

# Hedberg sparks 49-48 UNL win over Cyclones

By Mike McCarthy

Husker sophomore Curt Hedberg canned three corner shots Saturday to spark UNL to a 49-48 win over Iowa State University (ISU).

The 6 ft. 8 in. reserve forward-center must have listened to Husker coach Joe Cipriano's advice during a time-out with 8:15 left in the game and UNL trailing 43-40.

After the time-out, Hedberg was one Husker who was able to break ISU's zone defense by hitting one of his "long bombs." The Lincoln East prepster then stole a Cyclone pass at the other end of the court.

Hedberg canned another 20-footer with 3:30 left to widen UNL's lead to 46-43.

Other clutch shooting came from 6 ft. 8 in. sophomore, Carl McPipe. The Husker center hit a free throw with 27 seconds left in the game to give UNL a needed three point lead, 49-46.

McPipe finished the game with 21 points to lead all scorers, while Husker sophomore guard Brian Banks added 12.

Hedberg totaled six points for the contest.

The win pushed UNL's record to 10-7 and 2-1 in conference play. The Huskers are now tied for the Big 8 Conference lead with Kansas State, Kansas and Missouri Universities.

Iowa State dropped to 4-10 overall and 1-2 in the Big 8. The Cyclones are tied for fifth place in the conference with Oklahoma, Oklahoma State and Colorado Universities.

At times in the first half, the Huskers appeared as though they might run away from ISU. But Cyclone juniors Steve Burgason and Leonard Allen provided some late first-half scoring punch to knot the game at intermission, 27-27.

The two teams reversed roles in the second half with ISU running off to a quick start and a 39-33 lead. But Hedberg, Banks and McPipe then started to connect over the Cyclone zone defense.

UNL didn't sink their first second-half field goal until four minutes were gone in the period. The Huskers had only three

baskets with 12 minutes remaining in the game.

The last time UNL and ISU met was in the second round of the Big 8 Holiday Tournament in Kansas City. The Huskers defeated the Cyclones by 20 points, 75-55, in what Cipriano called UNL's "best game of the season."

In regular Big 8 play, the Huskers split a pair of home games by losing to Kansas

State University, 57-52. The Huskers then eased by the University of Colorado 169-54, after the Buffaloes dumped UNL, 55-50, in the Big 8 Tourney's first round.

The Huskers grabbed fifth place in the Tournament by beating the University of Oklahoma, 66-50, in the final round.

UNL's basketball defense has been rated eighth in the nation, giving up less than 60 points per game.

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# Football powers not ignored at 71st NCAA convention

UNL and other big football schools were not ignored during the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Convention last week, according to Keith Broman, UNL's Big 8 Conference faculty representative.

Broman said big football schools were not totally ignored when a proposal to reorganize the NCAA was tabled at the 71st NCAA Convention.

The proposal, which would put NCAA members with similar athletic programs together, also failed the year before.

Broman said he believes the big schools were not ignored because of a threat of 80 of the bigtime schools who met in Dallas in December to discuss forming the College Football Association (CFA).

"The bigtime schools were not ignored," Broman said. "Because the CFA is not formed yet. It's intended to be formed in February.

"We just asked to be recognized. We have no intention of breaking away from the NCAA," he said.

Broman said the intentions of the CFA are to meet within the NCAA and be a powerful voice in its actions.

### Operate outside NCAA

"However, if we continue to be ignored we can become an organization operating outside of the NCAA," he said.

"The CFA, when formed, will provide a meeting place for the large schools to debate issues that pertain to them, such as the number of coaches a staff can have and recruiting practices."

Coaching staff and recruiting visit proposals were defeated at the convention.

The Southeastern Conference sponsored the proposal for relief of the eight-man coaching staffs for schools who wanted it. Broman said only Division I football schools voted and the score was 64-64. He said the recommendation for a revote failed.

An amendment to discontinue the three-visit limitation for recruiting also failed. UNL was on the losing side of both issues, Broman said.

