

**W**HAT was the outstanding bit of team play by a Sooner sports team this past school year? What was the most praiseworthy individual feat?

Selecting the top team achievement is dead easy—the Oklahoma football team's smooth savage handling of the formidable Missouri team in the first and second quarters of the Homecoming Day here last November.

Most of you Homecomers doubtless recall how Coach Tom Stidham's Sooners spectacularly drove to touchdowns the first three times they got their hands on the ball in that contest. For the ones who weren't there to see, here's the word picture:

Down on the tan stubble of the close-cropped Sooner football rectangle, the Oklahoma and Missouri teams are taking their positions for the kickoff, the white-jersied Sooners scattering all over the south third of the field and the gold-sweatered Tigers deploying latitudinally along the 40-yard stripe at the north end, one player in the middle of the spaced Missouri line teeing up a new orange ball while another, Paul Christman, brawny kicker-off, backs up with short steps, his eye glued to a spot low on the belly of the pigskin.

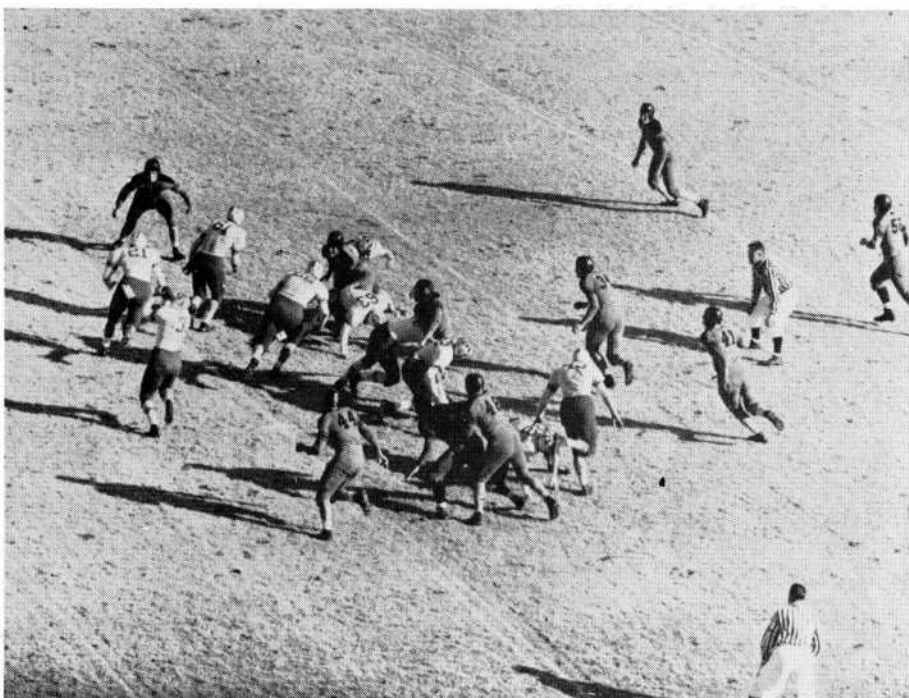
It's hard to tell, just looking at the two teams from a distant focal point high in the stadium before the kickoff, which will be the better that day. Playing on their home field, Tom Stidham's Sooners, the toast of the state since they whaled Rice, Texas, Kansas, Nebraska, Tulsa and Kansas State on successive Saturdays, surely can take any team they play.

But one hears, with a thrill of alarm, that this Missouri team has the real jungle charge. It has administered four consecutive hidings to opponents, 13-0 over Washington, 26-0 over St. Louis university, 13-10 over Biff Jones' Nebraska Cornhuskers on Nebraska's home field and 6-0 over Charley Bachman's tough Michigan State Spartans. Missouri is a coming team while rumor has it that Oklahoma, wearied by half a dozen terrific battles, may be falling back.

Referee Dwight Ream, a wiry scowling black-haired fellow who watches the play like a hawk and has walked off many a penalty yard, puts his whistle to his lips and at its shrill treble the Tiger kicker lifts the ball against the stiff south wind. The game is on!

