

Rohrig throws two passes to Petsch for Husker scores as last-minute aerial drive brings Oklahoma's marker

Second quarter drives account for NU scoring; Nebraska places second in conference standings

By June Bierbower.

Nebraska's fighting Cornhuskers wound up a fine 1939 season yesterday as they staged two touchdown drives in the second quarter to defeat a favored Oklahoma team 13-7.

Touchdown passes from German Herman Rohrig to Roy Petsch gave the Huskers' and Biff Jones sweet victory over Oklahoma, but it was powerhouse football which played an important part in yesterday's victory. It was the first time the Biffer has taken the Sooners since he came here from Norman in 1937, and the win cinched second place for Nebraska in the final Big Six standings, as Missouri won the title with a 20-0 victory over Kansas.

Final Big Six standings.

	W	L	Pct.
Missouri	5	0	1000
Nebraska	4	1	.800
Oklahoma	3	2	.600
Iowa State	1	4	.200
Kansas	1	4	.200
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Begin drive.

Biff's starting eleven began the first touchdown march which went 79 yards—the longest drive the team has made all season. Beryl Clark had punted out of bounds on the Husker 21, and after Vike Francis got two yards through the middle, Bounding Butch Luther skipped 22 more on a reverse to start the Huskers rolling.

Hopp tossed one out in the flat to Vike Francis who juggled the ball a second, but who charged his way to the Sooner 40. Vike, who was laying Sooner tacklers all over the place yesterday, got nine through the middle on a fake reverse, and Luther made it a first down on the 35. Hopp got three yards, and Francis one, as the Sooners were penalized five yards for an offside.

Seconds come in.

The quarter ended there, and Biff's other team came in. It didn't make any difference in the touchdown march, though. Rohrig got a yard for the first down on the 20, and four more on the next play. Long-striding Bob Kahler picked up eight yards in two plays, and it was first and goal to go for the Huskers. Hermie lost two on the next play, but dropped back on second down and shot the touchdown pass to Petsch, who was all by himself in the end zone. Rohrig's attempted conversion was wide.

The Huskers' first score came

after 2 minutes and 5 seconds were gone, and they started in again as Clark punted after the Sooners who were going against the wind chose to receive the kickoff. Rohrig got back to the Sooner 45. Francis ripped off tackle for 10, then 11 yards, and the Huskers were on the 24.

Bob Kahler got 3 on a reverse, Vike 2 at center, before Hermie stepped back and tossed another one to the omnipresent Petsch, completing it for a first down on the Sooner 7.

Pass scores.

Oklahoma allowed Rohrig only three yards on two plays, and then Hermie's pass into the end zone rolled off Jack Ashburn's finger tips. However, on fourth down, Rohrig pitched again to Petsch, who went over the south goal near the west boundary.

Late in the same period Rohrig grabbed a Jacobs pass on the Sooner 33, and made 13 yards on the next play. However, a 5 yard penalty nullified the gain and Jennings intercepted Rohrig's pass just before the half ended.

The Sooners didn't score until the last minute and a half of play, when Beryl Clark opened up with a desperation passing attack. He pitched three, starting from his own 42, and the Sooners had their score. Rohrig had punted to Clark on the Oklahoma 47, but the Sooners were penalized 5 yards for too many times out.

Nebraska	Oklahoma
Seemann	(gc) Shirk
R. Kahler	Duggan
E. Schwartzkopf	Manley
Burruss	Speerle
Alison	Stevenson
S. Schwartzkopf (cc)	Bowers
Ashburn (cc)	Ivy
Knigh	Favor
Hopp	Matthews
Luther	Jennings
Francis	Martin

Score by periods:
Oklahoma 0 0 0 7-7
Nebraska 0 13 0 0-13

Touchdowns: Oklahoma, Coppage (sub for Shirk); Nebraska, Petsch 2 (sub for Knigh).

Try for point: Oklahoma, Clark (sub for Matthews); Nebraska, Rohrig (sub for Hopp). (Placekicks.)

