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122nd historical “tidbit.” Dr. John S. Dahlem

Frank Louis Stokes Greene – “Toady”

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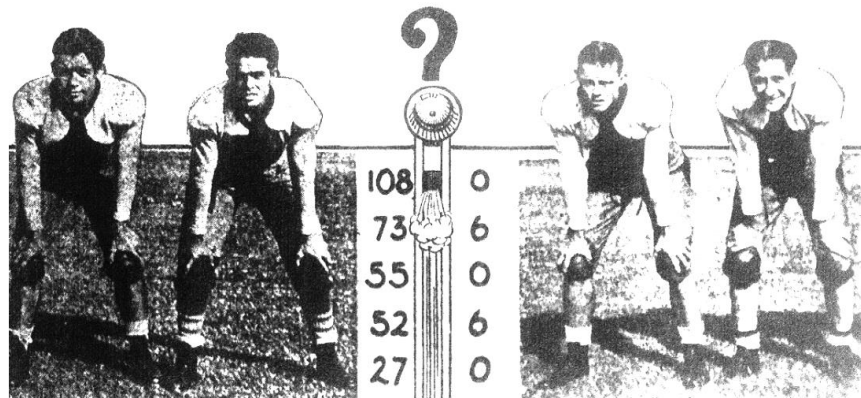
11 T.D. 's – 14 Conversions

80 points

vs. Sweetwater 1929



— Greene was dangerous runner for Coronado's once-beaten Islanders in 1929.

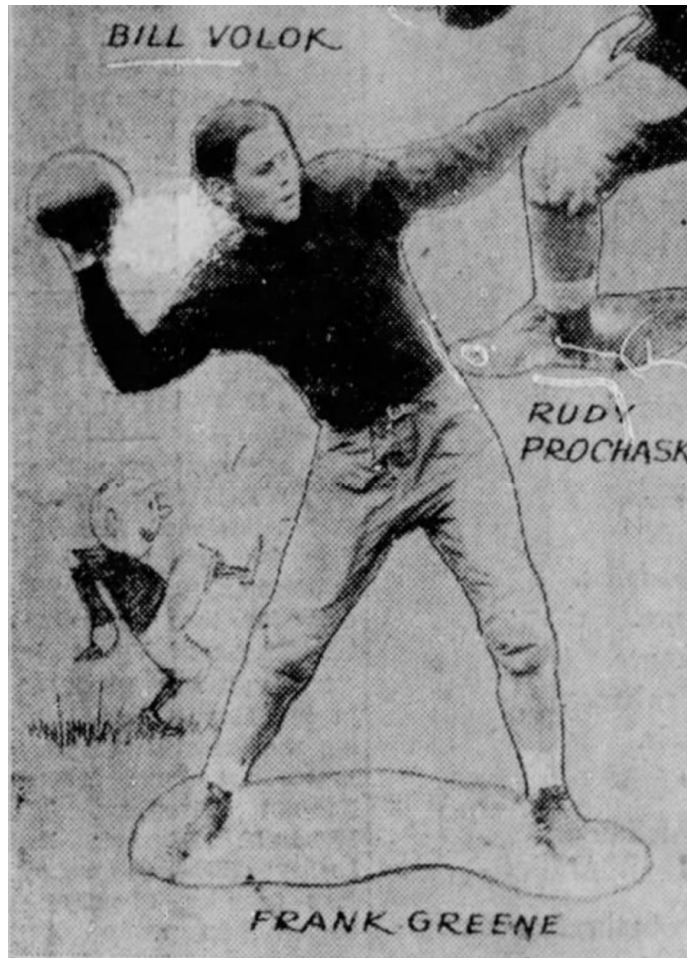


— The only question was how many points Coronado would score, with Greene (left) and Lyons (right) leading.

It is a cinch that **Coronado** will not be easy to stop, as this is the third year the **Coronado** backs, Merle Corrin, **Frank Green**, Malcolm Wright and Captain Johnny Lyons, have been working together, and it's do or die with them, as it is their last year in high school, and after riding rough-shod through the southern loop, they will be anxious to prove their worth against an equally formidable squad, such as the Jackrabbits.

