

# HEAVY RAINFALL FORCES HUSKER GRIDMEN INSIDE

### Punting, Picture Taking and Chalk Talks Have Filled Practice Sessions.

## WEIGHT OF QUAD IS LOW

### Field Resodded After the Wear and Tear Given in Charity Game.

A summary of the efforts of the Nebraska Cornhuskers during the past week to get away to a running start on their 1933 football campaign is mainly characterized by inside work because of a dreaching rain which chased the variety indoors. All chance of outside work being washed away.

Coach Dana X. Bible ordered a chalk talk in which he passed out several new plays which will be put into practice later in the week. The Monday drill was preceded by a Sunday afternoon conference, at which time the Husker candidates checked out equipment and listened to Bible and his staff of assistants outline their plans for the coming campaign. During the Monday workout attention was centered on the kicking department with about a half hour spent on action. Ends and down punting were emphasized and Coach Schulte took the linemen under his wing and gave them quite a few pointers.

The weighing of the candidates Sunday also confirmed the report that the 1933 Husker outfit would be lighter than last year's group, with the exception of the tackle department. Monday afternoon was devoted to the photographers. Several innovations were introduced, which were new satin pants, a new type of huddle and numbers on both the front and back of the jerseys.

The Tuesday downpour, while it drove the Huskers inside, never-

theless broke the hot spell which is yet very prevalent in other Big Six circles. The moisture is expected to help the sod on the field and to fix it up in the top slaps. During the summer the field was resodded and the old sod was transferred to the practice field. Playing the Charity game last December ruined the grass because of the lateness of the season. The grass was brittle and was easily torn asunder.

Coach Bible plans to make a small cut in the team Monday and to organize a B team. He believes that many of the boys need experience and that this is a much quicker way for them to receive it as it is handled separately and by different coaches, thus giving them a chance to play often than they would if they stayed on the varsity. The B team will be coached by Elly and Young.

Wednesday Coach Bible took the men outside to selected dry spots in the bowl and proceeded to drill them in fundamentals after they had done calisthenics. In addition to this he gave them a short chalk talk.

A tentative lineup has been selected which is entirely composed of veterans. Lee Penney, Tabor, Ia., and Bruce Kilbourne, Lincoln, were placed at ends with Gail O'Brien, Omaha, and Walter Pflum, Imperial, at the tackle posts. Last year's midget guards, Clair Bishop, Lincoln, and Warren DeBus, Belleville, Kas., have been reassigned to their guard posts with Franklin Meier, Lincoln, separating them at the center post.

The backfield posts will be handled by George Sauer, Lincoln, fullback; Hubert Boswell, Ravenshaw, and Jack Miller, Omaha, halfbacks; and Bernie Masterson, Lincoln, covering quarter.

Coach Bible expects to continue the use of the camera for the games this year as it affords considerable help in detecting errors and showing and explaining them to the players. Coach Bible plans to show last year's newsreels to the players showing the faults of the other teams and the errors of his own men.

## OFFENSE GETS BREAK IN NEW GRIDIRON LAW

### Coaches Hail Rule Placing Pigskin Ten Yards From Side Lines.

A drastic change has been inaugurated for the benefit of the offense in a new gridiron rule, placing the ball ten yards in from the side lines in case it has been carried or kicked to within that distance of the border of the field, has gone into effect for this coming year.

This rule has been met with approval by football coaches throughout the country. "Pop" Warner hails the new rule as the first break the offense has had since in 1906, when the forward pass was introduced. He states that the new rule will add interest and variety to the game, basing his opinion on the exhibition of rules put on by Columbia last Saturday.

An aggregation of the coaches watching the demonstration of the new rules given by the Columbia squad was that while the new change was simple and rudimentary nevertheless it should be known by every football coach throughout the country, and by the public in general. In order to accomplish this it was suggested that similar demonstrations be held throughout the country, inviting the public.

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## SCARLET FAVORED IN BIG SIX RACE AS DRILL STARTS

### Nebraska Faces a Difficult Schedule With Many Veterans Back.

## KANSAS STATE STRONG

### Kansas, Oklahoma Expected To Furnish Nebraska Much Competition.

With the Nebraska hopes of recapturing the Big Six title very strong there is by no means any lack of competition from other Conference teams.

Kansas, Kansas State and Oklahoma are expected to furnish the greatest menace to the title with Missouri coming up very rapidly under the tutelage of Coach Frank Cordeiro, who is installing the Knute Rockne system.

Again, although Coach Bible has the best material, he also has one of the hardest schedules with an opponent as University of Texas, University of Iowa and Pittsburgh in addition to the Big Six opponents. However, to alleviate the difficulty somewhat the Pittsburgh and Iowa conflicts are not scheduled until after the completion of the Big Six competition.

Two score players, of whom seventeen are veterans, turned out for the first practices at Lawrence, and reported to Adrian Lindsey, coach of football at the University of Kansas. Coach Lindsey began his search Monday for the center and quarterback which are necessary to round out his team for the 1933 season. This will have to be done in short order as the opening conflict of the year is only seven days distant, taking place September 23, with Warrensburg Teachers. Two practices a day will be the rule for the Kansas players all this week, and into next, but with the beginning of classes Sept. 21, afternoon practices will prevail.

