

Bible Refrains from 'Rough Stuff'

INJURIES CRIPPLE LINEMEN; HUSKERS HOLD STIFF DRILL

Dohrmann, Ramey, McGinnis, Peters, Mehring Bear Body Hurts; Three Elevens Run Thru Sham Scrimmage Against Frosh.

Behind padlocked gates, Nebraska's coaching staff sent the Cornhuskers thru a stiff workout in offensive and defensive play Wednesday, altho no "rough stuff" was permitted. Too many injuries already has seriously squelched the optimism that prevailed thru the forward wall.

First of all, Elmer Dohrmann, injured flankman, was in suit again Wednesday but watched the dummy scrimmage from the sideline. It is highly improbable that tall Elmer will open at his regular right end post, because his knee injury hasn't fully healed. Virg Yelkin was in Dohrmann's position. Other ends who are crowding Yelkin for the flank include Paul Amen, John Richardson and Lloyd Grimm.

Ken McGinnis, altho back in fighting togs, is still limping from a knee injury that kept him on the bench during last week's Ames game. McGinnis went thru yesterday's workout in his regular position with Gus Peters alternating with him. Peters is still carrying a bruised rib sustained in last Saturday's game.

Mehring Only Experienced Guard.

Bob Mehring is the only experienced guard in good shape. Lowell English, along with Gus Peters, is nursing bruised ribs, leaving two sophomores—George Seeman and Bill Hermann—to plug the vacant gaps. Seeman weighs 194 pounds and is a fast, smart and good defensive man. Hermann scales 177 pounds, but what he lacks in weight is made up in speed and agility. Ed Sauer and Perry Franks have also been given considerable attention by line coaches "Link" Lyman and "Indian" Schulte.

Fred Shirley, 207 pound Pennsylvania tackle, takes ample care of his post on the left side of the line. Shirley, an All-Big Six selection, is plenty fast down the field under punts and his defensive play last fall merited him much praiseworthy comment.

However, tackle prospects on the right side of the line aren't so well taken care of. Ted Doyle, 213 pound product of Curtis, has been getting the nod in practice this week over Jack Ellis, 210 Omaha. Two such men should be able to take care of the right tackle spot, but that was where Ames was cracking the Husker line for gains last week. And if the Cyclones can do it, Coach Bierman's backfield will make a one-way street thru that hole.

Mills Shines at Tackle.

Bob Mills and Jack Hutcherson are the sophomore tackle reserves, but inexperience keeps them from seeing regular Husker service. Mills, all-state end and state prep shut-out champ, is playing a new role at tackle and doing mighty well there. Hutcherson has also made an impressive showing upon the line.

Charley Brock, 195 pound sophomore from Columbus, is the only second year man who has been getting the call of the first string regularly. Brock is an efficient snapper-back, a terror at defense in the secondary and his offensive charge is powerful. Bob Ramey, despite an injured hand from a cleated foot, is a good choice at the pivot position, and he can fill Brock's shoes very well. Bob Ray is underweight at 157 pounds but

his passes from center are perhaps the best of all three pivot men.

Nebraska star backfield remains intact with Johnny Howell at quarter, Lloyd "Wild Hoss" Cardwell and Ron Douglas at halves and Sam'l Francis at full. The second quartet of backs is composed of Bill Anderson at quarter, Harris Andrews and Marv Flock at halves and "Wild Bill" Callihan at full. A third string backfield found Ernie White calling the signals. Art Ball and Hugo Hoffman playing halfbacks and Thurston Phelps in the tailback position.

Frosh Employ Gopher Defense.

Imitating the Vikings' defense of a 6-3-2 formation, Coach Ed Weir's yearlings put on a dummy defense against the first string varsity men who ran thru several of their plays. Reports from the Gophers' grid camp indicate that Coach Bierman will use a six man line against the Huskers with the five men in the secondary floating around to match the Huskers' attack, be it by air or by land.

The Huskers played some defensive scrimmage against a yearling group that saw Eugene Miller taking Julius Alfonso's role in the Gopher backfield, Roy Patsch as halfback Andy Uram, Otto Huebner as fullback Viv Spadocini and Jim Malher as Bud Wilkinson, Viking quarterback.

Coach Bible indicated that he will select the roster Thursday, and that between 33 and 35 men will make the northward trip.

ELY GROOMS NUBBINS FOR WESLEYAN GAME

Line Formations, Huddle Drill Comprise B Team Work.

