

Sig Eps Capture Football Crown

Suponchick Leads Way To I-M Crown

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The Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity has again emerged from the Intramural Touch Football tournament as champions of the University.

The Ep's, romped over Newman Club Monday evening to snare the coveted crown for the second consecutive season.

The toughest team the Ep's encountered through the playoffs was in the quarter-finals when they met the Phi Psi's. This game was tied at the end of the regulation playing time and had to be played off by yardage gained at the end of four downs for each team.

The Phi Psi's took the ball first and, in darkness, lost four yards. The Sig Ep's then simply tried four consecutive quarterback sneaks for no gain but a win, 8-7, and the right to compete in the semi-finals of the tourney. In that game the 16th Street boys got their touchdown on an end run by Gene Suponchick to tally.

The semi-finals consisted of the Sigma Phi Epsilon-Canfield game. The Canfield boys were no match for the offensive minded Ep's and the game was turned into a rout by the end of the half. The final score was 30-0, Sig Ep's favor. Their touchdowns were accounted for by Suponchick, Pinkston, and Mason. Three of the touchdowns were run by the quarterback smoothly, Gene Suponchick. His runs were 40, 35, and 20 yards respectively. Then the former Grand Island quarterback passed to Darrel Pinkston, a former teammate, for six points and flipped another aerial to Rick Mason for the final tally.

In the final contest played last

Monday night the Ep's were pitted against the Newman Club men, all-Independent champs.

The first chapter of the ball game proved to be a defensive battle for both clubs as neither could negotiate the ball into scoring position and they repeatedly had to relinquish control of the ball to the other team.

The second period proved lucrative for the Eps, however, as they pushed across a tally to put themselves ahead 6-0. In that quarter the Sig Ep's moved to the Newman Club's five yard line on a pass from Rowley to Pinkston but there the rally ended as a stout Newman line held for four downs and the Ep's gave up the ball. But the Newmans could not move the ball either and after four futile tries had to punt and from their the Ep's started in motion. Down the field they came and a Rowley to Mason pass did the trick to score and the Sig Ep's led 6-0 when the PAT was no good.

The third quarter also provided the 16th Street men a chance to score and they did on a pass from Suponchick to Fager. The Newmans had been forced to kick and the Ep's again had started rolling. A pass from Suponchick to Mason put the ball on the mid-stripe. Three plays later they had crossed the goal line for the score but again the extra point was no good and they led 12-0.

The fourth quarter showed the strength of the Newmans when they pushed across a TD in that period but the Sig Ep's were too strong for them.

At the start of the final frame it looked like the men from Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity might turn this game into another rout as they had been doing. A pass from Suponchick to Mason was good for the six-pointer but it was nullified because of a penalty.

At this point in the game the Newmans started their scoring machine and handily pushed across a six-pointer on a pass play from Kirk to Krueger. The extra point was good to make the score a little more even and still give either a chance to win. But the Ep's weren't to be denied their laurels and they came roaring back down the field in a few short plays to score on an aerial from Suponchick to Pinkston for their final touchdown of the game. The PAT was worth one point on a pass from Gene to Rick Mason.

The Newmans started rolling again but Pinkston intercepted a pass on the 25 yard marker to end the rally and the game to give Sig Ep the undisputed title to the crown.

