

**NEBRASKA SPIRIT, BUILT UP DURING FOOTBALL SEASON, IS HERE TO STAY**  
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her to the bottom. The Irish aimed all their shots, and all of them fell short; Nebraska still sailed and the Scarlet and Cream flew higher than ever.

The Cornhuskers, proper, were the smaller part of the aggregation of spectators at the Notre Dame-Nebraska fight, but theirs was the prevailing fight spirit. From the kick-off to the last whistle the student section did nothing but clap and scream and whistle, and for almost the first time in football history of the institution the problem of the cheer-leaders was not to keep up the noise, but to hold it down so that the referee's signals could be heard.

"I didn't think it was possible!" was the common remark that passed from one dazed spectator to another, as the crowd was filing from the field. The reference was to the absolute unification of student spirit more than to the defeat of the invaders, incredible as was the latter.

When the Scarlet and Cream followers next gathered at their own field it was to encounter the first home defeat of the season, when the unpeeled Syracuse Orange was instrumental in securing the Missouri Valley scalp for the East. The Nebraska rooters stood behind the battered gridsters with every note of vocal strength and every ounce of side-line determination. They did the whole of their part to hold the defeat of the toughest scrap of the season to the touchdown margin. And when they left the field tawdry alibi was not a part of their attitude. A profound respect for the victorious Yankees and a profounder one for the Husker eleven were the universal expression.

"We have a new team and one which hasn't been tried out yet, but Nebraska is never licked!" said Captain Lewellen when 2000 students saw the team leave for Urbana, to play Illinois in the first game of the season. "Nebraska has the fire, Nebraska has the pep, and it's going to fight." A month later Captain Lewellen told the Cornhusker rooters at the Notre Dame rally that the team had become "300% better" in two weeks, and all because of the invincible student support.

"A damned lie" was the characterization which Coach Dawson made for the rumors of fraternity factionalism in the football team, on the same occasion.

Rallies, large, small, official, and extemporaneous have been the instruments that brought the students together to stir up the fight attitude. Whether it's in the classroom where Huskers assure each other with profane force in a single howl to what a shameful extent the invaders are to be conquered, or whether it's at the campus mass-meetings where order is delicately called with a fire-whistle, doesn't matter. The fight spirit grows a little each time. Eleven o'clock classes were practically demoralized the day before the Syracuse contest by a travelling rally which terminated at the Social Science building. The clenching of the Cornhusker fist, which had been so slow that week, came then and lasted through the game the next day.

The first rally of the season came the night before the Sooner game, and was featured by the introduction by the University quartet of the new

song, "No Place Like Nebraska."

Courtesy for members of visiting football aggregations was declared by Coach Dawson a necessity for sportsmanship, at the Kansas rally a week later.

"Any Dames vs. Notre Dame" was the outstanding exhibit of the Corn-cobs, Nebraska's "pep" organization, now nationalized. The take-off, between halves of the Notre Dame game, was a cross between aesthetic dancing and slow-motion camera scenes; the referee had draped himself in rainbow-hued gauzes, and carried a yellow sun-shade. The star player of the "Dames" accomplished a pass to himself with the aid of a rubber string on the pigskin and effected the victory with a pirouette through a statuesque gauntlet of

"Notre Dame" players. The Corn-cobs also distinguished themselves by teaching the literal-minded the meaning of "peeling the Orange" on the field between halves of the Syracuse game.

Football fans of former years can remember the invasion of the field by a rushing mob of school-boys a few moments before the first kick-off of the game. The "Knot-Hole club" is the organization of these youngsters into the organization of today. Instead of gathering around the fence and relying on the humanity of the gate-keeper for free entrance, the boys can enter the field with the crowd and gather behind the south goal.

Today marks the passing of the 1923 season. Today marks the pass-

ing of the danger place for Nebraska spirit.

Nebraska spirit is here to stay.

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