "top ten drinking" column, with the disdainful comment from the editors that "LSU was not rated this year, because we refuse to rate professionals."

Robichaux Follows Mangham

By PETER FINNEY

LSU had a sophomore end on its 1958 national championship team named Mickey Mangham who gained a measure of fame by making the varsity after entering school without an athletic scholarship.

This year the Tigers have another sophomore who started out the same way and, if first impressions are any indication, you can put a check mark alongside Mike Robichaux.

IN THE WORDS of defensive line coach Doug Hanley, Mike is a "110 per center all the time—on the practice field, in the ball game, on every play."

Robichaux, who wears jersey No. 71, made an eye-catching tackle on a kickoff Saturday against Rice when he hurdled a blocker and nailed the ball carrier while running under a full head of steam.

"He's one of our headhunters," says defensive coach Bill Beall. "He usually beats everyone down on kickoffs. With a running start, he can



MIKE ROBICHAUX

cover 40 yards in four and one-tenth seconds."

HANLEY recalled one LSU kickoff Saturday when Mike was in such a hurry, he ran past the ball carrier, catching only a part of him. "Mike made him change directions," said Hanley. "Then he got up and, when the ball carrier changed directions a second time, he made the tackle."

Six-one and 205 pounds, Robichaux was a doubtful college prospect because of an assortment of injuries.

"In his senior season at Rice, he said McClelland, the probably spent more time in our training room than most of our players."

SON of a doctor and from a family with a long LSU tradition, he entered LSU in 1963 on his own and proceeded to

miss his entire freshman year with a broken foot.

His impressive showing in 1964 spring drills brought a scholarship and, from that time, Robichaux has come on like gangbusters.

The pre-med student ran a 50.3 quarter-mile in high school but McClelland says it takes more than speed to play defense. "The reason he usually is first down the field on kickoffs," says Charley, "is not due to speed alone. It's because he wants to get to the ball first."

ROBICHAUX, playing the defensive end spot behind senior Ernest Maggione, Saturday will get a look at what McClelland terms "the quickest Florida team I've ever seen."

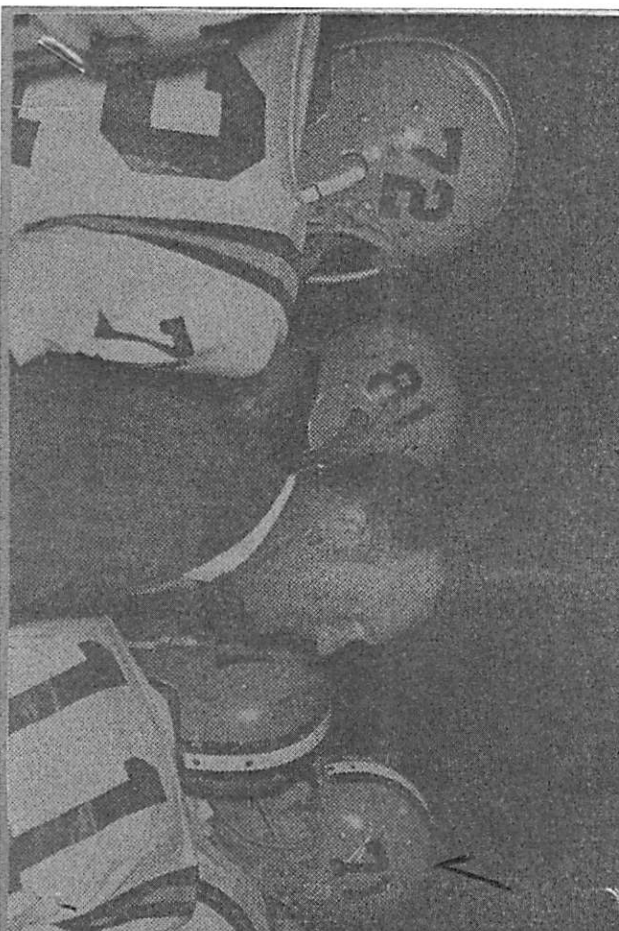
"They give you so many problems and so many offensive looks," he says, "all of our sophomores are going to age in a hurry."

The Gators have 18 of the 22 players who took part in last year's 20-6 win in Tiger Stadium.

"FLORIDA is in one of these 'got-to-win' positions," says McClelland. "Physically, they're the equal of any ball club around. So I look for some good, old-fashioned contact. We've got lots of respect for them."

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All American Nominees

Watch These Men During '66 Season

By Harry DeVold

At this time of the year, one hears the usual reports of clutch All-Americans. A number of coaches state that this or that player of theirs is the best they've ever seen. Information directors give the personal lowdown, the real inside, of each touted star. This can be bewildering for once in a while a ringer is brought in whose notoriety is entirely based on this hoopla. However, the players mentioned below are of blue chip stock and the great bulk of the December selections will come from these names.

OFFENSE

Ends

Gene Washington (Mich. State)
Ray Perkins (Ala.)
Austin Denny (Tenn.)
Chuch Hughes (Tex. West.)
Steve Bunker (Ore.)
Dick Asher (Mary.)
Sonny Campbell (TCU)
Neal Sweeny (Tulsa)
John Wright (Ill.)
Dave Williams (Wash.)
Cas Banaszek (N'west.)
Phil Odle (Br. Yng.)
Jack Clancy (Mich.)

Tackles

Cecil Dowdy (Tex. A&M)
Maurice Moorman (Texas A&M)
Gary Bugenhagen (Syr.)
Ron Yary (USC)
Jack Galeatura (Pur.)
Dick Cunningham (Ark.)
Walt Mass (Clemson)
Mike Current (Ohio St.)
Lynn Nesbitt (Wake For.)

Guards

Tom Regner (N. Dame)
Bubba Hampton (Miss. St.)
LaVerne Allers (Neb.)
Jim Osberb (Neb.)
Jim Homan (USC)
Jon Brooks (Kent St.)
Dale Williams (Fla. St.)
Grant Young (Br. Yng.)

Centers

Ray Fryer (Ohio St.)
Bob Johnson (Tenn.)
Harry Dittman (Navy)
Chuck Hinton (Miss.)
Kelley Peterson (Neb.)
Chuck Killian (Minn.)

Quarterbacks

Gary Beban (UCLA)
Bob Griese (Pur.)
Steve Spurrier (Fla.)
Terry Southall (Bay.)
Bill Bradley (Texas)
Tom King (Ga. Tech)
D. D. Lewis, Stanford

Virgil Carter (Br. Yng.)
Billy Stevens (Tex. West.)
Danny Talbott (N. Carol.)
Bill Miller (Miami-Fla.)
Carroll Williams (Xavier)
Jon Brittenum (Ark.)
Nelson Stokley (LSU)

Halfbacks

Lenny Snof (Ga. Tech)
Garrett Ford (W. Va.)
Floyd Little (Syr.)
Nick Eddy (N. Dame)
Clint Jones (Mich. St.)
Harry Wilson (Neb.)
Marcus Rhoden (Miss. St.)
Jim Bohl (New Mex. St.)
Charlie Brown (Mo.)
Carl Ward (Mich.)
Mel Farr (UCLA)
Les Kelley (Ala.)
Harry Jones (Ark.)
Rod Sherman (USC)

Fullbacks

Brendon McCarthy (Boston C.)
Bob Apsia (Mich. St.)
Pete Pifer (Ore. St.)
Larry Csonka (Syr.)
Ray McDonald (Ida.)
Tom Bryan (Aub.)
Larry Conjar (N. Dame)
Kenny Post (TCU)
Jay Calabrese (Duke)

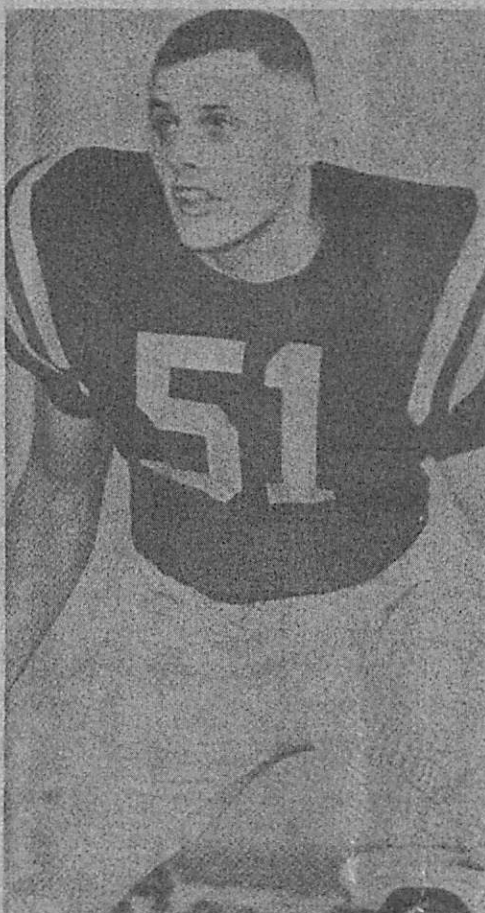
DEFENSE

Ends

Bubba Smith (Mich. St.)
Russ Washington (Mo.)
Alan Page (N. Dame)
Bill Dow (Navy)
Butch Sursavage (Clem.)
Sam Harris (Col.)
Bo Batchelder (Ill.)
Don Parker (Va.)
Mike Robicheux (LSU)
Pete Sokalsky (N. Car. St.)

Tackles

Doyd Phillips (Ark.)
Jim Urbanik (Miss.)
Kevin Hardy (N. Dame)
Pete Duranko (N. Dame)



NAVY LINEBACKER—Don Downing will bolster the Middle's defense this year and is an All America nominee. Last year the Naval Academy won four, and tied two for a .500 percentage. They open against Boston College on Sept. 17th. Downing played superbly in Navy's 7-7 tie with Army last season.

George Patton (Geo.)
Jim Riley (Okla.)
Dwight Hood (Bay)
Dennis Byrd (N. Carol. St.)
Don Giordano (Fla.)
Earl Edwards (Wichita)
Dan Goich (Calif.)
Doug Crousan (Ind.)

Middle Guards

Diron Talbert (Texas)
Granville Liggins (Okla.)
Wayne Melan (Neb.)

John LaGrone (SMU)
John Richardson (UCLA)
Bob Sebeck (Pur.)
Greg Pipes (Bay.)

Linebackers

Jim Lynch (N. Dame)
Don Downing (Navy)
Dale Grider (UCLA)
Townsend Clarke (Army)
Mel Tom (San Jose St.)
Billy Bob Stewart (SMU)
Paul Naumoff (Tenn.)
D. D. Lewis (Miss. St.)
Frank Nunley (Mich.)

Spurrier, Griese Head UPI All-America Grid Squad

CHICAGO (UPI) —The American Football Coaches Association Tuesday named 25 players, including quarterbacks Steve Spurrier of Florida and Bob Griese of Purdue, to its 1966 All-America team.

In addition to selecting two quarterbacks, the 1,000 coaches participating in the balloting also chose a flanker back to augment the two running backs, making their 1966 offensive all-star team a 13-man squad. On defense, they named three tackles, making it a 12-man squad.

The voting for Spurrier and

Griese was so evenly split that the coaches decided it would be unfair to select one over the other.

Here are the players selected by the coaches:

Offense

Ends: Jack Clancy, Michigan and Gene Washington, Michigan State.

Tackles: Ron Yary, Southern California and Wayne Mass, Clemson.

Guards: Tom Regner, Notre Dame and Cecil Dowdy, Alabama.

Center: Jim Breland, Georgia Tech.

Quarterbacks: Steve Spurrier,

Florida and Bob Griese, Purdue.

Halfbacks: Mel Farr, UCLA and Floyd Little, Syracuse.

Flanker: Ray Perkins, Alabama.

Fullback: Nick Eddy, Notre Dame.

Defense

Ends: Bubba Smith, Michigan State and Tom Greenlee, Washington.

Tackles: Pete Duranko, Notre Dame; Lloyd Phillips, Arkansas and Wayne Meylan, Nebraska.

Middle guard: John Lagrone, Southern Methodist.

Linebackers: Jim Lynch, Notre Dame and Paul Naumoff, Tennessee.

Halfbacks: George Webster, Michigan State; Tom Beier, Miami (Fla.), Nate Shaw, Southern California and Martine Bercher, Arkansas.

Notre Dame and Michigan State, the nation's two leading college football power, dominated the squad with seven berths. The Irish won two offensive and two defensive spots while the Spartans took down one offensive post and two spots on the defensive team.

Alabama, Arkansas and Southern California placed two players each on the squad.

Spurrier, Griese and Farr received the most votes for the offensive team while Phillips, Smith, Webster and Washington attracted the most votes for the defensive squad.

Griese, Smith, Phillips and Webster are repeaters from the coaches 1965 All-America teams. They were the only juniors named to last year's mythical squads.

All of the members of the 1966 squad except Yart, Mass and Meyland are seniors.

In addition to winning those four first team berths, Notre Dame also had six players named for honorable mention while Michigan State had five.

In the matter of geographical distribution, the Midwest led with nine players on the 25-man squad followed by the South with seven. The Pacific Coast has four players, the Southwest three and the East and the Midlands one each.

The head coaches, under the leadership of Frank Broyles

nia; Harry Jones, Arkansas; Bobby Leo, Harvard; Garrett Ford, West Virginia.

Fullbacks: Larry Conjar, Notre Dame; Bob Apisa, Michigan State; Pete Pifer, Oregon State; Ray McDonald, Idaho; Larry Conka, Syracuse.

Defense

Ends: Russ Washington, Missouri; Alan Page, Notre Dame; Mike Robichaux, Louisiana State; Bob Batchelder, Illinois; Pete Sokalsky, North Carolina State.

Tackles: Dennis Randall, Oklahoma State; Gene Trosch, Miami (Fla.); George Patton, Georgia; Bill Staley, Utah State; Dennis Byrd, North Carolina State; Bob Greenlee, Yale.

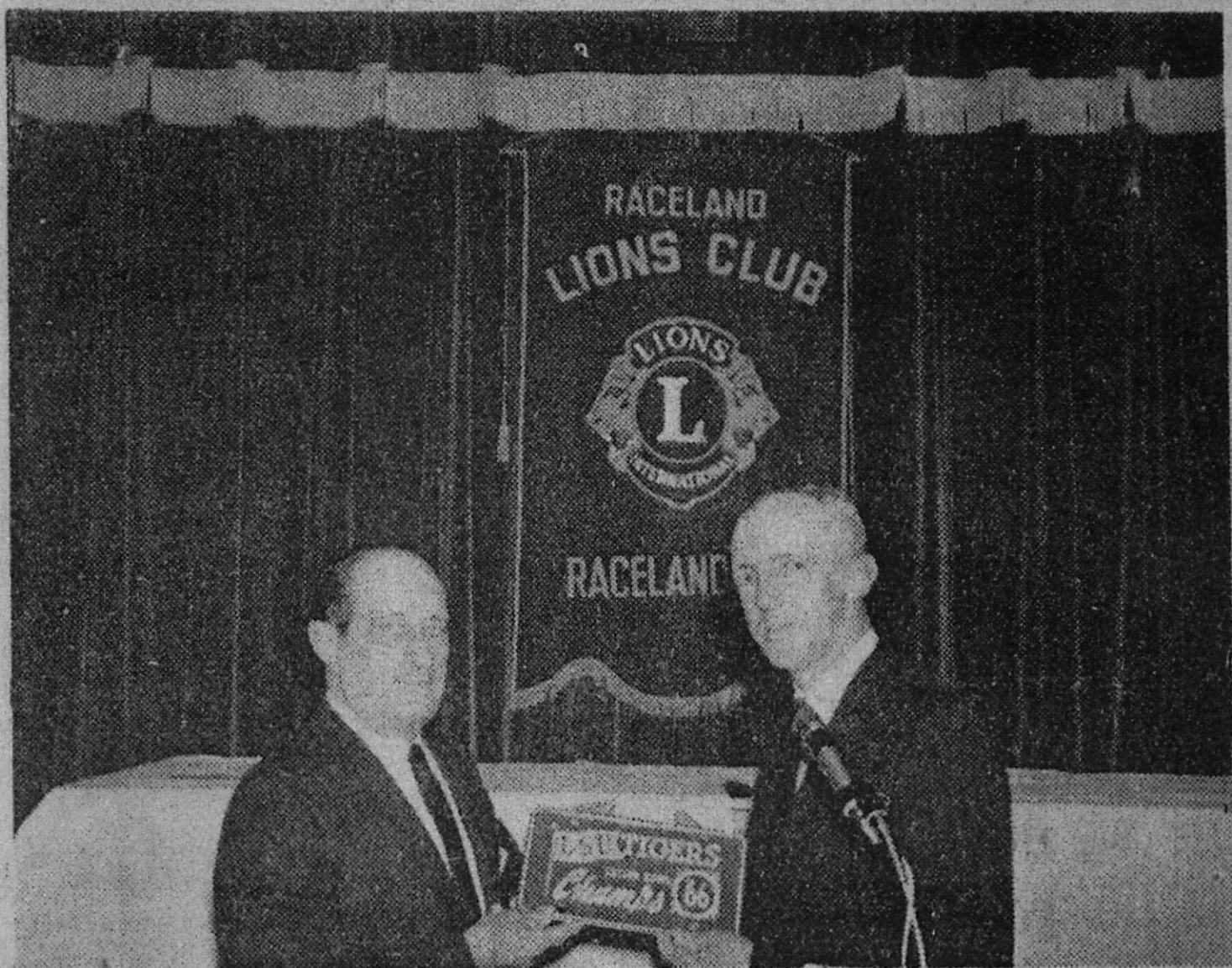
Guards: Greg Pipes, Baylor; Granville Liggins, Oklahoma; John Richardson, UCLA; Diron Talbert, Texas; Jim Urbanek, Mississippi.

