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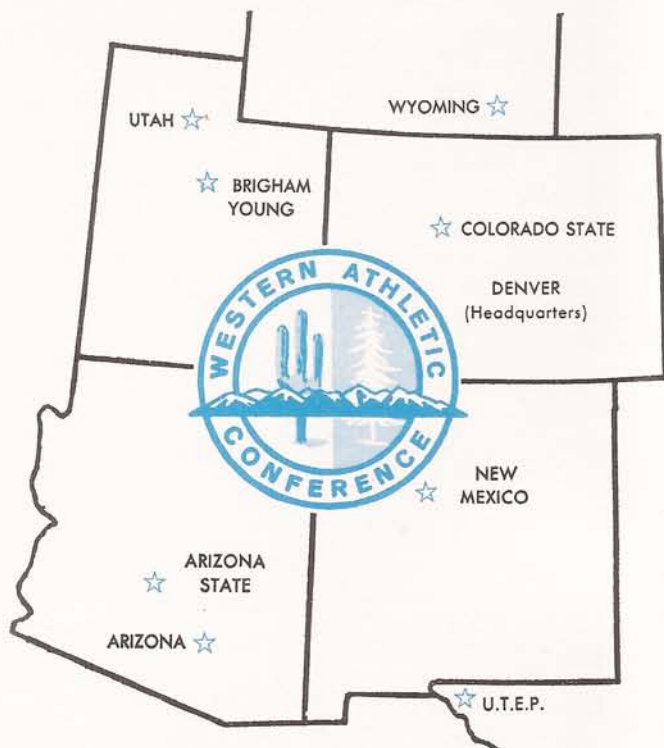
BRIGHAM

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## NEW WAC LOOK



### EIGHT TEAMS IN SIX STATES

This fall, when the Western Athletic Conference begins its seventh year, the league will have a new commissioner and two new member institutions.

The new commissioner is Wiles Hallock, former NCAA Director of Public Relations and Director of Special Services, who replaced Dr. Paul Brechler this summer. Brechler had served in this post since the WAC was founded on July 1, 1962.

July 1, 1968, is the date the Western Athletic Conference officially expanded to eight teams. New member schools are Colorado State University of Fort Collins, Colo., and University of Texas at El Paso. Charter members are Arizona State University, University of Arizona, Brigham Young University, University of New Mexico, University of Utah, and University of Wyoming.

The eight schools in the Rocky Mountain-Southwest region are spread over six states. Conference headquarters are located in Denver, Colo., with offices at 1515 Cleveland Place (Denver-Hilton).

Director of Information for the WAC is G. David Price.



## WELCOME, PRESS

**PRESS PASSES** — Requests for working passes should be made directly to the Sports Information Director a week prior to the game. Women are not allowed in the press box, and the area is reserved for those actually covering the game. Drivers, and others who may accompany those covering the game, will be asked to sit elsewhere.

**PRESS BOX** — The BYU press box is located on the west side of the playing floor, and is reached through entry of sections AA on the north end of the floor. All parking in the immediate vicinity of the fieldhouse is reserved. Parking permits should be requested in advance.

**BROADCASTING BOOTHS** — Three radio booths are available, including one reserved for the visiting station which is designated the official station by the visiting team.

**SERVICES** — Complete game statistics — the box score, shooting percentages, shooting charts, and play-by-play — will be supplied at the half and end of the game.

**UNIFORMS** — The Cougars will wear white uniforms at home and royal blue on the road.

# 1968-69 SCHEDULE

Nov. 30	(Sat.)	USC	Provo
Dec. 5	(Thurs.)	New Mexico State	Univ. Park
Dec. 7	(Sat.)	Seattle	Provo
Dec. 13	(Fri.)	Cable Car Trnmt.	San Francisco
& 14	(Sat.)	(Houston, Santa Clara, San Francisco and BYU)	
Dec. 20	(Fri.)	Oregon State	Provo
Dec. 21	(Sat.)	Denver	Provo
Dec. 23	(Mon.)	Syracuse	Provo
Dec. 26	(Thurs.)	Far West Classic	Provo
27	(Fri.)	(Oregon, Oregon State, Yale,	
28	(Sat.)	Washington State, Arizona	
30	(Mon.)	State, California, Syracuse, BYU)	
Jan. 3	(Fri.)	Stanford	Palo Alto
Jan. 4	(Sat.)	Stanford	Palo Alto
Jan. 8	(Wed.)	Athletes in Action	Provo
Jan. 11	(Sat.)	Utah State	Logan
Jan. 16	(Thurs.)	Wyoming	Provo
Jan. 18	(Sat.)	New Mexico	Provo
Jan. 23	(Thurs.)	Arizona	Tucson
Jan. 25	(Sat.)	Arizona State	Tempe
Jan. 30	(Thurs.)	Utah State	Provo
Feb. 1	(Sat.)	St. Francis (Pa.)	Provo
Feb. 8	(Sat.)	Utah	Provo
Feb. 13	(Thurs.)	Arizona State	Provo
Feb. 15	(Sat.)	Arizona	Provo
Feb. 22	(Sat.)	Utah	Salt Lake City
Feb. 27	(Thurs.)	New Mexico	Albuquerque
Mar. 1	(Sat.)	Wyoming	Laramie

# FROSH SCHEDULE

Nov. 23	Varsity-Frosh	Provo
Nov. 30	Col. of Southern Idaho	Provo
Dec. 4	Snow College	Ephraim
Dec. 7	Idaho State	Provo
Dec. 13	Rangely College	Rangely
Dec. 14	Dixie College	St. George
Jan. 8	Magic Valley Christian Coll.	Provo
Jan. 10	Idaho State	Pocatello
Jan. 11	Utah State	Logan
Jan. 16	Snow College	Provo
Jan. 18	Dixie	Provo
Jan. 25	Col. of So. Idaho	Twin Falls
Jan. 30	Utah State	Provo
Feb. 1	Rangely College	Provo
Feb. 5	College Eastern Utah	Price
Feb. 8	Utah Frosh	Provo
Feb. 13	College Eastern Utah	Provo
Feb. 15	Ricks College	Provo
Feb. 22	Utah	Salt Lake City

# 1967-68 RESULTS

BYU	OPPONENT	SITE	OPP.
88	Denver	Denver	78
72	Texas Tech	Provo	58
63	Texas	Provo	50
*90	Aussie Stars	Provo	63
55	Illinois	Champaign	63
69	Houston	Houston	102
75	Santa Clara	Provo	80
91	Santa Clara	Provo	46
**87	Xavier	Oklahoma City	75
**97	Virginia Tech	Oklahoma City	64
**88	Oklahoma City	Oklahoma City	91
74	St. Joseph's	Philadelphia	88
104	Utah State	Provo	98
72	Arizona	Provo	62
94	Arizona State	Provo	78
70	Wyoming	Laramie	81
69	New Mexico	Albuquerque	84
81	U. Texas El Paso	Chicago	59
65	Loyola Chicago	Chicago	67
118	Utah State	Logan	103
*101	Phillips 66ers	Provo	89
89	Utah	Salt Lake City	91
67	New Mexico	Provo	76
101	Wyoming	Provo	77
93	Utah	Provo	90
97	Arizona State	Tempe	99
85	Arizona	Tucson	96

\*Did not count in NCAA statistics.

\*\*All-College Tournament in Oklahoma City

# WAC STANDINGS

Team	CONFERENCE GAMES			ALL GAMES		
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
New Mexico	8	2	.800	23	5	.821
Wyoming	5	5	.800	18	9	.667
Utah	5	5	.500	17	9	.653
BRIGHAM YOUNG	4	6	.400	15	12	.520
Arizona	4	6	.400	11	13	.459
Arizona State	4	6	.400	11	17	.393

(Selected by Conference Players)

FIRST TEAM	SECOND TEAM
Merv Jackson, Utah (Sr.)	Seabern Hill, ASU (Soph.)
Carl Ashley, Wyo. (Soph.)	Ron Sanford, NMU (Jr.)
Harry Hall, Wyo. (Jr.)	Greg Howard, NMU (Jr.)
Jim Eakins, BYU (Sr.)	Kari Liimo, BYU (Jr.)
Ron Nelson, NMU (Sr.)	Walt Simons, Utah (Sr.)
Bill Davis, Arizona (Sr.)	Marty Lythgoe, BYU (Jr.)

Honorable Mention: Roger Detter and Gerhard Schreur, ASU; Ronald Stamps, UA; Jeff Ockel and Lyndon MacKay, Utah.



## CAMPUS THUMBNAIL

**LOCATION:** Provo, Utah (estimated population 44,000)

**ENROLLMENT:** 21,000 (estimated)

**FOUNDED:** October 16, 1875, by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (Mormon)

**PRESIDENT:** Dr. Ernest L. Wilkinson. BYU is governed by a Board of Trustees.

**CONFERENCE:** Western Athletic Conference (Rocky Mountain-Southwest), headquarters in Denver, Colorado. Wiles Hallock, Commissioner, Office: 1515 Cleveland Place, Suite 300. Members as of July 1, 1968: Arizona, Arizona State, BYU, Colorado State, New Mexico, Texas at El Paso, Utah, and Wyoming.

**COLORS:** Royal Blue and White

**NICKNAME:** Cougars

**STADIUM:** BYU Stadium (1964) 30,000 capacity with possible future expansion to 45,000.

**VARSITY SPORTS:** Football, basketball, baseball, track, wrestling, golf, tennis, gymnastics, swimming, and cross country.

