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Shoot For Improved Record

to improve on last year's mark as we were not satisfied with that record."

That is the way Ballard High School football coach Gresham Roskamp sums up his hopes for this year's Bombers.

"If the fellows will only think that they can do it, I'm sure we will be able to do it," Roskamp told the Journal.

As a team the 1961 edition of the Bombers will pack few surprises over their counterparts of 1960 and 1959. The starting lineup will include almost the same names found on the 1960 roster when the Bombers noted a season record of three wins, four defeats and one tie.

Only three positions were left vacant by graduation last spring with the results, that for most of the team, it will be their third year together. The slots remaining to be filled before the Bombers take the field on Sept. 15 against North Polk are at guard and tac-

"We're still young in the line. There is only one senior in the line," notes Roskamp.

"We've got fair speed. I'd say we've got a fair ball club all the way around. We're not very deep. Maybe we're one deep at every position. Injuries are going to hurt us."

Already one player has fallen victim to injuries and will probably be out of the lineup for about six weeks. Sophomore wingback Bill Wilson dislocated the large pone in his wrist during practice Tuesday. He was considered the squad's second string wingback,

"We think we'll be a stronger passing team this year than we ever have been," says Roskamp.

Roskamp, however, does not plan to over emphasize his passing attack.

"We'll definitely be running," the mentor notes. "We'll try to balance it."

Coming back to help the Bombers better their '60 record

"We definitely are going to try are ten letter winners from last year's squad. They are guard John Elder, guard Art Heggen, tackle Jerry Persons, end Steve Shaeffer, end Ron Elder, spin

tailback Ron Rosenfeld.

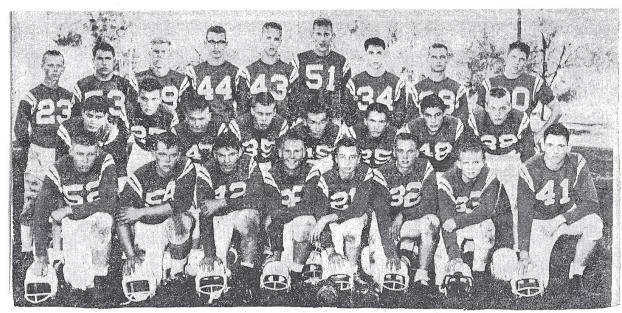
they will do a capable job."

the three slots that remain to be Hawkeye Central Eight Confer- year." ence Roskamp noted:

back Ken Twedt, blocking back ed equally as well as they were think there are three or four Larry Gardner, wingback Phil last year. The boys filling them teams that are capable of pulling Cline, center Rich Gardner and are younger fellows but we feel upsets at any time-including

ourselves. It's going to be a more Roskamp remains hopeful about Taking a quick look at the even conference than it was last

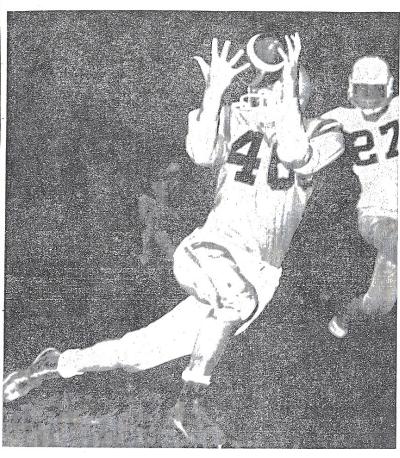
"We still wish that we had "We feel that they will be fill- "I would pick Nevada. But, I more leaders out," Roskamp adds. "Certainly this year looks better than any year we've ever



BALLARD'S BOMBERS will get their severest test this season (SECOND ROW) John Tweedt, Bill Wilson, Dave McHone, Richwhen they meet the defending conference champion Ogden Bulldogs tonight. Coached by Gresham Roskamp, the 25-man squad is undefeated so far this season. The team includes: (front row, left to right) Terry Larson, Jerry Persons, John Elder, Roger Anderson, Orville Byrd, Bob Twit, Mike Antill, Ron Elder.

ard Gardner, Kay Finch, Ken Tweat, Jim Ihle, Art Heggen, (rear) Richard Heggen, Larry Gardner, Jerry Ryerson, Harold Pierce, Steve Shaeffer, Dennis Ray, Don Wilson, Ron Rosenfeld and Phil Cline. A Ballard victory tonight would leave Nevada and the Bombers tied for the league lead. (IOURNAL PHOTO)

Ballard extends victory string, 32-0



The Ballard Bombers rolled two other would-be tacklers and ence win.

