



## Major College Grid Teams Swing Into Action This Week

Fans all over the country will be cheering their favorite football teams Saturday when the national collegiate gridiron season gets into full swing.

A few teams opened last week-end but the majority of them will begin play Saturday and a few Friday.

Defending champion Oklahoma, rated second in the nation by Francis Wallace in Collier's annual football review, begins Big Seven action Friday night at Boston College. Wallace predicts Oklahoma to be undefeated this year and breeze to a repeat performance as conference champions.

Nebraska, reportedly the fourth in team strength in the Big Seven, will entertain the Coyotes from South Dakota in the Huskers annual inaugural at Lincoln. It will be the first chance for Nebraskans to view their favorites under Coach Bill Glassford's tutelage.

Kansas and Colorado will tangle in the only loop contest of the day. The Buffaloes play host to the Jayhawkers at Boulder. Last year Kansas whipped the Buffs, 40-7, at Lawrence.

Other Big Seven games are Iowa State at Illinois, Fort Hayes at Kansas State, and Missouri at Ohio State. Both the Wildcats and Tigers will be underdogs in their matches with Big Ten foes but both are looking for an upset.

Notre Dame, picked by Wallace to top the nation this year, play-host to Indiana in one of the big games of the day. The entire nation will be watching for signs of weakness in the Irish machine which has ruled the nation's football scene for three years. The Irish smothered Indiana last year, 42-6.

Iowa and Minnesota, a power house this year, entertain foes from the Pacific conference. UCLA and Washington will travel to Big Ten country for games with the Hawkeyes and Gophers.

Probably the top game in the Big Ten will be the intrastate tilt slated to win the Western Conference title again this year but can expect a stiff test from the neighbor Spartans.

In the East, Army and Cornell are the teams to beat. The Cadets with Arnold Galiffa don't compare with the Davis and Blanchard days but will be tough. Their first game is a breather with Davidson. Cornell will also have easy going Saturday when they meet small Niagara.

The spotlight in the South will be focused on Tulane and North Carolina. These two one-man-teams should be the best below the Mason Dixon line. Led by Fullback Eddie Price, Tulane opens with Alabama. Tulane won last year's game, 21-14.

Highly touted Southern California picked a tough one for their opener. They meet Coach George Sauer's Middies from the Naval Academy. Navy surprised the nation last year when they held potent Army to a standstill.

## KS Negro First To Play in Big 7

A Kansas State Negro boy, slated for first string center position on this year's Wildcat team, may soon have a chance to equal in Big Seven football what another Robinson has done for major league baseball.

Harold Robinson, no relation to Jackie Robinson, the Brooklyn Dodgers' great second baseman, will be the first of his race to play in the Big Seven conference. Just as Jackie Robinson was the first Negro in the National League.

Wildcat Coach Ralph Graham said that Robinson would definitely play, since there is no ruling against the use of Negro players, and the representatives did not pass one.

This seems to stem out of the fact that the University of Nebraska's Student Council started the ball rolling in this direction a year ago. Our student government strongly favored the formation of a new conference, excluding those member schools which did not okay the participation of Negroes in Big Seven play. A unanimous approval from the other six schools later was received, although it raised a controversy in two of the conference's southern representatives.

Graham described Robinson as good on both offensive and defensive play, with an edge to the latter. "He's plenty fast for his size," said Graham, "and one of the best line backers we've had for some time. If he continues to show the improvement he has, there is no doubt he'll play a lot of ball this year."

## Cards, Yanks Hold Narrow Margins

With less than two weeks to play the major league pennant races are still very much in doubt.

Most attention is focused on the St. Louis-Brooklyn tussle in the National League.

The two teams stood only 1½ games apart going into their "vital" three-game series in St. Louis Wednesday. In a day-night double-header Wednesday they split, the Redbirds taking the thrilling opener 1-0, and Brooklyn coming back in the second for a 5-0 win behind the two-hit pitching of Preacher Roe.

In the American League, the Yankees have been in first place since opening day, and two weeks ago appeared to be a shoo-in for the title.

However, the injury jinx which has plagued Casey Stengel's men all season dealt them a crushing blow. In a short period of time the "big 3" sluggers in the Yankee machine were cut down.

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## Seven, Nine Man Leagues Set for Intramural Football

The 1949-50 Intramural Program began shaping up after a second meeting of the IM managers Wednesday night and some definite decisions being made.

First, was the consideration of volley-ball for this year. With 20 of the 26 fraternities represented, the vote was 16 in favor of the sport, which was more than enough to insure the fraternities of the winter game. The Inter-denominationalists also cast a vote yes for volley-ball.

The sport will be played between football and basketball and Charlie Miller IM director, said that he would try to arrange schedules so as to leave some time for practicing basketball. The overlapping of volley-ball and the practice time for the cage sport was the main objection.

