

SAND HELPS GOPHERS WIN

Nebraska's Fast Play Put to Naught by Slow and Heavy Field.

ADVANTAGE TO WEIGHTY MINNESOTANS

Cornhuskers Also Suffered from Having Crippled Men on the Team and Lack of Competent Punters—Sidelights on Game.

It is easy to discern just why Minnesota won from Nebraska. It was not that she excelled in foot ball playing itself, for in only one feature of the game proper did the Gophers fairly outclass their opponents.

That was kicking, but all the punting in the country could not have saved that game. What really defeated Nebraska was not the Minnesota team, but all these five things: A sandy field that worked up into a deep loam; a team on which were several crippled; enormous weight of the opposing eleven; a physical condition far inferior to that of the Gophers; the lack of even an ordinary high school or academy punter.

First and foremost was that sandy field. The other four influences were mere dependent evils and would have counted for little had not the first been existent.

The University of Minnesota certainly has in Northrup field the one feature necessary to insure the best possible chances for the victory of its big team in all games played at home. There are just two things in the world that are capable of winning against a team of giants who are well-coached and trained.

Those are great individual agility and fast team play on the part of the lighter opponents. And neither of these features can be used to any extent upon a sandy field.

The slow going simply kills off fast play. The smaller men are unable to get the quick starts on which they depend for success.

They are wallowing around ankle deep in a sea of sand and their big and nature's armor rivals can start just as quickly as they can.

A sandy field is pre-eminently for a pushing game, not a running nor a dodging one. And there the big men can, of course, win every time, provided training is equal.

Two hundred pounds can always push 176 pounds backward, providing the latter is in no better condition and does not get the faster start, which it cannot in sand.

So that one thing practically won the game for Minnesota. If nothing else did, it certainly beat Nebraska. It was the only thing that made the weight of the Gophers a thing to be feared.

On a hard field that ponderous weight from the beginning, but also in wearing them out. They were not used to it and it killed them off, ate up their ginger and ended by putting them constantly on the defensive.

Home Field an Advantage.

No other school has such a field. At Milwaukee, at Madison, at Chicago, at North-western, at Michigan and at every other place is a hard earth or clay field.

Last year the Badgers went to Minnesota. They were undoubtedly the best team in the west. Minnesota beat them 6 to 5 on the sand. Their boasted fast play could avail nothing against the slow field.

Then Minnesota came to Northwestern on a hard field and was able only to play a tie with that school.

And so it was all the time. The Gophers were supreme at home, but not especially so elsewhere. It just happened that all their hard games came at Minneapolis, where the sand played on their side.

Ringer, left guard, is another example. His knee, which was twisted so violently out of joint in practice some weeks ago, is by no means recovered. He played all through the Gopher game with a heavy steel brace, weighing fifteen pounds, strapped to his leg. Without that aid he could not stand on the member at all. It was easy to see him from the sidelines bearing all his weight on the other leg and saving the injured one all he could.

And this crippled man had Mueller, the crack-neck guard of the Minnesotas, against him. He played a great game, but was perfectly honest about admitting that his opponent was a terror. "Mueller kept me so busy," said Ringer, "that I had no time to see how anybody else was getting along."

There were others who were hurt, and that is the shape the Nebraska team were in. However, it is a matter of great pride to every Cornhusker that he can boast all he will of the stanchness of his team, for it is all true. Handicapped as they were, crippled and outweighed, not a man turned tail nor showed the white feather.

They had gone there to do all they knew, and desperately after the score was 19 to 0 as at the first of the game, though they could not accomplish as much.

Proof of this is the condition in which the men came home. Black and blue from knees to neck, most of them were, and so stiff and sore that any motion was a pain. They were not even able to get out for practice till last Wednesday. Downcast, it is true, but not disheartened, the spirit of the boys was well spoken in a remark of Assistant Coach W. H. Melford, who said: "For instance, if Nebraska had a season ahead of us, with every bright prospect."

Need of a Good Kicker. It is not difficult to see where the lack of a good kicker worked against Nebraska. It can be conservatively said that this one feature was what was responsible for the wearing out of the team, for the killing off of the men, for the big score. Sand took the game, but kicking built the score.

For instance, Nebraska possessed a fifty or sixty-yard punter, she could have adopted a kicking game entirely just as soon as she saw that it was useless to try and run the ball. In that manner, though it would not be a winning game, it would not be a losing one.

For Nebraska kept the ball away from the field and away from her goal practically all the time. The Cornhuskers demonstrated on many occasions their ability to hold Minnesota for downs on a pinch, and after kicking away down the field they could undoubtedly have taken the ball away from the Gophers before those giants got it clear up to the goal and the Nebraska could kick it back once more, instead of trying to fight it back.

They would not have worn them out and they would therefore have strength left for the supreme efforts that come every now and then. Again, if Minnesota kicked the ball back instead of running it, Nebraska would have it and could kick again, gaining ground every time, for Knowlton is not a powerful punter. And then, by some fumble on Minnesota's part, such as Doble made just before the end of the game, Nebraska might get the ball near the Gopher goal and possibly, being fresh and unharmed, score.

