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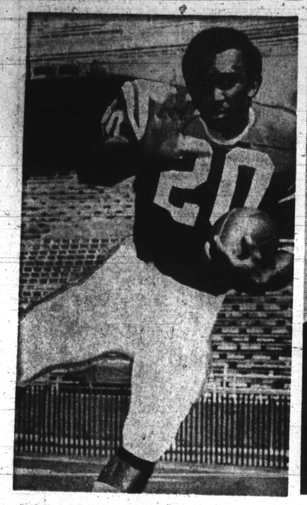
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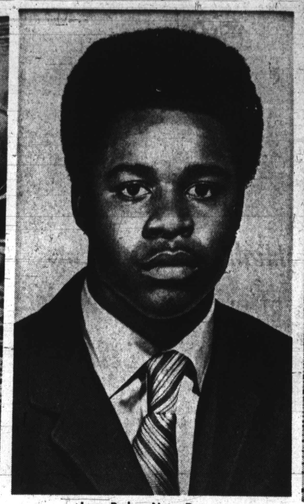
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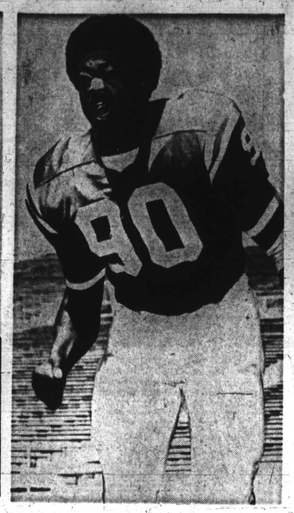
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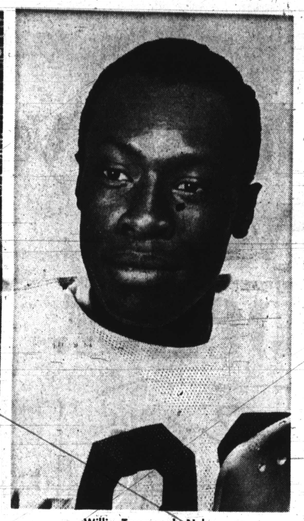
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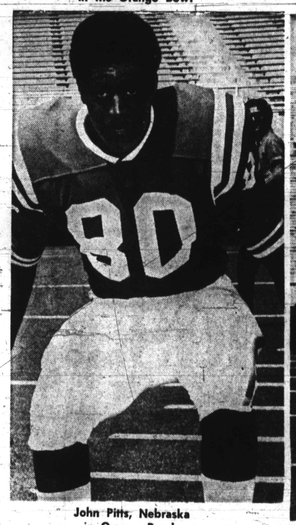
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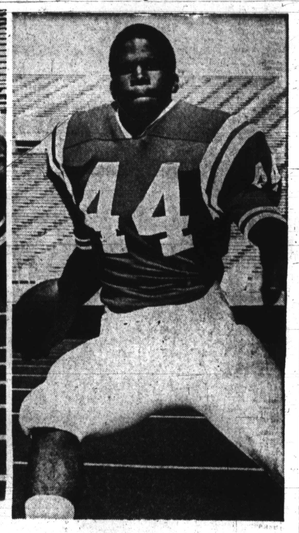
Bill Olds, Nebraska in Orange Bowl

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Exciting Action

Since the nation's colleges began recruiting athletes without regard to color in the early sixties, the number of black athletes in varsity competition has been growing by the year.

As a result, the action and excitement of major bowl football in the coming weekend will include the largest number of colored stars in the history of the collegiate game.

On this page and the ensuing one, the AFRO Sports Department introduces to readers many, though not all, of the black athletes who will be part of the drama.

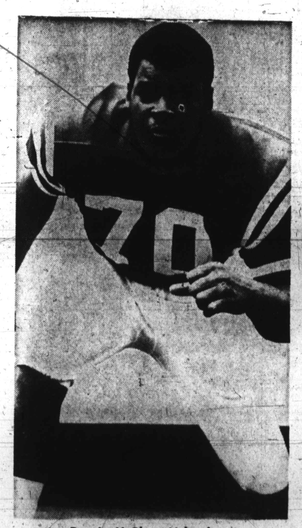
Stanford University, which will compete in the Rose Bowl against Ohio State, has several outstanding colored performers, but its Sports Information Bureau failed to provide photographs for their inclusion in this presentation.