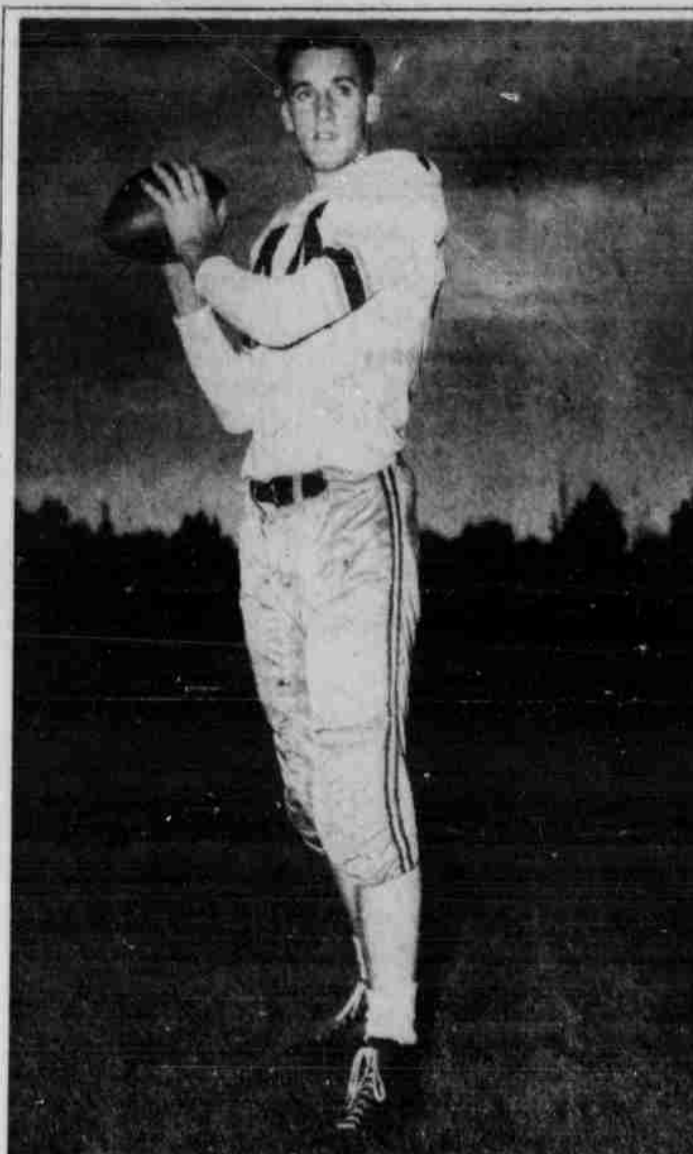
The Ep's were defeated only once during the season in their league. They were defeated in the last game of league play by the Sigma Nu's 6-0 in a tightly played game. This defeat left the Ep's still in first place but threw the rest of the league in a turmoil with three teams tied for second place, Alpha Tau Omega, Sigma Nu and Delta Tau Delta. The ATO's had lost to the Sig Ep's and the Del's but had beaten the Sigma Nu's. The Del's had lost to the Sig Ep's and Sigma Nu's but had beaten the ATO's. The Sigma Nu's had lost to the ATO's and the Sigma Chi's but had beaten the Sig Ep's. After much deliberation on the subject Ed Higginbotham let the ATO's enter into the playoffs. The ATO's were beaten by the Phi Psi's in the first round 25-0 but the situation was one of the strangest ever encountered in the intramural program.

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Pictured is Boyd Dowler, Buffalo quarterback for the Dal Ward squad. The Colorado team will invade Lincoln this Saturday to break the tie they hold with the Huskers in the Big Eight standings. Both teams have a 1-3 loop record. Dowler is slated to see plenty of action Saturday against the Huskers, Pinkston

Huskers Average 7.5 Points:

Brown, Naviaux Tied For Rush Lead; Club Preps For Next Tilt

It has been a dismal, weary road for the University of Nebraska Cornhuskers in football this fall.

After two near-misses against Missouri and Kansas, the Huskers were blanked by Iowa State.

The question which faces the Husker coaches this week is whether they can get the squad off the floor for Colorado after three heartbreakers.

It was failure to convert extra points that killed the Huskers against Missouri and Kansas. First half fumbles and penalties stopped them against an Iowa State squad which was ready. Nebraska had the ball only 18 times in the first half against the Cyclones and that total included three punts.

The Colorado-Nebraska series has become one of the highlights on the Husker schedule since the two teams started facing each other at the outset of the 1948 season. Before that year the two grid clubs had not met since 1907 when the Huskers rambled 22-8.

The Cornhuskers hold a narrow edge in the 15 games played with the Buffaloes. The Huskers have won 8, lost 6 and tied 1.

Nebraska this season has been unable to score more than two touchdowns a game and against the offensively-minded Buffs it is doubtful, according to the Husker staff, whether this will be enough to offset the speedy Buff backs.

"We'll have to play better than we have at any time this season if we win this one," Coach Bill Jennings said.

The Huskers came out of the Iowa State game with only the usual bumps. Roger Brede, sophomore end, has a leg hurt and Art Klein, senior guard, a charley-horse, but both should be ready for the Saturday test, Trainer Paul Schneider said.

