

Cornhusker End Situation 'Critical'

Paynich Out For Season; Few Ends Left On Squad

The Lineup

NU Loses Key Athletes

Charlie Klasek

It is interesting to note that a number of key Husker athletes have deserted the University for greener pastures. Coach Harry Good has especially been hit by the departing men.

Clarence Cook, substitute varsity center on last year's squad, has enrolled at Doane College this year. The Kearney State Teachers College cage squad has gained a new guard in the person of Bud Extrum, who also saw varsity service last year.

The Nebraska track squad lost a letterman when Hoppy McCue decided to leave the University and enroll at Hastings College in order to participate in more than one sport.

Conspicuous by their absence are three Cornhusker gridders—all lettermen. Bill Giles, Cliff Dale, and Tony Winey have all given up the sport this year.

Kansas Jayhawk football will be heard and viewed nationally this Saturday when they meet Texas Christian University at Lawrence. NBC is telecasting the Kansas-TCU struggle on 63 stations from coast to coast. It will mark the Jayhawks' first grid appearance on live TV.

The vanguard of a 20-man TV crew from NBC arrived in Lawrence Monday to begin construction of two extra booths to house the operation.

Mel Allen, noted Yankee baseball announcer, will make the game for the TV broadcast. Herman Hickman, who recently left his post as Yale football coach for a career in TV, will headline the post-game roundup from New York.

An interesting story has come out of Iowa State. According to Cyclone publicists, Jim Champlin, junior guard, has learned a lot of football in the last 14 years and today can tell you most of the rules.

But it hasn't always been that way. Not when he was six anyway. Young Jim had just listened to the radio broadcast of a football game and turned to his dad and said:

"Dad, what do 'fowels' have to do with football? Our teacher told us the 'fowels' were a, e, i, o, and u!"

If the nation is following the same pattern as that of the Big Seven conference, then the two-platoon system in football is on its way out. First to scrap the two-team play were the Cornhuskers, who found they had good men who were able to go the route both ways.

Kansas State is leaving the platoon system in favor of the "quarter" system. The abandonment of the two-platoon system will return real football to the campuses of the U. S. and it will be a boon to sportswriters, sportscasters, and fans.

Vocations Vary For Grid Squad

By TOM BECKER Sports Staff Writer

It's a long, long time from May to September.

And on Sept. 1 many Husker athletes returned from summer work and vacations.

End George Prochaska attended ROTC summer camp and spent the remainder of the time working on his father's farm near Ulysses. Bob Smith, Grand Island halfback, worked for the Union Pacific and playing city league baseball. Dan Brown, Sophomore quarterback, played baseball in his home town of Sioux Falls, S. D., while John Bordogna, also a signal caller, worked as a painter in Turtle Creek, Pennsylvania. Dennis Emmanuel, All-Conference end, worked with the University of Nebraska anthropology camp near Alma, Neb.

Ray Novak, fullback from Omaha, played baseball and served as groundskeeper for Lexington in the Nebraska Independent League. Novak was one of the loop's leading sluggers.

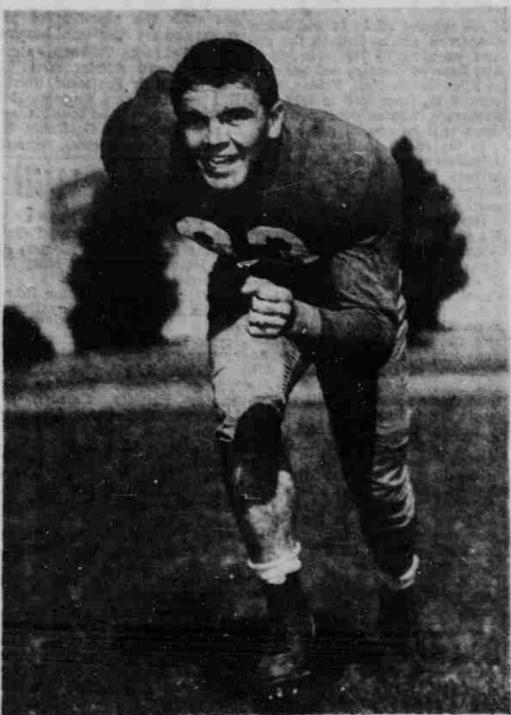
Bob Reynolds played baseball for Holdrege in the same circuit, attended ROTC camp at Wichita Falls, Tex., and attended the Tam O'Shanter golf tournament in Chicago along with former Grand Island teammate Bob Bachman. Tackle Jerry Minnick of Cambridge worked as a lineman for the REA.