**CAMPUS EXCHANGE:** Area Code 801, 374-1211

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## ATHLETIC STAFF

Dean of College .....	Dr. Milton F. Hartvigsen	2645
Director of Athletics .....	Floyd Millet	2786
Asst. Director of Athletics ....	Tom J. Hudspeth	2918
Asst. Director of Athletics .....	Stan Watts	2096
Business Manager .....	Floyd R. Taylor	3032
Ticket Manager .....	David Dredge	2639
Sports Information Director ..	David Schulthess	2511
Equipment Manager .....	Floyd Johnson	2410
Trainers .....	Rodney Kimball	3102
	Marv Roberson	3102
Team Physician .....	Dr. Cloyd C. Hofheins	2771

## THE UNIVERSITY

Brigham Young University, the fountainhead of learning for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints is among the largest church-related institutions of higher learning in the country. Within the University there are 13 colleges, and the graduate school offers the doctoral degree in 14 departments.

The school is located in beautiful Utah Valley on a bench overlooking Provo, Utah, a community of almost 42,000 people. Rugged mountains in the Wasatch range border the valley on three sides, the Utah Lake forms a border on the west.

Forty-five miles to the north is Salt Lake City, capital of Utah and historic center of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, (commonly called the Mormon Church).

This is the setting. But the school is more than this. It is a center of higher learning which places special emphasis on spiritual values, on friendly association, and on knowledge. But in any setting, the school would be unique because of its atmosphere.

## THE FIELDHOUSE

The home floor for the Cougar basketball team is the George Albert Smith Fieldhouse located near the south end of the University's athletic complex.

Although the Fieldhouse was originally designed as a basketball arena, it is definitely multi-purpose. It is the scene of concerts, devotionals, forums, graduation exercises, and a hundred and one other activities where large audiences need to be accommodated.

Built in 1951, the original structure has since been added upon. A west annex, which provides a spacious area for indoor baseball and track, was added in 1959. The new gymnasiums, courts, locker rooms, etc., on the east end were added in 1964.

Seating capacity for the fieldhouse is 10,200. For yearly attendance figures and the Fieldhouse single game record, see the records section of the brochure.

The first game played in the Smith Fieldhouse was in Dec. of 1961. Brigham Young defeated Arizona in the inaugural game.

# THE ADMINISTRATION



Dean  
Hartvigsen

President  
Wilkinson

Director  
Millet

## DR. ERNEST L. WILKINSON UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT

If any one individual can be credited as the driving force behind BYU's dramatic growth, it is Dr. Ernest L. Wilkinson who has served as the president of the University since 1951. It is generally accepted that no other person has played such a significant role in building the school into the institution it is today.

Born and raised in Ogden, Utah, Dr. Wilkinson attended Weber College before transferring to BYU. He was editor of the campus newspaper and was a formidable debater at BYU prior to his graduation in 1921. He pursued his education at George Washington Law School, graduating summa cum laude. He continued graduate work, receiving the degree of juridical science from Harvard.

He had an illustrious career as a lawyer, and was widely respected in the field. But in 1951 he accepted a challenge in another field, education. Since his appointment, the enrollment has increased many fold, and more than 80 major, permanent buildings have been constructed on campus. In 1965, one of these buildings, the spacious new student activities building was named in his honor.

## DR. MILTON F. HARTVIGSEN, COLLEGE DEAN

There is a reason why they call the Cougars' modern athletic complex "Milt's Miracle Mile." The tag put on the Y's extensive facilities alludes to some of the contributions made to the College of Physical Education by Dr. Milton F. Hartvigsen, dean of the college.

A former teacher, coach, principal and superin-

tendent of schools in Idaho. Dr. Hartvigsen came to BYU in 1956 after obtaining his Ed.D. at UCLA. He was a 1930 graduate of Utah State University and obtained his M.Ed. from the Logan school.

Since coming to BYU, Dr. Hartvigsen has helped shape one of the finest athletic complexes in the country. His programs, which have won wide-spread commendation, are the result of his own keen planning, careful design, and forceful administration.

Dr. Hartvigsen serves as chairman of the Athletic Advisory Council, and has served on several key NCAA assignments. He was voted professor of the year at BYU in 1963.

## FLOYD MILLET, DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS

Nobody—coach, athlete or fan—likes to win more than does Floyd Millet, the University's director of athletics since 1964. And the fact that some of the Cougars' greatest moments in sports have come within the last three years is by no means coincidental.

An all-round athlete and all-conference performer at BYU, Millet won a reputation as one of the hard-nosed set by the time he graduated in 1934. He entered coaching and obtained his M.A. degree from USC in 1939.

He served in a number of coaching capacities—football, track and basketball—and was director of athletics before resigning to enter private business. Even so, he kept a hand in athletics, serving as chairman of the athletic committee of the General Board of the YMMIA. He directed one of the largest athletic programs in the world in that capacity.

## ATHLETIC ADVISORY COUNCIL, 1968-69

Milton F. Hartvigsen, Chairman (Dean of the College of Physical Education); Floyd Millet, Vice-Chairman (Director of Athletics); Clyde D. Sandgren, Secretary (Vice-President and General Counsel) **MEMBERS:** Ben E. Lewis (Vice-President for Business Affairs), Joseph T. Bentley, Stewart L. Grow (Faculty), Clinton L. Oaks (Faculty), Wilford E. Smith (Faculty), William G. Dyer (Faculty), Ronald G. Hyde (Alumni Executive Secretary), Cloyd C. Hofheins (Health Center), Howard C. Maycock (Alumni Association), Frances R. Magleby (Faculty), Grant Richards (Student Body President), Don Wood (Student Vice-President of Athletics), Charles Fletcher. **NON-VOTING MEMBERS:** Stanley H. Watts (Assistant Director of Athletics), Tom J. Hudspeth (Assistant Director of Athletics), David Schulthess (Sports Information Director), Floyd R. Taylor (Business Manager), and the Sports Editor of the "Daily Universe."



## COACH STAN WATTS

The wear and tear of 20 seasons as head basketball coach at a major basketball school hasn't seemed to bother the Cougars' Stan Watts. There can't be many professions as demanding or exhausting as head basketball coach. But Watts enters his 20th season at BYU as dean of the Rocky Mountain-Southwest coaches; a pillar in a profession that makes men old before their times.

Like the politicians say, the record speaks for itself. And a generation spent with the Cougar varsity has netted Watts and his teams two NIT championship trophies (1951 and 1966) and five conference championships; not to mention 368 victories against 212 defeats against some of the best competition in collegiate basketball.

### WAC Record

Stan's record against WAC competition, judged among the country's best leagues, is another example. BYU is out in front with a 37-23 record, a .617 percentage. The next best record for a WAC team is a 33-27, a .550 percentage.

To know the man and his accomplishments, one must go back to 1949, the year he took over at BYU.

The Cougars were regarded as a good basketball school at the time, but it wasn't until Stan took the helm that they won a national tournament. His colorful, fast-break basketball shaped a basketball tradition that is known far and wide today.

### Tours

Part of the fame abroad has come as a result of the team's tours abroad. While Watts has been head coach, the Cougars have made three extended tours overseas. The first trip was made in 1950, the year the Cougars toured South America, came back and won the NIT. BYU returned to South and Central America in 1965, playing some of the best teams to be found in the Latin American countries. The summer of 1967 found the team making an extended tour through the Orient-Pacific. Consequently, the BYU Cougar (or Puma, as it is known in South America) is often identified by fans on foreign courts.

Stan grew up in Murray, a little community just outside of Salt Lake City. An all-around athlete at Murray High, he attended Weber State before enrolling at BYU for his junior and senior years. Stan won honors in three sports with the Cougars, and graduated in 1938.

Continuing his endeavors along athletic lines, Stan began his coaching career at Millard High, where he was head coach in three sports. From Millard he moved to Dixie College as athletic director and basketball coach. He returned to the high school ranks in 1945 as head basketball coach at Jordan High. Two years later he joined the staff as an assistant at BYU. In his early years at BYU he served as head baseball coach, assistant football coach, and track coach. When the basketball post opened at BYU in 1949, Stan was everyone's choice.

### Schedule

Stan handpicks his own schedule, and year after year his teams have faced the elite in college basketball. In addition, his teams have played in practically all of the major tournaments in the country.

Besides coaching, Watts has done very well as a lecturer and author. His book, "Developing an Offensive Attack in Basketball," has sold very well since its publication in 1959. He is also a regular contributor to magazines and periodicals on the subject of basketball.

Widely-respected within the coaching profession, Stan is a past member of the National Basketball Board. He is currently first vice-president of the National Association of Basketball Coaches, and will be named president of the organization next spring.

Stan and his wife, the former Emily Kelly, have been married for more than 27 years. They have four children; Janice



Witbeck



Earnest

## PETE WITBECK

Alan "Pete" Witbeck, the chief assistant to head coach Stan Watts, is one of the better known and more respected professionals in the college ranks. Serving as top recruiter and scout, Pete has traveled thousands of miles with, and in behalf, of the Cougars.

The 1968-69 season finds Witbeck in his fifth season as Watts' assistant, and his area of responsibility includes scouting, recruiting and pre-season conditioning.

A graduate of Brigham Young University, he was a distance runner for the Cougars while attending BYU. He ran the mile and two-mile events and was a three-year letterman. Pete obtained his master's degree and joined the faculty of the College of Physical Education in 1955.

Pete began scouting for Coach Watts in the late 50's, and soon after was named freshman basketball coach. For several years Witbeck and the frosh enjoyed unusual success. His last three freshman teams had a combined record of 38-3. His 1964 team included such players as Neil Roberts, Gary Hill, Jim Jimas and others who were to become fixtures on the BYU varsity. His last team was undefeated in 14 games and averaged over 109 points per game.

