Mentors

ALFRED J. CRABAUGH
Chairman Athletic Committee

JOHN EDWARD TUCKER
Head Coach of Football
Under the coaching of John Tucker, Tech elevens have rolled up the remarkable record of 36 wins, 9 losses and 5 tied games.

HENRY HUDSON
Basketball and Track Coach
Assistant Football Coach

The coaches in working togs.
John Cowne, giant tackle and co-captain elect of the 1937 Wonder Boys, was named on the all-state team for the first time this year. Cowne, who hails from Greenwood, earned his second letter at Tech in as many years of competition. A broken arm received in the Teachers game this year kept him on the sidelines during the latter part of this season.

Age, 19; height, 6 ft., 2 in.; weight, 225.

Lettered, high school 3 years; Tech, 2 years.

ALL-STATE

Liston Hager, co-captain of the 1937 squad and the sparkplug of the Wonder Boy running and passing attack, completed his third year of play at Tech at the half-back position this season. Hager, who is from Batesville, was a unanimous choice for the all-state berth. He is continuing his gridiron and scholastic career at State Teachers.

Age, 22; height, 5 ft., 7 in.; weight, 175.

Lettered at Tech 2 years; in high school 3 years.

Paul Zuber, member of a family famous in Tech football history, starred at end for Van Buren high school for three years before entering Tech. Zuber, one of the most consistent players on the squad, earned two football letters and a berth on the all-state team during his 3 years at Tech. Zuber entered the University of Arkansas at mid-term.

Age, 21; height, 6 ft., 1 in.; weight, 175.
REVIEW OF THE SEASON

Prospects for a winning 1937 eleven looked slim September 10 when a squad of 47 men, including only seven of 19 lettermen from the strong '36 team reported to Coach Tucker for the initial practice of the season. State football writers shook their collective heads and scratched Tech from the list of contenders for the state championship. They could not see the fight, determination, and desire to win fostered by those 47 Wonder Boys which destined them to be one of the greatest elevens in Tech football history and brought them, at the season's end, Coach Tucker's praise as "the fightingest team I have ever coached."

Over a tough nine game schedule the Wonder Boys made the following record:
Eight victories; one defeat.
Two hundred and ten points scored; scored upon for 33 points—the best defensive record in the state.
Playing the first five games of the season without being scored upon brought Tech national recognition.
Thirteen of the players were named on one of the three all-state teams.
Even though they didn't win the state championship, Tech's Wonder Boys received their share of football glory and were considered by many as the strongest college eleven in Arkansas.
Playing their first game of the season under the new lights on Buerkle field, the Wonder Boys decisively defeated a heavy Becone Indian eleven from Muskogee, Oklahoma. The Tech eleven, composed chiefly of non-letter-men, held the upper hand throughout the game and outplayed their opponents in every department. Dashes by Hager, Bridges and Hickey, and an end-around by Laux placed the ball on the Indian one-yard line from where Hickey scored the first touchdown, early in the first quarter. Bridges’ kick for point was good. A forty-yard dash by Hickey in the middle of the third period accounted for the final tally. Cowne, Bynum and Pearce were outstanding in the Tech line.

**Tech** 26  
**Kansas State Teachers** 0

Sporting a vastly improved running and passing attack, the Wonder Boys handed the Gorillas of Kansas State Teachers college a stinging defeat in the second game of the season. With “Mickey” Zuber, Tech’s versatile left end, snagging passes and Beaver, Salmon, Bridges, and Hickey lugging the ball, Tech made it three decisive victories over the Gorillas in as many years. Led by Pearce, Gattin and Bynum, the Tech line smeared the visitor’s offense and repeatedly opened large holes in the Kansas line for the Tech backs to scamper through.

**Tech** 13  
**Henderson** 0

The Wonder Boys journeyed to Arkadelphia October 8 to meet Henderson State Teachers for their first game of the season with an Arkansas rival. Coach Suddeth’s Reddies were primed for the occasion and displayed plenty of the fight always present at games between these two schools. After playing on even terms for the first half, the Techmen staged an aerial attack that netted the winning markers in the third and fourth quarters. Hager tossed to Tolliver for the first score and to Zuber for the next. Both teams showed a strong defense but the Reddies were unable to cope with Tech’s power during the final periods.
Wham! and an undefeated Norseman eleven from Miami, Okla., took it on the nose as the Tech powerhouse marked up its fourth consecutive victory and marched into the national limelight as one of the few undefeated, untied, unscored on teams in the nation. The Oklahomans filled the open date on Tech's schedule left by the cancellation of football by Magnolia.

