

NEBRASKA COACHING STAFF PRODUCES FIGHTING TEAMS

Coach Bearg Ends Third Season With Six Victories and Only Two Defeats; Lost to Missouri on Break and Dropped Close Game to Undeafated Pitt Eleven

PRESNELL RECEIVED ALL TRAINING UNDER MENTOR

Opposing Squads Made But Three First Downs Through Husker Line in As Many Games; Oakes, Scherer, and Black Assist in Building Strong Aggregation

By Jack Elliott

Coach Ernest E. Bearg, head football mentor at Nebraska and his coaching staff have turned out one of the best Cornhusker football teams in many years.

Nebraska did not win every game on the 1927 schedule but it is not always the all-victorious football team that does credit to its coaches. It is the common saying that the best team will always win. This old axiom may be true but it very seldom works season in and season out.

This year on the gridiron the scarlet-clad Cornhusker football team went into eight battles and came out victorious in six of them. The first defeat of the season was at the hands of Missouri at Columbia. The loss of the Mizzou-Husker game was largely a break for the Tigers. Critics and sport writers throughout the conference were unanimous in saying that here was an example of where the best team loses.

The Missouri game showed up many places that could be improved in the Red machine but the weaker team on the field came through the battle with the longer end of the count. After that game team after team fell before the mighty Husker eleven and then came the Pitt Panther game at Pittsburgh.

Bearg Proud of Fighters
The Nebraskans came out of this game on the short end of the count but the brand of football displayed by the Husker eleven was far from being a disgrace to its coach and coaching staff. Coach Bearg and his assistants were justly proud of their fighting band of football warriors.

Those were the only two contests dropped all season and the record the Nebraska eleven had on the other six teams shows to Husker football fans that Coach Ernest Bearg turned out one of the best Scarlet teams in many years.

Presnell Developed To Punt
Beginning at the season, no punter could be found in the Husker camp. That is no punter who could handle the other departments of the game in a satisfactory manner. Bearg took Glenn Presnell in hand and made one of the best punters in the Valley out of the DeWitt

young. Presnell also received all his three years of football training under the tutelage of Coach Bearg. This flashy gridiron halfback is purely a product of Nebraska's football coach.

Coach Bearg has been at Nebraska for three years and all three of the seasons he has been here he has turned out football teams that are a credit to the University of Nebraska. He has not turned out eleven that go through the season without a single defeat. But the Husker coach has turned out Nebraska eleven that are characteristic of Nebraska, characteristic of Cornhusker fight and the true spirit that has prevailed at the Husker school for many years. This the students ask of their coach and nothing more.

Coach Needs Assistants
But the task is a big one, much too big for any one man and to assist him in his work Coach Bearg has three men who follow his ideals and the ideals of Nebraska.

Coaching the Nebraska line is Coach Bernard "Bunny" Oakes, one of the greatest line coaches in this section of the country. "Bunny's" work coaching the Cornhusker line this season was one of the great achievements of the 1927 season. He

Coaching Staff

Ernest E. Bearg
Head Coach

Dr. Clifford Everett
Team Physician

P. Keim - Assistant
Freshman Coach

Choppy Rhodes
Varsity Coach

Doc McLean
Trainer

Capt. Lehman - Assistant
Freshman Coach

Here is the unheralded staff of men who worked long hours every afternoon helping whip the Cornhuskers into shape. The upper three assisted Coach Bearg in developing what has been acclaimed as one of the Huskers' strongest aggregations. Care of the men was in the hands of Dr. Everett and "Doc" McLean. Coaches Rhodes, Keim, and Lehman built up a strong freshman team which gave the Varsity stiff scrimmage throughout the season.

Long Freshman Grind Brings Several Promising Future Gridmen to Light

By Doug Timmerman

At the close of every successful football season, reviews of the graduating players and future material for the gridiron sport are compounded and frequently published. Very few of them, however, concern themselves with the freshman eleven which not only bears the brunt of the Varsity practice but must train men to fill in the gaps vacated the season before.

Head Coach "Choppy" Rhodes, assisted by Line Coaches Keim and Lehman, has had the task of moulding a large and eager squad of yearling gridsters into a smooth working eleven. Starting with a squad comparatively devoid of stars, he has turned out a fast, ground-gaining team which gives any Varsity lineup sufficient scrimmage.

Men Keep Grades Up

Keeping the freshmen eligible is another hard job consigned to Rhodes. Only two players from a squad of over fifty face the possibility of failing scholastically.

