

# HUSKER HIGHLIGHTS

By George Miller

Nebraska football followers may think they are seeing things when they take a look at the Scarlet gridders during spring practice periods.

Joe Partington, sterling center on last fall's team, and a threat for all-Big Six honors until a broken hand halted him late in the season, has moved into the ranks of the quarterbacks.

The Joe has not been active in backfield duties during any part of his collegiate career, he did uncork some fleet-footed tactics while playing for North Carolina Pre-Flight against Navy in 1945. During the contest Joe gobbled up a Navy fumble and zoomed to the touchdown which defeated the Middies.

To make up for Partington's shift, husky Tom Novak, a bruising fullback if there ever was one, has stepped up to the center ranks. Novak's vicious line backing ability will not be lost by the transfer, but it will be up to the Scarlet coaching staff to uncover another fullback powered by the same caliber of explosives as Novak seemed to possess.

A third link is included in the chain of changes, for Dale Adams, promising Randolph freshman halfback last fall, has been included in the fullback list. Adams



Courtesy of Lincoln Journal. **JIM MYERS**—One of the Nebraska halfbacks falling into the "speedy but short" classification. The York athlete was one of the best runners for the Huskers last fall.

started the 1946 season with the varsity, but was sent to the Nubbins for more seasoning. No players have shifted to halfback to replace Adams, but a couple of newcomers have captured the eye of observers.

Bill Mueller, trigger-quick starter who performed with the Corpus Christi service team last fall, has shown to advantage in early workouts, and Charlie Harrington, Auburn back who was among the nation's top ten pass receivers while playing at Washington & Lee last season, is another take-notice newcomer.

Still another transfer is the movement of Fran Mandula from the end prospects to the guard squad. Mandula figures to use his bulk to better advantage at a guard berth.

Whether or not the changes will be permanent is another thing. Partington will have to develop into a passer to handle the T formation quarterback slot with top efficiency. Novak's absence from the fullback ranks means that someone else will have to step forward as a line crasher.

Still another problem is Adams' absence from the halfback position where his height could be used with good effect.

Nebraska halfbacks last fall were notable for their lack of height when it came to pass defense. Dick Hutton, Bill Mooney, Jim Myers and Cletus Fischer were not able to outleap the opposition's bigger ends and backs for passes, and Adams' 6 feet 1 inch stature would come in mighty handy.

All of the foregoing transfers are to be expected during spring workouts, for coaches have enough time to experiment with the players, and the changes may not be permanent. The shifts are appreciated tho, for they furnish fresh news from what usually is an essential but hardly sensational part of building a football team.



Courtesy Lincoln Journal

**HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMP**—Mike DiBiase became the first Nebraska Big Six wrestling champion bringing home the conference heavyweight crown from the loop grappling meet at Ames, Iowa, late this month. DiBiase lost only one bout this season, a close pionship in the heavyweight division in the NCAA meet at Illinois late this month. DiBiase lost only one bout this season, a close decision to Verne Gagne of Minneapolis, and drew with the Cornell College heavyweight.

## Nineteen Clubs Compete in IM Water Polo

Nineteen teams have entered the University of Nebraska water polo competition which began Monday, March 17. The teams are divided into three leagues, with the contests continuing through April 21.

**Final Playoffs.** The final playoffs for the first six places will be determined by an elimination tournament of the first and second place teams in each league at the end of the season.

**League number one includes Phi Delta Theta, Alpha Tau Omega, Sigma Alpha Mu, Delta Upsilon, Phi Kappa Psi, Theta Xi, and Sigma Phi Epsilon.**

The teams composing league two are Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Beta Theta Pi, Zeta Beta Tau, Farm House, Kappa Sigma, and Tau Kappa Epsilon. Sigma Chi, Sigma Nu, Phi Gamma Delta, Alpha Gamma Rho, Delta Tau Delta, and P. E. Club are the teams of league three. The schedule:

