

# PLAYER PROFILES



## Joe Benson

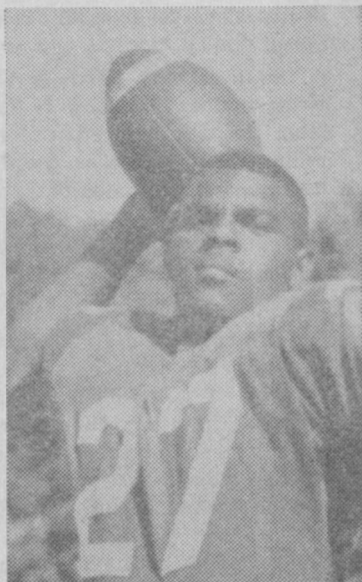
Senior Joe Benson is back after suffering a dislocated shoulder in practice last fall.

The injury cost Benson a chance to earn the starting nod and robbed the likeable OU vet of his first good shot at a full time playing status.

Joe earned a letter in 1963 as a defensive back who saw very little action at quarterback behind talented Carl Meyers.

Benson says the shoulder is in good shape and he will be ready to go this spring. He's an excellent passer and a good runner.

All the young man needs is experience. And without injuries, he may get it this year.



## Marlin Briscoe

Heading the list is All-CIC quarterback Marlin Briscoe, a two-letter winner from Omaha South. Briscoe led OU in total offense with 1,309 yards last season. The quick soph completed 73 of 143 passes for 939 yards and 9 touchdowns.

In addition, Marlin rambled for 370 yards to rank second in the rushing category behind Little All-American Gerry Allen.

Briscoe operated well from OU's late season shotgun formation and coaches agree that his only problem seemed to be his ability to stay in a pass protection pocket and not to scramble.

### Omaha U. Quarterback Candidates

	Ht.	Wt.	Home
Marlin Briscoe **	5-10	180	Omaha (South)
Joe Benson *	6-0	175	Paducah, Ky.
Bill Haas	6-3	190	Ralston
Lew Garrison *	5-8	160	Omaha (Tech)



## Lew Garrison

Tech soph Lew Garrison earned his monogram last fall primarily as a defensive back. The little guy demonstrated alertness and good speed.

In the final game, he took over the quarterback duties and called a nifty play against Fort Hays that had him ending up on the receiving end of a scoring pass from regular signal caller Briscoe, who had switched to a running back spot.

Garrison is expected to stay behind Benson and Briscoe this year and will attend most of his duties to the defensive backfield again.

He will miss spring ball while playing for the OU baseball team.



## Bill Haas

Bill Haas is what coaches call "an excellent prospect". He's smart, has good size, and is strong on running and passing techniques.

He saw no action as a freshman last year, but was being groomed as a possible replacement for Briscoe if Marlin had been injured.

The Ralston grad was a basketball starter and will return to the court next winter after football.

Indications call for a possible position switch for Bill this spring. He will be given a try at several new spots in an effort to work him into the lineup.

**Next Week . . .**  
**Halfbacks**