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Orwig, Bush, Lee Raise NU Hopes

By HOWARD VANN Sports Editor

Sports-minded Nebraskans had many things to talk about this past summer as they reviewed the situation not only at the University but also on the national scene.

Locally, fans saw the athletic set-up at the University take on an entirely new look with four major personnel changes that took place.

First came Bill Orwig, the new athletic director from Michigan. Bill had been a football coach at UM and the 1954-55 season is the first one in seven years that he has not been on the football practice field in some coaching capacity.

The new head basketball mentor could easily be mistaken for one of the players. His name is Jerry Bush, and he is one of the most personable guys that you would ever want to meet.

Jerry Lee, a name familiar to many Nebraskans, is the new track coach. Jerry coached many Grand Island high school championship teams, and many boys that have come to NU from GI have showed what coaching can do.

Don Strasheim, already a member of the NU coaching staff, is going to take over the duties of head wrestling coach.

Big Red Club

Along with the new grant-in-aid program, NU can look to the future with a little more optimism, instead of scimping on a very limited aid set-up. The Huskers adopted a more rounded program to help the athletes through school.

The Miracle Mile

The four minute mile, only a dream in the '20's, was run four times this summer. Probably the most memorable event was the "miracle mile," ran in the Empire Games in Canada when Roger Bannister and John Landy both ran the mile under four minutes.

Subway Series Out

With Cleveland clinching the American League pennant, the possibility of another all New York world series was eliminated. Casey Stengel made a good race of it right down to the wire, but "failed" in his attempt for six straight pennants.

Cornhusker Football

The players think that they have a good team. They have nothing but the best to say about their backfield and although the line is small compared to some of their opponents' lines, they still think that they can win more games than the experts give them credit for.

Big Seven Shines

Missouri, representing the Big Seven Conference, went all the way this summer in the College World Series held in Omaha. The Tigers were the sentimental favorites, but no one actually expected them to go all the way.

The Best In Sports

In closing my first column, I want to say that I will try my best to bring you, the readers, the best in sports reading. I have a fine sports staff working with me this year and along with the new set-up in the athletic department comes a new set-up in your sports department.



Courtesy Lincoln Journal

Promising Soph

Willie Greenlaw has showed that there will be to keep driving when he gets the ball under his arm. Slated for action this Saturday.

Willie should show some of the power that everyone has been talking about. Willie is just one of the fine sophomore players on this year's squad.

Lee Calls Track Prospects; Athletic Physicals Required

Coach Jerry Lee announced that there will be a meeting at 4:30, Wednesday, September 22, at the bleachers in the indoor stadium for all men not participating in football, but interested in cross-country and track and field any time during the year.

The athletic department also announced that all students who plan on trying out or participating in

any sport (not intramurals) must have a physical examination before equipment will be issued to them. The last call for physical exams will be on Tuesday, September 28 at 7 p.m. in the field house. These students include those freshmen and uppermen going out for wrestling, swimming, gymnastics, tennis, basketball, football, baseball, or track.

IM Managers Meeting Scheduled For Tonight

By SHERM NEFSKY Intramural Sports Writer

The first intramural managers meeting will be held Sept. 21 at 7 p.m. in the Physical Education building.

Managers for fraternity, church, independent, dormitory units and Ag College teams are urged by the IM department to be present. Among the topics to be discussed will be the year's schedule and eligibility rules.

The entry dates for the different sports are as follows: Touch football, Sept. 23, at 5 p.m.; fall tennis, Sept. 24, at 5 p.m.; fall golf, Sept. 24-25 and 26; basketball free throws, Oct. 4th to the 8th, at 4 o'clock to 5:30 p.m.; cross country run (1 1/2 miles), Oct. 26th, at 5:15 and basketball and golf, Oct. 18th to 22nd.

This year only singles in tennis will be played during the fall season. Doubles will be played in the spring. All interested students may enter, except those who are "N" winners at the university. In the line of playing equipment, each player will furnish his own tennis balls and rackets and have the Each player must furnish three new tennis balls for the tourney, and at the end of each match, the winner will retain the three unused balls and the loser will keep the three used balls.

The organization who wins the championship will receive the team will be presented with a medal, and trophy. The individual champ all finalists and semi-finalists will get certificates.

Qualifying dates for the fall golf tourney will be Sept. 25th and the 26th at 8 a.m. All regularly enrolled male students are eligible to play except those who have their golf letters or those specifically barred by Varsity coaches of other sports.

In the basketball free throw elimination tournament all interested students may enter the first round, except basketball award winners. Each man will complete 50 free throws. He will wear basketball shoes or shoot in his stocking feet. A man may represent only one organization. The men with the best 32 qualifying scores will be in the first flight; all others will be arranged in similar flights of 32 men. The team championship will be

Cornhusker Eleven Preparing For Minnesota Tilt Saturday

The polishing process has begun in the camp of the Cornhuskers as Coach Bill Glassford's University of Nebraska football team prepares for the season's opener against Minnesota at Minneapolis, Sept. 25.

