

# Tiger Homers Smash Huskers Twice

## Siebler Twirls Opening Game Win; Reimers' Hitting Leads Home Nine

**Huskers 6-Tigers 3**

Friday afternoon was a perfect day for baseball. The sun was shining, the temperature was in the low 60's, and there were a few scattered clouds in the sky. Tony Sharpe's baseballers took advantage of the beautiful spring weather as they beat the Missouri Tigers in their first Big Eight baseball game of the season, 6-3.

The Huskers got off to a good start in the first inning when Al Karle reached first base on a wild pitch. He scored on Gene Torczon's triple to right center.

**Second Big Inning**

The big inning for Nebraska was in the second. With one out, shortstop Doug Sieler singled, stole second, and went to third on a bad throw to second by the catcher. Third baseman Jim Kubacki, walked. Pitcher Dwight Siebler walked to load the bases. Sieler was forced home when Gary Reimers walked. Tiger coach, John (Hi) Simmons, pulled starting pitcher John O'Donoghue off the mound and sent in J. Douglas Gulick. Gulick walked Karle which forced in Kubacki, the Husker's second run of the inning. Larry Lewis forced Karle at second, but Siebler scored on the play.

The Huskers got another run in the sixth inning on a double by Kubacki, and singles by Siebler and Karle.

Nebraska's final tally came in the eighth inning. Reimers walked, and Karle was safe at first on an error by the pitcher. Reimers scored when Lewis was safe on an error.

Missouri scored in the third inning on a single, a stolen base, and a double by the pitcher. In the fifth inning on a single, a walk, and a double to left field.

**Siebler Goes Route**

Siebler went the full route in posting his third win of the campaign. He walked one and fanned six while giving up eight hits to the Tigers, four of them doubles.

The victory was the sixth of the year for Sharpe's Huskers against one loss.

MISSOURI		NEBRASKA	
ab	r	ab	r
Uhrke 2b	4	1	2
S. Lewis 3b	4	0	0
Start 4	0	0	0
Taft 1	0	0	0
Siebler 1b	4	0	0
Hess 2	0	0	0
Kimber 3	0	0	0
O'Donoghue p	0	0	0
Gulick p	2	0	0
Mayers 1	0	0	0
Barber 1	0	0	0
Casper p	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>2</b>

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**Tigers 9-Huskers 6**

"Was that a bad day, or was that a bad day?" Nebraska's diminutive right-hander Gil Dunne said Saturday after dropping a 9-6 decision to the Missouri Tigers.

Indeed it was, as the Huskers got men on base in nearly every inning but couldn't bring them in. Nebraska got seven hits in the first game of the doubleheader to Missouri's eight, but the Tigers got their act at the right times.

Nebraska opened with a run in the first on Reimer's single. Gary stole second, went to third on a fielder's choice and romped home on Gene Torczon's sacrifice fly.

Charlie Ziegenbein, coach Tony Sharpe's choice to pitch the opener, blanked the Tigers for two innings, but the third was the charm for hard hitting Missouri.

Ziegenbein walked two men to open the inning and the Tigers moved them around with the help of a Husker error and a single. That provided them with three runs and was enough for Sharpe, who relieved Ziegenbein with Dunne.

Nebraska unlimbered their lumber in the third, one of the few times the Huskers displayed the power they showed on their winning southern swing. Torczon opened with a triple, Lewis singled, and Ken Rusinger whacked a homer 360 feet over the left field fence. Dunne's single added Nebraska's fourth run of the inning and the Huskers went out to protect their margin.

They didn't. Pitcher John O'Donoghue singled as did second baseman Steve Lewis. Outfielder John Toft doubled home both men and then first baseman-shortstop Sonny Siebert whacked the first of his three home runs over the rightfield fence. That made it 8-5 for the Tigers and to all intents, ended Nebraska's chances.

The Huskers added a token run to their total when Jim Kubacki walked in the sixth. O'Donoghue turned wild and walked Dunne before giving a single to Reimers. The stands, packed with an estimated 1,000 fans began to clap for a rally but all they got was a dribbler by Larry Lewis that was good for a double play. Kubacki scored on the play but Torczon whiffed to end the inning.

Missouri came right back in the sixth on a single by outfielder Bob Meyers and Hank Kuhlman's long double.

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ab	r	ab	r
Uhrke 2b	4	1	2
S. Lewis 3b	4	0	0
Start 4	0	0	0
Taft 1	0	0	0
Siebler 1b	4	0	0
Hess 2	0	0	0
Kimber 3	0	0	0
O'Donoghue p	0	0	0
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Barber 1	0	0	0
Casper p	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>2</b>

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**Tigers 12-Huskers 5**

Nebraska opened the second half of Saturday's double header with some cranking hitting. In the first inning, Reimers singled and Al Karle doubled. Doug Sieler walked and Nebraska's leading hitter, Gene Torczon, stroled to the plate.