Earl Crowder, Oklahoma's hard-running blocking back, fields the ball back on his 15-yard line and behind compact interference that forms and holds beautifully in front of him, up-ending Tigers all over the turf, speeds 43 yards down to the Tiger 42-yard line and nearly gets away cleanly before the deadly Oklahoma blocking finally lets a Missouri tackler reach him.

From there Oklahoma drives freshly and strongly to a touchdown in 13 plays with Fullback Hugh McCullough hitting off right tackle for the score. Twice during this Sooner march the fourth down found Oklahoma short of the required ten yards but each time McCullough daringly gambled



*Gene Corrotto shooting off Missouri's right tackle for 18 yards during Oklahoma's second touchdown drive last Homecoming Day. Oklahoma won, 21 to 0.*

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By Harold Keith

and made the distance. Raphael Boudreau, squatty little Purcell senior, came in and kicked goal and Oklahoma had scored in the first seven minutes of play from kickoff without surrendering the ball.

A few minutes later Oklahoma came into possession of the leather a second time, a Tiger punt rolling dead on the Sooner 22-yard measurement, and again the Oklahomans, fashioning a running attack of irresistible power, rolled to a touchdown without once losing the ball and little Boudreau came in and booted another perfect placekick to build the score to 14 to 0.

The Sooner drive this time measured 78 yards and Stidham's terriers bridged it in exactly 20 plays, most of them short-yardage stabs so typical of single and double wing-backery with an occasional overhand shovel pass thrown in to keep the Missourians guessing.

For those who like play-by-play detail, this second touchdown was achieved as follows:

Jennings gained 3 yards on a reverse.  
McCullough failed but Missouri was offside.  
McCarty ripped off left guard for 4 yards and a first down on the Oklahoma 35.  
McCullough tried right guard for one yard.  
McCullough passed to McCarty behind the line of scrimmage who gained 3 yards.  
McCullough worked the same throw to Jennings coming around the other side for 7 yards and a first down on the Sooner 46, Dickens tackling.  
McCullough smashed right guard for 5 yards.  
McCullough repeated for 4 more.

McCullough hit off right tackle for 2 yards and a first down on the Missouri 44 as the first quarter ended.

Coach Stidham substituted almost an entirely new Oklahoma team.

Gene Corrotto reversed off left tackle for 4 yards. Seymour swept right end for 11 and a first down on the Tiger 35, Starmer pitching him out of bounds.

McCullough spun off right guard for 2. McCullough shovel-passed to Corrotto for 18 yards and a first down on the Tiger 15.

Seymour made 2 yards at right tackle. McCullough's long pass failed.

McCullough shovel-passed to Corrotto for 6 yards.

On fourth down, McCullough gambled and made 5 yards over left tackle for a first down on the Missouri 2.

Seymour lost one yard, Kinnison tackling. McCullough made 2, Kinnison tackling.

Corrotto powered through his left tackle for a touchdown.

Boudreau came in and kicked goal.

Dazed by all this jolting, the Tigers gamely shaped up to the merciless Sooners a third time only to have Fullback Myron Council fumble on the Missouri 36-yard line, where Waddy Young, Oklahoma's All-American right end, alertly recovered.

It was the third time during the game Oklahoma had possessed the ball, and just as they had on the other two occasions, the Sooners ruthlessly scored a touchdown without once being forced to punt, McCullough sailing a long pass to 6-foot 4-inch John Shirk in the Missouri end zone, the touchdown play traveling 24 yards.

The 21,774 in the stands, and thousands of radio listeners, too, were aghast at the awful power of the Sooners during these three drives, but while they were exulting an alert official took this third touchdown away from Oklahoma. Shirk, the giant Sooner left end, was detected pushing the Missouri defensive half out of his path just before he caught the touchdown pass. What made the affront even more serious was the fact that the offended Tiger was nobody else but Bob Faurot, brother of the Tiger coach. Back to the Missouri 24-yard line went the ball and from there a striped-shirted official strode back 15 yards more, and the uninterrupted Sooner assault finally had been stayed.