Long Beach will outweigh the Coronadoans on the line, but in the backfield the visitors have a decided weight advantage, even with little Merle Corrin at quarter, who weighs only 134 pounds. Both **Frank Green**, the triple-threat star, and Captain Johnny Lyons weigh 169 pounds, while Malcolm Wright at the blocking half post tips the beam at 155 pounds.

Tulsa University



December 15, 1933.

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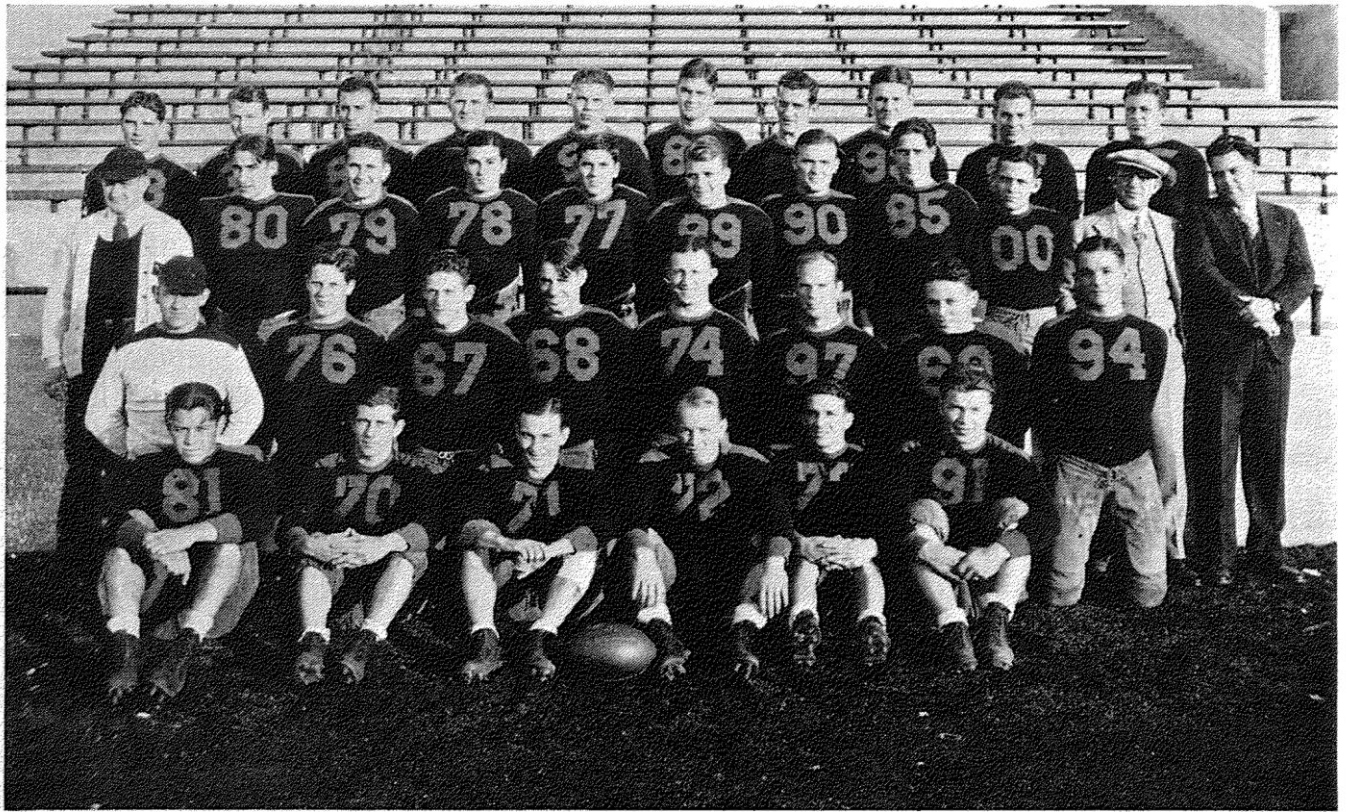
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Left to right—Freshman Coach Chet Benefiel, Quarterback **Frank Greene**, Head Coach Elmer C. Henderson, Center Coach Ross Baze, Athletic Director J. B. Miller. Here's a scene from the past successful University of **Tulsa** football season. It was conferences of the Hurricane board of strategy, such as this, which spelled defeat for Kansas, Oklahoma, George Washington, Arkansas, Washburn and Oklahoma City. Here you see all but one of the **Tulsa** gridiron leaders: Frank Greene, all-Oklahoma halfback-quarterback and great punter and passer; "Gloomy Gus" Henderson, veteran of Oklahoma coaches and who has been mixing gridiron magic for 25 years, nine of them at **Tulsa**; Ross Baze, former stellar California university center and who developed the all-Oklahoma center, Rudy Prochaska, at **Tulsa** during the past two years; Chet Benefiel, former "galloping ghost" of Oklahoma's gridirons and 1930 captain of the Hurricane, whose undefeated freshman teams of the past two years have contributed greatly to the success of the **Tulsa** varsity, and Athletic Director Miller, through whose hands pass the hundreds of miscellaneous threads of detail that make a **football** game a success from scheduling to the final whistle.



