MOREHEAD, Ky., July 1 — Jim Voight, who guided Hickman County High School to a 29-2 record last season, has been named an assistant basketball coach at Morehead State University.

His appointment completed the reorganization of Morehead State's basketball coaching staff. Named earlier were Head Coach Bill Harrell and Assistant Coach Jack Black.

Voight, selected as "Coach of the Year" in the Jackson Purchase last year, has coached high school teams for 13 years and compiled a superb 160-63 mark in his last seven seasons.

Before joining Hickman County for the 1968-69 campaign, Voight coached at Paducah St. Mary, Lyon County, Breckinridge County and Bryan College, Dayton, Tenn.

A 1958 graduate of Austin Peay, Voight will work on his master's degree at MSU. He will continue to direct the annual "Championship Basketball Coaches Clinic" at Paducah.

The new Eagle assistant is married and the father of two sons and a daughter. He began his new duties July 1.
MOREHEAD, Ky., July 8 --- Two standout high school wrestlers from Ohio and Oklahoma have signed grants-in-aid with Morehead State University.

Wrestling Coach Dan Walker announced that Mike Deaton of Martins Ferry, Ohio, and Noble Beck of Tahlequah, Okla., will join the MSU matmen in September.

Deaton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Deaton of Martins Ferry, competed three times in the Ohio state high school wrestling tournament. He is 5-8 and will compete in the 118-pound class.

Beck, son of Mrs. Evelyn Beck of Tahlequah, placed fourth in the Oklahoma high school tournament. He is 5-10 and will wrestle in the 158-pound class.

Deaton and Beck bring to six the number of freshmen wrestlers signed since January.

Morehead's grappling Eagles will be out to improve last season's 1-9 record.

"Both young men will be first-line competitors for us this coming year," Coach Walker said of the latest signees.

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MOREHEAD, Ky., July 10 — Roger M. Hayes of Pikeville has been named trainer of athletic teams at Morehead State University.

Hayes, 21, who will be graduated from MSU in August, served as assistant trainer during the 1968-69 term and as a manager in 1966-67 and 1967-68.

Son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hayes of Betsy Layne, the new trainer will be employed as a graduate assistant in the athletic department after starting work on his master's degree in September.

Hayes, now acting trainer, is a 1965 graduate of Pikeville High School.

A former vice president of the MSU Student Council, he is a member of the Varsity "M" Club and founder of the Tau Kappa Epsilon social fraternity chapter at Morehead State.

As trainer, Hayes will be responsible for physical conditioning of all MSU athletes engaged in intercollegiate competition. His duties start Sept. 1.

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MOREHEAD, Ky., July 12—Larry Robinson, a high-jumping, ball-hawking guard from Paintsville High School, has signed a basketball grant-in-aid to attend Morehead State University.

A 6-foot, 160-pound sharpshooter who averaged 18.5 points per game in his senior year, Robinson pulled down more than 11 rebounds each game to lead the squad, an unusual category for a backcourt performer.

He was signed by MSU Assistant Coach Jack Black and will study industrial arts at Morehead State.

The new MSU signee is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Robinson of West Van Lear.

"We think Larry has the character and attitude of a good basketball player and can add to our pressure-type game," said head coach Bill Harrell of the ninth freshman signed since May 1.

Robinson was a regular for three years under MSU alumnus Gary Knight at PHS and won all-district and all-county honors. He was named "athlete of the year" by the school varsity club.

Besides rebounding, the 18-year-old Robinson also led the Tigers in free throw percentage and steals.

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MOREHEAD, Ky., July 15 --- Morehead State University will face 10 football opponents this season on what second-year head coach Jake Hallum expects to be a "real tough" schedule.

Hallum and his staff are convinced the Ohio Valley Conference will have the most overall team strength in its history this year with Murray and Western Kentucky their picks for the league championship.

Morehead State's schedule includes seven games against fellow OVC schools and three outside clashes with Marshall, Youngstown and Kentucky State. The 1968 Eagles finished 3-6-1 and 1-6 in the OVC.

The 1969 MSU gridiron campaign opens at home Sept. 20 against Marshall's Thundering Herd in the first of two night games at Breathitt Sports Center. Last year's meeting at Huntington, W. Va. ended in a 7-7 tie. Hallum predicts Marshall will have several of the nation's top sophomores.

The OVC chase starts Sept. 27 when the Eagles host Middle Tennessee's Blue Raiders, figured to be in a rebuilding year under a new coaching staff. Middle Tennessee won the 1968 game, 27-18, at Murfreesboro. The kickoff is set for 8 p.m.

Morehead hits the road Oct. 4 to meet Murray's Thoroughbreds at Murray. The veteran Murray squad captured last year's game, 28-21, at Morehead.

Austin Peay's Governors travel to Morehead Oct. 11 for a Homecoming Day battle at 2:30 p.m. in Breathitt Sports Center. Austin Peay is expected to be stronger than last season when they edged the Eagles, 17-16, at Clarksville, Tenn.

Oct. 18 will find the MSU gridders in Youngstown, Ohio, for an 8 p.m. clash with the Youngstown State University Penguins, the first of three straight road games. Last year's game at Morehead thrilled an MSU homecoming crowd when the Eagles roared back from a 26-0 halftime deficit to turn back the Ohioans, 35-26.
Tennessee Tech's Golden Eagles will play host to Morehead State Oct. 25 at Cookeville, Tenn. Tech is considered a darkhorse in the OVC title race. Morehead won the 1968 game, 24-12, at Morehead.

The MSU Eagles face powerful Western Kentucky Nov. 1 at Bowling Green. The rugged Hilltoppers grabbed a narrow win, 24-21, in last year's meeting at Morehead.

East Tennessee's Buccaneers invade Breathitt Sports Center Nov. 8 for a 2 p.m. encounter with Hallum's youthful Eagles. East Tennessee emerged last year with a 16-13 victory at Johnson City, Tenn.

Morehead moves to Frankfort Nov. 15 for a 1:30 p.m. test of Kentucky State College's Thorobreds. The Eagles trounced KSC in the 1968 game, winning 46-0 at Morehead.

A Nov. 22 date with Eastern Kentucky at Morehead closes the 1969 season. Game time is 2 p.m. Eastern's Colonels, OVC champ the past two seasons, downed the Eagles last year, 35-7, at Richmond.

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MOREHEAD, Ky., July 26 --- The best junior college baseball player in North Carolina has signed a grant-in-aid to attend Morehead State University.

Gary Cress, a 20-year-old catcher and third baseman from Gaston College, Dallas, N. C., will transfer to MSU in September.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Duard Cress, Salisbury, N. C. and will be a junior in baseball eligibility.

Morehead State Coach John (Sonny) Allen said he expects Cress to replace graduated Steve Dunker, a two-time All-OVC catcher for his Ohio Valley Conference champion Eagles.

"Gary is an exceptionally fine baseball player who will be a tremendous asset to our program," said Coach Allen.

Cress hit .342 this year and was named the most valuable junior college player in North Carolina. He was selected for all-state and all-conference teams and his classmates voted him the most valuable athlete at Gaston College.

He is listed in the current edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges."

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MOREHEAD, Ky., July 26 --- Morehead State University is certain to end up on the winning side Saturday, Aug. 2, when the Louisville and Jefferson County high school football all-stars meet at Fairgrounds Stadium in Louisville.

Two city players and one from the county squad have signed athletic grants-in-aid to attend MSU this fall.

City all-stars headed for Morehead State are Ed Helline, a 180-pound quarterback from St. Xavier, and Mark Sheehan, a 207-pound tackle from Trinity.

Another city selection, 195-pound guard Bob Diersen from Trinity, has indicated he will report to Morehead's fall practice as a freshman walk-on.

The county player coming to MSU is Ike Unseld, a 207-pound tackle from Thomas Jefferson, who has signed a basketball grant.

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MOREHEAD, Ky. --- Lamar Green and Willie (Hobo) Jackson will leave three years of college basketball glory behind them next month at Morehead State University.

Green and Jackson, both 6-7 and both from Birmingham, Ala., each have signed professional basketball contracts. Green will report to the Phoenix Suns of the National Basketball Association (NBA) and Jackson to the Kentucky Colonels of the American Basketball Association (ABA).

Jackson was drafted by the Baltimore Bullets of the NBA but chose to play in the younger league. Green already has survived the Suns' rookie cut.

Throughout their three-year varsity careers when the Eagles compiled a mark of 46-26, Green developed into an overpowering rebounder and Jackson into a consistent scorer.

Jackson, who played center, amassed 1,049 points in three seasons to move into seventh place on the all-time MSU point list. He passed Warren Cooper who scored 1,011 points in three years from 1943 to 1945.

"Hobo" added 793 rebounds in the 70 games he played under former head coach Bob Wright.

Green, a hustling forward with extraordinary jumping ability, was the nation's third best college rebounder last season with an average of almost 18 per game. On the year, he nailed 483 rebounds and finished with a career total of 914. Also, Green contributed 805 points in the 71 games he wore the Blue and Gold.

Both cagers were tabbed for the All-Ohio Valley Conference teams and honorable mention on several All-America Teams.

Each player had his best year last season as the Eagles finished with an 18-9 mark and the co-championship of the OVC with an 11-3 record in loop games. Jackson had 456 points for an average of 16.9 plus 327 rebounds for an average (more)
of 12.1. Green grabbed 483 rebounds and scored 400 points. His averages, respectively, were 17.9 and 14.8.

Green is the son of Mrs. Margaret Green, 3731 Second Place West, Birmingham. He is a 1965 graduate of Carver High School.

