

# Punts Betray USIU in Loss To Hawaii

United States International University, home from a weekend in the islands, went back to the basics today.

Blocking and tackling, mostly tackling, were on the Westerners' agenda as they began preparations for Saturday's visit to San Francisco State.

## Statistics Favor Westerners

USIU will work on its punting game in particular, for it was the punting that made yesterday's flight from Hawaii a long one.

The Westerners outgained the University of Hawaii 279 yards to 140 Saturday night, yet they lost, 14-13, in their season opener.

The reason? Rainbow punt returns. Hawaii ran back three punts for 108 yards. The last one, a 55-yarder by Bob Weatherby, placed the ball on the Westerner one-yard line and led to the winning touchdown.

## Nugent Gains 109

Still, it was an encouraging opener in many respects for USIU. Bill Nugent carried 21 times for 109 yards and a touchdown. Quarterback Doug Omer passed for 92 yards and ran for 72. Westerner place-kicking star Dale Curtis booted field goals of 38 and 43 yards.

USIU led Hawaii in first downs, 18-11, and outrushed it,

## WESTERNER STATISTICS

	USIU	Haw.
First downs .....	18	11
Rushing yardage.....	187	45
Passing yardage .....	92	95
Return yardage .....	18	108
Passing .....	9-23-2	7-21-1
Punts .....	6-35.0	3-32.0
Fumbles lost.....	1	2
Yards penalized .....	77	57

USIU .....	0	10	0	3	—	13
Hawaii .....	0	7	0	7	—	14

Haw. — Pamplin, 2, run (Gaetano kick).  
 USIU — Nugent, 3, run (Curtis kick).  
 USIU — FG, Curtis, 38.  
 Haw. — Pamplin, 1, run (Gaetano kick).  
 USIU — FG, Curtis, 43.  
 Att. — 16,899.