But in spite of the loss of that third touchdown the Sooners had shown their mettle. Seldom does any football team wheel to three touchdowns the first three times it takes the ball against a team as good as Missouri. The Sooners were sharper in this game than any other they played all season. After reaching their peak against Missouri, they hit a streak of injuries and began to fall off a bit although they were still potent enough to shackle every team they met until they encountered Tennessee in the disastrous finale seven weeks after the Missouri clash.

But even the Tennessee defeat couldn't take away from the Oklahomans the glory of their play against formidable Missouri. Their mechanical perfection that day as they tracted 42, 78 and 36 yards for touchdowns with every cylinder popping in unison and every cog meshing smoothly, was a thrilling beautiful sight.

It is harder to name the boss individual feat of the year. Perhaps the honor can be divided three ways.

First there was the great coverage and stop by Joe Gullledge, Sooner junior second-baseman from Duncan, in the sixth inning of the second Missouri game here May 23. Coach Lawrence "Jap" Haskell's well-coached team won both these games, 10 to 4 and 8 to 1, annexing the Big Six title, and Gullledge's great play helped cinch the final contest.

The Tigers had men on second and third and two were out when Ken Whacker, the Tiger hitter, smashed a vicious hit past Roy Myers, Sooner first-baseman. With the ball streaking down the right field foul line and both Missouri base-runners legging it for home, it looked like two runs for Missouri.

But Gullledge had started moving to his left with the crack of the bat. Spiked shoes flying, he raced over and phenomenally trapped the ball within six feet of the foul line in short right field, then recovered himself and threw out Whacker at first by half a stride, retiring the side.

It was a corking play, the best of the series, and when Gullledge walked up to the plate in the last of the seventh and slashed a home run to left center field, the crowd of 2,500 arose and gave him a thundering ovation and it was unquestionably his day.

Eddie Toribio, the university's Big Six champion sprinter, did some splendid run-

ning in the Big Six Outdoor track and field meet May 20 at Ames, Iowa, when he ran through three strings to lead the Sooners to second place in the final team standing.

First Toribio ran a dead heat with Wright of Nebraska in the 100 yards, judges deciding they tied for first although the announcer of the Ames amplifying system told the crowd Toribio had won and the wirephoto picture of the finish showed the pudgy Sooner half a stride ahead.

Toribio then came back with 45 minutes rest and won the 220 yards dash by two full yards from George Koettel, his brilliant team mate who had done 20.5 seconds for the distance in a dual meet against the Oklahoma Aggies at Norman April 14.

But still he wasn't through. The mile relay, last track event on the program, was coming up and the Sooners needed an anchor runner. Again the willing Toribio was drafted and again he ran a corking race, twice turning back challenges from Iowa State's John Cunningham on the anchor quarter to finish a yard and a half in front and give Oklahoma the relay victory.

Toribio won an additional honor when he arrived home. The Sooner athletic council decided he was the outstanding athlete-scholar in the university and awarded him the Big Six medal for the feat. Toribio followed Robert "Doc" Erskine, his old high school coach, to Norman from New Orleans, Louisiana, in 1935 when Erskine was