Jackson, a product of Ullman High School, is the son of Mrs. Annie Jackson, 6416 Kimbley Ave., Birmingham. He is married to the former Veronica Gallimore of Hazard, Ky. They are expecting their first child in January.
MOREHEAD, Ky., Aug. 13 --- Bruce Gentry, a Cave City, Ky., junior at Morehead State University, was the most prolific base thief per game in college baseball last season but he considers it a bad year.

The 20-year-old second baseman swiped 18 bases in 10 games for an average of 1.8 thefts each outing and the best per game mark in the nation, according to the NCAA.

Bruce stole all of the bases as a pinch runner, a situation he found less than satisfying. He wanted to play regularly and the part-time action was frustrating.

John (Sonny) Allen, head coach of MSU's Ohio Valley Conference champion Eagles this year, sympathized with Bruce's problem but could do nothing about it.

The starting second baseman, Al Frazier of Cincinnati, had one of the hottest bats in the country and batted .438.

As a team, the Eagles hit .332 and finished with a 22-6 record.

"Bruce is a fine young man who hustles all the time," Coach Allen said. "If his hitting improves next year, he will be my regular second baseman."

Gentry is the fastest man on the Eagle squad and always gets a good jump on the pitcher, according to his coaches.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie B. Gentry of Cave City and played high school baseball and football at Caverna High School.

Bruce hopes to see another Gentry son do well in baseball. He is teaching the national pasttime to his five-year-old brother.
Rogan, a junior, ground out 1,125 yards rushing and 10 touchdowns last year and is counted on to spark the offensive backfield again this season. Rogan finished second in rushing and scoring in the OVC.

Besides replacing his graduated All-OVC selections, Hallum also must find new men at fullback, held down last season by two seniors, and in the defensive backfield. Defensive end Clint Walker and defensive monster Doug Moore have moved into the fullback slot and running back Larry Baldridge has taken Wesley's vacated safety job.

The Eagles' quarterbacking is stronger with senior Bill Marston getting stiff competition from sophomore George Malone and transfer Buck Donley. Freshman Ed Helline also could figure in the picture before the season ends.

"Our offensive line and blocking might be problem spots but we worked hard on both in spring practice," Hallum said.

The former Ashland Paul Blazer High School coach and his staff are optimistic about the Eagles' youth movement with only three seniors on the squad. Thirteen freshmen lettered last year and six of this year's 17 signees may crack the starting lineup.

Ray Cobb, former assistant at Christian County High School, has joined the MSU staff as freshman coach. Cobb is a product of Austin Peay who played under Hallum at Hopkinsville High School.

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MOREHEAD, Ky., Aug. 22 --- Morehead State University Baseball Coach John (Sonny) Allen will long remember his 1969 squad and the final NCAA college division baseball statistics.

Not only did the Eagles win the Ohio Valley Conference championship while building a record of 22-6, they had three players finish among the top 40 college hitters in the country and another MSU baseballer led the nation in base thievery per game.

Center fielder Eddie Wallingford of Peebles, Ohio, finished ninth in national batting with a sizzling .462. Second baseman Al Frazier of Cincinnati was No. 16 with a .438 mark and catcher Steve Dunker of Rockport, Ind. held the 33rd position with his .412 average.

Reserve second baseman Bruce Gentry of Cave City had the nation's top base-stealing average with 18 thefts in 11 games. He swiped each base as a pinch runner.

Third baseman Mike Punko of Rahway, N. J. ranked ninth in home run production, averaging one roundtripper every four games.

Morehead State won the OVC title by leading the Eastern Division and taking a doubleheader from Western Kentucky in the best-of-three championship playoffs.

Punko, Dunker and Frazier were seniors and leave big shoes to be filled next year but Coach Allen is optimistic.

"We have signed some top notch youngsters this summer and, with the nucleus of our club returning, we'll be in fine shape again next spring," he said.
MOREHEAD, Ky., Aug. 22 — Robert D. (Bobby) Ison of Ashland, one of the best high school shortstops in Kentucky, has signed a baseball grant-in-aid with Morehead State University.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ison of 3030 Simpson Road, Ashland.

Signed by MSU Baseball Coach John (Sonny) Allen, the 6-foot, 170-pound shortstop was a starter for three years on Ashland Paul Blazer High School teams that won the state championship twice and finished in the runner-up spot this year.

Bobby led the Tomcats in hitting with a .430 mark. He bats and throws righthanded.

"Bob is a dandy shortstop who will be a definite asset to our program," said Coach Allen.

Ison, who plans to study business at MSU, has been playing baseball since he was eight years old. He is considered an excellent fielder and a better-than-average hitter.

Ison will be joining the baseball team which captured the Ohio Valley Conference championship this year. The Eagles were 22-6 on the season with Coach Allen named OVC baseball coach of the year and center fielder Eddie Wallingford selected as OVC player of the year.
MOREHEAD, Ky., Aug. 26 --- Head Football Coach Jake Hallum is expecting about 100 candidates Thursday for the opening of fall football practice at Morehead State University.

Hallum, starting his second year at the MSU post, anticipates 60 returning players and about 40 freshmen hopefuls will report Wednesday in time for the evening meal.

The Eagles open the 1969 season Sept. 20 at home against Marshall University in one of two night games scheduled at Breathitt Sports Center this year. Kickoff time is 8 p.m.

The players and coaches will devote most of Thursday to photographs and interviews as over 20 sports writers and broadcasters converge on the Morehead State campus at 10 a.m. for Football Press Day.

The newsmen will assemble at the stadium and break for lunch at noon. Practice sessions start Friday with two drills daily until about 10 days before the Marshall game and then one-a-day workouts.

Hallum will have 28 lettermen returning from last year's hard luck team which posted a 3-6-1 record while losing five games by a total of 23 points. Another returnee, defensive halfback Ron Gathright, lettered in 1967 but did not play last season.

The Eagles lost eight seniors from the 1968 squad, including four All-Ohio Valley Conference selections; tight end Marvin Hicks, safety Leon Wesley, offensive guard Dave Moore and defensive tackle Jim Fisher.

But two MSU members of the OVC honor squad are returning, defensive tackle Dave Haverdick and tailback Louis Rogan.

Haverdick, a senior, will anchor the defensive line which Hallum sees as "solid."

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MOREHEAD, Ky., Aug. 26 --- Tickets for five home football games at Morehead State University go on sale Monday, Sept. 8, at the university business office.

The Eagles open their 1969 gridiron campaign against Marshall Sept. 20 at 8 p.m. in Breathitt Sports Center on the MSU campus.

Other home games in the 10,000-seat stadium include Sept. 27, Middle Tennessee, 8 p.m.; Oct. 11, Austin Peay, 2:30 p.m.; Nov. 8, East Tennessee, 2 p.m.; and Nov. 22, Eastern Kentucky, 2 p.m.

Last year's season ticket holders who have not reordered tickets have been asked to do so by Sept. 5. Prices for all tickets are unchanged from last season.

General admission seats are $1.75, tax included. Reserved seats are $2.25 or $11.25 for all five games. Season tickets allow only seat preference.

Box seats are $2.75 per game or $80 for a box of eight seats for the entire home schedule.

Tickets may be ordered by mail from Ticket Manager, Morehead State University, Morehead, Ky. 40351.

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MOREHEAD, Ky., Sept. 9 --- "They're just hungry players, and we anticipated that," said the second-year coach. "But we didn't anticipate the hustle and enthusiasm would make them so anxious to get at the offensive team," he added.

Led by Little All-American candidate Dave Haverdick, the defensive team was "ahead of the offense and we anticipated that," said the second-year coach. "But we didn't anticipate the hustle and enthusiasm would make them so anxious to get at the offensive team," he added.

Haverdick, a 6-4, 240-pound two-time All-OVC tackle, and last year's defensive captain, Bill Wamsley, expected to be among the stalwarts for Hallum's Eagles. But Hallum, usually a man of few words when speaking of his team to the press, "can't contain his delight over the way the first and second defensive teams improved in the first week of practice.

The Eagles' line should be strengthened this week when second team All-OVC tackle Ed Mignery starts contact work for the first time. Mignery, recovering from a wrist operation, is another of Hallum's offensive starters, tight end Gary Shirk, who will have recovered from his badly bruised arm by the end of the week.

Last season's starting quarterback, Senior Bill Marston, has found competition for his job from several other players. Sophomore Shannon Buck Donley, a transfer from Wilmington College, is applying for the position with most of the pressure applied by a starting quarterback, Senior Bill Marston, has found competition for his job from several other players. Sophomore Shannon Buck Donley, a transfer from Wilmington College, is applying for the position with most of the pressure applied by a starting quarterback, Senior Bill Marston, has found competition for his job from several other players. Sophomore Shannon Buck Donley, a transfer from Wilmington College, is applying for the position with most of the pressure applied by a starting quarterback, Senior Bill Marston, has found competition for his job from several other players. Sophomore Shannon Buck Donley, a transfer from Wilmington College, is applying for the position with most of the pressure applied by a starting quarterback, Senior Bill Marston, has found competition for his job from several other players. Sophomore Shannon Buck Donley, a transfer from Wilmington College, is applying for the position with most of the pressure applied by a starting quarterback, Senior Bill Marston, has found competition for his job from several other players. Sophomore Shannon Buck Donley, a transfer from Wilmington College, is applying for the position with most of the pressure applied by a starting quarterback, Senior Bill Marston, has found competition for his job from several other players.
Pushing both men hard on both sides, there is freshman quarterback Ed Helline, a product of Louisville. Helline is starting to stand out as he gains confidence and learns our offensive system," Hallum said.

But no matter how bright spots Hallum finds, he always closes out on a pessimistic note: "We have a long way to go before we'll be ready for the opener."
MOREHEAD, Ky., Sept. 10 — Another of Ohio's outstanding high school football players in 1968 has signed a grant-in-aid with Morehead State University.

