

Horse Sense

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(Sports Editor)



Missouri Versus Huskers?

Official notice from Missouri hasn't yet filtered into this cob-webbed desk, but we've received enough Lincoln support to take the idea of a spring grid meeting between Nebraska and the Tigers as "a natural."

"A grand idea," disclosed one professor this morning, "but how will the people get in from outstate?" His question could have been answered by a glance here Tuesday, but we'll once again answer it: Nebraska is not so large that its populace couldn't make it into this central city for a war-cause gridiron match. There are always trains and busses, besides a system of saving rationing coupons for a special occasion.

Every Cornhusker gridman we've spoken to on the subject can't quite become reconciled to toiling through the spring season without a fall goal. A meeting with the Tigers would supplant that fall goal with a springtime incentive. Husker football interest need not lack nor die. We have the answer in three words—"Nebraska versus Missouri!"

Student grid squad and coaching staff opinion all favor the movement. Let's get behind it!

Sports Editor Floyd Olds of the World-Herald finally forgets boxing and Creighton long enough to pound out several statements, directly referable to the performance of Lincoln rooters at the state prep basketball finale Saturday night.

"Rowdies who throw things always have been our idea of the most disgusting angle in competitive sports. We saw a sample at Lincoln Saturday night—a disgraceful display which actually kept the state championship basketball game from being completed.

"The trouble was caused by one individual—an habitual offender who never has grown out of the knee-pants state. He has done the same thing before many times. A few students followed him onto the floor, but the leader was a round little fellow (fat Wall) who has been out of school a dozen years.

We scolded Lincoln sportsmanship in the Lincoln Journal and Star only to receive these consolations: 1. Twenty-seven indignant letters from Lincoln supporters. 2. A group of Link fellows who wanted to "brain" us. We finally consoled these kids, but argument plus was required. These spoiled Lincoln high rooters must learn soon that their team can be behind without the "ref" cheating.

Feed box tip: Watch Bill Robinson, new Cornhusker grid prospect. Robinson hadn't decided Tuesday whether to move Joe Byler out of his tackle spot or let Fred Metheny sub for him at quarter. "I intend to skip rough contact drills," said Robinson, flicking the ashes from his schmeegie. "and like Jim Thorpe concentrate on shining when the chips are down."

Illustrating university women at war work is the successful all-university venture in Red Cross surgical dressing. Over 100 girls work at Red Cross headquarters every Saturday and to date have turned out an estimated 10,000 bandages. Saturday is set apart by the Red Cross as an all-university day.

Outdoor Track Coming



—Courtesy Journal.

Amid all the fuss about spring football, we forget that Nebraska intends to carry a full outdoor track schedule. Ed Weir's top pole-vaulter, Howard Debus, clears 13-feet here in a workout.

UN vs. Tigers?

Nice, Eh?



—Courtesy Lincoln Journal

We have no idea what this baby has to do with sports, but she looks lovely. Credit Sherman and Fishback with adding this delicacy to the grim sports sheet. Maybe she's a good sport.

Cleve Indians Plan to Spend Time at Purdue

... We'll Take Yanks

PURDUE UNIVERSITY, March 16.—Before the week is over the Fieldhouse will certainly have an appearance of spring as the Cleveland Indian baseball team gets down to the serious work of conditioning themselves for the coming 150-odd game season.

Lou Boudreau arrived here Friday to make the final arrangements for the squad which will arrive here some time tomorrow. Coaches Burt Shotten and Del Baker will bring a squad of 28 players, consisting of the batterymen who have signed the contracts as well as several infielders and outfielders, from Cleveland.

May Lose Mack.

Another problem appeared on the horizon last Friday for Boudreau to solve when Ray Mack, the Indians' stellar second baseman, was called to take the Army screening test. Should Mack successfully pass this test he will be slated for induction next month.

Mack, who has been in 3-A because of his wife and child, has planned to continue his work in the Cleveland war plant as a layout engineer while performing at second base with the Indians this summer.

Mack came to the Indians along with Boudreau as part of the sensational rookie keystone combination several seasons ago. Sports writers started talking about the combination when they were operating with the Syracuse Chiefs in the International league.

Henry Resigns Jayhawk Post

LAWRENCE, Kas., March 16.—Gwinn Henry resigned Monday as University of Kansas athletic director and head football coach, because, he said, of the uncertain status of college athletics and the critical financial condition of the athletic association.

