

NEBRASKA COACHES START TO BUILD 1924 FOOTBALL MACHINE

Eleven Letter Men, Many Promising Freshmen and Several of Last Year's Reserves Among Those Who Answer Dawson's Call.

FIVE TEAMS REPORT FOR PRACTICE ON FIRST NIGHT Are Determined to Avenge Defeat Handed Them by Illinois Last Season—"Red" Grange to Be Seen in Action Here.

With a heavy and somewhat experienced line to work with, but a comparatively green backfield, Nebraska coaches are now engaged in building the 1924 Cornhusker football machine.

The three weeks before the home game with the Illini will be crowded with intensive work. The Cornhuskers, determined to avenge the defeat handed them last year at Urbana, will have to build well to stop the Illinois team, which includes such a star as "Red" Grange, all-American halfback. Chiefly through the work of this spectacular half the Cornhuskers were defeated last year.

Eleven letter men have reported to Head Coach Fred T. Dawson and with them a bunch of promising freshmen and last year's reserves the 1924 team will be constructed.

Practice is Already Started.

Practice has been under way now for five days and the work has been unusually stiff for so early in the season. Most of the gridiron men have been working during the summer at muscle-building jobs and are in good shape. A great deal of preliminary work to put the squad in the proper physical trim will not be needed.

Last year, due to a somewhat inexperienced line, the Nebraskans were slow in starting, and were beaten by Illinois and held to tie scores by Kansas and Missouri before they came into their own. This year the story should be different, for the line should rank well with those of former years. Nebraska has always been known for a crushing offense and a stone-wall defense.

Letter men reporting to Coach Dawson are:

Captain Ed Weir, tackle.
Melvin Collins, end.
John "Choppy" Rhodes, end.
R. R. Robertson, end.
Al Bloodgood, backfield.
Roland Locke, back.
Harold Hutchison, center.
L. J. Hubka, guard.
Warren Ogden, guard.
Joe Westoupal, center.
Walter Krimmelmeyer, member of the squad in 1917, has been in summer school this summer and is re-

porting. He is a guard. Pospisil and Mielenz, reserves last year, should also show up well.

Have Promising Freshmen.

A number of promising graduates of the last year freshmen squad are in suit. Some of the backs from this class are: Avar Mandery, Frank Dailey, Joe Weir, Ben Tryba, Paul Kamm and Willard Bronson. Line-men from the yearling crew who should show up well are: Joe Swear-



CAPTAIN ED WEIR
Of the Cornhusker football team is shown in moleskins. Captain Weir plays tackle, and his work at this position last year gained him recognition in spite of the usual slighting of first-year men. Captain Weir is playing his second year of football for Nebraska this year. He is a former Superior high school player.

FRESHMAN FOOTBALL MEN REPORT MONDAY

Many High School and College Stars Expoted to Answer First Call.

The first call for candidates for the freshman football team will be issued Monday, according to the Athletic office.

Equipment will be issued to prospective candidates at the stadium store rooms under the south end of the east stands. It will include all parts of the uniform. Lockers may also be obtained by signing at the stadium.

Early indications point toward a large freshman squad. Several well-known high school and state college players will answer the call Monday. Among these men are Stephens of Hastings college, Armour of Wayne Normal, Ströbling and Lawson of Omaha Central, Welch, Holmes and Karr of Gothenburg, Malm of Norfolk, Stiner of Hastings, and Fisher of Burlington, Colo.

An innovation in the freshman coaching system will be made this year. Instead of a regular freshman coach, varsity mentors will alternate with the yearlings, thus giving them the benefit of varsity coaching throughout the season. Farley Young, coach of last year's freshmen, is no longer a member of the coaching staff.

Freshmen and Sophomores of the military department may draw their uniforms from the quartermaster's department in the basement of Nebraska Hall any time before September 27 by depositing their guarantee fee of ten dollars.

and Kansas at Lawrence have already been scheduled on the same dates that the schools meet in football. There will probably be one other meet away from home, and the Missouri Valley meet at Ames to finish the season. There is one prospective meet at home so far, with Missouri, November 1.

Besides framing a schedule, Coach McMaster has been busy mapping out a new course for the fall training, on account of the new paving on the Belmont course. The proposed route will bring the runners in on the S. Y. A. road and finish in the stadium as they have in past years. Last year with serious handicaps the team placed in the M. V. conference meet and this fall Coach McMaster hopes to develop a team that will do even better. Men are working out daily now in preparation for the first meet, October 11.

HARRIERS SCHEDULE THREE DUAL MEETS

Trio of Letter Men, With Numerical Winners, Makes Good Team Material

With three meets already on the schedule, and a strong possibility of two others, the cross-country season is expected by the coach to be one of the best ever. Three letter men will be back this fall to make a strong team, along with some freshmen and numeral winners of last season. Coach J. Lloyd McMaster will have charge of the harriers again.

Captain Paul Zimmerman, James Lewis, Jack Ross, Jacob Cohen and Jacob Schultz of last year's team will be back to contest with the new men for places on the team. It is doubtful whether Dickson, a letter man from last year and one of the best men, will return this fall. The only other member of last year's team, Captain Hyde is lost by graduation.

