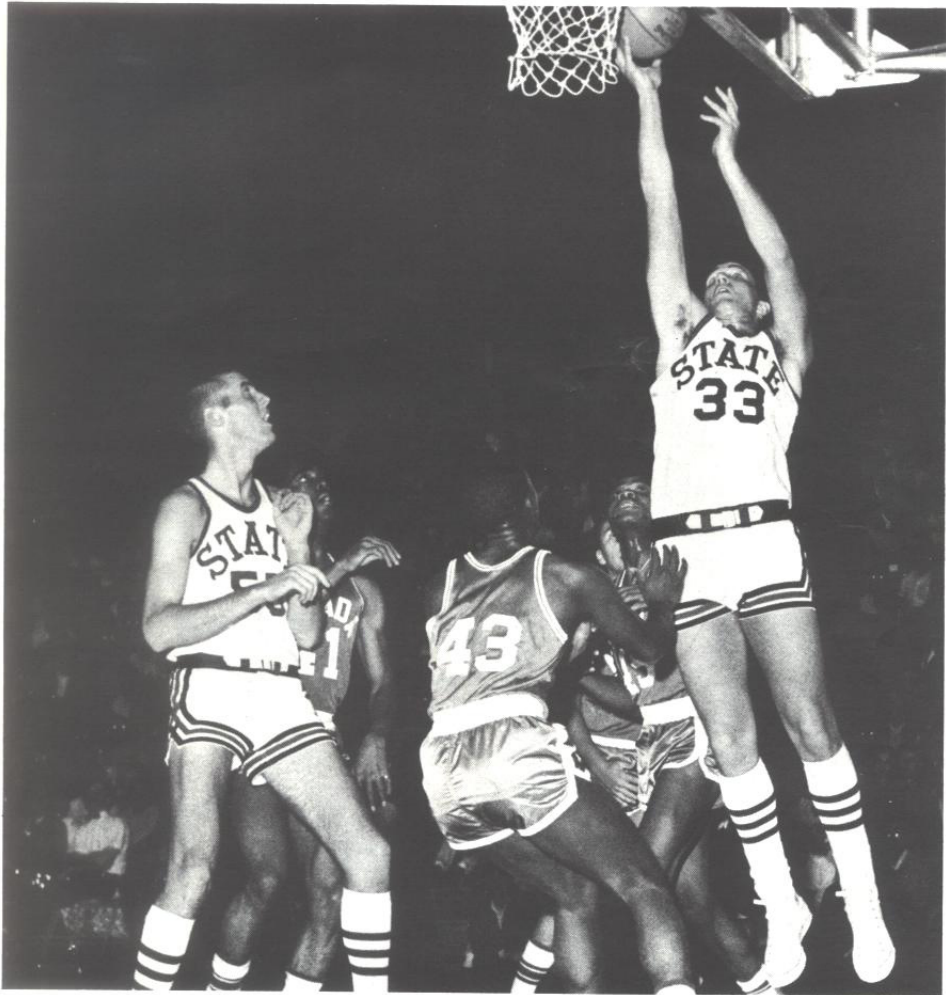



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WAYNE ESTES

UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY

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J. J. King



ALL AMERICAN WAYNE ESTES



Wayne Estes looks indestructible — a 6-foot-6, 225-pound cross between the village blacksmith and the spreading chestnut tree. This year he's slimmer, swifter and even more adept.

—Sports Illustrated

Wayne Estes can score with muscle or finesse. For a big man he has a fine outside shot and underneath he is the irresistible force. Estes has too much talent to be overlooked in the All-American balloting.

—1965 Basketball Yearbook

As any cowboy-loving youngster can tell you, the wild West has long been known for its shooting, so Utah State's Wayne Estes is continuing a noble tradition. And whether it's from the hip or above the head, it will be hard to find anyone who shoots better than this 6-6 senior. Nor has Estes built an impressive average on any pet shot. You name the shot, Estes can make it. There just isn't anything he can't do when it comes to shooting. Scoring isn't Estes' only claim to fame. Quick enough to lead a fast break, he is also an improving defensive player and last year led USU in rebounding. It is things like this which made Estes one of the few juniors selected for the Olympic Trials.