The following year found Pete joining the varsity as assistant coach. He has thus moved up the coaching ladder rapidly, and his record in the profession is very impressive.

Pete works hard at his assignments, and he travels extensively in scouting and recruiting. In 1965 he traveled about 100,000 miles, including a 25,000-mile junket to South and Central America with the Cougars. Pete improved on that mark in 1967, covering 30,000 miles while touring the Orient-Pacific with the varsity.

Coach Witbeck is married to the former Kathy Marshall, and they have two children; a daughter and son.

## GARY EARNEST

The man who replaced Witbeck as assistant coach is Gary Earnest, the Cougars' former all-conference guard (1959-61). Gary, who is one of the intense coaching types, is now in his fifth year as freshman coach.

Earnest is a native of Longview, Washington, where he was an all-stater and three-sport letterman in high school. Although he was active in three sports—football, basketball and baseball—he elected to stay with basketball.

While serving in the Marines, Earnest played basketball for one of the base teams. His team was participating in a tournament in Las Vegas when he was spotted by Pete Witbeck. Witbeck was impressed with Earnest's performance, and he immediately began recruiting him for Stan Watts. The rest of the story is history. Gary not only enrolled at BYU, but he became one of the school's finest players. He ranks among the top six scorers in BYU basketball history, having scored 1,108 points in three years.

Coach Earnest began his coaching career in 1961, the same year he was graduated from BYU. His first assignment was at Rich High School in Randolph, Utah. Although Rich is a small school, his team had a 24-3 record and finished third in the state playoffs. From there he moved over to Moapa Valley High School in Overton, Nevada. His record there was 19-2, plus second place in the state tournament.

After two years of coaching in high school and four years spent with the BYU frosh, his record is 87-16. His first year at BYU was 10-3, his second and 13-1, his third 12-2, and last year the frosh were 9-5.

Gary is married to the former Ruth Robinson of American Fork. They have three children.

## BYU vs. WAC

(BYU Listed First)

Opponent	Games	Record
Arizona State	13	7-6
Arizona	14	9-5
Colorado State	51	31-20
New Mexico	35	26-9
Texas @ El Paso	2	1-1
Utah	111	56-55
Wyoming	88	49-39
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>314</b>	<b>179-135</b>



Kimball



Roberson

## TRAINERS

The training chores for this year's team will be shared by **Rod Kimball**, veteran of 29 years with Cougar teams, and comparative newcomer **Marv Roberson**.

Rod grew up in Jordan, Utah, where he was an outstanding athlete. He graduated from BYU, and has spent most of his life in service to the school and the Mormon church. He and his wife have 12 living children.

Marv Roberson will be remembered by many BYU fans as a large-size shot putter on Cougar track teams of several years ago. He graduated from BYU in '57, then moved to Stanford where he picked up his M.A. degree and was assistant trainer for the Indians for four years.

Marv became head trainer at Foothill College in 1962. He joined the BYU staff in 1966. He is a native of Long Beach, California, and he and his wife, Doris, have three children.

## THE ITINERARY

### CABLE CAR TOURNAMENT (Dec. 13-14)

Dec. 12 (Thurs.) leave Salt Lake City at 1:10 p.m. aboard United 161-Y, arrive in San Francisco at 1:43 p.m. Team will make headquarters at the Jack Tar Hotel in San Francisco. Return trip on Dec. 15 (Sun.) is scheduled for 10:15 a.m. aboard Western 490-Y, arriving in Salt Lake City at 1:15 p.m.

### FAR WEST CLASSIC (Dec. 26-30)

Dec. 25 (Wed.) leave Salt Lake City aboard United 375-Y at 12:50 p.m., arrive in Portland at 2:12 p.m. Team headquarters will be at the Benson Hotel in Portland. Return trip will be Dec. 31 (Tues.) will be aboard United 222-Y leaving Portland at 7:20 a.m., arriving at 10:33 a.m. in Salt Lake City.

### STANFORD (Jan. 3-4)

Jan. 2 (Thurs.) leave Salt Lake City aboard United 161-Y at 1:10 p.m., arrive in San Francisco 1:43 p.m. Team headquarters will be at Rickey's Hyatt House Hotel in San Francisco. Return trip will be Jan. 5 (Sun.) aboard Western 490-Y leaving San Francisco at 10:15 a.m. arrive in Salt Lake City at 1:03 p.m.

### ARIZONA (Jan. 23)

#### ARIZONA STATE (Jan. 25)

Jan. 22 (Wed.) leave Salt Lake City aboard Airwest 871-Y at 11:25 a.m., arrive in Phoenix at 12:40 p.m. Depart American 108-Y at 1:35 p.m., and arrive in Tucson at 2:07 p.m. Headquarters in Tucson will be at the Desert Inn. Jan. 24 (Fri.) leave Tucson on Airwest 852-Y at 11:25 a.m., arrive in Phoenix at 11:55 a.m. Headquarters in Phoenix will be at the Kon Tiki. Jan. 26 (Sun.) leave aboard Airwest at 9:25 a.m. arrive in Las Vegas at 9:59 a.m. Leave Las Vegas at 11:05 a.m. aboard Western 460-Y, arrive in Salt Lake City at 1:03 p.m.

### NEW MEXICO (Feb. 27)

#### WYOMING (Mar. 1)

Feb. 26 (Wed.) leave Salt Lake City aboard United 222-Y at 11:05 a.m., arrive in Denver at 12:10 p.m. Board Continental 158-Y at 1:00 p.m., arrive in Albuquerque at 2:29 p.m. Headquarters in Albuquerque will be at the Hi-Way House. Feb. 28 (Fri.) leave Albuquerque aboard Continental 150-Y at 9:55 a.m., arrive in Denver at 10:55. Board Frontier 622-A at 12:00, and arrive in Cheyenne at 12:30 p.m., then bus to Laramie. Headquarters in Laramie will be at the Holiday Inn. Mar. 1 (Sun.) leave Laramie aboard Frontier 503-A at 9:57 a.m., arrive in Denver at 10:56 a.m. Board United 161-Y at Denver at 11:30 a.m., arrive in Salt Lake City at 12:37 p.m.

(Itinerary subject to change.)



# THE OUTLOOK

Looking at the Cougars' current squad is like looking into a kaleidoscope. Shake it a little and you get all kinds of impressions and interesting combinations. Perhaps that is one reason it is difficult to come up with an unqualified statement about the 1968-69 team.

Viewed from one angle, that of returning lettermen, it would appear that the Cougars have a lot going for them. There are eight lettermen back, including three regulars from last year's squad. This group includes the leading scorer from the '68 squad, 6-8 forward Kari Liimo, and all but two of the players listed among the ten who carried the load last year.

Will this kind of experience be enough to give the Cougars an improved season? Hardly.

Two things that have earmarked the Cougars' recent good teams seem to be missing; the towering center and the steady scorer with the 20-plus scoring average.

One of the regulars not returning is Jim Eakins, the 6-11 center, who is now playing with the Oakland Oaks. Eakins was the team's number one man on the boards last year and he averaged nearly 15 points per game.

## Center Position

But the center problem could be solved with the addition of a prime prospect from the junior college ranks, 6-9 Paul Ruffner. A standout performer from the Cerritos Junior College, Ruffner could be the key to a successful season. He shoots very well, and his play reminds a lot of people of a former BYU great, John Fairchild. It could be that Ruffner is also capable of scoring 20-plus points per game, in which case the Cougars might be off and running.

Two other players will be vying for the post position; junior Scott Warner (6-6) and sophomore Veikko Vainio (6-9). Warner saw action in 24 games last year and was sixth in team scoring. Vainio, one of two Finnish students on the team, is making good progress.

## Trouble

One possible trouble spot exists on the forward line. Last year's starters, Marty Lythgoe (6-4½) and Kari Liimo (6-8), are both back, but the Cougars' haven't the depth on the forward line that they must have for a good season. These two positions must be forfeited, and steady performers must be forthcoming for BYU to be a threat.

Candidates for forward are lettermen Bruce Barron (6-5 and Bob Davis (6-3½), and church mission returnee LeRoy Maughn (6-7½). Anyone of the three may be pressed into service, if the forward positions don't materialize.

The guard line, it appears, will develop as the season progresses. Foremost among the guards is Doug Howard, a 6-3 junior from Salt Lake City, who is a sure-thing at one position. Howard looked very strong in the late stages of the '68 season.

## Seniors

Two seniors, both two-year lettermen, are also returning on the guard line. Lynn Parsons (6-3½) and Jon Dresser (6-2) know the system and can go with the fast-break. Backing up the seniors are three sophomore guards, the best of whom is Jim Miller (6-5). Although he missed practically all of his freshman year because of an injury, Miller will be pressing for a starting position. Two other sophomore guards are Chris Dowling (6-1) and Steve Kelly (6-3½).

## Height, Speed

Although there are no seven-footers in the lineup, the Cougars will have good height overall. Their speed, which is essential with the Watts' fast-break, should be adequate, but will vary with different combinations.

As per usual, the Cougar schedule will be a great test for a team with championship aspirations. Besides the usual WAC powers, the Cougars will meet half a dozen of the best teams in the country.

Three years ago (1966) the Cougars had a going combination; a 90-plus scoring average and an individual with a 20-plus scoring mean. The ingredients the Cougars had then seem to be missing now. But at least it will give this year's team something to shoot at.