Ernie Triplett of Newcomerstown, chosen Northeastern Ohio's Most Valuable Lineman last year, has reported to the MSU training camp as a freshman and is working out as a defensive halfback.

The 6-1, 185-pound defensive ace was signed by MSU Offensive Line Coach John Behling. He helped lead Newcomerstown to an undefeated season last year.

The new Morehead State signee was described recently by Head Coach Jake Hallum as "a fine defensive back prospect with quick feet and a willingness to hit."

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Triplett of Newcomerstown and was chosen as his team's most valuable player.

Triplett appeared in the Ohio North-South All-Star game at Canton last month and ran 35 yards with an intercepted pass.

He plans to study physical education at Morehead State.

Coach Hallum said Triplett had been "giving a good effort" in the Eagles' twice-a-day practice sessions which began Aug. 29.

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MOREHEAD, Ky., Sept. 11 --- Edward (Ted) Newcomb of North Scituate, Mass. has been named track and cross country coach at Morehead State University.

The 33-year-old New Englander succeeds Marshall Banks who has taken sabbatical leave to work on his doctorate at the University of Illinois.

A 1967 graduate of Morehead State, Newcomb was Banks' assistant for three years while in school. He lettered four years in cross country and one year in track for the Eagles.

Newcomb returns to MSU from high school coaching positions in Scituate, Mass. He assumed his new duties Sept. 1.

The new coach of the MSU thinclads is married and the father of three.

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MOREHEAD, Ky. --- You can bet Morehead State University Head Football Coach John (Jake) Hallum will head for Louisville when the recruiting season opens.

The second-year mentor has slated four Louisville players for extensive duty with the Eagles this season. Three may start when MSU opens the 1969 campaign next Saturday night at home against Marshall.

Basketball ace Ron Gathright has been Hallum's biggest surprise. He was a running back and linebacker at Louisville Thomas Jefferson but only saw part-time duty for the MSU Eagles in 1967 before deciding to concentrate solely on basketball.

Morehead State's pass defense was the poorest in the Ohio Valley Conference last season and All-OVC safety Leon Wesley graduated. It was no wonder defensive backfield coach Larry Marmie was glad to see Gathright change his mind about playing football.

"Ron has natural ability with his speed and timing but his most valuable asset is a result of basketball," said Marmie. "That's his ability to react to the ball."

In a surprise move last spring, Hallum moved defensive end Clint Walker to fullback. The Louisville Trinity product is expected to start the Marshall game. The position was not completely strange to Walker because he had seen some fullback action in high school.

"Clint has made the change real well and seems to enjoy running the ball," said Hallum.

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Another Trinity graduate, freshman defensive tackle Mark Sheehan, spent the first week of practice on the second defensive unit. However, defensive line coach Wayne Chapman this week gave him a gold jersey and a gold beret signifying his promotion to the first unit.

"We knew Mark would play a lot of ball for us before the season was over," said Chapman. "We are real pleased with his desire and the way he has developed."

Although he is still learning the Eagles' offensive system, freshman quarterback Ed Helline of Louisville St. Xavier occasionally runs the second offensive unit.

"Ed has a fine arm and will be playing quite a lot for Morehead State this fall," said offensive backfield coach Dan Walker. "We want to give him experience for next season after senior quarterback Bill Marston leaves."

"We've been real pleased with the development of our Louisville boys and you can bet we'll be after as many more from that area as possible," said Hallum.

The 30-year-old head coach returned 28 lettermen from last year's squad which finished 3-6-1 and seventh in the OVC. Thirteen freshmen earned letters in the 1968 campaign.

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MOREHEAD, Ky., Sept. 15 --- Marshall University hasn't won a football game in its last 21 outings and Jake Hallum hopes to keep the string intact.

Hallum is the second-year head football coach at Morehead State University and his Eagles open the season against Marshall this Saturday at 8 p.m. in Breathitt Sports Center.

Marshall's Thundering Herd has the longest winless streak in major college football and the only semblance of a victory in that skein was the 7-7 tie with Morehead last year at Huntington.

But that was last season and both teams have undergone many changes in the interim.

Coach Rick Tolley's Marshall squad has added a blue chip passing combination, quarterback Ted Shoebbridge and split end Dennis Blevins. Both are products of last year's unbeaten freshman team.

Hallum expects the traditional opener will show new balance on offense. Last season's "give the ball to Rogan" strategy has been altered to ease some of the burden on workhorse tailback Louis Rogan. The Cable, Ohio, junior carried the pigskin 278 times and gained 1,125 yards and scored 10 touchdowns in 1968.

The powerful runner is back and Hallum hopes to make him more effective by using converted defensive end Clint Walker at fullback and by more passing.

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Last year's Marshall-Morehead clash was a ground battle but the aerial attack may be the key this time. Bill Marston, the Eagles' senior quarterback, has worked hard on his passing and the backup signal caller, transfer Buck Donley, also has thrown well in practice.

"I expect to see more passing than last year by both teams," said Hallum. "Marshall already has warned us to look for a test of our pass defense and we certainly intend to throw more this season."

The promised test of the Eagles' air defense corps may foretell the rest of the season for Hallum.

His secondary was the weakest in the Ohio Valley Conference last year, surrendering almost 200 yards per game to passers. Defensive backfield coach Larry Marmie is confident better days have arrived with the addition of former running back Larry Baldridge at safety and basketball ace Ron Gathright at cornerback.

The Eagles return 29 lettermen, including 13 sophomores who played nearly full-time in 1968 for a hard luck team which finished 3-6-1 after losing five games by only 23 points.

The youth movement continues this season with only three players scheduled for graduation; Marston, linebacker Bill Wamsley and two-time All-OVC defensive tackle Dave Haverdick.

Offensively, the Eagles will start one senior, six juniors, three sophomores and one red shirt freshman. The first defensive unit has two seniors, three juniors and six sophomores.

Three All-OVC selections are back, including Rogan, Haverdick and offensive tackle Ed Mignery.

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MOREHEAD, Ky., Sept. 17—Morehead State University's revamped football defenses will be tested for the first time Saturday when the Eagles open the 1969 season at home against the aerial attack of Marshall's Thundering Herd.

Chief gunner in the pro-type passing attack at Marshall is heralded sophomore quarterback Ted Shoebbridge. His understudy, soph Bob Harris, also is a dangerous passer.

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Gone from last year's defensive backfield is All-OVC safety Leon Wesley. Larry Baldridge (195) played in the secondary two seasons ago and has been reconverted from running back to free safety.

At defensive halfback, Hallum has been rotating three players. Sophomore Mike Rucker (185) and basketball standout Ron Gathright (195), a junior, are slated to start against Marshall but junior letterman Buddy Castle (180) is expected to alternate with Gathright.

Starting at strong safety will be sophomore letterman Jim Bayes (190) who broke into the starting line-up last year. Red shirt freshman Jim Iams (180) has been unable to dislodge him this fall.

Hallum's main strength will be his solid, veteran line which was second in the OVC last season in rushing defense.
Two-time All-OVC defensive tackle Dave Haverdick (245) is returning for his last season. The line's only loss was tackle Jim Fisher. Battling for the open tackle spot are sophomore John Slaughter (245) and freshman Mark Sheehan (205).

Manning the defensive end position alongside Haverdick will be two-year junior letterman Gary Listerman (195). At the left defensive end will be sophomore Jim Edwards (205).

Hallum is pleased with his depth at middle guard. Sophomore Charles Arline (205), who was injured in the Marshall game last year, waged a tough battle to get his position back from Jerome Howard (200), a sophomore who performed capably last year. Arline had to work his way back onto the first unit this fall.

Senior defensive captain Bill Wamsley (200) is considered by Hallum to be the most underrated linebacker in the conference. He will be playing opposite sophomore Harry Lyles (210), one of the hardest hitters on the squad.

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MOREHEAD, Ky., Sept. 19---Morehead State University Head Football Coach Jake Hallum has worked his offensive team and his field goal squad overtime this week in preparation for their Saturday night opener against Marshall at home.

In last season's 7-7 tie with Marshall, the Eagles amassed 209 yards rushing but were able to score only once. Three times Morehead State had chances to win on field goals but the Eagles were unable to hit from the 19, 27 or 37-yard lines. Hallum doesn't want either to happen in this year's 8 p.m. encounter at Breathitt Sports Center.

He is hopeful the Eagles have a better aerial attack than last year's five yards total passing in the Marshall game. Hallum says the passing of senior Bill Marston has improved.

However, Marston's lack of height hampered his passing last season and Hallum has been pleased with the throwing of Buck Donley who, at 6-2, is five inches taller than Marston.

"Bill fires up the team and he's the leader on the field," Hallum said. "We always know he'll give one hundred per cent when he plays. That's why he starts."

All-OVC selection Louis Rogan (200) is starting his third season at tailback. The hard-running Rogan carried the ball 28 times last season against Marshall and 278 times for 1,125 yards on the year. Red shirt freshman Bill Cason (180) is Rogan's back up man. In one recent scrimmage, Cason scored three touchdowns.

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 converted defensive end Clint Walker (195) will start at fullback. Hallum plans to use the muscular Walker to take some of the offensive load from Rogan. The loss of two 1968 fullbacks forced the conversion of Walker and former strong safety Doug Moore (200) to fullback.

Sophomore John Coning (195) is slated to start at wingback. Freshman Jeff Perkins (180) has been impressive with his speed and may play extensively.

Another of Marston's passing targets, speedster Maurice Hollingsworth, will open the year at split end. The fleet sophomore scored two touchdowns on punt and kickoff returns last season.

Although hampered by a troublesome ankle, John High (165) will alternate with Hollingsworth in the Marshall game. High had one more reception than Hollingsworth last season and is the leading pass receiver returning for the Eagles.