—Dell Sports

FANTASTIC!

That's the only way to describe properly the feats of Utah State University's sensational All-American basketball player, 6-6, 225-pound Wayne Estes.

Earlier this season Estes racked up the amazing total of 52 points against Boston College to establish a new USU single-game scoring record. That standard is just one more added to a long list of accomplishments by Estes at Utah State the past two-and-a-half seasons. And it's a sure bet that it won't be the last mark to fall before the Estes onslaught.

With still half a season to play, the U-State ace already has shattered the school career scoring record of 1890 points previously held by another USU All-American, Cornell Green, and will undoubtedly become the first cager in the history of Utah State to exceed 2000 points. He will join some select company if he achieves this feat since only 15 other college players have reached this plateau previously.

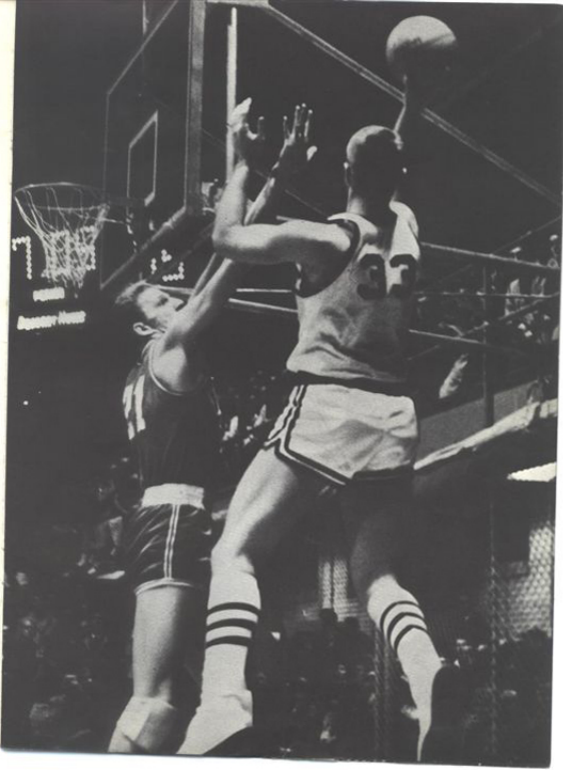
Easily the best individual drawing card in the Rocky Mountain-Southwest region, Estes has earned this reputation by averaging more than 26 points per game in over 70 contests against some of the roughest competition in the nation.

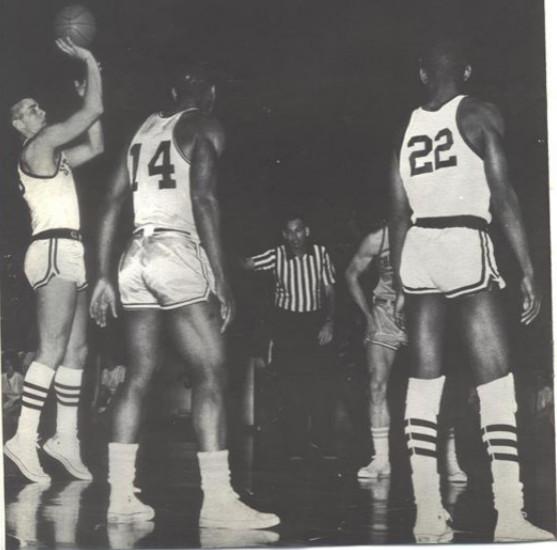
As a sophomore two years ago Estes was recognized widely as one of the top collegiate players west of the Mississippi by averaging 20 points per game. As a junior last winter Estes set four season scoring records. His 821 points in 29 games was a new high along with his scoring average of 28.3. He finished 10th nationally in scoring and was 13th nationally in foul shooting accuracy.

But if the first two years are to be considered great ones for Estes, the 1964-65 season to date would have to be termed incredible. Throughout the year Wayne has been the country's second-leading scorer and has hovered near the top in free throw marksmanship and rebounding.

It is the important free throw category, one that wins and loses ball games, in which Estes is personally determined to excel. At one time this year he compiled a string of 42 straight charity pitches, breaking his own school record of 26 which he established last year. He has been successful from the foul line at a better than 90 per cent clip this year and in his career has posted an 85 per cent mark of proficiency.