# WATTS' RECORD

1949-50	.....	22	12
1950-51	.....	40	9
1951-52	.....	14	10
1952-53	.....	22	8
1953-54	.....	18	11
1954-55	.....	13	13
1955-56	.....	18	8
1956-57	.....	19	9
1957-58	.....	13	13
1958-59	.....	15	11
1959-60	.....	8	17
1960-61	.....	15	11
1961-62	.....	10	16
1962-63	.....	12	14
1963-64	.....	13	12
1964-65	.....	40	10
1965-66	.....	20	5
1966-67	.....	41	13
1967-68	.....	15	12
		368	212

Total: 580 Games  
Percentage: .634

# PERSONNEL

## LETTERMEN RETURNING (8)

**Kari Liimo, f	6-8	410	17.0
**Marty Lythgoe, f	6-4½	343	13.7
*Doug Howard, g	6-3	241	9.6
*Scott Warner, c	6-6	184	7.7
**Lynn Parsons, g	6-3½	129	5.6
**Jon Dresser, g	6-2	38	2.5
*Bruce Barron, f	6-5	12	1.8
*Bob Davis, f	6-3½	21	1.6
<b>Player</b>	<b>Ht.</b>	<b>Pts.</b>	<b>Avg.</b>

## LETTERMEN NOT RETURNING (3)

***Jim Eakins, c	6-11	369	14.8
***Randy Schouten, g	6-0	279	11.1
*Orville Fisher, c	6-11	24	11.1

## OUTSTANDING NEWCOMERS (6)

Veikko Vainio, c	6-9	(11.5 as a frosh)
Steve Kelly, g	6-3½	(9.8 as a frosh)
Chris Dowling, g	6-1	(8.0 as a frosh)
Jim Miller, g	6-5	(injured - played in only two frosh games)
Paul Ruffner, c	6-9	(18.0 JC Transfer Cerritos)
LeRoy Maughan, f	6-7	(church mission returnee—injured as a freshman)

# SEASON HIGHS

(1947-1967)

Year	Off.	Def.	Top Scorer	Avg.
1967-68	82.6	78.2	Kari Liimo	17.0
1966-67	81.7	76.1	Craig Raymond	14.2
1965-66	95.5	82.9	Dick Nemelka	24.0
1964-65	94.3	84.1	John Fairchild	21.5
1963-64	79.0	80.2	John Fairchild	20.3
1962-63	77.1	78.3	Bruce Burton	17.1
1961-62	70.5	74.9	Bob Skousen	15.9
1960-61	73.9	71.9	Gary Earnest	16.5
1959-60	67.0	75.1	Dave Eastis	20.1
1958-59	75.5	71.2	Bob Skousen	17.7
1957-58	65.3	66.7	John Nicoll	17.8
1956-57	70.1	67.1	Tom Steinke	19.7
1955-56	77.2	67.0	Terry Tebbs	19.5
1954-55	72.7	71.0	Herchel Pedersen	16.1
1953-54	68.6	64.8	Dean Larsen	15.2
1952-53	69.2	56.2	Joe Richey	17.5
1951-52	60.4	58.8	Joe Richey	14.6
1950-51	65.3	55.7	Roland Minson	16.7
1949-50	55.0	49.4	Joe Nelson	14.5
1948-49	58.8	55.4	Joe Nelson	15.5

# THE PLAYERS



Parsons



Dowling

**20** **LYNN PARSONS, Guard, 6-3½, 175, 20, Senior, Monroe, Utah**—A prime prospect for a starting position this year . . . two-year letterman . . . averaged 5.6 per game in 1968 . . . Parsons led the team in free throw percentage last season hitting 76 percent . . . two years all-state at South Sevier (185 enrollment) led South Sevier to two state titles . . . averaged 34.5 points per game as a senior . . . had a career high of 58 points in one game against Wayne . . . frosh scoring average was 12.5 . . . Lynn and wife Nancy have one child, Rhet Lynn . . . enrolled in general college.

Year	Games	FG	%	FT	%	RBD.	TP	Avg.
Frosh	14	77	47	21	54	67	175	12.5
66-67	11	4	23	3	60	7	11	1.0
67-68	23	44	40	41	76	72	129	5.6

**21** **CHRIS DOWLING, Guard, 6-1, 175, 19, Sophomore, Cleveland, Ohio**—A fast and aggressive guard candidate . . . averaged eight points per game for '68 frosh . . . led frosh in field goal shooting with 66 percent . . . prep all-city selection . . . scored 375 points as prep senior . . . lettered in track and tennis two years . . . hit a high of 41 points in one game . . . brother of Yale quarterback Brian Dowling . . . son of Mrs. Eileen and the late Mr. Emmett P. Dowling . . . business major.

Year	Games	FG	%	FT	%	RBD.	TP	Avg.
Frosh	13	42	66	20	54	23	104	8.0

## THE PLAYERS



Miller



Dresser

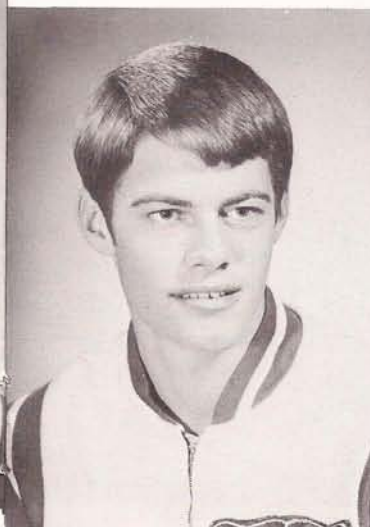
**22** **JIM MILLER, Guard, 6-5, 170, 19, Sophomore, Las Vegas, Nevada**—Will probably start some games this season . . . injured in second frosh game last season but has recovered . . . three years all-state at Las Vegas High School . . . prep team was Nevada state "AAA" champions for three years . . . scored 330, 360, 375 points as sophomore, junior, and senior respectively . . . son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Miller, switchman, Union Pacific Railroad . . . enrolled in general college.

Year	Games	FG	%	FT	%	RBD.	TP	Avg.
Frosh	2	10	34	1	33	13	21	10.5

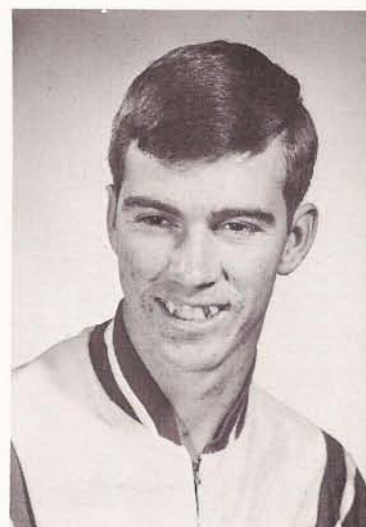
**23** **JON DRESSER, Guard, 6-2, 180, 21, Senior, Sacramento, California**—Played in fifteen games last season and eleven games as a sophomore . . . two-year letterman . . . averaged ten points per game as freshman . . . hit 71 per cent from free throw line in '68 . . . very mobile, quick, and intense . . . with the necessary adjustments Dresser could be an asset to the '69 team . . . zoology major.

Year	Games	FG	%	FT	%	RBD.	TP	Avg.
Frosh	14	59	50	27	75	53	145	10.4
66-67	11	11	46	4	44	16	26	2.4
67-68	15	13	50	12	71	10	38	2.5

## THE PLAYERS



Kelly



Howard

**24** **STEVE KELLY, Guard, 6-3½, 180, 19, Sophomore, Grand Junction, Colorado**—Averaged ten points per game on '68 frosh team . . . prep all-state at Grand Junction High School . . . leading scorer in Southwestern League . . . lettered four years varsity . . . scored 165 points as 9th grader . . . scored 400 points in 11th and 475 points in 12th grade . . . son of Dr. and Mrs. Sam Kelly, dentist . . . zoology major.

Year	Games	FG	%	FT	%	RBD.	TP	Avg.
Frosh	13	52	39	24	71	41	128	9.8

**25** **DOUG HOWARD, Guard, 6-3, 175, 20, Junior, Salt Lake City, Utah**—Earned a starting position as a sophomore in '68 . . . lived up to his rating as one of the outstanding freshman in collegiate basketball in '67 . . . averaged 9.6 points per game last season . . . hit 73 percent from the foul line . . . all-WAC northern division first baseman . . . was clean-up batter on the WAC and District Seven baseball team in '68 . . . won two prep class "A" titles at Highland High School . . . all-state and all-America honorable mention as prep . . . his father, Bob Howard, played basketball for BYU in 1923-24 and also played professional baseball . . . Doug is fast, aggressive, determined, and dependable . . . business management major.

Year	Games	FG	%	FT	%	RBD.	TP	Avg.
Frosh	14	78	53	54	75	49	210	15.0
67-68	25	95	39	51	73	114	241	9.6

## THE PLAYERS



Liimo



Barron



Davis



Lythgoe

**33** **KARI LIIMO**, Forward, 6-8, 210, Senior, Helsinki, Finland—Led '68 team in scoring with 17.0 average . . . named second all-WAC first team all-WAC as sophomore with 13.6 average . . . in WAC play last season Liimo was seventh in scoring with 16.7 average . . . '68 high was 29 against Oklahoma City and 28 against Arizona State . . . shot 80 percent from foul line in '67 and dropped to 71 percent last year . . . holds the freshman scoring record with 24.4 scoring average . . . scores best from base line and on a jumper from the free throw line . . . tool and manufacturing engineer major.

Year	Games	FG	%	FT	%	RBD.	TP	Avg.
Frosh	14	128	53	86	77	211	342	24.4
66-67	24	117	52	93	80	175	327	13.6
67-68	24	169	48	92	71	231	410	17.0

**40** **BRUCE BARRON**, Forward, 6-5, 180, 20, Junior, La Canada, California—Played in twelve games in '68 . . . early season injury this year has slowed Barron's progress . . . a hustling reserve that could be the difference in some ball games this year . . . a most valuable player and honor student in high school . . . sociology major.