A stunned Nevada crowd saw the Cubs mauled on the home field with vicious tackling and blocking from a Ballard team that made it clear early in the game they liked to play football and they like to play it hard with one goal in mind-to win.

And win they did, scoring in the point after touchdown to make vada's 30. it 7 to 0 when the clock slowed snake eves.

Phil Cline scored in the second | vada will play Story City. period with a 54 yard run from scrimmage that brought the crowd to its feet, to make the score at half time 19-0.

The slaughter didn't let up the second half as Rosenfeld burst loose again for a 10 vard run to make the score 25-0. The extra point attempt was unsuccessful.

Don Wilson produced one of the most spectacular plays of work on defense to be fair the game late in the third quar- though," he added. ter when he literally grabbed the ball from Cub end Gary Evans on a pass play, stiff arm- Ballard ed Evans to the ground, eluded Nevada

over Nevada with ease last night ran 40 yards for a touchdown to at Nevada, 32-0, to rack up their make the score 31-0. Larry Gardseventh straight victory of the ner added the icing on the extra season and their sixth straight point attempt and going into Hawkeye Central Eight confer- the fourth quarter, the Bombers led 32-0.

The fourth quarter turned out to be mostly a defensive effort with neither team scoring.

Ballard had it over Nevada statistically too on the ground except passing yardage. Ballard ran up 285 yards in rushing yardage compared with 59 for Nevada.

The Bombers had 24 yards the first quarter with Don Wilson from passing while Nevada comgoing over from four yards out. piled 28. Ballard drew 120 yards Ron Rosenfeld trotted across for in penalties compared with Ne-

> Ballard plays Maxwell away from home next week while Ne-

Bomber coach Gresham Roskamp praised his charges after they carried him off the field following the game. He said the Bombers made "few mistakes" on defense.

The mentor praised Rosenfeld and Cline for offense work and Wilson for defensive work in the game. "I think I'd really have to praise the entire team for

Scoring by Quarters

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In his hands

Nevada end Dave Ruffert seemingly 'has it spoiled the would-be perfect pass play that made' in the pass play above during the Ballard - Nevada game last night but Ballard defensive man Bill Wilson moved in quickly and

would have gone for much needed yardage. (Tribune Photo)

Ballard, Hawks Central Eight champs

Has undefeated football season

By WALT FOLEY Tribune Sports Writer

The Ballard Bombers finished ing. out an undefeated-untied season at Maxwell last night by beating the Rockets 34-13 to become the 1961 Champions of the Hawkeve Central Eight Conference.

In grinding out the victory, the Bombers rolled up 369 yards on the ground and Larry Gardner. fullback, completed passes for 137 well it was Sesker again on a 50 yards. Ballard made 16 first yard touchdown run, but the PAT downs to Maxwell's six. The rock- failed and the score was Ballard ets gained 197 yards on the 34, Maxwell 13. ground, but failed to make any yardage in the air.

Kline Opens Scoring

the first quarter for the Bombers He said they were a great bunch with a 41 yard touchdown and Ron of kids that were enjoyable to Rosenfeld scored the point after work with. He added that they touchdown.

In the second quarter Rosenfeld went 13 vards for a touchdown, Ken Twedt scored the PAT. In the same quarter, Twedt returned a punt 82 yards only to be brought down on the two yard line by the Maxwell defense. On the next play Rosenfeld went over for the touchdown and Kline scored the PAT to complete the first half scoring.

In the third quarter Larry Gardner completed a pass to Kline for the season for both teams. Last a 50 yard touchdown. Bill Wilson year Ogden was the Hawkeye scored the PAT to make the score Central Eight champion and Bal-

Sesker Runs 85 Yards

Then Don Sesker, sophomore back for Maxwell made an 85 yard Ballard 7 14 7 6-34

ets first touchdown. The PAT was good to end the third quarter scor-

In the fourth quarter Gardner again completed a touchdown pass, this time to Ron Elder for a 22 yard fouchdown. The attempt for the PAT failed and Ballard led

In the fourth quarter for Max-

Praises Team

Ballard Coach Gresham Roskamp had lots of praise for his Phil Kline opened the scoring in team's showing during the season. were very coachable, which is the reason for any team going undefeated for a season. He also added that the team played 40 minutes of football and liked it every game.

Roskamp attributed last night's victory to a team effort but singled out Larry Gardner's passing, Ron Elder's receiving and Ken Twedt as standing out on offense. On defense he praised Kline and Don Wilson.

Last night's game wrapped up lard finished fifth with a 3-4 won and lost record.

Score by Quarters

kickoff return to score the Rock- Maxwell 0 0 7 6-13