

Huskers Keyed For Sooners

The Nebraska Cornhuskers Thursday afternoon went through the final steps in preparation for their coming battle Saturday with the Oklahoma Sooners in Nebraska's Memorial stadium. Thursday's practice session was taken up for the most part by a chalk talk by Coach Bernie Master-son which stressed a review of defensive formations that have been planned to halt the powerful Sooner machine. The lengthy indoor session was followed by a brief outdoor stint that saw the Scarlet gridgers running offensive plays and going through a general limbering up routine.

Huskers Heavier.

The Huskers will enter their Big Six finale Saturday owning a six pound per man weight advantage on the line while the Sooner backs scale eight pounds heavier than those of the Cornhuskers. The Husker starting line will hit a 219 average, while the Sooner forwards, coached by Gomer Jones, scales in at 204 per man.

The Husker front linemen have been bolstered this week by the return to action of Gerald Jacupke who was injured in the Kansas game and whose service was doubted until Thursday night Jacupke made a fine showing against Kansas and is expected to be a key man against the Sooners Saturday. While the Husker line was bolstered this week the reserve back-field strength was dealt a serious blow when Ken Fischer received a fracture of the left leg. Fischer's absence will weaken the Nebraska defense for he has been a reliable defensive man all thru the season.

Rapacz vs. Novak

A special feature of Saturday's struggle will be the battle of the two of the finest centers in the nation. Oklahoma will bring John Rapacz, unanimous selection for all Big Six honors last year to meet Nebraska's Tom Novak. Both of these men have turned in top notch performances in every game they have played this year. Rapacz has had the better team to work behind this year but he has still consistently stood out for the Sooners and he rates with the best. Novak has certainly earned his spurs at the pivot position this year for the Huskers with his jolting tackles and bone-crushing blocks. Novak was rated as the most valuable man on the field when the Huskers fell to Notre Dame earlier in the season. Tom has built such a reputation among opposing coaches that in recent games he has had to contend with the fact that he is a marked man. Most of the time the burly center is taken



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out the play by two opposing linemen but he still breaks thru set defenses to make vital tackles that have given spirit to the men in Scarlet.

Two Games Decide Big 6 Grid Champ

The 1947 Big Six football champion or co-champions will be decided this week-end when Oklahoma invades Nebraska and Missouri meets Kansas at Lawrence. The battered Missouri Tigers will travel to Lawrence Saturday with the hopes of breaking the Jayhawkers string of 12 games without a defeat. Tiger Coach Don Faurot's chief worry is replacing his injured starters. Backs Lloyd Brinkman, Bill Day and Fred Kling and End Mel Sheehan will be out with injuries. Day has been the Tigers' No. 1 punting artist this season.

Evans' Home Finale.

Another worry for Missouri is riflin' Ray Evans. Evans, the Jayhawkers' top back, will be playing his last regular season college game in his home stadium at Lawrence. Last year he virtually single-handedly presented Kansas with a 20-19 victory over Mis-

souri. The Jayhawks are currently second in the nation on total football defense.

Oklahoma's Sooners invade the Cornhuskers of Nebraska in the circuit's other decisive contest on Saturday. A crowd of 32 or 33 thousand is expected if good weather prevails.



UN YELL SQUAD—Catching their breath between cheers and allowing the photographer time to catch those ready Ipana smiles are the cheerleaders, from left to right, Bill Mickle, Bud Oehrich, Betty Aasen, Cherie Viele, Yell King Martin Pesek, Marge Cherney, Skeeter House, Jo Jankovitz and Norm Leger.

Loop's Top Centers.

The fans will not only see a game of championship importance, but they will also see the loop's two leading centers in action. Johnny Rapacz was unanimous choice as All-Big Six center last year. Tom Novak, Nebraska pivot, is Rapacz's main competition this fall. The Sooners are heavily favored due to their surprising victory over Missouri last week.

Here is the Big Six situation as it now stands. If Oklahoma and Kansas win, they will be the circuit's co-champions. If Kansas loses and the Sooners win, Oklahoma will become the sole possessor of the crown. A Missouri victory and an Oklahoma defeat will give Missouri the championship.

Cosmopolitan Club.

The Cosmopolitan Club will have a juke box dance at 8:30 p.m. Saturday in Rooms X, Z and Z in the Union. Members and friends eager to dance to European music, waltzes, rhumbas and tangos, are advised to attend this event.

Nubbins, Frosh Battle Monday

A final battle which will wind up the 1947 grid chores for Coach Ray DeBolt's Nubbins and Coach Pop Klein's freshmen has been postponed until Monday afternoon.

The two clubs who fought to a 0-0 tie on a muddy Coliseum gridiron earlier in the season were originally slated to fight off the deadlock Thursday afternoon.

DeBolt's charges, unbeaten in both of their tilts this season against the Ft. Riley Centaurs, will be out to make up for the lost prestige in the first battle between the freshmen. Likewise, Klein's frosh starts will be set to throw everything at the Nubbins to register an upset win.

Phi Delts Forfeit Ping Pong Match

In the only game scheduled for Wednesday afternoon, the Sigma Phi Epsilon ping pong crew won by forfeit from Phi Delta Theta.

Beta Sigma Psi played Alpha Tau Omega Thursday. The winner of the match will play the Sig Eps Friday afternoon for the fifth place in the tourney.

Earlier in the week, Sigma Alpha Epsilon won the championship finals from Beta Theta Pi by a score of 3-2. Newman Club gained third place from Sigma Nu by virtue of a forfeit.

Entry deadline for both the intramural basketball tourney and the wrestling meet is November 26. Physical examinations will be given between 4:00 and 6:00 p.m. for all wrestling contestants. Competition will start Dec. 2 in the coliseum basement. Basketball play will begin Dec. 9. Teams may now schedule practices at the coliseum.

Saturday's probable starting lineups:

Nebraska	Oklahoma
Cochrane (180) .. ls	Tyree (206)
Toogood (234) .. il	HPaine (213)
Lorenz (198) .. lg	Burriss (215)
Novak (200)	Rapacz (213)
Jacupe (201)	Husak (202)
Samuelson (232) .. rt	Walker (210)
Pesek (218)	Good (167)
Tho'n (161) (162) .. qb	Mitchell (180)
Meyers (174)	Sarratt (175)
CFisher (164)	Brewer (172)
Adams (157)	Davis (195)

Average weight line: Nebraska 210; Oklahoma 204.
 Average weight backs: Nebraska 172; Oklahoma 180.
 Average weight teams: Nebraska 196; Oklahoma 175.

Officials: Referee, Jack North, Highland Park; umpire, Cecil Muellerleile, St. Louis U.; lineman Bob Miller, Missouri, field judge, Pierce Astle, Emporia.



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