But what could be done when neither Stringer nor Bender was able to kick more than twenty-five yards, and most of the time not even that far? It was a hopeless case. Every exchange of kicks brought the ball nearer Nebraska's goal and gave the lighter team just that much less space in which to hold the big men for downs and stop a touchdown.

Punting Tells Sometimes. It is plain that Nebraska's crying need is a better punter. That will go to the heart of the matter. The punting of Nebraska's who knew the game and had watched the progress of the Cornhuskers all through the year's gone by.

Two years ago Benedict, playing halfback on the poorest team that Nebraska has had for five years, made a score of twenty points against Kansas, the champions at that time, simply by kicking five place kick goals from the field. It was a most phenomenal and unusual performance, but it allowed a team which every eleven in the west had been drubbing to score heavily against the champions of the league in which it was playing.

It is safe to say that there are in Nebraska several kickers who could have made that score as low as 5 to 0 against Nebraska if the thing were properly and cleverly managed. There are men on High school teams and little college teams who can do better work than was done there, and there are a few who would have done far above Knowlton.

Take "Mike" Thomas of Creighton, for instance. Since Benedict's departure he is probably the best punter in the west. He can drive a fifty or sixty-yard spinning point-on punt every time, and the university people probably do not even know he is on earth. "Mike" is also a sure tacker and a good end or light back generally. His speed as a runner is remarkable. It is very probable that he could have been brought to the university this season had an attempt been made in that direction.

One such man would add a large per cent to the team's effectiveness, especially against weight or in a bad field.

There are others, too, and evas if there were not, some attention should be given to developing a kicker. Nebraska must have one, sooner or later, and if one year's work does not suffice to bring him out it will at least put him so far ahead for the next year.

Of course, a man must be something besides a kicker. He must be a good foot ball player as well. So the good men in other departments of the play should all take a hand and try to become kickers. It is never possible to tell whether or not there is a star hidden somewhere (ill they have an opportunity to show it). The great stress has never been placed on this feature of foot ball at the university. In fact, there is no reason why some of the

NEBRASKA WEAK AT ROOTING

Cornhuskers Fail to Receive Proper Vocal Support from Admirers.

Nebraska rooters must take a brace. They learned a bitter lesson at Minneapolis and it is thought that this will be productive of results. The vocal support of their team by the visitors was hopelessly bad. Not only was the volume shamefully small, considering the great number of Nebraska fans who were there, but the rooting had absolutely no courage or backbone to it.

As soon as the Cornhuskers began to weaken before the terrific onslaught of the Minnesotas the southerners closed their mouths like clams and were silent, instead of making still more frantic efforts to cheer their men to a recovery and a desperate stand.

This action was pitiable, and there was no excuse for it. Nebraska were there by the thousands and many of them were crunched together in the center section of reserved seats, just the proper condition for organized rooting, but it was not forthcoming when needed.

Rooting is now undoubtedly a science. It is recognized as such in all the big colleges. Foot ball teams, base ball players, in fact, athletic representatives of any kind engage in any form of contest and they demand it, beg it. Without it they are stout hearts indeed that do not lose courage and dash and vigor. Encouragement is the spur of all life in all phases. Rooting is nothing more nor less than encouragement, frantic, heartfelt, unanimous encouragement.

Minnesota's rooting was very near perfection. In one end of the bleachers at the west side of the grounds was a megaphone chorus of about 1,000 big horns. This band acted as the nucleus and leader of the noise and all the other thousands kept in time and tune with it. The uproar was continuous whenever Nebraska was on the field, rising to a great roar whenever Quarter-back Drain was trying to give signals and continuing in a sullen groan at other times, save when it burst out in a triumphant yell during Minnesota's moments of victory.

Another variation was the singing of various popular songs in perfect dexterity, the words being loudly and fitly pronounced. The most effective stunt of all those which the Gopher rooters employed was the monotonous counting up of the score as often as it was increased. "One, two, three," and so on to the top figure attained by Minnesota, the northerners would slowly chant to the accompaniment of the yell they threw the Cornhuskers into such a helpless and gnawing rage as that taunting count.

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CORNHUSKERS NOW WEALTHY

Nebraska Foot Ball Team Owes Nothing and is Thousands to the Good.

For the first time in its history the University of Nebraska foot ball team is prosperous. The recent game between the universities of Nebraska and Minnesota at Minneapolis was profitable from a financial standpoint to both teams than any either had ever played. The Nebraska came home with just \$4,739.89 as their share. From this the expenses of the Cornhusker team were paid, amounting to about \$700 in all. That left a little more than \$4,000 net profit.

That equal division of the gross receipts was made, so the Gopher share was the same as Nebraska's. The expenses of the northerners were equally as great, as they go into things on a very broad basis.

Minnesota has had other great games at Minneapolis and elsewhere, and at the Wisconsin game last year the crowd was as large as the one of October 11 last. The reason why the receipts from the later contest exceeded all others, however, was because the prices were raised beyond anything that had ever before been charged.

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