

Weir To Build Husker Track Team Around Ten Lettermen

By RON GIBSON
Nebraska's 1952 track team will be built around ten lettermen, as track coach Ed Weir will steal a page from Bill Glassford's book by using mostly freshmen and sophomores.

The track team, as well as the football team, was injured by graduation. The Husker thin-

the slack will be taken up in the distance by Lee Moore, 1950 letterman, who has been able to turn a 4:20 mile. In the shot and discus, Paul Grimm will be supported by Ted Connor, Cliff Dale, and Bill Giles. The last three men have been playing football for the Scarlet this fall.

In the broad jump, Hopy

Hendrickson was state medalist for two years in the 100 and 220-yard dashes.

In the hurdle field, Gaylord Smith and Hopy McCue will back lettermen Dan Toolman and Don Bedker.

The quarter-mile corps will have Charles Hunley, 1950 state high school 440 gold medal win-



TED CONNOR



DAN TOLMAN



BOB BARCHUS

clads also lost five men to the service.

Coach Weir will have lettermen returning in seven events. Bob Barchus is the only sprinter returning. In the 440, Billy Hein will be back, and Bob Schnackel and Gene Yelken will again run the 880. Hurdlers Don Beaker and Dan Tolman are returning letter winners. Bob Kruger, a two-miler, is the only distance runner who will be back.

In the field events, the Huskers boast only three lettermen, Paul Grimm in the weights and broad-jumpers, Glenn Beerline and Irv Thode.

Coach Weir commented that the thinclads will have some of the same weaknesses as last year's team. The distance run and weight events in particular lack depth. Weir hopes part of

McCue is the outstanding freshman prospect. McCue, who was a one-man track team for Arapahoe L. H. high school days, has decided to specialize in the broad jump and the hurdles.

Nebraska is starting all over in the pole vault. After losing such men as Don Cooper, Leonard Kehl, and Don Coupens, Weir will rely on Bob Seldon of Lincoln high, Jim Hoffstedder of Kearney, and Jerry Barton.

There are several top freshman and sophomore prospects in the track events. Some of Nebraska's top high school track stars are out for the team.

In the sprints, Brien Hendrickson from Lincoln High and Bob Fairchild from Omaha Central are the best looking newcomers, along with Gaylord Smith, of Phoenix, Arizona.

ner, Jim Hurley, Bob Fairchild and Brien Hendrickson. Hunley suffered a pulled muscle last year, and has been ill for a time this year, but is expected to be one of the top candidates. Hunley's time in the 440 in high school was 50.5 seconds.

Top prospects in the half mile is Don Cooper, who is no relation to the Huskers' well-known pole vaulter of last year. Cooper will run with Gene Yelken, Dale Schnackel, and Les Moore. Two other men who have ability to win a spot in the 880 are Earl Long and Bill Callahan.

Weir hopes to find more prospects in school as the year goes along. The NU track coach said he believes there are boys in school who are potential letter winners if they would report for track.

The Benchwarmer

By BOB BANKS
Sports Editor

The Nebraska football situation seems to be going from bad to worse.

Don Vogt quit school, the draft nabbed Nick Adduci and Tom Carodine was booted from the squad for failure to attend classes. The Husker record shows three defeats and one tie, and that tie was with Kansas State, generally considered the weak sister of the Big Seven.

After the Penn State game, it appeared that Bill Glassford's squad was in for better times. But the shellacking it suffered Saturday erased any optimism.

At Minneapolis the team lapsed back into its chronic ailment of a bad pass defense, sloppy blocking and a leaky defense. In other words, it is still lacking the basic fundamentals of football.

Prior to the game, I heard several comments to the effect that Bobby Reynolds was the only person needed to set the Husker potential afire. Such is not the case at all, as was proven Saturday. Great back that he is, even Reynolds needs a few blocks before he can be sprung loose. Until the blocks are present, Nebraska will continue to lose games.

Perhaps a lack of spirit on both the part of fans and players alike is as important as anything else. For instance, the Carodine case shows a non-committal attitude toward the team. Carodine was publicized as a ball-of-fire when he transferred from Loyola College of California. Perhaps his previous press clippings were deserved, but Carodine certainly did nothing at the University to indicate he is a future All-American. Despite the fact that he was repeatedly warned, Carodine did not even care enough about Nebraska to attend classes and try to stay on the clean side of the scholastic ledger.

