FOOTBALL

Tech's football Wonder Boys accomplished the unheard-of feat this season of losing their first four games then coming back to win six straight. And to cap it all the sixth was the Rice Bowl, making A-Tech state small college champs.

The trouble at the first of the season, Coach Sam Hindsman said, was lack of experience. In his words: "we lost two letterman ends, three tackles, two guards, a center, and our number one and two quarterbacks from last year's team."

It was only after those losses, he explained, that the greener hands began to find their sea legs . . . "and at the end of the season we had the best team we've had in several years."

"Most of the credit," Hindsman said, "should go to the desire and spirit of the boys and the fine cooperation of the assistant coaches."

SAM HINDSMAN, head coach

MARVIN SALMON and GEORGE VEIT, assistants
1957 WONDER BOYS
STATE CHAMPIONS

Football at Tech begins early in the evening...

The team congregates in the locker room, to dress out and get last minute briefing.

Students begin to arrive in couples, small groups, car loads, and soon the stands are filled.

The band strikes up, rousing the enthusiasm.

People drift by the concession stand to pick up coffee and hot dogs.

A cheer goes up as the team comes on the field.

The captains meet to call the toss.

... suddenly you realize it's game time.
The game . . . .

What has been a milling mob now becomes the "twelfth man."

All attention is focused on the game. Cheering rises and falls as Meador breaks loose for a long run, Reese snags a touchdown pass, or Norman makes a jarring tackle.

Soon it’s all over and you have won or lost.
But at Tech you have usually won.
Wonder Boys Swamped by Mud and Tigers, 20-6

MEMPHIS, Sept. 21—Tech’s Wonder Boys opened the 1957 season with a 20 to 6 loss to powerful Memphis State University.

The game actually was not a real test for either team as it was played under the worst possible conditions. A driving rain fell throughout the contest which made the players almost indistinguishable by the second half.

Memphis scored early in the first period following a short punt and a good runback.

A few plays later, Wonder Boy speedster Eddie Meador brought the crowd to its feet with a 77-yard sprint which cut the Tiger lead to one point, 7-6.

The Tigers pushed across another first quarter score and one in the third for a 20-6 margin before the rain slowed all further offensive gestures.
ROBERT FUQUA
halfback, 3 letters

BILL RAINNEY
halfback, 2 letters
All-AIC, honorable mention

EDDIE MEADOR
halfback, 3 letters
All-AIC, first team

JOE REESE
end, 2 letters
All-AIC, first team

WINKIE MAY
quarterback, 2 letters
All-AIC, third team

Not much form, but Clark went down.
JOHNNY KING
end, 2 letters

JIM SHAMY
guard, 2 letters

CHARLES RUSGUS
guard, 1 letter

This Mulerider didn’t get away from Rainey and Norman.

Tech Loses Only State Game
To Southern State Muleriders

MAGNOLIA, Sept. 28—Southern State’s Muleriders put the pressure on the Wonder Boys in the first half, then hung on for a 26-13 win, their first over Tech in four years.

The fired-up ’Riders caught the Techsters cold and compiled a 20-0 lead at halftime.

It looked as if it might be a new game in the third quarter when Tech scored by virtue of a 30-yard pass from Winkie May to Joe Reese. Reese kicked the extra point. A few plays later, May gathered in a Southern pass and galloped 60 yards to cut the Mulerider lead to 20-13.

Southern State scored again in the fourth quarter to dash the Tech hopes and give them the victory over their fellow independents.
Wonder Boys Lose First Home Game to Southeast Missouri, 13-6

RUSSELLVILLE, Oct. 5—In their first home appearance of the season, the Wonder Boys were scalped by the Southeast Missouri Indians by a 13-6 count.

Missouri scored the first time they had the ball to give them an early lead. The Indian lead held up until the beginning of the second half when Tech's Eddie Meador gathered in the kick-off and scampered 102 yards to pay dirt.

The Wonder Boys threatened several more times, moving inside the Southeast 20-yard line twice, but they couldn't quite pull the trick.

Coming up: one plastering, Norman style.
Techsters Lose Fourth Straight

RUSSELLVILLE, Oct. 12—The Wonder Boys took it on the chin for the fourth straight time as the Austin Peay Governors marked up a 20 to 12 victory.