At Iowa State College Coach George Veenker devoted his workout for the first session to football fundamentals and rules. The usual calisthenics for limbering up work-stiffened muscles were largely abolished this fall and will be supplemented each day by jaunts through a warm-up gauntlet of auto tires, stiff-arm posts and hurdles. The Cyclone coach is wasting no time in preparing his men for the opening game with Central College Sept. 23. Contrary to his policy in former years he issued a play on the first day of practice, and intends to hand out additional formations and plays as fast as his men can master them. Ike Hayes, promising candidate for quarterback position, was the first casualty of the season. Hayes accidentally cut a deep gash in his knee while working on the Agronomy farm. Three stitches had to be taken in the wound which will keep the 160-pound sophomore out of practice for at least a week.

A squad of thirty University of Oklahoma football players is participating daily in the university's annual fall pigskin practice under the guidance of Coach Lewis Haridge and his aides. Dummy signal practice in which the players on the first day of practice ran through some of the formations

## Athletic Heads Will Discuss Intramurals

There will be a meeting of the fraternity athletic managers next Tuesday evening in the N. Club room at 7:30. The purpose of convening is to discuss the intramural program for the following year and the changes in the rules. Harold Petz, intramural athletic director, will be in charge.

they will use this fall, was the surprise feature of their first workout. The Sooners are due to meet Vanderbilt at Norman September 30 in the first big sectional football game ever played in Oklahoma.

Kansas State has a full supply of first class material returning for the coming season in the backfield department with six letterman returning with bids for these positions. However the supply of reserves is very weak and Coach Bo McMillin expects little help from the second string.

Capt. Ralph Graham and Dougal Russell, all Big Six men from the 1932 season, will form the driving rods of the backfield offense and the mainstay of the defense. Tom Bushby and Lee Morgan, other backs, will also be in the lineup in all probability. Russell, however, is having considerable trouble in clearing up scholastic difficulties.

H. R. "Doc" Weiler, a halfback who played under McMillin in 1928 and 1929, but who has been out of school coaching, is back and is considered a likely candidate for the backfield. There is some speculation as to his worth because of his absence from competition for three years but during this time his coaching is expected to have kept him up on football tactics.

Other backs available include R. J. Doll, who won his letter two years ago; Oren Stoner, a brilliant member of the 1931 team who was out last season because of injuries, and Ralph Armstrong, Henry Kirk, L. E. Abbott, E. P. Hamilton, A. A. Book, Ed. Broghamer and Doc McAninch, from last year's squad.

But the other side of the picture presents an entirely different story due to the scarcity of top notch material for replacements. This shortage of reserves in the line may lead Kansas State to return to the more spectacular tactics of 1929 and 1930 when the Wildcats depended upon surprise plays to score and then fell back to a stubborn defense. "Our backfield will be better and sturdier this fall than last season if everything works out right," Coach McMillin predicted. "Loss of one or two men might hurt our chances badly. Just now the line doesn't look very good, but sometimes boys who appear to have little natural ability make very good and sometimes boys who appear to have little natural ability make great players when they get under fire. I'm hoping we'll have a few of that kind this fall."

## Jerry Adams Changes Wrestling Class Time

Wrestling classes at the College of Agriculture which were scheduled for Monday-Wednesday and Friday at 5 p. m. have been changed to 7:30 p. m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. This has been done so that Jerry Adams, wrestling coach, may conduct all wrestling classes.

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## HUSKERS WORK OUT FIRST TIME MONDAY

### Time Spent in Polishing Punting and Passing Department.

## LINEMEN GET POINTERS

The initial opening of the Cornhusker football practice was run off Monday morning. Most of the time was spent in polishing up the punting and passing department of the game. With such punters as George Sauer, John Roby, Virgil Yelkin and Dick Smith leading in the kicking end of the game, the outlook in that respect is very promising.

Coach Schulte in the meantime was giving the linemen pointers on the right way of blocking in order to afford the punter as much protection as possible.

Much propaganda has been issued concerning the relative weight of the football squad for the coming year, but Monday morning it was definitely ascertained that this year's outfit will be considerably lighter with the exception of the tackles.

Russell Thompson, tackle candidate "Tom" the men call "King

Kong" weighs 234 pounds and is 6 feet 5 1-2 inches in height. Thompson played tackle on the freshman squad last year. Knes is from Whitney, Nebraska. Gail O'Brien, veteran left-man weighs around 208 pounds and is exceptionally good on the defense. Tompkins is also good on the defense but neither are very flashy on the offense.

Walter Pflum, Imperial, tips the scales at 223, and John Korjakotes, weighing 251 also help to make a formidable front for the tackle position.

Coach Dana X. Bible is well pleased with the physical condition of the players after the summer vacation, and judging from the enthusiasm of the first meeting held Sunday, the Huskers are in the right frame of mind to "go places" in this fall's campaign. Coach Bible stated:

In the way of equipment the players will receive satin pants this fall instead of the usual khaki ones. This has been done in order to speed up the game and to furnish some slippery excitement as the satin is very slick, especially in wet weather.

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