Don Boll, tackle from Scribner, attended ROTC camp at Fort Benning, Ga. Ken Osborn, guard from Answorth, worked with a blue grass company in the sand hills. End Bill Schabacker of Minden worked as a section hand and played baseball for his home town. Carl Erasse, Omaha guard and tackle Ed Husman were in summer ROTC camp.

Max Kennedy, halfback from Beatrice, is serving as a counselor in a boys camp near Rhineland, Wisconsin. Denny Korinek, halfback from Ulysses, played baseball with David City and worked for Hughes Brothers at Seward. Kay Curtis, guard from Laurel, worked on the state highways and now weighs in at 220 pounds.

Verl Scott, center from Mitchell, also attended Fort Benning, Ga., for ROTC camp.

Jim Cederdahl, Lincoln halfback, worked for a construction company and played baseball for Stromsburg. George Paynich, end, returned from Washington where he worked for the United States Foreign Service. Emil Radik, halfback from Omaha, worked in



HUSKER WORKHORSE . . . John Machisic, 190-pound junior guard from Turtle Creek, Penn., has been a big factor in the outlook of the guard situation for Coach Bill Glassford's Cornhuskers. (Daily Nebraskan Photo.)

The Other Six

Kansas . . .

Per usual University of Kansas publicists are bemoaning the unexpected loss of a key player in the Jayhawk starting eleven.

Bud Laughlin, ace Kansas fullback, was ordered to report for induction by Uncle Sam.

However, the Kansas coaching staff has not been caught napping. They have no less than four top-flight fullbacks ready to fill Laughlin's shoes.

The task of replacing Laughlin is going to take some doing even for an experienced performer. The departed Kansas City 200 pounder boomed into wide prominence last season on feats like these: (1) Gained more yards in a single season than any fullback in KU history with 642; (2) Trilled only Buck McPhail, of Oklahoma; Bob Brandeberry, his own backfield stablemate; and the Sooner's Buddy Leake, in the Big Seven ground-gaining derby; (3) shared the conference individual scoring championship with Leake at 78 points; (4) Leaped to 7th place among KU's all-time ground-gainers with 937 net yards over a two-year period.

Number one in line for Laughlin's spot is Galen Fiss, 209 pound senior from Johnson, Kansas.

Already a first-string line-backer, a spot he has held since his first game as a sophomore, Fiss will shoulder the double-duty role.

Behind Fiss, Kansas can present another lettered fullback, Frank Sabatini, Chicago junior, a swift 185-pounder, and two sophomores, Marvin Kinnett, 190-pounder from Kansas City, Mo., and Ken Harper, 183, of St. John.

Sabatini broke into six games as a sophomore last year, carrying 13 times for a net gain of 49 yards. Kinnett and Harper labored on the B-team as freshmen.

The Jayhawks meet Texas Christian University at Lawrence on September 20.

Colorado . . .

There is a firm and growing suspicion at the University of Colorado that the Buff's passing game will be something more than a mere implement of diversification during the approaching 1952 football campaign.

That intelligence was given more authority in a recent scrimmage session when the "regulars" came by air for six touchdowns against a resolved but befuddled band of reserves. The reason for this aerial success was crisper passing than before and unusually adept receiving.

Zack Jordan, the senior tailback from Denver who led the nation's punters two years ago, has virtually sailed away the No. 1 job with the Buffs this fall by dint of his pin-point pitching.