And this has not occurred by accident. "I shot at least 25 free throws every day last summer," says Estes. "I had my brother Ron serve as ball boy and I scored 165 straight at one time." The big USU cager is the picture of patience and concentration on his foul pitches. He takes slow and steady aim and then freezes. At Logan the crowd falls into nearly absolute silence while Wayne aims and pitches. On the road, he's the target of catcalls and howls. But he comes through magnificently in silence or in noise.

Estes also has connected at nearly a 50 per cent pace from the field, both this year and throughout his career, and this has to be termed sensational when it is considered that he is not exactly bashful about shooting from anywhere on the court. His variety of shots amazes opposing coaches and players. He is one of the few major college players in the country who can shoot the set, the jump, key and baseline hook, power shots and lead a fast break.

USU's do-everything cager is at his best when the chips are down. Some of his best scoring games have come when he's been pressured most. Against Montana State last year the Utags were two points down with 10 seconds to go when Estes hit a clutch jumper to send the game into overtime and give Utah State an eventual victory. Against Colorado State, he won the game with four seconds left in overtime and his team a point behind.

Against Arizona State in the NCAA playoff game to go to the Far West Regionals in 1964, Estes scored 38 points, the last two in the final minute and a half to put Utah State ahead to stay. And against Utah recently in a traditional stemwinder in Salt Lake City, Estes connected for 23 points in the second half to lead the Aggies from an 11-point deficit at the half to a thrilling last minute, 86-84 victory.

Before coming to USU, Estes was an all-state tackle in football, pitched on the baseball team and threw the shot and discus in track in high school at his native Anaconda, Mont. "Basketball has always been my number one sport, however," says Estes. As for future plans, Estes would like to continue in this "number one sport" by playing professionally and would then like to settle down into coaching.

In addition to his obvious basketball talent, Wayne is also an outstanding student. He has maintained nearly a "B" average throughout his college days as a physical education student and is a strong candidate for the Academic All-American team also.