Coach Glassford said that he planned to try again the two-unit plan, using his first string the first quarter and substituting a new team as the second quarter gets under way.

Most of the rough work is out of the way and the tapering process has begun. The only rough work this week will be Wednesday.

The Nebraska lineup which will face the Gophers is still in doubt. As it stands at the moment, there is but one sophomore, Willie Greenlaw of Portland, Me., getting the call with the first string at right halfback.

Willie is a 194-pounder who passes and kicks from the left side. He has shown a slow-go pace when carrying the ball which recalls the style of running that made Bobby Reynolds the nation's top scorer in 1950, a record which still holds with 157 points.

Greenlaw sets up blocks for his mates just as Reynolds did, and has the quick acceleration which enables him to slide past tacklers who, as will the spectators, misjudge his speed.

The remainder of the tentative backfield finds Dan Brown, a senior from Sioux Falls, S. D., at quarterback; Ron Clark, a senior from Ravenna at left halfback and John Edwards, North Platte junior at fullback.

Clark lettered at Nebraska in 1949 and 1950. He returned this summer after a 3-year service tour with Uncle Sam.

Bob Smith, senior fullback from Grand Island, will be ready for this week's test. He was top average ground gainer in 1953 with an average of 5.2 on 136 carries.

Bob Oberlin, senior center from West Allis, Wis. and game captain for the Minnesota contest, is getting the call at the pivot position with Charlie Bryanti, senior from Omaha, and Bob Wagner, senior from Lincoln, at the guards; Bill Holloran, senior from Schuyler and Don Glantz, senior from Central City, at the tackles; Jack Braley, junior from Miles City, Mont., and Andy Loehr, senior from Turtle Creek, Pa., at the ends.

Coach Glassford's hope for a two-unit assault may be realized this season. He tried it a year ago but the second unit collapsed and he was forced to return to his 11 top players, spelling them as he could throughout the game. One of the problems facing the staff is to locate a place kicker.

Center Bob Oberlin is the top place kicker but the staff has been unable to find a snapperback who can move in to relieve him. The opener against Oregon a year ago continues to haunt the Husker staff. Three different centers snapped the ball back over the heads of punters and all proved costly.

During Saturday's scrimmage Bob Smith ran well for the backfield while Don Glantz was blocking hard on the line. Pictures of the scrimmage disclosed that the team as a whole was doing everything a little better than a week ago. The line was starting faster and better, and the defensive play was much improved.

The team still plans a little more work on pass defense before Saturday's game. The team leaves Friday afternoon for their opening game against the Gophers.

New Financial Aid Program Adopted For NU Athletes

By MAX KREITMAN Sports Staff Writer

As the 1954-55 athletic season begins September 25, two new faces will be seen in the Nebraska sports spotlight. They are William Orwig, who is assuming the position of athletic director and Jerry Bush, new head basketball mentor. Orwig comes to Lincoln from the University of Michigan and Bush from Toledo U.

In addition to these two men, another new policy is being added. It is called the Grant-in-Aid fund for Cornhusker athletes. From this athletic fund, there is hope of a new era of champions at Nebraska.

The Cornhuskers are now in the midst of building its athletic foundation back on a winning level. In the past, they have tried to receive the cream of the crop with very little financial aid. But with this form of scholarship being used throughout the Big Seven, Nebraska found that it could not afford to operate under an independent system and still finish high in Big Seven play.

The new policy fits right in with the rebuilding work going on at the University. They can now hope to gain more of the abundance of the high school crop and returns they enjoyed during the pre-war years.

The scholarship has been highly approved by the Chancellor, the Board of Regents, and the Athletic Director. The aid stays within the limits of the Big Seven Conference and the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

One member of the athletic board who has high hopes for this new program is Orwig. The new athletic director thinks that this aid will draw the athletes that can help the Cornhusker cause.

First Meetings Set For Gymnastic, Tennis Men

All varsity and freshmen tennis players are to report to the Physical Education Building, Thursday, Sept. 23, at 7 p.m., for their first meeting of the year.

MEN INTERESTED in gymnastics are to report to Coach Geier, Sept. 22, at 4 p.m. in Room 104 of the P. E. Building.

Sports Writers

All people who would be interested in writing sports for the NEBRASKAN are asked to contact Howard Vann at the NEBRASKAN offices in the basement of the student union today at three o'clock. This is a fine opportunity to meet the braska athletic teams, Writers with experience are especially wanted but those without experience are also welcome.

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Courtesy Lincoln Star

Returning Vet

Ron Clark, veteran NU griddler, has returned to the Nebraska football team after being away from school for two years. Ron has showed that he has not lost any of the tricks that he had previously learned by breaking into the starting line-ups in fall practice.

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