Coach Dal Ward and his aides long have suspected that Jordan could develop into a topflight tosser, but knew he lacked necessary confidence.

Jordan has developed that confidence in early drills and much of the credit can be deposited in favor of six-three Gary Nnafele, a junior end.

Nnafele has displayed an uncommon talent for plucking Jordan's serves out of the air, and when necessary right out of a cluster of milling arms.

But it won't develop into a monopoly between Jordan and Nnafele. Carroll Hardy, the slippery sophomore from Sturgis, S. D., and Ron Johnson are proving pretty fair hands at passing, as is senior quarterback Roger Williams. Lefthanded Frank Bernardi gives CU an added pass threat on reverse plays.

Veteran Tom Evans, along with Jerry Ravelling and Carl Fisher round out a quartet of capable offensive ends.

This is not to say that Ward's single-wing will decrease ground attack intensity. But the defensive unit that concentrates on the Buff's famed overland game might find itself the victim of floating footballs.

By GLENN NELSON Sports Editor

Coach Bill Glassford's end situation took a dive Monday when starting end George Paynich was counted out for the season and termed "in serious condition."

The Des Plaines, Ill. senior is in St. Francis Hospital in Evanston, Ill., with an ulcer which has been ruptured. He has received 12 blood transfusions.

Paynich had left the Husker camp Saturday after it had broken up until Monday to allow the players to prepare for classes. He was in Chicago to take examinations for foreign service when his condition was discovered.

This made the fourth Husker end from the '51-'52 squad who was unavailable for duty as head coach Glassford sent his charges through rugged paces



Courtesy Lincoln Journal

GEORGE PAYNICH . . . Starting end George Paynich, who was suddenly rushed to a hospital in Evanston, Ill., has been declared unable to play football this season for Nebraska. The two-year letterman's ailment was described as a "perforated ulcer."

in preparation for the season opener with South Dakota Saturday. Bill Giles, Ted James and Jerry Yeager are three others who are not playing at the moment.

Giles, a letterman last year, and James have given up the sport in favor of cracking the books.

Yeager, junior end from Hastings, is sidelined with a broken thumb. The tough defensive end is on the doubtful list for the Saturday contest.

Coach Glassford lined up his remaining end strength in this order—Ted Connor, Bill Schabacker, Dennis Emmanuel, George Mink, Andy Loehr, Ken Reiners, Ken Moore and Don Hewitt.

When asked to stack up his starting offensive lineup as it would appear if the game would

be played Monday, Glassford listed the following: Ends, Schabaker and Emanuel; tackles, Jerry Minnick and either Harvey Goh, Jim Oliver or Ed Husman; guards, Jerry Paulson and Kay Curtis; center, Bob Oberlin; quarterback, either John Bordogna, Dan Brown or Duane Rankin; halfbacks, Bob Reynolds and Dierks Ralston; and George Cifra, fullback.

No members of the squad will be cut until after the South Dakota game. The Scarlet mentor plans to have every varsity squad member suited up for the game.

The squad worked on pass offense, ball handling, starting and blocking assignments Monday.

The Cornhuskers will stay at the Ag College Friday night and return to the city campus shortly before game time.

The injured list Monday included Max Kennedy, halfback; Reiners, Stu Thorell, fullback; Yeager, Ed Gazinski, fullback; George Prochaska, guard.

Only Gazinski and Prochaska are definitely out of the picture for the Dakota skirmish.

IM Managers Call Meeting

With the opening of the fall semester comes the call for the first meeting of intramural sports managers.

The University intramural department has asked all intramural managers to attend the fall meeting at the Physical Education building, room 114, Thursday, September 18 at 7 p.m.

The topics to be presented to the fraternity, church, and independent leaders will be the year's schedule and eligibility rules.

All touch football entries are to be in September 22 at 5 p.m. Fall tennis lists should be in September 23 at 5 p.m., fall golf entries are due September 27, and the starting offensive lineup as it would appear if the game would October 10.

