

# The DAILY NEBRASKAN

## Veteran pivot men Bob Burruss, Fred Meier return to Biff Jones' gridiron crew next fall

Nebraska's football team faces a steep pull next fall if they expect to duplicate their last year's record on the gridiron, even though prospects are better this spring than they were a year ago.

The Huskers last year were at what seemed like a crisis in Nebraska football. The team, though, came through nobly, and did far better than anyone had dared hope in winning seven, losing one and tying one game.



BOB BURRUSS  
Journal and Star.

**Ineligibility**  
Losses by graduation for next fall are few, but ineligibility still threatens a few members of the team. Nebraska could lose several men through ineligibility and still be good; but they can't suffer much further loss and be great.

The schedule has Iowa University back in place of Baylor, who replaced the Hawkeyes here last fall. Nebraska meets, in successive Saturdays, Indiana, Minnesota, Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Iowa, Pittsburgh, Iowa State and Kansas State. A good team could falter several times on such a schedule.

The task of beating Minnesota,

Oklahoma, and Pittsburgh on foreign fields lies ahead, while Kansas will be no soft touch at Mount Oread. Indiana, Missouri, Iowa, Iowa State and Kansas State play here.

A look at the team, position by position, indicates that if the team has a weak spot, it is at end. Every other position is well filled, although further in eligibility would materially weaken the right half-back post.

Center is well fortified as Biff Jones has two lettermen back—Bob Burruss, Omaha, who has won two major letters, and Fred Meier, Lincoln, letterman who has two years ahead of him. Bob Ramey, who lettered last year, but who missed a lot of action because of injury, is the only center lost. Burruss and Meier, at the season's end, were the first two centers, and should be next year.

Meier, Burruss back.

They both looked good during spring practice. Bob, whom press releases said "made up for lack of weight with spirit" in his fresh-

man year, scales nearly 200 now, but still performs with the fiery aggressiveness which featured his early play. He diagnoses plays well, and is a good passer.

Meier, younger brother of Franklin, one of a great crew of Nebraska centers, improved rapidly last fall once he got into competition. He, like Burruss, is a steady performer with all-around ability, and has a fine chance of becoming every bit as good as Frank. Neither Meier nor Burruss is especially tall, but both are alert on pass defense.

Kelly ready.

Behind Burruss and Meier is Howard Kelly, Grand Island, who looks and plays like his illustrious townsman, Lawrence Ely. Kelly is the tallest of the center lot, a smashing defensive center, and a defensive ballhawk, especially against opposing passes. Floyd Harris, of Norfolk, who like Kelly, has had two years with the freshmen comes next on the list. He is a good defensive man, but like Kelly throws an occasional stray pass.



HOWARD KELLY  
Journal and Star.

## Christman, pitcher Miles lead Tigers

COLUMBIA, Mo. — Missouri's Bengal Tigers, 1939 Big Six runners-up to the baseball crown worn by Oklahoma, are due in Lincoln for a two game series on Friday and Saturday afternoons.

Coach John "Hi" Simmons will have only one letterman starting in the infield, but that position will be filled capably by "Pitchin' Paul" Christman on first base. The Tiger footballer excels also at great lengths on the ball nine besides his All American duties on the gridiron.

Christman had a brother, Mark, in the big leagues formerly with the Detroit Tigers and the St. Louis Browns, but he is now roaming the infield in the American Association.

Unbeaten in Big Six.

The Tigers are undefeated in conference play thus far this season.

## K-State track meet postponed until April 30

Due to the rain and cold weather, Nebraska's scheduled dual track meet with Kansas State, Tuesday afternoon, has been postponed until next Tuesday at 4 p. m., in the Husker stadium.

In the meantime, the Cornhusker tracksters are preparing for the Drake Relays which will be held this weekend at Des Moines, Ia. The squad will leave on Thursday, but the team is yet to be named.

son, Aside from Christman, the team is built around the pitching ability of "King Carl" Miles, a southpaw on which the burden of the pitching is placed this spring.

The defense is supposed to be the main Tiger worry this year, with the offense scheduled to be one of the best in the loop. Last season, however, the reverse was the situation.

Surrounding Christman in the infield will be Bill Crane at second base, Clair Flick at shortstop, and Footballer Bill Cunningham at third base.

Good hitters in outfield.

Patrolling the outfield pastures are Ken Whacker, Herb Gregg, and Noel "Abe" Hair. This trio is supposed to supply much of the batting strength. Behind the plate is Duke Sullivan, a steady receiver for Missouri's "Meal Ticket" Miles.

## Carmen--

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When Jose returns he becomes enraged and stabs Carmen to death.

Tickets for the performance will be available at Miller & Paine's, Magee's, Lincoln Book Store, Eastman Kodak Company, Walt's, Ziegenbein's and Molzer's music stores, Co-Op Book Store, Long's Book Store, and the Student Union.



By June Bierbower.

Bowser has shifted Al Guczinski from tackle to end, where he pairs up with Jack Goodridge on the second string team. Harry Kindelberger and "Big" Benghouser are the tackles, and little Harry Hawkins and George Allshouse are fighting for the second center berth. Johnny Kapurka has been shifted from end to guard, and the other reserve guard position is being alternated between Paul Foley and George Mitchell.

The Panthers have two frosh stars whom Bowser has been using in the second backfield. Their names—yes, Wascovich and Sakska at left half. Bonelli is at right half in that outfit, and Ross is the fullback.

Louie Zamperini, the USC middle distance man, is giving up the half mile this year... he has a slight growth on his foot, which has cut sharply into his sprinting ability, which he needed in the 880... an operation to get rid of the ailment would have put him out for two months... so he decided to let nature heal it... there will be nine men who have bettered 6-4 in the high jump at a Finnish Relief fund track meet in Los Angeles May 17... Stan Woodward of the New York Herald-Tribune says it's time spring football should be abolished... it takes too many players away from other sports, Woodward claims.

## Adna Dobson wins MVIAA award for high scholarship

Adna Allan Dobson, Lincoln football senior, was the winner of the Missouri Valley Intercollegiate Athletic Association scholarship award, Tuesday morning, which was given in conjunction with the Honors Convocation in the coliseum.

Other athletes receiving awards were headed by Charles Robert Eberline, Lincoln tennis senior, who received the Chemical Engineering Society Key, and was a member of Phi Lambda Upsilon, chemistry honorary; Pi Mu Epsilon, mathematics honorary; Sigma Tau, engineering college honorary; Sigma Xi, senior honorary society, and a member of the 1940 honor list containing the names of those in the upper ten percent of this class in each college.

Senior students recognized for superior scholarship were Houghton Furr, Lincoln swimmer; Harlan Muth, Seward baseballer; and

Theos Jardin Thompson, Lincoln footballer. Ralph Ludwick, Lincoln swimmer, was on the 1940 honor list.

Furr was also a member of Phi Sigma Iota, romance language honorary; Pi Mu Epsilon, mathematics honorary; and was awarded the French Government prize of the romance languages. Thompson was also a member of Phi Lambda Upsilon, chemistry honorary, and Pi Mu Epsilon.

Juniors honored were Forrest Behm, Lincoln footballer, for his third consecutive year; Keith Gilmore, Lincoln baseballer; Edward McConnell, Lincoln wrestler; and Oscar Tegmeier, Burchard baseballer.

Sophs honored.

Sophomores honored were Millard Cluck, Scottsbluff trackman; Erwin Goldenstein, Elk Creek trackman; and Jack Hemsworth, Lincoln tennisman.

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