Although this was to be the Techsters' last defeat of the season, no one knew it at the time and things looked mighty bad at this point.

Austin Peay took an early lead but Tech tied the score when Winkie May passed to Joe Reese for 26 yards and the touchdown. The Tennesseans scored twice more to move into a 20-6 lead which stood up until the final period. Eddie Meador faded back and passed to All-A.I.C. end Reese who raced across the goal for the score. The play covered 41 yards. Time ran out to prevent any further scoring and the Governors had an eight-point win.
BRYAN ZERINGUE
halfback, 2 letters

BOB JORDAN
fullback, 2 letters

RALPH BURTON
tackle, 2 letters

MIKE McGBBONY
center, 1 letter

TOMMY HENSON
guard, 2 letters

then scores a direct hit.
CONWAY, Oct. 18—The Wonder Boys picked up their first victory of the season as they crushed the game but hapless Hendrix Warriors by a 33-13 count.

Looking like the champions they were to become, the Techsters piled up a 33-0 margin in the first half and then coasted for the win.

Tech scored first on a one-yard sneak by Winkie May. The second touchdown came on a six-yard dash by Bill Rainey. May kicked the extra point and the Wonder Boys led 13-0 after one quarter. Jimmy Argo, Tech fullback, bulled his way across from the one-yard line for the third marker a few plays later and Harold Norton booted the PAT. Eddie Meador scored from the 10 and Reese kicked the extra point for a 27-0 lead. Meador scored again from the three to end the Wonder Boy scoring.

Hendrix scored just before the half and again in the fourth quarter.
Dads Day Win Makes It 29 of 31

RUSSELLVILLE, Oct. 25—The Wonder Boys maintained their Dad's Day record as they rolled over East Central Oklahoma's Tigers 43-14 in the cold and rain.

The victory was Tech's 29th against one loss and one tie in 31 Dad's Day appearances.

Bill Rainey scored first on a 61-yard run on the third play from scrimmage. Rainey also made the extra point and Tech was on its way. Eddie Meador scored next with a 15-yard sprint. Winkie May added the PAT and Tech led 14-0.

A few minutes later, a Tiger punter was smothered in the end zone for a safety and a 16-0 Tech lead. After a Tiger score, Meador ran 23 years for another TD. May's kick was good and the half score was 23-7.

Tech touchdowns were turned in in the second half by Meador, Bob Fuqua and Jim Argo, and May kicked two more extra points.
JIMMY GRIFFIN
halfback, 3 letters

EDDIE DONAHOU
back, squadman

HENRY BRUMETT
quarterback, 1 letter

HAROLD NORTON
end, 2 letters

KENNETH WILLIAMS
back, squadman

One that Reese dropped.
It's 32-0 Over Southeastern And Three Straight Wins

RUSSELLVILLE, Nov. 2—The Wonder Boys jumped off to a huge first half lead and then coasted home to take a 32-0 win over the Southeastern Oklahoma Savages for their third straight victory.

Tech scored early when All-AIC halfback Eddie Meador gathered in a Savage punt and scampered 60 yards to pay dirt. The Wonder Boys scored again in the first period when Winkie May hit end Ernest Faucett with a pass good for 45 yards and the TD.

Freshman fullback Roger Lee scored in the second quarter after consecutive runs of 21 and 14 yards. Bill Rainey ran 55 yards to the Southeastern six, where Meador carried across for a 26-0 halftime lead. The Wonder Boys counted again when May hit Joe Reese with a three yard pass to cap a 49-yard drive.
Delta State Was The Victim
On Homecoming Day

RUSSELLVILLE, Nov. 16—One of Arkansas Tech's most successful Homecomings in the history of the college was climaxed by a 14-0 win over the Delta State Statesmen.

Playing in ideal football weather, the Wonder Boys thrilled the crowd of 4,000 as they struck for two third quarter touchdowns and avenged last year's defeat.

Speedy halfback Eddie Meador scored on the first play from scrimmage in the third period with a 77-yard run. Midway in the third quarter, a Delta punter stepped out of his own end zone for a safety. With less than two minutes left in the period, Meador again brought the fans to their feet as he dashed 44 yards for the final TD.