In the statistics column Jerry Brown holds an edge for rushing in eight games played. Brown, all-Big Seven fullback last year and one of the leading contenders this year has a total rushing yardage of 272 which is 24 yards per game.

In the total offense column Brown and Naviaux are both tied for the lead, each with 272 yards. All of Brown's yards were covered via the turf but Naviaux has com-

pleted seven passes for 98 yards and has covered 174 yards in the ground to push his total up to that of Brown's.

The overall statistics column shows that Nebraska has the lead over the combined statistics of their eight opponents in only four efforts. These are passes intercepted, punts, punt average, and fumbles.

The Huskers have averaged 7.5 points per game so far this year, while their opponents have averaged 23 points a game.

The Huskers will surely have to improve a few of these columns in order to get past the Buffs who are one of the best squads in the Big Eight on defense and have averaged well over 20 points per game this season.

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Film Shows Illegal Play For Kansas

Bus Mertes, Kansas State's head football coach, is rather unhappy this week because of movies he attended at the beginning of this week.

After watching game movies of the Kansas-Kansas State game in which the Wildcats were defeated 13-7, Coach Mertes, together with Head Kansas Coach Chuck Mather, said that a 73-yard touchdown pass from Kansas quarterback Duane Morris to Don Feller should have been called back.

The third quarter play, unreel when Kansas was trailing 7-0, was apparently an "improvised" production and was staged with illegal receivers downfield.

The record book will state Kansas edged Kansas State 13-7 but the two coaches of both teams said that the score might have been much different had the illegal tactics by the Kansas players been called by the game officials.

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Table Tennis Next On I-M Schedule

The 1957-1958 University intramural table tennis playoffs are scheduled to begin Monday, November 18.

These playoffs are for singles only and each team will be composed of six men. Separate flights will be arranged for the fraternities, Selleck Quad, and the independents. The winners of these flights will meet to determine the all-university champions.

The only equipment that players are required to furnish are balls. The rest of the equipment including the tables and paddles for the matches are furnished by the intramural department. All matches will be played in the basement of the University Coliseum.

A trophy is to be awarded to the all-university team champions and a medal will be given to the singles champion.

Courtney Quips

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Huskers rated . . . Reading the paper I found that the Huskers, in their path of terrorizing the Big Eight Conference, are rated in the nation's football poll presented by the Williamson System.

This system, out of the top 100 teams in the nation, has Nebraska rated close to the top—if you turn the ratings upside down.

Ninety-seven out of 100 teams are rated above the Cornhuskers this week. Such grid powers as V.P.I., Hard, Sim., Lehigh, Trinity Aex, and Wake Forest rest ahead of the Scarlet on the ratings.

Other notables of the gridiron are also rated above the Huskers in this system. The grid maulers of Middle Tenn., Bowling Green, Tufts, and Williams are also put ahead of the Huskers slighting this mid-western institution and leaving a feeling of bias toward the ratings.

This has not affected the student body's spirit whatsoever. The students and ardent fans of Nebraska are still rampant of the football season and look for wins against Colorado and Oklahoma for the season's closing game.

After the Kansas game when so many of the students and fans remained to sing "There Is No Place Like Nebraska", I overheard one loyal admirer of the team exclaim, "You can damn sure say that again."

I think this person was rather disgruntled because he spilled his

drink a few minutes earlier.

Say, that reminds me. I believe that homecoming saw some of the highest spirits that the Huskers have witnessed. Up until the momentous decision of kicking a field goal, the crowd was doing a fine job of cheering for the home team but after that kick they sobered up and left the game, leaving the caretakers and groundmen to sing the school song . . . they did a good job of it too. I guess some of the disgruntled fans left in such a huff they left their bottled cheers behind and some of groundkeepers found them. As I said before they just sang and sang and sang . . .

Low Burdette To Sign For Disk Contract

At the end of World Series play this season the Milwaukee Braves heralded pitcher Low Burdette for his work in the seven game contest for the world championship.

Now the much praised Burdette is going to try his hand at singing since he has mastered the art of pitching. Dot Records said it had signed him to a recording contract. His first record: "Three Strikes and You're Out" and on the flip side he will produce "Mary Lou."

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