Linebackers: Bob Matheson, Duke; Tom Clarke, Army; D. D. Lewis, Mississippi State; Charlie Thornhill, Michigan State.

Defensive Backs: Larry Wachholz, Nebraska; Bobby Johns, Alabama; Bob Bryant, South Carolina; Frank Loria, Virginia Tech; John Fill, Ohio State; Rick Volk, Michigan; Tom Schorn, Notre Dame.



LSU's MIKE ROBICHAUX
Honorable Mention All-American



Dr. P. A. Robichaux, right, father of LSU defensive end Mike Robichaux, buys the first auto plate honoring the Tigers from Joe Price Jr., Lions Club of Raceland president at the annual Father-Son banquet Monday night. Photo by Joe Price Jr.

Robichaux, a Self-Made Star, Leads LSU Against Kentucky

By TEY LAUBEMAN

Courier-Journal and Times Staff Writer

LEXINGTON, Ky.—Louisiana State University's Mike Robichaux is one of a vanishing breed in college football—a player who wasn't recruited, but who enrolled in school on his own and made the team.

Now, as a junior end, he's rated the best defensive player on an LSU squad which meets Kentucky at 8 o'clock tonight on Stoll Field.

Robichaux' accomplishment is equivalent to a professional baseball player jumping from the low minor leagues all the way to the majors.

Sure, Mickey Shante did it, but it doesn't happen very often.

The 6-foot-1, 205-pound Robichaux was almost completely overlooked by recruiters, chiefly because he was hurt most of his senior year in high school at Baceband, La. He had one offer, from Tulane.

He didn't seriously consider it, for two reasons.

"The offer was by mail; they didn't even send anyone to talk to me," he recalled, "and besides, my dad is an LSU graduate. I think he'd have been disappointed if I'd gone to Tulane, a strong rival of LSU's."

Once Robichaux enrolled at LSU, as a pre-medical student, it took consider-

able determination for him to reach his present status as a scholarship athlete and LSU's best prospect for All-Southeastern Conference and All-America.

And in the beginning he had no illusions—"I just hoped I could make the freshman team."

There was difficulty involved in such routine things as eating his meals after practices his freshman year.

"Since I didn't eat at the training table with the rest of the team, I had to go out of my way to eat," he said.

"By the time I'd get back to my dorm the cafeteria there would be closed so I'd have to walk to the Student Union. It was pretty inconvenient."

Living separately from the other players also created problems, he said. "The team meetings were held in the players dorms right after meals and it was hard for me to get to those on time."

Then came the most discouraging blow of all. About a week after he had played his first freshman game, he suffered a broken ankle in practice.

That seemed to doom any faint hopes he had of making the varsity.

But when spring practice rolled around, Mike was back again. He quickly impressed the varsity coaches with his speed and hustle. After spring drills, they offered him a full scholarship.

However, he was red-shirted (held out of games to preserve a year of eligibility) so that he could learn some of what he had missed because of his injury.

Last season he began to play for the varsity, though not as a starter and earned a letter. He played against UK as LSU won 31-21 at Baton Rouge.

"The thing I remember best about that game is how we tried to rush Rick Norton so hard," he said. "We were trying to keep the pressure on him so he'd be erratic with his passes."

Robichaux, end John Garlington and middle guard Mike Dixon are key men in an LSU defense which hopes to hand Kentucky its second straight shutout.

Virginia Tech blanked UK 7-0 last week while Texas A&M was tying LSU 7-7.

UK has a 2-2 record while LSU is 2-1 with one tie.

This is the first of five straight conference games for LSU. UK host to Mississippi and defeated Auburn in conference play.



ROBICHAUX—LSU

WINDSOR—UK

JOSEPH—LSU

CU's Jerry Joseph Intercepts UK Pass Intended For Bob Windsor

8 The Lexington Herald and The Lexington Leader, Lexington, Ky., Saturday, Oct. 15, 1966

Louisiana State Tries For Sixth Straight Win Over UK Tonight

LST's defense features two of the best ends in the SEC, 215-pound John Garlington and 235-pound Mike Robichaux, both juniors. Robichaux is being compared to Geyrnel Tinley, former LSU All-America wingman.



DEFENSIVE STANDOUT — Mike Robichaux, defensive end for Louisiana State, is rated as one of the top wingmen in the Southeastern Conference. He is exceptionally effective on covering kicks.



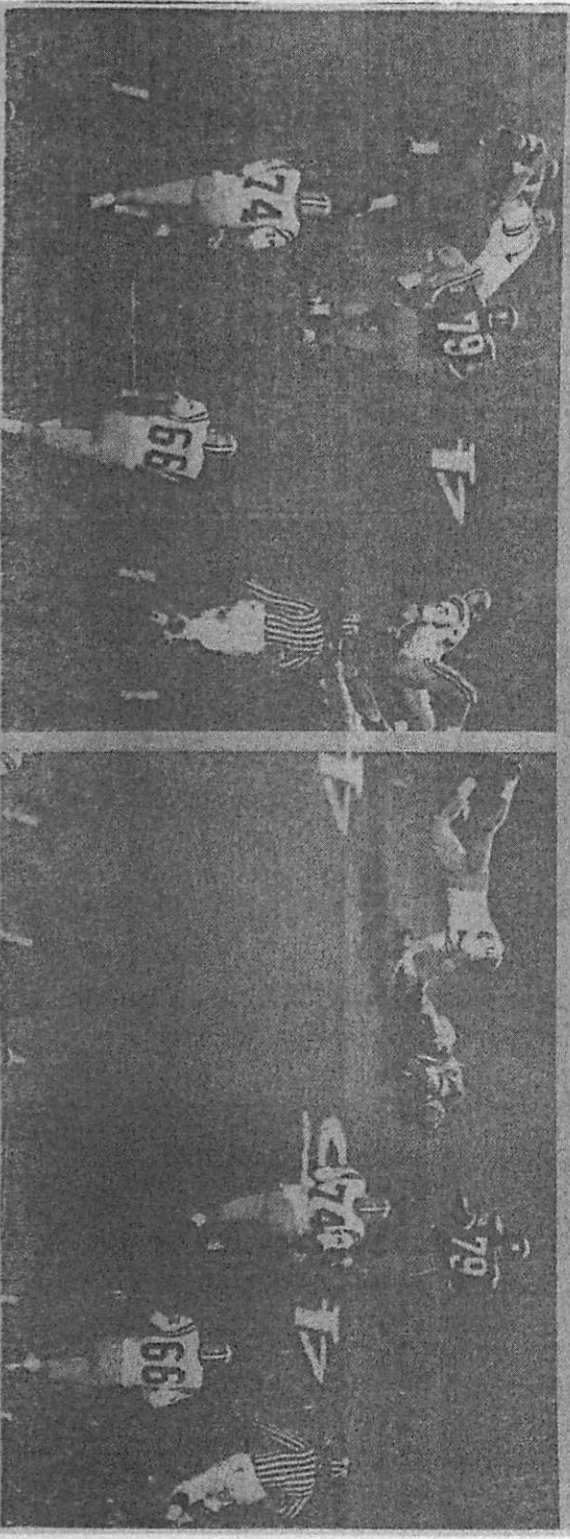
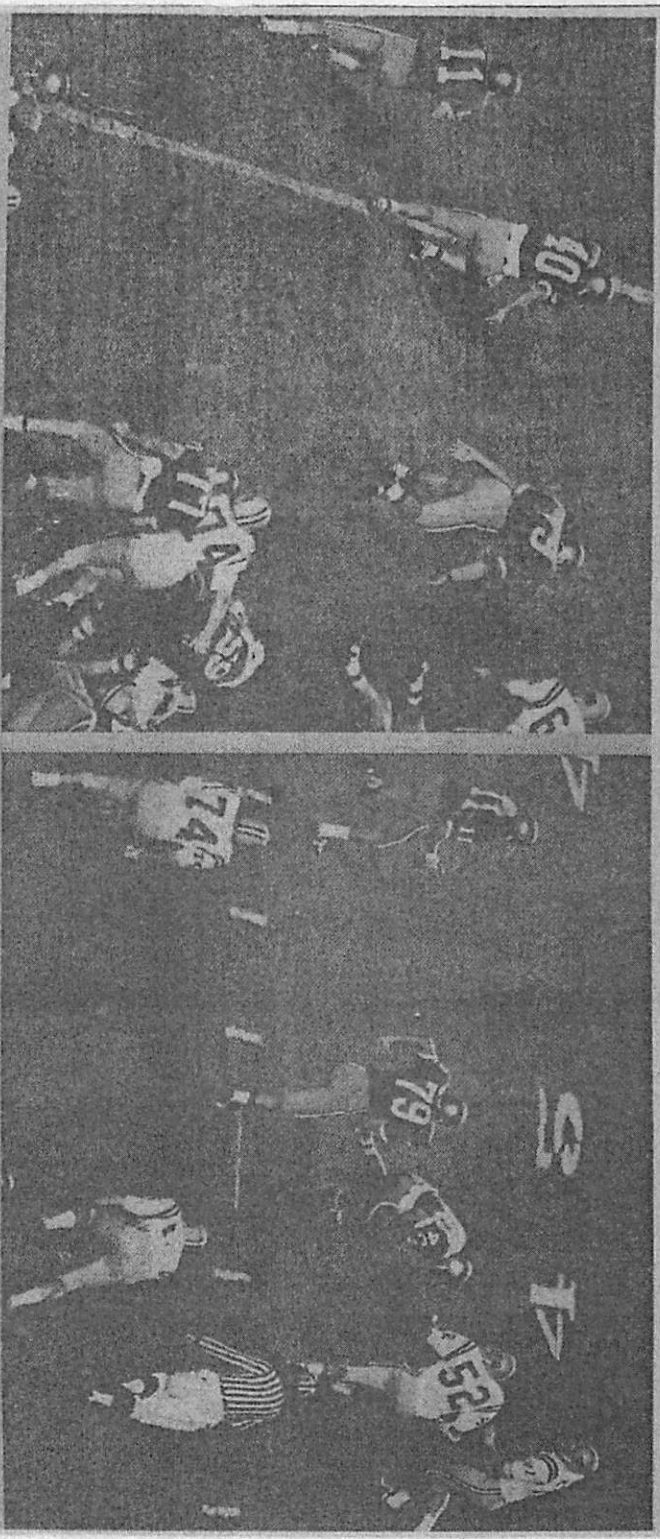
THEY SHALL NOT PASS—LSU defensive end Mike Robichaux will be in the starting lineup when the Tigers invade Lexington Saturday night to meet Kentucky. Robichaux played a good game against Texas A&M last week although he did not start the game.

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Kentucky

The Raceland Ripper Roars in Like a Hurricane



ONE OF THE BIG PLAYS—One of the many big plays in LUS's 16-8 squeaker over Miami Saturday was this fourth quarter action recorded by Advocate staffer John Dobbs' sequence camera. The situation is third and two Miami on their own 44 yard line. In the top left photo, Hurricane

quarterback Bill Miller (11) rolls to the left behind teammates Jimmy McGintz (40) and Joe Mirro (79). Top right photo shows a couple of Tiggers named Mike Pharis (52) and Robichaux (71), moving up to meet the ballcarrier. Pharis is taken out by McGintz in the photo to the bottom

left but Robichaux, the Raceland Ripper, is about to encircle Miller's shoulders with more than a loving hug. The bottom right photo shows Miller downed for a yard loss. Robichaux does an arm stand and Mirro and Tigey's Tommie Fussell (74) and John Derrurie (60) trail the play.

Bengals Have to Fill Big Holes



MIKE ROBICHAUX
Tiger Terminal



BARRY WILSON
Tiger Center

P-c Season

The Bengal defensive line is much better off in experience than their offensive counterpart. John Garlington and Mike Robichaux are a pair of hard tackling terminals who showed up well last year as sophomores. They should be even better this season. Garlington at left end will get help from Mike Brewer. Mickey Christian, converted quarterback, and Tommy Youngblood, the brilliant freshman stand out for the fresh last fall and could develop into a great terminal. Youngblood was a defen-

Purples, Golds Battle Tonight

Tiger Gridders to Climax Drills

With Annual Spring Grid Game

By BUD MONTEY
 Advocate Sports Editor

The LSU gridiers will climax their spring football session with their annual Purple-Gold Spring game at Tiger Stadium Saturday night.

Kickoff is set for 7:30. Quite a few new faces will show in the spring game as the Tiger coaches seek to replace 22 departed seniors, a problem they received first priority in the spring work.

Also quite a few veterans will be in new positions and the mentions have made switches to bolster weak positions.

Probable Lineups

| PURPLE TEAM | | GOLD TEAM | |
|-----------------|--------|-----------------|--------|
| Charles Bundy | TE 100 | Bob O'Brien | TE 215 |
| George Haynes | SE 195 | Sammy Grezaffi | SE 170 |
| Allen LaBlanc | RT 240 | Joe Redding | LT 210 |
| Terry Eschay | LT 225 | Bill Bollinger | RT 210 |
| Jerry Gaultie | LG 215 | Eddie Banker | LG 215 |
| Billy Loftin | RG 220 | Jimmy Harle | RG 205 |
| Barry Wilson | C 200 | Larry McCaskill | C 220 |
| Fred Haynes | QB 165 | Trey Prather | QB 190 |
| Billy Masters | SB 225 | Kenny Newfield | SB 180 |
| Maurice LaBlanc | TB 180 | Jim Doucay | TB 190 |
| Gawain Dibetta | FB 190 | Mikey Broadway | FB 200 |

Among the standout returnees who'll get a chance on offense will see action on the Purple eleven are Gawain Dibetta, now at fullback, Billy Masters, strongback, Terry Eschay, tackle, and Barry Wilson, center.

On the Purple defensive unit top returnees are Pop Newman, defensive corner back, Mike Pharis, linebacker, Mike Redding, defensive end, and Mike Duhon, center guard on the defensive line.

Jim Doucay will be the lone holdover on the Gold offensive unit's backfield. Doucay will team with fresh Trey Prather, quarterback, Mikey Broadway, fullback, and Kenny Newfield, strongback.

Up front Sammy Grezaffi, last year's defensive flash, will get a shot at split end.