Tech reached the Statesmen's 10 yard line late in the game but fumbled and Delta recovered.
Wonder Boys Whip A-State
For Second Straight Year

JONESBORO, Nov. 23—Trailing 13-7 at halftime, the Wonder Boys dominated the second half to upset the Arkansas State Indians 21 to 13.

The victory was Tech's second in a row over State and put the spotlight on the December 6 Rice Bowl contest.

The Techsters grabbed an early lead when Eddie Meador ran 75 yards for a TD on the second play from scrimmage. Winkie May kicked the PAT and Tech led 7-0. The Indians struck back with two touchdowns to take the lead at halftime. In the third period a bad snap from center gave Tech the ball on State's 22-yard line. Meador carried across from the two to tie the score. May's kick was good and Tech led 14-13. The Wonder Boys scored the insurance marker late in the same quarter when Ernest Faucett blocked a State punt and recovered on the Redskin 13. Bill Rainey scored the touchdown and May kicked his third extra point of the afternoon.
One of the few times A-State stopped us.
STUTTGART, Dec. 6—The long-awaited meeting of Arkansas Tech, the state's leading independent, and Arkansas A&M, the A.I.C. champions, was brought about by the First Annual Rice Bowl game played in connection with the World Champion Duck Calling Contest.

And the setting was perfect—for the ducks, that is. Rain fell all day and throughout the game but it failed to dampen the spirits of some 2,000 fans who came out to watch their favorites in action.

Tech scored first on a one-yard plunge by Bill Rainey. The goal line was under water and the officials deliberated several minutes before awarding the touchdown. Joe Reese kicked the extra point. The Boll Weevils dominated the second quarter and tied the score following a blocked quick-kick. In the third period Eddie Meador ran 57 yards for the tie-breaking score. The Wonder Boys scored again in the fourth quarter when an alert Winkie May picked up Meador's fumble and ran across from the one.

The Weevils threatened late in the fourth quarter but failed to score and Tech was unofficial state champion because A&M had beaten Southern State two weeks earlier.
Early in the 1957-58 basketball season, coach Sam Hindsman was looking over his prospects. After watching a couple of rangy freshmen drop in shot after shot from the free throw line he prophesied, "We're going to have a good team."

As the year wore on it became evident that Sam knew what he was talking about.

Mixing some outstanding freshmen with an impressive list of veterans, he began fashioning his first two-platoon group since the 54-55 aggregation. As expected, the lack of experience in the first year men told and the team lost three of the first four games.

But then the Wonder Boys hit their stride and lost only one more regular season contest, winning 16.

Since all the losses were to non-conference rivals, Tech finished with a 10-0 A.I.C. record and a tie with Henderson for the title. The Reddies would not consent to a playoff game.

Coldly methodical with two units, the Wonder Boys swept the district NAIA playoffs with wins over Arkansas College, Arkansas A & M and Southern State. They were Kansas City bound.

At the "big town" something intervened that even Sam Hindsman couldn't cope with: A bout with the flu left one regular at home and three others weakened, as Tech drew fifth seeded West Virginia Wesleyan in the first round.

Nevertheless a fired up group of Wonder Boys played 20 minutes of basketball that would have beaten any team in the meet. It was only in the second period that the flu began to take its toll, and the already over-extended men in green relinquished their lead with five minutes to go.

So ended the tournament. But people in Kansas City are still talking about one of those rangy freshmen. And people in Russellville are saying that next year is Tech's year to win it.
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Basketball at Tech provides some of the most exciting and easily remembered moments during each school year.

Each game follows a pattern; the captains meet at mid-court for a last minute conference with the officials; everyone dashes to the concession stand for refreshments; the fans get settled and tensely await the impending contest.

The referee tosses the ball in the air. Tech controls the tip and the game is under way.

The action on the floor reflects on the faces of students, players on the bench and coaches.
The scoreboard tells the story as the Wonder Boys jump off to a fast lead and coast to another overwhelming victory.

This is basketball as played at Arkansas Tech.
Charles Adams
Center
All-AIC, Honorable Mention
4 letters

KENNETT, Lovelady, and Crawford mix it up with Drury College.