Three men are vying for the tight end job with red shirt freshmen Gary Shirk (210) and Doug Henwood (205) sharing the duties with Vietnam veteran Dennis Crowley (200), a sophomore.

The Eagle kicking corps has been working long hours with John Clark showing improvement over last year. Freshman Kirk Andrews also has been accurate in practice.

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MOREHEAD, Ky., Sept. 22 --- "We're proud of the boys for coming back in the second half but we made too many mental errors."

Morehead State University Head Football Coach Jake Hallum was discussing his team's 27-14 win over Marshall last Saturday night in the opener for both schools.

"That drive near the end of the first half proved our boys had good poise and was another example of how Bill Marston called a fine game," the second-year coach added.

Hallum referred to an 80-yard march which resulted in a score-tying touchdown 30 seconds before halftime.

The Eagles dominated the second half to grab the win.

Marston rewrote two Breathitt Sports Center Stadium records in the game, completing 19 of 27 passes and directing plays which amassed 394 yards in total offense.

The senior quarterback, who played his first game in two years without an injury hampering his throwing arm, connected on four touchdown passes, only one less than his entire output of last season.

"Bill is a steady, dependable quarterback who knows how to lead a football team," Hallum said.

Both tight end Dennis Crowley and split end John High, who each caught two scoring tosses, drew praise from their coach for "good hands and quickness." Both are freshmen.

Freshman tailback Bill Cason, a last-minute sub for the injured Louis Rogan, also pleased Hallum. He picked up 96 yards in 12 carries. Rogan saw only limited action because of a bruised hip.

Five defensive players were singled out for accolades, including tackle Dave Haverdick, linebacker Harry Lyles, safety Larry Baldridge and cornerbacks Ron Gathright and Mike Rucker.
"We had some bright spots but there is much to be done before we'll be ready for Middle Tennessee," Hallum added.

The Eagles face Middle's Blue Raiders in their Ohio Valley Conference opener Saturday at 8 p.m. in BSC Stadium.

Middle Tennessee dropped its first game, 26-20, last Saturday to Pensacola Navy.
MOREHEAD, Ky., Sept. 24 --- A rash of injuries has Morehead State University Cross Country Coach Ted Newcomb worried about the Eagles' opening home meet against Ashland (Ohio) College at 11 a.m. Saturday.

In season-opening competition last weekend at Lexington, the Eagle harriers had only two healthy scholarship runners. Both ran well with veteran Junior Dan Price finishing second and sophomore John Wikoff taking ninth position.

The combination gave the Eagles third place in the four-way meet.

Newcomb is hopeful light workouts will enable freshman Gary White of Georgetown, Ohio, to compete Saturday. But the first-year coach still will have only three proven runners on the 4.5-mile overland layout at the MSU Golf Course.

The team's outlook brightened Tuesday with the signing of Nick Tsanges, a 4:25 miler and a high school teammate of White's from Georgetown. Tsanges reported to school in shape and has been impressive in workouts.

"With only three lettermen back from last year and one of those with limited experience, we're trying to build a team," Newcomb said. "That's why my 11-man squad includes eight freshmen."

Five of the freshmen, including White and Tsanges, came to Morehead State on cross country scholarships. Also receiving aid are Don Cain and Ted Koerner, both of Louisville Valley, and Darrell York of New Castle, Ind. Only White and Tsanges are possible starters this Saturday.

The squad has three walk-on candidates; Tony Gomes of Rochester, N. Y., Jack Kazee of Ashland and Charles Ward of Flemingsburg.

Returning from last year besides Price and Wikoff is Steve Engelhardt, a sophomore.

The remaining Cross Country schedule lists 11 meets, including the OVC Championships Nov. 15 at Bowling Green.

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MOREHEAD, Ky., Sept. 24 -- When you're a two-time all-conference selection, people expect you to make every game a great one.

Canton's Dave Haiverdick, a senior defensive tackle for the Morehead State University Eagles, didn't disappoint anyone last weekend as MSU opened its 1969 football season with a 27-14 lacing of Marshall.

The 6-4, 245-pound defensive ace made 10 unassisted tackles, helped down 12 other ball carriers and was runner-up in balloting for the Ohio Valley Conference's "Defensive Player of the Week."

Big Dave, who played at Glenwood High School, is the son of Nick Haiverdick, 3401 25th St. N.W. He is majoring in community recreation.

"We can always count on Dave to give us a tremendous effort," said Head Coach Jake Hallum. "He goes full steam from the opening kickoff to the closing gun."

Haiverdick is being touted for Little All-America honors this season. Pro scouts have been watching him closely for the past two years.

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MOREHEAD, Ky., Sept 25--Charles (Bubber) Murphy will be in the stands this Saturday and Morehead State University Head Football Coach Jake Hallum is glad.

Before Murphy left football coaching to devote full time to being athletic director at Middle Tennessee State University, he had been a jinx for Morehead, guiding the Blue Raiders to 17 victories over the Eagles in 19 meetings.

Hallum hopes new Middle Tennessee Coach Don Fuoss will not have similar luck when Morehead opens its Ohio Valley Conference schedule against MTSU Saturday at 8 p.m. in Breathitt Sports Center Stadium.

The second-year Morehead mentor can sympathize with Fuoss' youth problems. Last season Hallum had 13 freshmen earn varsity letters and Fuoss will have eight freshmen in his starting lineup. Since Sophomore safety Herbert Patterson broke a leg last Saturday, the Blue Raider roster lists three freshmen starting on defense and five on offense. Seven first-year men started at Pensacola.

Patterson was hurt on the kickoff of the Pensacola game which Middle lost, 26-20. Morehead opened up with a win, dropping Marshall, 27-14.

Hallum refuses to take the Blue Raiders lightly, despite their claims of a rebuilding year.

"I'm sure Middle will go all out to beat us again," Hallum said.

His Eagles have been mentioned as favorites but Hallum is skeptical.

"I haven't seen a prediction in the paper cause a team to win a ball game yet," he said.
Hallum has Morehead working on several rough spots which developed in the Marshall game. The defensive line is working on pass rush in preparation for Middle's quarterback, Bill Griffith, who hit on 10 of 27 passes and one touchdown in the Raiders' opener.

Morehead's aerial attack pleased Hallum, especially quarterback Bill Marston who connected on 19 of 27 passes for 243 yards and four touchdowns. His record-breaking performance (19 completed passes) earned him OVC "Offensive Player of the Week" honors.

Hallum also has the Eagles drilling more on their ground game. With the exception of tailback Bill Cason's flashy 96-yard performance, Morehead was unable to establish a sustained running attack.

All-OVC tailback Louis Rogan saw limited action due to a bruised thigh, but he should be ready this week.

The Eagle kicking defense will have a stiff task facing them in stopping freshman Nares Chooba, a soccer-style kicker from Bankok, Thailand. The slender oriental booted two field goals against Pensacola and narrowly missed a 57-yarder.

"The boys want to do something about that series record," said Hallum. "We should have an exciting game."

#######
MOREHEAD, Ky., Sept. 26---Morehead State University today announced a 24-game basketball schedule this season, including extended road trips to Florida and Texas and four new opponents.

The rebuilding Eagles of new head coach Bill D. Harrell open the season Dec. 1 in Jacksonville, Fla. against SEC powerhouse Florida in the first round of the Sunshine Classic Tournament. Other entries are East Tennessee and host Jacksonville University. Morehead also will play Dec. 2.

Coming off an 18-9 mark last year, the Eagles will face newly-scheduled Florida, Cleveland State of Ohio, Lamar Tech and Campbellsville. Five schools missing from last season are Kentucky State, Carson Newman, Morris Harvey, Miami of Florida and Dayton.

Eleven games are listed at home and 13 are booked for the road. Besides the season-opening swing into Florida, the MSU cagers also will travel to Texas in late January for games with Pan American College at Edinburg and Lamar Tech at Beaumont.

Cleveland State, Ohio's fastest-growing university, comes onto the Eagle schedule with a home-and-home series. Cleveland State's home game will be played in spacious Municipal Auditorium.

Southern Mississippi will visit Morehead in return for the Eagles' appearance in Hattiesburg last season and two games are scheduled against Marshall.

Defending OVC co-champion Morehead will play its traditional 14 home-and-home games with the other seven Ohio Valley Conference schools - Eastern Kentucky, Western Kentucky, Murray State, East Tennessee, Middle Tennessee, Tennessee Tech and Austin Peay.

The entire schedule:

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## NEXT GAME

MSU vs. Middle Tennessee
September 27, 8 p.m. Morehead
FROM: OFFICE OF SPORTS INFORMATION
MOREHEAD STATE UNIVERSITY
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James E. Edmondson, the 1969 Junior Falls City Golf Champion, has been awarded a golf scholarship at Morehead State University.

Edmondson, who graduated from Trinity High School, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James F. Edmondson, Fern Creek.

Ed Bignon, Morehead State University golf coach, calls Edmondson "a splendid young golfer who gets a great deal out of his game, despite his lack of size."

The Morehead golf team had its best season last year, finishing third in the Ohio Valley Conference tournament. Returning are the Eagles top two golfers, Bill Spannuth and Gary Arnold, plus several other veterans who should make the 1970 Eagle golfers the finest golf contingent in MSU history.

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MOREHEAD, Ky., Sept. 30 -- Morehead State University Head Football Coach Jake Hallum smiled as he talked of his backfield in last Saturday's 35-9 whipping of Middle Tennessee.

The surprisingly-lopsided victory pushed the Eagles' season mark to 2-0 and 1-0 in the Ohio Valley Conference.

All-OVC tailback Louis Rogan was healthy again and proved it with two touchdowns on 116 yards in 29 carries. He also grabbed a pass for nine yards.