Cornel McClelland intends to use Grezaffi mostly on offense in the spring game to give him work at the split-end post, a position he'll probably play this fall, along with his defensive safety duties.

Veterans on the Gold offensive line are Eddie Banker, guard, Bob O'Brien, end, and Jimmy Harris, guard.

The Gold defensive veterans are Wayne Sessions, end, John Demarrie, tackle, Tommy Fussell, tackle, John Garlington, end, and Jerry Joseph, defensive safety.

Little Fred Haynes, a 165 pound redshirt, will quarterback the Purples. Last year Haynes was a standout in the spring game when he took over for the ailing Bengal quarterbacks.

Once again Haynes has worked with the top offensive units in the spring as Nelson Stockley was out of action.

Among the top newcomers

Up front some of the top newcomers are Joe Redding, tackle, Billy Loftin, guard, Birch Powell, redshirt tackle, and Larry McCaskill, big fresh center.

Defensively some of the new standouts who'll show are George Bevan, linebacker, Barton Fyfe, defensive back, David Jones, safety, Trigger Allen, safety, Gerry Kent, corner back, and Lynn Fisher, safety.

The LSU squads will be handled by the assistant coaches, head member Charlie McClelland sitting it out in the press box.

Backfield mentor Charlie Pevey will handle the Purple eleven, assisted by Dave McCarty, Doug Hamley, Jim Collier, and Ken Cormier, and Don Schwab.

Defensive coach Bill Beall will handle the Gold squad, assisted by Jack Doland, Soodor Purvis, Craig Randall, and Billy Ezell.



PURPLE DEFENSE—Obviously pleased with the end of spring football training the Purple defensive squad grins and smiles for the cameraman. Kneeling, left to right, corner back Gerry Kent, Mike Robichaux, end, middle guard Mike Duhon, tackle Jack Dyer, and end Mike Brewer. Standing left to right, Mike Pharis, linebacker, Carlos Aaby, line backer, and Benny Griffin, linebacker.

—Advocate Staff photo by Charles West

COULD PROVE DIFFERENCE

Tiger Defense Faces Task

By BUD MONTEY
Advocate Sports Editor

There's a growing conviction that if the LSU Tigers are to grab a victory in Saturday's hysterical crusade, mistakenly being called a football game, the brunt of the job might fall on the shoulders of the Tiger defensive forward wall.

In fact the entire LSU defenses might well prove the difference between the Bengals and South Carolina's Gamecocks.

It will not be the first time the Tigers defenses have spelled out victory.

A couple of years ago it wasn't until the third game that LSU's offense could generate enough power to score a touchdown although they opened with a 9-6 win over the Texas Aggies and a 3-0 win over Rice.

The Bengals have a number of newcomers on their offensive units while most of the first line defenders have some game experience.

Coach Charlie McClendon is well pleased with his first line defenders although he's worried about depth as the second unit will be manned largely by untried newcomers.

Anchoring the middle of the defensive forward wall is stumpy Mike Duhon, who leaves no doubt he's lefthanded. The Sulphur youngster is a 205 pound-

er, at least he's listed at that weight although he scarcely looks it, and he's one of the most aggressive gridgers on the squad.

Duhon came to LSU as a left-handed quarterback but since then has tried just about every position from end to end.

Last year he made a niche for himself at middle guard and this year has moved up to the first unit.

Duhon, who claims to

have played organized football since he was five years of age starting in a pee-wee program, is a fine leader and keeps the squad in good humor with his ready wit.

Probably Duhon's greatest outlet for his happy-go-lucky nature was when he was installed as scout squad quarterback when the Bengals needed to work against a southpaw passer.

Duhon gleefully applauded his own efforts

when he completed a pass against the varsity.

Flanking Duhon in the defensive interior is John Demarie and Tommy Fussell.

Demarie was a stand-out middle guard as a sophomore before he broke his leg. He came back last fall to play a steady brand of football and this year he was shifted to defensive tackle.

The Tiger defensive

coaches have high hopes that the big 230 pounder will show the flash of brilliance he showed as a sophomore.

Steady Fussell is a capable tackle with two years experience. The ex-Istrouma youth is one of the hardest tacklers on the squad and fans still remember when he smashed Tennessee's Art Galiffa to the turf, knocking the Vol quarterback cold.

Coach McClendon is also high on his hustling defensive flankmen, John Garlington and Mike Robichaux

Robichaux even scares the fans with his reckless play and is known as the head-hunter on the kick-off team.

The South Louisiana gridder has excellent speed and covers punts and kickoffs real well.

Robichaux came to LSU without scholarship but his fine play as a frosh earned him a grant-in-aid.

Actually Robichaux was injured by the Tigers but in his senior year in high school was injured most of the year.

Garlington is a steady defensive flankman who can come up with the big play to stop a drive.

Garlington and Robichaux are ranked by Tiger mentors as good as any in the conference.

This veteran group will get a real test Saturday night against Coach Paul Dietzel's Gamecocks.



TIGER SHOCK TROOPS—Pictured above are the Bengal gridgers who'll man the defensive forward wall against the vaunted South Carolina Gamecock attack Saturday at Tiger Stadium. Standing, left to right, Mike Robichaux and John Garlington, flankmen. Kneeling, left to right, John Demarie, tackle, Mike Duhon, middle guard, and Tommy Fussell, tackle.



SEC LINEMAN OF THE WEEK — Defensive end Mike Robichaux came to LSU without an athletic scholarship. He not only earned a scholarship but has been outstanding in the three LSU games this season. He was named Southeastern Conference Player of the Week for his performance in the Tigers' 10-8 victory over Miami Saturday night.

LSU's Mike Robichaux SEC Lineman of Week

By **RON SPEER**

Associated Press Sports Writer
ATLANTA, Ga. (AP)—Mike Robichaux has proven at Louisiana State that you don't have to be a big-name prep player to be a college football star.

The 205-pound defensive end for the Bengal Tigers didn't get a scholarship when he enrolled but he kept plugging away as a volunteer.

Robichaux finally got his athletic grant last year, and Tuesday the hard-tackling junior was named the Associated Press Southeastern Lineman of the Week.

Coach Charley McClendon said Robichaux "has graded at a championship level" after all three of the Louisiana State games, and said he was "all over the field" in the victory Saturday against Miami.

Robichaux was particularly noted by the AP Southeastern

All-American Advisory Board for two key plays against the Hurricanes. He made the tackle on a third-and-two situation which stopped one Miami drive, and he went across the field to knock down a Hurricane runner and stop another threat.

"He's getting better all the time," said McClendon, who gave Robichaux a starting assignment this fall after the youngster's impressive sophomore season.

Back of the Week honors were shared by two juniors, Dicky Thompson of Alabama and Lenny Snow of Georgia Tech.

Thompson was cited for intercepting three passes in the Crimson Tide's 17-7 conquest of Mississippi. Snow was singled out for scoring on runs of 6 and 40 yards for both Tech touchdowns in a 13-12 victory over Clemson.

Tennessee quarterback Dewey Warren, who threw three touchdown passes against Rice, and Alabama quarterback Kenny Stabler, 16 for 19 through the air against Ole Miss, also drew strong support.

Other backs cited included Larry Seiple of Kentucky, Steve Spurrier of Florida, Fred Haynes of Louisiana State and Bobby Wade of Mississippi.

Linemen drawing praise included Doug Van Meter and Mike McGraw of Kentucky, Jerry Duncan and Ray Perkins of Alabama, George Patton of Georgia, Bobby Morel and John Mills of Tennessee, D. D. Lewis of Mississippi State, Joe Rushing of Memphis State, Jimmy Keyes and Jim Urbanek of Mississippi, Chip Healy of Vanderbilt, Mike Dubon and George Bevan of LSU, Ken Corbin of Miami and John Anderson of Tulane.

MOREAU, PILLOW GONE

Tigers Face Problem at Offensive Ends

(This is the third of a pre-season series on the LSU Tiger football eleven of 1966)

By BUD MONTET
Advocate Sports Editor
Coach Charlie McClendon of



TOMMY YOUNGBLOOD

LSU views his grid terminals with mixed feelings. McClendon ranks his defensive terminals as better than last season because of experience but can think of any number of problems with his offensive ends.

Defensively the Bengals lost one experienced terminal, Charles (Tennessee) Moore who decided to pass up his fine season of football.

However, two standouts, Mike Robichaux and John Garlington, will be back with a year's experience. Robichaux and Garlington were standout sophomore performers last fall and should be better this season.

The big problem remains at offensive end. Gone is Doug Moreau, the Tigers top scorer of the past two seasons, their top pass catcher and all-around griddy.

Also gone is big Walter Pillow, an unsung griddy, who was a fine blocker on offense and a steady performer.

Adding to the woes at offensive end is the fact that the two

top candidates for the split-end position are questionable due to injuries.

Bubba Jones, who has been plagued by injuries since coming to LSU, was injured this spring and had to undergo a knee operation.

George Haynes, who lettered at halfback as a sophomore, has been out for two years with a critical foot injury. This spring Haynes was shifted to split-end and showed promise.

Whether he can escape the injury jinx is something else.

If Jones and Haynes can stay solid it'll give the Bengals a chance to work with Tommy Morel, a promising sophomore from New Orleans who was a brilliant frosh last fall, showing remarkable ability to catch the football and run with it in the open field.

Should Jones and Haynes fall unhappy heir to more injuries Morel will have to be rushed into service at the slot. Also Sammy Grezaffi, the fine little

defensive back, was given a shot at the post this spring.

Grezaffi is a good pass catcher with great speed and could be a threat at the post. However, he lacks the reach and size that coaches would like.

Also Grezaffi is ticketed for defensive duty at safety most of the time.

McClendon is hopeful that big Jones will recover from his knee operation.

"In the past Bubba has shown a remarkable ability to bounce back from an injury," Coach Mac commented.

Haynes was a pleasant surprise at the offensive post this spring. The husky Clinton youth was a fine break away back with excellent speed and during the spring picked up the pass catching duties in surprising style.

A solid Haynes could go a long way toward solving the split-end problem and give the Bengals depth at the post.

But thus far in their careers

Haynes and Jones have been running a close race to see who can get on the injury list the most, a situation neither has relished.

The tight end post is in somewhat better shape in that two experienced performers are available in Bob O'Brien and Charles Bundy.

O'Brien is a senior and Bundy a junior. Their experience has been limited but they'll be given a chance to handle the job.

Backing up this pair is Bob Hamlett and Johnny Domingue, the Redemptorist youth.

Hamlett showed flashes of good form this spring and Domingue is a rugged and torrid competitor. Domingue also can be pressed into duty for kicking duties. He did the place kicking for the 1965 frosh eleven.

Coach McClendon has more reasons to smile when discussing his defensive flankmen. Both Garlington and Robichaux are terrific tacklers with good size and great desire.

Robichaux, tabbed "head hunter" by his mates was a great performer on the kickoff team, going downfield to make the initial contact with the ball carrier.

Garlington is slated for left end and Robichaux for right end.

While experience is lacking in the reserves there are some promising boys available.

Up from the frosh eleven is Tommy Youngblood, who probably was the most consistent performer with the frosh last fall.

Youngblood who hails from Sireveport, has amazing mobility and as a frosh made tackles all over the field.

Along with Youngblood, Mike Brewer and Mickey Christian, a converted quarterback, will be available to spell Garlington.

On the other side John Beebe, another converted quarterback, Wayne Sessions, and Jerry Kob-

ler, sophomore, will be around for reserve duty.

Sessions has been around and is ranked as a junior. He's seen limited service.



MIKE ROBICHAUX

These Tigers



1—Gawain DiBetta



2—Mike Pharis



3—Mike Robichaux



4—Allen LeBlanc



5—Nelson Stokley



6—Gerry Kent



7—Maurice LeBlanc

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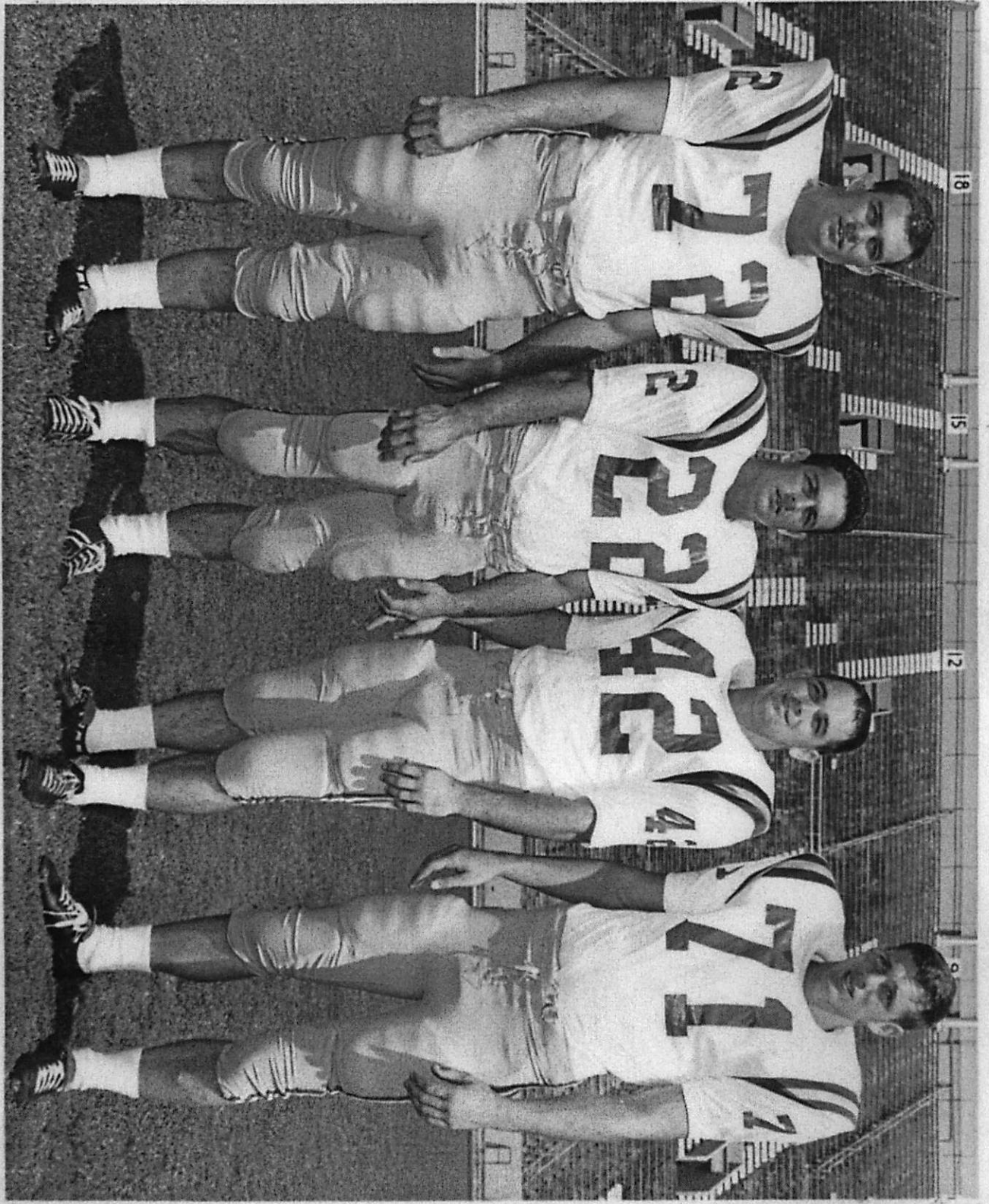


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6-5 GERRY KENT
7-2 MAURICE LEBLANC

3-4 MIKE ROBICHAUX
4-7 ALLEN LEBLANC
5-1 NELSON STOKLEY

6-3 GWAIN DIBETTA
7-3 MIKE PHARIS



Ernest Maggiore, Joe Labruzzo, Don Schwab, Mike Robichaux

1965

DETAILS OF THE MIAMI GAME

FIRST QUARTER

With Bob Biletnikoff completing three passes in three tries, two to Jerry Daanen, Miami moved 63 yards on nine plays to score on its first series. Biletnikoff got the touchdown on a four-yard sprint-out around left end. Don Curtright converted, with 10:25 left in the period.