Ken Lambert, the Missouri pitcher, could hear the gentle tinkle of the showers as Torczon lined the second pitch foul down the third base line.

Torczon hit a "blue darter" back through the middle. Sonny Siebert ran hard to his left, snagged the ball on the first hop and started a nifty double play. Reimers scored on the fielders choice, but Larry Lewis struck out to end the inning.

From there on, Missouri had the horses. Siebert led off the second for the Tigers with a home run over the right field fence, 360 feet away. Bob Meyers, Missouri left fielder, crashed a two-out triple to left and Ray Uriarte singled him home.

**Huskers Tie**

Nebraska tied in their second. Jim Kuback walked; and Lefty Hevner, the Husker pitcher, followed him to first via the free ticket route. Reimers bounced a roller to the left side that Uriarte and Siebert misplayed into a single. Al Karle hit another grounder that had double play written all over it, but Reimers dumped Tiger second baseman Steve Lewis sliding into second and Kubacki scored. Short stop Doug Sieler singled sharply to right to score Hevner. It was a long time before home plate again felt Husker spikes.

**Kubacki Takes Over**

Siebert hit his second homer of the game and third of the afternoon to open the third for Missouri. When Hank Kuhlman did likewise in the fourth, Hevner departed in favor of Jim Kubacki.

Ediger replaced Kubacki in the sixth. Ediger looked good until he came face to face with Kuhlman in the seventh. Big Hank, gave one of Ediger's specialties a 400 foot ride over the leftfield barrier and the roof fell in on the Huskers. Siebert scored ahead of Kuhlman and before the inning was over, five more Tigers had counted.

**Last Two**

Nebraska got their last two runs in the seventh when Milan Shaw, batting for Torczon, walked, Kane doubled and Lewis singled. By then it was much too late.

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ab	r	ab	r
Uhrke 2b	3	1	1
S. Lewis 3b	4	0	0
Start 4	0	0	0
Taft 1	0	0	0
Siebler 1b	4	0	0
Hess 2	0	0	0
Kimber 3	0	0	0
O'Donoghue p	0	0	0
Gulick p	2	0	0
Mayers 1	0	0	0
Barber 1	0	0	0
Casper p	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>5</b>

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### Daily Nebraskan Sports

#### MacDonald Is Most Valuable

Robert MacDonald, senior co-captain of the University gymnastics team, has been named the most valuable team member in a recent poll of his teammates.

His name will be engraved on the Most Valuable trophy donated by C. E. Miller, chairman of the department of physical education. Past winners of the award include Tom Kidd, 1953; Max Kennedy, 1954; Bruce Riley, 1955-56; and Wayne Strickler, 1957.

#### Jennings Begins Practice With 'Greenest' Squad

The University of Nebraska football squad begins spring practice today but Coach Bill Jennings doesn't promise any miracles. He calls this year's squad the greenest in major college history.

Jennings admits, however, that he feels that this year's squad will be better than last years due to improved team speed, one of the essentials of a winning football team.

A competent staff of coaches has been selected to give the Huskers added instruction. LeRoy Pierce has been selected as Jennings' top assistant. Pierce coached Iowa States' triple threat backfield star, Ron Nichols, last year. Warren Schmakiel will assist Pierce as backfield coach.

The line coaches will be John Gordy, Don Strasheim, Don Scarbrough, and Dick Monroe.

Eleven lettermen will return from the 1957 squad and only five played consistently. They are: Mike Lee, Max Martz, Roger Brede, and LeRoy Butherus, ends, Don Olson and Duane Mongerson, tackles, LeRoy Zentic and Dick McCashland, guards, Larry Naviaux and Carroll Zaruba, halfbacks, and Harry Tolly and Roy Stinnett, quarterbacks. LeRoy Zentic will pass up spring drills due to baseball, Don Olson due to track, and Roger Brede due to an ankle injury.

Jennings, who is starting his second year as head coach at NU, plans to put the Huskers through more full dress scrimmages this spring than he did last spring. The Huskers are ready to go at full speed.

Some of last fall's freshmen will be counted on for a lot of duty. Promising men from last fall include, Dean

#### Major Leagues: Nebraskan Tabs Yanks, Braves Again In '58

The afternoon of the 1958 baseball season gets underway with the Boston Red Sox playing the Washington Senators at Washington, D.C.

Over 28,000 people are expected to view today's game which is the only one in the majors. Tomorrow the other fourteen clubs will do battle.

The Daily Nebraskan has made it a custom to predict the pennant winners each year. This year is no exception.

The American League should be better this year. Last year the Yanks finished 8 games ahead of Chicago and 16 ahead of Boston.

