

# The DAILY NEBRASKAN

## Snow and Wind Add Final Touches to Dramatic Game

### ... Francis Regains Prestige

By Norris Anderson  
 Memorial Stadium, Nov. 22—Nebraska's Scarlet and Cream football banner, soaked and dragged, was pointed south to Oklahoma today. Behind on the snow-swept Memorial greensward was an Iowa U. team that had fought a game but losing battle in snow and a biting wind.

There may have been better football games than the annual classic between the Huskers and Hawkeyes but fans would have to delve far into the records to find a fray that could match the current fracas for thrills, sheer determination, and sentiment.

**Huskers Come Back**  
 Vike the Viscount Francis supplied a liberal amount of both thrills and sentiment by returning to his Rose Bowl mettle and sparking the Husker offensive. Bench-ridden by ineligibility and

victim of an early season slump, Vike moved with old-time power to swing the battle tide midway in the third stanza. A hasty Francis stab through the middle capped a 100-yard Husker march that opened when Dale Bradley speared an enemy kickoff on the goal line.

Co-hero of the Husker conquest was Fred Preston. It was Preston, a defensive dynamo all afternoon, who paved the way for the second Husker marker by blocking Hawkeye Farmer's punt late in the fourth period. Preston's momentum bounced the ball 30 yards backwards where Jack Hazen, soph end, outmaneuvered two Hawkeyes for the touchdown. Another accurate Francis placement settled the issue.

#### All Stand Out

A list of Husker standouts would include veritably the entire team. Marvin "Bub" Thompson's sterling defensive play, Abel and Herndon's always great work, Metheny's generalship and tackling, Zikmund's running—they all stood out. Freddie Meier, Charlie Duda, Vic Schleich, and Joe Byler were other gems.

Husker bandmen won plaudits from the shivering crowd during the intermission. One trombone tooter summed up the situation

## Frosh Gridders Mix Tomorrow

Frosh footballers will get their chance to show their offensive wares tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock when they divide up for the last intra-squad game of their season.

Pictures of the contest will be taken and rivalry is keen at every point on both of the teams, picked by Coach Ad Lewandowski. Since it is the big event of the calendar for the frosh, a big turnout is expected. The game will be on the field west of the coliseum.

with "It was like mugging an Eskimo." The 25-mile per hour gale failed to stop Don Lentz's band from forming "Iowa" and a state capitol before retirement. Tom Farmer, Iowa's top back with 71 yards in 20 attempts, had praise for Husker linemen Abel and Herndon. "They were mighty tough," chirped Farmer from the rubdown table. "Vike Francis was driving, too."

Iowa rooters who predicted a "cold day for Nebraska next November" at the outset of the close 1940 Husker-Hawkeye tilt had their wish granted.

A nine-student campus commission has been named at New York State College for Teachers to draft regulations designed to keep the campus clean and orderly.

# Frigid Fans See Torrid Comeback

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praised too highly, pulled it down and headed for the east sidelines, going for 27 yards before being forced out of bounds.

After a line buck had failed, the Huskers cut Allen Zikmund loose on a reverse that carried the ball up to the 40. Considering the showing that preceded, it looked like a faint but useless rally on the part of the underdogs. The fans were cold and they were sure that the same was true of the Huskers. They were all wrong.

#### Thompson Provides Thrill.

With the ball on their own 40, they lined up again and this time the unexpected happened. Marvin Thompson, a defensive star at end, sneaked around behind quarterback Fred Metheny and took the ball on an end around play for nine yards. Vike Francis, showing an amazing comeback, drove through for a first down on the Iowa 47.

Vike took over and in two plays he had moved the ball 12 yards ahead. Zikmund got two, Metheny, three and Francis, nine, to put the ball on the 21, deep in the Hawk territory.

A fumble and a one yard loss in the line put the ball on the 25. Bradley dropped back to pass but decided differently when he saw an opening around his right end. He took off and finally ended up on the Iowa 4-yard line. In two plays, Francis drove it across and then added the extra point after the 98 yard drive of the Huskers had succeeded.

#### Six Points Difference.

The Huskers were within six points of the favored Iowans and there were 12 minutes gone out of the third period. The two touchdowns that the Hawkeyes had scored earlier seemed just as big after the Husker touch but they hadn't given up hope.

Iowa did all of the scoring that was done in the first half when after a concentrated drive had netted 77 yards and a touchdown in the second quarter.