Some good men will come up from the freshman squad of last year, as well as some numeral winners. Houderscheidt and McCartney made a good showing last year. Rogers and Howard, who dropped out after the first meet a year ago on account of injuries, will be back in school. Scherich, middle distance runner of the track team will be making a strong bid for a position on the team.

Meets with Oklahoma at Norman,

KANSAS AGGIES HAVE HARD SCHEDULE AHEAD

Nebraska Rated Among Valley School's Most Formidable Opponents.

MANHATTAN, Kan., Sept. 16.—Perhaps Dame Fortune smiled on the Kansas Aggies when she was handing out football schedules for the 1924 season in the Missouri Valley. Perhaps she only grinned. The season's scores will tell. But whether she smiled or just grinned, the Aggies have the best schedule in said Valley as far as home games are concerned.

Of the eight schools in the conference, beside the Aggies, the Wildcat take on six, Grinnell and Washington being the only schools not on the local schedule. Incidentally, the Pikers and Pioneers are as a general rule the two weakest football aggregations in the conference, which shows that the Wildcats have a preference for taking on the "Big" boys, under the rule that "The bigger they are the harder they fall."

If the Aggie schedule is to be construed as a smile on the face of the man to develop a team that will at gods it is up to Coach C. W. Bach, least hold its own against all comers. Ames, Kansas, Drake, and Nebraska are the Valley squads that will appear on the stadium field here next fall. The last three have all been claimants for the Valley crown during the past two years, while Ames is always a hard team to beat.

Kansas and Nebraska will be the feature attractions of the home schedule, Kansas because of the traditional rivalry between the two big schools of the state, Nebraska because of its nation-wide fame as a producer of good football teams.

Both games, and in fact the entire home schedule, are expected to draw football fans from all over Kansas and the four adjoining states.

Kansas University, which usually furnishes the thrills for the football hungry from Kansas City, has a home schedule woefully barren of big games, leaving the Aggie gridiron the nearest to the "big town" where football teams recognized as of major caliber may be seen in action. With any sort of reasonable weather motorists from the mouth of the Kaw are expected to keep the road to Manhattan hot during the week-ends of October and November.

Kansas football machine is handicapped this year because of the absence of Reynor who is out of the game because of a broken ankle.

HEAVY SCHEDULE FACES GRIDSTERS

Huskers Will Meet Representative Teams From All Sections of the Country

MEET NOTRE DAME AT SOUTH BEND THIS YEAR

Nebraska's football schedule for 1924 is one of the heaviest that the Cornhuskers have ever tackled and should the Scarlet and Cream go through the season without a defeat it should be able to make a serious bid for the mythical football championship of the country.

Representative teams from every section of the country with the exception of the south, which has never ranked high in the pigskin sport—will be played.

The football classic of the middle-west—Nebraska vs. Notre Dame—will be played this year at South Bend on the home ground of the Fighting Irish. Three years ago the Cornhuskers journeyed to the Indiana town and came out on the small end. The Irish won after a desperately fought battle, 7 to 0. For the last two years the teams of Knute Rockne have played in Lincoln, so the game at South Bend is well deserved.

Will See Colgate

Colgate, which last year inflicted upon Syracuse the only defeat sustained by the Big Orange team, will play at the Stadium.

The Illini, rulers in 1923 of Big Ten gridiron circles, will come to Lincoln for the opening game of the season, October 4. The boys from Illinois, led by a Nebraska boy, Rousek of Omaha, and well equipped to take care of themselves, should furnish Nebraskans a football treat. The opportunity of seeing "Red" Grange in action will be worth considerable trouble.

Oregon State college, one of the faster teams of the Pacific coast, will be in Lincoln for the Thanksgiving game. The Oregon huskies have always been the leaders on the coast and can be counted upon to make the sixty minutes of play very busy ones for the Cornhuskers.

Meet Best of Valley

Kansas, Oklahoma, Missouri and the Kansas Aggies, all Missouri Valley conference teams, will meet the Cornhuskers at various times throughout the season. These represent the class of the Missouri Valley conference. Kansas and Missouri last year held the Huskers to tie scores and as all Missouri Valley teams wish for a triumph over Nebraska until they almost split their

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- October 11, Oklahoma at Norman.
- October 18, Colgate at Lincoln.
- October 25, Kansas at Lawrence.
- November 1, Missouri at Lincoln.
- November 15, Notre Dame at South Bend.
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FRED T. DAWSON
Former Princeton star, guides the destinies of the Cornhusker football men.

In the three years that Dawson has coached at Nebraska his teams have been uniformly successful. No team has gone through the season with a perfect record, but since the coming of Dawson, Nebraska has ranked even higher among the leading teams in the country.

Most Nebraskans judge a Cornhusker team by the result of the Notre Dame game. Dawson's team has lost once to Notre Dame and the Irish have been defeated twice. The defeat was at South Bend three years ago, before Dawson had an opportunity to size up his men and get the lineup straightened out as he wanted it.

Nebraska has defeated the Indiana team the last two years, each year by one touchdown to two. The games have been thrillers, but the fighting spirit of the Nebraskans kept off scores at times when they seemed imminent.

Last year Dawson signed another three-year contract with Nebraska and his services will be assured for that time at least.

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