

Tri-City High Schools Dominate In Selections

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Football coaches of the six high schools comprising the Southern Conference today named their choices for the conference all-star football team.

Their selections gave the Tri-City schools eight of the first eleven positions, with the other three schools each placing one man.

Richland, co-champions of the conference, placed three men on the first team, as did Pasco, third in the standings. Kennewick, the team that finished second, placed two.

Three players were unanimous choices for their respective positions. Coaches voted only for players from schools, other than their own.

The three players who were solid choices all the way were Duke Washington, Pasco, and Dennis Rath, Grandview, in the backfield and Clarence Fulcher, Richland, guard.

Bob Van Sickle of Pasco led all the way in the voting for center. His closest competition came from Bill Conrad of Kennewick and Charles Homan of Grandview.

CLOSE RACE FOR ENDS

Bernie Hancock was a near unanimous choice for one of the end positions, but it was a close race before Jim Houston of Prosser nosed out John Startzel of Grandview for the other wing spot. The two were in a deadlock until the final ballot was counted.

Filling out the other guard position was something of a problem to the coaches too. Selecting Fulcher was easy, but from that point on the race was close. Second team votes finally decided it in favor of Ralph Hull of Kennewick over Hall of Grandview.

Jim Kottwitz of Sunnyside clinched one of the tackle berths decisively while Jerry Marzyck of Richland eased by Dick Nearents of Pasco for the other position open. Here again it was a question of determining second team votes before the final decision could be reached.

BACKFIELD WELL SET

The coaches were pretty well set on their all-star backfield. Jack Morrow of Richland was close behind Washington and Rath, missing only one first team vote. But he lost little ground, as he was named to the second team on that ballot. From there on the race grew closer. However, Glenn Johnson of Kennewick received one more first team vote than did Jim Christiansen to decide the ultimate outcome of the race.

Now in its third year, and open exclusively to the coaches the annual all-star team is recognized as the oldest and perhaps the closest to an "official" team it is possible to get.

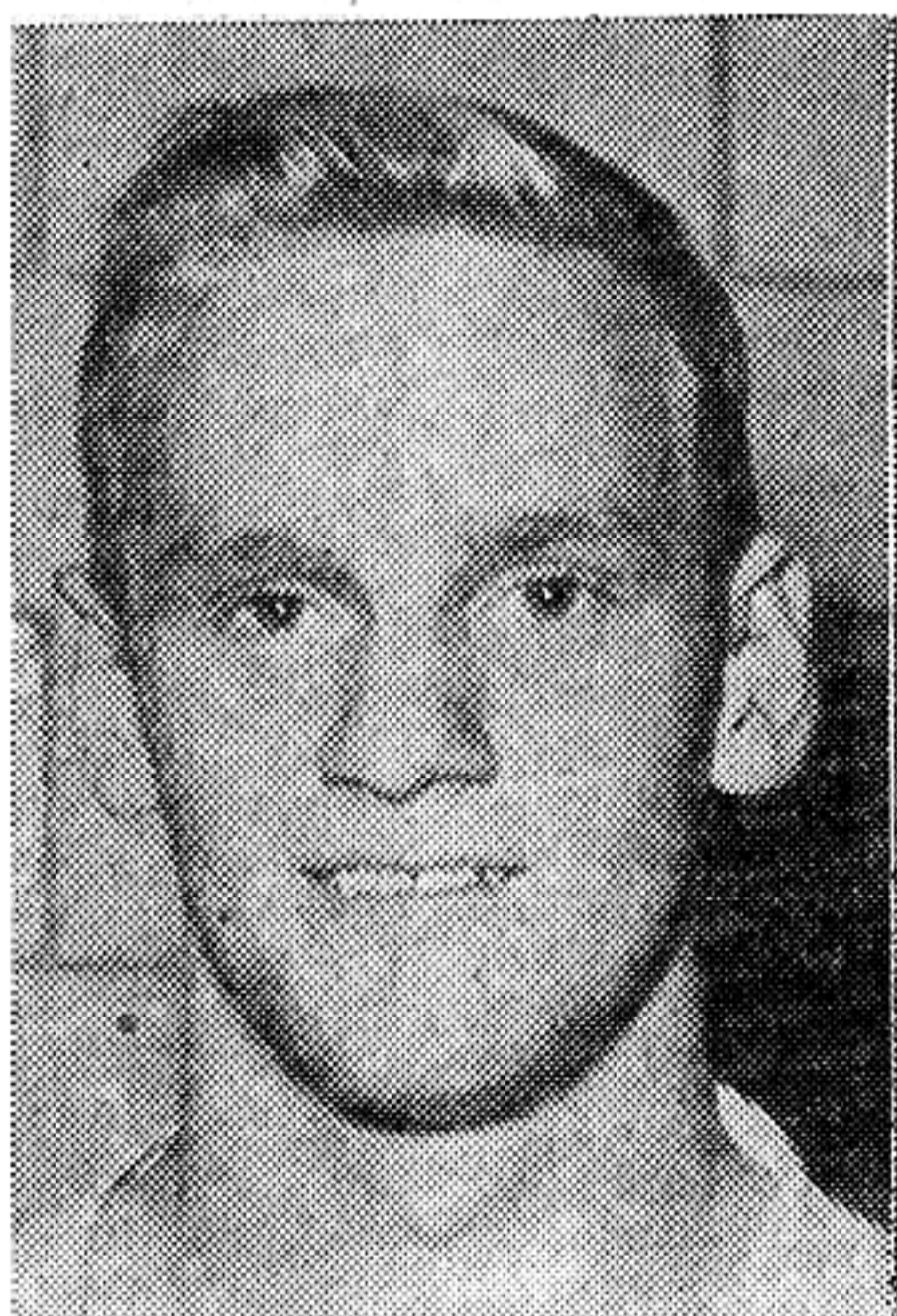
The coaches who voted, and their schools are: Em Morgan, Pasco; George Karamatic, Kennewick; Francis Rish, Richland; Bob Doornink, Prosser; Art Smith, Grandview; and Mike Stipac, Sunnyside.

Two of the players named to day by the coaches are repeaters from last year. They are Hancock of Pasco, and Fulcher of Richland. Moving up from last year's second team are Jerry Marzyck of Richland, Jim Houston of Prosser, and Duke Washington of Pasco.

The line of the all-star team averages out at 182 pounds per man, while the somewhat lighter backfield will tip the scale at an average of 173 pounds per player.



GUARD
Clarence Fulcher
RICHLAND



BACK
Jack Morrow
Richland



TACKLE
Jerry Marzyck
RICHLAND