Year	Games	FG	%	FT	%	RBD.	TP	Avg.
Frosh	12	29	48	18	82	36	76	6.3
67-68	12	7	41	8	67	12	22	1.8

## THE PLAYERS

**41** **BOB DAVIS**, Forward, 6-3½, 190, 20, Junior, Long Beach, California—Played in 13 games last season . . . has played very well in early season practice . . . scored 16.2 on '67 frosh team . . . prep star at Millikan in Long Beach in baseball and basketball . . . Millikan retired his jersey . . . English major.

Year	Games	FG	%	FT	%	RBD.	TP	Avg.
Frosh	14	87	49	52	75	101	226	16.2
67-68	13	8	35	5	56	18	21	1.6

**42** **MARTY LYTHGOE**, Forward, 6-4½, 195, 20, Senior, Ventura, California—Averaged 13.7 points per game in '68 . . . named to all-WAC second team . . . has been a starter for the past two yersa . . . hit 74 percent from foul line . . . very aggressive, jumps well, and works the fast break successfully . . . married to the former Andrea Power . . . English major.

Year	Games	FG	%	FT	%	RBD.	TP	Avg.
Frosh	14	117	54	46	72	105	280	20.0
66-67	23	65	45	26	68	82	158	6.9
67-68	25	138	43	67	74	164	343	13.7

## THE PLAYERS



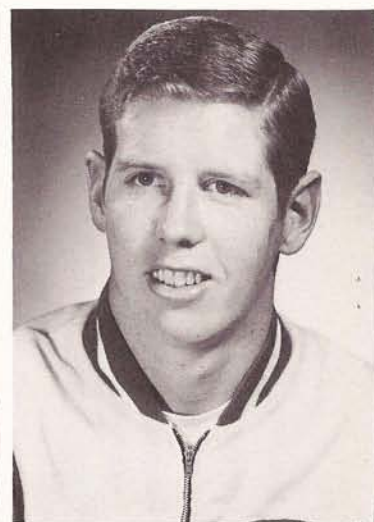
Maughan



Warner



Vainio



Ruffner

**53** **LeROY MAUGHAN**, Forward, 6-7½, 220, 21, Sophomore, Sandy, Utah—Returning from an LDS Church Mission . . . has worked quite well in pre-season drills . . . has to carry a bum knee from a high school injury . . . good rebounder and shooter . . . led Jordan High School to Utah class 'A' state title in '63 . . . was student body president at Jordan . . . LeRoy's brother Doug was starting offensive tackle on BYU frosh football team . . . enrolled in General College.

**54** **SCOTT WARNER**, Center, 6-6, 230, Junior, 21, Salt Lake City, Utah—Averaged 7.7 points per game in '68 behind Jim Eakins . . . started a number of games . . . had a high of 29 points against St. Joseph's of Pa., during eastern trip . . . very aggressive and rugged player . . . all-state at East High School . . . led East to state title in '64 . . . communications major.

Year	Games	FG	%	FT	%	RBD.	TP	Avg.
Frosh	9	49	40	27	56	109	125	13.9
67-68	24	78	43	28	39	133	184	7.7

## THE PLAYERS

**43** **VEIKKO VAINIO**, Center, 6-9, 220, Sophomore, Kotka, Finland—Averaged 11.5 for the '68 frosh . . . displayed great improvement in pre-season practice . . . two time participant in European championships . . . Vainio along with Warner and Ruffner will make the center spot one of the strongest positions this year . . . business major.

Year	Games	FG	%	FT	%	RBD.	TP	Avg.
Frosh	13	59	58	32	45	119	150	11.5

**44** **PAUL RUFFNER**, Center, 6-9, 215, 20, Junior, Downey, California—Ruffner brings a great junior college record with him to BYU . . . not at all successful in high school, Ruffner really came into his own as a JC sophomore at Cerritos JC . . . led Cerritos to California JC title over highly rated Pasadena JC . . . named JC all-state in California . . . played for JC team in Olympic trials . . . averaged 18 points per game last year . . . had a high game of 43 points . . . can jump, shoot, and rebound very well . . . brother of former BYU player Bill Ruffner . . . business major.

# VARSITY ROSTER

No.	Name	Position	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Exp.	Hometown	'68 Scoring
20	**Lynn Parsons	Guard	6-3½	175	Sr.	2	Monroe, Utah	5.6
21	Chris Dowling	Guard	6-1	175	Soph.	Fr.	Cleveland, Ohio	8.0
22	Jim Miller	Guard	6-5	170	Soph.	Fr.	Las Vegas, Nevada	—
23	**Jon Dresser	Guard	6-2	180	Sr.	Fr.	Sacramento, Calif.	—
24	Steve Kelly	Guard	6-3½	180	Soph.	Fr.	Grand Junction, Colo.	—
25	*Doug Howard	Guard	6-3	175	Jr.	1	Salt Lake City, Utah	9.6
33	**Kari Liimo	Forward	6-8	210	Sr.	2	Helsinki, Finland	17.0
40	Bruce Barron	Forward	6-5	195	Jr.	1	LaCanada, Calif.	1.8
41	*Bob Davis	Forward	6-3½	190	Jr.	1	Long Beach, Calif.	1.6
42	**Marty Lythgoe	Forward	6-4½	195	Sr.	2	Ventura, Calif.	13.7
43	Veikko Vainio	Center	6-9	220	Soph	Fr.	Kotka, Finland	11.5
44	Paul Ruffner	Center	6-9	215	Jr.	Tr.	Downey, Calif.	—
53	LeRoy Maughan	Forward	6-7½	200	Soph.	—	Sandy, Utah	—
54	*Scott Warner	Center	6-6	230	Jr.	1	Salt Lake City, Utah	77

# FRESHMAN ROSTER

No.	Name	Position	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown	High School
20	George Wilson	Guard	6-1	175	Midway, Utah	Wasatch
21	Dennis Martin	Guard	6-0	160	Ogden, Utah	Ben Lomond
22	Dan Hansen	Guard	6-4	190	Torrance, Calif.	N. Torrance
23	Gary Radunich	Guard	6-2	170	San Jose, Calif.	Del Mar Branham
25	Jack Sheen	Guard	5-10	165	Spanish Fork, Utah	Spanish Fork
30	Steve Cruze	Forward	6-3	180	Provo, Utah	BY High
33	Brent Hackett	Center	6-6	200	Whittier, Calif.	La Cerena
40	Phil Tollestrup	Forward	6-6	205	Raymond, Alb., Can.	Raymond
41	Bob Christenson	Forward	6-5	175	Porterville, Calif.	Porterville Union
42	Clyde Baker	Center-Forward	6-7	200	Ogden, Utah	Bonneville
43	Mike Atwood	Forward	6-6	200	Spanish Fork, Utah	Spanish Fork
44	Dick Gustafson	Forward	6-5	195	Salt Lake City	South

# FROSH PROFILES

**No. 20—GEORGE WILSON**, 6-1, guard, Wasatch H.S., Midway, Utah . . . two-time all-state basketball and football . . . team captain . . . led teams to state runner-up honors . . . had high games of 44, 40, and 40 . . . averaged 22, and 20 points per game as junior and senior respectively . . . son of Mr. and Mrs. Glade Wilson, farmer and carpenter . . . physical education major.

**No. 21—DENNIS MARTIN**, 6-0, guard, Ben Lomond H.S., Ogden, Utah . . . all-region basketball player . . . averaged 15 points per game as senior . . . three year track letterman in pole vault . . . earned a 3.89 scholastic record . . . senior class president . . . son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilford Martin, electronics supervisor at Hill Air Force Base . . . chemistry major.

**No. 23—GARY RADUNICH**, 6-3, guard, Del Mar Branham H.S., San Jose, California . . . named to the all-West Valley team for three years . . . **CalPrep Magazine** named Radunich to the first team all-Central Coast and also player of the year along the central coast . . . **CalPrep** made Radunich a third-team all-state selection . . . other honors include all-tournament in three tournaments, all-city, and team captain for two years . . . three year team record was 60-11 . . . averaged 28 points per game last season, 17 as a junior and 15 as a sophomore . . . son of Mr. William Radunich, retired . . . enrolled in General College.

**No. 25—JACK SHEEN**, 5-10, guard, Spanish Fork H.S., Spanish Fork, Utah . . . all-division in basketball, region honors in tennis, all-state in baseball, and letterman in football . . . a starting guard on the Spanish Fork team which was ranked number one in the state at one point last season . . . participated in baseball all-star games . . . teammate of frosh center Mike Atwood . . . son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Sheen, automobile mechanic . . . physical education major.

**No. 30—STEVE CRUZE**, 6-3, forward, Brigham Young H.S., Provo, Utah . . . all-division basketball and football . . . player of the week . . . BYH outstanding athlete award . . . Russel Rich scholarship-athlete award . . . president of BYH debate team . . . Boys State delegate . . . plans to study law . . . averaged 18 points per game last year . . . son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Cruze, educator . . . political science major.

**No. 40—PHIL TOLLESTRUP**, 6-6, forward, Raymond H.S., Raymond, Alberta, Canada . . . selected as most valuable player in the Province . . . team was Provincial champions for two years . . . also lettered in track and football . . . averaged 25 points per game as senior and 20 during junior season . . . had high games of 40, 38, and 36 all in senior year . . . son of Mr. and Mrs. Marion Tollestrup, custodian . . . physical education major.