Huddle and line formations were given out yesterday to the Nubbins by their coach, Lawrence Ely. The "B" team is preparing for its next meet with Nebraska Wesleyan, Oct. 16, a nocturnal engagement to be staged at the latter's field.

An impressive 26-to-2 victory over the Kearney Antelopes belongs to the Husker reserves. In obtaining this triumph, the initial one of the current grid season, the Ely-coached charges exhibited potent vis, especially in the backfield.

Coach Ely, altho, is cycling the Wesleyan battle more ominously than he did the Kearney fray inasmuch as the Methodist are known to be stronger fodder than was Kearney Teachers.

Realizing that the Plainsmen will give his men plenty about which to worry in the way of football tricks, Ely is running his cohorts thru the various line and backfield formations.



Ball Bearing With Ed Steeves

It seems to this feeble mind that the time has come to give out the real dope on these slightly foes of ours next Saturday. Minnesota has been hailed everything from world champion on down and the latest murmur is that if the Gophers win against the Huskers day after tomorrow they will smash all records for long time win strings. Their present list of victory statistics are as follows: Twenty four consecutive games without a setback and 18 straight wins. Thus as they go up for their 19th crowning in a row (the Biblemen say no) they will come within ten games of breaking win marks.

Michigan holds all such records as they won 29 straight without a tie and then 27 more without a defeat. Thus the Biermanmen with their meager 18 scalps are only papozes in the grid forest.

The Gopher mentor is in proud possession of, not one, but 20 bouncing boys, all wearing varsity letters. An equally sized group comes from the sophomore class, all husky and tough.

With such an array Coach Bernie believes he can come thru undefeated again if you can believe in paper. However, the straight goods are that he is powerfully worried about both Nebraska and Northwestern. Last year it was only the Huskers that gave him cause for grayness as the home boys knocked repeatedly on the Gopher goal line, but there was nobody home, 12-7 was the ultimate outcome with Cardwell missing a score around left end in the dying moments by inches.

The big Northerners do truly have an untender time of it since every single opponent will be pointing for a win. Nebraska is not the usual desire for free publicity at the Gopher's expense, but rather bitter revenge.

Lavish praise was thrown to Julius Alfonso, whom his coach lauded as the best half back in America. This lad neither punts nor passes, but carries on the rest of his duties with all the distinctiveness of a fish dinner without bones. Last year he laid out of school because of scholastic difficulties. With an average of 4.34 yards per crack during the entire season, Tuffy Thompson will be in togs along side Alfonso. Only a feather weight holds down the signal barkers post, Sam Hunt, a

mere 165 pounds, wrote his name with smart plays last year as the country's foremost quarterback, but his weight still hampers the backfield when a fourth ball carrier is needed.

Two more halfbacks are Andy Uram and Ruay Gmitro. Like Hunt, Bill Matheny is a weightless back, but speed and intangible hip galore. More backfield stuff include Wilbur Moore and Lawrence Buhler. Both are three threaters and like the game well enough to make any vet eat dirt to hold his post. Whitmore Rork, whom most ardents will recall is back plus Ray Strate and Phil Belfort.

Now if your ears have chanced onto any of these floating tales of the Vikings lacking beef in the forward wall, drop them now, for the brawn, size and speed of these kids would draw envy to a transport truck. The four best tackles on hand averages some 220 and every other spot right at the coveted 200 flat.

Both ends are back, Ray Kring and Dwight Reed and can be reimbursed by plenty of alternates.

Both tackles are all-America. They are Dick Smith and Ed Widseth. At guards Bierman is offering Bud Wilkinson, an all star; Bob Wield, Sam Riley and Ed Kafka, all lettermen. John Kubitski has been groomed into a first class pivot man inspite of his impending 200 luggers.

Comparative scores of the two teams last season:

| Minnesota (on the left) | Nebraska (on the left) |
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| Nebraska ... 42-7 Iowa State ... 20-7 | Michigan ... 40-0 Minnesota ... 7-12 |
| Purdue ... 29-6 Oklahoma ... 19-6 | North Iowa ... 21-15 Missouri ... 19-6 |
| Iowa ... 13-8 Pittsburgh ... 6-6 | Wisconsin ... 23-7 Kansas State ... 0-0 |
| S. Dakota ... 24-6 Oregon State ... 26-29 | Utah ... 20-0 Illinois ... 28-7 |

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