Top Row: Homer Reynolds, Everett Day, Hiram Alexander, Rube Thyman, William Vlok, Lynn Griffith, Gene Morris, Russell Miller, J. C. Blewett, Bus Sanford. SECOND ROW: Walter Grapes, Ishmael Pilkington, Richard Beattie, Preston Littrell, Leo Howard, Ed Carroll, Walter Casey, John Lyons, Harry Aggers, Coach Henderson, Oliver Hodge. THIRD ROW: Bill Wilson, Bob Kahl, Don Benefiel, La Rue Finley, Blake Workman, John Potts, Ronald Capps, Ray Odom. FOURTH ROW: Frank Greene, Billy Boehm. Don Bailey, Ed Dubie, Charles Keeling, Velmon Lentz.

FRANK GREENE, Halfback

Frank Greene is one of the most talented backfield men in Tulsa University. He can pass, punt and carry the ball for long gains with equal ease.



In the first half of Saturday's game at Tulsa, the Sooners swarmed all over Hurricane ball-carriers, as this picture, taken by C. J. Kaho of The Daily Oklahoman staff, shows, but who the men of "Gloomy Gus" Henderson did to O. U. in the second half was plenteous. Frank Greene, Tulsa quarterback, is flat on his back with the ball in his left arm in the above picture. Ellis Bashera, Sooner guard, No. 36, is clearly seen diving in while Harold Flectwood, center, No. 40, also is on hand and Casey Cason, tackle, No. 22, comes up to see what he can do about Bob Dunlap, No. 9, is on the job backing the line. Jeff Coker, end, is the young man without a helmet who is reposing on his back with his feet in the air.



Greene's generalship was good, and after learning the Sooner weakness against alternate deceptive passes and twisting line plays, the Hurricane roared on without much opposition.

It was the first win for Tulsa in three successive years of play against Oklahoma U. O. U. won 20 to 0 in 1931, and 7 to 0 last year.

Lineups and summary:

| Oklahoma U. P s. | | Tulsa U. |
|------------------|----|-----------|
| Harris | LE | Dugger |
| Carson | LT | Sanford |
| Bashara | LG | Volok |
| Fleetwood | C | Prochaska |
| Stacy | RG | Capps |
| Gentry | RT | Bovie |
| | RE | Larson |
| Dunlap | QB | Greene |
| Long | LH | Lentz |
| B. Pansze | RH | Berry |
| Poynor | FB | Day |

Touchdowns: Oklahoma — Harris; Tulsa—Dennis (sub for Day) 2; Berry. Points after touchdown: Berry 2 (placekicks).

Officials: John B. Old (Kansas) referee; Dr. Frank Moon (Cotner) umpire; Jeff Farris (Arkansas) field judge; Harry Houston (Southwestern of Kansas) head linesman.

Tulsa to Play 2 Cripples Today

TULSA, Nov. 29.—At least two "cripples" will be in the **Tulsa** lineup when the Golden Hurricane closes the 1933 football season against the Arkansas U. Razorbacks here Thursday.

Coach Elmer C. (Gloomy Gus) Henderson announced Wednesday night that his two casualties, **Frank Greene**, brilliant senior quarterback who was injured in the George Washington game Nov. 17, and Tack Dennis, sophomore plunger who holds down the fullback position, will play.

