

## The Lineup

From Under The  
Tarpaulin At KU

Chuck Klasek

## Rain Helps Huskers . . .

It always happens. For two long months, the state of Nebraska has not been blessed with rain, but the minute 6,000 Husker fans migrate to Kansas for a weekend of football, it not only rains or drizzles—it pours. Nevertheless the spirit of the Cornhusker fans was not dampened, nor did the downpour clog the horns of the meager Nebraska Pep Band—they were all behind the team until the final gun sounded. No one could miss the unison of voices from the northern end of the stadium as they counted out loudly the final 30 seconds of the game.

Thanks to the tarpaulin (which was used to cover the playing field before the game) stacked on the track around the field, we were able to watch the game and still keep fairly dry. It can be denied that the drenching rain falling during the last half of the game did not work to the advantage of Nebraska. Two costly fumbles by the Kansas backfield late in the game set up the final NU score.

As the game ended and a joyful Husker throng emerged on the muddy playing field, you could not help but notice one player on the Jayhawk bench—a complete picture of dejection. Jerry

Robertson, ace Kansas quarterback, sat hunched in his seat, raincoat around his shoulders, and head bowed. He was removed from the game by Coach J. V. Sikes, after the winning Nebraska touchdown was scored in favor of the dazzling Gil Reich. It was the second of Robertson's two bobbles that gave the Huskers the ball on the Kansas 27-yard line.

## Defense-Offense Balanced . . .

On paper, the defensive and offensive Nebraska platoons were almost even. But it was the head-up play of the Husker line that set us both Scarlet scores. Outstanding in their play Saturday were Vern Scott, immovable Big Red linebacker, and Dan Brown, a rapidly improving sophomore secondary defender.

Many were of the opinion that Kansas outplayed Nebraska, but look at the statistics. Kansas had 13 first downs, Nebraska 10. The Huskers gained 206 yards on the ground and seven passing for a total of 213 yards and Kansas gained 114 yards on the ground and 100 passing for a total of 214 yards. The Jayhawks fumbled 6 times and Nebraska only four. Here was the difference.

## Reflections . . .

One of the most amazing performances of the 1952 football season was put on by Gil Reich in the last five minutes of the game. The way he handled and passed the soaked pigskin was a sight to see. Order on the field during Saturday's game was nil. Fans roamed the sidelines and players refused to be seated. Contrast this with the strict policing of the Memorial Stadium sidelines here at Nebraska and the calm attitude of the Nebraska players. Question of the week, "Would Charley Hoag's appearance have made a difference in the outcome of the Husker-Kansas contest?" Well, Kansas has one consolation anyway—Eisenhower won the election!

## Upsets Raise Havoc With Rated Powers

By BART BROWN

Sports Staff Writer

Oklahoma saw its bowl hopes rapidly fade after an inspired Notre Dame team upset them 27-21 Saturday. Fumbles were the key to the upset of the Sooner team that had been ranked 4th in the nation. The Sooners lost the ball five times on costly fumbles.

Billy Vessels played one of the greatest games of his career as he scored all three touchdowns for OU on runs of 62 and 42 yards, and a 28 yard pass from Eddie Crowder. In 17 carries he netted 192 yards.

Sooner Larry Grigg was the goat of the game as he fumbled the kick-off with the score tied 21 all. The Irish recovered on Oklahoma's 24, and three plays scored to put the Irish ahead with very little time remaining 27-21. The Sooners fought back with the hearts of great champions as they advanced the ball to mid-field quickly, but several last minute passes by Vessels failed.

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## Secondary Star



Courtesy Lincoln Journal  
IMPROVED DEFENDER . . . Dan Brown, 180-pound sophomore from Sioux Falls, S. D., set up the final Nebraska touchdown, Saturday at Lawrence, when he curled around Jerry Robertson's fumble on the Jayhawk 27-yard line. Brown's improved ability in pass defense has been a key in the Husker's rejuvenated aerial guard.

## Mustangs, Swabs Enter Final Round

By BILL MUNDELL

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The 1952 intramural football chase narrowed down to the finals in the independent struggle and the semi-finals in the fraternity "A" race Friday evening with three contests entered in the books as official. A fourth game readied the fraternity "B" tourney for its second round of action.

The big news Friday was that it will be a re-match between the mighty Mustangs and scrappy Navy ROTC for the 1952 Independent gridiron crown. Both teams turned in impressive wins in their semi-final contests Friday to gain the final.

## Mustangs Roll

The Mustangs ground out their ninth consecutive victory of the year, stopping the pesky Rockets by a 27-7 count.

For the first time this year, it looked bad for the Mustangs who went into the playoffs tied with Phi Kappa Psi as the top teams in the University. The Rockets stunned the small crowd of spectators who braved freezing weather by striking for a second-quarter score to enjoy a 7-0 lead. It was the first time this season the Horsies had ever found themselves behind, in fact, they held the only un-scored-on mark in I-M play going into the semi-final battle.

What made it even more glamorous for the Rockets was the fact that they played the entire first half with only six men and held complete control until the final minute before intermission.

After a scoreless first-period that saw the Rockets putting on two sustained drives, carrying to the Mustang 35 and 30 before being stopped, the losers really began to roll. Two minutes deep in the second stanza they took over on their own 21 and began the drive that carried them to the first points scored on the Mustangs this year.

With Chuck Jensen and Hal Anderson throwing the leather, the Rockets ate up consistent yardage and seven plays later they found themselves with a first down on the Mustang 27. The remaining yardage was gobble-up fast as Andrews beamed a perfect strike to Rex Chichester who made an over-the-shoulder catch and outran Mustang safety, Marv Green, the rest of the way. Andrews fired to Jensen for the seventh counter and the Mustangs knew they had a game on their hands.

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was not necessarily allowing a defeat, the Mustangs began to display their power. With one minute to go in the first half, they slashed 52 yards in three plays and then from the Rocket eight, Jack Mankamyer flipped the touchdown pass to Lowell Hoyt. The half ended 7-7 as Mankamyer tossed to Don Summers for the extra point.

The Rockets didn't know it then and with the arrival of their seventh player they had high hopes, but it was all over. The favorites exploded for two tallies in the third period and added another.

Second and third places went to Lester Woodward and D. A. Young, respectively.

McWilliams went awry on the Rice-Arkansas, Oklahoma - Notre Dame, Penn State-Syracuse games and the Minnesota-Purdue tie.

Powerful Missouri remained on top of the standings with a win over Colorado down at the Mizzou campus. The Tigers have racked up an impressive 13 point defensive record in the Big Seven while garnering four straight wins.

Three more upsets of Big Seven teams were going on at the same time while MU was romping over the Buffs.

Minnesota, the favorite for title honors, was beaten by Notre Dame in the game of the week, 27-21. The whole OU backfield received recognition while playing at the powerful Irish camping grounds.

Battered K-State was stunned by Wyoming as the Cowboys rolled up their fourth win in seven games, 20-7.

The NU Huskers ruined Kansas' homecoming in a real thriller, 14-13.

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It took the Swabbers another full quarter to get worked up again but in the final chukker it was Dunning and Gibb again to close out the scoring.

The final will be the second meeting between the Mustangs and Navy. The Mustangs will be decided favorites considering their 32-0 romp in their first tussle. Navy with an 8-1 record cannot be completely counted out of the fight.

other in the fourth to wrap it up. Two plays netted the winning touchdown in the third stanza, Marv Green intercepted a Rocket aerial and returned to their 20. From there he rounded left end for 16 yards and then Mankamyer to Summers for the touchdown. The same two combined on the fourteenth point.

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