Reserve tailback Bill Cason turned in his second straight strong effort with a touchdown and 77 yards in 11 rushing attempts.

Hallum's smile became a broad grin the name of freshman wingback Jeff Perkins. The swift Somerset product thrilled the Breathitt Sports Center crowd with a 57-yard punt return and a flashy 34-yard pass play, both good for touchdowns.

Senior quarterback Bill Marston discouraged second guessers with another strong passing attack and the second total offense record in as many weeks. He connected on 14 of 23 passes for 212 yards and the Perkins' TD.

Marston directed the Eagles to 463 yards total offense which eclipsed the week-old record of 394 yards set against Marshall in the opener. The touchdown strike was Marston's fifth of the young season and equaled his total output of 1968.

"I think Bill proved his passing against Marshall was no fluke," Hallum said of his veteran signal caller. "He's not injured this year and that makes all the difference in the world."

The tag applied to Rogan in the Middle Tennessee game for the first time since practice started in late August. He ran only five times in the 27-14 conquest of Marshall.
"Louis did a good job for us," the second-year added. "He's mighty important to our ground game.

"Bill Cason just keeps improving each week," Hallum said. "It feels good to know he and Perkins will be with us for three more seasons."

Cason, a red shirt freshman from Paris, filled in most of the game for Rogan and tacked up 96 yards in 12 carries.

Hallum, the eternal pessimist, pushed last week's showing to the background when he discussed the Eagles' encounter with Murray this Saturday night's at Murray. Coach Bill Furgerson's a pre-season pick for the OVC title.

"Murray has a strong, veteran ball club and we aren't going to be fooled by the Tech game," Hallum said in reference to Murray's 28-21 upset loss at the hands of Tennessee Tech last Saturday. The Racers are 1-1 and 0-1 in the OVC.

"They have a good quarterback, great receivers, a backfield and a tough defense," Hallum reported.

The subject of defense prompted Hallum to comment on his own defensive unit's effort in the Middle Tennessee game.

"I was pleased with our secondary," he said. "They tightened up quite a bit from the Marshall game." The Blue Raiders came up with only 125 yards on passes against the Eagles' first team secondary. Other yardage came against reserves. Hallum didn't have to say anything about the defensive line led by tackle Dave Haverdick and linebackers Harry (Sugar Bear) Lyles and Bill Wamsley.

The "Gold Berets" gave up only 28 yards on the ground.

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MOREHEAD, Ky., Oct. 2---Morehead State University Soccer Coach
Mohammed Sabie takes his inexperienced Eagles to Charleston, W. Va. Saturday
for their season opener at 2:30 p.m. against Morris Harvey College.

Dr. Sabie, who has a 32-5-2 record since Morehead started intercollegiate
soccer in 1965, will have players recruited from his soccer classes and two
reserves replacing nine starters missing from his 1968 squad which finished
8-1-1.

"We will be hard pressed to match last year's record," said Dr. Sabie.
"Only two starters from last year's team returned to school this fall."

The Eagles have never had a losing season in competitive soccer. They

While Dr. Sabie was in Mexico City last fall as coach of the Iraqi
Olympic team, Morehead State had its 26-game streak of no losses broken by
nationally-ranked Dayton.

Returning from the 1968 team are Mike Egan and Dr. Sabie's younger
brother, Ahmed. Tom Creasman, a starter on the undefeated team of 1967, has
returned to Morehead after attending another college. He is eligible this season.

Dr. Sabie is hopeful soccer soon will become a recognized sport in the
Ohio Valley Conference. Other OVC schools fielding soccer teams are Tennessee
Tech, Murray State and Western.

Morehead does not grant scholarship aid to soccer players.

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MOREHEAD, Ky., Oct. 2--"Murray has the most explosive offense in the conference," said Morehead State University Head Football Coach Jake Hallum to his Eagles opponent in Saturday night's 7:30 p.m. (CDT) battle at Murray. 

"But according to the Ohio Valley Conference statistics, this Morehead State team will not be an easy job for us at present," said Hallum.

"The Eagles lead the OVC in offense with an average of 428.5 yards per game."

"The Eagles' and Murray's top two passers in the conference will be pitted against each other. Bill Marston has thrown for 100 more yards than Matt Haug and has completed 66 per cent, while Haug has connected on 52 per cent."

"Both teams also head the conference in different phases of defense. Morehead has the best pass defense, and Murray's secondary has permitted as much as 48 yards in the air."

"This promises to be our toughest game of the year," said Hallum. "We'll face this season, as targets for our pass defense." Bill Furgerson has talented depth on his roster that any team faces this season.

"Murray has the third and fourth top receivers in the conference. Haug's passes. Jack Wolf has caught 10 passes for 122 yards, and Billy Hess has eight receptions and 109 yards."

"Morehead split end John High has caught 13 Marston passes for 227 yards and two touchdowns, the top mark in the conference."
"This will be a big test of our pass defense," said coach Larry Marmie. "Murray uses all five possible pass receivers on some plays, and you just can't expect a linebacker to cover a speedy back on every play."

"We've faced two fine passing quarterbacks in our games so far, and apparently is better than either of them," said Hallum.

"Murray will be out of the conference title race if they lose to us," said the Morehead mentor. "I'm sure has been pounding that into their heads all week."

"Their offense might blow us across the Mississippi River," Hallum said. "But we're going to give them a run for it."

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Dave Haverdick, 6-4, 245-pound defensive tackle, senior, two-time All-OVC
Canton, Ohio (cover photo of MSU's 1969 football brochure)

BACKGROUND --- Big Dave Haverdick has fared too badly for a walk-on candidate for football. He is Morehead State's first bona fide defensive nominee for Little All America in several years but his MSU career almost didn't happen. Here's the story:

When Dave graduated from Canton Glenwood High School in 1965, he had several football scholarship offers but narrowed his choice to MSU and a Big Ten school. Haverdick, who had made All-City, All-County and All-District in football-rich Canton, debated his choices for days and days and then decided in favor of Morehead. But, on the same day, he received a letter from Morehead's then head coach who reported they had waited long enough and the grant-in-aid had been awarded to another player. Haverdick was then invited to enroll at MSU and try to earn a scholarship.

He came to Morehead in the fall of 1965 and made the team as a freshman but was red shirted from varsity competition. In 1966, Haverdick, who had by then been placed on full scholarship, became a starter after the second game. He has been a regular ever since. In fact, Big Dave has started 31 consecutive games for the Eagles (eight in 1966, 10 in both 1967 and 1968 and three (counting Murray) in 1969.)

Besides football, Haverdick also is a varsity letterman in track at MSU. His brute strength is put to good use in the shot put.
MOREHEAD, Ky., Oct. 6---"You can't make that many mistakes and beat a good team," Morehead State University Head Football Coach Jake Hallum said of his team's 13-7 loss at Murray Saturday night.

The loss, the Eagles' first of the young season, dropped their record to 2-1 overall and 1-1 in the Ohio Valley Conference. Murray has identical marks.

Despite being an underdog by as much as three touchdowns in some forecasts, Hallum's young team was in the game until the final horn. An offensive drive stalled on Murray's 18-yard-line as the game ended.

"We forced them to make seven turnovers but couldn't capitalize on any of their mistakes," Hallum said of his squad's four pass interceptions, two fumble recoveries and a blocked punt.

The second-year head coach said the Eagles would concentrate on ground offense as they prepare for Saturday's Homecoming Day clash with Austin Peay at 2:30 p.m. in Breathitt Sports Center Stadium.

"Our running game just didn't click," Hallum said. "And, as a result, we had too many long yardage situations on second down when the pass was our only weapon."

Hallum said he was "pleased most of the time" with the aerial attack of senior quarterback Bill Marston who connected on 18 of 42 passes for 191 yards and the only Morehead touchdown, a 30-yard strike to split end John High.

"But we made too many tries for the touchdown pass instead of building yardage and first downs," he added.

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Hallum credited Murray's defensive unit with choking off the Eagle ground game and limiting his rushers to 57 yards. All-OVC tailback Louis Rogan, off to a slow start after a sensational year in 1968, led the Morehead ground corps with 33 yards in 11 carries.

The Eagles ran the ball 31 times for a per-carry average of 1.8 yards. "You can't beat anyone with that kind of offense," the coach commented.

Hallum said two costly fumbles deep in Murray territory deprived the Eagles of momentum at critical times.

"Those fumbles and a lack of offensive punch kept us from making the big play when we needed it," he said.

Hallum had special praise for the defensive secondary which intercepted four Murray passes. Halfback Ron Gathright led the Eagle air defenders with two steals. Also intercepting Matt Haug aerials were linebacker Bill Wamsley and strong safety Jim Bayes.

"They piled up 235 yards in the air but when you hold Murray's great pass offense to only one touchdown and intercept them four times, your secondary has done a good night's work," Hallum said.

He reported defensive tackle Mark Sheehan probably would see action against Austin Peay. The freshman starter was stunned in a first half pileup.

Offensive guard Tom Lehman sustained an ear laceration and will miss most of this week's practice, Hallum added. Wamsley's chin was cut but he will return to action in time for Austin Peay.

"Murray had the reputation of a fine offense but all of us underrated their defense," Hallum said of his team's loss to the squad picked to win the OVC this year.

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Two-time All-OVC tackle Dave Haaverdick sparkled for Morehead. He made five main tackles and seven assisted tackles, recovered a fumble, blocked a punt and deflected a conversion attempt.
MOREHEAD, Ky., Oct. 8---Morehead State's Eagle Express hopes to get back on the winning track here Saturday afternoon against Austin Peay's Governors in a Homecoming Day football battle at Breathitt Sports Center.