The Porkers arrived Wednesday afternoon, fit and apparently anxious to give the local fans a glimpse of the brand of football that has brought victory this season against Texas, T. C. U., Baylor and S. M. U.

The probable lineups* and officials: Arkansas—Johnson, le; Haden, lt; Spencer, lg; Newby, c; Black, rg; Benton, rt; P. Rucker, re; LaForge, qb; Murphy, lh; C. Rucker, rh; Criswell, fb.

Tulsa—Larson, le; Bovie, lt; Volck, lg; Prochaska, c; Capps, rg; Sanford, rt; Dugger, re; Greene, qb; Berry, lh; Lentz, rh; Dennis, fb.

Officials—Referee, Earl Jones (Arkansas); umpire, Joe Ramp (Texas Aggies); field judge, Jeff Farris (Arkansas); head linesman, C. E. McBride (Missouri Valley).



Chicago Cardinals N.F.L. & Los Angeles Bulldogs

FRANK GREENE


Greene, Frank Louis Stokes

Height: 5-11 **Weight:** 190

Born: February 28, 1911 CA

Died: October 12, 1954 Coronado, CA

High School: Coronado (CA)

College: Tulsa [1930L 1931P 1932R 1933R] 

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YEAR TEAM

[1934 Chicago Cardinals \(NFL\)](#)

[1936 Los Angeles Bulldogs](#)

1 Year (NFL)



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Career: 1934

Frank Greene played during the 1934 season for the Chicago Cardinals. Greene ran for 82 yards in his career on 31 attempts, scoring 0 rushing touchdowns. He also caught 4 passes for 32 yards.



— Greene handed off to teammate in 1934 Chicago Cardinals publicity photo.



Chicago
Cardinals

Officer Slain as He Stops Car at Resort

House-to-House Search Begins; Blockade Set Up

CORONADO (AP)—Two hundred-and-fifty law officers ringed this San Diego Bay community of 12,500 today and searched it, house-to-house, for the killers of a police lieutenant.

Shot in the head and killed outright was Lt. **Frank S. Greene**, 44, of **Coronado** police, a former professional **football** quarterback.

Greene and a Navy shore patrolman had approached a car for routine questioning of its three men occupants when the shot was fired without warning by one of the men from a .38-caliber pistol at 2 a. m. today.

The gunman and another man jumped from the car and fled. The third man in the car, Benjamin Prozowski, 39, a dishwasher, surrendered to the shore patrolman, Richard Lutsey, and said he had no part in the shooting.

A San Diego police bulletin sought the arrest of Roberto Rodriguez, 20, and Ralph Paul Gruber, 21, as suspects in the Columbus Day slaying.

Police Chief Robert Manchester of **Coronado** said he believes the killers are bottled up in the city, which is bordered by water on three sides. Blockades were established immediately after the shooting. Boats and Navy helicopters patrolled the beaches today.

Assistance in the search came from neighboring police departments, sheriff's deputies and state highway patrolmen.

Greene played **football** for Tulsa University, the professional Chicago Cardinals and the Los Angeles Bulldogs in the 1930s. He joined the **Coronado** police force 18 years ago. He is survived by his wife, Alice Craig Greene, a magazine writer, and a son, Craig, 16.