Both teams took to the air early in the game giving the fans a slight taste of grid-basketball but each team could complete only a small percentage of their attempts. Tech's running attack functioned perfectly with Hager, Hickey and Beaver carrying the mail on long dashes. The visiting team could not penetrate Tech's strong line in Tech territory.
In Indian territory, Tech's Wonder Boys downed a heavier O.C.U. Goldbug eleven for their fifth consecutive victory. The win placed them among the 5 teams with a perfect record for the year in the nation, and branded them as a worthy opponent for the all-important clash with State Teachers.

Paul Zuber, end, scored the winning touchdown early in the first half on an end-around play from the 18-yard line. Bridges made the extra point to end the scoring for the night.

By completing 11 of 12 attempted passes, the Tucker charges showed that the Arkansas boys could toss the leather. Long and accurate punts from the toe of Beaver, Tech fullback, aided in retarding the Goldbug attack. Bynum and Pearce were outstanding in the line.

It was a great battle, a full 60 minutes of sensational football played as only two of the most colorful elevens in Arkansas football history could have played it. The stage was perfecty set, both teams untied and undefeated, the winner was conceded the state title by observers. Teacher's long winning streak was at stake and Tech with her goal line uncleared in 5 previous games was attempting to secure revenge for a 13 to 9 defeat last year.
A pass from Burnett to Estes, late in the fourth quarter turned defeat into victory for the Bears. It was a hard game for Tech to lose. Tech made 9 first downs to 10 for the Bears; they made 359 yards from scrimmage as compared to 185 for their rivals. Tech was in possession of the ball on the Teacher's 7-yard line when the game ended.

TECH . . . . . . . . 41
MONTICELLO . . . . . 14

After getting a slow start and playing on even terms for the first period, the Tech powerhouse came into its own and trounced the Boll Weevils, scoring almost at will. The passing of Booth, Weevil quarterback, was the outstanding feature of the Weevil attack. Zuber scored 2 touchdowns from passes, Priest scoring one via the same route. Coach Tucker made substitutions frequently in the game which was marked by numerous long runs by the Tech backs.
THE 1938 AGRICOLA

Hager headed for a score.
A clear field.
It's hard on the linemen.
Zuber on an end-around.

TECH . . . . . . . . 54
SOUTHWESTERN . . . . 0

The Green and Gold squad limbered up at the expense of a highly-touted eleven from Winfield, Kansas, in a game more like a track meet than football, before a large crowd of parents of Tech students here for the annual Dad's Day.

Scoring when they pleased and pushing the heavier team all over the field, the Wonder Boys amassed a total of 54 points, 20 of which were scored in the first quarter. Almost every player on the Tech squad got into the game for at least a few plays.

TECH . . . . . . . . 14
HENDRIX . . . . . . . . 6

After being knocked about and outplayed for three quarters the Tech powerhouse came to life again and ripped the Hendrix line to pieces to score twice in the last quarter for the most spectacular last-minute rally of the season. Hendrix held a 6-point lead, won in the second quarter, and held it until Bridges went over for a score and made the placement, in the middle of the final stanza. Hager intercepted a pass to score the second touchdown a few seconds before the game ended. The Wonder Boys scored 5 first downs in the last quarter. Tolliver, Hager, Zuber, Laux, and Priest were graduating lettermen helping to keep Tech's record of no defeats on Thanksgiving Day, unsmirched.
Tech's prospects for the 1938 season are very good if performance in spring practice is to be considered as evidence. Among new men showing up well are Rasmussen, Covey, and Dale Miller. The returning non-lettermen are trying hard to make a good showing so that they may fill the shoes of the graduating players.

A tentative eight-game schedule is topped by the Thanksgiving Day game scheduled with State Teachers.
Performing in weather more suitable for football than track, the freshman boys defeated the sophomores, 68 to 44, in the intramural track meet held on Buerkle Field Friday afternoon, April 1. The affair was held as a preliminary tryout before the scheduled meet between Tech and Harding College the following Friday.
Ralph Turner, freshman, winning first in the 120-yard high hurdles, high jump, and broad jump; second in javelin; and third in pole vault, rang up 19 points to win high scoring honors. Clark Beaver, sophomore, who won first in the three weights, shot put, discus, and javelin, and third in broad jump, was second with 16 points.
Three events, the mile run, the 880 relay, and the mile relay, were cancelled because of the cold which grew more severe later in the meet.