Furthermore, the general spirit on the part of Cornhusker fans seems to be on the decline. A dip was to be anticipated, but one could hardly expect them to lose all faith.

Ultimately a serious situation could develop because of a losing football team. Nebraska has long been known as predominately being a football state. If such a situation does develop, it will be merely another sign of overemphasis on college athletics.

And I will predict right now that the alumni association will be at the roots of such a development. Chancellor Gustavson outlined some of the points which caused the greatest accent on college sports. In doing so, however, he failed to mention some of the powerful alum organizations that exist over the nation. If anything, they are more to blame for the present situation than are some of the other points outlined by the Chancellor. The main question seems to be how to stop the alumni. It seems to me that a strong, unified student body should be more powerful than are our concern than it is our predecessors.

Alumni associations have ruled intercollegiate athletics long enough. Ample proof of this is evident. Look at the Stanford organization which brings in the players and the coaches as it sees fit. A prominent West Coast lawyer is the dominant—or domineering—factor in that group.

Such a situation can be avoided by making an alumni association stay in its own place and tend to its own business. And a strong student body can be the major force in exercising that type of pressure.

WSS HELPED THEM . . . Students at the University of Salanika mimeograph text books to help meet the need for printed material. The All-University Fund gave \$2,000 to the World Student Service Fund last year to help support these Grecian students.

Brown Up; Korinek, Rankin To B Team

Dan Brown, freshman quarterback for the Husker B team, was moved up to the Varsity squad Monday in an effort to strengthen the defensive backfield.

To make room for this advancement, Dennis Korinek and Duane Rankin went back to the Nubbins, Coach Bill Glassford stated in a press conference Monday.

George Cifra, defensive line-backer, was learning fullback duties and is expected to spell Ray Novak on offense. Bob Smith, who was earlier groomed for Cifra's new job, will stick strictly to left halfback behind Bobby Reynolds.

John Bordogna ran at right half and also as a quarterback replacement for Don Norris.

The mentor also said that he wasn't sure that halfback Reynolds would start against Minne-

sota until Saturday morning when Dr. Frank Stone examined the shoulder.

The line situation was bolstered with the return of Ends George Faynich and Dennis Emanuel. Jerry Milanek and Bill Giles, who received minor injuries against Minnesota, rested Monday in the health center, but were expected to be ready for Missouri this coming Saturday.

Ted James, who received a severe concussion, returned to Lincoln Monday. His availability is not known, but is very doubtful. The varsity put on pads Monday night, but did little contact work. Most of the time was spent on passing and pass defense.

The rest of the week will be spent on tackling and blocking patterns with the line doing the only heavy contact work.

Football Fix Imminent, Declares Noted Expert

News that the fix is on in collegiate football "can't help making the headlines very soon," asserts Stanley Woodward, noted grid authority, in the issue of Look magazine out Tuesday, October 23.

He states that George L. Cross, president of the University of Oklahoma, predicts the scandal "will erupt from a New Year's Day bowl game."

Most major sports fixes in the past have resulted from heavy betting. Woodward points out, and "betting on college football games easily tops \$150,000,000 a year." His estimate comes from the office of Frank Hogan, the New York district attorney who unearthed the basketball crooks.

It is not difficult—physically or morally—to reach football stars these days. "Most high powered fumble foundries spend little time screening their recruits for character," Woodward says.

Many athletic directors "provide a dangerous example" to boys who are not too smart and are easily led. They teach boys that it's all right to cut corners and rig points while winning. And they pay off their players.

The Big Ten, "that most sacrosanct of conferences, . . . fairly revels in under-the-table payments," Woodward charges.

The South, he says, "has always subsidized spectacularly."

The Florida and Kentucky football teams "derive help from neighboring race tracks. . . . Soft-drink millions backed Georgia's program" which secured Frank Sinkwich of Ohio and Charlie Trippi from Pennsylvania.

In many schools, if a boy is a good football player, he is able to stay scholastically eligible through blatant irregularities.

These violations know no geographical limits. At Illinois in 1946, Illinois' quarterback Perry Moss completed three 8-week courses during a 30-day service furlough. Southern schools fight bitterly for players. On the Pacific Coast, recruiting has flourished.

"The whole picture" Woodward states in Look, "tends to condition a weak boy or a dumb boy or an immoral boy for the proposition of the fixer."

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Pre-Season Grid Predictions Look Just A Little Bit Silly At Half-Way

How do the predictions of the so-called football experts stack up now that the race is half over?