LSU slashed back promptly, going 63 yards — all of it on the ground with the exception of one 16-yard pass — to tie the score with 5:43 remaining in the quarter. Nelson Stokely sneaked it in from a foot out. Doug Moreau converted.

Biletnikoff was knocked out of the game four plays later, when two LSU's fell on him

at Miami's 14-yard line. Miami got knocked out on the next play, when Mike Duhon blocked Russ Smith's quick kick at the 10-yard line, and Tommy Fussell recovered the ball in the end zone. Moreau converted with 2:53 left in the quarter.

SECOND QUARTER

LSU got its second break in Miami's first possession of the period. Russ Smith fumbled at the Hurricane 20, and sophomore Spike Pierce recovered at the 10. After Pat Screen had thrown for a four-yard gain, Stokely threw a 23-yard pass to Richard (Burr) Jones for the TD. Moreau kicked the extra point again, and it was 21-7 with 11:05 left in the half.

Russ Smith fumbled the kickoff at Miami's 25. LSU's Sam

Grezaffi took it at the 19, and six plays later the Tigers had touchdown No. 4, with Stokely scoring on a sprint-out to the right with 7:50 remaining. Moreau missed the extra point.

Miami cut the edge to 13 points at the end of the half. Sophomore quarterback Bill Miller completed five passes on the 62-yard drive, with the touchdown coming on a 10-yard throw to Daanen with no time left on the clock. Curtright's conversion made the score 27-

THIRD QUARTER

LSU went 71 yards to score again after taking the second half kickoff. This time two Stokely-to-Moreau passes, the second one to Miami's four-yard line, were the key plays, with

Joe Labruzzo scoring on a pitchout from the two, and Moreau converting.

Miami's Leroy Lewis recovered a fumble at the LSU 17-yard line later in the quarter, an interference call gave Miami a first down at the Tiger three-yard line.

But the Hurricanes failed to score, turning the ball over on downs at the one-foot line, after four smashes into the middle. LSU punted out on the last play of the period.

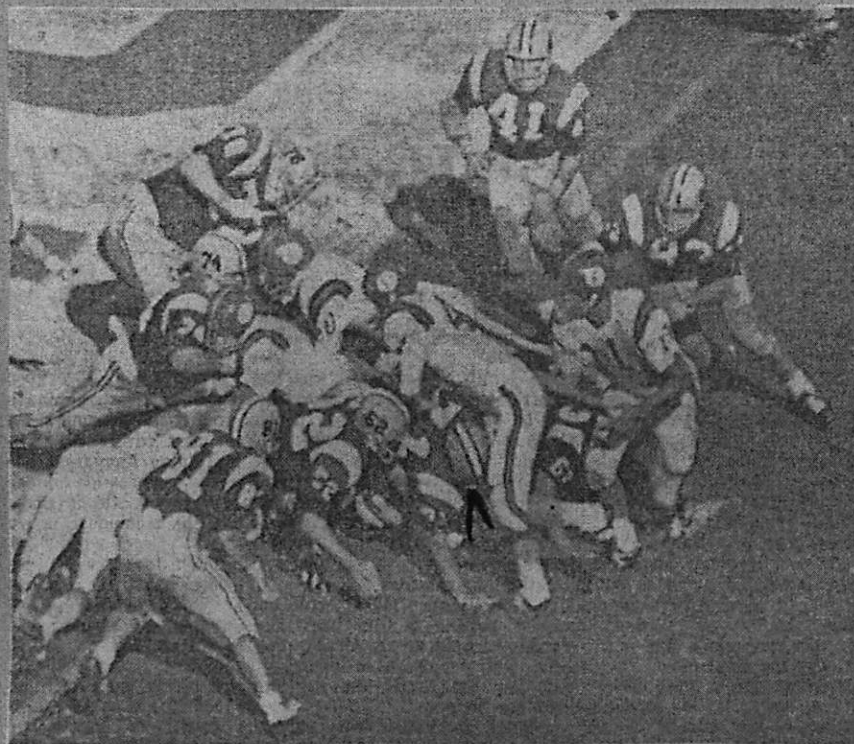
FOURTH QUARTER

Miami drove to LSU's 27, but had to turn the ball over on downs, and the Tigers' ensuing punt pushed Miami deep in its own territory again. Miami punted out, then Pat Screen's 29-yard scamper put LSU on

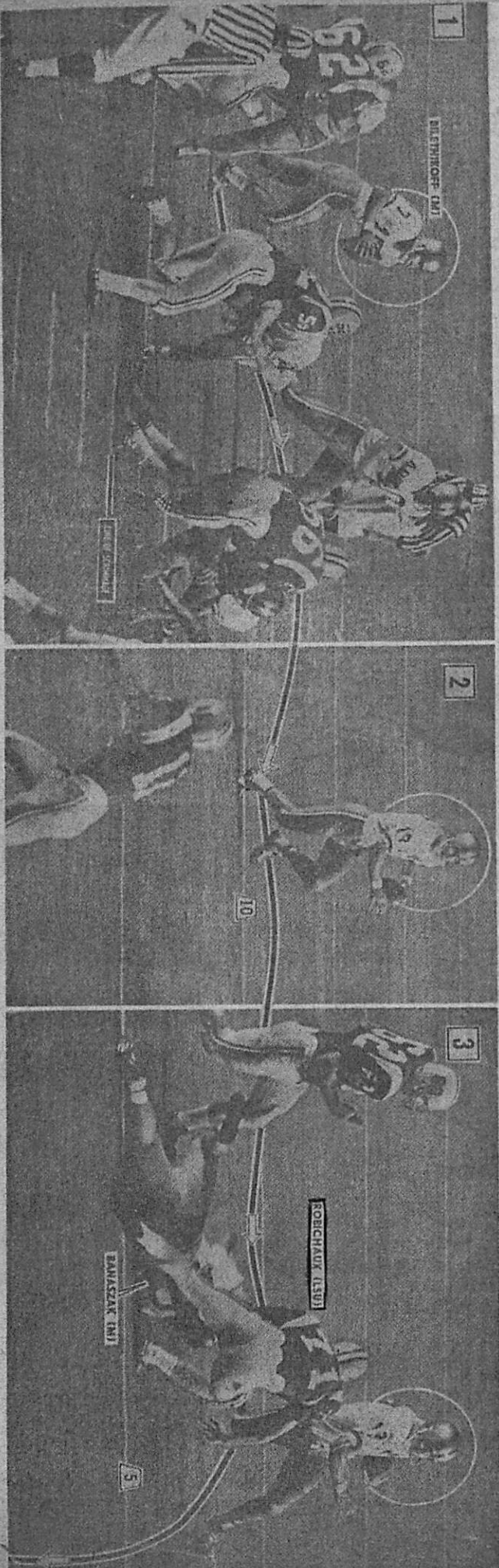
Miami's 31, but the Tigers were forced to punt and it was downed on the Hurricane one.

Miami smashed out to the 20, then Miller hit reserve end Jim Cox with a short pass over the middle. Cox ripped free and went all the way on an 80-yard play. Curtright converted, to make it 34-21 with 2:03 left in the period.

Miami's Jim Wahnee recovered an onside kick at Miami's 48-yard line, and Miller promptly put the offensive machine in motion. With 10 seconds left in the game, he threw a six-yard pass to Jerry Daanen for Miami's fourth touchdown, to make it 44-17 which was the way it finished, after the Hurricanes failed on their try for a two-point after touchdown play.

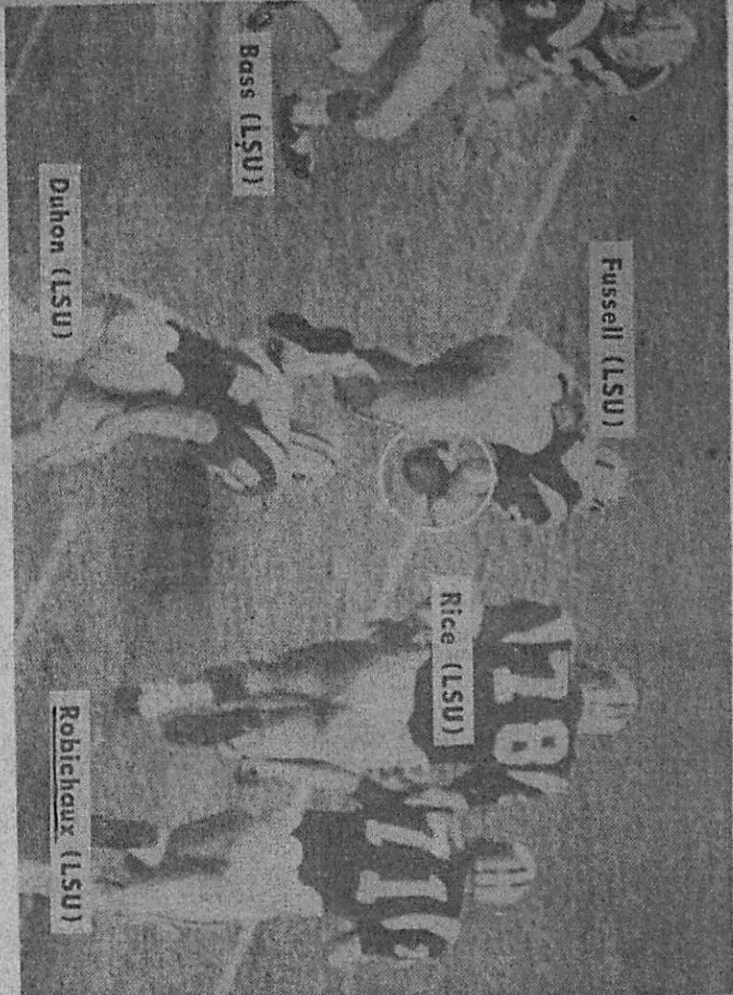


Hurricanes Get on Scoreboard First as Biletnikoff Keeps for Four-Yard TD



UM Quarterback Starts Back With Ball Cocked, But at LSU 10 He Decides to Run as Bannaszak Blocks Out Robichaux at 5...

LSU's Fussell Blocks Miami Punt, Scoops It Up, Goes



Fussell (LSU)

Rice (LSU)

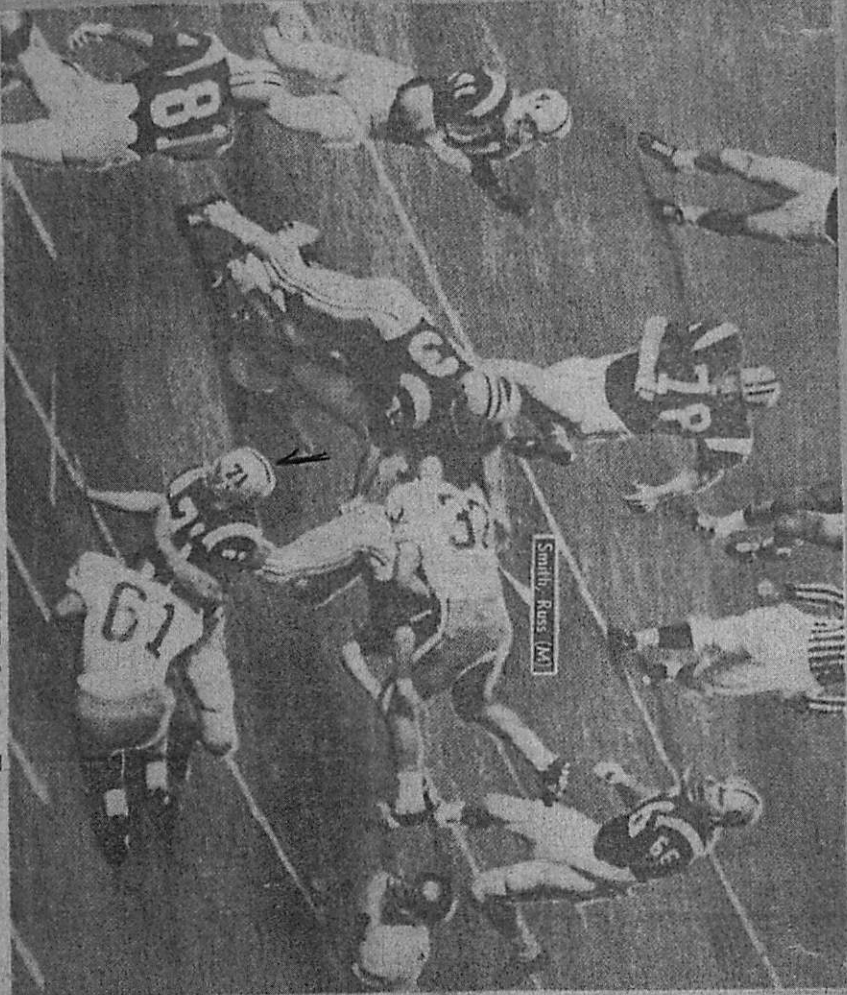
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Big Tackle Scores Tigers' Second TD Against Hurricane

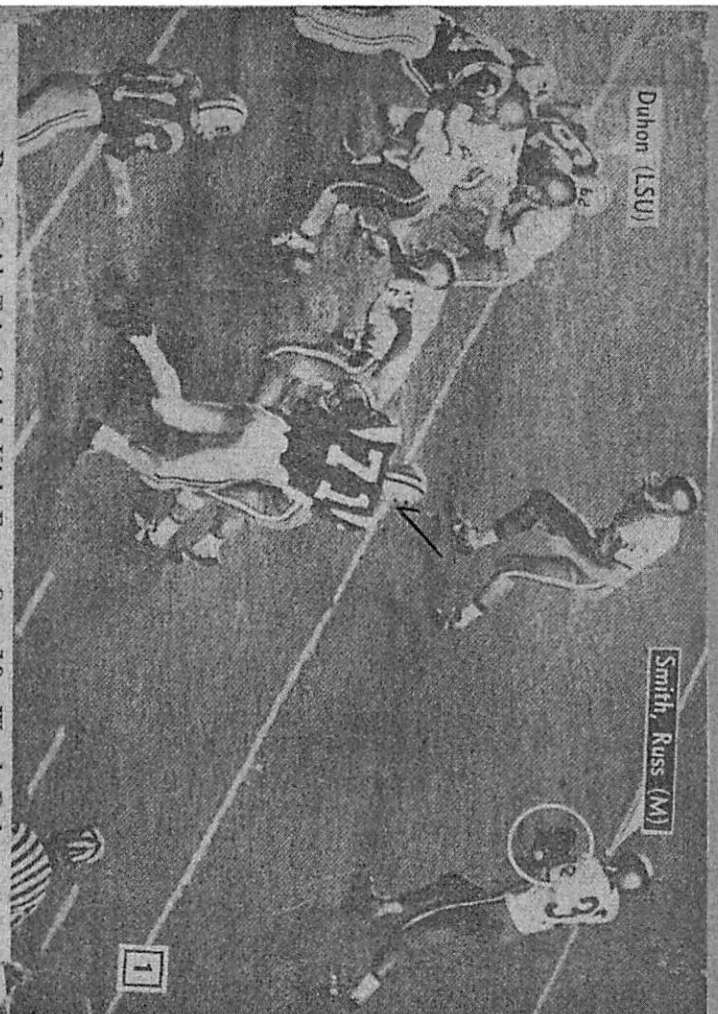
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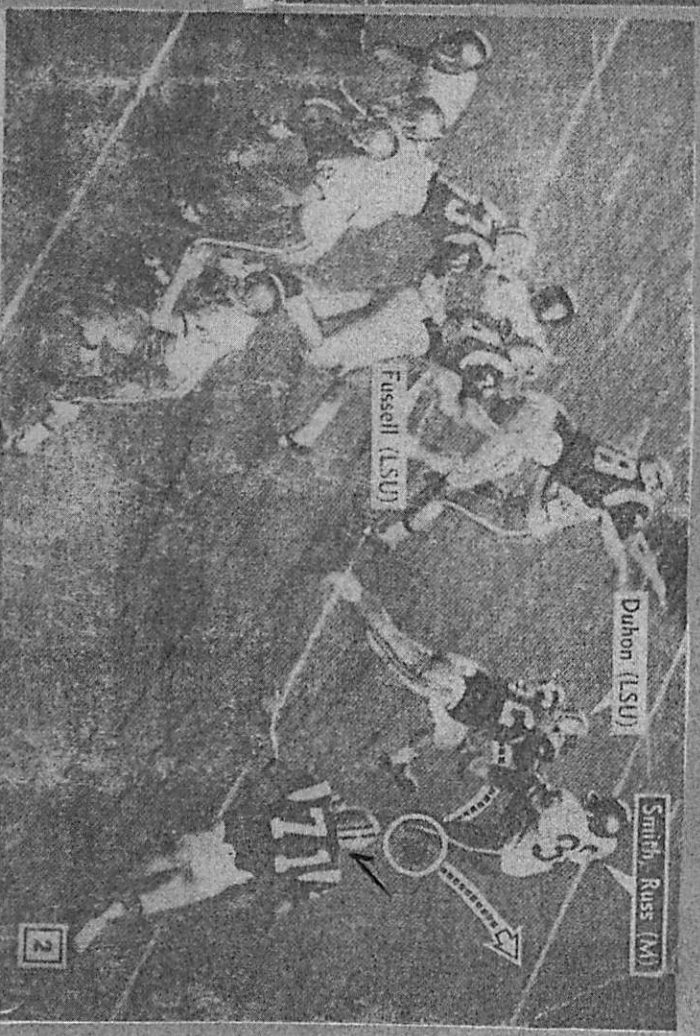
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Russ Smith Says Hello To The LSU Defensive Team