New Prep Predicted Leaders

By BOB SERR Sports Staff Writer

From first game indications throughout the state, it appears that the ratings in all classes will include new leaders. Lincoln High, Oakland and Harvard were all treated roughly in their openers. Holy Name has lost practically their whole team from last year in preparing for their opener with Northeast.

The Links, although winning, were pressed by a rejuvenated Central team. Coaches Frank Smagacz and Ken Kennedy should build the Eagles into a winner.

Northeast, Scottsbluff, and North Platte opened with impressive victories and should rank high. Omaha, Benson, surprised observers by dumping Tech while Alliance, among the leaders last year, was defeated by Sidney.

Grand Island was unimpressive in their opener while Falls City and Norfolk started well.

Blair, Syracuse, and Aurora pulled surprises in Class B games. Holy Name has only one regular back, but Coach Box Engelbritton has always built the Ramblers into a winner.

Minden and Broken Bow will be perennial powers again, while St. Bonaventure should threaten the leaders.

Class C and D winners both took it on the chin in their inaugurals. Oakland dropped its first game in 11 starts as Valley was overpowering in a 19-7 game. Cambridge and Rushville took easy decisions and should fight it out for the top spot.

D leader Harvard was held to a tie by Blue Hill. Clay Center and Guide Rock won their openers to place them in contention for Harvard's crown.

This new turnover should make for new interest on the Cornhusker prep school scene this fall.

KU, Buffs, NU Challenge Okies

By HOWARD VANN Sports Staff Writer

The usual belly-hoo about who will win the Big Seven has been going at a steady pace with the football season right around the corner.

For the past three seasons, the Sportswriters and Sportscasters Poll have picked Oklahoma to run away with the title—and they did. This year though, there was a split decision in the Oklahoma backers camp. The split was whether the Sooner record would go unblemished or tattered with one or two defeats. Nominated to turn the tide were Kansas, Colorado, and . . . Nebraska.

The Kansas line and backfield possess weight and power to back up their rating. The Buffs parade an array of fast, powerful and experienced backs topped by Carrol Hardy. Another boy to watch, a lineman in the truest sense, is Don Greenwood.

Nebraska offers newly acquired experience and depth in their reserves. Bobby Reynolds, who showed some of his Sophomore form in the Miami game last season, is being depended on to again flash some of his power. The line is bigger and will have power in such boys as Jerry Minnick, Verl Scott, and Carl Brasse.

With one or two breaks and some good blocking, Nebraska could throw a cog in Oklahoma's championship hopes.

Year	Picked To Win	Previous Predictions									
		TP	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	TP	
1946	Missouri	40									83 1/2
1947	Kansas	51									135 1/2
1948	Missouri	48									283 1/2
1949	Oklahoma	51 1/2									340 1/2
1950	Oklahoma	54 1/2									387
1951	Oklahoma	57 1/2									394

a packing plant and played baseball and golf.

Duane Hueneke, tackle from Grand Island, who left two years ago for military service, will be back this fall. Jerry Yeager, end from Hastings, stacked hay on a ranch near Whitman. Jim Yelsley, fullback, worked as a railroad section man out of Maryville, Missouri.

Harvey Goh, Lincoln tackle, worked for a construction company "mixing cement by hand." Andy Loehr, end from Turtle Creek, Pa. worked for a switch and signal crew. John Machisic, Turtle Creek guard was stymied by the steel strike in his efforts at a summer job in his home town.

Gym Coach



Courtesy Lincoln Journal

GYMNASTS WANTED . . . Gymnastics Coach Jake Geier requests that all varsity, freshmen, and others interested in working with the gym squad report to room 108 in the PE Building Sept. 22 at 4 p.m. Equipment will be checked out at that time.

Bill Thayer, 165-pound halfback from Rapid City, S.D., and a sophomore, is beginning to draw particular attention as the Cornhuskers drill for the season's opener against South Dakota, September 20.

Bill is the artful dodger type when he tucks the ball beneath his arm. He should improve rapidly as the season progresses, Coach Bill Glassford believes.

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