Substitutions: Oklahoma—Ends: Coppage; tackles—Enston, Lehar, Wilhelm; guards—Locke, Harris, Keith, Bolton; center—Marsh; quarterback—Potter; Nebraska, ends—Preston, R. Prochaska; tackles—Herdon, Behm; guards—Abel, Monsky; center—Meier; quarterbacks—Petsch; halfbacks—Rohrig, Bob Kahler, DeFrutter; fullback—Dobson.

Officials: Referee, Dwight Ream, Washburn; umpire, F. E. Dennie, Brown; line-man, John Waldorf, Missouri; field judge, Jack North, Highland Park.



By Harl Hunt.

One of the largest home game crowds in many seasons—over 36,000—assembled in Memorial Stadium yesterday to watch Nebraska better the Sooners.

Your ace Number 1 investigator went down to the field after the game to see if Sam Schwartzkopf knew what he was talking about when he pointed to the sidelines indicating that Jack Jacobs stepped out of bounds on the ten yard line during a run in the third quarter. The investigation revealed that Sam was right; Jacobs' footprint was plainly visible on the sideline stripe. Oddly enough, not one of the officials went over to examine the footprint and Jacobs completed a 15 yard punt return.

The Oklahoma band maintained their spirit and friendly attitude even after defeat. They paraded up and down the field while playing for about 15 minutes after the game had ended. Failure of the Cornhusker musicians to join in the victory parade after the game was particularly noted.

When the final gun sounded, Biff Jones walked halfway across the field to meet Tom Stidham, the boss Sooner and Jones' line coach while he was at Oklahoma.

Nebraska's so-called "second team" again walked away with the honors, scoring both touchdowns. Incidentally, they were both made at the south goal. Not once this year have the Huskers crossed the north goal line.

In case anyone wants to bet, Oklahoma has tied one and lost three games this year.

Now maybe the world at large will, and especially Oklahomans, take heed at the saying "the Cornhuskers are hard to beat in their own back yard." The Sooners still have to win a game from Nebraska while playing at Lincoln.

Just four Husker seniors got in today, but they all turned in good jobs.

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NU best when underdogs--ask Sooners, Gophers, Pitt

By John McDermott.

Nebraska's Scarlet and Cream warriors avenged a defeat at the hands of the Oklahoma Sooners yesterday afternoon, when they set themselves solidly in second place in the Big Six conference standings with a 13-7 victory over the Oklahomans.

Nebraska also climaxed one of their most successful seasons in recent years, coming out with seven well earned victories, one loss to the Missouri Tigers, and a tie in the season's opener against Indiana, 7-7.

Great victory.

In yesterday's great victory the Huskers again showed that they like it when the going is tough. They were the underdogs against Minnesota, Pittsburgh and Oklahoma and the Scarlet and Cream came out on top every time.

The "second" eleven put on a fine offensive show yesterday in the second quarter and scored both of the Huskers' touchdowns.

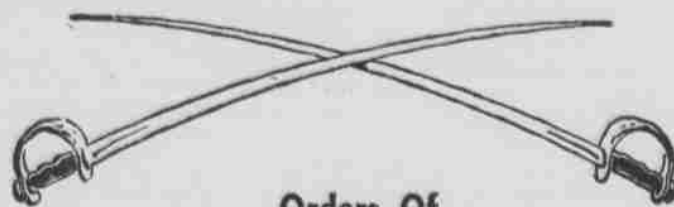
The Sooners came out strong in the second half and penetrated within the Husker 30, but Luther recovered a fumble to place the Scarlet out of danger. The remainder of the third period was

mainly a punting duel between Hopp and Jacobs, with neither team showing any sustained offense.

Late in the final period Oklahoma turned to a passing game and Clark to Jennings was the combination that was clicking for the Sooners. Three passes in a row by Clark scored the O. U. touchdown.

The Husker backs were all contributing to the Husker cause, but the plunging of Vike Francis was the highlight. Vike has come to the front in this department the last three games. The Husker line again displayed its greatness in smothering the Sooners. The ends were spilling the interference in fine style. Jack Ashburn playing his final game for the Huskers did a fine job, as did George Seemann. Sam Schwartzkopf was making it plenty tough for the Sooners all afternoon.

Although the names of the Oklahomans didn't indicate that they were Irish, they certainly had the Irish temper. A number of the boys were doing a little "French fighting." This isn't the first game this season that the Sooners have become a little angry.



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