

# Picking Wins Easy for 'Daily' Sport Experts

The Daily Nebraskan football experts are nearing the end of a season where upsets have been the rule rather than the exception, yet they stand bloody but unbowed with a fine over-all average. After ten weekly selections, they have picked 456 games correctly out of 600 for a percentage of .760.

### Percentage High

To indicate how successful that mark is, "Pigskin Pete," who picks the games each week for the Sporting News last year finished with an average of .756. As the figures now stand, three Daily Nebraskan experts have better marks than that.

With one week left to go, Managing Editor Cub Clem leads the pack with a percentage of .820, two games ahead of News Editor Fritz Simpson, whose mark is an even .800. This week's games are particularly significant in that, if Kansas State beats St. Louis and Georgia Tech beats Georgia, Simpson will move into a tie with Clem for top honors.

Trailing these two are Sports Editor Harold Abramson, five games behind Clem with an average of .770, Jack Donovan of the university publicity department with an average of .740, News Editor Lee Harris at .730, and Bob Phelps, erstwhile News Editor with an even .700, 12 games behind Clem.

### Clem at Top

Fritz Simpson started the year right by picking every game correctly, but during the second week-end, Harold Abramson moved into a tie for first place. For one week, Abramson remained on top, and then Clem gained four games to jump from fourth place into a first place tie with Abramson and Simpson.

He has remained on top ever since, gradually lengthening his lead over Simpson. Simpson has this one last chance to catch the leader, and both Kansas State and Georgia Tech must win if he is to do it.

The final winner will receive a new, shiny coin to help him pick the annual bowl games.



THE DAILY NEBRASKAN FOOTBALL EXPERTS go into their weekly ritual to pick ten winners from the best games in the nation.

Reading from the left around the copy desk: News Editor Lee Harris tears up his parlay card in a raging temper; Bob Phelps covers his eyes as he flips his trusty coin; News Editor Fritz Simpson is lost in a trance checking the tea leaf results with Williamson; Sports Editor Harold Abramson produces a glow after a heartening shot (he just found out he was the only one to pick the Oklahoma-Missouri game correctly); Eskimo Jack Donovan cunningly gazes into his crystal ball which has produced an average of .740. Sitting in the slot, Managing Editor Cub Clem, the leader, casually checks voluminous statistics before making the fatal choice.

This board of experts has correctly chosen the winner in 76% of the games, compared to a .756 record by "Pigskin Pete" in the Sporting News last year. Not bad for amateurs!

## Cyclone Cagers Lack Experience

Clayton "Chick" Sutherland, Iowa State basketball coach, has eight lettermen returning to the Cyclone cage squad.

Sutherland lists Gaylord Anderson, Don Ferguson, Lloyd Kester, Gene Oulman, Don Paulsen, Bob Petersen, Leo Schneider, and John Sheperd.

The Cyclone cage mentor is planning his squad around these eight players. Anderson is a former Council Bluffs, Ia., basketball star who stands 6 feet 4 and plays forward.

Little Don Ferguson, football letterman, is one of the best ball handlers on the squad. He should be a great help along with Lloyd Kester, a three letter basketball player.

### IM Bowling Card

Wednesday's interfraternity bowling slate:  
Alleys 1-2 Acacia vs. Tau Kappa Epsilon.  
Alleys 3-4 Delta Chi vs. Delta Sigma Pi.  
Alleys 5-6 Sigma Alpha Epsilon vs. Sigma Phi Epsilon.  
Alleys 7-8 Sigma Alpha Mu vs. Zeta Beta Tau.  
Alleys 9-10 Sigma Delta Theta vs. Beta Sigma Psi.  
Alleys 11-12 Sigma Nu vs. Theta Xi.

## HOLIDAY

An Adventure in Good Smoking



## Benchwarmer

BY HAROLD ABRAMSON

Coach Patsy Clark's Huskers finish up their season this week against an Oregon State team which has had the same ups and downs as the Huskers.

Although the Huskers have won only two games at home this season football fans have not lost their faith in the Scarlet gridgers.

Nebraska has squeezed 140,319 people into Memorial Stadium in its four home games and this figure does not include the Missouri game. This figure is slightly under the 142,439 attendance of last year for five home games and the record 1937 total of 155,238, also for five contests.

In eight games the Huskers have played before 281,669 spectators. This is below the ten-game total of 318,220 established in 1946. In 1947, 246,947 spectators saw Nebraska play a nine-game schedule.

The largest home attendance for 1948 is the 36,528 crowd for the Notre Dame battle. A record opening day crowd of 57,209 saw Nebraska and Minnesota at Minneapolis.

With many of the experts predicting the cagers to come out of loop play in third place many fans are anticipating the opening game with Northwest Missouri State College on Dec. 1.

Coach Harry Good has been taking plenty of time in an effort to have his squad in top condition for loop competition. Much of the basketball team's chances of winning is supposed to depend on the sophomore players on the squad.

However, veterans like Bob Cerv, Rod Cox, Claude Retherford, Bus Whitehead, Dick Schleiger, Dick Srb and Henry Cech should be enough to steady the younger players.

## Husker Itinerary

The Husker grid team's condensed itinerary of its trip to Portland for Saturday's contest with Oregon State:

- TUESDAY
- 9:00 p. m.—Entrain at Burlington.
- 11:40 p. m.—Leave Lincoln.
- WEDNESDAY
- 10:15 a. m.—Arrive Edgemont, S. D.
- 4:30 p. m.—Arrive Sheridan, Wyo. (exercise).
- 8:45 p. m.—Arrive Billings, Mont.
- THURSDAY
- 11:45 a. m.—Arrive Missoula, Mont. (workout at Montana U. field).
- 3:15 p. m.—Leave Missoula.
- 8:35 p. m.—Arrive Spokane, Wash.
- FRIDAY
- 7:35 a. m.—Arrive Portland. (Workout in afternoon, show in evening.)
- SATURDAY
- 2:00 p. m.—Game at Multnomah Stadium.
- SUNDAY
- 8:10 a. m.—Leave Portland.
- TUESDAY
- 7:00 a. m.—Arrive Lincoln.

### Sad Story

The Associated Press reports that 13,084 fifths of liquor were crushed by a bulldozer in Indianapolis. The liquor was destroyed last week after four years of waiting for some one to put up the \$10,600 tax duty due.

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