

From The Sidelines Platoon System Out; Grid Game Shaken Up

Glenn Nelson

The two-platoon system, which has for 12 years entirely changed the game of football, met its death Thursday when the NCAA football rules committee killed the free substitution rule by a unanimous vote.

In its place, the rules committee established a new rule which will not allow players to be taken from action during the first and third period and returned to the game in those periods. Players withdrawn before the final four minutes of the second and fourth quarters may return during those last four minutes.

The football iron men of years ago, who were forced to play an all-around game as both offensive and defensive performers, must return to the fold. Probably the outstanding cause of the radical measure taken by the committee is the fact that 50 smaller colleges were forced to disband their grid schedules for lack of effective two-platoon set-ups with which to oppose their larger rivals.



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Football Plans Changed

Several years of planning and training men for specialized positions by grid coaches will definitely be shaken up. The game itself next season will be greatly changed, with fewer players seeing action. This sudden change which has been thrown into the present set-up will definitely hinder the outlook of a great many football powers which depended heavily upon the two-platoon system for their strength.

The game itself is bound to be improved in several ways, however. The smaller colleges will be given a break which enables them to compete more favorably against larger schools. A player's working on both offense and defense will enable him to learn the game better and play a greater part in his team's grid glory by taking the "iron man" role.

NU's Outlook Dampened?

The big question of local value at present is, "How is this change of ruling going to effect Nebraska's outlook for next fall?" Husker backfield coach Bob Davis, himself a two-way player during his college football career, commented Friday that he has "always been in favor of playing men both ways." Davis stated that he is "definitely in favor of the new ruling, and feels that Nebraska will have many players who can easily switch into the new system."

Coach Davis singled out a number of NU gridgers who have gone both ways for Nebraska, and said that especially backfield men will be in a position to jump into the new set-up. Backs John Bortogna, George Cifra, Bob Smith, Dennis Korinek, Ray Novak, Bill Thayer, Jim Cederhult, Duane Rankin, George Gohde and Jim Velsky were among the backs Davis singled out as talented both offensively and defensively. Line-men Jerry Minnick, Jim Oliver and Bill Schabacker along with a host of other forward wall Huskers have been groomed for iron-man roles, and could fit into the new system with little work.

Head football coach Bill Glasford was out of town and unavailable for comment. This being the final edition of The Daily Nebraskan for the semester, I'd like to extend my appreciation to members of the sports staff for their performance in sports publication during the past 16 weeks.

My hearty thanks go to Chuck Klasek, able assistant sports editor, Bill Mundell, intramural sports columnist, and staff writers Howard Vann, Tom Becker, Gary Frandsen, Bart Brown, Bob Serr and Gary Sherman for their coverage of sports at the University.

NU Swimmers Defeat Hawks

Coach Warren Emery's Husker swimmers won five out of 10 events and were never behind in their 50-43 win over Kansas at Lawrence Wednesday.

It was the initial meet of the season for the Nebraska tankers, who placed third in Big Seven competition last year.

Cal Bentz, NU sophomore, was high point man of the meet, winning the 220-yard freestyle and placing second in the 440 and 100-yard freestyle events.

Gene Cotter, Husker diver who was competing for his first time in a college meet, won the diving event.

Backstrokers Lloyd Reed and Pat Healey, both swimming for the Cornhusker team, battled neck-and-neck in the 200-yard backstroke event before Reed won by inches.

The two men swam an extra length of the pool, not realizing that the race was over, before swimmers on the sidelines jumped into the pool to stop them.

Coach Emery's team meets Grinnell College at Grinnell, Ia., Saturday night. The squad will leave at 7 a.m. Saturday morning for the afternoon meet, and will return Sunday after stopping at Des Moines Saturday night.

The meet results:
300-yard medley relay—Won by Nebraska (Pat Healey, Dick Hildek, Dave Cederhult). Time—3:15.8.
220-yard free style—Won by Cal Bentz (Nu). Second Sam Petersen (K). Third Jack Fry (Nu). Time—2:26.0.
60-yard free style—Won by Mahlon Ball (K). Second Jack Fry (Nu). Third Gene Cotter (Nu). Time—3:22.2.
100-yard individual medley—Won by Dick Hildek (Nu). Second Gordon Peterson (Nu). Third Hildek (Nu). Time—1:21.8.
1-meter diving—Won by Cotter (Nu). 249.4 points; second Dallas Christman (K). 236.8 points; third Jerry Jester (K). 236.4 points.
100-yard free style—Won by Bentz (Nu). Second Bentz (Nu). Third Dave Gradwohl (Nu). Time—1:38.1.
200-yard backstroke—Won by Lloyd Reed.