Yearling ends will have their big chance next year as five Varsity ends are graduating. Roland of Beatrice, and Maasdam of Omaha Tech are the outstanding ends on this year's freshman team. Roland scales around 160 pounds and with his height of six feet, promises to win a berth on the Varsity next fall. He has plenty of speed and, with Maasdam, gets down fast under punts. Roland performed in the backfield while in prep school, and is occasionally shifted to a half position by Rhodes.

Maasdam Shows on Defense

Maasdam shows up best on the defensive. He combines blocking efficiency with pass intercepting to round out his effectiveness at the wing position. Urban, Omaha product, and Sell of Fremont furnish an elongated pair of ends. "Morrie" Fisher, Lincoln; H. L. Jackson, Beatrice; C. W. Paul, West Point, are other ends to show up in the yearling lineup. Fisher is by far the best pass-snatcher of the outfit but came out irregularly, and failed to get a steady position. He seems like another logical candidate for the 1928 Cornhusker eleven.

Broadstone, hailing from Norfolk, and Eno, six foot tackle from College View, comprise the cream of the yearling tackles. Broadstone, because of his track ability, gets down under punts with alacrity paralleling Eno's efforts. Broadstone weighs 193 and shows lots of strength on his side of the line. Gordon Eno, playing his second year on the yearling eleven, shows promise of developing into a Husker regular. Combining speed and all-around line ability, Eno stands out as an exceptionally good tackle. Simmons of York, Gilbert from Omaha, and Elliott of West Point, are other tackle players to merit special consideration.

Regular Guards Look Good

Guard candidates are not so numerous this year, but the two regulars are plenty good. Bill Galloway,

hailing from Crawford and an undefeated high school team last year, and Elmer Greenberg, husky Omaha boy, are the players in question. Galloway is built a lot like "Dan" McMullen and plays his position in a similar manner. As for Greenberg, his actions on the defensive mark him as Varsity caliber. He is fast getting down under punts, too. Tobin, Regier, Wittwer, and Burgeson are the substitutes for the guards berths.

Don Phillips of David City is easily the class of the centers. Stockily built, he repulses all thrusts at the pivot position and passes the pigskin with accuracy. Phillips looks like the main understudy for Ted James next fall. Don weighs around 200 but has a lot of speed with his poundage. Maasdam, when not working at a wing position, fits in at the center station very nicely as does Campbell, a Friend protege. Maasdam's forte is playing floating center, at which job he proves very effective, according to the Ag College center who pastimed against him in a game early this fall.

Long Shines in Backfield

Rhodes developed an exceptionally capable backfield this season. Long journeying to Nebraska from Buffalo, Wyoming, handled the yearling eleven in most of its scrimmaging with the Varsity. Long can punt up to fifty yards and hurl a pass to Frahm or Russell for a nice gain when yards are needed. Perhaps Howard Roland, who spends most of his time at the end position, will perform at the quarterback location during the 1928 season. From his experience on the Beatrice eleven backfield, Roland should be able to perform with dexterity at such a position.

The star of this year's freshman eleven and a valuable "find," F. H. Russell, comes to Nebraska from the camp of the Wildcats, the Kansas Aggies. Performing at a halfback position in the game between the two yearling elevens last year, Russell accounted for the greater portion of the yardage gained by his team. He is a great plunging half, and once he gets beyond the line of scrimmage, a hard man to tackle. Russell runs close to the ground and with the aid of a powerful stiff-arm, eludes numerous tacklers on his favorite off-tackle jaunts.

Scherzinger Punts and Passes

His running mate, Vic Scherzinger, is another valuable addition to the squad. Vic played with the Hastings College eleven last year and shows the result of this experience in his work on the yearling backfield.

The fullback position is filled by Harold Frahm. Frahm had the position clinched from the first practice session because of his ability on defensive and offensive formations. Other backfield candidates who have been called upon by "Choppy" Rhodes include Nelson of York, Erck of Lincoln, Carrier of Morrill, Rowley of Dewitt, and Faytinger of David City.

turned out a Nebraska forward-wall that was the strongest in the Missouri Valley if not in the Middle West.

Husker Line Holds

Only three times during the first three games was an opposing team able to get through the Husker line for a first down. Critics throughout the country after the close of the pigskin season praised the work of the Cornhusker line, the line that held the powerful Syracuse Orange eleven without a score.

Coach "Bunny" Oakes came to Nebraska from Illinois where he graduated. He figured very prominently on the Illini gridiron during his university career and is giving all he learned and more to the warriors of Nebraska.