**No. 41—BOB CHRISTENSON**, 6-5, forward, Porterville Union H.S., Porterville, California . . . selected most valuable player in Central Yosemite League . . . third team all-San Joaquin Valley . . . averaged 19 points per game last year . . . letterman in tennis . . . son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Christenson, attorney at law . . . enrolled in General College.

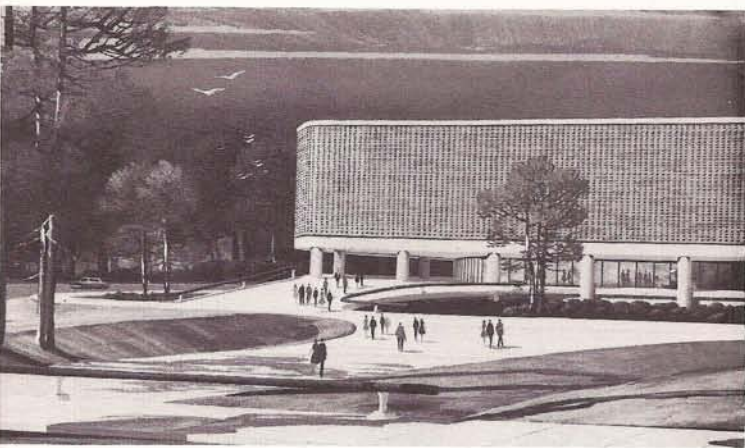
**No. 42—CLYDE BAKER**, 6-7, center-forward, Bonneville H.S., Ogden, Utah . . . all-America selection by **Coach and Athlete Magazine** and **Scholastic Coach Magazine** . . . all-state in basketball and track . . . knee operation in November will probably prevent Baker from playing this season . . . averaged 25 points per game last season, 23 per game as junior, and 18 as a sophomore . . . high game of 43 points in junior year and had games of 40 and 38 last year . . . set state high jump record last year at 6'10" which placed him third in the nation . . . son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Baker, aircraft welder . . . business major.

**No. 44—MIKE ATWOOD**, 6-6, forward, Spanish Fork H.S., Spanish Fork, Utah . . . all-America selection by **Coach and Athlete Magazine** . . . all-state two years . . . letterman in basketball, football, baseball, and track . . . averaged 21 points per game as senior . . . high game of 30 points as junior . . . graduated with honors . . . son of Mr. and Mrs. Archie Atwood, custodian . . . enrolled in general college.

## TOURNAMENT RECORD

Year	Tournament	Place	Record
1949-50	Conference	1st	3-0
	Los Angeles Invit.	4th	2-1
	NCAA Playoff	4th	1-1
1950-51	Conference	2nd	2-1
	NIT	1st	3-0
	NCAA	4th	1-2
1951-52	Sugar Bowl	4th	0-2
1952-53	Dixie Classic	2nd	2-1
	NIT		0-1
1953-54	Holiday Festival	3rd	2-1
	NIT		0-1
1955-56	Motor City	1st	2-0
1956-57	Holiday Festival	3rd	2-1
	NCAA Regionals	3rd	1-1
1958-59	Queen City	4th	0-2
1959-60	Hurricane	3rd	1-1
1960-61	Poinsettia	3rd	1-1
1962-63	Quaker City	2nd	2-1
1963-64	Far West	2nd	2-1
1964-65	All-College	3rd	2-1
1965-66	Quaker City	5th	2-1
	NIT	1st	3-0
1966-67	Holiday Festival	6th	1-2
1967-68	All-College	2nd	2-1

## ACTIVITIES



If all goes as planned, Brigham Young University's basketball team will have a new home court for the start of the 1971 season.

Plans for a new multi-purpose auditorium on the Cougar campus were announced recently, and construction of the new Activities Center is expected to get underway next fall.

The exact size of the new auditorium has not been determined, nor have the architectural plans been finalized. But it is known that the new building will be substantially larger than the present George Albert Smith Fieldhouse which has a 10,200 seating capacity.

Site for the new Activities Center is directly north of the Abraham O. Smoot building which is close to the center of the campus. The structure will be located between Phillips Lane and Wyview Village with the west end of the building bordering 500 East.

Dr. Wilkinson said that the new Activities Center will be more than a sports pavilion and music hall. It is being designed to accommodate devotionals, student assemblies, forums, lyceums, convocations, religious assemblies, public gatherings and other activities.

According to preliminary plans submitted by the architects, Young and Fowler Associates, the building will include both bleacher and chair seats. The basketball playing floor, which can be converted into a stage for the other events, will run east and west.

The building will be rectangular in shape with rounded corners. Main entrances to the facility will be on the four corners, and a continuous concourse will encircle the interior. Approximately 60% of the seats will be below ground level, and about 40% will be above ground.

## CENTER



Among other things, the new building will include offices for the basketball coaching staff, locker rooms, and other facilities designed for basketball.

The entire building will be air conditioned for the comfort of the spectators.

"For the first time in recent years," said Dr. Wilkinson, "devotional messages, commencement exercises and all the other major campus events will be held under one roof for all students."

The exact cost will depend upon the ultimate size of the building, and facilities and the equipment to be included. It will be financed through gate receipts, student building fees and public contributions.

Dr. Wilkinson emphasized the fact that none of the costs of the building will come from tithes or other funds of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

University officials said that in selecting a building site, top consideration was given proximity of campus housing and parking areas. Studies of campus traffic flow indicate good ingress and egress in that area.

The Center will be within easy walking distance of most campus buildings and convenient for automobile traffic from all directions.

When completed, there will be approximately 5,000 parking spaces within 1,500 feet of the Center. A total of 9,000 parking spaces will be available within 2,500 feet of the building.

The building will have a golden buff brick fascia that will blend with the main campus buildings. Sidewalks and ramps outside the Center will ring the entire building, enabling patrons to enter and exit at any point.





## 1968 IN REVIEW

There were a lot of basketball fans who weren't ready for the end of the 1967-68 basketball season. That can't be said of the Cougar coaches and players who collectively heaved a sigh of relief at the end of the campaign.

It's not that the BYU team fell short of expectations last year; they finished with a 15-12 overall record. It's just that the 1967-68 basketball trail was a long, tiring one for Watts and members of his club.

A year ago last summer the BYU basketball team embarked on a 27-game tour of the Orient-Pacific. They arrived back home just in time to register for fall semester. And three weeks later they were back on the hardwoods preparing for the regular season.

The curtain finally came down in Arizona where the Cougars dropped a pair to the Arizona schools. The two defeats slipped BYU into a three-way tie for fourth place and left them with an overall record of 15 wins against 12 defeats; still a winning season.

Since a pair of wins over in Arizona could have meant undisputed position of second place and an NIT bid, Watts and his players had a hard time disguising their disappointment. As it turned out, they were forced to settle for a spot in the second division.

No wonder the Cougars welcomed the rest.

As for the season itself, it produced as much ex-

citment and interest as any in recent years. Statistically, the season was just average.

After several seasons of hot-shooting, high-scoring basketball, it was bound to happen—the Cougars came up with a team that didn't set any records, scoring or otherwise.

Playing a tough schedule that criss-crossed the nation, the Cougars met several outstanding teams head-on. Ten of their 12 losses came on the road against the likes of Houston (27-0), Oklahoma City (19-6), New Mexico (23-3), and some of the other college powers.

And for the first time in more than two seasons, the Cougars were beaten on their home court. The first loss came against Santa Clara, but the Cougars rebounded the following night to beat the Broncos, 91-46. Santa Clara, 20-3 overall with two games to go, represented the West Coast Conference in the regional play-offs in Albuquerque.

The other BYU loss at home came against New Mexico, the undisputed WAC champion.

Without an acknowledged super-star, the Cougars' scoring was spread out a little more than usual. The team managed to maintain an 82.6 offensive average, second highest in the league last year.

Jim Eakins finished his senior year as the WAC's leading rebounder (12.1 rebounds per game). Big Jim was second in scoring for the Cougars, averaging 14.8 points per game over the 25-game stretch. In three years of varsity ball with the Cougars Eakins averaged 52% from the field, the second best career shooting percentage in BYU history.

Kari Liimo, the 6-8 forward who won all-WAC honors as a sophomore, led the team in scoring (17.0), and was second only to Eakins in rebounding (9.9 per game).

As a team, the Cougars again out-shot opponents from the field. BYU hit 44% from the field, compared to 41% by opponents. However, opponents had the edge from the free throw line, 70% to 68%.

In the rebounding department, the Cougars picked off an average of 50 rebounds per game, roughly two more than did BYU opponents.

No fewer than seven players were high-point for the Cougars at one time or other during the season. Liimo claimed high-point honors in 10 games, while Eakins dominated work on the boards throughout the season.

Two juniors of last year, forward Marty Lythgoe and guard Lynn Parsons, proved to be the most effective shooters from the free throw line. Lythgoe shot 74%, Parsons 76% from the charity line.

For the fifth year in a row, the Cougars drew more than 100,000 fans to their home games. An average of 9,202 fans saw each of BYU's 12 home games, and the overall attendance for all games was 196,411.