A long jump shot clips the cords



ESTES' GAME-BY-GAME CAREER SCORING RECORD



SOPHOMORE YEAR — 1962-63

JUNIOR YEAR — 1963-64

SENIOR YEAR — 1964-65

Opponent (Site)	Pts.	Total	Avg.	Opponent (Site)	Pts.	Total	Avg.	Opponent (Site)	Pts.	Total	Avg.
Ohio State (R)	10	10	10.0	Loyola, Calif. (H)	37	37	37.0	Idaho State (H)	35	35	35.0
Butler (R)	14	24	12.0	Fresno State (H)	9	46	23.0	Butler (H)	33	68	34.0
Montana State (H)	5	29	9.7	Texas A&M (H)	41	87	28.0	Loyola, Calif. (H)	37	105	35.0
Montana State (H)	16	45	11.3	Creighton (R)	21	108	27.0	Pacific (H)	29	134	32.5
Texas Western (H)	13	58	11.6	Iowa State (R)	25	133	26.6	Nevada (H)	40	174	34.8
Regis (H)	34	92	15.2	New Mexico State (H)	35	168	28.0	Bradley (R)	28	202	33.7
San Diego State (H)	32	124	17.7	Arizona (H)	27	185	26.4	Minnesota (R)	27	229	32.7
Iowa State (H)	14	158	17.3	Bradley (H)	16	211	26.4	San Jose State (H)	33	262	32.8
Michigan State (H)	24	162	18.0	Ohio State (H)	40	251	27.9	San Francisco (R)	19	281	31.2
U.C.L.A. (N)	15	177	17.7	Utah (H)	28	279	27.9	Arizona State (N)	28	309	30.9
Washington (N)	9	186	16.9	Air Force Academy (H)	25	304	27.6	Boston College (N)	52	361	32.8
Southern Calif. (N)	25	211	17.6	Montana (R)	42	346	28.8	Utah (R)	32	393	32.8
Utah (R)	26	237	18.2	Colorado State (H)	29	375	28.8	Brigham Young (H)	34	427	32.8
Brigham Young (H)	19	256	18.3	Brigham Young (H)	28	403	28.8	Colorado State (H)	31	458	32.7
Montana (R)	21	277	18.5	Brigham Young (R)	25	428	28.5	Texas Western	26	484	32.3
Colorado State (H)	16	293	18.3	Utah (R)	27	455	28.4	Arizona State	29	513	32.1
Denver (H)	20	313	18.4	Denver (H)	28	483	28.4	Utah (H)	—	—	—
Brigham Young (R)	25	338	18.8	Montana State (R)	29	512	28.4	Brigham Young (R)	—	—	—
Utah (H)	30	368	18.4	Montana State (R)	33	545	28.7	Denver (H)	—	—	—
Montana (H)	22	390	18.5	Colorado State (R)	35	580	28.0	Texas Western (H)	—	—	—
Texas Western (R)	24	414	18.7	Denver (R)	26	606	28.9	Denver (R)	—	—	—
New Mexico State (R)	15	429	18.5	Seattle (H)	25	631	28.7	Colorado State (R)	—	—	—
Air Force Academy (R)	26	455	18.8	Montana (H)	21	652	28.3	Seattle (H)	—	—	—
Denver (R)	18	473	18.7	LaSalle (R)	23	675	28.1	Montana State (H)	—	—	—
Creighton (H)	18	491	18.6	American University (R)	42	717	28.7	Portland (H)	—	—	—
Colorado State (R)	16	507	18.5	Providence (R)	31	748	28.8	Montana State (R)	—	—	—
Arizona State (N)	32	539	20.0	Arizona State (N)	38	786	29.1	San Francisco (N)	21	807	28.8
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205	428	.479	129	154	.838	309	654	.479	203	238	.853	201	413	.487	111	127	.874
33	Avg.	PP	D	TP	Avg.	RB	Avg.	PP	D	TP	Avg.	RB	Avg.	PP	D	TP	Avg.
256	9.1	79	1	539	20.0	277	13.0	88	3	821	28.3	224	14.0	46	0	513	32.1





HEAD COACH LADELL ANDERSON

LaDell Anderson in his three-year basketball coaching career at Utah State University has compiled a record of 63 wins and 22 losses, a mark that brings him recognition as the winningest young major college coach in mountain states basketball. The peppery USU cage mentor has coached the Aggies to three consecutive seasons of 20 or more victories and three successive appearances in NCAA championship tournaments.

To ever get another player to duplicate the feats of Wayne Estes would be too much to ask. His progress in basketball is probably one of the greatest success stories in the game. He's always had a great desire to excel, but has had to overcome many obstacles to obtain this goal.

In high school Wayne was a great football tackle and weightman in track in addition to being a very good basketball player. He weighed around 250 pounds at the time, though, and was a big question mark as a college basketball prospect. But after watching him play, and noting his obviously fine shooting touch, both Wayne and I agreed he could become a truly great basketball player by losing 20 or 25 pounds. He did lose the weight and has become much quicker, developing an even better variety of shots, getting much more vicious as a rebounder and improving tremendously on defense.

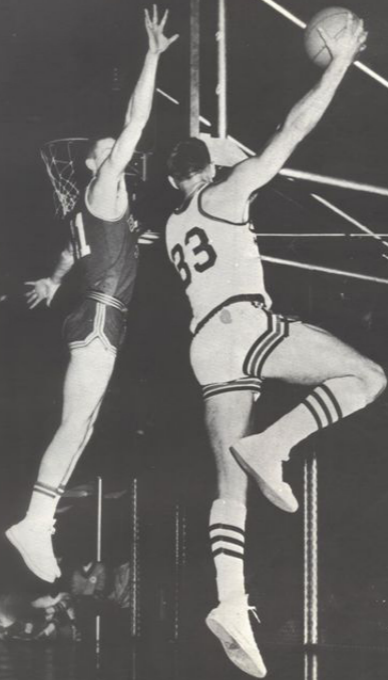
From a coaching standpoint, Estes has responded quite well in all phases of the game. First of all, I'll never forget his great clutch-shooting ability. Many times he's scored baskets or free throws in the last seconds to win or tie games. Secondly, he's in a very select group of basketball players that has all the shots mastered. Also, there have been several times he's had mediocre first halves, but seems to wear the opposition down with his strength, desire to win, and that amazing repertoire of shots.