If you remember correctly, the race was sized up with Oklahoma on top as usual. But in second place were Nebraska's Cornhuskers, who turned out to be vastly overrated. It just goes to show that sometimes the men who ought to know can't tell ahead of time.

Nebraska's supposedly potent offense didn't materialize. Nor did its improved defense.

What was the pre-season dope? Here is what the men with the crystal balls had to say before the season opened.

Oklahoma's defending champions were voted into the throne room for the sixth consecutive time by the experts, gleaming only 91 1/2 points. Nebraska was handed second at 144. Missouri and Colorado were forecast in a tight scrap for fourth with 310 1/2 and 321 respectively. Iowa State polled 437 votes, Kansas State 481.

The Sooners cornered 76 per cent of the title votes by being tabbed for first place 54 times. Nebraska polled 17, Kansas and Missouri one each.

By accurately predicting an Oklahoma championship last year, the scribes and spellers ballooned their champ-picking average to 80 per cent, having correctly called the Redshirts for the 1949 flag and Kansas for the 1947 pennant. The Jayhawks finished in a tie with OU when the two clubs played a 13-13 deadlock at Norman.

The clairvoyants are batting only 40 per cent on Kansas, however, having gauged the Mt. Oreadans accurately only in '47 and '48. They were voted fourth place in 1946 and finished in a first place tie with OU. They were chosen third in '49 and slid to fifth. They drew another

"show" ballot last year and finished fourth.

Nick Lambert of the Des Moines Register staff contributed the lone Jayhawker title ballot, admitting he was selecting Kansas "on a hunch."

Bob Donaldson, sports editor of the Wichita Beacon, called what easily could be a prophetic turn when he typed "Kansas could be a threat if Jerry Bogue is in condition to play."

But the OU tidal wave rolled in like this . . . Jack Carberry, Den-

ver Post . . . "OU is better than last year."

Tom Constable, Oklahoma City Daily Oklahoman . . . "a brilliant crop of freshmen plus Billy Vessels practically makes the Sooners unbeatable in conference play."

Pete Barkley, Dodge City Globe "hard to imagine anyone beating Sooners this year."

Frank Boggs, Topeka Daily Capital . . . "the Sooners going through unbeaten again."

In Nebraska's corner were such prominent figures as Floyd Olds, sports editor of the Omaha World-Herald, and E. A. Bridgewater, veteran of the Tulsa World. Said Olds . . . "better support for Reynolds, including stronger defensive unit, gives Huskers chance for first title since 1940."

Bridgewater opined simply "too much Nebraska offense."

One hardy soul, Don Hoover of Station KIUP, Durango, Colo., not only picked Nebraska for the title but dropped the Sooners all the way to fourth place.

Overall trends were cited in this manner: Jack Germond, Jefferson City News-Tribune "entire conference sounds weaker this season, although possibly better balanced."

Tony Williams, Station KCMO, Kansas City, Mo. "the Nebraska-Oklahoma and Kansas-Oklahoma games are key" to the race.

Battery Takes IM Golf Title

Chick Battery, Phi Delta Theta, smothered Jack Rea, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, won over Charlie Epsilon, won over Charlie Epsilon, won over Charlie Epsilon.

Bob Kubichek, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, won over, Charlie Epsilon, won over, Charlie Epsilon, won over.

Doug Wilcox, Kappa Sigma, won the upper class crown in the fifth flight. Duane Wamsley, Phi Gamma Delta, will meet Downey in the lower bracket.

In the fourth flight, Al Cramer, Sig Alpha, captured the lower bracket championship, while Charlie Haupt, Phi Delta Theta, will meet Pat Madden, Phi Gamma Delta, for the championship.

Hal Mardis, Delta Tau Delta, dumped Bruce Evans, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, for the third flight championship. Jim Snyder, Sig Alpha, won the lower bracket title.

All-University Rifle Contest Is Underway

The All-University rifle shoot got underway Monday, and it will continue through Friday, February 22, 1952.

One hundred thirty-six men representing fraternities, co-ops, military organizations, and independents will compete. Matches will take place every week night from 5:10 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the rifle range located in the Military and Naval Science building.

Shooting will be from three positions: prone, sitting, and kneeling or standing. In case of a tie, the high total of the scores in the standing position will determine the winner.

Entrants may practice from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday and 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

A trophy will be presented to the All-University champion, and medals will be given to the Champion independent team.

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THE SEA HORSE

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