#### Tom Farmer Shows Plenty.

Chief contributor to the drive was Tom Farmer, junior running star for the invaders. He did everything in the drive, plunging, blocking and passing. When the rush had stalled on the Husker 34 and it was last down, Farmer cocked his arm and let fire a pass that clicked to Al Coupe for 21 yards and a fire down on Nebraska's 13.

A three yard loss followed by a pass from Farmer to Wilford Burkett placed the ball on the 3 where Farmer carried it across. He missed on the kick that was destined to decide the game.

This was accomplished after 6½ minutes were gone from the second period, ending the scoring for the half.

#### Hawkeyes Do It Again.

With a determined look on their faces the Hawks came back on the field after the rest period. They kicked off with the wind again and held for downs, forcing Bradley to punt out on the Nebraska 45.

On the first play from scrimmage, Bill Green was trapped back on his own 44. Farmer then whipped a pass to Clarence Parker which was good to the Husker 41.

Farmer then passed for 18 yards to Coupe down to the 23.

#### Husker in Vain Attempt.

The fighting Huskers dug in and held for three downs and the fans sank back in relief. Their secure feeling was soon shattered as Farmer again dropped back to pass and he found waiting arms on the person of Bill Green who caught the ball and dove eight yards to score. This time Farmer converted and the cause seemed hopeless.

It was at this point that the Huskers took over. After they had scored the first touchdown, the Scarlet gridders traded off the possession of the ball several times with Iowa, finally coming up with it on their own 35-yard line and three minutes had passed in the fourth quarter.

#### Punt Is Blocked.

Bernard Mertes fumbled but recovered on his own 30 on the following play and the Hawkeyes decided to punt. Farmer dropped back and both lines poised for the punt. The punt failed, however, as Fred Preston, playing a stellar game at his end spot, hurtled all blockers to meet the ball as it had left Farmer's foot. The ball headed for the end zone with one Iowan and three Huskers in close pursuit.

Bill Green, the Iowan, could not get to it in time as Jack Hazen plopped on it in the end zone for the tying touchdown. Had Green fallen on it, however, it would have meant but two points for the Huskers instead of six. Again Vike Francis dropped back for the crucial point and again the ball sailed true and the score stood at 14-13. From here on nothing exciting happened and Nebraska ended up with the ball on its own 40-yard line.

#### Preston Leads Winners.

For a victorious Husker team, there were many stand-outs, Preston for his defensive work; Thompson for the same, Fred Meier and George Abel and Clarence Herndon, all three, were bad news for the Hawks. In the backfield, Vike Francis, in providing eight points, made himself popular once again with Nebraskans.

Dale Bradley, although his net yards gained was negative, turned in a stand-out game as did Zikmund and Metheny. After the game Bradley was slated to have an X-ray taken to determine whether or not there were any ribs broken after the bruising afternoon.

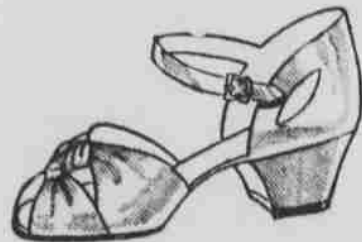
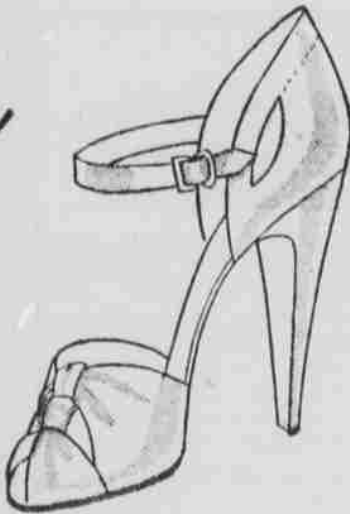
Well, the game is over and we won. It's a different feeling than usual but a good one and about everyone in the Huskerland have the same feeling that was voiced after the game by Head Mentor Biff Jones:

"It's a grand and glorious feeling to win a game like that, isn't it?" he asked. We agreed.

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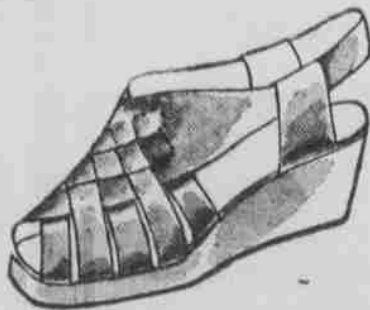
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