Head Coach Jake Hallum's young team lost a 13-7 encounter to Murray on the road last weekend and dropped to 2-1 on the season and 1-1 in the Ohio Valley Conference.

Austin Peay was defeated by Eastern, 29-10, leaving the Governors 1-2-1 for the year and 1-1 in the OVC.

The 2:30 p.m. kickoff will match two of the loop's best quarterbacks and pass receivers.

Senior quarterback Bill Marston of the Eagles is leading the OVC in total offense with 683 yards, including 646 yards and six touchdowns on 51 of 91 passes. Austin Peay's Dennis Dyer has piled up 517 yards on 40 of 107 passes and three touchdowns.

Split end John High of Morehead State, the conference's leading pass receiver with 302 yards and three touchdowns on 18 receptions, will be matched against the No. 2 receiver, Harold (Red) Roberts who has hauled in 16 passes for 203 yards and three touchdowns.

Running back Tony Page of Austin Peay is the OVC's leading scorer with 24 points on four touchdowns. High and Roberts are among five players tied for second place with 18 points.

Austin Peay is leading the OVC in first downs with 70 in four games and the Eagles remain the most prolific offensive team with an average of 368.3 per game.

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"Austin Peay has a sound football team with great offensive punch," Coach Hallum said of his foe from Clarksville, Tenn. "Dyer is an experienced quarterback and Roberts is probably the best wide receiver in the conference."

Hallum said his staff was impressed by defensive back Howell Flatt who occasionally plays offense as a wide receiver. Other offensive threats are running back Ronnie Fuqua and flanker Terry Johnson.

Morehead's offensive line will have to face one of the best defensive tackles in the conference, Hallum said. Anchoring the Governor's line is 240-pound Bruce Gibbs. Linebacker Donny Holland is as good as any linebacker in the OVC, according to Hallum.

The Eagles have been concentrating on their ground attack for the Austin Peay game. Murray's defensive unit held the MSU ballcarriers to only 57 yards rushing in 31 carries.

Hallum also has been assigned extra work in blocking and pass protection.

All of the Eagle starters from the Murray game are expected to be in harness for the Homecoming Day clash.

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MOREHEAD, Ky., Oct. 9 --- "I think it's too late to switch either Bill Cason or Louis Rogan to fullback this season, but I wouldn't rule out the possibility for next season."

Morehead State University Head Football Coach Jake Hallum made the comment when asked about rumors of tailback Bill Cason moving into a regular position for the Eagles.

The Paris freshman has starred in a reserve role behind All-OVC tailback Louis Rogan and is fourth in the conference in rushing yardage. He has piled up 189 yards in 33 carries.

Rogan was slowed by injuries earlier in the season but has recovered enough to rank seventh in rushing. With both men doing well, Hallum is in the enviable position of having two outstanding players at one position.

Cason, a former Bourbon County High School standout, has the second best mark in the Ohio Valley Conference with his 5.8 yards-per-carry average. He has one touchdown for the Eagles, a 17-yard run in Morehead's 35-9 win over Middle Tennessee.

The fleet back ranks second in total offense on the Morehead squad. He trails Eagle quarterback Bill Marston, who leads the OVC in total yardage.

"Bill has improved beyond our expectations and is playing very consistently," said Hallum.
MOREHEAD, Ky., Oct. 10---Little All-American candidate Dave Haverdick of Canton is continuing to receive plaudits for his outstanding play at defensive tackle for Morehead State University of the Ohio Valley Conference.

Haverdick has been named to the OVC honor roll of defensive players twice in the Eagles' first three football games.

The 6-4 240-pound tackle's latest accolades came for his five-tackle, seven-assist performance in the Eagles' 13-7 loss to Murray. Haverdick's efforts included a blocked punt, a fumble recovery, and a deflected conversion attempt.

The senior defensive captain has 20 individual tackles and 26 assists in Morehead's two victories and one loss.

Haverdick has been All-OVC the past two seasons. He is a product of Canton Glenwood High School.

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Morehead, Ky., Oct. 13 -- Morehead State University's football Eagles, fresh from a 29-18 Homecoming Day victory last weekend, are preparing for the first of three straight road games.

Coach Jake Hallum takes his team, now 3-1 on the year and 2-1 in the Ohio Valley Conference, to Northeastern Ohio Saturday night to face the Penguins of Youngstown State University.

The 8 p.m. clash at Youngstown's Rayen Stadium matches two quarterback-split end passing combinations--MSU's Bill Marston and John High and YSU's Denny Klembara and Dave DelSignore.

Youngstown State, an independent college division NCAA school with 14,000 students, is 0-3 on the season after losses to Southern Illinois, Western Illinois and Pensacola Navy.

"They probably are the best 0 and 3 team in the country," said Hallum. "Klembara is an outstanding quarterback and DelSignore is as good as Red Roberts."

"Roberts" is Harold Roberts, Austin Peay's record-breaking split end who nailed 12 passes against the Eagles last Saturday. He racked up 154 yards and a touchdown. His performance shattered the OVC career reception mark.

Hallum said he was pleased with the Eagles' fourth quarter comeback against Austin Peay which produced 21 points and gave Morehead the win. The visiting Governors scored 18 points in the third period and held an 18-8 lead as the last stanza began.

"Bill Marston displayed the poise and confidence you expect of a veteran," Hallum said of his senior quarterback who passed for 274 yards on 17 of 37 attempts and an important 10 of 14 for 139 yards in the rally period.

High, who has become Marston's favorite target, caught eight passes for 117 yards, including 99 in the crucial fourth quarter.

"John did a good job," Hallum said of the Finneytown sophomore. "He's improving each game."
All-OVC tailback Louis Rogan ground out 126 yards in 22 carries and notched two touchdowns. The 200-pound junior from Cable, Ohio, appeared to have regained his form of last year.

"Louis apparently is healthy again and that’s always good news," Hallum said of his twice-injured backfield star. One Rogan scoring play covered 71 yards. He was named the game’s most valuable player.

Defensively, the Eagles were able to make the big play when they needed it. Cornerback Ron Gathright sparkled for the second straight game as he speared two interceptions, including a 46-yard runback for a touchdown. Linebacker Harry Lyles also swiped an Austin Peay pass, recovered one of the Governors' fumbles, and threw the visiting quarterback for losses on five occasions.

Hallum also had words of praise for defensive tackle Dave Haverdick, end Gary Listerman and linebacker Bill Wamsley.

"We played too much in spurts," Hallum said of the Austin Peay game.

"Hopefully, we can develop more consistency before Youngstown."

Following the Ohio trip, the Eagles head south to visit Tennessee Tech on Oct. 25 and Western Kentucky, Nov. 1. Morehead State is tied with Eastern for second place in the OVC.

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MOREHEAD, Ky., Oct. 14—Morehead State University Cross Country Coach Ted Newcomb takes his runners to Richmond for a 4 p.m. meet with Eastern Kentucky as the Eagles open their Ohio Valley Conference schedule.

Morehead is 1-2 in dual meet competition after recording the first win Friday over Kentucky State College 25-32. The Eagles captured four of the first six places but MSU captain Dan Price was nosed out for first in a 200-yard sprint for the tape.

"We have been unable to defeat Eastern in recent years because our third, fourth and fifth boys have never finished close enough," Newcomb said.

"However, against Kentucky State our fourth runner was only 34 seconds behind Price," he added, "so this year could be different from the last few years."

Newcomb continued:

"With the improvement the boys have shown, I think we may give Eastern a better run than they're expecting."

The Eagles have lost in dual meets to Ashland College and Cincinnati.
MOREHEAD, Ky., Oct. 16---Head Coach Jake Hallum keeps thinking of last season as he prepares his Morehead State University Eagles for Saturday night's non-conference game in Youngstown, Ohio.

The Eagles, 3-1 on the year after last week's 29-18 conquest of Austin Peay, clash at 8 p.m. with winless Penguins of Youngstown State University.

Coach Dike Beede's team has lost three straight games but Hallum isn't taking them lightly.

"They had won one out of four when they played us last year and they nearly blew us out of the stadium," the second-year Eagle mentor recalled.

Youngstown jumped to a 26-0 halftime lead at Morehead last season but fell apart in the second half as the Eagles roared back with 35 points to win 35-26.

Hallum is convinced the Penguins' passing combination of quarterback Denny Klembara and split end Dave DelSignore is one of the best in the country.

"It looks like another hard night's work for our secondary," Hallum said of the sophomore quarterback who passed for 1,855 yards and 16 touchdowns in his first season and the three-year starting end who caught 43 passes for 722 yards and eight touchdowns in 1968.

"They use a side saddle T on offense and that always causes problems on defense," Hallum said. "Both their offensive and defensive lines are big and strong and they have a lot of depth."

The Eagles' defensive corps may be missing two key performers Saturday night. Both tackle John Slaughter and linebacker Bill Wamsley are nursing injuries and may not be in uniform.

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Hallum and his staff have stepped up drills on MSU's ground game which showed improvement last week after being throttled by Murray two weeks ago.

All-OVC tailback Louis Rogan led the Eagle ball carriers against Austin Peay with two touchdowns on 126 yards in 22 carries. Split end John High paced the receivers with 117 yards on eight passes.

"Coach Beede is a winner after 36 years at the same school," said Hallum. "You have to respect a man who can put together that kind of talent year after year."

Youngstown reported Wednesday that its two best wingbacks were injured and would be out of action this week.

"They will come up with someone," Hallum said. "After last year, I have nothing but praise for their program."

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MOREHEAD, Ky., Oct. 17 --- Head Basketball Coach Bill Harrell isn't saying much about his first year at Morehead State University.

Practice began Wednesday and the new coach says he doesn't yet know enough about his personnel to make any accurate comments on the upcoming season.