In spite of his many individual accomplishments, he has always been well respected by his teammates. His attitude is excellent and he's a keen student of the game. He works very hard at improving himself.

Wayne has led our team to winning seasons the past three years, including appearances in the NCAA Far West regionals the last two seasons. Trying to replace him will indeed be a gigantic, if not impossible, task.

At his greatest under pressure







QUOTES FROM OPPOSING COACHES

Wayne Estes is the best man I've seen in college basketball this year. An excellent rebounder and scorer; he has very strong hands. I particularly like his desire.

—Bob Cousy, Boston College

Estes is one of the finest shooters in college basketball today. His consistency each game is remarkable, and he certainly presents a tough defensive problem for those who must face him.

—Stan Watts, Brigham Young

One of the finest shots to play against the Gophers in some time.

—John Kundla, Minnesota

Estes is a complete ball player. He's absolutely the best we've met all year. A terrific shooter who scares you to death anytime he gets his hands on the ball.

—Moe Iba, Jr., assistant coach, Texas Western

Definitely a genuine All-American in every way. He has the size, the speed and he shoots very well. I consider him the most qualified player in the Western United States.

—Troy Bledsoe, Denver

Estes is the key to Utah State's success. He is an exceptionally strong young man and very agile for his size. His touch with the basketball is one of the best I have ever seen.

—Fred Taylor, Ohio State

Wayne Estes is an excellent big man with all the shots. He has a fantastic touch from anywhere on the floor.

—Roger Craft, Montana State

Wayne is one of the best shooters in college basketball today and is very good around the boards with fine timing on rebounds. He has confidence in himself and is at his best when the going is tough — a fine clutch player.

—Jim Williams, Colorado State U.

Probably the finest college shooter under pressure I have ever seen. It is this factor that makes him the great player he is.

—John Arndt, Loyola (Calif.)

Wayne Estes is one of the truly great offensive threats in college basketball today. He has the ability to score close, with his back to the basket, or deeper, facing the basket. From 30 feet in he has all the shots.

—Ned Wulk, Arizona State



*Machine-like accuracy from charity
lane*

QUOTES FROM THE FOURTH ESTATE

Estes is one of the greatest basketball players the mountains have ever moved. He would have to rank with Montana State's Cat Thompson, Utah's Arnie Ferrin and Billy McGill and BYU's Mel Hutchins. He's an All-American for sure—it's just a matter of how many of us alleged experts will say so.

—Hack Miller, sports editor, Deseret News
Past President, U. S. Basketball Writers

Utah State's awesome Aggie affords any opposing coach an excellent disciplinary weapon. He can dangle over his players' heads the imposing threat that they might have to guard Estes personally.

—Dave Hicks, Arizona Republic

Wayne Estes is the best all-around shooter in college basketball today. In a game in which the whole idea is to put the ball in the basket any way possible, Estes has no peer. There might be a better specialist at the jump shot; there might be a better inside or outside specialist; but there is no one better at scoring with every type of shot in the game. And Estes is more than just a shooter. He is a team man, a strong rebounder and a rugged competitor who plays the game with every nerve and muscle he possesses.

—Marion Dunn, Salt Lake Tribune

Estes is the most "complete" college basketball player I have seen in many a moon in the Rockies. His records in shooting and rebounding over the past three seasons are proof of the pudding and he is the most tenacious "big man" on defense I've had the pleasure to watch in a long time.

—George Franco, Denver Post

Workhorse Wayne Estes, once considered too big and slow to play college basketball, has streamlined himself and his shooting and the changes could give Utah State University another winning season. Earlier in his career the marvelous Montanan was often made fun of because of his bulk and his lack of gracefulness on the basketball court. Now, that's all over and Big Wayne may have the last laugh. While Estes has served the Aggies best as a scorer, he has also filled the role of team leader.

—Steve Smilanich, United Press International

Wayne Estes possesses a touch of velvet from the outside but operates like gangbusters under the boards.

—Max Seibel, Peoria Journal-Star

*Estes is extremely tough around
the boards*







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