

# Shifts Occur On Starting Husker Team

## F. Metheny Cops First String Job

### M. Athey Moves to Half And Thompson Gets Nod As Col. Browne Returns

By Bob Miller.

With Coach Harold Browne, lieutenant colonel in the army reserves, back on hand to give help to the crumbling stronghold affectionately titled "Nebraska football," the Huskers drove into the last days before the impending Gopher tilt.

At the same time the major announced several shifts in the lineup that will probably hold over for several weeks. The first was the appointment of Bob Ludwick and Clarence Herndon, senior end and tackle, respectively, to be co-captains against the northern aggregation.

#### Metheny Steps Up.

The first switch of major importance involves Fred Metheny to the first string quarterback's position and the placing of Marv Athey behind Al Zikmund, due to Ken Simmons' injury. As was reported in the Tuesday Daily, Marv Thompson has been changed from his regular position behind Fred Preston at left end to a right end starting berth to fill in the spot left by Gerry Kathol.

Bobby Cooper, lefthanded quarter, has been advanced to a second string berth to take Metheny's place, and Dean Jackson has been recast as an end on the third squad.

#### Leave Tonight.

The Husker entourage will leave from the Rock Island station at 8 p. m. today and will arrive in Stillwater, Minn., Friday morning, where they will work out on the high school field in the afternoon and go to Minneapolis the morning of the game.

There will be a huge rally to give the team the proper sendoff for the toughest game of their season and every Husker fan should arrange to be on hand for the spirit that is unleashed here will tell just how close the team will come to dumping the Gophers up there.

#### Hazen Back.

Along with the announcement that Simmons would not be in shape for the game came the notice that Jack Hazen, end, had sufficiently mended from an ankle injury and that he would be in shape to bolster the end situation.

A. L. Haskins, field judge who was the target of the recent squabble down at Missouri, will again be field judge for this tilt.

POS. A TEAM		B TEAM	
L.E.	Fred Preston	Jack Hazen	
L.T.	Vic Schleich	Joe Byler	
L.G.	Fred Meier	Lynn Meyers	
C.	Howard Kelly	Forrest Bachman	
R.G.	George Abel	Bob Deviney	
R.T.	Clare Herndon	Howard Martig	
R.E.	Marv Thompson	Bob Ludwick	
Q.B.	Fred Metheny	Bob Cooper	
L.H.	Dale Bradley	Howard Debus	
R.H.	Allen Zikmund	Marv Athey	
F.B.	Vike Francis	Wayne Blue	

## Coeds Attend Hockey Meet At Iowa City

Altho Nebraska women will not take part in the Midwest Field Hockey tournament for women to be held in Iowa City, Ia., Nov. 8-9, nine WAA representatives will leave for the tournament Friday. Eight teams including those from Oklahoma City, Okl., Chicago and Wichita, Kas., will play in the tournament.

Representatives expect to arrive in Iowa City in time for the opening games Saturday morning. They will not return until after the finals have been played Sunday afternoon.

Those attending the tourney are: Hollyce Cople, Barbara Sletbe, Jeanette Mickey, Roberta Seng, Dorothy Martin, Mary Ellen McKee, Bernice Askey, Alice Muallier and Helen Becker. Mrs. Fern Socht and Miss Dorothy Zimmerman of the phys ed department and Ruth Mathers, secretary of the department, will accompany the representatives.

# The DAILY NEBRASKAN

## Vike and Zik Head North...



Lincoln Journal.

Shown above are Vike Francis and Allen Zikmund, who have a special score to settle with the Gophers Saturday for the defeat that Minnesota tossed on Nebraska last year spoiling an otherwise perfect season. This is the game that observers believe will be their best of the current season.

## Gophers—An Institution In Football—Rambling On

### Why is Minnesota good?

Hundreds of football fans ask that question every season, and this season in particular the question has been asked many times.

There are probably many answers. Some of the answers are obvious.

Minnesota is good this year because they're Minnesota. The Gophers, during the past ten years, have gotten the win habit; they have gotten used to the idea of being rated among the top five teams in the nation year after year. They have accustomed themselves to being the best in their conference the majority of the time, and the Big Ten is admittedly made up of more consistently good teams in the nation than any other conference.

### Bernie Bierman Good Too.

Minnesota is good this year because one Bernard W. Bierman is still the Gopher's head coach, and excellence and Bierman are synonymous—where the latter is found, the former is sure to be. Since returning in 1934, to his alma mater, Minnesota, after seeing service at Billings, Mont., high the University of Montana, Mississippi A. & M., and Tulane, Coach Bierman has directed the Gophers to four Big Ten championships, one co-championship and four national championship ratings.

Minnesota is good because, during the seven years that Bierman has served as head man, the Gophers have chalked up a total of 1,255 points to their opponents' 343. Remembering the competition they play, the fact that the Gophers averaged 20 points per game

in the 62 games played over Bierman previous to the current season makes rather convincing evidence.