The first and seconds in many events represented Tech in track meets held later during the year.
Results of the meet are:

100-yard dash: Fred Miller (S); Hickey (S); Little (F); time, 10.4.
220-yard dash: Little (F); Fred Miller (S); Perry (F); time, 23.8.
440-yard dash: Little (F); Reed (F); Perry (F); time, 54.4.
880-yard dash: Reed (F); Hudson (S); time, 2:07.
120-yard high hurdles: Turner (F); Ganner (F); Holly (F); time, 16.6.
220-yard low hurdles: Elkins (F); Ganner (F); Holly (F); time, 26.9.
440-yard relay: Sophomores (Miller, Young, Bridges, Hickey) time, 45.4.
High jump: Turner (F); Briggs (S); Beaver (S); height, 5 feet, 6 inches.
Broad jump: Turner (F); Strickland (F); Trou (F); distance, 21 feet, 1½ inches.
Pole vault: Story (S); Jones (F); Turner (F); height, 10 feet, 6 inches.
Shot put: Beaver (S); Bynum (F); Gault (F); distance, 41 feet, 1 inch.
Discus: Beaver (S); Gault (F); Morelock (F); distance, 126 feet.
Javelin: Beaver (S); Turner (F); Bridges (S); distance, 152 feet.
Prospects for the season in track were very good because of the showing made by the freshmen in the intra-mural event, plus the return of several lettermen of last season.

Three meets are scheduled before the state meet which will be held here again this year.

**TECH THIN-CLADS LOSE TO HENDRIX**

**TECH WINS FROM U. OF A. FROSH**
Paul Brotherton, left-handed ace of the Tech five, was rewarded for his season of outstanding play by being named forward on the all-state quintet. Brotherton’s accurate, one-handed shots won him high scoring honors for the squad and were the deciding factors in winning several of the games. Brotherton, who hails from Charleston, graduates this spring.

Harley Thompson, center and captain of the squad, whose great defensive play and the ability to recover the ball of the backboard made him invaluable to the Tech five. From Cave Creek, he also graduates this year.

Basketball

Dale DeKoster, Spencer, Iowa, completed his second and last year at forward this season. His excellent floor work and accurate passing branded him as one of the flashiest players in the state.
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Young, Storey, Brotherton, Oldham, Thompson, Tyler, Briggs, Turner, DeKoster

Tech's basketeers, composed of five lettermen and four reserves, aided by several capable freshmen, opened the 1937-38 season against a strong University of Arkansas freshmen quintet and thrilled their supporters by forcing the Hogs to extend themselves to win the game.

Every game played in the new physical education building drew capacity crowds and provided numerous thrills. Two close victories over Hendrix and the loss to Teachers by one point, made by virtue of a foul shot after the final whistle, were the outstanding encounters of the season.
These three boys represented Tech in the state A. A. U. tournament and returned with three championships and the team trophy.

Hobbs, who had never boxed until he came to Tech, won his semi-final bout by a knockout and won by a decision in the finals to take the A. A. U. welterweight championship.

Kinney is a veteran amateur boxer. He won the light heavyweight crown last year and was unopposed at this year's tournament.

McFerran is a veteran of the '37 team. He has lost only one bout in his two years as middleweight contender for the Tech team.
TECH BOXERS DRAW WITH U. OF A.
MITTMEN DEFEAT CLARKSVILLE CLUB
TECH WINS SECOND MEETING WITH U. OF A. BOXERS
THREE A. A. U. TITLES WON BY TECH MITTMEN
CHAMPION TECHMEN GO TO NATIONAL A. A. U. MEET

Alfred Martin, lightweight; Mitchel Moore, welterweight; Francis Reynolds, featherweight; and Ridge Whitlock, bantamweight; combined with Kinney, Hobbs, and McFerran to fill out a well-balanced boxing team.
For the first time at Tech members of the boxing squad will receive letters for their participation in this sport which is rapidly becoming popular with the students.

Under the tutelage of student instructor Ragon Kinney, the Tech mittmen were victorious in every team encounter with the exception of a draw in their first meeting with the U. of A. fighters. Hobbs, Kinney, and McFerran were undefeated by state competition, but all three lost bouts at the junior national A. A. U. tournament in Cincinnati.
The girls gym classes, under the direction of Mrs. Henry Hudson, enjoy recreational facilities in the new Tech gym.