New York has the best outfield in the league with Mantle, Kubek, and Bauer. Kubek was AL rookie of the year last year.

Their pitching is fantastic. They have Shantz, Ford, Turley and Sturdivant with Maglie, Larsen, Dittmer and Kucks for spot assignments.

Chicago is the top challenger. They have tremendous speed, good defense, and good pitching. They are weak in power, but Manager Lopez will revert back to the Gas House Gang type of playing made famous by the St. Louis Cardinals of the 1930's.

Detroit is figured for third place because of their power and good pitching. Shrewd deals in the winter have aided the Tigers immensely. Martin could be just the spark they need.

Boston has Ted Williams, the old man river of baseball. Piersall, Jensen and Williams give the Sox a hard-hitting outfield, but the infield is under par in hitting. The pitching staff has many sometimes erratic pitchers who cannot come through when the chips are down.

The National League race should be a two team affair. Milwaukee and St. Louis are at this point far ahead of the other teams in the league. The Braves have to be figured for a repeat win.

They will have to tighten up their defense, however, if they expect to win by 8 games again. Their power lies in the big bats of Aaron, Covington, Mathews, Adcock and Crandall.

Buhl, Burdette, Conley, Trowbridge, Rush and the aging Warren Spahn form the nucleus of a formidable mound corps.

St. Louis is a strong chal-

lenger. If the Braves pitching falters, St. Louis could win going away. The Cards have good reserve strength much like the Yankees, and they have one of the best pitching staffs in the league.

Cincinnati has to be figured for a strong third place finish. They have acquired a better defense through winter trades and their pitching is better with the addition of Haddix and Purkey.

**Probable Standings**

**American League**

- .....New York
- .....Chicago
- .....Detroit
- .....Boston
- .....Baltimore
- .....Cleveland
- .....Kansas City
- .....Washington

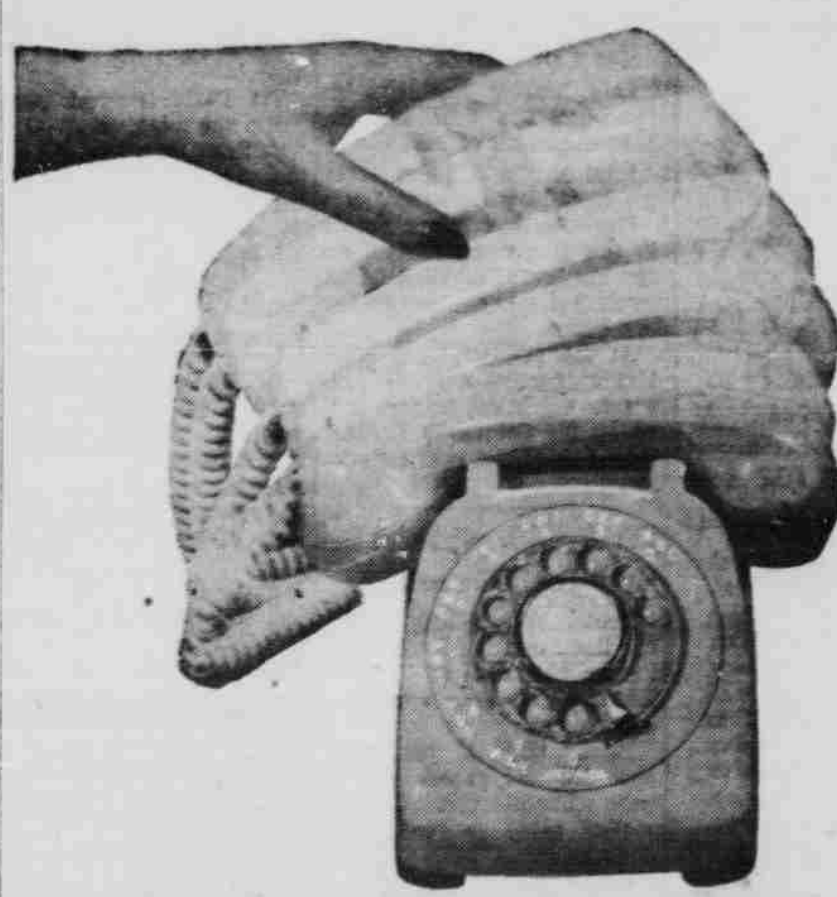
**National League**

- .....Milwaukee
- .....St. Louis
- .....Cincinnati
- .....Los Angeles
- .....Philadelphia
- .....San Francisco
- .....Pittsburgh
- .....Chicago

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**Water Ball**

Sigma Phi Epsilon won the all-University shallow water basketball championship Thursday night with a 12-7 victory over Kappa Sigma in a rough contest. Wally Bryans and Jim Brown handled all the Sig Alph scoring with seven and six points. Ced McCurley was the Kappa Sig leader with three.

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