Blocked U-M Punt Becomes LSU Touchdown

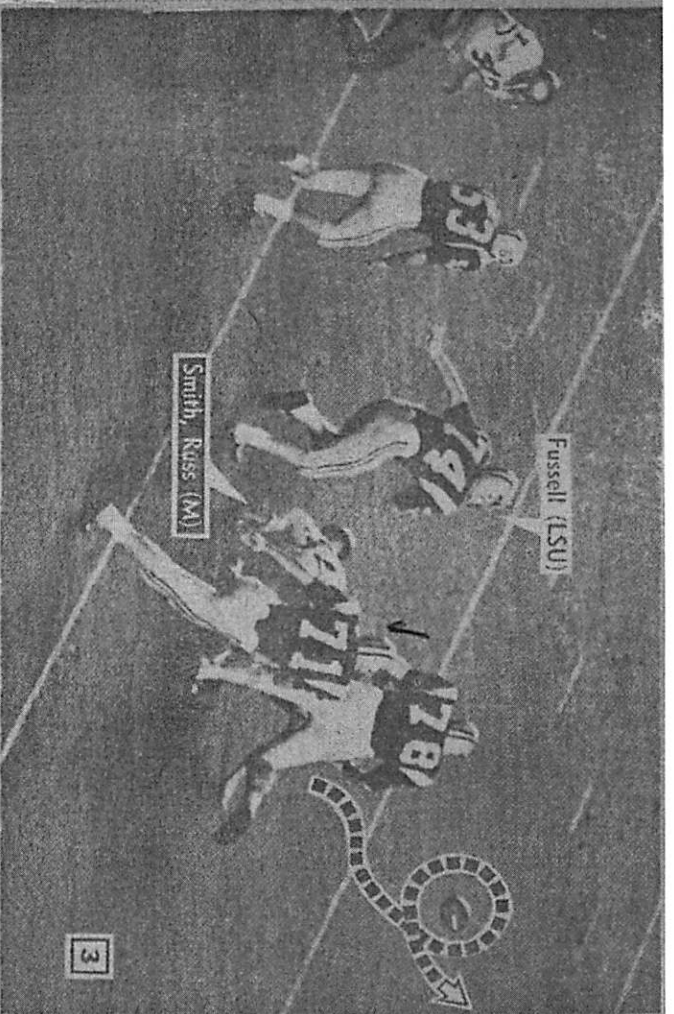


Russ Smith Tries Quick Kick From Own 10 - Watch Duhon

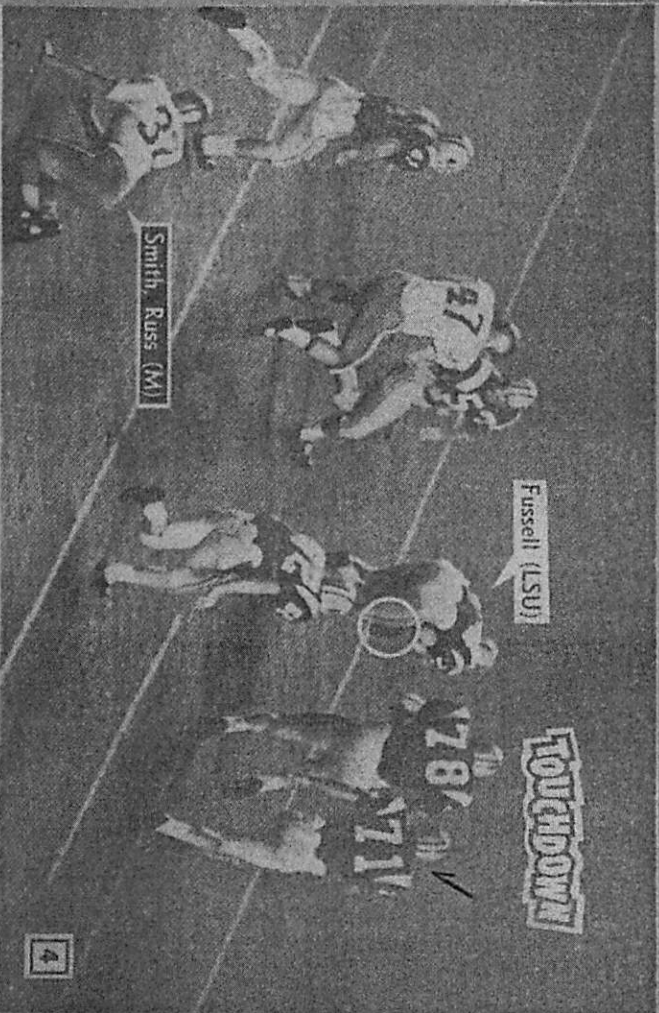


Duhon Brushes Off Blocker. Cracks Into Smith's Punt

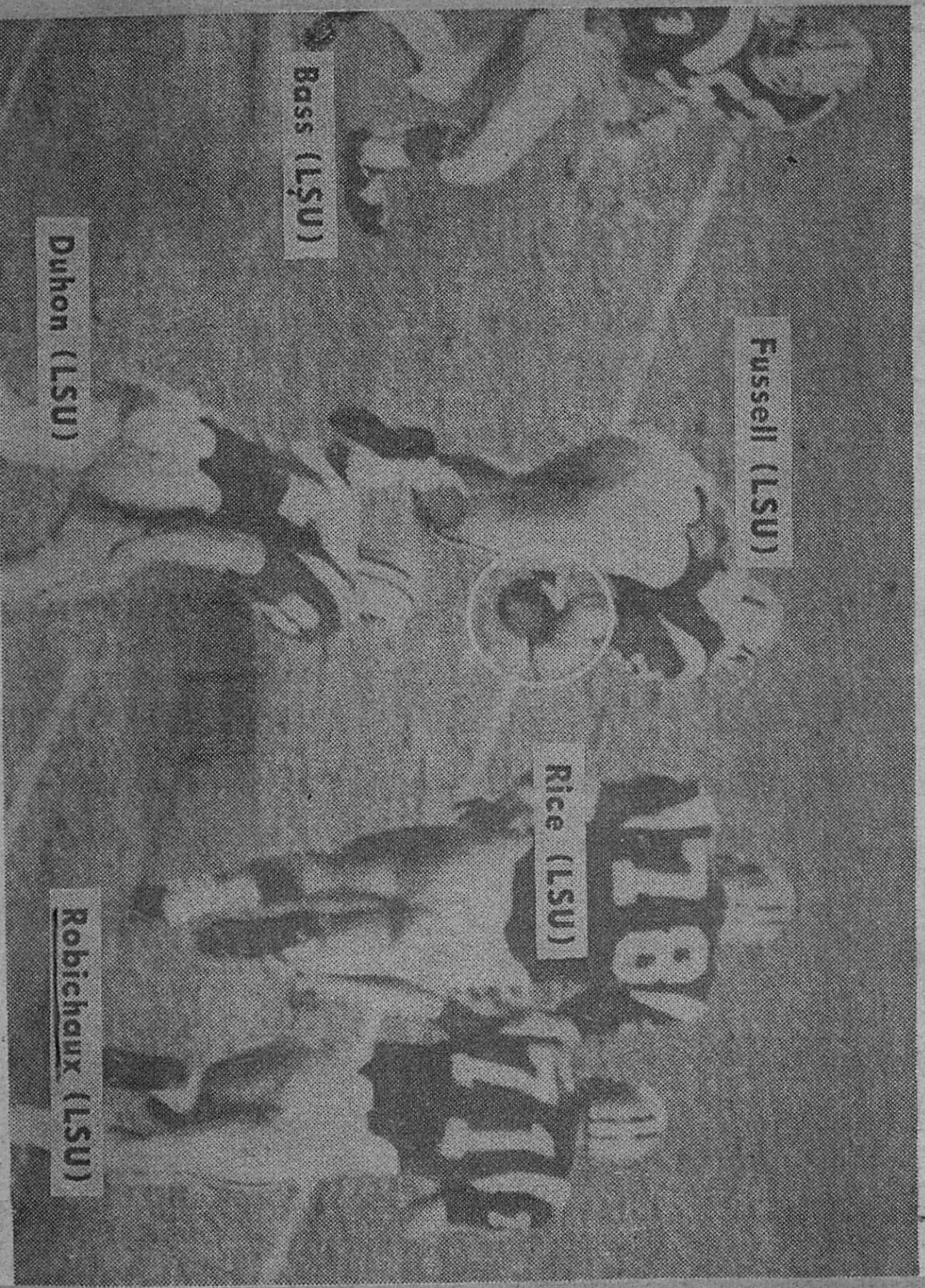
Chase Is On And LSU's Tommy Fussell Has The Lead



Fussell Grabs Ball In End Zone, LSU Takes 13-7 Lead



LSU's Fussell Blocks Miami Punt, Scoops It Up, Goes



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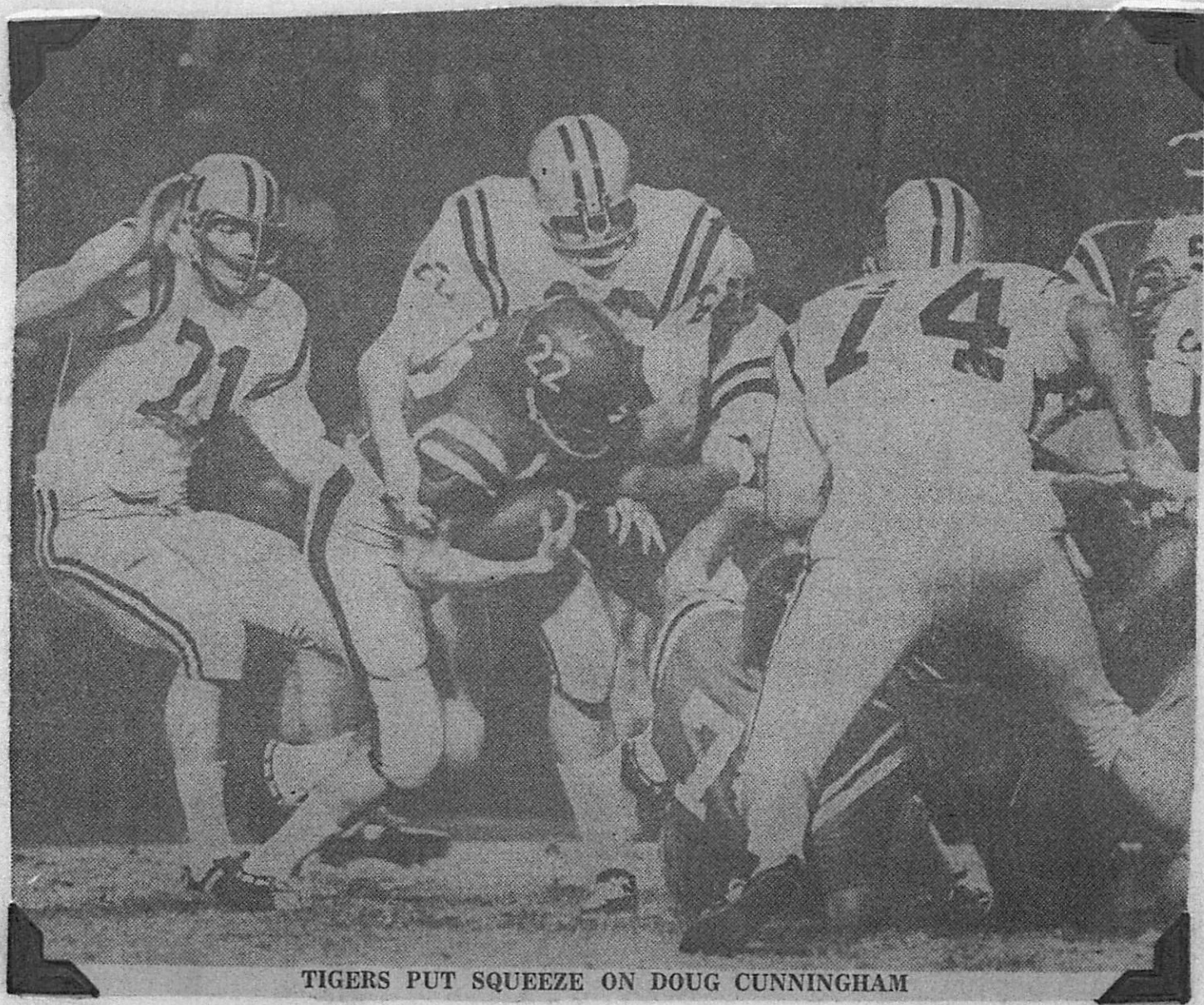
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U-M Rallies Late, LSU Wins