- Thursday, March 20.
  - 5:30 Sigma Alpha Epsilon vs. Zeta Beta Tau
  - 5:18 Phi Delta Theta vs. Sigma Alpha Mu
  - 5:25 Beta Theta Pi vs. Farm House
- Monday, March 24.
  - 5:30 Kappa Sigma vs. Tau Kappa Epsilon
  - 5:18 Sigma Alpha Epsilon vs. Beta Theta Pi
  - 5:25 Alpha Tau Omega vs. Sigma Phi Epsilon
- Tuesday, March 25.
  - 5:30 Delta Upsilon vs. Phi Kappa Psi
  - 5:18 Theta Xi vs. Sigma Alpha Mu
  - 5:25 Sigma Chi vs. Alpha Gamma Rho
- Wednesday, March 26.
  - 5:30 Sigma Nu vs. P. E. Club
  - 5:18 Delta Tau Delta vs. Phi Gamma Delta
  - 5:25 Phi Delta Theta vs. Sigma Phi Epsilon
- Thursday, March 27.
  - 5:30 Zeta Beta Tau vs. Tau Kappa Epsilon
  - 5:18 Kappa Sigma vs. Farm House
  - 5:25 Alpha Tau Omega vs. Phi Kappa Psi
- Friday, March 28.
  - 5:30 Delta Upsilon vs. Theta Xi
  - 5:18 Sigma Chi vs. Delta Tau Delta
  - 5:25 Sigma Nu vs. Alpha Gamma Rho
- Monday, March 31.
  - 5:30 Phi Gamma Delta vs. P. E. Club
  - 5:18 Sigma Alpha Epsilon vs. Kappa Sigma
  - 5:25 Zeta Beta Tau vs. Beta Theta Pi
- Tuesday, April 1.
  - 5:30 Sigma Alpha Mu vs. Sigma Phi Epsilon
  - 5:18 Farm House vs. Tau Kappa Epsilon
  - 5:25 Phi Kappa Psi vs. Phi Delta Theta
- Wednesday April 2.
  - 5:30 Alpha Tau Omega vs. Theta Xi
  - 5:18 Sigma Chi vs. Phi Gamma Delta
  - 5:25 Sigma Nu vs. Delta Tau Delta
- Thursday, April 3.
  - 5:30 Alpha Gamma Rho vs. P. E. Club
  - 5:18 Kappa Sigma vs. Farm House
  - 5:25 Beta Theta Pi vs. Tau Kappa Epsilon
- Monday, April 14.
  - 5:30 Delta Upsilon vs. Sigma Alpha Mu
  - 5:18 Phi Kappa Psi vs. Sigma Phi Epsilon
  - 5:25 Alpha Tau Omega vs. Phi Delta Theta
- Tuesday, April 15.
  - 5:30 Sigma Chi vs. P. E. Club
  - 5:18 Sigma Nu vs. Phi Gamma Delta
  - 5:25 Alpha Gamma Rho vs. Delta Tau

## Scarlet Swim Team to Bid At KC Event

Coach Hollie Lepley will take an eight-man swimming team to the second annual Kansas City Invitational Swimming meet on March 22 and 23. The meet is sponsored by the Kansas City Athletic club. Marvin Grimm, Jack Campbell, Perry Branch, Dick Draper, Roger Moore, Don Meyers, Conrad King, and Bill Burr will be the Husker representatives.

### Relay Teams

Three relay teams will be entered by the Nebraska mentor, two 300-yard medley trios and one 400-yard free style quartet. Grimm, Campbell, Branch, and Draper are the free style relay men. Composing one of the medley teams will be Meyers, backstroke, King, breaststroke, and Draper, freestyle. Campbell, backstroke, Burr, breaststroke, and Branch, free style are the members of the other medley entry.

Marvin Grimm, Big Six 100-yard and 60-yard free style king, will carry the Husker colors in the 100 and 220 yard free style events. Roger Moore is the Nebraska entry in the three meter diving event. In addition to competing in the relay events, Meyers and Campbell will swim the 100 yard backstroke, King and Burr will compete in the 100-yard breaststroke event, and Branch will swim the 100-yard free style.

- Delta
  - Wednesday, April 16.
    - 5:30 Theta Xi vs. Sigma Phi Epsilon
    - 5:18 Sigma Alpha Epsilon vs. Tau Kappa Epsilon
  - 5:25 Zeta Beta Tau vs. Farm House
- Thursday, April 17.
  - 5:30 Phi Kappa Psi vs. Sigma Alpha Mu
  - 5:18 Delta Upsilon vs. Phi Delta Theta
  - 5:25 Beta Theta Pi vs. Kappa Sigma
- Friday, April 18.
  - 5:30 Alpha Tau Omega vs. Sigma Alpha Mu
  - 5:18 Sigma Phi Epsilon vs. Delta Upsilon
  - 5:25 Theta Xi vs. Phi Delta Theta
- Monday, April 21.
  - Playoffs for final places.

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## Sauer Sees Stiff Grid Campaign If Cold Persists

LAWRENCE, Kas.—"If the conference football race is as tough as this spring practice weather, next season sure will be a rough one."

The speaker was George Sauer, pilot of last year's co-champion Kansas football club who gave the school its best grid season in 35 years. The big coach meant every word of it too as he looked out his office window on the second floor of Robinson gym at another mid-March snow flurry.

"It's the worst I've ever seen," Sauer continued. "We had to postpone the opening of spring practice a week and then when we do get started we're held up further by snow and rain."

So far spring practice in the Jayhawk camp has been limited almost entirely to viewing movies, exchanging diagrams and planning experiments in personnel. The Jays have put together only four hours on the field since their scheduled start March 3. Even

**Playoff Postponed**  
The intramural basketball championship, to be decided between the Phi Gamma Delta team and Hufnagle Field has been postponed until next week. No definite date has been set for the contest between the intramural champs and the independent title holders.

after Sauer shuffled his get-away late officially to March 11, he couldn't get the squad out for more than six days.

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