Sports writers said last spring when Harrell was named to succeed Bob Wright that the 41-year-old Kentucky Wesleyan graduate would be faced with a major rebuilding job.

Five of the top seven men are gone from last year's Ohio Valley Conference championship team which finished 18-9 and 11-3 in the OVC. Missing are All-OVC performers Lamar Green, Willie Jackson and Jerry Conley and the top reserves, Danny Cornett and Randy Williams.

Returning are starters Bobby Hiles, a 6-2 senior guard from Maysville, and Ron Gathright, a 6-3 senior forward from Louisville who averaged 12.7 points and 10.5 rebounds per game.

However, Gathright is playing football and won't join the basketball squad until Nov. 23, a week before the Eagles journey to Jacksonville, Fla. to open the 1969-70 campaign against Florida Dec. 1 in the Sunshine Classic Tournament. Also entered are Jacksonville and East Tennessee.

Four subs from last year's team -- Don Byars, Jerry Hueseman, Jerry Umberger and Jim Day -- are expected to challenge for starting positions along with newcomers Jerry King, Lavon Mann, and Eddie Conley.

Byars, a 6-3 senior guard-forward, saw action in 23 of 27 games last year. Hueseman, a 6-6 junior forward, played 21 times. Umberger, a 6-5 senior forward, hopes to break into the lineup after shedding 30 pounds since
basketball practice

last season. Day, a 6-8 junior center, played only 10 times in 1968-69 but already has shown improvement.

Two new faces in Laughlin Fieldhouse -- King and Mann -- may hold the key to Harrell's first season.

King, a 6-2 sophomore guard, is making his college basketball debut after a great career in service ball. The Vietnam veteran rewrote most of the scoring records at Mason County High School.

Mann, a 6-9 sophomore pivot man, transferred to MSU from Somerset Community College where he averaged 18 points and 27 rebounds per game.

Conley, a 6-1 guard up from last year's freshman squad, is a younger brother of Eagle great Jerry Conley. The newest Conley averaged more than 18 points per game for the frosh. Another freshman product, 6-4 forward Mike Guiler, also is trying to make the varsity.

The squad's other junior college transfer, 5-10 guard Clarence Harris, came to Morehead State this fall from Lees-McRae College at Banner Elk, N.C. He is from Georgetown.

Other team members are Terry Sandfoss, a 5-9 senior guard; Alan Harney, a 6-6 junior forward; and John Sewell, a 6-4 junior guard. All saw limited action last year.

"As it stands now, every position on this team is wide open," Harrell said. "No one is in for sure and no one is out."

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MOREHEAD, Ky., Oct. 20---"We expected a rough game and we got one," Morehead State University Head Football Coach Jake Hallum said of his team's 21-12 win over Youngstown State last Saturday night.

The punishing victory on YSU's home ground pushed the Eagles' season mark to 4-1. Youngstown's Penguins fell to 0-4.

By winning the opener of a three-game road series, MSU bettered last year's record in the win column. The Eagles were 3-6-1 in 1968, Hallum's first campaign.

Hallum and his staff Sunday turned their attention to Tennessee Tech, the Eagles' opponent this Saturday as MSU returns to Ohio Valley Conference action.

The 7:30 p.m. battle at Cookeville, Tenn. matches Morehead State's 2-1 OVC mark and Tennessee Tech's 1-2 loop record and 1-4 season slate.

"We're heading into the meat of our schedule and Tech is a tough customer," Hallum said of Saturday's foe. "Larry Schreiber is one of the best ball carriers in the country and they have big, experienced lines on both units."

Reflecting on the Youngstown game, Hallum had special praise for his senior quarterback, Bill Marston. The veteran signal caller hit on 15 of 26 passes for 201 yards and two touchdowns and he carried the ball 15 times for 79 yards and a touchdown. He piled up 280 yards in total offense.

"Bill played a fine game and certainly earned that trophy," Hallum said of the game's "most valuable player" award voted Marston by sports writers.
Marston's two favorite targets - split end John High and wingback John Cning - also drew good words from their coach. High nailed seven passes for 108 yards and a touchdown. Coning caught five for 60 yards and a TD.

Morehead State's ground game continued to improve with Eagle ball carriers racking up 281 yards. All-OVC tailback Louis Rogan led the ground attack with 104 yards in 21 carries and his understudy, Bill Cason, added 62 yards in 15 attempts.

The defensive unit was sparked by ends Jim Edwards and Gary Listerman and tackle Dave Haaverdick. Denny Klembara, Youngstown's superb sophomore quarterback, was dropped for losses five times by the Eagle pass rush. Edwards and Listerman each batted down two passes behind the line of scrimmage and Listerman also recovered a Penguin fumble.

Three Klembara passes were intercepted by linebacker Harry Lyles, middle guard Jeromoe Howard and cornerback Chuck Moore.

Hallum said his offensive unit "committed too many turnovers." The MSU backfield dropped the ball three times in the first period. All were recovered by Youngstown.

"We have several things to work on before the game with Tech," Hallum said. "They were beaten soundly last week and no doubt they'll be up for us."

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MOREHEAD, Ky., Oct. 20--Jim Geiman, former Speedway High swimming star, is expected to be one of the strong points on the Morehead State University swimming team this season.

Geiman, who is attending MSU on a swimming scholarship, will be head coach Bill Mack's top swimmer in the butterfly and 100 and 200 freestyle.

"Jim is a very versatile swimmer who has tremendous potential in the butterfly and sprint freestyle events," said Mack.

While swimming for coach Mark Barnes at Speedway High, Geiman finished fifth in Indiana in the 100-yard butterfly and was a member of the second place medley relay team.

He was captain of the swim team his senior year and also swam on the Westwood Country Club AAU team.

Jim is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Geiman Jr. of 6014 Schoolwood Dr.
MOREHEAD, Ky., Oct. 21---"I was surprised," said both Morehead State University Cross Country Coach Ted Newcomb and Soccer Coach Mohammed Sabie.

Newcomb's runners downed Eastern Kentucky at Richmond, 26-29, marking the first time MSU has defeated EKU in cross country since 1962.

Dr. Sabie had a different surprise as his soccer squad played to a 2-2 tie with Transylvania in their second match. The Eagle kickers are 0-1-1 on the year.

"Since we started playing soccer in 1965, we've never gone this far into the season without winning," said the coach whose five-year record is 35-5-2.

Morehead State was ahead 2-1 at the end of the second quarter on goals by Ahmed Sabie and Jim Macht. Transylvania scored early in the third quarter and both teams struggled through the remaining time and two overtime periods.

Newcomb's mood was heightened by the memory of the four years he ran for Morehead in losing causes against Eastern.

"It's a great thrill to come back in my first year as coach and defeat them," he said. "Our cross country program is definitely on the upswing."

The Eagles were led by the second place finish of team captain Dan Price. Other MSU finishers were Nick Tsanges, 4th; John Wikoff, 5th; Darrell York, 7th; and Gary White, 8th.

The cross-country team returns to action at 4 p.m. Wednesday in a home meet against Kentucky State College. The soccer team is on the road Saturday against Berea at 1:30 p.m.

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MOREHEAD, Ky., Oct. 21 -- In his first year as head basketball coach at Morehead State University, Bill D. Harrell is quickly learning why college coaches develop ulcers.

The 41-year-old coach started practice last week and already has been hit by three doses of bad news.

Jerry King, a 6-2 sophomore guard from Naysville, has been ill with the flu and is a week behind his teammates in conditioning.

Jerry Hueseman, a 6-6 junior forward from Dillsboro, Ind., has been unable to work out because of a recently-diagnosed case of "water on the knee." He may return shortly but no definite date has been set.

Both King and Hueseman are expected to contend for starting positions.

The latest and most serious development occurred Sunday when Lavon Mann, a 6-9 center, underwent an emergency appendectomy. The transfer sophomore from Somerset Community College may be out a month.

Mann, considered vital in Harrell's rebuilding plans, averaged 18 points and 27 rebounds last season. Mann and Jim Day, a 6-8 junior who saw limited action last year, are expected to take up some of the scoring and rebounding slack caused by the departure of All-OVC performers Lamar Green and Willie (Hobo) Jackson.

Green and Jackson paced last year's Eagles who went 18-9 on the year and tied for the Ohio Valley Conference crown with an 11-3 loop mark.

Bad news is not new to Harrell. It started last summer when returning starter Ron Gathright, a 6-3 senior forward, reported for football practice.

Gathright, one of two regulars back this season, returned to football after sitting out the 1968 season to concentrate on basketball. He is a starter in the football Eagles' defensive backfield and won't report for basketball until Nov. 23, one week before the Eagle cagers play their first game.

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Ron will be way behind the rest of the team in learning my offensive system but he'll play a lot of basketball before the season ends," Harrell says of his late arrival.

The two-time "Kentucky High School Coach of the Year" at Shelby County remains optimistic despite his bad luck and predictions by sports writers of a less-than-brilliant season.

"I'm not making any excuses," he said.

Harrell's squad opens the season Dec. 1 at Jacksonville, Fla. against perennial SEC powerhouse Florida in the opening round of the Sunshine Classic Tournament.

Asked if he knew of any more injuries to his untested players, Harrell replied:

"Not now. But call me tomorrow."
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MOREHEAD, Ky., Oct. 23---Morehead State University has three football players leading the Ohio Valley Conference in offense but only two of them will see action Saturday night against Tennessee Tech at Cookeville.

Jeff Perkins, a freshman wingback from Somerset and the OVC's punt return leader, suffered a shoulder dislocation in the Eagles' 21-12 win over Youngstown State last Saturday. He will be out at least two weeks, according to Head Coach Jake Hallum.