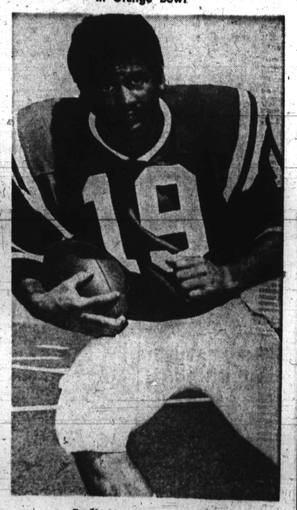
To refresh the memory of those we hope will enjoy this "AFRO Sports Bonus," here is a final rundown on the major bowl lineup:

Ohio State meets Stanford in the Rose Bowl at Pasadena, Cal., on New Year's Day. And on the same day, Notre Dame battles Texas in the Cotton Bowl at Dallas; Air Force Academy is matched with Tennessee in the Sugar Bowl at New Orleans, and Nebraska and Louisiana State pair off in the Cotton Bowl in Miami.

The Bluebonnet Bowl, to be played New Year's Eve (Thursday) at Houston, Texas, pits Oklahoma against Alabama.

And the Gator Bowl at Jacksonville, Fla., on Saturday will feature the teams of Auburn and Mississippi . . . LACY.


Donnie McGhee, Nebraska in the Orange Bowl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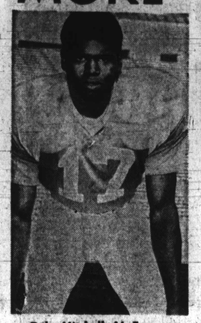
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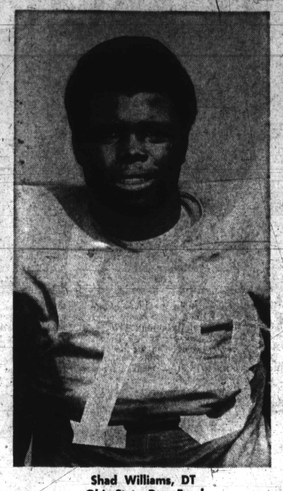
Shad Williams, DT Ohio State, Rose Bowl

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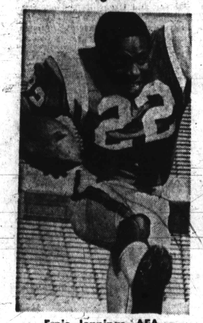
Ernie Jennings, AFA in the Sugar Bowl

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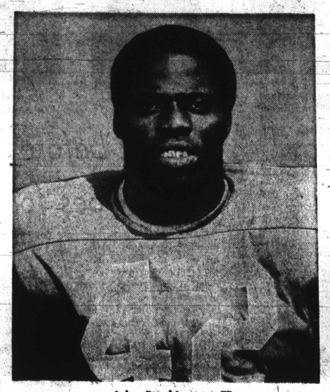
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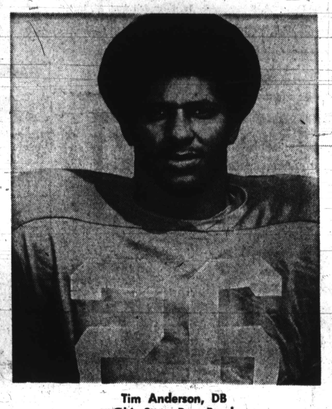
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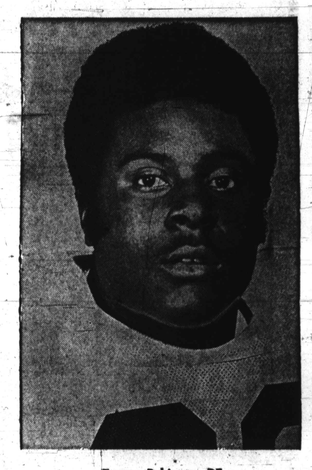
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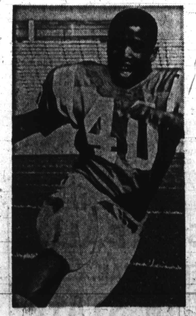
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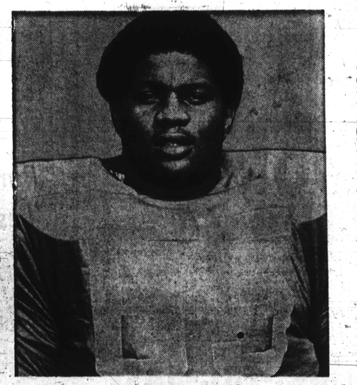
John Hicks, Off. tackle Ohio State, Rose Bowl

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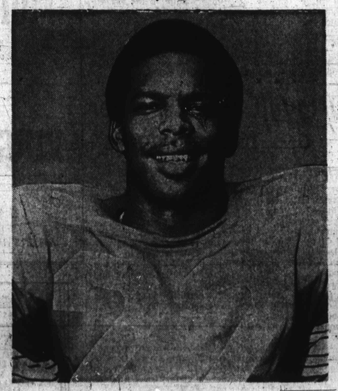
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