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Phi Psi's Rated 1st In IM Standings Pansies, Sig Eps, Sigs Also Get Top Spots

| ALL-INDEPENDENT | |
|----------------------|-------|
| 1. Phi Kappa Psi | (6-0) |
| 2. Psi Chi | (5-0) |
| 3. Sigma Phi Epsilon | (4-0) |
| 4. Sigma Chi | (4-1) |
| 5. Rho Sigma Phi | (4-1) |
| 6. Alpha Tau Omega | (4-1) |
| 7. Rho Sigma Phi | (4-1) |
| 8. Phi Gamma Delta | (4-1) |
| 9. Phi Kappa Psi | (4-1) |
| 10. Phi Gamma Delta | (4-1) |

| INDEPENDENT | |
|----------------------|-------|
| 1. Pansies | (4-0) |
| 2. Rho Sigma Phi | (4-0) |
| 3. Rho Sigma Phi | (4-0) |
| 4. Lutheran Students | (4-0) |
| 5. Holdrege "A" | (4-1) |
| 6. Nebraska Co-op | (4-1) |
| 7. Sophomore Dents | (4-1) |
| 8. Rho Sigma Phi | (4-1) |
| 9. Rho Sigma Phi | (4-1) |
| 10. Rho Sigma Phi | (4-1) |

| FRATERNITY "A" | |
|------------------------|-------|
| 1. Phi Kappa Psi | (4-0) |
| 2. Sigma Phi Epsilon | (4-0) |
| 3. Sigma Chi | (4-0) |
| 4. Alpha Tau Omega | (4-0) |
| 5. Pioneer House | (4-0) |
| 6. Phi Kappa Psi | (4-0) |
| 7. Sigma Alpha Epsilon | (4-0) |
| 8. Cornhusker Co-op | (4-0) |
| 9. Phi Kappa Psi | (4-0) |
| 10. Theta Xi | (4-0) |

| FRATERNITY "B" | |
|------------------------|-------|
| 1. Phi Gamma Delta | (4-0) |
| 2. Phi Kappa Psi | (4-0) |
| 3. Phi Kappa Psi | (4-0) |
| 4. Sigma Alpha Epsilon | (4-0) |
| 5. Sigma Chi | (4-0) |
| 6. Rho Sigma Phi | (4-0) |
| 7. Alpha Gamma Rho | (4-0) |
| 8. Delta Upsilon | (4-0) |
| 9. Delta Tau Delta | (4-0) |
| 10. Beta Theta Pi | (4-0) |

This Ag College aggregation climb one perch since the last ratings with a 38-18 win over Vocational Agriculture.

Last time's leader Nebraska Co-op rest in sixth place this week after winning over the Dorn Bullets and then losing 33-42 to the Hoopsters, their initial defeat of the campaign.

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By BILL MUNDELL
Intramural Sports Columnist

The advance of Phi Kappa Psi to the number one spot, the climb from nowhere of Sigma Phi Epsilon and the entrance of five new teams highlight the second intramural basketball ratings. Phi Kappa Psi rules the roost in the second rankin' as the I-M cage season reaches the second break

in its schedule. All will be quiet on the round-ball front for the next weeks during exams in preparation for the stretch drive.

The Phi Psi's racked up wins four and five in their perfect record to climb from second to first, replacing the previous leader Sigma Chi which drops to fourth. The Phi Psi's trampled Delta Upsilon and

Kappa Sigma since the last ratings.

Sigma Chi split a pair of contests while falling three notches. The Sigs outtoughed Phi Gamma Delta after losing their first of the year to Sigma Phi Epsilon, last year's runnerup, by a 31-26 tally.

The Sig Eps enter the ratings this week along with four other outfits and immediately find themselves in the number three position due to their conquering of the Sigs in addition to smiting the Phi Gammas and Deltas to make their season mark read 4-0.

Top Independent-ranked Pansies climb from seventh to second this week with three newly acquired wins on their perfect record. The Pansies walloped the Cornets, Robbers and Cadavers since the last ratings while making their drive for All-U honors.

The Ramblers make a five-place jump this week and land in fifth with a pair of wins over rugged Rockets and Phalanx. The latter were fifth in the last ratings.

