

Five D.H.S. Grids Make Minnich's All-League Team

Five Defiance gridders are included on the Northwest Ohio Athletic league team picked by Mel Minnich of the Napoleon Northwest-News.

They are Gene Derricotte, quarterback; Jim Wiseman, left guard; Charles Wahl, center; Bill Rath, right tackle; and Earl Fry, right end.

Other members of Minnich's mythical eleven would include Herb Carver, Liberty Center, left end; Bill Priest, Montpelier, left tackle; Jim Pace, Montpelier, right guard; Roger Ely, Montpelier, and Mel Augenstein, Napoleon, halfbacks; and Ralph Conrad, Liberty Center, fullback. Honorable mention was given to End Ken Jones and Halfback Lloyd Pixler of Defiance.

Derricotte, Minnich says, "is being acclaimed as one of the best, if not the best gridder ever turned out in the league." Wahl was "by far the outstanding pivot man in the league." Wiseman "was in the opponents backfield most of the time." Rath "was an aggressive lad and a standout, reaching his peak in the Montpelier game." Fry "besides being a good defensive player was the outstanding target for Derricotte's ball slinging this year." All of the eleven are seniors except Fry and Augenstein.

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