### Score in a Pinch.

Minnesota is good this season because the Gopher's can score in a pinch. They just seem to wait until they need the touchdown (Michigan...) and then score one (... and Northwestern). Master Bierman knows when to reach into the old bag of tricks and pull a fast one; he proved that last Saturday.

Minnesota is good this season because of players like Halfback Bruce Smith and Fullback Bill Daley. Smith averaged 6.37 yards in 85 attempts last season, while Daley, carrying 38 times, averaged 7.47 yards per carry. The Gopher's great halfback of 1940, All-American George Franck, chalked up an average of 5.68 yards in 86 attempts.

### Odson at Tackle.

In the line, 247 pound Urban Odson, leading Gopher All-American candidate from his tackle position, and 212 pound End Bob Fitch, rated as one of the leading defense ends in the country along with Guard Butch Levy—do their share toward making this season's Gopher forward wall probably the best in the nation.

### Why is Minnesota good?

These are some of the reasons, and how much the Huskers—who play best when the going is roughest, and particularly against Minnesota teams—can do to Minnesota when the two teams meet next Saturday at Minneapolis remains to be seen.

The Sports Mill  
By Bob Miller

With the wildest display of journalistic abandon exhibited by the Kansas State Collegian, semi-weekly effort of the Manhattan institution, in perhaps a decade, 210 point headlines adorned the top of the paper screeching, "Our Team is Red Hot" on Tuesday... They were certainly happy down there over the outcome of the game Saturday and the enthusiasm must have held over until the paper's appearance Tuesday... 210 point headlines are about as big as they come.

The shifting of Fred Metheny to the first string quarterback spot falls just right in our book and it is a change that we have been hoping to see all season... Metheny who had his prep schooling at Lincoln high and who was on the three team of 1937, 38 and 39 that won the state title, was an outstanding quarter in high school and rated all-state.

While on those teams, he played with Vic Schleich, Forrest Bachman, Bob Ludwick, Howard Debus, Lynn Myers and Dean Jackson; all of whom are now on the Husker squad... Incidentally, several others of a slightly earlier vintage on the squad call Lincoln the place they're from... Among them are Fred Meier, George Abel, Dale Bradley, Vike Francis, Don Bortorff, Bud Irick and Ed Nyden.

About the switch that involved moving Metheny up from the second string and shifting Marv Athey to a fill-in position behind Allen Zikmund seems about the smartest shift that has been made... Athey combines size and speed enough to warrant his turning out for track, plus a natural style of running to make him very effective at a half position.

At quarterback, he did blocking to a very great extent but the first time he carried the ball he zoomed seven yards thru the K. U. middle to score... With Simmons injured and more than likely out of the Gopher tilt, his change came as a natural one since a capable reserve is needed behind the Blond Bruiser from Ord... Metheny has appeared the more capable quarterback with deadly blocking and tackling mixed in but Athey's speed is needed on the team and he will be a definite addition to the running backs.

The little team that will be confronting the Huskers on Saturday boasts of a very light line... It averages only 208.2-pounds while the backfield steps on the scales for an average of 192.8-pounds which gives the entire team a trifle over the 200 mark.

Dan Partner of the Kansas City Star sports staff—"Fullback Vike Francis hit the line with the power of a toy train with a weak spring."... This came as the result of the Viscount's showing against Manhattan but he drove for the lone Husker touchdown and that in itself makes his showing all right.

## K-State Victory Shown in Union Movies Tonight

Most students still wonder how it all happened; how unimpressive K-State defeated the Cornhuskers last week.

The camera record will tell the whole story of the mud and an inspired Manhattan team when movies of the game are shown at 7:30 tonight in Union room 315. There is no admission charge.

## Big Six Two Mile Leaders Set for Meet

Big Six two mile teams, who have been giving conference fans the run around, will run around for the fans on Missouri U's oval at Columbia next Saturday.

Ed Weir, Husker cinder mentor, predicted Monday that the oncoming distance derby would surpass any previous Big Six title race in speed and competition. The Husker coach pointed out that five conference endurance men have trotted the two mile race under 9:50.

### Ginn Tops.

Bob Ginn of Nebraska; Lehman, Smethers, Burns, and Lyda of Oklahoma; Edwards of Kansas; and Inman of Iowa State all have surpassed 9:50.

Ginn, durative Cornhusker distance ace, ranks as a slight favorite over Oklahoma's Bill Lyda. Holder of a 4:10 mile clocking last spring, Ginn has clipped the two mile route in less than 9:40. Paul Jorhr, Jim Brogen and Arden Kersey will also represent Nebraska.

Snow forced postponement of the Iowa State-Nebraska two-mile duel last Saturday.

## Barb Girls Group Postpones Meet Until Next Week

Inter-house Council, organization of barb girls, will not hold its regular meeting tonight. The next meeting will be held at 7 p. m. one week from today, according to Fern Wilterdink, president of the group.

The change was made in order to give committee chairmen a longer time to organize their committees and begin work on their projects before reporting to the group. The postponement especially effects the social committee charged with outlining a social program for all organized barb women's houses on the campus.

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