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Evashevski, Athletic Director at the University of Iowa.

A year earlier, the 1963 BHS team had posted a 6-1 record, paced by a pair of all-state linemen, John Hendricks and Toby Anderson.

Those two outstanding linemen and a total of 17 letterwinners had graduated so it was hard to imagine that the 1964 squad could come up to the standard achieved by the 1963 team.

Coach Harris, himself, showed some uneasiness. As the Toreadors prepared for their season opener against a highly rated Fort Dodge team at Fort Dodge, the Boone coach told the Boone News Republican Sports Editor Mo Kelley, "My best two teams here

had some depth. By that, I mean 18 or 20 players capable of competing on an equal basis with our opponents. So far this season, we've only been able to uncover 13 or 14 in that category."

Small numbers were not unusual for a Harris-coached team. He was long on discipline and wanted nothing to do with anyone willing to give less than what he thought they were capable of. His 1964 team was just 33-strong and, perhaps, just half of those would see much playing

time.

There was an early indication of what might be coming. In that opener at Fort Dodge, the Toreadors bounced back from a 12-7 halftime deficit to post a 14-12 victory as runs by Marty Rinehart and key defensive plays by Don Riker and Sid Erickson sparked the Boone squad.

All three of those stand-outs eventually earned all-state recognition.

In the Central Iowa Conference opener, Rinehart scored three touchdowns and the

Toreadors romped past Marshalltown, 27-0.

In a homecoming game with Oskaloosa, the Toreador found themselves trailing early, 7-0, but by game's end, the Indians were reeling, 33-7, punished by an attack that produced 352 yards of offense.

Of concern, however, was the fact that three members of the small Toreadors squad had suffered rather serious injuries. Jim Ferry, a broken hand, Steve Kruck, a knee injury, and Rick Davis, a cracked wrist.

The Ames Little Cyclones were next up and the Toreadors romped, 40-7, behind 503 total yards of offense. Ames finished with 261 yards but 234 were gained through the air. The Little Cyclones managed just 27-rushing yards against a stout Boone defense, just nine of the yards after halftime.

Coach Harris had lost to the Little Cyclones, 63-12, in his first year as the Boone coach. However, in

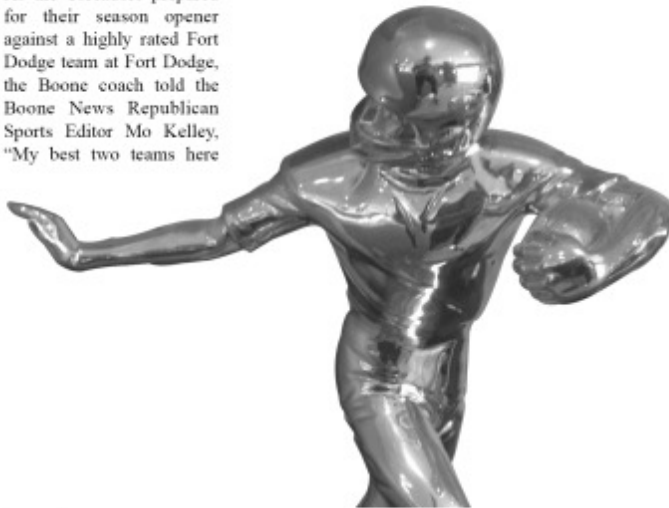
1962, the Harrismen posted a 28-12 victory, the first Boone win over Ames in 29-years. The 1964 decision over AHS was the Toreadors third straight victory over their Story County rival.

Rinehart, who gained 220-yards rushing against the Little Cyclones, sat out the next contest, a game against Tama-Toledo. He had suffered an ankle injury in the Ames game.

Despite his absence, the Toreadors were able to post a 28-0 shutout of their opponent as Ted Hora and Riker combined to replace Rinehart's rushing punch. Hora gained 151-yards and Riker added 103.

Nevada was no match at all in the Toreadors next contest. Boone won, 54-0, as 10 different ballcarriers saw action for BHS. Rinehart returned but carried the ball just four times while Hora gained 179-yards rushing and Steve Godfrey added 100.

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