

Horse Sense

By Norris Anderson
(Sports Editor)



McBride Versus Olds!

Now is the time when any fellow with enough milk of human kindness in him to make one beaten biscuit cannot help feel sorry for the poor sport scribe.

On theory that a dope is a fellow who doesn't know some thing you learned yesterday, we were informed by Gregg McBride Saturday that our attempts to promote a Missouri-Nebraska spring match are "amusing" and that "Nebraska players aren't interested in such a match."

Even if we have to plead homicide with intent to educate we're going to prove to Gregg that 100% of our gridmen want the match. On the front page alone is evidence which should make him drop like an over-cooked asparagus. We quote McBride:

"If the Nebraska students, in midst of war-time activity, have become football-minded overnight, the spirt apparently hasn't been contagious. Only a handful of these football-enthusiastic students have turned out for the spring drills. Let-termen, expecting to use the March workouts as a pre-military conditioner, have found it more advantageous to concentrate on scholastic and military chores. It is doubtful if these athletes could be high-pressured into changing their pre-induction routine for an off-season contest."

All McBride would need to ascertain enthusiasm for the game would be to chat with Ki Eisenhart, Marv Athey or any of these gridmen who are not reporting until a goal looms in sight.

These statements are about as loyal as a flea on a swimming polar bear compared with the words of Boss Floyd Olds, sports editor of the World-Herald.

"The best argument for such a game is that the players want it. Most of them will be going into the service before next fall, so they have little incentive for spring practice. If they had a Missouri game as a spring climax, they'd maintain interest in their toil. The surprising thing about the first few days of Husker conditioning was that so many fellows reported A lot of fans probably would like to see a spring game too. We hope they (the Daily Nebraskan) can arrange a spring game. They have our blessing."

Please, boys!

Movies of former UN coach Dana X. Bible's University of Texas team in their Cotton Bowl game with Georgia Tech will be shown Wednesday night at 7:30 in the Union Ballroom. Ed Weir will act as commentator.

Hoosiers Meet Red Ball Team

BLOOMINGTON, Ind., March 23.—If you wanted to hear those baseball yarns from way back in the good old days, you should have attended the baseball banquet in Alumni hall last night, sponsored by the Bloomington chamber of commerce, in honor of the Cincinnati Reds and the Indianapolis Indians.

Stories were told from the time when players used to hang their uniforms on nails to the present day, when ballclubs have everything at their beckon call.

Seated at each table was a member of the Reds team, so that the "bleacherites" might become acquainted with the player.

"Acting as club owner" was C. Walter (Mickey) McCarthy of the Indianapolis News, who was the toastmaster of the evening. McCarthy introduced the speakers, which included: President Herman B. Wells, Mayor Loba (Jack) Bruner, Zora G. Clevenger, athletic director; Bill McKechnie, manager of the Reds; Hans Lobert, Cincinnati coach; Dr. William Lowe Bryan, president - emeritus; Al Schlensker, representing the Indianapolis Indians; Waite Hoyt, Cincinnati radio announcer; and several others. Jimmie Wilson, manager of the Chicago Cubs, and Warren C. Giles, general manager of the Reds were unable to attend.

In the last inning, Player-coach Estel Crabtree introduced each player on the Cincinnati roster.

Five world's fist-fighting champions called Baltimore home—Joe Gans, Vince Dundee and Harry Jeffra.

Former Jays Still Shine

... Star Cagers

Omaha, Neb., March 22.—The old Creighton men continue to star in roles all their own. Brownie Jacquay is the latest to hit the headlines. In the A. A. U. meet at Denver, the former Jay set a sizzling pace in leading his Milwaukee Allen Bradley mates to a 67-29 victory over a Montana team. Brownie was a member of the 1940-41 Bluejay team.

At forward he played a potent part in carrying the Jays to the Missouri Valley championship. By virtue of his play he won All Valley recognition on the first team. Brownie was an all around athlete, starring in swimming, golf and other sports. In the Denver meet, he rang up 16 points.

Another Creighton great, Roman Roh, was singled out by Max Roper as the outstanding prep player he had ever seen perform. Refereeing many top games and seeing all the top players, Roper said he would pick Roman Roh as one of the best he had seen.

From Creighton Prep, Roh played for C. U. with even more brilliance, teaming with diminutive Dick Shaw, to break scoring record after scoring record. Roh is now playing for a local independent team. He scrimmaged the varsity recently.

Dick Reich Tops Gift Toss Chart

NORMAN, Okl., March 22.—Dick Reich, junior forward, was the best free goal shot on the Oklahoma basketball team this season.

In 25 games, Reich hit 44 of 59 free throws for an average of .745.