Broman said UNL and the large schools came out winners when a series of amendments for scholarship by need was defeated.

### Major victory

"That was a major victory for us," Broman said, "while the defeat of the coaching staff proposal was the biggest disappointment."

Another major piece of legislation at the convention was an attempt to reinstate the 1.6 grade point average for eligibility, replacing the present 2.0. It was defeated.

"We voted against that," Broman said. "We don't think there has been enough time to see how it works."

"The vote on the amendment was closer than expected. It's hard to say which way the big schools voted on it," he said.

If the football powers break away to form the CFA, basketball powers with no football programs, such as Marquette and Creighton, would be left outside.

"Creighton was not invited to join the CFA," Broman said. "But it will not affect our playing them in basketball next season because we plan on working within the NCAA."



Photo by Ted Kirk

Husker guard Brian Banks (22) drives for a lay-up against Emmett Lewis (10) of the University of Colorado in the Huskers 69-54 victory over the Buffs. The win helped the Huskers avenge a 55-50 loss to the Buffs in the first round of the Big 8 Conference Holiday Tournament in Kansas City.

# Weight training program expanding, interest rises

By Rob Barney

Boyd Epley, UNL weight training coach assigned to the Athletic Dept., is staying home during this year's hunt for blue chip football players because of the new NCAA rule limiting the number of recruiters a school can send out.

Epley is finishing a revision of the recruiting booklet, "The Strength of Nebraska 1974."

"I've been improving the material in the booklet to help high schools with their weight programs," Epley said. "It's primarily a booklet for recruits and their high schools. It should be done by the end of January to cap off the recruiting season."

Besides the booklet, Epley said he also will meet with every potential Big Red football player.

"On a recruit's official visit to campus I meet with him and answer any questions he might have about the weight program. And of course I show him the facilities," Epley said.

He said every home football Saturday a group of redshirts gave a demonstration to some of the prospective recruits and their parents in one of the weight rooms.

"The recruits came from a certain close radius to the campus since they had to pay their own way," Epley said. "The trip didn't count as an official trip to the campus."

"The demonstration gave the athlete and his family an idea of the kind of weight program we have at Nebraska," he said, "and it gave us a chance to show off our facilities."

There are four weight rooms at UNL. Weight rooms for athletes are in the north fieldhouse, under the south stadium and at the Sports Complex.

Epley has been working on improving the fourth, the weight room for students, located in the Coliseum basement. It is ready for use this semester. A wall has been removed and equipment added to what was the only weight room UNL had when Epley arrived in 1970.

"It's one of the nicest weight rooms for

students in the country," Epley said. "We moved some equipment from Women's Physical Education Bldg., so it has a nice atmosphere for co-ed classes."

"Students on campus have shown an interest in weight training," he said. "Classes are offered almost every day and there are four hours each day when the weight room is available for recreational lifting."

According to Epley, who coordinates the weight classes at UNL, five or six teachers from the Physical Education and Recreation Dept. will teach weight classes this semester. Epley will teach an advanced weight lifting course, which is in its second year.

Epley, who was a competitive lifter for a couple of years and won numerous Nebraska and Midwestern titles, said the advanced weight class "centers around competitive lifting while the others teach the basic knowledge of circuit teaching and individual training."

Epley said an example of increased interest in weight lifting is the Nebraska Weight Lifting Club, of which he is the

faculty advisor. Epley said when the club was first organized there were 30 to 40 members. Now there are 90 members, he said.

One other project Epley is working on is a weight program for junior and senior high students, similar to a program offered college students.

All 10 junior high schools in Lincoln have purchased universal gyms. Along with Dean Austin, Lincoln Public Schools physical education consultant, Epley is beginning a 16-week program for the students.

"Instruction will be given by video tape and tests also will be included," Epley said. "I'm confident there is a need for this kind of program."

"There is a weight training boom sweeping the country and Lincoln will be a model city for this kind of program," he said.

Epley said he wants to complete two manuals by February that will cover all areas and needs of weight lifting in high schools.