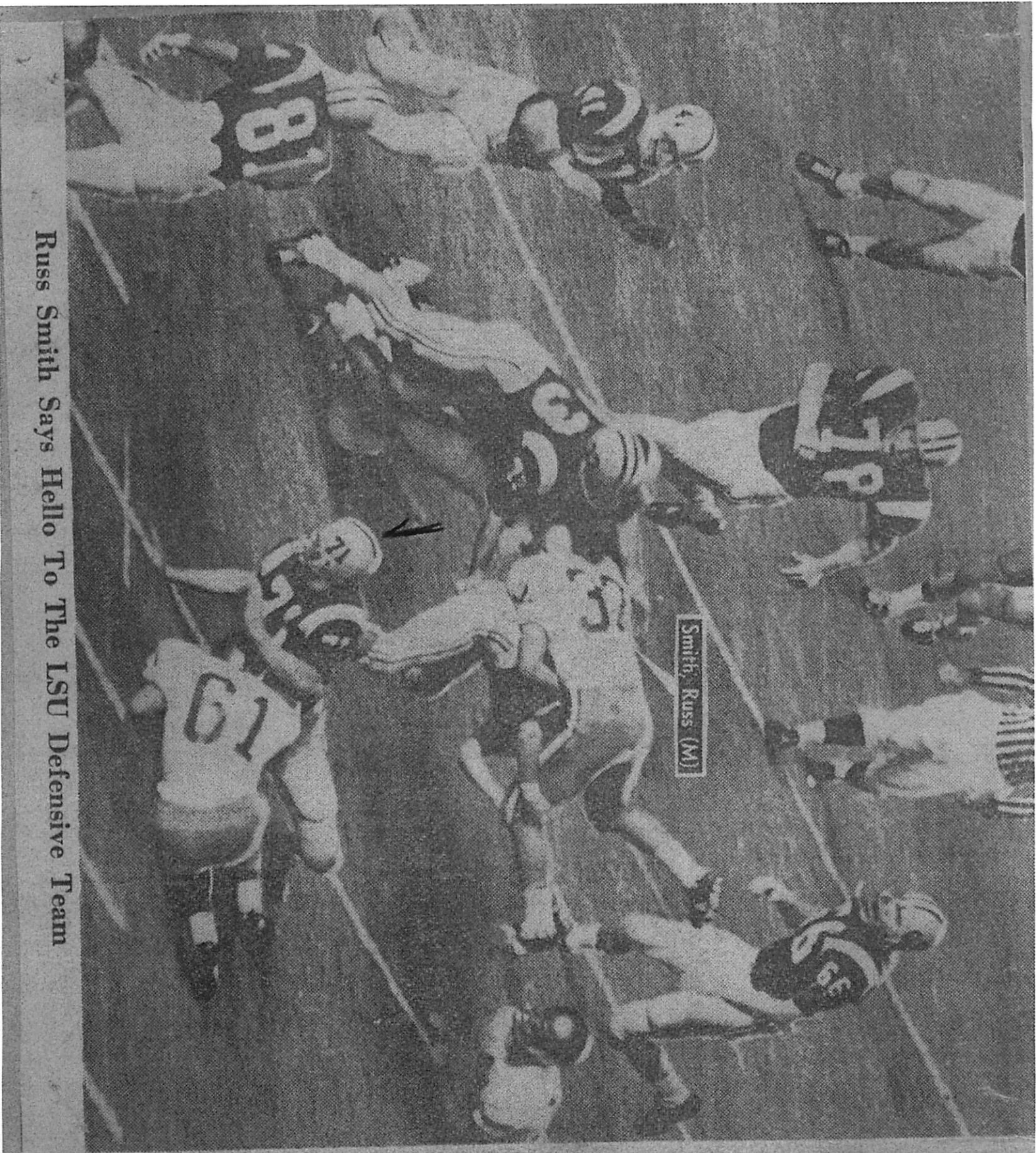
SHARING stardom honors with Banker in the season opener was defensive right end Mike Robichaux, a 205-pound junior from Raceland who McClendon says "played the best defensive game I ever saw."

Robichaux, one of the captains along with Banker and linebacker Mike Pharis, was in the game for 50 plays and graded 90 per cent, highest of any Tiger on the field.

"I don't think anyone could have played a better defensive game than did Mike," said the Tiger boss. "He and John Garlington (who graded 75 per cent for 57 plays) are as good a pair of defensive ends as you'll find anywhere."



TIGERS PUT SQUEEZE ON DOUG CUNNINGHAM



Smith, Russ (M)

Russ Smith Says Hello To The LSU Defensive Team

LSU vs. Rice

Tigers Work on Passing Attack in Preps for Rice

Stokley on Target in Aerial Practice

By W. I. SPENCER

(Special to The Times-Picayune)
BATON ROUGE, La. — Mon-

day LSU's Tigers sharpened their kicking and kick-coverage, Tuesday the other sub-par phase of the opening game drew the attention of the coaches. Yep, it was the passing attack.

Only eight passes, plus a successful toss for two points from Nelson Stokley to Tommy Allen after the third Tiger touchdown were pitched against the Gamecocks. The other lone competition was a 10-yarder by Stokley to Billy Masters and it helped along on the initial Bengal scoring march.

Otherwise the LSU aerial attack was not world-shaking. Against the Southwest Conference foe this Saturday night in Houston, the Rice Owls, Coach Charlie McLendon feels he'll have to show a much more potent air game. He worked hard on routes, timing, catching and some little on throwing.

Most of the eligible receivers were having a good day, with Sammy Grezaffi coming over from the defensive drill to get in a few receptions, too. Masters, Ken Newfield, Tommy Morel, George Haynes and the tailbacks, Maurice Leblanc, Tommy Allen and Jim Bousay all got their share of catches.

All the Tigers took full practice, and unless something happens, all will be ready for Rice, including Bousay and Bubba [unclear], the big split end. Both [unclear] action Saturday due to [unclear] shaky under-pinning, but



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both ran full routes as they alternated with first and second units.

McClendon said his game captains for the Rice meeting will be two standout seniors from Southwest Louisiana, defensive center guard Mike Duhon of Sulphur and offensive guard Jimmy Hamie. Both were scintillating against the Gamecocks, and their efforts will be recognized by their selections as co-captains against the Owls.

LSU's gridders who scored "championship grade" in the 28-12 triumph over Dietzel's Gamecock (as graded by points from the films) were issued special practice jerseys which had five stars on each shoulder pad and the word "Champ" in big letters across the back. Players who produced the "big play", as Mike Pharis' punt-blocking, Jack Dyer's effort against the punter and Mike Robichaux' top feats on defense were additionally honored

chances.

"But, Lord knows, Jimmy Dousay did one heck of a job so I couldn't ask him to do any better. I noticed he carried six times for 49 yards. I couldn't ask a tailback to do a better job."

He also had pats on the back for defensive ends John Garlington and Mike Robichaux for their team work on that second period play which netted the Tigers a TD.

Robichaux rushed quarterback Bob Railey, who was back to pass. Mike tipped the ball and it went into the arms of the onrushing Garlington.

Garlington didn't break stride as he tucked the ball safely under his arm at the Rice 42 and went all the way.

"That was the best defensive end play I've ever seen at LSU," Mac said.

The Atmosphere of Disappointment

By LARRY HOLDEN
Daily Reveille Editor

A numbness prevailed on the buses from Rice Stadium to the waiting airplane.

It wasn't quiet. The boys talked over the good points—and the bad points—of the game they had just lost. They weren't sad, disappointed but not sad. One of the team summed it up with "It's over, and that's that." He, too, was disappointed.

The same atmosphere, or almost the same atmosphere—one of numbness, had filled the inside of the buses from Broussard Hall to the plane





waiting at Ryan Airport Saturday morning to take the Tigers to their encounter with the Rice Owls.

Leaving at 9:55 that morning, the DC7 was brimmed with the 54 traveling team members, coaches, newsmen and a few odds and ends of students and University personnel. About an hour after take-off, the big plane arrived at the Houston airport.

The Sheraton-Lincoln Hotel was the next destination for the team members and associated travelers. Arriving at 11:35, the well-organized schedule put the group at the



lunch table at 11:45.

Supper hit the timetable at 4.

At the nearly-empty stadium (it was two hours before game time), the team walked onto the field to inspect it. The dressing rooms were next for outfits, last minute instructions and other parts of a footballer's pre-game conditioning.

The Tigers went through a vigorous workout on the field, and then re-entered the dressing room. At 7:30, with the bright lights bouncing off the dew on the grass, the Tigers swarmed onto the field.



The game — well, every-letes (of which there were one knows about it. We lost, 54).

17-15; but more important than losing the game, is that we may have lost Nelson Stokley for the rest of the season. And that's bad.

The dressing room after the game was quieter, much quieter, than on the buses. In the room, everyone — the team members, the trainers, the coaches, Jim Corbett — all were quiet.

The plane ride from Houston back to Ryan Airport seemed faster than the trip to the Texas city. The meal served on the plane was fit for a king (forgive the triteness) or for outstanding ath-



IF LSU PREVAILS...

Defense Will Do It

By PETER FINNEY

A lot had been made of the potential explosiveness of the LSU football team, yet, if the Tigers are to prevail against South Carolina Saturday, the betting is the defense will do the job.

Charley McClendon will throw nine lettermen at Paul Dietzel's power-I, a defense which should be quicker — and more effective — than the one which last year allowed 11 opponents 164 points.

The 1965 yield was the largest by an LSU team since 1956 when Dietzel's second club at Baton Rouge gave up 197 in a 3-7 season.

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WHAT HAS boosted McClendon's hopes about his '66 alignment are juniors Mike Robichaux and John Garlington, a dynamic duo, "the finest pair of defensive ends we've ever had."

To this hard-rushing "dynamic duo" goes the job of containment and, in the case of Saturday's opponent, it means keeping quarterback Mike Fair from getting to the outside.

"Off what he did against us last year," says McClendon, "Mike Fair and Steve Spurrier of Florida are the finest quarterbacks we'll face this season."

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FAIR MISSED spring training because of baseball yet, in the Gamecocks' fall drills, he has impressed Dietzel with his fine throwing arm and his nifty running.

"I've felt all along our defense would have to carry us in the early games," says McClendon. "This is nothing unusual especially when you have as many new faces in the offensive line as we do."

George Bevan, left linebacker, and Gerry Kent, right cornerback, are the only non-lettermen among the defensive starters — and McClendon has been impressed with the progress of his two rookies thus far.

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YESTERDAY the Tigers zipped through a 90-minute drill in shorts designed, as McClendon put it, "to get a little spring in the players' legs."

Mae continues to be pleased with the progress of Tommy "Trigger" Allen, likely starter at tailback. "He's getting mentally ready," said the coach. "You can tell when he wants to stay after practice on his own for extra work."

McClendon had no intention of tinkering with his I-formation attack for Dietzel's Gamecocks. "If something has worked for you in the past — as it did against Arkansas in the Cotton Bowl — you stay with it."

LSU HAS been getting ready for "every cockeyed defense you can think of" according to McClendon who says "the question is always whether you can adjust quick enough."

Several players, including tackle Allen LeBlanc, came down with sore throats during the week, disrupting some of the practice sessions.

Asked if the injuries and illness would put more pressure on quarterback Nelson Stokley and rookie "Trigger" Allen, McClendon said: "I hope it puts more pressure on the whole team."

THE TIGERS ON DEFENSE

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| JOHN GARLINGTON (6-1, 215, Jr.) | TOM FUSSELL (6-1, 230, Sr.) | MIKE DUHON (5-11, 205, Sr.) |
| JOHN DEMARIE (6-2, 230, Sr.) | MIKE ROBICHAUX (6-1, 205, Jr.) | JERRY JOSEPH (5-10, 175, Sr.) |
| GEORGE BEVAN (5-11, 190, Soph.) | MIKE PHARIS (6-0, 205, Sr.) | GERRY KENT (5-10, 170, Soph.) |
| LEONARD NEUMANN (5-10, 170, Sr.) | SAMMY GREZAFFI (5-10, 170, Jr.) | |

Robichaux Is Star ^{LaF. Comet} On Tiger Defense

It would be hard to convince Texas A&M that LSU defensive end Mike Robichaux could hardly see Saturday night. A virus left the defensive demon weak and as the game sapped his strength, his vision blurred. "I couldn't read the scoreboard," he admitted.

Yet he still managed to come up with a couple of big

plays that possibly kept A&M from winning over the Tigers. On one occasion, he broke through to throw quarterback Edd Hargett for a nine yard loss and on the next play he helped to break up an Aggie pass that could have set up a field goal attempt.

We weren't able to play Mike as much as we would

have liked, "Coach Charles McClendon said. "He has been outstanding for us all year and when he's not in there, we miss him."

Robichaux's rise to football prominence has been a surprise to many, particularly Robichaux himself. The shy 205-pounder would rather talk about his one-month-old son, but he admitted that "all I wanted to do was to make the freshman team. I didn't plan any further than that."

It would be impressive to say that there were 75 major schools clamoring for his ability, but it would be far from the truth. Would you believe one? By mail? Robichaux said that one school was interested and offered him a scholarship by mail, but he said, "my father went to LSU and I know he would have been disappointed if I had selected another school."

Actually, no one had a chance to see much of Mike in high school. He was hurt in the second game of his senior year and missed the rest of the season. He was primarily an offensive fullback and played linebacker and some defensive end. "I wasn't much of a fullback," he admitted, "so I didn't figure to get too many scholarship offers." He came to LSU on his own, but after a good freshman season, he won a scholarship.

His speed, desire and ability to make the big play have advanced his reputation to the point where old time Tiger fans are mentioning Mike's name in the revered company of Gaynell Tinsley, generally considered to be the yardstick

by which other Tiger terminals are measured. Actually, they were two different types. Tinsley was stronger; Mike has speed in his favor.

Testimonials of men who work with Mike every day have earned him this right of comparison. "We haven't seen a better defensive end over a period of five years in college football," says LSU assistant coach Doug Hamley, who tutors Tiger linebackers and ends.

"He has the intensity of purpose to be an All American," says defensive coach Bill Beall, "but that is the least of his concern. He's a team man all the way and plays every game as if his life depended on it. He doesn't know the meaning of half speed, even in practice. He has the same attitude and desire that made Jerry Stovall a success.

Needless to say, the opposition has been duly impressed by Robichaux's ability. Hamley said, "More coaches around the country asked me about Mike than any other player I've ever coached. They all seemed to think he played like a senior in 1965."

An excellent student majoring in pre-medicine, Robichaux says his only desire in football is to "get the job done right." He also praised his coaches, saying, "the most satisfying thing to me is to have a team so well scouted that you can read their formations. This lets you get the jump on them. A good scouting report makes the defensive job easier, and we always get

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Robichaux Is

excellent scouting reports." Dubbed "The Raceland Ripper" by a Baton Rouge newspaper, Mike makes the name seem inappropriate by his shy manner off the field.

Winning Tigers Retain Oriental Flavor

By PETER FINNEY
The Chinese Bandits are gone but LSU, it seems, retains some Oriental flavor.

According to Charley McClendon, they have a Frenchman who plays like one of those Japanese kamakaze pilots of World War II.

"MIKE Robicheaux," said Charley after viewing the movies of the Tigers' 28-12 win over South Carolina, "made some tremendous defensive plays.

"First, he busted through and blocked Carolina's extra-point after the first touchdown. Then, when we blocked their kick for a score, it was Mike who tackled the Carolina man who was trying to kick the ball out of the end zone. This move enabled Jack Dyer to recover just inside the back line.

"Overall, Robicheaux just made life miserable for Mike Fair, the Carolina quarterback, once we got our defense

straightened out. He played championship football."

THE Gamecocks' 10-play 66-yard drive to make it 7-6 in the first quarter featured the shotgun formation from which Fair both ran and passed with effectiveness.

"We were breaking down on our containment," said middle guard Mike Duhon. "Once we were able to keep him from getting outside we were able to handle the shotgun."

How did Carolina compare to last year?

"THEY seemed quicker and they hit real hard," said Du-

hon. "I think they got a little tired in the second half but it was plenty hot out there."

Nelson Stokley, LSU's leading ball carrier with 78 yards in 15 carries, said the Tigers went into the game figuring to run on the inside.

"We thought they'd be outside conscious after last year," the junior quarterback explained. "We hit 'em inside at first but then we found out we could go around them. They adjusted to this in the second half.

"WE HAD SUCH good success running—our offensive line was really blowing 'em out of there—that we never

really had to go to the pass."

McClendon felt the offensive team had the ball so much in the first half "the boys kind of got a little tired."

"This is one reason we played 46 boys," he said. "Eighteen of them were getting their first taste of varsity football and, I'm happy to say, six of these sophomores graded in the 80 per cent category."

THE SIX were tailbacks Maurice LeBlanc and Tommy Allen, strongback Tommy Motte, linebacker George Bevan, cornerback Gerry

Kent and kicker Mitch Worley.

"We were tickled with Worley's punting," said McClendon. "You've got to be happy with a 43-yard average. The big thing Mitch has to work on—and the rest of the offensive team—is punt coverage."

Bobby Bryant's 77-yard punt return did catch the Tigers with their coverage down. "I thought I was playing it cute," said tackle Terry Estlay.