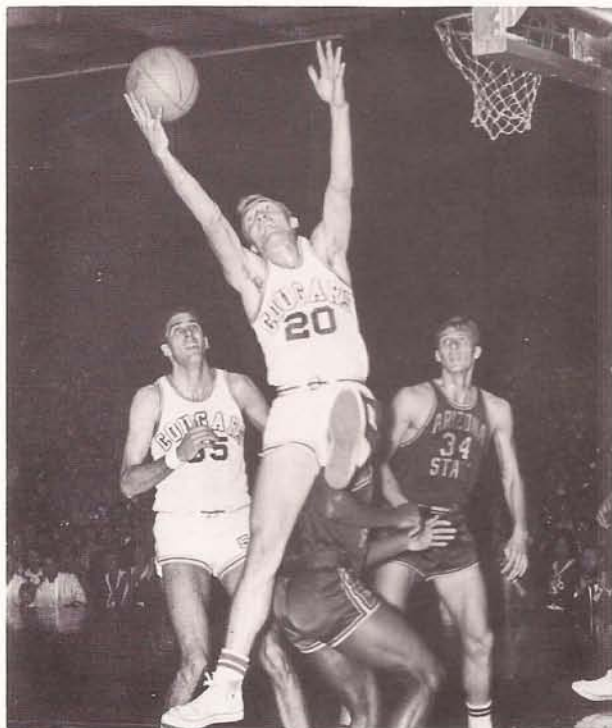
# 1968 STATISTICS

Player	Position	Games	fgm-ftm	%	ftm-fta	%	s.m.	rbds.	p.f.	Pts.	Avg.	High
Kari Liimo, F		24	159-333	48	92-129	71	211	231	77	410	17.0	29
Jim Eakins, C		25	133-265	50	106-152	70	176	252	86	369	14.8	28
Marty Lythgoe, F		25	138-322	43	67-90	74	207	164	86	343	13.7	24
Randy Schouten, G		25	106-264	40	77-111	69	192	63	60	279	11.1	24
Doug Howard, G		25	95-242	39	51-70	73	165	114	73	241	9.6	21
Scott Warner, C		24	78-181	43	28-72	39	147	133	47	184	7.7	29
Lynn Parsons, G		23	44-110	40	41-54	76	72	72	39	129	5.6	16
Jon Dresser, G		15	13-26	50	12-17	71	18	10	16	38	2.5	8
Bruce Barron, F		12	7-17	41	8-12	67	14	12	5	22	1.8	6
Bob Davis, F		13	8-23	35	5-9	56	19	18	4	21	1.6	8
Orville Fisher, C		4	1-5	20	2-2	100	4	6	—	4	1.0	2
Gary Foster, G		2	1-5	20	—	—	4	1	—	2	1.0	2
Gary Schneider, F		7	0-8	—	—	—	8	5	1	—	—	—
John Hatch, F		1	0-1	—	0-2	—	3	2	—	—	—	—
TEAM:												
<b>BYU TOTALS</b>		<b>25</b>	<b>787-1803</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>490-720</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>1246</b>	<b>1276</b>	<b>498</b>	<b>2064</b>	<b>82.6</b>	
<b>OPP TOTALS</b>		<b>25</b>	<b>737-1800</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>482-690</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>1271</b>	<b>1241</b>	<b>523</b>	<b>1956</b>	<b>78.2</b>	

1967-68 RECORD 15-12 ROAD: 5-10 HOME: 10-2

# FROSH RESULTS

BYU	OPP	Site	High Scorer
111	Snow College	Provo	Bart Johnson 34
101	Idaho State U.	Provo	Bart Johnson 27
91	Utah State	Provo	Bart Johnson 29
115	Western Wyoming	Provo	Bart Johnson 26
66	Coll. So. Idaho	Provo	Bart Johnson 27
55	Coll. So. Idaho	Twin Falls	Bart Johnson 18
81	Idaho State U.	Pocatello	Bart Johnson 25
97	Utah State	Logan	Kelly-LeSueur 22
88	Dixie College	Provo	Jim Challis 18
79	Snow College	Ephraim	Carl LeSueur 21
69	Utah	Salt Lake City	Carl LeSueur 20
99	Rangely College	Provo	Bennion-Dowling 19
120	Ricks College	Provo	Carl LeSueur 19
86	Utah	Provo	Chris Dowling 19



## ALL-AMERICANS

- JOE NELSON** (1949-50)—Helms Second Team  
**MEL HUTCHINS** (1950-51)—Look First Team  
 United Press Third Team  
 Associated Press Third Team  
 Converse First Team  
 Helms First Team  
 Sporting News First Team
- ROLAND MINSON** (1950-51)—United Press Honor  
 able Mention
- JOE RICHEY** (1952-53)—Colliers Second Team  
 Look First Team
- DEAN LARSEN** (1953-54)—Helms Second Team
- TERRY TEBBS** (1955-56)—United Press Little All-  
 America First Team
- TOM STEINKE** (1956-67)—United Press Little All-  
 America First Team  
 Helms Second Team
- JOHN FAIRCHILD** (1964-65)—Helms All-America  
 Selection  
 Look District Seven Team
- DICK NEMELKA** (1965-66)—Look First Team  
 Converse First Team
- NEIL ROBERTS** (1965-67)—Look Honorable Mention
- CRAIG RAYMOND** (1965-67)—Look Honorable Men-  
 tion

## FIELDHOUSE RECORDS

### — TEAM MARKS —

- Most points scored in single game:  
 123 by BYU against Americas (Dec. 10, 1965)
- Most free throws made in one game:  
 39 by Brigham Young against Utah State Uni-  
 versity (Jan. 25, 1957)
- Most rebounds in one game:  
 77 by BYU against St. Mary's (Dec. 10, 1966)
- Largest combined point total for one game:  
 215 by BYU and Utah (Mar. 5, 1966)
- Most points scored in one quarter:  
 42 by BYU in 2nd quarter against Utah (Mar.  
 5, 1966)
- Most field goals attempted in one game:  
 108 by Brigham Young against Montana Uni-  
 versity (Jan. 30, 1953)
- Most field goals scored in one game:  
 56 by BYU against Americas (Dec. 10, 1965)
- Most free throws attempted in one game:  
 49 by BYU against Santa Clara (Dec. 19, 1965)

### — INDIVIDUAL MARKS —

- Most points scored in one game:  
 60 by Billy McGill of Utah, against BYU (Feb.  
 24, 1962)
- Most field goals in one game:  
 27 by Billy McGill of Utah against BYU (Feb.  
 24, 1962)
- Most field goals attempted in one game:  
 45 by Henry Ohlen of Texas Christian (Dec.  
 12, 1953)
- Most free throws attempted in one game:  
 23 by Dean Parsons of Washington (Dec. 11,  
 1954)
- Most free throws scored in one game:  
 16 by Dean Parsons of Washington (Dec. 11,  
 1954)  
 16 by Bruno Boin of Washington (Dec. 1, 1956)
- Most rebounds in one game:  
 26 by John Benson of Brigham Young (Dec. 1,  
 1956 against Washington)  
 26 by Art Becker of Arizona State (Feb. 16,  
 1963 against BYU)

### — HIGH FOR BYU PLAYERS —

- Most points scored in one game:  
 47 by Bob Skousen against UCLA (Dec. 2,  
 1961)
- Most field goals attempted:  
 36 by John Nicoll against New Mexico (Feb.  
 7, 1958)
- Most field goals scored in one game:  
 21 by Dave Eastis against New Mexico (Feb.  
 5, 1960)
- Most free throws attempted in one game:  
 20 by John Nicoll against Utah (Jan. 24, 1958)  
 Salt Lake City
- Most free throws scored:  
 15 by John Benson against Montana (Jan. 4,  
 1957) of 16 attempts.

# SCHOOL RECORDS

All-time top scorers for two or three seasons (sophomore, junior and senior years):

- 1317—Joe Nelson (48-49-50)
- 1299—Dick Nemelka (64-65-66)
- 1117—Joe Richey (51-52-53)
- 1108—Gary Earnest (59-60-61)
- 1106—John Fairchild (63-64)

Most points in one season (500 or more points):

- 602—John Fairchild (64-65) 21.5 avg.
- 599—Dick Nemelka (65-66) 24.0 avg.
- 529—Joe Nelson (1948-49) 15.5 avg.
- 517—John Benson (1956-57) 18.4 avg.
- 511—Tom Steinke (1956-57) 19.7 avg.
- 511—Joe Richey (1951-53) 17.6 avg.
- 506—Terry Tebbs (1955-56) 19.5
- 504—John Fairchild (1963-64) 20.3 avg.

Highest scoring average for one season:

- 24.0—Dick Nemelka (1966)
- 21.5—John Fairchild (1965)
- 20.3—John Fairchild (1964)
- 20.1—Dave Eastis (1960)
- 19.7—Tom Steinke (1957)
- 19.5—Terry Tebbs (1957)
- 18.4—John Benson (1957)
- 18.3—Steve Kramer (1966)
- 17.8—John Nicoll (1958)
- 17.7—Bob Skousen (1959)
- 17.6—Joe Richey (1953)
- 17.1—Bruce Burton (1963)
- 16.7—Roland Minson (1951)

Best three-year scoring average:

- 16.7—Dick Nemelka (10.8, 15.4, 24.0)
- 15.5—Bob Skousen (17.7, 15.9, 13.0)
- 15.1—Joe Nelson (15.3, 15.5, 14.5)
- 14.4—Gary Earnest (13.9, 12.7, 16.5)
- 14.2—Dave Eastis (7.7, 20.1, 14.9)
- 14.0—Bruce Burton (10.9, 14.0, 17.1)
- 13.6—Joe Richey (8.7, 14.6, 17.6)
- 13.2—Ronald Minson (10.8, 12.0, 16.7)
- 13.0—Steve Kramer (10.2, 10.6, 18.3)

Most rebounds in one season:

- 348 by John Fairchild in 1964-65 (12.4 avg.)
- 330 by John Fairchild in 1963-64 (13.2 avg.)
- 317 by John Benson in 1956-57 (11.3 avg.)
- 314 by Herschel Pedersen in 1955-56 (11.3 avg.)
- 307 by John Nicoll in 1957-58 (11.8 avg.)