FRANK S. GREENE
Shot Down by Gunman

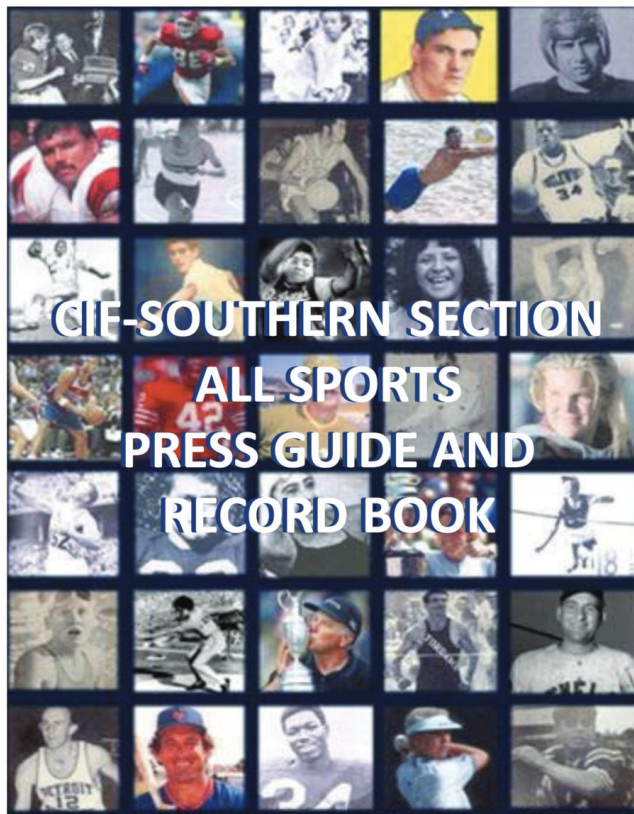


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| 3. TELEPHONE 06-1759 | 4. AGE IN YEARS 29 | 5. PLACE OF BIRTH SAN DIEGO | 6. COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP San Diego |
| DATE OF BIRTH MARCH 29 - 1911 | | | |
| 7. NAME OF PERSON WHO WILL ALWAYS KNOW YOUR ADDRESS Mrs Alice Braunkle Green | | 8. RELATIONSHIP OF THAT PERSON Wife | |
| 9. ADDRESS OF THAT PERSON 901 - tenth street Coronado San Diego Calif | | | |
| 10. EMPLOYER'S NAME Police Department Coronado | | | |
| 11. PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT OR BUSINESS City of Coronado. Calif | | | |
| I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE. | | | |
| REGISTRATION CARD D. S. S. FORM 1 | 16-17105 | | Frank Louis Stokes Green (Registrar's signature) |

Youngest son of Robert M. and Isabella Elizabeth Delores (Stokes) Green; husband of Alice (Craig) Greene. Named Louis Stokes Green at birth, he changed his first name to "Frank" in his youth and added an "E" to the end of Green because (according to his brother) he "didn't like being called a color". As a child, he had a chunky physique and acquired the nickname "Toady" which would stay with him for the rest of his life. A natural athlete, he was a football star playing for his hometown team of Coronado High School. He played four years (including freshman) for University of Tulsa where he won honorable mention for All-America. After college, he played pro-football for the Chicago Cardinals, later following his Tulsa coach to Los Angeles where he played three years for the Los Angeles Bulldogs.

Returning to Coronado, Frank joined the police department and worked his way up to the rank of Lieutenant. On October 12, 1954, during a routine car stop, he was shot to death by one of three men in the car.

Besides his widow, Alice, Frank was survived by his son, Craig.



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| <u>GAME</u> | <u>Player/School/Opponent</u> | <u>Year</u> |
|--------------------|---|--------------------|
| 80 | Frank Greene, Coronado vs. Sweetwater | 1929 |
| 60 | Jonas Lewis, Beaumont vs. West Valley | 1994 |
| 58 | Wes Anderson, Vasquez vs. Frazier Mountain | 1999 |
| 57 | John Hunter, San Diego vs. Carlsbad Army/Navy | 1920 |
| 54 | Dwight Tardy, St. Paul vs. Crescenta Valley | 2004 |
| 54 | Richard Johnson, Fairmont Prep vs. Ribet Academy | 2008 |
| 52 | Jim Johnson, Rosamond vs. Boron | 1970 |
| 48 | Dave Johnson, Cantwell vs. Pater Noster | 1969 |
| 48 | David Dotson, Valley View vs. Rim of the World | 1991 |
| 48 | Chris Stone, Santa Clara vs. Los Altos | 1991 |
| 48 | Andrew Niumata, Los Amigos vs. Bolsa Grande | 1998 |
| 48 | Earvin Johnson, Cathedral vs. St. Gkenevieve | 1998 |
| 48 | Terrell Jackson, Centennial/Corona vs. J.W. North | 2002 |
| 48 | Chad Kackert, Grace Brethren vs. Campbell Hall | 2003 |
| 48 | Eric Melesio, Norte Vista vs. | 2016 |

See Rick Smith's coverage of Frank Greene and photos used in this tidbit

<https://www.partletonsports.com/1929-new-sheriffs-in-town/>

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Mark Tennis, in his book High School Football in California, has a chapter (#8) on Frank Greene and his record...pg. 75-78!