Scherer Coaches Ends

Coaching the Nebraska ends is Leo Scherer, a former Nebraska football player. Coach Scherer turned out wingmen this season that speak for their coach. Such men as Lee, Ashburn, Lawson, Sprague, Shaner and others are the products of Coach Scherer and his services at the Husker school are invaluable. Coach Bearg said, "To have men to work with like Scherer, Oakes, and Black is as much as any football coach can expect and that is why we are successful on our football teams."

Coach Charley Black, head basketball coach assists Coach Bearg with the Husker backfield. Black received his football training at Kansas university and was also one of the outstanding basketball players at the Jayhawk school. Black came to Nebraska from Grinnell where he coached a year. This is his second year at Nebraska.

Next year the Nebraska coaching staff will have a great array of good material and is looking forward already to the coming 1928 season.

Action on the 12:45 rule for women students at the Ohio State University will be taken soon by the re-organized council on student affairs because the rule does not act uniformly.

Entrance to all fraternity dances at the University of Illinois will be by printed invitation only.

Corn Cobs Lead in Instilling and Preserving Husker Spirit at Games

By Fritz Daly

To the Corn Cobs of Pi Epsilon Pi, men's national pep organization, falls the lot of instilling and preserving the far-famed Cornhusker spirit. At rallies, on the campus, between classes—they are always present—cheering, shouting, trying to stir up enthusiasm. Much credit is due to the Corn Cobs for the wonderful spirit displayed during the past football season.

Being deprived of their stunt between halves of the games they have concentrated their efforts more on the house-to-house rallies and the cheering section. They aided the innocents in managing the organized student cheering section inaugurated this year.

Sororities Visited

Before each rally, every sorority house on the campus was visited as a "starter" to the evening pep meeting. Members of the organization furnished entertainment for the coeds, followed with a song and "one big one for the team." By the time that the rounds of the houses were completed it was time for the big rally to start and here the Corn Cobs continued their work.

"The Corn Cobs will appear in full uniform" was a notice often found in the columns of the Daily Nebraskan during the past season. When the team left or when the team came home, the Corn Cobs were there to give them a rousing cheer. They led the rallies, they worked hard to keep up that renowned Nebraska spirit and when lots of enthusiasm was needed, the Corn Cobs provided it.

Sold 24,000 Programs

The work of selling the official programs at the games was also carried on by the Corn Cobs. A total of 24,000 programs, issued by the University, was sold at the five games this year, an increase over last season of 7,000. A staff of forty men handled the selling. From the funds received for selling programs, the whole organization made the trip to the Kansas Aggie game with the team.

The organization first made its appearance on the campus during the 1920 football season. They were set up as a means of providing entertainment between halves of the games. They later changed into their present organization and became a member of the national organization of Pi Epsilon Pi. Members are chosen by the group itself and are selected from the student body at large. At present the membership totals about forty.

Attendance at Husker Games Passes Record

More than 121,000 football fans saw the Cornhusker team in action this season. The exact number, 121,074, in comparison to last year's attendance of 104,625 gives evidence to the ever-increasing interest in the American sport.

Record attendance for any one game, during this season or last, was at the Thanksgiving game this year with New York University played in Lincoln. The home game which had the next largest attendance last year was with Missouri when 16,348 persons witnessed an important game on the Husker schedule. The New York game this year was played with 28,204 fans in the Nebraska Memorial stadium.

Nebraska played five games in Lincoln this year, and an equal number in the 1926 season. The number of persons who attended home games last year was 62,887, while this season's attendance exceeded it by more than 15,000 people, with a total of 79,889.

Twenty thousand four hundred and sixty-nine fans saw Nebraska play Washington at Seattle last Thanksgiving, while 28,104 persons attended the Thanksgiving game in Lincoln this year. This is an example of the increase that was shown in attendance at all games, and in the total attendance as well.

In last year's football issue of the Daily Nebraskan it was considered phenomenal that more than 104,000 persons should see Nebraska play. Again, however, an increase is reported.

The following table shows the attendance at games this season:

Ames at Lincoln	3,181
Missouri at Columbia	8,166
Grinnell at Lincoln	7,975
Syracuse at Lincoln	21,124
Kansas at Lincoln	13,592
Pittsburgh at Pittsburgh	24,609
Kansas Aggies at Manhattan	8,410
New York at Lincoln	28,104
Total	121,074

The men of the Nevada Campus lack one qualification of a gentleman in that most of them prefer brunettes.

Freshmen at the University of Iowa will wear dark blue uniforms for R. O. T. C. instead of the dark olive now used.

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