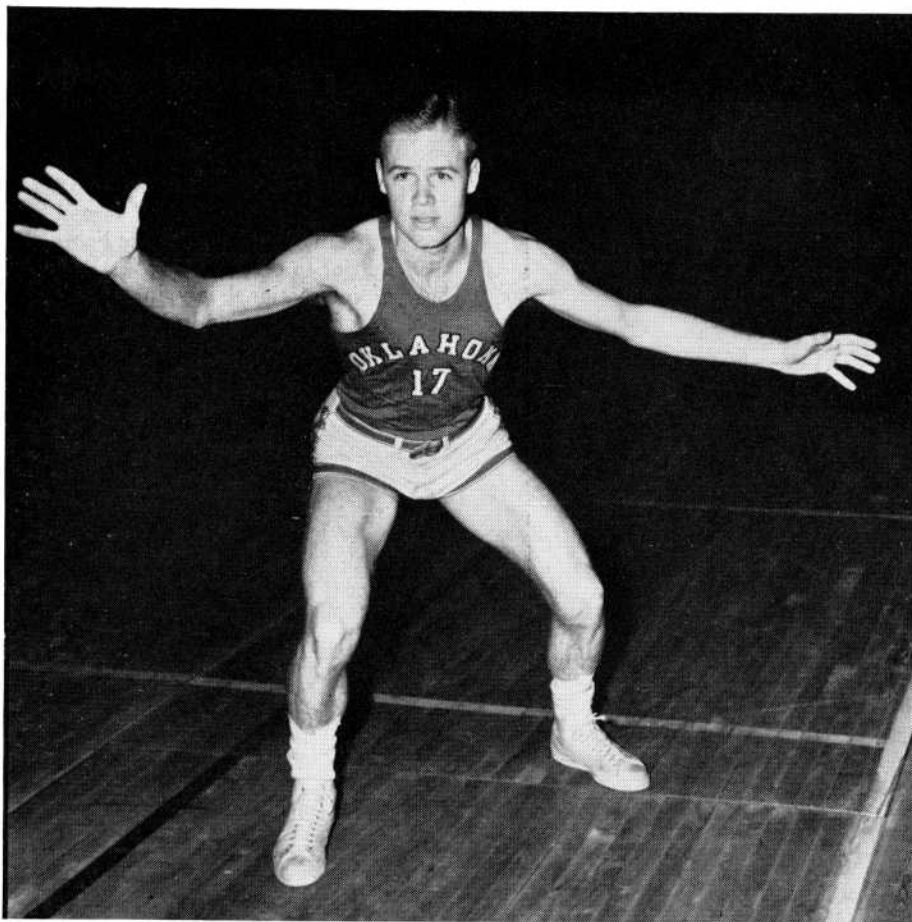
named Oklahoma backfield mentor by Major Lawrence "Biff" Jones. Of Spanish descent, Toribio is a senior in the University college of education and one of the most popular athletes ever developed here.

The third Sooner standout this past season probably was Marvin Snodgrass, blonde thick-chested man-stopper of Coach Bruce Drake's Oklahoma basketball team, Big Six conference co-champions, Fifth District champions and runner-up to the University of Oregon's National Collegiate champions in the Western Regional tournament at San Francisco late in March.

Snodgrass specialized in defense. That may sound peculiar since the Norman junior, a student in business administration, has played two years on a team that was known for its spectacular concentration on offense to the almost total neglect of guarding. (Oklahoma holds the Big Six team scoring record of 46.2 points per game and in Jimmy McNatt also claims the individual scoring hot shot, McNatt canning 29 points against Iowa State to set the present conference record. But Oklahoma holds no defensive records).

Snodgrass first blossomed into defensive stardom in the Oklahoma-Arkansas series here in December. Star of the big Arkansas aggregation is Johnny Adams, 6-foot 3-inch sophomore phenom who recently ran away

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*Marvin Snodgrass, Oklahoma's greatest defensive basketball guard of the past decade, who stopped in succession this past season the individual scoring champions of the Southwest, Rocky Mountain and Pacific Coast conferences.*

George Washington University and then came to the University.

In 1909 there were only four buildings on the campus: the Administration Building, Old Science Hall, the Education Building and a small engineering shop. The first law classes were held in Old Science Hall in half of the space given to the Zoological Museum. Dean Monnet recalls that shelves and cases were shoved back to make room for classes. Later, classes were held in the Education Building and in 1913, Monnet Hall was constructed and named in honor of the dean.

There were six students in the first graduating law class. In 1938 there were eighty-four graduates.

Six honorary degrees were given in 1910 to law seniors of Epworth University, but these were not regular bachelor of law degrees.