Gerald Tucker, Oklahoma's big junior center who broke so many Big Six scoring records, was easily the most-fouled Sooner player.

SOS From Glen



—Courtesy Lincoln Journal

"If we are going to be ready for Mizzou," says Husker grid tutor, Glen Presnell, "We must have all our regular gridmen out." Many of Presnell's seasoned performers have been standing by, waiting for positive assertion of the Husker-Missouri fray.

SOS! Do Not Wait 'Til Game

... Slim Grid Turnout

An acute shortage of grid material was noted by Mentor Glen Presnell Monday as he drilled his proteges beneath east stadium.

In view of weather conditions and fact that Monday is a "heavy" class day, the turnout was excusable. A number of grid candidates are waiting until the proposed Missouri-Cornhusker game gains official sanction before turning out.

"If this game is to go thru," commented Presnell, "we must get all hands on deck immediately. A good weather break tomorrow would aid us tremendously. If we can get the boys outside, we can accomplish much more."

Time was devoted exclusively to a mock passing and punting drill Monday. Roy Long was doing a majority of honors in both divisions.

Bill Pfeiff, frosh tutor and line instructor, disclosed that he would report to Fort Leavenworth, Kas., Saturday to report for duty with Uncle Sam. Loss of Pfeiff leaves only Chili Armstrong, Ad Lewandowski and Presnell left of a five-man coaching staff.

Hawk Farmer Ranks Second

... Graham Best

IOWA CITY, Ia., March 22.—Tom Farmer, University of Iowa quarterback and second baseman, placed second in the Big Ten athletic directors' poll to select the league's finest all-around athlete.

The title was taken by Otto Graham, Northwestern football, basketball, and baseball star, while the third place man was Bob Shaw of Ohio State. Farmer, who also was second in last fall's balloting to select the conference's most valuable football player, was one of the finest forward passers in the midwest, hurling for 9 of Iowa's 20 touchdowns and a total of 812 yards.

He is a smooth fielder in baseball and a .300 hitter who now is preparing for his third year on the Hawkeye nine. Farmer will receive his degree in April and then expects to be called into active service with the marine corps.

None of the batterymen who participated in the sharing of the Big Ten title remains for the 1943 University of Iowa baseball team. That's one reason for caution in regarding the coming season too optimistically, despite the presence of six major lettermen.

Only pitchers with intercollegiate experience are Roy Stille of Schaller, a senior, who was credited with two wins over non-conference foes; and Jack Kenney of Cedar Rapids, winner of one game. Stille pitched 19 1/2 innings and Kenney was in action only 6 1/2.

Missouri Scribbler Approves

... UN-Tiger Match

Columbia, Missouri, March 19, 1942.

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Dear Mr. Anderson:

Yours of the 20th was received and considered and I wish to apologize for having taken so long a time to make an answer.

I spoke to Coach Don Faurot yesterday about the idea, showing him your letter, and he replied that in the first place Missouri IS planning on having intercollegiate football next fall. However, he said he would be willing to play this proposed spring game though it involves several difficulties. In the first place, the Big Six Conference committee would have to OK the contest and also would the athletic committees of the respective schools. In addition, numerous minor details accompanying any such event would have to be taken care of in a very short space of time.

But—if you could manage to secure those three important affirmations, I'm sure the other things could be taken care of collectively if an effort to do so were put forth. Faurot said either field would be all right with him.

Your suggestions for the game's giving the spring grid candidates some impetus, besides giving our papers some good news and promoting an event for a war cause are all well put. In addition, it will provide the two schools with a substitute clash in the absence of a baseball game this spring, and is sure to arouse a great deal of enthusiasm among the student bodies, especially in the light of its novelty.

I hope that I have been of some assistance to you in portraying the situation as it's regarded

Turns to Grid



—Courtesy Lincoln Journal

Doubly busy these days is Adolph "Lew" Lewandowski, amiable Husker cage coach. Lewandowski is helping Glen Presnell tutor the spring grid turnout. He handled the ends last fall, now also has the line to coach.

Norcross Leads National Field

AMES, Ia., March 22.—According to an Associated Press poll Everett Norcross, Iowa State college junior from Poughkeepsie, N. Y., is the leading broadjumper in the nation.

The survey lists the 23 feet 4 3/4 inch jump which set a new Big Six record at Kansas City last month, as the best mark made in a major meet this year.

Norcross will have no chance to improve on his national leadership since he is scheduled to report to the army next month with other members of his junior ROTC class. He has not been beaten in his pet event this year.

Personally, I think the idea is fine and so do all of the players, and I hope it materializes into the real thing. I'd appreciate hearing from you again as to your reactions and plans.

Respectfully,
ED MENNINGER,
Sports Editor,
Columbia Missourian.

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