Perkins will be replaced on the punt and kickoff return units by Maurice (Moe) Hollingsworth, the Harlan sophomore who led the Eagles in both categories last season.

Other Eagles leading the OVC are quarterback Bill Marston, total offense and passing; and split end John High, pass receiving. Both will be in the starting lineup when MSU tests the Golden Eagles of TTU and their star tailback, Larry Schreiber.

Marston, a senior, has directed the Eagles to a 4-1 season mark and 2-1 OVC record with 83 completions and 1,121 yards in 153 attempts. His 133 yards in rushing also give him the total offense leadership.

High has hauled in 33 Marston passes for 527 yards and four touch-downs. He has five more receptions than last year's best OVC receiver, Harold Roberts of Austin Peay.

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Schreiber is the top ball carrier in the OVC with 829 yards in 126 carries for an average of 6.6 yards. He has been the offensive mainstay for Tennessee Tech which has compiled a 1-4 season mark and 1-2 conference slate.

Hallum and his staff have attempted to prepare the battered and bruised Eagles for their second straight road game.

"Youngstown had a big, strong team and our boys came home with plenty of lumps," Hallum said. "Several complained of injuries on the trip home."

As for Tennessee Tech, the Eagles' defensive unit has been working on anti-Schreiber tactics.

"He is great, simply great, and we're worried about him," Hallum added. "Schreiber is the kind of player who can beat you by himself."

Cookeville will be the second stop on Morehead State's three-game road series. The Eagles journey to Bowling Green next Saturday to play Western Kentucky which smashed Tennessee Tech last weekend, 42-0.

The next MSU home game is Nov. 8 against league-leading East Tennessee.

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Morehead, Ky., Oct. 23 —— For a little guy, Bill Marston has made a big impression in the Ohio Valley Conference this season.

The Morehead State University quarterback is leading the OVC in passing and total offense. The 5-9, 165-pound senior has connected on 83 of 153 passes for 1,121 yards and eight touchdowns. Another 133 yards he picked up rushing makes him the total offense leader.

After five games, the Lake Wales, Florida, product has bettered his 1968 totals in every category except interceptions.

He has hit 54 per cent of his passes and has had only six interceptions compared with 16 last season.

"Bill has proven to me that he didn’t tell us how bad his shoulder was injured last year," said MSU Head Football Coach Jake Hallum.

"From the way he’s played this year he must have been in a lot more pain than he admitted," Hallum added.

Marston’s statistics have also put him among the nation’s leaders in total offense and passing. He is tenth in total offense and ninth in passing.

In conference punting, Marston is sixth. He is booting the ball for an average of 39 yards per kick.
MOREHEAD, Ky., Oct. 24 --- Bob Burke, former Sun Valley Country Club diving star, is expected to be one of the top swimmers on the Morehead State University swimming team this season.

Burke, who is attending MSU on a swimming grant-in-aid, is figured to be one of Head Coach Bill Mack's top swimmers in the sprint freestyle events.

"Bob has made the switch from diving to the freestyle events very well, and has the potential to be one of Morehead's top swimmers for the next four years," said Mack.

Burke, a freshman, graduated from DeSales High School and participated in the Kentucky AAU state diving championships.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Burke of 6206 Hellenjean Way.

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MOREHEAD, Ky., Oct. 24--Pete Russell and Steve Wiseman, former members of the Trinity High swimming team, are expected to be mainstays on the Morehead State University swimming team THIS SEASON.

Both Russell and Wiseman are freshman and are attending Morehead State on swimming scholarships.

"Pete has shown great promise as a diver and we expect him to be a consistent winner for Morehead State in diving for the next four years," said head coach Bill Mack.

While for Bob Hubler at Trinity, Russell finished fourth in the Kentucky High School State Championships last year.

"We plan to use Steve very extensively," said Mack. "He has the potential to be our most outstanding middle distance freestyler and also gives us strength on the medley and freestyle relay teams."

Wiseman was fourth in the 100-yard freestyle last year and was a member of Trinity's state championship 400-yard freestyle relay team.

Pete is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Russell of 1502 Cherokee Rd., and Steve is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wiseman of 3017 Springcrest Dr.

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MOREHEAD, Ky., Oct. 25 — Bill Marston, Morehead State's brilliant senior quarterback, has risen to 6th in total offense among the nation's college division passing leaders and to 11th in total offense. The 5-9, 165-pound scrambler from Lake Wales, Fla., has hit on 83 of 153 passes for 1,121 yards and picked up an additional 133 yards on the ground. His passing-rushing total is 1,254 yards.

Marston's statistics are tops in the Ohio Valley Conference and his 39-yard punting average is the best in the league. In the Youngstown game last week, Bill boomed one for 68 yards. Marston's arm has carried MSU to 15th place, primarily through the passing of his quarterback. Morehead is second in team passing.

In total offense, the Eagles are averaging 405 yards per game, which is nine yards better than their single home game record before to this season.

At 4-1 before playing Tennessee Tech, coach Jake Hallum already has bettered his first season of 1968 when the Eagles finished 3-6-1.
MOREHEAD, Ky., Oct. 28 --- A pass interception in the end zone stopped a Morehead State University drive early in the game against Tennessee Tech last Saturday and things didn't improve much afterward as the Eagles lost, 21-6.

Coach Jake Hallum's squad, now 4-2 on the year and 2-2 in the Ohio Valley Conference, held a 6-0 halftime lead on a pass interception by defensive halfback Mike Rucker who sprinted 36 yards for a touchdown.

The MSU offense never got rolling and the Eagles' defense, strong in the first two periods, weakened in the second half as Tennessee Tech's Golden Eagles rallied for 21 points to build their record to 2-4 and 2-2 in the OVC.

Tech's star tailback, Larry Schreiber, was limited to 38 yards in the first half but he broke loose for 78 yards and two touchdowns in the last two periods.

Morehead State's Bill Marston, the conference's leading passer all season, had his poorest night of the year, hitting on only nine of 23 passes for 110 yards. Four of his passes were intercepted, including three in the last period.

The Eagle ball carriers picked up 145 yards but the attack stalled each time it started to mount a drive. Nine penalties also helped keep MSU bottled up.

"We ran into a hornet's nest," said Head Coach Jake Hallum. "They wanted to win more than our kids."

Hallum, who termed the game "our worst effort of the season," refused to make excuses for his injury-ridden team which now has 14 of its first 22 men either out of action or limited by various aches and pains.

"Both our defensive tackles missed the game and we still had a good defense," Hallum said. "It was the offense which let us down."

Added to the growing injury list Saturday night were tight end Dennis Crowley and center Steve Ward, both with sprained ankles. Both may miss the Western Kentucky game this weekend at Bowling Green.

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"We took a licking from a team that was trounced a week earlier and now we have to play the team that did the trouncing," Hallum said of the Western game, the Eagles' third straight on the road.

Western dropped Tennessee Tech, 42-0, a week before Morehead State visited Cookeville, Tenn.

"I am very disappointed," Hallum said. "We should have beaten them."

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MOREHEAD, Ky., Oct. 28--Morehead State's Dan Price captured second place in the Southern States Cross Country Meet at Williamsburg, Ky., Saturday as the Eagles took second place.

Morehead State was runner-up to host Cumberland College in the five-way meet. The Eagles entertain Marshall Saturday at 11 a.m. at the MSU Golf Course.

Price was seven seconds behind Cumberland's Robert Moore who completed the 4.1-mile course in 21:34.

Darrell York was the only other Eagle harrier in the top 10, finishing eighth. Nick Tsanges (11), John Wikoff (15), and Gary White (16) were the other MSU finishers.

The Eagles, now 3-2 in duel meet competition, run against Eastern Kentucky University Nov. 4 at 4 p.m. in their last home meet of the season.

After Marshall and Eastern, the Eagles run in the Kentucky Federation Cross Country Meet at Louisville Nov. 8 and Nov. 15 in the Ohio Valley Conference Cross Country Championships at Bowling Green.

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MOREHEAD, Ky., Oct. 29--"Jim Bayes has played very consistently and has made the big play on several occasions to get us out of trouble," said Morehead State University head football coach John (Jake) Hallum.

Bayes, a former star at Trotwood-Madison High School in Dayton, Ohio, plays in the defensive backfield of the MSU Team, currently tied for second place in the Ohio Valley Conference. He is rated as one of the fastest men on the Eagles and is an outstanding tackler. Ball carriers and deflecting passes to good use in tackling, Bayes has recently led the MSU defense much, helping prevent ten "Jim was back of the runner when he got to the sidelines, and it only took him about 20 yards to catch up," Hallum said of an outstanding Bayes' effort recently.

Bayes also came up with a big play in Morehead State's loss to Murray. In one instance he intercepted a pass and returned it 37 yards breaking six tackles, and the Bearcats covered 12 yards.

Jim is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Bayes, 1430 Azalea Drive, Dayton. Football is not his only sport at MSU. He lettered on the track team last spring in the high hurdles.
MOREHEAD, Ky., Oct. 29 --- Winning soccer has returned to Morehead State University with the Eagles' 3-2 victory over Berea College last weekend and Coach Mahammed Sabie hopes the situation doesn't change when Western Kentucky travels to MSU for a 2 p.m. match Saturday.

The Berea win marked the first victory this season for the Eagles after a loss and a tie.

Trailing 2-0 midway in the second quarter against Berea, the Eagles' John Kurtz came through with a goal in each of the last three periods to salvage the win.

"The seven boys who are playing soccer for us for the first time now have the experience and the team is playing 500 per cent better than at the start of the season," said Dr. Sabie.

"Western is playing soccer competitively for the first time, but we've heard they show exceptional poise," he added. "We are not expecting an easy match."

Morehead State will be at home Nov. 7 against Murray State University, a team the Eagles defeated and tied last season.

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