TIME OUT and the Wonder Boys take a breather during one of their AIC victories.

Ronnie Kennett
Guard
All-AIC, First Team
4 letters
CRAWFORD is fouled while attempting a lay-up.

Dean Wilburn
Guard
All-AIC, Second Team
3 letters

Max Lay
Forward
1 letter

J. P. Lovelady
Forward
All-AIC, Second Team
1 letter
LAY controls under the Mountaineers' goal.

Gordon Carr
Guard
3 letters

Ted Lyons
Forward
3 letters

Bill Meacham
Guard
1 letter
WILBURN is fouled while trying to control the ball.

BABB drives for two.

WONDER BOYS move fast and furious against Southern State in the finals of the District 17 NAIA Playoffs.

J. T. Babb
Forward
1 letter

Bob Crawford
Center
4 letters
IT'S anybody's ball as Adams, Wilburn and Lay scrap for a rebound.

Larry Cotton
Forward
Squadman

Dearwood O'Donley
Guard
1 letter
DRURY players are helpless as Wilburn puts one in.

Haskell Roberts
Forward
Squadman

Bob Heath
Guard
Squadman

BABB, Cotton and Heath battle with a Warrior for a loose ball.
FIRST ROW: Bonnie Simpson, Burla Hedden, Cornelia Redwine, Bobbie Morris, Dotty Knoll, Faye Gibson, Sue Lynch. SECOND ROW: Dorothy Barton, Manager; Nancy Biggs, Carol Griffith, Ann Owens, Dean Blalock, Carol Person, Miss Coreta Cowart, Coach.

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Arkansas Tech's Wonder Girls are members of the Arkansas State AAU and play their schedule against other members of the association. These other members include independent teams from around the state as well as teams from several of the state's colleges.


DISTANCE: Ronald Thompson, Joe Trowbridge.

HURDLES: Charles Tosch, Mike Bass, Lewis McCollum.
Tech's track team has a full schedule slated for 1958 with most other Arkansas colleges back on the slate after a year's absence.

The 1957 squad took second in the state meet even though they had only three meets during the regular season. With many veterans returning, this year's squad should be strong contenders for the conference title.
Wonder Boys Tie for
Second in 1957 A IC Meet

Hopes were high for an upset but when it was all over, the Wonder Boys had finished second behind Arkansas State Teachers College in the AIC Track Meet for the fourth year in a row.

Reports of injured Teachers athletes proved to be false as the Bears used their depth to take the meet. Tech and Hendrix battled the Tutors on even terms for the first five events but fell behind as the meet progressed.

Final scores were ASTC 51 1/2, Tech and Hendrix 39 each, Ouachita 31 1/2, Arkansas A & M 12 and Henderson 3.
IT was an exciting meet.

PATE gives the baton to Crawford in the mile relay.

Eddie Meador was the Wonder Boys' leading scorer with 11 points. Meador ran in six events and took home medals in all six.

Other members of the Tech squad included Bill Rainey, Bryan Zeringue, Mac Pate, Don Sullivan, Ernest Faucett, Ken Matthews, Wally Cox, Ronnie Kennett, Bob Crawford, James Shell, Buddy Moore and Bob Jordan.
This year’s baseball team includes three returning lettermen from last year.

The return of AIC competition will provide a much fuller schedule and intensify the rivalry between Tech and other Arkansas colleges.
CATCHER
Jim Argo


PITCHERS—FIRST ROW: Dawson Moore, Winkie May, Jim Pierce. SECOND ROW: Joe Reese, Jim Ray, Joe Kindrick, Carl Day.

Techsters Break Even
During 1957 Season

Plagued by rain, Coach Raymond Burtner’s Wonder Boys could squeeze in only eight games during the 1957 season. The Techsters started strong, winning the first four games, but hit a cold streak and lost the remaining four.

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ECONOMIDES pitches to Southern State batter.
TECH squad relaxes while teammates bat.

A CLOSE PLAY at first.

TECHSTERS look glum as their relief pitcher starts to warm up.

VALENTINE takes a cut at the "horsehide."

SHAMY and Valentine come in to ret for three outs.