

# Nebraska '9' Can Approach .500 Mark with Buff Sweep

By Hal Brown  
Nebraska's baseballers will be trying to move nearer the .500 mark in Big Eight play when they take on Colorado in a three-game series today and Saturday at Boulder.

## Sports Signals

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Nebraska passed the halfway point in spring football drills Wednesday. The Huskers have had 10 workouts with 10 to go including the alumni-varsity football game All-Sports Day.

While getting in a little golf driving practice in the basement of the Coliseum just prior to Wednesday's workout, Husker Coach Bill Jennings paused to speak of the first half of drills.

"We think we have made satisfactory progress, at least we hope so," Jennings said. "Offensively we're ahead of a year ago and of course that is what we concentrated on so far."

The Huskers spent the first two weeks of drills entirely on offense with the main emphasis on passing. From all indications the Husker coaches are doing all they can to revive an offense that sagged badly last season.

Jennings said at the start of the Spring sessions, "We plan to get the ball in the air and on the basis of practices thus far, this corner thinks he meant it. Johnny Unitas, the greatest passer in football today, was brought in by the Husker head man to work with the quarterbacks two days and the first two scrimmages have found the air filled with footballs."

Injuries have hit the Husker camp this week and slowed progress a little. Jennings explains the sudden rash of injuries to last week's stiff workouts when scrimmages were held both Friday and Saturday. "We worked real hard Wednesday, Friday and Saturday of last week and it caught up with us."

Most notable of the injured is Ed Mitchell, a 245-pound sophomore tackle, who is sidelined for the remainder of the Spring with a knee injury. Jennings explains that surgery may be required.

The Husker head man credits the enthusiasm of the players for the rapid progress made this Spring. "The boys have worked very hard and this has been encouraging," he says. "When a squad puts forth the effort that these boys have, you can get a lot done because you can work faster."

Professional scouts who watched last Saturday's scrimmage agreed that Nebraska was the best football team they had seen after visiting several camps.

Experimental shifts that Jennings is trying this Spring appear to be working, however, the major shift of Thunder Thornton to left halfback cannot be termed a success until next fall. Thunder has added about 15 pounds, but it doesn't appear to slow him a bit and he has gotten off some good runs in early scrimmages.

The success of this move apparently rests with how well Noel Martin recovers from a knee operation that is keeping him out of the Spring sessions. If Martin is able to go full speed, the Huskers could have a potent backfield with Thornton at halfback, but if the knee fails to respond, then Thornton may have to return to the fullback spot.

Whether Thornton remains at the halfback spot or not, we go along with Jennings thinking on experiments. "The time to experiment is in the Spring," he says. This is the same philosophy used by Major League baseball teams. The team that starts the season still experimenting is going to find itself behind the rest of the pack.

If the Husker quarterbacks continue to pass the way they have thus far and the Husker coaches continue to stress a wide-open offense, which they apparently plan to do, then Husker fans will see some exciting football next fall.

### New Offense at Oklahoma State

Nebraska isn't the only Big Eight team working on a new offense this Spring. Oklahoma State will put its newly installed winged-T formation on exhibit Saturday when the Cowboys meet the alumni in the annual "Aggie Day" football game.

The game will end Spring drills at Oklahoma State. Husker fans will remember last fall's game between the Cowboys and Nebraska as the two teams plodded against each other with little offensive fireworks before OSU snatched a 7-6 win from the Huskers in the closing minute.

### Deadline Is Today For Ping Pong Meet

The campus table tournament will be held May 1-17 in the games area of the Student Union, according to Ron Gould, Union games chairman.

The tournament is open to all undergraduates carrying 12 or more hours who have signed up in the games area by 5 p.m. today and have paid the entry fee of 25 cents.

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### Scrimmage Slated

Nebraska Football Coach Bill Jennings will send his gridders through their third scrimmage of the Spring practice sessions at 2 p.m. Saturday. The scrimmage is open to the public.

### NU Golfers Try For 1st Loop Win

Coach Harry Good's golf team will be trying for their first win of the conference campaign when they meet Oklahoma today at the Hillcrest Country Club. The golfers teed off at 9 a.m.

The Huskers have lost both Big Eight tests against Kansas State and Oklahoma State, but Nebraska has an 8-4 mark in overall competition.

Nebraska hasn't beaten Oklahoma in golf since 1954 when the Huskers edged the Sooners, 6½-5½.

Oklahoma has lost only to North Texas in dual meets and has wins over Wichita, Kansas and Kansas State. The Sooners meet Iowa State at Ames Saturday.

### Nebraska Netters To Face 2 Foes

Nebraska's tennis team, idle since scoring their first win of the season two weeks ago against Omaha, return to action with meets today and tomorrow.

The Huskers will meet Kansas at Lawrence today and Washburn University at Topeka Saturday. Nebraska dropped a 7-0 decision to Kansas a year ago and won from Washburn by a 7-0 count.

### Trophies Ready

Trophies for the campus bowling tournament and for the national intercollegiate bowling tournament are at the games desk in the Student Union and may be picked up by winners, according to Ron Gould, Union games chairman.

## Two Performances Set For Annual NU Rodeo

By Margy Martin  
The annual Nebraska Intercollegiate Championship Rodeo will be held in Lincoln on May 13.

The officials for the rodeo will be announced this week. Students from all junior and four-year colleges and universities in the state are eligible to compete in the rodeo, which will include afternoon and evening performances at the State Fairgrounds Coliseum.

Top prizes will go to the all-around cowboy and all-around cowgirl to be determined on the basis of points earned in various events during both performances. The all-around cowboy will receive a saddle and various other prizes, and the all-around cowgirl will receive a \$25 gift certificate among other prizes.

A pre-rodeo dance will be held at the College Activities Building on the College of Agriculture campus the evening of May 12. The six finalists for the title of Miss Rodeo will be revealed at that time.

The queen and two attendants, who will be revealed during the evening performance of the rodeo, will be elected by those attending the dance.

The naming of the 1961 Beard King will be another highlight of the dance. The University 4-H Club is currently conducting a contest among male students to determine who can grow the "most desirable" beard.

Hadley Barrett and his western band from North Platte will play for the dance.

The University Rodio Association supports an extensive awards program for Nebraska 4-H members enrolled in the light horse project and also underwrites two scholarships for University students with revenue derived from rodeo ticket sales.

## Fourteen Huskers Enter Drake Relays

By Jan Sack  
Nebraska's track team will compete against a star-studded field at the Drake Relays in Des Moines, Iowa, today and Saturday.

Coach Frank Sevigne has entered 14 men in 11 events against such name schools as Oregon State, Houston, Drake, Kansas, Oklahoma, Kansas State and others from around the U. S.

The Husker distance medley relay crew of LeRoy Keane or Dick Hoelscher, Bill Kenny, Clarence Scott and Ray Stevens is expected to be the biggest light for the Nebraskans. In a dual against Houston Stevens, a sophomore, posted a 4:11.3 mile, the best of his career.

In the javelin, Al Roots who broke the Nebraska varsity outdoor record with a toss of 218.4 will boost the Husker hopes in this event.

Shot Putter Al Wellman with a toss of 53-1¼ leads the Nebraska field in the event. Wellman also holds the Nebraska varsity outdoor record with a 164-10 in the discus. Larry Reiners will also represent Nebraska in the discus and shot put.

Other Husker entries in the Drake Relays include Bob Knaub, 23-11½ in the broad jump; Jim Kraft, 14-0, in the pole vault; Bill Fasano in the high hurdles; Steve Pfister in the 100-yard dash; and LeRoy Keane in the 400-meter hurdle event.

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