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Hess, Harlan Collection, 1959-2001

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INTRODUCTION

The materials and artifacts in the Hess, Harlan, Collection, 1959-2001 were collected by Pittsburg State University alum, Harlan Hess. Included in this collection are official football game programs from 1959-1964, programs from the 1961 National Championship Camellia Bowl game, an oversized scrapbook from 1961-1986, photographs, 1961 team reunion materials, and other memorabilia. There is also a 1959 gorilla football scrapbook that was given to Harlan Hess during Homecoming, October 9, 1998 by Pittsburg State University alum, Pat Alexander, who found the scrapbook in his mother’s home. Included in the 1959 scrapbook are Kansas State College of Pittsburg football news releases, game plans, and gorilla newsletters written by head football coach, Carnie Smith.

DONOR INFORMATION

The collection of Pittsburg State University, Kansas, football records and memorabilia was donated to Special Collections by Harlan Hess on May 22, 2009.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Harlan Hess received a Bachelor of Science in Education degree with a major in Industrial Arts Education on January 27, 1963 from Kansas State College of Pittsburg, (Kansas), now Pittsburg State University. He later received a Master of Science degree from KSCP in 1968. Hess was a member of the football team, playing the left tackle position, from 1959-1962 while attending Kansas State College of Pittsburg (KSCP). The highlight of Hess’ college football career came when he was named one of four Little All-America first team members following the 1961 National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) U.S. Football Title and victory in the Camellia Bowl at Sacramento, California, on December 9th. Hess also received the honor as outstanding lineman in the playoff game. Head football coach Carnie Smith received the NAIA “Coach of Year” honors the same year.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The Hess, Harlan, Collection, 1959-2001 is arranged into the following eleven series: Official Game Programs; Media Guides, 1959-1961; Playbook, 1959; Newsletter, 1961; Camellia Bowl, 1961; News Clippings; Scrapbook, 1961-1986; 1961 Team Reunions; Photographs; Pittsburg State University Memorabilia; and Miscellaneous.

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