Also discussed thoroughly, was the question of seven or nine-man football with the settlement finally being resolved to this: There will be two games of touch-football this year—a nine-man game and a seven-man game and a trophy awarded to the champion of each. Fraternities have the option as to which type of the grid-sport they wish to play. Seven-man football will be played as close to the rules of six-man football as possible, while the nine-game will possibly have some rule changes, subject to the approval of the participating teams.

The Inter-denominationalists will submit their preference with their entries and the majority will rule. Independents will play the seven-man game this year to insure getting most of each team to each game.

Deadline for entries in touch-football is 5 p. m. Friday, the 23rd. Fraternities should state which type of the sport they are entering, and the Inter-denoms should state their preference. No entries will be allowed after the deadline and play will begin on Monday or Tuesday.

Hollie Lepley, associate director of intramurals announced the fall golf play, first of this year's sports. The play will be on two Sundays, Sept. 25 and Oct. 2. As many men from each team that wishes may enter with a minimum of four needed for a team victory. The scores of the four low men of each team will determine the team score, with both Sunday's totals being added for the final total.

Each man will play 18 holes each Sunday. Tee-off period is between 7:30 and 9:30 a. m. The place is the Pioneer Park Golf Course and report to Mr. Lepley on arrival. A cup will be awarded the winning team in each group and a medal will be awarded to the individual winner.

## Frosh Footballers Now Number 111

Freshmen Coach H. H. Ike Hanscom now has 111 men out for frosh football, 46 reported for action after school started.

Tackle John Benda, Millboro, S. D., is the only man among the additions that weigh 200 pounds.

Hanscom and his aides, Ray Prochaska, Mike Miller, Phil Young, and Frank Collopy, have been working with the frosh team, reportedly one of the best in history, for two weeks. Their first action under real game conditions was Saturday when they dropped a 40-0 decision to the Cornhusker varsity.

These additional men will give the coaches a large field to pick from when the frosh tangle with freshmen of other conference schools.

Name, position, height, weight, respectively:

- Larry Anderson, Grand Island, center, 6-2, 170.
- Jerry Anderson, Grand Island, end, 6-2, 172.
- Robert Baer, David City, guard, 6-0, 162.
- Dean Brittenham, Brady, end, 6-2, 168.
- John Benda, Millboro, S. D., tackle, 6-4, 200.
- Dick Crabtree, Hastings, quarterback, 5-8½, 155.
- Steve Carvelth, Lincoln, halfback, 5-10, 168.
- Orville Diera, West Point, fullback, 5-10, 213.
- Dan Dwiggin, Gibbon, halfback, 6-0, 175.
- Orland Eitzmann, Byron, halfback, 5-10, 157.
- Lloyd Fader, Albion, guard, 5-7, 70.
- Stan Gerlach, Lincoln, quarterback, 5-9, 160.
- Bill Hodder, Lincoln, end, 6-1, 175.
- Don Hopkins, Omaha, guard, 5-8, 180.
- Don Hanson, Elsie, guard, 6-0, 183.
- Gilbert Karges, Albion, fullback, 5-7, 170.
- Robert Kraft, Gary, Ind., fullback, 5-10½, 170.
- Charles Lawson, Genoa, halfback, 5-7, 155.
- Tommy Ledingham, Mitchell, quarterback, 5-11, 145.
- Conrad Lundgaard, Cherokee, Ia., 5-7, 175.
- Alan Lamb, Wood Lake, guard, 5-9½, 182.
- Norman Mantz, David City, fullback, 5-9, 185.
- Steve Mehuron, Lincoln, halfback, 5-11½, 150.
- Ralph Maskell, Emerson, quarterback, 5-11, 155.
- Leon Massey, Grand Island, end, 6-2, 173.
- John Mathews, Aurora, tackle, 6-2, 173.
- James Micek, Columbus, halfback, 5-9, 166.
- John Moran, Binghamton, N. Y., quarterback, 5-10, 155.
- Darrel Maab, Wood River, halfback, 5-8, 160.
- LaVerne Neumann, Ashland, end, 6-1½, 190.
- Bob Norton, Lincoln, quarterback, 5-9, 173.
- Clark Nobie, Omaha, halfback, 5-7½, 167.
- Arnold Ostlick, Lawrence, end, 6-0, 184.
- George Paynich, Des Plaines, Ill., end, 6-2, 185.
- Carl Peterson, Tyler, Minn., halfback, 5-11, 179.
- James Pettijohn, Jr., Oregon, Mo., end, 5-11, 185.
- Richard Rice, Neligh, halfback-guard, 5-11, 157.
- Norman Schneider, Chicago, halfback, 5-7, 155.
- John Scott, Ashland, guard, 5-10, 176.
- Jim Sommers, Lincoln, halfback, 5-9½, 158.
- Connie Sterkel, Lincoln, halfback, 5-5½, 143.
- Don Thackrey, Valentine, halfback, 5-10, 165.
- Carter Vogles, Lisco, end, 6-0, 180.
- Edwin Wallick, Albion, halfback, 5-10½, 176.
- Bob Wehrman, Lawrence, guard, 5-10, 150.
- Tony Winey, Shelton, halfback, 5-11, 170.

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