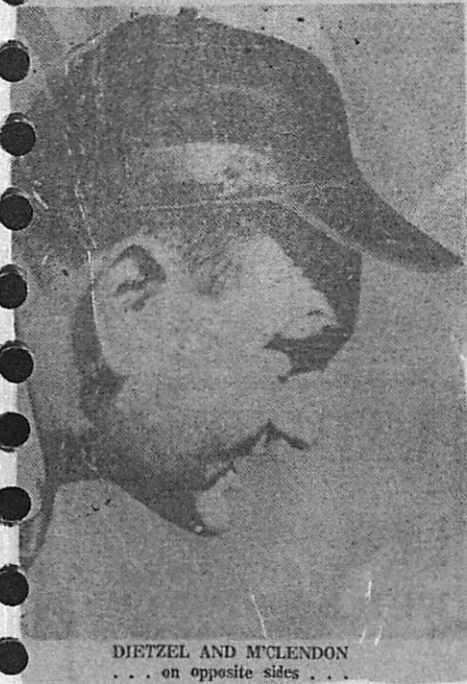
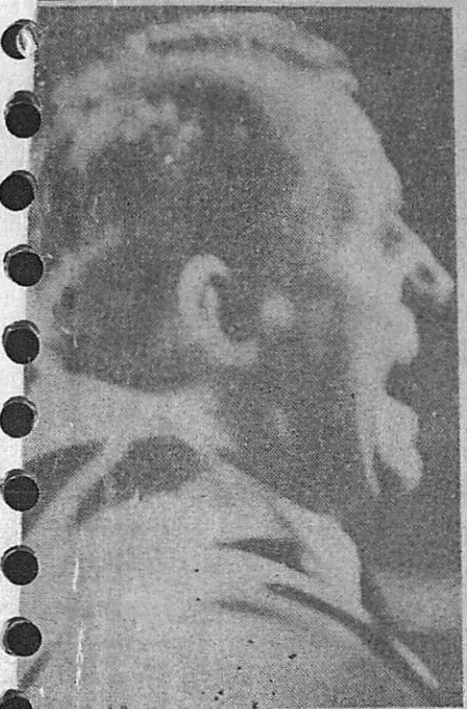
"I got outside the wall they were setting up but Bryant ran inside the wall and then cut to the outside. When he did, I missed a tackle."

TWO OF McClendon's most anxious moments came before—and during—the game.

"Billy Masters turned up with an infected knee," said McClendon. "For a while Saturday afternoon, it looked as though he might not play. But he did—mostly on courage.

"Then, when Stokley went down in front of the Carolina bench, I held my breath. I couldn't stand much more. What happened was Nelson got a blow on his knee—a bruise. But he came out of it great, thank god."

McClendon praised sophomore quarterback Fred Haynes. "Fred has lots of scrap," says Mac. "He nearly gave



DIETZEL AND McCLENDON
... on opposite sides ...

LSU's Dynamic Duo Plus Four

Before sneaking off to Louisville for a week of Derby doings, I'll leave you with a little preview of what to expect in tomorrow night's LSU spring game in Tiger Stadium.

1. Don't expect much in the way of formations.
2. Keep an eye on the "solid six"—defensive ends Mike Robicheaux and John Garlington, strongback Billy Masters, fullback Gawain DiBetta, split end Sammy Grezaffi, and tailback Maurice LeBlanc.

Obviously, this year's Purple-Gold game won't give you an indication of LSU's offensive potential in that the key man—quarterback Nelson Stokley—will be watching from the sidelines.

Fred Haynes, the 5-9 scrambler from Minden, and Trey Prather, 6-1, 200-pounder from Shreveport, have had a valuable spring yet neither has shown enough ability to

SPRING LINE ON THE TIGERS

| Date | Opponent | Favorite |
|-----------|---------------------|--------------|
| Sept. 17— | So. Carolina (home) | LSU by 14 |
| Sept. 24— | Rice (away) | LSU by 6 |
| Oct. 1— | Miami (home) | LSU by 13 |
| Oct. 8— | Texas A&M (home) | LSU by 12 |
| Oct. 15— | Kentucky (away) | LSU by 3 |
| Oct. 22— | Florida (home) | LSU by 2 |
| Oct. 29— | Ole Miss (home) | LSU by 2 |
| Nov. 5— | Alabama (away) | Alabama by 5 |
| Nov. 12— | Miss. State (home) | LSU by 7 |
| Nov. 19— | Tulane (away) | LSU by 14 |

challenge Nelson, a fellow who had 901 yards in total offense (in six games) before a knee injury put him on the shelf.

You will get some idea of LSU's defense, however, and, unless I miss my guess, it should be sounder than the offense despite the galaxy of ball carriers in Charley McClendon's stable.

Robicheaux and Garlington, for example, have become known as "the dynamic duo" and, for the reasons, listen to McClendon.

"They are the two finest defensive ends we've ever had at one time since I've been at LSU," says Mac. "Actually, the offense couldn't handle them in scrimmages. To keep things going, we had to ask them to stop tackling the quarterback."

Sammy Two-Way Player in the Fall

The 205-pound pair are the Kamikaze-type head hunters who play a crashing game. Wisely McClendon has split 'em up tomorrow night, Robicheaux on the Purples, Garlington on the Golds.

"We're planning to play everyone one way Saturday," says Mac. "I think we'll get away with it if we don't come up with any injuries that would force us to double up."

All of which brought McClendon to Sammy Grezaffi—the 9.6 sprinter who'll see duty at split end.

"We know what he can do on offense," says McClendon. "In the spring game, we want to see him at split end. He may be one of the few two-way players in the fall. As a receiver, we feel he'll give the defense something to think about."

Billy Masters?

"Here's a case of a boy maturing all of a sudden," says McClendon. "Billy is 6-5 and 225 and he still doesn't

LSU'S PROBABLE LOOK IN THE FALL

(Weight, class, number of letters won in parenthesis)

| OFFENSE | | DEFENSE | |
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| SE | Sammy Grezaffi (170, Jr., 1 L) | E | Mike Robicheaux (205, Jr., 1 L) |
| LT | Terry Esthoy (225, Jr., 1 L) | T | John Demerle (230, Sr., 2 L) |
| LG | Ed Banker (215, Sr., 2 L) | MB | Mike Duhon (205, Sr., 2 L) |
| C | Barry Wilson (200 Jr., 1 L) | T | Tommy Fussell (230 Sr., 2 L) |
| RG | Jim Homic (205, Sr., 1 L) | E | John Garlington (205, Jr., 1 L) |
| RT | Al LeBlanc (240, Jr., 1 L) | LB | George Bevan (185, Soph) |
| TE | Bob O'Brien (215, Sr., 2 L) | LB | Mike Pharis (205, Sr., 1 L) |
| QB | Nelson Stokley (170, Jr., 1 L) | HB | Gerry Kent (170, Soph) |
| TB | Jim Dousay (190, Jr., 1 L) or Maurice Masters (225, Sr., 2 L) | HB | Jerry Joseph (175, Sr., 2 L) |
| SB | Billy Masters (225, Sr., 2 L) | HB | Len Neumann (170, Sr., 2 L) |
| FB | Gawain DiBetta (190, Sr., 2 L) | HB | Sam Grezaffi or Tommy Allen (180, Soph) |

know how fast he is. The other day he ran away from Tommy Allen, a 9.8 boy, after catching a pass.

"The Cotton Bowl was the turning point for him. He came of age. Now he's beginning to show some leadership. Beginning to throw his weight around.

"I learned last year about a burden the boy had been carrying. Coaches from other schools were after him to transfer, telling him he wasn't being used enough.

"At the banquet following the 1965 Sugar Bowl, his sophomore season, Billy admitted he had decided to leave LSU at the end of the semester. He changed his mind that night.

"They kept hounding him last season and it wasn't until the last part of the year that he shook himself. The Cotton Bowl removed all his doubts."

Maurice—Faster, Shiftier Than Stovall

Gawain DiBetta?

"He likes fullback," says McClendon. "He's going to do an awful lot of blocking at that spot but he's looking forward to it. Gawain doesn't want to play behind anyone."

Maurice LeBlanc?

"He's an interesting story. As a freshman, he was a real standout while Jim Dousay didn't play because of a muscle injury.

"Before the 1965 season, however, we didn't know until the last minute whether to hold out Jim or Maurice as a backup for Joe Labruzzo.

"We decided to hold out Maurice because he had an ailing shoulder and Dousay was fully recovered from his freshman injury.

"Maurice is 6-1 and 180 and he reminds me of Jerry Stovall. He's not as strong a runner as Jerry but he has more speed and he's much better in the open field. He's got moves like Johnny Robinson and Scooter Purvis.

"In speed, I'd rate him on a par with Labruzzo who, after Billy Cannon and Sammy Grezaffi, are the fastest football players we've had since I've been here."

Seemingly, there's no end to LSU speed these days.

Earlier this week McClendon told of Darrell Hicks, 6-4, 206 pounder from Buckeye, La., a standout in football, basketball and track.

McClendon, who signed Hicks to a football grant, saw the boy recently and inquired as to how fast he was.

"Well, coach," Hicks told McClendon, "the other day I ran a scared 10.2." Mac blinked then asked the youngster: "What do you mean 'scared'?"

"Well, I went to this meet and they put me in the 100-yard dash, something I never went in before," explained Darrell. "It was the first time I ever saw starting blocks.

"When the gun went off, I pushed off the blocks and they gave way. I fell down to my knees. All those other guys were off and running and I got scared. I got up and ran as fast as I could. I won in 10.2."

So don't look behind—Darrell Hicks of Buckeye may be gaining on you.

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JOHN GARLINGTON
6-1, 215 Pounds



MIKE ROBICHAUX
6-1, 205 Pounds

Garlington and Robichaux To Anchor Defensive End Posts For 1966 Bengals

HOLY HEADGEARS, it's the dynamic duo!

Gotham City might be Tiger Stadium, or Stoll Field or any place the Tigers might be playing football and Batman and Robin will be playing defensive ends for Coach Charles McClendon's 1966 team.

Coach Mac's version of the invincible TV heroes are John Garlington and Mike Robichaux, a pair of the most devastating defensive ends seen in Tigertown in some time. While LSU's dynamic duo won't operate with Batmobiles or Batropes or any of the other gadgets made famous by their TV counterparts, it will be hard to convince LSU opponents that they are not using some gimmick to slip blocks and make tackles in the backfield.

The rise to prominence of this pair of juniors was made in an unspectacular manner that belies their somewhat spectacular play. And while both are rugged physical specimens, their chief weapons are speed and determination.

Last year Coach Mac, with seasoned veterans holding down the defensive end positions in the Tigers' 5-4 alignment, assigned Robichaux and Garlington to the kickoff team, primarily because they were fast and were "headhunters."

When senior defensive end Ernest Maggiore was hobbled by injuries, Robichaux stepped into the breach and did a tremendous job. Garlington then began to "breathe down the neck" of the other starter. In the latter part of the season, Garlington took over and it will

take some dislodging to move the Quitman strong boy at this stage.

In practice scrimmages during spring work, the pair were so adept at nailing the quarterbacks that Coach Mac often took them out of the drill in order that the young passers might have a chance to throw the ball.

Garlington, the huskier and stronger of the two, is a 215-pounder who stands 6-1. At Jonesboro-Hodge High School, he was an All-State end and ran both dashes as well as on relay teams in track. His speed often allows him to pursue the opposing quarterback to the opposite side of the field to make the tackle from behind. His strength makes him difficult to block.

Robichaux, a 6-1, 205-pounder, is a graduate of Race-land High and came to LSU without an athletic scholarship. It didn't take long for him to prove his ability, however, and win the grant-in-aid. Outside of his speed, Robichaux's exceptional agility makes him a difficult target for opponents to block and he always manages to be near the ball carrier. Both Garlington and Robichaux have tremendous second effort and often they will make a big play because they refuse to stay blocked.

It goes without saying that there may be a better defensive end in the South than either Garlington or Robichaux, because there are many excellent athletes in football today. But Tiger fans will contest the fact that a team has a better pair of defensive ends than "the dynamic duo."

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Governor Promises Support of Full Nicholls Athletic Program

A delegation of legislators from several local parishes and Thibodaux businessmen received a definite commitment from Governor John McKeithen Wednesday that he will support a complete athletic program for Nicholls State College.

The group received Gov. McKeithen's assurance that he recognizes that Nicholls is one of the fastest growing of the state colleges and the educational facility would

be incomplete without such things as a stadium and a well rounded athletic program.

Attending the conference with the governor was a large delegation of Thibodaux citizens, Mayor G. Leslie Broussard of Houma, and legislative delegations from Lafourche, Assumption, St. Mary and the river parishes, including Representatives Richard Guidry of Lafourche, Cleve

Marcel and Dick Talbot from Terrebonne, Risley Triche of Assumption, Lloyd Himel of St. James, Emery Villar of Ascension parish and Senator Harvey Peltier Jr. of Thibodaux.

Edmond Deramee Jr., president of the Nicholls State College Century Club was spokesman of the group. Deramee thanked the governor for all the things he has done for Nicholls and explained that this move for full athletic facilities was one that came from the general public and was not initiated at Nicholls.

He told the governor that the people of the area felt that Nicholls, growing in enrollment and the center of a heavily populated area of south Louisiana was entitled to the same type of facilities as other schools in the Gulf States Conference.

Deramee added that he knows these things have to have priority to be accomplished, and he felt that this would be the time to promote the thought that the state should give us the funds for this program.

Governor McKeithen was in agreement with this line of reasoning, but he pointed out that there are some \$150 millions in requests being made this year and

that a surplus of only \$10-\$15 million would be available and it would be impossible to fill all the requests.

When asked if it would be possible to get the needed funds, approximately two and a half million dollars, McKeithen said it was "possible", but that he would make "no guarantees."

The governor also pointed out that there are some \$150 million worth of projects appropriated and that some of these buildings are not off the architect's drawing boards.

At the outset of the meeting yesterday morning, the governor created a light mood for his callers by joking with the delegation that there were "too many good football players from Lafourche parish coming to LSU," to give Nicholls a football team.

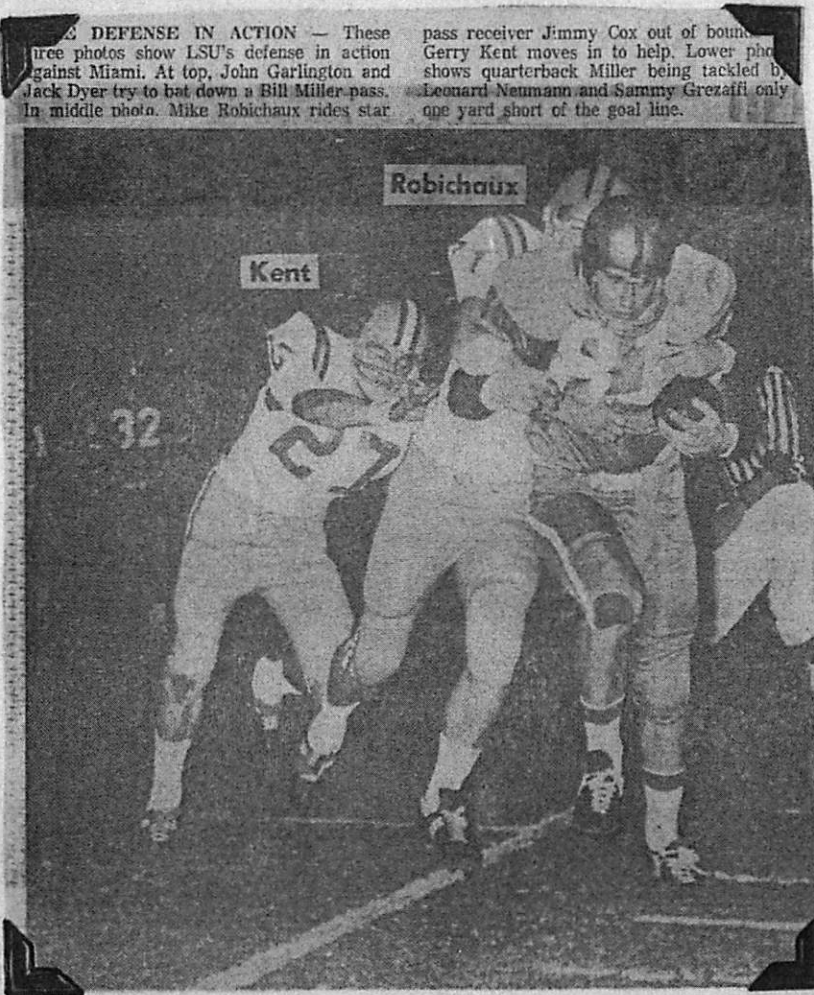
He praised Joe Labruzzo, Mitch Trosclair, Ruffin Rodrigue, Don Schwab, Jerry Guillot and Mike Hillman and touted Mike Robichaux as an All American in 1966.