For one year, in 1911, Dean Monnet was acting president of the University, following the resignation of President Evans and before the appointment of President Brooks.

Dean Monnet has more years of service as dean of the School of Law than any other dean of law in the nation.

Dr. John Cheadle, professor of law, was the other faculty member when the School of Law was first a department in 1909. He was assistant professor of law until 1911 when he became professor of law. He was acting professor of law at Leland Stanford University during 1914-1915.

He majored in modern languages at the University of Kansas and had some plans for teaching but dropped his plans and took a degree in law from the University of Kansas. Later he received degrees from the University of Chicago and from Harvard. He had a private practice in Alva until 1909 when he came to the University.

When he attended the meeting of the American Bar Association in London in 1924, he had one of his most interesting experiences. He attended a reception given by the King and Queen of England at the royal residence.

He has written many articles for legal publications and has written three editions of a case book in Indian land law. Dr. Cheadle was chairman of the civic commission of Norman and prepared the petition for elections by which the present form of city government was voted for Norman.

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with the Southwest conference individual scoring championship.

Adams beat the Sooners single-handed the first night, looping in nine field goals. However next evening Coach Bruce Drake of Oklahoma put Snodgrass, a squad man who had played very little, on Adams and the blond bulldog of the Sooners held the Razorback to a lone field goal.

Snodgrass stopped another great scorer

January 2 at Dallas, Texas, in J. D. "Sniper" Norton, Southern Methodist's great senior shot-maker. In the first game Norton ran wild against Oklahoma, scoring 19 points and leading the Mustangs to a 49-44 triumph.

Next night Drake beckoned Snodgrass into action and Norton scarcely got even a whiff of the goal as Snodgrass held him to one basket and Oklahoma breezed home, 49 to 31.

After that performance Snodgrass was a regular. He limited George Golay of Kansas to one goal and dangerous-shooting Ervin Reid of Kansas State to two goals. If an enemy sharpshooter threatened, Coach Drake sicced Snodgrass on him and quit worrying about it.

Perhaps Snodgrass's finest sentry duty occurred in the Missouri game at Norman. During the first half he held John Lobsinger, outstanding Tiger player, to one lonesome free throw. However Hal Halstead, the other Tiger guard, was hot, hitting five zooming long goals. Missouri led at the intermission, 24 to 17.

However, in the second half Coach Drake switched Snodgrass off Lobsinger on to Halstead and with Snodgrass holding Halstead scoreless, the Sooners rallied fiercely to win, 43 to 40.

Hurt in the Oklahoma Aggie game at Stillwater, Snodgrass was out of the Iowa State game at Norman and also rode the bench through most of the Kansas defeat at Lawrence. However, with Howard Engleman of Kansas scoring 27 points, Drake rushed the limping Snodgrass into action and for eight minutes of the second half Snodgrass picketed Engleman so grimly that he held him to one field goal and probably saved Jimmy McNatt's Big Six scoring record. But his injured ankle pained him so badly that Drake withdrew him.

In Oklahoma's 50 to 39 trouncing of Utah State, Rocky Mountain conference runners-up at San Francisco, Snodgrass was assigned to speedy little Delmar "Bus" Bingham, champion scorer of the Rocky Mountain conference, and held Bingham to one field goal.

In Oklahoma's 37 to 55 defeat by Oregon's rangy national collegiate champions in the finals, Snodgrass held Laddie Gale, Oregon's 6-foot 5-inch forward and Pacific Coast conference scoring champion, to two field goals.

Why is Snodgrass such a good guard? Coach Drake can give you the answer.

"He has good footwork," the youthful Sooner coach explains. "He shifts about the floor like a boxer with the gloves on, is particularly good at covering his man laterally and is hard to feint out of position. I never saw a player who can cover an opponent so closely without fouling him."

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### Hatcher goes to Stroud

O. E. Hatcher, '27ma, superintendent of schools at Duke, has been elected superintendent of schools at Stroud.

Mr. Hatcher is a former president of Northwestern State College, Alva.

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