# SCHOOL RECORDS

Best rebound average for one season:

- 13.2 by John Fairchild, 1964 (330 for 25 games)
- 12.7 by Mel Hutchins, 1951 (471 for 37 games)
- 12.4 by John Fairchild, 1964-65 (348 for 28 games)
- 12.1 by Herschel Pedersen, 1956 (314 for 26 games)
- 11.8 by John Nicoll, 1958 (307 for 26 games)
- 11.3 by John Benson, 1957 (317 for 28 games)
- 11.3 by Herschel Pedersen, 1955 (293 for 26 games)

Best free throw percentage for three seasons:

- 81%—Gary Batchelor (1961-62-63) 73, 83, 87%
- 78%—Mike Gardner (63-64-65) 71, 82, 82%

Best free throw percentage for one season:

- 90%—Bob Quinney (1965) 55-61
- 87%—Gary Batchelor (1963) 104-119
- 85%—Tom Steinke (1957) 105-124

Best field goal percentage for three seasons:

- 53%—Neil Roberts (65-66-67) 53, 52, 54%
- 52%—Craig Raymond (65-66-67) 47, 56, 54%
- 50%—Steve Kramer (64-65-66) 47, 53, 50%
- 47%—Dick Nemelka (64-65-66) 43, 41, 51%
- 45%—Mike Gardner (63-64-65) 43, 41, 51%

Best field goal percentage for one season:

- .559—Craig Raymond ('66)
- .547—Jim Eakins ('67)
- .544—Neil Roberts ('67)
- .533—Steve Kramer ('65)
- .530—Neil Roberts ('65)

Most team rebounds in one season:

- 1457 (1950-51)
- 1457 (1964-65)

Best team rebounding average:

- 55.8 (1955-56)

Best team offensive average:

- 95.5 (1965-66)
- 94.3 (1964-65)

Greatest offensive-defensive margin:

- 12.6 (1965-66) Offense 95.5, Defense 82.9
- 12.6 (1952-53) Offense 68.1, Defense 55.5
- 10.2 (1964-65) Offense 94.3, Defense 84.1

Best team field goal average:

- .491 (1966-67)
- .488 (1965-66)
- .478 (1964-65)

Best free throw average:

- .741 (1964-65)
- .733 (1956-57)

## HUNDRED-PLUS

### HIGHEST SCORES

Points	Opponents	Year
123	Americas	1966
118	Utah State	1968
115	Utah State	1966
115	Utah	1966
115	Xavier	1965
113	Loyola	1967
112	Ohio State	1965
112	Miami (Fla.)	1961
111	Houston	1966
111	Arizona State	1965
110	Arizona State	1967
110	Air Force	1965
109	Illinois	1966
109	Santa Clara	1965
109	Creighton	1965
108	Utah State	1968
108	St. Mary's	1967
108	Utah	1965
106	Arizona State	1964
105	Cornell	1966
104	Arizona State	1965
103	Santa Clara	1966
103	St. Joseph's	1966
103	Denver	1966
102	Santa Clara	1965
102	Wyoming	1965
102	Oklahoma City	1965
101	Wyoming	1968
101	Wyoming	1966
101	Utah	1962
100	Utah	1963

## SCORES BY BYU

### BY YEAR

Year	Opponent	Score
1967-68	Utah State	108-98
	Utah State	118-103
	Wyoming	101-77
1966-67	St. Mary's	108-57
	Loyola	113-98
	Arizona State	110-93
1965-66	Illinois	109-98
	Houston	111-82
	Americas	123-66
	Santa Clara	103-85
	St. Joseph's	103-83
	Cornell	105-92
	Wyoming	101-107
	Utah State	115-81
	Denver	103-76
	Utah	115-100
1964-65	Santa Clara	102-82
	Santa Clara	109-80
	Ohio State	112-71
	Creighton	109-74
	Xavier	115-103
	Arizona State	111-102
	Air Force	110-77
	Utah	108-99
	Arizona State	104-91
	Wyoming	102-87
	Oklahoma City	102-112
1963-64	Arizona State	106-90
1962-63	Utah	100-106
1961-62	Utah	101-106
1960-61	Miami (Fla.)	112-80

## COUGAR RECORD

Team	1963	1964
Brigham Young University	6-4	5-5
University of New Mexico	4-6	7-3
University of Wyoming	3-7	3-7
University of Utah	5-5	4-6
Arizona State University	9-1	7-3
University of Arizona	3-7	4-6

## AGAINST WAC TEAMS

1965	1966	1967	1968	Total	Pct.
8-2	6-4	8-2	4-6	37-23	.617
5-5	4-6	5-5	8-2	33-27	.550
5-5	5-5	8-2	5-5	29-31	.483
3-7	7-3	5-5	5-5	29-31	.483
4-6	3-7	1-9	4-6	28-32	.467
5-5	5-5	3-7	4-6	24-36	.400

# FIELDHOUSE MARKS

## FIELDHOUSE ATTENDANCE MARKS

Year	Games	Total	Game Avg.
1951-52	10	66,640	6,664
1952-53	12	79,196	7,711
1954-55	12	68,702	5,725
1953-54	14	84,247	6,018
1955-56	14	116,103	8,286
1956-57	12	94,872	7,906
1957-58	12	95,533	7,961
1958-59	12	91,422	7,619
1959-60	11	75,171	6,834
1960-61	14	103,785	7,413
1961-62	12	90,347	7,529
1963-64	11	100,407	9,128
1964-65	13	132,413	10,186
1965-66	11	111,722	10,157
1966-67	13	124,375	9,567
1967-68	12	110,424	9,202
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>208</b>	<b>1,648,131</b>	<b>7,924</b>

Attendance Record: 11,614, Utah State, Feb. 9, 1956.

## BYU VICTORIES IN FIELDHOUSE

Year	Won	Lost
1951-52	8	2
1952-53	12	0
1953-54	12	2
1954-55	9	3
1955-56	12	2
1956-57	11	1
1957-58	8	4
1958-59	11	2
1959-60	4	7
1960-61	10	4
1961-62	8	4
1962-63	9	4
1963-64	7	4
1964-65	13	2
1965-66	11	0
1966-67	13	0
1967-68	10	2

Last BYU defeat in fieldhouse 67-76, New Mexico, Feb. 16, 1968.

# NEWS OUTLETS

Joe Watts, Provo Daily Herald (P.M.)  
190 West 400 North (373-5050)  
Bill Coltrin, Salt Lake Tribune (A.M.)  
143 So. Main (363-1511)  
John Mooney, Salt Lake Tribune (A.M.)  
143 So. Main (363-1511)  
Hack Miller, Deseret News (P.M.)  
(364-2581)  
George Ferguson, Deseret News (P.M.)  
(364-2581)  
Ensign Ritchie, Ogden Standard-Examiner (P.M.)  
Ogden (394-7711)  
Sports Editor, Logan Herald-Journal (P.M.)  
Logan (752-2121)  
Sports Editor, Daily Universe, BYU Campus  
Provo (Ext. 3095)

## TELEVISION

Paul James, KSL-TV, Social Hall Ave.,  
Salt Lake City (355-4641)  
Bill Howard, KUTV, Social Hall Ave.,  
Salt Lake City (322-2505)  
KCPX, Social Hall Ave.,  
Salt Lake City (322-5681)  
Sports Director, KBYU-TV, BYU Campus,  
Provo (Ext. 2663)

## RADIO

Dave Weiser, KEYY,  
307 So. 1600 West, Provo (373-2174)  
Milt Waycasey, KOVO,  
651 West 1600 So., Provo (373-8550)  
Sports Director, KIXX,  
1200 So. University, Provo (373-3336)  
Sports Director, KONI,  
2500 So., Spanish Fork (489-5166)  
Sports Director, KALL,  
312 E. South Temple, Salt Lake City (364-3561)  
Sports Director, KNAK,  
1042 So. 6th West, Salt Lake City (364-3685)  
Sports Director, KLUB,  
1550 West 22nd No., Salt Lake City (359-7794)  
Sports Director, KLO,  
Ogden, Utah  
Gary Evans, KVNU,  
Logan, Utah

## WIRE SERVICES

Jim Bapis, Sports, United Press-International, Tribune Building,  
Salt Lake City (328-8866)  
Associated Press, Tribune Building  
Salt Lake City (322-3405)  
Associated Press  
Provo (374-1351)

# 1968-69 SCHEDULE

Nov. 30	Southern California	Provo
Dec. 5	N. Mexico St.	University Park
Dec. 7	Seattle	Provo
Dec. 13 &	Cable Car Tournament (Houston, Santa Clara, San Francisco, and BYU)	San Francisco
Dec. 14		
Dec. 20	Oregon State	Provo
Dec. 21	Denver	Provo
Dec. 23	Syracuse	Provo
Dec. 26 27 28 30	Far West Classic (Oregon, Oregon State, Yale, Washington State, Arizona State, California, Syracuse, and BYU)	Portland
Jan. 3	Stanford	Palo Alto
Jan. 4	Stanford	Palo Alto
Jan. 8	Athletes in Action	Provo
Jan. 11	Utah State	Logan
Jan. 16	*Wyoming	Provo
Jan. 18	*New Mexico	Provo
Jan. 23	*Arizona	Tucson
Jan. 25	*Arizona State	Tempe
Jan. 30	Utah State	Provo
Feb. 1	St. Francis (Pa.)	Provo
Feb. 8	*Utah	Provo
Feb. 13	*Arizona State	Provo
Feb. 15	*Arizona	Provo
Feb. 22	*Utah	Salt Lake City
Feb. 27	*New Mexico	Albuquerque
Mar. 1	*Wyoming	Laramie

\*Western Athletic Conference Games