Having established an air of levity, the governor immediately left that tack and said he wanted it plainly understood that while he

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LSU - MIAMI

DEFENSE IN ACTION — These three photos show LSU's defense in action against Miami. At top, John Garlington and Jack Dyer try to bat down a Bill Miller pass. In middle photo, Mike Robichaux rides star pass receiver Jimmy Cox out of bounds. Gerry Kent moves in to help. Lower photo shows quarterback Miller being tackled by Leonard Neumann and Sammy Grezaffi only one yard short of the goal line.



Tigers

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a football force whose wonderings were as aimless as a tropical storm.

LSU kept Miller in bondage most of the evening and the Tigers' line knocked a heavier Hurricane forward out of the box. The first was completely Tiger, the Hurricanes' offense ingloriously smothered by a Tiger attack led by end Mike Robichaux, linebacker George Bevan and Mike Pharis, middle guard Mike Duhon and tackles John Demarie and Tommy Fussell.

LSU shunned the pass and aimed its offensive punch at Miami's mid-section. As a result, the Tigers outrushed Hurricanes 201 yards to 92 and the ball.

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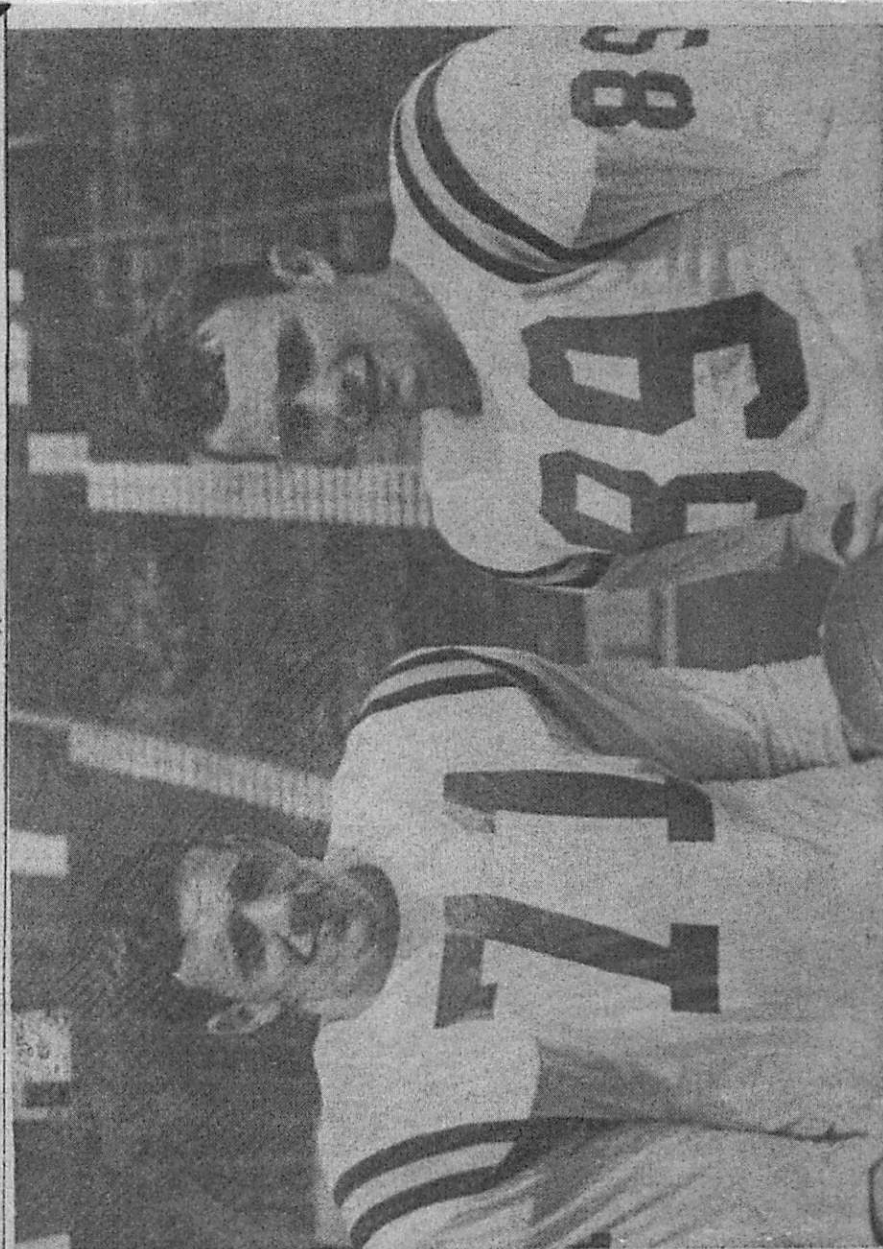
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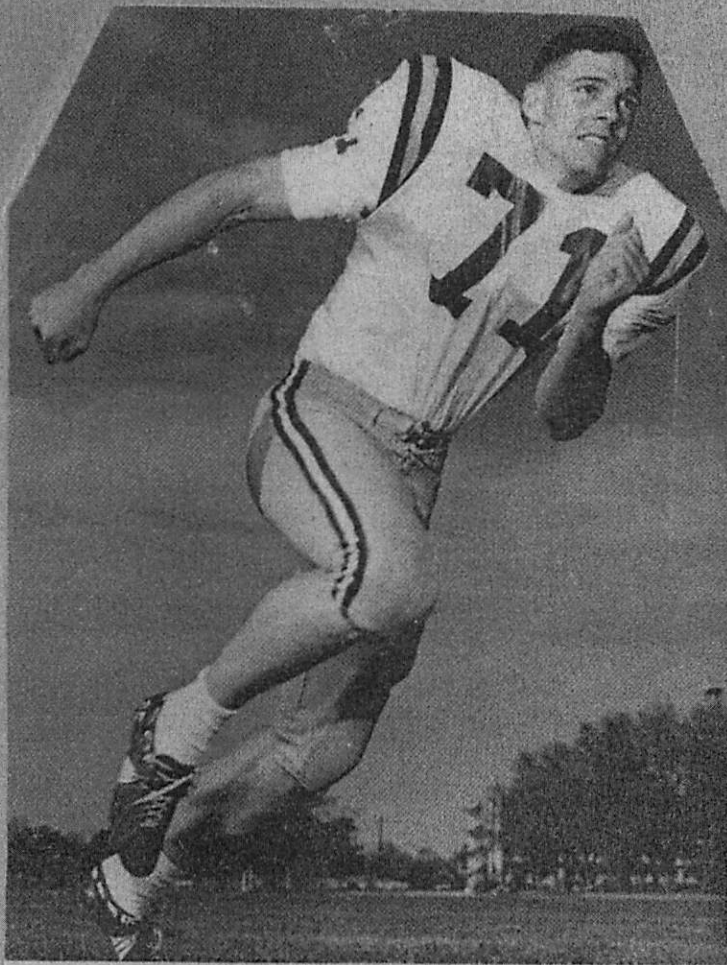
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SPURRIER IS THEIR TARGET — Rated by some as the best pair of defensive ends in college football, LSU's Mike Spurrer (left) and John Garlington will carry much of

the burden of rushing Florida's Steve Spurrier in tonight's Homecoming game in Tiger Stadium.

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MIKE ROBICHAUX—Mike Robichaux, 205 pound sophomore tackle from Raceland, will be on the field with the famed LSU Chinese Bandits Saturday night against the Rice Owls. Robichaux aided the LSU cause last week with a fumble recovery against Texas A & M.

LSU vs. Rice
1965

Coach McClendon is worried about the Florida game and admitted that he feared the Gators.

"Well, maybe not afraid of them—I'm not afraid of anyone—maybe a healthy respect for them is a better phrase," Coach Mac commented.

Defensively the Gators have shown in their first two games. Their safety Bennett has grabbed off two enemy aerals and George Grandy one.

Another fine facet of the Gator game is their punt return and kickoff return game. Their Trammel has returned four punts for 60 yards and Harper six for 55 yards.

Harper has carried two kick-offs back for 50 yards.

Coach McClendon had a word of praise for his "head-hunter" on the kickoff team, sophomore Mike Robichaux, who blasted a Rice returner last week.

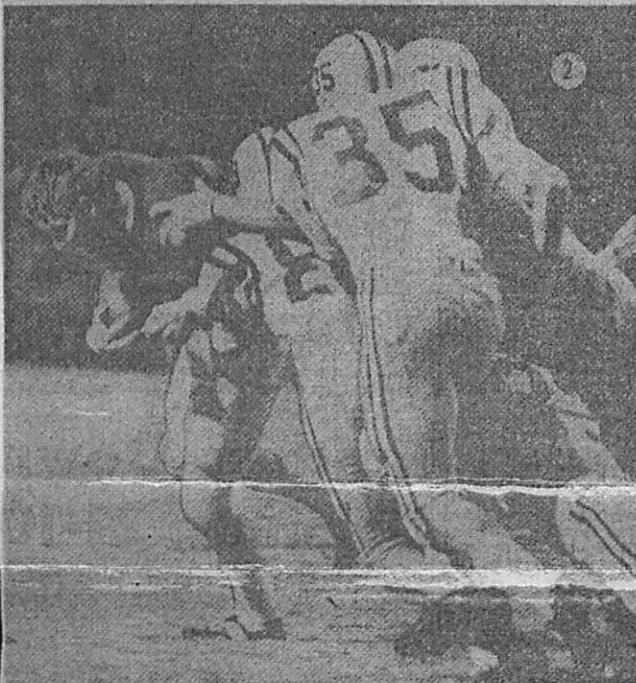
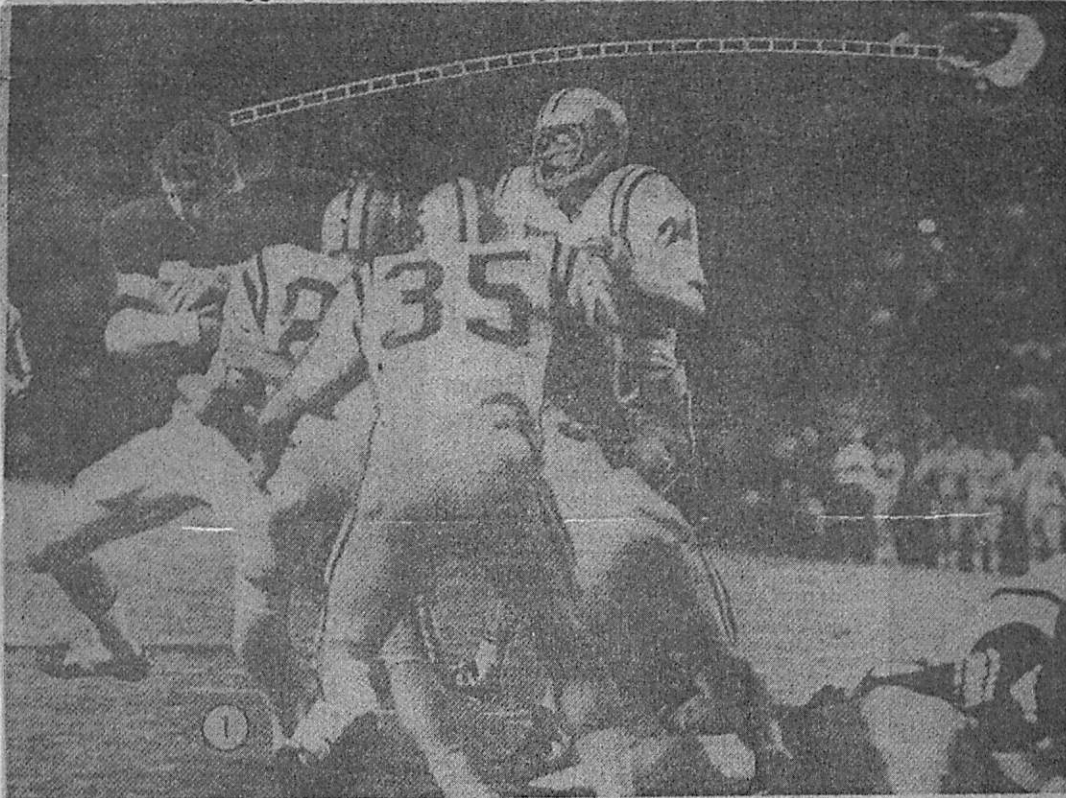
"That was the first time in a long time when we got down there that quick to get a man inside the ten unless he had fumbled," Coach Mac stated.

Robichaux spun the Owl head over heels with a jarring tackle.

The game is a "double-revenge" one as the Gators bested the Bengals in a delayed fray last fall and LSU would like to avenge the defeat.

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Then just a fraction of a second later Jones and Robichaux made contact. Housley dropped to the turf at the three — he had lost two precious yards.

The crisis had not passed, but the big play settled down the Bengals and certainly put doubts in the mind of the point-hungry Aggies.

On the next play it was Bill Sallee who tested the Tigers, trying the right side of his line again. This time Jones made the stop without any assistance, throwing Sallee to the turf at the two.

Sallee came back at the same spot. Again Jones was there. So was Leonard Neumann and Sallee was felled at the one.

Now it was fourth down and Coach Gene Stallings figured the Aggies had had enough of those ferocious defenders and called upon Glynn Lindsey to attempt a field goal from the six.

As Lindsey, who if he wasn't, should have been a bit nervous, prepared to put the foot to the ball, saw Robichaux charging in.

Lindsey connected, but it was to the left and you could have heard the roar of the crowd all the way back to College Station, Tex.

There was some criticism of Stallings for going for the FG instead of six points.

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Three plays later, with A&M at the 21, Robichaux crashes through to smear Hargett for a nine yard loss. This forced Lindsey to attempt a 46 yard field goal. It was to the left, and short.

As it turned out, those two efforts by Roby and Garlington were more or less tune-ups for the real moment of truth the Bengals were to face at their goal line some 15 minutes later.

Yet, with all the heroics, LSU had to settle for a 7-7 tie, and their dressing room resembled a morgue. There was little conversation as the Tigers went about showering and getting into street clothes.

"Judging from the atmosphere down the hall," McClendon said pointing in the direction of the Tiger locker room, "You'd think we lost a game. Our kids really felt bad."

"Well, we didn't lose, but we didn't win, either. Look, I think we did a pretty good job out there tonight. Hargett had gained 431 yards in the last two games. I think that maybe we did a good job of holding him to 138 yards."

McClendon also went to the defense of his rookie quarterback, Trey Prather, who saw action for the first time Saturday night.

The big Shreveporter threw two interceptions and lost a fumble.

"Trey did all right," the Bengal coach said. "You realize, of course, that we had to pick him out of the pack at the very last minute to help us after we lost Nelson Stokley."

"He's going to be okay—he's got to be — he's got to do it for us."



STOPPED COLD — Texas A&M's Wendell Housley (27) is met by LSU defensive end John Garlington on the first play of LSU's gallant goal line stand Saturday night. In the first picture, Housley is jarred loose from his helmet and then Garlington (89) hangs on for dear life as David Jones (35) and Mike

Robichaux move in for the kill. Housley staggered to his right (No. 2) and hit the turf with a thud (No. 3) for a two-yard loss. The Tigers held on three plays from the one-yard line before A&M missed an eight-yard field goal.

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