Chancellor Deane W. Malott said the resignation was accepted. Henry's contract had a year longer to run.

Erstwhile Cornhusker basketball performer, Don Fitz, is now located at Fort Sill, Okla. The former All Big Six performer recently was promoted to captain.

Phog Allen, Kansas cage mentor, claims Hank Luisetti, former Stanford great, is the top court performer he has ever seen.

Lt. Lou Zamperini, former national collegiate mile champion from Southern California, was recently decorated for bravery. Lou flies with the army air corps.

Husker Grid Squad Favors Spring Game

BY HENRY FISHBACK.

Nebraska's Scarlet gridders sounded a unanimous "yes" to the prospective NU-Missouri spring football game question Tuesday as they scampered thru paces under west stadium.

Sentiment for the spring tilt was rapidly growing in the camp of the Huskers with all hands expressing enthusiasm.

Said Herb Van Goetz, veteran Husker guard, "It'll be a great deal if it goes thru," while Dick Thompson, Nebraska tailback declared: "I think it'll be a great help to spring parfcice and create a lot of enthusiasm."

Reichel Speaks.

"A lot of the returning squadmen haven't shown up for practice yet and we haven't enough men right now, but the big professional sounds ok," added Henry Reichel between his ball-touting activities. Freddie Metheny, Joe Partington and Bob Deveney gave their support behind the "Rag" bill. "We think it's a darn good idea and sure hope it goes thru."

On Coach Presnell's tentative No. 1 unit were Jack Hazen, Omaha, left end; Ed Nyden, Lincoln, left tackle; Herb von Goetz, North Platte, left guard; Joe Partington, Lincoln, center; Bob Deveney, So. Sioux City, right guard; Bob McNutt, Colby, Kas., right tackle; Vic Clark, Chappell, right end; Roy Long, Blair, quarterback; Fred Metheny, left halfback; Henry Reichel, right halfback, and Ki Eisenhart, fullback.

Nyden, who handled one of the wing assignments last season, will get a chance at tackle while Metheny was switched to the No. 2 ball toting job.

Comments on Article.

On team No. 2 were Hayes and Gelwick, ends; Al and Marvin Grubaugh, tackles; Hazard and Wilkins, guards; Smith, center; Thompson, Brestel, McKee and George Wright, backs.

A third tentative unit included Fox and Gillaspie, ends; Wilhelm and Skog, tackles; Croisant and Klain, guards; Kokjer, center; Ellison, Wilson, Munson and Kessler, backs.

Coed Rifle Team Holds Last Match Next Thursday

The university women's rifle team will complete its season's schedule with a postal match with the womens rifle team from the University of Michigan Thursday.

Shooting on the Nebraska team will be Pat Schaffer, Bernett Haydn, Leora Krohn, Joselyn Broadwell, Ruth Owen, Marilyn Mullin, Dorothy Olson, Rose Wood, and Suzanne Pope.

New Gridiron Aspect At IU

... Bo Plans

BLOOMINGTON, Ind., March 16. Spring football this year will have an entirely different aspect, Coach A. N. "Bo" McMillin said yesterday as he was planning for his spring football season which officially opens Monday.

Gone are the days of using spring football practice to shape up teams for the following fall. Now the primary objective of not only McMillin but football coaches all over the country is to prepare and shape up teams and men who will be "fighting in a greater battle."

At the conference of Big Ten coaches in Chicago last week, all the coaches were urged to get as many boys out for spring football training as possible to help the army make Americans the best soldiers in the world.

The need for such training is evidenced by the fact that six out of sixteen Indiana students who were going thru rigorous training to get into a certain branch of the service, didn't make it from the physical standpoint. Not one of the boys who were turned down were products of sport training.

Cornhusker Team Takes 6th Place

Husker riflemen won sixth in a meet last week. Minnesota university won first place in the inter-collegiate rifle competition sponsored by the Seventh service command, it was announced Monday. The Gophers scored 3,689 out of a possible 4,000.

Iowa university was second with 3,663 and Iowa State college third with 3,630. Nebraska university was sixth with 3,581.

Why Not Play Mizzou?



—Courtesy Journal.

Possibly discussing the question of a spring Missouri-Nebraska grid battle are Line Coach Elmer Holm, shortly before he left for a coast guard commission; John Selleck, UN athletic financial head, and Glen Presnell, head gridiron tutor.