Alpha Tau Omega won three straight contests over the last two weeks but drop from third to sixth to make room for the climbing outfits. The Taus disposed of the Sig Alphas, Deltas and Sigma Nu since the last report.

The last four berths of the top-ten are occupied by newcomers this week. The Hoopsters gain the seventh rung with wins over the Tau Scrubs and previously fourth-ranked Nebraska Co-op while unbeaten Pioneer House, with five straight get the nod at eighth.

Two more 5-0 aggregations are found in ninth and tenth in the form of the Lutheran Student Association and Phi Gamma Delta "B." The Lutherans won three

more since the last ratings while the Weeji Fijis garnered an additional two.

Among the top-ten the first ratings, but absent this week are Nebraska Co-op from fourth, Phalanx from fifth, Theta Xi from sixth, Phi Kappa Psi "B" from eighth and Phi Kappa Psi from ninth.

The Pansies from third to first mark the Independent struggle this week. Following the leaders up the two places are the Ramblers and Hoopsters.

Behind the fourth-ranked Lutherans is Holdrege "A" this week.

Husker Quintet Must Stop Diercks To Win

By CHUCK KLASEK
Assistant Sports Editor

If the Huskers wish to win their second game of the young Big Seven cage season Saturday night, they must successfully harness the key to the Iowa State offensive attack, Delmar Diercks.

The big 6-foot, 9-inch senior center, was tabbed as "athlete of the week" for the second straight week by the 630 Club of Ames, Iowa.

Diercks won the nomination for his performances against Missouri and Kansas last week. The thin pivot counted 17 points against Missouri and 24 against Kansas as the Cyclones dropped both contests. He now leads the Cyclone squad in scoring with a total of 154 points in nine games.

As far as Coach Harry Good's quintet is concerned, Saturday's game against Iowa State is still a question. The answer lies in the condition of his two ailing forwards, Don Weber and Willard Fagler.

After being bedded with virus Wednesday, Weber returned to classes Thursday and hoped that he would be ready to go at full speed against the Cyclones. On the other hand, Fagler still is in the grips of the infection and is a doubtful starter.

However, the sudden resurgence of Forward Paul Fred-

strom, gives Good a top-flight replacement if either Weber or Fagler are not ready to go.

Fredstrom led the team in points in the Husker's 63-59 loss to Kansas, Monday, by slipping 14 points through the hoop. He also played a top rebounding game.

"They're an unpredictable outfit," Coach Good had to say about the inconsistent Cyclones. "We've gotten the job done on our home court in the last few years. If they're hot we'll have to go out and get them; if they're cold we won't have too much to worry about."

The Husker coach plans to use a zone defense until the Cyclones begin to find the range from outside the keyhole. Then he'll switch to a tight man-for-man.

If Weber and Fagler are ready, they'll start for Nebraska at the forward slots. If not, Fredstrom and Stan Mateka may get the nod. Bill Johnson will get the call at the center spot.

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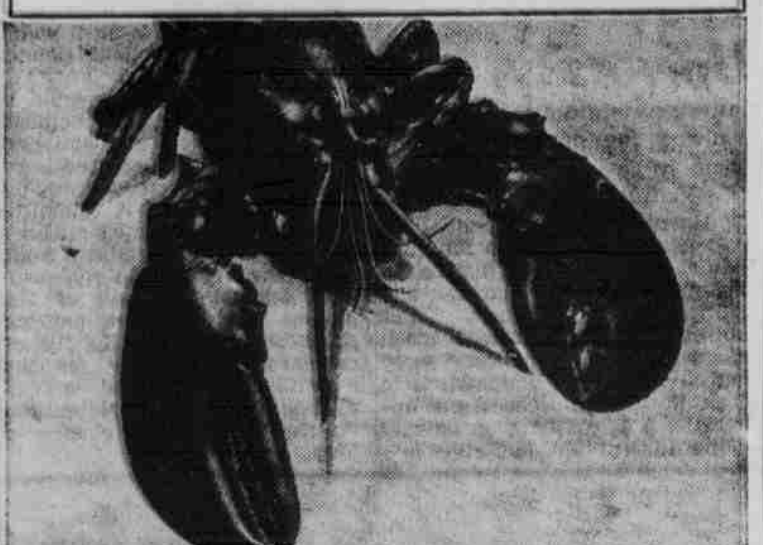
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